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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

## Senior General Than Shwe sees off Secretary-1 of SPDC General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo on his departure for PRC



*Senior General Than Shwe sees off Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo who leaves for People's Republic of China to attend 6<sup>th</sup> China-ASEAN Expo and the 6<sup>th</sup> China-ASEAN Business and Investment Summit.—MNA*

Government of the People's Republic of China, the Secretary-1 will be attending the 6<sup>th</sup> China-ASEAN Expo and the 6<sup>th</sup> China-ASEAN Business and Investment Summit to be held in Nanning.

Together with Senior General Than Shwe at the airport were Vice-Chairman of the SPDC Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, Member of the SPDC

General Thura Shwe Mann, Prime Minister General Thein Sein, Member of the SPDC Lt-Gen Tin Aye, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Nyan Tun, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein, Lt-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence, Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin, Minister for Transport Maj-Gen Thein Swe, heads of department, Chinese Charge d' Affaires to Myanmar Mr Wang

Zongying and officials.

Myanmar delegation led by Secretary-1 General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo comprises Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein, Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin and heads of department.

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NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct—Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe this morning saw off Secretary-1

of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo who left here by special flight for the People's Republic of China. At the invitation of the

## PERSPECTIVES

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### Preserve cultural heritage to be able to stand proudly in international community

The opening ceremony of the 17<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions was held at Nay Pyi Taw City Hall on 18 October and it was addressed by Patron for organizing the competitions Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo.

The competitions have entered their 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary and they are held with the aim of preserving and relaying to younger generations fine cultural traditions and performing arts and enhancing the image of the Myanmar national races in the course of the nation's history and raising the cultural status of the nation and the people.

In successive periods, our forefathers have been able to firmly stand by and preserve the ever-changing cultural norms based on fundamental Myanmar ways of thinking, reviewing them to find out whether they are in conformity with national interests or not.

Traditional Myanmar performing arts and cultural heritage bear witness to high national prestige and integrity of the nation. Myanmar and its people have stood firmly with high national character and social status in the international community.

Today, alien culture, superiority in information and communication technologies, is penetrating deep into the nation. Only with patriotic fervour of admiring and preserving our own national culture, will it be possible for us to safeguard the nation against diverse alien lifestyles and cultures.

It is the historical duty of all the national people to hand down our own culture and national character that have existed for thousands of years to posterity and we would like to call on the participants to compete in the competitions that reflect the very essence of our national character and our endeavours for building a peaceful, modern and developed democratic nation.

## 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

### Myanmar delegation arrives back from Laos

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct—At the invitation of Chairman of National Sports and Physical Education Committee Minister at the Prime Minister's Office Mr. Phouthong Seng Akhom of Lao people's Democratic Republic, a Myanmar delegation led by Chairman of Myanmar Olympic Committee Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint and Deputy Director-General U Kyaw Soe Myint and Director U Naw Taung of the Ministry of Sports as members went on a goodwill visit to Vientiane of Lao People's Democratic Republic from 14 to 17 October to sign MoU for sports cooperation between the two countries.

At the hall of Don Chan Palace Hotel in Vientiane, the coordination meeting was held to promote sports sector between the two countries on 15 October, attended by Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint and Myanmar Ambassador to Laos U Nyunt Hlaing and members, Laotian Minister Mr. Phouthong Seng Akhom and officials concerned.

Next, ministers of both countries signed MoU for sports cooperation. After-

wards, Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint and party called on Laotian Prime Minister Mr. Bouasone Bouphavanh at his office and frankly discussed sports cooperation between the two countries.

After that, Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint and party visited the main gymnasium where the XXV SEA Games will be held and studied the main gymnasium, swimming pool, diving stage, tennis court, volleyball and basketball stadiums as well as the sports village where a total of 4,000 athletes can be accommodated.

On 16 October, Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint and party went on a study tour of the national sports training centre in Vientiane and practicing sessions of taekwondo,

### Appointment of ambassador agreed on

NAY PYI TAW, 20 Oct—The Government of the Union of Myanmar has agreed to the appointment of H.E. Mr. Ignacio Sagaz Temprano as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Kingdom of Spain to the Union of Myanmar.

Mr. Ignacio Sagaz Temprano was born in 1946 in Jaén, Spain. He graduated a Master of Law from the University of Madrid. He joined the Spanish Foreign Ministry in 1977 and since then, he served in various capacities at the Spanish Foreign Ministry and also at the Spanish missions in Canberra, Rio de Janeiro, Casablanca and Manila from 1977 to 1997. He served as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Kingdom of Spain to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam from 1997 to 2003 and to the Republic of the Philippines from 2003 to 2007. He is currently serving as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Kingdom of Spain to the Kingdom of Thailand.

Mr. Ignacio Sagaz Temprano will be concurrently accredited to the Union of Myanmar with residence in Bangkok, Thailand.—MNA

wushu and boxing games.

On 17 October, the minister and party visited Myanmar embassy in Laos, met with embassy staff and presented gifts to them and

then proceeded to Military Museum of Laos and signed in the visitors' book.

The minister and party arrived back on 17 October.—MNA

*Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint presents gift to Ambassador of Laotian Prime Minister Mr Bouasone Bouphavanh.*

SPORTS



### Prize-presentation of Air Bagan Open Golf Championships held

YANGON, 19 Oct—The fourth day's 18-hole event of the Myanmar Golf Tour 2009-2010 took place at Bagan Resort Golf Club in NyaungU Town-

ship yesterday morning.

At the prize-presenting ceremony, Captain U Min Thu of Air Bagan Ltd presented daily at amateur level best prizes. Director U Si Thu of Air Bagan Ltd awarded daily

*President of Myanmar Golf Federation U Teza presents a cheque to Soe Kyaw Naing (Srixon).*

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best winners at professional level.

Vice-President U Aung Kyi of MGF presented third prize to Lin The with 284 strokes, second prize to Yan Myo Aye with 280 strokes and first prize to Bo Bo (selected Myanmar player) with 272 strokes in men's amateur level.

Vice-Chairman U Min Thein of Air Bagan Ltd presented third prize to Min Naing (Srixon) who stood third with 279

strokes, second prize to Zaw Zaw Latt (Srixon) with 279 strokes and first prize to Soe Kyaw Naing (Srixon) with 278 strokes in professional golfer contest. President U Teza of MGF presented a cheque and extra money to Soe Kyaw Naing (Srixon).

Air Bagan Ltd was the main sponsor of the tournament and International Beverages Trading Co Ltd

(IBTC), KBZ Bank Ltd, Hotel Yangon, KM Golf Centre, HAN Golf Masters Pte Ltd, Myanmar Thiha Trading Co Ltd, Bay of Bengal Resort (BOB), (INAX, T-Home), CEPASA Lubricantes, ACCEL International Co Ltd (Canon), Imperial Jade Purified Drinking Water, Lifeline Co Ltd and GP Watch took a role as co-sponsors.—MGF

**Tobacco Kills**





A destroyed vehicle is seen after a bomb attack in Baghdad, on 18 Oct, 2009. Two people were killed and 13 others injured in two bomb attacks in and near Baghdad on Sunday.—XINHUA

## Past week proves deadly for Taliban as over 70 militants killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 19 Oct—The past week has proved deadly for Taliban militants in Afghanistan as over 70 of the outfit's fighters including some commanders have been killed. In the latest wave of conflicts with security forces, six Taliban fighters were killed as they came in contact with troops in Badghis Province of northern Afghanistan on Sunday afternoon.

"Taliban rebels attacked a convoy of NATO-led forces on the road leading to provincial capital Qalai Now today at 03:00 pm local time (1030 GMT) and troops returned fire killing six militants including their commander Mullah Abdul Hakim," military spokesman in the region Abdul Basir Ghorri told *Xinhua*.

On Saturday eight militants were killed during a joint operation of Afghan and NATO troops in the southern Uruzgan province while three others had been arrested on the same day in the northern Baghlan Province.—*Xinhua*

## Police taser 19-year-old man, who dies

SAN BERNARDINO, 19 Oct—A San Bernardino, Calif, man died on Sunday morning after police used a stun gun to control him as they pulled him away from an altercation, officials said.

The 19-year-old man, whose name

## At least five killed in car bombing in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 19 Oct—At least five people were killed and 15 others injured in a car bomb explosion in Baghdad northern neighbourhood of Adhamiyah on Sunday, an Interior Ministry source said.

The incident took place in the evening when a booby-trapped car parked near a play station shop which use to be crowded with children and young men at this time, the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

Ambulances and civilian cars transported the victims to nearby hospitals, while Iraqi security forces cordoned off the areas to secure the scene, the source said.—*Xinhua*

## Indian Air Force clears US army plane detained at Mumbai

NEW DELHI, 19 Oct—The Indian Air Force has cleared a chartered US military plane which was detained at the Mumbai airport on Sunday morning by the Indian authorities for failing to correctly identify itself, said Defence Ministry sources.

The plane took off about 14:30 pm after being given green light by the Air Force and having its procedural formalities completed, said the sources.

The chartered *Boeing*

767, which belonged to the North American airlines, was carrying 205 passengers including some US marine commandos from Fujairah, the United Arab Emirates to Bangkok, Thailand.

