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Lt-Gen Myint Swe attends rainy season tree planting ceremonies, opening of library in Dagon Myothit and Mayangon Townships

YANGON, 17 June—Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence together with Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Win Myint and Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin attended the rainy season tree planting ceremony of Yangon East District held on Kanaung Minthargyi Road in Ward 125 of Dagon Myothit (East) Township this morning.

The director of Yangon Division Forest Department explained progress in growing trees in the rainy season.

Next, Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander and the mayor presented saplings to departments concerned and social organizations.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party viewed a collective growing of trees by service personnel, members of social organizations and local people.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party went

to Pinnya Alin Library on No. (2) Highway in Thongwa Sanpya Ward in Dagon Myothit (South) Township. The commander formally opened the library.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe and the commander accepted the cash donations and publications donated by wellwishers and presented certificates of honour to them.

Next, Lt-Gen Myint Swe and party encouraged local people who were reading at the library.

At the rainy season tree planting ceremony of local battalion held at 9th Mile in Mayangon Township, the commander delivered an address.

Next, Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander and officials presented saplings to servicemen and their families.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander and officials planted trees and viewed a collective growing of trees by servicemen and their families of regiments and units.—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



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence views local people reading at Pinnya Alin Library near No. (2) Highway in Thongwa Sanpya Ward in Dagon Myothit (South) Township.—MNA

Hsenwi sees considerable development in various sectors

Article: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Myo Min Thein (Mayangon)



A viewpoint of Hsenwi-Kutkai Road, upstream Hsenwi in Lashio District, Shan State (North).

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PERSPECTIVES

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Raise the momentum of anti-drug campaign

The danger of narcotic drugs is a global concern and the present-day world has yet to grapple with the problem of narcotic drugs. There is drug production and trafficking in many countries throughout the world. And there is still a widespread use of opium, heroin, opium oil and marijuana as well as ATS tablets which are produced with the use of chemicals.

The threat of ecstasy tablets among the youth is still a problem of considerable dimensions. The youth of today are using various types of narcotic drugs in various ways. Therefore, they are being educated on the tragic consequences of narcotic drugs.

In Myanmar, the 15-year plan for elimination of narcotic drugs is being implemented since 1999. As the entire people are actively cooperating with the government, great strides have been made.

Now, for elimination of narcotic drugs, cash crops are being grown in border areas where poppy used to be grown. Moreover, poppy plantations are being destroyed with the cooperation of local people. More than 9,600 acres of poppy plantations have been destroyed so far this year.

A wide range of measures are being taken aimed at curbing drug trafficking. In May, a total of 228 drug cases were exposed and action was taken against all those involved.

As opium, heroin, morphine, opium oil and ecstasy tablets as well as chemicals pose an enormous problem to society, the government and the entire people are required to raise the momentum of their anti-drug campaign.



Mr Lim Chee Jim (AKF) presents certificate to a Karatedo Referee.

MKF

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

Sepak Takraw Competition kicks off



Commander Brig-Gen Win Myint makes a speech at Yangon Command Commander's Shield Sepak Takraw competition.—MNA

YANGON, 17 June — Yangon Command Commander's Shield Sepak Takraw competition kicked off at Hline Gymnasium in Hline Township, here, this afternoon.

Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon

Command Brig-Gen Win Myint and wife were present at the competition. The competition began after the commander's opening address.

The commander and wife and fans watched the first match of the first round of the competition.

MNA

Karatedo Referee Seminar concludes

YANGON, 17 June — The conclusion ceremony of Karatedo Referee Seminar for the 14th Inter-State/Division Karatedo Competition organized by Myanmar Karatedo Federation under

the supervision of the Ministry of Sports took place at Parkroyal Hotel on Sule Pagoda Road here this morning.

General Secretary of Myanmar Olympic Committee Director-General U Thaung Htaik of Sports and Physical Education Department and MKF President Dr Win Zaw made speeches and Mr. Lim Chee Jim, Chairman of Asia Karatedo Federation (AKF) Referee Council, extended greetings.

Next, the director-general presented completion certificates to referees of Karatedo teams representing the ministries, the MKF president to referees of State/Division Karatedo teams and Mr. Lim Chee Jim to referees of Karatedo clubs.

Then the MKF president presented a gift to Mr. Lim Chee Jim.—MNA

International Olympic Day Commemorative Cycling Contest 2009 concludes

YANGON, 17 June — The prize presentation ceremony of International Olympic Day Commemorative Cycling Contest 2009 and 55th MCF President's Cup National Cycling Championship was held at Thuwunna Cycling Training Course in Thingangyun Township here yesterday.

After final matches, the prize presentation ceremony followed. General Secretary of Myanmar Olympic Committee Director-General U Thaung Htaik of Sports and Physical Education Department presented championship trophies and cash to the Ministry of Finance and Revenue team, MAXIS team and Yangon Division team which stood first, second and third respectively in the contest.

Then officials presented prizes to outstanding athletes.

MNA

MMA Chairman's Cup Golf Tournament on 21 June

YANGON, 17 June—Myanmar Medical Association Chairman's Cup Golf Tournament will be held at Tawwin Golf Course (Mingaladon) on 21 June. Member doctors of MMA may take part in the tournament.

MNA

Soldiers, several 'rebels' killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 17 June — Two Afghan soldiers and several suspected militants were killed in fighting and raids across insurgency-hit Afghanistan, authorities said Tuesday.

The soldiers, from the US-trained Afghan army, died after their patrol was attacked by rebels in the northeastern province of Kunduz on Monday, the defence ministry said in a

statement.

Three militants were also killed during "very intense fighting," the statement said. Eight rebels were injured and four others captured, it added.

Kunduz, where hundreds of German troops have deployed under a UN-mandated force that arrived in Afghanistan in 2001, has seen a surge in militant violence in recent

months as have other parts of Afghanistan.

Most insurgent attacks are however concentrated in the south and east of the country. Several suspected militants were killed in operations on Monday by Afghan and US-led military forces in the country's south, a joint statement by the US-led force and Afghan defence ministry said.—*Internet*



A man inspects a destroyed bus after it caught fire in Kut, 100 miles (160 kilometres) southeast of Baghdad, Iraq, on 16 June, 2009. The bus was traveling from Baghdad to a southern city when it caught fire Tuesday morning, killing 14 passengers on board, police said.

INTERNET

House votes to fund wars in Iraq and Afghanistan

WASHINGTON, 17 June — The House has narrowly approved a \$106 billion bill to ensure financing for war operations in Iraq and Afghanistan over the coming months. Passage of the bill comes over almost united opposition from Republicans, who objected to the inclusion of money in the legislation for an International Monetary Fund loan programme for poor countries.

The vote was 226-202. The measure contains about \$80 billion to fund defence activities in Iraq and Afghanistan through the end of September. It also contains some \$10 billion for foreign aid, \$7.7 billion to combat the flu pandemic, and \$1 billion in rebates for consumers who turn in their old cars for more fuel-efficient models.—*Internet*

US military deaths in Iraq war at 4,315

WASHINGTON, 17 June — As of Tuesday, 16 June, 2009, at least 4,315 members of the US military had died in the Iraq war since it began in March 2003. The figure includes nine military civilians killed in action. At least 3,454 military personnel died as a result of hostile action, according to the military's numbers.

The British military has reported 179 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 and Romania, two each; and Australia, Hungary, Kazakhstan and South Korea, one death each.

Since the start of US military operations in Iraq, 31,354 US service members have been wounded in hostile action, according to the Defence Department's weekly tally.—*Internet*



Iraqi women pass by a destroyed minibus after a bomb exploded in the Shaab neighbourhood in Baghdad, Iraq, on 15 June, 2009.

INTERNET

US soldier killed, six people wounded in Iraq violence

BAGHDAD, 17 June—A US soldier was killed and six people were wounded in violence across Iraq on Tuesday, two weeks before the scheduled American pullout from the country's urban centres.

The soldier was killed by an improvised explosive device outside Samawa, 250 kilometres (155 miles) south of Baghdad, the US army said in a statement, which did not give further details.

The death brings to 4,313 the number of American troops killed since the 2003 US-led invasion that ousted Saddam Hussein but sparked a deadly insurgency, according to an AFP count based on the independent website icasualties.org.

The army is just shy of a 30 June deadline to leave cities and major towns

ahead of a complete withdrawal from Iraq by the end of 2011, as part of a security accord signed between Baghdad and Washington.

Meanwhile, in an attack in the Al-Husseiniyah district of northeast Baghdad, one US soldier and two civilians were injured and a Humvee was damaged by a bomb targeting a US patrol in the area, the police and US army said.

And a senior Iraqi judge and his two bodyguards were hurt by a roadside bomb as they drove through Mosul, according to police. Mosul, 370 kilometres (230 miles) north of Baghdad, is considered to be the last bastion of Al-Qaeda in Iraq and one of the country's most dangerous cities.

Internet

Death toll from mine blast in Indonesia reaches 28

JAKARTA, 17 June—An explosion ripped through a coal mine in western Indonesia, killing at least 28 people and burying 12 others who were feared dead, officials said on Wednesday.

Dozens of rescuers tried to reach the trapped men after the Tuesday morning blast, but rock slides and a mix of gas and coal debris forced them to resurface after four hours of digging, district police Chief Yasman Esha in West Sumatra Province said by phone from the scene.

"We fear the miners are dead by now," Esha said.

