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Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe sends message of felicitations to Mexican President

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Sept — Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr. Felipe Calderon Hinojosa, President of the United Mexican States, on the anniversary of the Independence of the United Mexican States which falls on 16 September 2009. — MNA

Lt-Gen Khin Zaw inspects agriculture, development tasks in Myeik District

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Sept — Lt-Gen Khin Zaw of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Chairman of Taninthayi Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Coastal Region Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw Oo and departmental officials, inspected condition of roads and bridges on Myeik-Taninthayi Road and oil palm, rubber and rain-fed paddy field in Taninthayi Township yesterday.

They also visited the mixed-crop plantation of rubber and rice at Nyaungpingon Village in

Taninthayi Township. During the visit, they met with local farmers and local authority including members of social organizations separately.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Khin Zaw and party visited Kanthaya Village in Myeik Township and viewed spreading fertilizer on rain-fed rice field by farmers and thriving rice plantation.

On 12 September, Lt-Gen Khin Zaw and party also inspected condition of Boakpyin-Kawthoung Road and oil palm plantation in a motorcade. — MNA

Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- * National reconsolidation
- * Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- * Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives

- * Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- * Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- * Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- * The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

- * Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- * Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- * Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
- * Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

Lt-Gen Khin Zaw of the Ministry of Defence views spreading fertilizer on rain-fed paddy field in Kanthaya Village, Myeik Township. — MNA



INSIDE

A warm welcome extended by the entire people

Nothing is difficult if they really want to do. What is important is their goodwill and trust. If they have pure goodwill and belief that all national races will have to work together for development, nothing will be difficult and it will not take very long. Now, it is high time national races showed no doubt to one another. And they should all have realized that loving-kindness is more powerful than arms.

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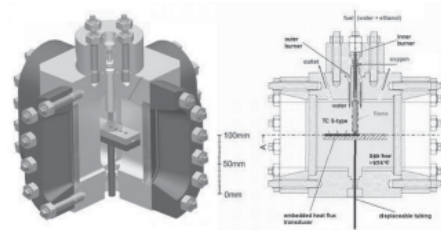
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Tapping geothermal energy

ZURICH, 15 Sept — With increasing depth, geothermal energy offers an almost inexhaustible potential for renewable energy. The drilling costs however, rise exponentially with depth in the case of conventional rotary drilling. A thermal drilling method, which will allow for reaching greater drilling depths in a more efficient and more cost-

effective way, is currently being developed at the ETH Zurich.

Tobias Rothenfluh, a doctoral student at the Institute for Process Engineering, climbs up a small ladder into the three-story pilot plant. Pipelines lead through metering and safety valves into the reactor, which is affectionately known as "Betsy". Inch-thick plates, made of heat-resistant steel, prevent the reactor from bursting, even at a pressure of 300 bars. "In our experimental reactor we are able to ignite a flame underwater at a pressure of around 250 bars and 450 degrees Celsius" says Rothenfluh. "Thus we are able to experimentally simulate the temperature and pressure conditions prevailing in a borehole, about three kilometers below the earth's surface." — Internet



Model of the experimental reactor.



PERSPECTIVES

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Strive for extensive application of integrated farming

Nowadays, to strengthen the national economy, all those concerned are working hard towards boosting the production of the agricultural sector. Irrigation facilities such as dams and river water-pumping stations are being built one after another across the nation and requirements are being fulfilled to increase per-acre yield and to grow double, triple and mixed crops.

As there was a lot of rain at the beginning of the rainy season this year, cultivation of monsoon paddy in Yangon, Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions reached the target acreage and, as monsoon paddy plants are thriving, there is going to be a good harvest in those regions. In the village-tracts in Paungde Township in Pyay District and Ziegon and Letpadan Townships in Thayawady District, ceremonies are being held to do the weeding and spread fertilizer in the paddy fields.

Thonze dam in Thayawady Township can benefit 50,000 acres of farmland. More than 20,000 acres of summer paddy were irrigated through the left irrigation canal that has already been constructed and the right one under construction and measures are being taken to irrigate over 30,000 acres of summer paddy next year.

Myanmar farmers have a lot of experience in growing crops and raising livestock simultaneously. Therefore, it is necessary to cultivate quality strains of paddy, employ appropriate cultivation methods, use fertilizer systematically and engage in modern livestock breeding.

In addition, every effort will have to be made for wide application of an integrated farming method, one of the modern agricultural systems, in agriculture. Use of agricultural implements and machines and application of modern technology can save costs and prevent loss and wastage.

If farmers, agriculturalists and private entrepreneurs make effective use of the government's support and assistance and try to practice an integrated farming method on a wider scale, there will be a marked increase in agricultural output and profits.

People's Destructive

- * 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

Foreign Minister felicitates Mexican counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Sept—U Nyan Win, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to Her Excellency Ambassador Patricia Espinosa Cantellano, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the United Mexican States, on the anniversary of the Independence of the United Mexican States which falls on 16 September 2009.—MNA

Resultant of Viriya and Chanda

Viriyavato kimnāma kammaṃ na sijjhati.

To a striving person nothing can remain unaccomplished.

Chandavato kimnāma kanmaṃ na sijjhati

To a person with a strong will nothing can remain unaccomplished.

(Mūlati, 3;169)

Minister meets with local people in Myothit and Natmauk Tsps



Minister for Electric Power No. 1 Col Zaw Min meeting with local people from 18 villages.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Sept—Minister for Electric Power No. 1 Col Zaw Min met with local people from 18 villages in Myolulin, Hsutagyi, Pategon, Myaypyintha village tracts

of Magway Division at Myolulin village Affiliated Basic Education High School and donated bags of cement, CI sheets and cash for the school on 11 September.

Similarly, the minister met with local people from 17 villages of Natmauk Township in Ywamon village and donated bags of cement, CI sheets and cash for Ywamon village.

BEHS.—MNA

Blood Disease Conference on 17-18 October

YANGON, 15 Sept—Organized by Blood Disease Group of Myanmar Medical Association, the second Blood Disease Conference will be held at No (40), Chatrium Hotel on Natmauk Street in Tamway Township here from 17 to 18 October (Saturday and Sunday).—MNA

Warning of Hightide

YANGON, 15 Sept—Myanma Port Authority informed that exceptionally high spring of from 20.1 feet to 21.3 feet high above the datum are expected to occur in Yangon River during the period from 17th to 23rd September 2009.—MNA

Myanmar delegation leaves for ROK

YANGON, 15 Sept—At the invitation of Korea Pharmaceutical Industry Cooperative Association, Myanmar delegation led by Secretary U Zaw Moe Khine of Myanmar Pharmaceuticals and Medical Equipment Entrepreneurs Association left for the Republic of Korea by air this morning.

Vice-Chairman U Thant Zin, CEC members

Dr Zaw Tun Aye and members Daw Thaug Thaug Kyi, U Khin Maung Win, U Sai Yi Sai and U Zaw Lin Soe also accompanied Secretary U Zaw Moe Khine.

The Myanmar delegation was seen off at Yangon International Airport by Chairman Dr Win Si Thu, Joint-Secretary Dr Thin Nwe Win, CEC Dr Myo Thant and Executive U Maung

Gyi.

The Myanmar delegation will meet with KPICA and discuss with them to promote bilateral trade in pharmaceuticals and to sign MOU between Myanmar and Korea. They will make observations on production process of Korean pharmaceuticals and attend Buy Korea 2009 Exhibition and Buyer-Seller Meeting.

MNA



Myanmar delegation led by Secretary U Zaw Moe Khine of MPMEEA being seen off at Yangon International Airport.—MNA

Egypt plays central role in Israeli-Palestinian peace effort

JERUSALEM, 15 Sept—Egypt does not hide the fact that it is deeply troubled by some Israeli actions regarding the Palestinians, yet Israeli leaders continue to make regular journeys to Cairo for talks with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak. On Sunday, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu made his second visit to Mubarak since coming into office in April.

The meeting focused on a variety of issues, accord-

ing to the spokesmen of the two leaders. Among them were the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, bilateral issues and what Netanyahu's office dubbed "regional matters," which is another way of saying of the Iran issue.

The Israelis are fully aware of the central role Egypt and Mubarak play in trying to forge a Palestinian-Israeli peace deal.

Not only is Mubarak on the centre stage when it

comes to talks between Israelis and Palestinians, but Cairo is also the focal point for efforts to create a rapprochement between the leading Palestinian movements Fatah and Hamas.

The Palestinians, Israelis and Americans are fully aware that without agreement between the warring factions it will be virtually impossible to create a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza.—Xinhua



Smoke billows following an explosion at the Bab al-Muazam district of Baghdad. Iraqi officials told AFP that three people were killed when a massive car bomb exploded close to a major army base and the health ministry.
INTERNET

One Canadian soldier killed in roadside bomb explosion in Afghanistan

OTTAWA, 15 Sept—Canada now has 130 soldiers killed in Afghanistan after another soldier was killed on Sunday in a roadside bomb explosion, the National Defence Department said in a press release on Monday. The incident took place about 10 kilometres away from Kandahar City. The soldier was killed on the scene when an improvised explosive device was detonated near his armored vehicle on a road.

Four other soldiers sustained injuries, the release said.

Canada has 2,500 soldiers deployed in southern Afghanistan, part of NATO operation troops fighting the Taliban militants. The increase in the fatalities has triggered mounting calls from Canadians for a troops withdrawal.

