



The NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR

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

Bala Min Htin Bridge in Kachin State

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

After peace and stability had returned to normal in border areas, the government has been stepping up tasks for improvement of all sectors especially social, economic, education and transport sectors in the regions.

In its bid to improve the transport infrastructure, the government is building and maintaining all-weather roads, and constructing river-spanning bridges the length and breath of the country.

On our recent tour of Kachin State in the northernmost part of Myanmar, we members of the news crew from the Myanma Alin happened to observe Bala Min Htin Bridge, which serves as the lifeblood of the transport of Kachin State.

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Bala Min Htin Bridge (Myitkyina).

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Wipe out anti-public desire elements (2)

Myanmar issue does not have any adverse effect on the regional community or international community. It does not pose any threats to any other country.

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Objectives of the 17th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

1. Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
2. Uplift of morale and morality of the entire nation
3. Uplift of dynamism of genuine patriotic spirit based on national unity
4. Emergence of new generations who will preserve and safeguard national character

PERSPECTIVES

Friday, 24 July, 2009

Work together for rural development

Majority of the population of Myanmar live in rural areas. Therefore, the government is constantly trying to meet health, education, economic and social needs of rural people. Moreover, priority has also been given to construction of infrastructures such as roads and bridges in all regions for good transport. As a result, both rural and urban areas are developing in parallel.

As river-crossing bridges and inter-village and village-to-town roads are being built, rural people can travel from one region to another and trade in their local products more easily and smoothly than ever.

Nowadays, model villages are emerging one after another in various regions and this indicates rural development. In the model villages, tarred roads, affiliated high schools, village libraries, station hospitals and dispensaries have been established. In some villages, self-reliant power generators are being used.

In addition, the government is taking steps to make sure that villages across the nation have sufficient supply of safe drinking water. Now, all villages, especially those in Sagaing, Magway and Mandalay Divisions have sufficient supply of safe drinking water.

Supply of safe drinking water in water-scarce regions will make the people living there healthy and free of social ills. Moreover, as it can contribute to personal hygiene and sanitation, health and social standards of rural people will improve.

Donations in cash and kind are being made by the government, regional and social organizations and individual well-wishers for rural development. We believe that, with emergence of model villages, the living standard of rural people will become higher.

Applications for Yazarlin scholarships invited

YANGON, 23 July—Donor U Aye Kyaw and wife Daw Aye Aye Myint of Yazarlin family will grant Yazarlin Medical University Scholarship Award to needy students who are unable to attend the first year course of Universities of Medicine for the 2009-2010 Academic Year.

Applicants must be the students who passed the matriculation examination held in March 2009 and who are eligible to attend Universities of Medicine-1 and 2 (Yangon), Universities of Medicine (Mandalay) and (Magway).

Students may apply to No. 50, Kanyeiktha street, Finger Lake, F.M.I City, Hlinethayar Township, along with application, copy of mark list and recommendation letter not later than 31 October, 2009.—MNA

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- * 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

Commander visits breeding farms in Mingaladon Township

YANGON, 23 July — Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint inspected No (1) Breeding Farm, Main Fish Breeding Farm and No (3) Breeding Farm in Mingaladon Township this afternoon.

After hearing reports on breeding of chickens at No (1) Breeding Farm and profits presented by the farm in-charge, the commander gave necessary instructions and looked into the farm.

At the briefing hall of Main Fish Breeding Farm of Yangon Command, the commander heard reports on

MYANMAR GAZETTE

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—The State Peace and Development Council has appointed Deputy Director-General U Tin Naing Tun of the Department of Civil Aviation under the Ministry of Transport as Director-General of the same department on probation from the date he assumes charge of his duties.—MNA

breeding of fish, chicken, milch cows and pigs presented by the farm in-charge and left necessary instructions.

Then the commander and party visited No (3) Breeding Farm and oversaw breeding of milch cows and pigs at the farm. — MNA



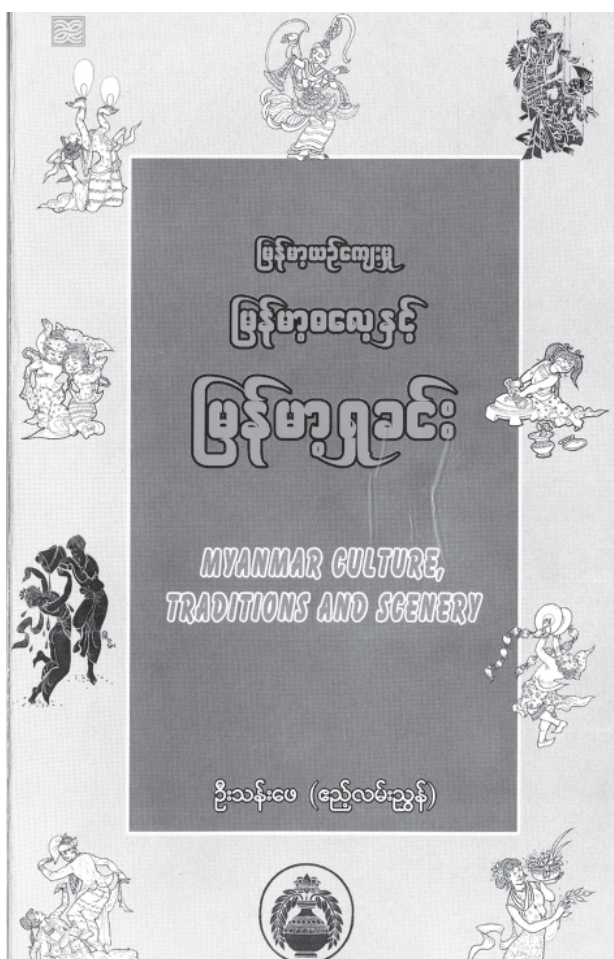
Commander Maj-Gen Win Myint inspects chicken breeding farm of Yangon Command.—MNA

Book entitled Myanmar Culture, Traditions and Scenery published

YANGON, 22 July—The book entitled “Myanmar Culture, Traditions and Scenery” (Myanmar-English bilingual articles) written by U Than Pe (Tour Guide) came out recently. The book is the best

manual for tour guides, those interested in Myanmar culture and teachers and learners of English language. The book was divided into nine chapters including 70 articles with illustrations.

The book is available at Hsu Sarpay at No. 198 on 39th Street, Tel: 252622.—MNA



TV Guide in circulation

YANGON, 23 July — No 3, Volume-1 of TV Guide will come out tomorrow.

Fashion Music Festival programme and one-week programme of MRTV-4 Free Channel are covered in the guide. The guide also covers one-week programmes of ESPN, MTV, Discovery and Star Movies of MRTV-4 International. The schedules for programmes of 5 Movies and 5 Series, Cartoon Network and 5 Cartoon for children and Mandalay FM are available in the guide. .

Novel Light Express, (Tel; 391186, 243893) has published the guide every Friday.

MNA

Cover of Myanmar Culture, Traditions and Scenery.—MNA



An Iraqi child helps his father at their store damaged following Tuesday night's double blast in the northeastern Baghdad neighbourhood of Husseiniyah. INTERNET

South Africa tests first African-made AIDS vaccine

CAPE TOWN, 23 July—South Africa has launched human trials of the first African-produced HIV vaccine, as scientists seek new approaches to battling AIDS in the world's worst-affected country.

The locally produced vaccine, being tested in Soweto and Cape Town as well as a site in the United States, was the highlight of an international AIDS conference in Cape Town this week where the trial was officially launched.

A successful vaccine,

while years away, could be the only solution for a country with nearly six million infections, where the financial burden of treating AIDS patients threatens to cripple the health system.

"If we don't find a prevention strategy for South Africa we are in big trouble. We are not going to treat ourselves out of this epidemic," Linda-Gail Bekker, a principal investigator on the trial, told AFP.

"We can't afford to let six million people die. The

question is, can we afford to keep the tap flowing. There is no question that a vaccine is the best way to treat an infectious disease."

A total of 48 volunteers will take part in the study, 36 in South Africa.

The phase one trials will investigate whether the drug is safe for human use. The vaccine, developed at the University of Cape Town and manufactured with input from the US National Institutes of Health, is the first to go on trial in the country since 2007.—INTERNET

Six shot, wounded in drive-by at Texas Southern

HOUSTON, 23 July—A drive-by shooting at a community rally on the Texas Southern University campus Wednesday night left six people wounded, a school spokeswoman said. Police believe the incident was gang-related.

One male student was among the six people who were shot and treated for serious, but non-life-threatening injuries, TSU spokeswoman Eva Pickens said.

Witnesses told police that one car drove by and opened fire on the parking lot where a popular Houston rapper was promoting community service and voter registration, Pickens said.

Peter Role, a local music promoter, told the

Houston Chronicle he heard what sounded "like the Fourth of July."

"We heard some gunshots and everybody was hitting the ground," Role said.

Campus police believe

the incident resulted from a rivalry between two gangs, one from Missouri City, a suburb southwest of Houston, and the other from Fresno, a small town outside Missouri City, she said.—INTERNET



Police tape marks the spot where at least 5 people were shot on 22 July, 2009 none fatally, at the Texas Southern University campus, school and police officials said.—INTERNET

Luxury hotels now terrorist target of choice

CANBERRA, 23 July—Terrorists seeking to kill more foreigners are favouring smaller bombs, and luxury hotels over embassies, a new analysis revealed on Thursday.

In an assessment of the Jakarta hotel bombings last week, US intelligence group Stratfor said that by

striking a hotel, militants could make the same type of statement against western decadence and imperialism as they could by hitting an embassy.

Stratfor compared terrorist group Jemaah Islamiah's (JI) 2003 and 2004 attacks using large car bombs which killed 22

people, just one of them a foreigner, to the attacks in Bali in 2005 using three small suicide bombs to kill 23, including five foreigners. In the hotel attacks last week, two JI suicide bombers killed nine including themselves and six foreigners.

INTERNET

Two US soldiers, one Brit die in Afghanistan

KABUL, 23 July—Two US troops and one British soldier died in bomb blasts in Afghanistan Wednesday, military officials said.

