



The NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR

Lt-Gen Ko Ko of Ministry of Defence inspects regional development tasks in Labutta, Myaungmya Townships

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug—Lt-Gen Ko Ko of the Ministry of Defence together with Chairman of Ayeyawady Division Peace and Development Council Commander of South-West Command Maj-Gen Kyaw Swe and departmental officials inspected progress in construction of Labutta-Thingangyi-Pyinsalu road at Zin-ywe-lay village in Labutta Township on 2 August and gave necessary instructions.

He also looked into progress of construction of hillock and cyclone shelter at the village.

Next, Lt-Gen Ko Ko oversaw already-built hillock and cyclone shelter which is under construction at Thingangyi village.

Then he inspected condition of Nalinkyaw bridge and current of the creek, visited worksite of construction
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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

Kayin State gathering good harvests of crops

Kachin State's crop growing capacity is on the sharp increase as a result of its rich land and water sources, the government's encouragement, and hard work of local people.

Now, Kayin State has been able to satisfy well its rice requirement by doubling its paddy output. In 2008-2009, the state gathered over 32.5 million baskets of paddy from over 500,000 acres of monsoon paddy fields, accounting for per acre yield of 61.68 baskets.

In 2009-2010, it has put 333,490 acres of monsoon paddy, exceeding the targeted acreage of 333,413 acres. Now, it has marked its successful completion of ploughing all paddy fields. So far, the whole state has grown about 400,000 of the targeted over 500,000 acres of monsoon paddy or it has completed growing paddy by 88.90 per cent.

The state has a plan to grow monsoon paddy also in the low-lying areas this season.

Being informed that Kayin State would hold a ceremony to mark successful completion of ploughing all monsoon paddy fields at the paddy field of U Kun Myint Thein in Myainggalay model village in Hpa-an Township, news crew members of us attended the ceremony to cover the

news.

Soon after passing through Thanlwin Bridge (Hpa-an) on Hpa-an-Yangon Road, we turned

right. Then, we were greeted by the natural beauty of green paddy fields with female workers transplanting paddy

saplings.

In an interview, farmer U Kun Myint Thein said to the Myanmar Alin that he grew 10 acres of

paddy; that he chose high-yield paddy strains such as Yadanamoe and Shwe Myanmar;
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Article: *Win Shwe (Myanma Alin);*

Photos: *Reporter Tun Zaw (Sangyoung)*



Thanlwin Bridge (Hpa-an) spanning the Thanlwin River.



PERSPECTIVES

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Maintain marine resources for development of fish and meat sector

Myanmar is blessed with land and water resources. And efforts are being made for the economic development of the State making better use of those natural resources.

The government is making all-out efforts for the development of national economy. In that regard, the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries is taking every possible step for boosting production of fish and meat, ensuring self-sufficiency in fish and meat and earning foreign exchange by exporting the surplus of fish and meat, augmenting investment in the fish and meat sector and enhancing the socio-economic status of those engaged in fish and meat production under the guidance of the State.

In an effort to ensure self-sufficiency in fish and meat and export of the surplus, the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries, the Myanmar Fisheries Federation and the Myanmar Sea Fisheries Entrepreneurs Association are trying their utmost in the studying of advanced fishing methods and techniques.

At present, measures are being taken for export of fish, prawn, eels and soft shell crabs. The three associations were able to export US\$3.759 million worth of eels against the target to export US \$ 25 million worth eels in 2009. One kilo of soft shell crabs in Myanmar fetches US \$ 5 in the markets of Thailand, Vietnam and Japan.

As the government is striving for the development of the fish and meat sector, self-sufficiency in fish and meat and export of the surplus, it is incumbent upon the entire national people to do their bit in ensuring the long-term existence of marine resources.

Members of Myanmar Golf Team seen together with Patron Maj-Gen Win Hlaing (Retd) of MGF, President U Teza, vice-presidents and executives.—NLM



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

Deputy Energy Minister inspects gas pipelines

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug—Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay inspected work sites of preventing Sittoung River crossing 20-inch gas pipeline from erosion, undertaken by Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise and Directorate of Water Resources and Improvement of River Systems on the east bank of Sittoung River near Kyaikkatha village, Kyaikto Township in Mon State on 1 August. Those incharge reported to the deputy minister on progress of work.

Afterwards, the deputy minister inspected retaining wall construction site and left necessary instructions.

On 2 August, the deputy minister inspected work for construction of retaining wall to prevent the erosion pipeline by Sittoung river at Dedaye-Twantay canal section out of the natural gas pipeline installation project being carried out by MOGE near Hngetawsan village, Kawhmu Township. The deputy minister fulfilled the need and urged responsible persons to complete it on schedule.—MNA

Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Than Htay inspects construction of retaining wall to prevent the pipeline from erosion by Sittoung river.

MNA



MGF meet with Myanmar golf team to participate in 49th Putra Golf Cup

YANGON, 5 Aug—Those from Myanmar Golf Federation met with Myanmar golf team that is going to participate in the 49th Putra Golf Cup tournament to be held in Thailand from 18 to 21 August at MGF this afternoon.

Next, Patron Maj-Gen Win Hlaing (Retd) of MGF and President U Teza made speeches on the occasion. Myanmar golf team includes manager U Chan Han and players Nay Bala Win Myint, Aung Win, Soe Moe Win and Yan Myo Aye, and women's team, manager U Ko Ko Lay and players Khin Thu Thu, Yin May Myo and May Li, May Oo Khine, and Lion City Cup youth team, manager U Myo Tun and players Ye Lwin Oo, Swan Thiha Aung, Win Htet Kyaw and Ye Htet Aung.

Myanmar is to participate in the Putra Cup so as to achieve success in coming 25th Southeast Asian Games.—NLM

Stimulant tablets seized in Yangon, Tachilek

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug — A passenger bound for Sittway from Yangon by Air Mandalay Flight was seized together with about 20,000 stimulant tablets at Yangon International Airport on 1 August.

Authorities concerned seized 19650 WY brand stimulant tablets wrapped up in a plastic bag in two shampoo boxes while they searched the bag of Kyaw Soe Win of No (77), Lu-hta Ward, Mogok at the checkpoint of domestic departure at 2.30 p.m. on 1 August. The culprit was arrested and actions are being taken to expose his accomplices.

Similarly, officials of Shan State (East) Tachilek Anti-drug Squad seized 200,000 WY brand stimulant tablets in two boxes carried on the motorbike of Lawyon while they searched two motorbikes — one by Lawyon and the other by Aik Shan and Aik Ka — driving from Monghsat to Tachilek at the entrance to Lwetawkham village in Tachilek at 3.30 p.m. on 1 August. Culprits Lawyon, Aik Shan and Aik Ka were arrested and actions are being taken to expose their accomplices.

It is learnt that drugs were seized due to combined efforts of authorities concerned and officials of anti-drug squad. — MNA

Afghans say foreign strike kills four from one family

KANDAHAR, 5 Aug—An air strike by foreign troops killed four members of a family in Afghanistan's southern Kandahar province, villagers said on Wednesday after bringing the bodies to the provincial capital to show officials.

Civilian deaths caused by foreign troops while hunting the resurgent Taliban have eroded support for the presence of the troops and have also become a major source of friction between Kabul

and the West.

In Kabul, a spokesman for the NATO-led force which commands most of the foreign troops in Kandahar said he would check the report.

The strike happened late on Tuesday, killing three boys and a man, all members of one family, in Arghandab, a lush valley to the western outskirts of Kandahar city, residents said. "They were civilians killed by the air strike while fast asleep," Jan

Mohammad, a village elder, said.

Mohammad was among scores of residents from Arghandab who brought the bodies to show provincial authorities in the city.

The commander of US and NATO forces in Afghanistan, General Stanley McChrystal, issued orders last month placing greater limits on the use of air strikes in order to reduce civilian casualties.

Internet



Afghan policemen stand guard at the site of a bomb blast in Herat. A bomb hidden in a rubbish bin exploded near a police convoy in a western Afghan city Monday, killing 12 people as a wave of Taliban violence grips the nation ahead of elections.—INTERNET

Soldier killed in Afghanistan

LONDON, 5 Aug — A soldier was killed in an explosion in southern Afghanistan on Tuesday, the Ministry of Defence said, taking Britain's death toll in the country to 23 since the start of July. The serviceman from the Royal Electrical and Mechan-

ical Engineers died while on a vehicle patrol in Babaji in Helmand province in southern Afghanistan. His family have been informed.

British forces have suffered heavy losses since they joined with Afghan forces to launch Panther's

Claw, an operation to root out Taliban extremists in Helmand ahead of the country's elections on 20 August. Britain suffered its blackest period of the Afghanistan campaign when eight soldiers were killed within 24 hours in July.—Internet

American soldier dies in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 5 Aug — The US military says an American soldier has died of a non-combat related injury in Iraq.

A statement says the soldier assigned south of Baghdad died Tuesday but gives no more details.

It says the incident is under investigation.

The death raises to at least 4,331 members of the US military who have died in the Iraq war since it began in March 2003. That's according to an Associated Press count.—Internet

An Iraqi man mourns as he inspects the site of a blast outside al-Shurufi mosque in Baghdad's northeastern district of al-Shaab on 1 Aug, 2009. — INTERNET



Hussein Mutashar, 34, lies in a hospital bed a day after he was wounded in a car bomb explosion in Baghdad, Iraq, on 1 Aug, 2009. Five mosques were attacked during Friday prayers.
INTERNET



NATO Invasion of US and allies kills, injures Iraqi people

BAGHDAD, 5 Aug— There has been daily casualties in Iraq since the US and its allies have invaded the country.

