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Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

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

Four social objectives

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

Senior General Than Shwe sends National Day message

The government is determined to see to the policies it has laid down for better future of the nation and the people

NAY PYI TAW, 11 Nov—*The following is the translation of the message sent by Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe on the occasion of the 89th Anniversary National Day.*

Esteemed national people,

Today, the National Day is in its 89th anniversary that represents national education promotion movements launched with a strong sense of nationalistic fervour in the Myanmar's struggles to regain independence and sovereignty from the colonialists.

Inspired by nationalistic spirit, the entire national people showed consolidated unity in the national level movement for bringing about an education system that conforms to the Myanmar

socio-economic life. Then, the people stepped up the struggles in unity with a sense of nationalistic spirit, patriotism, and Union Spirit. As a result, the nation managed to regain independence. Therefore, the day on which the national movement began was designated as National Day.

Myanmar people are by nature strongly equipped with a sense of nationalistic fervour and patriotism with which they safeguard own lineage, religious faith, and education. So, national brethren have been capable of preserving

and promoting national prestige and integrity by bravely and harmoniously repulsing alien invasions in the course of the Myanmar history.

Nowadays, certain neo-colonialist countries are interfering in the internal affairs of their targeted countries with the intention of widening the scope of their domination in various fields. Accordingly, the entire people are to tackle such political attempts with national awareness based on true patriotic spirit.

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Prime Minister General Thein Sein holds discussion with Japanese counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 11 Nov—Prime Minister General Thein Sein of the Union of Myanmar held a discussion with Japanese Prime Minister H.E Mr Yukio Hatoyama at Japanese Prime Minister's Office in Tokyo at 1:30 p.m. on 7 November.

Also present at the meeting together with Prime Minister General Thein Sein were Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Minister for National Planning

and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Myanmar Ambassador to Japan U Hla Myint, Director-General Col Thant Shin of the Government Office, Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of Protocol Department and Director-General U Kyaw Tin of Political Department under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and high-ranking officials.

The Japanese Prime Minister was accompanied

by Japanese Foreign Affairs Minister H.E Mr Katsuya Okada, Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary H.E Mr Yoriyoshi Matsuno, Japanese Ambassador to Myanmar H.E Mr Yasuaki Nogawa and high-ranking officials.

The two prime ministers cordially discussed matters on further strengthening friendship and mutual cooperation between the two countries.

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Prime Minister General Thein Sein meeting with Japanese Prime Minister Mr Yukio Hatoyama in Tokyo.—MNA

HONOURING THE 89TH ANNIVERSARY NATIONAL DAY

PERSPECTIVES

Wednesday, 11 November, 2009

Strive for perpetuation of national independence and sovereignty by further cementing national unity

Today, the 10th waning day of Tazaungmon, 1371 ME, is the 89th anniversary of National Day of the Union of Myanmar.

It was on this day 89 years ago that a campaign was launched for the emergence of a new education system compatible with socio-economic life of Myanmar people. The national campaign was born out of Myanmar people's defiance against the colonialists' oppressive rule over their race, language and religion and one-sided oppression of their patriotism.

It was the very first national movement during the colonialist occupation of Myanmar and served as a guiding light in our struggle for independence. This national movement based on national spirit and patriotism eventually led to the regaining of independence. Therefore, it is chronicled in the history of Myanmar independence struggle.

The colonialists passed the Yangon University Act on 1 December, 1920, with the object of prolonging their rule. Myanmar patriotic youths opposed the act as it limited their access to higher education. Opposition to colonialists and demand for improved university education system led to the national movement.

The national movement was not only against the colonial education system but also against the oppressive colonial rule. The 10th waning day of Tazaungmon, 1282 ME, was the day the movement started. Therefore, it was designated as National Day and has been observed every year.

History has proved that Myanmar people regained their country's independent status and their independent life on account of their national spirit and patriotism. Therefore, it is necessary for all national races to always strive for perpetuation of national independence and sovereignty by further cementing national unity in accordance with the essence of National Day.

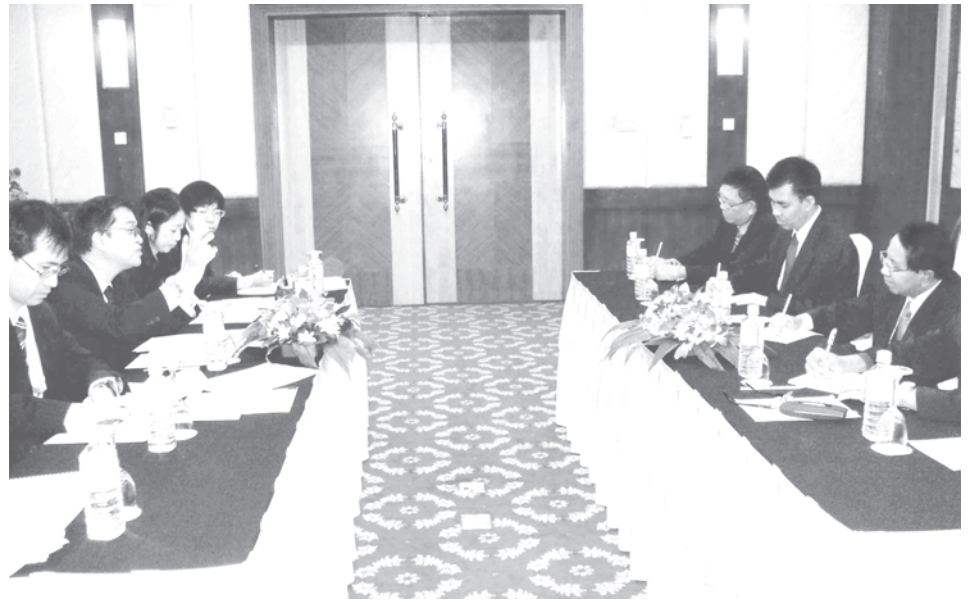
People's Desire

- * 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

Information Minister receives Japanese Deputy Minister of Interaffair and Communication in Vientiane

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan arriving in Vientiane of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to attend ASEAN+3 Ministers' Meeting received Japanese Deputy Minister of Interaffair and Communication Mr Akira Terasaki in Chan Don Hotel in Vientiane on 6 November morning.

On the occasion, they discussed matters related to bilateral cooperation in television broadcasting technologies.—MNA



Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan receives Japanese Deputy Minister of Interaffair and Communication Mr Akira Terasaki.—MNA

UMFCCI meets Sri Lankan Ambassador



YANGON, 10 Nov—General Secretary of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry Dr Maung Maung Lay, CEC members U Tun Aung and U Aung Than Oo met Sri Lankan Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Mr Newton Gunaratna at the office headquarters on 29 October.

At the meeting, they discussed matters related to enhancing the bilateral cooperation in commerce and investment between the two countries.

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General Secretary of UMFCCI Dr Maung Maung Lay and CEC members meeting with Sri Lankan Ambassador H.E Mr Newton Gunaratna.—MNA

Basic Education ISD U-16 Men's and Women's Basketball Tournament continues

YANGON, 10 Nov—Inter-State/Division U-16 Men's and Women's Basketball Tournament continued at Aungmye Thon gymnasium, here, this morning.



Sagaing Division plays against Mon State during the Basic Education Inter-State/Division U-16 Men's and Women's Basketball Tournament.—MNA

Chairman of Organizing Committee for the tourney Director-General U Aye Kyu of No. 3 Basic Education Department, officials, joint-secretary U Htin Lin Pyae and CEC members, guests and fans enjoyed the matches.

In Men's contest, Sagaing Division beat Mon State 46-20; Mandalay Division, Kayin State 52-29; Yangon Division, Shan State (South) 87-58; Shan State (North), Bago

Division 48-32 respectively. In Women's contest, Sagaing Division won over Mon State 39-19; Mandalay Division, Kayin

Hole-in-one at Hpa-an Golf Club, Kayin State

YANGON, 10 Nov—U Win Zaw Oo (BSI), on 29 Oct, evening scored an ace at hole No. 5 from a distance of 160 yards, driving the ball of Titleist Pro V1H No. 1 with eallaway H 14 Iron No. 1 at Hpa-an Golf Club, Kayin State. At the time, he was playing together with Col Kyaw Than Htay (Hpa-an Station), Police Captain Soe Than, U Kyaw Win (Zar Ti Nwe) and U Myo Myint Aung.—MNA

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The rest of the tourney will continue tomorrow morning.—MNA

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A jet fighter is displayed at China Aviation Museum in Beijing, capital of China, on 9 Nov, 2009. To celebrate the 60th anniversary of the founding of the Air Force of the Chinese People's Liberation Army, an exhibition displaying the achievements of the development of the weapons and equipments of the Air Force of the Chinese People's Liberation Army will be open to the public from 15 Nov in Beijing.—XINHUA

Bangladesh cholera linked to rivers

BOSTON, 10 Nov—US scientists say they've discovered why cholera outbreaks that occur once a year in Africa and Latin America occur twice a year in Bangladesh.

Cholera is an acute diarrheal disease caused by the bacterium *Vibrio cholerae*, scientists said.

Venezuela, Russia to boost technology cooperation

CARACAS, 10 Nov—Venezuela and Russia say they are working on a series of agreements for Moscow to provide the South American country with technology for the development of industries ranging from robotics to biochemistry.

Venezuela's science and technology minister, Jesse Chacon, says the agreements will likely be signed next year.

Russian authorities have presented more than 5,000 technological projects for Venezuela's consideration.

Chacon says the transfer of nuclear technology is not among the projects that were presented at a forum in Venezuela's capital on Monday — even through Russia plans to help Venezuela develop nuclear energy to produce electricity.—Internet

But they have tried, without much success, to determine the cause of the unique dual outbreaks in Bangladesh.

