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Senior General Than Shwe felicitates President of Presidium Supreme People's Assembly of DPRK

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Sept- Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Kim Yong Nam, President of the Presidium Supreme People's Assembly of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on the occasion of the Day of the Foundation of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea which falls on 9 September 2008.— MNA

Prime Minister sends message of felicitations to **DPRK** counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Sept- General Thein Sein, Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Kim Yong II, Premier of the Cabinet of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on the occasion of the Day of the Foundation of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea which falls on 9 September 2008.— MNA

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

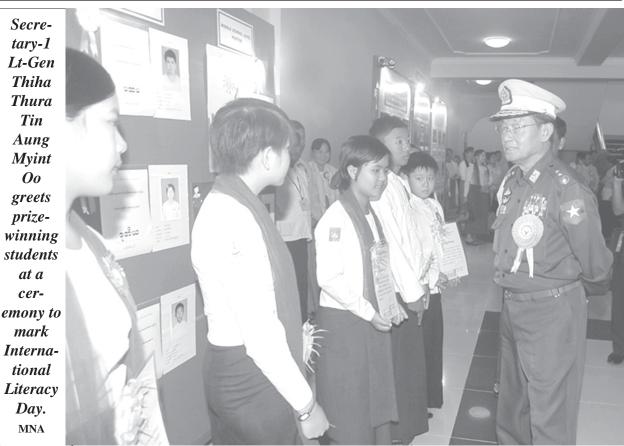
Myanmar observes International Literacy Day

Thanks to assistance of local authority, cooperative efforts of social organizations, people, Myanmar's literacy rate reaches 94.83 percent in 2008

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept - A ceremony to mark International Literacy Day was held at the Ministry of Education here, this morning, with an address by Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo.

Also present were the ministers, the deputy ministers, members of Myanmar Education Committee, diplomats, resident representatives of UN Agencies, the directors-general of the State Peace and Development Council Office, departmental officials, the directors-general of departments under the Ministry of Education, principals of education colleges, officials from social organizations, township education officers in Nay Pyi Taw, schools heads, winners and guests.

Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung **Myint**



Ma Chaw Chaw Gangaw Khaing and Ma Htet Wun Nandi Aye of No. 2 Basic Education High School in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana acted as masters of ceremonies.

Students from No. 6BEHS in Nay Pyi Taw sang a song "Doh-in-doh-ar".

In his address, the Secretary-1 said the nations of the world accept the fact that literacy for all is a basic necessity in efforts to enable the nation to develop its economy and to raise social standard.

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PERSPECTIVES

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Nurture and train youths to be equipped with five strengths

High education status reflects the prestige and integrity of a nation and its people. The government is making all-out efforts for the emergence of an education system that can create a constant learning society capable of facing the challenges of Knowledge Age.

Teachers play a pivotal role in producing qualified human resources making better use of good education environment established by the government. It is incumbent upon teachers not only to equip their students with education and knowledge but also to inculcate them with the five strengths.

Moral education is primary in ensuring all-round development of youth. Hence, efforts are to be made for students to be kind, honest and helpful and imbued with strong moral principles in addition to education.

At present, all the global nations are in the process of fostering unity of their people, the strength of wealth and economy as well as the strength of technology. At such a time, all the teachers are required to widen the scope of knowledge of their students while striving for students to be well-versed in science and technology in line with their talents.

Only when the students are morally upright and endowed with education and knowledge, will they become good citizens on whom the State can rely.

Therefore, we firmly believe that the teachers will be able to nurture and train their students in accord with the national education promotion programmes. Only then, will intellectuals and technocrats equipped with five strengths emerge.

Energy Minister Brig-Gen Lun Thi presents work permits of the ministry and MEC to President of Nobel Oil company Mr.G.S Gurevich.—MNA

SIGNING CEREMONY OF PRODUCTION SHARING CONTRACTS FOR ONSHORE BLOCKS A (HUKAUNG AREA) & B.1 (UYU AREA)

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

Chief of Armed Forces Training receives Indian guests



Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win receives Vice-Admiral S Bhasin, AVSM, VSM and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept-Chief of Armed Forces Training Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win received an Indian delegation led by Commandant of National Defence College of the Republic of India Vice-Admiral S. Bhasin, AVSM, VSM, here this morning.

Also present on the occasion were Vice-Chief

MOGE, Russian Co to jointly produce oil, gas

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept Ministry here on 6 –Myanma Oil and Gas September.

Enterprise of the Ministry of Energy and Closed Joint Stock Oil Company "Nobel Oil" of the Russian Federation signed production sharing contracts on exploration of oil and gas in Hukaung region and U-ru region onshore Myanmar at the

Present were Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi, Attorney-General U Aye Maung, Ambassador of the Russian Federation Dr Mikhail Mgeladze, Managing Director of MOGE U Myint Htay, President of Closet Joint Stock Oil Company Nobel Oil Mr G.S Gurevich and

officials. The minister delivered an opening speech and Managing Director UMvint Htay and President Mr G.S Gurevich extended greetings. Next, the production sharing contracts were signed. The minister presented the work permits of the ministry and Myanmar Investment Commission to the President of Closet "Joint Stock" Oil Company Nobel Oil.—*MNA*

of Armed Forces Training Maj-Gen Zaw Win, Deputy Commandant of National Defence College Col Tin Swe Win and officials, and Indian Military Attaché' Colonel Manoj Mukund Naravane.

Next, Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win and Vice-Admiral S. Bhasin, AVSM, VSM exchanged gifts.

MNA

Indian National Defence College Commandant arrives

YANGON, 8 Sep—An Indian delegation led by Commandant of National Defence College of the Republic of India Vice-Admiral S Bhasin, AVSM, VSM and wife arrived here by air yesterday evening. The delegation was welcomed at Yangon International

Services

and Paramedical Academy Commandant Brig-Gen Hla Myint Shwe, senior military officers and Military Attaché of Indian Embassy Colonel Manoj Mukund Naravane.

Next, the Indian delegation visited Zaphar Shah Tomb on Ziwaka

MNA



Street in Dagon Township. Airport by Defence Then the guests visited the Medical Academy Commandant Shwedagon Pagoda and Brig-Gen Tun Nay Lin, made cash donations. **Defence Services Nursing**

Flood News

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept- According to the (12:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Dokehtawady river at Myitnge is (858)cm. It may reach its danger level (870) cm during the next (48) hours.— MNA

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US presidential election shifts into high gear



Barack Obama

KANSAS CITY (Missouri), 8 Sept- The US presidential election was set to shift into high gear Monday as Republican John McCain and Democratic rival Barack Obama rallied supporters in battleground states after a rare day off.

McCain, a decorated war hero who had based much of his early campaign on the strength of

his experience, wrestled last week for Obama's mantle of change with the help of his surprise vice presidential pick Sarah Palin. The self-proclaimed mavericks vowed to use their history of fighting corruption to shake up and reform Washington at a series of campaign stops in the days following their crowning at the Republican National Convention

Thursday. "In politics, there are some candidates who use change to promote their careers, and then there are those like John McCain, who use their careers to promote change," Palin to a cheering crowd in Wisconsin Friday.

"We're going to win this election and let me offer a little advance warning to the old big spending, do-nothing mefirst country second Washington crowd: change is coming. Change is coming," McCain said the next day in Colorado. Obama ridiculed McCain's promise of change and hammered the Arizona senator on the limping US economy, saying the Republican represented no change from Bush.

vilians died. But the US

on Sunday said it would

reopen the investigation

because of emerging new

Internet

US drones kill 16 in missile attack in Pakistan

MIRANSHAH (Pakistan), 8 Sept — Missiles fired by US drones killed 16 people, including Pakistani and Afghan Taliban fighters, on Monday in a strike targeting a religious school founded by an old friend of Osama bin Laden, intelligence officials and Pakistani villagers said.

"There were two drones and they fired three missiles," said a resident of Dandi Darpakheil, a village in the North Waziristan tribal region near the Afghan border. A military official said a house and madrasa founded by Taliban commander Jalaluddin Haqqani were the targets.

Haqqani is a veteran commander of the US-backed Afghan war against the Soviet invasion in the 1970s and 1980s, and his links with bin Laden go back to the late 1980s.

He is said to be in ill-health and his son, Sirajuddin, has been leading the Haqqani group. The missile strike killed 16 people, most of them Pakistani and Afghan Taliban fighters, though four women and two children were also killed, according to a senior intelligence officer.

"They belonged to Sirajuddin Haqqani group," said the officer, speaking on condition of anonymity.

"No foreign militant was killed," he added, although a junior intelligence official had said earlier that Uzbek and Arab militants had been staying in the school complex. —Internet

Ike's floods kill 58, add insult to Haiti's misery

GONAIVES, Haiti, 8 Sept—Haitians took to their roofs to escape rising floodwaters for the second time in a week on Sunday as squalls from Hurricane Ike killed 58 people and collapsed a bridge that cut the last land route into the starving city of Gonaives.

All but one of Sunday's victims came in the Cabaret area north of Port-au-Prince, according to civil defence director Maria-Alta Jean Baptiste.

She said another three bodies were found in Gonaives, victims of an earlier storm. They pushed Haiti's death toll to

at least 319 from four storms that have hit the country in less than a month.

Witnesses in Cabaret said floodwaters rushed into homes in the middle of the night, crushing walls and reaching chesthigh levels before receding Sunday morning and leaving everything caked in mud.

