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Prime Minister inspects teaching of school children at temporary shelters

Nay Pyı Taw, 6 June – Chairman of National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee Prime Minister General Thein Sein, accompanied by Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win, the ministers, the Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee the Mayor, the deputy ministers and officials, inspected teaching of school children at temporary shelters of basic education schools in Thingangyun Township this afternoon and gave necessary instructions.

The Prime Minister and party visited Basic Education High School in Thuwunna in the township and looked into teaching of the students at temporary shelters of the school.

They also inspected learning of the students at make-shift classrooms made of bamboo poles and beams and tarpaulins and the Prime Minister attended to the needs.

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Afterwards, the Prime Minister and party pro-

ceeded to No. 4 Basic Education Primary School in Hninzigon Ward-A in the township and viewed learning of school children in shelter boxes. They also inspected repair of the school building and chosen site for the construction of new building for the school.

They also looked into progress of repair of No. 2 Basic Education Middle School in Ward-29, Thuwunna.

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Weather Forecast for (7-6-2008)

Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Yangon and neighbouring area:

One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Mandalay and neighbouring area: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

- Development of agriculture as the base and allround 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





Students being taught at make-shift tents of Thuwunna Basic Education High School in Thingangyun Township. — MNA

Rehabilitation works are being carried out in a systematic way

The government has worked as hard as it can in the relief and rehabilitation tasks. As the motto, "All the survivors must continue to survive", victims have been provided with relief supplies with which they can continue to survive. Now, the second pace of rehabilitation is in progress, so the authorities have allowed the victims to return home if they want to. Allowing them to return to their home places is not uprooting them or ignoring their difficulties.

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PERSPECTIVES

Saturday, 7 June, 2008

Strive for improvement of socio-economic life of local people

Most recently, some regions in Yangon and Ayeyawady Divisions were hit hard by the severe storm, causing loss and damages to those regions. But the government has been able to carry out the emergency relief operations. Moreover, it has been able to fulfil the urgent needs of the storm victims such as shelter, food and health care while restoring their livelihoods to a certain degree.

In the meantime, arrangements have been made for reconstruction of the storm hit regions, development, and improvement of the socio-economic life of local people as well as for taking disaster preparedness measures.

In reconstruction of the storm-hit regions, priority is being given to resuming of the livelihoods of local people and improvement of their living standards.

In that regard, steps are being taken for construction of collective offices, schools and departmental buildings in a more systematic and durable manner. At the same time, hospitals in Bogale, Pyapon, Mawlamyinegyun and Labutta will be upgraded to modern ones to be able to provide more health care services to local people. And new motor roads linking townships will be extended to regions close to the sea, thereby contributing much to better transport and disaster preparedness activities in the long run.

Bearing in mind that regional development and improvement of the living standards of storm victims are a national concern it is incumbent upon the entire national people to do their bit in the drive.

At a time when the government is making all-out efforts for reconstruction of storm-hit regions the entire national people including entrepreneurs are to actively take part in the campaign, and only then, will the socio-economic life of local people improve.

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People's Desire

- 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



A Basic Education High School under repair in Wabalaukthauk village, Kawhmu Township.—MNA

Sports Minister supervises reconstruction of Wabalaukthauk, **Htamanaing villages in Kawhmu Township**

YANGON, 6 June – Member of National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint, together with Departemen Kesehatanri Group led by Prof Dr Munar Lubis of Indonesia, comforted patients at the gymnasium in Kawhmu Township on 4 June.

The minister gave instructions to responsible persons of Thawdawin Construction Co to repair the gymnasium as soon as possible.

He inspected progress in repairing the halls of

Kawhmu BEHS and Wabalaukthauk Village BEHS.

At Ywale Monastery, the minister consoled the storm victims and delivered relief aid to the victims.

The minister looked into damaged Wabalaukthauk Village BEPS, building of police station, station hospital and Khadawmi monastery.

In Htamanaing Village, the minister inspected repair of the monastery. In his tour, two doctors and four nurses who accompanied the minister provided health care services to 109 patients of Wabalaukthauk Village. —MNA

Repairs of energy facilities inspected

Yangon, 6 June — Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay went to No 1 Oil Refinery (Thanlyin) of Myanama Petrochemical Enterprise yesterday morning.

The deputy minister met with Factory Manager U Pe Thet Nyunt and officials, heard reports on repairs of damages caused by the storm and inspected the repairs.

He proceeded to Thakayta Oil Base Camp of Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise, heard reports on repairs of buildings and jetties by General Manager U Hla Shwe and gave necessary instructions. At Main Storage and Distribution Division of Myanma

Petroleum Products Enterprise, the deputy minister inspected repairs of damaged jetties there.

The Ministry of distribution Energy carried out the reconstruction tasks and production, import,

transportation of fuel have been back to normalcy.



Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Than Htay visits Thakayta Oil Base Camp of Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise.—ENERGY

Report accuses Bush of misrepresenting Iraq intel

Washington, 6 June— A new Senate report gives a fresh shot of adrenaline to the election-year debate over the Iraq war. President Bush and his top officials deliberately misrepresented secret intelligence to make the case to invade Iraq, according to the Senate Intelligence Committee.

The panel put a new spin on old charges, comparing claims made in five speeches by top Bush administration officials with intelligence reports. The committee says officials wrongly linked Saddam Hussein to the Sept 11 attacks and al-Qaida; claimed Iraq would give terrorist groups chemical, biological or nuclear weapons, and said Iraq was developing drone aircraft to spread chemical or biological agents over the United States.

None was borne out by intelligence.

The presumptive Democratic nominee for President, Sen Barack Obama, has staked his campaign on his consistent opposition to the Iraq war. The presumptive Republican nominee, Sen John McCain, has trumpeted his unflagging support for the war, if not how it was waged.

The report released Thursday follows, by

years, an committee effort that assessed the quality of prewar intelligence on Iraq and found it severely lacking. This report is known as "phase II" and spawned a nasty partisan fight in the committee. It plows well-tread political ground by contrasting what Bush, Vice President Dick Cheney, then-Secretary of State Colin Powell and then-Defense Secretary Donald H Rumsfeld said between October 2002 and March 2003, when the US-led invasion of Iraq began, with intelligence reports that since have been released.—Internet



Televisions display a new download-on-demand broadband service in Tokyo. Japan's top film rental chain Tsutaya says the service will let customers rent titles from home without going to the store.—Internet

Obama and Clinton meet, discuss uniting Democrats

Washington, 6 June— Hillary Rodham Clinton and likely Democratic presidential nominee Barack Obama met privately Thursday night to talk about uniting the Democratic Party.

"Senator Clinton and Senator Obama met tonight and had a productive discussion about the important work that needs to be done to succeed in November," their campaigns said in joint statement.

The statement included no details of their talks, as pressure mounted for Obama to invite Clinton to become his running mate.

Robert Gibbs, an

Obama spokesman, would not say where the former rivals met, except that it was not at Clinton's home in Washington, as had been widely reported.

Reporters traveling with Obama sensed something might be happening between the pair when they arrived at Dulles International Airport after an event in Northern Virginia and Obama was not aboard the airplane.

Asked at the time about the Illinois senator's whereabouts, Gibbs smiled and declined to comment.

Clinton returned to Washington after the last primaries on Tuesday night, when Obama earned the 2,118 delegates he needed to secure the Democratic nomination. She planned to announce Saturday that she was ending her campaign and supporting Obama.

Internet

Egypt uncovers 'missing pyramid' of a pharaoh

SAQQARA (Egypt), 6 June—Egyptian archaeologists unveiled on Thursday a 4,000-year-old "missing pyramid" that is believed to have been discovered by an archaeologist almost 200 years ago and never seen again. Zahi Hawass, Egypt's antiquities chief, said the pyramid appears to have been built by King Menkauhor, an obscure pharaoh who ruled for only eight years.

In 1842, German archaeologist Karl Richard Lepsius mentioned it among his finds at Saqqara, referring to it as number 29 and calling it the "Headless Pyramid" because only its base remains. But the desert sands covered the discovery, and no archaeologist since has been able to find Menkauhor's resting place.—Internet



A horse and cart drive past the rubble of destroyed homes following a huge suicide bombing in the Al-Shab neighbourhood of Baghdad. The UAE said on 5 June, it is to name an ambassador to Iraq within days, in the first such move by a US ally in the Gulf since the overthrow of Saddam Hussein.

Iran says answered bomb allegations, "matter over"

VIENNA, 6 June—Iran said on Thursday it had given UN investigators more than 200 pages of answers to questions about intelligence reports that it secretly researched how to make atom bombs and declared "the matter is over."

But Iran's envoy to the International Atomic Energy Agency said Tehran would heed any requests for clarification after the IAEA chief demanded "full disclosure," a call broadly

endorsed by a 35-nation agency Board of Governors meeting this week.

Tehran had turned over "more than 200 pages of explanations and documents" and held more than 70 hours of talks with UN inspectors, Iranian Ambassador Ali Asghar Soltanieh said, denying his government had issued only empty denials.

"We left no question unanswered. We have done our job. This matter is over," he said as the four-day meeting ended.

