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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
- * 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

Secretary-1 of State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo greets members of the central panel of judges, contestants and supervisors

NAY PYI TAW, 17 Oct—Patron of Leading Committee for Organizing the 17th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo cordially greeted members of the central panel of judges, contestants and supervisors at Nay Pyi Taw City Hall this evening.

Present on the occasion were by members of the panel of patrons of the leading committee, Chairman of Leading Committee for Organizing the Performing Arts Competitions Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin and members of the leading committee, Chairman of Work Committee for Organizing the Performing Arts Competitions Minister for Culture Maj-Gen Khin Aung Myint and work

Secretary-1 of State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo presents medicines to members of the central panel of senior judges at 17th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions.—MNA





committee members, the ministers, the attorney-general, the auditor-general, the deputy ministers, chairmen of subcommittees, the secretaries and members, the director-general of State Peace and Development Council Office and departmental heads, members of the central panel of judges, contestants from states and divisions and supervisors.

First, artistes-cum-staff of the Ministry of Culture performed entertainments to those present.

Next, Secretary-1 General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo cordially greeted work committee members, chairmen and members of subcommittees, members of the central panel of judges, contestants from states and divisions and supervisors. Then the Secretary-1 presented medicines to members of the central panel of judges.—*MNA*

Secretary-1 of State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo cordially greets members of the central panel of judges, contestants and supervisors at 17th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions.—MNA

PERSPECTIVES

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Strive to ensure world food security

Food security has become a major challenge for the entire humanity. With climate change worldwide, millions of people in the developing countries that have not enjoyed food security still have food requirements. One sixth of the world population is found to be undernourished.

Ensuring food security and wholesome food everywhere is essential for people. So, each and every agricultural country has to strive for boosting crop cultivation. Global nations have to seek ways and means to narrow the rich-poor gap as much as possible and reduce the number of poor and starving people by half.

Myanmar is striving to boost agricultural production with a view to improving the socioeconomy of the rural people. The country has a sown acreage of more than 22 million hectares, out of which more than 8 million are under paddy. The paddy output is more than 18 million metric tons. So it not only ensures domestic food sufficiency but also contributes to world food sufficiency.

The State is tapping all possible water resources to supply irrigation water to be able to grow crops all year-round. Across the nation, 225 dams, reservoirs and sluice gates and 322 river water pumping stations have been built and underground tapping water tasks implemented to benefit over 3 million hectares of crops plantations.

The livestock and fishery sector associated with the agricultural sector is picking up. Priority is being given to breeding and production of more quality species and promotion of modern technologies as well as to conservation of Myanma fish, prawn and marine resources and protection of endangered species. Moreover, billions of fingerlings are distributed to the fish and prawn farms in rural regions while they are released to dams, rivers and creeks every year.

As Myanmar has already enjoyed domestic food sufficiency, it is only necessary to make more efforts to boost agricultural production to contribute to world food sufficiency.

Sale agents of LG Electronic honoured

Yangon, 17 Oct— TMW Enterprise Limited, an authorized dealer of Korea brand LG electronic, hosted dinner to sale agents across the nation at Traders Hotel, here,

.G Dealer's Night

Mid Term Staff Party

yesterday.

TMW Enterprise also selected agents for foreign trips for this year.

Managing Director U Wai Lwin of TMW enterprise

> Managing Director U Wai Lwin gives opening speech at LG dealer's Night and TMW mid term staff party.—MNA

- * 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

Central Level English and Mathematics Teaching Proficiency **Course for Basic Education Teachers concludes**

YANGON, 16 Oct-The concluding ceremony of Central Level English and Mathematics Teaching Proficiency Course for **Basic Education Teachers** was held at Pinnya Beikman Hall of Yangon Institute of Education Praticising High School, with an address by Patron of Supervisory Committee of Conducting the Course Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein.

Also present on the occasion were Chairman of Supervisory Committee of Conducting the Course Deputy Minister for Education Brig-Gen Aung Myo Min, directors-general of the department under the ministry of education, rectors, officials, professors, trainers and trainees.

In his speech, Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein said that the central level course is



Minister Dr Chan Nyein delivers address at concluding ceremony of Central Level English and Mathematics Teaching Proficiency Course for Basic Education Teachers.—MNA

opened for the development of teaching skill of basic education teachers in **English and Mathematics** according to instruction of the State Head, the state government is contributing to the national interests through the education development plans in basic education level and high level education, the academic committees design the handbooks for developing teaching skill of the teach-

ers. The minister also urged the teachers to use all teaching methods in their works and to uplift the standard of the state education by improving their personalities and taking active role in the proficiency tasks.

Later, the minister presented the completion certificates for Basic Education High School Level teachers to the representatives of the trainees.

The deputy minister | 633 trainees.—MNA

handed the certificates for Basic Education Middle School teachers to each representatives of English and Mathematics trainees, Director-General U Kyaw Thu of No. (3) Basic Education Department the cerftificates for Basic Education Primary School teachers.

The course which started from 6 October in Yangon Institute of Education was attended by

Myanmar delegation leaves for China

YANGON, 17 Oct—A Seven-member-delegation led by Executive of Myanmar Women Entrepreneurs Association Thirithudhamma Theingi Daw Tin Nwe Oo (Hman Cho) yesterday morning left for China by air to attend the 6th China-ASEAN Expo (CAEXPO) which will be held from 20 to 24 October at Nanning in People's

At the ceremony, | gave an opening speech and presented prizes to outstanding agents and



dhamma Theingi Daw Tin Nwe Oo (Hman Cho) poses for photo before its departure for People's Republic of China to attend 6th CAEXPO.—MNA

The delegation led

by Thirithu-

Republic of China. Vice- | Thet Yi and Daw Nu Nu | Yangon International Airpresidents of MWEADaw | Yi saw off them at the | port.—MNA

staff.

LG Electronics includes TV, DVD, IT products, LG Hand Phones, Hifi, Home Theater, Microwave and Vacuum Cleaner and are trying to attend to the needs of customers.

Those LG products are available at LG showrooms and authorized agents with warranty card.—MNA

7th Annual General Meeting of MGEA on 24 Oct

YANGON, 16 Oct—The seventh Annual General Meeting of Myanmar Gold Entrepreneurs Association will take place at Pearl Hall of Panda Hotel, No. (205) at the corner of Wadan street and Min Ye Kyaw Swa street in Lanmadaw Township, here, on 24 October.

Members of the association are invited to attend the meeting and those who want to attend the meeting may list to (Tel: 214837), not later than 21 October.

MNA

Bomb kills four US soldiers in Afghanistan

KABUL, 17 Oct - NATO said on Friday a roadside bomb had killed four US soldiers in Afghanistan, as pressure mounted for President Barack Obama to order thousands more soldiers into an escalating eight-year war.

"Two US service members were killed and two died of wounds sustained in a single improvised explosive device attack in southern Afghanistan 15 October," the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) said.

No further details were immediately available but thousands of US troops are fighting in southern Afghanistan as part of a push to quell a resurgent Taleban in what is their spiritual heartland.

The latest military deaths come as Obama debates whether to send thousands of additional troops to the impoverished country on top of 21,000 extra

forces he committed after taking office this year.

In a grim assessment of a war with military casualties at record levels, the commander of the 100,000 US and NATO troops in Afghanistan, General Stanley McChrystal, has reportedly asked Obama for 40,000 extra troops.

ISAF's commander in southern Afghanistan, Dutch Major General Mart de Kruif, told AFP in an interview on Thursday that he wanted 10,000 to 15,000 more troops, including support units, to ensure security in the region.

He also called for more Afghan army and police, plus civilian workers, to help development and reconstruction projects.

Internet





A visitor talks with a vendor in a traditional handicrafts fair held in Bishkek, capital of Kyrgyzstan, on 14 Oct, 2009. The fair, participated by traders from neighbouring central Asian countries, draws a great number of local visitors.—XINHUA

Residents gather around the site of a bomb attack in Kerbala, 80 km (50 miles) southwest of Baghdad on 14 October, 2009. Three explosions killed at least three people and wounded 20 in the Shi'ite holy city of Kerbala, police and health officials said. —Internet

Air strike kills 20 Taleban militants in E Afghanistan

KHOST (Afghanistan), 17 Oct— At least 20 Taleban militants were killed in air strike against the militants' hideout in Afghanistan's eastern Paktika Province late Friday, spokesman of local administration said on Saturday.

"The international troops' warplanes targeted suspected hideout of the militants in Urgon district on Friday evening, killing over 20 rebels at the spot," Hamidullah Zuwak told Xinhua.

In separate incident, seven armed militants were arrested as Afghan National Security Forces backed by international troops launched an operation against militants in the same district earlier the day, he added.

Taleban militants fighting Afghan, US and NATO forces have yet to make comments.

War-plagued Afghanistan has seen increasing Taleban-led insurgency throughout the country while US president Barack Obama has approved to send additional 13,000 troops to curb the deteriorating situation.—Xinhua

A/H1N1 influenza death toll rises over 4,700 says WHO

Geneva, 17 Oct — At least 4,735 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, 3,406 occurred in the Americas, 530 occurred in South-East Asia and 432 occurred in the West Pacific. The other three WHO regions, Europe, East Mediterranean and Africa reported 207, 90 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 399,232, 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.—*Internet*

Hurricane Rick strengthens off Mexico's coast

ACAPULCO (Mexico), 17 Oct — Hurricane Rick swiftly strengthened on Friday off Mexico's Pacific coast with winds near 100 mph (160 kph), and forecasters warned it could soon become a major hurri-

Rick, a Category 2 hurricane, was centered about 260 miles (415 kilometers) south-southwest of Acapulco on Friday night, and was moving west-northwest near 10 mph (17 kph), according to the US National Hurricane Center in Miami.

