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**The Union of Myanmar
The State Peace and Development Council**

**The Conservation of Water Resources and Rivers Law
(The State Peace and Development Council Law No. 8/2006)
The 11th Waxing Day of Thadingyut, 1368 ME
(2nd October, 2006)**

The State Peace and Development Council hereby enacts the following Law:

Chapter I

Title and Definition

1. This Law shall be called the Conservation of Water Resources and Rivers Law.
2. The following expressions contained in this Law shall have the meanings given hereunder:

(a) **Water resources** mean all water sources above and underground within boundaries of rivers and creeks, banks and waterfronts. This expression also includes water resources that flow into rivers and creeks. However, the inland water is excluded;

(b) **River** means the navigable river for commercial and communication purposes. This expression also includes rivers along border areas within

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Countries that maintain balance of power in regional and international affairs without accepting domination of others can bring about long-term interest of world peace

Special Refresher Course No 10 for faculty members opened

YANGON, 2 Oct—A ceremony to open Special Refresher Course No 10 for faculty members of universities and colleges was held at the Nawarat Hall of the Central Institute of Civil Service (Phaunggyi) in Hlegu Township, Yangon Division this morning with

an address by Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thein Sein. Also present on the occasion were Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, the ministers, the Yangon Mayor, the Chair-

man of Civil Service Selection and Training Board, the deputy ministers, members of CSSTB, departmental heads, the Rector of CICS and the heads of department, course instructors and trainee faculty members.

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Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein delivers an address at Special Refresher Course No 10 for faculty members. — MNA

Emergence of the State Constitution is the duty of all citizens of Myanmar Naing-Ngan.

PERSPECTIVES

Tuesday, 3 October, 2006

Try to become a modern and efficient force

Administrative machinery is the main pillar of the political, economic and social sectors of the nation. Therefore, it is necessary for the administrative machinery to be strong, active, smooth and effective.

Regional administrative machinery at different levels are made up of personnel of the Myanmar Police Force and General Administration Department and they are conscientiously carrying out the tasks of ensuring community peace, stability, development and bettering living conditions of the people.

Measures are now being taken to transform the Myanmar Police Force in form as well as in essence and considerable success has been achieved in community peace and stability, the rule of law and the fight against narcotic drugs.

Members of the police force are responsible for ensuring that people abide by the law. Therefore, they must try to set good examples and be role models for the people by living within the framework of the law.

MPP members are required to make constant efforts to expose crimes with firm evidence and prompt investigation, safeguard the judicial pillar and for their organization to become effective and efficient.

Now is the time when the government and the people are building a peaceful, modern, developed and discipline-flourishing democracy. At a time like this, we would like to call on members of the Myanmar Police Force who belong to the administrative machinery to develop self-discipline and lead a moral life. For, only then will they become a modern and efficient force and be able to serve the best interests of the nation and the people.

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Republics Destroy

- * Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- * Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- * Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- * Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

Health care services, assistance provided to the aged

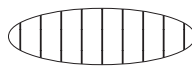
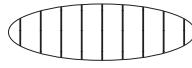
YANGON, 2 Oct—The Yangon Command Maternal and Child Welfare Association organize a ceremony to provide health care services and assistance to elderly persons at the command today.

It was attended by Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Hla Htay Win and wife Daw Mar Mar Wai, Chairperson of Yangon Division Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee. The commander and wife presented gifts to the senior citizens. Daw Mar Mar Wai explained latest developments on health care services to older people.

The commander presented certificates of honor to the well-wishers who donated traditional medicines worth K 892,100.

An old person expressed gratitude. The commander and wife also presented clothes, provisions and traditional medicines worth K 652,000 to the aged and inspected activities on health care provided by staff of the Department of Traditional Medicine to the aged. — MNA




Commander
Brig-Gen Hla Htay
Win gives gifts to
an older person.
 MNA


Foreign Minister felicitates Korean counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct — On the occasion of the National Foundation Day of the Republic of Korea which falls on 3 October 2006, U Nyan Win, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Ban Ki-moon, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Republic of Korea. — MNA

Foreign Minister sends felicitations to Germany

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Herbal plants garden to be set up

NAY PYI TAW, 29 Sept — A meeting was held at the natural herbal plants garden here today for establishing a natural herbal plants garden in Nay Pyi Taw. Present at the meeting were Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Mayor Col Thein Nyunt, Deputy Minister for Ministry of Health Dr Paing Soe, directors-general of the departments, managing directors and officials concerned.

The minister made an opening speech, and the

officials gave an account of work progress. In response, the minister gave instructions on establish-

ment of a 135-acre garden in accordance with the guidance given by the Head of State.

He inspected the herbal plantations and fulfilled the requirements. MNA



Minister Col Thein Nyunt inspects herbal plants in the herbal garden.
 MNA

Surayud says one week needed for new interim Cabinet

BANGKOK, 2 Oct — Thailand's newly appointed Prime Minister Surayud Chulanont promised on Sunday to bring a fair and uncorrupted government to the country.

General Surayud said it will take him about one week to select the 35 Cabinet ministers. "After

that I will explain the government policies to create more confidence for investors," he told reporters at his first Press conference as Premier shortly after receiving a royal command endorsing his appointment as Thailand's 24th Prime Minister.

He said he is looking for ministers who are knowledgeable, politically neutral and willing to work.

When asked about what kind of prime minister he would become, the retired general and previous Privy Councillor responded, "I would be a prime minister as what I am now."

As to the type of Cabinet he would bring to country, Surayud said it would be a fair and uncorrupted Cabinet.

Asked about his economic policy, he said he would focus on "the happiness of the people rather than the GDP".

MNA/Xinhua



Bollywood actress Aishwarya Rai poses during the music launch of her new movie 'Umrao Jaan' in Mumbai on 30 Sept, 2006. The film is based on the life of an Indian courtesan.—INTERNET

California redwood confirmed as world's tallest tree

SAN FRANCISCO, 1 Oct—A redwood tree discovered in a remote California forest has turned out to be the world's tallest tree, edging out one nearby that had been the previous titleholder, a botanist said on Friday.

Humboldt State University Professor Steve Sillett told Reuters the record-setting tree, named Hyperion, is 379.1 feet (115.5 metres) tall, besting the previous record holder, the 370.5-foot(112.9-metre)-tall Stratosphere Giant.—MNA/Reuters



Israeli soldiers close a gate on the Israeli-Lebanese border in the north of Israel on 1 Oct, 2006. Israel completed its withdrawal from southern Lebanon on Sunday under a UN resolution to end a bloody war with Hizbollah guerrillas, Israeli security sources said.—INTERNET



Chinese President Hu Jintao (C) listens to the introduction of the construction of the National Stadium for Beijing Olympics in Beijing, capital of China, on 1 Oct, 2006.—XINHUA

Canadian school teacher leaves millions to charity

TORONTO, 1 Oct—A Canadian teacher who lived a frugal life but gave large, anonymous donations to people in need, has left a 4.3-million-Canadian dollar (3.8-million-US-dollar) fortune to an environmental charity.

Roberta Langtry, 89, kept her wealth a secret until her death last year. The Toronto woman had worked as an elementary school teacher and speech therapist for 55 years, quietly amassing millions, mainly from financial investments.

"She was friends with all her neighbours and they loved her but had no idea she had two nickels to rub together," Robert Borden, her executor and long-time friend, said on Friday.

Borden, who became Langtry's financial ad-

viser in 1973, said the retired teacher had been deeply environmentally conscious and incredibly frugal.

She once urged Borden to invest in a company that made plastic picnic tables in the hope that they would take off, curbing the need for

wooden ones and helping save trees.

And she did not hesitate to fire off complaints to environmental groups whose newsletters were a little too polished: "They didn't need to be that flashy, that was her opinion," he said.

MNA/Reuters



A fennec fox rests at Sunshine International Aquarium in Tokyo on 1 Oct, 2006.—INTERNET

Two injured in Delta flight evacuation in Boston

BOSTON, 30 Sept—Two people were injured when a Delta Air Lines flight to Boston was evacuated on Friday after the pilot detected smoke in the cabin upon landing, an airport official said.

Delta Flight 1908, with 40 passengers and five

crew members, completed its trip from New York's LaGuardia Airport at 7:26 am (1226 GMT) and was taxiing at Boston's Logan Airport when the pilot noticed the smoke, said Richard Walsh, a spokesman for Massport, which runs the airport.

Walsh said one of the injured people was taken to hospital, but he did not know the extent of the injuries or how they were caused. All passengers have been evacuated and the plane is now being inspected, he said.

MNA/Reuters



A girl waves a national flag in front of paramilitary policemen during a flag-raising ceremony at Tiananmen Square in Beijing on 1 Oct, 2006. China celebrates the 57th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China on Sunday. —INTERNET

Indonesia drafts tougher penalties against human traffickers

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JAKARTA, 1 Oct — Indonesian lawmakers are weighing a bill that would declare human trafficking a serious crime and make it punishable by life in prison, a newspaper reported Saturday.

According to the bill on human trafficking, traffickers who cause the deaths of their victims could face a life sentence

and a 5 billion rupiah (43,000 US dollars) fine, said *The Jakarta Post*.

Traffickers who cause their victims to suffer serious injuries, including losing their reproductive functions or contracting the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), could be punished by up to 20 years in prison.

The draft law, currently being discussed by a special committee at the House of Representatives' Commission VIII on social welfare and the government, also states that traffickers who recruit

victims by using violence could be imprisoned for up to 15 years.

