

## 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

# Defence Services Commander-in-Chief's Trophy Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) Football Tournament opened

YANGON, 25 Nov— The 47<sup>th</sup> Defence Services Commander-in-Chief's Trophy Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) Football

Tournament was opened at the Youth Training Centre (Thuwunna) here at 3

p.m. yesterday with an address by Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung of the Ministry of Defence, on behalf of the Commander-in-Chief.

Also present on the occasion were Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Win Myint, senior military of-

ficers, defence attaches from foreign missions, officials from the Ministry of Sports, guests, Tatmadawmen and their families, social organizations and enthusiasts.

After making a speech, Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung took the salute of the football teams.

At the opener, the South-West Command beat the Yangon Command 3-2.

The first round-robin matches will be held from 28 November to 11 December at the respective zones which include South-East Command zone (Mawlamyine) for

Group-A, South-West Command zone (Patheingyi) for Group-B, North-West Command zone (Monywa) for Group-C, Central Command zone (Mandalay) for Group-D and Southern Command zone (Toungtha) for Group-E.

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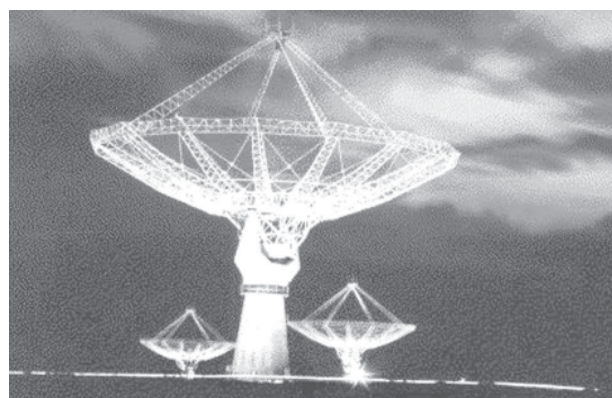
*Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung delivers an address at opening of the 47<sup>th</sup> Defence Services Commander-in-Chief's Trophy Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) Football Tournament. — MNA*



## Small storm passes near Colombo, Sri Lanka

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Nov— A low pressure area occurred at the Southwest of Bay of Bengal has intensified into a small storm. According to the 9.30 a.m. MST observation, the small storm passed near Colombo, Sri Lanka and will continue to move westwards, said the Meteorology and Hydrology Department.—MNA

## Mystery of missing hydrogen: Apparent absence from distant galaxies puzzles astronomers



*The Giant Metrewave Radio Telescope in India, which comprises thirty 45-metre-diameter dishes, is one of the world's most sensitive radio telescopes.*

CANBERRA, 25 Nov — Something vital is missing in the far distant reaches of the universe: hydrogen—the raw material for stars, planets and possible life.

The discovery of its apparent absence from distant galaxies by a team of Australian astronomers is puzzling because hydrogen gas is the most common constituent of normal matter in the universe.

If anything, hydrogen was expected to be more abundant so early in the life of the universe because it had not yet been consumed by the formation of all the stars and galaxies we know today.

Dr Steve Curran and colleagues at the University of New South Wales made their observations with the Giant Metrewave Radio Telescope in India, which comprises thirty 45-metre-diameter dishes and is one of the world's most sensitive radio telescopes. The results are to be published in a forthcoming issue of Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society.

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### World countries to work together for food security

The FAO Conference's 35<sup>th</sup> Special Session was held in Rome, Italy, from 18 to 22 November. It was attended by ministers of 189 member countries including Myanmar.

Matters on ongoing agriculture development projects in Taunggyi, Kengtung and Tachilek, and progress in building cyclone shelters in Bogale and Labutta implemented in cooperation with Italy-based FOCSIV-INGO were discussed.

At the special session, reports on the world food security and alleviation of poverty were presented, and proposals of Immediate Plan of Action for FAO Renewal to be carried out from 2009 to 2011 were approved.

The Myanmar delegation held a meeting with the Director-General of FAO and discussed matters on assistance of FAO in rescue and rehabilitation tasks, construction of small dams and lakes for agricultural purposes in arid regions of central Myanmar, and assistance in the tasks for tapping underground water.

Food safety is the most fundamental requirement of world people. Submission and approval of reports on world food security and alleviation of hunger at the FAO Conference's 35<sup>th</sup> Special Session were indeed lofty tasks.

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*Myanmar Hockey delegation poses for photo at Yangon International Airport before departure for USA.*

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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

### No. 2 Electric Power Ministry holds coord meeting

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Nov — Ministry of Electric Power No. 2 held its work coordination meeting at the ministry here from 20 to 23 November.

At the meeting, Minister for Electric Power No-2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint delivered an address. Next, departmental officials of the Electric Power Distribution Enterprise, Myanmar Electric Power Enterprise, Yangon City Electric Power Supply Board

and Department of Electric Power reported on their respective tasks and then Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Win Myint gave a supplementary report.

After hearing the reports, the minister gave instructions to them. Next, the minister and the deputy minister and officials concerned presented prizes to outstanding employees of the ministry.

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### Donors invited for self-reliant libraries

YANGON, 25 Nov — A ceremony to donate land, buildings, fund, media equipments, books and journals to village self-reliant libraries in Yangon division will be held on 1 December. Wellwishers

may make donation at No.22/24, Yangon Division Information and Public Relations Department office on Pansodan Street, here (Ph-01-254270, 01-371339).—MNA

### Anagarika Disciple U Sein Tin honoured

YANGON, 22 Nov — Anagarika Disciple U Sein Tin was honoured at Maha Thantithukha Kyaungtaik in Nat-chaung Ward in Tamway Township this morning.

U Sein Tin organized the 52<sup>nd</sup> anniversary commemorative Exhibitions on Buddhism under the aegis of Thanantana Dhammapala Federation.

U T K Paw and vocalist Soe Sanda Tun sang songs. Chairman of Committee for Exhibitions on Buddhism U Kyi Min, U Sein Tin and Adviser U Arnt Maung introduced exhibitions on Buddhism.

Director-General of

Department for Promotion and Propagation of the Sasana Dr Myo Myint, U Brajay Gyee, Professor U Kyaw Zaw of the State

Pariyatti Sasana University (Yangon) and Writer Paragu spoke on the occasion.

U Sein Tin presented

K 100,000 and Dr Aung Naing K 1 million for Paragu Shantiniketan Library through Writer Paragu.—NLM



*Ceremony to honour Anagarika Disciple U Sein Tin in progress at Maha Thantithukha Kyaungtaik in Tamway.— NLM*

### MWJA holds meeting 11/2008

YANGON, 25 Nov — The central executive committee of Myanmar

Writers and Journalists Association-MWJA held its meeting 11/2008 at

Sarpay Beikman Building here today.

Chairman of MWJA U Hla Myaing (Ko Hsaung) delivered an address. At the meeting, Secretary of MWJA Dr Tin Tun Oo reported on implementation of the resolutions of the meeting No. 10/2008 and measures taken committee-wise. The participants of the meeting discussed matters related to holding a ceremony to pay respects to doyen literati to mark the Sarsodaw Day for 1370 ME.

The meeting ended with concluding remarks by the chairman of MWJA. —MNA

### Myanmar hockey delegation leaves for USA

YANGON, 25 Nov—A Myanmar delegation led by Vice-President of Myanmar Hockey Federation U Kyaw Kyaw Hlaing left here for the United States of America by air this morning to attend the 41st International Hockey Federation's Statutory Congress to be held in Los Angeles of the USA on 28 and 29 November.

The Myanmar delegation was seen off at Yangon International Airport by officials of the Ministry of Sports, the president of MHF, Principal of Defence Services Martial Arts and Sports Institute Col Htin Zaw Win and executives.

Secretary of MHF U Khin Maung Latt and Treasurer U Aung Than were also on the same flight.

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## Dispute over Afghanistan deaths

### Pentagon says joint patrol killed one civilian, while Afghan official says four dead

KABUL, 25 Nov—A joint patrol of American and Afghan security forces killed a civilian and two armed insurgents during an operation in the southern province of Zabul, the American military command said Sunday.

The American account, however, clashed with a report by a top elected Afghan official in the region, who said that four civilians had been killed.

Civilian deaths in

military operations against fighters with the Taliban and al-Qaida have been an increasing source of tension between the United States and the Afghan government. President Hamid Karzai has harshly criticized the Americans and NATO troops, saying they are insensitive to protecting Afghan civilians.

Col Greg Julian, an American military spokesman in Kabul, said in an interview that details of the clash, which occurred

Thursday morning, were still under investigation.

But he said a fight began when the insurgents attacked the soldiers "and were attempting to get their weapons," suggesting close combat. The coalition soldiers shot and killed the insurgents, Julian said, and a stray bullet killed the civilian, a woman. Four other civilians were also wounded in the fight, the American command said in a brief statement, though it was unclear whether the victims were hit by coalition or insurgent gunfire.

Internet



*An Iraqi army soldier talks on his phone as he stands next to an army vehicle damaged in previous fighting, at an Iraqi army base in Sukor neighbourhood, northeastern Mosul, Iraq, on 24 Nov, 2008.—INTERNET*

## British soldier killed in Afghanistan explosion

LONDON, 25 Nov—A British soldier was killed in an explosion Monday while on patrol in violence-racked southern Afghanistan, the Ministry of Defence said.

The Royal Marine from 45 Commando Royal Marines "was killed as a result of an explosion this morning in the Kajaki area of Helmand province," a statement said. "He was taking part in a patrol at the time."

The soldier received medical treatment at the scene but died of his wounds while being taken to a military hospital.

The MoD said the soldier's next of kin had been informed and further details would be released later.

The death takes to 126 the total number of British services personnel killed in Afghanistan since 2001.

Britain has around 8,000 troops in Afghanistan, largely based in the opium-growing region of Helmand, where they are battling Taliban insurgents.

Internet

## Syria rejects US claims it is aiding terrorists

DAMASCUS, 25 Nov—Syria on Monday rejected US allegations that it is allowing terrorist networks to use its territory to attack Iraq.

