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### Four political objectives

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

### Four economic objectives

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

### Four social objectives

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

## MWVO a reserve force of Tatmadaw joining hands with other social organizations, national brethren in active and dutiful service for national defence, national task

### First-day session of MWVO conference (2009) held

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—The first session of the Myanmar War Veterans Organization conference (2009) was held at MWVO HQ in Nay Pyi Taw on 8 October, with an address by Chairman of Myanmar

War Veterans Organization Central Organizing Committee Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung.

Speaking on the occasion Lt-Gen Thura Myint

Aung said that now is the time when the State Peace and Development Council or the Tatmadaw government is in the process of implementing the seven-step Road Map for (See page 9)



Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung addresses the first-day session of Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference (2009).—MNA

## Myogyi Dam, under construction to green Meiktila Plain

Article: Kyaw Sein; Photos: Aung Than (Mingala Taungnyunt)

Surprisingly, we heard a roar of heavy machinery. Excavators, rollers and bulldozers were used in the ground

work at the construction site of building Myogyi Dam between Kyaykan and Shwemyintha hills, parts of Shan mountain

range near Myogyi Village of Ywangan Township, Shan State (South). (See page 7)

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Regarding anti-narcotic drugs, Myanmar is ready to cooperate with any country and organization. If the US recognizes the Myanmar's genuine goodwill and efforts and cooperates with Myanmar, more tangible and greater success will be achieved soon.

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Heavy machinery at work at construction site of Myogyi Dam.



# PERSPECTIVES

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## Arouse people's national political awareness

The second-day session of the Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference (2009) took place at the conference hall of MWVO Headquarters in Nay Pyi Taw Lewe on 9 October. 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 attended the conference and gave guidance.

With very fine traditions, Myanmar has stood tall with her own culture, custom, independence and sovereignty for more than one thousand years.

In his guidance, Senior General Than Shwe said, "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. So, in this regard, national politics and true sense of Union Spirit are the most important things."

To encourage the members to have a sense of national causes and political awareness sharing the common belief and concept in order to organize the people, MWVO Central Organizing Committee 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 number of members of the organization and reserve members.

The number of infrastructures in all fields including the economic, transport, education, water supply and health sectors across the nation to expedite the border areas and national races development project, the 24 special region development project and rural development programmes is very great in proportion to the period of a couple of decades.

The result is largely due to the cooperation of the three major forces: the government, the people and the Tatmadaw.

All in all, war veterans are part of the Tatmadaw and they are standing as reserve members forever to perform national defence duties under the leadership of the Tatmadaw.

*Press conference on Parkroyal Youth Art Award 2009 "Sights of Myanmar".—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

## Commander enjoys ASEAN U-16 Women Championship Football match

YANGON, 10 Oct—An opening ceremony of ASEAN U-16 Women football match took place at Thuwanna stadium, here, yesterday evening.

It was attended by Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint, the Director-General of Sports and Physical Education Department, General secretary of Myanmar Olympic Committee, the Director-General of Department of Basic Education No. 3, the President of Myanmar Football

Federation, Chairperson of Myanmar Women's Sports Federation, patrons of MWSF, officials of ASEAN embassies, guests and fans.

On the occasion, the commander, the President of MFF and officials from ASEAN Football Federation greeted football players and referees. And performers also presented bouquets to them.

Afterwards, the commander and the officials enjoyed playing Myanmar Women team against Malaysia Women team.—MNA



*Maj-Gen Win Myint enjoys the playing of Myanmar Women team against Malaysia Women team.—MNA*

## UMFCCI President meets President of KAMCO

YANGON, 10 Oct—Korea Delegation led by President of Korea Asset Management Corporation (KAMCO) Mr. Lee Chol-Hwi and party together with members of Myanmar DAEWOO Limited met with President of UMFCCI U Win Myint, Vice-President U Tun Aung, Secretary Dr Mg Mg Lay, Joint Secretary Dr Myo Thet, Central Executive Members U Sai Ba Nyan, U Tun



Aung, U Myint Zaw and Dr Thin Ngwe Win at Head Office, here on 2 October.

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*President of UMFCCI U Win Myint meets with President of Korea Asset Management Corporation (KAMCO) Mr. Lee Chol-Hwi and party.—MNA*

## Press conference on Parkroyal Youth Art Award 2009 entitles "Sights of Myanmar" held

YANGON, 10 Oct—A press meet on Parkroyal Youth Art Award 2009

took place at Parkroyal here, yesterday.

General Manager of Parkroyal Yangon Hotel Mr Teddy Chia briefed on holding of the contest.

The Art Award will be organized again this year for all Myanmar youths aged between 14 to 20 years. And it would sharpen the talent of local youth artists. Its title is "Sights of Myanmar".

The artwork must be original, and only one art-

work of each participant will be allowed; medium and materials that allowed for this contest are water-colour on paper 15" x 20" or Oil / Acrylic / Ink on canvas, 18" x 24"; the selected artworks shall remain the property and copyright of the Parkroyal Hotel, will be used in publicity campaigns.

Handsome prizes will be awarded to winners. The Nanyang Academy of Fine Art (NAFA) of Singapore,

will make judgement together with reputable local famous artists. Entries are to be submitted to Parkroyal Yangon, No. 33 Alanpya Pagoda Road, Dagon Township or MCTA - No. 69 (2), between 53<sup>rd</sup> street and 37<sup>th</sup> street, Mandalay, not later than 10 November.

Those wishing to participate may contact (Tel: 250388 and Ext: 8116 or 8123).

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**A woman calls for help as they flee their homes after hearing of rumors that nearby San Roque dam has cracked in San Manuel town, Tarlac Province, northern Philippines on 10 Oct, 2009. — INTERNET**

## Montserrat volcano spews ash, residents wear masks

SAN JUAN (Puerto Rico), 10 Oct — Rock falls from a spewing volcano stirred up more volcanic ash on Friday on the tiny Caribbean island of Montserrat, which lost half its population after a devastating eruption last decade.

Dozens of small earthquakes accompanied ash plumes that have billowed up 20,000 feet (6,000 meters) this week, prompting officials to distribute masks to residents, said James White Jr, acting director of the Disaster Management Coordination Agency.

A thin layer of volcanic residue now coats several northwestern towns, and ashfall — which can cause respiratory problems and tiny scratches on the eyes

— is expected to continue, said Paul Cole, director of the Montserrat Volcano Observatory.—*Internet*



**In this 8 Jan, 2007 photo, a cloud of superheated ash and gas flows from the Soufriere Hills volcano, as seen from Olveston, Montserrat.**

INTERNET

## Setback for British 'hacker' in US extradition fight

LONDON, 10 Oct — A Briton accused of hacking into US military and NASA space agency computers was on Friday refused permission to appeal to the new Supreme Court in London against his extradition to the United States.

The High Court had turned down Gary McKinnon's extradition challenges and on Friday refused him leave to appeal, ruling that that his case did not raise "points of law of general public importance" — a prerequisite of being able to pursue a cause in the Supreme Court.

The 43-year-old could spend life in prison if convicted by a US court of gaining access to 97 computers in 2001 and 2002 in the aftermath of the September 11, 2001 attacks on the United States.—*Internet*

## Water scarcity of global concern

ST PETER, 10 Oct — A looming global water shortage means world leaders should act now to assure peace in water-poor regions, a climate change expert told a Minnesota audience.

"There is no more crucial issue to human society than the future of water on this planet," Nobel-Prize winner Rajendra Pachauri said, speaking in the US state known as "The Land of 10,000 Lakes."

*Internet*



**Citizen Yao Shaowu shows the making process of his stamp collage with the pattern of "Along the River During the Qingming Festival", a famous Chinese painting, in Wuhan, capital of central China's Hubei Province, on 9 Oct, 2009. — XINHUA**

## Number of Afghan militants grow rapidly since 2006

WASHINGTON, 10 Oct — The number of Taliban-led militants in Afghanistan has grown rapidly from 7,000 to 25,000 since 2006, according to a new US intelligence estimate. The estimate, presented to US President Barack Obama and leaked out by the *New York Times* and other news outlets on Friday, includes so-called "hard-core" Taliban loyalists and other militants affiliated with them.

US officials said the figure are not necessarily accurate, given the fact that the militants often operate in small units and some of them are not full-time fighters.

They also hope some moderate elements of the insurgency could break away from the "hard core" Taliban loyalists if situations change in the future.

Nevertheless, US officials said the insurgency not only grows in ranks,

but also remains very resilient and very flexible.

How to deal with Taliban emerges as a core question to Obama's ongoing review of his Afghan strategy.

White House aides said Thursday that the focus of the strategy is now shifting away from the Taliban in Afghanistan to al-Qaida cells in Pakistan.

*Internet*

## Israelis bring green power to West Bank village

SUSYA (West Bank), 10 Oct — Residents of a West Bank village with no electricity have been helped out of the darkness by unlikely benefactors — a group of Israelis who installed solar panels and wind turbines to illuminate the Palestinians' makeshift homes.

The villagers of Susya live in tents and caves with power lines darting right above their dwellings, connecting a nearby Jewish settlement to the power grid while bypassing them entirely.

It was this lack of basic services that drew the physicists from Comet-ME, a group of pro-peace Israeli scientists and activists, to this dusty, desolate area. Now the entire village of 300 people has access to power that is reliable, free and green.

At night, rudimentary streetlights dot the other-

wise pitch-black village and each home is lit by an energy-saving bulb. Villagers have no access to phone lines, but the power allows them to charge their cell phones.

"Life is easier now," said Susya villagers Widad Nawaja, standing below the solar panel that powers her home. "We have light. Children can do their homework at

night if they couldn't finish it during the day."

The residents also hope the new amenities will help them make more money: an electric butter churner means they can produce butter faster than by hand, and two green-powered refrigerators can preserve their produce until it can be sold.

*Internet*



**A Palestinian woman carries a bucket on her head as she passes a solar panel, in the West Bank village of Susya near Hebron, on 7 Oct, 2009.**

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## Three NATO soldiers killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 10 Oct — Militancy and hostile fire have left three soldiers of the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) dead in Afghanistan, a press release of the alliance said Saturday.