The Parliament has passed a legislation stating that the troops will come back in early 2011.—Xinhua



An assistant has a haircut featuring the number 60 to celebrate the upcoming 60th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China at a barbershop in Zhengzhou, Henan Province on 11 Sept, 2009. —INTERNET

Pirates attempt to board two tankers near Singapore

SINGAPORE, 15 Sept—Pirates attempted to board two tankers in a busy shipping lane off southern Malaysia on Monday, a regional government security agency said. Five men tried to board Panama-registered tanker *Pacific Harmony* early on Monday near the southern Malaysian port of Tanjung Ayam, just to the east of Singapore, according to the Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery against Ships in Asia (ReCAAP).

The men fled on hearing the ship's alarm system.

Two hours later, six men with long knives tried to board Malaysia-registered chemical tanker *MMM Kingston*. They fled in a speed boat after seeing the crew had been alerted. ReCAAP said the same group was probably involved and advised shipping crews to take precautions since there had been six such cases this year in the area, all during the night while the ships were anchored.—MNA/Reuters

Three killed in Iraq's Diyala violence

BAQUBA, 15 Sept—Three people were killed and 12 injured in separate incidents in the volatile province of Diyala in northeast of Baghdad on Monday, a provincial police source said. Two people were killed and two others wounded when a roadside bomb struck a civilian car in an area south of the provincial capital city of Baquba, some 65 km northeast of Baghdad, the source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

In a separate incident, an

Iraqi Army soldier was killed and two others were injured in a vehicle roll-over accident in eastern Baquba, the source said.

Also in Baquba, a booby-trapped car parked some 100 meters away from the building of the provincial council, detonated near a passing Iraqi Army patrol, wounding six people, including two children and a woman, he said.

One of the military vehicles was damaged by the blast, the source added.

A man and a woman

were injured when unknown gunmen opened fire on them at a village in northeast of Baquba, he said, adding that the Iraqi security forces cordoned off the scene and captured a suspect. Meanwhile, a joint Iraqi Army and police force searched neighbourhoods in western Baquba, arresting nine suspects, including four wanted for arrest warrants, the source said, adding that the force also defused four explosive charges at the courtyard of a house.—Xinhua

Obama sure US, China can avoid trade war

WASHINGTON, 15 Sept—President Barack Obama said on Monday he was "absolutely" certain the United States and China could avoid a trade war in a dispute over Chinese tyre imports that has stoked tensions between the two countries.

Obama spoke after China responded swiftly to the Obama Administration's announcement on

Friday of safeguard duties on tyre imports from China, saying on Monday it would request World Trade Organization consultations over the US move. "If we don't enforce the rules that are contained in our trade agreements, then it's very hard to have credibility," Obama told CNBC television. The United States imposed the higher duties in response

to a petition filed by the United Steelworkers union earlier this year. It said a tripling of Chinese tyre imports from 2004 to 2008 had cost more than 5,000 US jobs. The US announcement has threatened to cast a shadow over a summit of the Group of 20 major and developing economies to be hosted by Obama in Pittsburgh next week.—MNA/Reuters



A man checks the remains of a damaged house which was hit by a rocket Sunday night, killing three family members while sleeping in their house in Kabul, Afghanistan recently.—XINHUA

Message of the United Nations Secretary-General

on the International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer

(16 September 2009)

Sustainable development depends, in large part, on the implementation of agreed environmental goals, targets and objectives. Among the considerable number of multilateral environmental agreements agreed between states over the past 40 years, the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer and, in particular, its Montreal Protocol stands out. The manner in which this instrument for repairing and recovering the Earth's protective shield has been financed and implemented serves as an inspiring example of what is possible.

This year's observance marks yet another milestone, with the deposit of the instruments of accession to the Convention and the Protocol by the youngest democracy in the world, Timor-Leste. Until today, it was the only remaining State outside the ozone protection regime. Now, the Convention and Protocol have achieved universal participation - unique status among the hundreds of treaties deposited with the Secretary-General. Timor-Leste's action sends a strong signal of global solidarity, not only for addressing ozone depletion but for tackling other pressing multilateral challenges, of which climate change is pre-eminent.

Accumulating evidence indicates that the phase-out of substances known as chlorofluorocarbons or CFCs has, since 1990, alleviated the progression of climate change by as much as 12 years. International cooperation on CFCs is a timely affirmation that, through unity of purpose and concerted action, we can minimize risks to our planet and build a safer world for future generations. It is a lesson we must take to heart as we prepare for the United Nations Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen in December.

Some weeks ago, experts from the Montreal Protocol and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change and its Kyoto Protocol met in Geneva, Switzerland to chart a strategy on a group of chemicals that cause climate change. Hydrofluorocarbons, or HFCs, which are broadly used as replacements for ozone-depleting substances in foams, refrigeration and air conditioning systems, could, if widely used, contribute significantly to climate change by 2050, thereby undermining efforts to reduce the better-known greenhouse gases, principally carbon dioxide and methane from fossil fuel burning and deforestation.

By working together, the ozone and climate treaties can multiply their impact for sustainable development. Other benefits are likely to include improved energy efficiency in industrial and household processes and appliances, and spin-offs for the wider chemicals agenda, including in the areas of waste management and human health.

The International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer comes some 80 days before the Copenhagen climate conference. Governments must use that occasion to seal the deal on an ambitious, comprehensive and equitable new climate agreement. Without action on climate change, the world faces profound social, economic and environmental disruption. The example of the Montreal Protocol sends a powerful message that action on major global challenges is not only possible, but that the financial and human benefits invariably outweigh the costs.

UNIC

US trade association warns gov't of protectionist perils

WASHINGTON, 15 Sept—Protectionism would cause more trade disputes and drag the US economy into peril, a US industry association warned on Monday following President Barack Obama's on Friday decision to impose punitive tariffs on tyres imported from China.

"With the US economy on the verge of recovery, we strongly urge our leadership to follow through on G8 commitments to not erect protectionist barriers that would open the door for larger trade frictions and, more importantly, put our economic recovery in peril," American Apparel & Footwear Association (AAFA) President and CEO Kevin M Burke said in a statement released on Monday.

Xinhua



An amateur chorus sings the songs among the repertoire of odes to the homeland, during the large chorus contest of Singing for the Homeland by the Educational Department, Universities, Middle and Elementary Schools, which draws a total of 44 choruses to participate in, at the Musical Hall of the Tianjin Normal University, in Tianjin, north China, on 13 Sept, 2009.—XINHUA

Volkswagen sets to expand capacity in China

BEIJING, 15 Sept—Europe's biggest automaker Volkswagen AG is investing 4 billion euros (about 5.8 billion US dollars) over the next two to three years to maintain its "persistent development" in China, *China Daily* reported on Tuesday.

The German auto-maker would use the fresh investments, coming primarily from its two Chinese joint ventures, for launching new products and local capacity expansion in the world's fastest growing market, said the newspaper.

The company plans to

invest 1.3 billion euros to increase production at its Nanjing facility to 300,000 units per year and at its Chengdu plant to 350,000, with three new models set to rollout of Nanjing and two out of Chengdu by 2012. Volkswagen expects to achieve double-digit growth in China this year and to secure its market leadership going forward, the newspaper said, citing Winfried Vahland, President and CEO of Volkswagen Group China.

He said Volkswagen is "on the track" to achieve its goal of doubling annual sales to 2 million units by 2018 ahead of schedule. Volkswagen sold 652,222 vehicles in China in the first half of this year, 22.7 percent higher than the same period in 2008.

Xinhua

Risks to Eurozone economic recovery identified

BRUSSELS, 15 Sept—Statistics suggest the Eurozone is emerging from recession but underlying fears persist that a recovery may be short-lived.

A still fragile financial sector, coupled with rising unemployment and worsening public finances, has analysts remaining cautious in the face of encouraging European Commission economic forecasts for the latter half of year.

The commission, the executive arm of the European Union, singled out Spain from the 16-country Eurozone as the only one yet to escape the recession and it, too, warned that the recovery could be volatile as uncertainty is still rife.

Thanks to financial bailouts and economic stimulus measures, which cost Eurozone governments trillions of euros, financial markets in the bloc are now stabilizing.

However, while fi-

ancial markets have returned to almost normal conditions in recent months, challenges remain, notably the amount of toxic assets on banks' balance sheets that have yet to be revealed.

The European Central Bank estimates Eurozone commercial banks may post 649 bil-

lion euros (945 billion U.S. dollars) in writedowns by 2010 due to losses in the financial crisis, nearly double the 365 billion euros (531 billion dollars) so far reported. Dealing with the unexposed toxic assets could affect financial stability.

Xinhua

Intel announces organizational and management reshuffle

SAN FRANCISCO, 15 Sept—Intel Corp, the world's largest computer chipmaker, on Monday announced a number of organizational and management changes to consolidate its business and expand power of three senior executives.

The company said all of its major product divisions will be consolidated into a newly formed Intel Architecture Group, which will be co-managed by Sean Maloney and Dadi Perlmutter, both executive vice presidents.

Intel's global manu-

facturing organization, the Technology and Manufacturing Group, will now report to Andy Bryant, Intel's chief administrative officer and also an executive vice president.

The shakeup will allow Paul Otellini, the company's chief executive officer, to "devote a higher quotient of his time to corporate strategy and driving the company's growth initiatives," Intel said in a statement.

The expansion of responsibilities for the three executive vice presidents

projects them as possible candidates to succeed Otellini in the future, some analysts said.

Intel also confirmed that Pat Gelsinger, co-manager of its Digital Enterprise Group and Bruce Sewell, its general counsel, are leaving the company.

In a separate announcement, data storage company EMC Corp on Monday said it has hired Gelsinger as president and chief operating officer of EMC Information Infrastructure Products.

Xinhua

Argentina sues Uruguay at international court for environmental damage

BUENOS AIRES, 15 Sept—Argentina claimed on Monday that Uruguay was ignoring “irreversible” environmental damage to the Uruguay River, at an International Criminal Court hearing in The Hague, the Netherlands.

