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Myanmar Broilers Entrepreneurs Association holds 2nd AGM

YANGON, 9 Dec—The Myanmar Broilers Entrepreneurs Association of the Myanmar Livestock Breeding Federation held its second annual general meeting at Myanmar Fisheries Federation in Insein Township here this afternoon.

It was attended by Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint, heads of department, chairmen, vice-chairmen and executives of the Myanmar Livestock Breeding Federation and its

congenial associations.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe delivered an introductory speech.

Those responsible presented work progress. The secretary of the association read out the annual financial statement for approval.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe awarded outstanding persons.

The commander accepted the donations of the well-wishers and presented them certificates of honour.

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Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquility, 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

Dahseik river water pumping project in Langkho Township for regional development

Article: Nyein Aung; Photos: Zaw Min Tun

Langkho District, one of the districts in Shan State (South), is proud of itself for possession of cool weather and pleasant and scenic plains and mountain ranges. The long Thanlwin River across Kayah State flows through Langkho and Homein. And then it continues to flow round the Langkho District. The Langkho District is situated to the east from Taunggyi District and to the south from Loilem District.

Originally, the Langkho District was located in Loilem District. On 2 August 2004, it was divided into Loilem District and Langkho District. Homain of Mongpan Township of Langkho District was reconstituted in Langkho Township in 2005.

The creeks near Homein, branching off from Thanlwin River greatly contribute to greening of Langkho District. Sharing border with Kayah State and Thailand, Langkho District consists of Langkho,

Maukmai, Mognai and Mongpan Townships. With the population of over 100,000, the district is formed with six towns, 34 wards, 48 village tracts and 667 villages. The main livelihood of the local inhabitants is agriculture.

Dahseik river water pumping project stands at Dahseik Village. We got there after travelling along Mongpan-Langkho Road.

The project sufficiently supplies surrounding villages with water for agriculture.

The villages of Langkho and Mongpan Townships enjoy water supply for agriculture, thereby growing monsoon paddy, summer paddy and edible oil crops to meet targeted acreage.

In addition to monsoon and summer paddy, groundnut and sunflower were cultivated as main crops.

Land reclamation was carried out not only on plain regions but also on hilly regions. So, Langkho and the
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Dahseik river water pumping project in Dahseik Village, Langkho Township of Shan State (South) supplying water for agriculture.

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Let's collectively eliminate mankind's enemy

In reality, a developing nation like Myanmar does not have the means and capacity to produce precursor chemicals.

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PERSPECTIVES

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Do more research and apply research findings in major economic sectors

As Myanmar is a country rich in natural resources, the government is taking steps for long-term use of agricultural, aquatic and forest resources necessary for national development.

In our drive for development of national economy, food security and export of food surpluses, special emphasis should be placed on increased production of food, market development, increased participation of the private sector and modernization of local and foreign trade industries.

To be able to do research on the agriculture, meat and fish and forest sectors, a firm and secure national agricultural research system should be established. Only then will researchers, educators, farmers and all those involved in all production processes be able to coordinate their work and use research findings effectively and agricultural, meat and fish and forest products will be in surplus.

Efforts will have to be made in order that the agriculture, forest, livestock breeding and fisheries sectors, major economic sectors of the nation, will be able to ensure national food security and employ advanced technologies effectively in producing safe and hygienic foods.

Research seminars should be held regularly and, if research findings thoroughly discussed at these seminars are applied in the agriculture, meat and fish and forest sectors, it will contribute a lot to national economic development.

UMFCCI President leaves for Japan

YANGON, 9 Dec—Under the programme of 21st Century Opinion Leader Invitation Program organized by Japanese government, President U Win Myint of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry left for Japan by air on 7 December.

He was seen off by Vice-President U Zaw Min Win and U Aung Lwin of UMFCCI, Secretary Gen-

eral Dr Maung Maung Lay and officials at Yangon International Airport.

The president of UMFCCI will discuss with officials from Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan, Hiroshima Province government, JETRO, JCCI, AOTS, Japan ASEAN Center, Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry.

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Patron of MWF Daw Mya Theingi presents third prize to the Insein Township representative.—MNA

YANGON, 8 Dec—Organized by Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation, World AIDS Day 2009 Commemorative Ceremony was held at the meeting hall of MWF office on Thanlwin road in Bahan Township here this morning. It was attended by the director-general of Medical Research Department under the Ministry of Health,

President U Win Myint of UMFCCI seen at the airport before departure for Japan.—MNA

People's Desire

- * Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- * Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- * Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- * Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

Myanmar win two gold, two silver and bronze in SEA Games

YANGON, 9 Dec—The XXV SEA Games was opened today. Myanmar women's Sepak Takraw team won a gold medal for the country. At the events, Myanmar women's team stood first with 690 points, Vietnam second with 650 and the Philippines shared third place with Indonesia.

Myanmar men's Sepak Takraw team won one silver medal. Ya Min Kay Khine won one gold in women's singles Taekwondo from the Poomsae (pattern) event, and San Shein Thet won



San Shein Thet wins a silver medal in Poomsae (pattern) event.—MNA



Ya Min Kay Khine with her gold medal.—MNA

one silver medal in men's Singles Taekwondo from the Poomsae (pattern) event. Thaw Zin Han and

Ma Chaw Kahlyar Win won one bronze in Poomsae events. Today, Myanmar

Sports has won two gold, two silver and one bronze in the respective events.

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MWAF marks World AIDS Day 2009



the patron, the president and CEC members of MWAF, CEC members of Maternal Child Welfare Association, the chairperson and members of Yangon Division WAO, responsible persons from UN Agencies and guests.

Director-General Daw Khin Pyone Kyi of Medical Research Department extended meetings and President of MWAF Professor Dr Myint Kyi delivered an address.

Next, Patron of MWAF Daw Mya Theingi awarded first prize winner Kyimyindine Township, second South Okkalapa Township and third Insein Township for educative activities for combating AIDS. Chief of UNICEF (Myanmar) Health and Nutrition Section Dr Osamu Kunii presented special prizes to Kayan and Shwepyitha Townships and Country Coordinator Dr Sun Gang of UNAIDS (Myanmar) to Kyauktan and Botahtaung Townships.—MNA

Some of the deadliest attacks in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 9 Dec — Some of the deadliest militant attacks in Iraq since the US-led invasion in March 2003:

- 2 March, 2004 — Coordinated blasts from suicide bombers, mortars and planted explosives strike Shiite Muslim shrines in Karbala and in Baghdad, killing at least 181 people.
- 14 Sept, 2005 — More than a dozen coordinated bombings rip through Baghdad, killing 178 people.
- 23 Nov, 2006 — Mortar rounds and five car bombs kill 215 people in Baghdad's Shiite neighbourhood of Sadr City.
- 3 Feb, 2007 — A suicide truck bomber at a mar-

ket in a predominantly Shiite area of Baghdad kills 137.

- 18 April, 2007 — At least 183 are killed when four large bombs explode in mainly Shiite locations of Baghdad.
- 7 July, 2007 — A suicide truck bomb kills 160 in a Turkomen village south of Kirkuk.
- 14 Aug, 2007 — Four suicide truck bombs detonate simultaneously in the small village of Qahataniya, killing more than 500 Yazidis, a Kurdish-speaking sect and religious minority.
- 19 Aug, 2009 — Suicide bombers hit the Finance and Foreign ministries, killing more than 100 people.
- 25 Oct, 2009 — Two powerful car bombs explode in downtown Baghdad, killing at least 155 people in an apparent attempt to target the fragile city's government offices.
- 8 Dec, 2009 — A series of coordinated attacks strike Baghdad, killing at least 127.



A wounded teacher is rushed to the hospital after a bomb exploded outside a Baghdad elementary school in the Shiite enclave of Sadr City, Baghdad, Iraq, on 7 Dec, 2009.—INTERNET

Afghan gov't says NATO attack killed six civilians

KABUL, 9 Dec—The Afghan government said NATO forces killed six civilians during a pre-dawn operation on Tuesday in eastern Afghanistan. NATO disputed the allegation, saying only militants died.

Hundreds of people marched on the provincial capital to protest the raid, and an official said one demonstrator died on Tuesday in clashes with police.