The bill mandates the establishment of a national task force to deal with such crimes, it said.

The force would be led by a relevant minister and would have offices in provinces and agencies. It would be charged with taking measures to prevent trafficking.

The bill also mandates government cooperation with foreign nations in the fight against the illegal trade in humans.

MNA/Xinhua

Cellphone jamming system implemented

KARACHI, 30 Sept— The Pakistan Telecommunication Authority on Saturday implemented the cellphone set jamming system following growing incidents of snatching and theft of cellular phone sets across the country.

The step has been taken by the PTA in the wake of alarming rise in cellphone snatching and theft incidents. According to statistics provided by the Citizen-Police Liaison Committee, 39,982 mobile phone sets had either been snatched or stolen in Karachi alone between January and September this year, and some people lost their lives when they had resisted the bandits.

A spokesman for the PTA said that the authority would entertain fresh complaints at the first stage and subse-

quently a way would be devised to 'entertain the backlog'. He said that complaints would be dispatched to service providers concerned and they would report to the PTA after electronically jamming the cellphones within 24-hours.

Regional Director of the PTA Col Rizwan Hyderi, chaired a meeting at his office here with representatives of all GSM cellphone companies to ensure the implementation

of the mobile phone set jamming technology, said a PTA press release.

He said that every phone set had a unique IMEI number, which could be obtained by dialling *#06#. In case of snatching or theft of a mobile phone set, the owner should give his IMEI number and his identity card number to his service provider, which would jam it accordingly. Subscribers could contact police Madadgar 15,

PTA's toll free number 0800-25625 or the CPLC helpline number 5682222 to lodge their complaints.—*Internet*



Australian singer Kylie Minogue (L) speaks with six-year-old Megan Hondius at a book store in central London, on 30 Sept, 2006. —INTERNET

Watergate reporter exposes Iraq 'failures'

WASHINGTON, 1 Oct— George Bush suffered further setbacks yesterday in his battle to keep the focus of voters on the threat of terrorism — rather than on the mounting carnage in Iraq.

Instead he was facing scathing criticism of his Administration's record in Iraq in a new book by Bob Woodward, the veteran Watergate investigative journalist, as well as suggestions from a senior serving officer that the violence would not recede until American troops had been brought home.

Although the President

was briefly buoyed by Thursday's Senate decision to approve bitterly contested new rules on the trial and treatment of terror suspects, the White House acknowledges that it will be impossible for any high-profile prosecution to proceed this side of the midterm congressional elections on 7 November. This deprives Republicans of the prospect of seeing detainees such as Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, the mastermind behind 9/11, being put on trial before voters deliver their verdict this autumn.

Mr Woodward's book, *State of Denial*, being published on Monday, says that the White House ignored urgent warnings about inadequate troop numbers in Iraq and that an almost dysfunctional relationship has existed between senior figures within the Administration. It says that Mr Bush's top advisers were often barely on speaking terms with one another — but shared a tendency to dismiss assessments from American commanders and others about the situation in Iraq as being too pessimistic.—*Internet*

Parks and beaches on HK smoke-free list

HONG KONG, 1 Oct — Parks and beaches could become smoke-free zones of Hong Kong next year, alongside indoor venues and working places, according to the newly revised anti-smoking bill of HK Government.

The legislators added parks and beaches to the controversial anti-smoking bill last Friday. The Legislative Council bills committee on the Smoking (Public Health) (Amendment) Bill agreed to the amendment at the end of 15 months' deliberation on the bill. The committee's chairman Andrew Cheng Kar-foo said he was confident the full council would pass the amendment, but catering sector legislator Tommy Cheung Yu-yan said the amendment extended the bill beyond its original intent. — *MNA/Xinhua*



Spanish bullfighter David Fandila "El Fandi" kneels in front of a bull during a bullfight in the southern Spanish town of Algeciras on 30 Sept, 2006.

INTERNET

Chinese V-P urges enhanced cooperation in energy with Norway

STOCKHOLM, 30 Sept— Entrepreneurs from China and Norway should further their collaboration in energy exploitation and environmental protection, visiting Chinese Vice-Premier Zeng Peiyan said on Thursday.

China was promoting the exploitation of new and renewable energy sources and there was an enormous market potential in China in this field, the Chinese Vice-Premier said at a meeting with Norwegian industrialists and businessmen, according to reports reaching here from

the Norwegian capital Oslo.

"I hope that Norwegian enterprises grasp the opportunities to increase investment in the fields and broaden exchanges with their Chinese counterparts in such areas as personnel, technology and management experience," Zeng said.

He also said China

welcomed the participation by Norwegian enterprises and environment-related organizations in environmental protection projects in China.

"Norway has abundant experience and progressive technology in environmental protection," he noted.

MNA/Xinhua

Vietnam's GDP growth estimated at 7.8% in first nine months

HANOI, 30 Sept — Vietnam is estimated to record gross domestic product (GDP) growth of 7.8 per cent in the first nine months of this year, Vietnam News Agency reported Thursday.

Between January and September, the industry sector is estimated to record an increase of 16.8 per cent in production value. Meanwhile, the country is set to gain export earnings of 29.4 billion US dollars in the first nine months, a year-on-year rise of 24.2 per cent. Vietnam is expected to witness a GDP growth of 8-8.2 per cent in 2007, Vietnamese Minister of Planning and Investment Vo Hong Phuc said at a recent domestic meeting, noting that it has targeted an economic growth of 8 per cent in 2006 and more than 8 per cent in 2007.—MNA/Xinhua



A Klingon mask used as a prop from the television series "Star Trek" sits on display during a preview of the auction "40 Years of Star Trek: The Collection" at Christie's auction house in New York on 29 Sept, 2006.—INTERNET

Microsoft to invest \$100m in China over five years

BEIJING, 30 Sept — US computer giant Microsoft plans to invest 100 million US dollars in China over the next five years, said Microsoft China chief executive Chen Yongzheng on Wednesday.

The investment plan was widely regarded as a reward for China's anti-piracy efforts. The US company has already invested 65 million dollars in three Chinese software enterprises this year.

China Business News

reported sales of personal computers installed with authorized software systems rose from 25 per cent in the last quarter of 2005 to 48 per cent in the first quarter of this year in China. This was partly due to Microsoft's two-billion-dollar purchasing contract with Chinese PC producers Lenovo, Tsinghua Tongfang, Fangzheng and TCL early this year.

MNA/Xinhua

"Indian" ties up with German bank for aircraft purchase

NEW DELHI, 30 Sept — Public sector airlines, Indian, has tied up with a premier German bank to finance the first ten of the 43 aircraft it has ordered from the European manufacturer Airbus Industrie.

German national bank KfW would loan 540 million US dollars to Indian for these ten aircraft, following which negotiations would again be launched for the remaining planes, Indian CMD Vishwapati Trivedi told reporters in an informal interaction here.

The ten aircraft, a mix of A-319s, A-320s and A-321s, would be inducted by 2008, he said, adding that the first A-319 would land here on 19 October.

The government has granted a sovereign guarantee on 36 per cent of the entire amount of loans to be taken by the state-owned carrier.

With two wide-bodied A-330-200 to be leased by the domestic carrier before the next summer season, Indian plans to expand its international route network to Australia,

South Africa, Hong Kong and the Britain, Trivedi said, adding though London Heathrow was "not on priority right now".

Not on questions on renewal of the insurance cover for its fleet, Trivedi said the carrier had succeeded in reducing the entire premium burden by as much as five million dollars or 31 per cent, compared with the previous year.

Public sector New India Assurance Company has been selected for providing a coverage worth 750 million dollars.

"The reduction (in the premium) of 31 per cent is for the entire fleet of the Indian and its subsidiary Alliance Air," Trivedi said, adding that the valuation of the aged Boeing 737s and the A-300s have been rationalized and reduced.

MNA/PTI



A Lebanese youth plays on a car that was destroyed during the recent conflict between Israel and Lebanon's Hezbollah, in a Beirut suburb on 29 Sept, 2006.—INTERNET

Japanese fishing ship sinks off coast of Mozambique

LUANDA, 30 Sept — Japanese registered fishing ship Ryoei Maro has sunk in a collision with a Thai vessel, off the coast of Angoche District, in the northern Mozambican province of Nampula, according to a report received here Friday by Noticias daily of Mozambique's capital Maputo.

The Mozambican authorities are working to rescue the 22 crew members, seven Japanese and 15 Indonesians, who had been transferred to the Thai Tengone BH3102, after the collision, which occurred in the small hours of Thursday, said the report. The rescue boat, hired by the Angoche Maritime Administration from a local fishing company, went to the site of the accident, some 46 miles (73.6 kilometres) off the coast, at about 6 am.—MNA/Xinhua

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the territory of the Union of Myanmar;

- (c) **Creek** means the navigable small rivers for commercial and communication purposes;
- (d) **Waterway** means the channel along which vessels can ply safely. This expression also includes navigation channel which can only be used with the aids of navigational safety signals;
- (e) **Vessel** means powered vessel, non-powered vessel and any other kind of vessel that can navigate from one place to another with passengers and cargoes. This expression also includes timber and bamboo rafts;
- (f) **River-creek boundary** means the water area within banks on both sides of rivers and creeks. This expression also includes shoals, sand bars and islands. However, islands adjoining with land are excluded.
- (g) **Bank boundary** means steep or slope banks between the lowest water level and highest water level;
- (h) **Waterfront boundary** means the land area adjoining with bank boundary prescribed in accordance with the Law to carry out the works of bank protection, waterway training and river-creek improvement;
- (i) **Jetty** means the bridge constructed in the river for vessels to berth, and to enable passengers to embark and disembark and cargoes to be loaded and unloaded;
- (j) **Pier** means the pontoon bridge anchored in the river and adjoining with bank for vessels to berth, and to enable passengers to embark and disembark and cargoes to be loaded and unloaded;
- (k) **Landing stage** means the small bridge on the water for boats to berth and to enable people to bathe and draw water;
- (l) **Waterway training structure** means revetment, diversion groynes, securing groynes, branch closing groynes, silt spurs and wave protection, constructed for river training;
- (m) **Environmental impact** means polluting the environment or damaging ecosystem caused by vessels plying in the rivers and creeks or factories, mills, workshops and dwellers near rivers and creeks;
- (n) **Directorate** means Directorate of Water Resources and Improvement of River Systems.