Researchers from Tufts University, led by Professor Shafiqul Islam, say they have found a link between cholera and fluctuating water levels in the region's three principal rivers — the Ganges, Brahmaputra and Meghna.

"What we are establishing is a way to predict cholera outbreaks two to three months in advance," Islam said. "It's not a microbiological explanation. The key is the river discharge and regional climate."

The study's findings are reported in the 10 Oct issue of the journal *Geophysical Research Letters*.

Internet

Ida soaks Gulf Coast, disrupts energy output

MOBILE, 10 Nov—A weakened Tropical Storm Ida drenched the US Gulf Coast and oil installations on Monday, shutting down nearly 30 percent of Gulf energy production.

The center of the ragged storm was expected to cross the coast near Mobile, Alabama, early on Tuesday.

At one time a Category 2 hurricane, Ida's threat eased as winds dropped to 65 miles per hour (100 km per hour). Ida was forecast to weaken quickly as it moved inland, turning east over northern Florida.

A US Coast Guard helicopter plucked two workers from a storm-damaged oil rig south of New Orleans. Ida is blamed for 124 flood and mudslide deaths in El Salvador.

The Coast Guard closed the Port of Mobile, halting traffic on Mobile Bay, and authorities closed schools and government offices in coastal counties in Alabama and Florida, telling residents of flood-prone areas and mobile homes to evacuate.

An overnight curfew was issued for part of the Alabama coast.—Internet

A resident walks through strong rain and wind as Tropical Storm Ida approaches, in Gulfport, Mississippi on 9 Nov, 2009.

INTERNET



Marine base debate clouds US-Japan relations

TOKYO, 10 Nov—The deepening debate over the future of a major US Marine base on the southern Japanese island of Okinawa has opened a broad rift in Washington's most important alliance in Asia ahead of President Barack Obama's visit to the region this week.

For decades, it has been a rallying point for Okinawans frustrated by the realities of sharing their tiny island with tens of thousands of American troops. So when Tokyo and Washington agreed three years ago to move Marine Corps Air Station

Futenma to a less crowded place — the product of nearly 12 years of talks — the deal was hailed as a huge breakthrough.

Then Japan got a new government.

Now, with Obama visiting on Friday and Saturday, Japan's fledgling liberal Prime Minister Yukio Hatoyama has put the plan on hold — and the debate about the future of Futenma and its nearly 4,000 Marines is fast becoming a major test of their countries' alliance.

It's almost certain that Hatoyama and Obama

won't resolve the Futenma issue at their brief weekend meeting, delayed by a day for Obama to attend a memorial service for victims of the Fort Hood shooting.

To project unity, the two leaders will likely reaffirm the importance of their alliance, and Hatoyama will highlight new aid for Afghanistan, given as his government plans to end a naval refueling mission in the Indian Ocean to support US-led forces. Climate change and economic challenges will also be discussed.—Internet

Fuel convoy hit in eastern Afghanistan

KABUL, 10 Nov—An Afghan police official says at least two private security guards have been wounded and two fuel tankers set on fire in eastern Afghanistan when militants attacked a supply convoy for NATO forces.

Provincial police spokesman Ghafor Khan

says the two were injured in a battle on Sunday near Jalalabad between the enemy combatants and private guards providing security for the convoy.

He says other tankers were damaged along the highway, a main supply route between Pakistan and the Afghan capital of Kabul.—Internet



The scene was a burning fuel truck on a road outside Jalalabad, Nangarhar Province, east of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 8 Nov, 2009. A supply convoy of NATO and coalition forces was attacked by militants near Jalalabad city, two of the tankers were set on fire and three others damaged.

INTERNET

Envelopes containing white powder delivered to three missions to UN

NEW YORK, 10 Nov—Envelopes containing white powder were delivered on Monday to three missions to the United Nations in midtown Manhattan, touching off a security scare in the central New York City, officials said here on Monday night.

There was no immediate report of injuries from the unknown substances, but about 30 people were ordered to decontaminate it, a New York City fire spokesman said.

The three missions were the Missions of Austria, France and Uzbekistan to the United Nations, which are in three different locations in midtown Manhattan, officials said.—Xinhua

Global economic recovery still fragile

HONG KONG, 10 Nov—The world economic recovery is still fragile, World Bank Senior Vice President and Chief Economist Justin Yifu Lin said on Monday.

Delivering a lecture on the global financial crisis and economic imbalance at the University of Hong Kong, Lin said there were

still many uncertainties in the prospect for the global economy.

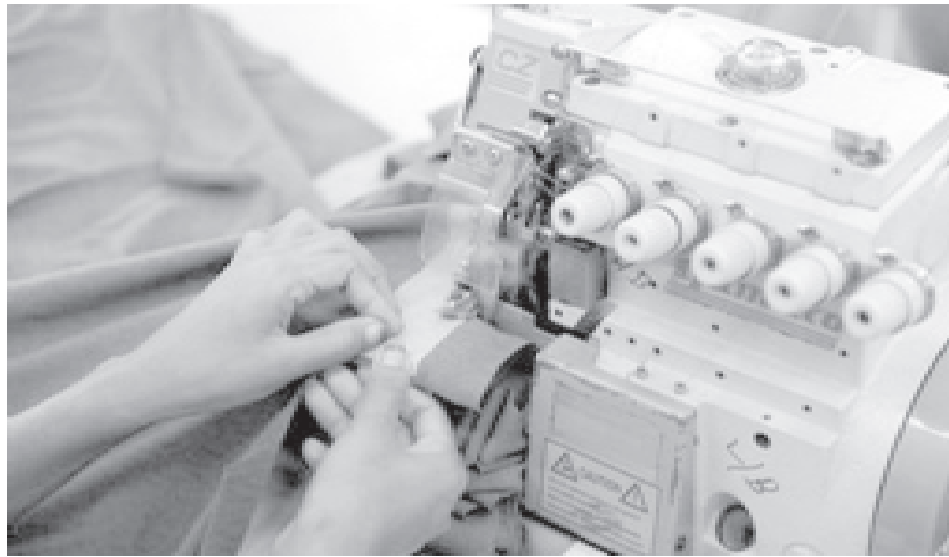
The World Bank projected a contraction of 2.1 percent for the world economy in its latest forecasts, he said.

The current world economic recovery can be partly attributed to the effect of the stimulus measures worldwide and the restocking of inventory, Lin said.

The recent comments by world economic leaders showed that it was still unlikely for them to exit from the stimulus packages in the short run, he said.

Lin said it is necessary for economies, including the United States and China, to work together in the long run to address the structural imbalance exposed in the crisis.

Xinhua



A Bangladeshi worker at a factory in Dhaka in March 2009. Bangladesh exports plunged by around 12 percent in the first quarter of the fiscal year as a delayed impact of the global recession routed the country's garment sector, the government said on Monday.—INTERNET

China's Tianjin FAW Automobile sees sales up

10% in Oct

BEIJING, 10 Nov—China's northern Tianjin-based economical passenger carmaker Tianjin FAW Xiali Automobile Co, Ltd saw its sales volume in October rise 10 percent year on year to 16,080 units.

The automaker produced 17,600 units of vehicles last month, a 13 percent increase from the previous year, the company said in a statement to the Shenzhen Stock Exchange on Tuesday.

Combined vehicle sales volume in China jumped 72 percent in October to 1.22 million units from a year earlier, after gaining 78 percent in September, the China Association of Automobile Manufacturers said.

Xinhua



A farmer harvests wheat near the Tunisian city of Bizerte. China's pledge of 10 billion dollars in concessional loans to African states and enhanced trade was warmly received by African delegates as a two-day summit in Egypt ended on Monday.—INTERNET

Air France-KLM's passenger traffic drops 4.1% in October

PARIS, 10 Nov—Passenger traffic with Europe's leading airline group, Air France-KLM, fell for the 10th straight month with a 4.1 percent drop in October, the Paris-based company an-

nounced on Monday in its monthly traffic statistics.

As the group cut its transportation capacity by 5.6 percent on a year-on-year basis in October, more than the decline in passenger business, the

group was able to gain a 1.3 percent improvement in passenger load factor, or the proportion of seats sold, to 82.5 percent.

Raw passenger numbers dropped to 6.3 million in October, down 5.3 percent compared with the same period last year.

Xinhua

Indonesia, EU to boost tourism ties

JAKARTA, 10 Nov—Tourism ties between Indonesia and the European Union (EU) will increase following the easing restriction on the operation of Indonesian air transportation to the region's countries, an official said here on Tuesday.

"With the gradual easing of restrictions on the operation of Indonesian air carriers to the EU countries, I have every confidence that two-way tourism will flourish further," James Moran, the Director for Asia of European Commission's Directorate General External Relation said at a seminar titled 'Indonesia and the European Union: Expanding Roles in a Globalized World'.

According to him, tourism is an area with huge potential for growth. "The astoundingly diverse heritage of Indonesia has a magnetic attraction for European tourists," he said. In July, the EU has lifted its restriction on four Indonesian air carriers from entering its territory.

Xinhua

Google to buy mobile ad provider AdMob for \$750 mln

SAN FRANCISCO, 10 Nov—Google on Monday announced that it has agreed to buy AdMob, a provider of display ad technology for mobile phones, for 750 million US dollars in stock in a deal that the Internet search giant said will enhance its expertise and technology in mobile advertising.

"The deal will help Google in its efforts to develop more effective tools for creating, serving and analyzing emerging mobile ads formats," said a press release from Google.

Xinhua

Brazil creates over 1 mln jobs in 2009

RIO DE JANEIRO, 10 Nov—Brazil had created more than 1 million jobs in the first 10 months this year, a senior government official said on Monday.

"When I said, in January, that we would create more than 1 million jobs, I was ridiculed, they all but called me crazy," Labour Minister Carlos Lupi told reporters, adding that the figure for October was expected to be released in the next few days.