A US military spokesman confirmed the two International Security Assistance Force members killed when an improvised explosive device detonated in southern Afghanistan were Americans, Iran's Press TV reported.

The British Defence Ministry said a soldier with the 1st Battalion Coldstream Guards was killed in a separate explosion.

Nearly 60 foreign troops have been killed in fighting against Taleban-linked militant attacks in Afghanistan so far this month, making it the deadliest month of the nearly 8-year-long war, Press TV said.

INTERNET

Wildfire on outskirts of Marseille 'under control'



A wildfire on the outskirts of Marseille, sparked by practice shelling by the military, was under control on Thursday after threatening hundreds of homes but claiming no victims.—INTERNET

MARSEILLE, 23 July — A wildfire on the outskirts of Marseille, sparked by practice shelling by the military, was under control on Thursday after threatening hundreds of homes but claiming no victims.

The blaze, one of the worst to hit France in recent years, and which forced the evacuation of a retirement home, hit the eastern Trois-Ponts suburb of the southern city on Wednesday, with scores of residents fleeing the flames.

"The situation is much calmer since 6:00 am (0400 GMT)," Philippe Pancarzi, head of the marine fire service, told local France Bleu Provence radio as dawn broke over the French Mediterranean port city.

"Around 7:00 am, there were still some sources of fire, but the fire is contained and under control," he said.—INTERNET

Two wildfires in western Canada near full containment

VANCOUVER, 23 July — Two wildfires in Kelowna area in Canada's western British Columbia Province are close to full containment Wednesday, while a third one continuing to grow, according to fire officials.

The two massive wildfires in Glenrosa and Rose Valley are 80 percent under control and are expected to be fully contained later Wednesday, but it will be some time before they are extinguished, said fire officials. Jason Johnson, the Emergency Operations Center Director said: "It has been a difficult few days and the emergency isn't over, but the news that the Glenrosa and Rose Valley fires are close to full containment is most welcome."

Local media reported that firefighters fighting the Glenrosa fire, estimated at 300 hectares, were working to create a fuel-free barrier on the southern flank of the fire.—INTERNET



People pass a storefront for lease in Manhattan, New York, the United States, on 22 July, 2009. The storefront vacancy rate in Manhattan is now at its highest point since the early 1990s, an estimated 6.5 percent, and is expected to exceed 10 percent by the middle of next year, according to a data gathered by Marcus & Millichap Research Services, a national real estate investment brokerage.—XINHUA

Malaysia's international reserves posted at \$91.2 b

KUALA LUMPUR, 23 July—Malaysia's central bank said on Wednesday that its international reserves amounted to 91.2 US billion US dollars as of July 15 this year, slightly down from 91.5 billion US dollars on 30 June.

The bank said that its reserves position was sufficient to finance 8.8 months of retained imports and it was 3.8 times the short-term external debt. The bank also said that of its total gross international reserves, foreign currency reserves were one of the main components with 84.3 billion US dollars, other components included International Monetary Fund reserves position (400 million US dollars), Special Drawing Rights (200 million US dollars), gold (400 billion US dollars), and other reserve assets (5.9 billion US dollars).—Internet



A saleswoman sorts out souvenirs of 2010 Shanghai World Expo in the Arts and Crafts Mansion in the Wangfujing Street of Beijing, capital of China, on 22 July, 2009.—XINHUA

China should continue macroeconomic policy to boost economy

BEIJING, 23 July—China should stick to its proactive fiscal policy and moderately easy monetary policy to fuel the economic growth as the foundation for recovery is not solid yet, said a Chinese economist on Wednesday.

Li Yining, a renowned economist at the

Peking University in Beijing, said at a conference in Beijing that the current economic advance was pushed by investment, which was not the final demand. Stable economic recovery should be sustained by increased consumption, he added.

In the second quarter,

the Chinese economy rose 7.9 percent from a year earlier, up from the 6.1 percent in the first quarter. The growth was mainly led by the fixed-asset investment backed by the government, he said.—Internet

Oil hovers above \$65 on mixed US inventory data

SINGAPORE, 23 July—Oil hovered above \$65 a barrel Thursday in Asia as US crude inventory data reflected a mixed demand picture, slowing a two-week rally.

Benchmark crude for September delivery was up 25 cents to \$65.65 a barrel by afternoon Singapore time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

On Wednesday, the contract dropped 21 cents to settle at \$65.40. Oil prices have jumped from \$58.78 a barrel during the last two weeks on growing investor optimism that the global economy will recover this year.

But sluggish US gasoline demand so far this summer has tempered some of that enthusiasm.

The Energy Informa-

tion Administration said Wednesday that US crude inventories fell by 1.8 million barrels last week, while gasoline stocks rose by 800,000 barrels. Inventories of distillates, including heating oil and diesel, rose to the highest since 1984. The report said US gasoline in storage has risen about 3 percent from last year.

Internet

World trade volume to decline 10% in 2009

SINGAPORE, 23 July—Economists from the World Trade Organization (WTO) expect a decline in world merchandise trade volume by 10 percent in 2009, according to the WTO's annual world trade report released here on Wednesday.

This year's World Trade Report 2009: Trade Policy Commitments and Contingency Measures examines various trade

agreement measures used by governments in times of crisis, their implications to an economy and to the trading system.

The challenge, according to the report, is in "designing disciplines for the use of contingency measures is to strike a balance between flexibility and commitments. Too much flexibility may undermine the value of commitments

but too little may render the rules unsustainable."

It further noted that trade growth will be strongly negative this year.

"Continuing downside risks led WTO economists to revise further downward its forecast for 2009 world merchandise trade from a decline in volume of 9 percent to a decline of 10 percent," the report said.—Internet

Emerging East Asia enters transition from recession to recovery

MANILA, 23 July—Emerging East Asia has entered the transition from recession to recovery, possibly V-shaped, with gross domestic product (GDP) growth sourced more from domestic stimulus than a resurgence in external demand, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) said on Thursday.

Economic growth in emerging East Asia dropped sharply in the first quarter of 2009, but the pace of decline has slowed during the second quarter, ADB said in its latest Asia Economic Monitor, a semiannual review of emerging East Asia's growth and policy issues. The report covers China, Korea and the ten members of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations.—Internet

Free trade agreement between Singapore, Peru from August

SINGAPORE, 23 July—Singapore and Peru has signed a free trade agreement effective from 1 August, local media reported on Wednesday.

It is the first pact between the Latin American nation and Asia, according to local TV broadcaster Channel News Asia.

Singapore's trade with Peru was worth 75.2 million Singapore dollars (about 52.6 million US dollars) in 2008.

Peruvian Trade and Tourism Minister Martin Perez spoke on the sidelines of the Ministers Responsible for Trade Meeting of APEC 2009 that as talks on a global trade pact has stalled, Peru would move on with bilateral discussions.—Internet



In this on 18 April, 2009 file photo containers are seen on a quay in the Tokyo Bay area in Tokyo, Japan. Japan's exports in June fell by the smallest margin in six months, adding to evidence that global demand is recovering as the recession loosens its grip.—INTERNET

Workers are repairing cables destroyed by a landspout in a town 40 km from Managua, capital of Nicaragua, on 22 July. Military rescue team announced the landspout, one kind of tornado, happened on the night of 21 July, leaving one dead, 15 others injured and over 300 houses destroyed.

XINHUA



Shanghai Expo: Better without tobacco

BEIJING, 23 July—The World Expo 2010 organizers in Shanghai deserve to be commended on their reported decision to return the 200 million yuan (29.4 million US dollars) received as donation from a local tobacco company. In doing so, they have removed the stain on a landmark event that would add to the glory of Shanghai as a great host.

Thanks are due to the 20-odd public health professionals, who protested against the sponsorship. Their passionate involvement put an end to an unseemly episode that might have rendered the much-anticipated Expo 2010 deficient. The amount donated was the biggest such contribution, made specifically for the construction of the China Pavilion. Doubtless, 200 million yuan is a lot of money, but we are glad the organizers decided to give it up. The loss would have been bigger, and more damaging, had the China Pavilion reeked of tobacco.—Xinhua

Lebanon charges 17 with plotting to attack UN peace forces

BEIRUT, 23 July—The Lebanese military prosecutor charged Wednesday 17 suspects with plotting to attack the Lebanese army and UN Interim Forces in Lebanon (UNIFIL), local media reported.

“The network is charged with monitoring the Lebanese army and UNIFIL in order to carry out attacks on them,” the Lebanese official *National News Agency* said, adding that the 17 sus-

pects are affiliated to a terrorist organization led by a Syrian.

The Lebanese army said on Tuesday it has arrested a 10-member fundamentalist network that was planning to carry out attacks against UN troops and to smuggle wanted terrorists out of the southern Palestinian refugee camp of Ain El-Helweh for attacks inside and outside Lebanon.—Xinhua

All items from Xinhua News Agency

Cuban President Raul Castro makes brief visit to Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, 23 July—Cuban President Raul Castro arrived in Brazil's northeastern Bahia State on Wednesday for a brief visit.

Local authorities said Castro had to make a stop in Brazil to have his plane refueled on his way back to Cuba after his African tour which brought him to Algeria, Angola and Egypt.

Accompanied by Bahia State Governor Jacques Wagner, Castro visited several tourist spots in Bahia's capital city Salvador, including St Francis Church and the Capoeira Museum. He will also have a private meeting with Wagner. Castro will return to Cuba on Wednesday evening.

Xinhua

2014 Sochi Olympics estimated to cost over \$6 bln

MOSCOW, 23 July—The 2014 Sochi Winter Olympics is estimated to cost 195.3 billion rubles (around 6.3 billion US dollars), said Russian Deputy Prime Minister Dmitry Kozak here on Wednesday.

Kozak said at a press conference that the initial estimated cost of the Sochi Olympics amounted to 206 billion rubles (around 6.6 billion dollars), but the sum was reduced “as a result of the decisions to optimize facilities, which provide for the operation of the Olympic sites.”