Four bodies were recovered soon after the morning blast at the 300-foot (100-metre)-deep mine in Sawahlunto regency on Sumatra island, he said. Eight more were pulled out late Tuesday after teams pumped oxygen into the mine shaft to allow rescuers to breathe.

Health Ministry Crisis Center chief Rustam Pakaya said rescuers have found 11 more bodies, bringing the death toll to 28, including five who were rescued but died at a hospital.—*Internet*



Rescue workers and residents search for victims trapped after an explosion in a coal mining area in Sawahlunto village in Indonesia's West Sumatra Province on 16 June, 2009.

INTERNET



A Bureau of Engraving and Printing employee checks sheets of one dollar notes in Washington, DC. Leaders from the world's top emerging economic powers—Brazil, Russia, India and China (dubbed the BRIC nations) - have delivered a warning-shot to the domination of the US dollar as the global reserve unit of choice with their new forum flexing its muscles at their first ever summit.—INTERNET

Britain seeks to become world's 'digital capital'

LONDON, 17 June— Britain declared a goal to become the world's "digital capital" on Tuesday by building cutting-edge broadband, telecoms and media infrastructure to cement its role as a "global economic powerhouse".

Prime Minister Gordon Brown compared the digital revolution to the 19th century construction of roads and railways which laid the foundations for the Industrial Revolution in Britain.

Although it currently trails many countries in criteria such as broadband penetration and mobile phone usage, Brown said Britain could leapfrog into the global lead. "Britain is going to lead the world. This is us taking the next step into the future, being the digital capital of the world," he said.

The long-awaited "Digital Britain" report set out wide-ranging aims for Britain's communications industry, including a new broadband access commitment and new powers to crack down on illegal downloading of films and music. It also outlined plans to upgrade all radio from analogue to digital by 2015 and to enhance the coverage of 3G and next generation mobile services.

Brown, who visited a media firm in southeast London ahead of the launch, said high-speed broadband access would be as essential in the future as gas, electricity or water are now.—Internet

UN declaration on AIDS challenged by discriminatory practices

UNITED NATIONS, 17 June —With only a year to go before the United Nations declaration on HIV/AIDS expires, world leaders have a duty to overturn discriminatory practices against people living with the disease, the UN secretary-general and the director of UNAIDS told reporters here on Tuesday.

"Leaders of the world to have a political responsibility ... to support those millions of

people without a voice," Director of UNAIDS Michel Sidibe told reporters after attending the General Assembly's review of the UN Political Declaration on HIV and AIDS.

In June 2006, United Nations members made a commitment to significantly scale up their response to AIDS by providing universal access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support by 2010.

But "unfortunately, we are far from reaching our goals," said Sidibe, who



Israeli hospital personnel wearing protective gear take part in a drill simulating an attack by unconventional weapons at Hadassah Ein Kerem hospital in Jerusalem on 16 June, 2009.—XINHUA

Oil slides 4th day; resource shares fall

HONG KONG, 17 June — Most stocks in Asia edged lower on Wednesday, weighed down by resource-related shares and doubts about a global economic recovery, while oil

slipped below \$70 a barrel ahead of US inventory data that could reflect slowing energy demand.

US Treasuries eased on profit taking after a surge overnight, but may not stay down for long, especially after the Federal Reserve bought \$6.45 billion in Treasury debt on

Tuesday and a report showed industrial capacity use at a record low.

Several US economic indicators this week have come in below expectations, raising fears that investors may have pushed up equity and commodity prices too far, too quickly.—Internet

will continue to climb well into 2010 where it is expected to peak at 10.4 percent. "Job losses will likely continue for the remainder of the year," said Shulman.—Internet

Vancouver Winter Olympics sponsors scale back

OTTAWA, 17 June— Some major sponsors of the 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympics are poised to re-evaluate their hospitality plans for the Games because of the unexpected tough economic times.

Royal Bank of Canada, which paid 110 million Canadian dollars (96.9 million US dollars) for the banking rights to the 2010 Games, is finalizing its sponsorship programme to ensure money to be spent "effectively".

RBC spokesman John Groves told *Canwest News Service* on Monday that the bank "had to be prudent" on how to focus on all aspects of the Olympics as no one could have foreseen the economic situation unfolding the way it did.

RBC has not cancelled its hospitality, employee activation and client appreciation programme, he said. But it needs to get the best bang for its buck.

Internet



Several tourists undergo sand therapy in Turpan, northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, on 15 June, 2009.—XINHUA



Pupils of an elementary school identify the sign board of traffic security in Nantong, east China's Jiangsu Province, on 15 June, 2009. The school designed teaching materials for the course of traffic and sports safety and caution in the use of electricity, water, coal gas as well as self-protection in natural disasters.—XINHUA

Explosion occurs in Indonesia's military headquarters

JAKARTA, 17 June—An explosion occurred in a mobile brigade military headquarters in Depok, of Indonesia's West Java Province, the private television *MetroTV* reported on Wednesday.

The explosion damaged the bomb squad simulation room at around 7:25 am local time.

"The explosion was started by a fire in the bomb squad simulation room," said the Indonesia's police headquarters.

An ambulance came in but officials said that there was no casualty. People lived around the headquarters were outside to wait for the official statement from the headquarters.

Police is investigating the cause of the fire that triggered the explosion.

Xinhua

Environment threats hit Pacific

SUVA, 17 June—Pacific Island countries including Fiji must sustainably use and manage their scarce natural resources as environmental threats like land degradation grow in the region, Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC) said on Wednesday.

The SPC made the statement as the Pacific joins the rest of the world in marking World Desertification Day on 17 June. SPC Land Use Policy Advisor Inoke Ratukalou said the Pacific needs to embrace sustainable development through a holistic approach such as ecosystem-based management.

"This approach would address interactions among land resources, water, air, biota and human activities, in order to meet the priority challenges of desertification and drought, sustainable mountain development, prevention and mitigation of land degradation, sustainable development of coastal zones, deforestation, climate change, rural and urban land use, urban growth and conservation of biological diversity," he said.—*Xinhua*

Honduras declares emergency due to earthquakes

TEGUCIGALPA, 17 June—The Honduran government declared on Tuesday a national emergency due to a series of earthquakes after the one measuring 7.1 on Richter scale that killed seven people on 28 May.

"The government has decided to declare a national emergency as a consequence of the earthquake and aftershocks in the country," said Honduran President's Private Secretary Enrique Reina in a press conference.

The government also ordered the finance ministry to distribute the funds from the Bolivarian Alternatives for the Americas (ALBA) and the international community to rebuild the affected area.

On 28 May, a strong earthquake in northern Honduras killed seven people and caused damages worth some 100 million US dollars.

The authorities said that the country has been shaken by at least 400 aftershocks without victims or material damages reported.—*Xinhua*

ADB to double clean energy investment

MANILA, 17 June—The Asian Development Bank will double its annual clean energy investments to 2 billion US dollars to accelerate the reduction of greenhouse gas emission in developing Asia and to help in the global campaign against climate change, the regional lender said on Wednesday.

The bank has increased its clean energy investment from the previous one billion US dollars annual investment as it's more urgent to reduce carbon emission in Asia, especially now that when it's home to some of the world's fastest growing economies, ADB President Haruhiko Kuroda said in a press briefing held at the sidelines of the High Level

Dialogue on Climate Change organized by ADB in Manila. "Developing Asia already accounts for about one third of global greenhouse gas emissions, and unless urgent measures are taken to alter development patterns, the region's share could easily increase to 40 percent or higher by 2030," Kuroda said.

The increased clean energy investment, being part of the ADB's existing Energy Efficiency Initiative (EEI), will take effect on 201. The EEI has financed several renewable energy programmes in Asia such as wind power in China, hydropower development in Bhutan and a biomass power plant in Thailand.—*Xinhua*

30 heads of state commit to UN economic, financial crisis meeting

UNITED NATIONS, 17 June—Some 30 heads of state and more than 100 nations have signed up to attend the UN high-level summit on the global economic crisis next week, a UN official said here on Tuesday.

Negotiations for an outcome document for the UN Conference on the World Financial and Economic Crisis and Its Impact on Development to be held at the UN Headquarters in New York on

24-26 June continue with delegates "making progress," said Enrique Yeves, spokesman for the president of the UN General Assembly, Miguel Escoto Brockman. The General Assembly president had asked the document be ready around 15 June, Monday.

"Negotiations continue and progress has been made by members states," Yeves told reporters. "In terms of attendance there already are around 100

delegations that have confirmed their participation and we expect around 30 heads of state."

There had been fears of a slim attendance figure because the meeting was pushed back from 1 June.

Brockman, who had been traveling around the world to encourage heads of state and government to attend, sought the delay citing conflicts high-level personalities claimed on their calendars.

Xinhua

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A visitor takes photo for an art installation named 'Quality, Feeling' at an exhibition for graduates of China Academy of Art in Hangzhou, capital of south-east China's Zhejiang Province, on 16 June, 2009.
XINHUA



MySpace to cut staff by about 30%

LOS ANGELES, 17 June—Social networking Web site MySpace will cut its staff by about 30 percent so as "to return to an environment of innovation," company executives confirmed on Tuesday. The job cuts will affect about 425 employees across all its US divisions, the company said.

The company took the move after it had been steadily losing ground to rival Facebook, MySpace CEO Owen Van Natta said.