International forces have pledged to avoid civilian deaths in recent months, but insurgents often live among villagers making them vulnerable during night time raids.

Some Afghans have expressed fear that the 30,000 additional US troops slated to start arriving in days will result in more violence and civilian casualties.

US Defence Secretary Robert Gates promised Afghans during a visit to the country on Tuesday that the US will do all it can to keep civilians out of the line of fire.

"Our top priority remains the safety of civilians," he said at a joint Press conference with Afghan President Hamid Karzai.

Xinhua

Smoke billows following an explosion in the Iraqi capital Baghdad on 8 December. Five powerful car bombs rocked Baghdad on Tuesday, killing at least 62 people, many of them students, wounding 105 and shattering a month of calm in the capital ahead of a general election.—INTERNET



Internet

Eleven Taliban militants killed as massive operation continues in S Afghanistan

KANDAHAR, 9 Dec—As the joint US and Afghan military operation entered its fifth day, 11 Taliban militants were killed in a single day Tuesday in the troubled Helmand Province, Commander of Af-

ghan forces in southern region said. "During cleanup operation in Nawzad District 11 rebels have been killed since early morning today," General Shir Mohammad Zazai told Xinhua. Five more militants were wounded and four others have been arrested, he added.

He also stressed that there were no causality on the troops. Two heavy guns, tens of assault rifles, over 200 mines and some 100 kg of explosive material have been recovered from Taliban hideouts, Zazai contended.

Xinhua

Invasion of US and allies kills, injures Iraqi people

BAGHDAD, 9 Dec—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 9 December reached 699664 and the total number of serious injured people reached 1262864, according to the news on the Internet.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Death toll of Iraqi people	699664
2.	The total number of seriously injured people	1262864

Internet



A man stands next to his son, who was wounded in a bomb attack, in a hospital in Baghdad, on 7 December, 2009. Seven children were killed and 42 others were wounded in a Shi'ite district of Baghdad on Monday when a bomb exploded in their schoolyard, police said.—INTERNET

An Afghan girl grimaces while placing a bucket of water on her head at a water pump in Kabul in November.

INTERNET



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

KABUL, 9 Dec—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 32381 Afghan people were killed and 38083 injured seriously as from the day the NATO troops led by the US invaded Afghanistan to 9 December.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Number of Afghan people killed	32381
2.	Seriously injured Afghan people	38083

Internet

Millions in US drink dirty water

NEW YORK, 9 Dec— Millions of people drink dirty water in the United States due to the flawed water treatment system, *The New York Times* reported on Tuesday.

“More than 20 percent of the nation’s water treatment systems have violated key provisions of the Safe Drinking Water Act over the last five years,” according to *The New York Times* report, citing US federal data available on the paper’s website.

US law requires communities to deliver safe tap water to local residents. But since 2004, the water provided to more than 49 million people has contained “illegal concentrations of chemicals” like arsenic or radioactive substances like uranium, as well as dangerous bacteria often found in sewage, says the report.

“Regulatory records show that fewer than 6 percent of the water systems that broke the law were ever fined or punished by state or federal officials,” says the report, adding these include those at the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), which has ultimate responsibility for enforcing standards.

MNA/Xinhua



A view of the Monetary Authority of Singapore headquarters in the city state. Private-sector economists in the tiny south east Asian nation have tipped an average 5.5 percent economic growth for 2010, beating official forecasts of 3-5 percent, the central bank has said.—INTERNET

Student opens fire in Va classroom; no injuries

WOODBIDGE, 9 Dec—A 20-year-old student opened fire in a community college classroom, but did not hit anyone and was arrested in a hallway, police said on Tuesday.

No injuries were reported following the afternoon shooting at Northern Virginia Community College’s campus in Woodbridge, about 25 miles south of Washington, DC.

Jason Michael Hamilton, 20, of Manassas was later charged with attempted murder and discharging a firearm in a school zone and was being held without bond. Whether Hamilton had hired an attorney was not immediately clear.—Internet



Construction workers are seen in central Seoul, the South Korean capital. South Korean firm STX has said it has signed a 10-billion-dollar deal to build 200,000 homes in Ghana over the next six years.—INTERNET

Russia to develop advanced missile systems by 2016

MOSCOW, 9 Dec—Russia will complete the development of advanced missile systems by 2016, the commander of Russia’s Strategic Missile Forces (SMF) said on Tuesday.

“The future missile group will consist of two components — standby stationary missile systems with a high level of combat readiness and long-endurance missile systems,” Commander Andrei Shvaichenko said at a conference marking the 50th anniversary of the SMF.

Shvaichenko said the SMF would commission advanced missile systems while keeping the existing systems operational until their extended service life expires.

“By the end of 2016, the missile systems with extended service life will account for no more than 20 percent of the total, while the share of new missile systems will be about 80 percent,” Shvaichenko said.

Silo-based missiles constitute 45 percent of Russia’s total ballistic missile arsenal, but they carry about 85 percent of nuclear warheads deployed by the SMF, he said.—Xinhua

Illicit drug trade threatens world security

UNITED NATIONS, 9 Dec—United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on Tuesday denounced drug trafficking as a leading threat to international peace and security at the opening of a Security Council session here.

“Drug trafficking does not respect borders,” he said. “Most of all it does not respect people.”

Burkina Faso, which presides over the 15-nation Council for the month of December, organized the open debate to raise awareness of the challenge posed by increasing illicit cross-border and cross-regional drug trafficking.—Xinhua

Peru army plans arms purchase, tests Chinese tanks

LIMA, 9 Dec—Peru’s military is close to a deal to buy tanks from China, the Defence Minister said on Tuesday.

Rafael Rey told *The Associated Press* that the army is testing MBT-2000 tanks brought from China, but wants a better-equipped model of the tank. Peru showed the tanks in a parade on Tuesday.

Rey didn’t say how many tanks Peru would

buy. The Lima newspaper *La Republica* reported that it plans to buy 80 to 120 tanks and has evaluated Chinese, German, Russian, Ukrainian and Polish models.

The Defence Minister later told RPP radio that Peru is also planning to look at navy and air force purchases as well.

A military commission recommended that Peru buy Brazilian *Super*

Tucano fighter planes. “These planes are very simple to operate but have advanced technology,” Rey said.

Peru President Alan Garcia has pushed for a disarmament pact in South America as weapons purchases in Venezuela, Brazil and Chile and a US military expansion in Colombia fuels a budding arms race.

Internet



In this photo released by Andina Agency, soldiers wait on their tanks before a military parade in Lima, on 8 Dec, 2009.

INTERNET



Two girls check the prices for overseas tours at the China International Travel Service Co Ltd in Beijing on Tuesday. Tours are selling well as the New Year approaches, tourism agencies said. —XINHUA

Mercosur Summit ends without agreement on regional trade, pushes for FTA with EU

MONTEVIDEO, 9 Dec—The Common Market of the South (Mercosur) summit finished on Tuesday with few results achieved on regional trade issues but with vows to push for a free trade agreement with the European Union (EU).
At the 38th Summit of Mercosur, member countries of the bloc, formed by Argentina, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay, failed to reach a consensus on the elimination of the current double charge

of the common external tariff (AEC). This means that any product that enters any member country of the trade block must be subjected to another tariff if it is transferred to another member country.
However, Argentine President Cristina Fernandez, who now holds the rotatory presidency of Mercosur, said during the summit that she would relaunch the negotiations with the EU to reach a commercial agreement.

The bloc also issued a statement condemning the elections held on 29 Nov in Honduras, as it considered them “illegitimate” for having been held under a de facto government.
Meanwhile, the bloc hailed the recent elections held in Bolivia and Uruguay: Bolivian President Evo Morales was reelected, and Jose Mujica won Uruguay’s presidency.

Xinhua

British industrial and manufacturing production both flat for October

LONDON, 9 Dec—Official figures released on Tuesday show that industrial production and manufacturing production in the UK were both flat for October.

The figures from the Office for National Statistics, the government’s statistical arm, said industrial production in Great Britain was unchanged in October from the previous month. However, compared to the same month last year, production fell 8.4 percent. Economists had forecast a 0.4 percent monthly rise and a 7.7 percent year-on-year decline.