“As soon as the project documentation is finalized we will be able to name a more accurate figure,” local media quoted him as saying.—Xinhua

Peru to be affected by El Nino

LIMA, 23 July—The meteorological phenomenon El Nino could reappear and affect Peru in the coming months, Peru's National Service of Meteorology and Hydrology (Senamhi) said on Wednesday.

Senamhi's director Elizabeth Silvestre said the continuous warming in the Pacific Ocean implies a high risk for a

negative impact to come, and the agriculture harvests is likely to suffer the worst of up-coming droughts or floods.

Silvestre said the presence of El Nino could be confirmed by the end of July. El Nino is a periodic warming of the Pacific Ocean that influences weather patterns around the world.

Peruvian climate expert

Abrham Levy said by the third week of September, when the winter season ends in Peru, it will be determined with certainty the impact of El Nino in the coastal area.

At the moment, he said, it is still too early to tell whether it is El Nino or merely seasonal cold fronts commonly seen in Peru's winter.

Xinhua



A resident walks past a car covered with snow in Buenos Aires, Argentina, on 22 July, 2009. An extreme cold spell hit Argentina on Wednesday, bringing snowfalls in some provinces of the country and greatly lowering down the temperature. —XINHUA

Astronauts replace batteries for space station

WASHINGTON, 23 July—Two astronauts conducted a spacewalk on Wednesday and replaced two old batteries for the International Space Station (ISS), NASA said.

According to NASA TV, astronauts David Wolf and Chris Cassidy began their spacewalk about 30 minutes ahead of schedule, exiting the space shuttle Endeavour's decompression chamber at 10:32 am EDT (1432 GMT).

It was the third spacewalk in five days for the Endeavour crew.

They were supposed to replace four batteries for the ISS. However, NASA

decided to end the spacewalk earlier than planned because of higher than normal carbon dioxide levels in Cassidy's spacesuit. The remaining batteries will be replaced on a future spacewalk.

These batteries, storing the power collected by the space station's solar wings, are quite critical. The old ones were launched in 2000. NASA is uncertain how long those original batteries might last and wants new ones installed before the old ones die. Endeavour lifts off on 15 July from Kennedy Space Center in Florida after five delays, on a track to the ISS. The shuttle will undock from the space station on Tuesday. Landing is set for 31 July.

Xinhua



A child observes the sun eclipse through water reflection in Taiyuan, capital of China's Shanxi Province, on 22 July, 2009.—XINHUA

Amazon acquiring online shoe retailer Zappos

BEIJING, 23 July—Amazon said Wednesday that it is acquiring Zappos, an online shoe retailer, for 10 million shares of Amazon stock, which was the largest acquisition in its history.

The stock used for acquisition was worth about 887.9 million US dollars at Amazon's current level. Amazon also said it would give Zappos employees an additional 40 million dollars in cash and stock. The deal is expected to

close in the fall.

Zappos, a private US company based in Henderson, Nevada, has won fans with perks like free shipping and personalized service in its 10-year history. It is backed by venture capital firms including Sequoia and becomes the largest player in that market.

Jeffrey P Bezos, Amazon's chief executive, said that Zappos "has a customer obsession, which is

so easy for me to admire."

Amazon also sells shoes on its main site and allows outside retailers to sell them there as well. In face of competition from Zappos Amazon introduced a separate site, Endless.com, to sell shoes and handbags in 2007. Though it didn't achieve much success Amazon will continue to operate Endless.com after the deal, according to the company.—*Internet*

Norway's Hydro posts 73 pct Q2 profit tumble

OSLO, 23 July—Norwegian aluminum supplier Norsk Hydro ASA on Wednesday reported a 73 percent plunge in second quarter profits, citing "historically" weak demand amid the economic crisis.

Net profit fell to 211 million kroner (\$33.5 million) in the second quarter, down sharply from 786 million kroner in the same period last year.

The company has had to cut its production capacity significantly this year in response to a weak

aluminum market. Hydro estimates that production in 2009 will be 26 percent of what it was in 2008, a 460,000-metric-ton reduction in primary metal output.

"We remain cautious about the outlook for global aluminum demand ahead of the second half of the year, which is normally seasonally weaker than the previous six months," Hydro CEO Svein Richard Brandtzaeg said in a statement.

Hydro shares closed up 2.6 percent to 33.69

kroner in Oslo.

"The results were better than expected, and the reason for the good performance was mainly more heavy cost cutting than we'd expected," First Securities analyst Hans-Erik Jacobsen said.

Jacobsen predicted that "with further cost cutting" Hydro's "profits will increase slowly but steadily." The aluminum concern estimates that by the end of the year it will have laid off 4,500 employees since the middle of 2008.

—*Internet*

Ten dead, eight missing after Japan landslides

TOKYO, 23 July—Japanese rescue workers battled fading hopes Thursday as they searched for eight people still missing two days after torrential rains triggered floods and landslides that killed at least 10.

Soldiers, police and emergency services staff were digging through mud, rubble and debris that filled the ground floor of a nursing home in Hofu City, Yamaguchi prefecture, 750 kilometres (470 miles) west of Tokyo.

Eight people were still missing, while nine had been found dead in the hard-hit western prefecture, local police said. A 10th victim, a man, drowned in a flooded river in the neighbouring prefecture of Tottori.

"Search operations are getting more and more difficult, but we are working on the assumption that there are survivors," said a police spokesman.—*Internet*



Rescue workers remove debris to search for survivors in Hofu city, in western Japan's Yamaguchi prefecture. Japanese rescue workers battled fading hopes Thursday as they searched for eight people still missing two days after torrential rains triggered floods and landslides that killed at least 10.—*INTERNET*

Researcher develops cleaner CO2 capture

LIVERMORE, 23 July—Separating carbon dioxide from its polluting source may soon be cleaner and more efficient, research at a California lab indicates.

A Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory researcher developed a screening method that would use ionic liquids — a type of molten salt that liquefies under the boiling point of water — to separate carbon dioxide from its source, the Livermore, Calif, lab said on Wednesday in a release.

The method is cleaner, more viable and more stable than what is available now, and could enhance significantly the efficiency of the CO2 capture process, the research indicated.—*Internet*

Man tries to fix airbed, blows up apartment

A German who tried to fix his leaky air mattress blew up his apartment instead, the fire brigade in the western city of Duesseldorf said.

The 45-year-old man used tire repair solvent to plug a hole in his airbed and left it overnight.

But it blew up when he went to inflate it the next day.

"A spark from the electric air pump ignited it," a fire brigade spokesman said.

The blast pushed his living room wall into the building's stairwell and caused extensive damage to walls, windows and furniture.

Fire fighters evacuated the 12-apartment building and a neighbouring housing block while they checked for structural damage.

The man suffered burns on his arms, while a three-year-old girl suffered first degree burns.



This picture taken in 2008, shows Nepalese climber Min Bahadur Sherchan (L), and Japanese adventurer Yuichiro Miura at Mt Everest's base camp. Sherchan says scaling the highest mountain in the world at the age of 77 was "no problem." It was only when he tried to register his claim to be the oldest man to have reached the summit of Mount Everest with Guinness World Records that his troubles began.

A woman sleeps on an air mattress as she camps out for tickets in Wimbledon.

NEWS ALBUM

Fla doc accused of keeping bullet he removed

A Florida doctor is accused of keeping a bullet as a trophy after removing it from a fugitive who had been shot by a US Marshal — even though he told investigators he couldn't get the slug out, authorities said.

The Florida Department of Law Enforcement said Dr David Ciesla, head of trauma at Tampa General Hospital, operated on Thomas McCoy on 21 April. McCoy — who was accused in a DeFuniak Springs killing — was shot twice during his arrest.

Ciesla removed one of the bullets and hid it in his glove, apparently to keep as a souvenir or trophy, FDLE Special Agent Supervisor Bob Ura said. Two officers were waiting nearby to take the bullets as evidence, but Ciesla told them neither could be removed, Ura said.



One of the two steam train murals at Broken Hill station.

The top ten train stations where you wouldn't mind being delayed

Broken Hill train station is located in the outback of New South Wales and is a stop-off on what is known as the most scenic train journey across Australia linking Sydney, Perth and Adelaide. The station was originally built in 1888 to service the mining town but today makes a good stop-off for visitors wanting to see the picturesque region. The main attraction at the station is the two murals of steam trains bursting through the station walls, which look scarily realistic.

Son cures snakebite for father on phone

Bitten by a snake, a man in Chongqing decided to make a phone call to his son instead of getting to a doctor. What's more, it turned out to be a good move.

Jiang Renhui, 61, a farmer from Tushi village, made a frantic phone call to his son, who lives 20 km away, on Monday night, saying a snake had bitten him on his foot.

"It would have taken me 30 minutes to reach my father. So I instructed him on what to do in order to stop the venom from spreading," Jiang Liwen, the son, said after saving his old man, who is now in a stable condition at a hospital.

Bala Min Htin Bridge in Kachin State

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

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Assistant Engineer U Myo Aye Lwin of Myitkyina Township Development Affairs Committee took us to the transport facility. Our team was accompanied by township reporter U Hla Hsan Myint (Myaung Pyone Myint, Balu) and U Yan Aung. Soon after we had passed through Sitapu Ward in Myitkyina, we reached Myitkyina-Waingmaw Road, a tarmacked facility. Beyond the ward, we found Bala Min Htin Bridge standing magnificently.

We saw the Ayeyawady River flowing swiftly from north to south. On the west bank of the river is Myitkyina Township, and on the east bank is Waingmaw Township.

As a special project, Bala Min Htin Bridge was constructed over the river, linking the two townships, for improvement of the transport of border areas.

U Myo Aye Lwin said, "Previously, if we wanted to go to Waingmaw and Bhamo townships, we had to take the Z-craft across the river from Zeelun Village on Myitkyina bank to Khatcho Village on the east bank first. Then, we had to take a bus to the townships. So, we had to cope with great difficulties to reach the destination. Now, we can make this trip with ease."

The stone plaque near the bridge says that it was constructed by Public Works; and that it was formally opened by Head of State Senior General Than Shwe on 14



Myitkyina-Waingmaw Road linking with Bala Min Htin Bridge on Myitkyina side.