But, he told reporters: "Some of them ... are under evaluation and assessment (by the) agency... If they have any questions we will answer them. The trend of removing the ambiguities will continue. This is our policy."

Soltanieh also said Iran summarized its points in 30 pages of documents passed to IAEA governors. "Quite simply the whole allegations are baseless. Nobody needs to prove it," he said.

Internet

Sri Lanka bus explosion kills 21 people

COLOMBO, 6 June—A roadside bomb exploded near a crowded passenger bus in the Sri Lankan capital Colombo on Friday, killing 21 people and wounding 47, the military said.

The blast occurred during the morning rush hour in the southern suburb of Moratuwa. The military blamed Tamil Tiger rebels for the blast, the latest attack on civilians in or near the capital this year.

"The bomb was planted on the road side, hidden in a bush and then exploded using a remote control," said an official of the police bomb disposal unit, asking not to be named.

A Reuters witness said

the bus was shredded by shrapnel and the floor was covered in blood and debris.

"I was on my way to office and suddenly I heard a loud explosion and saw people screaming with blood all over," said Aruna Wickramarachchi, a 45-year-old hotel worker.—Internet



Sri Lankan soldiers stand guard at the site of an explosion in Moratuwa, a suburb of Colombo, Sri Lanka, on 6 June, 2008. A bomb ripped through a crowded passenger bus near Sri Lanka's capital during morning rush hour Friday, killing at least 21 people and wounding an additional 47, officials said.—Internet

Mexico hit by floods following storm "Arthur"

Mexico City, 6 June — Nearly a thousand families in Mexico has been affected by Tuesday by floods after tropical storm Arthur weakened to a tropical depression while crossing the Yucatan peninsula over the weekend.

Thousands of residents of 982 families in about 20 rural communities in the southeastern Mexican state of Tabasco have been affected by the floods. No casualties have been reported.

Spokesman Rurico Dominguez for the Civil Protection agency of Tabasco said Tuesday that

those affected by floods to evacuate.

"We hope there will be no more rains this month," he said. According to the National Water Commission, the water levels of most rivers in Tabasco have decreased, except the Pichucalco River along the border with the state of Chiapas.

Tabasco governor Andres Granier Melo said the state had officially announced an emergency in May as the country headed into a season of tropical storms and cyclones.

Mexico's Communicaauthorities were helping | tions and Transportation

Ministry said Tuesday that the Gulf oil port of Cayo Arcas, one of the major oil ports in Mexico, remained closed due to strong winds and rough seas.

Mexico exports some 1.5 million barrels of oil each day, mainly to the United States.

Arthur, the first tropical storm of Atlantic hurricane season this year, has killed at least seven people in neighboring Belize.

Xinhua

All items from Xinhua News Agency



Participants take part in the multinational disaster response field exercise "UUSIMAA 2008" in Helsinki, Finland, 4 June, 2008. About 25 NATO member and partner countries participated in the exercise, which is the eighth such disaster drill by the NATO Euro-Atlantic Disaster Response Coordination Center since 2000. —XINHUA



Officials of Nanning hand out free environment-friendly shopping bags to people in Nanning, capital of southwest China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, on 5 June, 2008. Many enterprises, schools and communities in China carried out activities to greet the World Environment Day on 5 June.—XINHUA

Poland to let **Russians inspect** missile shield

Warsaw, 6 June — Poland will allow Russian inspectors "regular access" to a US anti-missile shield on its territory if it is installed, the Polish Foreign Ministry spokesman said on Tuesday.

The Russian daily RBK-daily Tuesday quoted Polish Foreign Minister Radoslaw Sikorski as saying Poland was prepared to allow regular Russian inspections of the shield installations.

Polish Foreign Ministry spokesman Piotr Paszkowski, however, told Polish news agency PAP that the permanent presence of Russian inspectors on the shield site was impossible "for historical reasons".

Poland and the US are in talks on the installation in Poland of a US missie defence system. Russia, which claims the system could endanger its safety, has demanded permanent access to the installation by its inspectors. — Xinhua

A worker uses water pump to clear algae in Chaohu lake in Hefei, East China's Anhui Province, on 5 Jun , 2008. Recently, blue-green algae has been discovered in the west part of Chaohu Lake, which is China's fifth largest body of fresh water and the drinking water source for about 320,000 people. —XINHUA



3 ISAF soldiers die in Afghanistan

Kabul, 6 June — Three soldiers of the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) died Tuesday in eastern and southern Afghanistan while US Army General David D McKiernan took charge of the multi-national force in Kabul, the ISAF said.

Two ISAF soldiers died during a patrol in eastern Afghanistan as another ISAF soldier died of wounds after an engagement with insurgents in the south, the military alliance said in statements.

One more ISAF soldier and one local national were wounded in the incident which occurred in the eastern region, the ISAF added.

The NATO-led military did not mention in which provinces both the incidents happened exactly or release the casualties' nationalities.

ISAF spokesperson **Brigadier General Carlos** Branco said the soldiers died and were wounded while "trying to help bring peace and security for the Afghan people".

On the same day, General David D McKiernan took command of the 52,900 strong NATO-led ISAF contributed by some 40 nations, replacing US General Dan McNeill, in Afghan capital city of

Kabul. —Xinhua

11 soldiers killed, 21 injured in Venezuela road accident

Caracas, 6 June — Eleven soldiers were killed and 21 injured on Monday night in northern Venezuela when their vehicle tumbled down a ravine, local sources said.

The accident occurred during a military patrol exercise in Montes municipality of the country's northern state of Sucre.

One of the injured soldiers is in serious condition, an Army commander said.

Investigations into the cause of the accident are underway. —Xinhua

China C Bank dismisses fears over export collapse

China's Central Bank on Tuesday rejected as "exaggeration" warnings that the nation's exports are set to drop sharply, leading to an economic hard landing.

"An analysis of the impacts of weaker export growth should objective and allow no excessive exaggeration," the Institute of Finance Research under the People's Bank of China (PBOC) said in a report.

Some analysts are calling for easing

Beijing, 6 June— controls to reduce the risk of hard landing, as weaker export growth drove the nation's trade surplus to shrink 8.4 per cent to 58 billion US dollars in the first four months of the year.

> "A drastic decline in export growth will not come in the short term, with the resilience of the US economy, the rapid growth in exports to emerging markets, and the productivity increase offsetting labour cost rises," said the report.

> > Xinhua

Mission Specialist Mike Fossum exits the airlock of the International Space Station during a spacewalk in this image from NASA TV on 5 June, 2008.—Internet

Brazil-Argentina J-V to become world's 4th car producer

RIO DE JANEIRO, 6 June — The new automobile agreement signed by Brazil and Argentina, to become valid in July, will make the two countries jointly become the world's fourth biggest automobile producer, said Brazil's Ministry of Development, Industry and Foreign Trade on Tuesday.

With the deal inked last week, by the year 2013 when both countries start free trade in the auto sector, their joint annual auto production is expected to reach six million automobiles, five million in Brazil and one million in Argentina.

Together, they will be among the world's top auto producers, after Japan, China and the United States.

One of the main clauses of the agreement, the third signed by Brazil and Argentina since 2000, is the creation of a maximum quota of imports, which was designed to favor Argentina.

Up to the present, the export of every 100 US dollars of goods to the other country allows the partner to import up to 195 US dollars without having to pay a tax of 35 per cent of the prices of the imported products. MNA/Xinhua

Continental Airlines to cut 3,000 jobs, capacity

Continental Airlines said Thursday it is cutting 3,000 jobs and reducing capacity by 11 percent, citing record fuel costs that have pushed the industry into its worst crisis since 2001. It also said its two top executives will forgo pay for the rest of the year.

The job cuts represent about 6.5 percent of the company's work force of 45,000.

Houston-based Continental said it will begin pulling back on flights in September, when departures on its mainline operations will drop about 16 percent

Dallas, 6 June— | below Septem-ber 2007 levels. Fourth-quarter capacity will fall 11

> Shares of Continental rose 68 cents, or 4.7 percent, to \$15.18 in the opening minutes of trading.

> The company also said Chairman and Chief Executive Lawrence Kellner and President Jeff Smisek will not take salaries or incentive pay for the rest of the year. Internet

percent.

"We told employees today we are going to cut

People view afternoon traffic from a footbridge in Beijing in April 2008. Fatalities from road accidents in China nearly doubled in the space of just two decades and are likely to surge further as more and more Chinese acquire a car, a medical study warned on 4 June, 2008.—Internet

WTO members slam US farm bill

Geneva, 6 June — Members of the World Trade Organization (WTO) strongly criticized on Tuesday the US Congress' new farm bill, saying the bill "contradicts the objectives and mandate" of the ongoing Doha Round trade nego-tiations.

"The USA Congress" new bill heads agriculture policies in the wrong direction at a decisive



This undated handout photo shows air hostesses at an undislosed location in India. An Indian court has upheld the right of state-owned Air India to ground overweight flight attendants, a report said on Thursday.—Internet

Ford to cut white-collar expenses by 15 percent

salaried work force-

related expenses by 15

percent and complete the

actions by 1 August," said

Ford spokeswoman Mar-

cey Evans. "This does

include reductions in

headcount and contract

jobs, attrition and consoli-

dation of positions," she

said.—Internet

Detroit, 6 June—Ford Motor Co (FN) said on Thursday it will cut expenses for its white-collar work force by 15 percent over the next two months through job cuts, attrition and other actions.