Hurricane Specialist John Cangialosi said Rick could become a Category 3 storm sometime Saturday. The storm posed no immediate threat to land, although its course could bring it closer to the Baja California peninsula by mid-next week.

Pacific hurricane

Hurricane Rick formed off Mexico's Pacific coast and could become a major hurricane. As of 11 a.m. EDT

MAX WIND 75 mph UNITED STATES 250 mi MEXICO

Map tracks Hurricane Rick in the Pacific Ocean as of 11 am _INTERN

Suicide bomber kills 15 in northern Iraq

BAGHDAD, 17 Oct — A suicide bomber who hid among the Sunni congregation in a northern Iraq sprayed gunfire at worshippers on Friday and then blew himself up, killing at least 15 people, including the imam leading prayers, officials said.

The brazen attack is the latest against Sunni clerics who have increasingly spoken out against al-Qaeda in Iraq since US combat troops withdrew from Iraqi cities at the end of June.

The clerics and others fear militants could take advantage of the transition to step up the kind of sectarian attacks that pushed Iraq to the brink of civil war two years ago.

Internet

Flood-borne disease leaves 89 dead in Philippines

Manila, 17 Oct — Massive floods brought by powerful storms have caused an outbreak of the deadly disease leptospirosis that has claimed 89 lives in the Philippine capital alone, the health secretary said on Saturday.

The incidence of the disease in the Philippine capital and surrounding areas rose to 1,027 with 89 fatalities from 1-15 October this year compared to 769 period last year, Secretary Francis Duque said.

"It is largely attributable to the floods," Duque told AFP.

Huge floods covered parts of Manila and its surrounding areas after tropical storm Ketsana hit the country on 26 September. This was compounded by typhoon Parma which hit a few days later, again bringing heavy rains. In some areas, the floodwaters have not receded.

This has caused many people to fall cases and only 39 deaths in the same | ill of leptospirosis, an infectious disease caused by exposure to dirty, stagnant water.—Internet



Patients suffering from leptospirosis are seen at an overcrowded government hospital in Manila, on 17 October.—Internet

US federal deficit hits record high of \$1.4 trillion

Washington, 17 the deficit accounted Oct—The US federal deficit of the 2009 fiscal year reached a record high of 1.42 trillion US dollars, the Treasury Department announced on Friday.

The US government imbalance for the fiscal year ending 30 Sept, 2009, more than tripled last year's record. As a portion of the economy,

Beijing, 17 Oct—

China Investment Corpo-

ration (CIC), the nation's

sovereign wealth fund,

announced Friday that it

had closed the first phase

settlement for the pur-

chase of a 45 percent

stake in Nobel Oil Group.

about 10 percent, the highest since World War II. For fiscal year 2009, the government collected 2.1 trillion dollars in revenues, a 16.6 percent drop from 2008, while government spending jumped to 3.52 trillion dollars, up 18.2 percent over 2008.

The Treasury Department projected that the

China sovereign fund buys 45%

stake in Russian oil company

lar investment would be

completed in two phases.

In the first phase, which

was completed by the end

of September, CIC had

spent 100 million US dol-

lars for holding the Rus-

sian oil company's stakes,

The 300-million-dol-

deficits would total 9.1 trillion dollars over the next decade unless corrective action is taken.

Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner pointed to the skyrocketing federal debt as a result of the government's actions to tackle the worst economic recession since the Great Depression of the 1930s.

and 50 million dollars for

operating expense of the

oil fields, according to the

ing 150 million dollars

would be paid off in the

second phase, in nine

months, to buy oil and gas

reserves amounting 150

million barrels around ex-

It said that the remain-

announcement.

isting ones.

Xinhua



A man checks out a Russian Avtovaz automaker's Lada vehicle during a motor salon in Moscow in August 2009. —Internet

Avtovaz says Renault will invest 240 million euros

using the (Renault) chassis"

in 2012, Avtovaz vice presi-

dent Grigory Khvoro-

styanov was quoted by Rus-

sian news agencies as say-

ing. He said Avtovaz was

planning to launch five new

models in 2012 — two

Lada, two Renault and one

Nissan — adding that the

Renault-Nissan alliance

would finance two-thirds of

the project.Renault bought

25 percent of Avtovaz in

February 2008 for a billion

dollars. Russian Prime Min-

ister Vladimir Putin earlier

this month demanded that

Renault help Avtovaz,

which is in serious financial

trouble due to a collapse in

demand for cars and com-

petition from foreign car

On Thursday, Russian

daily Kommersant quoted

an industry ministry memo

saying Avtovaz, which is

makers.

of

production

Moscow, 17 Oct— (358 million dollars) in its

"This investment is expected before the start of

French car maker Renault will invest 240 million euros struggling Russian partner Avtovaz, Russia's biggest auto manufacturer, an Avtovaz executive said on Friday.

majority owned by the state, was on the verge of bankruptcy and needed to cut almost 50,000 jobs.

Renault is facing difficulties of its own amid the economic crisis. Earlier this year, it reported a much worse than expected firsthalf loss of 2.71 billion euros (4.04 billion dollars) as sales slumped 23.7 percent.—Internet

GE profit tumbles 42 percent

Boston, 17 Oct-General Electric Co (GE.N) reported a 42 percent drop in profit, as a global economic slump hammered its hefty finance arm and eroded demand for the heavy equipment it manufactures.

The largest US conglomerate, whose shares were down 0.8 percent in premarket trading, reported third-quarter profit of \$2.49 billion, or 23 cents per share, compared with earnings of \$4.31 billion, or 43 cents per share, a year earlier. Revenue fell 20 percent to \$37.8 billion.

Chief Executive Jeff Immelt said the economy "is beginning to slowly recover." The world's largest maker of jet engines and electricity-producing turbines has faced falling demand for its big capital equipment. But so far this year it has counted on revenue for maintaining products it has already sold to boost results.—Internet

Strong euro threatens **Europe recovery**

LUXEMBOURG, 17 Oct —The euro's rise to a 14-month high against the dollar threatens to "slow economic recovery in Europe" by hitting exports, the head of the group of 16 countries using the currency said on Friday.

"If the euro's direction were to continue to move along the lines of recent weeks, there is a risk... that it could slow economic recovery in Europe," said Luxembourg Prime Minister Jean-Claude Juncker, who heads the Eurogroup.

The euro touched a 14-month high of 1.4968 dollars on Thursday, crowning a rise of around 18 percent against the dollar since March.

However Juncker said he was not too concerned about the euro's present level, which is still below 1.60 dollars it hit in July 2008.

"I'm not too worried by the current rate," he said.—Internet



Xinhua

A currency exchange worker holds a handful of euro notes in London. The euro's rise to a 14-month high against the dollar threatens to "slow economic recovery in Europe" by hitting exports, the head of the group of 16 countries using the currency said Friday.—Internet

JAL seeks tie-up with low-cost

cost carriers for its Asian gether an emergency turna-

gling Japan Airlines is | vision of a government task | the Asahi daily force. In its cost-cutting efforts, JAL will expand code-sharing operations with budget carriers in Asia, replacing its less profitable flights for tourist destinations, such as Hawaii,

Japan Airlines is seeking a tie-up with low-cost carriers for its Asian operations, according to a report. JAL, looking for another public bailout to keep flying, is putting together an emergency turnaround plan under the supervision of a government task force.

Internet



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TOKYO, 17 Oct—Strug- round plan under the super- Thailand and Indonesia, reported. The move would enable JAL to focus on more profitable business flights to North America, Europe and China, the daily said without citing sources.

> Asia's largest carrier, which lost more than one billion dollars in the April-June quarter, announced last month plans for 6,800 job cuts, a drastic reduction in routes and a tie-up with a foreign carrier.—*Internet*

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All items from Xinhua News Agency

Cambodian PM returns home from China trade fair trip

PHNOM PENH, 17 Oct— Cambodian Prime Minister Hun Sen returned home on Saturday after attending a trade fair and paying a work visit to China's Sichuan Province. Hun Sen led a highlevel government delegation to participate in the meeting which included Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Hor Namhong, Cham Prasidh, Senior Minister and Minister of Commerce as well as other members of the Royal Government of Cambodia.

Cambodian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior Sar Kheng, and He Leping, charge d'affaires of Chinese Embassy, and other Cambodian government officials met Hun Sen and his delegation at the Phnom Penh International Airport.

During his stay in China, Hun Sen attended the opening ceremony of the 10th Western China International Economy and Trade Fair (WCIETF) and paid a work visit from 15 to 17 Oct in Chengdu in China's Sichuan Pro-

Hun Sen also met with Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao and received courtesy call from Liu Qibao, secretary of the Communist Party of China Sichuan Provincial Committee. —Xinhua



Guests unveil the statue of Chinese geologist Li Siguang at China Centennial Altar in Beijing, capital of China, on 16 Oct, 2009. The statue of Li Siguang was unveiled at China Centennial Altar to mark the 120th birthday of the geologist. —XINHUA



A girl hostess serves a series of special breakfast dishes at a restaurant in Yangzhou, east China's Jiangsu Province, on 15 Oct, 2009. A total of 24 breakfast items named "The Breakfast of the Red mansion", came from the famous Chinese novel "The Dream of the Red Mansion" and was specially offered by the restaurant.