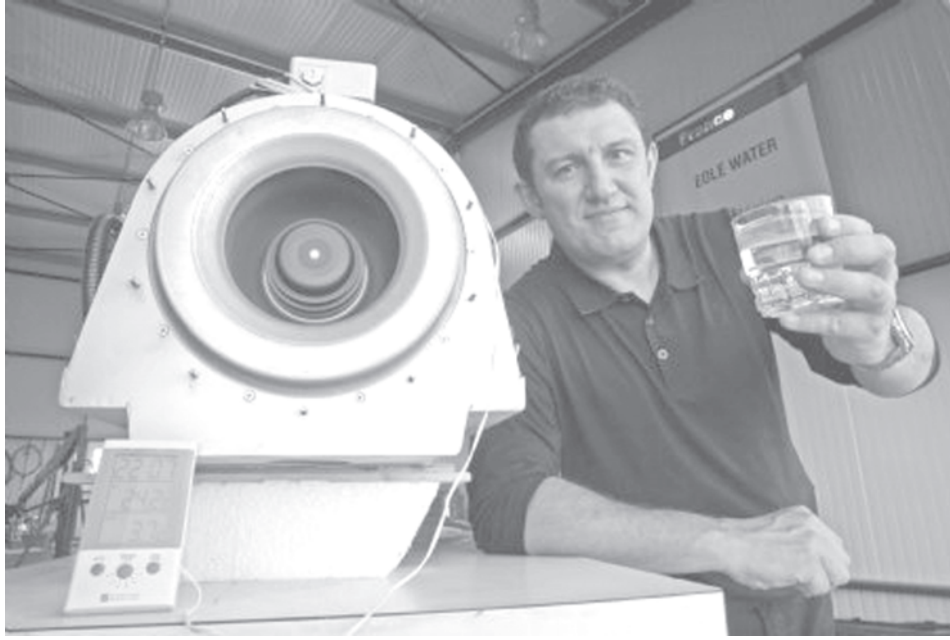
"Two International Security Assistance Force service members were killed in an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) strike on 9 Oct, in eastern Afghanistan," the press release added.

Nevertheless, it did not identify the nationality of the two dead soldiers, adding the third soldier died on the same day on Friday is an American national. "On the same day, one US service member died of wounds sustained in an IED attack in southern Afghanistan," it stressed.

The military alliance also said that a joint operation, launched by ISAF and Afghan security forces, has led to the arrest of 10 militants in Pul-e-Alam, capital city of southern Logar province. "The search was conducted without incident, and no Afghan civilians were injured during the operation," it added.

Conflicts and violence have claimed at least 406 foreign soldiers, including 240 from the US, so far this year in war-torn Afghanistan.—*Xinhua*





*Eole Water SAS Chief Executive Officer Marc Parent poses next to a windmill turbine, which produces drinking water by condensation from dampness of the air, in Sainte Tulle, southeastern France, on 9 Oct, 2009. This new technology allows a production of water and electricity coming from wind power.—XINHUA*

## World's leading direct-selling company eyes China market

BEIJING, 10 Oct—Herbalife, one of the world's top five direct-selling companies, is investing in China a lot more aggressively than before to increase the size of its business from its current fourth place to become the largest in the Asia-Pacific region within four years, *China Daily* reported on Satur-

day.

Michael O Johnson, chief executive officer of the US personal care and nutritional products maker, made the remark during a three-day China visit to Nanjing, Jiangsu Province.

He refused to be specific about numbers, only saying the volume would be "larger" than in previ-

ous years.

The company's China investment has amounted to 38 million US dollars so far. The majority, 31.25 million US dollars, went to its Suzhou factory, one of its two manufacturing plants worldwide whose products have been mainly sold in China.—*Xinhua*

## Republicans attack Obama on US dollar

WASHINGTON, 10 Oct — Leading Republicans echoed Sarah Palin on Thursday in attacking President Barack Obama over the weakness of the US dollar.

Analysts warn it is risky business playing politics with the US currency, which has traditionally been off limits as a play to score points against political opponents. That taboo appears to have been broken.

Palin, the former Republican vice presidential candidate and ex-governor of Alaska, launched her dollar criticism on her Facebook page. She linked dollar weakness to US dependence on foreign oil, large US deficits and questions about whether the dollar deserves to retain its vaunted status of reserve currency.

Republicans in Congress said the previous Republican administration of former president George W Bush also deserved blame for dollar weakness but, since taking office on 20 January, Democrat Obama was calling the shots.

"I agree with her," Senator Charles Grassley, top Republican on the Senate Finance Committee, said when asked by *Reuters* about Palin's dollar criticism.

"A lot of the recession we are in now goes back to Bush. But the extent to which we passed the 787-billion-US-dollar stimulus bill that is not doing any good — this president is responsible for," he said.

*MNA/Reuters*

## Mad cow fear: Japan suspends beef from US plant

TOKYO, 10 Oct—Japan has suspended beef shipments from an American meat-packing plant after finding cattle parts banned under an agreement to prevent the spread of mad cow disease, the agriculture ministry said on Saturday.

Japanese quarantine inspectors found bovine spinal columns in one of 732 boxes sent by Tyson Fresh Meats, Inc, which

arrived in Japan last month, the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries said in a statement. The box contained 35 pounds (16 kilograms) of chilled short loin with spinal bones.

The suspension only affects Tyson's factory in Nebraska, one of 46 meat-packing plants approved to export beef to Japan.

The Japanese ministry also asked the US Depart-

ment of Agriculture to investigate how the box containing the banned parts ended up in Japan.

Japan banned all US beef imports in 2003 after the first case of mad cow disease was discovered in the United States. Japan resumed buying American beef in 2006 after a bilateral trade agreement setting new safety standards.

*Internet*

## Japan to obtain rights to platinum in Africa

TOKYO, 10 Oct—Resource-poor Japan has obtained rights to develop platinum mines in South Africa and Botswana in a bid to ensure a stable supply of the metal, officials said on Friday.

The government-backed Japan Oil, Gas and Metals National Corp (JOGMEC) has signed a contract with Discovery Metals in Australia to

jointly develop nickel and platinum mines in northeast Botswana, it said in a statement.

It has inked another deal with Canadian firm Platinum Group Metals to explore for platinum in South Africa. It will pay three million Australian dollars (2.7 million US dollars) to Discovery Metals over three years for exploration costs, in return for 60 per-

cent of the rights to the metals.

JOGMEC will pay 3.2 million US dollars to Platinum Group Metals over four years for a 37 percent share, it said in a statement.—*Internet*



*A Japanese hostess holds the world's most expensive handbag — made in Japan out of platinum and diamonds and worth \$2 million — in Vienna in 2008. Resource-poor Japan has obtained rights to develop platinum mines in South Africa and Botswana in a bid to ensure a stable supply of the metal.—INTERNET*

## German exports slide unexpectedly in August

BERLIN, 10 Oct—German exports slid unexpectedly in August, according to the provisional data released by German Federal Statistical Office (Destatis) on Friday. Germany exported commodities to the value of 60.4 billion euros (about 89 billion US dollars) and imported commodities to the value of 52.2 billion euros in August 2009, said Destatis. Exports decreased by 1.8 percent on July 2009 and imports increased by 1.1 percent, when adjusted for calendar and seasonal variations.

This is the first time in four months

that German exports fell, according to the local media reports. The previous expectations of local media are that exports increased 1.7 percent and imports rose 0.9 percent.

On an annual basis, German exports decreased by 20.0 percent and imports by 19.3 percent in August 2009 against August 2008, said Destatis. The surplus had amounted to 10.6 billion euros on calendar and seasonal adjustment, lower than a surplus of 10.8 billion euros in August 2008. (1 US dollar = 0.6787 euros)

*Xinhua*



*Two officers of Italian police, left and right, and their Swiss colleague pose near a Lamborghini Gallardo of Italian traffic police 'Polizia stradale', which is told to be the world's fastest police car, at a highway rest area in Bellinzona, southern Switzerland, on 7 Oct, 2009. The Lamborghini will be presented at an international police meeting in the Netherlands.—INTERNET*



## France offers to train more Somali forces

PARIS, 10 Oct—France has proposed to train 3,000 more Somali security forces in order to ensure stability to the pirates-infested area, the French Defence Ministry said Friday in a statement.

Defence Minister Herve Morin made the offer in a letter sent on 6 Oct, to his Swedish counterpart, whose country currently hold the presi-

dency of European Union, the ministry said.

France are already training Somali forces at the request of the Somali government, according to the statement, 150 Somali soldiers have been in French training camp in Djibouti. France is “committed to actively participating in European mission, especially by providing training and logistical

support...A robust training of Somali security forces could lead to an efficient action to stabilize the area.” Morin said in the statement.

The European Union launched a naval mission, nicknamed Operation Atalanta, last year, to fight Somali pirates in the Gulf of Aden, and France plays a key role in the mission.

Xinhua



Photographers wait before the closing ceremony of the World Media Summit at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing on 10 Oct, 2009. —XINHUA

## All items from Xinhua News Agency

### Stars in mega concert for Expo countdown

BEIJING, 10 Oct—Around 40 stars and celebrities will sing their hearts out next Tuesday to fuel Expo fever and mark the

Tickets are not on sale to the public, but some will be given away to those who answer an Expo quiz sponsored by China Mo-

Chin, an “evergreen” ballad singer pop singers Sky Wu, Vivian Hsu and Peter Ho; celebrities Li Bingbing and Huang Xiaoming; Super Girls Zhang Liangying and Shang Wenjie; as well as New Age singer and songwriter Sa Dingding, BBC World Music Awards winner in 2008.

They all will sing Expo songs — and some of their hits — to stoke enthusiasm for the six-month event that opens on 1 May, 2010.

“Better City, Better Life! Let’s cheer for the Shanghai Expo. Best wishes for the countdown concert,” says a message from NBA star Yao Ming, a Shanghai native who is one of the three ambassadors for World Expo 2010.—Xinhua



About 40 stars and celebrities will sing their hearts out next Tuesday to mark the 200-day countdown to the World Expo 2010 in Shanghai.—XINHUA

200-day countdown to the World Expo 2010 in Shanghai.

The concert at Shanghai Grand Theater will be live broadcast worldwide through Dragon TV starting 7:30 pm.

bile and Tencent Co. Stars and celebrities include Andy Lau, one of Cantopop’s “Four Heavenly Kings” from Hong Kong; Coco Lee, the first Chinese to perform for the Academy Awards; Tsai

### 11 dead in UN plane crash in Haiti

UNITED NATIONS, 10 Oct— All 11 people aboard were killed on Friday when a UN plane crashed near the Haiti-Dominican border, a UN spokesperson said here.

There are no survivors in the accident, the spokesperson said, adding that all the bodies were found and will be transported back to Haiti’s capital of Port-au-Prince.

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon “extended his heartfelt condolences to the family members, friends and colleagues of these brave peacekeepers who lost their lives in the service of peace,” said a statement issued here by his spokesperson.

According to the statement, the UN Stabilization Mission in Haiti (MINUSTAH) said that

the plane was on a regular reconnaissance flight, and those who aboard the Uruguayan CASA-212 military aircraft were from Uruguay and Jordan.