Argentina sued Uruguay in the international court in May 2006 for not seeking its agreement to establish the Botnia factory near the Uruguay River, which the countries share.

During the first public hearing, Argentine expert Philippe Sand said Uruguay had “not fulfilled its

obligation of protecting the environment of the Uruguay River.”

Sand said the Uruguay River could not support the pollution levels of the factory.

According to Argentina, Uruguay’s decision to establish the factory violated the Uruguay River Statute, signed in 1975.

The Argentine delegation led by ambassador Susana Ruiz Cerutti began presenting its evidence on Monday. The process will last till Thursday, when Uruguay will respond.

Ruiz said the Botnia fac-

tory was causing “irreparable damage” to Argentina and its establishment “was a real violation of the obligations set in Uruguay River Statute.”

“Each day, the factory deposits a large amount of polluting agents in the river and air. There will be irreversible damage for the river’s ecosystem,” Ruiz said. “We are worried about the Argentine inhabitants near the area, who have expressed their rejection of the factory due to the disgusting smells it produces,” Ruiz said.

Xinhua



A child plays nearby the aerospace science & technology flower parterre in Beijing on 14 September, 2009.

XINHUA

All items from Xinhua News Agency

China, Romania start joint military mountain training

BUCHAREST, 15 Sept—The Romanian and Chinese armies on Monday started a joint 10-day training session in mountain skills.

“Friendship Operation 2009” aims to exchange the training experience of the two armies, promote their basic technical and tactical capabilities, and further their cooperation.

The training was to focus on climbing, shooting, mountain rescues, and field drills. Both armies dispatched one squad to take part in the training.

The drill in western Romania was scheduled to end on 23 Sept.—Xinhua

Somali pirates free Greek ship

NAIROBI, 15 Sept—Somali pirates freed a Greek ship which was seized in April in the Gulf of Aden, according to reports from agencies.

The ship was freed with its 21 Filipino crew, said reports.

It was seized in the Gulf of Aden, where heavily armed gangs from Somalia have made tens of millions of dollars in ransoms targeting vessels using the strategic shipping lanes that link Europe to Asia.

Foreign navies have been deployed off the coast of the lawless Horn of Africa state since the start of the year to try to prevent more attacks on ships.

The European Union, the United States, Russia and China are among the nations conducting naval patrols off the coast of Somalia to protect commercial vessels and deter pirate attacks.

According to Ecoterra International, an NGO monitoring illegal maritime activities in the region, at least 163 attacks have been carried out by Somali pirates since the start of 2009 alone, 47 of them successful hijackings.

Somalia’s weak central government lacks the power to stop the piracy.

Xinhua

Wildfires destroy 1,500 hectares of land in Ecuador

QUITO, 15 Sept—Raging wildfires in Ecuador have burned some 1,500 hectares of land across the country over the past week, the Environment Ministry said on Monday.

The fires mainly affected the provinces of Pichincha, Imbabura, Tungurahua, Chimborazo, Manabi and Santa Elena as low humidity and large areas of trees and bushes fueled the fires in the dry season, the ministry said. Outside Quito, some 230 hectares of land near the forest have been charred by wildfires, Quito’s fire chief Atahualpa Sanchez said.

In some areas, the fires were so close to houses

that residents had to put them out with buckets of water. There have been no reports on the number of victims so far. Interim Environment Minister Manuel Bravo said the causes of the fires are under investigation.

Xinhua

Non-fatal bomb attack on retailers reported in Mexico City

MEXICO CITY, 15 Sept—A home-made bomb exploded in the early hours of Monday in a branch of the Max Mara clothes shop in Polanco, an upscale northeastern district of Mexico City, without injuring anyone, the third such attack this month, the Public Security Secretariat (SSP) of Mexico City said.

Officers from the SSP and anti-bomb agents went to the place located in President Mazaryk Avenue in Polanco district, one of the most well-off districts in the city. Police officers who

arrived at the scene reported finding a home-made explosive device made from butane gas tin cans. One of the two cans found at the scene failed to explode.

The first attack fitting this pattern was on 1 Sept in a bank branch in Tlalpan, an equally posh area in the south of the city. The second was in an auto dealership close to Mexico City International Airport. In all three attacks, butane gas was the explosive agent.

Xinhua

Egypt discovers 10 smuggling tunnels across the borders

RAFAH, 15 Sept—Egyptian security forces discovered on Monday 10 tunnels used to smuggle goods to Gaza Strip, according to a security source.

The source told Xinhua that a detained Palestinian smuggler, Mohammed al-Shaer, by Egyptian security forces guided to the tunnels.

Al-Shaer, one of the most dangerous smugglers through the tunnels,

was arrested four days ago during his return from Saudi Arabia to Gaza Strip through Rafah crossing, according to the security source.

The tunnels are used to bring in a wide array of products that are no longer allowed through official crossing points due to an Israeli blockade that has been in place for more than two years.

Israel and Egypt closed their border crossing

points with Gaza after Hamas movement seized control of the coastal enclave in 2007.

However, Egypt opens the Rafah travelers’ crossing from time to time for humanitarian Palestinian cases.

Egypt beefed up security measures along its border with the Gaza Strip to combat smuggling to the Israeli-blockaded territory.

Xinhua



Workers cut blankets at Yehai Blanket Factory in south China’s Hainan Province, on 14 Sept, 2009. The factory exported over 500,000 blankets of 52 brands in the first eight months this year, much more than the same period last year. —XINHUA



Flowers are displayed at a square in Yinchuan, capital of northwest China's Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region, to celebrate the upcoming National Day of China on 14 Sept, 2009.—XINHUA

Rail-laying of Xinjiang's first electrified railway completed

URUMQI, 15 Sept—The rail-laying of Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region's first electrified railway was completed on Monday.

The railway, which will be part of the trans-continental railway network linking China's coastal regions with southern European countries, connects the region's Jinghe, Yining and Horgos.

Construction of the railway, with an investment of 6 billion yuan (877 million US dollars) started in 2004. It is expected to open to traffic in November.

Xinhua

Wrong recording panics plane passengers

DUBLIN, 15 Sept—Irish airline Aer Lingus has apologized for the distress caused when a cabin crew mistakenly played a recording saying an emergency landing was imminent.

Passengers on the Dublin, Ireland, to Paris flight said an initial recording in English informed passengers of upcoming turbulence and told them to fasten their seat belts, but a follow-up announcement in French utilized the wrong recording and told passengers to

prepare for an emergency landing, Britain's *The Daily Telegraph* reported on Monday.

English speaking passengers said French travelers, who made up the majority of the 70 people on board the plane, were panicked by the announcement.

"The French man sleeping next to me woke up and looked very startled," one passenger said of the 4 Aug incident. "He then translated what had been said, that the plane was about to make an

emergency landing and to await instructions from the pilot. I got quite alarmed. The woman behind me was crying. All the French totally freaked out."

The airline said the recording was played by mistake and the cabin crew quickly apologized.

"There was a malfunction of the public address system and we apologize to our passengers," an Aer Lingus spokesman said. "This sort of thing happens very rarely."

Internet

Awards given for leukemia treatment, DNA advances

NEW YORK, 15 Sept—Five scientists have won prestigious research awards for developing a life-saving leukemia treatment and for advances in "reprogramming" DNA, which led to a new kind of stem cell. The \$250,000 Lasker Awards will be presented on 2 Oct in New York by the Albert and Mary Lasker Foundation. In addition, New York mayor Michael Bloomberg will receive a Lasker prize for

public service.

The clinical medical research award is shared by three scientists for work related to Gleevec, a drug that transformed chronic myelogenous leukemia from a fatal cancer into a manageable chronic condition. The honorees are Brian Druker, 54, of the Oregon Health & Science University; Nicholas B Lydon, 42, formerly of Novartis AG; and Charles L Saw-

yers, 50, of the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York.

Druker and Lydon's research led to development of the drug, which gained federal approval in 2001, while Sawyers led efforts to overcome resistance to the drug that arises in some patients. All three worked on studies in patients that began in 1998 and produced "astonishing results," the foundation said.—Internet

Computers better lip-readers than humans

NORWICH, 15 Sept—British scientists say their finding that computers are better lip-readers than humans may lead to improved lip-reading training for the deaf.

A new study by the University of East Anglia compared the performance of a machine-based lip-reading system with that of 19 human lip-readers.

The researchers found the automated system significantly outperformed the human lip-readers — scoring a recognition rate of 80 percent, compared with only 32 percent for human viewers on the same task.

The scientists also determined the computers were able to exploit very simplistic features that represent only the shape of the face, whereas human lip-readers require full video of people speaking.

Internet

SA pigeon 'faster than broadband'

Broadband promised to unite the world with super-fast data delivery — but in South Africa it seems the web is still no faster than a humble pigeon. A Durban IT company pitted an 11-month-old bird armed with a 4GB memory stick against the ADSL service from the country's biggest web firm, Telkom.

Winston the pigeon took two hours to carry the data 60 miles — in the same time the ADSL had sent 4% of the data. Telkom said it was not responsible for the firm's slow internet speeds. The idea for the race came when a member of staff at Unlimited IT complained about the speed of data transmission on ADSL.

He said it would be faster by carrier pigeon. "We renoun ourselves on being innovative, so we decided to test that statement," Unlimited's Kevin Rolfe told the *Beeld* newspaper.



Winston, an 11-month-old carrier pigeon, is held in front of a laptop computer which is downloading data from a memory card carried by the pigeon, in Durban. A South African information technology company on Wednesday proved it was faster for them to transmit data with Winston the pigeon than to send it using Telkom, the country's leading internet service provider. Internet speed and connectivity in Africa's largest economy are poor because of a bandwidth shortage. It is also expensive.

