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**Head of State urges citizens to try hard for nation to become industrialized country
It is necessary to work hard with a wide range of scope for ensuring prosperity for new generations**

Senior General Than Shwe views progress of rehabilitation and reconstruction in storm-ravaged regions of Ayeyawady Division



Senior General Than Shwe inspects construction site of Razudaing bridge No.2 in Mawlamyinegyun township.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Nov— Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe, accompanied by member of the State Peace

and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann, Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, the Commander-in-Chief (Navy), senior

military officers of the Ministry of Defence, the Chairman of Ayeyawady Division PDC Commander of South-West Command, ministers, the Deputy Minister for Health and officials of the SPDC Office, left Patheingyi by helicopter this morning and arrived in Labutta at 9.30 am to look into rehabilitation and reconstruction of storm-ravaged regions in Ayeyawady Division.

The Head of State and party were welcomed by Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Thein Nyunt who are closely supervising the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Labutta Township, departmental officials, entrepreneurs and members of social organizations. The Senior General cordially greeted the local people.

The Senior General viewed construction of district level offices and reclamation of land plots in 3rd-Mile satellite town of Labutta by car.

At the briefing hall of the Labutta District 200-bed Hospital construction project site, Minister Col Thein Nyunt reported on production of monsoon and summer paddy for 2008-2009 in Labutta Township, cultivation of monsoon paddy in 2009-2010, exporting of fish and prawn in 2008-2009 and increased export volume for 2009-2010, cent per cent construction of rural housings, construction of cyclone shelters,

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Senior General Than Shwe inspects tailoring of Basic Vocational Special Course No. 2 at Yway Nadi hall in Labutta.—MNA



PERSPECTIVES

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In recognition of government's benevolent attitude, objectives

Head of State Senior General Than Shwe arrived at Pyinsalu the other day to inspect progress in rehabilitation and reconstruction tasks in the storm-hit areas in Ayeyawady Division.

In his guidance, he said that the nation never faced such a violent storm like Nargis before; that then the nation had encountered a highly destructive natural disaster; and that the government was taking all possible steps to minimize loss and death in the face of a similar catastrophe.

In building new roads in the regions, the drains on both sides of the roads are large enough for a small boat ride, and the raised parts of the roads are high enough for local people to take shelter in times of natural disasters. Cyclone shelters are also designed to be used as schools and hospitals.

Damaged schools, hospitals and health care centres and broken dykes to prevent seawater tides from flowing to farms are under emergency repair. The government is rendering all necessary assistance for the regions' major businesses such as agricultural farming, fishing and salt farming will return to normal.

Apart from conventional livelihoods for local people, special courses on cottage industries have been reopened to bring about handicraft men. In some basic education high schools, governmental technical high schools are opened as affiliated ones to step up industries.

The Head of State gave guidance, saying that regions were storm-prone seaside plains; and so, local farmers should grow crops in addition to paddy through multiple cropping patterns to boost their incomes. He also stressed the importance of innovations to be able utilize water and land sources, and natural resources.

Only with economic growth will it be possible for the people to enjoy long-term interests. With this context in view, the government has paid more attention to boosting production of agricultural produce, meat and fish, and salt, and improving transport services. In response to the benevolent attitude and objectives of the government, local people should work harder than ever for quick recovery of their own regions.

Press conference on Basic Education Level Inter-school U-16 Basketball Tournament held



Press conference on Basic Education Level Inter-school U-16 Basketball tourney in progress.
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YANGON, 4 Nov— A press conference on Basic Education Level Inter-school U-16 Boys' and

Girls' Basketball Tournament for 2009-2010, organized by Myanmar Basketball Federation and



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

Appointment of Ambassador agreed on

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—The Government of the Union of Myanmar has agreed to the appointment of H.E Dr Johannes Peterlik as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Austria to the Union of Myanmar.

Dr Johannes Peterlik was born on 23 January 1967. He graduated from Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration with Master's Degree (MBA) in Economics and Business Administration in 1994 and obtained Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D) from University of Vienna in 2003. He joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Austria in 1994 and since then, he served in various capacities at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Vienna from 1994 to 2004. He served as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Austria to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam from 2004 to 2009. He is currently serving as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Austria to the Kingdom of Thailand.

He will be concurrently accredited as the Ambassador of the Republic of Austria to the Union of Myanmar with residence in Bangkok, Thailand. He is married with two children.

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MYANMAR GAZETTE

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Nov— The State Peace and Development Council has transferred Rector Dr Myint Thein of University of Veterinary Science under the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries as Director-General of the Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department under the same ministry from the date he assumes charge of his duties.

The State Peace and Development Council has appointed the following persons as heads of service organizations shown against each on probation from the date they assume charge of their duties.

Name	Appointment
(a) U Myint Zaw	Director-General
Deputy Director-General	Hydropower
Hydropower	Implementation
Implementation	Department
Department	Ministry of Electric
Ministry of Electric	Power No. 1
Power No. 1	
(b) Professor	Rector
Dr Daw Marlar Win	University of
Professor/Head of	Nursing (Mandalay)
Department	Medical Science
Microbiology Department	Department
University of	Ministry of Health
Medicine (Mandalay)	
Medical Science	
Department	
Ministry of Health	

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Talks on common cancer diseases and latest treatment held

YANGON, 4 Nov—Under the supervision of Kembangan Liver and Oncology Centre, the educative talk on Common Cancer diseases and Latest Treatment was held at (IHBC) Promotion Hall, No. (365/367), Bo Aung Kyaw Street (upper block) on 1st November.

At the talks, Cancer Specialist Professor Dr U Soe Aung, Professor Dr U Than Sit, Liver Specialist

and Dr Hsieh Wen Son, Consultant Medical Oncologist who is from Singapore discussed common

cancer diseases in Myanmar and latest treatment.

Those interested were

consulting the Singapore Cancer Specialist about cancer free of charge.

NLM



Educative talks on common cancer diseases and latest treatment in progress.—NLM

sponsored by Calsome (MDG Co Ltd), was held at Western Park Royal (Kandawgyi), here, this morning.

It was attended by Vice-President U Myint Thein of the federation and officials, Sales and Marketing Consultant U Min Talanyan of MDG Co Ltd.

Secretary of the federation U Maung Maung Myint gave a speech. Re-

sponsible persons replied to the queries raised by mediamen.

The tournament will be held with the participation of Kachin State, Kayin State, Sagaing Division, Bago Division, Magway Division, Mandalay Division, Mon State, Shan State (South), Shan State (North), Yangon Division and Ayeyawady Division at

Aung San Gymnasium from 9 to 16 November.

K 600,000 will be awarded to the first prize winning team, K 400,000 for the second, K 300,000 each for the thirds and K 10,000 for the best player.

At the opening ceremony, vocalists Sai Sai Kham Hlaing, Hackerd, Anagga and others will present songs to the spectators.—NLM

Half Iraqis killed in October died in one attack

BAGHDAD, 4 Nov — Nearly half of all Iraqis who died in October perished in a single coordinated attack against government offices in Baghdad, a tally by *The Associated Press* showed Monday.

Of the 364 Iraqis killed over the past month, according to the AP count,

155 died in two nearly simultaneous bombs targeting government buildings Oct. 25 in downtown Baghdad — the worst coordinated attack in more than two years.

The impact of the devastating bombing, which occurred in one of the most protected parts of the capital, continues to

be felt as the government struggles to convince Iraqis it can protect them.

The government blamed an alliance of al-Qaida in Iraq and members of Saddam Hussein's outlawed Baath party for similar bombings in August of the Justice and Finance ministries that killed about 100 people and has called for an international investigation, particular with regard to the role of neighboring Syria.

In a nod toward Iraqi concerns, special U.N. envoy Oscar Fernandez-Taranco met Monday with Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki and senior government officials as part of "preliminary consultations on the incidents surrounding" the 19 Aug and 25 Oct blasts.

Internet



Taliban suicide gunmen stormed a UN guesthouse in Kabul, killing eight people in an attack.

INTERNET



Iraqis walk towards a destroyed vehicle caught in one of two suicide bombings in the western city of Ramadi, 100kms west of the capital Baghdad, on 1 November.—INTERNET

Ex-minister urges troops out of Afghanistan

LONDON, 4 Nov — The government should withdraw its troops from Afghanistan, a former junior foreign minister said Wednesday, in a split with Prime Minister Gordon Brown's government over the drawn-out conflict.

Labour lawmaker Kim Howells, who chairs a security watchdog, said billions of pounds could be saved from a phased troop withdrawal and redirected to defending Britain's borders from attacks by Al-Qaeda.

"It would be better to bring home the great majority of our fighting men and women and concentrate, instead, on using the money saved to secure

our own borders, (and gather intelligence on terrorist activities inside Britain," he said, writing in the *Guardian* newspaper.

Howells also called for an expansion of intelligence operations abroad and greater co-operation with foreign intelligence services.—Internet



A policeman searches a man on a street in Kandahar on 1 November. Challenger Abdullah Abdullah on Sunday pulled out of Afghanistan's run-off election, plunging the country into fresh political chaos as international pressure grew for the race to be scrapped.—INTERNET

Iraqis returning home can't find work

GENEVA, 4 Nov—The International Organization for Migration says nearly 350,000 displaced Iraqis have returned to their homes but are now suffering from widespread unemployment and lack of resources.

The group says the returnees represent a small percentage of Iraqis uprooted since the 2003 US invasion. But spokeswoman Jemini Pandya said on Tuesday they face a "new set of challenges that are almost as daunting as those when they were displaced."

Most are returning to Baghdad, and half of them lack health care. A third of the families have no wage earners and another third have returned to partially or completely destroyed homes.—Internet

Invasion of US and allies kills, injures Iraqi people

BAGHDAD, 4 NOV— There has been daily casualties in Iraq since the US and its allies have invaded the country.

Casualties of Iraqi people

The total number of casualties as from the day they invaded the country to 4 November reached 699,326 and the total number of seriously injured people reached 1,261,823, according to the news on the internet.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Death toll of Iraqi people	699,326
2.	The total number of seriously injured people	1,261,823

Internet



Iraqi policemen transport a wounded woman, after a bomb attack planted in a bus in Kerbala, 80 km (50 miles) southwest of Baghdad on 1 November, 2009.

INTERNET



Afghan policemen carry a wounded man from a UN guest house after it was attacked by gunmen in Kabul, Afghanistan, on 28 Oct, 2009.