"Simply put, our staffing levels were bloated and hindered our ability to be an efficient and nimble team-oriented company," said Van Natta.

Xinhua



Local farmers sell grain in Banpu Town of Lianyungang City, east China's Jiangsu Province, on 16 June, 2009. The official purchase of summer grain in Lianyungang City has been started recently.—XINHUA

Hydrogen gas leak forces another launch delay



Members of the media look on as the rotating service structure pulls away from the space shuttle Endeavour as she sits on launch pad 39A Tuesday morning on 16 June, 2009 at the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Fla.—INTERNET

CAPE CANAVERAL, 17 June—For the second time in less than a week, a hydrogen gas leak on shuttle Endeavour's fuel tank early Wednesday forced a launch delay, pushing the space station construction mission into July.

NASA waited almost an hour after the leak appeared, trying to fix it through remote commands, before calling off the predawn launch attempt.

Launch officials said the leak occurred in the same place as one that cropped up Saturday during fueling, in the hydrogen gas vent line that hooks up to the external fuel tank.

On Wednesday, engineers opened and closed a valve in hopes of stopping the potentially dangerous leakage or, at the very least, better understanding it. But that did not work and the countdown was halted just 3 1/2 hours before the scheduled launch time.—Internet

Mexico finds cocaine haul hidden in frozen sharks

MEXICO CITY, 17 June—Mexico's navy has seized more than a tonne of cocaine stuffed inside frozen sharks, as drug gangs under military pressure go to greater lengths to conceal narcotics bound for the United States.

Armed and masked navy officers cut open more than 20 shark carcasses filled with slabs of cocaine after checking a container ship in a container port in the southern Mexico state of Yucatan, the navy and Mexican media said on Tuesday.

"We are talking about more than a tonne of cocaine that was inside the ship," Navy Commander Eduardo Villa told reporters after X-ray machines and sniffer dogs helped uncover the drugs. "Those in charge of the shipment said it was a conserving agent but after checks we confirmed it was cocaine," he said.—Internet

Syria plays down uranium find by UN nuclear agency

VIENNA, 17 June—Syria's nuclear chief is suggesting the UN nuclear agency's discovery of new uranium traces in the country do not harden allegations that Damascus has a hidden nuclear programme.

Ibrahim Othman's comments are the first from Syria about the International Atomic Energy Agency's recent announcement that it found unexplained traces of uranium at a Syrian site for the second time.

Othman played down the discovery on Tuesday and described it as only "one particle or two particles."

The IAEA has been investigating Syria since Israel bombed a Syrian site in 2007 that the US says was a secret nuclear reactor built with North Korean help.

The agency's 35-nation board is preparing to debate allegations that Damascus was running such a programme.—Internet



Navy officials stand among containers at a clandestine drug laboratory after an operation near Culiacan, Mexico, on 16 June, 2009.—INTERNET

Military finds one of Mexico's largest meth labs

BADIRAGUATO, 17 June—The Mexican Navy gave reporters a firsthand look on Tuesday at what they described as one of the largest methamphetamine labs ever found in the country, with enough ephedrine to produce more than 40 tons of the drug.

The smell of chemical solvents was overwhelming at the remote mountaintop site in the northern state of Sinaloa, where Navy personnel on patrol last week stumbled across an enormous holding tank they initially thought might be used to water a marijuana plantation.

Instead, the tank fed water to a pair of enormous sheds where sailors found 49,640 liters (13,000 gallons) of ephedrine, a chemical used to make methamphetamine.

That is enough to produce 40.2 metric tons of the drug, or about 309 million individual doses.

The members of the Navy patrol found drums, barrels and other chemicals used in the process at the site, located on a dirt road miles from the nearest town.

Internet

NEWS ALBUM

Family axes wedding plans, Egyptian cuts off organ

A 25-year-old Egyptian man cut off his own penis to spite his family after he was refused permission to marry a girl from a lower class family, police reported.

After unsuccessfully petitioning his father for two years to marry the girl, the man heated up a knife and sliced off his reproductive organ, said a police official.

The young man came from a prominent family in the southern Egyptian province of Qena, one of Egypt's poorest and most conservative areas that is also home to the famed ancient Egyptian ruins of Luxor.



A dog receives haircut in Sichuan. China is drafting its first law to protect animals from abuse, which could see serious violators end up in jail, state media reported.

Parking space sells for \$300,000 in Boston

Boston real estate officials said an anonymous buyer set a city record by paying \$300,000 for a private parking space.

Listing Information Network, which tracks the real estate market in Boston, said the price tag makes the spot, located in the upscale Back Bay neighbourhood, the most expensive to be sold in the city, *The Boston Globe* reported.

Debra Sordillo, the Coldwell sales agent who handled the parking spot account, said the original asking price of \$250,000 was driven up by a bidding war that brought it to the record-breaking \$300,000 total. Sordillo said the sale is an indication of the difficulty people have parking near the city's Public Garden. "There's only so many parking spaces in the city," Sordillo said. "And in this part, there's very few."

Climate change blamed for Caribbean coral deaths



A diver repairs coral damaged by hurricane Wilma's storm surge along Mexico's Caribbean coast in this 17 November, 2005 file photo.

Climate change has contributed to a flattening of the complex, multi-layered architecture of Caribbean coral reefs, compromising their role as a nursery for fish stocks and a buffer against tropical storms, a study shows.

The analysis of 500 surveys of 200 reefs, conducted between 1969 and

2008, showed the most complex types of reef had been virtually wiped out across the entire Caribbean.

Such reefs — typified by Table Corals of over 1 meter across and huge antler-shaped Staghorn Corals — act as a sanctuary for local fish stocks and a hunting ground for larger, commercially fished species.

Many have been replaced with the flattest types of rubble-strewn reef, which now cover about three quarters of the Caribbean's reef area, up from about a fifth in the 1970s, said the study, published in the Royal Society journal *Biology Letters*.

The biggest impact has occurred in the last decade, said the report by researchers from Britain's University of East Anglia and Canada's Simon Fraser University.

Polish woman wakes up in morgue

An 84-year-old woman, declared dead by a doctor in central Poland, woke up in a morgue as morticians were preparing her for a funeral, doctors said.

Police in the central Polish town of Zwolen opened an investigation, *Polish Radio* reported on Monday.

In the nearby village of Jablonowo on Friday, the husband called an ambulance when his wife fainted and the emergency service doctor declared her dead and sent her to the morgue. When morticians saw the woman was moving, they called a doctor who diagnosed she was sick but alive.

The woman was rushed to the Zwolen hospital where doctors said she was in a serious condition and placed her in an intensive care unit.



A monkey looks into the lens when a photographer is to take a photo for it in Jammu, northern India.

Hsenwi sees considerable development in various sectors

Article: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Myo Min Thein (Mayangon)

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The government is now working hard to complete a large number of projects throughout the nation including border areas with the aim of improving the infrastructures in various fields such as economy, social affairs, education, transport and health care. As a result, local people of all the border areas are enjoying the taste of progress more now than in the past.

Hsenwi, 28 miles from Lashio, is on Lashio-Muse Road in Lashio District, Shan

gives sufficient health care to local people. It was put into commission in October 2004.

Sometime after we left the village, we were greeted by Hsenwi Town Hall and yellowish Hsinshweli summer paddy fields, which are irrigated by a large lake that receives water from several small waterfalls. Hsinshweli is a high-yield paddy strain that is grown on a large scale in northern Shan State. On average, the per acre yield of Hsinshweli strain paddy is more than 200 baskets.

Due to many vast low-lying plains, Hsenwi has a



The 16-bed station hospital in Sanlaung Village, Hsenwi Township.

large paddy sown acreage. The town is surrounded by paddy fields. Just as we entered the town, we saw a lot of fine buildings and residences, the majority of which were

built of hand-made bricks. The mountain ranges in Shan State (North) are composed of ancient soil. So, the region has a large quantity of blocks of low-quality gem stones, with

which many local people build their houses. Some houses were found with their walls built of home-made bricks.

Sometime after leaving Hsenwi by driving along the zigzag road through the mountain ranges, we had a wonderful view over the town.

The town has developed a lot. Surely, the economic growth of Hsenwi, a border town, will pick up greater momentum with smooth transport resulting from its location between Lashio, the capital of Shan State (North), and Muse, a border town.

Hsenwi is surrounded

by large paddy fields apart from mountain ranges. And it has a large number of fine and beautiful buildings and houses in it, thus reflecting the higher living standard of local people.

In reality, the remarkable development of Hsenwi is as a result of the strenuous efforts the government has been making in border areas after 1988 to provide further impetus for the health, education and social affairs sectors of border areas.

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Hsenwi Town Hall is under construction.

State (North). On our trip to Hsenwi, we passed through Hopeik Village and noticed fine buildings and houses with urban life.

We also saw Sanlaung Village, close to Hsenwi. Being informed about a 16-bed hospital in the village, we happened to drop in the village to visit the health care facility. It was a station hospital kept clean and tidy. It



A panoramic view of Hsenwi in Shan State (North).