In the Always Funeral Home, 21 mudcrusted bodies were piled in a small room, unclaimed. Two of them were pregnant, one still clutching a small girl to her chest.

Internet

Residents stand on the second floor of a house damaged by Hurricane lke in Cabaret, Haiti, on 7 Sept, 2008. Five adults and five children drowned overnight in Cabaret north of Port-au-Prince, civil protection director Maria-Alta Jean Baptiste said, raising Haiti's overall death toll to 262 from four tropical storms in recent weeks. INTERNET

Video shows dead Afghan children after US raid

8 Sept — The bodies of several children lay dead in two videos that show the aftermath of a US-led operation the Afghan government and UN say killed 90 civilians.

The video obtained Monday, apparently taken by a cell phone, is grainy and details such as a precise body count are difficult to make out. A second video shows gruesome detail of children severely disfigured.

The two videos, both obtained by The Associated Press, give weight to Afghan and UN findings

KABUL (Afghanistan), | that scores of civilians, | found that only seven ciincluding 60 children and 15 women, died in the 22 Aug raid in the village of Azizabad.

A US investigation | evidence.—Internet

German FM nominated as candidate for chancellorship

BERLIN, 8 Sept — Germany's Social Democratic Party (SPD) announced Sunday the party had nominated Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier as the candidate to challenge Chancellor Angela Merkel for the chancellorship in the federal election next year.

The SPD made the announcement after leaders of the party held a meeting at Werder, south-west of Berlin on the day.

Speaking at a Press conference, Steinmeier said his party was better equipped than many believed and was ready for the election campaign.- MNA/Xinhua



Villagers search for victims after two landslides, brought by heavy rains buried more than 20 houses in a remote gold-mining village of Masara in the southern Philippines, leaving at least 11 people dead and 19 others missing, officials said. —INTERNET

US military deaths in Iraq war at 4,155

WASHINGTON, 8 Sept—As of Sunday, 7 Sept, 2008, at least 4,155 members of the US military have died in the Iraq war since it began in March 2003, according to an Associated Press count.

The figure includes eight military civilians killed in action. At least 3,375 died as a result of hostile action, according to the military's numbers.

The AP count is the same as the Defence Department's tally, last updated Friday at 10 am EDT. The British military has reported 176 deaths; Italy, 33; Ukraine, 18; Poland, 21; Bulgaria, 13; Spain, 11; Denmark, seven; El Salvador, five; Slovakia, four; Latvia and Georgia, three each; Estonia, Netherlands, Thailand, Romania, two each; and Australia, Hungary, Kazakhstan, South Korea, one death each.—Internet

Scientists find heavy air pollution reduces rainfall

JERUSALEM, 8 Sept — A group of international scientists at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem found that heavy air pollution reduces rainfall, local daily the Jerusalem Post reported Monday.

The research team, led by Prof Daniel Rosenfeld of the Institute of Earth Sciences, developed a model that shows how particles in the air influence cloud formation and rain. The findings were published Friday in the latest issue of the journal Science.

The model showed that a certain number of aerosol particles in the air increases rainfall, but an overabundance of them retards it.

While some aerosol particles form the nuclei of the clouds themselves, too many aerosols act as a sunblock, keeping water from evaporating to form

clouds.

The research team discovered that there was a specific curve to the production: rainfall first rises, then plateaus and then sharply drops off in the presence of too many aerosols.

Rosenfeld said that the amount of aerosols is the critical factor controlling how the energy is distributed in the atmosphere.

Xinhua



Photo taken on 6 Sept, 2008 shows a dragon-themed artwork to be displayed during the Shanghai Biennale at the Shanghai Art Museum in Shanghai, east China. The 7th Shanghai Biennale will be opened on 8 Sept.—XINHUA



German students learn playing Chinese folk musical instruments in Yaohua Binhai School in north China's Municipality of Tianjin, on 6 Sept, 2008. —XINHUA

All items from Xinhua News Agency Samsung plans to build 2nd LCD module plant in Suzhou

SEOUL, 8 Sept— Samsung Electronics, the world's top supplier of liquid crystal display (LCD) panels, announced the plan of building its second LCD module plant in Suzhou, to meet the growing demand for flatscreen TVs in China, Korea Times reported Monday.

"The new plant will have an annual production capacity of some 2 million in the first phase. We expect the LCD module factory to start production in the first half of next year," said Samsung.

The company added that 150 million US dollars will be invested for the construction of a new plant and it will handle the investment alone without bringing in a strategic partner.

Samsung already has an LCD module plant in Suzhou built in late2002 where it assembles panels for notebook computers and monitors.

Venezuela to send more humanitarian aid to Haiti

CARACAS, 8 Sept- Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez said Sunday that Venezuela will send more humanitarian aid to Haiti which has lately been affected by hurricanes Fay, Gustav and Hanna.

Chavez said a plane is carrying food and bottled water to Gonaives, a city in northern Haiti, after 18 tons of food and commodities were sent by ship to Haiti Saturday.

"Here we pray to God to help not only the Cuban people but the Caribbean and also the US people. This hurricane season has been evil," Chavez said during his weekly TV and radio programme "Hello, President."

The hurricane season in the Atlantic has killed at least 600 people in Haiti this year. -Xinhua

Inner Mongolia to launch Great Wall protection project

Ноннот, 8 Sept-China's Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region will set hand to preserve and protect its local section of the Great Wall, the first such kind of move in the local history, said the regional government on Sunday.

Preservation and protection will go to a 2-kmlong section that locates in the Beibao Village, Qingshuihe County, which was built in the Ming Dynasty (1368 AD to 1644), government official told Xinhua.

Like any other architectural site in the world, the Great Wall is at risk of damage caused by natural and human activities.

Xinhua

Russia says to send nuclear warship to Caribbean

Moscow, 8 Sept — | over the conflict in | bean...using our navy." Russia said on Monday it Georgia.

Russian

Foreign would send a heavily- Russiahas criticized the Ministry spokesman Andrei Nesterenko said on Monday that the naval mission to Venezuela would include the nuclearpowered battle cruiser "Peter the Great," one of the world's largest combat warships. Moscow's most modern destroyer, the "Admiral Chabanenko," will also steam to the Caribbean, along with other ships, including a fuel tanker, he added.-Xinhua

necessary for Samsung at the current stage. Otherwise our rivals will catch up. Samsung is trying to

"The expansion is

grab a bigger market share in China," said Samsung. Xinhua

armed nuclear-powered cruiser to the Caribbean for a joint naval exercise with Venezuela, its first major manoeuvres on the United States' doorstep since the Cold War.

Russian officials denied the mission was in any way linked to a naval standoff with US warships in the Black Sea, but it will take place at a time of high tension between Moscow and Washington United States for sending a command ship and two other naval vessels to Georgia, on its southern border, to deliver aid and show support for President Mikheil Saakashvili after Moscow sent troops into Georgia.

Kremlin leader Dmitry Medvedev asked on Saturday how Washington would feel "if we now dispatched humanitarian assistance to the Carib-



A street painter draws a portrait at his roadside studio on Pintu Besar Street in Jakarta, on 7 Sept, 2008. Street painters in Jakarta live on selling portraits drawn for customers at their stalls on the sidewalk. —XINHUA



AirAsia X's Airbus A330 long-haul aircraft is seen at the Kuala Lumpur International Airport's low-cost carrier terminal in Sepang. AirAsia X said it will not hit the wall like other low-cost carriers, with ticket sales strong despite faltering economies and high fuel costs.—INTERNET

NE Asia investment forum in China yields 106 bln yuan in contracts

investment contracts worth 106 billion yuan (about 15.5 billion US dollars) were signed during the 4th Northeast Asia Investment and Trade Expo, which ended here on Saturday.

Chen Weigen, vice governor of northeast China's Jilin Province, said businessmen from all over China and 12

CHANGCHUN, 8 Sept — A total of 171 percent from the 3rd Expo last year. The contracts mainly involved energy, urban infrastructure projects, smelting and building materials.

> The contracted investment included 2.57 billion US dollars from abroad.

The five-day expo was attended by investment volume was up about 37 other countries and territories.—Internet

Official: Iran to pursue fair oil price at **OPEC** meeting

TEHERAN, 8 Sept -Iran said Saturday that it will pursue a fair oil price at the upcoming meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), local English-language Press TV satellite channel reported.

Oil Minister Gholam-Hossein Nozari made the

remarks before leaving for the OPEC meeting scheduled to be held in Vienna on Tuesday, or 9 Sept, according to the report.

Iran, the second largest oil producer in the OPEC, is seeking a fair oil price as costs of oil production have increased nearly 25-30

percent while oil exporting countries face declining prices, Nozari was quoted as saying.

Nozari said if the current declining trend in oil prices continues, it will paralyze some producers due to the high cost of maintaining oil production facilities.

Internet

Consultants value Serbian oil monopoly at 2.2 bln euros

BELGRADE, 8 Sept — Serbia's oil monopoly NIS, set to be sold to Russian giant Gazprom, is worth 2.2 billion euros (3.1 billion dollars), a global consulting firm estimated in a report published Saturday. "Based on our research,

examination and analysis

we estimate that fair

market value of 100

percent of capital of the

Oil Industry of Serbia (NIS)... is 2.2 billion

This undated picture

shows a petroleum

refinery in the

industrial town of

Pancevo, just outside

Belgrade. Serbia's oil

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published Saturday. INTERNET

takeover of Volkswagen

by Porsche has sparked

consultants

euros,"

Deloitte said in the report published on the Serbian government Web site.