INTERNET

Casualties of Afghan people in invasion of NATO troops led by US

KABUL, 4 Nov — The NATO troops led by the US have invaded Afghanistan and they are there for a long time.

A number of Afghan people are killed and injured due to invasion of the NATO troops led by the US.

Casualties of Afghan people

According to the Internet news, a total of 32,324 Afghan people were killed and 37,989 injured seriously as from the day when the NATO troops led by the US invaded Afghanistan to 4 November.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Number of Afghan people killed	32,324
2.	Seriously injured Afghan people	37,989

Internet



A crashed car in France in July 2009. A seven-year-old Australian boy "redefined the word lucky" on Tuesday when he managed to escape from an out-of-control car moments before it plunged off a cliff, police said.—INTERNET

Hamas has rockets capable of striking Tel Aviv

JERUSALEM, 4 Nov—The Hamas movement operatives in the Gaza Strip possess in their military arsenal rockets that are capable of striking Tel Aviv, a senior Israeli military intelligence officer warned on Tuesday in Jerusalem.

Major General Amos Yadlin, head of Military

EU's GDP set to fall 4% in 2009

BRUSSELS, 4 Nov—The European Union economy is set to fall by 4 percent in 2009 but would grow by 0.75 percent in 2010 and 1.5 percent in 2011, the European Commission (EC) said on Tuesday in its autumn forecast for 2009-2011.

The EC report said Europe experienced the deepest, longest and most broad-based recession in history during the first half of 2009 due to the global financial crisis.

"A contraction in employment of around 2.25 percent is foreseen this year, with a further decline of about 1.25 percent expected in 2010 ... the unemployment rate is projected to reach 10.25 percent in the EU," the report said.

"A gradual stabilization in employment is likely towards the end of 2010 and into 2011 as the recovery takes hold," it added.

Public finances have also been hit hard.

The government deficit was projected to triple this year in the EU, reaching close to 7 percent of GDP, up from 2.25 percent in 2008. The deficit will rise further in 2010 to around 7.5 percent of GDP, the report predicted.

Xinhua

Intelligence for the Israel Defence Forces (IDF), made the warning while addressing the Knesset (parliament) Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee, saying that Hamas has recently tested a rocket capable of reaching targets at a distance of 60 km, which means the Tel Aviv area is under threat of rocket fire from Gaza.

The rocket was fired into the Mediterranean Sea, Yadlin was quoted by local daily *Ha'aretz* as telling lawmakers, though he did not say whether the weapon was manufactured in Gaza or was smuggled into the Strip from abroad.

This latest development is indicative of Hamas' growing military

capabilities, said the intelligence officer.

Yadlin added that Hezbollah, the Shiite movement based in southern Lebanon, has also been stockpiling weapons.

"The organization continues to arm itself and it is amassing many weapons by (acquiring them from) Iran via Syria," he said.

The major general also reported that Syria continued to play a key role in arming both organizations, saying that "Syria has turned into the main factory and weapons cache for Hamas and Hezbollah, as well as for Syria itself, with financial aid from Iran."

Xinhua

Venezuela announces military reinforcement on border with Colombia

CARACAS, 4 Nov—Venezuelan Vice President Ramon Carrizalez announced on Tuesday that his country will increase its military presence on its border with Colombia, due to the incursion of Colombian paramilitaries into its territory.

Carrizalez, also the defence minister, said that Venezuelan soldiers will act with strength to deal with the problem on the border with Colombia.

On Monday noon, two agents of the Venezuelan National Guard (GNB) were killed at the border checkpoint in El Patoral, located between Urena and San Antonio town in Tachira state, 880 km from Caracas.

According to Venezuelan authorities, the killers crossed the checkpoint with motorbikes and shot dead the agents. Carrizalez said one Venezuelan involved in the issue was detained and two guns were seized.

Without mentioning the number of soldiers to be deployed, Carrizalez said the killing of Venezuelan soldiers is the peak of an attempt to create panic on the border with Colombia.—Xinhua

Plants are presented in containers covered with blue jeans at Yangling Agricultural Hi-tech Fair in northwest China's Shaanxi Province on 3 Nov, 2009.

XINHUA



Vietnam storm death toll rises to 57

HANOI, 4 Nov—The death toll from Tropical Storm Mirinae rose to 57 in Vietnam on Wednesday as authorities stepped up rescue and relief operations in the affected central regions.

In the hardest-hit province of Phu Yen, 24 more deaths were reported as information trickled in from isolated areas, disaster official Dang Thi Lanh said on Wednesday. An additional 18 people were

reported missing.

The storm and flooding left another 18 people dead and seven others missing, according to disaster officials and the government's Web site.

Soldiers using speed boats continued to move people from flooded homes and provide victims with instant noodles and water, Lanh said.

Authorities have evacuated nearly 15,000 people from Phu Yen, where the water began to

recede on Wednesday. A day earlier, many families scrambled to rooftops to escape the overflowing Ha Thanh River.

In the neighbouring province of Binh Dinh, two military helicopters continued to drop food and water to villagers still stranded in isolated areas, said Ho Quoc Dung, deputy chairman of the provincial People's Committee.

Internet



Rescue workers pull a boat through flooded waters in Binh Dinh province, in south central coast, in Vietnam, on 3 Nov, 2009.—INTERNET

Floods force 44,000 people from homes in Mexico

VILLAHERMOSA, 4 Nov— Flooding after days of heavy rain along Mexico's Gulf Coast has forced more than 44,000 people from their homes.

Tabasco state Gov Andres Granier says several rivers jumped their banks, flooding homes in more than 90 communities. The federal government declared a state of emergency and troops were helping rescue people on Tuesday.—Internet

Earthquake injures 80 in southern Iran

TEHERAN, 4 Nov—A moderate earthquake has shaken southern Iran early on Wednesday, injuring 80 people and cutting power and telephone lines.

State radio says residents of the southern port city of Bandar Abbas poured into the streets after the 4.9-magnitude quake hit at 2:56 am local time on Wednesday. The broadcast says there are no reports of deaths.

Internet

IEA to cut long-term oil demand outlook next week

SINGAPORE, 4 Nov—The International Energy Agency will "substantially" downgrade its long-term oil demand forecast in its annual energy outlook next week, the second cut in a row, the *Wall Street Journal* reported on Wednesday.

Efforts to better man-

age expanding oil demand in the developed world have been more effective than first expected, the paper quoted a person familiar with the report as saying. It did not give any estimates on how deep the cut might be. While the IEA's outlook is unlikely to affect the prevailing short-term view that the global economy's recovery from recession is reviving oil use, it is an important gauge for oil companies considering whether to build refineries or drill new wells.

The IEA and other analysts have repeatedly warned that a failure to make sufficient invest-

ments now could lead to another supply crunch in the next decade, particularly as economic growth in energy-intensive developing nations revives, but some are also growing increasingly bearish on the outlook for demand.

"The rise in global oil consumption over the next 10 years could be minimal," the paper quoted Philip Verleger, a veteran independent energy economist based in Colorado, as saying, noting that new energy-efficiency standards for everything from vehicles to building codes will help keep a tight leash on demand.—Internet



Visitors look at the model of Chinese-made ARJ-21, short for "Advanced Regional Jet for the 21st Century", at the China International Industry Fair 2009 in east China's Shanghai, on 3 Nov, 2009.—XINHUA

Sinopec joint-venture petrochem unit inaugurated

BEIJING, 4 Nov—Asia's largest refiner, Sinopec Corp (Sinopec), and Saudi Basic Industries Corp (SABIC) has inaugurated their new petrochemical complex in north China's Tianjin, *China Daily* reported on Wednesday.

The two companies had formed a 50-50 joint venture, Sinopec SABIC Tianjin Petrochemical Co Ltd, to build and operate the facility, which can produce 1 million tonnes of ethylene annually and

cost 18.3 billion yuan (about 2.6 billion US dollars), the newspaper said.

The complex includes a 1-million-tonne ethylene cracker, along with eight downstream units and utilities, which have been tested and are ready to begin production by the first quarter of next year.

The project will produce 3.2 million tonnes of chemicals annually, including 1 million tonnes of ethylene, as well as other

downstream products such as polyethylene, ethylene glycol, polypropylene, butadiene, phenol, and butene-1.

Products manufactured by the project will mainly be sold on the domestic market, but exports are also likely in future. Sinopec and SABIC may also build other joint petrochemical projects, in China or Saudi Arabia, according to Sinopec President Wang Tianpu.

Xinhua

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Malaysia invites foreign investors into aquaculture

KUALA LUMPUR, 4 Nov—Malaysia invites investors, both local and foreign, to participate in the country's expanding aquaculture sector, a Malaysian official said here on Wednesday.

Malaysian Agriculture Minister Noh Omar made this remark at the Asian-Pacific Aquaculture (APA) 2009 and Malaysian International Seafood Exposition (MISE) 2009 here.

Noh said that the country's aquaculture industry was expected to grow at ten percent annually over the next ten years, offering good opportunities for all investors. He also said that through effective management of the sea resources and aquaculture, the seafood and aquaculture products' exports would continue to offer around 2.5 billion ringgit (714.29 million US dollars) yearly.

The figure was expected to rise to 6.2 billion ringgit (1.77 billion US dollars) in 2010 based on the Good Aquaculture Practices and Post-harvest handling, added Noh.

To increase fish production and to improve the National Trade Balance of Malaysia, Noh said the Malaysian Department of Fisheries under his ministry would turn out successful entrepreneurs by 2010 through seminars and research.—Xinhua

The technician introduces ways to operate a transplanter in the training class of agricultural machinery in Lu'an City of east China's Anhui Province, on 2 Nov, 2009. The first period of training class of agricultural machinery for farmers started in Lu'an on Monday, providing operational and technical instructions and supports for local farmers.

XINHUA



Mexican economy generates 120,000 jobs in six weeks

MEXICO CITY, 4 Nov—The Mexican economy created 120,000 net new jobs during the six weeks of September and the first half of October, as it recovered from a deep collapse, Mexican President Felipe Calderon said on Tuesday.

The job creation was mainly due to the central government's lending conducted to fight the country's recession, triggered by a sharp drop in exports to its northern neighbour the United States and the world financial crisis, Calderon told the opening session of the Small- and Medium- Sized Enterprises (SME) Week Conference. SMEs account for seven out of 10 Mexican jobs.