An investigation is underway to determine the cause of the crash, which took place in the area of Fonds-Verrettes approximately 45 kilometers from Port-au-Prince.—Xinhua



Farmers of Dong ethnic group harvest glutinous rice in Congjiang County, southwest China’s Guizhou Province, on 9 Oct, 2009. The glutinous rice in Congjiang County has ripen in the harvesting season recently.—XINHUA

### 5.8 magnitude aftershock hits Solomon Islands

WELLINGTON, 10 Oct—An earthquake measuring 5.8 on the Richter scale struck off Solomon Islands on Saturday, the US Geological Survey reported. There were no immediate reports of damage or casualties.

The quake, occurred at 09:49 am on Saturday Solomon Islands local time (2249 GMT Friday), was at a depth of 27 km and about 230 km northwest of the capital of Honiara. Three tremors measuring over 5.0 magnitude were also recorded earlier on Saturday. The region has been

hit by more than 25 aftershocks since Thursday’s triple tremors measuring more than 7.3.—Xinhua

Qory Sandioriva (L) from Aceh Province, winner of the Miss Indonesia beauty contest 2009, and first runner-up Stefania Fernandez wave during the pageant’s final in Jakarta on 10 Oct, 2009. Thirty-eight contestants from 33 provinces in Indonesia took part in the pageant.—XINHUA



### New Zealand scientists to study tsunami impact on infrastructure

WELLINGTON, 10 Oct — A team of New Zealand engineers and scientists has arrived in Samoa to study the impact of last week’s tsunami on the Pacific island country’s buildings and infrastructure.

The eight-person group from New Zealand’s National Institute of Water and Atmospheric Research (NIWA) and the Institute of Geological and Nuclear Science (GNS Science) is joining other international survey teams there, Radio New Zealand International reported on Saturday.

One of the co-leader, William Power from GNS Science, said the aim is to help New Zealand and Samoa become better prepared for the threat of a tsunami.

Power said a better understanding of the mechanics of tsunami wave movements in coastal settings will help improve the accuracy of computer models.—Xinhua



## China says rich countries undercut climate talks

BEIJING, 10 Oct — China accused rich countries of undermining key elements of an international climate change agreement that nations hope to agree by the end of 2009, adding to a chorus of discord over the negotiations.

Su Wei, who led Beijing's delegation to climate treaty talks in Bangkok that ended on Friday, said splits over the framework for a new pact to fight global warming remained "quite large," just two months before negotiations culminate in Copenhagen.

China, as both the world's biggest developing country and world's biggest emitter of greenhouse gases from human activity, is at the heart of those disagreements.

Su told China's official Xinhua news agency that rich countries were seeking to abandon key principles of the Kyoto Protocol, the treaty that governs nations' efforts to address climate change up to the end of 2012.—Internet

## A/H1N1 influenza death toll rises over 4,500, says WHO

GENEVA, 10 Oct — At least 4,525 people worldwide have been killed by the A/H1N1 influenza since the new flu virus was identified in April, the World Health Organization (WHO) said in a latest update on Friday.

Of all the deaths, 3,292 occurred in the Americas, 480 occurred in South-East Asia and 410 occurred in the West Pacific. The other three WHO regions, Europe, East Mediterranean and Africa reported 193, 80 and 70 deaths respectively.

The WHO, which declared the A/H1N1 flu as a pandemic in June, said the total number of lab confirmed cases worldwide is now over 378,223, but this case count is significantly lower than the actual number of cases that have occurred because many countries have stopped testing and reporting individual cases.

In the temperate regions of the northern hemisphere, transmission of influenza virus and rates of influenza-



Three year-old Ehikioya Otoadese receives an H1N1 swine flu vaccine at the Children's Hospital Boston primary care clinic in Boston, Massachusetts on 7 October, 2009.—XINHUA

like-illness continue to increase, marking an unusually early start to fall and winter influenza season in many countries, the UN agency said.

But in the temperate regions of the southern hemisphere, influenza transmission has largely subsided or continues to decline substantially.—Xinhua

## Video shows cars, trucks tossed by tsunami waves

HONOLULU, 10 Oct — The FBI on Friday released video footage showing waves rushing in and violently tossing cars and trucks in a parking lot as a deadly tsunami struck American Samoa last week.

The dramatic video was taken on the morning of 29 Sept from a stationary security camera at the FBI office in Pago Pago. The video shows about a dozen cars, ranging from an SUV to a Volkswagen Beetle, being thrown around like whitewater rafts.

The two-minute clip also shows three people

walking in the parking lot shortly before the wave struck. One man runs quickly in the opposite direction less than 30 seconds before the water enters the scene.

The FBI said because of its second-floor location at Pago Plaza, the office suffered only minimal damage. No agents were inside at the time. The building is located about 100 yards from the shoreline.

The water hit the parking lot at 7:14 am in American Samoa, about 26 minutes after an 8.3-magnitude earthquake shook the South Pacific.

The time stamp on the video is in *Hawaii Standard Time*. Local time in American Samoa is one hour earlier.

At least 183 people were killed in the 29 Sept tsunami, including 142 in Samoa. An additional 32 people were killed in American Samoa and nine in Tonga.

Internet

## Afghan forces kill six Taliban fighters

KABUL, 10 Oct — Afghan commandos with the support of NATO-led forces eliminated a Taliban commander and five of his armed men in Wardak Province, 35 km west of Afghan capital Kabul, police said on Saturday.

"The special forces backed by international troops carried out operation in Chek district very early on Friday against Taliban hideout, killing Mullah Yasin a senior Taliban commander along with his five men," senior police officer General Abdul Razaq said.

Meantime, Taliban purported spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid confirmed the incident and in talks with media from undisclosed locations via telephone said that Mullah Yasin along with four of his fighters were killed.

Another Taliban key commander in west Afghanistan Ghulam Yahya Akbari along with 12 of his men were killed late Thursday night.—Xinhua



Two giant figures placed at Brandenburg Tor gate during the third day of a street theatre in Berlin. The four-day street performance with the giant puppets is based on a fairytale called *The Giants by French streets arts company Royal de Luxe* and marks the 19th anniversary of the formal re-unification of Germany in the German capital.

## Ohio woman produces 1,725-pound pumpkin

An Ohio couple have raised what could be the real Great Pumpkin, a monster weighing in at 1,725 pounds.

Nick and Christy Harp of Jackson Township near Massillon learned their pumpkin was a world record-holder Saturday at the Ohio Valley Giant Pumpkin Growers Weigh-In, WJW-TV, Cleveland, reported.

Christy Harp told the television station this year's big pumpkin was her work. Every year she and her husband have their own private competition with each taking half the pumpkin patch on their farm. "Last year he beat me by 200 pounds. This year I beat him by 400 pounds," she said. "Very good year! My

pumpkin, my side of the patch! We separate the patch and never step foot on the other side!"

The Harps prepare the soil with coffee grounds, manure and compost and then select seeds with good genes. Christy Harp said the formula works so well that during August her pumpkin grew an average of 33 pounds a day for a while.

With two more weeks of weigh-ins, Christy Harp knows that a bigger pumpkin may be out there somewhere, waiting for the scales.

But she said no matter what happens she will have had her moment as a pumpkin grower.

## In outage, keep generators 25 feet away

Gasoline-powered generators may need to be as far away as 25 feet from a house during a power outage, a US federal technology agency researcher says.

Steven Emmerich of the National Institute of Standards and Technology in Gaithersburg, Md, says the operating distance to make residents "safe" from carbon monoxide emissions depends on the house, the weather conditions and the unit.

Emmerich and colleagues have found winds perpendicular to an open window result in more carbon monoxide entry than winds at an angle, and lower wind speeds generally allow more carbon monoxide into a house.

Slow winds or stagnant air seem to be the worst case, leading to carbon monoxide lingering by windows, the researchers say.

## Man accused of putting beer in infant's bottle

A Charleston man was accused of putting beer into an infant's bottle while baby-sitting the child. James Michael Williams was charged with felony child neglect creating the risk of injury. A criminal complaint accuses Williams of putting Natural Ice Light beer into the

11-month-old's bottle.

Police were unable to determine if the child drank any beer.

The baby's

mother and Williams' cousin, Ebony Williams, said her child vomited shortly after she took the bottle away.



## NEWS ALBUM



Skull of a 66-million-year-old *Tyrannosaurus rex* skeleton dubbed "Samson" is displayed at the Venetian Resort Hotel Casino, in Las Vegas, Nevada. Samson failed to sell at a Las Vegas auction after the top bid of \$3.6 mln fell way below the minimum price.

Palestinian children look at white donkeys dyed like zebras at a zoo in the Zeitun neighborhood of Gaza City. The zoo dyed two donkeys because the zebra of the zoo died of starvation during the Israeli military offensive as the zookeeper could not feed animals.



# Myogyi Dam, under construction to green Meiktila Plain

Article: Kyaw Sein; Photos: Aung Than (Mingala Taungnyunt)

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Hanmyintmo Model Village of Kyaukse Township is located at mile post No. 396 on Meiktila-Kyaukse-Mandalay Union Highway. The border post between Mandalay Division and Shan State is 10 miles and six furlongs from the Union Highway. A three-mile and six-furlong long road section is leading to Myogyi



**U Htay Oo, Deputy Director of Construction-7 of Irrigation Department.**

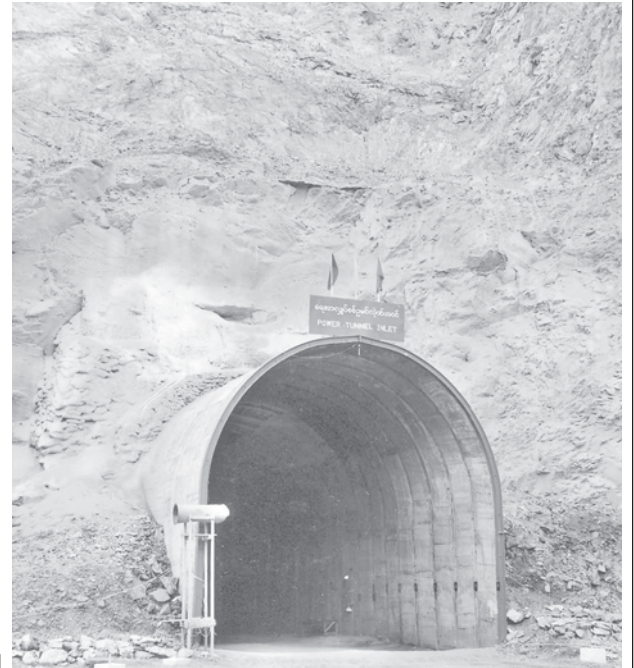
undertake by Construction-7 of Irrigation Department, the news crew of Myanma Alin Daily visited the construction site on 23 August 2009. During the visit, Project Deputy Director U Htay Oo and Staff Officer U San Min Tun explained matters related to the project.