November 1998. The upper structure of the 2687.63 feet long bridge is of girder type, and the lower structure, of broad crest type. It can withstand 60 tons of loads. Thanks to the facility, local people of

Myitkyina Township can travel directly to Waingmaw and Bhamo, and so can local people of the upper part of Waingmaw. Now, Bala Min Htin Bridge copes with a constant flow of

traffic. Up to now in Kachin State, the government has constructed 18 over-180-foot-long bridges including Warazut Bridge (2) on Myitkyina-Namti-Tanai Road in Phakant Township. Bala

Min Htin Bridge (Myitkyina) ensures smooth transport and rapid development of border areas.

Translation: MS
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Modest fisheries reduction could protect vast coastal ecosystems

SCIENCE DAILY, 23 July —A reduction of as little as five per cent in fisheries catch could result in as much as 30 per cent of the British Columbia coastal ecosystems being protected from overfishing, according to a new study from the UBC Fisheries Centre in Canada.

The study, by Natalie Ban and Amanda Vincent of Project Seahorse, proposes modest reductions in areas where fisheries take place, rather than the current system of marine protected areas which only safeguard several commercially significant species, such as rockfish, shrimp, crab, or sea cucumber. The article is published on 21 July in PLoS One.

Using B.C.'s coastal waters as a test case, the study affirms that small cuts in fishing – if they happen in the right places – could result in very large unfished areas. For example, a two per cent cut could result in unfished areas covering 20 per cent of the B.C. coast, offered real conservation gains.—Internet



A fishing trawler in harbor in British Columbia, Canada.

13th meeting of ASEAN Working Group on Multilateral Environmental Agreements kicks off



Director-General U San Lwin addresses the 13th meeting of ASEAN Working Group on Multilateral Environmental Agreements.—FORESTRY

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July — The 13th meeting of ASEAN Working Group on Multilateral Environmental Agreements kicked off at Golden Palace Hotel here today. The meeting was opened with addresses by Secretary of Myanmar Environmental Conservation

National Commission Director-General of the Planning and Statistics Department U San Lwin of the Ministry of Forestry and Representative of ASEAN Secretariat Dr. Raman Letchumanan.

The meeting will last until 25 July.—MNA

Tornadoes hit Thanlyin, Thakayta Townships

YANGON, 23 July—Tornadoes hit Thanlyin and Thakayta Townships in Yangon Division on 20 July and blew off roofs of some buildings and houses.

Tornado which started from 12.50 pm to 1 p.m. destroyed roofs of 12 houses in Thabyaygon village and tornado which started from 1.00 pm to 1.45 p.m. knocked out roofs of three houses near the field in Aye Mita section of Bogyoke village in Thanlyin Township on 20 July. Similarly, tornado hit Thakayta Township from 2.35 pm to 2.45 pm on 20 July. About 50 corrugated

iron sheets of passengers' hall of Myanma Five Star Line on Shukhintha Ring Road in Shukhintha Ward were blown off, 15 glasses were broken and some containers were damaged. Tornado also knocked out warehouse in the compound of Yuzana Oil Mill Factory and blew off roofs of some buildings and houses on Shukhintha Ring Road.

There was no causality and tornado-hit buildings and houses were under repair with the assistances of officials concerned. —MNA

Wipe out anti-public desire elements (2)

Lu Thit

Making frequent demands for release of Daw Suu Kyi in spite of their knowledge of such a comprehensible point implies that she is above the law. Here our concept is that no one is above the law. So, demanding release of Daw Suu Kyi means showing reckless disregard for the law. To put it another way, action is to be taken against ordinary people if they commit crimes, but Daw Suu Kyi is to be privileged. I would like to suggest that they think over whether their demand is sensible or not.

Every country has their existing laws and every government has to exercise the laws concerned to ensure State stability and community peace.

The case of Daw Suu Kyi is just the concern of the court. The court will hand down a reasonable term to her if she is found guilty, and it will release her if she is found not guilty. The government has claimed that it unavoidably filed a lawsuit against her due to the offence she had committed. Actually, the government is in no mood to do so, but it has to take action against offenders without any discrimination against or in favour of a particular person in accordance with the concept "No one is above the law". So, whether Daw Aung San Suu Kyi will be released or not depends on whether she will be found guilty or not. So, they should have stopped making such an illogical demand.

Mr Ban Ki-moon said that the government needed to release all political prisoners including Daw Suu Kyi immediately; and that he was deeply disappointed as the government refused to his request to meet Daw Suu Kyi. Moreover, in his clarification to his visit to Myanmar at the United Nations Security Council, he said that Myanmar government needed to show positive response to the demands he had made on behalf of the international community. The UN Charter says that the UN Secretary-General is the UN Chief Administrator. The UN Secretary-General is responsible for supervising the functions of the global organization. It prescribes that the UNSG can submit any forms of cases that are deemed to pose threats to international peace and security for the knowledge of the UN Security Council. **According to the UN principles, even the UN is not authorized to interfere in the domestic affairs of any member country. Therefore, the Security Council, the Secretariat, or a member country has no authority to interfere in the**

internal affairs of any member country so long as the internal affairs of the country does not harm or pose any threat to regional/international security and stability. So, Mr Ban Ki-moon's expressions are questionable.

I would also like to ask if he, in his capacity as the head of the UN, should have said so. In my opinion, he did interfere in the internal affairs of our country, and show total disregard for sovereignty of our country. His words seem to have attracted widespread criticisms from many countries who assume he is putting too much pressure on such a small country like Myanmar, disobeying the principle of equality of all member countries that was laid down when the UN Charter was being written.

Some are claiming that the internal affairs of Myanmar is shockingly alarming. In reality, Myanmar issue does not have any adverse effect on the regional community or international community. It does not pose any threats to any other country else, so there is no need to worry about that. In the pragmatic world, Myanmar has come under such unfair, groundless accusations leveled turning a blind eye to objective conditions. And they are interfering in the internal affairs and threatening sovereignty of our country by conducting such acts. They should review the issue if powerful countries' treating small countries like this is in compliance with the principles of the UN charter.

These days, internal and external anti-government groups are demanding and claiming that Daw Aung San Suu Kyi is to be given an opportunity to stand for 2010 election, and the election without her participation will not be a credible one. I do not think it is wise that they are focusing on the affairs of a particular person in the election that will decide the future of our country. And it is not democratic, either. If they really favour democracy, they should not have said so. Whether a person is entitled to stand for election or not rests on the forthcoming election law and bylaws. Every citizen meeting the set requirements is entitled to stand for election. Therefore, a person needs to meet the election law if he wants to stand for election.

The provisions enumerated in the election law are to be based on the State constitution that has been approved with the votes of the great majority of the voters. So, they should work out the issue only after they have studied the constitution

thoroughly. Speaking works and making demands irresponsibly implies that they are not mature enough in political affairs. I would say they are making same mistakes if their demands are designed to make some amends to the constitution for Daw Suu Kyi to stand for election. The case is vividly clear even if a person figures it out normally.

The words the UN Secretary-General said regarding the forthcoming election implied that the 2010 election would not be credible if it goes without the participation of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi. In the Iraqi election held in 2005, high-ranking officials from former President Saddam Hussein's Ba'ath Party were not allowed to stand for election. However, both the United States of America and the UN praised it as a free and fair one. Similarly, in the 2007 Thai election, members of former Thai Prime Minister Thaksin's main opposition party were banned from standing for election according to the new constitution. But no one complained that it was not a free, fair election. So, I would say they are approaching the issues of other countries with double standard.

Anyhow, both Daw Suu Kyi and NLD will be entitled to stand for 2010 election if they meet the election law and bylaw. Supposing they do not meet the election law and bylaw, they are to be held responsible for that. So, it is unacceptable to Myanmar that any election without their participation will not be credible or will be illegal. Whether an election is credible or not depends on procedures and pragmatic approaches. An election is legal if the government concerned holds it legally with the participation of the people. Whether an election is legal or not does not rest on participation of any particular person or election results. They must understand and accept that point.

Surely, they will say the election is not a free and fair one in the 2010 election if Daw Suu Kyi and her party do not win. However much the government is taking measures for the upcoming election to be free and fair, the anti-government groups are stirring up problems with negative attitude. It is strange that anti-government groups are variously arguing about possible provisions on the election law that is yet to be enacted.

Now, anti-government groups are resorting to all possible ways and means to disrupt the already-approved constitution, the State's seven-step Road Map, and the processes for holding the 2010 election. In that regard, they are plotting in complicity with certain foreign radio stations for subversive acts and inciting mass protests with the intention of undermining State stability and peace, and creating public panic. The people had visualized much earlier that anti-government groups would choose destructive means in the process.

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Wipe out anti-public desire elements (2)

Lu Thit

(from page 8)

For a very long time, anti-government groups have never done anything in the public interest but they have been getting involved constantly in destructive acts. To be exact, it has been for a couple of decades they have had a go at the constructive efforts the government has been making in the interest of the nation. In like manner, their partners expatriates are trying to tarnish the image and hurting the interest of the mother country, placing too much reliance on foreign countries and concentrating their all attention on opportunities for refugee stay and foreign assistance. Indeed, they are conspiring clandestine schemes, which are absolutely unacceptable to the people.

Accordingly, the people should remain constantly vigilant against a wide range of attempts anti-government groups are making in collusion to speed up their destructive acts and provoke mass demonstrations. Suppose, their attempts to create mass protests are materialized, internal political groups, expatriates and armed insurgents will make prearrangements under the directives of the super power and will try to break up the nation into many pieces through accusations that Myanmar is facing political instability and that poses threats to regional security and stability, and that is very harmful. Apparently, the super power is behind their attempts to come to power to squeeze the United Nations Security Council to take action against Myanmar and intervene in the Myanmar's internal affairs, to make

the country a complete mess. The stance and plots of anti-government groups are really dangerous to the nation.

Anti-government political forces, renegades, remnant insurgents, and so-called groups of human rights outside the nation are focusing on riots and violence with the aim of coming to power, thus keeping back the democratization process or the people's ultimate goal. It is easily comprehensible that democracy cannot be introduced if terrorist acts and riots are rife across the nation. I wish they would notice that the country and the people can enjoy the taste of development only with peace and stability. And democracy will flourish only with national development.