Casualties of Iraqi people

The total number of casualties as from the day they invaded the country to 5 August reached 698,197 and the total number of serious injured people reached 1,257,603, according to the news on the internet.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Death toll of Iraqi people	698,197
2.	The total number of seriously injured people	1,257,603

Internet

Reham, an Afghan man who lost his leg in an explosion, stands next to a wall displaying portraits of presidential and provincial election candidates in Kabul, Afghanistan, on 5 Aug, 2009.—INTERNET



Casualties of Afghan people in invasion of NATO troops led by US

KABUL, 5 Aug—The NATO troops led by the US have invaded Afghanistan and they are there for a long time.

A number of Afghan people are killed and injured due to invasion of the NATO troops led by the US.

Casualties of Afghan people

According to the Internet news, a total of 8285 Afghan people were killed and 17,137 injured seriously as from the day when the NATO troops led by the US invaded Afghanistan to 5 August.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Number of Afghan people killed	8285
2.	Seriously injured Afghan people	17,137

Internet

Bomb kills six Afghan civilians

JALALABAD, 5 Aug — A roadside bomb ripped through a civilian vehicle in eastern Afghanistan and killed six men on Wednesday, the provincial government said, in the latest attack in the run-up to elections. The bomb hit the group in Nangarhar province as they were travelling to meet district government officials, the provincial government spokesman said.

"Two of the killed are tribal elders and four of them are employees of a private Afghan construction company," Ahmad Zia Abdulzai told AFP.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility for the attack but Afghanistan has suffered a surge in violence ahead of landmark presidential and provincial council elections on 20 August.—Internet



Ontario Provincial Police officers including a diver look into the Moon River Falls, in Ontario, on 3 August, 2009, searching for the bodies of three Toronto area residents who went missing in the falls.—INTERNET

Upper Chamber of the Russian Parliament issues statement in connection with the 70th Anniversary of the beginning of the World War II condemning attempts of tendentious interpretation of facts of history

YANGON, 5 Aug—The Council of Federation of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation (the Upper Chamber of the Russian Parliament) on 18 July issued a statement in connection with the 70th Anniversary of the beginning of the World War II.

The statement said, “The Second World War that began on September 1, 1939 became the greatest tragedy of the XX century. It carried away lives of tens of millions of people. Memory of them should remain pure and not spoiled by various distortions for the sake of political conjuncture.

“The Second World War became not only the hardest test but also a lesson fro all mankind which, having gone through this tragedy, after 1945 has constructed the system of the international relations based on the principles of democracy, mutual respect and refusal of use of force, that became the cornerstone of the United Nations and other international organizations.

“However on the eve of the mournful date in some European countries including those who fought on the side of Hitler’s Germany and in the international parliamentary structure active attempts are being undertaken to reconsider the real causes of the Second World War and to claim equal responsibility of the USSR and of Hitler’s Germany for the beginning of the war, and at the same time to justify those who became the helpers of Hitlerites and made evil deeds in the countries occupied by nazis and later were crushed together with the Third Reich.

The Council of Federation of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation resolutely declares that such attempts are the direct insult for our multinational people who paid the highest price for the hard-won peace. The steps directed on revision of history have far-reaching political ends directed on revision of the results of the Second World War. As a result they become a source of undermining of the current system of international relations and appearance of new tensions between nations and states of the European continent. All this contradicts the key principles of international relations and interests of safety and global stability.

“The Council of Federation of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation resolutely condemns the attempts of tendentious interpretation of the facts of history that are used as a tool in today’s struggle for influence in the world.—NLM

Medvedev, Obama agree to intensify work on new START treaty

Moscow, 5 Aug— Russian President Dmitry Medvedev and his US counterpart Barack Obama have agreed to step up work in order to reach a nuclear arsenal cut deal by December, said the Kremlin press service on Tuesday.

The two heads of state reaffirmed their commitment to achieve a new strategic arms reduction

treaty in a telephone conversation initiated by the Russian side on Tuesday, the RIA Novosti news agency reported.

They agreed to give further guidance to enhance the work of experts in order to arrive at meaningful solutions by December.

They “exchanged views on the implementation of the outcome

of the Moscow summit, in particular the need for an early start of the practical work of Russian-American Presidential Commission,” said a statement posted on the Kremlin website.

They also reiterated the necessity to maintain a trusting relationship between the two presidents and their teams.

The two presidents also raised some pressing international issues, in particular, “an exchange of views on the lessons of the Georgian crisis a year ago, the situation in the Middle East and around Iran.”

Internet



A man nets fish at home as the swollen river reaches the yard in southwest China’s Chongqing Municipality, on 4 August, 2009. The continual heavy rainfalls in Chongqing brought about flood over the city, with many lower sections of the riverside streets submerged.—XINHUA

Ethiopia says agreement reached on most points of package of use of Nile water

ADDIS ABABA, 5 Aug— The 17th annual meeting of the Nile council of ministers, held late last month in Egypt’s Alexandria city, has reached agreement on

most points of the package of the Nile Basin Initiatives (NBI) on the fair and equitable use of the transboundary rivers, said an Ethiopian cabinet minister on Tuesday.

Egypt and Sudan objected one of the articles of the package, said Ethiopian Minister of

Water Resource Asfaw Dingamo.

At a news conference in Addis Ababa, Asfaw said the package has 39 articles and 66 sub-articles, adding that the meeting was successful in protecting Ethiopia’s interest.

Internet

Seven injured in Australian school ceiling collapse

CANBERRA, 5 Aug— A stroke of luck saved seven school children from serious injury when part of a ceiling collapsed at a Melbourne primary school on Wednesday.

A grade five class of 25 children were sitting on the floor near the front of the classroom, rather than at their usual tables, when suddenly a piece of the ceiling near the windows broke off.

Internet

Five dead, 15 injured in US gym shooting

WASHINGTON, 5 Aug — A shooting at a gym outside Pittsburg, killed five people and wounded as many as 15 on Tuesday evening, authorities said.

The shooter is among the fatalities, said Gary Vituccio, a local official, was quoted by the CNN as saying.

No other details were immediately available.

A customer of the gym said he heard screaming and multiple gunshots, but didn’t see the gunman or others.

Internet



Emergency personnel wait outside the LA Fitness gym in Bridgeville, Pennsylvania on 4 August, 2009, while police investigate a shooting that happened earlier in the evening.—INTERNET



Chinese and Polish officials hold a groundbreaking ceremony to build up the Poland Pavilion for the Shanghai 2010 World Expo in Shanghai, east China, on 4 Aug, 2009. — XINHUA

Philippine president says China factor vital in Asian economic rebound

MANILA, 5 Aug—Philippine President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo said enhanced regional trade will help Asian countries like the Philippines rebound despite the global economic downturn, as China's consumer-led economy is a big factor in enhancing recovery.

"We are happy about China's successful fiscal stimulus because China is a big market for the rest of us in the region," the presi-

dent was quoted in a press statement released on Wednesday.

"In fact, we have a big surplus in our balance of trade with China," said the president in a TV interview, adding that "now our exports will go up again with China as the ready buyer." China is implementing a sizable fiscal stimulus package announced in November 2008. The two-year stimulus package worth 4 trillion yuan (586

billion US dollars) is credited with helping China's economy maintain growth amid the dampened external demand. As the largest economy in emerging East Asia, China has avoided the worst effects of the global downturn, growing a robust 7.1 percent in the first half of the year. This has led many to believe that the country will help ignite economic recovery across the region.

Xinhua

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Sony cuts prices on new, best-selling e-books to \$9.99

BEIJING, 5 Aug—Sony Electronics announced that it was lowering prices for books new and best-selling in its e-book store, to 9.99 US dollars from 11.99 US dollars, media reports said on Wednesday. This adds to mounting tensions in the publishing industry over the pricing of electronic books.

Book publishers have worried about the 9.99 US dollars flat price ever since Amazon.com introduced it for its Kindle reader in 2007, fearing that it could cannibalize sales of higher-priced hardcover books.

Sony is also introducing two new electronic reading devices: the Reader Pocket Edition and Reader Touch Edition. They will sell for 199 US dollars and 299 US dollars respectively and will go on sale at the end of August. The devices replace earlier and more expensive versions of the Sony Reader, the 505 and 700, which cost 269 US dollars and 399 US dollars.—Xinhua

Microsoft releases Windows 7 XP mode

BEIJING, 5 Aug—Microsoft said that it has issued an official Release Candidate for software that allows users of the forthcoming Windows 7 operating system to run a virtual edition of Windows XP from inside Win7 on Wednesday.

Windows XP Mode, Release Candidate, is available as a download from Microsoft's Windows Web site. The software requires a PC equipped with virtualization capabilities, such as Intel's Virtualization Technology or AMD-V, to operate properly.