Chapter II

Aims

- 3. The aims of this Law are as follows:
 - (a) to conserve and protect the water resources and rivers system for beneficial utilization by the public;
 - (b) to smooth and safety waterways navigation along rivers and creeks;
 - (c) to contribute to the development of State economy through improving water resources and river system;
 - (d) to protect environmental impact.

Chapter III

Duties and Powers of the Ministry of Transport

- 4. The duties and powers of the Ministry of Transport are as follows:
 - (a) directing to carry out waterways conservation works based on the suggestions of the Department, for long-term durability of bridges spanning rivers; if necessary, co-ordinating with the relevant ministry;
 - (b) notifying the land boundary as waterfront boundary adjoining with bank boundary required to carry out the works of bank protection, waterway training and river-creek improvement;
 - (c) giving guidance to the Directorate for prescribing the necessary terms and conditions relating to navigation of vessels in the rivers and creeks for conservation of water resources, rivers and creeks;
 - (d) scrutinizing and issuing permit on application to salvage the sunken ship at river-creek boundary, bank boundary and waterfront boundary for economic purpose;
 - (e) determining navigation pilot charge, harbouring charge and other charges relating to conservation of rivers and creeks;
 - (f) communicating with local and foreign government departments and organizations for conservation of water resources, rivers-creeks and carrying out thereof;
 - (g) carrying out in accordance with the relevant international conventions, regional agreements and bilateral agreements for environmental conservation implemented by the Union of Myanmar for conservation of water resources, rivers and creeks.

Chapter IV

Duties and Powers of the Directorate

- 5. The duties of the Directorate are as follows:
 - (a) carrying out so as not to cause moving of urban ports and to keep the waterways good and for perpetual use;
 - (b) making arrangements and carrying out to prevent erosion of towns and villages due to changes of river and creek course;
 - (c) making arrangements and carrying out so as not to adversely affect the environment in and around river and creek;
 - (d) determining dangerous water levels for towns; in so determining, cooperating with relevant government departments and organizations;
 - (e) giving necessary assistance to relevant government departments and organizations when co-ordinating to utilize river water as drinking water, for domestic use and for agricultural use the whole year round;
 - (f) protecting and maintaining the waterways of border rivers so as not to lose State-owned land, and making arrangements thereof;
 - (g) submitting report to the Ministry of Transport with recommendations after surveying and inspecting the waterways of river and creek for long term durability of bridges spanning rivers;
 - (h) prescribing terms and conditions to prevent water pollution, and supervising thereof;
 - (i) carrying out to deepen river courses and to increase cargo tonnage of vessels;
 - (j) carrying out works of technology related to hydro-technology, dredging and disposal of waste, required in the rivers to prevent silting up of rivers and creeks;
 - (k) removing and clearing objects obstructing watercourse of rivers and creeks;
 - (l) removing vessels berthed, anchored, grounded or sunken causing obstruction or danger to plying vessels at urban and rural ports and narrow rivers-creeks and waterways;
 - (m) prohibiting anchorage of vessels at sites where there are underwater electric power cable connection, telecom cable connection, gas pipeline, water pipeline or underwater tunnel, and removing vessels anchored within the distance prohibited;
 - (n) collecting navigation pilot charge, harbouring charge and other charges and fees relating to conservation of rivers and creeks;
 - (o) carrying out other functions and duties assigned by the Ministry;
 - (p) submitting a report on performance of its duties to the Ministry.
- 6. The powers of the Directorate are as follows:
 - (a) granting permission after examining the application for permission to carry out the construction of switchback, dockyard, wet dockyard and water-tight dockyard, building of jetty and landing stage and vessel landing by drainage in the river-creek boundary, bank boundary and waterfront boundary;
 - (b) permitting, after scrutiny, to pile sand, shingle and other heavy substances within the bank boundary and waterfront boundary;
 - (c) issuing recommendation to the relevant government department and organization in respect of application for construction of buildings and bridges in the river-creek boundary, bank boundary and waterfront boundary;
 - (d) determining of waterway grade, issuing information on opening and closing of waterway and warning on the use of waterway from time to time;
 - (e) determining the size of vessel and number of barges to ply along each waterway, and determining of draught;
 - (f) choosing site in the river for the inland vessels to dock, demarcating of port boundary and opening and closing thereof;
 - (g) issuing recommendation to the relevant government department and organization after scrutiny as to whether or not the waterways of the rivers-creeks can be affected adversely, on the application to grant permit for business of sand suction, sand dredging, sand excavating, rivers shingle suction, panning for gold, gold mineral dredging or extracting resources in river-creek boundary, bank boundary and waterfront boundary;
 - (h) issuing notifications prescribing terms and conditions in accordance with the guidance of the Ministry in respect of the navigation of vessels in rivers and creeks for conservation of water resources, rivers and creeks.
- 7. The Directorate may, if necessary, delegate its functions and duties to the State or Divisional Offices, Sub-State or Sub-Divisional Offices and Sub-Regional Offices subordinate to it.

Chapter V

Prohibitions

- 8. No person shall:
 - (a) carry out any act or channel shifting with the aim to ruin the water resources and rivers and creeks.

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- (b) cause the wastage of water resources wilfully.
9. No person shall destroy, cause damage or cause collision of vessel with the river training structure either wholly or partly.
10. No person shall anchor the vessels where vessels are prohibited from anchoring in the rivers and creeks.
11. No person shall:
- (a) dispose of engine oil, chemical, poisonous material and other materials which may cause environmental damage, or dispose of explosives from the bank or from a vessel which is plying, vessel which has berthed, anchored, stranded or sunk.
 - (b) catch aquatic creatures within river-creek boundary, bank boundary or waterfront boundary with poisonous materials or explosives.
 - (c) dispose of disposal soil and other materials from panning for gold, gold mineral dredging or resource production in the river and creek, into the river and creek or into the water outlet gully which can flow into the river and creek.
12. No person shall carry out growing of garden, digging, filling, silt trapping, closing pond, dyke building or erecting spur in the river-creek boundary, bank boundary and waterfront boundary without the permission of the relevant government department and organization.
13. No person shall carry out sand suction, sand dredging, sand excavating, river shingle suction, panning for gold, gold mineral dredging or resource production for commercial purpose in the river-creek boundary, bank boundary and waterfront boundary without the recommendation of the Directorate.
14. No person shall carry out sand suction, sand dredging, sand excavating, river shingle suction, panning for gold, gold mineral dredging or resource production from the sandbank maintained for prescribed river training work, prohibited place in the river and creek or the watercourse.
15. No person shall carry out the construction of switchback, dockyard, wet dockyard, water-tight dockyard, building of jetty, pier, landing stage or vessel landing by drainage in the river-creek boundary, bank boundary and waterfront boundary without the permission of the Directorate.
16. No one shall:
- (a) ply a vessel which is not in conformity with stipulations regarding the size, horse power and number of flat in the river-creek.
 - (b) ply a vessel which is not in conformity with the prescribed draught in the river-creek.
17. No one shall, without abiding by the signal for the vessels to halt and wait by the responsible person as river training work, surveying work, dredging work, navigation work or obstruction clearance work is being carried out, ply the vessel passing through.
18. No one shall drive loading goods above the loaded draught or ply outside the demarcation channel.
19. No one shall dispose of any substance into the river-creek that may cause damage to waterway or change of watercourse from the bank or vessel which is plying, vessel which has berthed, anchored, stranded or sunk.
20. No one shall:
- (a) cast the fishing net, lay net, drift net, set up net which may cause silting or blocking of the watercourse in river-creek.
 - (b) cause collision of the vessel with piles of bridges spanning the river.
21. No one shall:
- (a) build lavatories unsuitable to the urban and rural community life-style in the bank area and watercourse area.
 - (b) drill well or pond or dig earth without the permission of the Directorate.
22. No one shall, without the permission of the Directorate, pile sand, shingle and other heavy materials for business purposes in the bank area and waterfront area.
23. No one shall:
- (a) without the permission of the Ministry of Transport, salvage the sunken vessel for business purposes.
 - (b) without the permission of Directorate, build structures and bridges

in river-creek boundary, bank boundary and waterfront boundary.

- (c) destroy or cause to destroy or remove the navigation symbols, mile posts or navigation marks without the permission of the Directorate.
24. No one shall:
- (a) violate the conditions relating to navigation of vessels in rivers and creeks prescribed by the Directorate for conservation of water resources, rivers and creeks.
 - (b) violate the conditions prescribed by the Directorate so as not to cause water pollution and change of watercourse in rivers and creeks.