Last month, Lupi reaffirmed his belief that Brazil would create 1.1 million jobs by the end of the year.

Brazil had already created some 934,000 jobs by the end of September, showing a positive sign of its economic recovery. But the figures were still much lower than the 2 million jobs created during the same period of 2008.

The figures showed that Brazil's job market had overcome the effects

of the international financial crisis after the government adopted several anti-crisis measures this year, Lupi said.

"We are seeing the crisis through the rear view mirror," he said. "The crisis is just for the foreigners now."

Brazil's unemployment rate for October has not been released, but it is expected to decrease due to the temporary hirings for the Christmas season.

Xinhua



Honda vehicles await export at Chiba port in Narashino city, Japan. The country's current account surplus edged up 0.2 percent in September from a year earlier as a higher trade surplus offset a drop in gains on portfolio and other investment, official data has shown.—INTERNET

China-Singapore ties are at best period in history

SINGAPORE, 10 Nov—The bilateral relations between China and Singapore are now at its best period in history, a senior Chinese diplomat has said.

In a recent exclusive interview with *Xinhua*, Chinese Ambassador to Singapore Zhang Xiaokang said that China and Singapore have maintained frequent high-level visits, enhanced their political trust and developed mutual beneficial cooperation in various aspects in recent years. The trade volume between the two countries

reached over 52.4 billion US dollars last year, up 10.5 percent over the previous year.

The ambassador spoke highly of the upcoming state visit to Singapore by Chinese President Hu Jintao, who will also attend the 17th APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting here. "President Hu's visit, at a time when the two countries are set to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the establishment of their diplomatic ties in 1990, is the first visit to Singapore by a Chinese President in 15

years, and marks a milestone in the development of bilateral relations between the two countries," she said.

During his visit, President Hu will exchange views with Singaporean leaders on bilateral and regional and international issues of common concern, and meet local people from all walks of life to discuss the development of bilateral relations and the promotion of communication and cooperation in a wide range of areas between the two countries.—*Xinhua*



A woman views the displayed photos during a photo exhibition at the Chinese Embassy in Kampala, capital of Uganda, on 9 Nov, 2009.—*Xinhua*

Two killed as light aircraft crashes in Kenya

NAIROBI, 10 Nov—A light cargo plane crashed in Nairobi, Kenya, killing two crew members.

Eyewitnesses said the American made aircrafts had taken off 0330 GMT at Wilson Airport before it was forced to turn back after the pilot reported it had developed mechanical problems.

The light aircraft that was transporting miraa, also known as khat which is a mild narcotic leaf, to Mogadishu, Somalia, crashed just a few meters from the runway before bursting into flames.

The pilot died as he was being taken to hospital, while his co-pilot later died at the hospital where he had been admitted in critical condition.

Airport officials said the crew decided to return to crash-land at the airport after being airborne for about two hours. But the plane crashed into the airport's fence and burst into flames before landing onto a ditch near the runway.—*Xinhua*

Three killed in plane crash in central Canada

OTTAWA, 10 Nov—Three people were killed in a plane crash that happened in central Canada over the weekend, reports reaching here said on Monday.

The wreckage of the plane was found on Sunday evening in a remote area near the city of Dryden in northwestern Ontario province by rescuers from a nearby Canadian forces base.

The crashed plane was a charter plane from the local Lockhart Air Service which left Sioux Lookout for Cat Lake, both located in northwestern Ontario. The plane was reported overdue late that evening and a search was launched.

There has been no word yet on the identities of the victims.—*Xinhua*

Two pupils play with snow in Beijing, capital of China, on 10 Nov, 2009. Beijing witnessed the second snowfall this winter on 10 Nov.

XINHUA



Honduran police seize 685 kg of cocaine

TEGUCIGALPA, 10 Nov—Honduran police seized at least 685 kg of cocaine on the border with Nicaragua on Monday and detained one person, a police spokesman said.

Police intercepted the drugs, which were being transported on a wagon, at Las Manos, 125 km east of Tegucigalpa, the spokesman said, adding that police were still searching for more drugs inside the vehicle. On Sunday, police discovered an illegal landing runway used by a Mexican drug cartel to traffic drugs in the country's northern city of Cortes.—*Xinhua*

All Items from Xinhua News Agency

Mexican President calls for rule of law, more business competition

MEXICO CITY, 10 Nov—Mexican President Felipe Calderon on Monday made a public call for clearer rule of law and more business competition in Mexico.

"The state's most important task is to ensure the rule of law, via legal means that are the source of all legitimacy," Calderon said during his speech at the Mexico Business Summit, held in Monterrey, capital of the northern Mexican state

Nuevo Leon.

He also called for lower barriers to market access and fewer monopolistic practices for the sake of enhancing the nation's competitiveness.

"There will not be stronger competitiveness if there is not more competition," Calderon said.

Officials from the Mexican Competition Commission have warned of monopolistic practices in telecommunications and corn flour markets, as

well as less extreme cases in milk and meat markets.

Speaking earlier at the same summit, Genaro Garcia Luna, the nation's Secretary of Public Security, said that media had overemphasized drug violence.

"Should Mexico be rated insecure it would be for theft, not for crimes related to drug trafficking," he said.—*Xinhua*

Britain unveils plan for 10 new nuclear power stations

LONDON, 10 Nov—The British government has announced a huge expansion of nuclear power stations, naming 10 sites in England and Wales as suitable for new power stations, Britain's *Sky News* reported on Monday.

Energy and Climate Change Secretary Ed Miliband told the Commons that there would be no new coal-fired power stations unless they were fitted with carbon capture and storage technology.

The reports said 10 sites in England and Wales have been identified for possible new power stations by 2025 and planning laws will be changed to allow the Infrastructure Planning Commission (IPC) to speed up the projects.

Miliband said a streamlined planning process would mean a clear timetable of one year from the acceptance of an application to a decision.

Xinhua



A model of Nepal's Pavilion on Shanghai World Expo 2010 is displayed at the press conference in Kathmandu, capital of Nepal, on 9 Nov 2009. Nepal is preparing to take part in Expo 2010 in China's Shanghai from 1 May to 31 Oct next year.

XINHUA

Prize awarded for wireless energy systems

WASHINGTON, 10 Nov—The US space agency says it has awarded \$900,000 in prize money to a Seattle company for creating a wireless energy beaming technology.

The company, LaserMotive, won the Power Beaming Challenge competition, which was a demonstration of wireless power transmission that enabled a robotic device to climb a vertical cable. NASA said the technology developed by LaserMotive might one day be used to help power a “space elevator.”

The competition was held last week at NASA’s Dryden Flight Research Center in Edwards, Calif. The Spaceward Foundation of Mountain View, Calif, manages the competition for NASA.

To win a prize, teams had to develop a power transmission system and robotic climber that could reach a height of 3,280 feet.

Teams that reached the top share in a total purse of \$2 million, based on their vertical speed and payload mass.

Internet



Two, blue overalls, of the seven suspected Somali pirates are guarded by Kenyan security officers as they arrived at the port's police station in Mombasa, Kenya, on 9 Nov, 2009.—INTERNET

Somali pirates hit oil tanker in long-range attack

NAIROBI, 10 Nov—Somali pirates attacked an oil tanker and fired automatic weapons and rocket-propelled grenades on Monday farther out at sea than any previous assault, suggesting that pirate capabilities are growing as they increase activity off East Africa.

Pirates in two skiffs fired at the Hong Kong-flagged BW Lion about 1,000 miles (1,600 kilometres) east of the Somali coast, the *European Union Naval Force* said.

The tanker’s captain increased speed and took evasive maneuvers, avoiding the attack, the force said. No casualties were reported.

The naval force sent a plane from the Seychelles islands to investigate.

Pirates have launched increasingly bold attacks against vessels in the Indian Ocean and Gulf of Aden in hopes of capturing a ship and crew and collecting ransom.

They currently hold more than 190 hostages, including a British couple seized from their personal yacht late last month.—Internet

Electronic Arts posts loss, to cut jobs

SAN FRANCISCO, 10 Nov—Electronic Arts Inc (ERTS.O) posted a wider quarterly loss and said it would cut about 1,500 jobs, or about 17 percent of its workforce, in another round of restructuring for the video game publisher.

The company, whose shares fell 2 percent in after-hours trade, also plans to nar-

row its product portfolio to focus on higher margin games and said it expects to publish fewer than 40 titles next fiscal year, down from around 60 last year.

Like its rivals, EA expressed concern about the all-important holiday season, saying retailers remain cautious and consumers are not showing

up consistently. EA lowered its 2009 industry outlook for packaged good software sales.

The company’s chief rival, Activision Blizzard Inc (ATVI.O), will launch its “Call of Duty: Modern Warfare 2” on Tuesday, in the most anticipated game launch of the year.

Internet

Beijing to host 10th global travel, tourism summit

LONDON, 10 Nov—The World Travel & Tourism Council (WTTC) announced on Monday that China will hold the 2010 Global Travel & Tourism Summit in Beijing.

The summit will take place in Beijing on 25-27 May, 2010.

“Our members are all delighted that we will be

going to Beijing, capital of the world’s most dynamic travel and tourism economy and one of the most interesting and exciting new tourism destinations,” said Jean-Claude Baumgarten, WTTC president & CEO, while announcing the summit venue.

The board was unani-

mous in its decision to select China.

“From a participant’s point of view as well, Beijing is an ideal location.

As China’s capital city is the major focal point for international tourists to China.” Baumgarten added.

Xinhua

Louvre’s Mona Lisa smiles on Apple

Paris’s Louvre museum launched an application giving Apple iPhone and iPod touch users access to its collections.

Free to download, the Louvre said the technology available in French and English will permit subscribers to access the best the museum has to offer

round the clock from anywhere in the world.