After the Air Traffic Control (ATC) found a discrepancy in its call sign, it was asked to immediately land while flying over the Indian airspace around at 08:00 am (02:30 GMT).—*Xinhua*



A US plane is seen on the tarmac of Mumbai International Airport in Mumbai, south India, on 18 Oct, 2009. The US plane carrying 205 marines was forced to land in Mumbai due to its entering Indian airspace under wrong call sign.—XINHUA

## US soldier killed in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 19 Oct—Continued militancy in Afghanistan's troubled southern region the hotbed of Taliban militants claimed the life of an American soldier on Sunday, a Press release of NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) said.

"One US service member was killed in an improvised explosive device (IED) attack in southern Afghanistan, on 18 October," the short Press release added.

However, it did not give more details or the exact place of the incident.

Kandahar the birthplace of Taliban and the neighbouring Zabul, Helmand and Uruzgan commonly known as the hotbed of Taliban has been the scene of increasing insurgency since the collapse of Taliban regime eight years ago.

It has been proved the deadliest year of 2009 for both foreign troops and innocent civilians in the war-plagued country as conflicts and violence have so far claimed over 415 international troops, including 247 from America, and 1,500 civilians.

*Xinhua*



A labourer throws corns through the air to remove dust at a wholesale market in the northern Indian city of Chandigarh on 18 Oct, 2009. The worst floods in a century in southern and western parts of India have affected corn and rice growing regions.—INTERNET



A Shanghai Airline's Boeing jet is put in a new hangar at the opening of a new two-bay hangar of Boeing Shanghai Aviation Services at Pudong International Airport on 15 Oct, 2009, in Shanghai, China.—INTERNET

## ASEM promotes overall Asia-Europe ties

KUALA LUMPUR, 19 Oct—The Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) has been working to promote the overall Asia-Europe relations on international and inter-regional issues of common interest, said an official with the European Commission (EC) here on Monday.

Vincent Piket, head of the EC delegation to Malaysia, made the remarks at a seminar in the framework of the ASEM to discuss a new Asia economic model beyond the global crisis.

Piket said that dialogue in ASEM was a valuable complement to the bilateral relations between the Asian countries and the EU, thanks to its open and inclusive character and the diversity among its shareholders.—Xinhua

## Oil jumps above \$79 in Asia to 2009 high

SINGAPORE, 19 Oct—Oil prices jumped above \$79 a barrel to a 2009 high on Monday in Asia as investors looked to the corporate earnings of big US retailers this week for signs the consumer may be regaining confidence.

Benchmark crude for November delivery rose as much as 52 cents to \$79.05 a barrel but later fell back and was up 24 cents at \$78.77 by midday Singapore time in electronic trading on the New York Mercantile Exchange. The contract added 95 cents to settle at \$78.53 on Friday.

Last week, crude broke out of a five-month trading range between \$65 and \$75 a barrel on a weakening US dollar and expectations that oil demand will eventually recover as the global economy grows next year.

Investors will be eyeing third quarter results from retailers this week for clues about the strength of the US consumer. Apple Inc, McDonald's Corp, appliance maker Whirlpool Corp and toy maker Hasbro Inc are among those reporting this week.—Internet

## Microsoft hopeful technology will spur growth

DUBAI, 19 Oct—A top Microsoft official expressed hope on Sunday that technology will spur economic growth around the world as the US software giant launches its latest operating system.

"There was an economic upset. It's had an impact around the world," Steven Guggenheimer

told a Dubai technology conference, adding he has been repeatedly asked whether the Windows 7 operating system would fare well amid the economic downturn.

"As an industry, we are focused on innovation and the work we do impacts society... we all have hope that things will continue



A guest experiences a game during the GITEX Technology Week at the International Convention and Exhibition Center in Dubai, UAE, on 18 Oct, 2009.—XINHUA

## Vietnam to sign export rice contracts with Philippines for 2010

HANOI, 19 Oct—Vietnamese rice exporters will sign export contracts with the Philippines for the year 2010, the local newspaper *Liberty Saigon* reported on Monday.

According to Vietnam's Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development, the to-be-signed rice volume to be exported to the Philippines for 2010 will be 250,000 tons of rice. The contract

signing is expected to be at the end of this month, two months earlier than usual. The Philippine move to intensify rice procurement to boost its stockpile and assure food

security amid the recent calamities will make the price of Vietnamese white rice 25 percent broken increase in the international market, said local rice traders.—Xinhua

## Indonesia plays down US dumping accusation

JAKARTA, 19 Oct—Indonesia has no concern over the US allegation of subsidies and dumping concerning Indonesia's coated paper products, saying that the US making up the accusation, local media reported on Monday.

Indonesian Trade Ministry's director general for international trade cooperation Gusmardi Bustami was quoted by the

*Jakarta Post* as saying that the government was to respond on the accusation.

Last Thursday, the US government announced it would initiate an investigation into allegations by US firms and unions.

"We'll be ready when they send their questionnaires. We'll be cooperative and will surely present all the data required," he said.

"The Finance Ministry and the Forestry Ministry (which are also involved in the allegations), among others, will (respond) too," Bustami added.

Xinhua

## Earnings blitz to test market's mettle

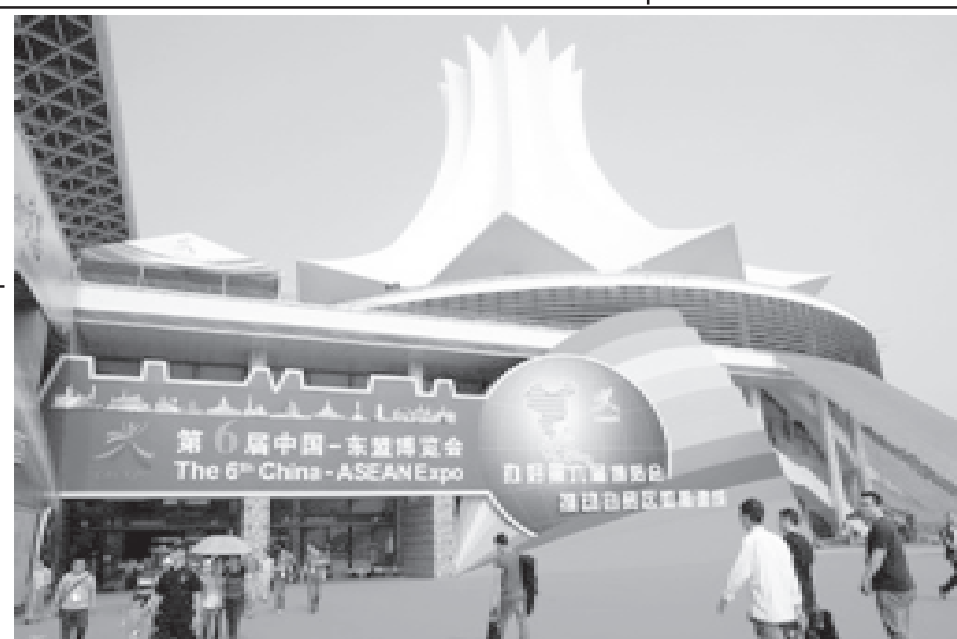
NEW YORK, 19 Oct—US stocks could slip this week if the spate of earnings from bellwethers including Apple Inc (AAPL.O) and Caterpillar Inc (CAT.N) do not live up to heightened expectations.

After a 60 percent run-up in the stock market since March and the Dow again eclipsing 10,000, investors believe the market is priced to perfection. So if earnings fail to hold up their end, stocks could come under pressure.

"We've had a tremendous rally," said Eric Kuby, chief investment officer at NorthStar Investment Management Corp in Chicago.

"As we get into some of the little, bumpier earnings releases you're going to have some headline risk and a little bit of selling pressure."

Internet



Visitors walk past the main exhibition hall of the 2009 China-ASEAN Expo (CAEXPO) at the Nanning International Convention and Exhibition Center in Nanning, capital of southwest China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, on 19 Oct, 2009.—XINHUA

## China's Antarctic expedition crosses equator

ABOARD XUELONG, 19 Oct—China's Xuelong (Snow Dragon) vessel, on the country's 26<sup>th</sup> Antarctic expedition, on Monday crossed the equator and entered the southern hemisphere on their journey to Antarctic.

The expedition team organized a tug-of-war competition which is a traditional activity for navigators to celebrate the special moment together.

On Sunday morning,

the Snow Dragon successfully avoided a tropical storm which had already developed into typhoon Lupit. And now she is navigating smoothly in the doldrums.

After nine days navigating in the southern Pacific Ocean, it is expected to arrive on 28 Oct at New Zealand's Christchurch port, its first supply port.

"We will take bunkering and freshwater during our stay in the harbor and

will be bound for the Great Wall Station of China in the southwestern Antarctic region three days later," said Wang Jianzhong, captain of the Snow Dragon.

The expedition team sailed from Shanghai on 11 Oct. A total of 251 scientists, workers and logistics staff joined the team for the half-year-long research expedition on the icebreaker.

Xinhua



A group of students take part in the stochastic testings of heart-throb, pulses and other standard physical health data in 3-minute steps trial, during the National Standard Physical Health Standard Testing for Students, on campus of Beijing Institute of Technology, in Beijing, on 17 Oct, 2009. —XINHUA



The Korea Space Launch Vehicle-1 (KSLV-1), South Korea's first space rocket, is set up on its launch pad from the assembly complex at the Naro Space Centre in Goheung, about 485 km (301 miles) south of Seoul, on 17 Aug, 2009. —XINHUA

## S Korea, Russia to jointly review cause of satellite launch failure

SEOUL, 19 Oct—South Korean and Russian officials will meet to determine causes of a failure in sending a satellite, carried by a jointly developed space rocket, into the target orbit in August, according to local media. The failure review board will meet in Moscow on 29 Oct, the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology said on Monday.