The cuts, telegraphed by Ford in May, when it warned it would not meet its long-standing goal of returning to profitability in 2009, will come as the automaker adjusts to a deeper-than-expected slump in US vehicle sales, led by declines in sales of pickup trucks and SUVs.

juncture of the WTO Doha Round," said a joint statement issued by the Group of 20 developing countries, including Brazil, India and China.

The 20 countries said the Doha Round trade talks, which launched in 2001 with the aim to boost trade and promote development, should result in effective reductions in tradedistorting subsidies in developed countries. But the new farm bill, passed by the US Congress last month, will actually lead to higher subsidy payments for many commodities, which is in contradiction with the Doha Round mandate, they said.

MNA/Xinhua

Japan financials' subprime losses \$8 billion

Tokyo, 6 June-Losses from investments tied to the US subprime-mortgage market cost Japanese financial firms about \$8 billion as of the end of March, Japan's financial regulator said on Friday, up 42 percent from December.

Total exposure to subprime-related investments came to 1 trillion yen (\$9.4 billion) as of the same period, down a third from three months earlier, the Financial Services Agency said.

Although many Japanese firms have avoided the subprime damage that tore through global rivals such as UBS AG (UBSN.VX) and Merrill Lynch (MER.N), some of Tokyo's biggest banks have been heavily bruised.—Internet

Oil extends gains by another dollar towards \$129

SINGAPORE, 6 June—Oil rose by more than \$1.00 towards \$129 a barrel on Friday, extending gains after its biggest ever one-day rise in the previous session as the US dollar weakened on signals the European Central Bank may raise interest rates this year.

US light crude for July delivery rose 77 cents a barrel to \$128.56 a barrel by 0609 GMT, having earlier jumped \$1.03 to \$128.82.

The contract was up \$6.08 to \$128.38 in after-hours trading on Thursday in the US, its largest outright gain on record and erasing two days of sharp losses triggered by worries that high oil prices were starting to dent demand.

London Brent crude rose 83 cents to \$128.37.

"A \$6 jump is quite a major move. Financial flows came back. If oil continues to rise, it could test \$135 or \$140. The market is in a state of uncertainty after such a move," Marc Lansonneur, Societe Generale's head of commodities derivatives in Asia, said.

Internet



Prime Minister inspects ...

(from page 1) Next, they went to No. 7 BEPS in Yangonthit ward and viewed learning

Prime Minister General Thein Sein gave instructions on removal of debris in order not to harm the students to the officials.

of students at the tents.

Next, the Prime Minister and party proceeded to Kandawgyi Natural Gardens where the mayor and officials conducted them round. They inspected the removal of fallen trees with the use of chain-saws.

They also looked into carrying out of sanitation works and public relaxation in the gardens in a motorcade.—MNA



Monsoon Forum 2008 held

YANGON, 6 June-The opening ceremony of the Workshop on Monsoon Forum 2008 and training for Coastal Community Resilience Working Group, jointly sponsored and organized by United Nations Economic and Social Commission for the Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP), Asian Disaster Preparedness Centre (ADPC) & Department of Meteorology and Hydrology (DMH) was held yesterday at the Multi-purpose Hall of Ministry of Transport in Nay Pyi Taw.

Director-General of DMH U Tun Lwin on behalf of the Minister for Transport delivered the opening address and Mr AR Subbiah, Director of Climate & Management of ADPC has made opening remarks and briefing the Workshop.

Also present on the occasion were Heads of Departments and enterprises and other invited ministries and representatives on disaster management and local level authorities concerned.

The Workshop is focused on the present climate change situation in Myanmar, the Severe Cyclonic Storm 'NARGIS' which has swept through Myanmar on 2 and 3 May 2008. Also on the agenda are discussions on the techniques and issuance for the early warnings and bulletins for 'NARGIS', the General Seasonal Forecasts for 2008, the verification of last season's 2007-2008 Meteorology and Hydrology forecasts. The forum is aiming to promote public awareness and community development for increased resilience to the affected local communities.

The Workshop was scheduled to continue on 6 June 2008.—MNA

Donation of stationery to be used for Red Cross members in storm-hit areas was made at Myanmar Red Cross Society on 6-6-2008. Haji Sar Lay, Managing-Director of Bawa Group of Companies (Yangon) of Bawa Trading Pte Ltd (Singapore) hands stationery to Secretary Dr Hla Pe, Chief Executive Officer Col Khin Maung Hla (Retd) and Treasurer U Kvi.—H

Myanmar Delegation leaves for ROK

NAY PYI TAW, 6 June—A Myanmar delegation led by Deputy Attorney-General U Tun Tun Oo left for the Republic of Korea to attend the 5th Asia-Pacific regional conference and high ranking level government attorneys' meeting this evening.

MNA



A 30-member Korean medical team arrives in Myanmar.—H

ROK medical team providing health care in Kungyangon Tsp

YANGON, 6 June—A 30-member medical team of the ROK was dispatched to the vil-

health care services to storm victims by a mobile clinic. Furthermore, a five-member relief Township to provide measures such as pre-

vention of epidemic and water sanitation from 6 to 13 June for cementing friendship and goodlages in Kungyangon | team will perform relief | will between the two countries. —H

Special Sales of Kanebo 16-30 June

Special Sales of Kanebo brand cosmetics marketed by Ever Seiko Co Ltd will be held from 1-6-2008 to 15-6-2008 at Traders Hotel and from 16-6-2008 to 30-6-2008 at Sein Gay Har supermarket Lapyaewin plaza. It is a chance for customers who have got K Excellence Card

bow in the Rain Bonus.

Details can be enquired

YANGON, 6 June—The | to get special gifts and Rain- | at Kanebo Counters and Ph: 530709, 501049, 706803.

All this needs to be known

- Do not be frightened whenever intimidated
- Do not be bolstered whenever flattered
- Do not be softened whenever appeased



Prime Minister General Thein Sein inspects clean-up of fallen trees in Kandawgyi Natural Gardens. (News on Page 1)—MNA

Lt-Gen Myint Swe inspects installation of telephone cables and power lines, removal of fallen trees, dredging of drains

YANGON, 6 June-Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win, Chairman of Yangon City **Development Committee** Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin and officials, inspected installation of telephone cables, cleaning of debris, repairs of power lines and dredging of drains in downtown Yangon this morning.

On Thaton Street in Yangon University, they supervised replacement of damaged telephone posts and reinstallation of telephone cables.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party viewed removal of fallen trees being carried Tatmadawmen of No. 11 LID at Pinya Hall of the | In Mingala Taungnyunt |





Lt-Gen Myint Swe inspects dredging of drains along Upper Pazundaung Road in Mingala Taungnyunt Township.—MNA

university.

They also looked into substitution of new lamp-posts in the places of damaged ones and installation of 6.6 kv power lines on No. 2 Highway in Dagon Myothit (East) Township.

Township, they inspected dredging of a 5,000-footlong drain.

In the compound of No 4 Sawmill, officials reported on arrangements to be made for dredging the 900-footlong drain along Upper Pazundung Road.

On Kaba Aye Pagoda Road in Yankin Township, Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party inspected clean-up of fallen trees being undertaken by Tatmadawmen of Yangon Station and gave necessary instructions.

MNA

Special Appeal Cases heard

NAY PYI TAW, 6 June—Deputy Chief Justice of Supreme Court (Nay Pyi Taw) U Tun Tun Oo, Judges of Supreme Court (Yangon) U Chit Lwin and U Han Shein sitting at court room No.1 of the Supreme Court (Nay Pyi Taw) delivered judgment of six Special Civil Appeal Cases and heard five Special Appeal Cases under Section 7 of Judiciary Law, 2000 today.

MNA



Students learning in make-shift tents in No. 4 BEPS in Thingangyun Township. (News on page 1)—MNA

Rehabilitation works are being carried out in a systematic way

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Our country and people were hit severely by the 1 to the victims. storm Nargis over one month ago. The natural disaster is more catastrophic and more destructive than any other one in the course of Myanmar's history. However much a natural disaster is destructive it will abate sooner or later. A storm does not last for more than one or two days. Now, all has been over.

However, a man-made storm has been hitting our country and people for decades. It is a storm of rumours designed to deal a devastating blow on our country. The rumours are invented and spread by certain Western countries with negative attitude towards our country and people in complicity with traitors at home and abroad. In other words, it is just a scheme conspired in collusion by a crafty tiger that is desperate to exploit the natural resources of our country and a fox with the hope of getting leftovers. Surely, the scheme will be over when it is due. However, we people are suffering a lot from the

It is common knowledge that the government and the people have been carrying out relief and resettlement tasks at the risk of life since the storm was raging. The government is spending funds heavily on the tasks while individual well-wishers and companies are making generous donations of cash and kind to the victims. They are trying to fulfill all the requirements of the victims. No one can deny that those including State leaders and young volunteers are making all-out efforts to carry out relief and rehabilitation tasks in the storm-hit areas.