Sanitation tasks carried out in Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital (Mandalay)

NAY PYI TAW, 17 June—Chairman of Mandalay Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe inspected a collective undertaking of sanitation tasks, jointly carried out by respective departments and social organizations in township-wise weekly sanitation tasks, held in the compound of Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital in Aungmyaytharzan Township, Mandalay Division on 7 June and the commander left the necessary instructions.—MNA

Commander, Minister visit Taninthayi, Palaw Townships

YANGON, 17 June—Chairman of Taninthayi Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Coastal Region Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo and Minister for Livestock and Fisheries Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein, on 14 June, met with departmental staff, townsenders, members of social organizations and local people at the Basic Education Post-Primary School in Banlamut village, Taninthayi Township, Taninthayi Division and donated books and pencils to Basic Education Schools.

On 15 June, the minister met with departmental staff, townsenders, members of social organizations and local people at Dhammayon in To Village-tract, Palaw Township and donated books and pencils to Basic Education Schools through responsible persons.—MNA

Health personnel urged to step up works for human flu pandemic prevention



Deputy Minister Dr Mya Oo makes a speech at work coordination meeting for preventive control of human flu pandemic.—HEALTH

YANGON, 17 June — Secretary of the central committee for fighting the infectious diseases Deputy Minister for Health Dr Mya Oo called for stepping up efforts for prevention and controlling the human influenza pandemic though there is no outbreak of the new disease in Myanmar yet.

Speaking at the work coordination meeting on prevention and control of the new influenza A/H1N1

held at National Health Laboratory here today, the deputy minister also stressed the need for following the instructions for controlling the new disease to be able to prevent infection of the disease to others and themselves when they give treatment to patients.

World Health Organization declared that the new influenza A/H1N1 reached the human influenza pandemic on 11 June, 2009 as the disease

Regional development undertakings speeded up

NAY PYI TAW, 17 June—Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo on 14 June inspected the embankments along the Ayeyawady River near Kanzindaw Village in Thabyu Village-tract, Danubyu Township, Maubin District, Ayeyawady Division.

The person in-charge of the township Irrigation Department reported on maintenance of the embankments in the township.

The minister called on service personnel, members of social organizations and farmers to boost agricultural production, take part in rural development tasks and maintain the embankments in the rainy season. He viewed Kanzindaw embankment and paddy field of farmer UNyunt Maung, and gave



Minister Maj-Gen Htay Oo inspects embankments along Ayeyawady River near Kanzindaw Village in Thabyu Village-tract, Danubyu Township.—A&I

instructions on follow-up tasks and fulfilled the requirements.

He inspected the dykes to block silt at Kyeebin jetty in Hsandan Ward, Zalun Town and navigational work by the Directorate of Water Resources and

Improvement of River Systems under the Ministry of Transport.

In Hinthada, he met local people from eight villages at Panaung monastery in Inn-dawei Village, inspected embankments in Shwegu Ward, and held a meeting

with local authorities, members of agricultural supervisory committees at division, district and township levels, townsenders, members of social organizations and the vice-chairman and members of Sekkhopaladi Foundation.—MNA

US Diplomats in Thailand meet so-called refugees in Thai-Myanmar border

NAY PYI TAW, 17 June —According to the Malichun Daily issued on 16 June 2009 in Thailand, it is learnt that a group comprising US diplomats based in Thailand, on the morning of 15 June, visited Mae La refugee camp in Tha Song Yang District, Tak Province in Thailand at Thai-

Myanmar border and met the so-called refugees who were said to be civilians; that the diplomats were keen to extend a helping hand to the refugees; and that the diplomats expressed their concerns over the hardships the refugees were facing.

Despite the fact that the so-called refugees

who were said to be civilians they met at the camp are from some villages in Kayin State in Myanmar, it was found that they are not civilian refugees, but are insurgents from Brigade-7 and Battalions 21, 22, 101 and 202 of KNU and their families.

MNA

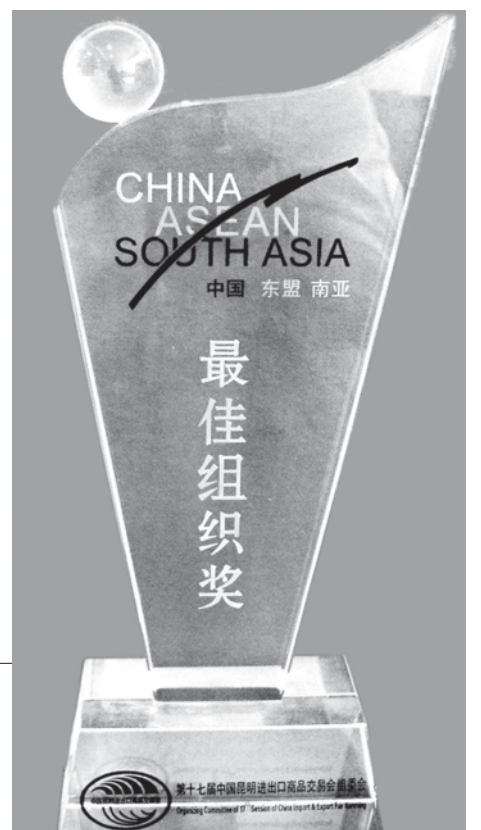
Myanmar entrepreneurs win Best Organizer Award in Kunming Trade Fair

YANGON, 17 June—A Myanmar delegation led by Vice-president U Thaug Tin of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI), including CEC member U Myo Thant, executive U Htay Oo and 42 entrepreneurs, took part in the South Asia China Kunming Import & Export Commodities Fair held at Kunming, Yunnan Province, the People's Republic of China from 6 to 10 June.

Forest products, agricultural produce, marine products and foodstuff booths were put on display in the fair by UMFCCI and Muse-Namhkam Border Trade Merchants' Association. The Best Organizer Award was presented by the trade organizing committee to Myanmar entrepreneurs.—MNA

The Best Organizer Award won in South Asia China Kunming Import & Export Commodities Fair.

UMFCCI



Commander visits Basic Education High Schools in Bago

NAY PYI TAW, 17 June — Chairman of Bago Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Southern Command Brig-Gen Hla Min together with officials visited Basic Education High Schools in Bago and inspects academic matters

on 8 June. After hearing reports on works being carried out presented by officials, the commander gave necessary instructions.

Then the commander met those present planting trees at the tree planting ceremony to mark World

Environment Day held at the nursery of Thayawady District Forest Department.

At BEHS No (1) in Thayawady, the commander heard reports presented together with by the headmaster and gave necessary instructions.

MNA

Vice-Mayor sees off Chinese delegation



Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa sees off Deputy Director-General Mr Lu Canjum of Xiamen Municipal Government of Fujian Province of PRC and party at Yangon International Airport.—YCDC

YANGON, 17 June—The Chinese delegation, led by Deputy Director-General Mr Lu Canjum of Xiamen Municipal Government of Fujian Province of the People's

Republic of China, left for home by air this morning.

They were seen off by Vice-Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Vice-Mayor Col Maung Pa, Head of

Public Relations and Information Department U Hla Myint Swe and officials from the Embassy of the People's Republic of China at Yangon International Airport.—MNA

Get-together of Hiking and Mountaineering Associations on 28 June

YANGON, 17 June — Jointly-organized by Myanmar Universities Hiking and Mountaineering Association and Yangon University Hiking and Mountaineering Association, the 14th get-together of old students and new generation will be held in conjunction with the ceremony to honour those who participated in philanthropic activities and mountaineers who

climbed 12553 feet high Mt. Saramayti, 6020 feet high Mt. Hsin, 5862 feet high Mt. Myinmahti and 7752 feet high Mt. Ashaemyin Anaukmyin on the ground floor of Chen Tet Htan Buddhist Missionary Temple on Pyay Road in Kamayut Township here at 9 a.m. on 28 June.

Members of Myanmar Hiking and Mountaineering Federation and members of the associations are

invited to attend the ceremony without fail.

MNA

All this needs to be known

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

Forestry Minister receives Vietnamese Ambassador



Minister Brig-Gen Thein Aung receives Vietnamese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Chu Cong Phung and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 17 June—Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung received Mr Chu Cong Phung, Am-

bassador of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the Union of Myanmar, at the Ministry of Forestry, here, this morning.

Their meeting focused on cooperation in the field of forestry and matters on investments.—MNA

Offer to those wishing to sell automobiles

YANGON, 17 June—Sakura Auto Auction Centre in its promotion programme today made an offer of free registration

to those wishing to sell their automobiles. The programme covers three days: 28 June, 26 July, and 16 August, on which every

automobile appraised at K 200 million and above is charged only 500,000 kyats for service fee.

MNA

MWAF holds educative talks and stationery donation ceremony

YANGON, 17 June — An educative talks along with stationery donation ceremony, organized by Working Group on Protection and Rehabilitation of Women under the Myanmar Women's Affairs

Federation, took place at the hall of Social Welfare Department in Mayangon Township here this afternoon.

It was attended by group leader Daw Tin Tin Nwe of Working Group on Protection and

Rehabilitation of Women, deputy group leader Daw Khin Myo Myint, sub working-group leaders Daw Khin May Soe, Daw Thwe Thwe Win, Daw Po Po Kyi and members of the federation and the head mistress, teachers and students of No. 28 Basic Education Primary School.

First, group leader Daw Tin Tin Nwe made the greetings. Next, Daw Myint Myint Hline and Dr Daw Nwe Thin Ni gave talks.

After the talk, members of Working Group on Protection and Rehabilitation of Women donated stationery worth K 117,000 to No. 28 BEPS through headmistress Daw Swe Zin Ei. The ceremony came to an end with words of thanks by the headmistress.—MNA



Leader Daw Tin Tin Nwe of Working Group on Protection and Rehabilitation of Women under MWAF donates books and stationery to No. 28 BEPS of Mayangon Township through a responsible person.