The reason why Microsoft added Windows XP Mode to Windows 7 is in response to user concerns that older applications will not run on Windows 7. The con-

cerns were sparked by warnings from Redmond that Windows 7 is built on the same kernel as Vista. Many business applications built for XP proved incompatible with Vista—a fact that doomed Vista in the business market.—Xinhua

Indonesia's 3rd largest cellular operator to issue shares worth \$300 m

JAKARTA, 5 Aug—PT Excelcomindo Pratama Tbk, Indonesia's third largest cellular provider, planned to issue shares worth around 300 million US dollars in the fourth quarter of this year to improve its capital structure, the business daily *Bisnis Indonesia* quoted the company's top official as saying on Wednesday.

The company's President Director Hasnul Suhaimi said that the company's major shareholders, Axiata Group Berhard and Emirates Telecom Communication Corporation International Indonesia Ltd (Etisalat) have approved to use their rights in the corporate action. "Through the rights issue, we will maintain 'our freedom' to keep investing. Our performance is very well. Our income and earning before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) grew almost 50 percent in 2008," said Hasnul.

The chairman of Indonesia's capital market Ito Warsito said that all shareholders could use the momentum to increase their ownership.—Xinhua

Vietnam to spend nearly \$10 b on oil reserve system

HANOI, 5 Aug—Vietnamese Prime Minister Nguyen Tan Dung approved a plan to earmark 9.57 billion US dollars to develop the country's oil reserve facilities up to 2025, the *Labor* newspaper reported on Wednesday.

The plan is to ensure the country's energy security, stabilize domestic oil and petroleum market and facilitate production of local oil refinery plants, said the newspaper.—Xinhua



Nitrous Monster, the first energy drink with nitrous oxide, launches in new re-sealable 12 oz.

Rexam SLEEK(TM) Cap Can(R).—INTERNET

Houses damaged, power cut by tornado in E Canada

OTTAWA, 5 Aug—A tornado touched down in eastern Canada on Tuesday, uprooting trees, damaging buildings and toppling power lines, reports reaching here said.

There have been no reports of injuries after the tornado hit the community of Mont-Laurier in north-west Quebec Province,

sending citizens running for the basement.

About 40 houses and business were damaged and at least one house was "completely blown away," provincial police spokesman Steve Lalonde told reporters. About 4,000 people are without power because of the heavy damage. Meanwhile, parts of southern Ontario, including the Toronto area, were hit by a thunderstorm, with heavy rain, hail, lightning and winds in excess of 100 kilometres per hour. The severe weather has delayed flights at Toronto's Pearson International Airport.—Xinhua

A Chinese policeman breaks a slate of stone in the air with his foot as he shows his skills for the public during a police camp open day in Jingdezhen city in east China's Jiangxi Province, on 4 Aug, 2009.

XINHUA





Members of the Thai rescue team evacuate an injured foreign passenger after a Bangkok Airways ATR-72 aircraft skidded off the runway and hit the control tower at Samui airport on Thailand's Ko Samui (island). INTERNET

Thai Samui airport to resume operation after plane crash

BANGKOK, 5 Aug— Thai Samui airport is about to resume services in 1:00 pm local time on Wednesday after a plane crash that killed on Tuesday afternoon, Civil Aviation Department Director General Kannika Khemawuthanont said on Wednesday morning.

According to *Bangkok Post* online, the director general said the black-box of the plane, which slid off the runway and crashed into an old control tower in Samui airport in Southern Thailand on Tuesday afternoon, has been found, and will be sent to either the United States or France for examination.

The plane will be removed out of the way and debris will be cleared this morning, Kannika said.

The plane of Bangkok Airways, the private-owned carrier, crashed into an old air traffic control tower while landing at Samui airport in the southern province of Su-ras-tha-ni. Chartchai Pansuwan, one of the pilots, was killed in the accident.—*Internet*

Colombian Navy seizes 1.57 tons of cocaine

BOGOTA, 5 Aug— The Colombian Navy seized 1.57 tons of cocaine and nine speedboats during a recent operation launched in the western province of Choco, naval authorities said on Tuesday.

The drug allegedly belonged to a local criminal band, and the nine speedboats discovered at the mouth of the Atrato River near the Caribbean Uraba gulf were capable of transporting more than 18 tons of cocaine, said the navy.

The forfeits have been transferred to the coastguard station in northwestern province of Antioquia.

So far this year, the Colombian Navy has seized over 64 tons of cocaine, with an approximate value of 1.6 billion US dollars.

Colombia is the largest producer and second exporter of cocaine in the world.

Internet

Sea lions moving up Calif coast this year

SAN FRANCISCO, 5 Aug— Sea lions are showing up in large numbers on the coast of central and northern California as the El Nino pushes warm water further north, residents said.

There are more sea lions this year as well. Scientists estimate 59,000 California sea lions were born last year, the *San Francisco Chronicle* reports.

Stephanie Scott, owner of Gus' Discount Fishing Tackle in San Francisco, said changes in ocean currents are bringing sardines, white sea bass and mackerel closer to shore.

"It's the most incredible striped season that I've ever seen," she said. "Unfortunately, the sea lions are in competition with my customers."

Seal Rocks off San Francisco, which got its name from the sea lions that used to haul out there, had been empty of marine mammals for many years. This year they are back.

"I've never seen mass clumps of sea lions on the rocks the way they are now," said Jade Cooney, who has worked at the Cliff House, a well-known restaurant with a view of the rocks, for three years.—*Internet*

Strong earthquake hits near Japanese islands

HONG KONG, 5 Aug— An earthquake measuring 6.2 on the Richter scale occurred near southwestern Ryukyu Islands, Japan at 8:20 am (0020 GMT) on Wednesday, according to a bulletin released by the Hong Kong Observatory.

The epicenter was initially determined to be 24.4 degrees north latitude and 125.2 degrees east longitude, about 100 km east of Ishiga-kijima.

There were no immediate reports of casualties or damages.—*Internet*



Kite-surfers ride the waves as the wind carries their kites during the Kitesurf World Cup on the North Sea off St Peter-Ording, northern Germany.

Records from thrift store belonged to mom

A California man said he was shocked to learn a handful of old records he picked up at an antique shop once belonged to his mother, who died in 1979.

Paul Campfield, 68, of Sacramento, said he recently purchased the records for \$2 at a store in Sutter Creek and later found the lick-on labels identifying their owner as his mother, May O Rainey, who died in 1970 in Redding, Calif, the Sacramento Bee reported.

"It's just a thrill, a genuine thrill," Campfield said. "I think my mother is still with."

The records included music by Elvis Presley, Freddy Cannon and the Coasters.

Australian dog found 9 years on, 1,200 miles away

Nine years after vanishing from outside her Australian family's home, Muffy the dog was found alive and well this month in another backyard — 1,200 miles away — officials said. Inspectors with the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals were investigating a possible animal cruelty case at a home in the southern city of Melbourne two weeks ago when they found the fluffy white mutt sleeping outside on a scrap of cardboard, Victoria state RSPCA spokesman Tim Pilgrim said.

A microchip in Muffy's neck identified her owners, and, after a few days of searching for a current phone number, officials tracked down Natalie Lampard,

who hadn't seen Muffy since the pooch disappeared from her backyard in the eastern city of Brisbane nine years ago.

"When the RSPCA described her, I told them her name; I knew immediately it was our Muffy," Lampard said. "It was totally out of the blue — after nine years, I thought she was long gone."

The owners of the Melbourne house where Muffy was discovered said they found the dog about a year ago wandering along a street, Pilgrim said. But where had Muffy spent the previous eight years? And how did she get all the way to Melbourne — about 1,200 miles (2,000 kilometers) from Brisbane?

"Nobody knows," Pilgrim said. "The mystery continues for old Muffy."

Mich man jailed for assault during Monopoly game

A game of Monopoly has landed a Michigan man in jail. WDIV-TV reported a 54-year-old man was playing the board game on Saturday night with a female friend when he tried to buy Park Place and Boardwalk from her.

When she refused, Fraser police Lt Dan Kolke told WWJ-AM he hit her in the head, breaking her glasses.

The man was arrested and charged with misdemeanor assault and battery.



Odin, a white Bengal tiger, swims with his eyes wide open as he dives under water for a piece of meat at Odin's Temple of the Tiger exhibit at Six Flags Discovery Kingdom, Vallejo, California. In the wild, all of the big cat species will will dive under water to get its prey or just cool off.

NEWS ALBUM



Chinese visitors pose for photos on statues on display for a souvenir photograph outside a shopping mall in Beijing.

Ga woman arrested with \$13,000 in meth in her bra

A 37-year-old Georgia woman was arrested and charged with padding her bra with methamphetamine. DeKalb County, Ala, Sheriff Jimmy Harris said the woman was arrested and charged with trafficking in controlled substances.

Harris said authorities pulled the woman over for a traffic violation and searched her car. During a pat down, an officer found a pound of meth hidden in her bra, worth about \$13,000.

She was released from the DeKalb County jail on \$30,000 bond.

Lt-Gen Ko Ko of Ministry of...

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of Hsar-kwin-chaung bridge and looked into progress of Thongwa-Ottwin-Htakesun road.

At Basic Education Middle School (Affiliated) at Theinlagatsu village in Myaungmya Township, Lt-Gen Ko Ko met with townsenders, members of social organizations and local people.

Officials reported to Lt-Gen Ko Ko on works being carried out for development of the village and wellwishers presented publications and radio cassette for the village library. Lt-Gen Ko Ko presented cash donation for construction of new school building.