Well-dressed elderly man robs Calif bank

Authorities say a well-dressed elderly man carrying an oxygen tank has robbed a bank in the San Diego suburb of La Jolla.

San Diego police Sgt Ray Battrick says the suspect presented a note demanding money to a teller at the San Diego National Bank. He fled with an unknown amount of cash.

Battrick says it's unclear whether the suspect had a weapon.

The robber is described as a tall man in his 70s with white hair, a gray mustache and glasses. He was wearing a white beret, argyle sweater and brown sports jacket.

Battrick says the oxygen tank was in a black bag and connected to the man's nose with plastic tubing.

Tiger leaps out of enclosure, kills Vietnam zookeeper

A zookeeper in Vietnam was mauled to death and another injured by a tiger that leapt out of its enclosure to attack the workers, newspapers reported. Zoo workers were planting trees in an adjacent enclosure when the tiger pounced on them after leaping over the dividing wall at the Dai Nam Zoo, just north of Ho Chi Minh City.

One worker leapt into a pond to dodge the animal, which attacked the others in front of horrified visitors. "The wall between the two enclosures was made of concrete and about 5 or 6 metres high," the newspaper *Thanh Nien* quoted Duong Thanh Phi, director of the private zoo as saying.

According to conservation group WWF, there are about 4,000 tigers left in the world and they are considered an endangered species.



NEWS ALBUM



Mike Perham arrives in Portsmouth, England. The world's youngest round-the-world sailor has returned to Britain after charting some 28,000 miles (45,000 kilometers). Thousands cheered as the 17-year-old arrived in Portsmouth. A Guinness World Records representative has certified Perham is now the youngest person to sail around the world with some assistance. He was 16 when he set off in November and turned 17 in March. Perham tried to complete the challenge non-stop in his 50-foot racing yacht called *Totallymoney.com* but technical problems forced him to be assisted.

Israeli beekeeper Paz Raizel holds a honeycomb as he checks it for honey on a field near Kibbutz Yad Mordechai in southern Israel. Apples dipped in honey are traditionally eaten on the upcoming holiday of Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish new year.

Regional development tasks supervised in Kawthoung

YANGON, 15 Sept— Minister for Livestock and Fisheries Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein met with local people in 10th mile village of Kawthoung in Taninthayi Division on 12 September and donated exercise books and stationery for 10th mile village Basic Education Middle School, and a set of 21-inch colour TV for the rural library.

Next, the minister inspected progress in building the two-storey school

building of the 10th village BEMS and the jetty of District Fisheries Department and Shwewetwon company.

At the 7th mile village Post-Primary School in Kawthoung town, the minister met with local people from Shwepyisoe village and donated exercise books and stationery for the school and a set of 21-inch colour TV for the rural library.

After meeting with

local people and members of social organizations at Ayeyeiknyein ward in Kawthoung town, the minister donated exercise books and stationery for the monastic school and a set of 21-inch colour TV for the ward library.

Next, the minister looked into the 60-ton oil palm factory of Yuzana Oil Palm Company Ltd in Khamaukgyi town in Kawthoung district.

MNA



Minister Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein presents a set of 21-inch colour TV for 10th Mile Village, Kawthoung.—L&F

Basic education schools and education colleges inspected

YANGON, 15 Sept— Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein met with education staff at No. 1 Basic Education High School in South Okkalapa Township on 13 September. After giving instructions, the minister viewed the students pursuing education and urged them work hard.

Next, the minister

met with township education officers, schoolheads and teachers and discussed matters related to ensuring improvement in pass rate with them at No. 3 BEHS in Dagon Myothit (North) and No. 1 BEHS in North Okkalapa townships.

Having inspected Yankin and Thingangyun Education Colleges, the

minister urged the trainees to become well-qualified teachers and attended to the needs.

In meeting with township education officers, schoolheads and teachers at No. 1 BEHS in Thanlyin Township the minister discussed pass rate improvement and academic matters.

MNA



Minister Dr. Chan Nyein meets with education staff at No. 1 BEHS in South Okkalapa Township.— EDUCATION

Fitness training instructor and coach course 2009 opens

YANGON, 15 Sept— The opening ceremony of fitness training instructor and coach course 2009, conducted by Ministry of Sports and Myanmar Women's Sports Federation, was held at the Kyaikkasan sport ground here yesterday.

Chairperson of Central work Committee of MWSF Daw Aye Aye of made an opening speech on the occasion and opened the course. Altogether 70 instructors and 11 coaches trainees are attending the course.—MNA

Public notice

Ministry of Health is taking systematic measures to ensure that the public consume safe, potent high-quality medicines.

The following fake medicines have not been registered in Myanmar and they have no potency.

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1.	Dr. X 100 Tablet (Sildenafil 100mg)	Galpha Laboratories Ltd, India.
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3.	Mastigra 100Tablet (Sildenafil 100mg)	UNI-PEX Pharmaceuticals Pvt, Ltd India. (For Ridley Life - Science)
4.	Dexamethasone Tablet (Dexamethasone 500mcg)	Silver Shine International Co Ltd, Myanmar.
5.	Ya-HOM Powder (Five Pagodas Brand)	Five Pagodas Pharmacy Co Ltd, Thailand.

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Pharmaceutical companies and drugstores are not to import, distribute and sell medicines that are not registered in Myanmar, fake medicines and low standard medicines. If they fail to follow the rules and regulations, authorities concerned shall take action against them under section-18 of the national medicine law.

Ministry of Health

Evidence points to conscious 'metacognition' in some animals



Dolphins like Natua, pictured here, may share with humans the ability reflect upon their states of mind.

NEW YORK, 15 Sept — J. David Smith, Ph.D., a comparative psychologist at the University at Buffalo who has conducted extensive studies in animal cognition, says there is growing evidence that animals share functional

parallels with human conscious metacognition -- that is, they may share humans' ability to reflect upon, monitor or regulate their states of mind.

Smith makes this conclusion in an article published the September issue of the journal Trends in Cognitive Science (Volume 13, Issue 9). He reviews this new and rapidly developing area of comparative inquiry, describing its milestones and its prospects for continued progress. He says "comparative psychologists have studied the question of whether or not non-human animals have knowledge of their own cognitive states by testing a dolphin, pigeons, rats, monkeys and apes using perception, memory and food-concealment paradigms.

"The field offers growing evidence that some animals have functional parallels to humans' consciousness and to humans' cognitive self-awareness," he says. Among these species are dolphins and macaque monkeys (an Old World monkey species).

Internet

A warm welcome extended by the entire people

Maung Deh Doe

Maung Deh Doe: Hello, Grandpa, I have some pieces of good news to share with you.

Bagyi Phyo: What is it? I guess it might be the news about major repair to the drains in Yangon or regular supply of electric power. We have all known this news.

Doe: No, Grandpa. What I will tell you is a welcome news for the whole country. I have heard that national race peace groups will form political parties and they will get involved in the process of building a new nation.

Phyo: I have already heard of it. Well, tell me why you are happy with the news first. We can exchange our views, then.

Doe: All right, Grandpa. I'd say Iraq and Afghanistan are said to have been democratic countries, but every day, most of the TV news stories are about tragic events in those countries such as bomb blasts, armed conflicts and civilian casualties due to indiscriminate attacks. So, I am worried that in the 2010 election, if our country can bring an end to political armed conflicts and political bloodshed the people faced for many years, and we can transform our country into democratic politics in a peaceful way according to the constitution.

Phyo: I agree with you. **Our country has hardly seen armed attacks and bomb attacks, and peace and stability have been back to normal for a couple of decades. So, in my opinion, such tragic events should have gone away in our country.** I felt deeply concerned over our country when I heard of the Kokang Region issue some days ago. Some are inciting enmity between national races and the government.

Doe: Yes, Grandpa. So, I say that it is a welcome news that national race peace groups will form political parties and they will stand for election according to the democratic practices. Kachin Independence Organization in Kachin State, for instance, held a mass meeting at Laizar headquarters on 5 September and reached an agreement to accept its transformation in principle because that is part of generating a prosperous future of the country. They also decided to hold talks with reciprocal trust in the period of building peace, and to entirely oppose armed conflicts.

Moreover, it let the group of six leaders led by Vice-Chairman Dr Tu Ja to resign in order that they can form a political party and stand for election in 2010. Such good news reveals that Kachin national people are in favour of peace and they made a correct decision to take part in the process for building a peaceful, modern and developed democratic nation in accordance with the constitution. So, we have to welcome such news.

Phyo: That's right. **The people of us are never happy with the armed conflicts between national races, because they are, indeed, pure tragedies. They result from the evil legacy of the divide-and-rule policy the colonialists practiced to our country and distrust between national races due to various reasons in the post independence period. In consequence, our country could not build peace for so many years. As a matter of fact, the whole country and all national races suffered the consequences of the incidents.** There are many documentary records that Kachin national people joined hands with other national races in the anti-colonialists period, in the independence struggle period, and in the post-independence period for the interest of the Union. In the early post-independence period it was commonly said "Newly independent, truly violent" regarding the conditions of the country, and officers and other ranks of Kachin Rifles shared national defence duties risking their life and limb to save the Union that was on the verge of collapse. In reality, our armed forces is the Union armed forces because it has been formed with various national races of the Union since it was born. Therefore, I don't think national race peace groups should be reluctant to be under the control of the Union armed forces.

Doe: I have heard that like Kachin national race peace group, the New Mon State Party is gearing up to form a political party to stand for election. If the other national race peace groups choose the correct path like Kachin national race peace group and Mon national race peace group, our country can avert similar untold miseries of the countries that practise democracy out of pressure. And our country

will be able to take the democratic trend in a peaceful way that conforms with the culture and traditions of our country.