In compliance with the guidance of the Head of State, the three phases—relief, rehabilitation and disaster preparedness—are being taken in priority. In the process, Senior General Than Shwe and Vice-Senior General Maung Aye are making field trips to the storm-affected areas and supervising the tasks and comforting the victims. The government has invited the international community, saying that it would accept international assistance with thanks. And it is distributing the international relief supplies

Under the guidance of the Head of State, the government, the people and the Tatmadaw are working in collaboration to realize the rescue, relief, resettlement and rehabilitation undertakings. Due to the donations and voluntary services of the three forces, the relief and rehabilitation tasks are going smooth.

Despite remarkable success in the tasks, mercenary radio stations with the policy of 'duty is duty' are airing news stories intended to tarnish the image of the nation, turning a blind eye to the prevailing situations. There is a saying 'Although the dog barks, the hill will not shudder'. However, some of the news stories have adverse effects on the nation and the people. So, I, on behalf of the people who feel that harming own lineage is unbearable, have to present what is due.

One of the worldwide invented news stories these days is that the government is uprooting the victims by force from the relief camps in its bid to lure the global community that all the consequences have been no more. It is, indeed, totally groundless. They said forcing the victims to leave the camps lacks humanitarianism and ignoring the causes of the victims is a crime. They are, like crows, making accusations that doing so is violating the law. There also was a rumour that victims were taken and left near their empty villages without being told in advance. It is a very disappoint-

Rescue works, the first phase, has been in full swing, and the rehabilitation works, the second phace, are now under way in some areas. In that regard, measures are being taken with added momentum for reconstruction of the ravaged villages, building temporary shelters in their home places for resettlement of victims, improving transportation and communications, opening of temporary health centres villagetract-wise, re-opening of schools in time, and rehabilitation of their businesses such as agriculture, fisheries and salt farming. In doing so, the tasks have taken into shape due to the assistance of the government, donations of well-wishers, contributions of local compa-

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As for the victims, they have no other choice, so they have to stay in the relief camps. Myanmar people by nature do not want to lead a position to rely on others for their living. They are now staying in the relief camps for various reasons, but they do not want to stay there for long. In addition, they want to give something to and serve others food, rather than to expect others' contributions. So, according to the innate nature of Myanmar people, none of the victims is happy with staying in the relief camps, nor do they consider that they are leading an easy life there. That is the first point I want to present.

Regarding the second point, Myanmar people cherish and have attachments to their home places as well as to own homes and farms. They are staying away from their original places due to various reasons, but all of them want to return to their home places as soon as circumstances and conditions favour them. Each victim has a plan to resume their businesses and lead a normal life. I think like Myanmar, any other person in the world has a similar attitude. So, I would like those who spread rumours to realize that the victims are anxious to return home. And they do not want to live for good in the camps even if gold can be mined on a commercial scale there. That is the second point.

Concerning the last point, Myanmar people have great attachment to their traditional businesses. Farmers cannot help ploughing their fields when the monsoon sets in. Similarly, fishermen must have an overpowering desire to catch fish by now because it is raining these days. Therefore, they will return home to resume their businesses as soon as they are provided with agricultural assistance and fishing equipment. Isn't it an encouraging news that victims return home when such conditions are created.

The government has worked as hard as it can in the relief and rehabilitation tasks. As the motto, "All the survivors must continue to survive", victims have been provided with relief supplies with which they can continue to survive. Now, the second pace of rehabilitation is in progress, so the authorities have allowed the victims to return home if they want to. Allowing them to return to their home places is not uprooting them or ignoring their difficulties.

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Rehabilitation works are being carried out in a systematic way

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The second point is that a person needs to decide himself. He is allowed to return to his place only after he has given his signature of his own accord to do so. We would like to convince all that any storm victim will not be allowed to go back to his original place without his own decision. As I have said earlier, no doubt that most of us will have the same wish to rebuild our lives and restart our business. And we don't want to live a life of victim.

The third point is that the victims of households are only allowed to go home if they are healthy and strong enough to resettle down. Those who want to go back are allowed to do so after they have been given medical check-ups and are free from infectious diseases. It is clear that authorities never ignore the affairs of victims and always take systematic measures.

Let me go on to say. Those who were allowed to go home were not handpicked and they did not leave the camps secretly. At relief camps, authorities with transparency shouted to the victims with the use of loudspeakers so they could give their own decision and arranged systematically for their return. Necessary equipment and household items are being provided for the victims wishing to return to their places if they have agreed to the above-mentioned three points. And they are being transported to their places with the help of watercraft or motor vehicles. It is irritating to say that foreign media are fabricating news that the cyclone victims have to be walking empty-handed to their flooded places as they are being forced to leave their relief camps. Their accusations are groundless, indeed.

What were the victims provided with? A lot of things were provided for those who returned to their home town. The things provided were clothes, blankets, mosquito nets, plates, slippers, a piece of plastic measuring 8ft x 20ft, two aluminium pots, a frying pan, six spoons, two knives, hoes, 3 or 5gallon water buckets, mugs, containers, lighters,

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and needles, rolls of plastic string, torch lights, dried tea and mats or plastic totaling 24 items. Rice, edible oil, salt, gram and prawn paste and a packet of dried noodles were provided enough for a week.

Moreover, more basic food such as rice, edible oil, salt and fish paste will be provided for a certain period. Such things have been stockpiled in relief goods distribution camps in wards and village-tracts. The victims can take basic food from those camps by showing their registers. Besides, arrangements have been made for supply of drinking water to regions. For health care, the people's hospitals in Pyapon, Bogale, Mawlamyinegyun and Labutta Townships have been upgraded and plans are under way to open rural clinics covering all villages.

As for the livelihoods of the storm victims, the time has come for them to start their farming as monsoon is setting in. That is why power tillers and fuel oil have been provided for those who returned to their places to plough their land and grow rice by opening power tiller camps. In addition, paddy seeds for cultivation, fertilizers and pesticide are being provided on credit. Authorities have provided agricultural loans for the growers.

Likewise, for fishermen, authorities are taking measures to salvage their sunken fishing boats, and fishing nets, accessories and fuel oil are being provided on credit. For those engaging in salt farming, embankments preventing the flow of salt water will be built as soon as possible to reestablish their saltens. Cash assistance will also be rendered for buildings and equipment necessary for the business.

There are plans for the whole region to develop socio-economy of the local people in the long run. candles, kerosene-fired lamps, towels, rolls of thread | Duties have been assigned to construction companies

to be able to build more modern houses than previous ones. House designs have been drawn and the people will have the chance to choose the ones they like. The companies will bear the cost and the locals only need to pay later. It is undeniable that opportunities have been created for them to upgrade the huts into wood houses then into brick ones.

All in all, it is obvious that after authorities had arranged everything for the storm victims so that they could return to their home town, they were allowed to go of their own volition. If we have had such sound conditions, we, relying on ourselves, would be happy to go back to our own places. We will try our utmost to earn our living quickly like we Myanmars want to lead a life of contributor. To rebuild our whole lives, we will have to welcome new steps.

No matter what the jealous people say about our country, we know about our country most. If we fall down, we will stand up instantly. Those being able to stand up will help others who have fallen down. Those who helped others did so out of goodwill. But the fallen ones who received help did not have the spirit of depending on others. But if we don't need any help, we are able to stand up in our own way. Now, we have encouraged the storm victims to rise from ashes. Although there is hearsay, we can feel that the victims who have returned to their own places will have expectations, confidence and strengths.

Let bygones, be bygones. There has been destruction. It is not too late to mend. Nothing will happen if we do nothing. We will have to strive. We will have to do a lot. We will have to carry out reconstruction tasks. With the assistance of the State and public wellwishers and contributions of companies and international donors free from strings of attachment, we will not find it very difficult to rebuild our lives. Now, those who want to try their best are in their home town to rebuild their lives. I believe that there will soon be a condition in which the people can lead more comfortable life than ever.

Translation: MS+ST

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Donations for storm-stricken monasteries and religious buildings

Yangon, 6 June— CEC member of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung accepted 200 sets of robes

and 100 CI sheets worth K 498,800 donated by U Tint Lwin and wife Thiha Thudhamma Theingi Daw Kyu Kyu Thin of Shanlay Brokerage and cash donated by wellwishers led by monk Mok Tak-Hye Eun of the Republic of Koreaforrepair of religious buildings at the ministry here today. He presented certificates of honour to them.—MNA



MV Claudia carrying relief aid from France docks at Sule Wharf No. 5.—MNA

French aid arrives at Sule Jetty

YANGON, 6 June— Relief supplies for storm victims donated by France arrived at No. 5 Sule wharf this morning.

MV Claudia of France carried some 600 tons of tarpaulin tents, mosquito | Claudia to the tugboat (than-

nets, plastic boxes, plastic buckets, medicines, chlorine tablets, fabric rolls and utensils including 400 tons of rice.