Then Lt-Gen Ko Ko visited Yaung Chi Oo Library of the village and called for systematic keeping of publications at the library.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Ko Ko inspected Sibinsan village rubber farm and gave instructions on extensive cultivation of rubber plants.—MNA



Lt-Gen Ko Ko of the Ministry of Defence inspects construction of cyclone shelter at Thingangyi village in Labutta Township.

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Kayin State gathering good harvests of crops

Article: Win Shwe (Myanma Alin); Photos: Reporter Tun Zaw (Sangyoung)

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that previous year, the harvest of his paddy field stood at 720 baskets; that he could boost per acre yield up to 100 baskets if he worked harder; and that he grew cold season crops apart from paddy.

Now, local farmers use natural and chemical fertilizers in combination in addition to growing paddy extensively for boosting per acre paddy yield.

Farmer U Kyaw Pi said that he grew monsoon paddy in a farm of three and a half acres; he used local paddy strains such as Manaw Tun and Nyi Naung Mwe and got over 70 baskets an acre; and

that he made handsome profits from his paddy farm.

Now, Kayin State is growing monsoon paddy and edible oil crops on a wider scale to meet well the rice and edible oil demands of its growing population.



Farmer U Kun Myint Thein telling the Myanma Alin.



Village elder U Aung Sein, Myainggalay Village.

Many of the villagers get GSM and CDMA mobile phones, power-tillers and motorcycles. Each house has a tube-well, TV and video player. So, the living standard of local people is now close to that of their urban counterparts.

And in the state, there have been a large number of fine houses in place of wooden houses roofed with corrugated iron sheets, and that reflects fruitful results of peace and stability.



U Kyaw Pi, farmer.

There, the second common crop is green gram. On average, an acre of green gram yields 15 to 20 baskets, and a basket of green gram fetches

15,000 kyats. In summer, local farmers grow groundnut along with beans and pulses and sunflower as mixed crops, with average per acre yield of 100 baskets. The prevailing price of a basket of groundnut is 8500 to 9000 kyats. After groundnut is gathered, there remain mixed crops in the field. So, local farmers are getting on with their farms.

When asked about regional development, village elder U Aung Sein said that he could lead a peaceful life; that in the past local people of them were in a state of panic; and that then they could

work with all their heart for development of their wards and villages.

Now, all villagers, young and old, can lead a peaceful life and concentrate on their work. One-third of the village's outputs of cold season crops including paddy are enough for local consumption, and the surpluses of the crops are distributed to other states and divisions. According to my first-hand experiences, local people of Kayin State enjoy higher living standard, stemming from regional development.

Translation: MS Myanma Alin: 3-8-2009



The signboard and entrance road to Myainggalay Village.



The junction of Myainggalay model village is kept clean.

Do not let ourselves to be exploited

Mg Deh Doe

Bagyi Phyo: Well, today's politicians are like land leeches and mosquitoes, Mg Deh Doe.

Mg Deh Doe: Oh, your words seem strange to me. What do you mean?

Bagyi Phyo: I mean in our home town, land leeches by nature stay hiding among leaves and grass and they don't make any movements, as if they weren't there. But, once an animal or a man passes nearby, they rear up and get ready to suck their blood. Another animal is mosquito in Mandalay. However much a man protects himself against mosquitoes with a mosquito net in bed, they suck his blood once his body touches the mosquito net. Politicians in our country are similar to those animals. Whenever opportune, they incite mass protests to come to power through shortcut.

Mg Deh Doe: Oh, I see, what you are saying to me must be the clandestine scheme internal and external anti-government groups are conspiring, regarding the case to deliver final judgment.

Bagyi Phyo: Wow! You are good at guessing. Frankly speaking, I am frustrated to hear the rallying cry they are making that the case must be judged in their favour or they will have to make something particular.

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they have committed, due to his personal opinion and attachment, it is partiality, isn't it, Grandpa? I learn that democracy covers the right to make legal decisions freely. They are making threats and putting pressures before final judgment has not been made yet that the accused must be released or they will have to do something harmful. Isn't it harming the right to make legal decisions freely?

Bagyi Phyo: I don't think they think so. In my opinion, their purpose is that if the accused is released out of their pressure, they will get a political gain. And if the accused is not released, they will provoke riots in complicity with the groups outside the nation for them to come to power through a shortcut. Even if the judge decides that the accused is found not guilty, they will boast that the accused is released out of their pressure.

Mg Deh Doe: Whenever opportune, they express their stance and deceive the people into taking to the streets. What is the use of that?

That harms the businesses of the people, and democracy they are claiming their goal cannot come true due to anarchic riots. Our country will be in no position to break the political stalemate, then.

Bagyi Phyo: You are right, but they cannot see the truth because of their being power-craving. It is very selfish of them to deceive naive people into taking to the streets and they are behind the mass protests for them to come to power. And they will rule the country then. That is their plan, I think.

Mg Deh Doe: That is all right for them, Grandpa. Expatriates claim that they get involved in democracy campaigns, but they are, indeed, leading a life of luxury abroad with foreign assistance. They have sent their children abroad, but they persuade the children of others to stage mass protests. They are such kind of people who will do as they wish in the country where there -is no need to worry about their
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Do not let ourselves to be exploited

Mg Deh Doe

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families. In fact, they are making the people scapegoats, because none of the protesters is their relative. Those who are awarded and provided cash award for mass demonstrations are they themselves. And those who get into troubles without being awarded are the people. The 1988 affairs is an apparent evidence in which many artless students went underground due to their tricks, and then they went through hell.

Bagyi Phyo: Students are not the only ones who they deceive. They even did not spare Buddhist monks in the movements for political gains, and that really caused more of disappointment for the people.

Mg Deh Doe: As a matter of fact, as General Aung San once said that politicians used the people as sticks to attack the government for their political gains. Now, the people have realized that because they have

been exploited so several times. They are not in the mood to get involved in the campaigns politicians launched. Their formula is out-dated, and their schemes are no longer strange to the people.

Bagyi Phyo: The people of us want to lead a free, peaceful life with life security, doing our own businesses. As you know, today, the whole world is under the bird flu, A (H1N1), natural disasters, evil effects of wars, and economic crises. If the problems they create add to such awful situations, there will no place where the people of us can take shelter. Our country lags behind other countries in development due to disunity among the people the country has seen since post-independence period. Now, the people are working together to achieve the democracy goal. So, I would like to request that they should stop hindering our movements.

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POEM

People's wish our wish

- * **When Myanmar lacked discipline
Sovereign power the country lost**
- * **The fall of our monarchy
A shameful lesson in history**
- * **Suffered we for hundred years
Bitter were experiences under en-
slavement**
- * **Unity forges victory
In harmony and unison we all**
- * **Celebrated we with joyfulness
Independence our victory**
- * **Unfortunately, there appeared
Self-centred ideological rows**
- * **Followed by commotions and
armed insurgency
Under which we lived in constant
fear and instability**
- * **So disappointing to witness
Cracks and splits in ruling AFPFL
government**
- * **Even plotting secession
Caretaker Government came for
restoration**
- * **On its own path
Marched Myanmar socialist system**
- * **So sluggish that country in back-
wardness
Disturbances of '88' broke out**
- * **Gangland killings took place
Amidst calls for democracy**
- * **Lest we forget
Rattled out country with disorder
and disarray**
- * **Peace and prosperity
The wish of great majority**
- * **Internal strength in heart
The people's wish our wish
Keeping in mind the 2010**

Kaung Khant (Trs)

SWRR Minister inspects Pre-Primary schools

YANGON, 5 Aug—Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe visited No (4) Pre-Primary School under Social Welfare Department of the

Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement in Ahlon Township this morning.

The minister viewed poem reciting, learning with the help of computers and audio visual aids. He

inspected extended building of the school. The minister also inspected Kanyekthar Pre-Primary School in Thingangyun Township and No (1) Pre-Primary School in Tarmway.—MNA



Minister Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe enjoys childrens learning lessons with computers at No (4) Pre-Primary School. SWRR



Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint makes a speech in meeting with local people from nine villages at Kane village-tract in Kani Township.—MNA

Sports Minister carries out regional development tasks

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug—Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint met over 1,000 local people from nine villages at Kane village-tract in Kani Township on 2

August. The minister presented exercise books and sport gear for the villages and construction materials for construction of library.

Afterwards, the

minister met local people at Sitbin ward in Monywa Township and presented exercise books, sport gear and construction materials for the school.

MNA

Myanmar delegation leaves for Indonesia

YANGON, 5 Aug—At the invitation of the Ministry of Culture and Tourism of the Republic of Indonesia, a Myanmar delegation comprising Vice-Chairman U Thet Lwin Toe of the Union of Myanmar Travel Association, Executives U Kyaw Min Hlaing and U Hla Aye, Treasurer Daw Rita Myint of the

Myanmar Marketing Committee, Executive Daw Kathy Naing of the Myanmar Hoteliers Association, and Director U Kyaw Nyo Lin of Air Bagan left here by air to Indonesia today.

The tour is aimed at further deepening the bilateral cooperation for improving the Myanmar-Indonesia tourism.

They were seen off at Yangon International Airport by Chairman U Maung Maung Swe of the Union of Myanmar Travel Association, Joint-Secretary (1) U Tin Tun Aung, Chairperson of the Myanmar Marketing Committee Daw Su Su Tin and Vice-Chairman U Phyo Wai Yaza.