Deputy Director U Htay Oo of Construction-7 said, "The Irrigation Department is carrying out construction of dams and reservoirs for development of agriculture task and greening of arid regions in accord with the guidance of the Head of State. On completion of the dams, the department supervises sufficient use of irrigation water, cultivation of crops on all vacant lands and more storage of irrigation water. Myogyi Dam will be a multi-purpose facility. The dam is being built with the aims of sufficiently supplying the water flown from the watershed area of Zawgyi Dam and Myogyi Dam to 30,000 acres of farmlands in Meiktila Plain and greening the whole dry Meiktila Plain."

With regard to the construction of the dam, Staff Officer U San Min Tun explained, "Eight construction tasks of building the dam are the preliminary construction work, the concrete diaphragm walls, the main embankment, the spillway,

the dredging of main canal, the water diversion tunnel, the hydropower tunnel and other buildings. The dam will be of zone type earthen embankment that measures 2461 feet long and 258 feet high. As there are 40 inches of rainfall annually, a total of 373420 acre feet of water flows into the dam. The diaphragm walls will be 1695 feet long and 48 feet deep. At present, the construction of the diaphragm walls has completed by cent percent. The water diversion tunnel will be a horse's hoof type that measures 18 feet diameter and 1535 feet long.

The hydropower tunnel will be of circle type and it will have 19.70 feet diameter and 1319 feet long. Both tasks have completed by hundred per cent. Efforts are being made to complete



**Construction of the exit of tunnel in progress at Myogyi Dam.**

construction of the spillway, the main embankment, the embankment and the dredging of main canal in 2010-2011 financial year. So far, the construction of the dam has completed by 57.42 per cent."

On completion, the water flown from Zawgyi River that originated in Pindaya and Yaksawk of Shan State and the water from the watershed areas of Myogyi and Zawgyi dams can be supplied to 30,000 acres of monsoon and summer paddy in Meiktila Plain.

The following day, the news crew of the Myanma Alin Daily continued the trip and waved at Shan mountain range. All in all, we believed that Myogyi Dam will contribute to the development of agriculture task and the greening of Meiktila Plain soon.

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**Heavy machinery being used for ground work of Myogyi Dam.**



**Water of Zawgyi River that originates in Pindaya of Shan State (South) flows into Myogyi Dam.**

Multi-purpose Dam Project from the border post. Such road is connected with Shan State and Mandalay Division. The construction site of the

dam is surrounded by mountain ranges and Hsin Hill.

To write bylines on progress of implementing the Myogyi Multi-purpose Dam Project being



**Myogyi Dam is being constructed by damming the area between Kyaykan and Shwemyintha Hills near Myogyi Village of Ywangan Township, Shan State (South).**



## Myanmar welcomes any offer to cooperate on anti-narcotic drugs

### Ko Myanmar

Last September, the US government issued the list of 20 narcotic drugs producing countries, from Afghanistan to Venezuela. It says Bolivia, Venezuela and Myanmar do not cooperate with the international community in combating narcotic drugs and it may impose sanctions against the three countries.

Myanmar is used to facing economic sanctions imposed on the pretext of various reasons. In this context, it is a notable point is that such baseless accusations can blacken the name of the accuser, rather than those accused.

**The accusation may be a joke for those countries with which Myanmar is cooperating in anti-narcotic drugs operations.** In fact, Myanmar is an active member of the group comprising the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and five Mekong Region member countries. Myanmar is working together with China, Thailand, Laos, India, Bangladesh, the Russian Federation, Vietnam and the Philippines through a large number of bilateral agreements and MoUs on anti-narcotic drugs. Moreover, Myanmar is a member of the ASEAN and China Cooperative Operations in Response to Dangerous Drugs (ACCORD). As a result, Myanmar, China and Thailand managed to expose narcotic drug gangs, and seized 591 kilos of opium blocks, and then 496 kilos of opium blocks, totalling over 1000 kilos weighing over one ton. So, in my opinion, their accusations are very disheartening.

It is local and global knowledge that with regard to narcotic drugs cases, law enforcement organizations and the Tatmadaw have been working hard together to fight the menace of narcotic drugs and have stood on the correct side in successive Myanmar governments.

I used to shoulder my duties as a junior army officer in far-flung areas in Shan State where poppy has been grown for over 30 years. And I gained a lot of first-hand experiences in many anti-narcotic drug operations there. I feel bitter for the groundless accusations because many servicemen were killed and injured in the operations.

In the 1970s, I witnessed local drug addicts in hamlets over 7000 feet high Lwetauk mountain range between Hsenwi and Kunlon while pursuing insurgents in large poppy fields. Then, I wondered how poppy business had been introduced to Shan State.

Only after I had read the book "The Politics of Heroin in Southeast Asia" by Professor Alfred McCoy, could I realize that Nationalist Chinese Kuomintang troops and their master were to be held responsible for fuelling the blazes of evil legacy left intentionally by the colonialists. In the book, commander of Chinese Nationalist Fifth Army General Tuan Shi-Wen says "We have to continue to fight the evil of Communism, and to fight you must have an army, an army must have guns, and to buy guns you must have money. In these mountains the only money is opium."

He put his words into deeds by trafficking opium to raise funds. It is CIA that transported opium and helped them sell their opium. Thenceforwards, the opium industry had made progress, and the Golden Triangle became notorious. Due to the military operations launched by the Myanmar Tatmadaw and Myanmar's diplomatic ways, nationalist Chinese troops had no way but to withdraw from the Myanmar soil, but Myanmar insurgents inherited the evil legacy from nationalist Chinese troops.

As said by the Chinese nationalist general, insurgents got deeply involved in the poppy farming. All the insurgents in the northern part and northeastern part of Myanmar engaged in the poppy farming.

In the mid 1970s, the Myanmar Tatmadaw launched Operation "Moe Hein" and attacked opium refining camps in border areas every poppy season. In addition, it launched Operation "Nga Ye Pan" in which it destroyed poppy fields in cooperation with the Myanmar Police Force, and Operation "Taung Yan Shin" in which Defence Service (Air) used Turbo Thrush spraying aircraft to destroy poppy fields.

At that time, the US government extended a helping hand to Myanmar to accelerate anti-narcotic drugs campaigns. It provided Myanmar with Bell choppers, Fokker airplanes and Turbo Thrush spraying aircraft, totaling 39 units, and conducted a variety of courses to train service personnel. It rendered assistance to Myanmar throughout the time of the Myanmar Socialist Programme Party from 1974 to 1988. Anyhow, that deserved being put on record.

The US provided Myanmar with funds and material assistance. Those who engaged in the anti-narcotic drugs operations at risk to life were Myanmar security forces. I served as General Staff Officer (Grade-III) (Operation) of Kengtung frontier line headquarters, the major military operation control command, in the last military operations in the time of the Myanmar Socialist Programme Party: Operation "Nga Ye Pan (8)", Operation "Taung Yan Shin (4)" and Operation "Moe Hein (12)". So, I witnessed to what extent Tatmadaw and security members risked their life and limbs and exerted tenacity in discharging their duties. Those incidents are still fresh in my mind.

In the Operation "Taung Yan Shin", Turbo Thrush spraying airplanes had to take sharp dives to destroy poppy fields between narrow, steep valleys and then fly up. So, it was very risky. To make things worse, armed insurgents waiting on the tops of the mountains often attacked the airplanes. Accordingly, forces from light infantry divisions, for security of the airplanes, had to take position on the tops of the mountains surrounding the poppy fields. By then, I felt sad when I heard the news that a junior officer from the Intelligence Unit of a LID fell in action firing a machinegun in an engagement. When he reported to me at the LID, I noticed he was very active. In Operation "Taung Yan Shin" (4), a pilot

from Defence Service (Air), senior to me, fell in the accident when his airplane flew into the slope of a mountain in Shan State (North), spraying to destroy poppy fields.

After the Operations "Nga Ye Pan (8)" and "Taung Yan Shin (4)", a UN congressman visited Kengtung along with the minister for Home Affairs of Myanmar and enquired about the situations of the operations. So, I had to present the conditions with maps. When I told him about the number of fallen officers and other ranks in the operations, he praised Myanmar saying that not many other countries sacrificed many lives to fight narcotic drugs. He said that what was needed for a fight against narcotic drugs; that let him know what the country wanted fighters or military choppers; and that he would give all what Myanmar need in that regard. At that time, the only type of fighters Myanmar had was PC-7 light aircraft, but senior military officers asked him for anything.

I wonder what the US congressman would say to praise Myanmar if he knew Operation "Moe Hein (12)" launched in March 1988. The Tatmadaw had to launch the operation at the brigade level to attack WNA opium camps of BCP and "Wa" insurgents in Danyawady, Hsansu and Lwema-an Khan along Kyethinkhathi mountain range. In attacking WNA camps, Tatmadaw members had to climb up mountains, getting over massive rocks. And in the operation against the BCP, Tatmadaw members had to pass through all-clear slopes of the mountains and occupied the BCP camps at risk to life, with the supporting fires of assorted artillery. In the operation, the Tatmadaw seized opium-refining equipment, thousands of gallons of chemical liquid and a lot of arms and ammunition. The operation cost lives of hundreds of Tatmadaw members.

After the 1988 unrest, the US changed its attitude towards Myanmar as regards Myanmar's anti-narcotic drugs operations. However much the Myanmar government worked hard to fight the menace of narcotic drugs, it persisted in showing deep pessimism.

**In fact, after 1988, the Myanmar government achieved greater success in the fight against narcotic drugs. The key to success in that regard was that after the collapse of the BCP, from 1989 onwards, national race armed groups returned to the legal fold. So, peace was back to normal and tasks for regional development and elimination of poppy farming could be carried out in an effective way.**

From 1988 to 2008, the government managed to reduce the poppy sown acreage by more than 800,000, and put more than 600,000 acres under perennial crops in the poppy farms, as a result of the 15-year drug elimination plan launched in 2000 and carried out with self-help basis. Therefore, the UN recognized the drastic fall of poppy output in Myanmar.

Despite economic sanctions, the Myanmar government has been engaged in many projects in far-flung areas to persuade poppy farmers to quit the evil livelihood, and alleviate poverty. So far, the government has spent over 250,000 million kyats on the anti-narcotic drugs projects, and the Ministry of Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs, over 240,000 million kyats on rural development projects. In support of the Myanmar government's hard work, the World Food Programme (WFP) provided rice under Food for Education programme, and aid to help ensure that all school-age children had access to education. As a result, in the regions where there were no schools in the past, hundreds of thousands of youths go to school, and many of them have got their degrees.