The report, ordered by the government, was published few days ahead ratification in the parliament of the energy agreement with Russia

that included sale of NIS to the energy giant Gazprom.

Gazprom offered to pay 400 million euros for 51 percent of NIS and to invest 500 million euros in the company.

Internet



Tension grows between Porsche and VW ahead of takeover

FRANKFURT, 8 Sept raised tempers within both Time is running out and companies. tension is growing: the

German media reports last week spoke of a possible departure of Porsche boss Wendelin Wiedeking, who could be sacrificed by dealmaker Ferdinand Piech to appease unions.

Piech, a co-owner of Porsche and president of the VW supervisory board, was said to be

highly irritated by tense relations between Wiedeking, one of the best-paid German bosses, and unions who play a crucial role at VW.

German industrial tradition that gives unions an oversight capacity in strategic decisions is firmly anchored in Volkswagen, the biggest European car maker. Internet

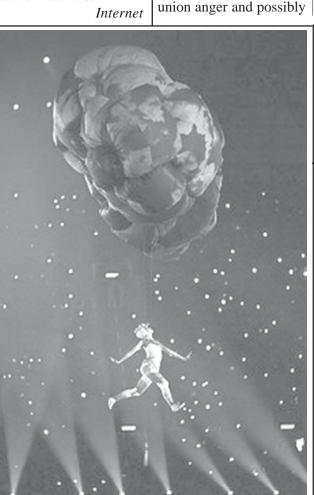
Detroit's sputtering Big Three turn to Washington for help

Ministers agree to extend Arab gas pipeline to Europe

CAIRO, 8 Sept— Oil to Hims in Syria. ministers in the Arab gas pipeline project have agreed to extend the pipeline to the European market, the Egyptian MENA news agency reported on Sunday. In a meeting here on Sunday, ministers of oil and energy of Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon agreed to take measures to link the Arab pipeline to the European gas network following the completion of the project. Egyptian Minister of Petroleum Sameh Fahmi, who chaired the meeting, said they discussed the implemented stages of the project which extends from Al-Arish in Egypt

In addition, experts from the four countries will discuss in the coming three days the timetables and quantities of gas to be sent to Lebanon, he added.

The Arab gas pipeline, with investments of more than 800 million US dollars, stretches more than 1,000 km from Egypt to Jordan and then Syria. Internet



Flying artist : A Chinese artist performs at the National Stadium during the opening ceremony of the 2008 **Beijing Paralympic** Games in the Chinese *capital.*—INTERNET

DETROIT, 8 Sept — Battered by weak sales, declining market share and miserable credit ratings, Detroit's Big Three automakers are now turning to the US government for help.

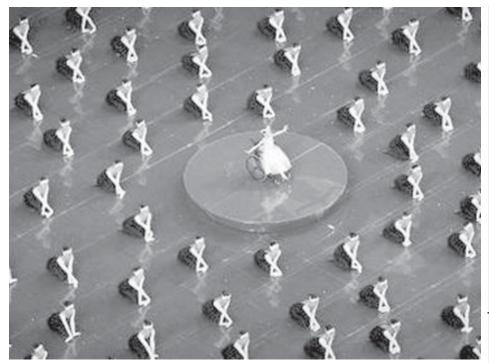
General Motors Corp, Ford Motor Co and Chrysler LLC will be launching a campaign in the coming days to secure at least 25 billion dollars in federal loans to help get past the current economic malaise.

"This isn't a bail out," said Greg Martin, Washington spokesman for GM, the largest US automaker which has been awash in speculation for months that it is running short of cash.

"These are direct loans that we have to pay back," added Ford spokesman Mike Moran.

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Li Yue (C), 12, who lost her left leg during the 12 May earthquake takes part with other performers in the opening ceremony of the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games at the National Stadium, on 6 Sept, 2008. The stadium is also known as the Bird's Nest.—INTERNET

McCain says he will have Democrats in cabinet if elected

WASHINGTON, 8 Sept-US Republican presidential nominee John McCain said Sunday that if elected, he will include Democrats in his cabinet.

Appearing in an interview with CBS News, McCain hinted that he would probably get more than one Democrat into his administration.

"It's not going to be a single, 'Well,

He also said the idea to have Democrats as cabinet members is in accord with the practices of previous administrations.

partisanship.

we have a Democrat now," he said.

McCain's words reflected his recent

pledge on government reform and bi-

Internet

Kadaffi opposes US military presence in Africa

TUNIS, 8 Sept—Libyan leader Moammar Kadaffi warned in Libyan capital of Tripoli that no US military presence should be in the African continent, news reports reaching here said Saturday.

He made the remarks while meeting with visiting US Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.

Latin American countries will kick off

a two-day business forum in Seoul on

Tuesday, the Korea Times reported on

Monday. The forum, the biggest South

Korean-Latin American forum in his-

tory, is expected to be an occasion for

South Korea to deepen energy coop-

eration as the current South Korean

government has placed strong empha-

sis on diplomacy to secure oil supplies,

discuss trade and investment, coopera-

tion in energy and infrastructure, and

the future of the Latin American

economy and its potential, it said.

During the forum, participants will

the Korea Times said.

Talking about the issue of US Africa Command, Kadaffi said the African people regarded the US military presence as colonialism and would reject it. For her part, Rice said the United States would not set up military base or any military presence in Africa.

The US top diplomat said her country was willing to develop bilateral ties in various fields with Libya, expressing her satisfaction for the current bilateral relationship.

She also hailed the positive role Kadaffi had played in Africa's peace, stability and development, especially in the normalization of relationship between Sudan and Chad and in the issue of Darfur.—Internet

S Korea, Latin America to **Air France-KLM** hold business forum in Seoul launches boarding pass SEOUL, 8 Sept — South Korea and on mobile phones

PARIS, 8 Sept —Air France-KLM, the world's biggest airline company, launched boarding passes on mobile phones on Thursday. The service is initially being offered to passengers travelling on daily flights between Paris and Amsterdam. This is the first time such a boarding pass has been issued on an international flight.

In order to receive the service, passengers owning identity cards need to register on the mobile phone website of Air France, and get an electronic boarding pass with a barcode on their mobile phone. The boarding pass contains all the information like boarding time and seat number displayed on a conventional boarding pass.—Internet

Internet

Buy \$169K Michigan dollhouse, get real home 'free'

Like many homeowners around the country, Gerry and Cindy Mann have struggled to sell their house during the past year.

So they decided to use a more creative

Colorado deputy clocks VW Beetle at 115 mph

A 27-year-old man was being held on \$10,000 bond in the Arapahoe County Jail after allegedly speeding up Interstate 25 in a Volkswagen Beetle. An Arapahoe County sheriff's deputy arrested the man on Monday after the deputy said he was clocked driving 115 mph. The deputy attempted to pull over the vehicle, but said he abandoned the pursuit when the driver wouldn't stop. The deputy found the VW crashed on an offramp a few minutes later and saw the suspected driver running through a nearby parking lot.

Buy a miniature ing," replica of the home for \$169,000 and get the real thing thrown in for free.

"After a year I was thinking, 'I don't know, I have this dollhouse sitting in my basement; let me see sales approach: if I can do some

creative marketchanical gorilla Gerry Mann, 60, told the Battle Creek Enquirer for a story.

8-foot mechanical ape missing, owner mystified An 8-foot meelse, and it was | at the end of the

heavy. Now it's disappeared-in broad daylight-and owner Lowell Miller wonders

how anyone could move it so easily. The gorilla was

last seen Sunday in front of Sandy's Sales, and Miller realized it was missing when he started to close up

day. He thought his clerk had wheeled it inside and the clerk thought Miller had moved it.

He didn't say how heavy it was but said it had a concrete base, with electric motors inside that moved the arms up and down and turned it sideways.

Suspected car burglar



Sancho, the new Emperor Tamarin at Berlin's Tierpark zoo, is seen in his enclosure. This primate, living in the southwest Amazon Basin, east Peru, north Bolivia and in western Brazil, and possessing a huge moustache, was allegedly named Emperor Tamarin due to his resemblance to German Emperor Wilhelm II.



standing outside a flea market store could move its arms but not much

NewsAlbum

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BoonLua, a long-tailed macaque, lives with Toby, a rabbit, in Ayutthaya province about 80 km (50 miles) north of Bangkok. BoonLua, the six-year-old wild monkey, lost both its legs and one arm during an attack by dogs three years ago. It dragged itself to a nearby temple and received medical treatment. He now lives in a custom built enclosure with the rabbit.

gets a dirty dumping

A 22-year-old suspected truck burglar made a dirty mistake after he tried to hide inside a portable toilet. Tampa police said the man broke into two pickup trucks at a parking lot and the owner of the second truck fought the suspect and chased him to a nearby construction site. The suspect tried to hide in the Port-O-Let, but the victim found him and turned it over, covering him in huge amounts of human waste.

The man was been charged with auto burglary and possession of burglary tools.



A cow sculpture is displayed during the Cow Parade Tokyo Marunouchi 2008 at the Marunouchi business district in Tokyo, Japan. A total of 73 life size cow sculptures decorated by Japanese artists are displayed during the month-long art event.