US Embassy charge d'affaires in Damascus, Maura Connelly, told a security conference of Iraq's neighbors held in Syria on Sunday that militant groups continue to receive weapons, training, funding and guidance from abroad.

She was apparently referring to Syria and Iran. Washington has repeatedly accused both countries of allowing militants to cross into Iraq. In October, US forces raided a Syrian village over the border from Iraq in an operation that Washington said targeted an al-Qaida in Iraq leader.

Two delegates who attended Sunday's conference quoted Connelly as saying in a closed session that "Syria is supporting and giving a safe haven to terrorist networks." The delegates spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitivity of the matter.

Internet



*Women grieve as they wait to claim the body of a relative killed in a bomb attack outside al-Kindi hospital morgue in Baghdad on 24 Nov, 2008.*

INTERNET

## Britons against troop surge in Afghanistan

LONDON, 25 Nov—A new opinion poll in the UK has highlighted the political challenge Gordon Brown would face if he agrees to send more troops to Afghanistan next year, with 68 per cent of Britons saying the UK should withdraw within 12 months.

As Hamid Karzai, the Afghan president, arrived in London on Thursday on a mission to persuade the British prime minister to send military reinforcements to his country, the BBC poll showed that only 24 per cent of people believe UK troops should stay, while 8 per cent said they had no view on the matter.—Internet

*Internally Displaced People (IDPs) gather outside the Don Bosco Center in Ngangi. More than 200,000 people have been living in the bush in eastern Democratic Republic of Congo for the past week, hiding in fear of the battle between rebels and government troops, according to the United Nations.—INTERNET*



## Iraq security pact poses detainee dilemma for US

CAMP CROPPER, 25 Nov—The US military is rushing to build criminal cases against some 5,000 detainees it deems dangerous—including suspected members of al-Qaida in Iraq—because the proposed security pact with Iraq would end its right to hold prisoners without charge.

The agreement, which is to be voted on by Iraqi lawmakers Wednesday, is primarily intended to set a timetable calling for American troops to leave Iraq by the end of 2011. But it also calls for control of security matters to shift to Iraqi authorities.

If passed, the deal would mean US troops could no longer hold people without charge as they have since the 2003 invasion that ousted Saddam Hussein. Beginning Jan. 1, all detentions would have to be based on evidence, and the US would have to prosecute prisoners in Iraqi courts or let them go.—Internet



*Detainees are seen outside their cell block at the US detention facility at Camp Cropper in Baghdad, Iraq, on 10 Nov, 2008.—INTERNET*



*A convoy of Jordanian trucks carrying humanitarian aid heads for the Gaza Strip via the King Hussein Bridge crossing, as part of an aid corridor ordered by Jordan's King Abdullah to help impoverished Palestinians in the territories, on 24 Nov, 2008.—INTERNET*

# AU urges Sudan's rival north-south groups to fulfil peace deal

ADDIS ABABA, 25 Nov—The African Union called on Sudan's rival groups in the north and south of the country to speed up their application of the 2005 peace deal, the bloc's special envoy told *AFP* Monday.

"The AU's Peace and Security Council welcomes the progress made since 2007, but also noted with concern the fact that a number of very crucial parts of the peace deal

have not been implemented," said Oluyemi Adeniji.

He added that plans for elections in 2009 had not gained momentum, while the preparations for the 2011 referendum on independence for south Sudan "had not started."

Adeniji was speaking after an AU meeting in the Ethiopian capital of Addis Ababa to discuss the progress made on a 2005 peace deal known as

the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA).

He said the bloc had agreed to meet every six months to evaluate the CPA.

The 2005 agreement ended a devastating 21-year civil war between the Muslim north and the Christian and animist south, uniting them in a national government in Khartoum and handing semi-autonomy to the south.—*Internet*

## New Orleans has highest US city crime rate

WASHINGTON, 25 Nov—New Orleans had the highest crime rate of any US city last year, with 209 murders and more than 19,000 reported criminal incidents, *CQ Press* reported on Monday in an annual ranking.

Other high-crime cities, in declining order, were Camden, New Jersey; Detroit, Michigan; St Louis, Missouri; and Oakland, California.

New Orleans, where population declined dramatically after 2005's Hurricane Katrina, showed a jump in the murder rate, which rose from 162 in 2006 to 209 in 2007, the report found.

*CQ Press*, which compiled the rankings from FBI crime statistics, said the most crime-free U.S. city in 2007 was Ramapo, New York, followed by Mission Viejo, California, which had the lowest ranking last year; Lake Forest, Chino Hills and Thousand Oaks, California; and Newton, Massachusetts.—*Internet*

## Shippers urge naval blockade of Somali coast

KUALA LUMPUR, 25 Nov—Shipping officials from around the world called Monday for a military blockade along Somalia's coast to intercept pirate vessels heading out to sea. Yemen's government said Somali pirates have seized another ship.

Peter Swift, managing director of the International Association of Independent Tanker Owners, said stronger naval action — including aerial support — is necessary to battle rampant piracy in the Gulf of Aden near Somalia.

But NATO, which has four warships off the coast of Somalia, rejected a blockade.

Some 20 tankers sail through the sea lane daily. But many tanker owners are considering a massive detour around southern Africa to avoid pirates, which will delay delivery and push costs up by 30 percent, Swift said.—*Internet*



*Pakistan security officials examine the site of bomb explosion in Peshawar, Pakistan on 24 Nov, 2008. A bomb exploded in the Pakistani northwest city, wounding five people, said police officer Malik Naveed.*

INTERNET

## Financial crisis hits coffee sales at Starbucks

NEW YORK, 25 Nov—The US financial crisis has hit coffee sales at Starbucks, with an "extremely challenging" period forecast for fiscal year 2009, the company said Monday in its annual report.

The financial downturn would translate into fewer customers and less coffee sold, the company predicted.

"Starbucks customers may have less money for discretionary purchases as a result of job losses, foreclosures, bankruptcies, reduced access to credit

and sharply falling home prices," said the company.

"Accordingly, Starbucks expects to report negative comparable store sales for fiscal 2009," which ends in September, it added.

Starbucks reported third-quarter losses for fiscal 2008 that ended September 30, and further losses for the year's fourth quarter.

Earlier this month, it announced a 50 percent drop in annual profits.

Starbucks has also been dealing with fierce coffee competition from other fast food restaurant chains such as McDonald's and Dunkin' Donuts.

*Internet*

*The South Korean-owned factories located in the North Korean joint industrial estate of Kaesong on 24 Nov. North Korea is pressing ahead with plans to evict hundreds of South Koreans from a joint industrial estate as cross-border ties worsen further, Seoul officials said on 25 Nov.—INTERNET*



## 15-20 hurt when 3 Ark school buses crash

LAKE VILLAGE, 25 Nov—A crash involving three school buses has injured 15 to 20 people in southeastern Arkansas.

State Police spokesman Bill Sadler says he doesn't know whether any injuries suffered in Monday's crash were serious, or whether any children were hurt, but he says there are no reports of fatalities.

The crash occurred on two-lane US 65 between Lake Village and Eudora. The area is near where Arkansas meets Louisiana and Mississippi.

Eudora police dispatch supervisor James Cathey says the crash involved three buses from the Lake Village School District.

Sadler says it appeared to be a "rear-end, chain collision" involving the buses.—*Internet*

## Oil falls below \$54 in Asia after rising overnight



File photo shows a gas flare at Iran's Balal offshore oil platform in the Gulf.—INTERNET

SINGAPORE, 25 Nov—Oil prices fell below \$54 a barrel Tuesday in Asia after surging overnight as investors mulled whether a US government bailout of Citigroup Inc. restores enough confidence to staunch crude's 64 percent slide since July.

Light, sweet crude for January delivery was down 61 cents to \$53.89 a barrel in electronic trading on the New York Mer-

cantile Exchange by midday in Singapore.

The contract overnight rose \$4.57 to close at \$54.50 after the Treasury Department announced a rescue of banking giant Citigroup.

Fears the sprawling financial firm would collapse sent stock markets plunging and the price of oil to a 3-year low near \$49 last week.

Internet

## Shell, PetroChina set 20-year LNG deal

SHANGHAI, 25 Nov—Royal Dutch Shell PLC and PetroChina have signed an agreement for China to buy up to 40 million tons of liquefied natural gas over 20 years, Shell said Tuesday.

The deal, signed in Beijing on Monday, stems from a conditional agreement by the two companies last year. Prices for the LNG and the amount of investment involved were not disclosed.

China has continued to lock in energy supplies to help meet long-term demand even as the global financial crisis crimps demand for resources.

"This is a significant step forward in the cooperation between Shell and PetroChina and highlights Shell's continued contribution to assist PetroChina in providing clean energy supplies to China," Shell's executive chairman in China, Lim Haw Kuang, said in a statement.—Internet



Qantas planes are seen on the tarmac at Kingsford Smith International Airport in Sydney on 25 Nov, 2008. Qantas Airways Ltd, Australia's top airline, slashed its 2009 profit forecast and said it would further cut capacity due to shrinking demand as the global financial crisis bites.—INTERNET

## Vietnam's first privately-owned airline launched

HANOI, 25 Nov—Vietnam's first privately-owned airline began flights Tuesday, aiming to tap rising demand for air travel in the fast-growing Southeast Asian nation.

Indochina Airlines, owned by a group of Vietnamese businessmen, is operating four daily flights between the southern commercial center of Ho Chi Minh City and

Hanoi, said company spokeswoman Nguyen Thi Thanh Quyen.

The company, chaired by Ha Hung Dung, a well-known Vietnamese pop music composer and businessman, also offers two flights daily between Ho Chi Minh City and the central coastal city of Danang. "The launch of our airlines aims to meet growing air travel demand

in Vietnam and will offer more choices for customers," she said.

Indochina Airlines is the third airline to offer domestic flights in Vietnam, joining national carrier Vietnam Airlines and Jetstar Pacific, a partnership between a state-owned carrier and Australia's Qantas, which holds an 18 percent stake.

Internet

## Mass woman's 1 cent debt paid in full

A 74-year-old blind woman's 1 cent debt to a Massachusetts city has been settled.