South Korea launched its first space rocket, the Korea Space Launch Vehicle-1 (KSLV-1), on 25 Aug, but the satellite failed to enter its target orbit after successfully separating from its carrier rocket.

Local media reported that during the 10-minute flight, the space rocket underwent brisk two-step separations, and the satellite it carried also ignited and got off the second stage as planned. However, the satellite separation was made 36 km higher than its target altitude.

Experts later found that one of the two firings did not separate from the top of the second stage rocket after launching from South Korea's Naro Space Centre.

Xinhua

## Singapore teachers, trainers happiest

SINGAPORE, 19 Oct—A job portal poll in Singapore found that teachers and trainers are the happiest, local media reported on Monday.

An online poll of 5,460 working adults conducted by Jobs Central, a local job network portal, asked respondents across Singapore how satisfied they were with various aspects of their jobs to produce an overall "happiness" score, local newspaper the *Straits Times* reported.

The score had 100 signifying "very happy" and 50 as "neutral."

Employees in education and training emerged the

happiest of all, with a score of 59.8, followed closely by those in public relations who scored 58.8.

Individuals who work to ensure companies comply with regulations seem to be the least happy with their jobs, with an average of only 52.9.

The survey also found that employees working for the government are happier than those in the private sector. —Xinhua

## Eight major ports closed due to bad weather in Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 19 Oct—Fierce cold winds and high sea waves have triggered the closures of Mexico's eight major ports, including oil ports on the Atlantic Ocean, Mexican Communication and Transportation Ministry said in a statement on Sunday.

Earlier on Sunday, oil ports of Coatzacoalcos, Cayo Arcas, Frontera, Isla del Carmen, and Dos Bocas were closed, which was followed by the closures of the commercial ports of Tampico, Altamira and Tuxpan.

Authorities have issued a warning at the Atlantic region. Meanwhile, the country is also suffering a hurricane on its Pacific coast. —Xinhua

## All items from Xinhua News Agency

### Int'l construction exhibition opens in Vietnam

HANOI, 19 Oct—An exhibition on construction, building materials and housing opened in Mekong Delta province Can Tho of Vietnam, local newspaper the *People's Army* reported on Monday.

The event on Sunday drew participation of 225 domestic businesses and 21 foreign groups from Germany, Japan, China, the Republic of Korea, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Thailand. There are over 400 booths at the exhibition displaying latest models of building materials and equipment, housing, internal and external decoration, architect and urban planning.

A seminar on new technology and products in civil engineering will also be held at the exhibition. The exhibition is scheduled to end on Thursday. —Xinhua

## Vietnam confirms one more death of A/H1N1 influenza

HANOI, 19 Oct—Vietnam confirmed that a 29-year-old woman in central province of Binh Dinh died of A/H1N1 influenza, raising the total number of flu deaths in the country to 24, said a daily report on the website of the Ministry of Health on Monday.

The woman was 39 weeks pregnant. She was admitted to the Bong Son Hospital of Binh Dinh on 10 Oct with fever, coughing and difficulty in breathing. Doctors conducted an operation to save the baby as her conditions deteriorated.

Xinhua



Visitors look at a Ferrari sports car at the 5<sup>th</sup> Sports Cars Exhibition in Sao Paulo, Brazil, on 18 Oct, 2009. Started from last Thursday, the four-day exhibition shows various cars with modifications which has attracts more than 70 thousands visitors. —XINHUA

### Brazil vows safe Olympics after 14 killed in Rio

RIO DE JANEIRO, 19 Oct—At least 2,000 police officers patrolled this coastal city on Sunday and Brazilian officials pledged to host a violence-free 2016 Olympics despite bloody drug gang shootouts that left 14 people dead.

An hourslong firefight between rival gangs Saturday in one of the city's slums killed at least 12 people, injured six and saw a police helicopter shot down and eight buses set on fire.



**Police frisk a man as they search for drugs and weapons in the Morro do Adeus slum in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, on 18 Oct, 2009.**

Police said on Sunday that they killed two other suspected drug traffickers in overnight clashes near

the Morro dos Macacos ("Monkey Hill") slum where the gangs fought for territory a day earlier. But the area was largely peaceful.

Two officers died and four were injured Saturday when bullets from the gang battle ripped into their helicopter hovering overhead, forcing it into a fiery crash landing on a soccer field. Officials said they did not know if the gangs targeted the helicopter or it was hit by stray bullets.—Internet

### Two aid workers kidnapped in Darfur set free after 107 days

KHARTOUM, 19 Oct—Two female staff of Irish aid agency GOAL who were kidnapped at gunpoint in Sudan's Darfur region in July were celebrating their release on Sunday from more than 100 days in captivity.

Irishwoman Sharon Commins, 33, and Ugandan Hilda Kawuki, 42, were kidnapped in the North Darfur town of Kutum on 3 July by a gang of armed men from a compound run by GOAL.



**The mother of an Irish aid worker Sharon Commins (pictured) who was freed after being kidnapped in Sudan's Darfur region has said she was "absolutely overjoyed" at her daughter's release, as the Irish government also welcomed the news.**

INTERNET

The two women were freed early on Sunday after local tribal chiefs pressured the kidnappers into releasing them, a Sudanese minister said.

"We are naturally thrilled to be released after such a long period in captivity," Commins and Kawuki said in a statement released by GOAL.—Internet

### Philippine emergency teams prepare as typhoon nears

MANILA, 19 Oct—The Philippines deployed emergency teams across flooded and landslide-hit areas in northern regions of the main Luzon island on Monday as a powerful typhoon moved closer, weeks after two storms killed more than 850 people.

Lupit, a category 4 typhoon packing centre winds of 175 kph (108 mph) and gusts of up to 210 kph, was expected to hit land on Thursday.

It was hovering at 1,160 km (720 miles) east of the northern Cagayan province on Monday, said weather bureau chief Prisco Nilo.

Soldiers, police officers and civilian emergency teams have been positioned for possible rescue and relief operations, said Lieutenant-Colonel Ernesto Torres, spokesman for the national disaster agency.—Internet



**A car with bullet holes is parked near La Tombola bar, the site of a shooting in Toa Baja, Puerto Rico, a municipality just west of San Juan, on 18 Oct, 2009. Gunmen opened fire in La Tombola bar late Saturday killing at least seven and injuring 20 others during the business' reopening event, according to police.—INTERNET**

### Japanese FM urges US not to use nuclear weapons first

TOKYO, 19 Oct—Japanese Foreign Minister Katsuya Okada on Sunday called on the United States to make a pledge not to use nuclear weapons first, local media reported on Monday.

Okada made the remarks in a speech in Kyodo on Sunday afternoon when the International Commission on Nuclear Nonproliferation and Disarmament (ICNND) opened the fourth session in Hiroshima, the first city struck by an atomic bomb in 1945. Criticizing the Japanese government's inconsistent stance on the issue, Okada said: "It is very debatable whether there is a discrepancy for (the Japanese government) to argue strongly, on the one hand, for the elimination of nuclear weapons while also saying to please use nuclear weapons as a first strike for Japan."—Internet

### Singapore creates world's first semi-cloned fish

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

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 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.

### Macao woman swindled out of \$38,000 in lottery scam

A 35-year-old woman in Macao has been deceived into paying the swindlers some 300,000 patacas (38,000 US dollars) in an e-mail lottery scam, the *Macao Post Daily* reported on Friday.

The woman received an e-mail claiming that she had won one million

US dollars in a lottery overseas, and she was told to pay service charges and taxes before she could get her winnings, the daily quoted a spokesman of Macao's Judiciary Police as saying.

The woman later paid the 300,000 patacas in three installments to the swindlers, the spokesman said.

### Man, 81, finishes race after borrowing a catheter

Organizers of the Twin Cities Marathon said they won't disqualify an 81-year-old runner who won his age group after using a borrowed catheter.

Jerry Johncock of Shelbyville, Mich, was sidelined at an aid station about 21 miles into on Sunday's race because a blood clot prevented him from urinating.

The aid station had no catheter, but a spectator stepped forward to offer Johncock a catheter he had in his car.

Aides helped insert the catheter and Johncock went on to finish in a little over 5 hours 22 minutes. Race officials considered disqualifying Johncock because of a rule against improper assistance. But executive director Virginia Brophy Achman said they decided Johncock didn't break the rule.

She called Johncock "a great role model and example of what you can do as a runner."

### NEWS ALBUM



**An artist performs with fire in a city park in Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan.**



**Qiancheng Bridge, a roofed wooden arch bridge, is seen in Pingnan County of south-east China's Fujian Province. Scattered in mountain areas of east China's Zhejiang and Fujian Provinces, the roofed bridges of wooden arch structure have recently been listed as the intangible cultural heritage badly needing reservation by United Nations Educational, Scientific and Culture Organization (UNESCO).**



**A wild black swan swims, leading its new-born cygnets, at the Yuanmingyuan park in Beijing, capital of China, on 18 Oct, 2009. Two wild black swans arriving here earlier last year, hatched out six cygnets a few days ago.**

## Information Minister attends Ministerial Workshop on Radio & TV for Developing Countries in Beijing

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct — Myanmar delegation led by Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan participated in the Ministerial Workshop on Radio and Television for Developing Countries from 14 to 17 October, in Beijing, China.

The workshop focused on prospects for cooperation between China and developing countries in radio and television broadcasting sector, film making sector and ad-

vanced technology of China.