Chapter VI
Penalties

25. Whoever violates any of the prohibitions contained in sections 8, 9, 15 or section 23 may, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 years or with fine not exceeding kyats 50,000 or with both.
26. Whoever violates any of the provisions contained in sections 10, 11, 12, 13 or section 14 may, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or with fine not exceeding kyats 30,000 or with both.
27. Whoever violates any of the prohibitions contained in sections 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 or section 24 may, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term not exceeding 1 year or with fine not exceeding kyats 10,000 or with both.
28. Whoever has, on conviction, been punished under sections 25, 26 or section 27 and if there is any loss and damage by his act, he shall be punished with fine for the relevant offence and shall also be ordered to pay the value of the loss and damage as compensation. If the said compensation is not paid, it shall be recovered as fine under section 386 of the Code of Criminal Procedure.
29. Whoever attempts or conspires or abets in the commission of an offence under this Law shall be punished with the punishment provided for such offence in this Law.

Chapter VII
Miscellaneous

30. Any government department and organization or any person desirous of constructing drainage, utilizing river water intake, constructing bridges spanning rivers, connecting underground pipe, connecting underground electric power cable, connecting underground telecom cable or digging in rivers and creeks, bank boundary and waterfront boundary, under the requirement of work, shall in order not to adversely affect the water resources and rivers and creeks, carry out only after obtaining the approval of the Ministry of Transport.
31. The relevant Ministry, government department and organization shall, in respect of works contained in sub-sections (c) and (g) of section 6, grant permission on works that may be permitted under their authority only when the recommendation of the Directorate has been obtained, in order not to adversely affect the water resources, rivers-creeks and watercourses.
32. Notwithstanding anything contained in any of the existing laws, action shall only be taken under this Law on matters relating to the maintenance and protection of water resources and rivers and creeks.
33. The Obstruction in Fairways Act, 1881, the Defile Traffic Act, 1907, the Inland Steam Vessels Act, 1917, the Outports Act, the Ports Act and the Yangon Ports, Act and rules, procedures, orders and directives issued under the said Laws may continue to be applicable in so far as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Law.
34. No suit or prosecution shall lie against any public servant for anything which is done in good faith under this Law.
35. Offences under this Law are determined as cognizable offences by the Myanmar Police Force.
36. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Law:
- (a) the Ministry of Transport may, with the approval of the Government, issue such rules and procedures as may be necessary.
 - (b) the Ministry of Transport may issue such notifications, orders and directives or the Directorate may issue such orders and directives as may be necessary.

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Than Shwe
Senior General
Chairman
The State Peace and Development Council

Countries that maintain balance of power...

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In his address, Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein said that changes and developments in international arena including changes in science and technology are occurring at greater pace. At such a time, constant efforts are to be made with national awareness for the nation to be on a par with changes and developments and for the people not to be struck by any evil consequence of those changes.

Moreover, at such a time like this, the emergence of a dynamic society is imperative. Only then, will it be possible to stand tall among the world community. In other words, today is the time when the entire people are to make concerted efforts day in, day out for national development.

Regarding this, it is incumbent upon the education sector to contribute its shares in bringing about national development and putting the national interest on the right track. All round development is to be realized through the strenuous efforts of intellectuals and intelligentsia.

Efforts are to be made on the basis of the education sector for development of such sectors as agriculture, farming, industry, production, commerce, transport, management and services to be in line with the advancement of science and technology.

The government has laid down and is systematically implementing the national education promotion plan for uplift of the education standards of the entire nation and for the emergence of a constant learning society. Tasks and duties of the education sector of today is immense and extensive. That is why all the faculty members are to make relentless efforts for national development through the education sector.

To bring about national development and strong national economy, to meet the food, clothing and shelter needs of the people and to enhance the

education, economic and social standards, the government has laid down the 12 political, economic and social objectives and is implementing them. In doing so, it has laid down and is implementing national projects at the respective sectors. As a result, different parts of the nation are seeing remarkable development.

Thanks to the implementation of long-term and short-term national economic plans progress has been made in all spheres on a yearly basis. And marked progress has been made in an effort to boost production and trade volume, increase the per capita income and switch to normal trade system in border trade.

In the meantime, industrial zones were established and equipped them with modern machinery, hydel power stations and small and medium power projects implemented, national grid extended and more oil and gas explored for the development of industrial and production sectors, for mills and factories to run at full capacity and for sufficient supply of electricity.

In the administrative and executive sectors, efforts are being made for prevalence of law and order, community peace and tranquillity, for the emergence of swift and proper administrative machinery and e-Government, for bringing about one-stop-service wherever necessary and for getting rid of corruption and bribery. As consequences, unprecedented progress has been made in different sectors.

Head of State Senior General Than Shwe has occasionally given guidance, calling for making integrated efforts with goodwill in order to be able to leave behind a peaceful, modern and developed nation in the hands of posterity. In accord with the guidance, dignitaries of the State are making collaborative efforts and the nation is making progress in a short time, overcoming hindrances and obstacles.



Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein cordially greets trainees of Special Refresher Course No10 for Faculty Members.—MNA

Nowadays, it is safe to say that unprecedented peace and stability has prevailed in the nation in the course of history. Thanks to prevalence of peace and stability coupled with national unity and strong national economy, the country is in the process of transition to democracy.

He said national goal can be seen due to the already-achieved national objectives. At that time destructive elements with bad attitudes are making instigation and committing terrorist acts to undermine peace and stability and cause uprising in the country.

In fact, most of Myanmar people want to earn their living peacefully. Being pious, they hate riots, terrorism and jealousy. Destructive elements with political ill will to seize the power are deliberately making honest people suffer hardships. Moreover, they are making instigation to spread discontent among the people against the government using various fabrications.

It is time to take lesson from the international events that the acts that people take to the streets for the downfall of the present government cause disunity and grudge among the people and instability in the country.

A national force without any sectarianism and can safeguard the country and lead the people is needed as long as there is such kind of situation, violence and instigation.

Only when a large number of countries that

hold non-aligned policy and can overcome the external influence emerge will there be peace and tranquillity in the world.

Big nations that attempt to dominate the developing countries should

industrial zones in border regions, extraction of oil and gas and implementation of hydel power projects on a bilateral or multilateral basis. He added that in collaboration with the neighbours and UN agencies,

principles of UN and equal opportunities for all people in the world.

Every nation has self-determination to choose the right track in the interests and future of a nation.

In an attempt to pave

Whilst far-away countries are levelling accusations that Myanmar is a threat to regional peace and security, her neighbouring nations expressing no single word of accusation are strengthening cooperation with the country for regional and economic development.

realize the fact that only countries that maintain the balance of power in the regional and international affairs without accepting the domination of others can bring about the long-term interest of world peace.

It is clearly seen that conflicts and problems grow bigger because of the one-sided intervention ignoring the historical background and prevailing conditions of the regions concerned.

Regarding Myanmar, some western countries ignore official statements of the government and assessments and reviews by the upright scholars and researchers. Based on fabricated news and reports sent by opportunists and expatriates who are unable to judge the objective conditions and developments of Myanmar and receive external assistance, they make accusations on the country and put pressure on her politically, economically and diplomatically.

Whilst far-away countries are levelling accusations that Myanmar is a threat to regional peace and security, her neighbouring nations expressing no single word of accusation are strengthening cooperation with the country for regional and economic development, said the Secretary-1.

Myanmar and her neighbors are actively cooperating in border trade, establishment of special in-

Myanmar is also taking measures to solve the problems of cross-border crimes, human trafficking, smuggling of narcotics, illegal workers and illegal immigration that the world is facing. Most of ASEAN countries including Myanmar had their history of being colonies. So they know the essence of safeguarding independence and sovereignty and they maintain mutual respects of each other. They never interfere in each other's internal affairs and they are always unanimous in assessing and deciding regional as well as international affairs.

The Secretary-1 continued that attempts to put political and economic pressures may harm the interest of ASEAN countries, the birthplace of five principles of peaceful co-existence, and Asian countries. And this will not produce any good result at all.

In providing economic and humanitarian assistance to other countries, every country should respect the international standards such as free from interference in the affairs of a country and from adopting the double-standard policy. It is not only the international standard but also vital for UN.

People of the world, including Myanmar people, should not fall victims to the political interference.

It is the time to safeguard the international morale standards, basic prin-

the way to the democracy and perpetuation of the State, the Government is making endeavours including holding National Convention.

The Government is implementing the Seven-Point Road Map to achieve its goal — emergence of a peaceful, modern, developed and discipline-flourishing democratic nation.

While the Government is facing interference in internal affairs and countering the disturbances of other countries, faculty members and people are also to safeguard and promote our integrity as a nation.

It is a duty of the faculty members to turn out intellectuals and intelligentsia who can promote and safeguard the country's interests.

In conclusion, Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein urged faculty members to strive for the promotion of education standard as part of an effort for perpetuation of the State as a sovereign nation and to participate in implementing the tasks for emergence of a peaceful, modern, developed and discipline-flourishing democratic nation with Union Spirit and Patriotic Spirit.

After the opening ceremony, Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein cordially greeted the trainees. A total of 817 faculty members are attending the four-week course. — MNA

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Departmental personnel urged to...

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At his meeting with local farmers he held discussions on proper use of fertilizers.

Lt-Gen Kyaw Win met with departmental personnel, social organizations and local elders at the town hall in Hsihseng, saying that the government has been making efforts for equal development of all regions with goodwill. Local people should join hands with the government and should work in harmony and unison for progress. He also dealt with matters relating to physic nut

cultivation and to extend rice and edible crop cultivation for ensuring food sufficiency.