Tatmadaw families (Army, Navy and Air) and wellwishers donate cash and kind to 42 monasteries and one nunnery in three townships

YANGON, 8 Sept-A ceremony to donate rice, edible oil, salt, medicines, gram and cash of Tatmadaw families (Army, Navy and Air) and wellwishers to 26 monasteries in Thakayta and Dawbon Townships, Yangon East District, was held at Zinamanaung Pagoda in Thakayta Township yesterday afternoon, attended by Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, and he donated robes and provisions to the Sayadaw and members of the Sangha.

A total of donations were over 368 bags of rice, 2115 viss of edible oil, 2115 viss of iodine salt, 452 boxes of traditional medicine, 423 tubes of tooth paste, 423 packets of tooth salt, 423 viss of gram, 320 boxes of mosquito repellent coin, 500 dozens of exercise books, 500 packets of chilli powder and K 25, 298,000 for rice fund for 26 monasteries in Thakayta and Dawbon Townships.

A similar donation ceremony to 16 monasteries and one nunnery was held at Ywama Pariyatti Sarthintaik in Insein Township here at 4 pm.

A total of donations were over 372 bags of rice, over 269 viss of edible oil, 1978 viss of iodine salt, 421 boxes of various kinds of traditional medicine, over 398 viss of gram, 396 tubes of tooth paste, Oki soap cream 4 cartons, 288 tubes of tooth paste, 320 boxes of mosquito repellent coin, 500 packets of chilli powder, 50 packets of candle, 50 packets of tea and K 16, 191,000 for rice fund for 16 monasteries and one nunnery in InseinTownship.-MNA

Shwekyin, Nyaunglebin, **DaikU township USDAs** hold general meetings

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept — CEC Member of USDA Minister for Rail Transportation Maj-Gen Aung Min attended annual general meetings of USDA conducted by Shwekyin, Nyaunglebin and DaikU township USDAs yesterday.

He delivered opening addresses at annual general meetings of USDA held at the hall of Shwekyin, Nyaunglebin and DaikU township USDAs separately.

At the meetings, he heard reports on activities of the township USDAs in 2008 and presented prizes to outstanding members including students who won distinctions in the matriculation examination for the 2007-08 academic year. --MNA

The wise outstrips the intoxicated

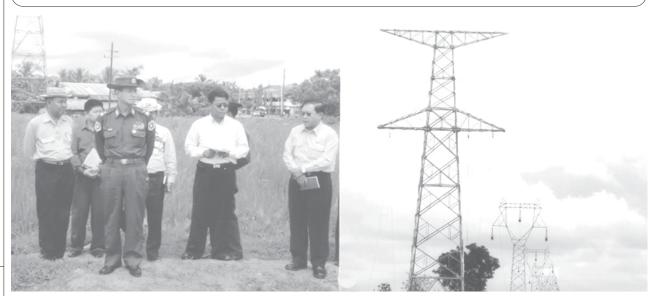
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Not intoxicated among the intoxicated and wide-awake among the sleeping, the wise one outstrips them as a swift horse outstrips a weak one.

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6457645764576457645764576757 **Pylons erected between Bago and Thanlyin**

to supply power to Yangon, industrial zones



Minister for Electric Power No. 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint looks into construction of 230 KV power grid in Kamanat(Bago)-Myaungdaga. — MNA

YANGON, 8 Sept —Minister for Electric Power No. 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint inspected connection of cable and construction of switchyard of Kamanat (Bago) substation power in Kamanut yesterday.

of the power supply project (south) of Myanmar Electric Power Enterprise Senior Engineer U Saw Win Maung and Project Director U Thein Hlaing reported to the minister on progress of works, At the sub-power | construction of pylons

station, Project Manager

along 230 KV power grid from Kamanat (Bago) to Thanlyin (Phayagon) and power grid from Thaketa to Thanlyin.

The minister stressed the need for timely completion of the 230-KV power grid of Kamanat (Bago)-Myaungdaga and Kamanat (Bago)-Phayagon (Thanlyin) which will supply power to Yangon and industrial

zones.

Next, the minister arrived at Hlawga natural gas power station and also inspected construction of subpower station, switchyard, the entrance road to the station, the site for construction of capacitor bank, connection of input and output power line of the station.

MNA







Minister Maj-Gen Aung Min presents prize to a four-distinction winner in the annual general meeting of DaikU Township USDA.—MNA

Maj-Gen Than Htay presents championship shield to champion Central Supply and Transport team.—MNA

Central Supply & Transport Team becomes champion

YANGON, 8 Sept — Central Supply and Transport Team became a champion of the 16th Supply and Transport Director's Shield Football Tournament after defeating No. 323 Supply and Transport BattalionTeam 3-0 in Meiktila yesterday. After the final match, officials concerned presented medals to individuals and Maj-Gen Than Htay presented the championship shield to Central Supply and Transport Team.—MNA

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Myanmar observes International ...

(from page 1) He said Myanmar is a nation that has been launching literacy move-

ment. Being a member of the UN, Myanmar observes International Literacy Day yearly to honour the measures of UNESCO cooperating with the nations of the world which are carrying out literacy tasks. The motto this year designated

by UNESCO is "Literacy is the Best Remedy".

He said better education foundations have been existed in Myanmar society in the earliest times because of stone inscriptions, parabaiks, ink inscriptions on stucco and palm leaf inscriptions, etc. In Myanma education system basic foundations for literacy for all and moral development were laid

down, he said. He said the literacy rate was considerately high in Myanmar in the successive periods but it dropped to 35 per cent due to colonial education system under the rule of the imperialists. After regaining her independence, Myanmar started to launch literacy movement. A study of Myanmar's literacy campaigns showed

awarded Mohammad Riza Pahlavi and Noma Prizes by UNESCO in 1971 and 1983 respectively. The step-by-step Myanmar educational promotion porgrammes include ensuring the enrollment of all school-age children, ensuring regular attendance and completion of their education, promotion of formal education, literacy of over-school-age children and implementation of non-formal educa-



Secretary-1 of the SPDC Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo delivers an address on 2008 **International** Literacy Day. MNA

Mobile schools have been opened for the children of those who have to move to various places for business purposes. Likewise, the inclusive education programme is being carried out for disabled children.

that the Education Act was enacted in 1948. The Mass Education Council conducted mass education training courses and Three-Rs courses beginning 1949. Therefore the literacy rate increased up to 57 per cent. He said from 1969 to

1983 literacy movements were carried out in Mandalay, Yangon, Magway, Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions and Mon State. In recognition of Myanmar literacy success, she was

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tion and informal education.

For national educa-

tion promotion, the project of ensuring the enrollment of all schoolage children was undertaken as a mass movement. As a result, the school enrollment rate of five-year-olds increased by 98.13 per cent in 2008-2009 academic year. For those children to continue middle and high school education after primary education, a total of 40,574 schools have been opened across the nation -29,243 primary schools, 6,463 post-primary schools, 2,705 middle schools and 2,163 high schools.

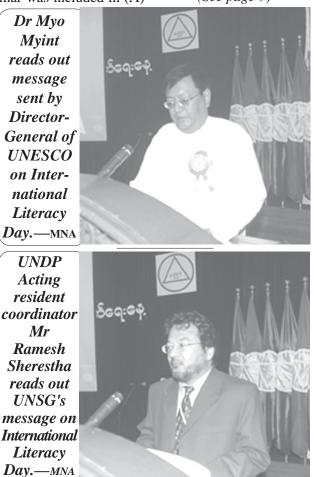
Moreover, mobile schools have been opened literary courses in border areas in the summer, 35,545 ethnic people became literate in 18 special regions.

Thanks to assistance of local authority and cooperative efforts of social organizations and the people, the literacy rate of the country has increased and reached 94.83 percent in 2008. Therefore, Myanmar was included in (A)

Dr Myo **Myint** reads out message sent by Director-General of **UNESCO** on International Literacy

group which consists countries with high-literary rate. As the basic literacy rate has increased, "Continuing Education Programme" has launched for the sustainable development of literacy. To encourage reading habit, income generation and livelihood of the people, community learning centres have been set up.

(See page 9)





Secretary-1 of the SPDC Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo presents prize to Ma Hnin Hnin Aung who won first prize in BEHS level essay contest marking International Literacy Day.—MNA

for the children of those who have to move to various places for business purposes. Likewise, the inclusive education programme is being carried out for disabled children. Meanwhile, basic literacy campaign has been carried out in rural and border areas with added momentum. In 2008. 18,424 reading rooms were set up and 868,432 became literate. Thanks to

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Objectives of the 16th Myanmar

Traditional Cultural Performing

Arts Competitions

1. Uplift of national prestige and integrity and

2. Uplift of the morale and morality of the

3. Keeping genuine patriotism based on national

4. Turning out younger generation who will

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Secretary-1 of the SPDC Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo cordially greets a guest. MNA

FM sends message of felicitations to DPRK counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Sept-U Nyan Win, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Pak Ul Chun, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea on the occasion of the Day of the Foundation of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea which falls on 9 September 2008.— MNA

Kanbawza lift Myanmar League trophy seeing off F&R 3-1

YANGON, 8 Sept-Kanbawza lifted Myanmar League trophy sinking F&R in the final showdown for the 2008-2009 football season held in Aung San Stadium yesterday evening.

Before the final match, footballers from both finalist teams took positions at designated

places and President of Myanmar Football Federation U Zaw Zaw and members shook hands.