"We have already generated 64 billion pesos (4.83 billion US dollars) of credit that is benefitting over 73,000 small and medium sized companies in the country," Calderon said.

Xinhua

Indonesia faces tough jobs to set correct climate change policies

JAKARTA, 4 Nov—Indonesia is facing tough tasks to prepare itself prior to the 15th United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) summit scheduled for December in Copenhagen, Denmark. It is likely to face problems with its development policies that could be contradicted with the efforts to reduce climate change impacts. As a developing country, Indonesia needs foreign investors to spur its industry sector that would employ more people and would eventually spur economic growth. As an equatorial country that has vast areas of rainforests, peatlands and sea, Indonesia has a key role in climate change issue. With all that facts, the world expected much from Indonesia to become the lungs for the world.

Xinhua

Morgan Stanley downgrades semiconductor industry

NEW YORK, 4 Nov—Morgan Stanley cut its rating on the semiconductor industry to cautious from attractive on Tuesday, warning the risk of an inventory buildup and growth peak.

In a note to clients, the investment bank said the pace in the recovery in expectations for the group has been unprecedented and suggests selling the sector's stocks on their rallies.

The firm warned that fundamentals are peaking, inventories are "creeping up," and year-on-year growth will peak in the first quarter of 2010.

Analyst Mark Lipacis downgraded chip giant Intel Corp to "equal weight" from "overweight," saying "expectations for 2010 have risk." Among others, Micron Technology Inc, Altera Corp, and Xilinx Inc (XLNX) were also lowered to "equal weight", while ArvinMeritor Inc, Nvidia Corp and ON Semiconductor Corp were downgraded from "equal weight" to "underweight."—Xinhua



Firemen help local residents build temporary tents at Mahua Village in Binchuan County of Dali Bai Autonomous Prefecture, southwest China's Yunnan Province, on 3 Nov, 2009. Binchuan County was hit by an earthquake measuring 5 on the Richter scale early on Monday.—XINHUA



World Bank boosts China growth forecast to 8.4 pct

BEIJING, 4 Nov—The World Bank on Wednesday upgraded its 2009 economic growth forecast for China to 8.4 percent on the back of huge public spending but warned stronger domestic demand was needed to ensure a sustainable recovery.

The new prediction given by the Washington-based lender in its quarterly update marked a sharp jump from its June forecast for 7.2 percent growth.

Economic growth in the Asian giant would “rise somewhat” in 2010, it added.

“In spite of a large drag on growth from exports amidst the global recession, China’s economy continues to grow robustly because of expansionary fiscal and monetary policies,” the bank said in the report.—*Internet*

Africa demands deep carbon cuts from rich world

BARCELONA, 4 Nov—Some 50 African nations staged a show of force at world climate talks here on Tuesday, demanding that rich countries commit to deep cuts in the carbon emissions that stoke global warming.

Talks were suspended throughout the day in one of the twin negotiation tracks under the 192-nation UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) before delegates hammered out a procedure for addressing the demand.

In an exceptional show of unity, African countries blamed advanced economies for using fossil fuels to take the fast track to prosperity but at the cost of unleashing today’s climate nightmare.

They accused rich countries of backsliding on saying how deep they will rein in their greenhouse-gas pollution in the medium term.—*Internet*



Chinese labourers at a construction site in Hefei, eastern China. The World Bank has upgraded its 2009 economic growth forecast for the country to 8.4 percent on the back of huge public spending but warned stronger domestic demand was needed to ensure a sustainable recovery.—INTERNET

US auto sales stabilize, but Chrysler sputters

WASHINGTON, 4 Nov—The US auto market steadied in October, recovering from the end of government trade-in incentives despite a dismal month for the struggling Chrysler Group, monthly sales data showed on Tuesday.

Overall new US vehicles sales hit an annual pace of 10.46 million — up sharply from 9.22 million in September but below the October 2008 level of 10.82 million, according to market research firm Autodata Corp.

The big US automakers saw a mixed month, with General Motors and Ford Motor Co improving modestly and rival Chrysler suffering a sharp year-over-year drop of 30 percent.

Jessica Caldwell, analyst at Edmunds.com, said that Chrysler, set to unveil future plans on Wednesday, is “in desperate need of a new message.”

“They are still struggling with a lot of carryover products, they have nothing new in their arsenal,” she said.—*Internet*

American, Russian wounded in Panama resort town

PANAMA CITY, 4 Nov—Panamanian police say they have arrested two teenage boys for allegedly wounding an American and a Russian tourist in a botched robbery attempt.

Police spokesman Roberto Ballesteros says investigators believe the assailants mistook the

tourists for employees of a construction firm delivering cash payments.

He identified the tourists as Mike Lowe, 66, and Olga Shidlovskaya, 56, who both live in Miami, Florida.

They were hospitalized but there was no information on their condi-

tion.

Police announced the arrest of a 15-year-old and 17-year-old on Tuesday.

The shooting occurred Saturday in Playa Blanca on the Pacific coast.

The US Embassy said it could not comment because of privacy reasons.

Internet

Man who threw feces in CA courtroom gets 31 years

A man who sneaked a bag of his feces into a San Diego courtroom during his home-invasion robbery trial, smeared it on his lawyer and threw it at jurors has been sentenced to 31 years in prison.

Superior Court Judge Frank Brown on Monday sentenced Weusi McGowan for robbery, burglary and two assault charges stemming from the feces-flinging incident during his January trial.

McGowan, who attorneys say suffers from mental illness, had asked for a mistrial because he believed jurors had seen him in restraints when he entered the courtroom.

Several days after his request was denied, McGowan pulled out a bag of excrement he had hidden in his clothing, rubbed it on his lawyer and tossed it at the jury, hitting one juror’s computer case.

Crackdown on smugglers of used clothing

Police have broken up a network of workshops and warehouses used to illegally smuggle 140 tons of used, foreign clothing through southern China, the official *Xinhua* news agency reported.

Authorities detained 11 people involved in the smuggling ring in Lufeng City, a southern coastal area in Guangdong Province, and raided more than 500 workshops and warehouses, according to the report.

The smugglers brought in used clothes, particularly from Japan and South Korea, to be reprocessed and sold to many inland Chinese areas, including the northeastern region and Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, authorities said.



This undated photo provided by Geo magazine, shows a Panay monitor lizard in the Philippines. The animal is 1.7 metres long, is vegetarian and lives most of its life in trees. Switzerland-based IUCN surveyed a total of 47,677 animals and plants for this year’s ‘Red List’ of endangered species and determined that 17,291 of them, including this reptile, are threatened with extinction.



The Oasis of The Seas, the world’s largest cruise ship clears a crucial obstacle, lowering its smokestacks, to squeeze under a bridge in the Baltic Sea, Denmark on 31 Oct, 2009.

The Oasis of the Seas, which rises about 20 stories high, passed below the Great Belt Fixed Link with a slim margin as it left the Baltic Sea on Saturday on its maiden voyage to Florida. Five times larger than the Titanic, the ship has seven neighborhoods, an ice rink, a small golf course and a 750-seat outdoor amphitheater.

Joel Waul, 28, climbs on top of his rubber band ball on the driveway of his home in Lauderhill, Fla, on 23 Oct, 2009. Waul who works nights restocking a Gap clothing store, has spent the last six years carefully wrapping and linking and stretching rubber bands of various sizes into the ball shape. The Guinness Book of World Records declared it the world’s largest rubber band ball in 2008.

NEWS ALBUM

Kids as young as nine to receive career advice

Children in British primary schools as young as nine are to receive advice via internet sites such as YouTube on their future career paths under a new scheme, the government said on Monday.

Under the program designed to help children of all socio-economic backgrounds realize their goals, students will be given mentors, have the chance to visit universities, and be given counseling on what subjects to study via social networking sites like Facebook.

A recent study showed that 75 percent of 11-year-olds wanted to attend university, the government said.





Commander, ministers attend ceremony to construct Myanmar-China Gas Pipeline and Workboat Wharf

YANGON, 4 Nov—Chairman of Rakhine State Peace and Development Council Commander of Western Command Maj-Gen Thaung Aye, Minister for Transport Maj-Gen Thein Swe and Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi attended a ceremony to launch construction of Myanmar-China gas pipeline and workboat wharf held at Rammawady Hall of Kyaukpyu, Rakhine State on 31 October.

First, the Commander made an opening speech on the occasion. Next, the Transport Minister made clarifications on progress in providing assistance for the construction of the workboat wharf and the energy minister on mat-

ters related to the Myanmar-China gas pipeline.

Next, Vice-Chairman Mr Liao Yong Yuan of Chinese National Petroleum Corp (CNPC) and Mr Zhang Jia Lin of Planning Institute of CNPC gave explanations on matters related to gas pipeline project.

Afterwards, the Energy Minister and the Vice-Chairman formally opened the launching ceremony of gas pipeline project and they posed for a documentary photo together with the guests.

Present on the occasion were the Deputy Minister for Energy and officials, the Managing Director of Myanmar Port Authority and officials,

Chinese Charge d' Affaires ai to Myanmar Mr Wang Zongying, officials of CNPC and Asia World Company Limited, officials at district and township levels, members of social organizations and locals.

After the ceremony, the commander and ministers arrived at the worksite of building the workboat wharf in Madekyun of Kyaukpyu by watercraft.

Next, the energy minister aboard the ship informed to start work and the vice-chairman of CNPC instructed workers to begin construction tasks. Afterwards, the commander and ministers viewed progress in beginning construction tasks.—MNA

Minister receives Japanese delegation



Minister U Nyan Win receives Mr Takashi Tajima, Chairman of Myanmar Economic Management Institute and Emeritus Professor of Akita International University of Japan and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Nov—Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar U Nyan Win received Mr. Takashi Tajima, Chairman of

Myanmar Economic Management Institute and the Emeritus professor of Akita International University (AIU) of Japan and party, here, at the Minis-

try of Foreign Affairs, today at 4:30 pm. They held discussions on promotion of bilateral relations between Myanmar and Japan.—MNA

F&R Minister attends demonstration on e-banking system

Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun attends demonstration on e-Banking System of MEB. F&R



NAY PYI TAW, 4 Nov—Minister for Finance and Revenue Maj-Gen Hla Tun attended the demonstration on e-banking system being implemented by Myanma Economic Bank at the meeting hall of MEB (head office) on Myatpanthazin road in Nay Pyi Taw banks zone this morning.