The museum’s most popular pieces are accessible along with detailed videos, a virtual tour and practical information on opening hours and tariffs.

The Louvre website www.louvre.fr, which has been up since 1995 and is part of the museum’s bid to widen public access to its art treasures, currently receives 10 million visitors per year.



Paris’s Louvre museum launched an application giving Apple iPhone and iPod touch users access to its collections including Leonardo da Vinci’s Mona Lisa, seen here.

NEWS ALBUM

NYC man wants \$5 million for cat bite

A New York supermarket clerk is suing a deli owner for \$5 million because of a bite he allegedly received from the defendant’s cat, the clerk’s lawyer said.

Attorney Steven Ehrlich, who represents supermarket clerk Jonas Cruz, alleges his client was bitten at the Cold Cut House by a cat belonging to the deli’s owner and Cruz suffered an adverse reaction to the animal’s saliva, *the New York Post* said.

“He was immediately hospitalized,” Ehrlich alleges of the fallout from the

S Korean woman passes driver’s exam on 950th try

A woman in South Korea who tried to pass the written exam for a driver’s license with near-daily attempts since April 2005 has finally succeeded on her 950th time.

The aspiring driver spent more than 5 million won (\$4,200) in application fees, but until now had failed to score the minimum 60 out of a possible 100 points needed to get behind the wheel for a driving test.

Cha Sa-soon, 68, finally passed the written exam with a score of 60 on Wednesday, said Choi Young-chul, a police official at the drivers’ license agency in Jeonju, 130 miles (210 kilo-

metres) south of Seoul.

Police said Cha took the test hundreds of times, but had no specific total. Local media said she took the test 950 times.

Now she must pass a driving test before getting her license, Choi said.

Repeated calls to Cha seeking comment went unanswered. She told the *Korea Times* newspaper she needed the license for her vegetable-selling business.



Senior General Than Shwe sends National Day message

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Myanmar is an independent country, so all are duty-bound to cohesively ward off alien threats with national objectives such as Our Three Main National Causes "Non-disintegration of the Union, Non-disintegration of national solidarity, and Perpetuation of sovereignty" to be able to improve the future of the nation and the people, and ensure perpetuation of sovereignty.

Today, the world sees dramatic advancements in science and technology. The youth are being nurtured and groomed in accordance with the 30-year national education promotion plan, which can help the nation keep abreast of global partners in terms of education,

with the aim of bringing about reliable human resources in the interest of the nation and the regions concerned. Now, all regions of the Union including border areas and rural regions have enjoyed equitable development.

Now, the State's seven-step Road Map is in the process of being implemented to shape the nation into a peaceful, modern and developed discipline-flourishing democratic one. The constitution of the Union of Myanmar has been approved with massive support of the people at the referendum. The government is gearing up to hold the election according to the new constitution in 2010.

The government is determined to see to the poli-

cies it has laid down for better future of the nation and the people. Therefore, the people on their part are to elect reliable candidates in the public interest.

Therefore, I would like to urge the entire people to work hard with nationalistic vigour in line with the 89th Anniversary National Day objectives: —

- (1) To strengthen nationalistic spirit and uplift national prestige and integrity
- (2) To promote national education,
- (3) Perpetuity of independence and sovereignty of the State,
- (4) To achieve success in implementing the seven-step Road Map.

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Information Minister attends 10th Amri and 1st Conference of ASEAN+3 information ministers' meeting

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov — Information Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan participated in the 10th meeting of Asean Ministers Responsible for Information (AMRI) and the First Conference of the ASEAN+3 Ministers Responsible for Information held in Vientiane, Lao People's Democratic Republic, from 5 to 6 November.

Information Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan, together with his coun-

formation (AMRI), Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan discussed matters related to strengthening cooperation in information and media sectors including advancing information exchanges, cooperation programmes for broadcasting ASEAN news in international arena and conducting media trainings for development of the media sector as part of efforts for effective use of the information sector in the quest



Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan poses for documentary photo together with the ASEAN+3 Ministers Responsible for Information at the 10th meeting of ASEAN ministers.—MNA



Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan attends the 10th meeting of ASEAN ministers and the first conference of the ASEAN+3 ministers responsible for Information.—MNA

terparts from ASEAN countries, greeted Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Affairs Minister of Laos Mr. Sisoulith and attended the opening ceremony of the meetings.

The information minister and his counterparts also called on Laotian Prime Minister Mr. Bovasone Bouphavanh at the prime minister's office in Vientiane.

Speaking at the 10th meeting of Asean Ministers Responsible for In-

formation to build an ASEAN community. Regarding cooperation in the media sector, the minister also discussed the three sectors: development of technology in media sector, cooperation in radio and TV programmes and observing media ethics as part of efforts for social responsibility to be able to broadcast unbiased news so that people in ASEAN and international community can realize the objective conditions in ASEAN



Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan poses for documentary photo together with the ASEAN+3 Ministers Responsible for Information at the first conference of ASEAN ministers.—MNA

Joint press conference on First Mekong-Japan Summit held

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—A joint press conference on First Mekong-Japan Summit was held at Official Resident of the Japanese Prime Minister at 10:30 am on 7 November.

Present at the joint press conference were Cambodian Prime Minister Samdech Hun Sen, Japanese Prime Minister Mr Yukio Hatoyama, Laotian Prime Minister Mr Bouasone Bouphavanh, Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar General Thein Sein,

Thai Prime Minister Mr Abhisit Vejjajiva and Vietnamese Prime Minister Mr Nguyen Tan Dung.

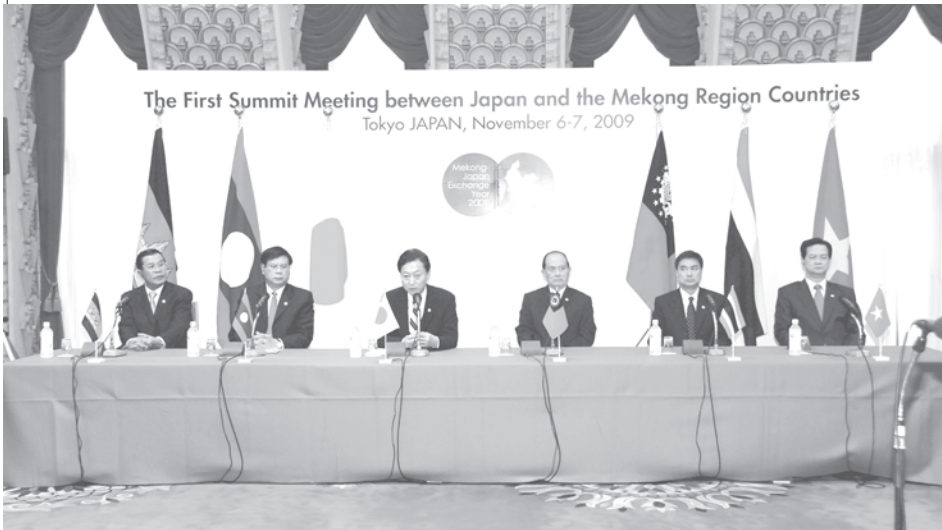
At the outset, the Japanese Prime Minister explained the purpose of holding the summit. On behalf of Mekong regional countries, the Laotian Prime Minister expressed thanks.

Next, the Japanese Prime Minister and respective PMs replied to the queries raised by journalists.

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Prime Minister General Thein Sein together with PMs of Mekong region countries and Japan attending press conference.

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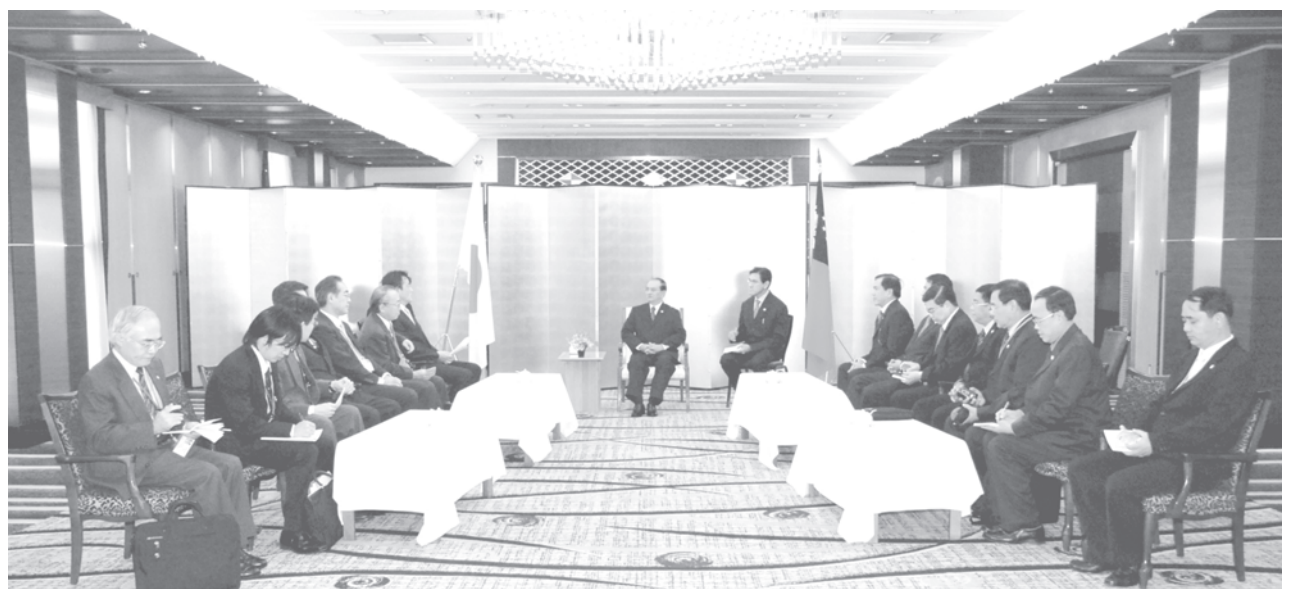
Prime Minister General Thein Sein cordially greets Japanese Prime Minister Mr Yukio Hatoyama in Tokyo (News on page 1).—MNA



Prime Minister General Thein Sein receives Japanese Foreign Minister

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—Prime Minister General Thein Sein of the Union of Myanmar received Japanese Foreign Minister H.E Mr Katsuya Okada at the Edo hall of New Otani Hotel in Tokyo of Japan at 5 p.m. on 7 November.