XINHUA

Singapore creates world's first semi-cloned fish

SINGAPORE, 17 Oct—A research team from the National University of Singapore (NUS) said that they have created the world's first semi-cloned fish, local media reported on Friday.

According to local radio 938live, the fertile female medaka fish named Holly, was created with the semi-cloning genetic approach, which uses a new and unpredictable

People visit "The State of Things — the Chinese and Belgian artists' exhibition", a part of the Europalia Chinese Art Festival, in Brussels, capital of Belgium, on 16 Oct, 2009. —XINHUA

na's first subway tunnel

traversing the Yangtze

River is expected to be-

month in Wuhan, capital

of central China's Hubei

Province, local officials

gin construction this

combination of genetic traits from both parents similar to normal fertilization. The radio said that Holly has gone on to produce many normal offspring that carry a genetic marker identical to hers and her parents.

Researchers at the NUS said that this indicates that the technique retains genetic stability hence providing a powerful tool for transmission of genetic information to the offspring- similar to normal reproduction, adding that their findings have important implications for reproductive medicine and technology like for treatment of male infertility.

Xinhua

Beijing forum highlights poverty reduction

Beijing, 17 Oct—A high-level forum was held here on Saturday to discuss poverty reduction efforts against the backdrop of global financial crisis, marking the world's 17th International Day for the Eradication of Poverty.

Chinese Vice Premier Hui Liangyu said at the forum the international financial crisis has imposed great challenges to the global poverty reduction work and the progress of the UN Millennium Development Goal.

He called for the international community to coordinate efforts in dealing with the poverty issue.

"The Chinese government would strive to maintain steady and relatively fast economic growth, stick to its development-based policy to help the poor and increase spending on rural and agricultural development," Hui said, adding "this would contribute to the global cause of poverty reduction." Xinhua

Brunei-India ties improve a lot

KUALA LUMPUR, 17 Oct—Brunei-India ties has improved a lot after Brunei's Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah visited India in 2008, the Brunei Times quoted Indian High Commissioner Riewad V Warjri as saying on Saturday.

Warjri said it was a question of working a proper follow-up of the outcome of the visit, adding that the Indian Commission was progressing well in their efforts, the newspaper monitored here

Xinhua



Brazilian governors recommend reward for actions to preserve Amazon rainforest

Brasilia, 17 Oct—A group of Brazilian governors recommended on Friday that actions to preserve the Amazonian rainforest be rewarded.

The recommendation was made at a forum attended by governors from nine Brazilian states partially or completely located in the Amazon Forest, including Acre, Amapa, Amazonas, Mato Grosso, and Maranhao.

The governors adopted a document at the 6th Legal Amazon Governors' Forum, which was held in Macapa, capital city of Amapa, that contained proposals to help elaborate a national project to preserve and develop the region.—Xinhua

Yangtze River in central China Wuhan, 17 Oct—Chisaid on Saturday.

Subway line to traverse

The 3,100-meter-long tunnel is located between the country's first bridge on the river, the Wuhan Yangtze River Bridge, and its first road tunnel beneath the river, officials said.

The subway tunnel is expected to undertake 50 percent of the city's traffic flow across the river. And it is designed to withstand a 6.0-magnitude earthquake and a flood that occurs once every 300 years, they

Xinhua

Blaze at fireworks warehouse kills 32 in India

New Delhi, 17 Oct — A blaze erupted at a fireworks warehouse in southern India, killing at least 32 people and injuring 10 others ahead of a major Hindu festival on Saturday.

The victims in Friday night's explosion were mainly traders buying fireworks in bulk as millions of Hindus prepared to celebrate Deepavali, the festival of lights, the *Press Trust of India* news agency reported. Setting off fireworks is a major part of the celebration's evening festivities.

Police pulled 32 bodies, most of them charred remains, from the warehouse in Pallipat near Chennai, the capital of the southern Indian state of Tamil Nadu, *PTI* quoted local administrator Palani Kumar as saying.

Three people have been hospitalized with burns, Kumar said.—*Internet*



Maldives cabinet ministers are seen underwater off Girifushi Island on 16 October, during rehearsals for an underwater cabinet meeting scheduled for 17 October. The government in the Maldives is set to hold its first underwater cabinet meeting to attract international attention to the dangers of global warming, according to a spokeswoman.—Internet

Pigs may have been infected with H1N1 virus in US

Washington, 17 Oct — A preliminary test shows that some pigs in the US state of Minnesota were tested positive for the H1N1 virus, which might be the first time that H1N1 flu cases were found in US pigs.

US Department of Agriculture (USDA) officials cautioned that further tests were needed to confirm that the pigs had been infected with H1N1.

Samples of these pigs were collected at the Minnesota State Fair between 25 Aug and 1 Sept. The pigs sampled at the time showed no signs of illness and were apparently healthy. The samples collected were part of a University of Iowa and University of Minnesota cooperative agreement research project funded by the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) which documents influenza viruses where humans and pigs interact at such fairs.—Xinhua

Polish official says US to deploy Patriot missiles in Poland

Warsaw, 17 Oct — A battery of armed Patriot missiles will station in Poland rotationally, Deputy Polish Defence Minister Stanislaw Komorowski said on Friday.

"In the near future, in accordance with earlier declarations, there will be a battery of Patriots placed on Polish territory on a rotating basis," Stanislaw Komorowski said.

He added the Patriots would be equipped with elements allowing their integration with Poland's national defence system.

Komorowski was speaking after talks here with visiting US Assistant Secretary of Defence Alexander Vershbow, and ahead of next week's visit by Vice US President Joe Biden, who is due to meet Polish Prime Minister Donald Tusk to discuss the new US concept of antimissile defence.

Vershbow, for his part, said the Patriot project was part of the Obama administration's "new approach" to missile defence. He added that in future the US also wanted Poland to host a unit of SM-3 interceptor missiles.—*Internet*

South Carolina student shot after school stabbing

WASHINGTON, 17 Oct — A police officer assigned to a South Carolina school shot and killed a 16-year-old student on Friday after an 11th grader stabbed him, the local school district said.

"That is... exactly what is understood to have happened," said Teal Britton, a spokeswoman for the Horry County School District, after reports first emerged about the incident at Carolina Forest High School.

"At 8:20am, 8:25am, an incident occurred that involved an 11th grade student and the school resource officer that was not witnessed by any other student," she told *AFP*.

School administrators were on campus at the time and "heard the struggle" between the officer and the male student, Britton added.

"As a result of the incident, both the student and the school resource officer were injured and were transported to Conway Medical Center, and it was reported... shortly after 11:00 am by the coroner that the student was deceased."

The officer, whose name was not released, was part of a South Carolina programme providing liaison police officers to all state secondary and middle schools "to assist with school safety," she added.—*Internet*

Aussie mum has two sets of quads, then twins

An Australian woman who made headlines by falling pregnant with quadruplets — twice — has added to her brood by delivering twins, reports

Dale Chalk, 31, and husband Darren are now the proud parents of 11 children under the age of seven.

"We'd love to have more children, but medically, that's it," Darren told the



A three-month old boy holds on to his mother's hand. An Australian woman who made headlines by falling pregnant with quadruplets — twice — has added to her brood by delivering twins, reports said Monday.

Courier-Mail. "We'd have to buy a bigger bus!"

Dale became pregnant with her second set of quads in 2005. The babies were delivered in October of that year but only three survived.

The first set — two boys and two girls — were born in August, 2004 and are due to start school next year. The couple also have a six-year-old daughter and another girl born in 2007.

They are understood to have used a low-grade infertility treatment for the multiple births.

Diarrhea killing too many children

Too few children worldwide are being treated with zinc supplements that could reduce deaths from diarrhea, medical researchers in Maryland said.

Low-cost diarrhea treatments such as zinc supplements and lower osmolarity oral rehydration salts could drastically reduce the number of deaths of among children, the World Health Organization said in 2004.

In the five intervening years, little progress has been made in implementing the life-saving techniques, researchers at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health said in a release.



A worker cleans dust of a frieze sculptured with a hand holding a knife at the Vichama archaeological complex in Vegueta, Peru.

929 gallons of moonshine found in NC mountains

North Carolina authorities say they have found 929 gallons of moonshine under a shed in the mountains.

State Alcohol Law Enforcement officials say 63-year-old Roger Lee Nance of Wilkesboro was arrested on charges including possession of non-tax-paid liquor for the purpose of selling.

Agency director John Ledford says it's one of the biggest mountain busts he can remember.

Spokeswoman Patty McQuillan says Nance stored moonshine in differentshaped containers under a shed in his backyard and was arrested following a two-month investigation.

News Album

Ruth Frith, a 100-year-old from
Australia, competes in the women's
75+ shot put final at the World
Masters Games in Sydney Olympic
Park on 11 October, 2009. Frich has
thrown 4.07 metres in the shot put to
win gold medal as the only competitor in the 100 years plus category.



