



The NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR

National politics and true sense of Union Spirit are the most important things

Tatmadaw has never betrayed the nation, but has always safeguarded the nation and the people against variety of dangers in times of emergency

Senior General Than Shwe addresses second-day session of MWVO conference



Senior General Than Shwe delivers an address at second-day session of MWVO conference (2009).—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Oct—The following is the translation of the speech delivered by Patron of the Myanmar War Veterans Organization (Central) Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe at the second-day session of MWVO conference (2009) in Nay Pyi Taw Lwe this morning.

Comrades,

War veterans, who had done their bit in the independence struggles and retired from the armed forces for various reasons, formed war veterans organizations on self-reliance basis region-wise from 1948 onwards. In 1973, the organizations were reconstituted in a systematic way. The constitution and principles for war veterans organizations were

adopted and promulgated in 1975. They were reconstituted in successive periods. According to the objective conditions, the Central Organizing Committee of the Myanmar War Veterans Organization was reformed with representatives including those in service in October 1998. Then, supervisory committees at state/division level and organizing committees at

township level were formed. The Myanmar War Veterans Organization held its first conference in June 2001, and the second conference in June 2005, and the third conference, in October 2009. It is a pleasure for me to see all the representatives of war veterans organizations from the four corners of the nation happy and healthy at this conference. (See page 8)



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

PERSPECTIVES

Saturday, 10 October, 2009

Impart knowledge on health right down to rural regions

In building a new modern and developed nation, fit and qualified human resources are indispensable. The Ministry of Health is providing health care services to the people with the aim of bringing about healthy and fit people.

The ministry has been trying its utmost for the people to enjoy longevity, to live a peaceful life and to be free from all forms of diseases. In that regard, it is extensively engaged in imparting knowledge on health to rural people, prevention of diseases and effective treatment in case of disease outbreak.

In providing health care services to the people, prevention is as important as treatment. In the process of taking measures against the spread of diseases and preventive measures, it is necessary to equip the people with knowledge on health. Paying serious attention to personal hygiene, every citizen is to widely develop the habit of washing hands with soap, of discarding leftovers in a systematic way and of keeping their environment clean.

As mothers and children constitute over 60 per cent of Myanmar's population, nutritional development and health care services should be carried out on a wider scale. Meanwhile, vaccination, distribution of Folic Acid and Vitamin B1 to would-be mothers and provision of Vitamin A1 to children under five are to be carried out right down to rural regions.

At present, health week activities are being launched in the states, divisions, districts, wards and villages, and arrangement are being made for mothers and new-born children to be able to enjoy nutritious foods, to be healthy and free from diseases.

At a time when health care services are being extensively provided to people from different regions it is incumbent upon the entire national people to impart knowledge on health right down to rural regions, and only then, will every citizen be able to fully enjoy health and happiness throughout their life.

Myanmar and Korean entrepreneurs to meet

YANGON, 9 Oct—Jointly organized by Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UMFCCI) and Korea Importers Association, Myanmar entrepreneurs and Korean entrepreneurs will meet according to industry they are engaged in at the UMFCCI Tower on 19 October.

Korean entrepreneurs dealing in metal, rubber, chemicals, wooden furniture, kitchen utensils, household goods (wood & plastic), souvenirs, electric motor parts, equipment for producing wrench, tile (granite, marble), surveying equipment spare parts, marine products, canned food (crab, prawn, vegetable), color sorter, gas cylinder spare parts industries will participate in the meeting focusing on business opportunities of the two sides.

Those wishing to participate may register at UMFCCI by 12 October. For more details, dial 214344, 45...49.—MNA

People's Desire

- * Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- * Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- * Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- * Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

Daw Aung San Suu Kyi meets diplomats of USA, Britain, Australia in Yangon

YANGON, 9 Oct—Daw Aung San Suu Kyi met Charge d'Affaires ai of US embassy Mr Thomas L. Vajda, British Ambassador Mr Andrew Richard Heyn, and Charge d'Affaires ai of Australian embassy Mr Simon Christopher Starr at Seinle Kantha Guesthouse here from 10 to 11 am this morning. It is learnt that Daw Aung San Suu Kyi was allowed to do so for her request to the government that she wanted to meet with them. Also present at the meeting were Director of Protocol Department under



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Ministry of Foreign Affairs U Maung Maung and Deputy Commander of Special Branch of Myanmar Police Force Police Col Win Naing Tun.—MNA

KMD presents prizes to customers and sales reps of Prolink products



Manager U Myo Tun Khaing of KMD Group of Company explains functions of Prolink products.—MNA

YANGON, 9 Oct—KMD Group of Company organized a ceremony to present prizes to customers and sales reps at Park Royal Hotel on Alanpya Pagoda Road here this afternoon. Manager U Myo Tun Khaing of KMD Group of Company explained facts about Prolink products and presented prizes to customers and sales reps of the product.

Prolink brand computer and accessories entered the market in 1991 and won ISO 9001 Quality Certifi-

cate in 1999. Prolink LCD TV, Prolink Notebook, Prolink Mini Portable Combo Router were also launched in the ceremony. Prolink LCD televisions are of quality products with reasonable price packed with K 50000 worth Wall Mount as gift. Pocket Mini Wireless Combo Router was introduced too.

For further information, contact KMD Group of Company, sole agent of Prolink brand products, Ph: 245180, 296579, 392138.—MNA

Air Bagan Open Golf Championships on 15 Oct

YANGON, 9 Oct—Air Bagan Open Golf Championships as the second leg of Myanmar Golf Tour 2009-2010, organized by Myanmar Golf Federation and Myanmar PGA, mainly sponsored by Air Bagan Ltd, will take place at Bagan Resort Golf Club in NyaungU Township of Mandalay Division from 15 to 18 October.

Professional golfers and amateur golfers (Handicap 0-12) are allowed to take part in the competitions. The tournament will be organized in line with the rules and regulations of Saint Andrew and regional rules. Hole-in-one scorers will be awarded deservingly.

Those wishing to compete in the tournament may

get registered and enlist at Myanmar Golf Training Range, 9 Miles (Tel: 09-5017049 and 09-2037671) and Bagan Resort Golf Club, not later than 4 pm of 13 October 2009. For the emergence of new generation golfers, the tournament was mainly sponsored by Air Bagan Ltd with co-sponsors International Beverages Trading Co Ltd (IBTC), KBZ Bank Ltd, Hotel Yangon, KM Golf Centre, HAN Golf Masters Pte Ltd, Myanmar Thiha Trading Co Ltd, Bay of Bengal Resort (BOB), INAX, T-Home, CEPESA Lubricants, ACCEL International Co Ltd (Canon), Imperial Jade Purified Drinking Water, Lifeline Co Ltd and GP Watch.—MNA

Africa meet to discuss development, climate change

DAKAR, 9 Oct — African policy makers meet in Ouagadougou on Friday to discuss climate change just two months before a critical UN summit where African countries are poised to seek billions in compensation for the effects of global warming.

Experts say Sub-Saharan Africa is one of the regions most affected by global warming. The World Bank estimates that the developing world will suffer about 80 percent of the damage of climate change despite accounting for only around one third of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere.

At the seventh World Forum on Sustainable Development organised by the government of Burkina Faso together with the United Nations and the African Union several African heads of state will meet key policy makers to discuss the opportunities climate change could offer for sustainable development.

“Luckily Africa has only a very small part in (global) pollution. The continent emits less than 4 percent of greenhouse gasses,” Burkina’s Environment Minister Salifou Sawadogo, a member of the forum’s organising committee, told *AFP*.

However, Africa needs “to make it clear to countries that have achieved their economic development to the detriment of the environment that they have to take responsibility and reduce their greenhouse gas emissions and help the continent most vulnerable to climate change,” he said.—*Internet*



This file picture shows a Zimbabwean woman fetching water from an unprotected well in Harare. African policy makers meet in Ouagadougou Friday to discuss climate change just two months before a critical UN summit where African countries are poised to seek billions in compensation for the effects of global warming.—INTERNET

Roadside bomb kills five, wounds four in E Afghanistan

KABUL, 9 Oct— A roadside bomb struck a vehicle of a road construction company in Pakti Province, east of Afghanistan, killing five persons and wounding four others on Friday, a local official said.

“The bloody incident occurred at 6 am local time this morning in Auzi district leaving five employees of the company dead and four others injured,” governor of Auzi district Abdul Wali Zadran told *Xinhua*.

All the victims are Afghans, he added. He also added that the company is a local one and is involved in road building activities in east Afghanistan.

The official blamed “the enemies of peace,” a term used against Taliban militants for organizing the blast.—*Xinhua*

Bomb explosion kills three south of Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 9 Oct — A bomb explosion at a barber shop in a town south of Baghdad killed three people on Thursday and wounded 10 others, a well-informed police source said.

“An explosive charge left at the door of a barber shop in the town of Yousifiyah, some 20 km south of Baghdad, detonated before sunset, killing three people and wounding ten others,” the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

The blast destroyed the shop and caused severe damages to nearby shops and buildings, the source said.

Iraqi security forces sealed off the scene and immediately started an investigation, he added.

Sporadic attacks continue in Iraq as part of recent deterioration in security which shaped a setback to the efforts of the Iraqi government to restore normalcy in the country after more than three months of US troops pullout of Iraqi cities and towns.