The relief supplies were being unloaded from MV 944) in order to transport them to storm-hit Bogale and Mawlamyinegyun Townships under the programme of WFP.—MNA



Seinbudaw (diamond orb) and Hngetmyatnadaw (pennant-shaped vane) being prepared for Shwenaban Pagoda.—MNA

Ovadakatha sought for re-hoisting Seinbudaw, Hngetmyatnadaw, Htidaw atop Shwenaban Pagoda

Yangon, 6 June — A ceremony to seek the advice for re-hoisting Seinbudaw (diamond Hngetmyatnadaw (pennant-shaped vane) and Htidaw (umbrella) atop Shwenaban Pagoda hit by the storm was held at the pagoda in Thingangyun Township yesterday.

Secretary of State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Dvipitakadhara Dvipitakakovida Agga Maha Pandita Agga Maha Kammathanacariya Kalewa Tawya Sayadaw Bhaddanta Jagarabhiyamsa Ovadakatha. Kyaikhtihsaung Sayadaw Abhidhaja Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Bhaddanta Pannadipa explained the aim and tasks for the hoisting ceremony.

Next, the Sayadaws, members of the Pagoda Board of Trustees and officials viewed conveying of the damaged Seinbudaw, Hngetmyatnadaw and Htidaw from top of the pagoda.

Also present on the occasion were Adviser to the State Peace and Development Council U Manug departmental officials.

Zay Gabar Co Ltd will sponsor the all-round renovation of the pagoda.

Trading promotion meeting held at Kawthoung

YANGON, 6 June—A meeting on promotion of trading organized by Border Trade Department (Kawthoung) under Ministry of Commerce was held at the meeting hall of department on 31 May.

Director-General of Border Trade Department U Thein Naing discussed matters relating to promotion of trading and departmental personnel and entrepreneurs who were present at the meeting made suggestions.—MNA



Donation of stationery to be used for Red Cross members in storm-hit areas was made at Myanmar Red Cross Society today. Haji U Than Maung (Santhawda Paper Trading) of 32nd Street in Pabedan Township hands stationery to Secretary Dr Hla Pe, Chief Executive Officer Col Khin Maung Hla (Retd) and Treasurer U Kyi.—H



French-donated relief aid being unloaded from MV Claudia.—MNA

Relief supplies from abroad arrive Yangon **International Airport**

YANGON, 6 June —Two AN-12 and IL-76 flights carrying 40.84 tons of mosquito nets, blankets, kitchen-used items and water tanks donated by Thailand-based WFP, two C-130 flights carrying 25.99 tons of foodstuff, medicines, household goods, bottled purified water, clothes and soft drinks donated by Chulalongkorn University of Thailand, four C-130 flights carrying 31.3 tons of blankets, soaps, kitchen utensils, clothes, family-used medical equipment, nails,

plywoods, rice, soft drinks, drinking water, two life boats and 10000-liter-capacity water tank donated by the USA and AN-12 flight carrying 6.178 tons of mosquito nets, buckets and strings donated by Switzerland-based Doctors Without Borders arrived at Yangon International Airport today.

Relief supplies donated from abroad have been sent to storm-hit regions by helicopter, car and ship. — MNA



A banner depicting Czech goal keeper Petr Cech is seen on the Prater Ferris Wheel at Vienna's famous amusement park after it was unveiled at an event in the buildup to the Euro 2008 European Soccer championships, on 5 June, 2008.—INTERNET

Venezuela says US trying to spread violence

Medellin (Colombia), 6 June — Venezuela on Tuesday accused the United States of trying to spread violence in the Andean region after a US official said left-wing Colombian rebels were hiding in Venezuelan territory.

Colombia and the United States have long said Venezuelais notdoing enough to combat Marxist FARC fighters waging Latin America's longest insurgency. The rebels are also deeply involved in drug trafficking.

Deputy US Secretary

of State John Negroponte on Monday urged Venezuela to crack down on rebels hiding on its side of the border.

Venezuela's left-wing government, which has voiced solidarity with the rebels' goals, called Negroponte's statement "irresponsible and abusive".

"There is an operation underway and we want to denounce it," Venezuelan Foreign Minister Nicolas Maduro told reporters. "The government of the United States is directly responsible for this operation, which is intended to fill our region with violence."

Maduro, speaking at a meeting of the Organization of American States in Medellin, Colombia, said Venezuela has not offered sanctuary to rebels who have been fighting the Colombian state for four decades.

Colombia, which has received 5.5 billion US dollars in mostly military aid from the United States over the last seven years, shares a 1,390-mile (2,237-kilometres) border with Venezuela.

MNA/Reuters

More Czechs turn against US missile shield

PRAGUE, 6 June—Public opposition to a US missile defence radar in the Czech Republic rose to its highest level this year in May, a poll showed, increasing pressure on a government struggling to find political support for the base.

The United States wants to install a radar in the Czech Republic and 10 interceptor rockets in Poland, extending its shield against ballistic missiles that could be fired from countries such as Iran. The opinion poll by the CVVM agency, conducted between May 12 and 19 among 1,066 Czechs and released on Wednesday, showed the number of radar opponents in the central European country rose by five percentage points in May to 68 per cent. The highest level was 70 per cent in the middle of last year. The number of supporters shrank by five points to 24 per cent, and the rest were $undecided. - {\it MNA/Reuters}$

Palestinians slam Obama on Jerusalem remark

RAMALLAH (West Bank), 6 June — Palestinian leaders reacted with anger and dismay on Wednesday to Barack Obama's pledge that Jerusalem should be Israel's undivided capital.

President Mahmoud Abbas rejected the US presidential candidate's pledge to American Jewish leaders and he repeated his demand for a Palestinian state with Arab East Jerusalem as its capital.

"This statement is totally rejected," Abbas told reporters in the West Bank administrative centre of Ramallah.

"The whole world knows that East Jerusalem, holy Jerusalem, was occupied in 1967 and we will not accept a Palestinian state without having Jerusalem as the capital of a Palestinian state."

Abbas aide Saeb Erekat said Palestinian negotiators engaged in US-sponsored peace talks would continue to insist on securing East Jerusalem, captured by Israel in 1967, as their capital. He said of Obama: "He has closed all doors to peace."

Obama, newly secure as the Democratic nominee for president, said in a speech in Washington: "Jerusalem will remain the capital of Israel, and it must remain undivided." —MNA/Reuters

Syria says wants N-energy under Arab umbrella

Dubai, 6 June — Syria is not seeking nuclear weapons but wants to have access to atomic energy for peaceful purposes through a collective Arab project, President Basharal-Assad said in remarks published on Tuesday.

The Dubai-based Gulf News also quoted Assad as saying that the United States should have sought an investigation of a Syrian facility suspected of housing a secret nuclear plant before it was destroyed in an Israeli air raid last September.

"Acquiring nuclear energy for peaceful purposes is an international trend that all countries are rightfully pursuing. In Syria, we want this to be done within an Arab context, which was discussed and agreed during the Arab Summit in Riyadh," he said during a visit to the United Arab Emirates. —MNA/Reuters



Alain Robert, the French Spiderman, hangs a banner on the New York Times building while climbing the exterior on 5 June, 2008 in New York. In a press release Robert says the stunt was a peaceful way to create support for far greater and urgent action from world leaders on global warming.—Internet



Police use buses to stop people fearing infection of mad cow disease, from marching on the roads leading to the US Embassy and the presidential Blue House in Seoul on 5 June, 2008.—Internet

South Sudanese accuse Khartoum of sending troops

JUBA (Sudan), 6 June —South Sudanese officials accused the government on Tuesday of reinforcing troops in the disputed oil town of Abyei, raising tensions as UN Security Council envoys flew in to shore up a north-south peace deal.

Clashes in Abyei last month increased fears of a return to all out war between the northern government and the south, which signed a peace agreement in 2005 to end two decades of civil war.

The Security Council envoys, who flew into the southern capital Juba on a tour of African hotspots, will discuss Abyei with both sides.

At stake there is control of lucrative oilfields and a pipeline supplying about half Sudan's daily 500,000 barrel output. Three years after the peace accord, the sides havefailed to agree on the borders or administration for the area. —MNA/Reuters

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TENDER. IFB NO.BHDS-08 (Blast Hole Drilling Service)

Hire of Blast Hole Drill Rigs to the MICCL mining operation. All rigs should be capable of drilling at least 102mm diameter holes of depth between 6 and 14 metres vertical and or inclined, mechanically suitable and equipped to perform work on 2x10 hours shifts per day (20 hours per day in total) for seven (7) days a week. Preference will be given to large diameter rotary drill rigs or down-the-hole hammer drill rigs.

CLOSING DATE & TIME: 27th June 2008 at 12:00 noon.

Tender documents are available at the following address and queries can be made between 10am and 4pm at MICCL Yangon office before the tender closing date.

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Vacancy Announcement

Applications are invited from interested Myanmar nationals for the following post with UN Office of the Humanitarian Coordinator, Myanmar Information Management Unit, Yangon, Myanmar

Grade/Level of Post: **Duration of Appointment:** Contractual Status: Field Duty Station: Entry on Duty:

Database Analyst One year (with the possibility of extension) Fixed Term Yangon, Myanmar

Background

The Myanmar Information Management Unit (MIMU) provides leadership on information management coordination for the IASC UN Country Team in Myanmar. Reporting under the UN Humanitarian Coordinator, the MIMU is guided by a steering committee composing 3 UN agency heads and 3 International NGO agency heads

As soon as possible

For the NARGIS Cyclone disaster response, the MIMU remains the lead on information management coordination working together with the Clusters leads and their information management focal points.