(Hailing the 17th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions, Nay Pyi Taw)

Performance of Uggasena Jataka

Dr Khin Maung Nyunt

Myanmar word "Zat" for drama is derivative of Pali word "Jataka" meaning birth story. There are five hundred and fifty jatakas and ten penultimate jatakas of Lord Gotama Buddha in his previous existences. These Buddha's birth stories are the major themes of Myanmar traditional dramatic performances because they have all qualities and characteristics of drama plot, exposition, complications, climax, anti-climax, denouement, poetic justice and moral lesson. According to Myanmar traditional drama (zat) it must have the trinity of themes, (1) Loka (secular or temporal) (2) dhamma (religious or spiritual) and (3) yaza (royal, kingly, or state or government), so as to instruct and admonish high born and low born, clergy and laity, adult and young, king and his subject. So Buddha's birth stories are dramatised for performance on stage. That is why Myanmar traditional drama is called "zat".

In previous years' drama competitions, Buddha's birth stories were chosen either from Ten penultimate lives as 550 Nipats for both drama and puppet competitions. This year, a birth story named Uggasena is chosen from Dhamma pada sulta. It is not a Buddha's birth story but it is a story which Lord Buddha narrated to illustrate and support his admonition and preaching.

The birth story of Uggasena goes as follow:-In the kingdom of Rajagaha, there ruled King Bimisara. One day he told his court that he wanted to hold Dhamma puja festival at which all performing artists should be invited to participate and display their talents to the public. There was a female dancer named Yuzana of high repute. Her father was the leader of her cultural troupe and he had trained her not only to become a skilful dancer but also to become an accomplished acrobat. She and her father came to the Capital to display their performance at the festival. News of their upcoming performance spread.

Not far from Rajagaha City, there was a big village named Mekhalikagama, where a wealthy man Uggasena, his wife and their only son Uggasena junior lived. The son was un-schooled, uneducated and therefore an ignorant fool. One day a friend of his came to him to go with him to watch Yuzana's Performance at the festival. His parents were reluctant to let him go to the festival because they knew that their son was silly fool. But because of the son's insistence they gave up. They gave him many words of warning caution and admonition.

He and his friend had a good time at the festival. But after watching and enjoying the performances of Yuzana, Uggasena junior was infactuated by the bewitching charm and beauty of the dancer. He went straight to her and her father and proposed to marry her. Although she and her father knew that the proposer was a fool, they consented because he was the son of a wealthy man. He hurried back to his parents and told them all about what he had done. The parents were ashamed and saddened because he the son of a wealthy man was marrying a low caste female dancer. They objected but to no avail. Finally they gave him patrimony and he married Yuzana.

For sometime, Uggasena junior and wife Yuzana were a happy couple. But when a boy child was born to them and all patrimony he brought with, nearly ran out miseries crept into their lives. Yuzana's popularity declined as she was now a married woman with a child. Her father became bored with his foolish son-in-law who was good for nothing. Besides, Yuzana's fans began slandering of her worthless husband who was doing domestic chores to please his wife and father-in-law. One day their family life blew up. Yuzana and her father yelled at him to leave as he was a burden and a shame to them. Deeply grieved and repented Uggasena junior left.

On his long unknown journey he met two strangers going to get training in acrobatic dance from a famous acrobatic master. He joined them. He explained to the master his sad story with Yuzana and requested him to train him to become an accomplished acrobatic dancer. After some years, there appeared in the artists world a reputed male acrobatic dancer named Uggapyan whose fame spread to the four corners of the kingdom. A dance contest was held at the city. Many contestants turned up, among whom Yuzana, his exwife was one. But she didn't know that Uggapyan was her ex-husband. In the final round, Uggapyan and Yuzana contested to the best of their skills. Among thick crowds of watchers, the pole on which Uggapyan was dancing acrobatics was much higher than that of

Yuzana.

Suddenly Uggapyan heard the voice of Shin Mogallana, saint disciple of Gotama Buddha, "Uggapyan cheer up, do show your skill, never give up". Being inspired by the voice, Uggapyan did his best. Then he saw Gotama Buddha descending to earth. His mood changed and he came down from the pole and bowed at the feet of Lord Buddha who then preached him dhamma. All of a sudden, Uggapyan (Uggasena) realized the vanity of life and bliss of Dhamma and requested Lord Buddha to make him monk. Gotama Buddha uttered, "Come, you Beikkhu". Then Uggasena the monk followed Lord Buddha to the monastery.

Yuzana and her father were very sad about what hey had done to Uggasena. They decided to meet him to apologise for their wrongdoings and be reunited with him. On the way in search for him, they visited a monastery. They came in to pay homage to Lord Buddha. To their surprise they found Uggasena in monkhood. They wept and gave apologies for their misdeeds. Monk Uggasena gave forgiveness and preached Dhamma.

Lord Buddha narrated their previous existences. The couple Uggasena and Yuzana were donating food alms to a passerby saint and prayed. The saint just gave a smile meaning their prayers would be answered. The couple remarked the smile looked like the smile of an actor-dancer. For that sin of wrongful remark, the two became acrobatic dancers going through all troubles and tribulations in present life. The moral lessons are (1) never make wrongful remark on others (2) ignorant fool is condemned and outcast, so be wise and learned. Poetic justice is right finally wins wrong.

It is befitting to perform Uggasena zat for drama contest for this year's performing arts competitions; for many scenes of dance performances and acrobatic displays will appear on the stage; and the judges and audiences will be awed and mesmerized at the skills of performers. Of course, how this type of action zat would be presented depends upon the secret trade or state of the art of contesting drama troupes.

We wish them all success.

Taungkhayan Dam contributing much to double and mixed-cropping

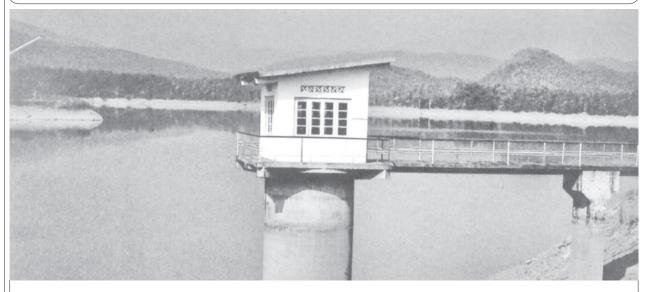


Photo shows Taungkhayan Dam in Gangaw Township.

Article:Kyaw Than Swe (Gangaw)

Taungkhayan Dam is situated on Taungkhayan Creek near Taungkhinyan village in Gangaw Township 44 miles north of Gangaw in Magway Division.

Construction Group-1 of the Irrigation Department under the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation started the construction of dam in 1990-91 and completed the project in 1993-1994. The 90 feet high and 610 feet long dam is of earthen type. The irrigated area of the dam is 5,006 acres. The facility was built at a cost of about K 2.87 million. Its irrigated areas were those on either side of Taunghkayan Creek four miles east of the facility. With the emergence of the dam, local farmers have now been able to extensively engage in double and mixed-cropping of pulses and beans, edible oil crops, sesame and sunflower. And making the most of the dam they can generate their income to the fullest and enjoy the higher socio-economic status.

> **Translation: HKA** Kyemon;(2-10-09)

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Commander Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe and Minister Maj-Gen Aung Min present gifts to travellers.—MNA

railroad.

The commander unveiled the stone inscription. The commander, the minister and the chairman sprinkled scented water on the special train.

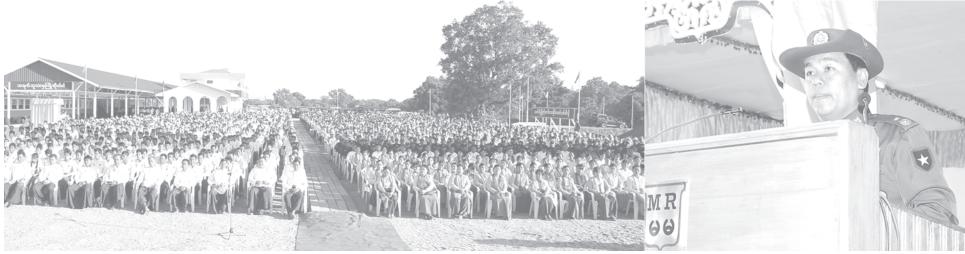
Next, the commander, the minister, the chairman and guests got on board the special train. They presented gifts to passengers on board the train and cordially greeted local people at the stations along the railroad.

Three railroad sections — 110-mile long

Kyangin-Thayet railroad section, 100-mile long Thayet-Pwintbyu railroad section and 110-mile long Pwintbyu-Pakokku railroad section — are being built on 320-mile long Kyangin-Pakokku railroad. Kyangin-Oakshitbin railroad section on Kyangin-Thayet railroad section was inaugurated on 1 March, 2008 and Oakshitbin-Kanma railroad section was opened on 22 March, 2009. The remaining Kanma-Thayet

Kyangin-Thayet railroad section was put into service today.

Upon completion of Kyangin-Pakokku railroad construction project, local people will be able to travel from Pathein in Ayeyawady Division to Pakokku in Magway Division by train. They will have access to Gangaw and Kalay via Pakokku and Myitkyina and other regions in upper Myanmar via Pakokku, ChaungU, Monywa, YeU and railroad section on KhinU. — MNA



Commander Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe delivers an address at opening of Kanma-Thayet railroad section.—MNA



Commander Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, Minister Maj-Gen Aung Min and Col Phone Maw Shwe open Kanma-Thayet railroad section.—MNA



Minister Maj-Gen Aung Min explains facts about of Kanma-Thayet railroad section.—MNA

Kanma-Thayet ...