Commander Brig-Gen Thaug Aye and officials also took part in the discussions.

Lt-Gen Kyaw Win and Brig-Gen Thaug Aye presented gifts, school furniture and stationery for rural schools. At his meeting with Tatmadawmen and families of a local battalion, Lt-Gen Kyaw Win urged them to take part in the public welfare task together with the local people and to extend farming for their own welfare. He then

presented gifts to them.

At Phone-inn region near Kaunggin village in Hopong Township, Lt-Gen Kyaw Win observed thriving paddy and other crop fields. After hearing reports presented by officials, Lt-Gen Kyaw Win said the departmental personnel should organize local farmers to realize the cultivation targets to ensure local food sufficiency.

Back in Taunggyi, he inspected the Government Computer College where officials explained salient points of the institution. He said teachers have the duty to



Lt-Gen Kyaw Win of the Ministry of Defence inspects a classroom of Government Computer College in Taunggyi. — MNA

produce outstanding computer technicians on whom the nation can rely. MNA

Minister inspects Insein Locomotive Shed

YANGON, 2 Oct — Minister for Rail Transportation Maj-Gen Aung Min and Deputy Minister Thura U Thaug Lwin arrived at Insein Locomotive Shed on 30 September morning.

At the briefing hall, deputy general manager U Saw Valentine of the factory and senior electrical engineer U San Myint briefed the minister and party on import of necessary items for locomotives. Tasks were carried out for maintenance of frame, engine and bogie of the locomotives.

In connection with the reports on building of the locomotives, Deputy Minister Thura U Thaug Lwin gave a supplementary report.

Next, Minister Maj-Gen Aung Min gave instructions on taking steps for realization of the guidance given by the Head of State. Afterwards, the minister and party inspected major repairs and building of locomotive and gave necessary instructions. MNA

CEC member attends USDA's AGM in Magway



Minister U Soe Tha delivers an address at Magway Division Union Solidarity and Development Association's Annual General Meeting. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Oct — CEC member of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, accompanied by responsible personnel arrived at the office of the planning department office in Magway

Division on 29 September and held a meeting with service personnel.

During his meeting, the minister clarified the tasks to be carried out and made arrangements to fulfil the requirements.

Next, Minister U Soe Tha together with Chairman of Magway Division Peace and

Development Council Col Phone Maw Shwe formally opened the billboard of USDA in Magway.

Afterwards, they gave encouragement to the blood donors in Magway Division People's Hospital and presented them souvenirs.

During the

meeting, the minister made a speech. Next, the minister and the chairman of Magway Division PDC presented prizes to outstanding students who on distinctions in the matriculation examination for 2006.

Afterwards, they accepted cash to mark the annual general meeting donated by wellwishers and presented them certificates of honour. MNA

Myanmar Gems Emporium 2006 to be launched

YANGON, 2 Oct — The mid-year Myanmar Gems Emporium for 2006 will be launched at Myanmar Gems Mart and Myanmar Convention Centre as of 19 October.

Myanmar national entrepreneurs mining gems in accord with Myanmar Gems Law as well as those selling gems according to terms will have an opportunity to attend and buy the gems at the emporium.

The Central Committee for Myanmar Gems Emporium has announced that those wishing to attend the emporium can contact subcommittee offices for administration opened at MGM and MCC commencing 3 October. — MNA

KDA condemns US interference...

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2. With regard to the decision, the US, usurping the authority of the United Nations,

(a) not only encroaches Our Three Main National Causes of the State but also impedes the progress of the National Convention being convened with the participation of representatives from all walks of life in line with the seven-step Road Map of the State.

(b) is resorting to various means to undermine the fruitful results that the Government and the peace groups have achieved — peace and tranquility, prevalence of law and order, national unity, all-round development and democratization process,

(c) is committing acts to wreck today's cohesive global relationship.

3. Therefore, the KDA hereby declares that the US interference in Myanmar's internal affairs is an act of hegemony and it is totally unacceptable and the KDA condemns and protests against such evil acts.

Signed
U Mahtu Naw
Chairman
KDA

MNA

Min Ko Naing, Ko Ko Gyi, Htay Kywe,...

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The information also said that the NCUB, formed with expatriates and insurgents, was conspiring with remnants of the underground cell of the Burma Communist Party against the nation. It organized a central committee to realize the people's struggle scheme. A committee to struggle within the bounds of law was also formed with UGs under the central committee. The dailies issued on 20 September already featured a news report about the committee in which a group of persons under the name "the new generation students", some of the so-called seasoned politicians, and some members of the CRPP and NLD were active members.

In order to prevent internal unrest and instability and terrorism, the authorities concerned called in for questioning Min Ko Naing, Ko Ko Gyi and Htay Kywe of the so-called "88" generation students on 27 September, and Min Zeya and Pyone Cho on 30 September. — MNA

Cash donated to Thantithukha building under construction

YANGON, 2 Oct—The third cash-donation presenting ceremony for Thantithukha Sasana Building under construction in the compound of the staff quarters of the Ministry of Commerce at Toeche Ward 41 in Dagon Myothit (North) Township, Yangon East District, took place at the building yesterday morning.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe of

the Ministry of Defence and guests offered alms to the chairman of Yangon Division Sangha Nayaka Committee and members of the Sangha.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe and Yangon East District Peace and Development Council Chairman Lt-Col Maung Maung Shein accepted cash donations from 67 wellwishers.

Today's donations amounted to K 12,617,700. *MNA*

Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence accepts cash donation from a wellwisher.—MNA



MoI honours outstanding students



Information Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan delivers an address at the ceremony to present award to outstanding students. — MNA



NAY PYI TAW, 2 Oct — Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan attended a ceremony to present scholarship awards to the students, who are the children of staff families winning distinctions in the matriculation examination for 2006, held at the meeting hall of the ministry here this afternoon and presented scholarship awards to them after making a speech on the occasion.

Present on the

occasion were directors-general, managing directors, deputy directors-general, general managers, directors, chief editors, the head of office, staff officers of state, division, district and township Information and Public Relations Departments, responsible personnel, staff families and outstanding students.

First, the minister gave a speech on the occasion, saying that all service personnel and

departments concerned should take harmonious measures to hit the ministry's targets. At the same time, only if all the ministries joining hands with the people residing inside the country make harmonious efforts in their respective fields will the country make progress. The development of the country will lead the entire people to a higher standard of living. Unlike in the past, the present government has already made progress. It has restored peace and stability.

The service personnel of the ministry are capable of carrying out a wide range of media functions with their superb skills. In order to enhance the knowledge of rural people, a total of 54,707 libraries could be opened in all parts of the country. Apart from these measures, Myanmar TV transmission channels have been extended for the purpose of giving knowledge and entertainment to the people. MRTV, Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association, Music Asiayon and

Myanmar Motion Pictures Asiayon are taking cooperative measures in media work in the national interests with the same mind. The service personnel are to abide by rules and regulations, laws and policies laid down by the State while performing their tasks. They are to make all-out efforts to safe guard of the national interests individually. The prize-winning students are to try their best to become the citizens whom the

country can rely, added the minister.

The parents are to supervise and control their children to become the outstanding persons in the future. Next, the minister presented prizes to five students who won six distinctions in the matriculation examination for 2006. Afterwards, Director-General U Khin Maung Htay of MRTV, Director-General of Information and Public Relations Department U

Chit Naing, Managing Director of Printing and Publishing Enterprise U Aung Nyein, Managing Director of News and Periodicals Enterprise U Soe Win and Managing Director of Myanmar Motion Picture Enterprise Col Aung Myo Myint presented prizes to a total of 36 distinction-winners. Afterwards, the minister reviewed on the reports presented by the directors-general and managing directors and made concluding remarks.—MNA



Information Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan awards an outstanding student.— MNA



German Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Dietrich Andreas welcomes U Kyaw Thu, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, at a reception to mark National Day of the Federal Republic of Germany, on 2 October.— MNA



Chinese perform kungfu during a mid-autumn festival celebration in Kuala Lumpur, capital of Malaysia, on 30 Sept, 2006. Malaysian Chinese Association held a celebration at Bukit Bintang district on Saturday to welcome the traditional Chinese Mid-Autumn festival, which falls on 6 Oct this year.—XINHUA

Wen restates resolve on reform, opening up on eve of 1 Oct

BEIJING, 1 Oct— Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao reiterated here Saturday the government's determination to advance reform and opening up on the eve the People's Republic of China's 57th anniversary on 1 October.

At a reception in the Great Hall of the People in Beijing marking the founding anniversary of the PRC, Wen said China

had created a historic miracle by achieving nearly three decades of rapid and sustainable economic growth and all-round social development.

More than 1,500 Chinese and foreign personages and senior officials attended the reception, including Hu Jintao, Chinese President and General Secretary of the CPC Central Committee, Wu Bangguo, Chairman of the NPC Standing Committee, Jia Qinglin, chairman of the CPPCC National Committee, and other members of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central Committee, Zeng Qing-

hong, Huang Ju, Wu Guangzheng, Li Changchun and Luo Gan.

The Premier pointed out that China would become a prosperous, democratic, culturally advanced and harmonious modern socialist country if it adhered to the path of scientific development.

"We'll unswervingly push reform and opening up," he said. "This trend is irreversible," he noted.