Duties and responsibilities: Reports to the MIMU Manager through the Data Coordinator; Develop. maintain, update and document databases on behalf of MIMU including user-friendly menu access and reports to support countrywide information co-ordination. Core databases include: Rapid Needs Assessment (form and database) 2. Receipts of contributions and distribution of assistance 3. Contact database, 4. Who, Does What Where database (organisations, focal points. areas of operation), 5. Baseline database; also support the development of strategies and mechanisms for data and information flow to keep critical data current; promote data standards (in particular geocodes), develop standardised data collection and dissemination tools and processes and support other information-sharing protocols (such as SHARE standards); liaise with UN agencies and other humanitarian partners to ensure that the information needed to support humanitarian operations is made available; strengthen Sectoral Working Groups and other co-ordination bodies through data management and analysis; integrate systems into web based solutions; integrate database updating and reporting forms and link data bases to geo spatial infrastructure

Requirements:

Education: Advanced university degree in database management system or information system; first level university degree with a relevant combination of academic qualifications and experience in the relevant field may be accepted in lieu of an advance university degree

Work experience: Minimum 5 years of experience managing database. Must have demonstrated experience with the following software: Microsoft Access, Microsoft Office, GIS software familiarity preferred (ArcGIS, Map Info, etc), Basic ICT experience preferred (e.g. hardware/software install, data backup and recovery, networking with a server)

Language: Fluency in English, both written and spoken an absolute requirement

Title of the post should be clearly written on the envelope and should be addressed to: UN Office of the Humanitarian Coordinator, No. 6 Natmauk Road, Tamwe Township, Yangon - Attention: MIMU

Only those candidates in whose qualifications and experience the Organization has further interest will be contacted for subsequent interview

Closing Date: Thursday, 12 June 2008 (COB)

Oil pipeline fire kills three in S-W Iran

TEHERAN, 5 June— Three people were killed and eight injured when an oil pipeline caught fire in Iran's Khuzestan province, state television reported on Wednesday.

The report did not make whether deliveries were affected but it said the fire broke out late on Tuesday and was extinguished early on Wednesday.

"The incident, near the city of Bagh-Malek happened after oil leaked from the pipeline," the television report said. Khuzestan is the heartland of the oil industry in the world's fourth biggest producer.—MNA/Reuters

Drive with care

China, Finland vow to strengthen military ties

Beijing, 5 June— Defence ministers of China and Finland held talks here Tuesday, pledging to increase exchanges and to promote a lasting, sound cooperation between the two Armed Forces so as to promote bilateral military

Speaking highly of the military exchanges between China and Finland in recent years, China's Defence Minister Liang Guanglie said the Chinese side values the friendship with Finnish Armed Forces.

The Chinese People's Liberation Army will

work with the Finnish side to increase exchanges and cooperation between the two Armed Forces, so as and stable development of bilateral military ties, Liang said.

He briefed the guest on China's earthquake relief and expressed gratitude for Finland's assistance. Liang also told his counterpart about China's national defence policy and the military building.

Finnish Minister of Defence Jyri Hakamies spoke highly of China's prompt actions in rescue and relief and extended condolences and regards to the dead and injured in the earthquake.

MNA/Xinhua



Army vehicles carrying military bridges and speedboats park along a high road in preparation for rescue efforts of the Tangjiashan quake lake in Jiuling town of earthquake-hit Jiangyou county, Sichuan Province on 5 June, 2008.—Internet

Iran says kills 12 in clash near Iraq

reported on Thursday.

Teheran, 6 June—Iran said 12 members of an armed group and four border guards were killed in a clash near the Iraqi border, a news agency

Fars news agency said the armed group had planned to carry out "terrorist activities" in the Islamic state. It did not make clear when the clash

happened and did not give details about the identity of those killed. Iranian media said last

month nine Kurdish rebels three Iranian Revolutionary Guards were killed in fighting in northwestern Iran near the Turkish border.

Iranian forces have often clashed in Iraqi border areas with rebels from the Party of Free Life

of Kurdistan (PJAK), an offshoot of the Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK) which took up arms in 1984 to fight for a Kurdish homeland in southeast Turkey.

"Some of the terrorists were killed in a clash with security forces and the others escaped to the other side of the border," Fars quoted Shahnam Rezai, a police official in the province of West Azarbaijan, as saying.

"Four border guards $from \, the \, town \, of \, Piranshar$ were martyred in the clash and one was wounded," Rezai added.—Internet

Researchers find new way to attack malaria

London, 6 June — Danish and US researchers said on Tuesday they have found a way to attack malaria by knocking out a gene that helps malaria parasites reproduce inside mosquitoes.

The gene — whose function was previously unknown — allows the parasite to develop an egglike structure called an oocyst, which spawns new infectious parasites, the researchers reported in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Scien-

"When you take away the gene you see the effect of missing that gene on the parasite," said Dan Klaerke, a physiologist at the University of Copenhagen who worked on the study.

His team looked at a malaria parasite that infects mice and is similar to the species that target humans.

Malaria infects between 300 million and 500 million people each year, mainly in Africa.

The disease kills about one million people each year, including a child every 30 seconds.

Malaria is difficult to fight because its complex life cycle allows the parasite to evade drugs and vaccines.

The tiny parasites live and reproduce inside mosquitoes, which spread them when they bite animals or people.

MNA/Reuters



This file photo shows surgeons performing an operation. Doctors who carried out surgery on a Japanese man to remove a "tumour" had good news and bad news for him. He did not have cancer — but the "growth" that had been causing him pain was in fact a 25-year-old surgical towel.—Internet

Tough climate goals cost **\$45 trillion by 2050**

Bonn, 6 June — A goal to halve planet-warming carbon emissions by 2050, similar to an aim Japan is urging G-8 leaders to agree next month, would add 45 trillion US dollars to global energy bills, the International Energy Agency said on Tuesday.

"It's a lot of money," IEA analyst Peter Taylor told a meeting on the fringes of a climate conference in Germany, previewing the agency's Energy Technology Perspectives report to be published in Japan on Friday.

"It implies a completely different energy system," he said.

For example, electricity from renewable sources such as hydropower and the wind would reach close to half all power production, compared to 18 per cent now, Taylor told Reuters.

Scientists say that the world must brake and reverse annual increases in greenhouse gas emissions to avoid catastrophic climate change including rising seas and more extreme weather. —MNA/Reuters



The latest addition to Dublin Zoo, a female Southern White Rhinoceros runs in an enclosure as she was unveiled to the public at the zoo in Dublin on 4 June, 2008. Years of plotting and patience by keepers at Dublin Zoo has paid off after they successfully bred one of the world's endangered animals.—Internet



A mother breastfeeds her baby in the Philippines. Two studies support breastfeeding by HIV-positive women in developing countries, showing that an extended anti-HIV regimen can curb babies' infection rates and breastfeeding improves survival in those infected by their mothers.—Internet

US probes cancer in children given arthritis drugs

WASHNGTON, 6 June— US health officials are investigating whether drugs for rheumatoid arthritis and Crohn's disease are linked to cancers in children and young adults, the Food and Drug Administration said on Wednesday.

The prescription drugs, members of a family called TNF blockers, include Johnson & Johnson's Remicade, Abbott Laboratories Inc's Humira, and Amgen Inc and Wyeth's Enbrel.

The FDA said it was probing about 30 reports of cancer in children and young adults treated with TNF blockers plus other immune-suppressing medicines between 1998 and April 29, 2008. About half of the cancers were lymphomas.

A fourth TNF blocker, UCB's <UCB.BR> Cimzia, won FDA approval on April 22, 2008.

The prescribing information for all four drugs already warns about a possible risk of cancer.

MNA/Reuters

3 mln people in developing countries receiving anti- AIDS drugs

Los Angeles, 6 June—Nearly three million people in developing countries are now receiving antiretroviral drugs to treat AIDS, a newspaper report said on Tuesday.

This treatment goal that health authorities had hoped to meet was achieved two years late, the Los Angeles *Times* said, quoting World Health Organization (WHO) officials.

About one million people received the life-saving drugs for the first time during 2007, according to the

The figures were provided by UNAIDS, the WHO and United Nations Children's Fund, the report said.

During the same period, however, an additional 2.5 million people were infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, indicating that health agencies are not gaining ground on the deadly infections, said the

"We have to do better with prevention," Dr Kevin De Cock, director of the WHO's HIV/AIDS department, was quoted as saying.

The new numbers mark the attainment of the goal set in the widely publicized "3 by 5" programme, which sought to have three million people receiving treatment by 2005. That target was "excessively aspirationa", De Cock said.

MNA/Xinhua

Thai women can freely choose being titled Miss or Mrs

BANGKOK, 6 June — A new law effective from Wednesday in Thailand allows women in the country to freely choose being titled as Miss or Mrs regardless of their marital status.

Under the old laws. Thai women must change the title before their names from Miss to Mrs once they get married, and the title will remain even after they are divorced or widowed.

But the new law, which comes to effect Wednesday, allows Thai women, married, divorced or widowed, register their title either as Miss or Mrs as they prefer, according to the Interior Ministry.