Manufacturing output was also flat in October, recording a 7.8 percent fall from the level seen in October 2008. Economists had forecast a 0.4 percent monthly rise and a 7.2 percent annual fall.

Xinhua

A man walks in a flooded street at a fruit market in Sao Paulo on 8 Dec, 2009. Heavy rain fell through the night causing the two main rivers crossing Sao Paulo to overflow their banks in several places, blocking main roads and killing six people who died after being buried by mudslides, local media reported on Tuesday.

XINHUA



Construction of International Airport in Nepal’s Pokhara inaugurated

KATHMANDU, 9 Dec—Nepali Minister for Tourism and Civil Aviation Sharad Singh Bhandari inaugurated the construction work of an international airport in Pokhara city, 200 km west of the capital Kathmandu, local media reported on Wednesday.

“The preliminary survey and the grading work would be completed with 1.5 million rupees (around 20,200 US dollars). Up to 50 million rupees (around 675,600 US dollars) will be spent on the construction of the airport.”

Bhandari said at the inauguration ceremony on Tuesday, quoted by the local newspaper *Himalayan Times*.

According to the *Himalayan Times*, the Nepali government had allocated 106 ropanis (around 5.6 hectare) of land for the airport some 34 years back.

The airport is being constructed as an alternative to the Tribhuvan International Airport in Kathmandu.

Xinhua

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Contestants compete during a Maternal & Child Care Centre in Wuxi, east China’s Jiangsu Province, on 8 Dec, 2009. Baby touch, which can help baby develop and communicate with mother, is now becoming popular.—XINHUA

Indonesia to import 500,000 tons of white sugar in 2010

JAKARTA, 9 Dec—Indonesian Trade Ministry has decided to purchase 500,000 tons of white sugar next year to meet rising demand as this year’s output is forecast to miss target, the ministry said in a statement here on Tuesday.
The ministry said that Indonesia’s purchase would be conducted from 1 Jan to 15 April, 2010.

“To guarantee sufficiency up to crushing season in 2010, it is necessary to import 500,000 tons of white sugar,” the statement said. The rising demand from households and industries could not be met by the limited supply of raw sugar.

The country, a big sugar consumer in southeast Asia, revised down its

white sugar output target from an earlier prediction of 2.9 million tons to 2.7 million tons, according to Agriculture Ministry.

Indonesia, which imports sugar from Australia, Thailand and Brazil, imports more than 2 million tons of raw sugar annually to produce refined sugar for industrial use.

Xinhua

Siemens inks 2 b yuan green deals with Chinese partners

BEIJING, 9 Dec—Siemens AG, Europe’s largest engineering company, has signed orders worth 2 billion yuan (294 million US dollars) and other agreements with Chinese partners this week, most of which are for environmentally friendly products and solutions.

The orders cover a wide range of the company’s portfolio in China, including energy, transportation and health care, reported *China Daily* on Wednesday.

“A large part of this amount (2 billion yuan) is for products from Siemens’ environmental portfolio,” the company said in a statement.

These orders show that growth of the market for environmental technology is strongest in emerging countries such as China, said Peter Loescher, president and CEO of Siemens. More than 50 percent of the future growth of Siemens in China would be related to green technology.—Xinhua

Vietnam’s export of coffee increases in first 11 months

HANOI, 9 Dec—Vietnam exported 1.02 million tons of coffee in the first 11 months of this year, up 15.5 percent year-on-year, said a report of the *General Statistics Office of Vietnam* on Wednesday.

With this export volume of coffee, the country brought in 1.51 billion US dollars, down 17.4 percent from the same period last year, said the office.

Xinhua



This image taken from video provided by AP Television News shows Tiger Woods' mother-in-law Barbro Holmberg being brought into Health Central hospital in Ocoee, Fla on 8 Dec, 2009.—INTERNET

Woods' mother-in-law released from Fla hospital

Ocoee, 9 Dec—Tiger Woods' mother-in-law collapsed at his home and was rushed to a hospital early on Tuesday, touching off the second media frenzy in two weeks surrounding the pro golfer's carefully guarded private life.

Barbro Holmberg was taken by ambulance to Health Central Hospital with stomach pains after a 911 call from Woods' house.

Holmberg, a Swedish politician, was released about 11 hours later and

returned to Woods' mansion, hospital spokesman Dan Yates said.

"She was wheeled out in a wheelchair just like everyone else," Yates said.

In a recording of the 911 call obtained on Tuesday by *The Associated Press*, a panicking woman tells the dispatcher that her mother has collapsed.

"Hurry up," the woman says as a child can be heard crying in the background. "She collapsed in the bathroom. What do I do?"

Soccer hooligans will not come to South Africa

JOHANNESBURG, 9 Dec—Soccer hooligans will not be able to come to South Africa during the World Cup next year, Home Affairs Minister Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma said on Tuesday.

She said an advance passenger processing system was in place to bar such people from entering South Africa.

"The Advanced Passenger Processing (APP)

system allows us to bar undesirable elements from entering South Africa before boarding from various countries," she said.

The department would work closely with Interpol, international travel agencies and FIFA to

monitor for the possible entry of soccer hooligans.

Dlamini-Zuma said the system went into operation on 23 November and that 79 percent of all airlines flying to South Africa had signed up.

Xinhua

Brazil's Petrobras to test ethanol-fuelled power generation

BRASILIA, 9 Dec—Brazil's state-owned oil and gas giant Petrobras will begin testing ethanol-fuelled generation of electric power in the next 21 days, said the company on Tuesday.

The project, developed in partnership with the multinational General Electric (GE), will be carried out in a thermoelectric plant in the city of Juiz de Fora in the southeastern Minas Gerais state, said Petrobras's Gas and Energy Director Maria das Gracas Foster.

"Brazil will be the first country to produce energy from ethanol," said Foster, adding the turbine to be used would be capable of generating 45 megawatts and was adapted by GE to operate with both gas and ethanol.

"We will run for three months with ethanol, measuring emissions. We have a pretty big expectation regarding the performance and emissions within the normal levels," said Foster.

If the results are positive, the experience may be useful for other countries such as Japan, which have similar turbines, said the official.

Foster said the company was confident "to show technical and economic feasibility of producing electricity with a less polluting source."—*Xinhua*

US automaker Ford to speed up hybrid production

CHICAGO, 9 Dec—Ford Motor Co has outlined its plan to invest as much as 500 million US dollars in developing and manufacturing a new generation of electric vehicles in Michigan, the company said on Tuesday.

If state lawmakers in Michigan approve Ford's request for tax credits submitted to the state administration on Tuesday, the new move would consolidate much of Ford's electric vehicle research, development, engineering and manufacturing in the state, and create approximately 1,000 new jobs, said the company.

However, if the state does not approve tax credits for Ford, the automaker said it would consider other sites. "We think it has a great opportunity to help in the economic growth of Michigan," said Nancy Gioia, Ford's director of global electric strategy.—*Xinhua*



Local snow artists work on snow-carving at a snow park in Mudanjiang, northeast China's Heilongjiang Province.

Corvette stolen in 1970 returned

A 1965 Corvette stolen in 1970 is being returned to its Nashville owner in perfect condition after being found in Scottsdale, Ariz, police said.

The Nassau blue convertible with a white top was worth about \$2,200 when it was stolen from Chance Mayfield 39 years ago. Today it's worth an estimated \$65,000, *The (Nashville) Tennessean* reported on Sunday.

Mayfield walked out of a bar in Nashville in November 1970 to find the car gone. "That ruined my night," Mayfield, 68, told *The Tennessean*.

The car was traced to Mayfield when a collector who had bought the car tried to register it with the Arizona Department of Motor Vehicles. A routine search of the serial number through the National Insurance Claims Bureau showed the car had been stolen.

Old book smell indicates its condition

British scientists say they've discovered the musty odor produced by old books can be used to assess the book's condition and help preserve it.

Researchers from University College London, led by Matija Strlic, say they've developed a test that can measure the degradation of old books and historical documents based on their smell.