After providing footballs with participating teams, prize money K 1 million was handed to champion Kanbawza and K 500,000 to runners-up F&R.

MNA

Myanmar observes International...

(from page 8) As infrastructures for education have been built and sustainable education programmes have been implemented, the education goal - creating an education system which can create constant learning society capable of facing challenges of IT era — would be achieved.

In accordance with the motto of International Literacy Day for 2008 "Literacy is the Best Remedy", completion of basic tasks for literacy will bring fruitful results in political, economic and social sectors.

In conclusion, he called for cooperation for sustainable development of literacy works and urged to cooperate with other countries and organizations in international literacy campaign.

Afterwards, Acting Resident Coordinator Mr

Ramesh Sherestha of UNDPread UN Secretary-General Mr Ban-ki Moon's message on International Literacy Day 2008.

Next, General Secre-Myanmar tary of UNESCO National Commission Rector of Yangon University of Foreign Languages Dr Myo Myint read UNESCO Director-General's message on International Literacy Day 2008.

After that, students of Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana No. 1 Basic Education High School presented entertainment with "Zartiman" song.

Next, Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the

ment Council Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo presented prizes to those who stood first, second and third in article, essay and poster competitions to mark the International Literary Day, prizes to those who stood first, second and third in essay competitions (education university and education college level), prizes to those who stood first, second and third in essay competitions (basic education level), and prizes to those who stood first, second and third in poster competitions (basic education level).

After that, video on Myanmar literary activities were shown. Next, students of Nay

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Pyi Taw No. 5 BEHS entertained those present with "Education for All" song, and the ceremony came to an end.

After the ceremony, Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo cordially greeted those present on the occasion including diplomats of foreign missions in Yangon, resident representatives of UN agencies and prize-winning stu-

Next, the Secretary-1 and party and guests looked into exhibits put on display at the booths to mark the International Literary Day 2008.—MNA

annual general meeting

Hmawby Township USDA holds

YANGON, 8 Sept — Annual general meeting-2008 of Hmawby Township Union Solidarity and Development Association was held at the office of the association in Hmawby yesterday.

CEC Member of USDA Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay delivered an

address and presented cash to responsible personnel to be spent on regional development tasks. He also accepted 601 applications from four village-tracts for membership of USDA. At the meeting, the CEC Member and responsible personnel awarded the outstanding members

of the association and the joint-secretary of the association accepted cash donated by wellwishers in the township.

During the afternoon session of the meeting, executives of the township USDA presented reports and participated in discussion sector-wise. MNA



Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay receives membership applications of 4 village-tracts in Hmawby township USDA.—MNA

Bago mountain range greening project in Bago District

In accord with the guidance of the Head of State, the Forest Department under the Ministry of Forestry has been implementing the greening plan of Bago mountain range from 2004-2005 to 2008-2009 financial years.

Under the arrangements of Assistant Director U Khin Maung Oo of Bago District Forest Department, I left for Bago Township to observe the greening of Bago mountain range. First, I arrived at the 7th mile camp via Phayagyi Village near Yangon-Mandalay Highway.

Forester U Win Than and Forest Ranger U Myint Kyaw explained growing of village fuel-substitute plantation on 100 acres of land at Block 256 of Salu reserve forest. I witnessed thriving firewood plantation.

I continued my trip to watershed plantation 2/ 2006 of Wagadok Dam in Bago Township and blocks 251/252/253/264 and 265 of Salu reserve forest. Padauk and other plants were keeping 300 acres of land, ironwood trees lush and green.

There are many forests and mountains in the western part of Bago Township. Furthermore, valuable trees can be seen at the reserve forests at the higher land in the northern part of the township.

In 2006-2007 financial year, 1,000 acres of teak special plantation was established in South Zamani reserve forest and 100 acres of village fuel-substitute plantation, 300 acres of watershed plantation and 200 acres of physic nut plantations at Salu reserve forest. In 2007-2008 financial year, 1,250 acres of teak plantation was established in Shwelaung reserve forest on a commercial scale. Of them, 94.50 per cent of plantations are thriving up to now. In addition, 150 acres of village fuel-substitute plantation



Article & Photos: Khin Maung Than (Sethmu)

Signboards put up at a forest on Bago mountain range to conserve reserve and protected public forests of the region.

have been established in Salu reserve forest and 450 acres of watershed plantations at blocks 251, 252/253 and 263 of the reserve forest.

Local people also grew the group-owned plantations in the region. They planted 151 acres of plantations at 26 villages from 2004-2005 to 2007-2008 financial years. In Bago Township, the local people used 9,338 A-1 brand stoves and paddy huskfired stoves from 2004-2005 to 2007-2008 fiscal years.

I continued my trip to Kyaukdaga Township of Bago District. I saw 350 acres of teak plantation established in 2007-2008 financial year on a commercial scale at block No. 91 of Yenwe reserve forest at the mile posts between 78/5 and 79/4 of Yangon-Mandalay Express Way (New).

Furthermore, I witnessed thriving trees at village firewood plantation near Daingtaya Village of Thanbayakhon Village-tract. The plantation was set up in 2004-2006 financial year.

> Teak plantation on commercial

In Kyaukdaga Township, 2,650 acres of teak plantations was established at Baingda reserve forest from 2004-2005 to 2007-2008 financial year.

In addition to teak and ironwood trees, various kinds of hard wood trees and bamboo species are thriving at the semi-deciduous plantations in Kyaukdaga Township.

I left for DaikU Township to observe the greening of Bago mountain range in Bago District. I looked into thriving 1,000 acres of teak plantation and 750 acres of plantation established at Baingda reserve forest in 2006-2007 and 2007-2008 respectively.

Tree plantations were grown in DaikU Township to maintain the watershed area of Kawliya Dam. At 450 acres of fuel-wood plantations of Salu reserve forest, I witnessed thriving various species of hardwood trees. After establishment of the fuel-wood plantations for five years, the Forest Department handed over the plantations to Mautan, Bawni, Ayemakha and Botelay villages to produce firewood from the plantations as part of efforts to prevent the depletion of forests.

Nowadays, tree plantations on Bago mountain



range are being established with the aims of covering scale the lands and mountains with the greening of teak Thriving oneplantations, preventing deforestation in line with the year teak plantation being Forest Law, systematically maintaining the dams and established in watershed areas by growing trees and establishing the 2007-2008 financial year public owned forests. I firmly believe that thriving on 350 acres of tree plantation will green Bago mountain range land at block 90 forever. of Yenwe reserve forest in *****

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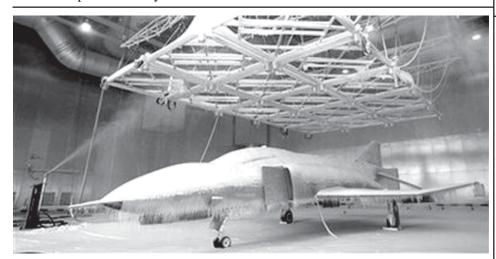
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McCain leads Obama by 4% after convention

WASHINGTON, 8 Sept — Republican candidate John McCain goes into the final stretch of the US presidential campaign 4 percentage points ahead of Democrat Barack Obama, according to a USA Today/ Gallup poll released on Sunday.

McCain's 4-point lead was his biggest since January and a turnaround from a USA Today poll taken just before last week's Republican Party convention opened, when he trailed Obama by 7 percentage points. The new poll, taken Friday through Sunday, showed McCain leading Obama by 50 per cent to 46 per cent among registered voters with less than two months before the 4 November election.

USA Today said McCain, a veteran Arizona senator, got a significant boost from the Republican convention and the selection of Alaska Governor Sarah Palin as his vice presidential running mate. McCain also narrowed Obama's wide advantage on handling the economy, the top issue in the campaign, USA Today said. On the question of managing the economy, Obama, a first-term Illinois Senator, was favoured by 19 points before the Republican convention but now was favoured by 3 points, USA Today said. MNA/Reuters



South Korea Air Force F-4E Phantom fighter is frozen during a Snow and Freezing Rain Test and Climatic Environmental Test at the Agency for Defence Development in Seosan, south of Seoul, South Korea, on 8 Sept, 2008. South Korea opened a new aircraft testing centre Monday where its military will for the first time be able to measure the operational capabilities of aircraft and armoured vehicles in extreme weather, amid high electromagnetic waves and various other conditions, Yonhap News reported.—INTERNET

Sino-Egyptian friendship school inaugurated in Egypt

CAIRO, 8 Sept — A Sino-Egyptian friendship school set up with Chinese grants was inaugurated on Sunday in the Egyptian governorate of the 6th of October.

Visiting Chinese Vice Minister of Commerce Fu

MDC says deal must strip Mugabe of some power

Gweru (Zimbabwe), 8 Sept — Zimbabwe's opposition Movement for Democratic Change (MDC) said on Sunday it would not sign any powersharing deal that gives President Robert Mugabe sweeping powers.

"We are not going to compromise with this old man on that issue," MDC "There are others who are simply shouting that we should sign this agreement. But we are not simply going to sign. The people must know that we will not negotiate away the principle of democracy," said Biti.

The MDC has lost faith in negotiations with Mugabe and will leave him to form a government alone rather than be forced into a deal, a party official said on of Thursday.