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**Despite economic sanctions, the Myanmar government has been engaged in many projects in far-flung areas to persuade poppy farmers to quit the evil livelihood, and alleviate poverty.**





Minister U Aung Thaung explaining matters on meeting of the first-day session of MWVO conference (2009).—MNA



Maj-Gen Hla Shwe reading the paper session of MWVOCOC.—MNA

## MWVO a reserve force of Tatmadaw joining hands...

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emergence of a peaceful, modern and developed discipline-flourishing state.

The seven-step Road Map is the only way for smooth transition. It is also the nation's own transition programme which must be implemented hand in hand by the people and the government.

Historical trend cannot be ignored in the task to build a new nation. Practical work must be carried out with a clear vision of the realities, with loyalty to the state and the people. He then elaborated on the internal and

external attempts to harm the National Convention and constitution. Although there were disturbances, the constitution was approved with 92.48% public support. It is a milestone in history and plans are under way to implement the remaining steps including the transition process. Hence, the nation has a firm future.

MWVO is formed with members equipped strong Union Spirit with camaraderie as the cornerstone under the directive of the Tatmadaw. Although it is a social organization, it is also a reserve force of the Tatmadaw joining hands with other social organizations and national brethren in its active and dutiful service for national defence and national task.

Patron of MWVO (Central) Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe met MWVOCOC members for seven times and gave guidance. The MWVO and its bodies at all levels keep the guidance as the work guideline. He then dealt with measures to implement the five future tasks and five sectors of work programmes laid down at the MWVO conference (2005). He also elaborated on all kinds of assistance rendered by the organization for its members and families.

The secretary of the Central Organizing Committee will explain detailed points on successful implementation of the five major sectors under the leadership of the Tatmadaw by constantly following the guidelines of Patron of Myanmar War Veterans Organization (Central) Senior General Than Shwe. All the delegates are invited to point out strong and weak points in discussing their respective sectors and give sound advice and suggestions.

MWVO is to cooperate in successful implementation of the seven-step Road Map by upholding Our Three Main National Causes, the 12 State objectives, the four-point people's desire and the people's six resolutions as national politics for the emergence of a

peaceful, modern and discipline-flourishing democratic nation. All the members are to strive for their organization to stand with dignity and win trust and confidence of the people. As the organization serves as a bridge between the Tatmadaw and the people, it is necessary to enlist the strength of the people. It is to perform the duties of national development and State defence and security based on Union Spirit and true patriotism in cooperation with the people.

In conclusion, Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung said war veterans organizations at various levels are to try to be financially strong in order to successfully carry out welfare service and public welfare tasks. At the same time, they are to try for development of human resources of the members and their family members. With the financial strength of the organization alongside development of human resources, each and every sector will improve as well. So, the members are to choose to establish their businesses based on resources and climatic conditions of their own regions. As today is the age of information technology as well as the age of market economy, they are to keep track of information technology and to try for their businesses to seek the market not only locally but also internationally. All necessary assistance can be provided for the members and their families only when the organization is financially strong. The organization's objectives will be successfully realized if State/Division War Veterans Supervisory Committees are to assign systematic duties to township war veterans organizations under their close supervision.

The morning session adjourned.

MWVOCOC member Col Thein Nyunt chaired the afternoon session. General round of discussions were then held by the participants.

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## Myanmar welcomes...

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In the meantime, the government is engaged in the fight against trafficking narcotic drugs. From February to September 2009, the government managed to seize over 10 million stimulant tablets, 819 kilos of heroin and 10 kilos of ICE with a face price of over 39,000 million kyats in Kengtung Tachilek alone in Shan State. Furthermore, up to 23 September, it seized over 10 million stimulant tablets, 86.57 kilos of stimulant powder, 1371 kilos of ephedrine (raw material for stimulant tablets), 3211 kilos of chemical powder, 1392 gallons of chemical liquid, raw opium, heroin and morphine with a street price of over 16,000 million kyats from Phon clan in Laukkai, Shan State (North).

The foregoing points indicate the sharp determination and active performances the government has exerted for narcotic drugs eradication.

It is global knowledge that the historical background of the US, which has accused Myanmar of failing to cooperate in anti-narcotic drugs projects, has been full of evil records since the Cold War.

The book "The Politics of Heroin in Southeast Asia" by Professor Alfred McCoy states the involvement of CIA in the heroin industry in Southeast Asia from the time of nationalist Chinese to Vietnam War.

After Vietnam War, Soviet troops entered Afghanistan in the early 1980s. Then, CIA members went to Afghanistan to disturb Soviet troops. American Scholar Noam Chomsky in his book "What Uncle Sam Really Wants" says that narcotic drugs spread to everywhere CIA gets to. CIA helped Afghan Mujahid and drug lords to exchange narcotic drugs with arms through a black bank like BCCI.

What has been going on in Afghanistan since 2001 in which the US occupied the nation? According to the article "CIA Heroin Still Rule Day in Afghanistan" by Victor Thom in RAWA Website, poppy farming in Afghanistan has increased by 4400 percent if compared with that in 2001, accounting for 93 percent of the world's opium output. Afghanistan contributes 90 percent of world's opium output. It gains about 200 billion dollars a year from the opium industry. If compared with that on 7 October 2001 on which the US entered the country, its opium output has jumped 33 times, accounting for 8250 tons. Among those who engage in the opium industry are Talebans, and some with close friendship with the puppet government installed by the US. Nonetheless, only few were arrested for narcotic drugs cases. Many of those were granted amnesty under the order of the President. The US and NATO know that very well, but Afghanistan is not included in the list of the countries that do not cooperate with other countries in anti-narcotics drive. Frankly, in Nicaragua (Iran-Contra

affairs) and Venezuela in Latin America, CIA had close relations with anti-government groups, it turned a blind eye to whatever acts the groups did, and it ignored the groups' trafficking narcotic drugs to the US. Such dishonest acts may have been black marks in the history.

Mr Obama, who took presidency with his campaign slogan 'change', is found practical in international relations and is trying for some positive changes. As a result of his effort, he has won international recognition in a short time.

**I noticed that the US's policy has turned somewhat positive towards Myanmar. The US government has geared up to launch direct relations with Myanmar government. It is willing to work together with Myanmar in combating narcotic drugs. Myanmar is cooperating actively with international community to fight narcotic drugs with a sense of national duty. It has been constantly cooperating with the US in the survey on poppy farming and poppy output. Regarding anti-narcotic drugs, Myanmar is ready to cooperate with any country and organization. If the US recognizes the Myanmar's genuine goodwill and efforts and cooperates with Myanmar more tangible and greater success will be achieved soon.**

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Translation: MS



## Camp Commandant Office of Ministry of Defence offers Kathina robes

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—The 56<sup>th</sup> ceremony to offer Kathina robes of the Camp Commandant Office of the Ministry of

Defence was held at KanU Kyaung Pariyatti Sarthintaik (Yezin Village) in Nay Pyi Taw this morning, attended by Lt-

Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence and wife Daw Wai Wai Khine, Lt-Gen Ko Ko and wife Daw Sao Nwan Khun

Maha Pandita Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Dhaja Bhaddanta Vicareindabhivamsa, Commandant of Camp Commandant

others. The congregation received the Five Precepts from Agga Maha Pandita Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Dhaja Bhaddanta Vicareindabhivamsa, and members of the Sangha recited partitas.

After that, Bhaddanta Vicareindabhivamsa delivered a sermon, followed by sharing of merits gained by the congregation.

The ceremony ended with the recitation of Buddha Sasanam Ciramtithatu three times.

After the ceremony “soon” was offered to members of the Sangha.

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Next, Lt-Gen Tha



*Lt-Gen Tha Aye and wife offer Kathina robes to Sayadaws.*

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*Lt-Gen Ko Ko and wife offer Kathina robes to Sayadaws.*

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Defence was held at KanU Kyaung Pariyatti Sarthintaik (Yezin Village) in Nay Pyi Taw this morning, attended by Lt-

Hsam. Also present on the occasion were 17 members of the Sangha of KanU Kyaung Pariyatti Sarthintaik led by Agga

Office Maj-Gen Hla Aung Thein and wife Daw Amy Khine, officers and other ranks and their families from the Camp Commandant Office and

## Myitkyina-Shwebo road bringing about smooth and swift commodity flow

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

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Kachin State to write a byline about the development of Kahin State we had an opportunity to observe Myitkyina-Shwebo road section under the arrangement of those from the Mohnyin Township Peace and Development Council.

Accompanied by Secretary of Mohnyin Township Peace and Development Council U Kyaw Naung Oo local reporter U Myo Aung (Moe Aung-Kachinmye), we left Nansiaung between Kachin State and Sagaing Divison by car. Along Myitkyina-Shwebo road were those traveling by car or motorcycle. In the east and west were mountain ranges complete with woods and trees making the whole region lush and green, and there was a plain between the east and west where paddy is grown.

At the entrance to Mohnyin were a series of rubber plantations. Teak plantations, teak tress large and small were found in Mawhe and Nansiaung regions. Mountain ranges, woods, forest and paddy fields make Myitkyina-Shwebo road more beautiful and pleasant.

U Myo Aung explained to us that Myitkyina-Shwebo road was a strategic road, and it is now Union Highway; that there is 100 miles from Myitkyina to Mohnyin and 188 miles from Mohnyin to Shwebo; that Along the road were Mohnyin, Hopin and Mogaung; and that the emergence of the road contributed much to swift commodity flow.

On arrival at Nansiaung adjacent to Kachin State and Sagaing Divison, a demarcation post was found and near it was a small Nansiaung creek bridge. On the side

of Sagaing Divison there was the Myitkyina-Shwebo stone inscription.

The stone inscription reads “The Myitkyina-Shwebo road leading to Myitkyina, Kachin State from Shwebo, Sagaing

Divison was constructed in the time of the Tatmadaw Government with the aim of bringing about smooth and secure transport; the road is 121 miles long in Kachin State side and was built at a cost of K 217

million by Kachin State Public Works in cooperation with Tatmadawmen and was opened on 31 November 1996”.

The emergence of Myitkyina-Shwebo road in the time of the

Tatmadaw Government will surely contribute much to ensuring swift commodity flow in the region and bringing about rural development.

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*Nanpamaung Reserve Forest of Mohnyin Township on Myitkyina-Shwebo road.*



## Lt-Gen Myint Swe attends dress rehearsal ceremony for Oggathayna Drama

YANGON, 10 Oct—A dress rehearsal ceremony for Oggathayna Drama to be staged at the 17th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions was held at the National Theatre on Myoma Kyaung Street, here, on 8 October.

It was attended by Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence and wife, Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint and wife, official concerned, artists and guests.