People from across the country called Attleboro City Hall on Tuesday offering to pay the 1 cent balance owed by Eileen Wilbur for an overdue water and sewer bill.

Antonio Viveiros, a former city councilor who does not know Wilbur, wrote a check for one penny. He says he was "irked" by the fact that the federal government can spend billions for bailouts, yet a senior citizen was threatened with a lien on her home over 1 cent.



Pedestrians look at German artist Johan Lorbeer performing his still-life act titled "Tarzan-Standbein" (Tarzan-main pillar) on the facade of the city hall of Chemnitz, Germany, in 2007.

## Gold collar found in field 'best Iron Age loot in 50 years'



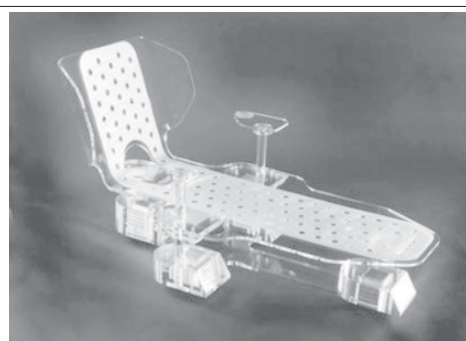
A museum employee holds the gold and silver Iron Age collar (or tore), valued at 350,000, pounds during a press view for the British Museum's annual report of treasure finds in central London.

An amateur treasure hunter hit gold when he found an Iron Age collar worth more than 350,000 pounds (414,000 euros, 520,000 dollars) in a field, a newspaper reported.

Maurice Richardson, who unearthed the 2,200-year-old gold collar near Newark will not get to keep it but has received an undisclosed reward and his lucky find has been acquired by his local museum.

"I was only in the field because a customer kept me late," Richardson, a tree surgeon, told the Guardian newspaper.

"Normally I'd never want to go into this field because a plane crashed there in the last war, and the whole place is littered with bits of metal." Richardson's first discovery in the field was a piece of World War Two scrap metal but as he bent down to throw it away, his metal detector emitted a louder beep.



The Lounger, a chair that uses powerful magnets to float in the air, in an undated photo. The 'Star Wars' inspired hover chair, a 125 mph electric motorbike and hi-fi speakers that cost as much as a small house are among the attractions at Britain's biggest gadget show in London this weekend.

## UK mother: I flushed newborn in toilet by accident

A woman has told a British court she accidentally flushed her newborn down the toilet because she didn't realize she was giving birth.

Claire Jones says she knew she was pregnant from an affair with a colleague but thought the pain she suffered in the early hours of 28 Dec was from diarrhea.

Jones told a coroner's court in Cardiff, Wales, on Monday that she only realized what had happened

when she saw a foot in the toilet bowl.

She said she tried unsuccessfully to revive the baby and then put the body in the trunk of her car.

The corpse was found in Jones'

vehicle after she was arrested. She was given a suspended sentence for concealing the baby's birth.

The coroner's court is investigating the circumstances of the baby's death.

## NewsAlbum



This undated handout photo shows a creature called a pygmy tarsier, believed for the eight decades to have been extinct. One of the world's smallest and rarest primates, it was rediscovered in Indonesia by Texas A and M University professor Sharon Gursky-Doyen in August.



## Report says Iran, Armenia ink 10 agreements

TEHERAN, 25 Nov—The Armanian Secretary of the National Security Council Arthur Baghdasaryan told reporters here on Monday that Iran and Armenia inked ten agreements on security, political and economic cooperation, the official *IRNA* news agency reported.

Baghdasaryan said his talks with the Iranian officials were “fruitful” and referred to his talks with the Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad as “promising”. During talking with his Iranian counterpart Saeed Jalili, he said that Armenia supports Iran’s “civilian nuclear programme”, said the report. Admiring Iran’s positions on the region’s critical issues, Baghdasaryan called for Iran to actively cooperate in Caucasus security issues.

Caucasus suffers the two unsettled conflict between Armenia and Azerbaijan on the one hand and Russia and Georgia on the other. Iran, not as an active player, has made several attempts to have a role in the region’s basic issue.—*Xinhua*

## Passengers affected by snow storm at Swedish airport

STOCKHOLM, 25 Nov—About six to seven thousands passengers have been affected by delays at Stockholm’s Arlanda Airport due to a major snow storm hit the capital Monday.

The majority of flights were delayed by about two hours, though the airport was urging passengers to arrive on time for their scheduled flights unless advised otherwise by their airline, according to Swedish daily online *The Local*.

Up to date departure and arrival times couldn’t be found at the airport’s website, *The Local* said, adding that the situation at the airport remained calm Monday afternoon and most of passengers were sitting in the cafes and restaurants for waiting out the delay.

The stormy weather hit also most parts of Sweden’s neighbour country Finland. Over 45,000 Finnish households were without power on Sunday. Heavy transport vehicles at the port end of the tunnel were badly affected by slippery road surfaces, according to reports reaching here from Helsinki.

Until Monday afternoon, at least 2,000 households remained without electricity in different parts of Finland, Finnish public broadcaster YLE reported.

But the storm that brought high winds and five to 30 centimetres of snow across Finland was passing, YLE said, adding that warmer temperatures later in the week were expected to come to southern parts of the country, and by the weekend in central areas.

*Xinhua*

*A view of a flooded Vila Nova village in Joinville city in the Brazilian state of Santa Catarina on 24 Nov, 2008.—INTERNET*



*Ullas Krishna (R), an Indian sailor aboard chemical tanker Stolt Valor, who was taken hostage around two months ago by Somali pirates, is greeted by his mother Thankam Krishnan upon Krishna’s arrival at the airport in the southern Indian city of Cochin, on 24 Nov, 2008.—INTERNET*

## Mine blast kills five in eastern Ukraine

KIEV, 25 Nov—An explosion killed five persons at a disused coal mine in eastern Ukraine, said the country’s Emergency Ministry on Monday.

The blast took place on Sunday in a closed shaft near the village Trubne in Lugansk Region, the ministry said in a statement. Investigators said a methane gas buildup was a probable cause of the explosion.

The victims, all local residents, reportedly armed with picks and shovels overcame locks and barriers in order to break into the mine. A spark caused by digging may have triggered the explosion, according to reports of local media.

Illegal prospecting in abandoned mines, usually in regions hit by economic difficulty, has periodically caused deaths and injuries in Ukraine for more than a decade.—*Xinhua*

## Indonesia to implement Bali Climate Change recommendation

JAKARTA, 25 Nov—The Indonesian Government will implement the Bali Climate Change Recommendation, which was proposed by the United Nations, next year, said an Indonesian official here on Monday.

“The programme will start next year, and involve three Indonesian ministries, namely the Forestry Ministry, Agriculture Ministry and Public Work Ministry,” said Bayu Khrisnamurti, Deputy Economic Coordinating Minister. He added that the project will be funded

by the UN and last for five years. “The budget of this project is still being discussed for further possible change. I guess it may exceed 1.5 million US dollars,” Bayu said. The programme will involve both scientists and grass roots in rural areas, who will take an adaptation to the climate change.

“We attempt to build their knowledge of this climate change, and hope that they will find solutions and ready to adjust

themselves to the change,” Bayu said. According to him, many areas in the country, particularly in the eastern part, were obviously impacted by the climate change. “It is due to the global warming,” he said. The programme will cover 150 villages in six districts, by involving 6,000 households. The six districts include Belu, Timor Tengah Selatan, Rote Ndao, Sumba Timur, and Lembata,” he said.

*Xinhua*

All items from Xinhua News Agency

## Obama puts Romer, Barnes to senior White House posts

CHICAGO, 25 Nov—US President-elect Barack Obama on Monday put University of California professor Christina Romer and his campaign aide Melody Barnes on senior White House posts.

Romer was named Director of the Council of Economic Advisers by Obama at a press conference in Chicago. Romer is the Class of 1957 Professor of Economics at the University of California, Berkeley, where she has taught and researched since 1988.

Prior to joining the faculty at Berkeley, Romer was an assistant professor of economics and public affairs at Princeton University’s Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs.

Romer is co-director of the Programme in Monetary Economics at the National Bureau of Economic Research and has been a visiting scholar at the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Melody C Barnes was named Director of the Domestic Policy Council. Barnes is co-director of the Agency Review Working Group for the Obama-Biden Transition Team, and served as the Senior Domestic Policy Adviser to Obama for America.

She previously served as Executive Vice President for Policy at the Centre for American Progress and as chief counsel to Senator Edward M. Kennedy on the Senate Judiciary Committee from December 1995 until March 2003.—*Xinhua*



*A man covers himself from rain as he crosses a bridge in Nueva Suiza, Panama, on 23 Nov, 2008. Heavy weekend rains have caused flooding and landslides in western Panama, killing four people and forcing hundreds to flee.—INTERNET*