Managing Director U Myat Maw of MEB explained condition of the e-Banking system of MEB and taking money in and out by using online Digital Key Card of MEB from Online Services Terminal.

Advisor to the implementation of e-Banking System U Thein Htut re-

ported on process of remittances and receiving among MEB, Nay Pyi Taw Bank and other branch banks, and analysis of e-banking system.

Afterwards, Deputy Minister Col Hla Thein Swe and Governor of the Central Bank of Myanmar U Than Nyein discussed the matters on the reports.

Afterwards, the minister said; that undertakings of MEB will be more effective due to the fact that information and communication technologies can be used as necessary in carrying out finance and monetary duties, and will expedite for the public; that Only then, benefit of economic

development momentum will be gained; So, emphasis should be put on implementation of e-Banking System.

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Miss People Style contest held

YANGON, 4 Nov—The Fourth Miss People Style contest, which is held by Myanmar People Magazine every year, was held at Inya Lake Hotel on 1 November.

Academy Lu Min,

academy Eindra Kyaw Zin, Nawarat, director Min Htin Ko Ko Gyi, photographer Htin Lin, Daw Ei Myo Nwe, Daw Le Le Than, U Aung Kyaw Naing, Daw The May Su and U Yan Paing Win

to schools.

The Naw Zar (Own Design) won Miss People, People's Choice and Miss Daily Vitagin; May Zu Maung (Designer Cho Kay Zin Zaw), 1st Runner-Up and Miss Shoe

Opening of fourth Miss People Style contest of Myanmar People Magazine in progress.

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Advanced Course on Trademarks to be opened

YANGON, 4 Nov—Organized by the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry, an Advanced Course on Trademarks (WIPO, Worldwide Academy, DL-302 will be conducted at UMFCCI Office Tower every Sunday from 6 December to 14 February of 2010.

Anyone at the high school level may attend the course and only 50 trainees will be accepted. Application forms are available at UMFCCI and will be sent not later than 5 December.

Certificates of passing the course will be presented to the trainees by UMFCCI. WIPO will also present certificates of passing the course to those who sat for the course on-line.—MNA

judged the contest.

Along with the contest, renowned vocalists performed at the stage show to the accompaniment of The Trees Band. All the money from the contest and stage show were donated to Kaba Aye Youth Training School, Kyaikwaing Youth Training School and Malikha Vocational Training School.

After the contest, three sets of computer, printer and UPS and cash K 500,000 were donated

Gallery; Chan Me Me Ko (Designer Phyo Pyae (Pyi Soe Aung), 2nd runner-up; Daw La Pwint Wai (Designer Maung Maung), best stylist and Wint Dali, Miss A 21, Miss Ba Wang and Miss PEP.

The sponsors were A 21 Beauty Soap, PEP, Shoe Gallery, Daily Vitagin, Ba Wang Shampoo, Smooth E Skin Care, Revlon, Alpine, Xenon, Wellwoman, Slenfig, Dolly Bird and Man Shwe Pyi transport.—MNA



Head of State urges citizens...

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renovation of basic education schools, hospitals, clinics and religious buildings, cash assistance, pumps, power-tillers and fuel provided by the government for

asked about the matters he wanted to know. Commander Maj-Gen Kyaw Swe and the minister presented the reports.

In his guidance, the Senior General stressed the need to strive for providing basic requirements of road,

that officials are to meet with teachers of basic education schools to supervise teaching the students in accord with the curriculum in the academic year and improvement of students for uplift of education standard.

With regard to economic development of the

he said.

The Senior General continued to give guidance that efforts are to be made for gaining more development of meat and fish industry and salt industry in the favourable weather. He said that it is necessary to give encouragement to produce salt not

become an industrialized one. Therefore, the Senior General stressed the need to collect the investment based on the current agriculture task and to establish the country as an industrialized nation. In conclusion, the Senior General gave guidance that it is

of local roads in Labutta and development of the town. The Senior General and party were welcomed by departmental personnel, members of social organizations and local people.

At Yway Nadi Hall in Labutta, they arrived at the training school of



Senior General Than Shwe hears report presented by Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint on fact about Razudaing Bridge.—MNA

restoration of the salt industry and redevelopment of salt production, repairing and upgrading of local roads and jetties, conducting of basic domestic science courses and carpentry, masonry and steel fixing courses by the ministry in Pyapon, Bogale, Mawlamyinegyun and Labutta, educative talks and tasks of the mobile rural development teams in storm-affected villages, reclamation of land plots in 3rd-Mile satellite town of Labutta and construction of 200-bed hospital, arrangement to increase storage of 160 million gallons of water from 16 million gallons at the water tanks in the township including one more earthen water tank, supply of water from 30,000-gallon-capacity water tank to the urban area through water pipeline, construction of district level offices, a plan of Max Myanmar Co for building Youth Ahman Training School, the site chosen for construction of the port in 3rd-Mile satellite town and arrangements for construction of Fish and Prawn Cold Storage.

With regard to the reports, the Senior General

electricity and water in reclamation of land plots in 3rd-Mile satellite town in Labutta, to systematically plan for development of economic, education and health sectors, to grow flowery plants, shady trees and perennial trees in the satellite town, to try hard to complete the construc-

region, the Senior General gave guidance, saying that it is necessary to strive for exploiting the natural resources with the use of manpower and utilizing them to raise per capita income. He pointed out that it needs to change the cultivation system of monsoon paddy single crop-

only for the local consumption but also for industrial raw materials. Likewise, the Senior General said that innovative measures are to be taken for manufacturing of value-added products by extending cold storage and finished goods factories in the meat and fish sector of the region.

necessary to work hard with a wide range of scope for ensuring prosperity of the new generation.

The Head of State inspected progress in construction of 200-bed Hospital being undertaken by Moe Kyei Sin Construction Co and gave guid-

Basic Vocational Domestic Science Special Course No. 2 being conducted by the Ministry of Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs. They viewed practical works of female trainees, teaching aid and garments and equipment.



Senior General Than Shwe inspects construction of 200-bed hospital in Labutta District.—MNA

tion task before coming rainy season, to systematically provide health care services to urban and rural areas, and to make utmost efforts for declining the child mortality and expectant mother death rates. He said that the respective doctors-in-charge are to provide necessary assistance and supervise the task of midwives. The Senior General continued to say

ping in the region. He noted that more items of crops after monsoon paddy are to be cultivated to increase income of the families. It is important to seek ways and means for preparation of soil and water and successful cultivation of crops, he added. It is necessary to review the cultivation system for crops, growing of quality strains and systematic use of fertilizers,

The Senior General added that the concerted efforts in the various sectors will increase income of the local people and contribute to the economic development of the State. He said that indeed, the agro-based country is a developing nation, and if the country would like to be a real developed nation, it must try hard to

ance on timely completion of the construction task before coming rainy season.

After viewing the progress of 3rd-Mile Myokwetthit, the Senior General and party looked into development of agriculture task at surrounding areas of Labutta, construction of Labutta-Thingangyi-Pyinsalu Road, upgrading

Upon arrival at the course of carpenter, mason and ironworks opened at Sasana Beikman, Senior General Than Shwe viewed progress in building boats, rural wooden housing scale models on display and practical activities on carpentry, crafts and ironworks.

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Senior General Than Shwe said that conducting of vocational training schools is to turn out basic workers and Technological University, Colleges and Institutes are to nurture engineers capable of supervising construction tasks. Emergence of engineers, carpenters, masons and steel fixing workers is important for the development of construction tasks. Arrangements are to be made to have sufficient basic skilled workers for different tasks. Therefore, these courses are aimed at turning out skilled workers to generate more family income. In addition, the courses are targeted at producing local skilled workers to carry out construction tasks in their region and have an objective to nurture basic skilled workers a lot. He urged the trainees to try their best to be efficient in basic skills learned from the courses.

Next, the Head of State and party continued their inspection tour by helicopter and they inspected developments of Thakhatcung, Nyaungchaung and other storm-hit villages, thriving agricultural tasks, cultivation of mangrove forest, wind breaking and shade trees on their way to Kyeingchaunggyi model village of Bogale township.

The Head of State and party were welcomed at Bogale township by Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung who is supervising rehabilitation and reconstruction tasks.

Next, Senior General Than Shwe inspected progress in building rural houses and reestablishing of forest plantations.

Along the entrance road to the village, the Head of State cordially greeted the chairman of Htoo Trading

houses by Myanmar Forest Products and Timber Merchants Association, reopening of basic education schools, building of new schools, reconstruction of health care centres, appointment of new health staff, renovation of religious edifices, water and electric

ment of infrastructural buildings.

The Senior General viewed houses, lake for freshwater, sport ground and progress of the model village.

Flying from Kyeinchaunggyi Model Village to Mawlamyinegyun, the Senior

Razudaing Bridges No (1) and No (2) spanning Razudaing River on Maubin-Yaylegalay-Shwedawngmaw-Kyaukpi-Mawlamyinegyun Road, facts about Razudaing Bridges No(2), progress in building bridges on the roads of the Ayeyawady Delta Road

that so there will be a road network comprising 10 project roads.

Razudaing Bridges No(1) and No(2) are being undertaken by Public Works under the Ministry of Construction.

Razudaing Bridge No (1) is of one-way steel girder type. The main



Senior General Than Shwe inspects boat building at carpentry, masonry and steel fixing course No. 2 in Sasana Beikman in Labutta Township.—MNA



Co Ltd and members, departmental officials, members of social organizations and local people.

At the briefing hall in Kyeinchaunggyi Model Village, Minister Brig-Gen Thein Aung, comparing the conditions of the region before and after the storm, reported on process of organizing the villages in storm-hit Kyeinchaunggyi Village-tract into a model village, population and housings of the village, progress in rehabilitation tasks, situations of livelihoods that have come to normal, 220 rural houses donated by Htoo Trading Co Ltd, and 200 rural

power supply, establishment of raised grounds, mangrove forests, and wind-breaking trees, construction of 300-capacity cyclone shelter, monastery, ordination hall, and playground.

Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint reported on completion of the first phase of 41-mile Bogale-Kyeinchaung-Kadonkani Road, and construction of bridges.

In response, the Senior General gave guidance on building roads to be serviceable at the first stage, and to be durable at the second stage, and called for sustainable develop-

ment of progress of storm-hit villages from the helicopter.