In conclusion, the people of us are now very ready to make sure State stability and community peace prevail in accordance with the people's desire, improve the socio-economic life of the people following national progress, and to work hard together to expedite the processes to achieve the people's ultimate goal of democracy with the freedom of acts, expression and doing business in conformity with the law. Therefore, I would like to exhort the entire people to ward off all those who are brazenly disregarding the people's desire, impeding the national development undertakings, and making the democratization process divert from its course.

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Commander, Minister inspect agricultural farm

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—Chairman of Shan State (North) Peace and Development Council Commander of North-East Command Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut and Minister for Livestock and Fisheries Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein inspected growing

of lily, sunflower and rose at agricultural farm in North-East Command and gave necessary instructions on 20 July.

Upon arrival at the pig farm of Livestock, Feedstuff and Dairy Enterprise in Htonbo, Mandalay Division, the

minister instructed responsible persons to take care of pigs not to be infected with diseases which may breakout in animals and to carry out breeding to hit the desired target. A total of 2,500 pigs are being bred at the Htonbo farm.—MNA

Sports Minister presents sports gear to villages in Sagaing Div

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint, on 20 July, met with local people from Shwehlay, U Aigyun, Dawede and Tatai villages in Shwehlay village of Sagaing Division and

presented K 200,000 to rural healthcare centres, exercise books and sports equipment.

The minister then visited monastic education school of Pyathat Monastery in Tintaing village and

presented textbooks, exercise books, and sports gear to the students. The minister then went to No. 1 monastic education school in Shwethama ward and presented exercise books and sports gear to students.—MNA

Notice to mariners

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—The Directorate of Water Resources and Improvement of River Systems today announced that the area between pillar Nos 10 and 11 of Chindwin River Crossing Bridge (Hsinphyushin) in the Chindwin River was designated as the only gate for vessels to pass through.

Since 22 July, the area between pillar Nos 10 and 11 has been designated

as the gate for down-vessels, and the gate between pillars Nos 9 and 10 as the gate for up-vessels.

The clearance area between pillars Nos 10 and 11 is 64 meters wide. The new clearance areas are 11 meter high at maximum.

On the entrance through which vessels are to pass through is seen in a green triangle mark each

in daytime and a green light at night. On the area through which vessels must not pass through is seen a red cross mark each in daytime and a red light at night.

The foundation of each pillar protrudes about 15 feet on either side. So, vessels are to run only one after another in passing through the same area between two pillars.—MNA

Ancient Maya practiced forest conservation 3,000 years ago

SCIENCE DAILY, 23 July—As published in the July issue of the Journal of Archaeological Science, paleoethnobotanist David Lentz of the University of Cincinnati

has concluded that not only did the Maya people practice forest management, but when they abandoned their forest conservation practices it was to the detriment of the entire

Maya culture.

“From our research we have learned that the Maya were deliberately conserving forest resources,” says David Lentz, a professor of biological sciences at the University of Cincinnati and executive director of the Cincinnati Center for Field Studies.

“Their deliberate conservation practices can be observed in the wood they used for construction and this observation is reinforced by the pollen record.”—Internet



Temple 1 was built second, in 682 to 734 A.D., possibly completed after Jasaw Chan K'awiil's death.

Traffic rules enforcement meeting held in Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—The Nay Pyi Taw Traffic Rules Enforcement Supervisory Committee held the meeting No. 19/2007 at the hall of Nay Pyi Taw Command on 17 July, with an address by Patron of the Supervisory Committee

Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin.

The last week's report was submitted. Chairman of the Supervisory Committee Deputy Commander Brig-Gen Min Zaw explained collaborative efforts of

committee, sub-committees and departments concerned for traffic rules enforcement and tasks of the committee and subcommittees.

The meeting came to an end with concluding remarks by the commander.—MNA

Industry- 2 Minister receives Indian Ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—Minister for Industry-2 Vice-Admiral Soe Thein received Indian Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Mr Alope Sen

and party at the ministry here this afternoon. They discussed matters related to early implementation of India-Myanmar joint-industrial projects. It was

also attended by Deputy Minister Lt-Col Khin Maung Kyaw, the directors-general and managing-directors and officials.—MNA

Labour offices in Magway and Minbu inspected



Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Tin Tun Aung inspects labour office in Magway.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—Deputy Minister for Labour Brig-Gen Tin Tun Aung inspected labour offices under the ministry

in Magway and Minbu yesterday morning and gave necessary instructions. Tasks are being carried out with

added momentum by 77 labour offices under the Ministry of Labour starting from 20 July.

MNA

Genetic engineered pedigree fish available

YANGON, 23 July—Fish breeding stations under the Fisheries Department of the Ministry of Livestock and the Fisheries breeds and distributes Hamilton's carp, river catfish, Labeo rohita, Barbus spp, Tilapia and etc during fish breeding season which are in high demand of fish breeders.

Fisheries Department started breeding of quality Labeo rohita pedigree fish which are bred through genetic engineering process since 2009 fish breeding season.

Compared to ordinary ones from private fish breeding stations, Labeo

rohita pedigree fish bred through genetic engineering process are found to be more marketable in domestic and foreign markets according to their high growth rate, better quality, shorter breeding period, and lower production cost.

Labeo rohita pedigree fish are available at fish breeding stations of Fisheries Department in States and Divisions from third week of July and details may be enquired at 01-225586, 225553, 211382, 555613, 635196, 708519, 02-61115, 30192, 53852.

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Minister for Hotels and Tourism Maj-Gen Soe Naing and wife being welcomed by Egyptian Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Youssef Kamal Botros Hanna at the reception to mark the National Day of Arab Republic of Egypt on 23 July.—MNA

3rd Inter-Ministry Football Tournament 2009 continues

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—Jointly-organized by Ministry of Sports and Myanmar Football Federation, group matches of 3rd Inter-Ministry Football Tournament 2009 continued at designated venues today. Chairman of Myanmar Olympic Committee Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint, officials and fans enjoyed the match of Group (H).

Ministry of Sports trounced Ministry of

Forestry 2-0. Ministry of Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs defeated Ministry of Electric Power No.2 2-1 while Ministry of Electric Power No.1 routed Ministry of Hotels and Tourism 15-0. Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telegraphs will play against Civil Service Selection and Training Board; Ministry of Construction, Ministry of Rail Transportation;

Ministry of Transport, Attorney-General's Office, at respective venues tomorrow.

Likewise, the semifinal match of 1st Inter-State/Division Under-17 Women's Football Tournament took place at Sagaing Division Sports Ground today. Mandalay Division beat Mon State 7-0 in the first semifinal match. In another semifinal match, Kachin State will vie with Sagaing Division tomorrow.—MNA

UMFCCI meets ROK guests

YANGON, 23 July—Vice-Presidents U Aung Lwin and U Thaug Tin of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI), Secretary Dr Maung Maung Lay, Joint-Secretary Dr Myo Thet, CEC members and

executives received a delegation led by Professor Mr Hoisoo Kim (Ph.D, Director of G.J University e-Learning Research and Support Center of Chonnam National University of the Republic of Korea) at the office of UMFCCI on 20 July.

They discussed matters on teaching Korean language, compilation of Korea-Myanmar dictionary, cooperation in conducting IT proficiency courses, visiting of Korean entrepreneurs and holding commercial meeting.

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Vice-Presidents U Aung Lwin, U Thaug Tin and members of UMFCCI meet delegation led by Professor Mr Hoisoo Kim of Chonnam National University of ROK.—UMFCCI

EP-2 Minister receives Chinese guests

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July — Minister for Electric Power No. 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint received General Manager Mr Chen Longbo and party of China National Complete Plant Import & Export Corporation Limited of the People's Republic of China at the ministry, here, on 21 July.

Also present on the occasion were Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Win Myint, Director-General of Department of Electric Power U Khin Maung Zaw, Managing Director of Electricity Supply Enterprise U Tin Aung and officials.

MNA

Thailand donates dentist chairs, dental clinic to Jivatadana Sangha Hospital

YANGON, 23 July—Thai Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Bansarn Bunnag, Military Attaché Col Ekachai Harnpoonvittaya and embassy staff arrived at Jivatadana Sangha Hospital this morning.

The ambassador explained the purpose of donation by the Thai government and the Royal Thai Army.

Next, they donated two dentist chairs and one dental clinic worth US\$ 17,357 and K 300,000 for a day meal to the hospital.

Afterwards, the ambassador, the military attaché and embassy staff viewed the dentist chairs and the dental clinic, and opened the clinic together with chairman of the Hospital Administrative Committee.

MNA

Commander, Health Minister attend Environmental sanitation ceremony, inspect health care services

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—Environmental sanitation ceremony, jointly organized by Ministry of Health and Mandalay City Development Committee, took place on 31st street between 87th street and 88th street in Pyigy Pyawbwe (East), Chanayethazan Township, Mandalay Division on 21 July. It was attended by Chairman of Mandalay Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint and Mandalay Mayor Brig-Gen Phone Zaw Han.

First, the commander, the minister and the mayor viewed clearing of garbage and sewage, digging drains and sanitation works by members of social organizations, bazaar sellers and locals.

Next, the commander, the minister and party went to Pyikyaw



Commander Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe and Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint view participation of local people in treating mosquito nets in pesticide liquid.— MNA

market where the commander called for selling wholesome goods in meeting with the bazaar sellers. Minister Dr Kyaw Myint visited Mandalay General Hospital in which he looked into X-ray room. He gave necessary instructions related to reports presented by medical superintendent Dr Maung Win. The minister then met with medical

superintendents, rectors, professor/deans, lecturers and officials at lecture hall. He urged them to take measures on prevention and surveillance against New Influenza A(H1N1) as that occurred in Myanmar, and to arrange preparedness if it spilled over.

Director-General Dr Win Myint of Health Department, Director-General Dr Than Zaw

Myint of Medical Science Department and Director-General Dr Tin Nyunt of Indigenous Medicine Department reported matters on health care.

Next, the minister and party visited Mandalay Medicine University at which he viewed the students taking lectures and met with faculty members.