# Zeechaung Dam under construction to benefit farmlands in Kyauktaw Township

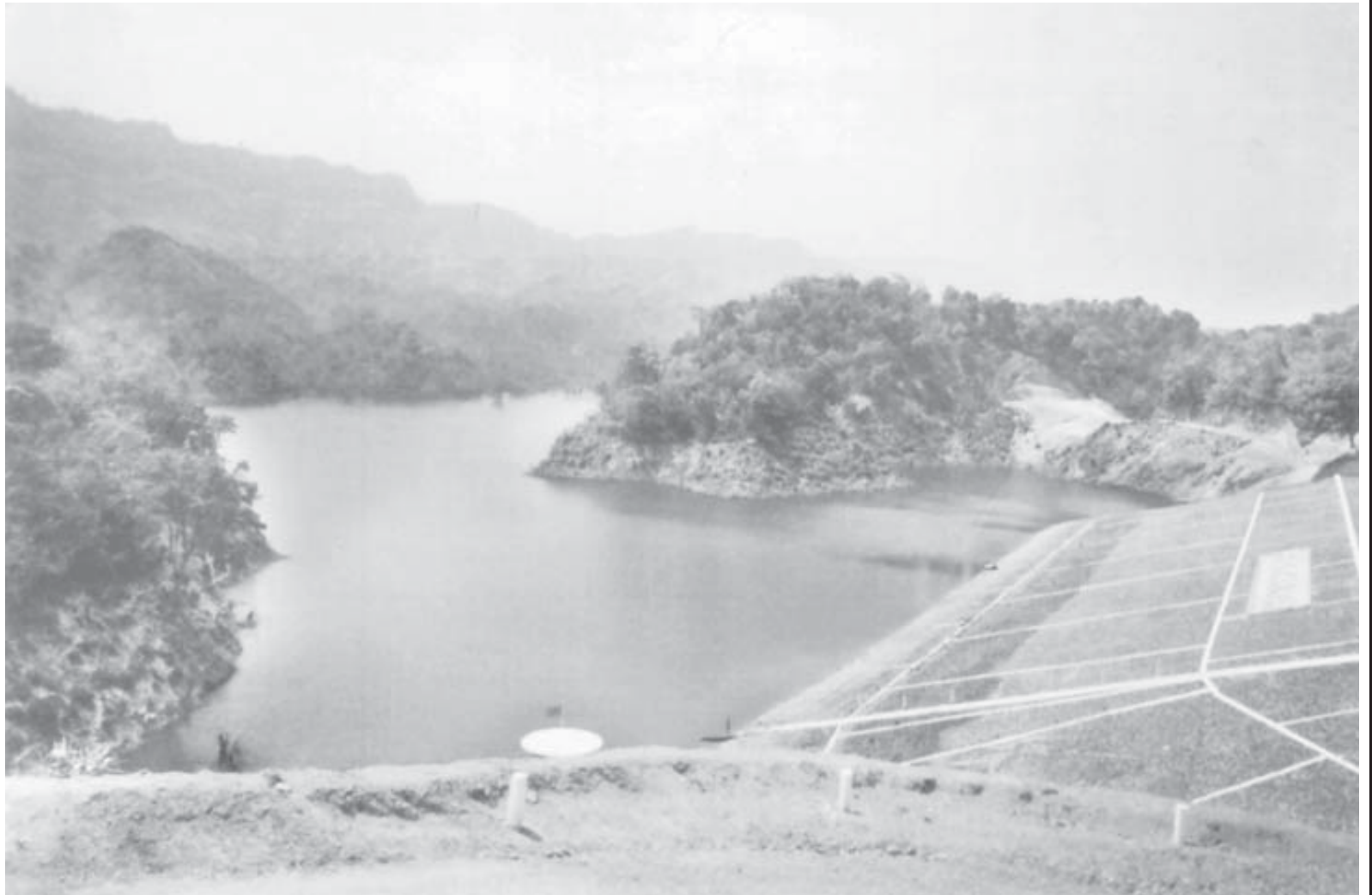
*Article & Photos: Khin Maung Than (Sethmu)*

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To cover the news on progress of the dam construction project, I left Magway for An under the arrangements of Staff Officer U Tin Soe of the Construction-3. I proceeded to Kyauktaw from An and had an interview on progress of the dam with Assistant Director U Tin Maung Aye of Construction-3 of Irrigation Department.

Afterwards, together with Staff Officer U Sao Khun Oo, I left for the construction site of Zeechaung Dam that is located two miles from Paletwa road and northeast of Kyauktaw.

The construction of the dam is aimed at supplying water to 1,000 acres of farmlands and undertaking cultivation of summer paddy and double cropping. Moreover, the plan was set to supply electricity to the



*Water being stored at Pyaingchaung Dam in Kyauktaw Township.*

main point of Kyauktaw. Indeed, the dam is of earthen type and it has 3 square miles of watershed areas. A total of 13,200 acre-feet of water can flow into the dam

yearly. The embankment of the dam will be 115 feet high and 840 feet long.

The dam can store 7,530 acre-feet of water at its full brim and 580 acre-feet at the

least. The water surface of the dam will have 154 acres. The dam will have one 640 feet long, 4 feet wide and 6 feet high reinforced concrete conduit.

The main canal of the dam will be three miles long and its tributary canal, five miles. A total of 80 structures will be built along the canal. The dam will be installed two 40-mega-

watt generators to produce 80 kilowatts of hydropower.

Construction of Zeechaung Dam was started in 2005-2006. It is estimated that the dam will complete in 2008-2009 financial year and it will be opened soon.

In Kyauktaw Township, Pyaingchaung Dam that was inaugurated on 30 March 2007 irrigates 4,000 acres of summer paddy or 5,000 acres of crops land. Zeechaung Dam will supply water to other the irrigation facilities for boosting production of paddy and other crops in Rakhine State.

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**Translation: TTA**  
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*Construction of Zeechaung Dam in progress in Kyauktaw Township.*



*Minister for Energy  
Brig-Gen Lun Thi  
observes harvesting  
of monsoon paddy  
at a field in  
Kamakalun  
village, Tawkyang  
village-tract,  
Kungyangon  
Township.*

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## Monsoon paddy harvested in Kungyangon Tsp

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Nov—Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi together with Deputy Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Tin Ngwe and officials concerned attended a ceremony to harvest monsoon paddy, jointly carried out by local farmers and Green Luck Trading Co Ltd in Tawkyang village-tract in Kungyangon township on 23 November.

The minister heard reports on initial conditions of the cultivation of monsoon paddy, thriving monsoon paddy and arrangements to be made for growing summer paddy presented by Agriculture in-charge U Soe Paing of Green Luck Trading Co Ltd. In response to the reports, the minister said

that agriculture services based on mutual benefits was initiated as farmers had difficulties of cultivation costs and lost farm implements and cattle in the storm. The farmers were to grow double cropping and triple cropping.

Next, the minister and party viewed collective harvesting of monsoon paddy. Afterwards, they observed harvesting of monsoon paddy. Monsoon paddy was initiated to be grown on 44.65 acres that belong to three farmers.

One acre of monsoon paddy produced 50 baskets of paddy in the past. Now it does an average of 95 baskets of paddy. Plans are underway to grow summer paddy on over 1000 acres of the farmers in Kungyangon Township.

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## Old civil engineering students to pay respects on 10 January

YANGON, 25 Nov—The 11<sup>th</sup> respect paying ceremony of old civil engineering students who studied at Yangon Institute of Technology from 1974 to 1980 will be held at M 3 Food Center on 10 January, 2009. The civil engineering students, who joined in 1974 and graduated in 1980, are invited to attend the ceremony without fail.—MNA

## Talks on Global Financial Crisis and It's Consequences on 29 Nov

YANGON, 25 Nov — Jointly organized by Myanmar Fisheries Federation and Myanmar Prawn Entrepreneurs Association and sponsored by Toyo Battery, writer Ko Ko Hlaing (International Affairs Researcher) will give talks on Global Financial Crisis and It's Consequences at Thiriannawa hall of MFF, West Gyogon, on Bayintnaung Road in Insein Township at 2 p.m. on 29 November.

Those interested are invited to attend it.—MNA

## Rectors of universities of medicine and professors/heads of department meet

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Nov— A meeting between rectors of universities of medicine and professors/heads of department took place at the meeting hall of the Ministry of Health here yesterday morning with an address by Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint.

The meeting was attended by Deputy Minister for Health Dr Mya Oo, the directors-general, rectors of universities of medicine, professors/heads of

department and officials.

In his address, Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint said that the Ministry of Health is taking steps to appoint doctors who graduated from universities in 2006-2007; adding that the universities of medicine of Myanmar are producing internationally recognized qualified doctors who could easily complete doctorate courses conducted in foreign countries. He spoke of the need for faculty members to strive to maintain such

fine traditions.

He continued to say that work is well under way for universities of medicine to choose and teach students who will serve the interest of the State and the people, and faculty members are thus to constantly train and teach the students in line with the set rules and disciplines.

He said that with the participation of professors/heads of department, curricula of international level are being drawn and that

WHO and UN agencies willingly appoint Myanmar doctors who are 60 years old in recognition of their qualification.

Next, rectors of universities of medicine and universities of dental reported on progress of learning of students and professors/heads of department on attitudes of students toward learning and findings.

After hearing the reports, the minister and the deputy minister fulfilled the requirements.

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*Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint addresses meeting between rectors of universities of medicine and professors/heads of department.—MNA*



*Gifts are presented at the golden jubilee and 37<sup>th</sup> annual general meeting of Letpadan Township Association (Yangon). —MNA*

## Letpadan Township Association (Yangon) celebrates golden jubilee

YANGON, 25 Nov — Letpadan Township Association (Yangon) celebrated its golden jubilee and 37<sup>th</sup> annual general meeting at International Business Centre in Hline Township yesterday.

At the ceremony, members of the association presented gifts and paid respects to 37 elder members aged 75

and above. Afterwards, Col Aung Thein (Retd), patron of the association, presented prizes to writers who contributed to the association's golden jubilee magazine. The responsible personnel presented prizes to outstanding members of the association and reported on the annual report and financial report of the association.—MNA



Minister Maj-Gen Saw Lwin addresses the ministry coordination meeting.—MNA

## I&P Ministry holds coord meeting

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Nov – A coordination meeting of the Ministry of Immigration and Population was held at the meeting hall of the ministry here this morning with an address by Minister for Immigration and Population Maj-Gen

Saw Lwin.

Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Win Sein, the directors-general and heads of department of states and divisions reported to the minister on works being carried out for successful implementation of tasks of the

ministry and the minister attended to the needs.

Next, the minister and the deputy minister presented prizes to outstanding staff and the meeting came to an end with the concluding remarks by the minister.

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## Cash donation for doyen literati

YANGON, 24 Nov – Wellwishers are donating cash and kind to Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association on the second floor of Sarpay Beikman Building here for a ceremony to pay respects to doyen literati in commemoration of the Sasodaw Day.