The Senior General and entourage were welcomed there by Deputy Minister for Construction U Tint Swe and departmental officials.

At the briefing hall of Razudaing Bridge Project (2), Minister Col Thein Nyunt reported on rehabilitation and reconstruction of Mawlamyinegyun Township, recovery of agricultural farming and fishing industry, completion of 1964 rural houses in Hlinephone Village, Ngwezinyaw integrated village, Kyetshar integrated village, Danichaung integrated village, Hlaingphonelay village and Kyahone Village and in the township, reconstruction of basic education school, hospitals, health care centres, and religious buildings, ongoing construction tasks in the township, construction of people's hospital (100), and conduction of courses on cottage industries, carpentry and steel fixing.

Minister Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint reported on construction of

Network Project: Maubin-Yaylegalay-Shwetaung-hmaw-Kyaukpi-Mawlamyinegyun Road, Mawlamyinegyun-Hlaingphone-Thitpok-Kwinpauk-Pyinsalu Road, Labutta-Thingangyungyi-Pyinsalu Road, Labutta-Thongwa-Ottwin-Hteiksun Road, Bogale-Kyeinchaung-Kadonkani Road, Bogale-Setsan-Htaw-baing-Ahmar Road, Pyapon-Kyongadun-Daw Nyein-Ahma Road, Kyongadun-Setsan Road, and Pathein-Thalatkwa-Mawtinsun Road, programmes to build 46-mile Bogale-Mawlamyine-Kyonmange-Myaungmya Road and bridges.

In response, the Senior General said that the government has built roads and bridges in Ayeyawady Division, so people can travel with comfort not only by boat but also by car; that in the post-Nargis period, new roads for the road network are being built; that in addition, Bogale-Mawlamyinegyun-Kyonmange-Myaungmya Road, and Pathein-Thalatkwa-Mawtinsun Road are to be built to support the road network;

bridge is 998.2 feet long and the total length of the bridge is 1955 feet.

The bridge has a 20-foot-wide motorway and two two-foot-wide walkways on it. The clearance area of the bridge is 180 feet wide and 20 feet high. It can withstand 60 tons of loads.

Razudaing Bridge No (2) is of broad crest type. Its main structure is 300 feet, and its total length, 540 feet.

It has a 20-foot-wide motorway and two two-foot-wide walkways on it. The clearance area of the bridge is 180 feet wide and 10 feet high. It can withstand 60 tons of loads.

From the observation deck, the Senior General viewed the construction of Razudaing Bridge No (2).

The Senior General inspected progress of Mawlamyinegyun by car, and local people warmly welcomed him and his entourage.

Senior General Than Shwe and party left Mawlamyinegyun by helicopter and arrived back at Pathein later in the afternoon.

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Carpentry, masonry and steel fixing course No 2 being opened at Sasana Beikman in Labutta Township.

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US Assistant Secretary of State for Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs and party meet with social organizations, National Convention Convening Commission, Commission for Holding Referendum, TCG and Spoke Authoritative Team of SPDC, national race groups before leaving Nay Pyi Taw for Yangon



Chief Justice U Aung Toe and responsible persons from the National Convention Convening Commission and the Commission for Holding Referendum meet US Assistant Secretary of State for Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr Kurt Michael Campbell and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 4 Nov—The delegation led by Assistant Secretary of State for Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell of

the United States of America arrived here by air at 10.30 am yesterday.

Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell and party met responsible persons of the

Union Solidarity and Development Association led by Secretary-General U Htay Oo, and Secretary Dr Thet Thet Zin and responsible persons of the

Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation at the hall of USDA in Nay Pyi Taw Dekkhinathiri at 11 am; responsible persons of the National Convention Convening Commission and the Commission for Holding Referendum led by Chief Justice U Aung Toe at the hall of Office No. 22 in Nay Pyi Taw at 1.30 pm; responsible persons of the Tripartite Core Group led by Chairman of Tripartite Core Group Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Kyaw Thu at the hall of CSSTB, here, at 2.30 pm; the Spoke Authoritative Team of the State Peace and Development Council led by Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan at the meeting hall of the Ministry of Information, here, at 3.40 pm; the chairman, the vice-chairman and leaders of NDKA group of Kachin State Special Region (1), KDA group of Shan State (North) Special Region (5), PNO group of Shan State Special Region (6), Ka La La Ta group of Kayah State Special Region (1), Phayagon Special Region Peace Group and DKBA group at Myat Taw Win Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw Hotel Zone at 5.30 pm; and Minister for Science and Technology U Thaung at Myat Taw Win Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw Hotel Zone at 6.10 pm.

At 7.50 pm, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint hosted a dinner to Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell and party at Myat Taw Win Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw Hotel Zone.

At 10 am today, Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell and party left Nay Pyi Taw for Yangon by air. They were seen off at Nay Pyi Taw Airport by officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. On arrival at Yangon International Airport, Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell and party were



Prime Minister General Thein Sein cordially greets US Assistant Secretary of State for Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr Kurt Michael Campbell at the meeting hall of Government Office in Nay Pyi Taw. (News on page 16)—MNA

welcomed by the director-general of the Training, Research and Language Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and party. Next, Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell and party met with Daw Aung San Suu Kyi at Inya Lake Hotel at 11.40 am.

The arrangements have been made for the US Assistant Secretary and party to meet with Central Executive Committee members at the office of National League for Democracy and the CEC members of National Unity Party at the NUP Headquarters. Moreover, arrangements have been made for the US Assistant Secretary and party to meet with representatives of the remaining legally registered political parties at the hotel.

In accordance with the request of Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell, the Government made plans to arrange a meeting between

Daw Aung San Suu Kyi and NLD CEC members before meeting with Daw Aung San Suu Kyi. At 3.30 pm on 2 November, an official informed Daw Aung San Suu Kyi about arrangements for a meeting with the CEC members except U Tin Oo and asked her the desired time of the meeting. Daw Aung San Suu Kyi replied that **she did not want to meet them because not all CEC members were included; but she expressed thanks, all the same.**

Although the Government took heed of the request of Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell and acceded to the requests with positive attitude with the aims of promoting bilateral relations between the two countries and improving the local political situations, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi refused it. Therefore, the meeting between Daw Aung San Suu Kyi and CEC members had not taken place.—MNA

Coordination meeting for holding 2nd Boys' U-18 Asia Cup Hockey Tournament held

Director-General U Thaung Htaik makes a speech at coordination meeting for holding 2nd Boys' U-18 Asia Cup Hockey Tournament.

MHF



YANGON, 4 Nov—A work coordination meeting for holding 2nd Boys' U-18 Asia Cup Hockey Tournament was held at Sports and Physical Education Department in Kyaikkasan sports ground in Tamway Township here yesterday. It was attended by General Secretary of Myanmar Olympic Committee Director-General U Thaung Htaik of Sports and Physical Education Department and officials, President of MHF Col Htin Zaw Win, General Secretary U Tin Maung Lat, executives, departmental of-

officials and guests.

Chairman Director-General U Thaung Htaik urged departmental officials to carry out duties of their respective departments for holding the tournament successfully because of Myanmar being a host country.

President of MHF Col Htin Zaw Win explained the arrangements made for 2nd Boys' U-18 Asia Cup Hockey Tournament.

Director U Naw Taung of Training and Competition Division under Sports and Physical Education Department reported on

work to be done and departmental officials on sector-wise work.

The chairman fulfilled the need and made concluding remark.

Myanmar, China, Taipei, India, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, Singapore, Sri Lanka and Thailand will take part in the tournament to be hosted by Myanmar at artificial hockey turf of Myanmar Hockey Federation in Mingala Taungnyunt Township here from 11 to 22 November 2009.

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Myanmar youth participates in 2010 Asian U-19 soccer qualifier

YANGON, 4 Nov—Organized by Asian Football Confederation (AFC), the soccer qualifier of Asian U-19 for 2010 is being held in Zibo Sport Centre of the People's Republic of China.

Myanmar youth lost to Malaysia with 0-4 in the group-G on 1 November. Myanmar whitewashed the Philippines with 6-0.

Myanmar faces host China on 6 November.

MNA

Google invents town in England

BEIJING, 4 Nov—The world has become focused on a small village in England called Argleton apparently situated off the A59 near Ormskirk, in Lancashire. The reason for the sudden interest is that Argleton doesn't exist, except in Google Maps. The phantom village was first spotted by a blogger in 2008 who writes, "I lived there for most of my life but Google

wants to wipe it off the face of the planet!"

Mike Nolan, the author of the short post, say he doesn't really believe that is Google's intention, but remains somewhat puzzled to the new town situated a short distance from his native Aughton. It could of course be a simple typing error, but neither Google or the Dutch company TeleAtlas could reveal anything that might give explanation to the

anomaly. Google have merely said that "occasional errors" do occur and a Tele Atlas spokesperson said, "I really can't explain why these anomalies get into our database."

The subject has of course been widely discussed on the Internet with Argleton fast becoming a popular hashtag. Some have suggested the 'error' is a trap street of sorts.

Internet



This photo released

by Audi shows the

2010 Audi S4.

INTERNET

HK to hold 38th French film fest

HONG KONG, 4 Nov—The 38th French film festival "French Cinépanorama" will be held from Nov. 27 to Dec. 13, the Alliance Francaise of Hong Kong said Tuesday.

French Cinépanorama, one of the longest-running film festivals in Hong Kong, set to show over 50 most-recent French long feature and short movies this year, 18 of which had never before been showed in Hong Kong. All screenings will be divided into five

series, including New Film 2009 and Premieres, First Works, Short Film and Short Animation films.

The festival will open with Marina de Van's "Don't Look Back", a psychodrama in which two world famous stars Sophie Marceau and Monica Bellucci collaborate for the first time. It was part of the official selection for the Midnight Screening at the 2009 Cannes International Film Festival.

Cannes award-

winning film "A Prophet" by Jacques Audiard, a thriller about a young Arab man sent to a

French prison where he becomes a mafia kingpin, is chosen as one of the Gala Premiere movies in the film festival.

Other selections include the love story about "Coco Chanel & Igor Stravinsky", the biopic of a female version Vincent Van Gogh "Seraphine" and "Villa Amalia", starring Isabelle Huppert.

Internet



A man tries out the new iPhone 3GS on the first day it is being sold in Spain at the company's store in downtown Madrid on 19 June, 2009.