Also present at the call together with Prime Minister General Thein Sein were Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Myanmar Ambassador to Japan U Hla Myint, Director-General Col Thant Shin of the Government Office, Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of Protocol Department and Director-General U Kyaw Tin of Political Department under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and high-ranking officials.—MNA



Prime Minister General Thein Sein receives Japanese Foreign Minister Mr Katsuya Okada in Tokyo.—MNA

Construction Minister inspects construction of Ayeyawady bridge (Sinkhan)

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint on 8 November inspected the construction of Ayeyawady bridge (Sinkhan) undertaken by bridge construction special project group-4 of Public Works and fulfilled the requirements.

The Ayeyawady bridge (Sinkhan) is of broad crest type and is 3215 feet 3 inches long. The 28-foot-wide two-lane motorway is flanked by 3-foot-wide pedestrian lanes and can withstand 60 tons of load. The railway is 14 feet wide, and clearance is 328 feet wide and is 47 feet high.—MNA



Minister Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint inspects the construction of Ayeyawady Bridge (Sinkhan).—CONSTRUCTION

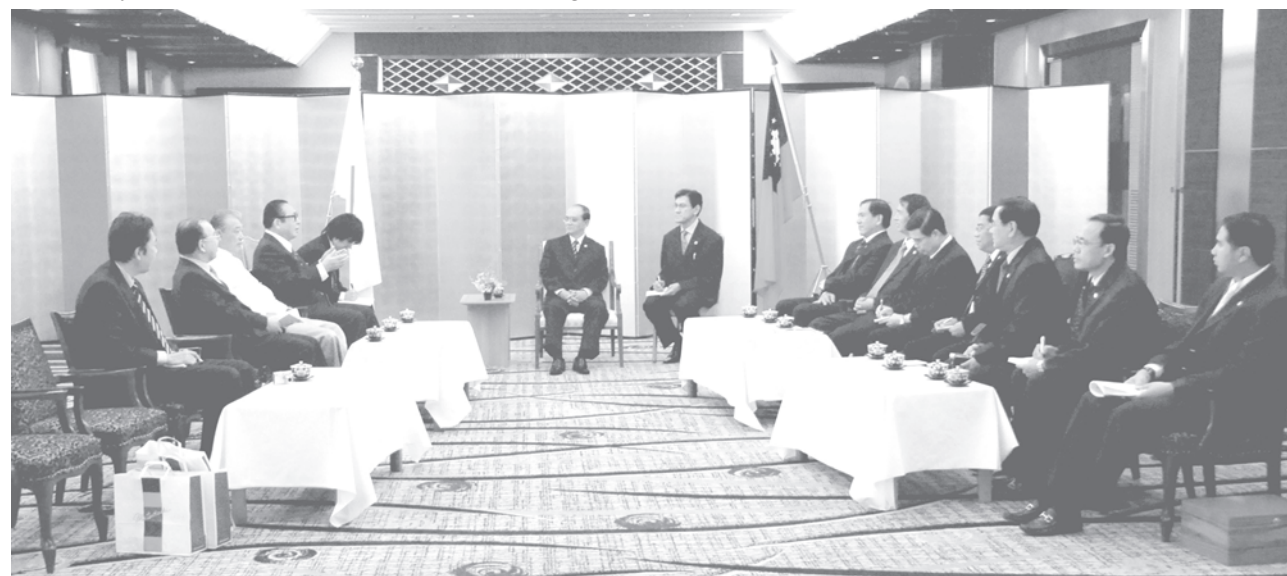
PM General Thein Sein receives member of Japan's Upper House

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—Prime Minister General Thein Sein of the Union of Myanmar received chairman of Japan-Myanmar Parliamentary Association for Friendship and member of Japan's Upper House HE Mr Hideo Watanabe at Edo room in New Otani Hotel in Tokyo on 7 November.

Also present at the call together with Prime Minister General Thein Sein were Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Minister for National Planning and

Economic Development U Soe Tha, Myanmar Ambassador to Japan U Hla Myint, Director-General of Government Office Col. Thant Shin, Director-General of Protocol Department U Kyaw Kyaw and Director-General of Political Department U Kyaw Tin. The member of Japan's Upper House was accompanied by Chairman of Nippon Foundation Mr Yohei Sasakawa and Chairman of Sasakawa Foundation Mr Akinori Seki.

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Prime Minister General Thein Sein receives Chairman of Japan-Myanmar Parliamentary Association for Friendship and member of Japan's Upper House Mr Hideo Watanabe in Tokyo.

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Prime Minister General Thein Sein meets embassy and military attaché's office staff families

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—Prime Minister General Thein Sein of the Union of Myanmar took respects paid by Myanmar Ambassador to Japan U Hla Myint and wife, Military Attaché Brig-Gen Tun Tun and wife and embassy and military attaché's office staff families at the New Otani Hotel in Tokyo at 8 am on 8 November.

After that, the Prime Minister explained

the internal political situation, preparations being made for holding 2010 elections, condition of Myanmar-Japan relations and efforts to be made to further consolidate the friendship between the two countries and gave instructions on performing their duties conscientiously.

Then, the Prime Minister presented gifts to the staff families.

After that, the Prime Minister explained

MNA

Prime Minister General Thein Sein presents gifts to the Myanmar Ambassador to Japan in Tokyo.—MNA

PM General Thein Sein arrives back Nay Pyi Taw after attending First Mekong-Japan Summit

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—Prime Minister General Thein Sein of the Union of Myanmar together with Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Director-General of Government Office Col Thant Shin, Director-General of Protocol Department U Kyaw Kyaw, Director-General of Political Department U Kyaw Tin and heads of department left New Otani Hotel in Tokyo and cordially greeted staff

and their families of Myanmar Embassy and Office of the Military Attaché before returning to Myanmar at 9 am on 8 November.

Next, the Prime Minister and party arrived at Narita International Airport and then they left there by air and arrived at Suvannabumi Airport at 3.45 pm local time. The Prime Minister and party were welcomed at the airport by officials of Thai Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Myanmar Ambassador to Thailand U Aung Thein,

Military Attache' Col Win Maung, and staff and their families of Myanmar Embassy and Office of Military Attache'.

At the special lounge of the airport, Thai Deputy Prime Minister Mr Suthep Thuagsuban called on Prime Minister General Thein Sein.

Next, Prime Minister General Thein Sein and party left Suvannabumi airport by air and arrived back here.

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Prime Minister General Thein Sein cordially greets Japanese Foreign Minister Mr Katsuya Okada in Tokyo. (News on page 8)

MNA

Youth nursery building handed over

YANGON, 10 Nov—A ceremony to hand over new building of youth nursery was held at the rural health care centre of Tawku model village in Kungyangon Township on 6 November.

Director-General U Khin Maung Lwin of Central Health Educative Department under the Ministry of Health, Township Health Officer Dr Saw Kalaya and Project Officer of Japanese Organization of International Cooperation in Family Planning Dr Aye Aye Thein opened the new building.

JOICFP donated the building to pursue the activities of reducing the death rate of expectant mothers, HIV/AIDS infection in youths.—MNA



PM General Thein Sein and party on sightseeing tour of Tokyo

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov— Prime Minister General Thein Sein and party while in Tokyo of Japan traveled around Tokyo downtown and Tokyo Bay Oasis at 2.30 pm on 7 November.

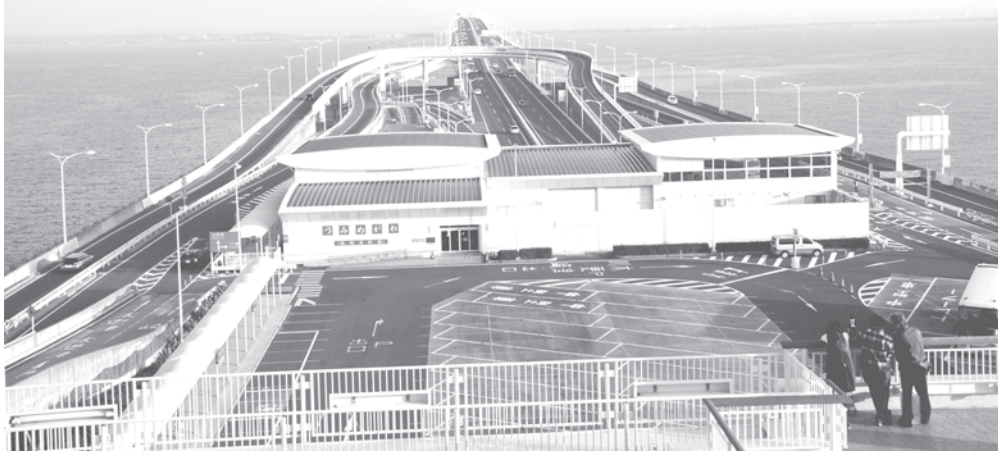
After touring Tokyo downtown in a motorcade, Prime Minister General Thein Sein and party were

welcomed by officials upon their arrival at Tokyo Bay Oasis from Aqua Line Tunnel and they were conducted around there.

Next, Prime Minister General Thein Sein and party studied the construction of Tokyo Bay Oasis and its environs and posed for a documentary photo.