Phyo: Certainly! But, construction is always accompanied by destruction. In the case of the transformation of national race peace groups, for example, as you know some are trying to destroy the programme even though they have known the bilateral agreement that has been reached for a long time.

Doe: They are none other than BCP members who were driven out by national races. They chased a mirage, sticking to proletarian revolution and introduction of proletariat dictatorship for over 60 years. In the end, they suffered heavy loss in the Bago Yoma mountain range and met their tragic end in the northeast region. They were not successful at all in their underground movement. Very clear, they should have realized that they are doing wrong because their campaigns never work, but they are planning to attack the nation and take full advantage if national races are disunited. Now, they are claiming that national race peace groups have to take time for transformation. That is part of their strategy.

Phyo: What a nonsense! The peace groups have returned to the legal fold for over 20 years. The period is far more enough for transformation of the peace groups. In the Fascist time, BIA (Burma Independence Army) was transformed into BDA (Burma Defence Army). In the pre-independence period, Myanmar troops under the British government and PBF (Patriotic Burma Force) that derived from BDF and anti-Fascist resistance forces were combined into the Myanmar armed forces under the Kandy Agreement. It did not take very long although things did not go smooth.

Doe: **Nothing is difficult if they really want to do. What is important is their goodwill and trust. If they have pure goodwill and belief that all national races will have to work together for development, nothing will be difficult and it will not take very long. Now, it is high time national races showed no doubt to one another. And they should all have realized that loving-kindness is more powerful than arms.**

Phyo: Of course! As you have said if the remaining national races take the correct way with goodwill, loving-kindness and trust for the brighter future of our country like Kachin national race peace group and Mon national race peace group, surely all the people of the Union will extend a warm welcome to them with great pleasure.

Translation: MS

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Commander, Minister visit industrial zones, Sagaing Division



Minister Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein addresses at ceremony to provide cash assistance to farmers for cultivation of monsoon paddy by Zeya Theinga Co in Shwebo, Sagaing Division.—MNA

YANGON, 15 Sept — Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein met with onion growers at Kanhsint village-tract in Myingyan Township, Mandalay Division and gave necessary instructions on 12 August.

The minister inspected the ploughing of farmlands with the use of farming equipment invented by the farmers of Kanhsint village and viewed the crop plantations of Farmers U Chit Myaing and U Tin Sein of Thityon village-tract.

On 13 September, the minister met with members of the board of directors of Moe Thet Pulses and Beans Company, share holders and local farmers at the meeting hall of Myanma Agricultural Produce Trading in Pakokku and looked into crop plantations of local farmers at Maukalan village-tract in Yesagyo Township and Myaene village in Monywa Township.

The minister called for boosting production of qualified and marketable crops.

Chairman of Sagaing Division Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Myint Soe and Minister Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein visited Monywa Industrial Zone in Monywa and inspected foundry shops, wood-based factory and Aye Nyein Thida traditional medicine factory and left necessary instructions.

The commander and the minister attended the ceremony to provide cash assistance to farmers for cultivation of monsoon paddy by Zeya Theinga Co held at Yangyi Aung Hall in Shwebo, Sagaing Division on 14 September.

At Monywa Industrial Zone Branch (Shwebo), the commander and the minister heard reports on production of machines in the zone presented by an official and gave necessary instructions. They then oversaw Yokeypyo traditional medicine factory and nursery and Htaiktan workshop.—MNA

Construction Minister inspects Yangon-Pathein Road

YANGON, 15 Sept — Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint inspected road works along Yangon-Pathein Road yesterday.

At the briefing hall near Bo Myat Tun Bridge, a director of the Directorate of Water Resources and Improvement of River System reported to the minister on condition of Ayeyawady River and maintenance of the bridge.

After the meeting, the minister viewed the water flow in the river and condition of the bridge. He also called for maintenance of the bridge.

The minister took the boat trip and visited the site chosen to construct a rail-cum-motor road bridge spanning Ayeyawady River.

MNA



Minister Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint inspects the durability of Bo Myat Tun Bridge.—CONSTRUCTION

PBANRDA Minister attends opening of new gravel road, meets locals in Yekyi and Kyonpyaw Tsps

YANGON, 15 Sept—Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Thein Nyunt attended the opening of Yinsaing-Mayanchaung gravel road undertaken by Kyaungkon Township Development Affairs Committee of Ayeyawady Division on 14 September.

With the emergence of the new road running from Yangon-Pathein Road to Mayanchaung Village, which is 2-mile and 2-furlong long, locals from 24 villages of Kyaungkon Township have an easy access through that road and enjoy the fruits of improving social, economic, health and education status.

Next, the minister met members of social organizations, townsenders and members of Ward and Vil-

lage Peace and Development Council at people's hall in Yekyi Township and members of social organizations, townsenders and members of Ward and Village Peace and Development Council at Ayayamin hall in Kyonpyaw Township.

MNA

Drugs, chemicals seized in Laukkai Township, Shan State (North)

NAY PYI TAW, 15 Sept—Acting on information, Kunlon special anti-drug squad of Shan State (North) and security force members conducted a thorough search and seized about 12 gallons of hydrochloric acid, about 8 and a half gallons of phosphoric acid, about 14 and a half gallons of acetic anhydride and 20 gallons of mixed ether from the bamboo house in a maize field near Yinsin Village, Laukkai Township, on 13 September at about 5.30 pm.

Similarly, at 12.45 pm on 14 September, 83 kilos of unidentified white chemical powder, 3,024,000 white tablets each with 15 milligrams of caffeine, 323,000 brown methamphetamine stimulant tablets (thick) and 4,990,000 brown methamphetamine stimulant tablets (thin) were seized from a cave near Yinsin Village. In connection with the cases, action is being taken to expose the culprits.—MNA



Minister Col Thein Nyunt attending the opening of Yinsaing-Mayanchaung gravel road in Kyaungkon Township.—PBANRDA

Kalay District sees considerable development in all sectors

Article: Kyawt Maung Maung, Photos: Tin Soe (Myanma Alin)

(from page 16)

Kalay District has an area of 3336.56 square miles and stands at 5000 feet above sea level. It is surrounded by Shwebo District in the east, Chin State in the west, Monywa and Gangkaw Districts in the south and Mawleikand Tamu Districts in the north.



U Kyi Win
Chairman of Kalay District Peace and Development Council.

Secretary U Min Naung of Kalay Township PDC took us to Tahan New Market and Kalay University. On our way to Tahan New Market, we saw the airport building on Bogyoke road in Kalay and the beautiful garden with colourful flowers in front of the township police station.

On our arrival to

Tahan New Market which is under construction, the chairman of Tahan Market Committee and responsible persons explained that the construction work will be completed at the end of this year. There will be 784 shops in two two-storey buildings, A and B. It is planned to close the mar-

ket every Sunday.

After leaving the Industrial Zone in Kalay along Bogyoke road, we arrived in Kalay University. We viewed learning of students at the university.

Kalay University was opened on 14 May, 2003, and Technological University and University of Computer Studies were

opened on 20 January, 2007. Local authorities are striving for improvement in education standard of local youths as well as all-round development of Kalay District with the use of all possible ways and means.

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Kalay University in Kalay, Sagaing Division provides tertiary education for local national youths.



Tahan new market is under construction in Kalay Township, Sagaing Division.



Thriving paddy plantations of Mauklinn village and neighbouring villages in Kalay Township.

Common pain cream could protect heart during attack

CINCINNATI, 15 Sept — New research from the University of Cincinnati shows that a common, over-the-counter pain salve rubbed on the skin during a heart attack could serve as a cardiac-protectant, preventing or reducing damage to the heart while interventions are administered.

These findings are published in the Sept. 14 edition of the journal *Circulation*.

Keith Jones, PhD, a researcher in the department of pharmacology and cell biophysics, and

scientists in his lab have found that applying capsaicin to specific skin locations in mice caused sensory nerves in the skin to trigger signals in the nervous system. These signals activate cellular “pro-survival” pathways in the heart which protect the muscle.

Capsaicin is the main component of chili peppers and produces a hot sensation. It is also the active ingredient in several topical medications used for temporary pain relief.—*Internet*

A common, over-the-counter pain salve rubbed on the skin during a heart attack could serve as a cardiac-protectant.



World philosophy congress opens in Beijing

BEIJING, 15 Sept—The 24th World Congress of the International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy (IVR) opened here Tuesday.

It heard a letter of congratulations from a senior Chinese leader on behalf of China's government. energy resources crises and terrorism. The spreading global financial crisis poses a threat to some countries' social stability", said Zhou Yongkang, a member of the Standing Committee of the Communist Party

of China (CPC) Central Committee Political Bureau, in the letter.

"The rule of law plays an important role in promoting harmony between man and the nature and among different countries," he said. "China is stepping up its efforts to build a socialist country ruled by law and a harmonious society", Zhou said. "And China is willing to work with people of all countries for a harmonious world of lasting peace and universal prosperity."

The biennial

congress with the theme of "Global harmony and rule of law" is being held in China for the first time since it was established in Germany in 1909. It will run in Beijing until Sept. 20, says the China Law Society (CLS), which is hosting the event. More than 800 philosophers and legal experts from more than 50 countries and regions are gathering to exchange ideas concerning relations among nations, and between cultures and legal systems.