The Leading Committee for organizing the 17th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions representing Yangon Division preformed



the dress rehearsal. Lt-Gen Myint Swe gave necessary instructions.

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**Lt-Gen Myint Swe enjoys the dress rehearsal for Oggathayna Drama of Yangon Division MTCAPAC.—MNA**



**Commander Maj-Gen Win Myint presents a winning flag to secretary of holding committee of the 17th MTCAPAC.—MNA**

## Prizes presented for Yangon Div cultural performing arts competitions

YANGON, 10 Oct — A ceremony to present a winning flag and awards for the 17th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions of Yangon Division took place at the National Theatre in

Myomakyaung Street in Dagon Township here this afternoon. Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint attended the

ceremony. After giving a speech, the commander and officials awarded the prize winners and certificates of honour to the maestros. They enjoyed performances of artistes.

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## Umpire and Scoring Refresher Course (1/2009) concludes

YANGON, 10 Oct—A concluding ceremony of Umpire and Scoring Refresher Course (1/2009), organized by Myanmar Cricket Federation, was held at the office of MCF in Aung San stadium, here

this morning, with an address by President of the federation U Nyunt Win.

Present were the president, general secretary U Kyi Min and members of the federation, and guests.

Afterwards, Mr Bappy, ACC coach, (Bangladesh) gave a greeting speech and presented completion certificates to the trainees. It was opened from 8 to 10 October.

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**President of Myanmar Cricket Federation U Nyunt Win delivers an address at concluding ceremony of Umpire and Scoring Refresher Course.—MCF**



## Car blast kills Afghan army officer in N Afghanistan

KABUL, 10 Oct — A car blast rocked Kunduz province in northern Afghanistan, killing an army officer on Saturday, provincial governor Mohammad Omar said.

“Some ones planted an

explosive device on the car of the Speed Reaction Force official who was killed in the blast,” Omar told *Xinhua*.

He did not give more details.

Kunduz, relatively peaceful province until

early this year, has been the scene of increasing militancy over the past several months.

The militancy-plagued Afghanistan has been experiencing suicide bombings and roadside attacks over the past couple of years and a bloody one on Thursday left 17 dead and 83 injured with majority of them civilians.

Internet

**Police officials inspect damaged vehicle in Kunduz province, northeastern Afghanistan, on 10 Oct, 2009. A bomb planted in the vehicle of a Rapid Reaction Force went off in their HQ killing the official and damaged his car, official said.—XINHUA**



## Hungary pageant for surgically enhanced beauties

BUDAPEST, 10 Oct—It was a night for unnatural beauties. Contestants showed off breast implants, nose jobs and face lifts as Miss Plastic Hungary 2009 strove to promote the benefits of plastic surgery in a country where artificial enhance-

ments are viewed mostly with a wary eye.

"I think this competition is long overdue," said photo-grapher Marton Szípal, one of the pageant judges. "Hungarians used to laugh about plastic surgery but it's time for Hungarian women to

care more about their appearance. They are the most beautiful in Europe."

Plastic surgeon Dr Tamas Rozsos said the pageant also meant to show that cosmetic corrections did not necessarily have to be about oversized breasts, bulbous lips and skin stretched to near-tearing point.

Internet



Winners of the Miss Plastic Hungary beauty pageant, queen Reka Urban, center, first runner-up Edina Kulcsar, right, and second-runner up Alexandra Horvath, left, smile together after the contest in Budapest, Hungary, on 9 Oct, 2009. It's a night for unnatural beauties. With contestants showing off breast implants, nose jobs and face lifts, Miss Plastic Hungary 2009 will strive to promote the benefits of plastic surgery in a country where such artificial enhancements are viewed mostly with a wary eye.—INTERNET

## Chronic rhinosinusitis, depression linked

SAN DIEGO, 10 Oct—US researchers say depression may be common but under-reported in those with chronic rhinosinusitis — long-term sinus and nasal inflammation.

Dr Jamie R Litvack, Dr Timothy Smith, Jess Mace and Kenneth James of Oregon Health and Science University in Portland in Oregon recom-

mend physicians who wish to optimize their patients' health, screen for both chronic rhinosinusitis and depression.

The researchers studied 73 patients with chronic rhinosinusitis — long-term sinus and nasal inflammation. They found 9.6 percent reported histories of depression. However, when the patients were screened using an objective question-

naire, 20.5 percent scored in the range of a major depressive disorder.

The researchers also find patients with both depression and chronic rhinosinusitis scored significantly worse than the chronic rhinosinusitis patients without depression in most quality of life measures — including bodily pain and physical and social functioning.

Internet

## Scientists turn skin cells to liver cells

MILWAUKEE, 10 Oct—Liver cells grown from patients' skin cells could lead to the treatment of liver disease without relying on organ transplants, scientists in Wisconsin said.

"This is a crucial step toward developing therapies that can potentially replace the need for scarce liver transplants, currently the only treatment for most advanced liver disease," Stephen Duncan, a genetics professor at The Medical College of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, said in a release on Thursday.

Duncan's team generated large numbers of patient-specific liver cells by reprogramming skin cells to resemble embryonic stem cells. The cells performed many of the activities associated with healthy liver function, he said.—Internet

## NASA acquires data after spacecraft' twin impacts into moon

WASHINGTON, 10 Oct—NASA has successfully collected data after two spacecraft — the Centaur rocket and the Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite (LCROSS) — impacted the moon's south pole, the space agency said on Friday.

"We have a tremendous amount of data gathered through observation campaign, both ground-based and space-based," said Jennifer Heldmann, coordinator of the LCROSS observation campaign, at a press conference held after the impacts. It will take some time to understand what is seen in the data, Heldmann said.

Anthony Colaprete, LCROSS principal investigator, reports the Centaur impacted as planned and they observed the flash and crater.

"There was an impact," Colaprete said. "We saw the impact. We saw the crater."

Spectrometers aboard LCROSS also gathered a wealth of data from the impact, according to Colaprete. "That, by itself, may constitute enough information to answer some fundamental questions," Colaprete said.

Colaprete also projected it would take several weeks to determine whether and how much hydrogen-bearing compounds were found.—Xinhua

## S Korea reports 12th A/H1N1 flu death case

SEOUL, 10 Oct—South Korea on Friday reported its 12th death case related to A/H1N1 virus.

According to the Ministry of Health and Welfare, a 68-year-old male patient, who has suffered from intestinal cancer, died earlier in the day, raising the country's death toll from the new virus to 12.

The patient was tested positive for the A/H1N1 virus on Sept. 14 after showing flu symptoms such as coughing and high fever. Then he was treated for pneumonia caused by the infection. But his health condition kept deteriorating and died of pneumonia and intestine bleeding, the ministry said.

South Korea reported its first death case from A/H1N1 on 15 Aug, and the 11th on 24 Sept as the new flu broke out in the country in early May.

Xinhua

## Official's body found hanging from Tijuana bridge

TIJUANA, 10 Oct—The mutilated body of a state official who authorities said was suspected of giving fake driver's licenses to drug gang members was found hanging from a bridge Friday in the Mexican border city of Tijuana.

Relatives identified the man as Rogelio Sanchez, a Baja California state of-

ficial in charge of driver's licenses, said Prisma Perez, a spokeswoman for the state Attorney General's Office. Sanchez, 44, was kidnapped on Wednesday as he left his home in Tijuana.

"The investigation indicates he had been giving licenses to organized crime," Perez said. His body was found hanging

from the Morelio bridge at 5:30 am in an industrial zone of Tijuana, just as factory workers were beginning to arrive for work.

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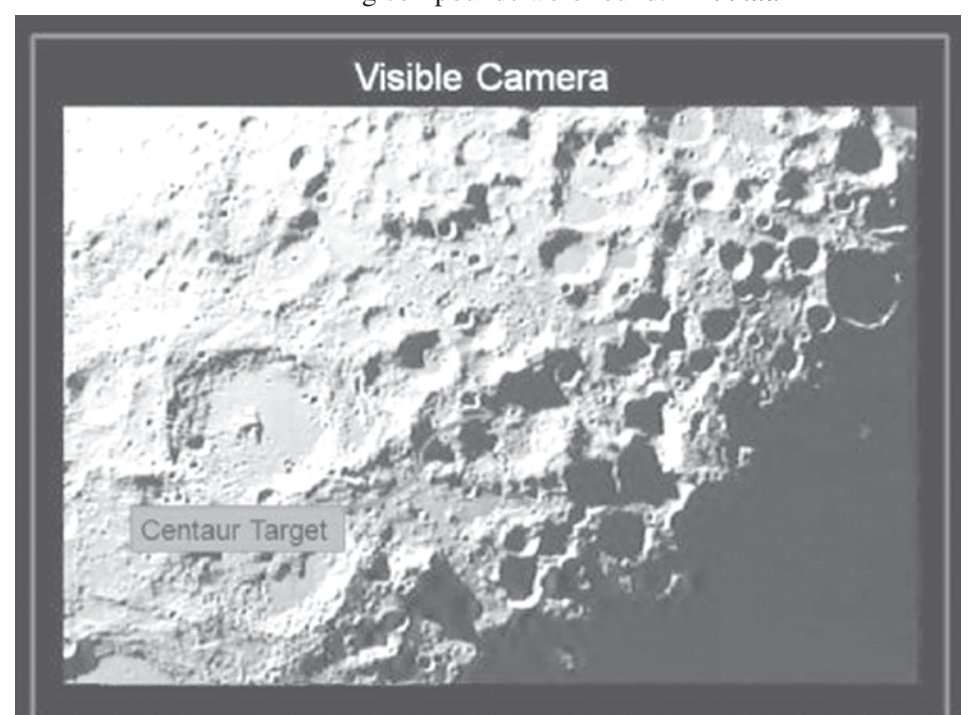
## Needle biopsy called the gold standard

LOS ANGELES, 10 Oct—A third of US women suspected of having breast cancer get open surgery biopsies, though the needle biopsy represents "best practice," researchers say.

A panel recently convened at the International Consensus Conference on Image Detected Breast Cancer III unanimously agreed that percutaneous needle biopsy is the way to go and should be the "gold standard" for initial diagnosis of breast abnormalities.

Their report, published in the *Journal of the American College of Surgeons*, says the open surgery biopsies are still being done despite needle biopsies being equally accurate with much less risk of infection and at lower cost.

Internet



NASA's Lunar Crater Observation and Sensing Satellite (LCROSS) impact view is seen in this image released on 9 Oct, 2009. Two US spacecraft were crashed into a lunar crater on Friday but scientists said it was too early to say whether the mission to search for supplies of water on the Moon had been a success.—XINHUA



## Link between body clock, blood sugar identified

LOS ANGELES, 10 Oct— US researchers have identified a strong link between body clock and blood sugar, a finding that could lead to better diabetes treatments, according to a new study.