The Myanmar delegation called on member of the Political Bureau of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the People's Republic of China Propaganda Minister Mr Liu Yunshan. At the meeting, they discussed matters related to promoting cooperation in media sector between China and developing countries and countering the media influence of

western powers.

The workshop was participated by the information ministers from the People's Republic of China, Cuba, Fiji, Kenya, Gabon, Kirgystan, Liberia, Maldives, Myanmar, Nepal, Niger, Pakistan and Togo.

Information Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan also held talks with officials from Yunnan Province Information Department and Yunnan TV at Kunming Airport yesterday. The two



**Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan meeting with Propaganda Minister Mr Liu Yunshan.**

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sides discussed matters on exchanging news and TV programmes and cooperation between the two countries for producing and broadcasting TV programmes.

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**Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan attends the Ministerial Workshop on Radio and Television for Developing Countries.—MNA**



## Deputy Construction Minister on tour of Delta Region

NAY PYI TAW, 17 Oct—Deputy Minister for Construction Brig-Gen Myint Thein inspected Nyaungchaung Bridge on Pathein-Myaungmya Road on 13 October, upgrading of Labutta-Ottwin road (4 miles and 3 furlongs) and Surgin Bridge construction site on Labutta-Thingangyi-Pyinsalu Road on 14 October and left necessary instructions.

The deputy minister viewed the worksite of cyclone shelter being constructed at Thitpoat and Pinlaung on Mawlamyaine-Hlaingbone-Thitpoat Road and the construction site of Yarzudaing Bridge No-1 and No-2 on 15 October.—MNA

**Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Myint Thein inspects the worksite of cyclone shelter.—MNA**



## New products of Epson printer on display at Myanmar ICT 2009

YANGON, 19 Oct—Epson put on display its new inkjet printer of—

Epson Stylus™ Myanmar TX 111, Epson Stylus™ TX 210, Epson Stylus™ TX 550 W, Epson Stylus™ Photo T 60 and Epson Stylus™ Photo TX 700 W at Myanmar ICT Exhibition 2009 held at Tatmadaw Convention hall.

Three printer models used in home and small business and two models in photo work were on view at the exhibition. Epson Stylus™ TX 111

can save the time for users and printout 30 papers in one minute. Epson Stylus™ TX 210 is aimed for saving money and its strong points are printing, copying and scanning. As for Epson Stylus™ TX 550W, it has wireless networking system.

Epson Stylus™ Photo T 60 and Epson Stylus™ TX Photo TX 700 W intending as photo printers be able to use sev-

eral colours due to using six ink colours. Photo TX 700 W using Pict-bridge function can directly copy the photos from digital camera, phone camera with wireless system and also copy to CD and DVD.

Those printers can be bought at computer sale centers all over the country and may contact Client Focus Technology Co Ltd (Ph: 215247 and 09-8610868).—MNA

**Epson's new inkjet printers on display at Myanmar ICT Exhibition 2009.—MNA**



## Drama troupe from Bago Div competes in "Thakaung Yadana" drama contest

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct—The second event of first day of 17<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions continued under the title of "Thakaung Yadana" at the convocation hall of University of Veterinary Science in Nay Pyi Taw Yezin yesterday. Drama troupe from Bago Division participated in the competition.

Among the audience were Chairman of the Leading Committee for Organizing the 17<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin and



Commander Maj-Gen Wai Lwin and wife enjoy "Thakaung Yadana" Drama Contest.—MNA

wife, Deputy Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Tin Ngwe, Deputy Minister for Rail Transportation

Thura U Thaug Lwin, officials of the committee and sub-committees, members of panel of judges (central), members of panel of judges from

states and divisions, those who fond of Myanmar traditional cultural arts.

Drama troupe from Bago Division participating in the competition

comprised Director U Kyaw Lwin (Pyay), Wunna Soe, Aye Myat Thuza, U Zaw Win (a) Kyar Si and Daw Kyu Kyu Khaing and side

parts. They actively staged the plots in association with traditional orchestra musician Mya Min Naing and pianist U Tin Aung.—MNA

## 17<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions continue

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct—The 17<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions went on at the design-

sical song contest (aged 10-15) held under the supervision of Chairperson of the Panel of Judges (Song) Assistant Director

contest at No (17) Transit Centre at 9 am. In the afternoon, 13 contestants participated in the amateur level (second class)

the University of Agriculture at 9 a, with the participation of 10 contestants under the judgment of Leader of the Panel of

Judges (Xylophone) U Mya Sten and party. In the afternoon, eight contestants participated in the basic education level girls'

xylophone contest (aged 10-15).

In the piano contests held under the judgment (See page 9)



Minister for Mines Brig-Gen Ohn Myint enjoys performance at the 17<sup>th</sup> MTCFAC.—MNA

nated venues here today.

Among the fans were Minister for Mines Brig-Gen Ohn Myint, Minister for Science and Technology U Thaug, Deputy Minister U Kyaw Soe, Deputy Minister for Health Dr Mya Oo, Secretary of the Work Committee for Organizing the competitions U Yan Naing Oo, members of the Work Committee and sub-committees, members of the panel of judges (central), managers and contestants.

Fifteen contestants participated in the basic education level girls' clas-

(Retd) Daw Tin Tin Mya from Myanma Radio and Television and members and under the judgment of Leader U Min Naung of the Panel of Judges (Classical, Modern Songs) at the University of Agriculture at 9 am. In the afternoon, 11 contestants participated in the amateur level (first class) men's classical song contest.

Leader Maung Thit Min of the Panel of Judges (Modern Song) and members judged the performances of 14 contestants in the professional level women's modern song

men's modern song contest.

Basic education level boys' dance contests (aged 10-15) took place at University of Veterinary Science at 9 am with the participation of 22 contestants under the judgment of Chairman of the Work Committee for Judging (Dance) U Sein Mar Din and party. In the afternoon, 14 contestants participated in the amateur level (second class) women's dance contest.

Basic education level boys' xylophone contest (aged 5-10) was held at



The Ozi troupe of U Aung Pan of Yangon Division.

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Ma Naw Doh Nay Htoo of Kayah State.

MNA



Ma Nan Kya Pan Phyu (a) Ma Nan Takawoha of Kayin State.

MNA



## Sagaing Division Drama Troupe competes in 'Thakaung Yadana' Drama Contest

NAY PYI TAW, 18 Oct — A drama troupe representing Sagaing Division performed 'Thakaung Yadana' Drama Contest today in the first event of the drama contest of the second day of the 17th Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competitions in Nay Pyi Taw.

The drama contest took place at the convocation hall of the University of Veterinary Science here and among the spectators were Lt-Gen Tha Aye of

the Ministry of Defence and wife Daw Wai Wai Khine, Minister for Electric Power No.1 Col Zaw Min, Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Aung Ko, departmental officials, officials from the work committees and sub-committees, judges from states and divisions, and enthusiasts.

The troupe performed the audience with plots based on emergence of genuine patriotic spirit.

MNA



Lt-Gen Tha Aye and wife Daw Wai Wai Khine watch drama troupe from Sagaing Division competing in "Thakaung Yadana" drama contest.—MNA

## 17<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts...

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of Leader of the panel of judges (piano) U Ni Ni and party at the Forest Research assembly hall at 9 am, four competitors participated in the basic education level men's piano contest (aged 15-20); and two contests, in the basic education level girls' piano contest (aged 15-20). In the afternoon, seven contestants participated in the basic education level girls' piano contest (aged 10-15).

Six groups participated in the amateur level (second class) men's Ozi contest under the judgment of the Panel of Judges (Ozi) led by U Sein Ba Maw and judges from states and divisions at the Agricultural Research Department at 9 am. In the afternoon, four groups participated in the higher education level men's Ozi contest.

The basic education level boys' drum circle contest (individual) was



Mg Par Par Aung from Sagaing Division participates in piano contest.—MNA



U Han Soe from Taninthayi Division participates in song contest at amateur level.—MNA

held at the Agricultural Research Department at 9 am with the participation of eight contenders under

the judgment of members of the panels of judges from the states and divisions under the supervi-

sion of the panel of patrons (central) led by U Sein Sten. At 1 pm, seven contestants participated in

the basic education level men's drum circle contest (aged 15-20).

MNA



Ma Ecsta Doth Chin Hsone from Chin State competes in song contest.—MNA

## Energy Minister inspects cement plant projects

YANGON, 19 Oct—Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi, yesterday, attended coordination meeting on timely completion of No. 4 cement plant (Myaungdaga) construction project and No.5

cement manufacturing plant (Patheingyi) construction project held at No.4 cement plant (Myaungdaga) construction project in Hmawby Township.

Speaking on the occasion, the minister

urged responsible personnel for completion of work on schedule and gave guidelines on future tasks. Next, the minister heard reports on ongoing tasks presented by MD U Tun Myint Naing of Asia World Company, undertaking the construction work and instal-

lation of machines. The minister then coordinated essentials and presented fruit baskets to foreign technicians working for the projects.

The minister then oversaw construction work and attended to the requirements.

MNA



Maung Nyan Lin Htet from Magway Division takes part in drum circle contest.—MNA



Ma Shwe Yi Le Le Oo from Kayah State at xylophone contest.—MNA

## MMA to hold symposium on "Microbes and Cancer"

YANGON, 19 Oct—A symposium on "Microbes and Cancer" conducted by the Microbiology Society, Myanmar Medical Association will be held at Auditorium (A) of Myanmar Medical Association on Theinbyu Road here from 9 am to 12 noon on 24 Oct.