Xinhua



A dish sculptured from a watermelon is seen during a cooking competition greeting the 2010 Shanghai World Expo held in Wujiaochang in Yangpu District of Shanghai, east China, on 15 Sept, 2009, which attracted chefs from 16 catering companies joining in the competition.—INTERNET



A man visits a painting exhibition in Ulan Bator, capital of Mongolia, on 15 Sept, 2009. Eighty paintings by Chinese artists were displayed at the exhibition for the 60th anniversary of the establishment of the China-Mongolia diplomatic relations.—INTERNET

Iran atomic chief says ready to defend nuclear facilities

TEHERAN, 15 Sept—Iran is ready to defend its nuclear facilities against any foreign attack, chief of Iran's Nuclear Energy Organization Ali Akbar Salehi said Tuesday.

"Iran has been continuously threatened with attacks on its nuclear facilities ... Tehran is confident of its capacities to defend itself," Salehi told Iran's IRINN state TV channel.

Salehi made the remarks on the sidelines of annual General Conference of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), which opened Monday in the Vienna. The General Conference will conclude on Sept. 18. About 1,500 delegates from 150 IAEA member states are attending the meeting.

Israel has not ruled out the possibility of bombing Iran's nuclear facilities which are regarded by the Jewish state as a potential threat against its existence.—Xinhua

Rocket attacks wound two children in E Afghan

KABUL, 15 Sept—Rockets fired by militants in Khost province in east of Afghanistan wounded two children and caused panic among the locals on Tuesday, police said.

"Some 10 rockets fired by Taliban rebels in Sabari district Tuesday, one of which struck a house injuring two innocent children," district police chief Rasoul Marjan told Xinhua. Taliban insurgents have speed up attacks.

Conflicts and Taliban-linked insurgency, according to UN report released recently, had claimed more than 1000 civilian lives until June, which means a 24 percent increase compared with the same period last year.

Xinhua

Mass grave found in N Afghanistan

KABUL, 15 Sept—A mass grave containing remaining of over 30 bodies have been discovered in Kunduz province north of Afghanistan, a local official said Tuesday.

"These bodies which speak from barbaric wars during past decades were found in Ali Abad district on Monday," Habibullah Mutasim, the governor of Ali Abad told Xinhua.

He also insisted these people were massacred some 30 years ago when the Moscow-backed regime was in power in Afghanistan.

The locals, he added, want the authorities to identify and punish those responsible for the massacre.

Afghanistan has experienced bloody foreign invasions, wars and factional fighting over the past three decades and so far dozens of mass graves have been discovered in different parts of the country.

Xinhua

US targets smugglers at Puerto Rico Airport

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, 15 Sept—Several employees of American Airlines were among a group of at least 20 people arrested Tuesday on suspicion of aiding a smuggling ring that shipped drugs from Puerto Rico's main airport to the U.S. mainland.

U.S. federal agents and Puerto Rican police swarmed the Luis Munoz Marin International Airport in San Juan to make the arrests, said a law enforcement official who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to reveal details of the investigation.

Several ground crew employees of American Airlines are suspected of helping to transport drugs from South America and the Caribbean to the United States, the official said. He said 23 arrest warrants have been issued in cities across the US Caribbean territory and Miami.

American spokeswoman Minnette Velez confirmed the arrest of airline employees but gave no details.

Xinhua

A concept car of BMW Mini is pictured during the Frankfurt International Auto Show IAA in Frankfurt on 15 September, 2009.

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Only 10% of US adults have low heart risk

WASHINGTON, 15 Sept—Ninety percent of American adults have at least one risk factor for heart disease, researchers reported on Monday. Virtually all Americans either have high blood pressure, high cholesterol, high blood sugar, are overweight, smoke or exercise too little, the team led by the Centres for Disease Control and Prevention reported.

“Unfortunately, the limited strides that were made towards this goal during the 1970s and 1980s were eroded by the increases in excess weight, diabetes and hypertension during more recent decades,” the CDC’s Dr Earl Ford, who led the study, said in a statement. Ford’s team looked at four national studies covering tens of thousands of Americans aged 25 to 74.

Only 10 percent had low risk scores in all five categories, they reported in the journal *Circulation*. “Until the early 90s, we were moving in a positive direction, but then it took a turn and we’re headed in a negative direction,” said Ford.

“When you look at the individual factors, tobacco use is still headed in the right direction and so are cholesterol levels, although that has leveled off. The problem is that blood pressure, BMI (body mass index, a measure of obesity) and diabetes are all headed in the wrong direction.”

MNA/Reuters

Centre for Human Resource Development (Yangon University of Foreign Languages) Invitation for Application to Attend Foreign Language Courses

The Centre for Human Resource Development (Yangon University of Foreign Languages) will open evening courses on Chinese, English, French, French (Translation and Interpretation), German, Japanese, Korean, Russian and Thai.

Commencement date of course : 5-10-2009

Commencement date for submission of applications : 29-9-2009

Closing date for applications : 2-10-2009

(For English language the day on which the targeted number of applicants is reached)

Application to be submitted to : Yangon University of Foreign Languages

Days : Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays

Time : 5:20-7:00p.m.

Education qualification : Matriculation Passed

Enquiry : Student’s Affairs

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Bulgaria seizes 95 kilos of heroin at border with Serbia

SOFIA, 15 Sept—Bulgaria Customs officials seized 95 kilos of heroin on Monday at the Kalotina border check point in a Turkish lorry trying to cross the Bulgaria-Serbian border, Bulgarian Customs Agency’s Press office announced.

The Customs officers discovered 182 packets with beige dustlike substance in the reserve tyres of the lorry, which has Turkish registration plates. After being taken away for testing, it was confirmed that the substance was heroin. The heroin is thought to have a black market price of 11 million leva (about 8.21 million US dollars) and the Turkish driver has been taken away for questioning.—MNA/Xinhua

Glaxo says one H1N1 vaccine dose works well

LONDON, 15 Sept—GlaxoSmithKline said on Monday a single shot of its H1N1 swine flu vaccine protected people from the virus, adding to evidence that tight supplies can be stretched further by avoiding the need for two doses.

The British drugmaker is the latest company to report success with a single dose. Results from the first clinical trial with its candidate vaccine showed nearly 100 per cent protection three weeks after vaccination.

A single dose of Glaxo’s adjuvanted vaccine protected 98 per cent of healthy volunteers, even though it contained a lower than normal amount of antigen, or active ingredient. Adjuvants are immune-stimulating compounds added to vaccines to boost their effectiveness.—MNA/Reuters

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The so-called superbug MRSA, a multiresistant strain of staphylococcus usually found in hospitals, has been discovered for the first time on US beaches, a study said.

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

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Microwave ovens are shown along a production line. From the land of fish and chips, beans on toast and deep-fried Mars Bars come fish fingers specially designed to be crispy, not soggy, when they come out of the microwave.—INTERNET

Spare tire in kids linked to heart risk

AUGUSTA, 15 Sept— Children with more fat around their midsections may be at a higher risk of developing cardiovascular disease later in life, US researchers say.

The study, published in the *International Journal of Pediatric Obesity*, suggests clinical measurement of the waist may help identify the children most likely to develop the warning signs of cardiovascular disease.

In the study sample of 188 obese children ages 7-11, those with a waist circumference above the 90th percentile were three times more likely to have

high triglycerides — fat particles in the blood — and nearly four times more likely to have lower levels of high density lipoproteins — “good cholesterol.” They were also 3.7 times more likely to have high fasting insulin levels — a diabetes precursor.

“While general obesity certainly has its own set of risks for the heart, we now know that all fat is not created equally,” Dr Reda

Bassali of the Medical College of Georgia School of Medicine says in a statement.

“Unfortunately, we don’t have a real explanation why some people gain weight in the center of their body and others gain it, for instance, in their thighs. It could be environmental. It could be genetic. It could be a combination of the two.”

Internet

Sleep helps reduce errors in memory

EAST LANSING, 15 Sept— Michigan State University researchers say sleep may reduce mistakes in memory for both the young and the old.

Kimberly Fenn, an assistant professor of psychology, says the findings have practical implications for everyone from students flubbing multiple choice tests to senior citizens confusing their medications.

“It’s easy to muddle things in your mind,” Fenn says in a statement. “This research suggests that after sleep you’re better able to tease apart the incorrect aspect of that memory.”

Fenn and colleagues at the University of Chicago and Washington

University in St Louis studied the presence of false memory in groups of college students. Previous research has shown that sleep improves memory, but this study address errors in memory, Fenn says.

Study participants were exposed to lists of words and then, 12 hours later, exposed to individual words and asked to identify which words they had seen or heard in the earlier session. Student had different levels of sleep.

The study, published in the journal *Learning & Memory*, found the students who had slept had fewer problems with false memory — choosing fewer incorrect words.

Internet

Diabetes drug also kills cancer stem cells

BOSTON, 15 Sept— US scientists say they’ve found that in human breast cancer cell tumors in mice, a diabetes drug worked better than chemotherapy in prolonging remission.

Researchers led by Harvard Medical School Professor Kevin Struhl said the mice appeared tumor-free for two months after treatment before the end of the experiment. The drug, metformin, appears to selectively kill cancer stem cells in culture dishes and in mice.

The scientists said their findings provide additional rationale for testing

metformin in combination with chemotherapy in people with breast cancer and perhaps other cancers.

The scientists said their findings add to a growing body of preliminary evidence in cells, mice, and people that metformin may improve breast cancer outcomes in people. In the new study, the diabetes drug seemed to work independently of its ability to improve insulin sensitivity and lower blood sugar and insulin levels, all of which are also associated with better breast cancer outcomes, the researchers said.—Internet

US researchers discover mystery about solar wind

LOS ANGELES, 15 Sept— US researchers have for the first time discovered that the solar wind, a stream of energized particles that flows out from the sun, varies greatly in how it affects the earth’s magnetosphere.

As a result of the discovery, spacecraft, power grids and other modern facets of life could be made safer, according to researchers at the University of California in Los Angeles (UCLA).