INTERNET

Sugar reduces life span in worms

LOS ANGELES, 3 Nov—For a certain kind of worms, eating sugar may reduce their life span by 20 percent, a new study suggests.

But it's unclear whether the same holds true for human beings, according to the study published in the November issue of the journal Cell Metabolism.

In the study, researchers at the University of California in San Francisco added a small amount of glucose - sugar - to the diet of worms known as C. elegans, but only to see the worms had shorter lives.

The researchers attributed this to the sugar's effect on the worms' insulin signals. The worms normally eat bacteria.

One of the researchers, Cynthia Kenyon, said the worms and people are actually similar in the way their bodies handle insulin.

"In the early '90s,

we discovered mutations that could double the normal life span of worms," Kenyon said at a news release from the journal's publisher. Those mutations involved internal signals regarding insulin, she explained.

The researchers noted although the research is in its early stages, it's possible that a low-glycemic index — one that doesn't quickly boost blood-sugar levels — could boost longevity.

Scientists are already at work on related research, trying to understand how tightly restricted diets — in which animals eat much less than they normally would— help them live longer, according to the report.

Humans could conceivably try to do the same thing, but it's impractical for many people to eat much less than their bodies tell them they should, said the report.—Xinhua

Kenya should learn from China's experience in developing education

NAIROBI, 3 Nov—Permanent Secretary of Kenyan ministry of education Kalega Mutahi has said that the support and aid of the Chinese government for his country's education is conducive to Kenyan people and the east African country should learn from China's experience in developing education and boosting economy.

Kalega Mutahi made the remarks in a recent exclusive interview with Xinhua. Mutahi also expressed his thankfulness to the Chinese government.

"We are very grateful that the Chinese government and people have helped on a great deal, particularly on higher levels of education".

The Chinese government has provided around 30 scholarships for the university education annually to Kenyan students and they have created exchange programs between the Chinese universities and Kenyan universities, which is very beneficial, the permanent secretary said.

Xinhua

Workers of the Opel car plant in Bochum, western Germany, enter the plant on Wednesday, 4 Nov, 2009. Germany's politicians reacted with anger and Opel workers readied walkouts after General Motors Co. reversed a plan six months in the making to sell its European subsidiary, slamming the brakes on a deal that had seemed all but done. Tuesday's decision by GM's board of directors took the new German government by surprise, coming just hours after Chancellor Angela Merkel gave a well-received speech to a joint session of the U.S. Congress, further cementing trans-Atlantic ties between the two longtime allies.—INTERNET

Indonesian migrant workers contribute \$4.1B by sept. '09

JAKARTA, 4 Nov,—Indonesian migrant workers employed in foreign countries have contributed 4.1 billion US dollars to the country's earnings as of the third three month period ending September this year, a senior official at the Manpower Ministry said on Tuesday.

"The amount of migrant workres' contribution to the country would significantly help boost national economy," Lisna Poeloengan, deputy head of the National Agency for the Placement and Protection of Migrant Workers (BNP2TLI) at the Manpower Ministry said on the sidelines of former migrant workers' business expo held in West Kalimantan province's capital city of Pontianak.

MNA/Xinhua



UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Vacancy Announcement



The United Nations Development Programme is seeking applications from dynamic and highly motivated Myanmar nationals for the following vacancy with UNDP, Yangon, Myanmar.

Functional title and level: UN Coordination Analyst (NO-A)
 Type of Contract: Fixed Term Appointment
 Duty Station: Yangon

Under the guidance and supervision of the UN Resident and Humanitarian Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative, Myanmar, the Coordination Analyst to RC/HC/RR provides leadership and efficient functioning of the UN Resident/Humanitarian Coordinator's Office by facilitating implementation of UN activities. He/She ensures full confidentiality in all aspects of the assignment. The UN Coordination Analyst promotes a client-oriented approach. He/She works in close collaboration with the operations, programme and project teams of the UN Agencies and their partners for resolving complex programme-related issues and information delivery. Detailed Terms of Reference is posted on the bulletin board at No. 6, Natmauk Road, Tamwe township, Yangon.

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Qualifications: Education: & Experience: Master's Degree or equivalent in Economics, Social Sciences, International Relations, Political Sciences or related field. 3 to 5 years of progressively responsible experience is required at the national or international level. Experience in the usage of computers and office software (MS Word, Excel, etc) and advance knowledge of spreadsheet and database packages, experience in handling of web based management systems.

Language: Fluency in English, both written and spoken an absolute requirement. Candidates should clearly indicate the post title in their application, and should submit them together with complete bio-data stating personal details, academic qualifications, work experience and a recent passport sized photograph. Applications should be addressed to Deputy Country Director (Operations) Attention: Human Resources Unit, No. 6, Natmauk Road, UNDP, Yangon. Only those candidates in whose qualifications and experience the Organization has further interest will be contacted for subsequent interview(s).

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Buffett buys out second largest US railroad company

NEW YORK, 4 Nov—Renowned investor Warren Buffett has put his biggest bet on Burlington Northern Santa Fe Corp (BNSF), second largest US railroad company, according to a statement released on Tuesday.

Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway Inc will pay 100 dollars per share in cash for the 78 percent of BNSF that it has not already owned, which comes to a total of 34 billion US dollars. The price is 31.5 percent premium on BNSF's closing price on Monday.

Plus BNSF's 10 billion-dollar debt that Berkshire has agreed to take, the value of the deal will top 44 billion dollars, which is the biggest acquisition ever for Berkshire.—Xinhua

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French energy giant signs pact with MIT on solar power utilization

PARIS, 4 Nov—French energy giant Total announced on Tuesday its signing on an agreement over development of solar power utilization with the American research university the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT).

The agreement, worth four million US dollars over five years, aims to develop new stationary batteries that are designed to enable the storage of solar power, the company declared in a statement.

The joint project will mainly put focus on "development of a low-cost, long-life battery" which can store the "power generated by solar panels," Total said.

The energy giant hails the cooperation "a major step forward" in its research and development efforts of developing alternative energy source.

Total debuted its solar power activity since 1983 through its interest in Tenesol and Photovoltch companies, which specialize in manufacturing photovoltaic solar modules and other special components related to solar power.—Xinhua

17,000 children died with no insurance

BALTIMORE, 4 Nov—A lack of health insurance may have led or contributed to the deaths of 17,000 hospitalized children in the last 20 years, US medical researchers said.

Study co-investigator David Chang of the Johns Hopkins Children's Center said the researchers used data from more than 23 million hospital records in 37 states from 1988-2005.

Researchers compared the risk of death in children with health insurance and in those with no health insurance. Other factors being equal, the study, published in the Journal of Public Health, found that uninsured children were 60 percent more likely to die in the hospital than those with insurance.

In the study, 104,520 patients died — 0.47 percent — out of 22.2 million insured hospitalized children, compared to 9,468 — 0.75 percent — who died among the 1.2 million uninsured ones.—Internet

Shanghai auto group on move in developing new energy cars

BEIJING, 4 Nov—Shanghai Automotive Industry Corporation (SAIC) Group plans to invest 6 billion yuan (879 million US dollars) in researching of and making new energy cars starting this year and during the next two years, said group chairman Hu Maoyuan on Tuesday.

The investment includes 2 billion yuan to support the research and development of new energy cars, 2 billion yuan for producing parts for new energy cars and 2 billion yuan for the building of car-making factories, Hu told an industry forum in Beijing.

He said SAIC plans to put to market a series of new energy cars next year that could save fuel as much as 30 percent; by 2012, cars that save more than 50 percent less fuel and purely electric cars would be rolled out.—Xinhua

Kelly Holmin, age 12, sits on a bull moose after she shot and killed it on Gunflint Trail in Grand Marais, Minn. A Minnesota wildlife official confirms that Kelly Holmin, a 12-year-old girl is the youngest Minnesotan to kill a moose in the modern era. The bull moose had a 58-inch antler spread and weighed 1,100 pounds.

INTERNET



Folic acid linked to childhood asthma

SYDNEY, 4 Nov—Pregnant women, who take folic acid supplements to boost their baby's health, are increasing their risk of having a child with asthma, a groundbreaking Australian study revealed on Wednesday.

The study, which could explain rising rates of the chronic lung condition, found pregnant women who overuse the supplement were 30 percent more likely to have a child with asthma.

Taking a folic acid supplement is recommended for women who intend to become pregnant, as it is known to prevent neural tube defects during a foetus' critical first weeks in the womb.

Associate Professor Michael Davies, from the University of Adelaide's Robinson Institute, has uncovered an "additional and unexpected" consequence for women who also take the supplement throughout their preg-

nancy. "We see a substantial proportion of women taking these folate supplements throughout pregnancy, and it may be because people think it is entirely benign," Davies said.

"Folate is incredibly important because of its role in preventing neural tube defects (like spina bifida) but because it is so important, and so bioactive, it needs to be treated with some respect as well."—Xinhua

Sugar reduces life span in worms

LOS ANGELES, 4 Nov — For a certain kind of worms, eating sugar may reduce their life span by 20 percent, a new study suggests.

But it's unclear whether the same holds true for human beings, according to the study published in the November issue of the journal Cell Metabolism.

In the study, researchers at the University of California in San Francisco added a small amount of glucose - sugar - to the diet of worms known as C elegans, but only to see the worms had shorter lives. The researchers attributed this to the sugar's effect on the worms' insulin signals. The worms normally eat bacteria.—Xinhua

NASA technology might treat breast cancer

CHICAGO, 4 Nov— US scientists say they're trying to determine if a NASA imaging technique can predict radiation therapy tissue damage experienced by breast cancer patients.

The Rush University Medical Center and Argonne National Laboratory researchers said the imaging technique — called three-dimensional thermal tomography — is used by NASA to inspect the space shuttle.

The scientists are examining the utility of the technology for use in radiation oncology.

Rush University Professor Dr Katherine Griem said approximately 80 percent of breast cancer patients undergoing radiation treatment develop acute skin reactions that range in severity.

The study's goal is to determine if the NASA imaging technology can measure the thermal

effusivity of skin tissue — a measure of its ability to exchange heat with its surroundings.

Our initial data with radiation induced skin changes are quite encouraging," said Dr Alan Coon, chief resident of radiation oncology at Rush and primary author of the study.

Internet

Depression, drugs linked to preterm birth

SEATTLE, 4 Nov— Pregnant women with a history of depression who used psychiatric medication have triple the risk of premature child delivery, US researchers found.