SWD



Minister Dr Kyaw Myint inspects medical store of People's Hospital in Thanatpin Township.—HEALTH

Ayeyawady Naval Region Command wins championship shield

YANGON, 17 June — Ayeyawady Naval Region Command became the champion of the Commander-in-Chief's (Navy) Shield Soccer Tournament for 2009 af-

ter the final match at the sports ground of the command headquarters here on 12 June.

On behalf of the Commander-in-Chief (Navy), the acting com-

mander of Ayeyawady Naval Region Command presented the shield to the team representing Ayeyawady Naval Region Command.

MNA

Course on Home Based Care for Older People concludes

YANGON, 17 June —Course on Home Based Care for Older People concluded yesterday.

The concluding ceremony was held at Kyaikwaing Boys' Training School in Mayangon Township. U Aung Tun Khaing, Deputy Director-

General of Social Welfare Department, made an address at the ceremony. The Deputy Director-General and director Mr. Lee Dong Hyeon of Global Vision presented completion certificates.

A total of 62 trainees from Shwepyitha,

Insein, and Htantabin townships attended two day training course, and made field trip to Insein Township. The course was jointly organized by Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement and YMCA Global Vision.—MNA

Health Minister inspects hospitals in Bago Div

NAY PYI TAW, 17 June—Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint visited People's Hospital in Thanatpin Township and General Hospital in Bago on 14 June.

At the People's Hospital in Thanatpin, the minister inspected dental and oral ward, patient ward, laboratory, delivery room, new medical ward, water supply to X-ray room, storage of medicines, operation theater and storage of vaccines

before he met with the chairman of the township health committee, the members of hospital supervisory committee, the head of township health department, hospital staff and members of social organizations at the meeting hall of the hospital.

At the General Hospital in Bago, the minister and party inspected the use of Ultrasound, X-ray, medicine storage, orthopaedic ward, water supply to the hospital, Eye, Ear,

Nose, Throat ward, child patient ward, out-patient ward and emergency patient ward.

The minister met with members of health committee, members of hospital supervisory committee, the medical superintendent of the hospital and specialists and staff at the meeting hall of the hospital, and urged them to make effort for emergence of a hospital on which people can rely.

MNA

Military Codes of Conduct contest held



Camp Commandant Maj-Gen Hla Aung Thein of Ministry of Defence views officers and other ranks sitting for the contest.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 17 June —The Military Codes of Conduct contest of the Ministry of Defence was held at Kyansittha Yeiktha at the ministry here this morning.

Camp Commandant Maj-Gen Hla Aung Thein of the Camp Commandant's Office of the Ministry of Defence and offi-

cials viewed the contest. Altogether 200 offic-

ers and other ranks took part in the contest.—MNA

Judgment delivered to accept appealing case on decree of declining nomination of two witnesses by the accused in trial against US citizen Mr John William Yettaw, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, Daw Khin Khin Win and Ma Win Ma Ma

NAY PYI TAW, 17 June—Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, Daw Khin Khin Win and Ma Win Ma Ma on 11 June appealed to Supreme Court (Yangon) through their lawyers, in dissatisfaction with Yangon Division Court's judgment of confirming Yangon North District Court's decree of turning down the nomination of U Win Tin and U Tin Oo for the district court's criminal case 47/2009 against US citizen Mr John William Yettaw, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, Daw Khin Khin Win and Ma Win Ma Ma. It is criminal appealing case No. 333 (b)/2009.

As to whether the appealing case should be heard or not, the statements of defence lawyer U Kyi Win were heard at court room No (2) of Supreme Court (Yangon) at 10 am today, and a decree was delivered to hear the case.

Final statements of both sides for the appealing case will be heard at Supreme Court (Yangon).

MNA



Deputy Director-General U Aung Tun Khaing of SWD speaking at Course on Home Based Care for Older People.—SWD

Talks on traffic rules organized

YANGON, 17 June— Police Captain Myint Aung of Yangon Division Wireless and

Traffic Police Corp gave talks on traffic rules to faculty members and students at Yangon Cooperative

Degree College in Thanlyin Township, Yangon South District yesterday.—MNA

Steamed rubber wood with export quality used in making modern furniture

Article: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Aung Than (Mingala Taungnyunt)

(from page 16)
Recently, the news crew of the Myanma Alin Daily made a trip to Myeik for writing articles on development of Taninthayi Division. During the trip, we had an opportunity to observe the tasks of Asia Shwegabar Company

that is producing the steamed rubber wood.

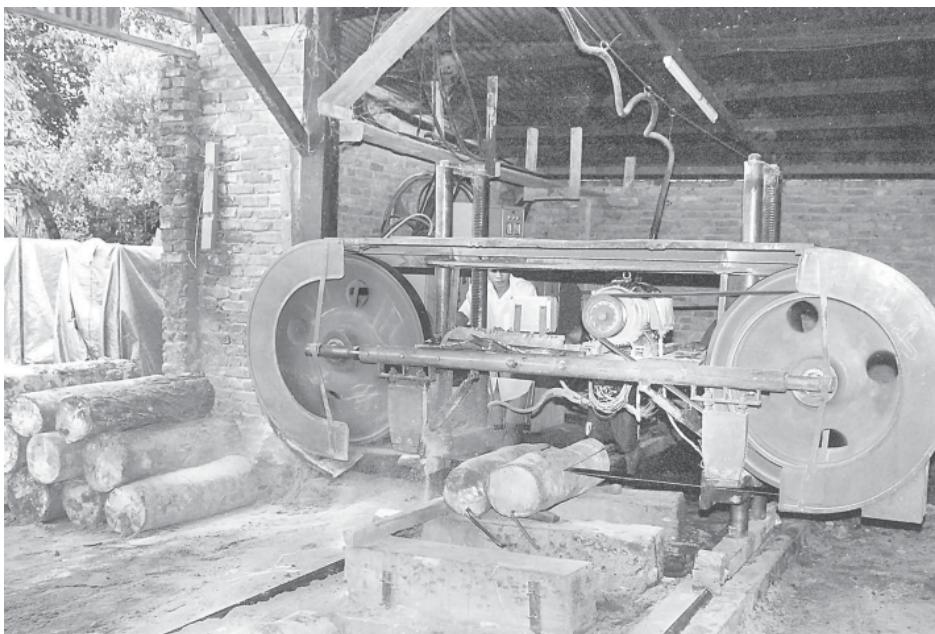
"Our company produces steamed rubber wood and exports it to Malaysia. We send 100 tons of rubber wood monthly. As the company buys old rubber trees at high price, the rubber growing entrepreneurs can secure the benefits,"

explained in-charge of the factory U Maung Soe of Asia Shwegabar Company.

He said, "Our company buys one old rubber tree for K 1000. We cut old rubber trees into three and a half feet long size logs and five feet long logs. After that, the rubber logs become the



Rubber logs are being sawn at a sawmill.



Production of quality rubber wood in progress at the factory.

sawn rubber wood at sawmill. The sawn rubber woods are to be steamed for eight-10 days."

We saw that workers turned the logs into sawn wood in different sizes, and then the rubber wood is steamed. After steaming the rubber woods for eight-10 days, the workers classify the timber and

package them systematically.

Nowadays, the steamed rubber wood is being used widely in making modern furniture across the world. As the prices of teak and other hardwood are rising in the international timber market, the customers turn to steamed rubber wood instead of hardwood.

The furniture made of steamed rubber wood is favourite among the people due to high quality and bright colour. In the international timber market, rubber wood is attracting greater attention of the customers.

Translation: TTA
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Sawn rubber wood packaged for export.



Trunks of old rubber plants seen after having cut.

Ultrasonics improves surgeons' view when removing tumors from the pituitary gland

SCIENCE DAILY, 17 June—Ultrasonics improves surgeons' view when they remove tumours from the pituitary gland.

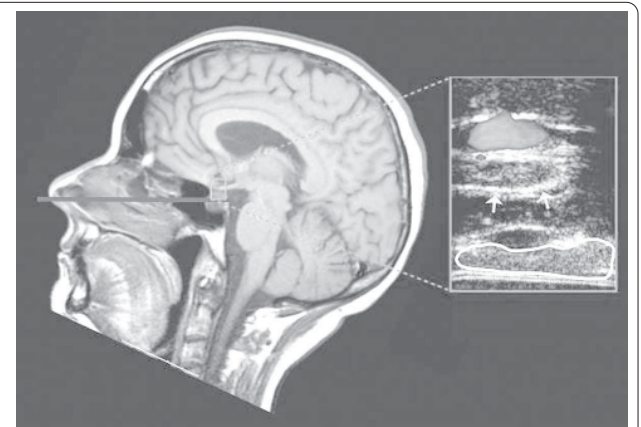
Hidden in a little hollow in the skull, at about the level of the eye, we have a gland about the size of a blackcurrant. This is the hypophysis, or pituitary, the body's centre for hormone manufacture. The gland produces a wide range of hormones which in turn control other organs that manufacture yet more hormones.

Every year, some 120 Norwegian patients are

operated for tumours in the pituitary gland. Now SINTEF, NTNU and St. Olav's Hospital in Trondheim have joined forces to develop an ultrasonic instrument that give Trondheim's neurosurgeons an extra "eye" during interventions of this sort.