Xinhua

US, Afghan forces kill Afghan child in raid

KABUL, 9 Oct— The US military says American and Afghan forces accidentally killed a child during a raid on a Taliban compound in eastern Afghanistan.

Civilian deaths threaten to undermine Afghan support for international forces, and the US commander in Afghanistan has made protecting innocent Afghans a priority. Wednesday night’s incident in Logar Province is a reminder of how difficult the task can be.

A military statement says the troops came under fire as they entered the compound. They shouted for everyone to come out multiple times before attacking, and some women and children complied. Col Wayne Shanks, a US spokesman, said they killed some insurgents but also wounded a young boy who was inside. The boy later died of his wounds.—*Internet*



Rescuers try to recover vehicles after a landslide caused by rains from tropical storm Parma in La Trinidad, Benguet, north of Manila on 8 October, 2009. A week of relentless rains in the northern Philippines have put dozens of towns and villages under water, with more than 100 people drowned or killed by landslides, officials said.—INTERNET

Marshalls landowner sues government over US base

MAJURO, 9 Oct — A powerful traditional chief in the Marshall Islands is suing the western Pacific nation’s government over a treaty which gives the US the use of his land for a missile testing base.

Former Marshall Islands president and powerful traditional chief Imata Kabua said on Thursday he was challenging the treaty negotiated between the Marshall Islands government and the US covering the years after 2016 when the current lease for the missile base expires.

The Compact of Free Association between the two countries approved in 2003

provides the US with use of the Reagan Test Site at Kwajalein Atoll until 2066.

The Marshall Islands government has “refused to engage in good faith bargaining to secure a new lease”, Kabua said.

Since the early 1960s, Kwajalein has been used for US anti-missile defence testing and is the target for long-range intercontinental ballistic missiles fired from California.

Many of the islands at the boomerang-shaped coral atoll are studded with radar and other sophisticated missile tracking gear.

Internet

Algerian army defuses French landmines

ALGIERS, 9 Oct — The Algerian army in September destroyed 5,163 landmines laid by French troops along the country’s eastern and western borders, the *APS* news agency said.

The weapons were part of a total of 415,829 mines destroyed by the army in a latest operation by 30 September, according to *APS*.

The landmines date back to Algeria’s war of liberation from French rule in 1954-62. Since 1962, the army has destroyed more than eight million of the 11 million mines laid along the borders of the country.

Internet



A rocket is launched from the Reagan Test Site in Kwajalein Atoll in the Marshall Islands. A powerful traditional chief in the Pacific island chain is suing the western nation’s government over a treaty which gives the US the use of his land for a missile testing base.—INTERNET

Japan machinery orders rise from record low

TOKYO, 9 Oct—Japan's core machinery orders, a closely watched indicator of corporate capital expenditure, rose slightly in August from a record low, showing companies remain reluctant to spend despite some improvement in global demand.

Core private sector machinery orders inched up 0.5 percent to 668.1 billion yen (\$7.6 billion), according to the Cabinet Office's monthly report on Friday. The figure excludes often-volatile orders from shipbuilders and electric power companies.

Internet

A Participants ride in a homemade go-kart during a soapbox race in Jerusalem on 7 October, 2009. More than 50 homemade go-karts competed in the race in Jerusalem on Wednesday.—XINHUA



A van passes by strong waves striking barriers in Shizuoka City, west of Tokyo on 8 October, 2009. A strong typhoon barreled into Japan's main island on Thursday, disrupting transport and prompting warnings of landslides and floods, although there were no reports of serious damage.—XINHUA

General Motors says China sales set new record

BEIJING, 9 Oct—General Motors Co said on Friday it set a sales record in China in September and total sales for the first nine months of the year rose 55 percent to nearly 1.3 million vehicles.

GM and other global automakers are looking to China's fast-growing market to drive sales amid slack demand elsewhere.

China's monthly sales have surpassed those of United States for all but two months this year.

GM and its Chinese joint-venture partners sold a total of 181,148 vehicles in September, the company said. It gave no comparative year-earlier figure.

"Sales continue to surpass forecasts as nearly all

market segments experience growth," said GM China Group President Kevin Wale in a statement.

First-time buyers in smaller Chinese cities were an important force driving sales, Wale said.

Beijing has helped to boost auto sales with tax cuts and subsidies for drivers to shift to cleaner, more fuel-efficient cars. Most of that aid has gone to Chinese makers of smaller cars, though foreign producers also see sales rising.

GM said September sales by its flagship joint venture, Shanghai GM, set a monthly record of 71,566 vehicles, while total sales for the first nine months of the year rose 40.2 percent from a year earlier.—Internet



Vietnam, Venezuela negotiating for oil cooperation

HANOI, 9 Oct—Petro Vietnam, Vietnam's national oil and gas group, said the group may cooperate with Venezuela's state-owned oil company in expanding the first oil refinery Dung Quat of Vietnam, the local newspaper *Vietnam Investment Review* reported on Friday.

Xinhua

Nigeria's oil output between 1.6-1.7 mln bpd

ABUJA, 9 Oct—Nigeria's crude oil output is hovering between 1.6 and 1.7 million barrels per day following an amnesty deal to militants who waged a violent "oil war," the petroleum minister said on Thursday.

"Condensate and crude oil, we are doing about two million bpd. Crude oil fluctuates between 1.6 and 1.7 million bpd," Petroleum Minister Rilwan Lukman said in an interview.

The figure is a million barrels less from the 2.6

million bpd the world's eighth largest oil producer used to pump in 2005 before the onset of the oil insurgency in the southern Niger Delta.

Nigeria's oil production fell to about 1.3 million barrels per day recently due attacks by Niger Delta militants, the minister had told reporters at the end of August.

"We hope output will improve," after the amnesty, the minister said.

"We have a capacity of producing over three mil-

lion bpd, the more peace we have, the more stability we have, we should be able to produce more," he said. He said the country has been able to fulfil its OPEC quota.

"It fluctuates from day to day, (but) we are meeting our quota," he added.—Internet

A Total Akpo Floating Production Storage Off-loading (FPSO) platform is pictured some 200 kms from Port Harcourt in May 2009.—INTERNET

World Post Day 2009 Message from the Director General

A postal service committed to green growth

Environmental protection and climate change present major challenges, but, despite all the attention paid to these issues over the years, our planet and its inhabitants are still no nearer to achieving air that is fit to breathe. It has now become crucial to rethink the way our businesses are run and to change our patterns of energy consumption.

The world postal sector cannot stand aside and do nothing: delivering 430 billion letters and six billion parcels worldwide each year, and operating over 600,000 postal establishments and as many vehicles makes it a significant producer of greenhouse gas. Like other organizations, we must look seriously at ways of becoming climate neutral.

With the support of its Sustainable Development Project Group, the UPU, as a UN specialized agency responsible for the postal sector, has embarked on the important task of measuring the world postal sector's carbon footprint. We hope to be able to present the results of this research at the UN Climate Change Conference taking place in Copenhagen (Denmark) in December. Then, with the assistance of the United Nations Environment Programme, with which we signed an agreement last year, and other partners, we will propose measures to designated operators to help them reduce their CO₂ emissions.

All Posts are agents for change. On World Post Day 2009, I call on all members of the postal family to think more carefully about the environmental impact of our activities and, if they have not already done so, to engage in meaningful discussions about better ways of protecting our planet.

In this time of financial and economic crisis, sound management of environmental issues can be a significant driving force for growth. In taking up the challenge of green growth, businesses can rethink their logistics chain processes, improve their efficiency, plan long-term energy saving measures, develop new products and services that are less harmful to the environment – and therefore more attractive to customers – and, lastly, project a responsible business image.

Your actions within the UPU, in your business or your administration, are vitally important; but we urge you to go further by firmly committing to the UN's "Let's Seal the Deal" campaign. This initiative aims to mobilize the support of millions of individuals, businesses, community groups and other organizations for the signing at the Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen of a new international treaty to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The UPU will not fail to make the voice of the postal sector heard at this conference; make your voice heard too by signing the online petition (www.sealthedeal2009.org/petition/), and take every opportunity to urge your staff and customers to do the same.

I wish you a most successful World Post Day 2009.—UPU





Readers purchase the DVD of the Grand Parade, recording the National Day celebrations, including the military parade, grandiose pageant and the evening gala during the grand celebrations of the 60th founding anniversary of the People's Republic of China, at the Beijing Books Building, in Beijing, on 7 Oct, 2009.—XINHUA

Russia, US to hold 1st round of talks on missile defence

Moscow, 9 Oct—Russia and the United States will hold their first round of talks on missile defences before an upcoming visit by US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, the Foreign Ministry said on Thursday.

The talks at the expert level will take place in Moscow, ministry spokesman Andrei Nesterenko said at a press briefing.

Nesterenko said the Russian delegation will be headed by Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Ryabkov, while the US delegation

will be led by Deputy Secretary of State Ellen Tausher, the *Interfax* news agency reported.

The spokesman also said that the results of the talks may be reported to Clinton, who will be in Russia 12-14 Oct, and Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov when they attend a meeting in Moscow on 13 Oct.

Lavrov said on Wednesday that a new US missile defence plan poses less risk to Russia than did the original proposal, which was widely regarded as the latest positive Russian re-

sponse to a US revamping of its missile defense plans. US President Barack Obama announced on 17 Sept that Washington would abandon a Bush-era missile defence shield programme while initiating a "phased, adaptive approach" in Eastern Europe.