The Stanford University School of Medicine said in a news release that the finding was based on lab experiments on mouse and human stem cells, as well as genetically engineered mice.

The researchers found that daily fluctuations in hormones called glucocorticoids synchronize the biological clock as part of the mechanism for regulating blood sugar levels, according to the release.

The finding may help lead to new ways to control diabetics' blood sugar levels and may improve understanding of why night-shift workers are at risk for obesity and diabetes, said the release.

The research may also help find ways to reduce the disabling side effects

of glucocorticoid drugs such as prednisone, an immune system-suppressing medication used to treat severe asthma, cancer and other conditions, the release said.

Side effects include weight gain, poor blood sugar regulation and diabetes.

"The most surprising part of our findings is that our internal biologic

rhythms are embedded directly into another pathway, one that is essential to regulate metabolism," said Dr Brian Feldman, an assistant professor of pediatric endocrinology at the school.

"Some very simple modifications in how we use glucocorticoids may change whether these drugs cause diabetes," Feldman said.—Xinhua



A jeweller organizes bracelets in the window display at a shop in the West Bank city of Hebron on 8 Oct, 2009.—INTERNET



Women wait at a hospital in Havana. Cuba announced that three pregnant women died after contracting swine flu, the first report of A(H1N1) casualties in Cuba.—INTERNET

## Childhood cancer survivors staying single

NEW HAVEN, 10 Oct— Survivors of childhood cancer are less likely to say "I do," US researchers say.

Lead researcher Nina Kadan-Lottick of the Yale School of Medicine and Yale Cancer Center in New Haven, Conn., says a study determined cancer survivors are 20 percent to 25 percent less likely to marry compared with their siblings and the general population.

About 42 percent of survivors were married,

7.3 percent were separated or divorced and 46 percent never married, the study found.

"Many childhood cancer survivors still struggle to fully participate in our society because of the lasting cognitive and physical effects of their past cancer therapy," Kadan-Lottick said in a statement. The study linked altered marriage patterns to short stature, poor physical functioning and cognitive problems.—Internet

## Portable tuberculosis tests sought

FORT COLLINS, 10 Oct— US researchers say they seek to develop a portable, simple-to-use tuberculosis test for use in the developing world.

Diego Krapf of Colorado State University, Fort Collins, Colo., says detection is key because an estimated 2 billion people worldwide carry TB but most do not even know because their infections are latent — there are no symptoms.

However, 10 percent of latent cases will develop into "active" TB.

Krapf says what is needed is a way to widely detect latent TB where it is most prevalent.

He is leading a research team in developing a technique that uses light to detect traces of TB bacteria in fluids. They have used this technique to detect a single molecular marker of TB infection in solution.

The team's findings are to be presented by Barbara Smith at the annual meeting of the Optical Society in San Jose, Calif.—Internet

## Chemo cocktail may block breast cancer

CHICAGO, 10 Oct — A US researcher says he has found a way to "fence in" cancer in the breast so it does not spread.

Dr Seth Corey of the Feinberg School of Medicine and director of the pediatric oncology program at the Robert H Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center of Northwestern University, said lab tests showed a "chemo cocktail" combining a drug normally used to treat leukemia — dasatinib — with a common breast cancer drug

— doxorubicin — inhibited breast cancer cell invasion by half.

Dasatinib targets an enzyme called the Src kinase, which is believed to play a key role in breast cancer invasion and metastases, Corey said.

"This is an entirely new way of targeting a cancer cell," Corey said in a statement.

Internet

## Vaccination reduces Japanese encephalitis

LIVERPOOL, 10 Oct— Vaccination and other measures taken by Asian governments may control the brain infection Japanese encephalitis, British researchers say. Japanese encephalitis is found in pigs and wading birds and transmitted by mosquitoes in areas of Southeast Asia and the Western Pacific, killing 15,000 people annually, the researchers say.

Collaboration among researchers, the governments and others — including the World Health Organization, the Program for Appropriate Technology in Health and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation — has supported identification of the disease and immunization of more than 50 million people.

"Although we knew this disease was important, five years ago it was virtually unrecognized due to the difficulty in diagnosing cases," Tom Solomon of the University of Liverpool said in a statement "Japanese encephalitis invades the central nervous system and can cause seizures, paralysis and in severe cases, death. Approximately 50 percent of people who survive the infection are left with physical and mental illness, which could include personality changes."

Internet

## B vitamin may not reduce heart risk

VALENCIA, 10 Oct—Data do not support the suggestion that taking B-vitamin supplements prevents heart disease, researchers in Venezuela say.

Lead researcher Arturo Marti-Carvajal of the Iberoamerican Cochrane Network in Valencia, Venezuela, says it has been suggested that giving B-vitamin supplements could help regulate levels of homocysteine, thereby reducing the risk of cardiovascular disease and death. However, the Cochrane Systematic Review of eight trials involving a total of 24,210 people found no evidence to support the use of B vitamins as supplements for reducing the risk of heart attack, stroke or death associated with cardiovascular disease.—Internet



An 11-day-old male baby giraffe runs in a compound at the Bioparco zoo in Rome on 9 Oct, 2009. Children are being asked to send in their suggestions to name the giraffe, born on September 28, in a contest being held next month.—XINHUA



# SPORTS

## Ronaldo fit for Portugal's crunch Hungary game

LISBON, 10 Oct—Real Madrid striker Cristiano Ronaldo is fit to play in Portugal's crunch World Cup qualifier against Hungary on Saturday after recovering from a twisted ankle, according to coach Carlos Queiroz. "All the players are fit with the exception of Tiago, who has not recovered," Queiroz said.

Ronaldo, who resumed normal training with teammates on Friday, added: "I'll be fit for tomorrow's match and the following



Real Madrid's forward Cristiano Ronaldo

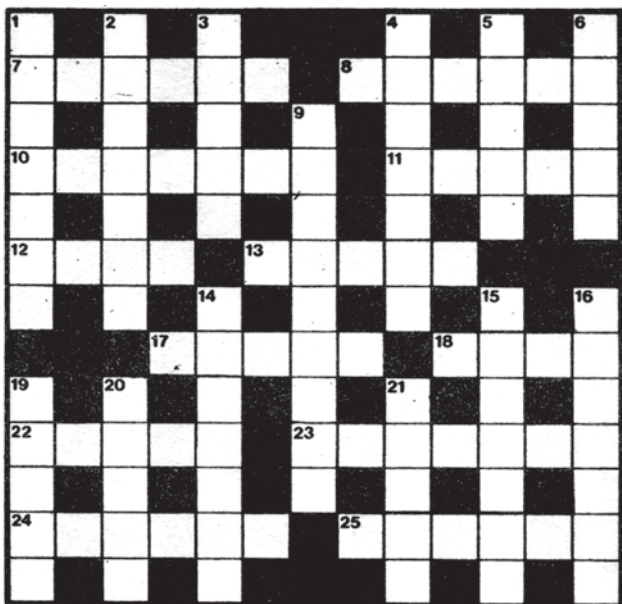
one." Portugal, who play Hungary on Saturday and Malta four days later, are third in Group One with 13 points and need to win both matches and for second-placed Sweden to slip up in Denmark, to book their ticket to South Africa.—*Internet*

## Benitez urges Denmark not to risk Agger

LIVERPOOL, 10 Oct—Liverpool boss Rafael Benitez has pleaded with Denmark not to take any risks with Reds centreback Daniel Agger as they pursue a World Cup final place. Agger is in the Danish squad for the matches against Sweden and Hungary despite the 24-year-old having not played for Liverpool's first-team this season after undergoing back surgery in July.

Benitez did not think Agger was fit enough to start against Chelsea on Sunday, although he was on the bench for that match, and fears two tough internationals could endanger the defender's return to action for his club. "It was a difficult decision to bring Agger back into the squad, because he wasn't fit enough to start against Chelsea," Benitez said.—*Internet*

## CROSSWORDS PUZZLE



### ACROSS

- 7 Coins
- 8 Vulgar
- 10 Surrender
- 11 Pleasantly flavoured
- 12 Burglarious haul
- 13 Condiment stand
- 17 Native family
- 18 Daily woman
- 22 Leather strap
- 23 Crush underfoot
- 24 Time to come
- 25 Show

### DOWN

- 1 Brawl
- 2 Old soldier
- 3 Leered
- 4 Gun pouch
- 5 Intestinal pain
- 6 Weak and thin
- 9 Quality
- 14 Calendarist pope
- 15 Racing dog
- 16 Tidy
- 19 Rigid
- 20 Voting cubicle
- 21 Black bird

## Germany, Italy, close in on South Africa 2010

PARIS, 10 Oct—Footballing superpowers Italy and Germany can seal their places at the 2010 World Cup on Saturday as qualifying for South Africa enters the home straight. England, Spain and the Netherlands are the only European countries to have already secured their tickets for next year's finals leaving six automatic places still up for grabs. A further four countries will gain qualification through the play-offs.

World Cup winners Italy travel to Dublin to play the Republic of Ireland requiring only a point to guarantee their presence in South Africa as winners of Group Eight. Germany are in Moscow to take on Guus Hiddink's Russia where a win for Joachim Loew's side will see them safely through from Group Four.—*Internet*

## Jacques Rogge re-elected as IOC president



IOC President Jacques Rogge

COPENHAGEN, 10 Oct—Jacques Rogge easily won re-election as president of the International Olympic Committee on Friday for a final four-year term. The 67-year-old Belgian, who has served as IOC president since 2001, was the only candidate and needed a simple majority in the vote. The IOC voted

88-1 in favor of his re-election on the last day of its session in Copenhagen. Three members abstained from voting.

"You have given me a great honor. We have accomplished a lot together," Rogge said. "Our focus now is on the future. We have a lot of work to do." Brazilian IOC member Joao Havelange asked that the vote be done simply by acclamation, but Rogge insisted on a secret ballot. Later Friday, Rogge scored another victory when the IOC approved golf and rugby sevens as new sports to the Olympic program for the 2016 and 2020 Games.

—*Internet*

## Tennis ace Nadal advances in Beijing Open

BEIJING, 10 Oct—Rafael Nadal polished his game at the expense of retiring Marat Safin Friday with the top-seeded Spaniard inflicting a 6-3, 6-1 quarter-final defeat on the retiring Russian. With Safin set to quit the sport next month at Paris Bercy, the countdown to the end is on for the 29-year-old double grand slam champion.

"I played a really good match, both yesterday and today," said Nadal. "I'm feeling better now than during the American season." "We'll see if I'm playing at my best level during the rest of the tournament." Top seed Nadal took his second win in their series to reach a semi-final with Croatian Marin Cilic.