Promising method

"We are probably able to remove more tumour tissue than we would have been able to do otherwise, which reduces the chances of the tumour returning, and increases the likelihood of obtaining a nearly normal hormonal balance. The instrument also makes it easier to see where the tumour cells lie relative to the visual nerves and blood vessels—structures close to the pituitary that we must avoid damaging during the operation."—Internet



Ultrasonics: Operating on the pituitary involves leading an ultrasonic instrument in through the nose.

**Ministry of Finance and Revenue
Internal Revenue Department
Commercial Tax Directorate**

Reminding to furnish the Annual Return

- Any Individuals, Partnerships, Joint Ventures, Companies, other taxable business enterprises, Cooperative societies, State economic enterprises, Sate-owned mills, factories, trading and service enterprises, who have taxable sale proceed or receipt from services in the financial year 2008-2009 (1st April 2008 to 31st March 2009) are reminded that they are according to the law, to fill up, sign and furnish an annual return to the respective Township Revenue Office or Company Circle Tax Office, by hand or by registered post **not later than 30th of June, 2009.**
- If it is production business apart from salt production, those whose sale proceed in a financial year is kyat 240001 and above, or the sale proceed of Trading business during the financial year that is kyat 300001 and above, the receipt from Passenger transportation that is kyat 180001 and above, Entertainments, Hotel and lodgings, Restaurants, Travel and Tours (including tour guide only), Motor vehicle servicing, Insurance (excluding life insurance), Hair dressing and beauty saloon, Body fitness centres, Printing, Computer desktop and design services (excluding photo copying) are responsible to file the Annual sale or service Return attached with annual accounts, to the respective offices. Those returns will be accepted by **opening the offices up to 18:00 hrs in the evening on the last date of 30th June 2009 (Tuesday).**
- If there is failure to file return without any sufficient cause, a sum not more than 10% of the tax due will be fined by way of penalty according to the Commercial Tax Law, section 21.
- The prescribed Annual Return forms will be provided at the respective Township Revenue Offices or the Company Circle Tax Office, free of charge. If it is filed by hand, the concerning office will issue the acknowledgement slip instantly.
- Enquiries can be made for further details at the Township Revenue Offices or the Company Circle Tax Office concerned.

San Lwin
Director

Commercial Tax Directorate

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (453)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (453) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 18.6.2009 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T 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
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INVITATION FOR TENDER

TENDER NO.- BRIDGE/PW/2009-2010/BB-001

- Sealed Tender is invited by Public Works, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar for the supply of **Bailey Bridge Components** for (27) bridges to be constructed in **Ayeyawady Division.**
- Tender application form (including Required Sets of Bailey Bridge and Detailed technical specification of Materials) can be purchased in **USD 2500 or equivalent Euro.**
- The Payment for tender application must be paid to Myanmar Foreign Trade Bank (Public Works Account No.IDA-06-93899)
- The tender documents can be obtained from Bridge Division, Building No. (11), Public Works, Ministry of Construction, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar only with the Payment receipt to Myanmar Foreign Trade Bank.
- Tender should be submitted to the above address not later than **16:30 hours on 18.7.2009**
- For further detail information, Please contact to Telephone No-067-407276, 407466.

Managing Director
Public Works

INVITATION FOR TENDER

TENDER NO.- BRIDGE/SKN/PW/2009-2010/ST-001

- Sealed Tender is invited by Public Works, Ministry of Construction, Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar for the supply of **Steel Truss And Accessories** for **AYEYAWADY BRIDGE (SINKHAN) Motor-cum-Rail Construction Project** across **Ayeyawady River on Katha-Bhamaw-Myitkyina Rail Road in Kachin State.**
- Tender application form of **SINKHAN BRIDGE** (including Technical Specifications, Terms of Tender, Tender Schedule, and Offer Form) can be purchased for **USD 3000 or equivalent Euro.**
- The Payment for tender application must be paid to Myanmar Foreign Trade Bank. (Public Works Account No.IDA-06-93899)
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- Tender should be submitted to the above address not later than **16:30 hours on 18.9.2009.**
- For further detail information, Please contact to Telephone No-067-407276, 407466.

Managing Director
Public Works

INVITATION FOR TENDER

(TENDER NO. 2 (T) /LBO(2)/2009-2010)

- Sealed Tenders are invited for the Myanma Petrochemical Enterprise, the Ministry of Energy for the supply of 1,668=10% Metric Tons Lube Base Oil & Additives.
- Tender Closing Date : 25-6-2009 at (12:00) noon.
- Tender Opening Date : 25-6-2009 at (13:00)hrs.
- Delivery Time : August, September, October 2009
- Tender Documents and details information are available at the Department of Finance, Myanma Petrochemical Enterprise, Nay Pyi Taw, during office hours commencing 18-6-2009 on payment of the One Hundred (100) FEC per set.
- Only bid from tenderer who has purchased tender document officially from Myanma Petrochemical Enterprise will be accepted for evaluation.

Managing Director
Myanma Petrochemical Enterprise

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR
MINISTRY OF ENERGY
MYANMA OIL AND GAS ENTERPRISE

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

1. Sealed Bids are invited by the Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise, Nay Pyi Taw for the supply of
 - (1) 24" LSAW API 5 L GRADE X 65 3 LPE Coated Steel Line Pipe (PSL 2) (61) Miles
 - (2) 24" LSAW API 5 L GRADE X 65 3 LPE and Concrete coated Line Pipe (4,000) Feet
 - (3) 24" LSAW API 5 L GRADE X 65 Line Pipe (Bare) (2,000) Feet
 - (4) 24" Factory Made 6 D Radius induction hot Bends (with bevel ends for butt weld) (182) Nos
2. Commencing from 18th June, 2009 a complete set of bidding documents shall be available at the FINANCE DEPARTMENT, MYANMA OIL AND GAS ENTERPRISE, NO. 44, COMPLEX, NAY PYI TAW, MYANMAR during office hour by payment to the order of Myanma Foreign Trade Bank attesting remittance of US\$ 100.00 in favour of Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise (or) FEC 100.00 to the above office for each set of document.
3. Bids shall be accepted only from the Bidders who officially purchased the bidding document.
4. The Bids received shall be opened in the presence of Representatives of bidders at 13:00 hours on 2nd July, 2009 at the office of Ministry of Energy, No.6 Complex, NAY PYI TAW, Myanmar.

MANAGING DIRECTOR
MYANMA OIL AND GAS ENTERPRISE

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV BROTHER SKY VOYNO (-)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV BROTHER SKY VOY NO (-) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 18.6.2009 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T 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: BRIGHT SHIPPING (KOREA)
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Phone No: 256924/256914

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV CEREN URKMEZ VOYNO (9015)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV CEREN URKMEZ VOYNO (9015) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arrived on 18.6.2009 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: KOOK YANG SHIPPING CO.,
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Flu deaths rise to 23 in New York City

HOUSTON, 17 June—New York City officials on Tuesday reported seven more deaths from A/H1N1 flu, bringing the city's total to 23.

The city health department also said that the number of confirmed cases of the virus had climbed past 1,000.

In reporting the seven new deaths, the department didn't identify the victims, say exactly when they died, or when they contracted the virus.

Internet

Radiologists need vision standards

BALTIMORE, 17 June—A US study suggests radiologists, like pilots, should be required to undergo regular vision testing.

The University of Maryland School of Medicine research determined approximately 50 percent of 48 radiologists surveyed don't recall ever having their vision tested or it had been two years or longer since their last vision exam.

"Of the 48 participating radiologists, eight could not recall ever having their vision

examined," Dr Nabile Safdar, lead author of the study, said.

"Fourteen of the participants reported that their last eye examinations were 24 months or more in the past. One radiologist even indicated it had been 15 years since his last eye examination."

Safdar said the visual acuity of the participants ranged from 20/30 to 20/10.

"Physicians and patients depend on the ability of radiologists to accurately discriminate findings and render

appropriate diagnoses based on these findings," he said.

"Although the variation we found in visual acuity among radiologists is unlikely to have an influence on clinical diagnostic performance, as radiologists we may have a responsibility to our patients and ourselves to make sure our vision is as good as possible.

In the future, professional guidelines should be considered to ensure optimal visual accuracy."

Internet

Chinese star Jet Li 'takes Singapore citizenship'

SINGAPORE, 17 June—Chinese action star Jet Li has taken up Singapore citizenship and bought a property in the city state worth nearly 20 million Singapore dollars (14 million US), according to a report. *The Business Times* did not say when the Beijing-born star took up his new nationality or bought the upmarket property. **Chinese action star Jet Li has taken up Singapore citizenship and bought a property in the city state worth nearly 20 million Singapore dollars (14 million US), according to a report.**—INTERNET

erty. It did not give its source. Singapore's Immigration and Checkpoints Authority (ICA) would not confirm the newspaper report when contacted by AFP for reasons of confidentiality.

A Beijing-based staff member at Li's One Foundation contacted by AFP declined comment.

Li is the latest Chinese star to have taken up Singapore citizenship, following in the footsteps of leading actress Gong Li, who shot to fame with her roles in "Farewell My Concubine" and later "Memoirs of a Geisha."

Internet



Neighbourhood may affect asthma rates

CHICAGO, 17 June — Neighbourhoods with restaurants, entertainment and diversity had lower rates of asthma than neighbourhoods with churches or non-profits, US researchers said.