Responsible persons of the association accepted K 200,000 donated by Yangon City Development Committee, K 361,000 by publishers, K 800,000 by Committee for Holding Literary Talks in Tachilek, K 500,000 by Taninthayi Division Peace

and Development Council, 1,900,000 by Kachin State Literati Talks tour, K 373,500 by Kayah State PDC, K 400,000 by Kayin State PDC, K 200,000 by Dr Yi Yi Hla (Yuwady Khin Oo), K 100,000 by U Win Swe and Daw Min Thwe Nu and son Actor Khant Sithu, K 100,000 by Muse Township WJA, K 50,000 by Dr Nwe Nwe Win, K 30,000 by Dr Kyaw Sein and Daw Tin Tin Aye and family, K 22,000 by Wakema Soe Myint Aung, K 20,000 by North Okkalapa Township WJA, K 10,000 each by

Kyimyindine Township WJA, Dagon (East) Township WJA, U Tun Shein (Than Win Shein) and Lt-Col Win Maung and Daw Khin Swe Tint in memory of late Lieutenant Ye Kyaw Thu Win and K 2,000 by Daw Si Si Nyunt and presented certificates of honour to them.

Those wishing to donate cash and kind to the association may contact Sarpay Beikman Building at No (529/531) at the corner of Merchant Road and 37<sup>th</sup> Street, Yangon (Ph: 385273 and 252417).—MNA



MWJA Chairman U Hla Myaing and officials accept K 200,000 donated by Dr Yi Yi Hla (Yuwady Khin Oo).—MWJA

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## Winners of Nay Pyi Taw Traffic Rules Enforcement Educative Exhibition competitions announced

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Nov—The winners of the competitions to mark the First Traffic Rules Enforcement Educative Exhibition organized by Nay Pyi Taw Traffic Rules Enforcement Committee were announced today.

In the novel contest, Major Thant Zin (Retd) (Tekkatho Maung Thant Zin) won first prize; in the short story contest, Daw Yin Myo Khaing (Shwe Wun Yan), first prize, U Aye Ko (Maung Aye Ko-Paungde), second prize, U Win Thein (Kyaungsaya Ko Ko Win), third prize, U Maung Maung (Soe-Muse), Daw Phyu Me Me Win (Pinmyintan-Shwebo), Daw Nan Theingi Win (Ki Ki-Shwe Myaing), Daw Khaing Nyein Shein (Htar Okthon), U Soe Shein (Maung Soe Htaik-Thonze), U Soe Oo (Phan Khar Maung Maung Sar/Htway), Daw Yin Thu Thin (Yin Nwe Htar-Law), U Nyunt Yin (Nway Htet Hlaing), Daw The Moh Soe (December), U Win Min Tun (Lin Ne Yi-Kalaw), consolation prizes.

In the article contest, U Win Myint (Ye Yint Thushein-Nay Pyi Taw) won first prize, Daw Khin Wut Yi (Wut Yi Khin-Bago), second prize, U Zaw Lin Than (Ye Ye-Pyinmana), third prize, and U Htein Lin (Ayon U-Bago), U Hla Sein (Sukha Phone Myint), U Aung Myint (Aung-Pyinmana), Daw Barani Phyu Sin Tun (Barani), Daw Nan Saw

Nyunt (Saw Nge Nge-Mohnyin), U Lin Thaik Nyunt (Lin Thaik Nyunt-Myanma Myay), U Tin Tun Ohn (Man Cheint Phalae), U Sein Maung (Ngazun Maung Maung Tin), Daw Khin Win (Khin Khin Win-Education), and Daw Yin Thu Thin (Yin Nwe Htar-Law), consolation prizes.

In the poem contest, U Aung Tin (Sein Yi Hlyan) won first prize, U Maung Than (Maung Thet Hnin-N/Okkalapa), second prize, U Myo Htay (Win New-Forest), third prize, and U Khin Maung Htway (Maung Thabye), Sergeant Khin Maung Oo (Kyaw Swa Thu-Thayawady), Daw Nwe Ni Win (Nwe Ni Win), Daw Nan Saw Nyunt (Saw Nge Nge-Mohnyin), Ma Hnin Hnin Yi (Hnin Wut Yi-Myingyan), U Myo Khaing (Myo Khaing-Muse), and U Myint Ngwe (Chan Mya Hsaung-Kalaw), consolation prizes.

In the cartoon contest, U Zaw Min (Cartoonist Min Zaw Oo) won first prize, U Tin Ni Win (Ko Ni-Yankin), second prize, U Myo Min Zaw (Myo Ko

Ko Htet-Pyinmana), third prize, and Daw Nilar Myint (Cartoonist Nilar Myint), U Aung Kyaw (Aung Kyaw), U Banya Kyaw Kyaw (Ko Gyaw Seven-Pyinmana), U Khin Maung Myint (Kyaw Lu), U Khin Maung Oo (Shwe Ko Oo), U Han Htwe Naing (Han Htwe Naing-Mandalay), U Thaw Thaw (Thaw Thaw-MDY), U Tun Tun Win (Khun Hti Nge-History), U Aye Maw (Zeegon Aye Maw), and U Zaw Min (Shwe Letya-Hpa-an), consolation prizes.

First, second and third prize winners will be awarded at the awarding ceremony to be held at City Hall of Nay Pyi Taw on 26 December. Prize winners are to report to Nay Pyi Taw Traffic Rules Enforcement Committee by 24 December. Consolation-prize winners inside Nay Pyi Taw are to draw their prizes at the committee (Ph: 032 30042 and 067 412451) in person on 26 December, and consolation-prize winners outside Nay Pyi Taw have to receive their prizes through the township post office concerned.—MNA

## Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana BEHS (1) holds respect-paying ceremony

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Nov – The 15<sup>th</sup> respect paying ceremony of old students of Basic Education High School (1) Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana was held at the school here on 22 November (National Day).

A total of 50 old students including member of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Hla Myint Oo and wife, Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana Association (Yangon) U Aye Lwin paid respects to Sayagyi U Kyaw Tint and Sayamagyi Daw Khin Sein who are above 85 years old. – MNA

# Thahtay Hydropower Project to generate 386 mln kilowatt hours a year

Article: Reporter Singu Soe Win, Photos: Tin Soe (Myanma Alin)



**U Min Oo, Assistant Director (Civil).**

During our trip to Rakhine State, our media team of the Myanma Alin Daily left Taungup for Thandwe on 19 November morning. Throughout Taungup-Thandwe Road were thriving paddy fields, rubber farms, and large trees.

In compliance with the instructions of Chairman of Rakhine State Peace and Development Council Maj-Gen Thaung Aye, we visited Thahtay

Assistant Director (Civil) U Myint Oo. The department is implementing Thahtay Hydropower Project in the interest of the nation and local people to contribute towards the national goal of building a modern and developed new nation by generating extensively hydropower from the water sources of the nation.

In an interview,

in 2004. The following year, we submitted the findings of the feasibility study on the project to him, and he gave green light for it."

The project is located on the Thahtay Creek among forests, northeast of Thandwe, Thandwe District.

Its catchment area is 442 square miles, and its zoned type rock filled dam



**A tunnel is being constructed through a mountain.**



**The work site of Thahtay Hydropower Project in the northeast of Thandwe, Rakhine State.**

Hydropower Project being undertaken by Construction (6) of the Hydropower Department under the Ministry of Electric Power (1) on the Thahtay Creek, Shwehlay Village, about

25 miles from Thandwe Township, to supply electric power to the southern regions of the state.

We were briefed on the project and conducted round the project site by

Assistant Director (Civil) U Min Oo told the Myanma Alin Daily, "The Head of State made an inspection tour of Thandwe District of Rakhine State, and gave guidance on this project

is 2028 feet long and 298 feet high. Its maximum water storage capacity is 696,000 acre feet, and its stagnant water storage capacity, 221,000 acre feet, and it is 205 feet deep. Thandwe has an



**Land consolidation work is being carried out to prevent the stored water from seeping through the dam.**

average annual rainfall of 212 inches, and 2.332 million acre feet of water flows into the dam. Its spillway is of gated ogee type and it has two 33-foot-wide outlets. Its 33-foot-diameter tunnel No. 1 is 2326 feet long, and 33-foot-diameter tunnel No. 2, 1875 feet long. And its 29-foot-diameter high-pressure steel pipeline is 485 feet long.

The turbine is of vertical Francis type, and its velocity is 7420 cubic feet a second. The hydropower station is to be installed with three 37-megawatt generators, and will be able to produce

386 million kilowatt hours per year.

The project was launched in 2005 and is due to be completed in 2012. So far, tasks for constructing the main dam have finished by 76.9 per cent; spillway, 7.7 per cent; intake structure, 20.9 per cent, and tunnels, 46.6 per cent.

So, it is believed that upon completion, the project will be able to make significant contribution to regional development tasks.

**Translation: MS**  
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**Heavy machinery at work to carry out land consolidation work.**

## FM says China's defence building poses no threat to any nation

BEIJING, 25 Nov— China on Tuesday reiterated that its development and its defence building posed no threat to any other country.

Foreign Ministry spokesman Qin Gang made the remarks in responding to US naval chief's statement about the so-called threat from China's navy.

It was reported earlier this month that the commander of the US

nuclear submarine fleet Vice-Admiral John J Donnelly said he believed China's navy was a growing threat and the United States was moving 60 percent of its submarine fleet to the Pacific to respond.

"Our defense policy is defensive in nature," Qin said, noting that China firmly took the road of peaceful development and followed an independent foreign

policy of peace.

Meanwhile, in the international arena, he said China also pursued the new security concept featuring trust, mutual benefit, equality and coordination.

"We are ready to increase dialogue and deepen mutual trust with other countries to jointly safeguard regional and world peace and security," Qin noted.

*Internet*



*A general view shows an illuminated Christmas tree at the Christmas market during the opening ceremony at Gendarmenmarkt square in Berlin on 24 Nov, 2008.—INTERNET*

## Thai clashes escalate as protesters storm airport, halt flights

BANGKOK, 25 Nov— Anti-government demonstrators swarmed Bangkok's international airport late Tuesday — halting departing flights — as opponents and supporters of Thailand's government clashed in an escalation of the country's long-running political

crisis.