The non-destructive "sniff" test could help libraries and museums preserve a range of prized paper-based objects, some of which are degrading rapidly due to advancing age, the scientists said.

Pioneer pilot flies again — at age 99

A pioneer American female aviator whose career spanned 60 years took to the skies again — at the age of 99, friends said.

Doris Lockness took the controls of a small helicopter on Friday for an hour-long flight above the Sierra foothills in central California, *The Sacramento Bee* reported on Saturday.

Lockness will turn 100 in February. She started flying in 1939 and earned licenses to fly helicopters, gliders, gyroplanes and seaplanes, the newspaper said.

The flight was her first in 15 years,

Bread, grass favorite smells

A British polling company said its list of Britain's favourite smells includes freshly baked bread, clean sheets and freshly mowed grass in the top three spots.

OnePoll.com said its survey of 4,000 Britons also found respondents were fond of odors from flowers, freshly ground coffee, fresh air after rain, vanilla, chocolate, cooked fish with fries and cooking bacon.

The respondents gave their least favorite smells as vomit, body odor, public toilets, trash bins, wet dogs, cigarettes and smelly feet.

an early birthday present from pilot John Crawford who had read her story in the *Bee*.

After the flight, Crawford, who served as co-pilot, found himself impressed with Lockness's flying skills.

"She did really well," he said. "I always love flying with someone with more experience and more stories than I have, and she certainly has that."

A group of friends, many of them members of the Ninety Nines organization of female pilots, watched the flight.

"She's a peach," one said about Lockness, "and she can fly anything."

Worker apologizes for chicken licking

A former employee at a British grocery store apologized for videotaped shenanigans including licking raw chickens.

Adeel Ayub, 60, apologized for his actions in the videos, which were taken before he left the company in 2006, after supermarket chain Asda said it was investigating his actions at the Preston, England, store, the *Lancaster Evening Post* reported on Monday.

The videos include footage of Ayub licking raw chickens that were returned to shelves, urinating into a trash bin, destroying awards earned by the store, slashing coworkers' clothing and setting off fire extinguishers.



Jackass Penguins, wearing colourful ribbons, take a walk at the Hakkeijima Sea Paradise aquarium-amusement park complex in Yokohama, southwest of Tokyo, Japan.

NEWS ALBUM

True patriotism

- * It is very important for everyone of the nation regardless of the place he lives to have strong Union Spirit.
- * Only Union Spirit is the true patriotism all the nationalities will have to safeguard.

Mines Minister receives Chinese guests

NAY PYI TAW, 8 Dec—Minister for Mines Brig-Gen Ohn Myint received Chairman of China Non-Ferrous Metal Mining & Construction (Group) Co Ltd (CNMC) Mr Luo Tao and party at the ministry here this morning.

Also present at the call were the directors-general and managing directors of the departments and enterprises under the ministry.—MNA

Minister Brig-Gen Ohn Myint receives Chairman Mr Luo Tao of CNMC.—MNA



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence awards a prize winner at 2nd annual general meeting of Myanmar Broilers Entrepreneurs Association. (News on Page-1)—MNA

Literary Talks on Sarsodaw Day held

YANGON, 9 Dec—Organized by Writers and Journalists Association of Mingala Taungnyunt Township, Literary Talks to mark Sarsodaw day was held at BEHS-7 in Mingala Taungnyunt Township on 23 November.

On the occasion, Chairman of township Writers and Journalists Association Tekkatho Soe

Yin made a speech, and Vice-Chairman Dr Thet Swe read out message sent by Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association. After that, Writers Chit Naing (Psychology), Chit San Win and Kaung Thant gave talks. On 24 November, Chit Naing (Psychology) and Letwintha Saw Chit gave talks at the BEHS-1 Mingala

Taungnyunt Township, Chit Naing (Psychology), Chit Oo Nyo and Chit San Win at the BEMS-23 Mingala Taungnyunt Township on 28 November, Chit Naing (Psychology), Letwintha Saw Chit and Dr. Khin Maung Nyo at the BEHS-3 in Mingala Taungnyunt Township on 29 November.—MNA



Dahseik river water pumping project in Langkho Township for regional development

Article: Nyein Aung; Photos: Zaw Min Tun

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Mongpan Townships have been successful in agriculture resulting from emergence of Dahseik river water pumping project.

As a result, agriculture, education, health sectors in the district are getting developed. Today, Langkho District's economy is growing at high speed. Moreover, the local people are also making earnest efforts for their region's prosperity. On the whole, all those benefits have been largely due to emergence of the Dahseik river water pumping project.

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Farmer U Bya Yaw Han's two-acre summer paddy model field seen in Mongpan Township of Langkho District.



Let's collectively eliminate mankind's enemy

Kyaw Ye Min

I felt very encouraged to watch the news on TV about the ceremony to incinerate narcotic drugs seized in Eastern Shan State held at the sports ground of the state in Kengtung. Similar ceremonies have been held many times in states and divisions and in Yangon. That indicates the government has been trying to ward off the menace of narcotic drugs as a national duty.

The list of 20 narcotic drugs producing countries the media in the US issued in September alleged that Bolivia, Venezuela and Myanmar failed to cooperate in the fight against trafficking of drugs over the past 12 months. I wonder from which sources they got the statistics to compile the list, because the accusation was not based on objective conditions in Myanmar.

In fact, Myanmar has been constantly striving with whatever resources it has for wiping out narcotic drugs in the interest of the entire mankind. In order to expedite the tasks, Myanmar fully cooperates with the international community through friendly relations.

For instance, Myanmar is taking an active part in the collective efforts of UNODC and the five Mekong Region countries, and stepping up cooperation with China, Thailand, Laos, India, Bangladesh, Russia, Vietnam, and the Philippines after signing agreements and memoranda of understanding.

As a result, Myanmar managed to annihilate some international narcotic drug gangs in cooperation with China and Thailand. In the first case, 591 kilos of heroin blocks were seized, and in the second case, 496 kilos of heroin blocks, totalling more than 1000 kilos (over one ton), and that great success won international recognition.

Since the mid 1970s, Myanmar has launched major operations with a lot of manpower and funds to combat narcotic drugs, including Operation "Moe Hein", Operation "Nga Ye Pan", and Operation "Taung Yan Shin". At that time, Myanmar received foreign assistance to some extent in the fight against narcotic drugs. However, since late 1988, the assistance has been ceased unilaterally.

Myanmar has been fighting constantly narcotic drugs with or without assistance. With the determination to eradicate narcotic drugs by 2014, Myanmar is now in pursuit of the 15-year Drug Elimination Plan (from 1999 to 2014). The government has been searching and exposing production, transportation and trafficking narcotic drugs, while trying to curb growing and production of poppy. From 1988 to 2008, Myanmar managed to reduce poppy sown acreage by over 800,000, and establish more than 600,000 acres of perennial and seasonal crops in the poppy fields. Therefore, Myanmar saw a drastic fall in poppy production, which was recognized by the UN.

As a result of serious attention to anti-narcotics

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measures, a total of 20 occasions of drugs destruction were held in Yangon with another 47 in States and Divisions where the drugs were being seized since 2006. In Kengtung in Shan State (East), seized drugs were destroyed four times: one time in 1997, two times in 2006, and another one in 2009, totalling four. So, the recent destruction was the fifth occasion.

From 29 June 2009 to date, there were significant incidents where drugs were being searched, exposed and seized in Eastern Shan State. The seized narcotic drugs, stimulant tablets, precursor chemicals and related equipment in the period were 6,998,554 tablets of ATS, 819.7536 kilos of Heroin, 10.045 kilos of ICE, 156.31855 kilos of raw opium, 0.18 kilo of ATS powder, 0.394 kilo of damped ATS, 1031 kilos of caffeine, 0.031 kilo of opium oil, 0.018 kilo of dried opium bits. The street value of the seized narcotic drugs, precursor chemicals and affiliated paraphernalia amounted to over 93 billion kyats (over 93 million US dollars). That is very huge in value.