The number 15 upset fourth seed Nikolay Davydenko, who claimed his third title of the season last week in Kuala Lumpur, taking just over 90 minutes to go through 6-4, 6-4. The result halted Davydenko's current run of form at six consecutive wins while Cilic, who knocked Andy Murray out in the US Open fourth round, improved to 3-0 over the world number eight Russian.—*Internet*



Rafael Nadal of Spain

## Ancelotti says English are more sporting than Italians



Chelsea manager Carlo Ancelotti

ROME, 10 Oct—Chelsea manager Carlo Ancelotti hit out at his countryman in an interview in La Gazzetta dello Sport on Friday, claiming they are not as sporting as the English. Ancelotti began his first job outside of his homeland this season when he took over the

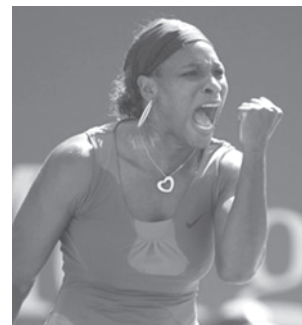
reigns at the west London club following eight years with AC Milan and previous spells at Juventus, Parma and Reggiana.

And already he has noticed several differences between the football culture in his adopted home and his motherland. "The first thing is the stadiums. Here in England they're attractive, comfortable, suited to the show," he said. "In Italy, they're not. And then there's the fans who here go to a game to be entertained and not to get angry with the referee or the opponents. "It's more sporting, it's a different culture. Here there's more of a sporting culture."

—*Internet*

## Serena disciplinary fate could take weeks to decide

BEIJING, 10 Oct—Soon-to-be world number one Serena Williams should know by year's end whether she will be barred from the Australian Open over her outburst at the US Open, the WTA's chief



Serena Williams

executive said on Saturday. The result of an International Tennis Federation probe was likely to be known in the coming months, Stacey Allaster told a press conference Saturday on the sidelines of the China Open. Williams drew a 10,000-dollar fine in Flushing Meadows for her verbal assault of a female line judge after she called a foot fault at a key point in a semi-final loss against eventual champion Kim Clijsters.

—*Internet*

## Russia launches bid for 2018 World Cup

MOSCOW, 10 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. "Hosting the World Cup will exert a positive influence on the youth of the country and leave a sporting and economic legacy," he said.

—*Internet*



## Fergie issues Wiley apology But United boss still wants fitness levels addressed

LONDON, 10 Oct—Manchester United manager Sir Alex Ferguson has apologised to Alan Wiley, but still insists the fitness of referees must be addressed.



Sir Alex Ferguson

Ferguson launched a scathing attack on Wiley in the wake of the Red Devils' recent 2-2 draw with Sunderland at Old Trafford.

The Scot claimed in a post-match interview that the experienced official was 'not fit enough for a game of that standard' and accused Wiley of 'walking up the pitch for the second goal needing a rest'.

The Football Association have contacted Ferguson to ask for an explanation of his comments, while

representatives of the professional referees have condemned his outburst.

Ferguson has now issued a public apology to Wiley for any embarrassment he may have caused, and intends to contact the referee personally in the coming days.

However, he has not backed down from his viewpoint that the overall fitness of referees in the Premier League needs to be addressed given the ever-increasing pace of football in England.

Internet

### MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (11-10-2009) (Sunday)

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

#### Local Transmission

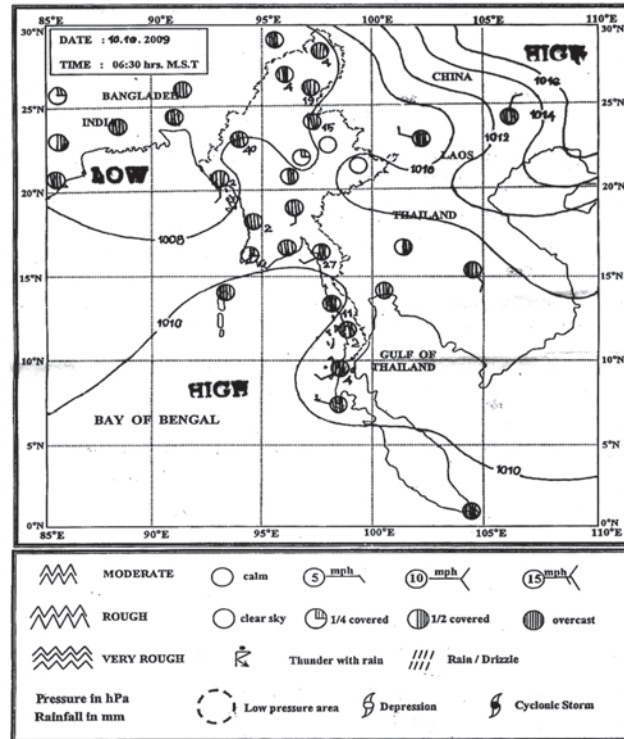
- \* Signature Tune
- \* Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- \* Children Art Form
- \* Honeymoon Trip
- \* Myanmar Melody on Screen "Elegance in Flower"
- \* Donation towards Promotion of Health Care
- \* Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

#### Europe/ North America Transmission

- \* Signature Tune
- \* Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- \* Children Art Form
- \* Nay Pyi Taw International Airport to emerge soon
- \* Honeymoon Trip
- \* Myanmar Melody on Screen "Elegance in Flower"
- \* Donation towards Promotion of Health Care
- \* Current Affairs "Melodious Songs of Alinka Wut Yee"
- \* Myanma Culture & Banana
- \* Ayeyawady Dolphin Expedition (Part-IV)
- \* Myanmar Modern Song
- \* Pride of Place in Bagan. (The Ananda Temple)
- \* Myanmar Modern Song
- \* Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



## WEATHER

Saturday, 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2009

**Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST:**  
During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Shan, Kayah and Kayin States, rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Kachin and Mon States, upper Sagaing and Taninthayi Divisions, fairly widespread in Rakhine State, scattered in Chin State and isolated in the remaining areas with isolated heavyfalls in Rakhine State, lower Sagaing and Taninthayi Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Longlon (5.51) inches, Kyauktaw (3.15) inches, Maungtaw (2.67) inches, Kanbalu (1.85) inches, Kalewa (1.57) inches, Katha (1.42) inches, Ye (1.38) inches, MraukU (1.23) inches and Aunglan (0.08) inch.

Maximum temperature on 9-10-2009 was 94°F. Minimum temperature on 10-10-2009 was 71°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 10-10-2009 was 79%. Total sun shine hours on 9-10-2009 was (9.3) hours approx.

Rainfall on 10-10-2009 was (0.23) inch at Mingaladon, Nil at Kaba-Aye and at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (109.17) inches at Mingaladon, (119.57) inches at Kaba-Aye and (125.00) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (7) mph from Southwest at (18:30) hours MST on 9-10-2009.

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

**Forecast valid until evening of 11<sup>th</sup> 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 Ayeyawady Division and isolated in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Continuation of rain or thundershowers in the Southern Myanmar areas.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 11-10-2009:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 11-10-2009:** Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 11-10-2009:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

# Don't Smoke



## Sunday, 11 October View on today

### 7:00 am

- မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ် တရားတော်

### 7:10 am

- အဝံ့ဇယမင်္ဂလံ (ယဉ်ဝေယံထွန်း၊ တေးရေး-ဝိတလာဆို မိုးနွယ်ဆွေ)

### 7:25 am

- To Be Healthy Exercise

### 7:30 am

- Morning News

### 7:40 am

- Nice & Sweet Song

### 7:55 am

- ယဉ်ကျေးလိမ္မာ(၃၈)ဖြာမင်္ဂလာ

### 8:10 am

- အတပြိုင်ပွဲ

### 8:20 am

- ရင်းရှည်ရေလှောင်တံခံ

### 8:30 am

- ၂၀၀၉ခုနှစ်(၁၇)ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှုအဆိုအကဲအရေးအတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ၊ ပြိုင်ပွဲဝင်များလေ့လာနိုင်ကြရန် (ခေတ်အကြိုက်တေး) (ဝါသနာရှင် (ဒုတိယတန်း) အဆင့်) (အမျိုးသား)

### 8:40 am

- International News

### 8:45 am

- Connect with English (Episode-11) (Photos and Fare-wells)

### 11:00 am

- Martial Song

### 11:10 am

- Musical Programme

### 11:20 am

- Round up of The

### Week's International News

### 11:30 am

- နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ဟာသကမ္ဘာ" (အပိုင်း-၃၆)

### 12:20 pm

- Golf Magazine(TV)

### 12:35 pm

- မြန်မာ့ရုပ်ရှင် "ပုဂံမှာသာတွဲလ" (ရန်အောင်၊မင်းဦး၊မေသန်းနု) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-မြတ်တင်အေး)

### 2:40 pm

- International New

### 3:45 pm

- Myanmar National League MNL(2009) ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲတိုက်ရိုက် ထုတ်လွှင့်မှုအစီအစဉ် (မကွေးFCအသင်းနှင့် Delta United FC အသင်း)

### 5:45 pm

- Musical Programme

### 6:00 pm

- Evening News

### 6:15 pm

- Weather Report

### 6:20 pm

- ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ် "Pocket Dragon Adventure"

### 6:40 pm

- တစ်မျက်နှာတစ်ကွက်စာ "ထားထားရိမ္မာ ဒေါ်ထားထားရိသို့" (အိချောပို့၊ ကေကေမိုးမြင့်၊ရဲဟိန်းသက်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-မေတင် (MMG))

### 7:00 pm

- နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မိုးမြေချစ်သူ" (အပိုင်း-၁၂)

### 8:00 pm

- News
- International News
- Weather Report
- ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ် "ဒိုင်နိုဆော့မိသားစု စွန့်စားခန်း" (အပိုင်း-၅၀)

### 8:15 pm

- နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "နွေဦးကဗျာ ချစ်သံသာ" (အပိုင်း-၂)

### 8:30 pm

- မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏အရပ်ဆယ်မျက်နှာမေတ္တာ ဘာဝနာပွားများခြင်းတရားတော်



- ★ 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

## Myitkyina-Shwebo road bringing about smooth and swift commodity flow

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



*Photo shows Myitkyina-Shwebo road.*

In the time of the State Peace and Development Council, a large number of roads and bridges were built in different regions including border regions for secure and smooth transport. As a result, national races from the states and divisions have been able to travel from one place to another with peace of mind.

At present, the emergence of roads and bridges has brought about swift commodity flow in all parts of the nation. And with this, trade and commerce is in full swing, thereby resulting in economic development and improvement of socio-economic status of national races.

When we news crew of Myanma Alin Daily arrived in Mohnyin, (See page 10)