Outbound flights at Suvarnabhumi International Airport were temporarily suspended at 9 p.m., authorities said, shortly before hundreds of demonstrators — some masked and armed with metal rods — broke through police lines and

spilled into the passenger terminal.

Airport manager Serirat Prasutanon said airport authorities had tried to negotiate with the protesters "but to no avail."

"For the safety for passengers, we have to stop flights out of the airport temporarily until the situation returns to normal," he said in a statement, adding that incoming flights were still operating.

He said the governor of Samut Prakan province, where the airport is located, had asked the army to help police. Army spokesman Col. Sansern Khaewkamnerd could not be immediately reached for comment.—*Internet*



*Demonstrators block the path of a fire truck in Bangkok.—INTERNET*



*The Snow Dragon Expedition Vessel is making efforts to break through thick ice and move forward.—INTERNET*

## China's 25th Antarctic expedition team hits harsh weather

BEIJING, 25 Nov— China's 25th Antarctic expedition team has encountered unexpectedly harsh weather 40 kilometers north of China's Zhongshan Station. The Snow Dragon Expedition Vessel is making efforts to break through thick ice and move forward.

Snow and wind near

the station have blocked the expedition team's progress.

The team has decided to transfer food and materials to the station by helicopter. Vegetables are among the most needed items, as the team relies on them for vitamins and nutrition.

Weather monitoring stations predict strong

wind and snow over the next few days around Zhongshan station and the area where the Snow Dragon ship is stuck.

Workers say the vessel will continue toward an area where supplies can be easily transferred to the station, but they'll have to rely on the helicopter for now.

*Internet*

## One killed, 4 injured in Japanese ship explosion

TOKYO, 25 Nov— One person was killed and four other were injured in an explosion which broke out in a ship-building factory in Japan Tuesday, local police reported.

The blast occurred in a large ship, which is under construction in Kudamatsu City, Yamaguchi Prefecture of Japan. One worker was killed on the

spot and the other four have been sent to a local hospital.

Police are investigating how the explosion started.

According to local media reports, 14 people suffered minor injuries in a blast in July 2007 in the same ship-building factory.

*Internet*



*A Chinese acrobat performs during an India-China cultural exchange programme in the eastern Indian city of Kolkata on 24 Nov, 2008. The programme was organised by the Indian council for cultural relations and embassy of the People's Republic of China to strengthen the cultural bonds between the two countries.—INTERNET*

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

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**US-backed Iraqi troops  
arrest Shiite militant**

BAGHDAD, 25 Nov—The US military says US-backed Iraqi forces have arrested a suspected Shiite militia leader who has been linked to Iran. A statement says the purported "special groups" leader has allegedly been working with Iranian intelligence for three years and helped smuggle weapons, money and information into Iraq. The US military uses the term "special groups" to refer to violent Shiite militia factions. The statement issued Tuesday says the militia leader and two other suspected extremists were arrested Friday in the southern Iraqi city of Qurna.  
The US military has accused Iran of stoking violence in Iraq. Teheran denies the charges.—Internet



File picture shows the deck armament of the flagship of Russia's Northern Fleet, the heavy nuclear missile cruiser "Pyotr Veliky" (Peter the Great). Russian warships approached Venezuela Monday for upcoming joint maneuvers — Moscow's first military presence in the region since the Cold War — as Washington closely monitored the situation.—INTERNET

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6.	Angle Iron & Plain Sheet (Ks)	2 Items	26.11.2008	29.12.2008
7.	Spare For Hydraulic Breaker (Ks)	4 Items	26.11.2008	29.12.2008
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**Reports to  
detail economic  
fallout in 3rd  
quarter**

WASHINGTON, 25 Nov—Investors on Tuesday braced for several reports expected to show the US economy contracted even more than originally thought in the third quarter as home prices shrank, more banks fell into trouble and consumer confidence sagged.  
The reports come on the heels of a Wall Street rally that drove up major indexes more than 4.5 percent Monday on news of the government's plan to bail out Citigroup Inc., a move investors hope will help quiet some of the uncertainty hounding the financial sector and the overall economy.  
The Dow Jones industrials soared nearly 400 points, and the 891-point rise since Friday gave the Dow its biggest two-day percentage gain since October 1987.  
Internet



A BHP Billiton handout photo shows the company's Olympic Dam copper and uranium operation at Roxby Downs in South Australia. The world's biggest miner BHP Billiton announced it was dropping its controversial hostile takeover bid for rival Rio Tinto due to the state of the global economy.—INTERNET

**US missile-warning  
satellite fails**

WASHINGTON, 25 Nov—A Northrop Grumman Corp US military satellite used to track enemy missiles stopped working in mid-September, underscoring the urgent need to keep a programme for replacement satellites on track, a defence official and several analysts said on Monday.  
The US Air Force had no comment, but Space News reported on Monday that the Pentagon's chief weapons buyer John Young has signed a memorandum asking Congress to provide 117 million US dollars in funding in fiscal 2009 for a new satellite to hedge against a potential gap in satellite coverage around 2014.  
"There is no gap today in US missile warning, but the apparent loss of a satellite means there is an increased danger of a gap down the road because the redundancy of the existing constellation has been diminished," said Loren Thompson at the Virginia-based Lexington Institute.  
Thompson said he had learned of the problem with the Defence Support Programme (DSP) satellite from several sources, and it underscored the urgency of getting the new Space Based Infrared Satellite (SBIRS) system being developed by Lockheed Martin Corp into orbit.—Internet

## Wind power meets record demand in Spain: industry group

MADRID, 25 Nov—Wind power supplied a record 43 percent of all electricity demand in Spain, which is being lashed by heavy winds and rain, for a brief period on Monday, the Spanish wind power association said.

Spanish wind farms generated 9,253 megawatts of the total demand of 21,264 megawatts at around 5 a.m. (0400 GMT), a moment when energy useage was low because most Spaniards were still asleep, it said in a statement. The previous record of 40.8 percent was set in March, also during a stormy day.

Wind power generated a maximum of 10,263 megawatts in Spain shortly after noon on Monday, compared to the production record of 10,880 megawatts set in April.

The energy source will likely account for nearly 11 percent of all electricity demand in Spain during all of 2008, the association said. Spain, along with Germany and Denmark, is among the three biggest producers of wind power in the European Union. It aims to triple the amount of energy it derives from renewable sources by 2020.—*Internet*



*Wind turbines off the coast of Tarifa, southern Spain. Wind power supplied a record 43 percent of all electricity demand in Spain, which is being lashed by heavy winds and rain, for a brief period on Monday, the Spanish wind power association said.—INTERNET*

## Going green saves money, spins profits in coal-addicted Poland

KISIELICE, 25 Nov—Standing in the shadow of a massive windmill, Mayor Tomasz Koprowiak thinks part of the answer to Poland kicking its coal habit is blowing in the wind and growing in farmers' fields.

"Our new straw-fired heating plant serves 80 percent of the community and is saving everyone money," Koprowiak says of Kisielice, a poor north-eastern rural municipality of 6,500.

He is something of a pioneer in Poland, where green energy is still rare in a rapidly growing economy almost entirely reliant on coal for electricity and heat.

The fossil fuel is largely responsible for the 2004 EU member's annual 300 million tons of CO2 greenhouse gas emissions—1.1 percent of the global annual total and nearly twice the annual EU per capita average. But Kisielice's enterprising mayor insists he is more interested in saving money than the environment.

"You don't have to be an ecologist to go green," he says. "People are interested in cheaper heat, promoting ecology wasn't really a factor in our decision to go green -- it just really paid-off." The switch in 2004 from imported oil and Polish coal to plentiful local straw to fuel a three megawatt central heat and hot water plant has brought 1.3 million zlotys (340,000 euros, 425,000 dollars) in annual savings, Koprowiak boasts.—*Internet*

## Astronauts repair space station inside and out

HOUSTON, 25 Nov—Two shuttle Endeavour astronauts finished the last of four spacewalks outside the International Space Station on Monday, completing repairs and maintenance meant to restore the outpost to full power.

Stephen Bowen and Shane Kimbrough returned to the station's Quest airlock at 7:31 p.m. EST (0031 GMT) after a six-hour, seven-minute outing.

It was the third spacewalk for Bowen and Kimbrough's second since the shuttle arrived at the space station on 16 November for what was scheduled to be an 11-day visit.

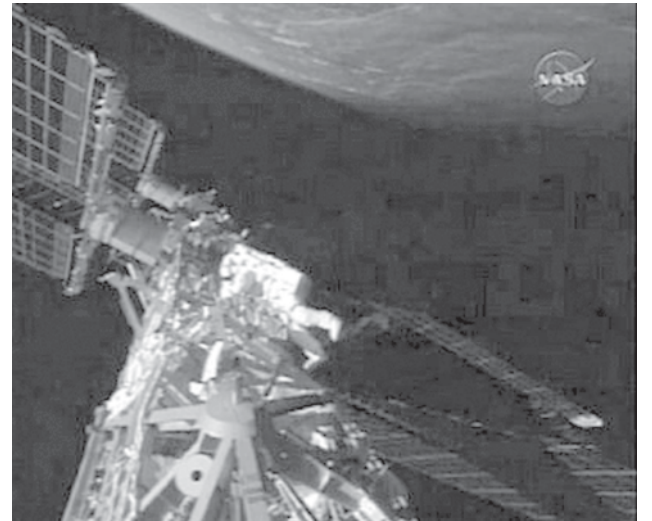
NASA managers decided on Monday to extend Endeavour's stay by one day in hopes of achieving one of the mission's prime goals: producing water samples from a urine purification system in time to return them to Earth with the shuttle.

The device, which was carted into orbit aboard Endeavour and installed in the station's Destiny laboratory, has been shutting down due to a suspected mechanical problem.

While Bowen and Kimbrough worked 225 miles above the planet outside the station, crew mate Don Pettit and station commander Mike Fincke made a second round of modifications to the urine recycler's centrifuge.

The device is needed to separate solid particles from liquid as part of the distillation process. The purified urine is treated and combined with water recovered from the air and other sources to become drinking water.