Under the new US plan, land-based missile-defence shields will not be installed before 2015 and sea-based defences will be operating in the Mediterranean up to 2015.

Xinhua

All items from Xinhua News Agency

Vietnam Deputy PM urges safety in construction of its 1st nuclear power plant

HANOI, 9 Oct—Vietnamese Deputy Prime Minister Hoang Trung Hai asked ministries and related agencies to ensure safety and social security for residents in construction of the country's first nuclear power plant, local newspaper the *Vietnam News* reported on Friday.

Hai made the request at a meeting held on Thursday to collect opinions from members of local people's councils about the plant's construction. Construction of Vietnam's first nuclear power plant in southern province of

Ninh Thuan should be a driving force for the provincial socio-economic development, the newspaper quoted Hai assaying.

The plant is expected to provide many opportunities for the province and facilitate it to boost socio-economic development programs, raise budgets and improve people's living standards, said Hai.

At the conference, many members of the people's councils and local residents expressed their support for the building of the plant and asked for ensuring safety

before and after construction, said the newspaper.

Xinhua

File photo taken on 6 March, 2009 shows the water-pumping winnowers at a pneumatic power water-pump station in Rizhao City, east China's Shandong Province. The eastern China coastal city of Rizhao won a United Nations Habitat award on 5 Oct, 2009 for well executed urban planning which has transformed the city into a green home with new housing and infrastructure.

XINHUA

China sticks to peaceful development, opening-up strategy

BEIJING, 9 Oct—Chinese President Hu Jintao said on Friday China will stick to peaceful development and the opening-up strategy that highlights mutual benefit and win-win cooperation.

Hu told the World Media Summit held on Friday in Beijing that "China will seek friendly cooperation with all countries on the basis of the Five Principles of Peaceful Co-existence," he said.

"We soberly keep in mind that China is still the world's largest developing country, and faces conflicts and problems rarely seen in terms of their scale and complexity," he said. "China still has a long way to go before it can build a well off society that can benefit more than one billion people, and achieve basic modernization and the common prosperity of all its people."

He said China will adhere to the path of socialism with Chinese characteristics in accordance with national conditions and promote all-round development in the economic, political, cultural, social and ecological arenas, and to go all out to ensure that the development is for the people and by the people and the fruits of development are shared by the people.

Xinhua

United Nations Secretary-Generals's message on World Mental Health Day

10 October 2009

Following is UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon's message for World Mental Health Day, to be observed on 10 October:

As defined in the constitution of the World Health Organization (WHO), health is not merely the absence of disease or infirmity, it is a state of complete physical, mental and social well-being. Mental disorders contribute more to disease burden and disability in developing countries than any other category of non-communicable disease, yet only a small minority of people with mental disorders in these countries have access to mental health services. The need is high, and care is inadequate.

World Mental Health Day is an important opportunity to mobilize international resources to meet the goal of providing adequate mental health care. Governments and public health organizations, civil society, multilateral agencies and donors must join hands to make this happen. Effective treatments exist for a wide variety of mental disorders. Let us unite to scale up mental health services and involve primary health-care systems in delivering mental health services worldwide.

The WHO Mental Health Gap Action Programme (mhGAP) seeks to narrow the distance between needs and services by providing treatment packages for mental disorders that can be implemented on a large scale in low- and middle-income countries. With limited available human and financial resources, delivering these services means involving community-based primary care facilities. Providing effective mental health services in primary care settings would help to reduce the stigma associated with mental disorders and could prevent unnecessary hospitalization and human rights violations of people with mental health problems.

Such a strategy makes good economic sense. Mental disorders impair the ability of children to learn and the ability of adults to function in families, at work and in society at large. It is also a pro-poor strategy. Research shows that mental disorders are overwhelmingly concentrated in lower income groups. Poverty and its associated stresses, which include unemployment, violence, social exclusion and constant insecurity, are closely linked to the onset of mental disorders.

Health is an important human right. Let us this year resolve to reduce the public health burden and the individual suffering of people with mental health problems worldwide.

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Jamaican gets 20 years in plane hijacking attempt

KINGSTON, 9 Oct—A 21-year-old man convicted of hijacking a Canadian jetliner while it was parked at the Montego Bay airport was sentenced on Thursday to 20 years in prison.

Stephen Fray was quickly led out of the courtroom as relatives and friends cried. His attorney, George Thomas, said he would appeal the ruling.

"I can't believe it," he said. "It's very harsh. No one took into consideration that this man is sick."

Authorities had described Fray as "mentally challenged" and said his motive remained unclear. But a judge ruled he was fit to stand trial after a government psychiatrist determined he was able to understand the charges against him.

Fray was found guilty last month on charges that included robbery and assault.—*Internet*



Jamaican soldiers stand on a ramp beside a CanJet aircraft in Montego Bay, Jamaica, in this frame grab taken in this 20 April, 2009 file photo. A would-be hijacker who held more than 180 people at gunpoint aboard a Canadian charter jet in Jamaica in April was jailed for 20 years on Thursday.—INTERNET

Over 8,000 in Nigeria militants surrender arms

ABUJA, 9 Oct—More than 8,000 militants who laid down arms in Nigeria's troubled oil hub have so far been registered but the number could double when the documentation is complete, officials said on Thursday.

Figures released by Timiebi Koripamo-Agary, spokeswoman of the government amnesty team, showed that as of Tuesday — two days after the amnesty deadline — 8,299 militants had been recorded in seven oil-producing states in the south of Nigeria.

It was previously thought there were at least 10,000 operating among the creeks of the Niger Delta, but a source close to the disarmament exercise told *AFP* the total number will surpass that as an estimated 6,000 are still to be registered.

Internet

Student allegedly stabs fellow student in UCLA lab

LOS ANGELES, 9 Oct—A female UCLA student was hospitalized on Thursday after a fellow student slashed her throat in a chemistry lab on campus, authorities said.

Damon Thompson, 20, was arrested in the same chemistry building shortly after the stabbing.

He was booked on Thursday night on suspicion of attempted murder and was being held on \$1

million bail, said Los Angeles police Officer Sara Faden.

UCLA spokesman Phil Hampton said the victim and suspect were both 20-year-old seniors taking an organic chemistry class along with other students who were in the undergraduate teaching lab at the time.

The woman underwent surgery for multiple stab wounds at Ronald

Reagan UCLA Medical Center and was in stable condition on Thursday night, Los Angeles police said.

Cyril Baida, a teaching assistant who was working in a lab across the hall, said he saw the victim stagger out of the lab while another teaching assistant applied pressure to her neck, Baida said.

Internet

New UN satellite communications deal boosts disaster preparedness, recovery efforts

UNITED NATIONS, 9 Oct—The United Nations has teamed up with two leading global satellite companies in a bid to strengthen emergency communications before impending natural disasters strike and to save more lives by better coordinating relief efforts in their aftermath, the UN telecommunications agency announced on Thursday.

Inmarsat and Vizada

have agreed to donate 70 state-of-the-art and highly portable satellite devices — capable of delivering voice and broadband data wherever disasters take place — to the International Telecommunications Union (ITU).

ITU will receive preferential airtime rates and technical training support as part of the agreement, the UN agency said. When everything else fails, satellite communi-

cations provides a critical link for humanitarian agencies and victims.

"This partnership builds on our long-standing cooperation and comes at a critical time when many countries are being affected by disasters resulting in thousands of people losing their lives," said Sami Al Basheer, director of ITU's Telecommunication Development Bureau.

Xinhua

Police hunt for lioness in eastern Spain

Spanish police said they were looking for a lioness that had been sighted by several witnesses on the loose in the mountains of eastern Spain.

A group of youths notified municipal police after they spotted the beast on Saturday near the village of La Senia in the province of Tarragona.

Since then several other witnesses in the area south of Barcelona have said they have also seen the lioness.

Police said they were taking the reports seriously and were concentrating their search in the mountains of Ports de Beseit on the border of the provinces of Tarragona, Teruel and Castellon.

It was not clear where the lioness came from although Spanish media reported that the animal may have escaped from a circus.



An Asian lioness is pictured with one of her two 10 week-old cubs at London Zoo. Spanish police said they were looking for a lioness that had been sighted by several witnesses on the loose in the mountains of eastern Spain.

Early violence linked to domestic violence

Individuals experiencing violence at an early age may have trouble adjusting to healthy, adult romantic relationships, US and Canadian researchers found.

Dr Natacha Godbout, a postdoctoral fellow at the Keck School of Medicine at the University of Southern California, and Donald G Dutton, a professor at the University of British Columbia, and colleagues said the research revealed that early exposure to a violent environment is likely to lead to domestic violence situations later in life.

Feelings of insecurity, abandonment anxiety, and intimacy issues are also likely to plague these romantic connections, the researchers said.

Additionally, the dynamics of the way couples react and communicate with each other is also related to the likelihood of domestic violence within a relationship.

NEWS ALBUM



The male Chinese sturgeon which attended the total artificial propagation is seen at the Chinese Sturgeon Research Institute (CSRI) of the China Three Gorges Corporation in Yichang, central China's Hubei Province. Chinese scientists announced here on 1 Oct that the artificial propagation of the rare Chinese sturgeon would no longer count on wild fish as they have made successful artificial insemination and spawning of cultured sturgeons.