Now, the government is closely cooperating with the local population in stepping up measures to suppress the transport and use of precursor chemicals which are the key substance used in manufacturing ATS tablets. Thus, it has reached to a point that precursor chemicals are not easily available and drugs dealers are now using all available avenues to smuggle in pharmaceutical drugs that contains pseudo ephedrine from a neighbouring country. Ephedrine, the key chemical required to manufacture ATS can be extracted from this pharmaceutical product, the government concentrated efforts on combating smuggling of pseudo ephedrine.

In reality, a developing nation like Myanmar does not have the means and capacity to produce precursor chemicals—only the industrialized countries can do it. As such, these chemicals are brought in from neighbouring countries and though they are being smuggled in as pure chemicals in the past, recent developments had prompted manufactures to smuggle them under the guise of pharmaceutical products. Consequently, countries within the region are exchanging information to combat the changing trends resulting in seizures of pseudo ephedrine drugs used for extracting required raw chemicals. In this context, Myanmar has achieved considerable success. After a case on narcotic drugs is exposed, further investigation is made into it to seize the accomplices in order to root out the case.

If there are no raw chemicals known as precursor, there will be no psychotropic drugs. Myanmar cannot overemphasize the importance of collaboration and cooperation with neighbouring countries to deter the tide of precursor chemicals changing its flow illegally into our country. Here, it is also required of neighbouring countries to cooperate with Myanmar with all

seriousness. Preventing such precursor chemicals evolving into life threatening substances known as narcotic drugs has doubtlessly prohibited the production of narcotic drugs in a huge quantity.

Myanmar fervently believes that it is the responsibility of the nation to strive utmost in combating and eradicating narcotic drugs. With this serious and intense endeavour, it has laid down two strategies and three tactics. The two strategies are (1) to combat narcotic drugs with all possible ways and means, designating drug elimination as a national duty, and (2) to improve the socio-economic life of national races in border areas and to put an end to poppy racing in Myanmar. In order to achieve the two strategies, the three tactics are applied for combating and eradicating narcotic drugs: supply elimination, demand elimination, and law enforcement.

In compliance with the guidance of the Head of State, the 15-year drug elimination plan starting from 1999 to 2014 is in the process of being implemented. As the plan had now reached the tail end of the second 5-year phase of its duration, it is fair to say that the nation's anti-narcotic drugs movements are in full swing. The government is scaling up law enforcement measures to combat the menace of drugs and to curb its production, and at the same time it is cooperating with UNODC to reduce the demand for drugs. UNODC had proclaimed that "No individual, family, or community is safe where illicit drugs take control." In compliance with the proclamation, nationwide campaigns had been launched to inform and educate the communities on the hazards of drugs and are lending treatment and rehabilitation services for drug users who want to end their habits.

The government will have to see to the three tactics for eradication of narcotic drugs, mobilizing the participation of the people. The strength and wisdom of our people will be utilized continuously and vigorously in working towards prevalence of peace, tranquillity, law and order. At the same time, it will continue to strive relentlessly to achieve the targets prescribed in the aforesaid 15-year drug eradication plan.

As a matter of fact, the process of narcotic drugs elimination is the concern of the entire mankind and the whole world. Therefore, Myanmar alone cannot achieve the success. It needs to cooperate with the international community. Now, Myanmar is accelerating cooperation with neighbours and regional countries in the anti-narcotic drugs campaigns.

To put it in a nutshell, Myanmar is very active with decisive aim in the fight against narcotic drugs. Therefore, I wish international community and the people would know that the accusations on narcotic drugs against Myanmar are groundless. The international community should provide technological assistance and get involved in the programmes to alleviate poverty of poppy farmers in order that Myanmar will achieve greater success in implementing the ongoing tasks for drug elimination and curbing poppy production. If so, Myanmar's drive to combat narcotic drugs that pose a threat to the future of the entire mankind will yield better results.

Translation: MS

Media responsible for conducting check and balance of three pillars and helping way of thinking and ideology of people right and correct

Youth of today force of future

Information Minister meets trainees of Journalism Course No. 3/2009

YANGON, 9 Dec— Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan met trainees of Journalism Course No. 3/2009 conducted by Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association at its hall on the second floor of Sarpay Beikman Building on Merchant Street, here, yesterday.

Also present on the occasion were departmental heads of the Ministry of Information and officials, the Vice-Chairman-I of MWJA and CEC members, members of the course supervisory committee and course instructors.

Speaking on the occasion, Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan said it can be seen that the youth are playing a role in all sectors of the international community. He added that indeed, youth are the force

independent state, he said. The minister pointed out that the countries are standing as sovereign ones by further consolidating these forces.

Forces to wipe out interferences of powers

Moreover, he added that the countries have to take the international support as an additional force. Only then, will the country be equipped with the four forces to wipe out the interference of powers, he said. The minister noted that if a country applies the proper ratio of quantity and quality of the youth, the genuine forces will emerge in it. He stressed the need for the youth to forge patriotic spirit because the quantity and quality of youth alone is not enough for the country.

Three main pillars

He continued to say

The fifth pillar

Indeed, the people who play the most important role in a nation should be taken into consideration as the fifth pillar, he noted. He continued to say that the media are responsible for conducting check and balance of three pillars and for helping the way of thinking and ideology of the people right and correct. A review of the history in the past centuries showed that the nations stuck to ideology. In the 21st century, they gave priority to national interest, instead of clinging on to ideology. The interest of a nation is the first priority of that nation. In the history, however, some countries have become lessons for others as they are badly affected by their own extremism as they placed



Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan views journals and documentary photos published by trainees.—MNA

enjoyed the freedom of press from 1948 to 1962. However, it became the unethical press as they based on sectarianism, dogmatism and personality cult and

build a constant learning society with the aim of promoting qualifications which is necessary in the knowledge age.

Within everyone's reach
Regarding the

skills, he said. In conclusion, he urged the trainees to work hard to become media men who can promote the national interests of the country.

Afterwards, Minister



Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan meets the trainees of Journalism Course (3/2009).—MNA

of the State in the future as a Myanmar saying goes: 'Today's youth are the future's force'. The force or strength is essential for development of a nation or a race, he said. He added that nowadays, there are over 200 countries with different sizes of areas and populations across the world. Every country has to build the forces namely economic force, organizational force and defence force to be able to stand as a sovereign and

that today, Myanmar is in the process of transition to a new democratic nation.

He pointed out that three main pillars namely legislative pillar, judicial pillar and executive pillar are essential for a democratic nation. Likewise, he added that the media, called the fourth pillar, plays a pivotal role in the country. However, the minister said that these pillars are not enough for the nation.

too much emphasis on national interests. Therefore, today's youth in the country should be equipped with a sense of spirit which can guide them to carry out non-extreme national interests.

Promote national interests

The minister also said that he wanted the trainees of the journalism course to become the media men who can promote the national interests of the country. The country

worked only for profits, he said. Therefore, the future media men should become the ones who can promote the national interests. The Head of State gave guidance to

education, the government has built the education system within everyone's reach. The education helps a society to gain high qualification through morals, knowledge and

Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan browsed the newspapers published by the trainees and documentary photos and cordially greeted the trainees.

MNA

Get-together of YIE graduates of 1969 batch on 24 Dec

YANGON, 9 Dec— The graduates (1969 batch) of Yangon Institute of Economics will hold the 11th get-together and the 40th anniversary convocation at Western

Park Restaurant on Kandawgyi Myepa-dethakyun, here, at 4 pm on 24 December.

Invitation was extended to all graduate of 1969 batch without fail.

For more information, dial Major Khin Maung Win (Tel: 544284), U Kyi Soe (Tel: 09-5175270) and U Hla Toe (Tel: 0980-31992).

MNA

Industry-1 Minister inspects Glass Factory project in Kyaukse

NAY PYI TAW, 9 Dec—Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung arrived at the Glass Factory project of Myanma Ceramics Industries in Kyaukse yesterday.



Minister U Aung Thaung inspecting progress in construction of buildings.—MNA



On arrival at the briefing hall of the factory, the minister heard reports on the situation of getting raw materials, progress in construction of buildings, arrival of machines and undertaking of project works presented by Factory Manager U Saw Aung. Managing-Director U Soe Yi made a supplementary report.

The minister inspected the progress in construction of the buildings, kilns, warehouses and project works.