NASA needs the new system operating before it



*In this image from NASA TV, astronaut Robert 'Shane' Kimbrough is seen during a space walk outside the International Space Station, Monday, on 24 Nov, 2008. The spacewalk marks the fourth and final spacewalk of space shuttle Endeavour's nearly two-week visit to the orbiting outpost.*

INTERNET

expands the space station's crew size from three members to six, a milestone slated for May.

Astronauts on Sunday removed the centrifuge's rubber dampers, which had been installed to mute noise and minimize vibrations, and bolted the device directly into its rack for increased stability. The centrifuge had been becoming unbalanced as it spun and shut down before its intended four-hour cycle was complete. The refurbished mount worked a little better Sunday night, but still shut down early.—*Internet*

## High-protein meals may help overweight burn fat

NEW YORK, 25 Nov—Higher-protein meals may help overweight and obese people burn more fat, the results of a small study suggest.

Research has shown that overweight people are less efficient at burning fat after a meal than thinner people are. In the new study, Australian researchers looked at whether the protein composition of a meal affects that weight-related gap.

They found that overweight men and women burned more post-meal fat when they ate a high-protein breakfast and lunch than when they had lower-protein meals. That is, the added protein seemed to modify the fat-burning deficit seen in heavy individuals. "Our research suggests that people with higher body fat burn fat better after a high-protein meal than people with lower levels of body fat," lead researcher Dr. Marijka Batterham, of the University of Wollongong in New South Wales told Reuters Health.—*Internet*

## Some breast cancers may naturally regress: study

LONDON, 25 Nov—Researchers who tracked breast cancer rates in Norwegian women proposed the controversial notion on Monday that some tumors found with mammograms might otherwise naturally disappear on their own if left undetected.

But leading cancer experts expressed doubt about the findings and urged women to continue to get regular mammograms, saying this screening technique unquestionably saves lives by

finding breast cancer early on when it is most treatable.

Dr. Per-Henrik Zahl of the Norwegian Institute of Public Health in Oslo and Norwegian and U.S. colleagues examined invasive breast cancer rates among nearly 120,000 women age 50 to 64 who had a mammogram -- an X-ray of the breast used to find evidence of cancer -- every two years over a six-year period.

Internet



*This photo provided Monday on 24 Nov, 2008 by the French Culture Ministry shows the 1898 oil canvas 'Paysage, le mur rose' (Landscape, the Pink Wall) by French painter Henri Matisse. This week, a charity that funds Israel's medical rescue service will take delivery of a Henri Matisse oil painting that the Nazis stole from a rich German Jewish family and which was kept by an SS officer who was responsible for delivering poison gas to Auschwitz and other extermination camps. —INTERNET*

# SPORTS

## Messi gets Sporting nod from Barca

MADRID, 25 Nov—Barcelona coach Pep Guardiola has included Argentine forward Lionel Messi, who has struggled with a thigh strain, in his squad for the Champions League match away to Sporting Lisbon on Wednesday.

Guardiola rested the 21-year-old playmaker because of the injury during Barcelona's 1-1 draw against Getafe on Sunday, the first time the club has not won at home in over two months.

"Messi is a necessary player, a special player, a very good player... but I've got others," he said of Messi's absence after the match. "Now we need to rest a bit and get ready for Wednesday's game to try to secure top spot in the group," he added.

Messi, a candidate for the prestigious Ballon d'Or awarded by French magazine France Football in December, has already suffered five major muscular injuries in the past three seasons.—Internet



Barcelona coach Pep Guardiola has included Argentine forward Lionel Messi, seen here in February 2008 and who has struggled with a thigh strain, in his squad for the Champions League match away to Sporting Lisbon on Wednesday.—Internet

## Spain 'to seek 2018 World Cup finals'

MADRID, 25 Nov—Spain plans to bid for the right to host the 2018 World Cup finals, the head of the country's football federation said Monday following his re-election.

Angel Maria Villar, who has headed the federation since 1988, was re-elected to a four-year term.

Villar, a former player with Athletic Bilbao, said one of the "main objectives" would be to bid to host the World Cup finals in 2018. The next World Cup finals, in 2010, will take place in South Africa, and Brazil will host the 2014 edition. The finals were held in Spain in 1982.—Internet



Spain's new football coach Vicente del Bosque is presented by President of the Spanish Football Federation Angel Maria Villar (right) in Las Rozas, near Madrid, July 2008. Spain plans to bid for the right to host the 2018 World Cup finals, Villar said Monday following his re-election.—Internet

## Yao powers Rockets past Heat for fifth win in six games

MIAMI, 25 Nov—Yao Ming scored a game-high 28 points and grabbed 12 rebounds while Ron Artest added 20 points to spark the Houston Rockets past Miami 107-98 Monday for their fifth victory in six games. Yao sank 9-of-15 shots from the field, hit 10-of-11 free throws and added four assists for the Rockets, who also had 11 points and 13 rebounds from Luis Scola in improving to 10-5.



Yao Ming of the Houston Rockets shoots. Yao scored a game-high 28 points and grabbed 12 rebounds while Ron Artest added 20 points to spark the Houston Rockets past Miami 107-98 Monday for their fifth victory in six games.—Internet

Rookie Mario Chalmers lifted the Heat within 90-85 on a 3-pointer with 4:23 remaining but Houston's Carl Landry converted a 3-point play and Yao followed with a layup to secure the victory. Miami, which fell to 7-7, was led by Dwyane Wade with 23 points on 7-of-23 shooting while rookie Chalmers hit five 3-pointers and also finished with 23 points.—Internet

## Podolski to put in Bayern transfer request

BERLIN, 25 Nov—Bayern Munich's Germany international Lukas Podolski announced Monday he wanted to find a new club in the January transfer window. "I've made my decision, I would like to leave the club this winter," the unsettled striker told Bild newspaper.

"I've already told the directors (at Bayern) that I want to go," added the 23-year-old. Podolski's impact on the national team where he has earned 60 caps and scored 31 goals has not been mirrored at Bayern where he is under contract until 2010.

Internet



Bayern Munich's Germany international Lukas Podolski, seen here in October 2008, announced he wanted to find a new club in the January transfer window.—Internet

## GM ends 9-year endorsement deal with Tiger Woods

DETROIT, 25 Nov—General Motors Corp. said Monday it is ending its nine-year endorsement deal with golf superstar Tiger Woods as the automaker continues to cut expenses and hoard cash while trying to survive the worst sales downturn in a quarter-century.

The cash-strapped company said in a statement that it is looking to reduce costs, and that the world's No. 1 golfer also wants more personal time as he expects his second child. Woods has endorsed GM products around the world and mainly has been seen in Buick commercials as the company tried to give the nameplate a more youthful image.—Internet



Members of Spain's Davis Cup team celebrate their victory in the final over Argentina, on 23 Nov, 2008. Spain's come from behind Davis Cup win over hosts Argentina added yet another trophy to the impressive collection racked up by Spain in 2008.—Internet

## Davis Cup win cherry on cake for Spanish sports in 2008

MADRID, 25 Nov—Spain's come from behind Davis Cup win over hosts Argentina at the weekend added yet another trophy to the impressive collection racked up by Spain in 2008.

"Spain is sports," top-selling daily newspaper El Pais wrote Monday, one day after Spain won the most prestigious team title in men's tennis for the third time.

The paper added the country's sports success was its "best window" to the world.

Fernando Verdasco clinched the Davis Cup for Spain with a thrilling 6-3, 6-7, 4-6, 6-3, 6-1 victory over Argentina's Jose Acasuso in Mar Del Plata on Sunday in the best-of-five series.—Internet



Liverpool's midfielder Steven Gerrard (right) celebrates winning after scoring against Bolton Wanderers in Bolton on 15 Nov. Liverpool will look to the return of their talismanic skipper to help guide them into the knockout stages of the Champions League as they seek a victory over Marseille in their upcoming match.—Internet

## Liverpool look to Gerrard for footballing inspiration

LIVERPOOL, 25 Nov—Liverpool will look to the return of talismanic skipper Steven Gerrard to help guide them into the knockout stages of the Champions League as they seek a victory over Marseille here on Wednesday.

Gerrard was badly missed as the Reds blew a great opportunity to pull clear at the top of the English Premier League with a lacklustre display in Saturday's goalless draw at home to struggling Fulham.

But the England midfielder has now recovered from the groin muscle injury that also forced him to miss his country's friendly win in Germany earlier this month and is set to start the Group D clash.

The failure to overcome Fulham on a day when Chelsea also dropped points has been a source of frustration in the Liverpool dressing room.

But centreback Jamie Carragher insists it will not be allowed to become a negative turning point in what has been a highly promising season to date.

Internet

## Drogba meets Mourinho agent

ROME, 25 Nov—Chelsea forward Didier Drogba has been in talks with the agent of Inter Milan boss Jose Mourinho, the Gazzetta dello Sport website reported on Tuesday.

The report claims Drogba and one of his representatives had dinner at a Fulham restaurant with Mourinho agent Jorge Mendes and Inter general manager Marco Branca on Monday night.

Drogba was a firm favourite of Mourinho's when the Portuguese coach worked in west London and the Ivory Coast star was said to have burst into tears when Mourinho announced his departure.

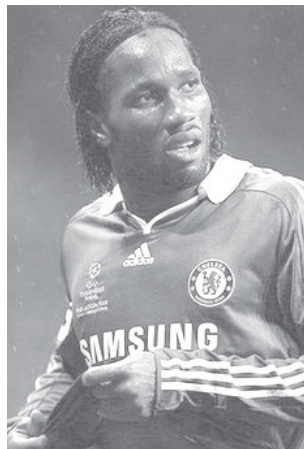
Drogba initially claimed he would leave Chelsea and there were rumours that Mourinho would try to lure him to the San Siro when he took over from Roberto

Mancini in the summer.

But despite publically declaring his interest in Chelsea midfielder Frank Lampard during the off season, Mourinho made no move for Drogba.

However, the former Marseille forward has had a difficult campaign this term due to injury, suspension and the loss of his automatic starting role to the in-form Nicolas Anelka.