He highlighted continuing efforts to reform economic, political, cultural and social management systems and the need to encourage a hard-working spirit to create a better future.

MNA/Xinhua

Suicide bombing kills 12 before Afghan Interior Ministry

KABUL, 1 Oct— A suicide bombing occurred at a gate of Afghan Interior Ministry on Saturday, killing at least 12 persons and injuring 53 others, an official told Xinhua.

The explosion, which happened around 7:55 am local time when some staff of the ministry were reporting to work, killed 12 people and wounded 53 others, six of whom in serious condition, said Salam Jalali, a Public Health Ministry official.

Among the fatalities were two policemen, two women and a child, he said, adding most of the casualties were civilians.

Many civilians were lining up at the gate for getting passports and other papers when the suicide attacker ran out of the queue and blew himself up, a witness told Xinhua.

The injured had been carried to nearby Kabul Republic Hospital and other hospitals, another witness said.

A Xinhua reporter at the site saw Afghan police and soldiers of the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) were cordoning off the site, and some police were sweeping wreckage.—MNA/Xinhua



A woman takes pictures as Waste Man, a 25-metre tall figure tightly packed with unwanted rubbish, burns in Margate, southeast England on 30 Sept, 2006.—INTERNET

Canada says more illegal driftnet boats in Pacific

VANCOUVER (British Columbia), 1 Oct— Canadian air patrols in the North Pacific in September found more than two dozen boats likely to be involved in illegal driftnet fishing, officials said on Friday.

Canadian aircraft normally search the international waters in late spring and had been finding few of the boats in recent years.

They decided to switch some of the patrols to September based on tips from commercial fishermen.

The long-range patrol aircraft spotted at least 25 boats that were equipped with driftnet gear, 12 of which had their nets in the water, during about 10 days of patrols in September, according to Fish-

eries and Oceans Canada. Similar patrols in June spotted two boats equipped to conduct high seas driftnet fishing, which was banned by the United Nations in the early 1990s because of the environmental damage it causes.

"The (ship sightings) are definitely higher than they have been in past years, and it's a direct reflection of information we have received," said Shelly Joslin, a Fisheries officer in Prince Rupert, British Columbia.

Canadian aircraft patrol the North Pacific for several weeks each year under a joint enforcement programme with United States, Russia, South Korea, China and Japan.

Driftnets are called "walls of death" by environmental critics,

because they are more than 2.5 kilometres (1.6 miles) long and their fine mesh indiscriminately scoops up all fish and marine mammals in their path.

MNA/Reuters

Traffic accident kills six in S-W China

GUIYANG, 1 Oct— Six people, including an infant, were killed in a traffic accident in southwest China's Guizhou Province Saturday morning, local traffic authorities said.

A mini-bus carrying seven people overturned at about 7:00 am on Saturday while travelling on a highway in Majiang County, Miao-Dong Autonomous Prefecture of Qianqongnan in Guizhou, local authorities said. One person was injured in the accident.

The vehicle, carrying a license plate of southern Guangdong Province, was driving from Guizhou provincial capital of Guiyang to southern Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, local authorities said.

An investigation into the accident is underway.

MNA/Xinhua



Rescue workers at the scene of a collapsed highway overpass road in the Montreal suburb of Laval, on 30 Sept, 2006. At least five people were taken to hospital on Saturday after the overpass collapsed, emergency officials said.—INTERNET

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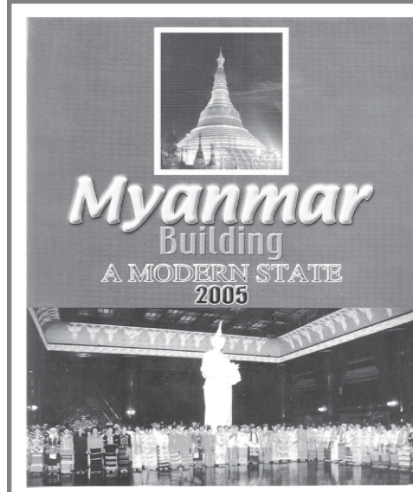
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Angolan President meets DRC counterpart on ties issues

LUANDA, 1 Oct—Angolan President Jose Eduardo dos Santos has met in private with Joseph Kabila Junior, his counterpart of the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) in Luanda as Kabila paid 48-hour visit to Angola.

The two leaders on Thursday discussed issues related to the rein-

forcement of bilateral cooperative relations, the prevailing situation in the Great Lakes region and other matters.

Concerning this visit, Angolan ambassador to the minerals rich nation, Mawete Joa Baptista, said it is for the "need of establishing permanent consultations between both leaders".

The Angolan diplomat told reporters that the two countries share an enormous border, adding that if one country faces stability or instability, it affects the other.

Kabila arrived in Angolan capital of Luanda on Thursday and was expected to return on Friday.

MNA/Xinhua

Kurdish rebels declare ceasefire with Turkey

ISTANBUL, 1 Oct—Kurdish guerillas have declared a unilateral ceasefire starting on Sunday following an escalation in violence in Turkey's southeast and a diplomatic drive against the separatist movement.

A statement on Saturday by the Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK), carried on the pro-Kurdish Firat news agency, followed a call by its jailed leader Abdullah Ocalan this week for the rebels to implement a ceasefire.

The PKK began its violent campaign to create a Kurdish homeland in the

southeast in 1984. More than 30,000 people have died in the conflict, which dwindled after Ocalan was captured and convicted in 1999. Leading PKK militant Murat Karayilan made the announcement at a news conference in the mountains of northern Iraq, where some 5,000 rebels are based and from where they launch armed raids into neighbouring Turkey.

The move came ahead of an 2 October meeting between Turkish Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan and US President George W Bush in Washington

where the PKK issue is set to be high on the agenda.

Amid mounting soldiers' casualties in Turkey, Ankara has warned that it would attack PKK bases in Iraq if US and Iraqi forces failed to act against them. Erdogan had already dismissed Ocalan's ceasefire offer, saying Kurdish militants had to give up their weapons.

The PKK, considered a terrorist organization by the European Union, the United States and Turkey, said it would only take up arms in self-defence.

MNA/Reuters

Turkish PM says Kurd rebels must give up arms

ISTANBUL, 1 Oct — Turkish Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan, speaking after a jailed rebel leader called for a ceasefire in a separatist conflict, said Kurdish militants had to give up their weapons, media reports said on Friday. Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK) leader Abdullah Ocalan issued a statement from his jail cell this week urging his guerillas to implement an unconditional ceasefire as violence in the country's mainly Kurdish southeast increased.—MNA/Reuters

Pressure builds on Irish PM over payments

DUBLIN, 1 Oct—Pressure mounted on Irish Prime Minister Bertie Ahern on Friday to explain a fee he received 12 years ago as finance minister, which has sparked a political furore so

commentators believe could topple his government. Ahern, already under fire over a 50,000-euro (64,000-US-dollar) loan from a group of friends in late 1993 which he has not repaid, insisted on

Thursday he had broken no rules in accepting 8,000 pounds (15,000 US dollars) for speaking at a dinner in Manchester in 1994.

Ahern, who has been Irish Prime Minister since 1997 and faces a general

election in the next nine months, mentioned the payment in a televised interview this week to discuss money he received from friends 13 years ago to help pay legal costs of his marital separation.

MNA/Reuters

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Guangzhou-Lhasa train service to begin operations in holiday week

LHASA, 1 Oct — The new Guangzhou-Lhasa train service linking the south China metropolis with the capital city of southwestern Tibet Autonomous Region will go into commercial operation on 2 October, the second day of the holiday week celebrating National Day.

The 4,980-kilometre journey will take 57 hours and 21 minutes.

Sources with Guangzhou Railway Group said on Saturday that three trains fitted with state-of-the-art equipment will be used for the new service.

Besides ventilation, water supply, electricity generation and central heating fittings, trains will

carry oxygen supply and anti-frigidity equipment, the sources said.

The trains, departing every other day, will have 15 carriages including two soft sleeping berth carriages, seven hard sleeping berth carriages, four hard seaters and one dining carriage.

Each train can transport 863 people.

Sichuan, Guangdong and Hunan style dishes, as well as western and Muslim-style dishes, will be available in the 40-seat dining carriage, which can stay open around the clock and be used to hold small parties. A hard sleeping berth will cost 896 yuan (113 US dollars) and a soft berth 1,434 yuan (182 US dollars).—MNA/Xinhua



Thai King Bhumibol Adulyadej (L) signs the appointment of interim Prime Minister General Surayud Chulanont which was submitted to him for approval by coup leader General Sonthi Boonyaratglin (C) in Bangkok on 1 Oct, 2006. Sitting to the right is an unidentified royal aide.—INTERNET



Actors Adewale Akinnuoye-Agbaje, Yunjin Kim, and Evangeline Lilly pose at the red carpet event for the hit TV show "Lost" during their Season 3 World Premiere in Honolulu, Hawaii on 30 Sept, 2006. —INTERNET

Breast cancer cases rise 80% since 70s in Britain

LONDON, 1 Oct — Breast cancer cases hit a new record of 36,939 in Britain in 2004, representing an 81-per-cent increase in the incidence of the cancer since 1971, official figures show.

The age-standardized incidence in 2004 was 120.8 per 100,000 people, the highest figure on record, up from 66.9 in 1971, the daily newspaper *The Independent* reported on Friday, quoting the annual statistical report issued by the Office for National Statistics.

The relentless upward trend in breast cancer, the commonest cancer in the Britain, is driven by increasing prosperity and the nature of modern lifestyles, accounting for one in three of all newly diagnosed cases of cancer in females.