District offices under the Ministry nationwide will handle with the registration of titles by women.

According to a Bangkok Post website report, each district office in Bangkok has given the service to an average of about five women in two hours after they opened on Wednesday. Most of the women applying to change their title from Mrs to Miss said they were divorced. — MNA/Xinhua

SPORTS



Netherlands' Wesley Sneijder (L) and Arjen Robben stretch during a training session of the Dutch National soccer team in preparation for Euro 2008 in Lausanne on 5 June, 2008.—Internet

Czech coach Brueckner rues hectic club schedules

Seefeld (Austria), 6 June — Players are arriving at big international tournaments more tired than ever after coming through increasingly demanding club schedules, Czech Republic coach Karel Brueckner said on Wednesday.

With the dust having barely settled on some domestic seasons and European club competitions, players have had to quickly turn their attention to training with their national teams in preparation for Euro 2008 which starts on Saturday.

Players like Czech goalkeeper Petr Cech, who two weeks ago was in Moscow for Chelsea's Champions League final defeat by Manchester United, have had a long season. —*MNA/Reuters*

New arrival Gamberini doubts he will play for Italy

Moedling (Austria), 6 June — Italy continued to assess their defensive options on Wednesday following Fabio Cannavaro's injury but new call-up Alessandro Gamberini does not expect to play immediately in Euro 2008.

Gamberini was brought into the 23-man squad after fellow centre back Cannavaro was ruled out of the tournament when he tore ankle ligaments in their first training session at their base south of Vienna on Monday.

MNA/Reuters



Denis Vasiliev, left, of Russia, falls to the ground in the transition area as Joshua Amberger, of Australia, looks on during the World Triathlon Junior Championship in Vancouver, British Columbia, on 5 June, 2008. Vasiliev ended up finishing in second place with a time of 57:36.02.—Internet

UEFA excludes Porto from Champions League

Lisbon, 6 June — Porto have been excluded from next season's Champions League by European soccer's governing body UEFA over the alleged bribery of referees in the 2003-04 season, the Portuguese club said in a statement on Wednesday.

Porto said it would try to overturn the decision through the UEFA appeals body. The club gave no further details and its officials were not immediately available to comment.

"It was notified today by the Controls and Disciplinary body of UEFA that (Porto) it will not be admitted to the 2008/09 campaign of the UEFA Champions League," Porto said in the statement.

The decision comes after a lengthy investigation known as "Apito Dourado," or Golden Whistle, into alleged bribery by Porto of referees in three matches in the 2003/4 season.

Last month the Disciplinary Commission of the Professional Portuguese Football League stripped Porto of six points and fined the club 150,000 euros (\$234,000) over the case.

Porto's management decided not to appeal against that decision on the grounds that the club had a substantial lead and the six-points punishment did not affect final standings.

MNA/Reuters



Emily Bastel hits her second shot to the 18th green during the first round of the LPGA Championship golf tournament at Bulle Rock Golf Course in Havre de Grace, Md, on 5 June, 2008. Bastel finished the round at 6-under par.

INTERNET

Bilic says another shock winner may be on cards

BAD TATZMANNESORF (Austria), 6 June — Another shock winner of the European Championship could be on the cards, according to Croatia coach Slaven Bilic.

"There is a very realistic possibility a surprise package will win like Greece did in 2004 and I think we are quite capable of doing it," Bilic told reporters on Wednesday.

Croatia came through a tough qualifying section, recording two victories over former world champions England, and Bilic said the high expectations of the fans and media would bring the best out of his squad.

"We don't feel under any more pressure than we did on the road to the finals," he added. "Pressure, if it's positive, is the best motivating factor and it makes the players give 110 per cent in every game.

"The opening match is always vital but even if we don't get the result we want it's not a complete disaster provided we make amends in the other two group games."

Croatia open their Group B campaign against cohosts Austria in Vienna on Sunday before meeting Germany in Klagenfurt four days later and Poland at the same venue on 16 June.

Playmaker Luka Modric said he was looking forward to showing what he could do after leaving Dinamo Zagreb for Tottenham Hotspur last month.

MNA/Reuters



Dutch goal keeper Edwin van der Saar makes a save during a training session of the national soccer team of the Netherlands in Lausanne, Switzerland, on 5 June, 2008.—Internet

Spain striker Villa out of final warm-up match

Santander (Spain) ,6 June—Striker David Villa will be unable to play in Spain's final Euro 2008 warm-up against United States on Wednesday because of a bruised right thigh.

Villa picked up the injury in training on Tuesday and medical staff have advised that he should rest for a couple of days. Uncapped forward Sergio Garcia is also likely to miss out after sustaining a bruised calf.

"Villa is the more worrying injury of the two," team doctor Jorge Candel told reporters. "He's got an injury in a muscle that shouldn't cause too much of a problem but we will have to see how it evolves over the next few days. Candel said that fellow striker Fernando Torres was making good progress after a minor ankle strain and should be available to play but added that the final decision would be up to the player.

He also reported that David Silva was suffering from a sore throat and had seen a specialist in the morning but had not required any treatment. —*MNA/Reuters*

Ronaldo, Ribery, Ballack and Benzema ready to shine

Basel, 6 June—Portugal's Cristiano Ronaldo has the skill to set Euro 2008 alight although the stars of the show in Austria and Switzerland could well emerge from a group of promising players who have yet to become household names.

Ronaldo, 23, who has just won a Champions League and Premier League double with Manchester United and been named England's Footballer of the Year for the second straight season, starts the tournament on a high after scoring 42 goals last term. The winger heads a list of established international giants like Germany's Michael Ballack, France's Thierry Henry, Italy's Luca Toni and Ruud van Nistelrooy of Netherlands.

They should all catch the eye as ever but the tournament also provides an opportunity for others to steal the spotlight. —MNA/Reuters



Serbia's Ana
Ivanovic reacts
during her semifinal match
against her
compatriot
Jelena Jankovic
at the French
Open tennis
tournament at
Roland Garros in
Paris on 5 June,
2008.—Internet

သဘာဝဘေးအန္တ ရာယ်ကျရောက်သောဒေသများရှိ ပြည်သူများအတွက် ကျန်းမာရေးသတိပေးနိုးဆော်ချက်

- ၁။ ရာသီဥတုဒဏ်ခံနိုင်သည့် အမိုးအကာအောက်တွင် နေထိုင်ကြရန်၊
- ၂။ အအေးမမိစေရန် နွေးထွေးသော အဝတ်များကို ဝတ်ဆင်နေထိုင်ကြရန်၊
- ၃။ ရေကိုကျိုချက်သောက်ရန် (သို့မဟုတ်) ကလိုရင်းဆေးခတ်ထားသော ရေကိုသာ သောက်သုံးရန်၊
- ၄။ အစားအစာများကို ယင်မနားအောင် ဖုံးအုပ်ထားကြရန်၊
- ၅။ သန့်ရှင်းလတ်ဆတ်သော၊ ပူနွေးသည့် အစာများကိုသာ စားသုံးကြရန်၊
- ၆။ အတတ်နိုင်ဆုံး သန့်ရှင်းသော ယင်လုံအိမ်သာကို သုံးစွဲကြရန်၊
- ၇။ ကူးစက်ရောဂါများ မဖြစ်ပွားစေရေးအတွက် မိလ္လာနှင့် အမှိုက်သရိုက်၊ အညစ်အကြေးများကို စနစ်တကျစွန့် ပစ်ကြရန်၊
- ၈။ ထိခိုက်မှုအန္တ ရာယ်မဖြစ်စေရေးအတွက် သတိပြုဆောင်ရွက်ကြရန်၊
- ၉။ ရေကြီးပါက မြွေအန္တ ရာယ်တွေ့ ကြုံရတတ်သဖြင့် သတိပြုကြရန်၊
- ၁၀။ ခြင်ကိုက်မခံရအောင် သတိပြုနေထိုင်ကြရန်၊
- ၁၁။ တစ်ကိုယ်ရေသန့်ရှင်းရေး ဂရုပြူဆောင်ရွက်ရန်၊ အစာမစားမီနှင့် အညစ်ကြွေးကိုင်တွယ်ပြီးတိုင်း လက်ဆေးကြရန်၊
- ၁၂။ သဘာဝဘေးအန္တ ရာယ်ကျရောက်ပြီးသည့်အခါ အဆုတ်ရောင်ရောဂါ၊ ဝမ်းပျက်ဝမ်းလျောရောဂါ၊ မြွေဆိုးကိုက်အန္တ ရာယ်၊ ထိခိုက်မှုအန္တ ရာယ်နှင့် အခြားကျန်းမာရေးပြဿာနာများ ဖြစ်ပွားတတ်ပါသည်။ ဖြစ်ပွားပါက အနီးဆုံးကျန်းမာရေးဌာနသို့ အမြန်ဆုံးသွားရောက်ပြသကြပါရန် သတိပေး နိုးဆော်အပ်ပါသည်။