The speakers will be Prof. Kyi Kyi Thinn, Prof. Soe Aung, Prof. Than Sitt, Prof. Win Win Mya and Dr Khin Yi Oo.

All those interested are cordially invited and registration can be done at the Department of Microbiology, University of Medicine (1) and (2) during office hours or on-site on the day of the symposium.—MNA

## Lt-Gen Tha Aye on tour of Magway, Taungdwingyi Tsps

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct—Lt-Gen Tha Aye of the Ministry of Defence inspected construction work in

Magway-Natmauk railroad section of Pyawbwe-Natmauk-Magway railroad construction project on

17 October. Lt-Gen Tha Aye also inspected condition of Magway-Taungdwingyi road and plantations along the road.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye visited model monsoon groundnut plantation in Thityakauk village and cordially greeted farmers.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye later inspected Ngwechi-6 long staple cotton plantation in Sibintha village of Magway Township, model monsoon paddy field in Thapangon village of Tayokekaw village-tract, Taungdwingyi Township.

Lt-Gen Tha Aye cordially greeted locals and coordinated requirement for all-round development of the region.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Tha Aye inspected construction of Nga-min channel in Ngwebo village of Taungdwingyi Township and met with local farmers from Ngwebo, Kywephyudan and surrounding villages.



Lt-Gen Tha Aye views Ngwechi-6 long staple cotton plantation of Sibintha village of Magway Division.—MNA

MNA

## Gwaygyo Dam benefits farmland in arid zone

Byline and Photos: Aung Than (Mingala Taungnyunt)

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village in Sitha village-tract in Yesagyo Township, Pakokku district, Magway Division. It is 57 feet high and 2100 feet long earthen dam. The spillway is 40 feet wide.

The water surface area is 124 acres feet and its maximum water storage capacity is 1840 acres feet.

Gwaygyo Dam is built by No.3 construction and the Maintainance



**U Maung Maung Lwin**  
Assistant Director (Civil)  
Irrigation Department.

dams contributes towards serving the interests of local people.

The dam is supplying irrigation water to 400 acres of farmlands, said assistant director (Civil) U Maung Maung Lwin of Irrigation Department.

We news crew together with Chairman of Pakokku Township PDC U Tin Myo Latt and Secretary U Win Tint made fields trip to farmlands. It was about two miles' drive from Pakokku-Myaing motor road. Just as we arrived there, we saw thriving and lush paddy fields.

We interviewed a farmer. He said, "My name is U Win Maung. I am at the age of 60. Farming is my traditional livelihood. I live in Gwaygyo village and have a field of three acres. I grow Shwe Myanmar and Hsinnweyin



Main canal of Gwaygyo Dam seen along with thriving paddy field.

paddy strains in the rainy season and summer. Sesame, pigeon pea, green gram and corn are grown as mixed crops. Thanks to the dam we no longer need to depend on rain water."

We next interviewed farmer U Chit Khaing. He said, "The region didn't have enough water for agri-

cultural purpose. So, it is not convenient for growing paddy and only other crops could be grown in the past. Paddy can be grown two times a year. Myanmar Agriculture Service disseminates cultivation methods to farmers. Everything is smooth now." Different methods are being applied to sup-

ply irrigation water to farmlands." We witnessed that local people enjoying better socio-economic life by growing monsoon paddy and summer paddy as well as other crops such as pea, sesame and corn.

**Translation: MT**  
Myanma Alin:  
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Farmers weeding in Gwaygyo paddy farm.

Division took over the undertakings. Altogether 71 staff are on full time duty in order to distribute irrigation water and to maintain the canals. Under the directives of Pakokku District Peace

and Development Council and Township PDC and with the cooperation of agriculture teams, maintenance of the dam is being carried out. A dam can protect the farms against floods. Building



Thriving 75 acres of monsoon paddy.

## Millions of net users hit by scareware

BEIJING, 19 Oct—Despite continued warnings in the media and by anti-virus software firms, millions of Internet users are falling victim to scams that leave them open to hacking and identity theft, Internet security firm Symantec said this week. In particular more than 40 million Internet users have in the last year fallen victim to criminals targeting them with

fake security software.

Symantec says such downloads are not only harmful but allow criminals to obtain the victim's credit card details or other private information. The firm has identified 250 versions of what it terms "scareware" which may earn criminals more than 1.2 million U.S. dollars every year.

The fake software is often distributed through

the use of pop-up advertisements which are deliberately designed to look legitimate, using the same typefaces as Microsoft and other well-known software providers. Falsely warning that a computer's security has been compromised, Internet users are duped into downloading the software for a fee of around 100 dollars.

Xinhua



This artist rendering provided by the European South Observatory shows some of the 32 new planets astronomers found outside our solar system, adding evidence to the theory that the universe has many places where life could develop.—INTERNET



This photo released by Chasing Fireflies shows an Autumn Fairy costume. Vibrant autumn hues and sparkly accents are an enchanting combination. She'll shimmer in stretch velvet leotard with strands of fluttery tulle. Bejeweled tiara and wand, and glittery wings add the magical finishing touches (sold separately).—INTERNET

## China enterprises index 1.54% higher

HONG KONG, 19 Oct—The Hang Seng China Enterprises Index on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange rose 196.27 points, or 1.54 percent, to close Monday's trading at 12,947.27.

The H-shares index, initiated in August 1994 and readjusted on 17 Sept, 2009, tracks the overall performance of 44 major Chinese mainland state-owned enterprises listed on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange.

The Hang Seng China H-Financials Index went up 244.05 points, or 1.40 percent, to close at 17,696.50.

The H-Financials

Index, initiated on Nov. 27, 2006, readjusted on 10 Sept, 2007, tracks the performance of nine major banks and insurers of the Chinese mainland.

The Hang Seng Mainland Composite Index gained 69.44 points, or 1.73 percent, to close at 4,083.37.

Introduced on 13 Oct, 2001 with the latest readjustment effective on 9 March, 2009, the Hang Seng Mainland Composite Index gauges the performance of 132 Hong Kong-listed companies with principal places of business in Hong Kong and the Chinese mainland.

Xinhua

## OPEC weekly oil price reaches highest point of this year

VIENNA, 19 Oct—The weekly average oil price of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) reached 72.21 U.S. dollars per barrel last week, the highest point of this year, OPEC said on Monday.

After hovering for six weeks, OPEC weekly average oil price exceeded 70 dollars to 72.21 dollars. In addition, it also registered the largest

weekly increase, which was up 4.33 dollars compared to the previous week, since the end of March.

The OPEC oil price has been increasing for seven consecutive days since Oct. 8, which was very rare in oil prices movement.

In the last trading day last week, the one-day rise even reached 1.69 dollars, which also set the highest record of OPEC daily oil price this year.

Since the world economy has begun to resume, the expectation of growing demand for crude oil continued to push the international oil price.

The US Federal Reserve's newly released figures showed that, after increasing for two consecutive months, the U.S. industrial production increased again by 0.7 percent in September compared to the previous month.

Xinhua

## APEC 2009 highlights Singapore experience

SINGAPORE, 19 Oct—The Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2009 is aimed at delivering not just a set of efficiently organized meetings, but also a positive and memorable "Singapore Experience" for all delegates, the APEC Organizing Committee said on Monday.

Approximately 10,000 delegates are expected to attend the APEC Leaders Week Meetings, which will be held on 8 to 15 Nov.

A key highlight of the

"Singapore Experience" is "The Singapore Evening," which will be held at the Esplanade Theater. The evening is a showcase of Singapore's creative talents and unique blend of leisure and entertainment offerings. Themed "Our World, One World," the evening features a multimedia entertainment show as well as a unique

dining concept set against Singapore's iconic architecture and waterfront landscape.

"While we put our best foot forward in organizing the meetings, we also want our foreign guests to experience what Singapore has to offer," said Koh Lin-Net, Chair of the APEC Singapore 2009 Organizing Committee.—Xinhua

Local residents walk in the snow in Qiqihar City, northeast China's Heilongjiang Province, on 19 Oct, 2009. A snowfall hit the city on Monday.

INTERNET



## 25 Chinese on hijacked bulk carrier in Indian Ocean: EU naval mission spokesman

BRUSSELS, 19 Oct—A total of 146 people are aboard the Chinese bulk carrier hijacked in the Indian Ocean on Monday, among them 25 are Chinese, spokesperson of the EU naval force said on Monday.

John Harbour told Xinhua on phone that the hijacked bulk carrier flying the Chinese flag was hijacked 550 nautical miles northeast of the Seychelles and 700 nautical miles off the east coast of Somalia.

Harbour said it was unclear where the carrier was heading while it was hijacked. He said that commander of the EU naval force is monitoring the situation.

Xinhua

## Happy Golden Wedding Anniversary

Best wishes and a very happy  
50<sup>th</sup> Golden Wedding Anniversary to  
U Maung Maung Sein, Chairman (Retd), Myanmar Board  
of Examinations  
(Ministry of Education)  
and  
Daw Khin Mar Mar, Director (Retd),  
Department of National Archives  
(Ministry of National Planning and Economics  
Development) on 20<sup>th</sup> October, 1959  
at Strand Hotel, Yangon.

From their only child and family,

Dr Sein Moe- Maxillo Facial Surgeon, Dr Kelly Dainiak-  
Dental Surgeon and granddaughters Kamryn (Thandar) and  
Sydney (Yupar) of Naples, Florida, USA.