Tokyo Bay Aqua Line Tunnel with the length of 15.5 kilometers can endure earthquake and it links Kanagawa with Chiba regions. It is connected with 9.5 kilometers long tunnel and 4.4 kilometers long bridge. It is the world's largest underwater tunnel.—MNA

Prime Minister General Thein Sein views Tokyo Bay Oasis in Tokyo.—MNA



PM General Thein Sein attends second day's session of First Mekong-Japan Summit

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov— Prime Minister General Thein Sein of the Union of Myanmar attended the second day's session of the First Mekong-Japan Summit held at the Office of Prime Minister in Tokyo of Japan on 7 November morning.

Present at the second day's session of the summit were Cambodian

Prime Minister Samdech Hun Sen, Japanese Prime Minister Mr Yukio Hatoyama, Laotian Prime Minister Mr Bouasone Bouphavanh, Thai Prime Minister Mr Abhisit Vejjajiva, Vietnamese Prime Minister Mr Nguyen Tan Dung, ministers, deputy ministers, and senior officials from Cambodia, Japan, Laos, Thailand and Vietnam.

Those present at the summit continued to discuss cooperative measures between Mekong region countries and Japan, Japan to host Mekong-Japan Summit every three years in the later period and Mekong-Japan Summit to be jointly held in the country where ASEAN Summit will be held in the remaining years.—MNA



Prime Minister General Thein Sein visits downtown Tokyo.—MNA

Deputy Energy Minister Brig-Gen Than Htay inspects the (b) level main petroleum shed.

ENERGY

Dy Energy Minister inspects oil fields and petroleum products distribution points

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay inspected Thagyitaung Oil Field of Myanma Oil and Gas Enterprise in Myaing Township, Magway Division, on 7 November.

The deputy minister heard the reports on the exploration of petroleum and natural gas presented by the manager and officials and gave necessary instructions.

Later, the deputy minister inspected ZJ 70 burrowing machine.

On arrival at Ayadaw

Oil Field, the deputy minister heard the reports on the production of petroleum and natural gas presented by the manager of Ayadaw Oil Field and officials, gave necessary instructions and fulfilled the needs.

On 8 November, the deputy minister inspected the (b) level main petroleum shed (Mandalay) of Myanma Petroleum Products Enterprise. After hearing the report presented by Manager U Khin Maung Win, the deputy minister gave necessary instructions.—MNA

KNU terrorists kill three passengers

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—Three innocent people were killed and another two wounded in KNU terrorist attack on a passenger boat on Thanlwin river in Kayin State this morning.

About 20 KNU terrorists fired small weapons at the boat from the bank at about 7.20 am after it left Tagaung Boe village. The security personnel on the boat returned fire. The boat "Saw Ohmma" of Inland Water Transport arrived in the village at 7.15

am.

The boat plying between Hpa-an, the capital of Kayin State, and Shwegoon village was on its way back to Hpa-an when the shooting took place.

The two wounded persons, not in serious condition, were rushed to Hpa-an Peoples' Hospital. Local authorities and officials concerned are providing assistance to them. Local Tatmadaw columns are in hot pursuit of the insurgents.—MNA



Ceremonies to mark formation of frontier forces...

(from page 16)

The process gives new strength to safeguarding the ongoing task of implementing regional development undertakings with

Tatmadaw in safeguarding the State. The frontier force is going to win centpercent reliance and support of the people if it serves the national defence duty with

force to be able to work with a sense of duty and raise their dignity by being loyal to the State and the people.

Similarly, the ceremonies to mark the formation of the frontier force held in Gangwin and Sinkyaing regions were

held as scheduled and after the ceremonies, the attendees posed for documentary photos and the local people performed the traditional cultural dances.

Likewise, ceremonies to mark the formation of the frontier force of Kayah State Special Region-2 (Ka-La-La-Ta) that had returned to the legal fold took place in Pantain and Sutpaing regions in Kayah State on 8 November. Chairman of Shan State Peace and Development Council Commander of Eastern Command Maj-Gen Yar Pyae addressed the ceremony held in Sutpaing and Kayah State PDC Chairman Brig-Gen Win Myint addressed the



Commander Maj-Gen Yar Pyae helps a member put on Tatmadaw insignia.—MNA

At the ceremonies, the State Flag was hoisted, the four oaths of a Tatmadawman taken, appointments of Tatmadaw

their duties of safeguarding the State by legally holding arms in order that eternal peace can be achieved in border regions.



Chairman of Kayah State PDC Brig-Gen Win Myint presents cash assistance at the ceremony to form the frontier force of Kayah State Special Region-2.—MNA

added momentum. The regional development undertakings is a result of peace.

pride lawfully bearing arms. So, he said, he was

attended by senior military officers of Northern Command, responsible persons



A member being helped put on Tatmadaw insignia at the ceremony to form the frontier force of Kachin State Special Region-1.—MNA

National unity will not be harmed if the frontier force joins the consolidated

grateful to the State leaders and wished members of all ranks of the frontier

of Kachin Special Region-1 and the local people totalling 550. The ceremony



Chairman of Kayah State PDC Brig-Gen Win Myint helps a member put on Tatmadaw insignia.—MNA

ceremony held in Pantain. The ceremonies were also attended by senior military officers of Eastern Command, state level departmental officials, U

ranks with badges made and the commander and officials grew trees to mark the ceremonies. Then they posed for documentary photos.

Members of the frontier forces will enjoy the same salary, rations and uniforms as a Tatmadawman provided by the State. Moreover, local national



U Za Khun Ting Ring makes speech at the ceremony to form the frontier force of Kachin State Special Region-1.—MNA



Members of the frontier force Kayah State Special Region-2 (Ka-La-La-Ta) taking an oath to be Tatmadawman.—MNA

Tun Kyaw and responsible persons of Kayah State Special Region-2 and the local people totalling 400.

It is learnt that the national race armed organizations feel delighted and proud of shouldering

race leaders and the people have accorded warm welcome to the formation of frontier forces. —MNA

Special Refresher Course No 36 for Basic Education Teachers opens



On behalf of Chairman of MEC Secretary-1 of SPDC General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein delivers an address at the opening of No. 36 Special Refresher Course for Basic Education Teachers.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov—The opening of No. 36 Special Refresher Course for Basic Education Teachers took place at Yadana hall of Central Institute of Civil Service (upper Myanmar) in PyinOoLwin, Mandalay Division yesterday morning.

On behalf of Chairman of the Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council General Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein delivered an address.

Also present on the occasion were Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint, Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe, Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Kyaw Thu, Deputy Minister for National Planning and Economic Development Col Thurein Zaw, Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay, Chairman of Mandalay City Development Committee Mayor Brig-Gen Phone Zaw Han, member of CSSTB U Kyaw Aung, departmental heads, rector, pro-rector, deans and trainees.

Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein made an opening speech on the occasion, saying that the government has laid down short-term and long-term education projects and with the aim of ensuring equitable development of all parts of the Union, the government is making efforts to develop human resources, effectively apply advanced communications and technologies, conduct research works for the state, enhance international level education and preserve national norms. The government recognizes teachers as noble persons who nurture students, the most important human resources, to be good citizens on whom the future State can rely in accord with the vision and plans of the State. By attending the special refresher courses teachers playing a leading role in the country will clearly come to know of prevailing conditions of the State, basic facts of history, future prospects and national visions, contributing much towards the students and the State. The government has laid down political, economic and social objectives for the emergence of an independent and sovereign nation.

Moreover, the government has facilitated basic structures for IT, international level research department, computer networks and electronic systems in all parts of the country for all-round development. Learning education opportunities have been provided not only in rural areas but also in remote areas. By grasping these opportunities effectively, rural areas will make progress at the same time. The government is making efforts for the emergence of all-round developed nation in line with ongoing seven-step Road Map of the State. Teachers are to cooperate in implementing seven-step Road Map to be realized so that the country will emerge a peaceful modern developed discipline-flourishing democratic one. The minister urges the teachers to clearly come to know and study the government's efforts to undertake ongoing seven-step Road Map of the State for the emergence of a new future nation.

A total of 1308 trainees from basic education schools are attending the 5-week course.

MNA

Vinegars a possible risk to kids

CHARLOTTESVILLE, 10 Nov — The Environmental Health Sciences organization said on Monday that US children could be at risk by consuming certain vinegars containing lead. The journalism organization said on its Environmental Health News Web site that, according to a new analysis, lead found in balsamic and other red wine vinegars could significantly increase a child's lead level.

Levels of the potent neurotoxin in a child could be raised by more than 30 percent if the child consumes a tablespoon daily of those vinegars, Environmental Health Sciences said. Unidentified vinegar industry representatives insist their products are safe to consume, pointing out that lead can be found in a variety of food products.

Scientific studies indicate that a child can experience learning disorders or a diminished IQ from having low levels of lead in the body. Increased lead levels in adults have been known to impact individuals' cardiovascular and immune systems, along with their kidneys. Environmental Health Services said a list of vinegars with lower lead levels is available on environmentalhealthnews.org.—Internet

Tobacco Kills

Dolphins blamed for dead porpoises

SALINAS, 10 Nov — Bottlenose dolphins are likely responsible for the growing number of dead porpoises appearing on California beaches, marine biologists said.

Daniela Maldini, chief scientist with the Okeanis conservation group, said her group shot footage in September of a porpoise being attacked by a group of dolphins, KTVU-TV, Oakland, Calif, reported.

"We saw severe beatings," Maldini said. "It was a mob of dolphins."

The severity of the wildlife attack would explain the broken bones and internal bleeding suffered by other dead porpoises found on the

state's beaches in recent years.

A University of California, Santa Cruz, professor of ecology and evolutionary biology said while dolphins are traditionally seen as peaceful animals, the marine mammals can actually turn hostile in the wild.