Breast cancer is increasing in every age group. Among those aged 20 to 34, the disease, though rare, increased by 50

per cent in the three decades from 1971 to 2001. In the 45 to 49 age group it rose by 41 per cent over the same period.

The biggest increases have appeared in the 50 to 64 age group, in which the incidence has more than doubled after introduction of breast-screening which detects tumours too small to be picked up by a doctor performing a clinical examination.

The rise in breast cancer, seen in all developed countries, is linked with exposure to the female hormone oestrogen, influenced by changes in reproduction and diet.

MNA/Xinhua

Nepali Govt issues 35 new licences to run FM radios

KATHMANDU, 1 Oct — The Nepali Government has issued 35 new licences to run FM radio stations as of Thursday, a leading web news portal reported on Friday.

The remote districts of the country including Humla, Jumla, Rukum, Rolpa, Salyan and Khotang are among those that have obtained licences lately, according to the Ministry of Information and Communication (MoIC).

Prior to the peoples' movement in April, 56 FM radio stations including both community and commercial radios had acquired the licences. As many as 54 stations are currently operating in Nepal, according to thehimalayantimes.com website.

The community radios

are those run by community without profit motive but the commercial radios aspire to earn profit. Most of the

new licensees are those aspiring to run the community radios, according to a ministry official.

"There are still over 100 applicants aspiring to acquire licences," said the official.

MNA/Xinhua



New Miss World Tatana Kucharova of the Czech Republic sits on her throne, surrounded by all finalists of the Miss World 2006 pageant at the Congress Hall in Warsaw, Poland, on 30 Sept, 2006. —XINHUA

Miss Czech Republic takes Miss World 2006 crown

WARSAW, 2 Oct — Miss Czech Republic took the Miss World crown on Saturday in Poland's capital Warsaw, the first city in ex-Communist East Europe to host the pageant.

Tatana Kucharova, a blue-eyed blonde wearing a tight-fitting white gown, fought back tears as the Miss World sash was draped over her shoulder and a glittering crown placed on her head.

Kucharova blew kisses to the crowd and hugged her competitors, 103 women from five continents, but made no comments. The two-hour pageant was held in Warsaw's Palace of Culture, a skyscraper built as a gift by Joseph Stalin's Soviet Union, spruced up with red carpets, flowers and floodlights.

Seventeen-year-old Miss Romania, Ioana Valentina Boitor, was first runner-up.

In keeping with its conversion to capitalism, Poland is aiming to cash in on Miss World, billed as television's most watched event. A think tank calculated exposure from the pageant would help draw 5 million extra tourists to the country by 2010.

Miss Australia, Sabrina Houssami, was second runner-up. — MNA/Reuters

SPORTS



Real Madrid's Ruud van Nistelrooy (L) fights for the ball with Atletico Madrid's Pablo Ibanez during their Spanish First Division soccer match at Real Madrid's Santiago Bernabeu stadium on 1 Oct, 2006.—INTERNET

Schumacher on top after win in Shanghai

SHANGHAI, 2 Oct— Ferrari's Michael Schumacher snatched a thrilling victory in the Chinese Grand Prix on Saturday to take the championship lead with just two races of the season remaining.

Spanish world champion Fernando Alonso, who started from pole, took second place from his Renault teammate Giancarlo Fisichella eight laps from the end. Fisichella finished third.

Schumacher's first victory in Shanghai means he is now level on points with Alonso, but stands top having won one more race than the Spaniard this season.

The seven-time world champion conquered a tricky track, dampened by heavy rain before the race, and the sixth place from the starting grid for the victory, a real boost to his title hope before retirement.

Alonso had made the ideal start as he stormed into the lead after the first lap. By the fourth lap he was 13 seconds ahead of Schumacher, who was back in sixth as the track started to dry out.

But Schumacher soon picked up the pace and moved all the way up to third by the lap 20.

Alonso's bid to win the race was effectively ended by crucial errors in his pit stops, having first been left with little grips that left him chasing a huge gap.

MNA/Xinhua



Tiger Woods of the US holds the championship trophy after winning the American Express Championship golf tournament at the Grove in Watford, north of London, on 1 Oct, 2006.—INTERNET

Yang Lian impressive at weightlifting worlds

SANTO DOMINGO, 2 Oct — Yang Lian of China made her successful debut at the World Weightlifting Championships as she smashed all three world records in the women's 48kg category with ease here on Sunday.

The 24-year-old Yang took the limelight in the 48kg-class as she was always the last one to lift both in the snatch and jerk.

Yang, the national champion last year, lifted 98kg in the snatch, rewrote Turkish Nurcan Taylan's world record of 97kg set in the Athens Olympic Games.

Yang continued her momentum in the jerk as she hoisted 119kg to break the former jerk

record by 1kg, thus also created a new world record of total at 217kg, 4kg more than Chinese Wang Mingjuan set in the worlds last year.

The 26-year-old Wirathaworn Aree of Thailand settled for the silver at 188kg and Hiromi Miyake of Japan placed third with the same weight due to the body weight disadvantage.

MNA/Xinhua



West Ham United's Carlton Cole, left, competes with Reading's Nicky Shorey during their English Premiership soccer match at Upton Park, London, on 1 Oct, 2006.—INTERNET

Anthony Ferguson to supervise training programme in Bangladesh

DHAKA, 2 Oct — Renowned British football coach Anthony Ferguson will arrive here on 5 October to supervise a long-term training programme for the Under-14 footballers, local news agency

UNB reported Sunday.

The celebrated English soccer coach will supervise the second phase training programme arranged by Canary Wharf Group PLC-UK.

Sports Development

Manager of Canary Wharf Group Zakir Khan will also accompany the British coach. Earlier on 6 August, British High Commissioner to Bangladesh Anwar Choudhury inaugurated the four-year Under-14 football training programme sponsored by Canary Wharf in August last in Dhaka.—MNA/Xinhua



Manchester United's Ole Gunnar Solskjaer is congratulated by team mate Darren Fletcher. Solskjaer scored twice to put Manchester United back on top of the Premiership with a 2-0 home win against Newcastle on 1 Oct, 2006.—INTERNET

Monaco forced to remove advertising for betting firm

MONACO, 2 Oct — Monaco were forced to remove advertising boards for online betting firm bwin.com before the kickoff of Saturday's Ligue 1 match against Le Mans.

The French Professional Football League (LFP) on Friday banned its clubs from advertising any form of gambling and online betting.

An LFP official told Monaco the boards around the pitch had to be removed or the match would not start.

"Monaco insist on the fact that the decision to remove all advertising for bwin was imposed by the LFP as a condition for the match to start," Monaco said in a statement. The club added that it contested the decision by the LFP and might take legal action to

fight it.

The LFP ban came after the two joint chief executives of Austrian online betting firm bwin.com Interactive Entertainment were placed under investigation earlier this month for alleged violation of French gaming laws.

Gambling is a state monopoly in France and online betting firms are banned from seeking clients on French territory. Bwin are the shirt sponsors of Monaco and have sponsorship deals with several other Ligue 1 clubs, including Le Mans, and other leading European sides.—MNA/Reuters

Trahan wins PGA Tour title in playoff

WASHINGTON, 2 Oct — American DJ Trahan defeated his compatriot Joe Durant to take his first PGA Tour title in a playoff Sunday for the Southern Farm Bureau Classic in Madison, Mississippi.

The little-known golfer led the tournament from the opening round to seal the victory at the third extra hole when Durant missed a five-footer for birdie. The pair finished the 72 regulation holes at 13-under-par 275, Trahan firing a one-under-par 71 and Durant closing with an eight-birdie 66.

MNA/Xinhua

Qiu Le wins men's 62kg with ease at weightlifting worlds

SANTO DOMINGO, 2 Oct — Qiu Le of China won the men's 62kg category by hefting a total of 308kg to claim the gold medal in the World Weightlifting Championships here on Sunday.

The 23-year-old Qiu, gold medallist in the worlds in Doha last year, sustained his momentum to clinch his second gold medal in the worlds, although the result in total is 14kg less than his own in Doha.

Leading in the snatch at 140kg, Qiu won the category with breeze as he was the last one to lift in the jerk when others finished all three lifts.

MNA/Xinhua



Italy's Giovanna Trillini (L) and Margherita Gambassi compete in the women's fencing individual foil semi-final at the World Fencing Championship in Turin on 1 Oct, 2006.—INTERNET



The group 'Castellers de Vilafranca' form a human tower called 'castell' during a biannual competition in the northeastern Spanish city of Tarragona on 1 Oct, 2006. The formation of human towers is a tradition of Catalonia and between 100 and 200 people are needed to complete a big tower.

INTERNET

Indonesia tightens security on anniversary of 2nd Bali bombing

JAKARTA, 2 Oct — Police in Indonesia's resort island Bali tightened security on Sunday on the first anniversary of the

second bombing incident on the island.