The glass factory is designed to develop high quality glass with local resources, to flourish modern glass production technologies, to uplift the living standards, to save foreign exchange and to increase job opportunities for locals.

Upon completion, the factory will be able to produce 117 tons of glass including colour glass, layer glass, security glass and bulletproof glass a day.

The minister met with factory managers and officials of Kyaukse Industrial Region at Kyaukse Cement Factory.

He called for meeting set standards in production, greening around the factories, and minimizing waste.

MNA

Bicycle Factory (Kyaukse)

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

(from page 16)

2004 to complete the agreement reached with Samra International (P) Limited. We could complete the project on 31 December 2008.

“Now, our factory manufactures and distrib-

a foreign-made bicycle. But, they are of same quality. Therefore, we have to produce an increasing number of bicycles year by year to meet the local demand.”

The Bicycle Factory (Kyaukse) produces 28-

ous townships, departments, and market festivals. In 2007-2008 fiscal year, the factory produced 20,532 units. It has set a target of producing 33,506 units for 2008-2009 fiscal year.

I felt proud that the



Workers checking rims for quality control.

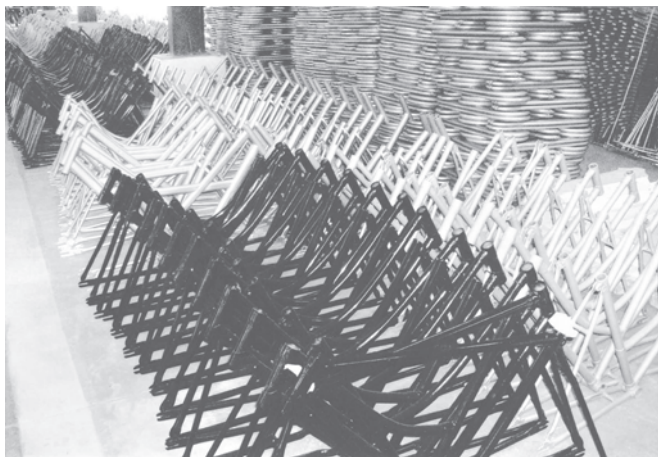
The majority of the workforce of the factory are women. They were found skilled in assem-

bling bicycles with the use of modern machines.

Bicycle Factory (Kyaukse) is a sign of in-

dustrial development in Myanmar.

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Bicycle frames in Bicycle Factory (Kyaukse).

utes Maung Myanmar Brand quality bicycles. It meets the quality of imported bicycles in quality and design. In this regard, an imported bicycle is sold at about 80,000 kyats, and a Maung Myanmar Brand bicycle is priced only at 40,000 kyats, or half the price of

inch bicycles for men, 28-inch bicycles for women, 28-inch carrier bicycles, 26-inch bicycles for women, 24-inch electric bicycles, 24-inch bicycles for women, and 18-inch electric bicycles.

The factory distributes its bicycles through Win Thuzar Shops in vari-

factory can produce all kinds of bicycle parts with domestic materials including frame, fork, mud-guard, chain guard, rim, carrier, spoke of nipple, saddle, brake assembly, steering assembly, bell, handle bar, hub assembly, free wheel, stand, and chain.



A production line in Bicycle Factory (Kyaukse).

Fierce winter storm pounds dozen US states

BEIJING, 9 Dec—A blizzard winter storm battered more than a dozen US states on Tuesday, bringing heavy snow and howling winds to the Midwest. Winter storm warnings were likely to be issued in New England by Wednesday.

The storm already blanketed much of the mountain west and drenched Southern California with rain. The storm also brought 100 mph winds to New Mexico.

Blizzard warnings were issued for most of Iowa as well as eastern Nebraska, southern Minnesota and southern Wisconsin. Jim Lee, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Des Moines was quoted as saying that as much as two-thirds of the country will be affected by the storm by the time it moves off the Maine coast Thursday night.

Residents are advised to stay close to home as travel will likely get worse.

Flight were affected in the Midwest and West, as hundreds of flights were cancelled at O'Hare International Airport in Chicago and all departures were cancelled out of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Several flights into and out of Reno-Tahoe International Airport were delayed or cancelled.

The storm also produced high winds and a possible tornado near Lake Pontchartrain, the National Weather Service said.—Xinhua



Students brave the snow on the campus of the University of Nebraska-Omaha, in Omaha, Neb, on 8 Dec, 2009, as a winter storm travels through the region.—XINHUA



A peasant in Burkina Faso stands near the grass he planted to help stop the advance of the Sahara desert in November 2009. —INTERNET

Kenyan police arrest man with 100,000 bullets

NAIROBI, 9 Dec—Kenyan police on Tuesday said they arrested a suspected weapons smuggler with up to 100,000 bullets and an assortment of guns, a huge cache in a country with stringent gun laws.

Police recovered the weapons and ammunition in two raids carried out late Monday on the suspect's house in the capital, Nairobi, and on a busi-

ness site in the western town of Narok, Police Commissioner Matthew Iteere said.

Ever since violent clashes killed more than 1,000 people following Kenya's 2007 presidential election, human rights groups have claimed that the communities that fought the 2007-2008 conflict with machetes, bows and arrows were arming themselves with

military-grade weapons in anticipation of possible conflict during the country's 2012 election.

The recovery on Monday of such a large cache of munitions may lend credence to the claims, which the government has dismissed, though Iteere said it was too early in the investigation to speculate what the weapons were meant for.

Internet

DPRK reports nine cases A/H1N1

PYONGYANG, 9 Dec—Nine cases of A/H1N1 flu were reported from Sinuiju and Pyongyang of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK), the official KCNA new said on Wednesday, citing the Ministry of Public Health. It was the first report of the flu breaking out in the country. "The relevant organ is further perfecting the quarantine system against the spread of this flu virus while properly carrying on the prevention and medical treatment," the KCNA said.

No further details about the cases of the flu were disclosed by the brief dispatch, which said checkup stations were increased throughout the country and efforts were made to the medical treatment of the cases.

Xinhua

Ninety proteins govern human genes

CHAMPAIGN, 9 Dec—A US-led team of scientists says it's discovered genetic differences between humans and chimpanzees are governed by about 90 transcription factors.

The researchers, led by University of Illinois Professor Lisa Stubbs, said transcription factors are proteins that promote or inhibit the activity of many genes, including the transcription of genes into messenger RNA that guides the production of specific proteins needed by cells.

The scientists said the transcription

process allows organs or tissues to adaptively respond to environmental changes or internal needs.

The authors note humans share at least 97 percent of their genes with chimpanzees. Although prior studies identified differences between humans and chimps in gene expression, Stubbs said the new study clarifies how the genetic activity is coordinated by transcription factors. "Our very strong bias is to believe that these transcription factors are involved in speciation and traits that make species unique," Stubbs said.—Internet

Low emissions diesel truck engine created

MUNICH, 9 Dec—German scientists say they have developed a diesel truck engine that emits barely measurable emissions.

Researchers at the Technical University Muenchen, led by Professor Georg Wachtmeister, say they've also developed a probe that allows them to take samples directly from the combustion chamber while the engine is running. That, they hope, will allow them to determine precisely how soot forms, with the aim of developing new methods for emissions control.

The researchers said their goal is to design and fine-tune their engine so it complies with new European Union emission limits without resorting to a catalytic converter.

Internet

United Airlines splits huge order between Airbus, Boeing

NEW YORK, 9 Dec—United Airlines unveiled on Tuesday a multibillion-dollar aircraft order evenly split between Airbus and Boeing, a move to help the US carrier upgrade its aging fleet. The US airline said it expected to take delivery on 50 future twin-aisle, wide-body planes between 2016 and 2019 as it phases out older Boeing aircraft.

United said it placed firm orders for 25 Airbus 350 XWBs and 25 Boeing 787 Dreamliners, and taken options on the purchase of 50 more of each aircraft.