Researchers at the University of Washington, University of Michigan and Michigan State University found that a combination of medication use and depression — either before or during pregnancy was strongly linked to delivery before 35 weeks' gestation.

Lead author Amelia Gavin of the University of Washington said the findings highlight the need for carefully planned studies that can clarify associations between depression, psychiatric medications and preterm delivery. "Women with depression face difficult decisions regarding the benefits and risks of using psychotropic medications in pregnancy," Gavin said in a statement.

Internet

Yemen reports 17 A/H1N1 deaths

SANAA, 4 Nov— A total of 17 people in Yemen have reportedly died of the A/H1N1 flu, out of 2,070 confirmed cases in the country, Yemeni government spokesman Hassan al-Lawzi said in a press conference Tuesday.

Two A/H1N1-infected patients died over the past week, while 1,925 cases took a long while to recover after undergoing treatment, Lawzi said.

He added that around 128 people were still under treatment, including four cases discovered at universities and 25 others found in schools.

The Yemeni ministries of health and education decided to immediately close schools after confirmed flu cases were detected in a precautionary measure to prevent further spread of the pandemic which has recently soared in the country.—Xinhua

A/H1N1 flu death toll rises to 11 in Turk

ANKARA, 4 Nov—The Turkish Health Ministry announced on Tuesday that two more Turks died of A/H1N1 flu in Turkey, bringing the A/H1N1 flu death toll to 11. The ministry said in a statement that a 31-year-old woman and a 55-year-old man died of A/H1N1 flu on Tuesday.

Turkey registered the first A/H1N1 case on May 15, a 28-year-old male hospital janitor in Ankara on October 24. As of Sunday, 1,870 people in Turkey had tested positive for A/H1N1 flu since May, according to the statement. On Monday, Turkey began to vaccinate vulnerable groups against A/H1N1 flu, starting from health workers and Muslim pilgrims preparing to travel to Mecca for the annual hajj.—Xinhua

Death toll from A/H1N1 flu rises to 37 in Vietnam

HANOI, 4 Nov— Vietnam confirmed one more death of A/H1N1 influenza, bringing the country's total number of flu deaths to 37, said a report on the website of the Ministry of Health on Tuesday. The patient was a 38-year-old man in the suburbs of the Vietnamese capital city Hanoi. He had a history of kidney disease.

The patient was taken to the National Institute of Infectious and Tropical Diseases on 5 Oct with fever, coughing, and difficulties in breathing. He was diagnosed with pneumonia and kidney infection.

Xinhua

Death toll of A/H1N1 flu rises to 18 in Italy

ROME, 4 Nov— The death toll of H1N1 flu virus in Italy rose to 18 on Tuesday with a new toll near Naples. Doctors said Fernando Lettieri, a 37-year-old jazz musician on dialysis following a kidney transplant, died of pneumonia compounded by a flu virus infection.

Lettieri is the ninth person to die of flu related causes in the Campania region around Naples after two women, 45 and 72, died in Naples on Monday.

Prosecutors said they were investigating the death of an apparently healthy 12-year-old girl from Naples suburb of Pompei. The girl died of the virus last weekend 48 hours after coming down with symptoms. On Monday, the flu claimed its youngest Italian victim so far, an 11-year-old girl being treated for the flu at a hospital in Austria.—Xinhua



Medical masks on display at the Hyatt Regency Washington Hotel in Washington, DC. People over the age of 50 who are hospitalized with swine flu are the group most likely to die from the illness, but (A)H1N1 flu remains a young person's illness, US researchers said on Tuesday.—INTERNET

SPORTS

Boxer Pacquiao holds hopes of the Philippines

MANILA, 4 Nov—For the Philippines, boxer Manny Pacquiao is more than a sports champion. His fans, the media and politicians see him as nothing less than a national hero whose feats can lift the nation.

“The hopes of an entire country are riding on me. That is why I cannot let myself fall,” Pacquiao says in one television advertisement.

It is a heavy message for a shampoo commercial but it is one that many Filipinos have taken to heart as they cheer Pacquiao on in his improbable career that has seen him rise from deep poverty to six-time world champion.

“There is a great re-



Philippine boxing hero Manny Pacquiao (L) exercises during a training session at a gym in Manila on 24 October, 2009.

INTERNET

sponsibility on his shoulders because his victories are the victories of all of us and his loss would be the loss for all of us,” Defence Secretary Gilberto Teodoro said when he awarded Pacquiao an “outstanding achievement” medal recently for his feats in the ring.

Internet

Djokovic breezes through in Basel

BASEL, 4 Nov—Novak Djokovic made a winning debut on Tuesday at the Swiss Indoors as the Serbian claimed a 6-3, 7-5 victory over Andreas Beck in the tennis stronghold of Roger Federer.

Djokovic took just under 90 minutes to move into the second round at the St Jakobshalle, where top seed Federer got his start in the game a decade and a half ago as a ball boy at the indoor event.

Djokovic, who leads the ATP with 67 wins, said he feels the presence of Federer around the grounds.

“Of course in his hometown and home tournament, all of the attention will be on him,” said the Serbian sporting hero. “But I’ve found it fine here.”

“I hope to repay the

kindness by going on the court and getting as far as possible this week.”

The player whose only experience in Basel was a qualifying loss in 2004, couldn’t fault his opening main draw effort.

“For a first match (since Shanghai last month) I played well.

My strokes were solid but I could have closed it out better in the second set.”

Internet



Novak Djokovic.

INTERNET

A good step for golf, even with Americans at home

SHANGHAI, 4 Nov—The field for a World Golf Championship is never as strong when Americans require a passport.

The HSBC Champions is no exception.

Tiger Woods and Phil Mickelson, the best two players in the world, are competing at the same tournament in Asia for the first time. That alone is enough to give the HSBC Champions the appearance of a world-class event, just as it would any tournament at home.

Even so, it is difficult to ignore the number of Americans who chose to stay home.

And it’s equally difficult to ignore the sarcastic, yet caustic comment from Stuart Appleby at the start of the decade when a dozen Americans decided against going to Spain to close out the



From left, Yang Yong-eun of South Korea, Tiger Woods of the US, Phil Mickelson of the US and defending champion Sergio Garcia of Spain smile during a photo call of the HSBC Champions golf tournament on 3 Nov, 2009 in Shanghai, China. The golf tournament will be held at Shanghai Sheshan International Golf Club from on 5 to 8 Nov.

INTERNET

PGA Tour season.

“They’re like a bag of prawns on a hot Sunday,” he said in 2000 at Valderrama. “They don’t travel well.”—Internet

Man United, Chelsea, Porto and Bordeaux make last 16

LONDON, 4 Nov—Manchester United, Chelsea, Porto and Girondins Bordeaux have sealed their places in the next round after Tuesday’s European Champions League group matches.

French champions Bordeaux’s 2-0 road victory pushed the four-time European champion Bayern Munich to the edge of elimination while Man Utd suffered a scare before they pulled two goals back to level CSKA Moscow 3-3. Porto clinched a 1-0 win at APOEL Nicosia and Chelsea drew 2-2 with Atletico Madrid to make the last 16.

The result confirms Atletico’s improvement under new coach Quique Sanchez Flores, but with group rivals Porto winning its game against

APOEL, it also means the Spaniards are out of the competition. Atletico went into the game with only one point from three Champions League matches in which the Spanish team not scored a single goal.

In a dramatic Group B match, Man Utd trailed at 3-1 with only 10 minutes left when Paul Scholes and a deflected Antonio Valencia effort off the head of Georgy Shchennikov forced the draw. Hosts Besiktas lost to VfL Wolfsburg 3-0 in the other match.

Didier Drogba scored twice on his return from a three-match European suspension for Chelsea in Group D where Porto also advanced.

With Bordeaux ad-

vancing from Group A with 10 points and Juventus moving on to eight with a 1-0 win at Haifa, Bayern with four points, face a battle to qualify with a home match against Haifa and a visit to Juventus remaining.

The Group C saw a clash between AC Milan and Real Madrid, who have won the European Cup 16 times between them.

The 1-1 draw left both on seven points from four matches, just one ahead of Olympique Marseille who crushed FC Zurich 6-1.

Maccabi Haifa, Besiktas, APOEL Nicosia and Atletico were all eliminated, but could yet finish third in their respective groups and go into the Europa League.—Xinhua



Chelsea’s Didier Drogba celebrates his first goal during their Champions League soccer match against Atletico Madrid at the Vicente Calderon stadium in Madrid, on 3 November, 2009.

XINHUA

Manchester United’s Michael Owen (R) celebrates his goal against CSKA Moscow’s with Nani during their Champions League soccer match at Old Trafford in Manchester, northern England, on 3 November, 2009.

XINHUA



Bordeaux players react after fellow team member Marouane Chamakh scored a goal during their Group A Champions League soccer match against Bayern Munich in Munich, southern Germany, on 3 Nov, 2009. —XINHUA



AC Milan’s Andrea Pirlo (R) fights for the ball with Real Madrid’s Raul during their Champions League soccer match at the San Siro stadium in Milan on 3 November, 2009.

XINHUA



Smile Ambassador for Operation Smile Jackie Chan gestures while speaking during a news conference in Hanoi, Vietnam, Wednesday, 4 Nov, 2009. —INTERNET

Ericsson to modernize Bangladesh's largest mobile operator's network

DHAKA, 4 Nov—Bangladesh's largest mobile operator-- Grameenphone — has chosen Ericsson Bangladesh Limited to upgrade its mobile soft switch solution for further expansion of network.

According to a press release of Ericsson here Wednesday, the latest switching technology from Ericsson will help Grameenphone (GP) meet the needs of its expanding subscriber base and pave the way for the quick and cost-effective future introduction of new services such as mobile broadband.