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22 members led by company commander...

(from page 16) Tin Hlaing, Hpa Hpaw and Hla Min are living in the other country and enjoying a life of luxury with the assistance of foreign countries and so is Kalo Htoo, Commanding Officer of the Battalion-

18, at the Bekalout Refugee Camp in the other country. Although they are enjoying a life of luxury with the foreign assistance, other members of the battalions live in misery and have to find their rations by

themselves. Realizing the genuine goodwill of the government and wishing to enjoy the secure and comfortable lives, they returned to the legal fold.

Authorities concerned fulfilled the requirements of Saw Lay Ke and other members who have returned to the legal fold.

MNA



Some family members of C Company of Battalion-18 under KNLA Brigade-6 of KNU.

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BCIM Forum on Regional Economic Cooperation held

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—The 8th BCIM (Bangladesh, China, India, Myanmar) Forum on Regional Economic Cooperation was held at Golden Palace Hotel here this morning.

U Maung Myint, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs made a welcoming speech. Chairman of Bengal Fine

Ceramics and Member of Bangladesh-Myanmar Business Promotion Council Mr Rashed Maksud Khan of Bangladesh, Vice-Governor of Yunnan Province Mr Gu Zhaoxi of PRC, Mr Eric Gonsalves of India and Director-General U Thant Kyaw of the International Organizations and Economic Department spoke on the occasion.

It was attended by 5 delegates from Bangladesh, 27 from China, 6 from India and 15 government and private sector representatives from Myanmar. The delegations will present 10 research papers. The Joint Statement will be signed by the heads of delegations tomorrow.

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Members led by Saw Lay Ke with the rank of company commander captain of C Company of Battalion-18 under KNLA Brigade-6 of KNU pose for documentary photo.—MNA



**The Union of Myanmar
Civil Service Selection and Training Board**

**Vacancy Announcement
Announcement No. 7/2009
14th Waning of Waso 1371 ME
(20 July 2009)**

1. The Road Transport under the Ministry of Rail Transportation has issued an announcement of vacancies for the following position -

Position	Vacancy	Educational Qualification
Assistant Manager (Account)	3	M.Com/ M. Act/ C P A (or) B. Com/ B. Act holders must have at least (2) years of work experience in financial section at some government organizations and must be still in service

2. The applicants -

- (a) must be citizens of the Union of Myanmar.
- (b) must not be over 35 years of age(40years if service personnel)on 13 August 2009.
- (c) must be physically fit and possess well intact limbs.
- (d) must have (2) years of work experience in the financial section and the recommendation from the Head of Department of respective organization must be attached together with the application form.

3. Applications must be sent to Office No (17) of the Civil Service Selection and Training Board , Nay Pyi Taw in person, or by expedited Mail Service , or by registered letter not later than 13 August 2009 .

4. With regards to filling in the application form, documents to be attached, mode of payment of Ks.500/ for examination fee, subjects to be studied for written examinations and personal interview, candidates applying for the vacant positions will have to follow the instructions manifested in the Guide Booklet published under Letter No. 342/ Selection (Main)/2008 dated 8 October 2008.

5. For service personnel, his or her original application altogether with the recommendation of the ministry concerned and a passport photo of the applicant must be sent to Office No (17) of Civil Service Selection and Training Board in Nay Pyi Taw through the Head of Department by 13 August 2009. An extra copy of the application together with photo must also be attached.

6. Written examinations will be held in Nay Pyi Taw.

7. Examinations will be held on 29 and 30 August 2009. Identity cards for candidates sitting for the examination will be issued at Office No (17) of Civil Service Selection and Training Board in Nay Pyi Taw commencing 27 August 2009.

8. For more information, applicants may contact Office No (17) of the Civil Service Selection and Training Board in person or by phone(067 - 409052, 067 - 409430).

9. This announcement and the guide booklet for applicants may be browsed on Websites: csstb.imis.com.mm and www.csstb.gov.mm.



**The Union of Myanmar
Civil Service Selection and Training Board**

**Vacancy Announcement
Announcement No. 8 / 2009
14th Waning of Waso 1371 ME
(20 July 2009)**

1. The Sports and Physical Education Department under the Ministry of Sports has issued an announcement of vacancies for the following position -

Position	Vacancy	Educational Qualification
Staff Officer(Township)	40	Any Bachelor degree

2. The applicants -

- (a) must be citizens of the Union of Myanmar.
- (b) must not be over 35 years of age(40 years if service personnel)on 13 August 2009.
- (c) must be physically fit and possess well intact limbs.
- (d) must be State / Division(open level)selected athletes(The recommendation from respective Sports and Physical Education Department must be enclosed.)
- (e) must under-go Sports Disciplines and Fitness Test before Selection .

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8. The Ministry of Sports has prescribed specific rules and regulations for successful candidates in discharge of their duties. In this context candidates wishing to obtain further information may contact in person or by phone to Office No (31) of the Sports and Physical Education Department under the Ministry of Sports in Nay Pyi Taw (Tel : 067- 406039).

9. For more information, applicants may contact Office No (17) of the Civil Service Selection and Training Board in person or by phone (067 - 409052 , 067-409430).

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**MINISTRY OF INFORMATION
MYANMA MOTION PICTURE ENTERPRISE
INVITATION TO TENDER**

1. Sealed tenders are invited to the Myanma Motion Picture Enterprise for supply of the following unexposed film (raw stock)-

Sr. No	Description	Quantity
(a)	Colour Negative Film (400) Ft	250 boxes
(b)	Colour Positive Film (2000) Ft	160 boxes

- 2. Tender closing date will be on 7-8-2009 at 16.30 hrs.
- 3. Tender documents are available at procurement committee at No. 28, Kokkine Yeiktha Street, Bahan Township.
- 4. Please contact Phone No. 534574, 536029.

**Ministry of Information
Procurement Committee
Myanma Motion Picture Enterprise
No.28, Kokkine Yeiktha Street, Bahan Township**

**Long-distance
creativity to be studied**

COLLEGE STATION, 23 July—Texas A&M University is taking the lead on a multi-school, multi-continent, multi-year research programme on how technology promotes long-distance creativity.

Funded by a \$293,000 National Science Foundation grant, the three-year study will mimic visual effects and animation industry work flow procedures as students in different locations tackle projects requiring visual and technical problem-solving to reach a common goal, the university said on Wednesday in a release.—*Internet*

Swine flu boosts Tamiflu sales by 203pct

ZURICH, 23 July—Sales of anti-flu drug Tamiflu soared 203 percent in the first six months of 2009, Swiss pharmaceutical giant Roche said on Thursday, contributing to a 9.0 percent growth in overall sales for the group.

Amid the swine flu pandemic, sales of the drug reached 1.0 billion Swiss francs (938 million dollars or 659 million euros) in the first half of the year.

Sales to governments and corporations which were stockpiling the drug reached 653 million francs during the period, said Roche.

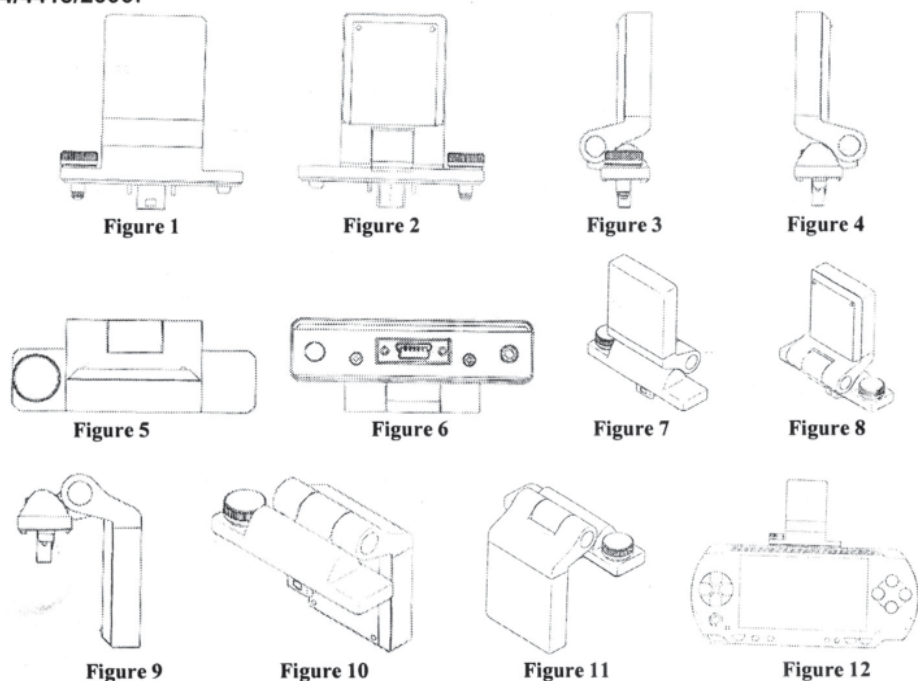


“Additional government stockpiling orders and increased demand in the retail pharmacy market contributed to the particularly strong sales recorded in the second quarter,” it added.—*Internet*

***AIDS is a national
concern.***

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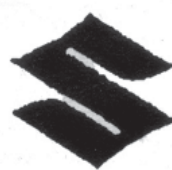
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Eating patterns that worsen stress

NASHVILLE, 23 July — The economy is stressing many, but some eating patterns people develop to cope with the mental strain only worsen it, a US eating expert says. Dr Carolyn Coker Ross, author of "The Binge Eating & Compulsive Overeating Workbook: An Integrated Approach to Overcoming Disordered Eating," says it's a mistake to start a new diet when going through a stressful time — because any diet is stressful in itself. Eating patterns people develop to cope that worsen stress include:

— Eating more junk food than usual. Many feel hungrier under stress and the extra cortisol in your bloodstream from the stress reaction can increase food cravings, especially cravings for sweets and high-fat foods. Eating sweets can increase serotonin in our brains, which makes us feel good — but so can taking a walk.

— Losing an appetite, only to have it come back later. Although you may not feel hungry don't stop eating, as this can increase binging later. Eat small meals or snacks throughout the day to avoid rebound hunger.