The mystery about how the solar wind interacts with earth’s atmosphere had puzzled scientists for

half century.

The rate at which the solar wind transfers energy to the magnetosphere — a highly magnetized region which surrounds and protects the Earth — can vary widely, but what determines the rate of energy transfer was unclear, according to UCLA atmospheric scientists. “We thought it was unknown, but we came up with a major surprise,” UCLA professor Larry Lyons said in a press release available here on Monday.

Lyons said Heejong Kim, an assistant UCLA researcher and their colleagues analyzed radar data that measure the strength of the interaction by measuring flows in the ionosphere, the part of the Earth’s upper atmosphere ionized by solar radiation. The results surprised them.—Xinhua

Tumors fueled, in part, by free radicals

ANN ARBOR, 15 Sept— The growth of cancerous tumors is fueled, in part, by the buildup of free radicals, or oxygen-containing molecules, US researchers say.

Chemical biologist Kate Carroll of the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor and colleagues say their method monitors an early tip-off of oxidative stress — sulfenic acid in proteins produced when the oxidant hydrogen peroxide reacts with the protein building block cysteine. The researchers managed to use a chemical probe to “trap” the small, transient, hard-to-detect sulfenic acid and tag it for

recognition with a fluorescence microscope in a panel of breast cancer cell lines.

“For each line, we saw a very distinct pattern of sulfenic acid modifications, indicating differ-

ent oxidative stress levels and hinting at differences in the underlying molecular events associated with tumor growth,” Carroll, the study leader, said in a statement.

Internet



Breast cancer drugs raise blood clot risk

PORTLAND, 15 Sept— Drugs used to lower the risk of breast cancer in women have the side effect of increasing the likelihood of blood clots, researchers in Oregon say.

The study, published in the current issue of *Annals of Internal Medicine*, examined the effects of tamoxifen, raloxifene and tibolone reduce the risk of invasive breast cancer by 30 percent to 68 percent. But it also found

tamoxifen and raloxifene increase the chance of blood clots by 60 percent to 90 percent, and that tibolone, which is not on the US market, is associated with strokes in women over 70.

“They did differ on the harm side. That’s important to know,” said Dr Heidi D Nelson, a research professor at Oregon Health & Science University who was the lead author.—Internet

A two-year-old Pug named Bentley rides a wave as he competes in the 20lbs and under heat at the 4th annual Helen Woodward Animal Centre “Surf Dog Surf-A-Thon” at dog beach in Del Mar, California on 13 Sept, 2009. The event helps raise awareness and money for orphaned pets while promoting responsible pet ownership.—XINHUA

SPORTS

Del Potro wins US Open after stun victory over Federer

WASHINGTON, 15 Sept—Argentine Juan Del Potro upset world number one Roger Federer 3-6, 7-6(5), 4-6, 7-6(5), 6-2 to win the US Open, the first Grand Slam title of his career on Monday.

At the age of 20, the sixth seed broke the Swiss mogul earlier in the final set to push Federer to the corner. The Swiss saved two match points in the final game before Del Potro notched up the stunning win.

Del Potro is the first Argentine since Guillermo Vilas to win the New York title. The Argentine's win also means that Federer's bid to become the first man in modern history to win six straight trophies at the same event was dashed.

Xinhua



Juan Martin Del Potro (R) of Argentina and Roger Federer of Switzerland pose during the awarding ceremony for the men's singles final at the US Open tennis tournament in New York, on 14 Sept, 2009. —XINHUA

Dengue fever kills 253 in Sri Lanka

COLOMBO, 15 Sept—The death toll from Dengue fever in Sri Lanka has risen to 253 so far, the country's Epidemiological Unit of the Health Ministry said Monday. The Epidemiological Unit said in its latest statistics that of the 25,771 cases, the highest number of patients were reported from June, totalling 7,048. It is followed by July with 6,872 cases being reported.

This represents a sharp increase as 4,156 Dengue cases and 85 deaths were reported for the whole year of 2008. However, the number of Dengue cases dropped to 3,011 in August as the government took measures to control the spread

of the disease.

Health officials said the majority of this year's cases have been reported from the areas of Kandy, Kegalle, Colombo and Gampaha. The rapid rise in the level of the epidemic has forced the health authorities to carry out extensive public awareness campaign to eradicate the mosquito based epidemic.

The World Health Organization says some 2.5 billion people, two-fifths of the world's population, are now at risk from Dengue. It estimates there may be 50 million cases of dengue infection worldwide every year.

MNA/Xinhua

Indian FM arrives in Kathmandu on 2-day visit

KATHMANDU, 15 Sept—Indian Foreign Secretary Nirupama Rao arrived here Monday on a two-day visit during which she will hold talks with top Nepalese leadership and discuss political developments in this country, besides visiting Pashupatinath temple where two Indian priests were thrashed by Maoists.

During her maiden visit here as Foreign Secretary, Rao will hold talks with her counterpart Gyan Chandra Acharya and Foreign Minister Sujata Koirala. She is expected to call on President Ram Baran Yadav and Prime Minister Madhav Kumar Nepal besides meeting other senior officials.

On her arrival here, Rao told reporters that India's relationship with Nepal is very important. "We have had a

long standing friendship and cooperation with Nepal. I look forward very much in strengthening the ties with Nepal during my tenure (as Foreign Secretary)," she said.

Rao is scheduled to visit Tuesday the famous Pashupatinath temple in Kathmandu, where two newly-appointed Indian priests were beaten up by a group of Maoists demanding their replacement by local 'pujaris'. The incident had drawn strong condemnation from India.

She is also likely to meet leaders of various political parties, including opposition Maoist chief Prachanda. The visit is a regular one and aimed at acquainting her about the current political developments in the Himalayan republic, Indian Embassy sources said.

MNA/PTI



Canadian billionaire Guy Laliberte drops into a pool during an emergency landing practice at the training centre in Star City outside Moscow, on 14 Sept, 2009. Laliberte, who owns Cirque du Soleil, is set to become the world's seventh and Canada's first space tourist after being slated to travel on a Russian Soyuz space craft to the International Space Station at the end of September.—XINHUA

US-China economic, trade coop Forum opens in Chicago

CHICAGO, 15 Sept—US-China Economic and Trade Cooperation Forum opened in Chicago Monday, with participants calling for greater cooperation in trade and industries between the two countries. Yu Ping, Vice Chairman of China Council for the Promotion of International Trade said during the opening ceremony that Chinese and American businesses should strengthen communication and cooperation and join hands to transfer crisis to opportunities and create a better future.

He offered three suggestions during his speech. First of all, China and US should strengthen equal dialogue, expand regional exchange to achieve mutual benefits and a win-win result. Secondly, both countries should make efforts to make trade and investment between the two countries more convenient. Thirdly, China and US should continually promote cooperation and innovation in green areas and promote the sustainable development between the two countries.

Li Yanhong, CEO and founder of Baidu.com, said during his speech that financial crisis actually offers great opportunities for companies to speed up their development and Baidu is a good example. William Zarit, minister counsellor for commercial affairs, Department of Commerce of the US, introduced Invest American and Access America programmes which are designed to help foreign investors and business people to come to the US for business development.

MNA/Xinhua



South Korea plans to train 3,000 "cyber sheriffs" by next year to protect businesses after a spate of attacks on state and private websites, a report said on Sunday.—INTERNET

Nine smugglers, one police killed in Iran shootout

TEHERAN, 15 Sept—Nine armed drug traffickers and one Iranian policeman have been killed in a shootout near the border with Afghanistan, a police commander said on Monday. Hossein Sajedinia, a regional police commander, said security forces intercepted on Sunday a caravan of smugglers who refused to give themselves up and opened fire on agents, Mehr news agency reported.

"In the course of this exchange of fire nine armed outlaws were killed and one police officer was martyred," Sajedinia said. Police seized arms and ammunition and 122 kilos (268 pounds) of opium, he added.

Iran's eastern border areas are known for frequent clashes between security forces and well-armed drug traffickers. Iran is a key transit route for narcotics smuggled from Afghanistan, which produces more than 90 percent of the world's supply of opium, to the West and elsewhere.

MNA/Reuters

Ronaldo, Kaka eye new golden Real Euro era

Cristiano Ronaldo (left) looks at teammate Kaka. INTERNET



ZURICH, 15 Sept—Cristiano Ronaldo and Kaka, who cost Real Madrid over 150 million euros, aim to lead the Spanish giants to a 10th European title this season, with their campaign starting in the humble surroundings of FC Zurich on Tuesday.

Ronaldo, the world's most expensive player, insists the historic winning mentality at the club will be key to driving them to a place in the Champions League final which will be staged at their Santiago Bernabeu home in May next year.

"This is a club used to winning, a lot of the players here are winners, but now it's about a new team and a new squad," said Ronaldo, keen to dismiss comparisons with the Galactico era.

"That's why we have to create the right mentality for us to win the league, the Champions League and the cups. This is a club obsessed with winning and now the players here have to think the same way."

Real's last Champions League triumph came in 2002 and with bitter rivals Barcelona taking the title last season, the club's ambition has been sharpened further. Last season Real Madrid were beaten 5-0 on aggregate by Liverpool in the first knockout round. It was the fifth successive season they had lost out in the last 16. "The ambition is to win the Champions League," said Kaka. "On top of that, you have the possibility of us being at home (in the final) and it would be fantastic to play the final at the Bernabeu."