It said the two-year contract, which was signed recently, also includes charging solutions and related services. The value of the deal was not, however, disclosed. Apart from upgrading GP's packet-switched and circuit-switched core network, the press release said, the contract will also cover the upgrade of GP's GSM radio access network and the supply, deployment and systems integration of Ericsson's Mobile Packet Backbone Network solution. Ericsson's advanced technology will optimize our network operations and strengthen our ability to evolve and expand our business while preparing our network for future needs," Oddvar Hesjedal, Chief Executive Officer of GP was quoted as saying in the press release.—Xinhua

MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (5-11-2009) (Thursday)

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

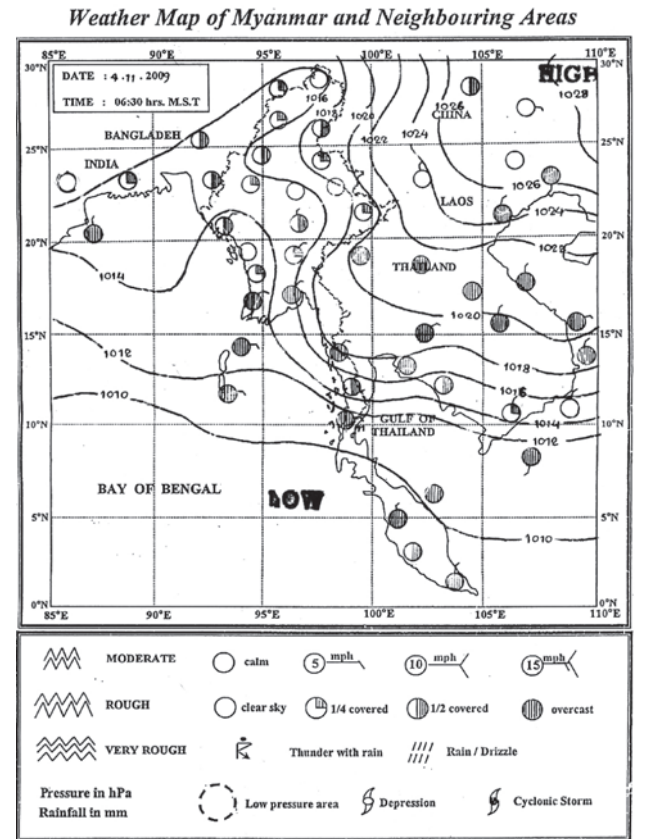
Local Transmission

- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Travel & Description (Yangon to Thanlyin-Kyauk Tan)
- * Benefits Gained from Water Resources
- * National Dance
- * Unique Biodiversity of Indawgyi Lake (Part-II)
- * Hukaung Valley Rattan Survey (Part-IV)
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Europe/ North America Transmission

- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Travel & Description (Yangon to Thanlyin-Kyauk Tan)
- * Benefits Gained from Water Resources
- * UniquelyArtistic Straw Paintings of Myanmar
- * National Dance
- * Unique Biodiversity of Indawgyi Lake (Part-II)
- * Let's taste "Sabuti"
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * The King of Musical Instruments
- * Beauty of Gall Wood displayed
- * A Glimpse at the Mighty Loggers
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * Fabulous Bagan (II)
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm



WEATHER

Wednesday, 4th November, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.
 During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Mon State, isolated in Kayin State, Bago and Taninthayi Divisions, weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below November average temperatures in Chin State and Lower Sagaing Division, (5°C) to (6°C) below November average temperatures in Shan State and Yangon Division, (3°C) to (4°C) above November average temperatures in Kachin and Mon States and Mandalay Division, (5°C) above November average temperatures in Kayah State and about November average temperatures in the remaining States and Divisions. The note worthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Kawthoung (0.90) inch, Thaton (0.16) inch and Kawkayeik (0.12) inch.

Maximum temperature on 3-11-2009 was 93°F. Minimum temperature on 4-11-2009 was 65°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 4-11-2009 was 77%. Total sun shine hours on 3-11-2009 was (9.3) hours approx.

Rainfall on 4-11-2009 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (111.06) inches at Mingaladon, (122.09) inches at Kaba-Aye and (129.41) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from Northeast at (16:30) hours MST on 3-11-2009.

Bay inference: Weather is partly cloudy in Andaman Sea and East Central Bay and partly cloudy to cloudy elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 5th November 2009: Rain or thundershowers are likely to be isolated in Mon State, Bago, Yangon, and Taninthayi Divisions and weather will be partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (60%).

State of the sea: Occasional strong easterly wind with moderate to rough seas will be experienced off and along Gulf of Mottama, Mon and Taninthayi coasts. Surface wind speed may reach 30 to 35 mph in strong wind. Seas will be slight elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

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

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 5-11-2009: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 5-11-2009: Likelihood of isolated light rain or thundershower. Degree of certainty is (60%)

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 5-11-2009: Fair weather.

Thursday, 5 November
View on today

<p>7:00 am</p> <p>1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော်ယောဆရာတော်ဟောကြားတော်မူသော ဥပ္ပါယာနိပါတ်တော်</p> <p>7:25 am</p> <p>2. To Be Healthy Exercise</p> <p>7:30 am</p> <p>3. Morning News</p>	<p>7:40 am</p> <p>4. အောင်တော်မူ (စောမင်းနောင်၊ စိုင်းညိုမင်း၊ တေးရေး- ဗိုလ်ကလေးတင့်အောင်)</p> <p>7:50 am</p> <p>5. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ</p> <p>8:00 am</p> <p>6. Nice & Sweet Song</p> <p>8:15 am</p> <p>7. “အဆုံးအဖြတ်”</p> <p>8:30 am</p> <p>8. Dance Variety</p> <p>8:40 am</p> <p>9. International News</p> <p>8:45 am</p> <p>10. Musical Programme</p> <p>4:00 pm</p> <p>1. Martial Song</p> <p>4:10 pm</p> <p>2. Dance of National Races</p> <p>4:20 pm</p> <p>3. Musical Programme</p>	<p>4:35 pm</p> <p>4. Cute Little Dancers</p> <p>4:50 pm</p> <p>5. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ ဗုတ်ယနစ် (စိတ်ပညာ အထူးပြု) (စိတ်ပညာ)</p> <p>5:05 pm</p> <p>6. Songs to uphold National Spirit</p> <p>5:10 pm</p> <p>7. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ</p> <p>5:20 pm</p> <p>8. “အားကိုးအားထား” (ဖိုးသောကြာ၊ အကယ်ဒမီမိုးဒီ၊ ဦးခိုင်တင်၊ ဒေါ်တင်တင်လှ) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ကောင်းမြတ်)</p> <p>5:40 pm</p> <p>9. သူရွေးသိရာတေးကဗျာ</p> <p>6:00 pm</p> <p>10. Evening News</p> <p>6:15 pm</p> <p>11. Weather Report</p>	<p>6:20 pm</p> <p>12. ပျော်ရွှင်စေသောနေ့ရက်များ “ဘောလုံးကန်နည်း” (အပိုင်း-၂) (သူရလင်း၊ ယမင်းမြင့်သိန်း) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-အောင်ကျော်သူရ)</p> <p>6:40 pm</p> <p>13. ထူးဆန်းထွေလာများကို သိပ္ပံဖြင့်ချဉ်းကပ်ခြင်း</p> <p>7:00 pm</p> <p>14. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “မေတ္တာလောင်းရိပ်” (အပိုင်း-၉)</p> <p>8:00 pm</p> <p>15. News</p> <p>16. International News</p> <p>17. Weather Report</p> <p>18. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “မေတ္တာလောင်းဆုံ” (အပိုင်း-၁၉)</p> <p>19. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ “မြူးနိုးဝေဝေချစ်သက်တည်” (တတိယတွဲ) (အပိုင်း-၂၀)</p>
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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

Prime Minister General Thein Sein receives US Assistant Secretary of State for Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr Kurt Michael Campbell

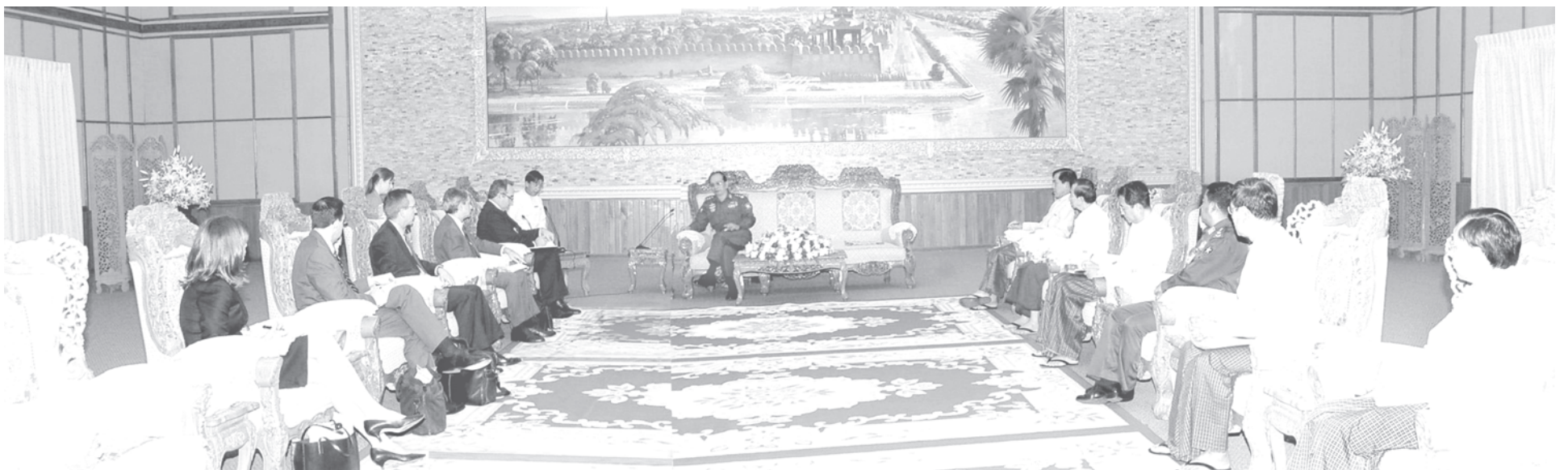
NAY PYI TAW, 4 Nov—Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar General Thein Sein received a delegation led by Assistant Secretary of the State for the Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr. Kurt Michael Campbell of the United States of America at the meeting hall of the Government Office here at 8.40 am today.

Also present at the call together with Prime Minister General Thein Sein were Minister for Science and Technology U Thaug, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Deputy Attorney-General Dr Tun Shin, Director-General Col Thant Shin of the Government Office, Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of the Protocol Department

under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Director-General Dr Ko Ko Oo of the Ministry of Science and Technology.

The US Assistant Secretary of the State was accompanied by Charge d' Affaires ai Mr Larry M. Dinger of the US embassy.

MNA



Prime Minister General Thein Sein receives US Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs Mr Kurt Michael Campbell and party. —MNA

Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

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

Four social objectives

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