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First, the commander delivered an address. The minister gave accounts on opening of Kanma-Thayet railroad section of Kyangin-Pakokku railroad construction project.

Next, the chairman of Magway Division spoke on the occasion and a local spoke words of thanks on opening of Kanma-Thayet railroad section.

Then the commander, the minister and the chairman formally opened the



Special train starts plying from Thayet to Kanma.—MNA

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Myanmar delegation back from Bhutan

YANGON, 17 Oct — Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Kyaw Thu and Deputy Attorney General U Tun Tun Oo attended the International Conference on Deepening and Sustaining Democracy in Asia hosted by the Royal Government of Bhutan with the support of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in Paro, Bhutan from 11 to 14 October.

The Myanmar delegation headed by CSSTB Chairman U

Kyaw Thu attended the opening ceremony on 11 October. Prime Minister of Bhutan Mr Lyonchhen Jigmi Y Thinley and UNDP Assistant Administrator and Regional Director for Asia and the Pacific Mr Ajay Chhibber gave opening statements. The conference held on the following days till 12 October to 14 October was also participated by cabinet members and senior parliamentary members from Asia, authorities concerned from the related fields, responsible personnel from the UNDP and other UN organizations, academics from the Centre for Bhutan Studies (CBS) as well as universities around the world and advisors from the relevant institutions. The conference widely discussed topics as foundations of democracy, experiences in democracy, civic rights and participation, elections and justice, accountability and freedom, etc.

The Myanmar delegation arrived back here by air this morning.

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CSSTB Chairman attends International Conference on Deepening and Sustaining Democracy in Asia.—MNA

Myanmar ICT Exhibition 2009 continues

YANGON, 17 Oct— Myanmar Information and Communication Technology (ICT) Exhibition 2009, jointly organized by Myanmar Computer Professionals Association (MCPA) and Myanmar Computer Entrepreneurs Association (MCEA) under the leadership of Myanmar Computer Association, took place at Tatmadaw Convention Hall on U Wisara street in Dagon Township, here, the third day.

At the exhibition, altogether 157 booths of 70 companies and organizations, members of Myanmar Computer Entrepreneurs Association (MCEA), displayed computers and their accessories, latest model electronics and communications materials, technologies and application software.

The final-day exhibition will be held on 18 October (Sunday).

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ICT Exhibition 2009 in progress.—MNA

Minister meets with Ambassador of Indonesia

NAY PYI TAW, 17 Oct—Minister for Hotels and Tourism Maj-Gen Soe Naing met with Ambassador of Indonesia Mr

Sebastianus Sumarsono at his office here this evening. Also present at the call were Deputy Minister for Hotels and Tourism Brig-Gen

Aye Myint Kyu and officials. They discussed matters on development of tourism between the two countries.—MNA



Minister Maj-Gen Soe Naing receives Indonesian Ambassador Mr Sebastianus Sumarrsono.—MNA

UMFCCI President receives Vietnamese delegation

YANGON, 16 Oct— President of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry U Win Myint, Vice-Presidents U Win Aung, U Zaw Min Win, U Aung Lwin and U Tun Aung, General Secretary Dr. Maung Maung Lay, Joint General Secretaries U Tin Maung Win and Dr.

Myo Thet, CEC members and executives received an 8-member delegation led by Vice-Chairman of the National Assembly's Foreign Affairs Committee of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and Chairman of Vietnam-ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Friendship Group Mr. Nguyen Due Manh at the UMFCCI office here on 5 October.

They discussed matters related to promotion of bilateral trade and investment between the two countries, mutual cooperation in economic sector between Myanmar-Vietnamese entrepreneurs and holding of products exhibitions and exchange of delegation.—MNA



UMFCCI President U Win Myint and party receive delegation led by Chairman Mr Nguyen Due Manh of Vietnam-ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Friendship Group.—MNA

2nd Haematological Conference held

YANGON, 17 Oct—Organized by Haematological Society of Myanmar Medical Association, the Haematological Conference was held at Hotel Chatrium on Natmauk Road in Tamway Township this morning. Chairman of MMA Professor Dr Kyaw Myint Naing made an opening address and Chairman of the society Dr Daw Aye Aye Myint extended greetings. Professor Dr U Ye Mya presided over the panel discussions and Professor Dr Daw Cho Cho Nyunt, Dr Daw Win Pa Pa Naing, Professor Dr Daw Aye Aye Gyi and Dr Daw Aye Aye Khine held discussions on "Acute Leukaemias: How Can We Improve the Outcome?"

In special lectures session, Professor Col Ye Thway presided over the session and Prof. Suthat Fucharoen of Mahidol University of Thailand gave talks on "Iron Chelation Therapy" and Dr. Mickey Koh Boon Chai of St.Georges Hospital, University of London, UK, on "Haemopoietic Stem Cell Transplantation".

Professor Dr Daw Aye Aye Myint presided over the Haematomorphology Forum and Prof. Masao Tomonaga of Nagasaki University of Japan gave talks.

The first day of the conference was attended by haematologists, pathologists, professors, pediatricians and trainee doctors totalling 400.—MNA

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Secretary-1 of State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo enjoys performance of staff of Ministry of Culture.—MNA (News on page-1)

USDA Secretary-General receives EU Alternate Chairman, Ambassadors

Yangon, 17 Oct—Secretary-General of the Union Solidarity and Development Association U Htay Oo received Chairman Dr Akinori Seki of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation of Japan at the USDA Headquarters on New University Avenue in Bahan Township, here, yesterday.

First, the chairman of the Sasakawa Peace

Foundation explained matters related to the foundation. Next, Secretary-General U Htay Oo explained rural development tasks and facts about the USDA.

Likewise, he also received the delegation comprising Thailand based EU Ambassadors and Myanmar-based EU Ambassadors led by Alternate Chairman of European Union (EU) Thailand based Sweden Ambassador Mr Lennart Linner at the office of USDA Headquarters.

Secretary-General U Htay Oo explained facts about the association, national development tasks and rural development tasks undertaken by the association and real situation of the State.



After that, he answered the questions of Alternate Chairman and Ambassadors of EU.

He also met the

delegation led by Thailandbased EU Ambassador Mr David Lipman at the association.

Also present at the

calls were USDA CEC member U Aung Thein Lin, Head of the Headquarters and officials.

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Minister U Nyan Win presents US\$ 50000 donated by the Government of the Union of Myanmar as a humanitarian assistance to the victims of Typhoon Ketsana in the central parts of Vietnam to Vietnamese Ambassador.—MNA

Cash donation for Vietnamese storm victims

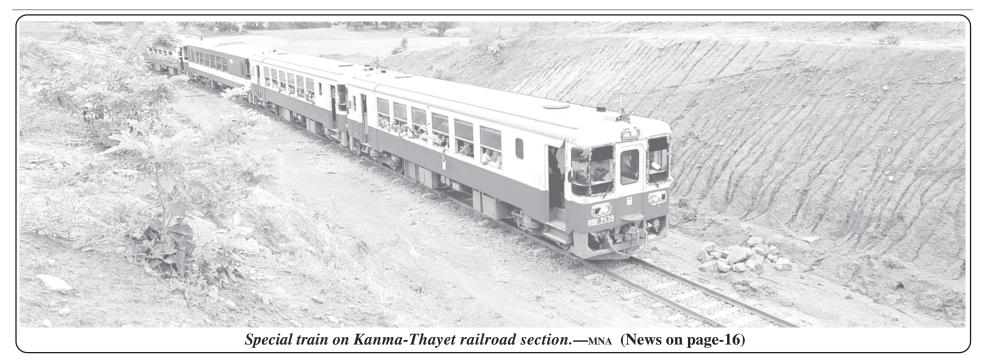
YANGON, 17 Oct—A ceremony to hand over cash donation to the Government of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam by the Government of the Union of Myanmar as a humanitarian assistance to the victims of Typhoon Ketsana in the central parts of Vietnam during the end of September 2009 was held at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs here this afternoon.

It was attended by Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, the

directors-general and officials of the ministry, Vietnamese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Chu Chong Phung and embassy staff.

On behalf of the Government of the Union of Myanmar, Minister U Nyan Win spoke words of condolence on the loss of lives and property caused by Typhoon Ketsana and handed over US\$ 50, 000 to the Vietnamese Ambassador who spoke words of thanks on the occasion.

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Objectives of the 17th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

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

A visitors takes pictures of a battery-driven RUF Greenster concept car, based on the Porsche 911 model, on the opening day of the eCarTec fair Munich, southern Germany, on Tuesday, 13 Oct, 2009.

Internet



Four killed as French sightseeing planes collide

Paris, 17 Oct—Two | secretary of Charentesmall sightseeing planes collided over the French region coastal Charente-Maritime on Saturday, killing all four people on board, including the two pilots.

The accident occurred around 11 a.m, local time (1000 GMT),Eleonore Lacroix, Maritime state office.