MNA



Vice-Chairman U Thet Lwin Toe of the Union of Myanmar Travel Association and members seen at Yangon International Airport before departure for Indonesia.—UMFCCI

Myanmar delegation leaves for Sri Lanka

YANGON, 4 Aug—A 22-member Myanmar delegation led by Executive U Aung Kyi Soe of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers

of Commerce and Industry today left here for Sri Lanka, to participate in Sri Lanka Myanmar Business Meeting to be held in Colombo, Sri Lanka from

4 to 8 August. They were seen off at Yangon International Airport by UMFCCI Secretary – General Dr Maung Maung Lay and others.—MNA

Vice-Chairman of YCDC, U Maung Pa signs book of condolences for the demise of Her Excellency Mrs Corazon C Aquino, Former President of the Republic of the Philippines

YANGON, 5 Aug—Vice-Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee, Vice-Mayor of Yangon, U Maung Pa signed Book

of Condolences at the Embassy of the Republic of the Philippines, No-50, Saya San Road, Bahan Township at (14:30) hrs, opened for the demise of

Her Excellency Mrs Corazon C Aquino, Former President of the Republic of the Philippines on 1st August 2009.—MNA

Vice-Mayor U Maung Pa signs Book of Condolences for the demise of Her Excellency Mrs Corazon C Aquino, Former President of the Philippines.

MNA



Rural self-reliant libraries open

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug—The new self-reliant rural library named “Sarpankin” was opened at the library in Kyungyansu village of Maungyan village tract, here, on 1 August.

Director U Than Tun of Information and Public Relations Department and Township Police Force Police Capt Win Sein made speeches on the occasion and village

chairman U Thaung Htaik Aung spoke words of thanks.

Next, wellwishers donated cash and publications and officials concerned formally opened the new self-reliant rural library. It was built at a cost of K 3.5 million.

A similar ceremony was held in Mayangon village of Taungnyo village tract, here, on the same day, and officials

concerned formally opened Thuta Sweson Self-reliant Library and it was built at a cost of K 470,000.

A similar ceremony was held in Taungnyo village of Taungnyo village tract, here, on the same day, and officials concerned formally opened “Alintaga Self-reliant Library” and it was built at a cost of K 3 million.

MNA



Raksha Bandhan Mahotsav-2009 held

YANGON, 5 Aug — Organized by Sanatan Dharma Swayamsevak Sangh (Yangon), Raksha Bandhan Mahotsav-2009 ceremony was held at Hindu Social Club on 51st street here this evening.

MC U Soe Thein explained purpose of

holding the ceremony and the ceremony was opened by singing a Dhamma song.

Those present took part in the ceremony and Executive U Tin Maung Win of Sanatan Dharma Swayamsevak Sangh (Yangon) made an

opening address and Executive U Soe Winsang a Dhamma song.

Next, Madam Sri Priya Ranganathan and General Secretary Shri Ronal Chowdhory (a) U Kyaw Thu of Myanmar Hinduism Federation gave accounts of the ceremony. Then those present sang a Dhamma song. — NLM

Madam Sri Priya Ranganathan gives accounts of Raksha Bandhan Mahotsav-2009 ceremony.—NLM

Ancient pterosaurs were skilled fliers

RIODEJANEIRO, 5 Aug—A fossil found in China of a pterosaur, the earliest known flying vertebrate, shows the creatures had unique and complex wing fibers that enabled them to fly with the precision and control of birds, researchers said on Wednesday.

The finding by a team of Brazilian, German, Chinese and British researchers backs up the theory that the reptiles that dominated the skies from upto 220 million years ago, also known as pterodactyls, were not just basic gliders.

A new technique that

involves shining ultra-violet rays on the well-preserved fossil found in Inner Mongolia brought out a detailed view of the tissue in the pterosaur's wing, researchers said at a news conference on Wednesday in Rio de Janeiro.

They also found hair-like fibers different from any other animal's that covered the creature's body and part of its wings. This could have helped the animals control their body temperature and shows they were warm-blooded, said Alexander Kellner, a paleontologist at Brazil's

National Museum in Rio.

"They are different from other furs we find in mammals and they provide us another hint that these animals were able to control their body temperature, they were hot-blooded animals," said Alexander Kellner, a paleontologist at Brazil's National Museum in Rio.

"This is of great importance to understanding how the pterosaur functioned."

Internet



A gorilla and her new born baby rest in Zurich, on 23 July, 2007.

UK consumer confidence edges up in July

LONDON, 5 Aug—British consumer confidence edged up in July, driven in part by expectations of higher house prices and an end to the economic downturn, the Nationwide Building Society said in its monthly survey on Wednesday.

Nationwide's headline consumer confidence index rose to 60 from an upwardly revised 59 in June after a small rise in consumers' optimism about the future outweighed falls in their confidence about the present situation and major spending.

The index is well

above the level of 49 recorded in July last year and a series low of 44 in January, but significantly below the levels of over 90 which were typical before the impact of the credit crunch was felt in late 2007. "Consumer confidence remained broadly stable in July, with limited overall change in sentiment from the previous month. The significance of this stability is that consumers appear to be remaining cautious, but not panicked by the economic climate," said Nationwide chief economist Martin Gahbauer.

"The most significant changes in consumer confidence this month are that confidence in spending has fallen and that for the first time for over a year, consumers expect the value of their homes to rise over the next six months," Nationwide added. The proportion of respondents who expected Britain's economy to worsen over the next six months fell to 21 per cent from 23 per cent, though the percentage who expected a shortage of jobs at the same time rose to 60 per cent from 54 per cent.

MNA/Reuters

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Health Minister Jose Gomes Temporao assured that there will be no shortage of medicine for patients infected with A/H1N1 flu. He said there are 100,000 doses ready to be used in the country, as well as a large stock of medicine in the Oswaldo Cruz Foundation. Additionally, another one million doses of flu medicine will arrive in Brazil within the next two months.—MNA/Xinhua

Driver in NY wrong way crash that killed 8 was drunk

NEW YORK, 5 Aug—The woman who drove a van with five children wrong way 1.7 miles (some 2.74 kilometers) on a New York parkway last week and crashed into another vehicle killing eight people altogether was drunk and high on marijuana, officials said on Tuesday.

Diane Schuler, 36, of West Babylon on Long Island in the US state of New York, had a blood

alcohol level more than twice the legal limit, according to the toxicology report prepared by the Westchester County Medical Examiner's office. In addition, the report indicates that the driver was operating the vehicle while impaired by marijuana, said Janet Defiore, district attorney (DA) of Westchester County, just north of New York City.

MNA/Xinhua



Nissan Motor Co. CEO Carlos Ghosn poses with the automaker's new electronic vehicle 'Leaf' during an opening ceremony of the company's new headquarters in Yokohama, Japan, on 2 Aug, 2009.—INTERNET

Greek coast guard stops Turkish journalists

ISTANBUL, 5 Aug—The Greek Coast Guard stopped a group of Turkish journalists and the captain of their boat as they attempted to take photographs near the Greek island of Rho on Tuesday, Turkish and Greek officials said. The journalists were questioned by the Greek Coast Guard until contact was made with the Turkish Coast Guard, when they were returned to the Turkish

seaside resort of Kas, the Turkish Foreign Ministry said in a statement. "There was no situation such as Greek authorities detaining the Turkish journalists," the statement said.

Turkey's state-run Anatolian news agency cited one of the journalists, Bekir Oner San, as saying the group had been briefly detained near the island, called Karaada in Turkish, and were told not to use

their mobile phones before they were released.

The group had attempted to film Greek military personnel on the island, Anatolian said. Greek authorities also said the group had not been detained. A Greek patrol boat intercepted the journalists as they neared Rho and checked their identification without boarding the boat, the officials said.

MNA/Xinhua

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Computer worm's purpose baffles

LAS VEGAS, 5 Aug—The Conficker botnet, released as an April Fools' joke, seems to still be around, a US computer security officer said.

ABC News reported more than 5.5 million computers remain infected by the convincingly written rogue computer code that contained a vague threat 1 April. Most of the infestations are in Vietnam, China and Brazil. "The gang behind Conficker are no fools. They know coding, development cycles, crypto. They are clever and are watching us, their enemy in the security industry," Mikko Hypponen, chief research officer for computer security company F-Secure, said at the Black Hat computer security conference last week in Las Vegas.

The report said there was an idea at the conference that perhaps Botnet's creators merely let the bug loose to wreak havoc on its own on the Internet. There is speculation that Botnet was meant to infect computers and merely send out spam.—Internet

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Global automakers beat forecasts, stay cautious

TOKYO/FRANKFURT, 5 Aug— Leading global automakers reported forecast-beating quarterly results on Tuesday, but continued to give cautious outlooks for the industry, which remains hard hit by weak demand and a lack

of consumer credit.

Toyota Motor Corp (7203.T), the world's biggest automaker by sales, beat targets with an operating loss of 194.9 billion yen (\$2.05 billion) in the April-June quarter, and lifted an earlier cautious

outlook, but luxury carmaker BMW (BMWG.DE) said markets were too volatile to make a full-year forecast.

BMW said that despite some encouraging signals such as an end to deteriorating resale values in the US and UK, a lasting and wide-ranging recovery is not yet in sight, sending BMW shares lower in early afternoon trade.