Hundreds of police officers in uniform and in plain clothes were seen

guarding a hotel in Jimbaran Beach, where the commemoration of the bombing anniversary was held. — MNA/Xinhua



Tuesday, 3 October
View on today

7:00 am

1. ကျေးဇူးရှင်မင်းကုန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၊ နိုင်ငံတော် သံဃမဟာနာယကအဖွဲ့အဖွဲ့အဖွဲ့တော် ဆောင်ရွက်၊ အဘိဓမ္မာပာဏ္ဍိတ ရုပျာ အဘိဓမ္မာပာဏ္ဍိတ ဇောတီကာ၊ တီပိတုကဓရ၊ ဓမ္မဘဏ္ဍာဂါရိကာ၊ ဆရာတော် ဘဒ္ဒန္တဝိစိတ္တသာရာတီဝံသ၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:25 am

2. To be healthy exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning news

7:40 am

4. Nice and sweet song

7:50 am

5. ကဗျာပန်းပွဲယူပွဲ

8:00 am

6. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:10 am

7. Song of yesteryears

8:20 am

8. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:30 am

9. International news

8:45 am

10. Let's Go

4:00 pm

1. Martial song

4:15 pm

2. Song to uphold National Spirit

4:30 pm

3. အဆေသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ -တတိယနှစ် (သင်္ချာအထူးပြု) (သင်္ချာ)

4:45 pm

4. Dance of national races

5:00 pm

5. "ဆွေမျိုးတော်စပ်မယ့်" (ဒုရိမျိုးတော်လင်း၊ ဆောင်းအိမ်ဖြူကုန်း၊ ဝေဒါ) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-သက်တင်)

5:10 pm

6. ၂၀၀၆ ခုနှစ် (၁၄)ကြိမ်မြောက် ဖြန့်ဖြူးရေး ယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆို

အက၊ အရေး၊ အတီး ပြိုင်ပွဲဝင်များ လေ့လာနိုင်ကြရန် (ခေတ်ဟောင်းစားနှင့်ကာလ ဓါတ်) (ဝါသနာရှင် (ပထမတန်းအဆင့်) (အမျိုးသား)

5:25 pm

7. Sing and Enjoy

6:00 pm

8. Evening news

6:30 pm

9. Weather report

6:35 pm

10. နိုင်ငံခြားကာတွန်းဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "တာတွင်းသားငယ်လေး" (အပိုင်း-၁၄)

6:50 pm

11. ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခုန်သံ

7:10 pm

12. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်ခြင်းနှင့်အတူ" (အပိုင်း-၆)

8:00 pm

13. News

8:00 pm

14. International news

8:00 pm

15. Weather report

8:00 pm

16. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "စပိုင်ချစ်သူ" (အပိုင်း-၁၀)

8:00 pm

17. The next day's programme

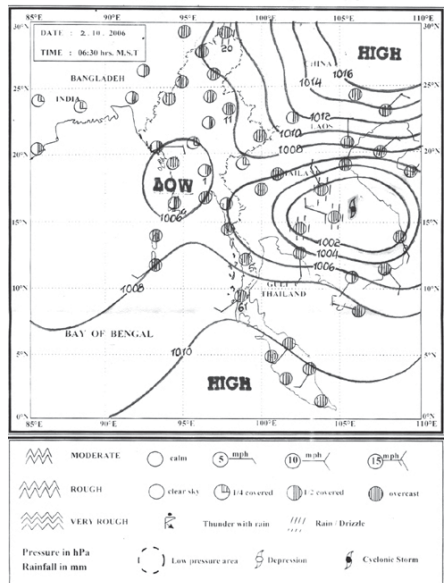
Asleep in Jesus Ma Lian Lam Cing @ Bel Bel (38) years

Ma Lian Lam Cing, daughter of (Lt Col, Son Ko Pau (Retd.)-Nu Esther Kyin) residing at Tahan Ward, Kalay Township, niece of (Nu Niang Pum-Pa Thian Pum), (U Hang Ko Cin)-Nu Vung Khan Dim (Yuzana Garden); Nu Cing Za Pau-(Pa Suang Cin Pau), Pa Tun Za Pau-Nu Cing Ko Neam, Dr Huat Za Mang-Dr Molly; sister of Dr Victor Vum Za Cin Pau-Ma Phon, Pa Peter Khup Cin Pau (Teddin Township Law Officer) Nu Niang Lun Vung, Teacher Than Than Hline @ Dim Khan Cing, Nu Men Khan Cing-Pa Thawng Za Kap, Nu Pum Neam Cing-Pa Kip Ko Khai, U Ba Thaik Kyone @ David, Tg. Khup Za Lian Thang; elder sister of Michael Van Dei Thang Daw Phyu Phyu Win, and aunt of (1) Pau Do Cing (Cing Cing) (2) Pau Khan Lian (3) Kim Mung (4) Mang Thawn Mung (5) Pau Khan Thang (6) Ta Lam Cing (7) Pau Lian Mung (8) Mang Sian Dim (9) Thang Lian Zuali (Sente) (10) Zo Sang Lian A (Ma Ma) (11) Tluang Za Kim (Zar Zar) (12) Mawi Nei Kim (Maw Maw) (13) Lian Za Thawng (Lian Lian) (14) Man Suan Cing (Suan Suan) (15) Thian Lam Uap (Thian Thian) (16) Pau Lam Mang (17) Ta Thian Cing passed away at her residence No. 35, 53rd Street, Yangon on (1-10-2006) (Sunday) at 7:00 am.

After the Funeral Service at the Yangon Siyin Baptist Church, No 152, Bo Myat Tun Street, Yangon at 11:00 am, the cortege will leave for Yayway Christian Cemetery for entombment at 12:00 noon.

Bereaved Family

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Monday, 2 October, 2006

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST: During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Taninthayi Division, isolated in Kachin, Shan, Chin and Mon States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Divisions and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining areas. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Machanbaw (2.80) inches, Kawthoung (2.40) inches, Putao (1.02) inches, Mogok (0.63) inch, PyinOoLwin (0.56) inch and Lashio (0.43) inch.

Maximum temperature on 1-10-2006 was 91°F. Minimum temperature on 2-10-2006 was 79°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 2-10-2006 was (85%). Total sunshine hours on 1-10-2006 was (6.4) hours approx.

Rainfalls on 2-10-2006 were (Nil) at Mingaladon and Kaba-Aye and (0.16) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfalls since 1-1-2006 were (93.43) inches at Mingaladon and (105.83) inches at Kaba-Aye and (109.06) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (10) mph from Southwest at (18:00) hours MST on 1-10-2006.

Special features: According to the observations at (06:30) hours MST today, the typhoon "Xangsane" over South China Sea has crossed into the coast and weaken into a tropical storm and move westward direction.

Bay inference: Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy in the Andaman Sea and South Bay and partly cloudy elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 3-10-2006: Weather will be partly cloudy in Sagaing and Magway Divisions, rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kachin, Chin, Shan and Rakhine States, Mandalay Division, scattered in Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions, fairly widespread in Kayah State, Yangon Division and widespread in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the Sea: Seas will be moderate in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of rain in Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring areas for 3-10-2006: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas for 3-10-2006: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas for 3-10-2006: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- * National reconsolidation
- * Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- * Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives

- * Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- * Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- * Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- * The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

- * Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- * Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- * Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
- * Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

Prime Minister sends felicitations to Germany

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct—General Soe Win, Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar has sent a message of felicitations to Her Excellency Dr Angela Dorothea Merkel, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany, on the occasion of the Day of German Unity of the Federal Republic of Germany which falls on 3 October 2006. —MNA

Prime Minister felicitates Korean counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct— On the occasion of the National Foundation Day of the Republic of Korea which falls on 3 October 2006, General Soe Win, Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to Her Excellency Mme Han Myeong-sook, Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea. —MNA

Departmental personnel urged to organize farmers to realize cultivation targets to ensure food sufficiency



Lt-Gen Kyaw Win of the Ministry of Defence views the fertilizer scattering on monsoon paddy plantation.— MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Oct — Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Kyaw Win of the Ministry of Defence visited a rural

health centre at Namkok village in Hopong Township, southern Shan State, on 30 September.

Accompanied by Chairman of Shan State

Peace and Development Council Commander of Eastern Command Brig-Gen Thaung Aye and officials, Lt-Gen Kyaw Win made arrangements for the

progress of the centre. At the village high school, Lt-Gen Kyaw Win inspected classrooms, multi-media teaching centre and laboratory. He urged teachers to produce brilliant local youths, while improving their own qualification, at a time when the government is

narrowing the education gap between the rural and urban areas. They should cooperate with parents, local people and local authorities, he said.

In Hsihseng Township, Lt-Gen Kyaw Win met with Tatmadawmen and families of a local battalion, speaking of the

need to discharge their national defence duties well, to crush destructive elements together with the people and to carry out regional development undertakings with public help. He then presented gifts, financial assistance and stationery to officials.

(See page 9)

KDA condemns US interference in Myanmar's internal affairs

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Oct— The Shan State (North) Special Region-5 (KDA) on 25 September issued the declaration on its stance on the decision to put Myanmar on the agenda of the United Nations Security Council.

The following is the full text of the declaration:

The declaration of Shan State Special Region 5 (KDA) on its stance on decision to put Myanmar on UNSC agenda

25 September 2006

1. Due to the submission of the permanent US representative to the UN that Myanmar situation was posing a threat to regional stability and peace, a decision was made on 15 September 2006 to put Myanmar on the agenda of the UNSC. *(See page 9)*

Min Ko Naing, Ko Ko Gyi, Htay Kywe, Min Zeya, Pyone Cho being questioned

Preventive action taken against unrest, sabotage

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Oct — Information about the perpetrations to cause internal commotion and commit terrorist attacks inside the nation has been received at a time when the US led the move to put Myanmar on the agenda of the UN Security Council in the previous month, with an accusation that Myanmar affairs pose a threat to international peace and security.

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