5-year-old drives truck through yards

Police in Tennessee said a 5-year-old boy drove his father's truck through the back-yards of at least two neighbours.

The Clarksville police report of the incident said a 41-year-old woman returned home at about 6:50 pm on Sunday and discovered the truck had glanced off a 4-foot brick retaining

wall, damaging 11 bricks, and flattened her propane grill, Gannett Tennessee reported on Tuesday.

Police said the boy also drove through a second back-yard, leaving deep tire tracks in the ground.

The report said the child, who had driven the truck previously, was not injured.



The bust of one of history's great beauties, Queen Nefertiti of Egypt, after returning to Berlin's Museum Island, in 2005. The bust of Nefertiti, believed to be 3,400 years old, has been moved gingerly to its new home in Berlin before it is to go back on display this month, the city's museum authority said on Monday.

Senior General Than Shwe attends dinner hosted to State and Division delegates to MWVO Conference (2009)

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Oct—Patron of Myanmar War Veterans Organization (Central) Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe this evening attended the dinner hosted to delegates of States and Divisions who attended the MWVO Conference (2009) at Bayintnaung Yeiktha, here.

Also present at the dinner were members of the Panel of Patrons of the MWVO Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, Member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann, Prime Minister General Thein Sein, Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and SPDC member Lt-Gen Tin Aye, Commander-in-Chief (Navy), Commander-in-Chief (Air), Chairman of MWVO Central Organizing Committee Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung, senior military officers of the Ministry of Defence, the commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command, ministers, the Chief Justice, the Attorney-General, the Auditor-General, deputy ministers, members of the MWVOCOC, departmental heads, officials of the organizing committee and subcommittees, representatives of social organizations, State and Division delegates to MWVO conference (2009) and guests.

At 7 pm, the Senior General arrived at Bayintnaung Yeiktha where he was welcomed by Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, Member of the State Peace and



Senior General Than Shwe cordially greets delegates of States and Divisions to MWVO Conference (2009). —MNA

Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann, Prime Minister General Thein Sein, Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and SPDC member Lt-Gen Tin Aye, the Commander-in-Chief (Navy), the Commander-in-Chief (Air), the Chairman of MWVO Central Organizing Committee and COC members and the delegates.

The Senior General cordially greeted the delegates and the representatives of social organizations at the dinner.

Next, the delegates and guests were hosted with a dinner. Before and during the dinner, the vocalists presented songs to the accompaniment of Myanmar Athan modern music troupe.

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MWVOCOC Chairman greets delegates to MWVO Conference

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Oct—Chairman of MWVO Central Organizing Committee Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung, accompanied by MWVOCOC member Secretary of the Organizing Committee

for the conference Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung, Joint-Secretary of the MWVO COC Vice Adjutant-General Maj-Gen Hla Shwe and officials, arrived at the Yeiktha of Nay Pyi Taw Development Committee on 6 October

afternoon.

They were welcomed by MWVO COC member Secretary of the ceremony preparation subcommittee Thura U Sein Thaung of the Ministry of Construction and Chairman of the welcoming and accommodation subcommittee Col Htay Naing of the Ministry of Defence and officials.

Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung and

party cordially greeted the chairmen of State/Division WVO Supervisory Committees and the delegates to the conference and attended to the needs.

The Adjutant-General and party inspected the arrangements for health care services of the health subcommittee, opening of clinics, temporary communication station and the mess hall.—MNA

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Financial Supervisor Course, Storekeeper Course conclude

YANGON, 9 Oct—The Financial Supervisor Grade-III (Refresher) Course and the Storekeeper-IV Course concluded at the central training school (Thuwunna) of Public Works under the Ministry of Construction this morning.

Managing Director U Khin Maung Hse of Public Works made a speech.

Altogether 58 trainees attended the five-week course.

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Special Appellate Bench hears six special civil appeal cases

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Oct—The Special Appellate Bench comprising Deputy Chief Justice U Thein Soe of Supreme Court (Yangon) and Supreme Court Judges of Supreme Court

(Yangon) sitting at court room No. 1 of Supreme Court (Nay Pyi Taw) heard six special civil appeal cases under section 7 of the Judicial Law 2000 today.

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Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung cordially greets delegates of States and Divisions attending the MWVO Conference (2009).—MNA

National politics and true sense of Union Spirit ...

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Comrades,
You are all war veterans who have taken the four oaths of Tatmadaw members, and the four oaths are deeply ingrained in you. So, you have all got firm belief and concepts.

Having a look back to the historical background of our country, you will notice that our country has very fine traditions. Our country has stood tall with own culture, traditions, independence and sovereignty for more than one thousand years.

Historic lessons reveal that the Union was on the verge of collapse in times of disqualified leaders and disunity of national brethren. Sovereignty will be lost if the Union collapses.

Comrades,
We have learnt lessons from the historic political events that in the post-independence period, the people became disunited with conflicts between them, instead of working together for national development. National brethren were no longer united due to the wedge the colonialists drove among them for more than 100 years. Disunity among national brethren led to armed insurgency that cost lives and property of many people.

So, you have to work with correct concept and stands, trying with the sense of camaraderie to take organizing measures inside and outside the organization, dealing with national races throughout the nation.



Senior General Than Shwe, members of the Panel of Patrons and CEC members of MWVO pose for a group photo together with chairmen of State/Division MWVO Supervisory Committees.—MNA

government came into existence in September 1988 according to the necessities to mend the deteriorating conditions of the nation. Apart from restoring State stability and peace, the

community peace and the rule of law. Nowadays, peace and stability have been restored at the unprecedented level after the post-independence period.

people's desire as the national policy in building a peaceful, modern and developed nation.

Comrades,
Once, the nation was in the absence of a constitution. So, the

constitution.

I have also learnt that with the aim of encouraging the members to have a sense of national causes and political awareness sharing the common belief and concept in order to organize the people, the Central Organizing Committee of the Myanmar War Veterans Organization is constantly taking measures under the leadership of the Tatmadaw such as implementing programmes on national politics, conducting training courses designed to improve the sense of national politics, and increasing the number of members of the organization and reserved members.

Comrades,
I would like to urge you to educate and nurture the members to improve their national political outlook, and to work with comradeship that represents loving-kindness, attachment and loyalty to build consolidated unity inside the organization.

The number of infrastructural buildings in all fields including the economic, transport, education, water supply and health sectors across the nation for expediting the border areas and national race development project,
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Elections will be systematically held in 2010 for Hluttaws that will emerge in accord with the constitution.

So, in this regard, national politics and true sense of Union Spirit are the most important things. I would say you have to always uphold Our Three Main National Causes under the leadership of the Tatmadaw.

In the course of the nation's history, the Tatmadaw has never betrayed the nation, but has always safeguarded the nation and the people against varieties of dangers in times of emergency.

The Tatmadaw

government had to reconstruct the damaged buildings, and uplift the morale of the people. It gave top priority to national reconsolidation to put an end to the armed insurgency following the independence, for

I have learnt that the Central Organizing Committee and organizing subcommittees at all levels of the Myanmar War Veterans Organization are preparing themselves to practise the 12 objectives and the four-point

Tatmadaw government had to work hard for proper evolution of a constitution in order to introduce democracy and the market economy in compliance with the desire of the people. The government convened the National Convention with representatives from the states and divisions including representatives from political parties, representatives-elect, peasants of national races, intellectuals and intelligentsia, State service personnel and other invited persons. The State Constitution Drafting Commission drafted the constitution based on the principles adopted through discussions. A referendum was held in May 2008, and the draft constitution was approved with the votes of the great majority of the voters. There will soon be follow-up programmes in accordance with the



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National politics and true sense of Union Spirit ...

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the 24 special region development project and rural development programmes is very great in proportion to the period of a couple of decades. That is a tangible result and it is largely due to the cooperation of the three major forces: the government, the people and the Tatmadaw.

That evidence is supported by the fact that after the storm that hit hard some townships in Ayeyawady Division and Yangon Division in May 2008, rescue, rehabilitation and reconstruction tasks could be launched promptly and effectively with the harmonious cooperation of the government, the people and the Tatmadaw. So, I would say we can cope with all forms of issues only if the government, the people and the Tatmadaw remain united.

Now, you have retired due to various reasons, but I believe you are still nostalgic about your days as servicemen. Therefore, retired war

veterans are to be part of the Tatmadaw. And you have to stand as reserve members for ever to serve national defence duties under the leadership of the Tatmadaw.

That was why the Central Organizing Committee of MWVO was reconstituted with military men in service. **Comrades,**

The new State constitution has been approved by the great majority. Elections will be systematically held in 2010 for Hluttaws that will emerge in accord with the constitution. In the period of changing into one system from another, various parties will emerge with different beliefs and different coalitions. Our country used to practise parliamentary democracy in the post-independence period. Clashes and divides among the political parties so common. Then the Union was in danger of collapse. **Comrades,**

In reviewing the main reason of causing sectarianism, ideologies and splits among the parties, it was not only due to the attempt of neo-

colonialists to raise their followers with incentives and wedge a drive but also the arrogance of party members, their intense personal rivalry, jealousy, doubts, personal grudge and putting self-interest in the fore. There are lessons to be taken from history. After independence had been regained, armed insurgencies erupted due to instigation and that much delayed national progress.