The cause of the accident was under investigation, Lacroix said, adding that French Transport Minister Dominique Bussereau was on his way to the

It was the third plane accident in France within

a week. On Monday, a Cessna 210 light plane plunged into the sea near the French island of Corsica. Six people, including the pilot, were rescued afterwards.

A day earlier, a Cessna 177 crashed in the Manche region, killing both people aboard.

Xinhua



A metro train passes by Jumairah Lake Towers in Dubai, United Arab Emirates on Thursday 15 Oct, 2009. The deeply indebted company controlling many of Dubai's prized state-owned businesses said Thursday it has cut 15 percent of its work force in a restructuring effort that is nearly complete. Dubai World, a conglomerate whose businesses range from building islands and running U.S. luxury hotels to hauling cargo off ships worldwide, said the reorganization should save it \$800 million over the next three years.—Internet

Three US soldiers killed in roadside bombings in Afghanistan

Kabul, 17 Oct—Two roadside bombings in eastern and southern Afghanistan have left three U.S. soldiers dead on Friday, said a statement of the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) on Saturday.

"Two U.S. service members were killed in an improvised explosive device attack in eastern Afghanistan, 16 Oct, and one US service member was killed in an IED attack in southern Afghanistan on the same day," the statement said. It has been proved a deadliest year for both foreign soldiers and innocent civilians in the war-plagued country as conflicts and violence have claimed over 414 international troops, including 247 from America, and 1,500 civilians so far this year.—Xinhua

Truck bomb destroys key bridge in western Iraq

BAGHDAD, 17 Oct—A suicide bomber driving a dynamite-laden truck destroyed a key bridge Saturday on a highway used by the departing US military, while seven Iraqis — most of them soldiers — were killed in separate attacks, police

There were no casualties in the Saturday morning blast that destroyed the bridge, said a police officer in the city of Ramadi, about 70 miles (125 kilometers) west of Baghdad. The highway is used heavily by the U.S. military to transport equipment out of the country. It is also a major roadway for civilian traffic. The highway links Iraq to neighboring Syria and Jordan, where many Iraqis fled sectarian violence.

Internet

Somali pirates hijack Singaporean ship

NAIROBI, 17 Oct—Somali pirates have seized a Singaporean-flagged container ship in the pirateinfested Indian Ocean waters near Seychells, a regional maritime official confirmed here Thursday.

Andrew Mwangura, East Africa coordinator of the Seafares Assistance Programme said the vessel owned by boxship Kota Wajar was hijacked early Thursday with 21 crew members. "The Singaporean flagged ship was hijacked in the indian Ocean waters, 180 nautical miles northwest of Seychelles. The ship which was coming from Singapore was heading to Mombasa port,"Mwangura told Xinhua through telephone from Mombasa.

MNA/Xinhua



A man pushes his cart fitted with empty water container to serve as a floater in flood waters Saturday, 17 Oct, 2009 in suburban Pasig City east of Manila, Philippines. The governor of a northern Philippine province said Saturday he has ordered residents to evacuate their already storm-ravaged areas ahead of a new typhoon back-to-back after storms in recent weeks.—Internet

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE MV GATI MAJESTIC VOY NO

Consignees of cargo carried on MV GATI MA= JESTIC VOY NO () are here by notified that the vessels will be arriving on 18.10.2009 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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Diya craft : An Indian potter makes earthenware oil pots or 'diyas' at his workshop on the outskirts of Hyderabad. INTERNET

Philippines buys local rice to boost stocks, food security

Manila, 17 Oct—Philippine agriculture officials have intensified rice procurement to boost the country's stockpile and assure food security amid the recent calamities. Philippine National Food Authority (NFA) Administrator Jessup P. Navarro said the NFA is buying more rice in Visayas and Mindanao, southern Philippines. These areas were spared by typhoons "Parma" and "Ketsana".

The back to back typhoons which hit the country early this month submerged key rice growing areas in Luzon, northern Philippines, damaging nearly one million tons of palay (paddy rice).

"By focusing on domestic palay buying, the NFA is able to maintain a safe food security buffer for the country," Navarro said.

The National Food Authority now has 1.2 million metric tons of rice- equivalent to 35 days of national rice consumption. This put national stock inventory to around 2.3 million tons enough for 66 days national consumption.— MNA/Xinhua

Vietnam holds int'l conference on tea trade

Hanoi, 17 Oct—An international conference on investment and trade promotion for Vietnam made tea was held here on Friday.

The conference the first and biggest of its kind, was organized Vietnam's Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development coordination with the Vietnam Tea Association.

It drew participation of about 200 representative from the International Tea Committee, domestic and foreign tea associations and companies of the United States, India, Russia, Sri Lanka and Saudi Arabia.

MNA/Xinhua

Dancing in Amritsar: Indian Sikh students perform the traditional Punjabi 'Bhangra' dance at a university's youth festival in Amritsar.—Internet **Egypt delays signing of Palestinian**

unity pact GAZA, 17 Oct—Egypt has delayed the signing of a deal to heal the rift between

President Mahmoud Abbas' Fatah movement and the rival Palestinian group Hamas because of "new complications", an Egyptian official said on Friday. He cited the growing tension between Fatah and Hamas over the handling by

Abbas of a UN report criticizing the Israeli military offensive into Gaza in December and January.

Cairo had slated a signing ceremony for October 25. The agreement would resolve nothing immediately but would outline steps to restore Palestinian unity. Hamas runs the Gaza Strip and Fatah dominates in the Israeli-occupied West Bank.

The official told *Reuters* no new date was set for signing. "Egypt saw it was better to delay until there is a suitable atmosphere," he said. — MNA/Reuters

Nigeria's cholera death toll climbs to 149

Kano, 17 Oct—The toll in a cholera outbreak in northern Nigeria rose to 149 on Friday with 52 more deaths, a provincial health official said.

"We have recorded 52 deaths from cholera outbreak in four local government areas of the state while 1,335 have been hospitalised," the director Borno State, Abdallah Sadiq, told *AFP*.

"The disease was first reported on September 10 in Gwoza local government on the border with Cameroon from where it spread to six other districts", he said.

He said Biu local government on the border with Chad was the worst

were infected, forcing health officials to open a camp for the victims.

Cholera has claimed 77 lives in recent weeks in Adamawa State, leaving nearly 1,000 people hospitalised.

Late September, officials in Jigawa State announced the death of 11 people in a cholera outof disease control in affected area where 650 break which affected 400 others at a village outside the state capital.

Internet

A man disinfects his hands after bringing a cholera patient to a medical centre. The toll from a cholera outbreak in northern Nigeria has risen to 149 with 52 more deaths.—Internet

Cambodia ratifies ASEAN eco agreements with China, Japan, ROK

PHNOM PENH, 17 Oct— Cambodian National Assembly on Friday ratified the ASEAN economic cooperation agreements with China and South Korea while Thursday, legislature approved the ASEAN comprehensive investment agreement and also the ASEAN-Japan economic cooperation agreement.

need to be approved urgently because they will be handed over to head of the government (Prime Minister Hun Sen) who will work on it with other countries in the upcoming ASEAN Summit in Thailand on 23-25 October," said Kong Vibol, secretary of state of Ministry of Finance, and representative of government to defend "These agreements these agreements at the

National Assembly.

"These new agreements will attract foreign partners to invest and make business here in the context of the global financial crisis," he said, adding that "we will get the benefits from the agreement framework". "We hope to enlarge our trade and investment with these countries," he noted.

MNA/Xinhua



H1N1 vaccination to start in Britain as death toll rises

Beijing, 17 Oct—Britain's Chief Medical Officer Sir Liam Donaldson has announced that high-risk patients and frontline health workers in hospitals will be the first to be inoculated against the A/H1N1 virus from 21 Oct.

The planned vaccination plan comes as the number of deaths rose to 106 with the number of new cases rising to 27,000 in the last week. During his regular weekly briefing at the Department of Health, Sir Liam said there had been 83 swine flu deaths in England, 15 in Scotland, four in Wales and four in Northern Ireland. "There is a further increase but the increase has not been anything like the doubling expected," he said. The number of people in hospital with swine flu increased from 290 to 364, while the

number in intensive care rose from 47 to 74.

This is the highest proportion of hospitalised patients who have been in intensive care since the epidemic began, Sir Liam said. "For most of the time it's been about 12 to 13 percent, now it's up to 20 percent, suggesting we are seeing more serious cases than we were seeing before. There is no sign of any change in the virus but this is giving me some concern." In a study of 266 hospitalised patients with confirmed swine flu, more than a quarter also suffered from asthma, while more than one in ten had heart disease and around 10 percent were diabetic. Around 6 percent of the patients were pregnant.

Internet

Woman hurt in Northern Ireland car bomb

Belfast, 17 Oct— The girlfriend of a Northern Ireland police officer was slightly injured on Friday when a bomb exploded under her car in Belfast, police said, sparking fears of a resurgence of violence here. The 38-year-old woman, who has not been

named, was taken to hospital for minor injuries after the bomb exploded at about 7:30am as she drove away from her home. She was later discharged.

"Clearly there are people out there in today's society who are still intent on causing



Bomb disposal experts examine the remains of a car after a bomb exploded beneath it in east Belfast. The girlfriend of a Northern Ireland police officer was slightly injured when a bomb exploded under her car in Belfast, police said, sparking fears of a resurgence of violence. Internet

murder and mayhem," said Chief Superintendent Brian Maguire, although he declined to point the finger at organization.