Real and FC Zurich have met once before in the competition but that was 45 years ago with the Spaniards winning 8-1 over two legs in the semi-final before losing to Inter Milan 3-1 in the final.—*Internet*

MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (16-9-2009) (Wednesday)

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

Local Transmission

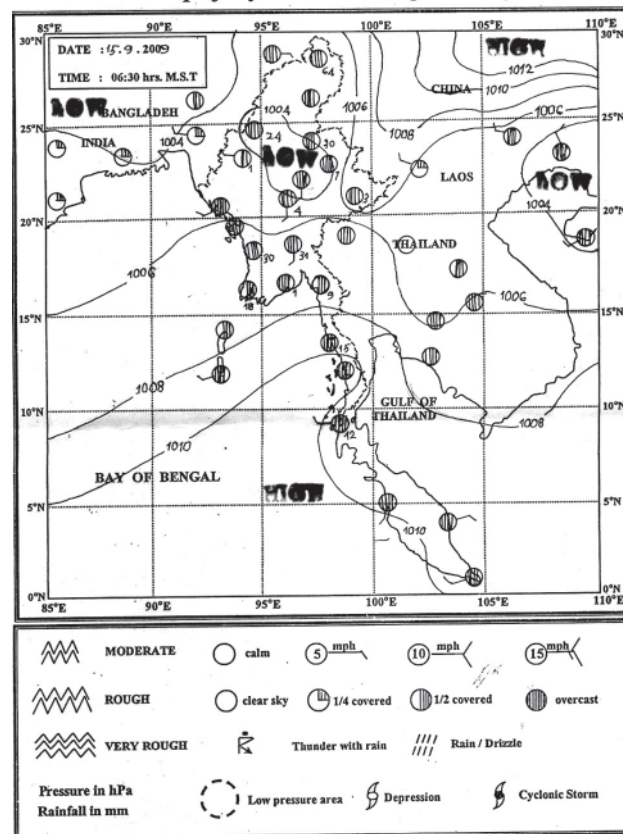
- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Kyaing Tong with Much Attraction
- * Showcase of Myanmar Fabrics and Designer Wears
- * Revive Traditional performing Arts and promote national character
- * Culture Stage
- * Shwe Nan Daw Cultural Museum
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * The Myanmar Turban Unique
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Europe/ North America Transmission

- * Signature Tune
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- * Kyaing Tong with Much Attraction
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- * Revive Traditional performing Arts and promote national character
- * Culture Stage
- * Shwe Nan Daw Cultural Museum
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * The Myanmar Turban Unique
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * Education breaks through the Darkness
- * Let's Savour Strawberry Milkshake
- * Mann Ma-Yway
- * Culture Stage
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * With love all are possible
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Tuesday, 15th September, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST:

During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kayah State, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Magway Division, scattered in Rakhine State and Mandalay Division, fairly widespread in Kachin, Shan, Chin and Kayin States, lower Sagaing, Bago, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (0.67) inch, Thantaunggyi (3.31) inches, Kyaunhla (2.68) inches, Putao (2.56) inches, Butalin (2.35) inches, Mawlaik (2.20) inches, Theinzayat (1.85) inches, Zaungtu (1.82) inches, Paung (1.57) inches and Pakokku (0.28) inch.

Maximum temperature on 14-9-2009 was 95°F. Minimum temperature on 15-9-2009 was 72°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 15-9-2009 was 82 %. Total sun shine hours on 14-9-2009 was (6.0) hours approx.

Rainfall on 15-9-2009 was (0.28) inch at Mingaladon, (0.04) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.28) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (94.61) inches at Mingaladon, (104.84) inches at Kaba-Aye and (111.22) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from Northwest at (16:30) hours MST on 14-9-2009.

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

Forecast valid until evening of 16th September 2009: Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Kachin, Chin, Shan States and upper Sagaing Division, fairly widespread in Mon, Kayin and Rakhine States, Ayeyawady, Yangon, Bago and Taninthayi Divisions and isolated scattered in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

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

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 16-9-2009: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 16-9-2009: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 16-9-2009: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).



Wednesday, 16 September 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. အင်္ဂလိပ်စာ (ယဉ်ကျေးမှုနှင့် ဝတ်စားဆင်ယင်ရေး)

7:50 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

6. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:15 am

7. မြန်မာ့အလင်းစာတိုက်

8:30 am

8. ၂၀၀၉ခုနှစ် (၁၇)ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆိုအက၊ အရေး၊ အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ၊ ပြိုင်ပွဲဝင်များလေ့လာနိုင်ကြရန် (ကာလပေါ်တေးနှင့် ခေတ်ဟောင်းတေး) (အခြေခံပညာ ၅-၁၀နှစ်) (အမျိုးသား)

8:40 am

9. International News

8:50 am

10. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Myanmar National League (2009) ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲ ထုတ်လွှင့်မှုအစီအစဉ် (ရတနာပုံ FC အသင်းနှင့် ဇေယျာရွှေမြေ FC အသင်း)

5:00 pm

2. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ

- တတိယနှစ် (မြန်မာမှုပညာ အထူးပြု) (မြန်မာမှုပညာ)

5:15 pm

3. Songs to uphold National Spirit

5:20 pm

4. ရှုဖွယ်စုံလင်အာဆီယံအစီအစဉ်

5:30 pm

5. ၂၀၀၉ခုနှစ် (၁၇)ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆိုအက၊ အရေး၊ အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ၊ ပြိုင်ပွဲဝင်များလေ့လာနိုင်ကြရန် (ကာလပေါ်တေးနှင့် ခေတ်ဟောင်းတေး) (အခြေခံပညာ ၅-၁၀နှစ်) (အမျိုးသမီး)

5:40 pm

6. စုပေါင်းသံရုပ်ရှင်းချယ်ပွဲ

6:00 pm

7. Evening News

6:15 pm

8. Weather Report

6:20 pm

9. မြန်မာ့ဓလေ့ရိုးရာလက်တွေ့

6:35 pm

10. ထက်မြက်ပျော်ရွှင် အိမ်ထောင်ရှင်

7:00 pm

11. "တားဆီးကာကွယ် လူတုပ်ကွေးအန္တရာယ်" (ငှက်ပျောကြော်နီ၊ နှင်းကူတို့) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-မျိုးအေး)

7:10 pm

12. တေးဂီတအစီအစဉ်

7:25 pm

13. ရသပေါ်လွင် သရုပ်ဆောင်လွင်ပြင်

8:00 pm

14. News

15. International News

16. Weather Report

17. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

- "မြို့ခိုးဝေဝေချစ်သက်တည်" (တတိယပိုင်း) (အပိုင်း-၅) ၂၀၀၈ခုနှစ် (၁၆) ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှုအဆိုအက၊ အရေး၊ အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ "ဘူရိဒတ်ဇာတ်တော်ကြီး" (ဒုတိယဆု) (စစ်ကိုင်းတိုင်း) (ဒုတိယပိုင်း)

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

- ★ Anarchy begets anarchy, not democracy
- ★ Riots beget riots, not democracy
- ★ Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

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

Kalay District sees considerable development in all sectors

After making a field trip to Monywa to learn about regional development, the Myanma Alin news team went to Kalewa in a hovercraft. The hovercraft traveling at high speed was exciting. Shortly after our arrival in Kalewa, we proceeded to Kalay in a passenger bus. No sooner had we arrived in the vicinity of Kalay Township, than we saw a signboard saying "Welcome to Kalay". Beyond the signboard, University of Computer Studies (Kalay) and a chosen site for extended construction of the university greeted us.

As soon as the bus with news crew members of us on board entered Kalay after crossing many small steel frame bridges along the uphill tarred road, we saw the signboard of the entrance to Kalay encircled by multicoloured flowers.

While in Kalay, we met with Chairman of Kalay District Peace and Development Council U Kyi Win under the arrangement of In-Charge U Thein Soe of Sub-printing House (Kalay) and had an opportunity to study regional development work in the

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Photos: Tin Soe (Myanma Alin)*

district.

Chairman U Kyi Win explained the undertakings being carried out in the district to us. He said, "Kalay District comprising Kalay, Kalewa and Minkin Townships is made up of 11 wards, 138 village-tracts and 479 villages." He continued to give accounts of regional development work being undertaken. "Ma Sein-Kyauksin suspension bridge at Ma Sein Model Village in Kalewa is under construction and agricultural work in Mingin is in progress. In Kalay, the road linking Pyinn-khon-lay and Latpanchaung villages was inaugurated recently thanks to efforts of Kalay Township Development Affairs Committee in cooperation with local people. Work is being carried out to link the road with Tamu road", he added.

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The signboard at the entrance to Kalay surrounded by multicoloured flowers.

Intellectual Property Rights course on 27 Sept

YANGON, 15 Sept— Human Resources Development Committee under Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry will conduct the course on Intellectual Property Rights at UMFCCI office tower, Minyekyawswa Road, Lanmadaw Township, here from 10 am to 11:30 am, from 27 September to 20 November every weekend.

Those wishing to attend the course must have the qualification of matriculation level and may get application form at UMFCCI office tower (ph: 214344 ~ 49). The applicants are to send their forms to the office not later than 26 September.

The trainees will obtain international recognized certificate of WIPO after sitting examinations of WIPO, World Wide Academy through online. Those who wish to register may submit their resumes at WIPO, World Wide Academy as soon as possible.

MNA

Marketable rice milling course to be conducted

YANGON, 15 Sept—Organized by Myanmar Rice Millers' Association, the marketable rice milling course (1/2009) will be conducted at No.447, Myanmar Rice Mill Co in Shwelinban Industrial Zone on Seikkanthar Road Hlainethaya Township here from 5 to 12 October daily.

Experts from Myanma Agriculture Produce Trading and retired experts will conduct methods of drying paddy and storage, pasteurization, milling, standardization and inspection of paddy quality, standards, packing and production of rice both in theory and practice.

Interested persons are requested to register at MRMA (ph-214849 and 216658) not later than 30 September.—MNA