This is why today's political parties are to act by upholding Our Three Main Na-

tional Causes— non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity and perpetuation of sovereignty. It is also necessary for them to follow and practise the constitution approved by the people.

In carrying out organizational tasks, those parties are to avoid anything that leads to harming the State interests. Apart from their different ideologies, they must work together giving first priority to the national interests. The government will protect the parties that follow and practise the mature party organizational policies. Only then, can a more enduring democratic system be built. As it is impossible to build a mature democratic system overnight, it is necessary to do everything with reasoning power for ensuring long-term good prospects. All are to make sure that forthcoming democratic system does not harm non-disintegration of the Union and non-disintegration of national solidarity. **Comrades,**

The most important step of building a new democratic nation was successful due to the

All necessary measures have been taken to implement the remaining steps including a step to change into a new political system in 2010.

three strengths—the strength of public approval, the organizational strength of your organization and your congenial organizations and the goodwill strength of our Tatmadaw that always works for national defence and public wel-

Those who are the children of MWVO members although their parents are no longer alive are accepted as auxiliary members. MWVO can protect your family members. Likewise, your family members must be a force contributing to

members aged over 75 and disabled members. In addition, the organization is providing cash assistance and scholarships for the children of MWVO members for their educational purposes.

It has been found

As it is impossible to build a mature democratic system overnight, it is necessary to do everything with reasoning power for ensuring long-term good prospects.

fare. It was a very important milestone for the State and the people. **All necessary measures have been taken to implement the remaining steps including a step to change into a new political system in 2010. So we are sure that the structure of the future nation is firm. You are to work together with the people to successfully implement every step of the Road Map adopted for building a new nation.**

Some powerful nations are resorting to various ways to pressure and influence our nation under various pretexts. However, the Tatmadaw government does not get frightened and will continue to work relentlessly for a better future of the State and the people by overcoming any difficulties. Therefore, you, comrades having military experience and Union Spirit, are urged to play your respective roles in serving the interests of the State and the people under the leadership of the Tatmadaw. Your wives and children as family members of the Tatmadaw are auxiliary members of MWVO.

the organization. **Comrades,**

War Veterans Organizations at various levels are to continue to work for improving themselves in quality and quantity. We have found that MWVO tried to become a skilled organization with its own dignity with national politics and national defence and the five sectors of security, economy, social affairs, welfare service and public welfare. You are to continue to work in unity for your organization to make more progress. It is also found that after the economic leading committee had been formed in the economic sector, production and trading tasks and services were systematically carried out. In undertaking agricultural and livestock breeding tasks, long- and short-term plans have to be made. Only when production tasks can be carried out successfully, will your organization be financially strong and it can stand tall in the long run. Members of the social and welfare service work committee were found to have rendered assistance to each other. I have learned that assistance is being given to MWVO

that in nation-building tasks, the people and congenial organizations made cooperative efforts over 25000 times under the leadership of the public welfare work committee. Tasks for rural water supply, rural library construction and giving cash assistance to disaster-hit regions are also being carried out. I urge you to carry out such tasks more extensively.

Comrades,

In conclusion, I would like to say that MWVO has been equipped with formational strength, confidence, conviction and unity of strength. Therefore, all the members are to maintain those strengths and change the quantity into quality; to try to promote prevailing peace and stability and developments; to try to overcome any difficulties in serving the interests of the State and the people with true patriotism, and daring spirit; to cooperate with the people in successful implementation of the seven-step Road Map of the State; and to be ready for national security and defence tasks with sense of responsibility and loyalty as you are good war veterans and military servicemen.

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Excerpts from the speech of Senior General Than Shwe

- ☆ **□□The new State constitution has been approved by the great majority.**
- ☆ **□□□Today's political parties are to act by upholding Our Three Main National Causes.**
- ☆ **□War Veterans Organizations at various levels are to continue to work for improving themselves in quality and quantity.**
- ☆ **Only when production tasks can be carried out successfully, will your organization be financially strong and it can stand tall in the long run.**



Senior General Than Shwe attends Myanmar War Veterans ...

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WO Yi Yi Soe of Yangon Division WVO acted as MC together with Sgt May Thu Aung Myint as Co-MC.

The master of ceremonies an-

(The guidance of the Senior General is reported separately.)

Chairman of MWVO Central Organizing Committee Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung handed over

of war veterans who are attending the military academies through Captain Chan Nyein Kyaw and cash assistance to war veterans' children who are attending other universities and colleges and outstanding students in the 2009 matriculation examination.

The Senior General and members of the Panel of Patrons posed for documentary photo together with the MWVO COC members and the chairmen of State/Division WVO Supervisory Committees to the conference (2009).

Next, the Senior General and members of the Panel of Patrons cordially greeted the delegates of States and Divisions.

In the second session, Chairman of

MWVOCOC Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung presided over the conference together with members of the Panel of Chairmen COC members Maj-Gen Thein Swe and Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein.

After seeking the approval of the delegates, Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung approved the decisions to be adopted by the conference (2009).

The master of ceremonies announced that the conference passed two resolutions, approved one matter and placed five matters on record.

The meeting chairman gave a concluding remark, and the conference successfully concluded with the slogans chanted by the MWVOCOC members and State and Division delegates.—MNA

CEC members of MWVO and representatives of States/Divisions chanting slogans.—MNA



Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung presents cash award for outstanding students.—MNA

nounced the start of the conference with the permission of the Patron of the MWVO (Central).

Patron of Myanmar War Veterans Organization (Central) Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe gave guidance.

cash assistance for 1117 war veterans of above 75 years old through Col Aung Than Win (Retd), cash assistance for 974 disabled war veterans through Lt-Col Soe Htoo Nyein, cash for 189 low-cost housings in war veteran villages being built under the arrangements of military commands through Lt-Col Thant Zaw, cash assistance of 172 sons



Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung presents cash assistance for over-75 members of MWVO through an officer.—MNA



Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung presents cash award for outstanding students for their higher education.—MNA

Yangon Mayor inspects upgrading of roads in Sangyong Township

YANGON, 9 Oct— Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin inspected progress in upgrading 750 foot long- 16 foot wide Yadanatheinkha road in Montlatsongkone Ward (west) in Sangyong Township, here this

morning and met with townsenders and members of social Organization. And he fulfilled the needs.

Next, the mayor inspected upgrading of 1300 foot long- 40 foot wide Aungmyittar road into a concrete one in Hline Township.

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MWVO Conference (2009) passes two resolutions, approves one matter, places five matters on record

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Oct—The Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference (2009) took place at the hall of MWVO Headquarters in Nay Pyi Taw from 7 October to date.

The conference passed two resolutions, approved one matter and placed five matters on record.

One of the two resolutions was to accept and regard the guidance given by Patron of the MWVO (Central) Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe at the second-day session of the conference on 9 October 2009 as work guidelines, and another one was to lay down five future tasks of WVO at different levels included in the MWVO Central Organizing Committee report submitted to the conference on first day session on 8 October. These future tasks are as follows:-

- to keep patriotism alive and dynamic and strengthen Union Spirit by upholding Our Three Main National Causes,
- to join hands with the people to successfully realize the seven-step Road Map of the State for emergence of a discipline-flourishing democratic nation,
- MWVO to participate in State defence and security tasks under the leadership of the Tatmadaw,
- to give priority to welfare services of war veterans and reserved members, and
- to cooperate with congenial organizations in undertaking five

rural development tasks.

The one matter approved by the conference was the report of MWVO submitted to the conference on 8 October 2009.

The five matters placed on record were the guidelines given by MWVO COC Chairman Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung on the first day session of the conference on 8 October, the reports on accomplishments of State/Division WVOs in a year submitted to the conference on the first day session of the conference on 8 October, and the activities of preliminary conferences held by 18 State and Division WVO Supervisory Committees from 12 August to 10 September. The fourth matter was that the MWVOCOC provided K 591.2 million as social and welfare services to war veterans and reserved members and K 13.3 million for undertaking five rural development tasks in various regions from 2005 to September 2009; State/Division/Township WVOs also provided K 931.0 million for the regions. The conference placed K 1535.5 million cash assistance on record. The fifth matter placed on record was the preliminary activities of MWVO Conference (2009), participation of State/Division WVOs in honouring the preliminary WVO conferences, cash and kind assistance of social organizations and Union Solidarity and Development Association at different levels.

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Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay meets with Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Sudan Mr Ali Ahamed Karti and party.—MNA

Deputy Energy Minister meets Sudanese Deputy FM

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Oct—Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay met Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Sudan Mr Ali Ahamed

Karti and party, at the Ministry of Energy here today. Also present at the call were directors-general, managing directors and responsible persons from enterprises

and departments under the Ministry. The frank meeting focused on seeking ways to boost bilateral cooperation in the energy sector.

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Rocket, satellite crash into lunar south pole: NASA

WASHINGTON, 9 Oct—NASA has successfully crashed two spacecraft into the moon's south pole in a hunt for hidden ice, the space agency said Friday.

An empty 2.2-ton Centaur rocket hull struck the lunar surface first and created a debris plume.

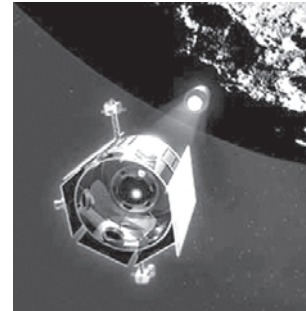
A space probe loaded with cameras and instruments followed four minutes later, collecting and relaying data back to Earth before also striking the lunar

surface and creating a second debris plume.