MNA/Reuters



India's Prime Minister Manmohan Singh (R) speaks with China's Foreign Minister Yang Jiechi during their meeting in New Delhi on 8 Sept, 2008. Jiechi is on a three-day visit to India.—Internet

Chavez postpones military exercises with Russia CARACAS, 8 Sept — 1 the end of November or 1 emphasize that Venezuela

CARACAS, 8 Sept — Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez announced Sunday that a series of joint military exercises with Russia, originally scheduled for mid-November, will be postponed.

"We are still at the

preparatory phase, (and)

we are not ready yet for

these operations to take

place in November,"

Chavez said during his

weekly TV and radio

President". Noting the

exercises could be held "at

"Hello,

programme

December", Chavez said the Venezuelan Armed Forces will be better prepared by then rather than at the originally scheduled time, as a joint anti-drug patrol operation with Brazil was slated for 2-14 November.

"We do everything in a transparent form, and we territory.— *MNA/Xinhua*

emphasize that Venezuela is a strategic ally of Moscow ... Venezuela is free (to make its own decisions)," said Chavez in reaction to opposition criticisms that the manoeuvres will bring Russian bases, nuclear submarines and atomic bombs to Venezuelan territory.— MNA/Xinhua

Unidentified warship captures 14 Somali pirates

Bosasso (Somalia), 8 Sept — A warship off pirateridden Somali waters captured 14 pirates and destroyed their boat, the fisheries minister for the northern Puntland region said on Sunday.

"About 14 pirates came across a warship that we think could be American and all the pirates on board were captured and their boat destroyed," said Abdulqadir Muse Yusuf, the Fisheries Minister for the semiautonomous region.

"We are still investigating the identity of the warship."

Two French nationals were seized in their yacht in the perilous waters on Tuesday and the French Navy has said it is ready to try to free them although their safety came first. In April, French commandos launched a helicopter raid to arrest six Somali pirates after they freed the 30-strong crew of a luxury yacht they had hijacked days earlier. — *MNA/Reuters*

A stranded car is hoisted from a

Ziying and Egyptian Minister of International Cooperation Fayza Mohamed Abu Naga attended the inauguration ceremony, said a Press release of the Chinese embassy in Egypt. The model school, which was established with a grant of four million US dollars provided by the Chinese government, has the plan to teach Chinese language and history.—MNA/Xinnhua

Secretary-General Tendai Biti told a rally to celebrate the party's ninth anniversary in the city of Gweru in central Zimbabwe.

Post election talks are deadlocked over how to share executive power between Mugabe and MDC leader Morgan Tsvangirai, putting off any chance of rescuing Zimbabwe from its economic collapse.



collapsed road surface in Guangzhou, Guangdong Province, on 7 September, 2008. The road collapsed on Sunday afternoon and trapped the car in a hole, which measured 5 metres (16.4 feet) in depth and 15 metres (49.2 feet) in diameter, local media reported. Further investigation is underway. INTERNET

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE MV EMERALD CORAL VOY NO (25)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV EMERALD CORAL VOY NO (25) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 9.9.2008 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm up to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY AGENT FOR: EASTERN CAR LINER LTD Phone No: 256924/256914

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No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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P. O. Box 60, Yangon Dated: 9 September 2008



wounds three in Cambodia

PHNOM PENH, 8 Sept—A truck hit an anti-tank mine

in a former stronghold of Cambodia's ultra-Communist

Khmer Rouge guerillas, killing at least five people and

western district of Anlong Veng included women and

children who were travelling in a truck carrying rice to

a mill, police said. The area near the Thai border, was

once a base for Khmer Rouge guerillas and is where

Recent heavy rain could have loosened the soil and

shifted the mine onto the road, provincial police chief

Menn Ly said. Decades of civil war, especially in the

former battlefields of Khmer Rouge, left Cambodia as

the world's most mined country—an estimated 4-6

million landmines are believed to be still planted in the

The victims of Friday's accident in the north-

wounding three, police said on Sunday.

the group's chief, Pol Pot, died in 1998.

countryside. —*MNA/Reuters*

S Korean financial market expected to recover stability

SEOUL, 8 Sept—South Korean government said that the country's financial markets are set to recover stability this week, *Korea Herald* reported Monday.

The government's positive forecast came out as it expects overseas investors to regain confidence in South Korean stocks and bonds.

Worries about the market mainly stemmed from foreigners' shortterm debt holdings worth

of 6.8 trillion won (6.7 billion US dollars) which will mature in September. Fears of massive outflow of foreign investment after the expiration date lost ground over the weekend, as financial authorities asserted that talk of another financial crisis was exaggerated, the report said.

Credit ratings agencies such as Fitch and Standard N Poor's along with the IMF said that South Korea

will not go through a financial crisis, referring to the country's 243.2 billion US dollar worth of foreign reserve as well as the improved financial health. According to the Financial Supervisory Service, overseas investors' net purchase of South Korean bond reached 1.8 trillion won from 1st to 4th September, supporting the stability of the South Korean market.—Internet

Dubai records 54% growth in non-oil trade

ABU DHABI, 8 Sept— The volume of non-oil direct foreign trade of Dubai, the commercial and financial hub of the United Arab Emirates (UAE), reached 296.6 billion dirhams (80.8 billion US dollars) in the first half of 2008, up 54 percent over the same period of 2007.

The figures were released by the statistics department of the Dubai World, a holding company that manages a portfolio of businesses and projects for the Dubai government.

According to the release, Dubai's exports and re-exports stood at 20.1 billion and 70.3 billion dirhams respectively in the first half of 2008, up 59.1 percent and 57.7 percent over the 2007 period.

In the same period, the overall imports of Dubai hit 206.2 billion dirhams, representing an increase of 52.7 percent compared with 135.1 billion dirhams in the 2007 period.

India was the largest trading partner of Dubai in the first half of 2008, with a volume of 54.3 billion dirhams of bilateral trade between the two parties.

"This growth reflects the position Dubai now enjoys in global trade," said Saeed Al Qaizi, a director of the Dubai World. —Internet

Boeing machinists walk off the job as talks fail

New YORK/EVERETT (Washington), 8 Sept — Boeing Co's 27,000strong machinists' union walked off the job on Saturday after the plane maker failed to improve its contract offer after two days of emergency talks.

At midnight, a crowd i of more than 100 t employees gathered near t the entrance of Boeing's t

factory in Everett, Washington, whistling, honking and waving picket signs as the strike got underway.

A small police presence ensured the scene was calm.

"Despite meeting late into the night and throughout the day, continued contract talks with the Boeing Company did not address our issues, Tom Wroblewski, the IAM's Seattle-area president, said in a letter to members. "The strike is on." The vast majority of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers' (IAM) members voted to reject Boeing's "best and final" offer on Wednesday, but postponed a strike for 48 hours to give

negotiators more time. Boeing and IAM negotiators, along with federal mediators, met near Orlando, Florida in a lastditch effort to hammer out an agreement.

"Over the past two days, Boeing, the union and the federal mediator worked hard in pursuing ... options that could lead to an agreement. Unfor-

Dated: 9 September 2008

Local residents look out over the scene, the day after a rock slide from the towering Muqattam cliffs fell onto the sprawling Manshiyet Nasr slum on the outskirts of Cairo, Egypt, on 7 Sept, 2008. At least 31 were killed and countless more are believed still buried in the rubble. INTERNET



tunately the differences were too great to close," said Scott Carson, the head of Boeing's commercial plane unit, in a statement. No further talks are scheduled. Both sides said they were waiting for the other to make the first move.

Boeing spokesman Tim Healy said the company was "open" to hearing from the IAM.

MNA/Reuters



A Neolithic piece of leather found at the 2,756 metre-high Schnidejoch pass. Some 5,000 years ago a prehistoric person trod high up in what is now the Swiss Alps, wearing goat leather pants, leather shoes and armed with a bow and arrows.—INTERNET

Shuttle flight to Hubble faces higher debris risk



The space shuttle Atlantis leaves the vehicle assembly building on its way to launch pad 39A at Kennedy Space Centre in Cape Canaveral, Florida, on 4 Sept, 2008.—INTERNET

CAPE CANAVERAL, 8 Sept—Next month's shuttle flight to the Hubble Space Telescope faces an increased risk from orbiting debris.

Colon cancer patients not getting follow-up care

New York, 8 Sept — Many colon cancer patients aren't getting the screenings recommended after surgery to make sure the disease hasn't returned, new research shows.

Only about 40 percent of the 4,426 older patients in the study got all the doctor visits, blood tests and the colonoscopy advised in the three years after cancer surgery,

according to the results released Monday by the journal Cancer.

While nearly all made the doctor visits and almost three-quarters got a colonoscopy, many didn't get the blood tests that can signal a return of colon cancer, according to the researchers at University Hospitals Case Medical Centre in Cleveland.Whether doctors didn't offer the tests or patients failed to get them isn't known, said Dr Gregory Cooper, who led the study. He said perhaps the follow-up care was being provided by doctors who aren't specialists and who aren't familiar with the guidelines.

The shuttle Atlantis

sign off on the mission

because of the higher risk.

odds of a catastrophic

strike by a micrometeorite

at about 1-in-185. Shuttle

programme director John

Shannon said Monday that

compares to 1-in-300 odds

for a shuttle flight to the

international space station.

Internet

New numbers put the

more space

"I would probably put most of the blame on the providers," said Cooper, a gastroenterologist at the hospital.-Internet

For giant bug, size matters

WELLINGTON, 8 Sept-Female giant weta crickets are huge. At about 0.7 ounces (20 grammes), they're one of the world's heaviest insects. But the males are about half their size. Now scientists know why.