BMW shares were trading 2.9 percent lower at 31.97 euros in early afternoon trading, below the DJ Stoxx European Auto index which was 1.1 percent lower.

Internet



An employee polishes Toyota Motor's cars at its dealers shop in Yokohama, south of Tokyo on 4 Aug, 2009.—INTERNET

Finnish training plane crashes, two dead

HELSINKI, 5 Aug—A civil aircraft has crashed in Kauhava, western Finland, killing all two people on board, Finnish media reported on Tuesday.

The EV-97 Eurostar ultralight plane, which belongs to a flight club and used as a training plane, crashed on Tuesday evening near Kauhava airport, according to local police.

The two killed in the accident are the trainer and a trainee, who are the members of the flight club.

The reason of the accident hasn't been clarified so far.—Internet

High cholesterol in middle age may lead to dementia

BEIJING, 5 Aug—People who have even slightly elevated cholesterol when they are middle-aged have a higher risk of dementia later on, according to a new research as quoted by media on Wednesday.

Writing in the journal Dementia & Geriatric Cognitive Disorders, the study of nearly 10,000 people found that those with high cholesterol in their 40s — a reading of 240 or higher — had a 66 percent higher risk of Alzheimer's disease 40 years later. The team at the University of Kuopio in Finland and Kaiser

Permanente's Division of Research reported on Tuesday.

"Our study shows that even moderately high cholesterol levels in your 40s puts people at greater risk for Alzheimer's disease and vascular dementia decades later," Rachel Whitmer of the Kaiser Permanente Division of Research in Oakland, California, said in a statement.

"Considering that nearly 100 million Americans have either high or borderline cholesterol levels, this is a disturbing finding. The good news

here is that what is good for the heart is also good for the mind and this is an early risk factor for dementia that can be modified and managed by lowering cholesterol through healthy lifestyle changes." Exercise and healthy diet can help lower cholesterol, as can drugs.—Internet

Study finds gov't rebates on hybrid cars inefficient

VANCOUVER, 5 Aug—A study by the University of British Columbia (UBC) found that government programs to provide rebates to hybrid car buyers fail to produce the environmental results expected, Canadian media reported on Tuesday.

The intention of the rebate programme is to replace gas-guzzlers with hybrids, but the hybrid sales have come at the expense of smaller, gas-sipping cars, according to study co-author Ambarish Chandra, a professor at the UBC Sauder School of Business.

"The reductions in carbon emissions are therefore not great," he said.

Internet

Screen time linked with high blood pressure in kids

LOS ANGELES, 5 Aug—Young kids who spend too much time in front of television, the computer and video games may face greater risk of high blood pressure, a new study has

found.

A team of American and Spanish researchers drew the conclusion after analyzing data of 111 boys and girls, three to eight years old, according to the study published in the August issue of Archives of Pediatrics & Adolescent Medicine.

For seven days, the children wore a special device that recorded their activity levels. In addition, their parents reported how much time the youngsters spent watching TV, playing video games, painting, sitting or doing other low-level activities.

The researchers also measured the children's height, weight, fat mass and blood pressure.

TV time was defined as time spent watching TV, videotapes or DVDs.

Screen time was defined as the total amount of time using a TV, video, computer or video game.

The children were sedentary an average of five hours a day and had an average of 1.5 hours of screen time each day. Boys spent more time using computers than girls, but they spent about the same amount of time on other sedentary behaviors.

"Sedentary activity was not significantly related to systolic blood pressure (the top number in a reading) or diastolic (bottom number) blood pressure, after controlling for age, sex, height and percentage of body fat," wrote researchers at Iowa State University and the Spanish National Research Council in Madrid.

Internet



An employee walks in a Hangzhou Iron and Steel Group Company workshop in Hangzhou, Zhejiang Province on 4 Aug, 2009.—INTERNET

Calorie restriction may cut breast cancer risk

LOS ANGELES, 5 Aug— Intermittent calorie restriction may lower the risk of developing breast cancer better than full-time dieting, according to a new study. To determine the influence of periodic dieting on breast cancer, researchers at the Hormel Institute of the University of Minnesota examined three sets of mice.

The mice predisposed to developing breast tumors were put on different diets: unlimited eating, intermittently cutting calories by 25 percent, or permanently reducing caloric intake by 25 percent.

The research found that those on the intermittent diet fared best, with only 9 percent developing mammary tumors compared to 35 percent of those chronically restricted and 71 percent of those that ate all they wanted.

Findings of the research were published in the August issue of *Cancer Prevention Research*. Periodic dieting may reduce the secretion of insulin-like growth factor 1 (IGF-1), a hormone linked to the promotion of breast cancer, according to the research.

“Understanding how calorie restriction provides

protection against the development of mammary tumors should help us identify pathways that could be targeted for chemoprevention studies,” study author Margot P Cleary said.

“Further identification of serum factors that are involved in tumor development would possibly provide a way to identify at-risk individuals and target interventions to these people,” she said.

Internet



A Chinese shepherd of Yugur ethnic group shaves wool for a sheep, on 4 August, 2009 during a skill competition to celebrate the 55th anniversary of the founding of Sunan Yugur Autonomous County in northwest China's Gansu Province. —INTERNET

Avoid knee injury by training brain

ANN ARBOR, 5 Aug— Training the brain may be as helpful as training muscles in preventing knee injuries, a US researcher suggests.

Scott McLean of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor says experiments indicate the shift from performance to prevention training to prevent injuries to the anterior cruciate ligament of the knee may need to focus above the neck.

“These findings suggest that training the central control process —

the brain and reflexive responses — may be necessary to counter the fatigue induced ACL injury risk,” McLean says in a statement.

Internet

Heavy drinkers face increased cancer risk

MONTREAL, 5 Aug — Canadian researchers linked heavy consumption of beer and spirits to several cancers including esophageal, colon and lung cancers.

Dr Andrea Benedetti of McGill University, Dr Marie-Elise Parent of INRS-Institut Armand Frappier and Dr Jack Siemiatycki of the University of Montreal said they compared people who drank heavily to a reference group, who abstained or drank only very occasionally. The researchers used data collected for a large occupational cancer study conducted in Montreal in the 1980s that involved lifetime interviews on job histories, alcohol, smoking cigarettes, diet and socioeconomic status. —Internet

Implanted stem cells grow teeth in mice

TOKYO, 5 Aug— Japanese scientists using stem cells have grown fully functional teeth in adult mice, which may hold promise for regrowing human organs, the scientists report.

The researchers developed a

“bioengineered tooth germ,” or seed taken from a mouse embryo containing all the cells and instructions necessary to grow a tooth, they wrote in the journal *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

Takashi Tsuji of the Tokyo University of Science and his colleagues then removed the upper first molars from 5-week-old mice, they said.

Three weeks later, after confirming no tooth remnants were still there, they transplanted the tooth germs into the mice jawbones.

Thirty-seven days later, the researchers noticed the bioengineered teeth broke through the gum and the rodents started nibbling with the new teeth, the article said.

The teeth, which had enamel and dentin just like

natural teeth, also included nerve fibers, which responded to pain, *The Times* of London reported.

The technique could provide a prelude to “the ability to grow new, fully functional bioengineered organs inside the body from stem cells or other germ cells,” the researchers said in the study. “The ultimate goal of regenerative therapy is to develop fully functioning bioengineered organs which work in cooperation with surrounding tissues to replace organs that were lost or damaged as a result of disease, injury or aging,” the researchers said.

“This study represents a substantial advance and emphasizes the potential for bioengineered organ replacement in future regenerative therapies,” they said. —Internet



Motorists use their head lights on a cloudy and hazy day in Kuala Lumpur. Malaysia was Wednesday hit with the worst haze levels recorded this year, as smoke from forest fires caused “unhealthy” levels of pollution in six areas. —INTERNET

Netherlands reports first death from A/H1N1 flu

BRUSSELS, 5 Aug — The Dutch national health authority has confirmed that a 17-year-old male has become the first person in the Netherlands to die from A/H1N1 flu, Radio Netherlands reported on Tuesday.

The man was already seriously sick when he contracted the virus. He died in the early hours of Tuesday, but no further details are being released for privacy concerns of his family.

Since April, the A/H1N1 flu virus has been confirmed in 663 people in the Netherlands, 512 of whom were infected abroad. —Internet

Indonesia reports 2 more swine flu deaths

JAKARTA, 5 Aug — A 55-year-old foreigner and a two year-old Indonesian girl have been dead by H1N1 viruses, putting the total death by the virus in the country to three out of 662 infected persons, the Health Ministry said here on Wednesday.

The 55-year-old man died on 2 Aug after being treated at a hospital with symptoms of cough and fever, and during the treatment he suffered from serious respiratory problem and died, Director General of Disease Control and Environmental Health of the ministry Prof Dr Tjandra Yoga Aditama said. —Internet

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SPORTS

Salgado parts company with Real Madrid

MADRID, 5 Aug—Veteran Spanish international defender Michel Salgado is to part company with Real Madrid after ten years with the club, the Primera Liga giants said on Tuesday.

“Real Madrid and Miguel Angel Salgado (Michel Salgado) have agreed to end their collaboration,” the club said on its website.

The 33-year-old arrived at Real from Celta Vigo in 1999 and had a contract until 2011, but played little last season.