The police chief said the bomb was under the passenger side of the twoseater car and if someone had sat there, it could have been much more serious. "This was a viable device capable of causing death or serious injury," Maguire told reporters.

He said the woman had no direct link with the police service detectives were investigating whether a policeman was the intended target. The woman lived not far from a police station in east Belfast.

Internet



Photo taken on 16 Oct, 2009 shows the art performance at the opening ceremony of the 11th Chinese National Games in Jinan, east China's Shandong Province.—Xinhua

Bank of America posts big loss in consumer loans

New York, 17 Oct— Bank of America Corp on Friday reported a loss of 2.24 billion US dollars in the third quarter due to increasing loan losses.

The bank, the second largest in the United States, said its losses for failed loans came to almost 10 billion dollars during the July-September period, up almost 1 billion from the second quarter.

The bank said that it had a loss of 1 billion dollars before accounting for preferred dividends, which, once included, put the loss at 2.24 billion dollars.

Though its revenue from retail deposits and investment grew by 26.4 billion dollars, a 33 percent increase on 19.9 billion dollars a year ago, the bank's finances were pummeled by losses on its businesses connected to home loans and consumer credits. "Obviously, credit costs remain high, and that is our major financial challenge going

forward," the bank's chief executive, Kenneth D Lewis, said in a statement. "However, we are heartened by early positive signs, such as the leveling of delinquencies among our credit card numbers."

Bank of America has accepted some 45 billion dollars in taxpayer bailouts since the financial crisis erupted last year, and has issued debts backed by the government.

Internet

Green Chair and Dustbin creations are displayed at the Qi exhibition in Singapore in this 14 Oct, 2009 handout photo.

Internet



Five persons jump from 25,000 feet in Mt Qomolangma skydive

KATHMANDU, 17 Oct-Five persons made four solos and one tandem jump from a height of 25,000 feet (around 7,600 meters) in the south side of Mt Qomolangma on Friday.

According to a press release from the event organizer Explore Himalaya, in the first batch, Tom Noonan (United States), Ian Bishop (Australia) and Kishan (India) made solo jumps at 10:30 am (GMT 0445). In the second batch, world record holder and also chief coordinator of the team, Wendy Smith (New Zealand) made a solo jump, while Ganesh Pandey (Nepal) made a tandem jump with Tom Noonan(USA) at 12:30 am (GMT 0645).—Xinhua



A woman looks at Samsung Electronics flat-panel TVs in Seoul. The South Korean electronics giant has said it will set up a joint venture to build a liquid crystal display (LCD) plant costing about \$2.23 billion dollars in eastern China.—Internet

Rain wreaks havoc ın soutnern brazii

RIO DE JANEIRO, 17 Oct—Ongoing rain since Wednesday in Brazil's southern state of Parana has left one person dead, 53 injured and about 1,700 homeless, the Civil Defence Service said on Friday.

The bad weather has affected a total of 26,400 people and 35 towns in Parana, authorities said. So far, no town has declared a state of emergency.

Seven thousand households were still without power after a gust of wind cut off power supplies to 130,000 households on Wednesday. Meanwhile, water supply has also been affected in nine towns.

Moreover, the zoo in the western city of Cascavel has sustained damage, forcing it to close temporarily and transfer its animals to other places.—Xinhua

SPORTS

Spanish national soccer team considers offer to play in China

Madrid, 17 Oct—Spanish sports paper Diario AS reported on Friday that the Spanish national football team could play a friendly game against China as part of its preparations for next summer's World Cup finals.

The reigning European Champion set a new record by winning every one of its qualifying games en-route to securing its place in South Africa. Spain already has three friendly games arranged for between now and the end of the season. Spain will play Argentina on 14 Nov and visit Austria four days later.

Xinhua

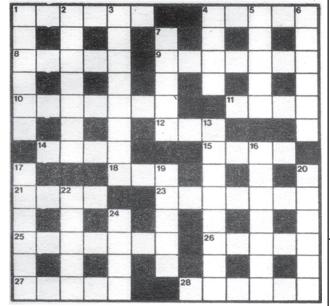
Campbell eagles final hole for share of lead

Las Vegas, 17 Oct—Chad Campbell closed with an eagle on the par-5 ninth for a 9-under 62 and a share of the second-round lead Friday with Troy Matteson in the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open.Campbell, a former UNLV player, also had seven birdies in his bogey-free round in warm conditions at TPC Summerlin.

"I didn't hit a very good tee shot," Campbell said about his final hole. "I hit it a little left. Luckily, it stopped short of the bunker and had a perfect lie. (It was) just a perfect 3-wood (shot) and I was able to hit it up there 12 to 15 feet. ... It was definitely a great way to finish a round."

Internet

CROSSWORDS PUZZLE



ACROSS

- 1 Sharp
- 4 Soft down
- 8 Bcat strongly
- 9 Carrion bird
- 10 Shoulder-piece
- 11 Armour
- 12 Largest of all deer
- 14 Learing
- 15 Simple
- 18 Small fish
- 21 Threatening
- 23 Peewit
- 25 End of daylight
- 26 Trembling poplar
- 27 Artificial fabric
- 28 World War I British Naval commander

DOWN

- 1 Nipped
- 2 Wind-storm
- 3 Ma bled me (anag.)
- 4 People
- 5 Part of throat
- 6 Infirm
- 7 Egg-shaped
- 13 Rememberance gift
- 16 Scrap
- 17 Cosmic source of regular radio signal
- 19 Movement of the eyelid
- 20 Specialised department
- 22 Tall and ungainly
- 24 Advance



Ghana's players celebrate their victory over Brazil at the 17th FIFA U-20 World Cup final match in Cairo, capital of Egypt, on 16 Oct, 2009.—XINHUA

Ten-man Ghana stuns Brazil to lift U-20 World Cup

CAIRO, 17 Oct—Ten-man Ghana stunned Brazil after a penalty shots 4-3 win on Friday to become the first African team to claim the FIFA U-20 World Cup. Ghana lifted the trophy before the 67,000 fans at Cairo Stadium

The two teams played a goalless extra time before starting the penalty shots. Brazil's Alan Kardec, Giuliano, D. Costa, converted their penalty shots but Souza, Maicon and Teixeira saw their penalties saved by the goalkeeper. Ghana's Mensah and Addae saw their penalties saved by the goalkeeper while Ayew, Inkoom, Adiyah and Badu converted their penalty shots to end the match 4-3 for their team.—*Xinhua*

Title rivals go head to head in Italian Serie A

ROME, 17 Oct—The picture at the Serie A summit could look a little clearer following this weekend's matches as four of the top five clash in direct top-of-the-table encounters. Champions and leaders Inter Milan travel to fifth-placed Genoa who could go top with a victory if other results go their way. In Turin third-placed Juventus host Fiorentina, below them by just one place and goal difference. The biggest game, though, takes place in Genoa where Inter have already lost once this season having been defeated 1-0 by Sampdoria—second behind Inter on goal difference and travelling to the capital Rome to face Lazio on Sunday.

The clash has an intriguing sub-plot as Inter poached Genoa's two best players in the close season, paying out big money to prise away Argentine striker Diego Milito and Brazilian midfielder Thiago Motta.In return Genoa signed veteran Argentine forward Hernan Crespo from the nerazzurri and he will be desperate to put one over his former employers having found himself surplus to requirements in Milan in the summer. Internat

No punches, just praise

as Tyson, Holyfield meet

CHICAGO, 17 Oct—No punches were thrown. And neither bit off the other's ear.Mutual praise and admiration dominated during a face-to-face meeting Friday between former world champion boxers Mike Tyson and Evander Holyfield on a live episode of "The Oprah Winfrey Show."

On June 28, 1997, at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas, Tyson was disqualified after biting off part of Holyfield's right ear during their WBA heavyweight title fight. A respectful Tyson shook hands with his former rival several times during their encounter on Friday — which he said was his first chance to speak at length with Holyfield since the ear chomp that made worldwide headlines. Tyson later met with Chicago Mayor Richard Daley.

Internet

BARCLAYS PREMIER LEAGUE

(17-10-2009)

Arsenal 3 - 1 Birmingham
Aston Villa 2 - 1 Chelsea
Everton 1 -1 Wolves
Man Utd 2 - 1 Bolton
Portsmouth 1 - 2 Tottenham
Stoke City 2 - 1 West Ham Utd

Sunderland

Liverpool



Chelsea's Didier Drogba shoots and scores a goal against Aston Villa during their English Premier League soccer match at Villa Park in Birmingham on 17 October, 2009.—INTERNET

Real Madrid tops TV earners in Europe

MADRID, 17 Oct—A study published in Spanish sportspaper *Diario AS* on Friday showed that Real Madrid earns more money from television rights than any other team in the world. The study 'Football Transfer Review', made by the company Prime time Sport, shows that Real Madrid earns 136 million Euros a year from the sale of its TV rights.

Real Madrid is in the first year of its contract with the production company Mediapro. The Spanish giant is followed by Manchester United and then by FC Barcelona, which earns 116 million euros a season. Mediapro also owns Barcelona's television rights.—*Xinhua*

Stosur beats Wozniacki at Japan Open tennis

Osaka, 17 Oct—Australian third seed Samantha Stosur on Saturday dashed Caroline

Wozniacki's title defence to reach the final at the Japan Open women's tennis tournament. The 25-year-old Stosur, who also eliminated 2002 champion Jill Craybas of the United States on Friday, fired 12 aces to score a 6-0, 4-6, 6-4 victory over the Danish top seed.