## Israeli central bank governor hails China's developments since opening up

JERUSALEM, 19 Oct—China's developments during the past 60 years, especially after its reform and opening up 30 years ago were unprecedented and "absolutely amazing," Israel's central bank governor said.

"There hasn't been a sustained growth of this speed for so many people ever," Bank of Israel Governor Stanley Fischer said in an exclusive interview with *Xinhua*. "There are countries in East Asia that grow very rapidly, like (South) Korea for instance, but the scale of what happened in China is different from what happened anywhere at any previous time in the history," he said. The inter-

nationally renowned central banker said China's unprecedented growth since its opening up to the world over 30 years ago is not only reflected in the economic numbers, but also "in the streets," "in the way people are dressed," and "in the buildings." During his

first visit to China in 1988, Fischer said when driving from the airport "on a bad road" at night, he saw "trucks broken down that were parked in the middle of the road. It looked like very much a developing country, not a very rich developing country."—*Xinhua*

*Palestinians remove leaves from olives during the annual olive harvest in Silwad in the West Bank, on 17 Oct, 2009. Olives are an important agricultural product to the Palestinians and also symbolizes their connection to the land.*

INTERNET



## HK airport traffic registers mild drop in September

HONG KONG, 19 Oct—Hong Kong International Airport saw mild year-on-year drops in passenger volume, cargo throughput and air traffic movements in September, airport authority said on Sunday. Passenger volume at the airport fell 3.5 percent to 3.5 million in September, while cargo throughput and air traffic movements fell 4.3 percent to 304,000 tons and 8 percent to 22,570.

Authority Chief Executive Officer Stanley Hui said the mild year-on-year cuts in passenger and cargo traffic showed

that contractions continued to narrow.

One passenger and six freighter airlines had resumed or started operating at the airport since July, reflecting well on their confidence in Hong Kong and the aviation industry, said Hui.

Travel made by Hong Kong residents recorded 9 percent growth. Exports and transshipment saw declines of 4 percent and 15 percent, while imports grew 6 percent. Drops in air traffic volumes continued to narrow in the last three months.

*Xinhua*

## Drug makers, CVS slammed for promos

INDIANAPOLIS, 19 Oct—Some US physicians say promotional mailings by CVS Caremark pharmacies on behalf of drug makers that resemble vital patient information are misleading.

The mailings to doctors, marked "Confidential — May Include Protected Health Information," are promotions for Eli Lilly & Co, Merck, AstraZeneca, Bayer and other pharmaceutical companies, *The Indianapolis Star* reported on Sunday.

The newspaper said ethicists, privacy groups and consumer advocates have complained, saying the mailings are misleading.

Consumers Union, the non-profit group that publishes Consumer Reports magazine, has claimed the promotional mailings increase the chances doctors will prescribe inappropriate pharmaceuticals.

*Internet*

## CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

### MV GENIUS VOYNO (VC11)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV GENIUS VOYNO (VC 11) are hereby notified that the vessels will be arriving on 20.10.2009 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.

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

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## Magnitude-5.2 quake rocks Mindoro, Manila

MANILA, 19 Oct—A magnitude-5.2 quake in the Mindoro area rocked Metro Manila and parts of Southern Luzon on Monday morning, local media reported. Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (Phivolcs) said that the quake occurred at 7:50 am. It said that no damage was expected from the tremor, but aftershocks are likely.

Citing initial reports reaching him, seismologists from Phivolcs said the quake was felt at Intensity III in Metro Manila, but they advised the public to remain calm. Meanwhile, the United States Geological Service data showed that the quake was at magnitude 5.7, with the epicenter traced to 44 km west of Batangas, or 70 km northwest of Calapan, Mindoro; or 103 km south-southwest from Manila.—*Xinhua*

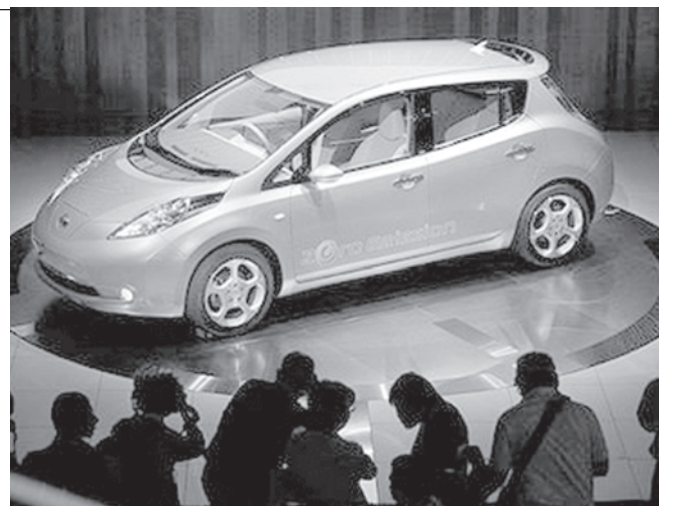
## Moderate quake strikes Sumatra, Indonesia

JAKARTA, 19 Oct—An earthquake measuring 5.2 on Richter scale jolted North Sumatra, in western Indonesia on Monday, with no reports of damage or casualties, the Meteorology and Geophysics Agency said. The quake occurred at 06:29 am Jakarta time (2329 GMT) with epicenter at 80 km southwest Tanahbala of North Sumatra and at 16 km in depth, the agency reported.

Indonesia has been frequently hit by strong quakes recently, such as the 6.4 magnitude quake in West Java on Friday, following the 7.3 and 7.6 magnitude quakes in the area and West Sumatra respectively. Indonesia is laid on a vulnerable quake-hit zone called the "Pacific Ring of Fire," where two continental plates, stretching from Western hemisphere to Japan, meet that often cause seismic and volcanic movements.—*Xinhua*

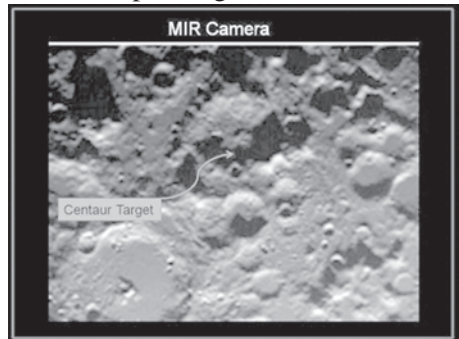
*Photographers take pictures of the new Japanese Nissan Motor's electric vehicle called "Leaf" during the opening ceremony for the new company headquarters in Yokohama, Kanagawa prefecture, on August 2009.*

INTERNET



## Moon strike not total waste of time

BEIJING, 19 Oct — One week after the impact of the LCROSS probe, NASA scientists have finally found a debris plume created by the impact in the data, proving their moon strike



*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*

worthwhile after all.

New images show a mile-high plume of lunar debris from the probe's target

crater, named Cabeus, shortly after the space agency's Centaur rocket struck on 9 Oct.

The debris plume was captured by the LCROSS ultraviolet/visible and near infrared spectrometer. Its signature was faint, but distinct.

Before the impact, many observers told the media that they were disappointed because of the lack of spectacle. But scientists said the mission was carried out for "a scientific purpose, not to put on a fireworks display for the public." Now that the plume was found, scientists hope that the analysis of it will show signs of water ice ejected from the Cabeus crater.

The magnitude, form, and visibility of the debris plume offer more information about the concentrations and state of the material at the impact site.

However, Michio Kaku, a professor at the City College of New York, said that beautiful pictures captured are not worth 79 million US dollars. "To be a spectacular success, we had to find large quantities of underground ice."

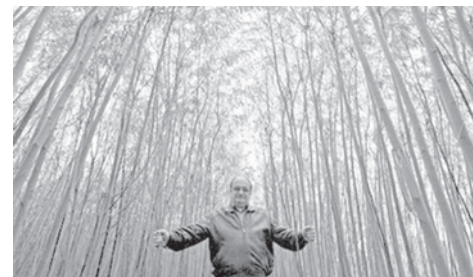
Xinhua

## Vermont willow harvest promises cheap biomass fuel

MIDDLEBURY, 19 Oct —Middlebury College used to heat its buildings with oil, then switched to wood chips. Now it has planted a sustainable and relatively cheap fuel source — willow shrubs — that could help cut demand on the state's forests. With a nine-acre patch of the fast-growing willows, the college is conducting a biomass energy experiment that seeks to answer the question: What if wood chip-burning heat systems lead to the deforestation of Vermont?

Willows, which grow faster than other trees and branch out when pruned, may be the answer — and may be a resource for other cold-weather states, too. So Jack Byrne, director of sustainability for the college, and business services director Tom Corbin have turned into farmers of sorts, planting tightly packed rows of willows in a field west of Middlebury's campus.

The question of biomass fuel supply has taken on new urgency for the college since last winter, when the exclusive liberal arts school opened a new boiler sys-



*Middlebury College business services director Tom Corbin is seen in a stand of willow in Middlebury, Vt, on 15 Oct, 2009. —INTERNET*

tem that heats about 100 campus buildings, running turbines that meet about a fifth of the college's electrical demand.

The system, in a glass-fronted building in the middle of campus, runs on a "gasifier," heating wood chips and extracting carbon monoxide and other gases that are then burned in the boiler.

"We use our buildings to teach as much as we can," Byrne said. "We wanted students to be aware that when they turn up a thermostat, there's a connection to a tree getting cut down."