ကျန်းမာရေးဝန်ကြီးဌာန

သောက်ရေသန့်များနှင့်ပတ်သက်၍ အသိပေးနှိုးဆော်ချက်

- ာ။ ကျန်းမာရေးဝန်ကြီးဌာနသည် အရည်အသွေးစစ်မှန်ကောင်း မွန်ပြီး ဘေးအန္တ ရာယ်ကင်းရှင်းသော အစားအသောက် များကို အများပြည်သူတို့ စားသုံးနိုင်ရန်နှင့် အစားအသောက် များ၏ အရည်အသွေးကို စဉ်ဆက်မပြတ် ထိန်းသိမ်းနိုင်ရေးအတွက် စိစစ်ဆောင်ရွက်လျက်ရှိပါသည်။
- ရန် ကုန် တိုင်းအတွင်းရှိ သောက်ရေသန့်စက်ရံများသည် ဆိုင်ကလုန်းမုန်တိုင်း နာဂစ်'ကြောင့် ပျက်စီးခြင်း ရှိ–မရှိ နှင့် ကောင်းမွန်သော ထုတ်လုပ်မှုကျင့်စဉ်နှင့်အညီ သောက်ရေသန့်များ ထုတ်လုပ်နိုင်ခြင်း ရှိ–မရှိကို ကျန်းမာရေးဦးစီး ဌာနမှ ဆက်လက် စစ်ဆေးလျက်ရှိရာ အောက်ဖော်ပြပါ သောက်ရေသန့်လုပ်ငန်းများမှာ ပိုးမွှားကင်းစင်မှု သတ်မှတ် ချက်နှင့် ကိုက်ညီမှု မရှိကြောင်း တွေ့ရှိရပါသည်။
 - စဉ် သောက်ရေသန့်လုပ်ငန်းအမည်
 - ၁။ JAW သောက်ရေသန့်
- Gold Aqua သောက်ရေသန့်

- ၃။ Ever Smile သောက်ရေသန့်
- ၄။ Glacier သောက်ရေသန့်
- ၅။ ဓနပိုင်သောက်ရေသန့်
- ၆။ Asia သောက်ရေသန့်
- ၇။ ချမ်းမြွေအေးသောက်ရေသန့်
- ၈။ KS (ကောင်းစံ) သောက်ရေသန့်
- ၉။ Wonderful Drops သောက်ရေသန့်
- ၁၀။ NPEG သောက်ရေသန့်
- ၃။ သို့ပါ၍ သောက်ရေသန့်လုပ်ငန်းများသည် သောက်ရေ သန့် သတ်မှတ်ချက်နှင့် ကိုက်ညီကြောင်း ကျန်းမာရေး ဦးစီးဌာန၏ ထောက်ခံချက် ရရှိမှသာ ထုတ်လုပ်ဖြန့်ဖြူး ရောင်းချပါရန် အသိပေးအပ်ပါသည်။

ကျန်းမာရေးဝန်ကြီးဌာန



Saturday, 7 June View on today

7:00 am

- 1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်
- 7:25 am
- 2. To be healthy exercise
- 7:30 am
- 3. Morning news
- 7:45 am
- 4. Nice and sweet song 8:00 am
- 5. Breaking into a run to happiness

- 8:40 am
- 6. International news 11:00 am
- 1. Martial song
- 11:10 am
- 2. Musical programme 11:25 am
- 3. Games for children
- 11:50 am 4. Round up of the week's international

1:30 pm

news

- 5. "သာယာရွှေပြည်တို့ နေပြည်' (ဖြိုးငွေစိုး၊အောင်ရဲလင်း၊ ဇင်ဇင်ဇော်မြင့်၊မော့စ်၊ဗေလုဝ၊ ရှက်တယ်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ– စင်ရော်မောင်မောင်)
- 2:40 pm
- 6. Dance of national races

2:45 pm

- 7. International news 4:00 pm
- 1. Martial song
- 4:10 pm
- 2. Dance variety
- 4:25 pm
- 3. Musical programme
- 4:45 pm
- 4. "မင်းမသိသေးပါဘူးကွာ" (ဧရာ၊ငှက်ပျောကြော်၊ချစ်စရာ၊ ကြူကြူသင်း၊အေးအေးရိုင်)

(ဒါရိုက်တာ–ဆွေဇင်ထိုက်) 5:05 pm

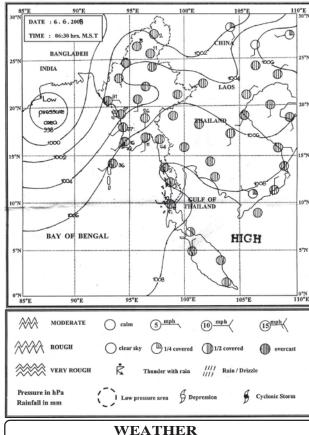
- 5. Song for uphold national spirit
- 5:10 pm
- 6. Musical programme 5:20 pm
- 7. Games for children

- 5:45 pm
- 8. မြန်မာ့ဓလေ့ရိုးရာလက်ဝှေ့ 6:00 pm
- 9. Evening news
- 6:30 pm
- 10. Weather report
- 6:35 pm
- 11. အလှရှာမယ်လှကမ္ဘာဝယ် 7:40 pm
- 12. နိုင်ငံခြားဓာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ရွှေမင်းသားလေးချစ်ပုံပြင်" (အပိုင်း–၂)

8.00 pm

- 13. News
- 14. International news
- 15. Weather report
- 16. နိုင်ငံခြားဓာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မာယာထောင်ရောက်"
 - (အပိုင်း–၂၇)

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Friday, 6 June, 2008

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST: During the past 24 hours rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Rakhine, Kayin and Mon States, upper Sagaing, Bago, Yangon, Ayeyawaddy and Taninthayi Divisions, fairly widespread in Kachin State and lower Sagaing Division, scattered in Shan, Kayah States and Mandalay Division and isolated in the remaining areas with isolated heavyfalls in lower Sagaing Division. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Thandwe (2.83) inches, Šagaing (2.64) inches, Mawlamyine (2.52) inches, Mogok (2.44) inches, Myttkyina (1.62) inches, Zaungtu (1.57) inches, Thaton (1.54) inches, Coco Island (1.46) inches, Aunglan (1.42) inches, Maungdaw (1.37) inches and Sittway (1.34) inches.

Maximum temperature on 5-6-2008 was 88°F. Minimum temperature on 6-6-2008 was 67°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 6-6-2008 was 89%. Total sunshine hours on 5-6-2008 was (2.5) hours (approx).

Rainfall on 6-6-2008 was (0.20) inch at Mingaladon, (0.51) inch at Kaba-Aye and (1.22) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2008 was (31.42) inches at Mingaladon, (38.31) inches at Kaba-Aye and (51.06) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (8) mph from Southwest at (8:30) hours MST on 6-6-2008.

Bayinference: According to the observation at (06.30) hrs MST today, a low pressure area has formed over the Northwest Bay and adjoining West Central Bay of Bengal. Monsoon is weak in the Andaman Sea and Southeast Bay and strong elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 7-6-2008: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in Kayah and Chin States and Magway Division, fairly widespread in Kachin State, Sagaing, Mandalay and Taninthayi Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough sea are likely at times off and along Rakhine Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) to (40) mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Generally strong monsoon.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 7-6-2008: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for **7-6-2008:** One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 7-6-2008: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Weather outlook for second weekend of June 2008: During the coming weekend, rain or thundershowers are likely to be scattered in NayPyiTaw and Mandalay Division, widespread in Yangon Division.

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Make donations to the storm victims

- Everybody may make donations freely.
- **Everybody may make donations to any person or any area.**

However, wellwishers are urged to avoid unsystematic donations and acts that may tarnish the image of the nation and its people.

- Certain internal and external anti-government elements, self-centered persons and unscrupulous elements are now seeking their self-interests by sending to the foreign news agencies the stories about relief and rehabilitation work they have made up and shot on video.
- Storm victims are hereby warned to remain vigilant with nationalistic spirit against the deceptions of the self-centered persons and unscrupulous elements.

Specialists give free medical treatments in storm-hit regions

YANGON, 6 June— Doctors and personnel are providing health care services to storm victims.

On 4 June, a medical team led by physician Dr Naing Win Aung provided free health care services to 220 patients in Kyonkyaik Village on board Tatainghmwe ship.

They carried a child patient to Pyapon Hospital and specialists gave medical treatment to the patient. The health assistant trainees of University of Community Health in Magway and midwives from the ship gave vaccines to 35 children.

In Gyowahtalun Village, the medical team together with Myanmar Red Cross Society provided health care to 67 patients, gave talks on health knowledge to over 200 people, vaccinated 197 children and chlorinated drinking water.

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Plans under way to assist students who lost parents in storm for learning education

NAY PYI TAW, 6 June—Assistance will be provided to the students at university and basic education levels who lost their parents in the storm, enabling them to continue pursuing of education till completed.

Ministries concerned set the plans to assist the students of universities and colleges who had lost their parents during the storm for learning education till completed.

Likewise, the Ministry of Education will provide assistance for the students at basic education level who have difficulty to continue learning education due to losses of one parent or both parents in the storm.

For the orphans who lost both parents, the government will establish orphanages in Pyapon District and Labutta and take the responsibilities of the children in education, health and basic needs.— *MNA*



A specialist group providing free health care to storm victims on a ship.—HEALTH