The space probe LCROSS, short for Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite, contained five cameras and four other scientific instruments.

NASA had touted live photos from the LCROSS on its web site. But those images didn't occur.

NASA officials said they are sure the two spacecraft crashed and trying to determine what happened to the live photos.—Internet



NASA's Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite (LCROSS) and its Centaur booster rocket are on course to crash into the moon in this artist's illustration released on 9 October, 2009.

INTERNET

Russia successfully test-launches two ballistic missiles

Moscow, 9 Oct—Russia successfully test-launched two intercontinental ballistic missiles this week, the Defense Ministry said Friday.

The RSM-50 (Stingray) missiles, launched on 6 and 7 October from the Pacific Fleet's nuclear-powered sub-marines Svyatoi Georgy Pobedonosets and Rya-zan, hit their designated targets in north Russia, the ministry said in a statement.

The success of the tests proves the reliability of the Russian navy's nuclear arsenal, the statement said.—Xinhua

FAO says World to invest \$83b a year to feed all in 2050

MILAN, 9 Oct—The world needs to invest 83 billion US dollars a year in agriculture in developing countries to feed 9.1 billion people in 2050, the United Nations' Food and Agriculture Organization said on Thursday.

The projected investment needs include some 20 billion US dollars earmarked for crop production and 13 billion US dollars for livestock, the FAO said in a statement ahead of a forum on how to feed the world in 2050 that it is due to hold on October 12-13 in Rome.

A further 50 billion US dollars would be needed for downstream services to help achieve a global

70-per-cent expansion in agricultural production by 2050, the agency said.

MNA/Reuters



The installation "No Need For Forever" by Japanese artist Rei Sato is displayed during a media presentation at the Third Floor - Hermes in Liat Towers in Singapore on 9 Oct, 2009. Sato, 25, recreated her family-run cafe, Tokyo's Senzai Midori, for an exhibition at a Singapore gallery this week, and will be serving opening-night guests coffee as part of the installation entitled "No Need For Forever". —

INTERNET

A woman holds an Armani mobile phone during a product launch in Milan on 9 October, 2009. Italian fashion house Giorgio Armani presented a new 700-euro (\$1,032) mobile phone on Friday, a stylish device aimed at complementing the designer's suits.

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MV XIANG XIU VOYNO (9050)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV XIANG XIU VOYNO (9050) are here by notified that the vessel will be arriving on 10.10.2009 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

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

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Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

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

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Palestinians throw stones towards Israeli border police officers (not pictured) in the East Jerusalem neighbourhood of Ras al-Amud on 8 Oct, 2009.

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2. Tender documents are available at our office starting from 9.10.2009 during office hours and for further detail please call Deputy General Manager Supply Department, Myanma Railways, Corner of Theinbyu Street and Merchant Street, Botahtaung, Yangon. Phone: 95-1-291985, 95-1-291994,

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Obama envoy in uphill struggle for Mideast peace

JERUSALEM, 9 Oct—President Barack Obama's Mideast envoy finds himself increasingly hamstrung, with Israel's foreign minister on Thursday all but ruling out a peace deal for years to come and the Palestinian leader weakened by his decision not to push for a Gaza war crimes tribunal against Israel. Jordan's King Abdullah II added a gloomy warning that prospects for peace are "sliding into darkness." Obama envoy George Mitchell, visiting Israeli and Palestinian leaders for the second time in three weeks, is trying relentlessly to bring the sides together for talks, but the obstacles he faces are daunting. Foreign Minister Avigdor Lieberman suggested that the two sides come up with a long-term interim arrangement that would ensure stability, while at the same time putting off a final deal. He recommended leaving the toughest issues—such as the status of disputed Jerusalem and a solution for Palestinian refugees who lost homes amid war—"to a much later stage."—*Internet*

A/H1N1 flu cases rise to 9,789 in Vietnam

HANOI, 9 Oct—Vietnam confirmed 82 more cases of A/H1N1 influenza, bringing total number of flu patients in the country to 9,789, said a daily report on the website of Ministry of Health on Friday.—*Xinhua*

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV OCEAN-CORAL VOYNO (46)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV OCEAN-CORAL VOYNO (46) are here by notified that the vessels will be arriving on 10.10.2009 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of S.P.W 5 where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

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

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The Embassy of the Republic of Indonesia invites all qualified companies/ contractors to submit their best cost proposal for refurbishing the Ambassador's residence furniture.

For further information, please contact Mr. Rahman Priaelmu or Ms. Dyasti Kalista WN Siregar at Indonesian Embassy Office (Ph. 01-254465, 254469 or fax. 01-254468)

Interested Companies/ Contractors may come to the Embassy during office hour from 8th October to 14th October 2009.

Company proposal must be submitted on 16th October 2009. Late bids will not be accepted.

Yangon, 8th October 2009

Gun-toting Pa soccer mom, husband found shot dead

LEBANON, 9 Oct—A suburban mother who became a voice of the gun-rights movement when she openly carried a loaded pistol to her daughter's soccer game was fatally shot on Wednesday along with her parole-officer husband in an apparent murder-suicide at their home in Pennsylvania Dutch country, authorities said.

Police released scant details about the deaths of Meleanie Hain, 31, and Scott Hain, 33, but said more information would be released Friday after their autopsies.

"I'm devastated. I lost my daughter. I lost my best friend. The children lost their parents," Jenny Stanley, Meleanie Hain's mother, told WGAL-TV. Stanley added that the three children, ages 2, 6 and 10, are "hanging in there."

The children were at a neighbour's house by the time police arrived to answer 911 calls from neighbour's, said Lebanon City Police Chief Daniel Wright.

"What they did or did not see as part of this is not something we're going to release," Wright said.

Internet

Malaria gets “ugly” on hit US comedy show

UNITED NATIONS, 9 Oct — A United Nations-backed campaign to raise awareness about malaria, which claims over 1 million lives annually, has a starring role on the season premiere of the hit United States television comedy, “Ugly Betty.”

Airing on 16 Oct, the two-hour special will center around the efforts by the main character, Betty Suarez, a young woman recently promoted to become the features editor at a fashion magazine, to draw attention to the “Nothing But Nets” scheme.

Under that campaign, the UN Foundation (UNF) seeks to curb the spread of malaria by providing insecticide-treated bed nets, each costing 10 US dollars, to communities in greatest need.

Malaria infects over 500 million people worldwide annually, killing more than 1 million people, the vast majority of whom are African children. UNF is excited that the television show “chose to spread the buzz” about its campaign, said Elizabeth McKee Gore, the organization’s Executive Director of Global Partner-

ships and “Nothing But Nets.”

To date, the campaign, which started in 2006, has resulted in the distribution of more than 2 million bed nets in Africa, she said, voicing hope that its appearance on the program will generate more interest in preventing the spread of malaria.

“Our storyline resonated with every member of our cast and crew,” said Richard Heusfrom, the show’s executive director.—*Internet*



A girl with dengue fever draws while sitting on her bed behind a mosquito net in a hospital in Managua on 8 October, 2009. According to Nicaraguan health authorities, ten children have died and more than 1,500 people are infected with the tropical illness transmitted by mosquitoes.—*INTERNET*

Radioisotope battery under development

COLUMBIA, 9 Oct — US electrical engineers say they are developing a smaller, lighter and more efficient battery that uses a nuclear energy source.

Much attention has been given to making batteries smaller and more powerful, but scientists say problems can arise when such batteries become heavier than the devices they power.

“To provide enough power, we need certain methods with high energy density,” said University of Missouri Assistant Professor Jae Kwon, who is leading the research. “The radioisotope battery can provide power density that is six orders of magnitude higher than chemical batteries.” Kwon and his research team are developing a small nuclear battery, currently the size and thickness of a penny, intended to power various micro-nanoelectromechanical systems.

The innovation is not only in the battery’s size, but also in its semiconductor. Kwon said his battery uses a liquid semiconductor rather than a solid semiconductor.

“The critical part of using a radioactive battery is that when you harvest the energy, part of the radiation energy can damage the lattice structure of the solid semiconductor,” Kwon said. “By using a liquid semiconductor, we believe we can minimize that problem.”—*Internet*

Recession puts public’s mental health at risk

LOS ANGELES, 9 Oct — Americans who are unemployed or underemployed face greater risk of severe mental illness, Mental Health America (MHA) said on Thursday.

Unemployed Americans are four times more likely than those with jobs to report symptoms of severe mental illness, such as major depression, said MHA, citing a survey of 1,002 adults aged 18 and older. As for people who were forced to accept work changes, such as reduced hours or pay cuts, they were twice as likely to have symptoms, said the health group.

The survey was conducted last month by MHA, the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) and the Depression Is Real Coalition.

The three groups re-

leased the findings to coincide with Mental Illness Awareness Week (Oct 4-10) and National Depression Screening Day (Oct 8).

“This survey clearly shows that economic difficulties are placing the public’s mental health at serious risk, and we need affirmative action to address these medical problems,” said David L Shern, president and CEO of MHA.—*Xinhua*

University creates iPhone medical apps

SALT LAKE CITY, 9 Oct — University of Utah researchers say they have created three iPhone applications that are designed to assist scientists, students, doctors and patients.