Internet

## China calls for more efforts in reproductive health

BEIJING, 19 Oct— Senior Chinese legislator Chen Zhili on Sunday called for further increase in investment on reproductive health and enhance cooperation in this regard.

Chen, vice chairwoman of the Standing Committee of the National

People's Congress, China's top legislature, made the comment when addressing the Fifth Asia-Pacific Conference on Reproductive Health which opened here on Sunday. Chen called on Asia-Pacific countries to attach greater importance to

population and family planning, put more funds into the reproductive health and family planning programme, intensify the capability building of developing countries and take concrete actions to enhance cooperation in these fields.

China has been seriously honoring its commitments to the millenary aims set by the International Conference on Population and Development, said Chen, who is also president of the All-China Women's Federation. —Xinhua



*File photo shows a traditional canoe race in the Marshall Islands. Many Pacific islands in danger of being obliterated by rising sea levels should seek relocation aid at the UN climate change conference in Copenhagen, a Fiji-based scientist said. —INTERNET*

## Tooth DNA may help ID 4,000-year-old mummy

BOSTON, 19 Oct— A tooth containing valuable DNA information was extracted from the head of a 4,000-year-old mummy's head, scientists in Boston said.

The mummy's head was among artifacts collected when a tomb near Cairo was excavated in 1915. It is part of "The Secrets of Tomb 10A: Egypt 2000 BC," an exhibit that opened on Sunday at the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, *The Boston Globe* reported.

The team performing the operation consisted of doctors from Massachusetts General Hospital and conservation specialists from the museum, the newspaper said.

Information gleaned from the tooth might reveal the identity of the ancient Egyptian from whose disembodied head it came. —Internet



*Fried food is prepared for customers in Gaithersburg, Maryland. Two-thirds of US adults and one in five children are overweight or obese. A new field of medical research is looking at the emergence of modern epidemics like asthma and obesity through the prism of Charles Darwin's 150-year-old theory of evolution. —INTERNET*

## China's first exploration vessel for combustible ice delivered for use

GUANGZHOU, 19 Oct—China's first deep-sea exploration vessel for the reconnaissance of combustible ice was delivered for use on Sunday in south China's Guangdong Province.

Wang Xuelong, deputy director of China Geological Survey Bureau, handed over the certificate of seaworthiness for the ship coded Ocean No 6 to the Guangzhou Marine Geological Survey Bureau, which is carrying out the combustible ice survey in South China Sea.

Wang said that the ship independently developed by China cost 400 million yuan (59 million US dollars) to build. The ship has a gross tonnage of 4,600 tons and an endurance of 15,000 nautical miles. It has been equipped with underwater remote-control survey facilities and other high-tech devices, he said. —Xinhua

## SPORTS

### Weightlifting teenagers show potential at Chinese National Games

JINAN, 19 Oct—Two teenagers caused media hype in the women's weightlifting competition as they both overcame veterans to win gold medals at the 11th Chinese National Games on Sunday. Guan Xinlei of Jiangsu, 19, hoisted a winning lift 147kg in her final attempt, seven kilos more than her fifth lift, to knock down defending champion Ouyang Xiaofang to win the 63kg division gold medal with a world-record breaking total result of 265kg.

In an earlier match, Li Xueying, at the same age with Guan, beat two world champions Qiu Hongmei and Sun Caiyan to win the women's 58kg division, regarded as one of the young hopefuls for the London Olympics. "Guan seldom lifted 147kg in the training, so she is really amazing today. It is very rare that a lifter can produce her best result in a fierce competition," said Cao Xinmin, Guan's coach.

Ouyang of Liaoning, world champion in 2006, produced the same result as Guan but had to settle with the silver medal due to the bodyweight disadvantage. The 19-year-old Guan's jerk and total results were five kilos and eight kilos more than the world records of jerk and total respectively. —Xinhua

### PSG suffer another French title setback

PARIS, 19 Oct—Paris St Germain suffered another setback to their French first division title hopes on Sunday when they slumped to a dispiriting 1-0 defeat at Toulouse. The loss left PSG in ninth place in the table, seven points behind leaders Lyon. It also meant that they have not won a league game since 29 August.

Albin Ebondo scored the game's only goal in the 74th minute as Toulouse moved three points clear of the drop zone. A double from Spanish-Brazilian midfielder Nene handed Monaco a 2-0 win over Lens and allowed the Principality side to reclaim fourth spot from Marseille. Nene put himself top of the French league goalscorers list following a performance which underlines both his and his club's ambitions this term.

He fired in his sixth goal of the sea-

son after ten minutes and Monaco could have gone two-up before the break following a corner from Nene but Vedran Runje saved a fine header from Adriano. After the break Monaco were happy to sit back on their advantage with the odd foray forward. —Internet



Paris-Saint-Germain midfielder *Stephane Sessegnon* (L) is challenged by Toulouse's midfielder *Francois Sireix* during their French L1 football match at the Stadium in Toulouse, southern France. —INTERNET

### Carragher urges Liverpool to stick together after latest flop

LIVERPOOL, 19 Oct—Liverpool defender Jamie Carragher believes his side can recover from their spluttering start to the season as long as they stick together. The Reds are in danger of



Liverpool's defender *Jamie Carragher*

being cast adrift in the Premier League title race after Saturday's 1-0 defeat at Sunderland left them seven points behind leaders Manchester United.

Losing to a bizarre goal from Darren Bent that deflected past goalkeeper Jose Reina off a beach ball thrown onto the pitch by a Liverpool fan added insult to injury for a club spiralling into crisis. Rafa Benitez's side have already lost four times in the league this season - twice as many defeats as they suffered last term - and head into a crucial week with morale at a low ebb after three successive defeats in all competitions. —Internet

### Ronaldinho double lifts Milan as Sampdoria lose ground

ROME, 19 Oct—Ronaldinho inspired 10-man AC Milan to only their third win of the season with a come-from-behind 2-1 success against AS Roma at the San Siro on Sunday.

While the first half in Milan belonged to Roma's French winger Jeremy Menez, it was Ronaldinho who starred after the break, scoring one and creating the other — and quite possibly saving countryman Leonardo's job as coach — before captain Massimo Ambrosini was sent off late on.

"The most important thing was the incredible spirit we should," said Leonardo. "The three points are all well and good but the main thing



AC Milan's forward *Ronaldinho*

is the desire we've shown in all our performances." The result moved Milan up to eighth in the Serie A table with Roma dropping to 11th.

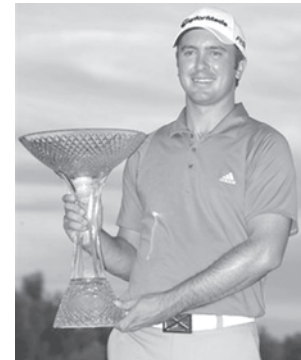
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### Martin Laird wins playoff in Las Vegas

LAS VEGA, 19 Oct—The higher the stakes, the calmer Martin Laird became. The 26-year-old Scot won the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open on Sunday for his first PGA Tour title, beating George McNeill with a birdie on the third hole of a playoff in the Fall Series event.

Laird closed with a 3-under 68 to match McNeill (67) and former UNLV player Chad

Campbell (69) at 19-under 265. Campbell was eliminated on the second extra hole. "I don't know whether it was because I had a nice long par on 18 to get into the playoff," Laird said. "But when I got into the playoff I was surprised; I kind of chilled out a little. I was pretty nervous the last two or three holes in regulation, and once I got there in the playoff I kind of relaxed a little more. —Internet



Martin Laird, of Scotland, holds the winners trophy at the Justin Timberlake Shriners Hospitals for Children Open golf tournament at TPC Summerlin on 18 Oct, 2009 in Las Vegas. —INTERNET

### Big four are starting to crack: Man City's Hughes

WIGAN, 19 Oct—Mark Hughes believes Manchester City's impressive start to the season proves the Premier League's big-four are no longer invincible. City are showing signs of being able to compete with the best in England and they are now in fifth place, five points behind leaders Manchester United with a game in hand, after grinding out a 1-1 draw with 10 men at Wigan on Sunday.

Hughes's 120-million-pounds spending spree during the close-season has laid the foundations for City to break the monopoly on the Champions League places enjoyed for so long by United, Liverpool, Chelsea and Arsenal. With Tottenham and Aston Villa also strong and Liverpool and Chelsea both losing this weekend, Hughes senses the Premier League's elite are starting to get twitchy. "There are some good teams in the Premier League this year," the Manchester City boss said. "There is a focus on ourselves because we have the ambition to have a good season. —Internet

### Wickmayer defeats Kvitova in Linz

LINZ, 19 Oct—Yanina Wickmayer defeated unseeded Czech Petra Kvitova 6-3, 6-4 to win the WTA event at Linz on Sunday for the second title of her career, after victory at Estoril in May. The third-seeded Belgian, who will turn 20 on Tuesday, was always ahead in what was a mediocre final.

After holding off a break point in the opening game, Wickmayer broke to lead 2-0 when Kvitova made the first of her three double-faults. Kvitova then broke in the fifth game with a fine forehand winner, but Wickmayer regained the advantage by breaking for 5-3 and serving out the set.