Dr Ruchi Gupta of Children's Memorial Hospital and Northwestern University Fein-

berg School of Medicine in Chicago focused on 287 Chicago neighbourhoods where nearly 50,000 children grades K-8 were screened for asthma. Chicago has twice the national average asthma mortality rate.

"Previous studies showed that neighborhoods right next to each other with similar racial makeup had very different asthma rates; we wanted to see what else was going on in each neighbourhood to cause such a disparity," Gupta, the study leader, said in a statement.—Internet

Study says skin cancer drugs smooth wrinkles

BEIJING, 17 June—US researchers said Monday a skin cream used to treat the early signs of skin cancer may reduce wrinkles and sun-damage patches.

The study published in the Archives of Dermatology showed that Valeant's Efudex cream, which is used to treat actinic keratosis, a precursor to skin cancer, improved the appearance of skin, smoothed rough spots and wrinkles, improved skin colour and erased brown spots.

University of Michigan researchers studied 21

healthy volunteers who had sun-damaged facial skin and actinic keratoses. The participants applied 5 percent fluorouracil cream to their faces two times a day for about a fortnight.

The researchers followed the participants for nearly six months, during which they underwent regular skin biopsies, close-up facial photographs, and dermatology checkups. Though initially their facial skin got dry, itchy, and peeled; it later recovered, with lesser wrinkles and a soft, smooth texture.—Internet

SPORTS

Kaka ready to assume more responsibility

BLOEMFONTEIN, 17 June—Superstar Kaka, buoyed by his recent high-profile move from AC Milan to Real Madrid, is ready to accept more responsibility as a senior player with Brazil.

The 27-year-old, who signed a six-year contract with the Spanish giants for a reported fee of 65 million euros earlier this month, recognises his growing stature as a senior player in Dunga's national team.

His willingness to step up was evident in Brazil's 4-3 victory over Egypt in the Confederations Cup here.

When the referee blew for a penalty in injury time with the scores tied 3-3, the Brazil No.10 showed no hesitation, immediately making his way to the spot before placing his strike past goalkeeper Essam El Hadary.

"Yes, I'm now a leader within the squad. Defi-

nately not the only one, but one of several," he told Fifa.com. "It is to be expected that more senior players such as myself, Gilberto Silva, Lucio or even Robinho should take on more responsibilities.

"It's a role that I take in my stride as it's a natural progression, it's not something that was forced upon me."—Internet



Brazilian midfielder Kaka answers journalists' questions after the Fifa Confederations Cup football match Brazil vs Egypt, on 15 June, in Bloemfontein, SAfrica.—INTERNET

Juninho in Qatar for transfer talks

DOHA, 17 June—Lyon's long-serving Brazilian playmaker Juninho arrived in Qatar for talks about a transfer to Al-Garrafa, the Doha club said on their website Tuesday.



Lyon's long-serving Brazilian playmaker Juninho, seen here in February 2009, arrived in Qatar for talks about a transfer to Al-Garrafa, the Doha club said on their website Tuesday.—INTERNET

Recruiting the Brazilian to play in Qatar will cost the club about 2.5 million euros, a record in the Gulf state's championship, sources at the club said, but no details were available about the length of Juninho's contract.

The 34-year-old scored 100 goals for the French club and was the inspiration behind Lyon's seven titles, including last year's domestic double, since joining from Vasco da Gama in 2001.

When he announced he was leaving Lyon at the end of last season, the club described it as the end of an era.

Internet

Revitalised Federer targets Wimbledon history

LONDON, 17 June—Having finally lifted the crushing burden of his French Open jinx, Roger Federer now targets a sixth Wimbledon title and a record-breaking 15th Grand Slam trophy.

Twelve months on from his epic, five-set defeat here to Rafael Nadal in a final widely-regarded as the greatest ever, the Swiss desperately wants to reclaim the crown he had held for the previous five years. A sixth All England Club title would be just one short of Pete Sampras's mark but would also take him past the American's total of 14 majors, the level he reached with his first Roland Garros victory earlier this month.

Federer is a rejuvenated player.—Internet



Roger Federer

Del Bosque credits his English stars for recent success



Spanish national football team's Spanish coach Vicente del Bosque

BLOEMFONTEIN, 17 June—Spain coach Vicente del Bosque says his team's phenomenal unbeaten run is partly due to the experience some of his top players have gained playing in England.

The squad he has at the Confederations Cup boasts six players who ply their trade in the English Premier League, five of them at Liverpool.

They include Fernando Torres, Xabi Alonso, Albert Reira, Pepe Reina and Alvaro Arbeloa.

He also has Arsenal captain Cesc Fabregas on hand. "Indeed, the fact that they have gone abroad is one factor of the recent success of Spain. They contribute a lot from what they have learned there," he said ahead of their match with Iraq here on Wednesday.

"It has a lot to do with the contrast in styles in different countries. When you play elsewhere you learn new things, tactical things."—Internet

Venus ready to reign at Wimbledon again

LONDON, 17 June—When Venus Williams walks onto Centre Court to begin her defence of the Wimbledon title, the American will feel the lush grass under her feet and breathe a sigh of relief.



Venus Williams

In the 12 months since she was crowned champion at the All England Club for the fifth time, after brushing aside sister Serena in the final, the American has endured a dispiriting run of results that could easily have left her morale at a low ebb.

Winning only two minor WTA events this year represents an underwhelming effort for the former world number one, but it is the first week exits from the Australian and French Opens against the unheralded Carla Suarez Navarro and Agnes Szavay that really raised eyebrows.

Internet

Nakamura close to signing with Espanyol

TOKYO, 17 June—Japan and Celtic star Shunsuke Nakamura is on the verge of signing with Espanyol to realise his longtime dream of playing in the Spanish league, according to a press report.

Nakamura's agent Roberto Tsukuda and Espanyol have "already reached a basic agreement" on the midfielder's transfer to the Spanish club, the Sports Hochi reported citing an unnamed source involved in the talks under way in Barcelona.

The daily said that Espanyol sporting direc-

tor Ramon Planes had secretly visited Japan recently and offered Nakamura a two-year deal with an annual pre-tax wage of 200 million yen (2.1 million dollars).

Internet



Japan and Celtic star Shunsuke Nakamura

'Hands off Ribery' Bayern tell Real

BERLIN, 17 June—Bayern Munich president Karl-Heinz Rummenigge has upped the stakes in what could become a tug-of-war with Real Madrid for Franck Ribery by saying the France midfielder is not for sale.

"We are very proud to have one of the three best players in the world under contract; it is causing a bit of a stir in the transfer market but we have no intention of selling," Rummenigge told German tabloid Bild on Tuesday.

Real are currently undergoing a mini revolution and newly-elected president Florentino Perez has already brought Manchester United forward Cristiano Ronaldo and AC Milan playmaker Kaka to the club.

The 26-year-old Ribery, who is contracted to 2011 at the Bavarian giants, is also thought to be a Real target but Bayern's 60 million-euro price tag is reportedly causing the Spanish side to have second thoughts.

Reports from Madrid on Tuesday said that Ribery could be a Real player by the end of the week.

Internet

Kuznetsova suffers French Open hangover in England

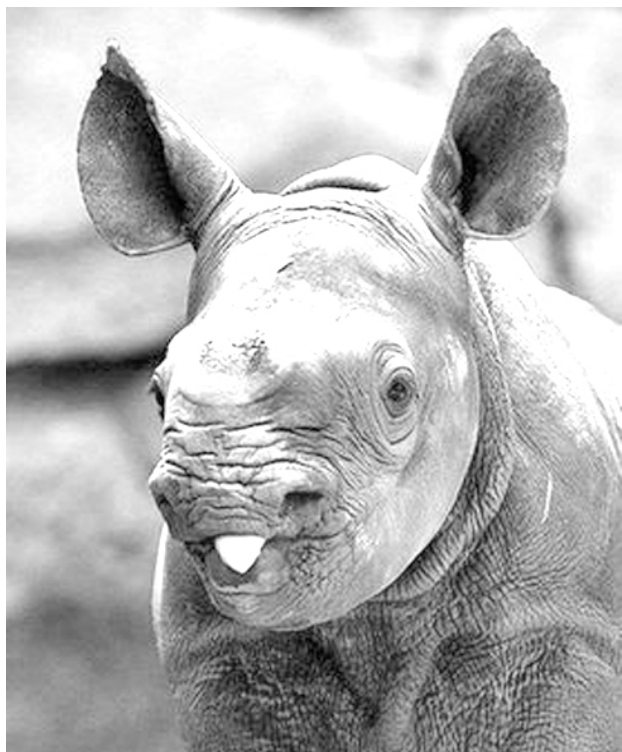
EASTBOURNE, 17 June—French Open champion Svetlana Kuznetsova suffered a Roland Garros hangover as the Russian crashed 6-0, 6-3 against Aleksandra Wozniak in the WTA grass-court event at



Svetlana Kuznetsova of Russia returns a backhand to Aleksandra Wozniak of Canada during the AEGON International Tennis Championships at Devonshire Park in Eastbourne, England. Kuznetsova lost 6-0, 6-3.—INTERNET

Eastbourne on Tuesday. Kuznetsova, the second seed, was playing her first match since winning her second Grand Slam title on the Paris clay earlier this month and struggled to find any rhythm against Canadian world number 23 Wozniak.