The researchers said their programmes can display and manipulate 3D images of medical scans and can be used to study the human body, evaluate medical problems and analyze other 3D images. — AnatomyLab allows students to conduct a virtual dissection by providing images of a real human cadaver during 40 separate stages of dissection. The software, which sells for \$9.99, was designed by biology Professor Mark Nielsen and two University of Utah students, including his son. — My Body, a scaled-down version of AnatomyLab, sells for \$1.99 and is intended for their body looks like,” Nielsen said.—*Internet*

Skin hydration product unveiled by Baxter

DEERFIELD, 9 Oct — Baxter International Inc of Deerfield, Ill., says it has developed a new skin hydration product for children and infants that works subcutaneously.

The Chicago Tribune said on Wednesday the medical product company unveiled its new Hylenex system that operates by allowing intravenous fluids to be administered under the skin instead of through more traditional intravenous therapy.

Healthcare professionals said traditional IV efforts involve finding a patient’s vein, occasionally leading to multiple attempts due to vein size or patient factors.

Skin hydration is vital during cold and flu season in the United States as more than two million children visit emergency rooms nationwide each year due to dehydration concerns.—*Internet*

Chinese language class starts in Liberia’s capital

MONROVIA, 9 Oct — A new language class is providing an opportunity for Liberians to learn Mandarin as China expands its economic presence in the West African country.

China is heavily engaged in post-war Liberia, rebuilding roads with funding from the World

Bank and running hotels, restaurants and other businesses.

And a Chinese firm, China Union, became the largest ever investor in Liberia when it signed a \$2.6 billion agreement earlier this year to go into the iron ore business in a town about 30 miles (50

kilometres) north of Monrovia.

“Traditionally, we Liberians are closer to the Americans than we are to the Chinese, but the irony is that the Chinese are more open to us than the Americans are,” said 57-year-old John K Cooper, who works for a local youth development center and is one of 15 students in the Mandarin class that began this week.

Internet



In this photo taken on 7 Oct, 2009, Liberian students listen to Chinese teacher Li Peng as he teaches a Mandarin class, at the Samuel Doe stadium in Monrovia, Liberia.—*INTERNET*

SPORTS

Saudi prince mulling Liverpool investment

LONDON, 9 Oct — Prince Faisal, a member of Saudi Arabia's royal family, is contemplating an investment in Liverpool that could go as far as a full buyout of the club, according to the head of his investment vehicle, F6.

Liverpool's American owners, Tom Hicks and George Gillett, have confirmed they are looking for new investors and Faisal is considering buying a shareholding that "could go from anything from nought to 100 percent," Barry Didato was quoted as saying by the BBC.

Didato stressed however that the Saudi prince has concerns over the apparently strained relationship between Hicks and Gillett, and the level of debt Liverpool has acquired since they took over the club in February 2007.

Prince Faisal — or Prince Faisal bin Fahd bin Abdullah al-Saud — has only held talks with

Gillett to date and has established a "chemistry and shared vision," between them, Didato was quoted as saying.

He stressed however that his boss had concern over the level of Liverpool's debts, which totalled 350 million pounds earlier this year when auditors warned that they posed a threat to the club's future as a going concern.

Didato said: "The debt has to be at a manageable level before Prince Faisal would invest and the current level is high."

Internet



Prince Faisal bin Fahd bin Abdullah al-Saud.

INTERNET

Serena says ready to play Fed Cup, if fit

BEIJING, 9 Oct — Serena Williams, who will reclaim the number one ranking on Monday, says she wants to play for the United States in the Fed Cup final against Italy in November — as long as she is not "in a wheelchair".

Williams, who was knocked out of the China Open late Thursday, said that if she was in shape after this month's season-

ending championships in Qatar, she would be ready for the 7-8 November showdown on clay in Reggio Calabria. "I definitely want to play again. I am just trying to get there.

It's just really hard to see how my body is going to be after Doha — if I am going to be walking or if I am going to be in a wheelchair," the 28-year-old Williams said.

"If I'm walking, then I really want to go. But if I'm in a wheelchair, then we have great people like Melanie (Oudin), who I think can really do a good job, and Liezel (Huber), who is number one in doubles." We really have a really good team. Quite frankly, they got there without me, but I would love to go and support."

Internet



American tennis superstar Serena Williams.

INTERNET

United cleared to sign Pogba, Le Havre protest



PARIS, 9 Oct — Manchester United have been given the green light to sign French teenager Paul Pogba after FIFA on Thursday ruled that the English champions had not induced him to break a contract with Le Havre.

But his former club have hit back by arguing that FIFA's ruling is only provisional and therefore not an end to the saga surrounding the 16-year-old midfielder.

United issued a statement declaring: "Manchester United is pleased to confirm that the Football Association has been authorised by FIFA to register Paul Pogba as a

Manchester United player with immediate effect."

The French second division team responded by issuing a statement of their own.

"FIFA have not validated the transfer of Paul Pogba but have, as they systematically do in cases like this, issued a provisional international certificate," the club said.

"The decision of the international body is therefore a non-event and is normal procedure." France Under-16 captain Pogba was poised to join United in the summer, but Le Havre accused them of offering financial inducements to lure him to Old Trafford and called on world football's governing body FIFA to intervene.

Internet

Japanese masters to train Angolan karate athletes

LUANDA, 9 Oct — Japanese karate masters will train Angolan athletes beginning from 2010, a senior Angolan sports official said here on Thursday.

Germano de Palma Gomes, chairman of the Angolan Karate Federation, told reporters that the Angolan Karate Federation and its Japanese counterpart signed an accord to help Angola raise the level of karate, a famous self-defending martial art developed in Japan.

The Angolan sports official also said that the accord is aimed help Angolan karate players to improve their professional level of the sport in Angola without traveling abroad for training. According to Germano Gomes, under the accord, both Japan and Angola will carry out a karate development program in Angola and the Japanese karate federation will provide relevant training facilities and materials. — Xinhua

Japan beats Chinese Hong Kong 6-0 in Asian Cup qualifier

TOKYO, 9 Oct — Striker Shinji Okazaki savored a hat-trick to help Japan for a 6-0 home win over Chinese Hong Kong in an Asian Cup final round qualifier on Thursday. Yuto Nagatomo, Yuji Nakazawa and Tullio were also on target for Japan in the Group A game in Shizuoka, putting Japan level on points with Bahrain on six points, although the latter has a game in hand.

Yemen has three points with Chinese Hong Kong bottom still without a point. The top two advance to the 2011 finals in Qatar. Japan failed to gain automatic qualification after losing to South Korea in a penalty shootout in the third-place playoff of the 2007 tournament.

Xinhua

Italian midfielder Marchisio to miss Ireland, Cyprus World Cup qualifiers

ROME, 9 Oct — Juventus midfielder Claudio Marchisio will miss Italy's World Cup qualifiers against Ireland



Juventus' Claudio Marchisio.

on Saturday and Cyprus on Wednesday because of a knee injury.

"The player cannot recover in time for the Cyprus match and he'll go back to his club tomorrow," Italy's team doctor Enrico Castellacci said on Thursday.

Italy need a draw in Ireland to qualify for next year's World Cup as Group Eight winners.

If they lose in Dublin, they can clinch a place at the finals in South Africa by beating Cyprus in Parma. — Xinhua

Mauresmo considering end of tennis career

PARIS, 9 Oct — Twice Grand Slam winner Amelie Mauresmo has put an end to her season and is considering retirement, the Frenchwoman said on Thursday. "Since I came back from the US Open, I have been trying to practice but I did not find the desire to get back to competition," said the world number 20 on her website (www.ameliemauresmo.fr). "I do not want to rush things," said former world number one, "I still give myself some time before making a decision regarding the remainder of my career."

Mauresmo, 30, topped the WTA rankings in September 2004, and clinched her two Grand Slam titles in 2006 when she won the Australian Open and Wimbledon. She has collected 25 WTA singles titles since turning professional in 1993. Mauresmo has not played competitive tennis since losing to Canada's Aleksandra Wozniak in the second round of the US Open. — Xinhua

Beckham set to return to AC Milan

LONDON, 9 Oct — LA Galaxy are close to agreeing a loan deal for England midfielder David Beckham to return to AC Milan in the January transfer window.

Tim Leiweke, the chief executive of AEG, which owns Galaxy, said they were aware that a move would help Beckham improve his chances of featuring in next summer's World Cup.

Leiweke said that the



England midfielder David Beckham.

34-year-old needs a year of solid football to boost his bid to reach the World Cup. "We have a deep appreciation of what he is doing over here with his national team," Leiweke said at the Leaders in Football summit at Stamford Bridge on Thursday. "I wanted him to know that we will support him so we are going to lend him out."

Galaxy want Beckham's loan deal sorted out soon so he can concentrate on a title challenge with his club. "We want to get it done, for him and for us, because we have work to do over the next few weeks and I don't want any confusion," Leiweke said.

Internet



Special shaped hot air balloons fill the sky during the Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta in Albuquerque, NM, on Thursday, 8 Oct, 2009. The annual event is scheduled to wrap up Sunday.—INTERNET

Russia launches bid for 2018 World Cup

Moscow, 9 Oct—Russia on Friday officially launched its bid to host either the 2018 or 2022 football World Cup.