After an exchange of breaks to begin the second set, Wickmayer broke to lead 3-2 when a fiercely-struck forehand forced an

error from Kvitova. "We were both playing pretty solid," said Wickmayer, before driving to compete in Luxembourg. "We served well. She played really aggressive the way I thought she was going to play." —Internet



Belgium's *Yanina Wickmayer* hits a backhand during her final match against Czech Republic's *Petra Kvitova* at the Gerneralli Ladies tennis tournament in Linz. —INTERNET

### Wenger slams Birmingham fans after Taylor chants

LONDON, 19 Oct—Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger has launched a furious verbal attack on Birmingham fans after they chanted Martin Taylor's name when Gunners star Theo Walcott suffered a serious injury during Saturday's Premier League clash.

England winger Walcott, 20, could be ruled out for several weeks with a knee problem sustained when he was tackled clumsily by Birmingham defender Liam Ridgewell early in Arsenal's 3-1 win at the Emirates Stadium. For Wenger and Arsenal the incident brought back painful memories of Taylor's challenge on Eduardo at St Andrew's in February 2008, which left the Croatia striker with a horrific double leg fracture and out of the game for almost a year. —Internet



**Seismograph readings.** A moderate, 5.8 magnitude quake has struck off Indonesia's Sulawesi island, seismologists said, but there were no immediate reports of damage and no tsunami warning was issued.—INTERNET

### Five to miss Man Utd match in Moscow

MANCHESTER, 19 Oct—Manchester United will be without five senior players for their Champions League group match away to CSKA Moscow on Wednesday. England striker Wayne Rooney, veteran winger Ryan Giggs, South Korea star Park Ji-Sung, Darren Fletcher and Patrice Evra all remained in Manchester as the rest of the squad flew out to Russia on Monday, United's official website said.

Rooney sustained a calf injury playing for England in their recent World Cup qualifier in Ukraine recently and is still not fit.

Giggs featured for the whole of the English champions win over Bolton on Saturday but suffered a knock towards the end of the 2-1 victory.

Evra was also injured against Bolton while Fletcher and Park missed the match at Old Trafford.

United top Group B with full points from two games, while CSKA have won one and lost one.

Interent

### MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (20-10-2009) (Tuesday)

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

#### Local Transmission

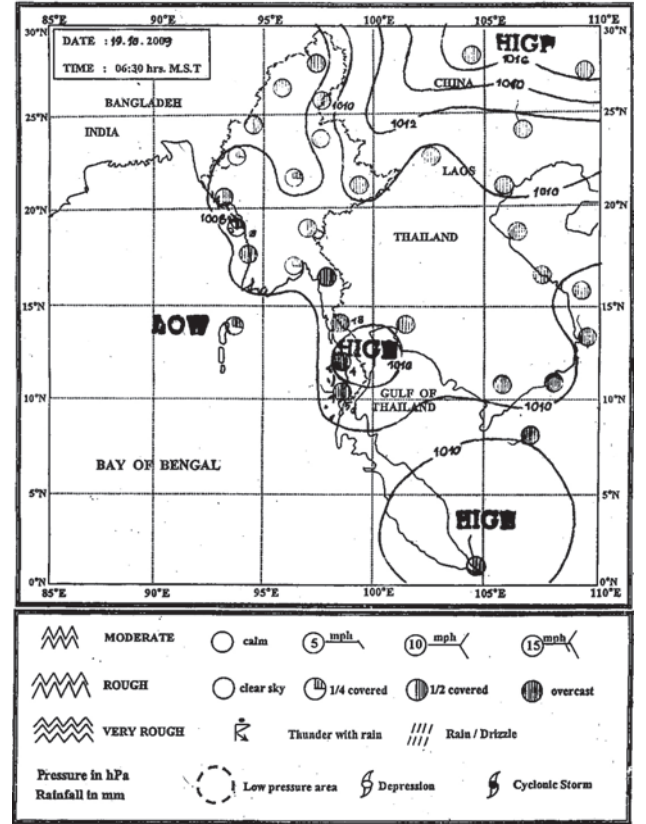
- \* Signature Tune
- \* Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- \* The Splendour of Mt. Victoria (Natmataung)
- \* Water Hyacinth Furniture
- \* Lacquerware Museum
- \* Reed Handbag
- \* Sand Sculptures on Beautiful Beach Chaung Tha
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#### Europe/ North America Transmission

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- \* Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- \* The Splendour of Mt. Victoria (Natmataung)
- \* Water Hyacinth Furniture
- \* Lacquerware Museum
- \* Reed Handbag
- \* Sand Sculptures on Beautiful Beach Chaung Tha
- \* Myanmar Modern Song "Nationalities Village"
- \* Myanmar Orchestra, A Blend of Arts!
- \* At Prosperous and pleasant Myawady
- \* 100 Shuttle Traditional Weaving Industry
- \* The Interesting Places of Kachin State
- \* Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm

#### Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



### WEATHER

Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> October, 2009

#### Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr MST:

During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershower have been widespread in Taninthayi Division, fairly widespread in Kachin and Mon States, scattered in Shan and Kayah States, isolated in Rakhine State, upper Sagaing and Bago Divisions and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining areas. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Loikaw (1.22) inches, Myiesat (1.19) inches, Dawei (0.71) inch, Paung (0.59) inch, Yay (0.51) inch, Katha (0.43) inch, Kyaukpyu (0.31) inch, Myeik and Kawthong (0.20) inch.

Maximum temperature on 18-10-2009 was 91°F. Minimum temperature on 19-10-2009 was 71°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 19-10-2009 was 85%. Total sunshine hours on 18-10-2009 was (3.0) hours approx.

Rainfall on 19-10-2009 was Nil at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and 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 South at (18:30) hours MST on 18-10-2009.

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

**Forecast valid until evening of 20<sup>th</sup> October 2009:** Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Mon State and Taninthayi Division, scattered in Rakhine and Kayin States, Ayeyarwady, Bago and Yangon Divisions and isolated in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Likelihood of continuation of rain in the Southern Myanmar areas.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 20-10-2009:** Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 20-10-2009:** Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 20-10-2009:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).



Tuesday, 20 October  
View on today

#### 7:00 am

1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

#### 7:15 am

2. အဝံ့ဇယမင်္ဂလံ (ယဉ်ဝေယံထွန်း၊ တေးရေး-ဝိတစာဆိုမျိုးနွယ်ဆွေ)

#### 7:25 am

3. To Be Healthy Exercise

#### 7:30 am

4. Morning News

#### 7:40 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

#### 7:50 am

6. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ

#### 8:05 am

7. "မင်းတုန်းချောင်းတံတား"

#### 8:10 am

8. "နောက်မကျရအောင်"

#### 8:25 am

9. Songs of Yester Years

#### 8:40 am

10. International News

#### 8:45 am

11. Connect With English (Episode-20) (Projudice)

#### 4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

#### 4:10 pm

2. Dance of National Races

#### 4:20 pm

3. The Mirror Images

of The Musical Oldies

#### 4:30 pm

4. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ ပထမနှစ် (အင်္ဂလိပ်စာ အထူးပြု) (အင်္ဂလိပ်စာ)

#### 4:45 pm

5. Songs for Uphold National Spirit

#### 4:50 pm

6. Musical Programme

#### 5:00 pm

7. Myanmar Smiles (Episode-2) (Mandalay Drowned) (The 10 Days Record of Water Festival)

#### 5:45 pm

8. ရင်မှာစွဲထင်တေးအလှသံစဉ်

#### 6:00 pm

9. Evening News

#### 6:15 pm

10. Weather Report

#### 6:20 pm

11. ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခုန်သံ

#### 6:35 pm

12. ဆိုလိုက်ကြစို့.

#### 7:00 pm

13. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "အဆိပ်သင့်တဲ့အချစ်" (အပိုင်း-၁)

#### 8:00 pm

14. National News

15. International News

16. Weather Report

17. ၂၀၀၉ခုနှစ် (၁၇)ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆို၊ အက၊ အရေး၊ အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

18. မြန်မာ့ဗီဒီယိုဇာတ်လမ်း "တမ်းတအချစ်"

- (ဖြိုးငွေစိုး၊ မိုးသောကြာ၊ ပုလဲဝင်း)

- (ဒါရိုက်တာ-အာယု)

- ★ 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

## Gwaygyo Dam benefits farmland in arid zone

Byline and Photos: *Aung Than (Mingala Taungnyunt)*

Yesagy Township of Pakokku District in Magway Division is situated in central Myanmar. Being an arid region, it has about average rainfall of 26 inches annually. The Head of State gave guidance on construction of dams by damming up creeks for greening and food sufficiency of the region.

The Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation carried out the instructions given by the Prime Minister on 12 August 2005 on implementations of the remaining dam and reservoir projects as quickly as possible during his tour of Pakokku District. No.3 Construc-

tion of Irrigation Department launched the construction of Gwaygyo Dam in September 2006. On 19 August 2007, it was successfully inaugurated.

Up to August 2009, 71 dams and lakes have been built in Pakokku District. On 13 September, Myanmar Alin daily news crew paid a visit to Gwaygyo Dam that irrigates 400 acres of farmland in order to observe how dams benefit local people.

Gwaygyo dam was built by damming Sinmawin creek about two furlongs to the west of Gwaycho  
(See page 10)

## Commander-in-Chief's Shield U-21 Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) football tournament continues

NAY PYI TAW, 19 Oct— The second round robin of the 25<sup>th</sup> Commander-in-Chief's Shield U-21 Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) football tournament continued at the Shan State sports ground in Taunggyi this evening.

South-West Command beat Camp Commandant Office of the Ministry of Defence 1-0 while Tatmadaw (Air) won over Nay Pyi Taw Command 2-0.

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*Gwaygyo Dam in Yesagy Township in Magway Division.*