In a surpising way, size really matters in this species.

Males that are lighter and have longer legs are more successful at mating. The reason: They can travel farther to find a female.

The most successful males can walk the length of a football field in one night in their native New Zealand, the researchers found by attaching radiotracking devices to the bugs. That would amount to more than 4 miles (7,000 metres) for a human, given the proportional differences.

Small, long-legged males walked farther, acquired more mates, and transferred more spermatophores to females during the multiple daytime copulations common among these insects.

"Our findings are a rare example of sexual selection favouring a suite of traits that promote greater mobility in one sex only," said biologist Clint Kelly of the University of Toronto. "This is exciting because it suggests that sexual selection for smaller, more mobile males could be responsible for some of the impressive sexual difference in body size in this species." -- Internet

Isreal's Rafael wins \$ 200m missile deal from India

JERUSALEM, 8 Sept-The Israel Armament Development Authority (Rafael) has won a contract of 260 million US dollars from India whose Air Force intends to buy 18 Spyder Low Level Quick Reaction Missiles, local daily Ha'aretz reported here Sunday.

The contract was inked on 1 September, a senior Indian Defence Ministry official was quoted as saying. Israeli Defence Ministry sources confirmed that the deliveries of the Spyder missiles will begin in two and half years and be completed within four years. According to Rafael,

Spyder, which was developed in cooperation with the Israel Aerospace Industries, is a quick reaction, low level surfaceto-air missile system designed to effectively counter attacks by aircraft, helicpoters UAVs and precision guided munitions.-MNA/Xinhua

growth in South Korea has

become stagnant. There

are jobs available in almost

Asian

Internet

every sector."

South Korea to recruit 7,000 workers from Bangladesh

DHAKA, 8 Sept-South Korea will recruit over 7,000 skilled and semi-skilled workers from Bangladesh in the next 16 months, the country's ambassador to Bangladesh said here on Monday.

Ambassador Suk-Bum Park said around 3,000 Bangladeshis would get jobs in South Korea's construction, textile, fisheries, agriculture, electronics and machinery sectors this year and the rest in 2009.

"We would recruit around 3,000 workers under the first 'Employment Permit System (EPS)' system this year. In 2009, the number of recruitment will be around 4,000," he said.

huge number of overseas workers as the population

Over 5.6 million Bangladeshis are now living and working in more than 100 countries in the world. Southeast countries and the Middle East countries are the main

He said, "We need a destinations.



will be flying in a higher altitude where there's junk. Managers at NASA's highest levels will need to



A giant mechanical spider weighing 37 tons and standing 15 metres high, part of a piece of *"free theatre" by* French company La Machine entitled "Les Mecaniques Servants," parades along the Liverpool waterfront on Friday as a component of the city's European *capital of culture* celebrations. INTERNET



A pedestrian chooses lanterns for the Mid-Autumn Festival at a store in Hong Kong, south China, on 7 Sept, 2008. The Mid-Autumn Festival, a traditional Chinese holiday for family reunion and mooncakes, falls on 14 Sept, this year. —INTERNET

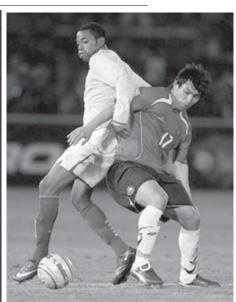
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Mexico and US win as politics mix with soccer

BUENOS AIRES, 8 Sept - The United States and Mexico reeled off wins in CONCACAF World Cup qualifiers on Saturday on a day that mixed soccer with politics. The United States beat Cuba 1-0 in Havana, their first visit to the Caribbean island for 61 years, with a first-half Clint Dempsey goal.

The third round Group A match took place against the backdrop of a 46-year-old US trade embargo against Cuba, imposed after Fidel Castro took power in a 1959 revolution and allied the country with the Soviet Union.

However, the US players came out onto the pitch after the match at the rickety Pedro Marrero stadium and applauded the Cuban fans in what coach Bob Bradley said was a spontaneous gesture of appreciation.



Brazil's Robinho, left, fights for the ball with Chile's Gary Medel during a World Cup 2010 qualifying soccer match in Santiago, on 7 Sept, 2008.—INTERNET

Liverpool skipper still recovering from surgery

LONDON, 8 Sept—Liverpool | 100 per cent fit when he returns. skipper Steven Gerrard has ruled himself out of Saturday's Premier League clash with Manchester United, live on Sky Sports 1 and HD1. The talismanic midfielder is recovering from a double groin operation which forced him to withdraw from Fabio Capello's squad for England's World Cup qualifiers against Andorra and too soon. Croatia.

pain barrier as Rafa Benitez's side scraped into the UEFA Champihard-fought victory over Standard Liege, Gerrard is eager to be

With star striker Fernando Torres also a major doubt for the Anfield encounter after suffering a hamstring injury against Aston Villa, Benitez could be without two of his key men.

Too soon

Gerrard told the Liverpool *Daily Post*: "The United game is

"I've a decent chance for the Having played through the Champions League game in Marseille (on 16th September) but I've spoken to the manager and told ons League group stages with a him I'd like to do a certain amount of training before I come back.

Internet

Serena Williams beats Jankovic for 3rd Open title

New York, 8 Sept -Serena Williams flung her racket straight up and jumped for joy, hopping and skipping and screaming and generally looking like someone who had just won her first US Open title or earned her debut at No 1.

It sure had been a while, though.

Displaying the talent and tenacity that allowed her to dominate tennis earlier in the decade, Williams outlasted Jelena Jankovic 6-4, 7-5 Sunday night in a thrilla-minute match chock full of marvelous strokes and momentum swings to win her third US Open championship and ninth Grand Slam title.—Internet



Red Star Belgrade sack coach Zeman

Internet

BELGRADE, 8 Sept — Red Star Belgrade have sacked their Czech coach Zdenek Zeman after a string of poor results, the Serbian first division club said on Sunday.

Asked by SOS sports television if Zeman had been dismissed, Red Star's interim president Dobrivoje Tanasijevic said: "Yes. We have parted company with Mr Zeman in an orderly manner and we will name a replacement in the next two or three weeks.

"We won't rush things because whoever we appoint will stay here until the end of the season," he said. MNA/Reuters



South Africa's Natalie du Toit starts on her way to winning her heat of the Women's 100 metres Freestyle S9 at the 2008 Beijing Paralympic Games in Beijing on 8 Sept, 2008.—INTERNET

Gattuso pulls out of Italy squad with wrist injury ROME, 8 Sept — AC Milan midfielder

Bears' D turns tables on Colts in 29-13 victory

INDIANAPOLIS, 7 Sept — Chicago rediscovered its winning formula Sunday night. Play tough defence, control the ball and make no major mistakes.

Chicago's win ended Indy's remarkable streak of 21 consecutive victories in September and October, the league's longest run since the Green Bay Packers won 23 pre-November games from 1928-32. It's also the first time since 2004 the Colts won't start at least 7-0.

How did the Bears do it? With an old style and a new look.

Matt Forte, the first Chicago rookie to start at running back since Walter Payton in 1975, ran for 123 yards — 50 on a first-quarter TD run in which he broke one tackle and then outran Bob Sanders, last season's defensive player of the year, to the end zone.

Kyle Orton, who wrested the starting job from Rex Grossman, was 13-of-21 for 150 yards and had no turnovers.

Internet

Romania coach under fire | Pats QB Brady hurts knee in victory over Chiefs after loss to Lithuania

BUCHAREST, 8 Sept — Romanian soccer coach Victor Piturca's job could be in danger after a "shameful" home defeat against Lithuania in their World Cup qualifier, officials and the media warned on Sunday.

"It was a shameful result but it's not the time to discuss Piturca's dismissal now,' Romanian Football Federation (FRF) president Mircea Sandu told reporters. "We'll review the case after the match (against Faroe Islands) in Torshavn, for sure." -MNA/Reuters

Matt Forte (22) breaks a tackle by Indianapolis Colts linebacker Freddie Keiaho in the second half of an NFL football game in Indianapolis, on 7 Sept, 2008. —INTERNET

Chicago Bears running back

FOXBOROUGH, 8 Sept — Tom Brady went from the disappointment of a Super

Bowl loss to the devastation of an injury that could keep him out for the rest of the season. After missing the entire preseason with an unspecified foot injury, Brady left Sunday's season opener against the Kansas City Chiefs in the first quarter after being hit on the left leg by Chiefs safety Bernard Pollard. Coach Bill Belichick

Phoenix Mercury guard Diana Taurasi drives to the basket past Houston Comets centre Michelle Snow, right, in the fourth quarter of a WNBA basketball game on 7 Sept, 2008, in Phoenix. Taurasi scored 33 points as the Mercury defeated the Comets 99-74.—INTERNET

Gennaro Gattuso has pulled out of Italy's squad for Wednesday's World Cup qualifier against Georgia after injuring his wrist in training on Sunday.

"Gattuso has been operated on and will be forced to skip the encounter with Georgia," the Italian Soccer Federation said on its website (www.figc.it).

Italy coach Marcello Lippi is also without defenders Alessandro Gamberini and Fabio Grosso, both of whom were injured at the start of the world champions' 2-1 win over Cyprus in their Group Eight opener on Saturday.

MNA/Reuters



provided no information on the injury, but Pollard had a diagnosis of his own.