Analysts said United was able to use the economic downturn and fierce competition between the two manufacturers to get a bargain on the aircraft. At list prices, this first order for United since 1998 represents roughly 10 billion dollars: about six billion for Airbus and four billion for Boeing.—Internet



United Airlines aircraft sit at the terminal at O'Hare International Airport in Chicago. United Airlines on Tuesday announced firm orders for 25 Airbus 350 aircrafts and 25 Boeing 787s, modernizing its fleet to make it more fuel efficient and environmentally friendly. INTERNET

**Centre for Human Resource Development
(Yangon University of Foreign Languages)
Invitation for Application to
Attend Foreign Language Courses**

The Centre for Human Resource Development (Yangon University of Foreign Languages) will open evening courses on Chinese, English, French, French (Translation and Interpretation), German, Japanese, Korean, Russian and Thai.
Commencement date of course : 28-12-2009
Commencement date for submission of applications : 22-12-2009
Closing date for applications : 24-12-2009
(For English language the day on which the targeted number of applicants is reached)

Application to be submitted to : Yangon University of Foreign Languages
Days : Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays
Time : 5:20-7:00 p.m.
Education qualification : Matriculation Passed
Enquiry : Student's Affairs Section YUFL
(Phone : 514371 (Ext-202))

Childhood trauma hurts adult health

LONDON, 9 Dec—Traumas as a child live on into adulthood as health risk factors, British researchers suggest. Lead author Dr Andrea Danese of King's College London and colleagues say negative childhood experiences—abuse, neglect, social isolation and hardship—alter physical and mental health into middle age and beyond.

Adults maltreated as children were twice as likely to suffer major depression and chronic inflammation, the study says. Children who grew up poor or socially isolated were twice as likely to show metabolic risk markers—a risk factor for heart disease—by age 32. After the analysis controlled for family history and other established risk factors, it showed that adults who had two or more of the adverse childhood experiences were nearly twice as likely to have disease risk factors as those who hadn't had suffered in childhood.

"In this study, we observed that childhood experiences may affect health in old age, regardless of the risk factors that health policies are currently targeting," Danese says in a statement.

"Therefore the promotion of healthy positive experiences for children is a necessary and potentially cost-effective target for the prevention of age-related disease." The study is published in *Archives of Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine*. —Internet

A man walks past a billboard for energy-saving light bulbs at a home-decor shop in Beijing. As the world's top producer of energy-efficient light bulbs, China is seen as pivotal to greater worldwide acceptance of environmentally-friendly lighting.

INTERNET



MYANMAR IVANHOE COPPER COMPANY LIMITED (TENDER NOTICE)

TENDER NO. (IFB No. CCS-02-09)
Sale of an estimated (4,000 metric tones) of copper cathode from MICCL S&K Mine site in Monywa, Myanmar.

CLOSING DATE & TIME: 23rd December 2009 at 12:00 noon

Tender documents are available at the following address or can be accessed at www.miccl.com.mm. Any queries can be done between 10 am and 4pm at MICCL Yangon office before the tender closing date.

Myanmar Ivanhoe Copper Company Limited
70 (I) Bo Chein Street, Pyay Road, 6 ¼ Miles, Hlaing Township
Yangon, Myanmar (Tel: (95) 1-514194 to 7/ Fax: (95) 1 514208/ Email: miccl@miccl.com.mm)

French firm looks to buy UK's Camelot

PARIS, 9 Dec—French lottery group La Française des jeux (FdJ) is looking into buying British company Camelot which runs Britain's National Lottery, it has been reported.

Economic dailies *Le Figaro Economique* and *Les Echos* said FdJ had until early 2010 to make a bid, but the two newspapers said the deal was far from certain.

Le Figaro Economique said Virgin founder Richard Branson, who has twice tried to buy Camelot, had teamed up with Dutch private company People's Post-code Lottery in a third bid.

Other potential candidates included Indian lottery Sugal & Damani, and Italy's Lottomatica, number one in Europe ahead of Française des jeux, along with investment funds.

Les Echos said the candidature of a public monopoly to buy a cross-Channel private company could raise some eyebrows.

Asked by *AFP* about the possibility of such an operation, FdJ refused to comment.—Internet

Eating more dairy linked to fewer fibroids

BOSTON, 9 Dec—US epidemiologists found increased dairy intake reduced the risk of uterine fibroids in African-American women.

Researchers at Boston University Medical Centre said their study, published in the *American Journal of Epidemiology*, found high dairy intake was inversely associated with the risk of uterine fibroids—benign tumors of the uterus—in African-American women.

Fibroid incidence was reduced by 30 percent among women who had four or more dairy servings a day versus women who had less than one serving a day.

"Although the exact mechanisms are unclear, a protective effect of dairy consumption on uterine fibroids risk is plausible, as calcium, a major component of dairy foods, may reduce cell proliferation," study lead author Lauren Wise said in a statement. "This is the first report showing an inverse association between dairy intake and fibroid risk. If confirmed, a modifiable risk factor for fibroids, a major source of gynecologic morbidity, will have been identified."—Internet

INTERNET

Britain to teach school kids safe online surfing

BEIJING, 9 Dec—British Prime Minister Gordon Brown announced every school child is to be taught how to surf safely online, according to news reports on Wednesday.

Members of the British government are worried about the risks youngsters face logging onto the video websites and social networking websites, such as YouTube, Facebook and MySpace, unsupervised.

Children as young as five years of age will be told to "zip it, block it, flag it" in a new Internet safety campaign to be taught in primary schools. The new strategy will target children directly, rather than their parents. As an IT era edutainment, "zip it, block it, flag it" is made as a clarion call similar to "bop it, twist it, pull it" in the Bop It traditional audio toy game in Britain.

The message is to tell children to be careful not to reveal private information online, to block suspicious e-mails from stranger or unknown sites and to report any other thing that is considered to be suspicious.

Xinhua



An employee works on a Fiat car assembly line in Tychy, Poland. Opposition to a plan for EU nations to provide funding to third world nations affected by global warming proved intense with France, Germany, Italy and eastern EU powerhouse Poland behind an argument over setting figures.

INTERNET

High levels of toxins found in moist snuff

MINNEAPOLIS, 9 Dec—US researchers found high levels of toxins in the smokeless tobacco product called moist snuff—placed between lip and gum.

"Urgent measures are required from the US tobacco industry to modify manufacturing processes so that the levels of these toxicants and carcinogens in US moist snuff are

greatly reduced," the study authors said in a statement.

Study leader Irina Stepanov of the Masonic Cancer Centre at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis and colleagues said prior to their discovery that at least eight polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons are present in smokeless tobacco, only trace amounts of one

of the polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons had been reported to be present in smokeless tobacco.

The study, published in *Chemical Research in Toxicology*, found out of the 23 samples of this category of tobacco products tested, 23 different polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons were found—nine of which were classified as carcinogens.—Internet



Google Chrome launches Mac version to Apple users

BEIJING, 9 Dec — After Google released the beta version of its Internet surfer Google Chrome in September last year for Microsoft users, Google Tuesday launches the Mac version of it to Apple users. The release of Google Chrome has largely challenged Microsoft Window's Internet Explorer in the past year. While it still lags behind IE, Google Chrome's simplicity, speed and functionality has attracted many users already. The move last year enabled third-party developers to study the underlying source code and help port the browser to Mac OS X and Linux.

Xinhua

Spices may help prevent breast cancer

ANN ARBOR, 9 Dec— The spices turmeric and pepper may help prevent breast cancer by limiting the growth of stem cells — cells that fuel a tumor's growth, US researchers say. Current chemotherapies do not work against these cancer stem cells, which is why cancer recurs and spreads. Eliminating the cancer stem cells may be the key to controlling cancer, says Dr Madhuri Kakarala, clinical lecturer in internal medicine at the University of Michigan Medical School and a research investigator at the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System.

Researchers at the university's cancer centre found that when the dietary compounds curcumin, derived from the Indian spice turmeric, and piperine, derived from black peppers, were applied to breast cells in culture at the equivalent of about 20 times the potency of what could be consumed through diet, they decreased the number of stem cells while having no effect on normal differentiated cells.—Internet

Sorrawee Nattee, centre, is crowned Miss Tiffany at the annual beauty contest for transvestites in Pattaya on 15 May 2009.