The announcement

comes after the news that the club have agreed to buy Spanish midfielder Xabi Alonso from Liverpool.—*Internet*



Veteran Spanish international defender Michel Salgado

Ballack fitness boost for Chelsea

LONDON, 5 Aug—Chelsea midfielder Michael Ballack has handed new boss Carlo Ancelotti a boost by returning to fitness ahead

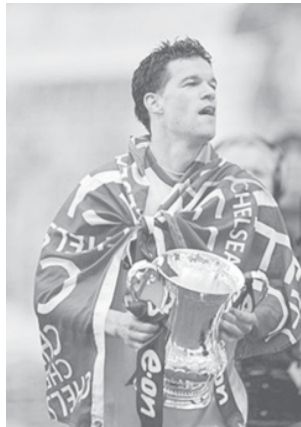
of Sunday's Community Shield clash against Manchester United.

Germany captain Ballack was forced to fly home early in Chelsea's pre-season tour of America after fracturing a toe.

He missed four friendlies as a result but the former Bayern Munich star returned to training on Monday and was due to feature in a behind-closed-doors friendly with QPR on Tuesday.

Ancelotti, who takes charge of his first major match as Blues boss at Wembley this weekend, confirmed Ballack is on course to start the Premier League campaign against Hull on 15 August and could also face United.

Internet



Chelsea's Germany midfielder Michael Ballack holds the FA Cup after his team beat Everton 2-1 in the FA Cup final at Wembley, north-west London, in May.—INTERNET

Scotland boss plays down Fletcher snub

GLASGOW, 5 Aug—Scotland coach George Burley insists Darren Fletcher will still captain his country in next week's crucial World Cup qualifier against Norway even though the Manchester United star put club before country.

Fletcher rejected Burley's plea to sit out Sunday's Community Shield match against Chelsea in case he gets injured ahead of the trip to Oslo on Wednesday.

Burley had been in discussions with Fletcher and United boss Sir Alex Ferguson over the issue, but it is believed Fletcher did not want to jeopardise his place in the pecking order at Old Trafford by missing the Wembley match. Despite the snub, Burley is adamant Fletcher is the man to lead Scotland in such a vital match.

“There's nobody more committed to his country than Darren Fletcher,” Burley said. “He's obviously been faced with a difficult situation, the chance to play at Wembley in a team where competition for places is fierce.

“I'm sure many other players would have taken the same decision. He'll join us up at the team hotel on Sunday and he'll captain us as we look to get the three points we all want so much in Norway.”—*Internet*

Liverpool agree to sell Alonso to Real

LIVERPOOL, 5 Aug—Liverpool midfielder Xabi Alonso is set to join Real Madrid after the Premier League club announced that they have agreed a transfer fee with the Spanish team.

Real had been engaged in lengthy negotiations over a deal for Alonso in the last few days as Anfield boss Rafa Benitez demanded 30 million pounds for the former Real Sociedad star.

But Alonso made it clear he wanted a transfer and Benitez has finally accepted an offer of around that amount from Real.

“Liverpool Football Club this evening (Tuesday) confirmed they had reached agreement for the sale of Xabi Alonso to Real Madrid, subject only to a



Liverpool midfielder Xabi Alonso

medical,” a statement on Liverpool's website said.

“The terms of the deal will remain confidential and undisclosed.”

The 27-year-old, who joined Liverpool in August 2004 and helped win the Champions League in his first season, will become the sixth high-profile signing by the Bernabeu club this close-season once he passes a medical on Wednesday and agrees personal terms.—*Internet*

Managers told to keep quiet over refs

LONDON, 5 Aug—Premier League managers who try to put pressure on referees before matches next season will face disciplinary action, the English Football Association (FA) announced on Tuesday.

Any boss making a derogatory remark about a match official that is seen as an attempt to influence his performance can expect punishment. The FA will also toughen up on the harassment of match officials by players.

The FA said in a statement: “Clubs are being advised that any media comments by managers, players or any other club officials relating to appointed match officials prior to a fixture will no longer be allowed - such pre-match comments will be deemed improper and dealt with accordingly.

“Post-match comments in relation to match officials and incidents are still permitted provided they are not personal in their nature, imply bias or attack the integrity of the officials in charge of the match, or in any other respect bring the game into disrepute.”—*Internet*



Manchester United's Scotland international midfielder Darren Fletcher (right) competes with Manchester City's Stephen Ireland during a game at The City of Manchester Stadium in November 2008.—INTERNET

Man United goalie Van der Sar out for 2 months

LONDON, 5 Aug—Manchester United goalkeeper Edwin van der Sar will be out of action for up to two months due to injury, the English premier league club said on Wednesday.

The 38-year-old Dutch underwent surgery on a broken finger and bone in his left hand after he sustained the injury in a penalty shootout loss to Bayern Munich in last week's preseason game.

United will have to turn to either Tomasz Kuszczak or Ben Foster as replacement goalkeeper in the opening stages of the season.

United plays Chelsea in the Community Shield on Sunday, a week before it league opener against Birmingham.—*Internet*

Indian qualifier dumps sixth seed Cilic to advance



India's Somdev Devvarman

WASHINGTON, 5 Aug—India's Somdev Devvarman avenged a Chennai finals loss to Marin Cilic by upsetting the Croatian sixth seed 7-5, 6-4 to reach the third round of the ATP Washington Classic.

In what he called his greatest career victory, the 24-year-old qualifier who ranks 153rd connected on 62 percent of his first

serves and saved 5-of-7 break points to advance past 15th-ranked Cilic after one hour, 42 minutes.

“All along I played well,” Devvarman said. “My game plan was to compete as hard as possible and let the chips fall where they will. I took my chances well. I'm proud of the result.” Cilic defeated Devvarman in January's Chennai ATP final, denying Devvarman a stirring triumph in his hometown and in his first ATP championship match.

“I feel like I did a lot of things well in that match. He did better,” said Devvarman. “It wasn't the final of a tour event. I wasn't nervous coming out. It was his first match of the week. I had three already under my belt.”

Internet

Zvonareva outlasts China's Peng to advance

LOS ANGELES, 5 Aug—Chinese standouts Zheng Jie and Li Na advanced at the 700,000-dollar WTA Los Angeles Championship but it was Peng Shuai who provided China's most exciting performance even in defeat.

Russian second seed Vera Zvonareva rallied to deny a determined upset bid by Peng before advancing to the third round with a 3-6, 6-3, 7-6 (8/6) triumph in the US Open hardcourt tuneup.

Also struggling to reach the third round was Serbian sixth seed Ana Ivanovic, who outlasted American Vania



Vera Zvonareva

King 6-4, 4-6, 6-1.

Zheng, the first Chinese player in a Grand Slam semi-final after reaching the last four last year at Wimbledon, defeated Ukraine qualifier Olga Savchuk 7-5, 1-6, 6-2.—*Internet*

Obituary Asleep in Jesus

The Pastor Rev. U Pe Than, 70 yrs, the eldest son of the late U Soe Myint and Daw Aye Kywe, slept peacefully in the arms of the Lord on the 4th August at 5:00 p.m 2009, Pastor Rev. U Pe Than in the eldest among four brothers Pastor Rev. Dr. U Myo Aung, Pastor Rev. U Tun Aung and Pastor Rev. Dr. U Htay Aung. He leaves behind a wife of 32 married years. Sayama Naw Mu Gay, children Saya Henry (Hosea) Pe Than, Rose Abigail, (Joseph) and Joshua. Daughter-in-law Haymann Oo and grandson Henry Jordan Pe Than.

Funeral Service today 6th August, 2009 at 10:00 a.m at the Immanuel Baptist Church, Mahabandoola Garden St, Yangon. Thence to Ye-Way for Cremation. The remains will be entombed in Hlegu next to his parents.

Relatives friends here and abroad kindly take this as the only intimation.

A memorial service will be held on the 8th August, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Kindly inform friends.Thank you.

The Bereaved family
of
The Rev. U Pe Than

Tropical storm "Goni" hits Southern China

GUANGZHOU, 5 Aug—The tropical storm Goni landed at a speed of 83 kilometres per hour early on Wednesday morning in Taishan of southern China's Guangdong Province, according to local meteorological station.

No casualties were reported yet by 8:00 am, the local government said. The storm, the seventh of its kind in China this year, brought about torrential rain in southwestern part of the province with a maximum precipitation at 186 millimetres.