Stosur, ranked 15th against Wozniacki's sixth, has yet to win a WTA title, but has won four ITF titles, three of them in Japan, including one here in Osaka.In the final on Sunday, Stosur will play fourth seed Francesca Schiavone of Italy, who defeated Indian star Sania Mirza 6-2, 6-1 in the other semifinals earlier in the day.

Internet



This is a 28 June, 1997, file photo showing Mike Tyson biting into the ear of Evander Holyfield in the third round of their WBA heavyweight bout in Las Vegas. Tyson and Holyfield are expected to appear on 16 Oct, 2009, on 'The Opray Winfrey Show' from Chicago.—Internet

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OBITUARY

U Tin Win Hlaing @ Tu Tu @ Kevin Khin Maung Maung, (55) Years

Residing at No (1.A), Dahlia Road, Malikha Garden Housing, Thingangyun Township, son of (U Khin Maung Maung-Dr Daw Tin Win Win), son-in-law of (U Tin Shein-Daw Kyin May), beloved husband of Daw Than Than Htay, father of Ma Myat Su Hlaing and Maung Min Thet Tin passed away at 11.15pm on 16-10-2009 (Friday). The remain have been cremated at Yayway Cemetery at **Bereaved Family** 3pm on this day.

Beware financial warning signs, says United's Ferguson

London, 17 Oct—Manchester United manager Alex Ferguson is worried escalating transfer fees could signal a business-style financial collapse in the world of soccer.

"There is an awful lot of expenditure and you say to yourself, 'Where is it going to end?'," Ferguson was quoted as saying in Saturday's Guardian newspaper.

"This is exactly what was happening in the business world two years ago. There were warning signs and everyone knew there were, yet they carried on because it was so easy to access loans.

"In the football world the warning signs are there but nobody seems to be bothering about it. You wonder where it's going to end and what is going to happen if one major club were to... collapse," added Ferguson.

The Scot seemed to have in mind clubs like Real Madrid and Manchester City, who spent huge sums on players in the transfer window with the Spanish side paying a world record 80 million pounds for United winger Cristiano Ronaldo.

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Programme Schedule (18-10-2009) (Sunday)

Transmissions Times - (09:00am~10:00am)MST Local

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Local Transmission

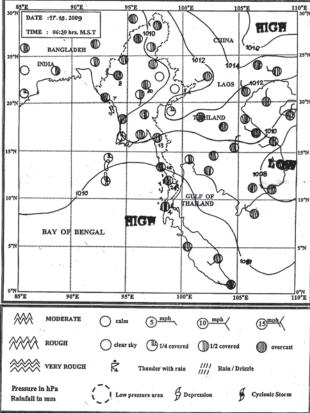
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- Kambozathadi: Palace of Conquerors
- Useful Variety Of Bamboo
- The beautiful green ice
- Culture Stage
- Beneficial and Useful Rubber Plants
- Myanmar Modern Song
- Biological Expedition To Hponkan Razi Region (Wang Mung Camp 2 to 4)
- Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm

Internet

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Saturday, 17th October, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST: During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Ayeyawady Division, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Kachin, Rakhine, Kayah, Kayin States, Magway

Division, scattered in Shan and Chin States, Mandalay, Bago and Yangon Divisions, fairly widespread in upper Sagaing Division and widespread in the remaining areas with locally heavyfalls in Mandalay Division. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin) (0.90) inch, Nay Pyi Taw (3.19) inches, Nay Pyi Taw (Tatkon) (2.63) inches, Nay Pyi Taw (Pyinmana) (1.73) inches, Shwegyin (1.81) inches, Monywa (1.77) inches, Kyaukse (1.42) inches, Paung (1.35) inches, Myinmu (1.26) inches, Thaton and Ye (1.18) inches each.

Maximum temperature on 16-10-2009 was 92°F. Minimum temperature on 17-10-2009 was 72°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 17-10-2009 was 85%. Total sun shine hours on 16-10-2009 was (4.5) hours approx.

Rainfall on 17-10-2009 was Tr at Mingaladon, Nil at Kaba-Aye and (0.43) inch at Central Yangon each. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (110.83) inches at Mingaladon, (120.87) inches at Kaba-Aye and (128.15) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from Southeast at (15:30) hours MST on 16-10-

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

Forecast valid until evening of 18th October 2009: Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of rain in the Central Myanmar areas.

18-10-2009: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 18-10-2009: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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Sunday, 18 October View on today

7:00 am

1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:25 am

2. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning News

7:40 am

4. အောင်တော်မူ (စောမင်းနောင်၊ စိုင်းညိုမင်း၊ တေးရေး-ဗိုလ်ကလေးတင့်အောင်)

7:50 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

8:05 am

6. ယဉ်ကျေးလိမ္မာ သုံးဆယ့်ရှစ်ဖြာမင်္ဂလာ

8:15 am

7. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ 8:20 am

8. မူဟန်သွယ်သွယ်ဆိုကြမယ် 8:40 am

9. International News 8:45 am

10. "Connect English" (Episode-18) (The Art Gallery)

11:00 am

1. Martial Song

11:10 am

2. Musical Programme

11:20 am

3. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ဟာသကမ္ဘာ" (အပိုင်း-၃၈)

12:30 pm

4. Golf Magazine (TV)

12:40 pm

5. မြန်မာရုပ်ရှင် "မှုံရွှေရည်" (ဝင်းဦး၊ အောင်လွှင်၊ ခင်သန်းနှ)

(ဒါရိုက်တာ-ဝင်းဦး) 4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Dance of National Races

4:20 pm

3. စက်နှင့်စက်ကိရိယာပစ္စည်း

စက်ရုံ (မြိုင်) 4:30 pm

4. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ

4:40 pm

5. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ တတိယနှစ် (ဓာတုဗေဒ အထူးပြု) (ဓာတုဗေဒ)

4:55 pm

6. Songs to Uphold National Spirit

7. Musical Programme

5:15 pm

8. ဆိုကြမယ်၊ ပျော်ကြမယ် 6:00 pm

5:00 pm

9. Evening News

6:10 pm

10. Weather Report 6:20 pm

11. ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ် "Pocket Dragon Adventure"

6:40 pm

12. တစ်မျက်နှာတစ်ကွက်စာ "ങല്റേ' (ဦးဝင်နိုင်(အနုပညာ)၊ ကောင်းစျာန်သစ်၊ သိိ ဂီထွန်း၊ ကျော်ကျော်၊ ဆုဝေလွင်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ဘုန်းမျိုးကျော်)

7:00 pm

13. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မိုးမြေချစ်သူ" (အပိုင်း-၁၄)

8:00 pm

14. News

15. International News

16. Weather Report 17. ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ်

"ဒိုင်နိုဆောမိသားစုစွန့်စားခန်း" (အပိုင်း-၅၂)

18. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "နွေဦးကဗျာချစ်သံသာ" (အပိုင်း-၄)

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Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for

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- **★** 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

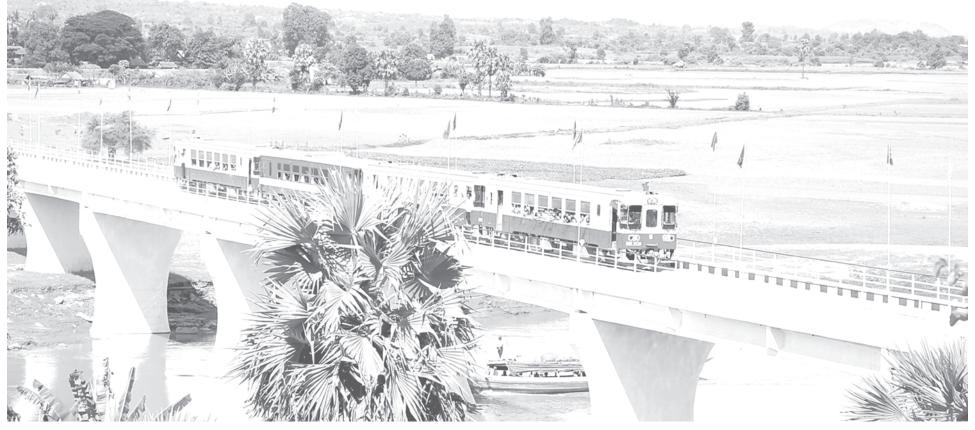
Kanma-Thayet railroad section of Kyangin-Pakokku Railroad Construction Project put into commission

Nay Pyi Taw, 17 Oct—The opening of Kanma-Thayet railroad section of Kyangin-Pakokku Railroad Construction Project implemented by Myanma Railways of the Ministry of Rail Transportation was held at the compound of Thayet Station this morning.

It was attended by Chairman of Mandalay Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe, Minister for Rail Transportation Maj-Gen Aung Min, Chairman of Magway Division Peace and Development Council Col Phone Maw Shwe, Deputy Minister for Rail Trans-

portation U Pe Than and senior military officers, the directors-general and managing directors under the ministry, departmental heads, staff of Myanma Railways, representatives of social organizations and local people.

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Special train on Kanma-Thayet railroad section.—MNA

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