“We are a society of sport fans, where no single sport is more universally revered and passionately pursued than football,” the bid committee said in a statement on its website.

“We are a people universally dedicated to our bid — from our government, to our economy, to our people,” it said.

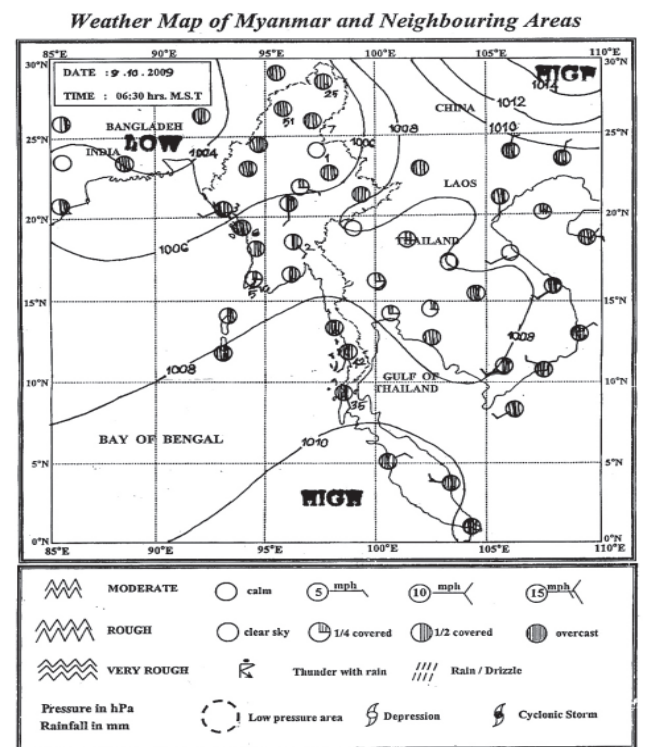
Russia has never hosted a major football tournament, although Moscow was the host city for the 1980 Olympic Games and the Black Sea resort of Sochi will stage the 2014 Winter Olympics.

“This project is important not only for football, but for the whole country,” Russian Sport Minister Vitaly Mutko, who also chairs the Russian Football Union, was quoted as saying by RIA Novosti news agency.—Internet

MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (10-10-2009) (Saturday)

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
 - * Mandalay, A Close Distance
 - * Shwezawar Lacquer-Ware
 - * Culture Stage
 - * Sculpturing Contest
 - * Myanmar Modern Song
 - * Graduation Works Show Arts
 - * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- Europe/ North America Transmission**
- * Signature Tune
 - * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
 - * Mandalay, A Close Distance
 - * Shwezawar Lacquer-Ware
 - * The Elephant Camp... Where I've been to
 - * Culture Stage
 - * Myanmar Modern Song
 - * Graduation Works Show Arts
 - * Myanma Indigenous Ornamental Fish (Part-I)
 - * Marketable Onion
 - * Myanmar Movies Impact
 - * Nandawun (Book Shop)
 - * Myanmar Modern Song
 - * Ayeyawady Dolphin Expedition (Part-III)
 - * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm



WEATHER

Friday, 9th October, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST: During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kayah State, lower Sagaing and Yangon Divisions, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Shan and Chin States, Mandalay and Magway Divisions, scattered in Rakhine State, upper Sagaing, Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions, fairly widespread in Taninthayi Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with isolated heavyfall in Mon State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Lewe) (0.27) inch, Nay Pyi Taw (Tatkon) (0.12) inch, Belin (5.51) inches, Hkamti (2.01) inches, Taungup (1.77) inches, Myeik (1.66) inches, Kawthoung (1.38) inches, Kyauktaw (1.22) inches and Magway (0.51) inch.

Maximum temperature on 8-10-2009 was 94°F. Minimum temperature on 9-10-2009 was 71°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 9-10-2009 was 75%. Total sun shine hours on 8-10-2009 was (9.7) hours approx.

Rainfall on 9-10-2009 was Nil at Mingaladon, Nil at Kaba-Aye and Nil at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (108.94) inches at Mingaladon, (119.57) inches at Kaba-Aye and (125.00) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from Southwest at (12:30) hours MST on 8-10-2009.

Bay inference: Weather is cloudy in the Andaman Sea and Southeast and North Bay and generally fair elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 10th October 2009: Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Kachin and Mon States, Taninthayi Division, fairly widespread in Chin and Rakhine States, upper Sagaing Division, scattered in Kayin State and Bago Division and isolated 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: Rain or thundershowers in the Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 10-10-2009: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 10-10-2009: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 10-10-2009: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Weather Outlook for Second Weekend of October 2009: During the coming weekend, rain of thundershowers are likely to be isolated in Nay Pyi Taw, Yangon and Mandalay Divisions.



Saturday, 10 October View on today

- 7:00 am**
1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော်
- 7:15 am**
2. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန်းမြတ်စိုး၊ တေးရေး-မောင်မောင်လတ်)
- 7:25 am**
3. To Be Healthy Exercise
- 7:30 am**
4. Morning News
- 7:40 am**
5. Nice & Sweet Song

- 7:55 am**
6. ကဗျာပန်းဥယျာဉ်
- 8:10 am**
7. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 8:25 am**
8. ၂၀၀၉ခုနှစ်(၁၇)ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှုအဆိုအက၊အရေးအတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ၊ ပြိုင်ပွဲဝင်များလေ့လာနိုင်ကြရန် (ခေတ်အကြိုက်တေး) (ဝါသနာရှင် (ဒုတိယတန်း) အဆင့်) (အဆိုသား)
- 8:40 am**
9. International News
- 8:45 am**
10. Connect with English (Episode-10) (Negotiations)
- 11:00 am**
1. Martial Song
- 11:10 am**
2. Musical Programme
- 11:20 am**
3. ချစ်စရာအရွယ် ကစားကြမယ်
- 11:40 am**
4. Round up of The Week's TV Local News
- 12:05 pm**
5. Yan Can Cook

- 12:25 pm**
6. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ဟာသကမ္ဘာ" (အပိုင်း-၃၅)
- 1:25 pm**
7. ၂၀၀၉ခုနှစ်(၁၇)ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှုအဆိုအက၊အရေးအတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ၊ ပြိုင်ပွဲဝင်များလေ့လာနိုင်ကြရန် (ခေတ်အကြိုက်တေး) (ဝါသနာရှင် (ဒုတိယတန်း) အဆင့်) (အဆိုသား)
- 1:40 pm**
8. မြူမြူကြွကြွယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက
- 1:50 pm**
9. Song of National Races
- 1:55 pm**
10. အလင်းတံခါးဖွင့်လှစ်ခဲ့ပြီ အညာဒေသဆီ (အပိုင်း-၂)
- 2:10 pm**
11. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 2:30 pm**
12. နိုင်ငံ့စီးပွားအလေးထား ကျေးလက်ထုတ်ကုန်များ
- 2:40 pm**
13. International News
- 3:45 pm**
1. Myanmar National League MNL(2009) ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲတိုက်ရိုက်ထုတ်လွှင့်မှုအစီအစဉ်

- (ကမ္ဘောဇ FCအသင်းနှင့် ဥသာယူနိုက်တက် FC အသင်း)
- 5:45 pm**
2. Musical Programme
- 6:00 pm**
3. Evening News
- 6:15 pm**
4. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm**
5. အလှူရှာမယ်လှူကမ္ဘာဝယ်
- 6:40 pm**
6. ယဉ်တစ်ကိုယ်မယ် "ရိုးရိုးလေးပဲတောင်းပါတယ်" (ထက်အာကာ၊ ဆုထက်ကုဋေထွဋ်ထွဋ်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ဇေယျာလင်း)
- 7:00 pm**
7. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မိုးမြေချစ်သူ"(အပိုင်း-၁၁)
- 8:00 pm**
8. News
 9. International News
 10. Weather Report
 11. ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ် "ဒိုင်နိုဆော့မိသားစု စွန့်စားခန်း" (အပိုင်း-၄၉)
 12. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "နွေဦးကဗျာ ချစ်သံသာ" (အပိုင်း-၁)
 16. ဝိတစ်ခါးလေးဖွင့်ပါဦး

- ★ 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

Senior General Than Shwe attends Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference (2009)

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Oct— Patron of Myanmar War Veterans Organization (Central) Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe gave guidance at the second day session of the Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference (2009) held at the hall of MWVO Headquarters in Nay Pyi Taw Lewe at 9 am today.

Also present at the first session of the second-day conference were members of the Panel of Patrons of the MWVO Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, Member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann, Prime Minister General Thein Sein, Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and SPDC member Lt-Gen Tin Aye, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Nyan Tun, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein, Chairman of MWVO Central Organizing Committee Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung, senior military officers of the Ministry of Defence, the commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command, ministers, the Chief Justice, the Attorney-General, the Auditor-General, deputy ministers, members of the MWVOCOC, departmental heads, officials of the organizing committee and subcommittees, chairmen and representatives of Union Solidarity and Development Association, Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation, Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association, Myanmar Red Cross Society, Myanmar Fire Brigade, Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association and Union of Myanmar



Senior General Than Shwe cordially greets delegates of States and Divisions who are attending Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference (2009).—MNA

en's Affairs Federation, Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association, Myanmar Red Cross Society, Myanmar Fire Brigade, Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association and Union of Myanmar

Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry, guests and State and Division delegates to the conference.

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