"He was in a lot of pain," he said. When you hear a scream, you know that." Various reports Sunday night said Belichick told the players that the injury was serious. The Patriots were already looking for a possible replacement for Brady.—Internet

Andy Murray returns a shot during his semi-final match to Rafael Nadal of Spain at the US Open tennis tournament at the USTA National Tennis Centre in New York City. Murray won 6-2, 7-6 (7/5), 4-6, 6-4.—INTERNET

Georgia to ask Hague court to end Russian abuses

THE HAGUE, 8 Sept violence.

Georgia will seek a ruling from the UN's highest court in The Hague on Monday ordering Russia to stop what it claims are human rights violations against ethnic Georgians in the breakaway provinces of South Ossetia and Abkhazia.

In an emergency

three-day hearing at the International Court of

Justice, which investigates

disputes between nations,

Georgia will also ask that

Russia allow the safe

return home of Georgian

refugees displaced by

The court is expected to give a provisional order or injunction within two to three weeks if it decides it has jurisdiction to hear the case. Rulings have recently become binding, legal experts said. Last month Georgia

filed a suit to demand that Russia withdraw troops and pay damages, alleging that Russia violated an anti-discrimination convention during three interventions in South Ossetia and Abkhazia from 1990 to August 2008. —MNA/Reuters

Roadside bomb kills Dutch soldier in Afghanistan

AMSTERDAM, 8 Sept — A Dutch soldier serving with NATO-led forces in southern Afghanistan was killed on Sunday by a roadside bomb, the Dutch Defence Ministry said on Sunday.

The 21-year-old soldier, Jos ten Brinke, was killed about 20 kilometres (12.4 miles) north of the town of Tarin Kowt, the ministry said in a statement.

Five others soldiers were wounded in the attack, one of them seriously, the ministry said. Dutch troops have been participating in the NATO-led operation since 2006. Last year the Dutch government decided to extend the mission of its troops in southern Afghanistan until 2010. At the moment 1,650 are based in Afghanistan.

The death on Sunday brings the total number of Dutch soldiers killed in Afghanistan to 17. In April, the son of the new chief of the Dutch military and another Dutch soldier serving with NATO-led forces were killed. — MNA/Reuters

Europe wants to work with US on Georgia

Sept — The European Union wants to work closely with the United States in resolving the Georgian crisis, Italy's foreign minister said after meeting US Vice President Dick Cheney on Sunday.

The United States Europe have and demanded that Russia pull forces out of Georgia as set out in a Frenchbrokered peace agreement, but Moscow has not yet fully complied.

On Saturday, Cheney delivered the sharpest US criticism of Russia since its brief war last month with Georgia, accusing Moscow of

CERNOBBIO (Italy), 8 | reverting to Cold War tactics of intimidation.

"The most important element that I think I can bring you is the common wish, the vice president's and mine, for an intense collaboration between Europe and the United States," Italian Foreign Minister Franco Frattini told reporters after meeting Cheney on the margins of an economic conference.

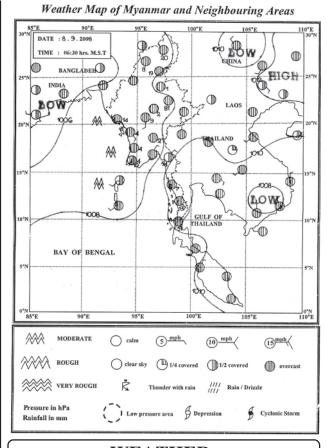
"This Caucasian crisis won't be resolved if there is not an intense collaboration, that Europe wishes for, that the United States wishes for, and we will carry out." he said.

MNA/Reuters

Asleep in Jesus Rev. Father Edwin David Age 64 years **Priesthood 36 years**

Parish Priest of St. Francis of Assisi Church, Tamway

Beloved son of late Mr. Anthony David and Mrs. Susan David, eldest brother of Andrew-Priscilla (India), Clement-Rachel, Pamela, Cyril-Jacintha, Raymond-Daisy, Bernadette-Raphael (Canada), Cecilia-Luke Joseph (India) and Winston-Beatrice (Canada), Parish Priest of St. Francis of Assisi Church No. 131, Kyaikkasan Road, Tamway, Head of Education Commission, Yangon Archdiocese, (Former Youth Chaplain of Yangon Archdiocese) passed away peacefully at 7:50 pm on 5th September 2008 at Shwegondine Specialist Centre, Yangon. The funeral service will take place at St. Francis of Assisi Church, No. 131, Kyaikkasan Road, Tamway on Tuesday, the 9^m of September, 2008, at 1:00 pm. **Bereaved Family**



WEATHER

Monday, 8 September, 2008

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST: During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in lower Sagaing Division, scattered in upper Sagaing and Bago Divisions, fairly widespread in Magway and Yangon Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with isolated heavyfall in Shan State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin) (0.40) inch, Nay Pyi Taw (Thapyaygone) (0.94) inch, Lashio (3.38) inches, Kawthoung (2.17) inches, Mawlamyine and Kyaikkami (2.12) inches each, Ye (1.77) inches, Sinphyu Kyun (1.65) inches and Myingyan (1.46) inches.

Maximum temperature on 7-9-2008 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 8-9-2008 was 72°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 8-9-2008 was 100%. Total sunshine hours on 7-9-2008 was (5.5) hours approx.

Rainfall on 8-9-2008 was (0.41) inch at Mingaladon, (0.71) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.32) inch at Central Yangon. Totalrainfall since 1-1-2008 was (81.81) inches at Mingaladon, (92.68) inches at Kaba-Aye and (110.67) inches at Central Maximum wind gread at Vangan (Kaba Aya) wa

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Development drives gain momentum in Kawthoung Township



Maj-Gen Tha Aye of Ministry of Defence inspects fishing boats in Kawthoung.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept—Maj-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by officials inspected work being carried out for greening and beautifying Kawthoung Airport on 3 September.

Accompanied by Chairman of Taninthayi Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Costal Region Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo and senior military officers, Maj-Gen Tha Aye met departmental heads, members of social organizations, townselders and entrepreneurs at Minzuthaka Hall in Kawthoung.

At the meeting, Chairman of Kawthoung District PDC UMin Aye Lwin and officials reported on the development of Kawthoung District, social, health, agriculture and transportation sectors to Maj-Gen Tha Aye and the commander gave a

supplementary report. Maj-Gen Tha Aye and party proceeded to Bayintnaung Hill and looked into measures being taken for greening and beautifying the hill and viewed the flow of Pachan River.

After inspecting Seikkantha Park established by the Township Development Affairs Department, Maj-Gen Tha Aye spoke of the need for officials to make the park more pleasant and prevent land erosion.

Next, Maj-Gen Tha Aye and party inspected the development of Palontonton island, Shwe Kyun Tha resort and Shwe Nadi resort. In the evening, he met officers and other ranks and their families of Kawthoung Station and provided cash assistance to them.— MNA

Resource persons focus on climate change

Afterwards, officials of the UNEP, Asia and Pacific Regional Office UNEP/ROAP and HSF extended greetings.

In the first day's morning session, Dr Natarika Vayuparb Cooper, Dr Wanhua Yang and U San Lwin (Attorney-General Office) read out papers on Climate Change Issues, Law and Policy of International and Asian countries and those present took part in the discussions. In the afternoon ses-

sion, Professor Wang Mingyuan and Dr Ohnmar Kyaw (Law Department, Yangon University) read out papers on Climate Change Issues, Law and Policy and Mr Manjit Iqbal, Dr Natarika Vayuparb Cooper and Mr Syamphone Sengehandala read out papers on Implementation of Climate Change Policy and Law and those present on the occasion took part in the discussions.

MNA.

Hydrogen-Producing Bacteria Provide Clean Energy

SCIENCE DAILY, 8 Sept— A new "green" technology developed cooperatively by scientists with the Agricultural Research Service (ARS) and North Carolina State University (NC State) could

NAY PYI TAW, 8

Sept— A workshop on

climate change and envi-

ronmental conservation

law jointly organized by

National Commission for

Environmental Affairs

(NCEA), Ministry of For-

estry, United Nations En-

vironmental Programme

(UNEP) and HSF was

held at the Forestry Re-

search Department in

Yezin this morning. Sec-

retary U San Lwin of

NCEA delivered an open-

ing speech on the occa-

sion.



Wish to conserve wild orchids !

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Sept—As part of the programme for disseminating environmental knowledge, educative talks were given at Yezin University of Forest in Nay Pyi Taw on 29 August.

CEC member of Myanmar Floriculturists' Association Dr Saw Lwin gave talks on conservation of wild orchids and replied to queries raised by those present.

Experts give educative talks at the university every Friday. — *MNA*

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lead to production of hydrogen from nitrogen-fixing bacteria.

Renewable sources promise as a source of of energy-such as hyhydrogen for use in fuel drogen-that don't procell technology. Fuel cell duce pollutants or greendevices combine hydrohouse gases are needed gen and oxygen to proto solve global energy duce electricity and washortages. Fossil fuels ter, and are considered efsuch as coal, oil and natuficient, quiet and pollural gas are nonrenewable tion-free. Fuel cells are energy sources implinow being tested in a range cated in global warming. of products, including au-The invention holds



tomobiles that release no emissions other than water vapor.

ARS inventors Paul Bishop and Telisa Loveless and NC State inventors Jonathan Olson and José Bruno-Bárcena developed the patent-pending technology.