"Everybody thinks Flipper is this nice, mellow animal," UC-Santa Cruz professor Dan Costa said. "In the wild, there's interactions that occur and not all of them are friendly."

KTVU said, according to scientists, nearly 74 dead porpoises were found in California in 2008 alone.

Internet

Fresno, Calif, air a lung patient risk

SAN FRANCISCO, 10 Nov — Air pollution is a major health risk for patients in Fresno, Calif, who suffer from chronic lung diseases, US researchers said. Researchers at the University of California, San Francisco, compared the weekly rates of those admitted to a hospital emergency room with asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease with air pollution indices for corresponding weeks.

There were 1,184 emergency room visits in total — 60 percent by female patients. Of the total emergency room visits, 79 percent of patients were admitted and 2 percent were intensive care unit admissions.—Internet

S Korea reports 4 more death cases related to A/H1N1

SEOUL, 10 Nov — South Korea on Tuesday reported four more death cases related to A/H1N1 flu, raising the country's death toll from the new contagious disease to 52.

According to the Ministry for Health, Welfare and Family Affairs, the victims include a 79-year-old man and two women aged 76 and 56 respectively, all of whom are regarded as "high-risk" patients, and a 25-year-old woman who is not categorized as a "high-risk" patient.

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Gunmen kidnap three workers in southern Philippines

MANILA, 10 Nov—Gunmen in camouflage stormed a plywood factory and abducted three workers on Tuesday, a day after suspected Muslim militants beheaded a kidnapped schoolteacher on a nearby southern Philippine island, officials said.

About 20 assailants broke through a wooden fence and took away three men from the factory in coastal Maluso town on Basilan Island, military spokesman Maj David

Hontiveros said.

The latest abductions in the restive southern region, where al-Qaeda-linked Abu Sayyaf militants have evaded US-backed Philippine offensives, came as the military promised a swift retaliation for the beheading of a teacher whose family failed to raise ransom money on Jolo Island.

The severed head of Gabriel Canizares, 36, was left in a bag at a Jolo town gas station on Monday, three weeks after suspected Abu Sayyaf mili-

tants stopped a passenger minibus and dragged him away in front of his colleagues.

Hontiveros refused to say if the Abu Sayyaf also was suspected in the Basilan attack. The kidnapers and hostages, including two factory managers, were moving on foot and authorities were tracking them, said Basilan Vice Gov Al Rasheed Sakalahul. He suspected ransom was the motive for the attack.

Xinhua

Study uncovers new fact of coral spawning

MELBOURNE, 10 Nov—US scientists say they have determined why corals spawn for just a few nights in some locations, but elsewhere the spawning continues for several months.

It's long been known corals synchronize their release of eggs and sperm into the water, but scientists were unsure how and why they did so.

Florida Institute of Technology Professor Robert

van Woesik says he's determined corals spawn when regional wind fields are light. When it is calm the eggs and sperm have the best chance to unite before they are dispersed.

Corals off the coast of Kenya have months of light winds so they can reproduce for much of the year, Woesik said. On the Great Barrier Reef in Australia, calm weather is short-lived and the coral

reproductive season is brief.

Woesik said his findings are critically important for effective reef conservation.

"Coral reproduction is a very local event," Woesik said. "This means local conservation efforts will maximize reproductive success and give reef systems a chance to adapt to global climate change."

Xinhua

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Death toll from Astana warehouse fire rises to 14

ALMATY, 10 Nov—A fire that broke out in the suburbs of Kazakh capital Astana killed 14 people on Monday evening, the *Interfax news agency* reported.

The blaze occurred at a plastic foam warehouse at around 5:00 pm local time (1200 GMT), with a strong smell spreading all over the city.

Zhumabai Yeskendiroy, head of Astana's emergency situations department, told reporters that "the builders themselves can't say for sure how many people were inside the warehouse when the fire broke out."

According to a firefighter, at least 20 people were inside the warehouse when it caught fire.

Yeskendiroy also said one survivor was rescued from the fire, and the search work for the missing people was continuing.

The fire, having already been contained, set some 8,000 square meters of the warehouse ablaze.

Twenty-five fire engines were deployed in putting out the fire. Firefighters at the scene were recovering the victims' bodies.

Xinhua



WHO Director-General Margaret Chan holds a copy of the "Women and Health" report during a news conference at the World Health Organization (WHO) headquarters in Geneva on 9 Nov, 2009.—XINHUA

WHO calls for women's healthcare reform

GENEVA, 10 Nov—The World Health Organization (WHO) called for girls' and women's healthcare reform on Monday in Geneva.

A WHO report titled "Women and health: today's evidence tomorrow's agenda" used current data to track the disparities in female health from newborns to adults over 60 years of age.

"If women are denied a chance to develop their full human potential, including their potential to lead healthier and at least somewhat happier lives, is society as a whole really healthy?" asked WHO Director-general Dr Margaret Chan.

The report states that while women compose the bulk of health care providers, their own health needs often go unmet in the areas of sexual violence, cervical cancer screening and mental health. In addition, lower socio-economic status, which translates to lack of access to education, decision-making and income, limits women's ability to protect their own health, the study said.

"We will not see significant progress as long as women are regarded as second-class citizens in so many parts of the world," Dr Chan said, adding that "these unequal power relations translate into unequal access to health care and unequal control over health resources."—Xinhua



Firefighters work at the site of bus collision in Manhattan of New York, the United States, on 9 Nov, 2009. The collision left at least 10 people injured.

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Safin lives to fight another day - just

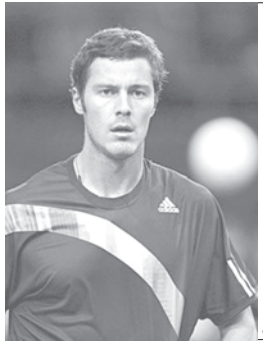
PARIS, 10 Nov—Russia's former world number one Marat Safin saved three match points here on Monday to prolong his career for a little longer.

The 29-year-old two-time Grand Slam winner eventually prevailed over Frenchman Thierry Ascione 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 (7/3).

Safin - who is playing in his last tournament before retiring - will next play Argentina's US Open champion Juan Martin Del Potro.

"Do you really believe that I am going to beat him (del Potro)?" said Safin, who powered down 24 aces, three of which saved the match points.

"I think the level he is playing at the moment that I have no chance. "But I will try and give him a good match," added Safin, who has won here three times the last time back in 2004.—INTERNET



Russian Marat Safin reacts after a point against French Thierry Ascione during their ATP Paris Indoor Master Tournament tennis match at the Palais Omnisport de Bercy in Paris. Safin saved three match points here on Monday to prolong his career for a little longer.—INTERNET

Football star Rooney warned over referee criticism

LONDON, 10 Nov—Wayne Rooney has been warned about his future conduct following a remark the striker made to television cameras after Manchester United's defeat by Chelsea, the Football Association said on Monday.

Rooney appeared to mouth "12 men" to the cameras following Premier League champions United's 1-0 loss to leaders Chelsea at Stamford Bridge on Sunday, a remark implying referee Martin Atkinson had been biased in favour of the Blues.

An FA spokesman said Monday: "Wayne Rooney has been warned as to his future conduct following remarks made yesterday (Sunday)."

After the match, United manager Sir Alex Ferguson followed up the England striker's comment with some pointed remarks about Atkinson, particularly in relation to the official's decision to award a 76th minute free-kick that led to Chelsea's winner, scored by Blues captain John Terry.—INTERNET



Cameroon's (Indomitable Lions) national football team attend a training session in September. Cameroon football supporters were contemplating the unthinkable just two months ago - a second consecutive World Cup without their national team, but former France defender Paul Le Guen could change all that.—INTERNET

Liverpool tie 2-2 with Birmingham City with controversial penalty

LONDON, 10 Nov—Liverpool drew 2-2 with Birmingham City at Anfield on Monday. But the one point is far less satisfying as they are 11 points behind Premier League leaders Chelsea.

With the absence of star striker Fernando Torres due to a groin injury, David Ngog became the saver of Liverpool who had lost six out of their last eight games this season. The French forward gave the Reds an early lead by volleying home in the 13th minute before he earned a penalty when his side trailed 2-1.

Ngog fell in the 70th minute after Lee Carsley reached his right leg. Although there seemed no body contact between the two players, the referee stoutly awarded a penalty kick for the hosts. Then the visitors' furious protest could not discourage Liverpool captain Steven Gerrard to slot in the equalizer.

Christian Benitez headed for Birmingham City on 26 minutes before Cameron Jerome's unexpected long shot before half-time gave the visitors



Wayne Rooney



Liverpool's Spanish coach Rafael Benitez who has refused to concede that the Premiership title is out of his side's reach despite being 11 points adrift of leaders Chelsea following a 2-2 draw with Birmingham.

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a lead. The half-fit Gerrard was forced to join the match from bench before the break as Albert Riera got hamstring problem. Rafa Benitez's side suffered more when Israeli mid Yossi Benayoun lamed out of the pitch in the 77th minute.

Xinhua

Ashley Cole set for more time out injured

LONDON, 10 Nov—Chelsea and England left-back Ashley Cole could be out for up to three more weeks with the leg injury that has ruled him out of this Saturday's international friendly against Brazil in Qatar.

Cole has been diagnosed with a depressed fracture of the tibia after aggravating the injury before Sunday's 1-0 home win over Manchester United - a victory that left Premier League leaders Chelsea five points in front of the reigning champions.

Full-back Cole missed three games after sustaining the injury in the Blues'

4-0 Champions League win against Atletico Madrid last month at Stamford Bridge.

He came back against Madrid in the return Group D game last week but required an injection in order to play against United.