Jelena Jankovic's miserable season showed no signs of improving as the Serbian was beaten 6-7 (5/7), 6-3, 6-2 by Anna Chakvetadze in the first round.—Internet



Cheeky rhino : A baby Black Rhinoceros sticks out its tongue as it walks in its enclosure at Tokyo's Ueno Zoo.—INTERNET

Over 300 in Philippines tested positive for A/H1N1 flu

Manila, 17 June—The Philippine health authorities on Wednesday said another 64 people were tested positive for the A/H1N1 flu in the country, bringing the Philippines' tally of confirmed cases to a staggering 311.

In a press release, Health Secretary Francisco Duque III said, however, 93 patients had fully recovered and more were sent home from hospitals as they exhibited only mild symptoms.

“So far the country has no reported case of death or severe illness in all of the 311 documented positive cases,” Duque said in the release.

Among the latest 64 infected, all but two are Filipinos, with an average age of 18, Duque said.

The health department on Monday confirmed a community-based outbreak in a northern town where more than 30 people were infected.

MNA/Xinhua

MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (18-6-2009) (Thursday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	- (09:00am ~ 10:00am) MST
Europe	- (15:30pm ~ 23:30pm) MST
North America	- (23:30pm ~ 07:30am) MST

Local Transmission

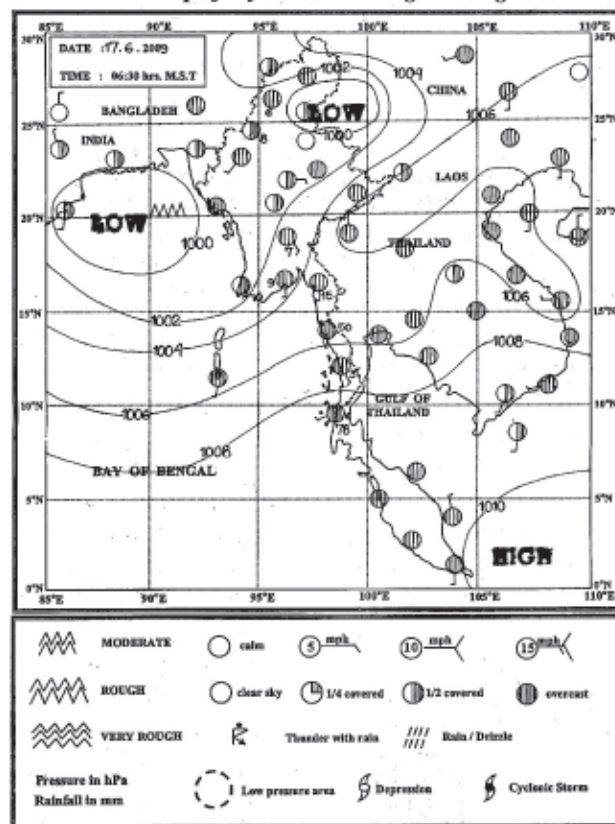
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- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Unforgettable Customs of the Chins
- * Myanmar Jaggery
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Europe/ North America Transmission

- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Bamboo Paper
- * A Visit to "Lwe" Nationals
- * Welcome to Bagan
- * Illustrious handiwork in Kyeethe
- * Tha Mee Hla Island
- * Hukaung Valley Rattan Survery (Part-III)
- * Thriving Prawn Farms of Myanma Coastal Region (Rakhine State)
- * Three Dimensional Gems Studded Painting
- * Unforgettable Customs of the Chins
- * Myanmar Jaggery
- * Making of Traditional Lacquerware
- * Plaster Toys
- * Tea Industry
- * Hukaung Valley Rattan Survery (Part-IV)
- * The Heritage of Kyin (or) Wrestling
- * Pleasurable Myanma Marionette Show
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Wednesday, 17 June, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST:

During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kayin Stat, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Kachin, kayah States and lower Sagaing Division, scattered in Shan, Chin and Rakhine States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, fairly widespread in Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with isolated heavyfalls in Mon State, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Paung (4.72) inches, Coco Island (3.59) inches, kawthong (3.23) inches, Kyeikkhame (2.36) inches, Pyay (2.01) inches, Dawei (1.97) inches, Bago (1.65) inches and Moekok (1.62) inches.

Maximum temperature on 16-6-2009 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 17-6-2009 was 72°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 17-6-2009 was 84%. Total sun shine hours on 16-6-2009 was (1.1) hours approx.

Rainfall on 17-6-2009 was (0.35) inch at Mingaladon, (0.35) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.20) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (29.76) inches at Mingaladon, (35.47) inches at Kaba-Aye and (40.75) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from Southwest at (09:30) hours MST on 17-6-2009.

Bay inference: Monsoon is strong in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 18th June 2009: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, scattered in Kachin, Shan, Kayah States and Mandalay Division, fairly widespread in Kayin State and upper Saging Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavyfall in Rakhine, Mon States and Taninthayi Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times off and along Myanmar Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) to (40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of increase of rain in the Coastal areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 18-6-2009: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 18-6-2009: Some rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 18-6-2009: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).



Thursday, 18 June
View on today

7:00 am

1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:25 am

2. To be healthy exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning news

7:40 am

4. Nice and sweet song

7:50 am

5. Dance variety

8:00 am

6. Song of National Races

8:05 am

7. ယုံကြည်အားထား စက်မှု(၁)ဆပ်ပြာများ

8:20 am

8. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:40 am

9. International News

8:50 am

10. Musical programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial song

4:10 pm

2. Musical programme

4:20 pm

3. ပန်းလှိုင်တံတား

4:30 pm

4. Cute little dancers

4:40 pm

5. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ - ဒုတိယနှစ် (အထူးပြုအားလုံး) (အင်္ဂလိပ်စာ)

5:00 pm

6. Songs for uphold National Spirit

5:05 pm

7. “ငှက်တစ်သောင်း”

5:20 pm

8. ရုပ်မြင်ရသတေးစုကဏ္ဍ

5:45 pm

9. ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခုန်သံ

6:00 pm

10. Evening News

6:30 pm

11. Weather report

6:35 pm

12. ပျော်ရွှင်စေသောနေ့ရက်များ “Chatting နည်း” (ဖိုးရန်အောင်၊ ညီထွက်၊ ငွေစန္ဒာ) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-အောင်ကျော်သူရ)

6:50 pm

13. ထူးဆန်းထွေလာများကို သိပ္ပံဖြင့်ချဉ်ကပ်ခြင်း

7:15 pm

14. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “နားခိုရာရင်ခွင်” (အပိုင်း-၁၉)

8:00 pm

15. News
16. International News
17. Weather Report
18. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “မေတ္တာလမ်းဆုံ” (အပိုင်း-၃၂)



Steamed rubber wood with export quality used in making modern furniture

Article: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Aung Than (Mingala Taungnyunt)

After Mon State, Taninthayi Division is growing the largest number of rubber plants across the country. As Taninthayi Division is fertile region and has favourable weather for cultivation of rubber, the local people are enjoying the fruits of rubber cultivation and production industry on a commercial scale.

In Taninthayi Division, Palaw and Palauk townships in Myeik District grow rubber plants more than other townships in the division. In Dawei District, local growers also cultivate rubber plants.

The rubber entrepreneurs can earn income by producing rubber latex collected from young rubber plants. Moreover, they can sell the steamed rubber wood extracted from old rubber trees to earn more income.

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Photo shows various kinds of furniture made of rubber wood.

Fossil teeth of three-toed browsing horse found in panama canal earthworks

SCIENCE DAILY, 17 June—Rushing to salvage fossils from the Panama Canal earthworks, Aldo Rincon, paleontology intern at the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute, unearthed a set of fossil teeth. Bruce J. MacFadden, curator of vertebrate paleontology at the Florida Museum of Natural History, University of Florida in Gainesville, describes the fossil as *Anchitherium clarencei*, a three-toed browsing horse, in the May 2009 issue of the *Journal of Paleontology*.

By far the most complete fossil of a horse collected at the site in excavations spanning the last century, characteristics such as the shape of the teeth confirm the identity of two earlier finds and indicate that this horse was primarily a forest-dwelling browser living in the area between 15 and 18 million years ago. This evidence supports MacFadden's earlier proposal that the habitat was probably a mosaic of relatively dense forest and open woodlands. The presence of this browsing horse in Panama significantly extends the southern tip of its range from previous finds from roughly the same period in Florida, Nebraska and South Dakota.—*Internet*

This is an *Anchitherium clarencei* fossil found in the Panama Canal expansion earthworks and identified at the University of Florida.



Same-sex behavior seen in nearly all animals, review finds

SCIENCE DAILY, 17 June—Same-sex behavior is a nearly universal phenomenon in the animal kingdom, common across species, from worms to frogs to birds, concludes a new review of existing research.

"It's clear that same-sex sexual behavior extends far beyond the well-known examples that dominate both the scientific and popular literature: for example, bonobos, dolphins, penguins and fruit flies," said Nathan Bailey, the first author of the review paper and a postdoctoral researcher in the Department of Biology at UC Riverside.

There is a caveat, however. The review also reports that same-sex behaviors are not the same across species, and that researchers may be calling qualitatively different phenomena by the same name.

Internet

A female-female pair of Laysan Albatross. Females cooperatively build nests and rear young when males are scarce.



Noteworthy amounts of rainfall

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