The meteorological station forecast that Goni would move westward. Maritime affairs department in the neighbouring Hainan Province said Tuesday that it had issued an emergency warning to 20,000 fishing vessels in the South China Sea, calling them to harbor.—MNA/Xinhua

MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (6-8-2009) (Thursday)

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

Local Transmission

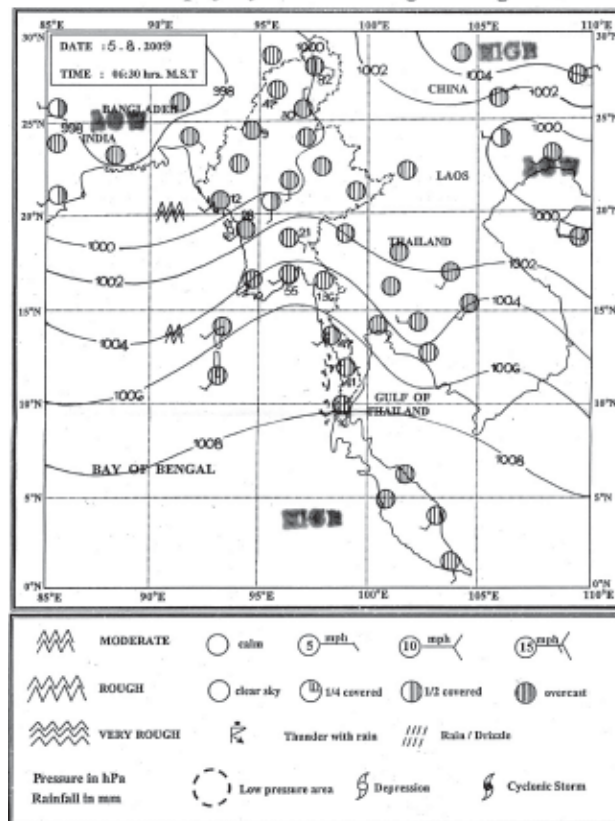
- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Bottle gourd painting
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Europe/ North America Transmission

- * Signature Tune
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- * Bottle gourd painting
- * Dream of a farmer
- * Ancient Architectural Heritage of Taungthaman Kyauktawgyi Pagoda
- * Culture Stage
- * I love Myanmar's Development Tour Auound Southern Chin State
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * Traditional Bamboo Utensils of Myanmar
- * Fossilized Wood Garden
- * Enhance people's Health Awareness
- * National Dance
- * Gibbon Suravey (Part-III)
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * Historical Shwe Inpin Monastery
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Tuesday, 5th August, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST:

During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in lower Sagaing Division, rain have been isolated in Chin and Kayah States, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, scattered in Shan State and upper Sagaing Division, fairly widespread in Kachin State, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Division and widespread in the remaining areas with isolated heavyfall in Kachin and Mon States. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Mawlamyine (5.35) inches, Putao (3.46) inches, Thandwe (2.52) inches, Maungtau, Dawei and Kawkareik (2.28) inches each and Aunglan (0.16) inch.

Maximum temperature on 4-8-2009 was 87°F. Minimum temperature on 5-8-2009 was 69°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 5-8-2009 was 93%. Total sun shine hours on 4-8-2009 was (3.3) hour approx.

Rainfall on 5-8-2009 was (1.54) inches at Mingaladon, (2.16) inches at Kaba-Aye and (0.67) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (75.87) inches at Mingaladon, (85.31) inches at Kaba-Aye and (88.19) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (10) mph from Southwest at (16:20) hours MST on 4-8-2009.

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

Forecast valid until evening of 6th August 2009: Rain will be isolated in Kayah State, lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, scattered in Chin State and Mandalay Division, fairly widespread in Shan State, upper Sagaing and Bago Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavyfall in Kachin and Mon States. 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 (35-40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Strong monsoon.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 6-8-2009: Isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 6-8-2009: One or two rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 6-8-2009: Likelihood of isolated rain. Degree of certainty is (60%).



Thursday, 6 August
View on today

7:00 am

1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော် ယောဆရာတော်ဘုရား၏ ဥပ္ပိတသန္တိပဋိတော်

7:30 am

2. Morning News

7:45 am

3. နိုင်ငံစီးပွားအလေးထား ကျေးလက်ထုတ်ကုန်များ

7:55 am

4. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

5. Dance Variety

8:10 am

6. မြို့ကြီးရေလွှဲဆည်နှင့် ရေလျှောင်တမံစီမံကိန်း

8:15 pm

7. Musical Progrmme

8:40 pm

8. International News

8:45 pm

9. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Song of National Races

4:20 pm

3. Cute Little Dancers

4:30 pm

4. နားဝင်ပီယံသူလက်သံ

4:45 pm

5. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ

တတိယနှစ် (သမိုင်းအထူးပြု) (သမိုင်း)

5:00 pm

6. Songs for Uphlod Nationsl Spirit

5:05 pm

7. "အမျိုးနှင့်မျိုး"

5:15 pm

8. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ

5:25 pm

9. ဝန်းကျင်တစ်ခွင်ကောင်းကျိုးပေး တီဇွန်ပစ်မြေဆွေး (အပိုင်း-၂)

5:35 pm

10. ရုပ်မြင်ရသတေးစုကဏ္ဍ

5:45 pm

11. ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခုန်သံ

6:00 pm

12. Evening News

6:10 pm

13. Weather Report

6:15 pm

14. ပျော်ရွှင်စေသောနေ့ရက်များ "ဆံပင်နမ်းနည်း"

(အပိုင်း-၂) (ဇာတ်သိမ်းပိုင်း) (စိုးရန်အောင်၊ ပုလဲဝင်း) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-အောင်ကျော်သူရ)

6:30 pm

15. ထူးဆန်းထွေလာများကို သိပ္ပံဖြင့်ချဉ်းကပ်ခြင်း

7:00 pm

16. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "အချစ်ဆုံးတစ်ယောက်တည်း" (အပိုင်း-၉)

8:00 pm

17. News
18. International News
19. Weather Report
20. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မေတ္တာလမ်းဆုံ" (အပိုင်း-၄၆)
21. လွင်မိုးခရီးသွားနေသည် "မြတ်ကျွန်းစုများဆီများသို့" (အပိုင်း-၅)

- ★ 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

- VOA, BBC - sowing hatred among the people
- RFA, DVB - generating public outrage
- Do not allow ourselves to be swayed
- By broadcasts designed to cause troubles

Earthquake Report

YANGON, 5 Aug—A slight earthquake of intensity (4.7) Richter Scale with its epicenter inside Myanmar (India-Myanmar border region) about (200) miles west-northwest of Mandalay Seismological observatory was recorded at (09) hrs (28) min (50) sec M.S.T today.

MNA

Educative talks on human flu held

YANGON, 5 Aug— Professor Daw Kyi Kyi Thin of University of Medicine-1 gave talks on human flu and Professor Dr U Thein Htut of Myanmar Dental Association on relations between oral health and general health at MDA in Thingangyun Township here on 25 July in commemoration of the Annual General Meeting of the association.

MNA

Tiny device to 'sniff out' disease, heart attacks, poison and environmental pollution developed

SCIENCE DAILY, 5 Aug—Like the sensitive seismographs that can pick up tremors of impending earthquakes long before they strike, a similar invention from Tel Aviv University re-

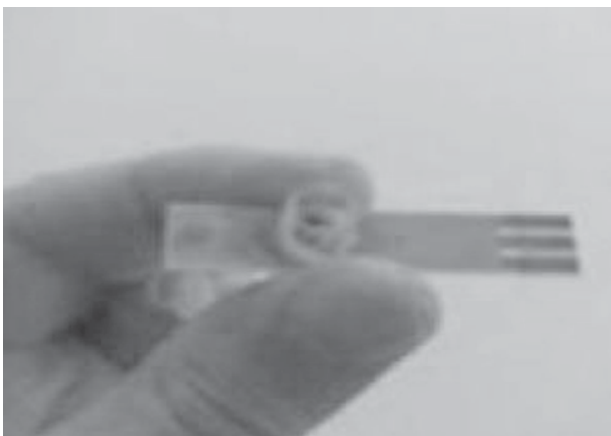
searchers may change the face of molecular biology.

Coupling biological materials with an electrode-based device, Prof. Judith Rishpon of TAU's Department of Molecular Microbiology and Biotechnology

is able to quickly and precisely detect pathogens and pollution in the environment and infinitesimally small amounts of disease biomarkers in our blood. About the size of a stick of gum, the new invention may be applied to a wide range of environments and situations. The aim is for the device to be disposable and cost about \$1.

“Biosensors are important for the bio-terror industry, but are also critical for detecting pathogens in water, for the food industry, and in medical diagnostics,” says Prof. Rishpon. Her latest research appeared in the journals *Nanomedicine: Nanotechnology Biology and Medicine*, *Electroanalysis* and *Bioelectrochemistry*.

Internet



A tiny device to “sniff out” disease, heart attacks, poison and environmental pollution has been developed.

One more person found infected with A (H1N1) Fourteen have been infected with virus in Myanmar

Ninth patient infected with virus discharged from hospital

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Aug—A 17-year-old youth, who arrived back from Singapore by Flight No. MI-518 on 1 August was transferred to Yangon East Hospital through township Health Department on 4 August after he had been found to have been ill. National Health Laboratory detected him and he was found to have been infected with A (H1N1) virus.

Eighteen family members of the patient are kept in home quarantine and under surveillance.

Authorities concerned have put surveillance measures against 122 passengers who had arrived on the same flight with the patient and 138 airport staff in their respective places.

Today, the ninth 33-year-old patient infected with A (H1N1) was discharged from the hospital as he had recovered from his illness. Surveillance measures against the family members who came into contact with the patient were halted. There are now only five patients being treated—one at Waibagi Specialist Hospital, two at Yangon General Hospital, one at Yangon East Hospital and one at Insein General Hospital. They are kept at the separate rooms of the hospitals and they are getting better now.

Of the fourteen A (H1N1) infected-patients, nine were discharged from the hospitals as they have fully recovered from their illness and the remaining five are being given special treatment by specialists.

Up to now, National Health Laboratory detected 131 flu-suspected persons and 14 were found to have been infected with the virus.—MNA