Cole was left out of the England squad unveiled by Capello on Sunday, with Stephen Warnock of Aston Villa taking his place.—INTERNET



Chelsea and England left-back Ashley Cole

Seedorf backs Beckham to boost Milan

LONDON, 10 Nov—AC Milan midfielder Clarence Seedorf expects David Beckham's return to the club to be a boon for both the Italian giants and the England star.

Beckham last week agreed a second six-month loan spell with the Rossoneri, starting in January, as the free-kick specialist tries to earn a place in England's squad for next year's World Cup finals in South Africa.

A similar short-term deal last season rejuvenated the international prospects of Beckham, now a United States-based player with the LA Galaxy,

under England manager Fabio Capello, the former Milan boss. Dutch international Seedorf believes former Manchester United midfielder Beckham's desire to play in another World Cup will work to Milan's advantage.

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AC Milan midfielder Clarence Seedorf

British bank Lloyds says to cut 5,000 jobs

LONDON, 10 Nov— Britain's state-controlled Lloyds Banking Group is to cut 5,000 roles by the end of 2010, it said on Tuesday, confirming earlier media reports.

"LBG is announcing today a number of changes within its group operations, insurance and retail divisions," the company said in a statement.

"These changes mean that the total number of affected roles by the end of 2010 is expected to be about 5,000." Lloyds said it hoped to focus on cutting

temporary staff, contractors and offshore workers, while redeploying some British personnel.

"Taking these mitigating actions into account means there will be a net reduction of about 2,600 permanent jobs across the UK by the end of 2010," it added.

The British government has a 43-percent stake in Lloyds Banking Group after bailing out the company in the wake of the fierce global financial crisis.

Xinhua

Three killed, six hurt in US drive-by shooting

WASHINGTON, 10 Nov—Three people were killed and six others were wounded in a drive-by shooting in Walterboro, a small town in South Carolina, Monday night, authorities said on Tuesday.

Police said the suspect was probably driving a black BMW car and opened fire at a house on McDaniel Street in Walterboro, Colleton County, SC.

Three killed victims included two adults and a 20-month-old toddler, according to Colleton County Coroner's Office. It's not clear if the victims were related. There has been no reports of the conditions of those wounded or any arrests have been made.

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MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (11-11-2009) (Wednesday)

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

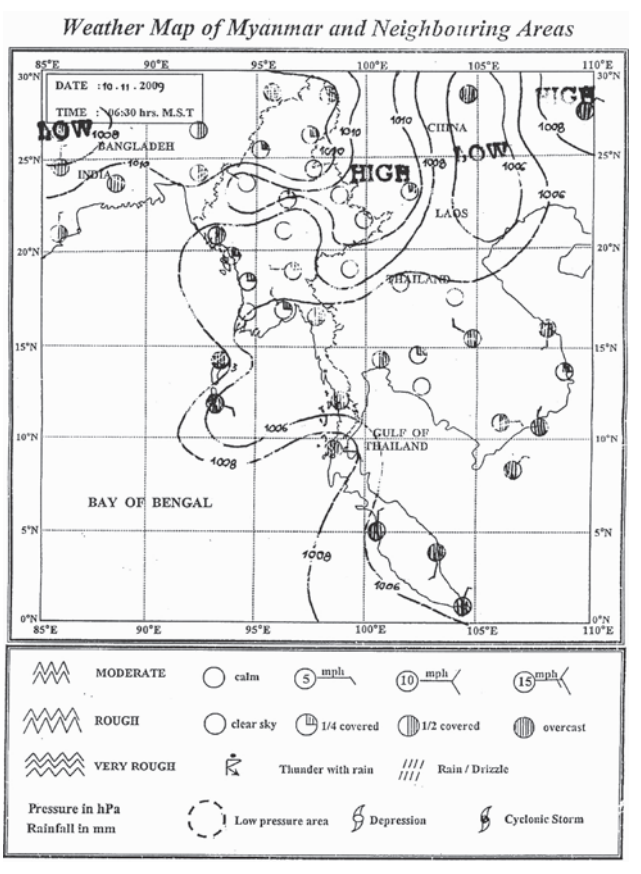
Local Transmission

- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Bagan, Our Pride and Glory of the Past
- * Pleasant Inkyin Park
- * Myanmar As Told By History
- * National Dance
- * Myanma Traditional Gold Leaf Works
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- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * Smogless sky, Enchanting Smiles (Nyaung Shwe, Southern Shan State)
- * Mandalay and its popular Snack
- * Culture Stage
- * Myanmar Proverbs "The Higher the Water, the more graceful"
- * Mother of Pearl Arts and Handicrafts
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * National Races Village (Kachin, Kayah, Kayin)
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm



WEATHER

Tuesday, 10th November, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.

During the past 24 hours, except for rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Yangon Division and weather has been partly cloudy in the whole country. Night temperatures were (3°C) below November average temperatures in lower Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions, (6°C) below November average temperatures in upper Sagaing Division, (7°C) below November average temperatures in Shan State, (4°C) above November average temperatures in Mon State, (5°C) above November average temperatures in Kayah State and about November average temperatures in the remaining States and Divisions. The significant night temperature were Loilem (3°C), Lashio (7°C) and Namsang (8°C). The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded was Coco Island (0.12)inch.

Maximum temperature on 9-11-2009 was 97°F. Minimum temperature on 10-11-2009 was 69°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 10 -11-2009 was 66%. Total sun shine hours on 9-11-2009 was (10.1) hours approx.

Rainfall on 10-11-2009 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 (4) mph from North at (13:30) hours MST on 9-11-2009.

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

Forecast valid until evening of 11th November 2009: Rain or thundershowers are likely to be isolated in Kachin and Shan States, Taninthayi Division and weather will be generally fair in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers in the Eastern Myanmar areas.

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

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 11-11-2009: Partly cloudy.

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



Wednesday, 11 November View on today

- 7:00 am
 1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရား ကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော်
- 7:10 am
 2. အောင်တော်မူ (စောမင်းနောင်စိုင်းညိုမင်း၊ တေးရေး- ဗိုလ်ကလေးတင့်အောင်)
- 7:25 am
 3. To Be Healthy Exercise

- 7:30 am
 4. Morning News
- 7:40 am
 5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 7:50 am
 6. မြူးမြူးကြွကြွယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက
- 8:00 am
 7. အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 8:10 am
 8. Musical Programme
- 8:25 am
 9. အမျိုးသားနေ့တေးများ
- 8:40 am
 10. International News
- 8:45 am
 11. "ငှက်တစ်သောင်း"
- 4:00 pm
 1. Martial Song
- 4:10 pm
 2. Dance Of National Races
- 4:20 pm
 3. Classical Songs

- 4:35 pm
 4. နိုင်ငံစီးပွားအလေးထား ကျေးလက်ထုတ်ကုန်များ
- 4:50 pm
 5. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ ပထမနှစ် (မြန်မာစာ အထူးပြု) (မြန်မာစာ)
- 5:05 pm
 6. Songs to Uphold National Spirit
- 5:10 pm
 7. Musical Programmê
- 5:25 pm
 8. ရှုဖွယ်စုံလင်အာဆီယံအစီအစဉ်
- 5:30 pm
 9. အမျိုးသားနေ့တေးများ
- 5:40 pm
 10. စုပေါင်းသံရှင်ရွေးချယ်ပွဲ
- 6:00 pm
 11. Evening News

- 6:15 pm
 12. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm
 13. မြန်မာ့ဓလေ့ရိုးရာလက်ဝှေ့
- 6:35 pm
 14. ထက်မြက်ပျော်ရွှင် အိမ်ထောင်ရှင်
- 7:00 pm
 15. ရသပေါ်လွင် သရုပ်ဆောင်လွင်ပြင်
- 7:30 pm
 16. ဝတ်မှုတ်တေးဂီတဖျော်ဖြေခန်း
- 8:00 pm
 17. News
- 18. International News
- 19. Weather Report
- 20. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မြူးမြူးဝေဝေချစ်သက်တည်" (တတိယတွဲ) (အပိုင်း- ၂၁)
- 21. "မြတ်မျိုးမြင့်မှန်" (ပြေတီဦး၊မေစန္ဒာစိုးညွန့်၊) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ဟန်မြင့်)

- ★ 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

Ceremonies to mark formation of frontier forces held

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Nov.—Arrangements have been made for nationality groups that returned to the legal fold to transform themselves into frontier forces legally holding arms. The frontier force of Kachin State Special Region 1 (NDAK) was organized in Gangwin, Lupi and Sinkyaing regions on 8 November.

Present at the ceremony to organize the frontier force in Lupi were Chairman of Kachin State Peace and Development Council Commander of Northern Command Maj-Gen Soe Win, Director of People's Militia and Frontier Forces of the Ministry of Defence Maj-Gen

Maung Maung Ohn, senior military officers of the command, leader of the Special Region 1 U Za Khun Ting Ring and local people totalling 450.

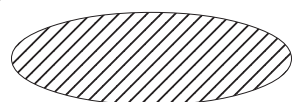
At the ceremony, the State flags were hoisted at the places where new frontier forces would be stationed, members of the frontier force took the four oaths of servicemen and appointments for military positions and duty assignments were made. Commander Maj-Gen Soe Win, Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn and U Za Khun Ting Ring made speeches.

In his speech, U Za Khun Ting Ring said, today

is the milestone of national races living in weal or woe since time immemorial in Myanmar marking an auspicious day on which a significant change in history takes place.

The armed personnel of the Special Region have been successfully transformed into a frontier force always safeguarding Our Three Main National Causes—non-disintegration of the Union; non-disintegration of national unity; and perpetuation of sovereignty -- with lofty aims.

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*State Flag is hoisted
at the ceremony to
launch the frontier
force of Kachin*

*State Special Region
(1) (NDAK) in Lupi
region, Kachin*

State.

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