— Eating because of emotions, not hunger. Try to relieve the emotional need in another way, a drink of water, calling a friend, or taking a walk

— Some eat because they feel tired, but eating won't raise energy in this instance.—Internet



A staff member makes a model of a boat at a children's center in preparation to welcome the students from China's earthquake-hit areas in Vladivostok, Russia, on 22 July, 2009.—INTERNET

Indonesia's Komodo theme park declared finalist in world's seven wonders

JAKARTA, 23 July— Indonesia's Komodo dragon theme park located in East Nusa Tenggara (NTT) province was nominated as a finalist in the contest to appoint New Seven Wonders of Nature. Detik.com news portal reported on Thursday.

Citing to a statement issued by Indonesian Culture and Tourism ministry, the prominent news portal reported that Komodo dragon theme park

brushed aside more than 440 candidates from 220 countries to be nominated as a finalist in the contest. "Komodo theme park becomes one of 28 finalists in the contest.

It was announced by New Seven Wonders of Nature Foundation on 21 July at 1207 GMT or 19:07 West Indonesian Part (WIB) time," it said.

The foundation will officially declare the theme parks eligible to be ap-

pointed as the New Seven Wonders of Nature in 2011.

The Komodo dragon theme park is located in a secluded island called "Komodo island" in Manggarai regency, Flores district at Nusa Tenggara (NTT) province. The island is a home to an endemic animal, called Komodo, which is believed the remnants of animals living in Jurassic period.

Internet

Virtual elder rekindles hope for revival of Canadian aboriginal language

OTTAWA, 23 July — It has long been a heart-broken yet helpless reality for Canada's aboriginal people that their native languages, which are at the very core of their identity, are disappearing.

The 2001 national survey by Statistics Canada suggests that just 24 percent of North American Indians, Inuit and Metis can still converse in their ancestral tongue.

The situation becomes increasingly worse with the passing of the elders in aboriginal communities. They actually are the only fluent speakers left as a result of more than a century of abuse and mistreatment under the infamous Canadian Indian residential school system.

The church-run, government funded system, founded in the 19th century,

was intended to force the assimilation of the country's indigenous people into the European-Canadian society.

Fortunately, now the cutting-edge high techs are enabling the aboriginals to make digital recordings of their elders and upload them on-line for training the young generation, reigniting hopes to preserve the past and reshape the future.

One group of such people is the Ktunaxa Nation, who had a thriving culture going back 10,000 years in south-eastern British Columbia, about four hours drive west of Canada's oil-rich city of Calgary. With a population of about 1,500, the Ktunaxa has four bands in the East Kootenay region, which are separated by hundreds of kilometers of mountainous terrain.—Internet

A flight delay information is shown to passengers at Beijing Capital International Airport as flights were delayed due to strong wind in a heavy rainfall in Beijing, capital of China, on 22 July, 2009. A heavy rainfall hit China's capital city Wednesday evening.—XINHUA



SPORTS

Rafa facing difficult period at Liverpool

SINGAPORE, 23 July—Rafael Benitez is facing a mini crisis at Liverpool with no wins in three pre-season games, a captain on trial for affray and his top midfield duo looking to leave the club.

It is not ideal preparation for a team that senses its best chance to win the League title in 20 years.

They arrived in Singapore Thursday after a disappointing 1-1 draw against Thailand on Wednesday evening following a 0-0 draw with St Gallen of Switzerland and a 1-0 loss to Rapid Vienna.

In the Thailand match a second-half strike by Sutee Suksomkit cancelled out an early opener from Ryan Babel but there was little goalmouth action to excite the crowd, with Liverpool looking decidedly rusty.

They are clearly missing the talismanic Steven Gerrard, who is in court back home on charges of affray stemming from a nightclub incident last December.

It didn't get any better for manager Benitez, with defender Martin Skrtel (hamstring) and young Moroccan forward Nabil El Zhar (knee) injured in the Thailand match, with medical staff assessing how badly they have been hurt.—*Internet*



English Premiership football club Liverpool team manager Rafael Benitez speaks during a press conference at the Grand Hyatt hotel in Bangkok.

INTERNET

Mikel signs new five-year deal with Chelsea

LONDON, 23 July—Chelsea midfielder John Obi Mikel signed a new five-year contract with the FA Cup winners on Wednesday.

Mikel has become a key figure in the midfield holding role alongside Frank Lampard and

Michael Ballack and the Nigerian has been rewarded with an improved deal.

The 22-year-old moved to Stamford Bridge in a controversial transfer from Norwegian side Lyn Oslo in 2006, which angered Manchester United, who claimed they had already agreed a deal with Mikel.

But Mikel, who played in last season's Cup Final win over Everton, has put that stormy start behind him to make over 100 appearances for the Premier League club.

Mikel told the club's official website: "It was easy to commit to because I am happy here and when the opportunity came it was good to sign after speaking to the club."

Internet



Chelsea's Nigerian Midfielder John Mikel Obi

Carragher wants quick resolution to Alonso impasse

BANGKOK, 23 July—Liverpool vice-captain Jamie Carragher is hoping for a swift end to the Xabi Alonso transfers saga.

Spanish international Alonso has been tipped to join new signings Cristiano Ronaldo and Kaka at Real Madrid for a transfer fee of around 36 million Euros.

He played no part in the 1-1 draw with Thailand on Wednesday and did not stop to speak to journalists after the match.

"The feeling within the squad is that he is a top player and you do not want to lose your top players, and hopefully it can be sorted out as soon as possible," said Carragher.—*Internet*



Liverpool vice-captain Jamie Carragher.

Wenger backs Nasri to make quick return

LONDON, 23 July—Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger is confident France midfielder Samir Nasri will be out for just six weeks after breaking his leg.

Nasri, 22, suffered the injury on the first day of Arsenal's pre-season training camp in Austria on Tuesday and it was expected he would be sidelined for up to three months.



France midfielder Samir Nasri.

But Wenger revealed the fracture is a simple one and Nasri could return to training by the start of September. He told Arsenal TV Online: "Unfortunately, he fractured his fibula and he will be out for six weeks. "He accidentally nicked the ball away from somebody having a shot on goal. Unfortunately he got kicked and broke his fibula.

It's not a complicated one, it's a simple one but it will take six weeks to heal." Wenger believes Czech Republic winger Tomas Rosicky, back after 18 months out injured, will be the perfect replacement for Nasri, while Croatia forward Eduardo da Silva will also back in action by September.—*Internet*

Andrews signs Blackburn contract extension

BLACKBURN, 23 July—Blackburn midfielder Keith Andrews signed a new four-year contract with the Premier League club on Wednesday.

The Republic of Ireland international, who joined Rovers from Milton Keynes Dons last year, played a crucial role in the club's successful battle against relegation.

He proved invaluable to manager Sam Allardyce, who used him as an emergency right-back towards the end of the campaign. "I'm delighted to be here and to commit myself for another four years," Andrews said.

"The chairman (John Williams) was very fair with me; when I signed here from MK Dons he said that if I performed and got in the team and stayed in the team I would be rewarded and he's been true to his word."

Internet

Rain washes out tennis play at Indianapolis

INDIANAPOLIS, 23 July—Steady rain has washed out play at the ATP Indianapolis Championships.

American Taylor Dent is still waiting to play his opening contest due to the late arrival of Brazilian opponent Marcos Daniel. Daniel played last week in Colombia.



American Taylor Dent

The rest of the field is into the second round, but there was no action on day four of the first event of the US Open summer run-up season.

American third seed Sam Querrey was the highest-ranked player stranded as his next match is with local hero Rajeev Ram.

The pair met less than a fortnight ago in the grass-court final at Newport, Rhode Island, where lucky loser Ram came from a set down to sweep to the surprise title.—*Internet*

Weir trying to end long Canadian drought

OAKVILLE, 23 July—Mike Weir is well aware that a Canadian hasn't won the Canadian Open in 55

years, and that it has been 95 years since the tournament crowned a Canadian-born champion.



Canadian Mike Weir eyes his chip on the fourth green during the Pro-Am round of the Canadian Open at the Glen Abbey Golf Club in Oakville, Ontario, on 22 July, 2009.

INTERNET

"It's our national championship, and all us Canadians, we want to put to rest that it's been so long since one of us has won one," Weir said Wednesday, a day before the start of the 100th edition of the tournament.

Pat Fletcher, born in England, was the last Canadian winner, taking the 1954 event in Vancouver, British Columbia. Carl Keffer is the only Canadian-born champion, winning in 1909 and 1914. Albert Murray, also born in England, won in 1908 and 1913.

Internet

PSG agree Japanese loan deal for Everton

PARIS, 23 July—Paris Saint Germain on Wednesday agreed to loan Brazilian striker Everton to Japanese club Albirex Niigata, the French first division side announced.

Last season, the player was loaned to Fluminense in Brazil.

The deal with Albirex Niigata includes an option to buy.—*Internet*



Brazilian striker Everton.



The logo on the Occidental Petroleum Corp. building in the Westwood district of Los Angeles, is shown. Occidental Petroleum Corp. said on Thursday, 23 July, 2009, its second-quarter earnings fell 70 percent from a year ago as results were hit hard by lower oil and natural gas prices. But the company's profit topped Wall Street expectations and its production rose.—INTERNET

Hungary reports first death from H1N1 flu

BUDAPEST, 23 July—A Hungarian man has died from H1N1 flu, the government said on Wednesday, the first death in the country from the new virus which has killed more than 700 people worldwide since it emerged in April.

The 41-year-old man had heart and lung disease which combined with the virus infection led to his death, surgeon general Ferenc Falus told a news conference.

“From the sample taken during the autopsy for the first time we could identify the new type AH1N1V virus,” he said. So far Hungary has had 37 cases of the new flu. Two patients are currently in hospital with mild symptoms.