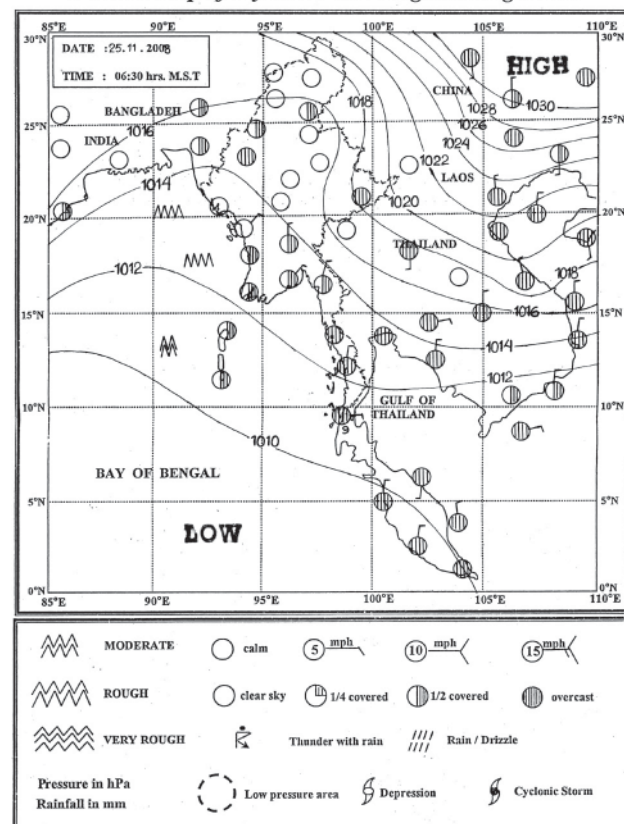
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Chelsea forward Didier Drogba, seen here, has been in talks with the agent of Inter Milan boss Jose Mourinho.

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Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



## WEATHER

Tuesday, 25 November, 2008

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST:

During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Taninthayi Division, weather has been partly cloudy in Kachin, Chin and Rakhine States, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Divisions and generally fair in the remaining States and Divisions. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below November average temperatures in Kachin and Rakhine States, Lower Sagaing, Magway and Bago Divisions, (5°C) to (6°C) below November average temperatures in upper Sagaing Division, (3°C) to (4°C) above November average temperature in Shan and Mon States, Taninthayi Division, (8°C) above November average temperature in Chin State and about November average temperatures in the remaining States and Divisions. The significant night temperatures were Hakha (-2°C) and Loilem (4°C). The noteworthy amount of rainfall recorded was Kawthoung (0.59) inch.

Maximum temperature on 24-11-2008 was 95°F. Minimum temperature on 25-11-2008 was 68°F. Relative humidity at (09 :30) hours MST on 25-11-2008 was 77%. Total sunshine hours on 24-11-2008 was (6.9) hrs approx.

Rainfall on 25-11-2008 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2008 was (110.31) inches at Mingaladon, (120.95) inches at Kaba-Aye and (140.94) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Northwest at (09:30) hours MST on 25-11-2008.

**Bay inference:** The low pressure area over the Southwest Bay has further intensified into a depression. According to the observations at (09:30) hrs MST today, it is crossing over Sri Lanka near Columbo and it is forecast to move Westerly direction. Atmospheric unstable conditions occur over the South Andaman Sea and South Bay. Weather is generally fair in the North Bay and partly cloudy to cloudy Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

**Forecast valid until evening of 26<sup>th</sup> November 2008:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers in Shan State and Taninthayi Division, weather will be partly cloudy in Mon, Kayin and Kayah States, Mandalay, Bago, Ayeyawady and Yangon Divisions and generally fair in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Likelihood of continuation of occurrence of atmospheric unstable conditions over the South Andaman Sea and South Bay.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 26-11-2008:** Partly cloudy.

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 26-11-2008:** Partly cloudy.

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 26-11-2008:** Partly cloudy.

## United fail with Moa offer

LONDON, 25 Nov—Valerenga have rejected Manchester United's offer for star striker Moa Abdellaoue.

Skysports.com brought you news of United's bid to take Abdellaoue on trial earlier



Moa Abdellaoue

this month.

However, after discussing the situation with the player, Valerenga have opted to shun United's offer. 23-year-old Abdellaoue, described as the new Ole Gunnar Solskjaer by Norwegian national coach Age Hareide, has impressed for Valerenga this term and a number of clubs from around Europe are now trailing him.

His brace for Valerenga in their Norwegian Cup final triumph was enough to convince United to make a move.—Internet

## Agent : Gallas won't leave

LONDON, 25 Nov—William Gallas' agent has ruled out a move to Paris Saint Germain in the January transfer window for his client. The Frenchman will play in Tuesday night's UEFA Champions League game against Dynamo Kiev but has been stripped of the Arsenal captaincy after last week's infamous attack on his team-mates.

Wenger left the defender in the capital for Arsenal's trip to Manchester City at the weekend; an act that only fuelled speculation there could be a parting of ways



William Gallas

before the end of the season. Gallas has in the past intimated a desire to finish his career back in his homeland, which has led to inevitable speculation over a move back to France.—Internet



Wednesday, 26 November  
View on today

7:00 am

1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:25 am

2. To be healthy exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning news

7:40 am

4. အကဖြိုင်ပွဲ

7:50 am

5. Nice and sweet song

8:00 am

6. နိုင်ငံစီးပွားအလေးထားကျေးလက် ထုတ်ကုန်များ

8:15 am

7. Song of national races

8:30 am

8. International news

8:40 am

9. Musical programme

8:50 am

10. “ကျန်းမာသန်ထွားညာဏ်မြင့်မား” (မင်းရာဇာ၊ မျိုးစနီကျော်၊ တက္ကသိုလ်ဂွမ်းပုံ) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ခင်ဇော်[ကုမုဒြာ])

4:00 pm

1. Martial song

4:10 pm

2. မြူးမြူးကြွကြွယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက

4:25 pm

3. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ

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အထူးပြု) (အရှေ့တိုင်းပညာ)

4:40 pm

4. Songs to uphold national spirit

4:50 pm

5. Classical songs

5:00 pm

6. “နင်းကြည့်စမ်းပါ” (မင်းအုပ်စိုး၊ ညီဘွား၊ ခင်စိုးပိုင်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-မင်းအုပ်စိုး)

5:10 pm

7. ရုပ်မြင်ရသတေးစုကဏ္ဍ

5:20 pm

8. ရွှေယံစုံလင်အာဆီယံအစီအစဉ်

5:30 pm

9. ရသပေါ်လွင်သရုပ်ဆောင်လွင်ပြင်

6:00 pm

10. Evening news

6:30 pm

11. Weather report

6:35 pm

12. နှိုလိုက်ကြည့်

7:05 pm

13. မြန်မာ့ဓလေ့ရိုးရာလက်ရာ

7:20 pm

14. လက်မြတ်ပျော်ရွှင်အိမ်ထောင်ရှင်

8:00 pm

15. News

16. International news

17. Weather report

18. “ဧရာဝတီရဲ့မနက်ဖြန်”

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စင်ရော်မောင်မောင်)

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Nov—Minister for Industry-2 Vice-Admiral Soe Thein inspected progress of construction of lecture halls, main building, auditorium and roads for Technical Training School (Thagara) at Thagara Industrial Region in Yedashe Township, Bago Division this morning.

Next, the minister looked into progress of construction of Hydropower Turbine and Generator factory and installation of machines at iron foundry of Diesel Engine factory. He also greeted Chinese technicians.

At Bulldozer and Excavator factory in the region, the minister met with staff and explained the role of employees of the ministry for industrial development of the State.

Next, the minister presented three TV sets each for the staff of Bulldozer and Excavator factory and Diesel Engine factory.

MNA

*Minister Vice-Admiral Soe Thein inspects progress of construction of a diesel engine factory. — MNA*

## Industry-2 Minister inspects projects of Thagara Industrial Region



## Zeechaung Dam under construction to benefit farmlands in Kyauktaw Township



*Article & Photos:  
Khin Maung Than (Sethmu)*

Kyauktaw of Rakhine State has 190 inches of rainfalls on average yearly. Whenever the rainy season is over, however, the region is dry. Double and mixed cropping cultivation could not be undertaken in the region. In line with the plan of the government to carry out the water supply task, the Construction Group-3 of Irrigation Department is building Zeechaung Dam in Kyauktaw Township.

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*Heavy machinery at work at Zeechaung Dam Project in Kyauktaw Township, Rakhine State.*

### City's Robinho to be fit for Manchester derby against United

MANCHESTER, 25 Nov -- Manchester City's Robinho is high on confidence at City at the moment and is likely to be fit in time to play his first



Manchester derby against Premier League Champions Manchester United this weekend.

The £32.5 million summer signing from Real Madrid had to be substituted in the second half of their 3-0 demolition of Arsenal at the Eastlands Stadium last weekend due to an ankle injury. However, the Brazilian international is expected to attain full fitness ahead of the clash against the Red Devils at the Eastlands on Sunday.

Speaking to the Sun Robinho said: "We are all looking forward to the match with United.

"We have good chances to win, although they are very strong. "But we play at home. We have to think that, in our stadium, we are always favourites. The 24-year-old further insisted that he is very happy at City claiming: "I'm a City player and I only think about making the club successful.

"I don't regret the choice I've made — I'm very happy at the club."

*Internet*

### Flies may reveal evolutionary step to live birth

PORT VICTORIA, 25 Nov — A species of fruit fly from the Seychelles Islands often lays larvae instead of eggs, UC San Diego biologists have discovered. Clues to how animals switch from laying eggs to live birth may be found in the well-studied species' ecology and genes.

The fly is one of a dozen species of *Drosophila* to have recently had their genomes

males of this species, and not others, to retain their fertilized eggs until they are ready to hatch.

The result was so surprising that the scientists initially thought it was a mistake.—*Internet*

*On the verge: Drosophila yakuba sometimes lays eggs that have already hatched. Its genome may help to reveal how animals make the switch to live birth.*