The World Health Organization (WHO), which declared an H1N1 influenza pandemic on June 11, said last week the new flu was the fastest-moving pandemic ever. Some 125,000 laboratory-confirmed cases have been reported worldwide as of Tuesday, it said.—MNA/Reuters

MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (24-7-2009) (Friday)

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

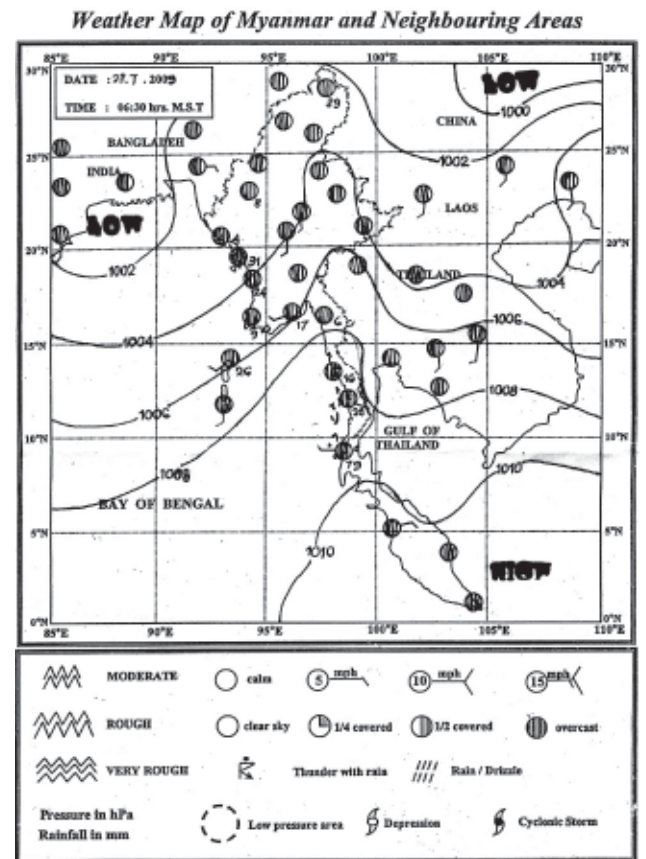
Local Transmission

- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * The Beauty of Zwegabin and Livelihood of Kayin National
- * Myanmar Traditional Art, Silversmith
- * Myanmar Orchestra, A Blend of Arts!
- * Pa-O Traditional Bag
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Europe/ North America Transmission

- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Mandalay, A Close distance
- * A day in a farmer's life
- * Mythun Breeding in Chin State
- * Traditional Matrimony of Khamti Shans
- * Myanma Culture & Banana
- * The Art of Silk-screen Painting
- * View Point Amusement Park
- * Hta Pwe (or) Mogok Gems Market
- * Lifestyles along The Ayeyawady (Mandalay to Pyay) (Part-2)
- * The Beauty of Zwegabin and Livelihood of Kayin National
- * Myanmar Traditional Art, Silversmith
- * Travel & Description (Yangon to Thanlyin-Kyauk Tan)
- * Pa-O Traditional Bag
- * Myanmar Orchestra, A Blend of Arts!
- * Planetary Posts! What do they serve?
- * A Visit to Inlay Region
- * Traditional Chin Liqueur (Khaung Yay)
- * Lifestyles along The Ayeyawady (Mandalay to Pyay) (Part-3)
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm



WEATHER

Thursday, 23rd July, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST:

During the past 24 hours, rain have been isolated in Shan State, lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, scattered in upper Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions, fairly widespread in Kachin, Chin States and Bago Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with locally heavyfall in Bago Division and isolated heavyfall in Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Pinyinmana) (0.67) inch, Khayan (5.16) inches, Kawthoung (4.49) inches, Bago (4.17) inches, Zaungtu (3.30) inches, Ann (2.67) inches, Yangon (Central) and Kyaukpyu (2.60) inches each, Shwegyin (2.56) inches and Myingyan (0.24) inch.

Maximum temperature on 22-7-2009 was 86°F. Minimum temperature on 23-7-2009 was 70°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 23-7-2009 was 100%. Total sun shine hours on 22-7-2009 was (0.6) hour approx.

Rainfall on 23-7-2009 was (1.61) inches at Mingaladon, (1.22) inches at Kaba-Aye and (2.60) inches at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (59.76) inches at Mingaladon, (64.21) inches at Kaba-Aye and (66.97) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Southwest at (18:30) hours MST on 22-7-2009.

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

Forecast valid until evening of 24th July 2009: Rain will be isolated in lower Sagaing, Magway and Mandalay Divisions, scattered in Kayah and Shan States, fairly widespread in Kachin, Chin States, upper Sagaing Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavyfall in Rakhine and Mon States, Ayeyawady, Yangon, Bago 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 Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Increase of rain in the Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 24-7-2009: Isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 24-7-2009: Some rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 24-7-2009: Likelihood of isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (60%).



Friday, 24 July 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. အောင်တော်မူ (စောမင်းနောင်၊ စိုင်းညိုမင်း) (တေးရေး-ဗိုလ်ကလေး တင့်အောင်)

- 7:50 am**
- 5. လှုပ်ရှားပုံပြင်စိတ်ပျော်ရွှင် (ကောင်းမှုပြုကာ ကောင်းမှုရ)
- 8:05 am**
- 6. Nice & Sweet Song
- 8:25 am**
- 7. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 8:35 am**
- 8. “အန္တရာယ်ဆိုတာ လက်တစ်ကမ်းမှာ”
- 8:30 am**
- 9. Musical Programme
- 8:40 pm**
- 10. International News
- 8:45 pm**
- 11. “ရေစကြိုအားမာန် ခင်မွန်ရေလှောင်တံမံ”
- 8:50 pm**
- 12. The Mirror Image of Oldies
- 4:00 pm**
- 1. Martial Song
- 4:10 pm**
- 2. Song of National Races

- 4:15 pm**
- 3. မြန်မာစာ၊ မြန်မာစကား
- 4:35 pm**
- 4. Musical Programme
- 4:45 pm**
- 5. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ ပထမနှစ် (မြန်မာစာအထူးပြု) (မြန်မာစာ)
- 5:05 pm**
- 6. Songs for uphold National Spirit
- 5:10 pm**
- 7. လက်ဆင့်ကမ်းပေးဂီတတေး
- 5:20 pm**
- 8. “ကျန်ရစ်ခဲ့သောခြင်ထောင် လေးတစ်လုံး”
- 5:30 pm**
- 9. Songs of Yester Years
- 5:35 pm**
- 10. ယဉ်တစ်ကိုယ်မယ် “ယုံလိုက်စမ်းပါ” (ပိစံ၊ စိုပြေ၊ သီရိရှင်းသန့်)

- (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ခတ်ဘုန်းမို)
- 6:00 pm**
- 11. Evening News
- 6:30 pm**
- 12. Weather Report
- 6:35 pm**
- 13. သုတစုံလင်ရွှေညောင်ရွှင်
- 7:05 pm**
- 14. “တားဆီးကာကွယ် လူတုပ်ကွေးအန္တရာယ်” (ငှက်ပျောကြော်၊ နှင်းကူတို) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-မျိုးအေး)
- 7:10 pm**
- 15. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “အချစ်ဆုံးတစ်ယောက်တည်း” (အပိုင်း-၆)
- 8:00 pm**
- 16. News
- 17. International News
- 18. Weather Report
- 19. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “မေတ္တာလမ်းဆုံ” (အပိုင်း-၄၃)
- 20. သီချင်းချစ်သူ

- ★ Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
- ★ Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

People's Desire

- We favour peace and stability
- We favour development
- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

Self-reliant libraries opened in Mawlaik District of Sagaing Division

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—Ceremonies to open Linyaungchi self-reliant libraries were held in Nyaungwun and Nyaungthabye villages of Aungkaung Village-tract in Mawlaik Township, Sagaing Division, on 19 July morning.

Director U Than Tun of Information and Public Relations Department and local authorities formally opened the libraries.

Mawlaik District IPRD Staff Officer Daw Khin Kyi met with heads of township IPRDs and staff from the district and discussed durability of libraries, raising of funds and practising of book borrowing cards.— MNA

22 members led by company commander captain Saw Lay Ke of Battalion (18) of KNLA Brigade (6) return to legal fold bringing along eight small arms and assorted ammunition

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—As part of efforts to build the national reconsolidation, the Government with genuine goodwill is inviting remnant national race armed groups to return to the legal fold, while it is providing necessary assistance with consideration and understanding to the national race groups that

have returned to the legal fold.

Realizing the genuine goodwill of the government, a total of 22 members of C Company and 15 family members, totalling 37 led by Saw Lay Ke with the rank of company commander captain of No.18 Battalion of No. 6 KNLA Brigade of KNU, bringing along with them eight small

arms and associated ammunition, unconditionally abandoned their arms at the military camp in Thingan-nyinaung of Kayin State and returned to the legal fold.

Battalion-16, Battalion-17 and other special battalions are under the command of KNLA Brigade-6. Commanding officers of the battalions (See page 11)

Saw Lay Ke with the rank of company commander captain of No. 18 Battalion of No. 6 KNLA Brigade of KNU hands over small arms and assorted ammunition. MNA



Third patient of New Influenza discharged from hospital Two others infected and a total of six infected up to now

NAY PYI TAW, 23 July—The third patient suffered from New Influenza A (H1N1) was discharged from the hospital as he recovered.

A man aged 42 who came back to Myanmar from Australia on 16 July via Thailand by Flight No. TG 305 of Thai Airways fell ill and had medical check-up at specialist clinic on 22 July. Then, he was transferred to Waibagi Specialist Hospital. Sample of plasma from patient's throat and nose was examined at the National Health Laboratory and New Influenza A (H1N1) virus positive was found. As the home surveillance went on at the house of the patient, his 3 years and 6 month old daughter was found ill and sent to Yangon Children's

Hospital. The National Health Laboratory gave the baby medical check-up and found she was also infected with the virus. The baby is now receiving treatment at the private room of the hospital.

The authorities concerned are keeping 246 passengers who were together with the patient on the same flight under surveillance and those who came into contact with the patient are also kept in home quarantine in their respective places.

A total number of 6 persons were found to be infected with the virus up to now in Myanmar, of them three patients recovered and three others are still under systematic treatment.—MNA

Noteworthy amount of rainfall

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