Members of China Youth Delegation are dressed up to represent the endangered animals during an activity promoting environmental protection, at Bella Center.
INTERNET

Exercise reduces death rate in prostate cancer patients

WASHINGTON, 9 Dec — As little as 15 minutes of exercise a day can reduce overall mortality rates in patients with prostate cancer, according to findings presented at the American Association for Cancer Research Frontiers in Cancer Prevention Research Conference, held 6-9 Dec in Houston.

"We saw benefits at very attainable levels of activity," said Stacey A. Kenfield, epidemiology research associate at the

Harvard School of Public Health and lead author of the study. "The results suggest that men with prostate cancer should do some physical activity for their overall health."

Researchers assessed physical activity levels for 2,686 patients enrolled in the Health Professionals Follow-up Study, both before and after diagnosis (men with metastases at diagnosis were excluded).

Men who engaged in three or more hours of

Metabolic Equivalent Tasks a week — equivalent to jogging, biking, swimming or playing tennis for about a half-hour per week — had a 35 percent lower risk of overall mortality.

Specific to walking, the researchers found that men who walked four or more hours a week had a 23 percent lower risk of all-cause mortality compared to men who walked less than 20 minutes per week.—Internet



S Korea to ban smoking in public places from 2011

SEOUL, 9 Dec— South Korea will move to ban smoking in public places, both indoor and outdoor, from 2011 in a bid to reduce the country's smoking rate, the Health Ministry said on Wednesday.

According to the Ministry for Health, Welfare and Family Affairs, the government is aiming at bringing down

the nation's smoking rate from 47 percent at present to 20 percent in the target year.

The ministry also said to take measures to allow regional governments to implement anti-smoking policies, as well as launching a concerted campaign at schools and military installations to limit cigarette purchase.

Xinhua

Brazil may reduce deforestation by 90 percent by 2020

BRASILIA, 9 Dec — Brazil may surpass the initial goal of reducing Amazon deforestation by 80 percent by 2020, and instead reduce it by 90 percent, Brazilian Environment Minister Carlos Minc said on Tuesday.

The input of resources from the Amazon Fund, the approval of the Climate Change Fund, and the resources to be brought by the Facility Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD), among others, may allow Brazil to exceed the 80 percent target, the minister said while presenting the National Programme for Reduction and Replacement of Fire in Rural Areas and Forest areas (Pronafogo).

"I think we can reach 90 percent reduction in deforestation over the same period.

Xinhua

Scientists decode human genome for the first time in India

NEW DELHI, 9 Dec— Indian scientists claimed they have successfully decoded the human genome for the first time in India, a breakthrough which puts the country in the select list of six nations to have achieved the medical feat, local media reported on Wednesday.

A team from the Indian Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology in New Delhi, led by Dr S

Sridhar and PhD student Vinod Scaria, has mapped the Human Genome Sequence of a 52-year-old male, paving the way for predictive healthcare and the possibility of identifying why certain people do not at all respond to certain medications, and what diseases a particular gene carrier or a population is likely to develop.

"The human genome sequence is like a map of

the human body. Through this map, we can tell what leads to what. We can use this map to predict mutations in the gene, like predicting how a certain person may get a certain disease. We can predict for instance, who will get the common bipolar disease or single nuclear polymorphism," IGIB director Dr Rajesh Gokhale told reporters on Tuesday.—Xinhua

A Peregrine Falcon, who was found injured with a broken wing, eats pigeon perched on the hand of zoo trainer Erin Stone during a flying and hunting training session at Balmoral beach in Sydney December 9, 2009. After two months of veterinary treatment at Taronga zoo the peregrine falcon's wing was successfully re-aligned and the training to release it is becoming to an end.

INTERNET



SPORTS

ESPN signs 35 million pounds FA Cup deal

LONDON, 9 Dec—US-based satellite broadcaster ESPN has signed a four-year deal worth some 35 million pounds (57 million dollars) to televise the FA Cup, England's governing Football Association (FA) announced on Tuesday.

The deal, which will start ahead of the 2010/11 season, will run in parallel with the FA's existing agreement with terrestrial broadcaster ITV to cover the FA Cup and England international matches.

Both ITV and ESPN will have the right to show the



A view of the FA Cup trophy. US-based satellite broadcaster ESPN has signed a four-year deal worth some 35 million pounds (57 million dollars) to televise the FA Cup, England's governing Football Association (FA) announced Tuesday.—INTERNET

FA Cup final live.

The FA Cup is the world's oldest senior knockout football competition and, in common with the English Premier League, attracts a global following.

Internet



Bayern Munich's players celebrate their win at the end of their Champions League soccer match against Juventus at the Olympic stadium in Turin on 8 Dec, 2009. Bayern Munich won 4-1.—XINHUA

Bayern sink Juve to reach Champions League knockout stage

LONDON, 9 Dec—Bayern Munich dominated the match away to Juventus to reach the UEFA Champions League knockout stage with a sensational 4-1 win on Tuesday.

Bayern, who had to win their last match in Group A to qualify for the last 16, suffered one goal down as David Trezeguet fired into the net a Claudio Marchisio pass on 19 minutes.

But the Bundesliga giants managed to fill up the gap 11 minutes later when goalkeeper Hans-Jorg Butt scored from the penalty spot after Ivica Olic was fouled in the box.

The visitors maintained their momentum after the break and Olic gave them lead on 52 minutes as the Croatian striker slammed in the rebound after Daniel Van Buyten's header was parried by Juve keeper Buffon. With seven minutes remaining, Gomez added a third for Bayern before Tymoshchuk shot home in the stoppage time.

The victory ensured Bayern enter the knockout stage as the second finishers in Group A, following top finishers Bordeaux, who had secured their last 16 place ahead of the 1-0 win over Maccabi Haifa.

Xinhua

Milan squeeze 1-1 draw against 10-man Zurich

ZURICH, 9 Dec—AC Milan did the minimum on Tuesday to secure their Champions League fortunes, coming from a goal down to secure a 1-1 draw as Swiss minnows Zurich almost repeated their first leg slaying of the Italians.

With Zurich out of the Champion's League, the Letzigrund was looking for a consolation repeat of the shock 0-1 win over Milan at the San Siro in their first leg more than two months ago.

And they almost got it for more than half of the

game as Milan's stars swiftly ran out of pace and inspiration up front while Zurich found the Achilles heel in the Italian back four.

Milan coach Leonardo admitted afterwards that the Swiss had virtually outplayed them in the first half, while his beleaguered eleven were tense with memories of their earlier setback.

"We were playing against a team that no longer had any expectations... that had won at San Siro," he explained.

"It was also a question of tactics," Leonardo added, betraying his surprise at seeing Zurich press deep in his side's half. "But I just don't want to underestimate the fact that we qualified."

Internet

Zurich's striker Alexandre Alphonse (L) fights for the ball with AC Milan's defender Thiago Silva during their UEFA Champions League football group C match in Zurich. Milan managed a 1-1 draw to squeeze into the next round.—INTERNET



Michael Owen's hat-trick: Gift for his 30th birthday

BEIJING, 9 Dec—The English professional striker Michael Owen made his hat-trick in a Champions League game against the German team Wolfsburg Tuesday, only a few days before his 30th birthday next Monday.

His three goals gave an injury-ravaged side a 3-1 victory away to last year's Bundesliga champion Wolfsburg and ensured that Manchester United progressed to the last 16 of the Champions League as winners of group B.

Owen's place in Capello's English



squad for the World Cup finals in South Africa next summer is far from assured, but he surely has caught the Italian's eyes with his first hat-trick for four years in his Manchester United career, altogether the fourteenth of his whole soccer career.

"My getting three goals will probably grab the headlines, but it was a great team performance," Owen, who turns 30 on next Monday, said, "I was playing deep with us having so many players out and we were trying to protect the back four."

"Fantastic — around the penalty box, he's on the shoulder, he's making runs across defender, his timing of runs is fantastic," smiled the United boss.—Xinhua

Michael Owen of Manchester United (7) scores a goal against VfL Wolfsburg's Marcel Schaefer during their Champions League soccer match in Wolfsburg on 8 Dec, 2009.—XINHUA

Cristiano Ronaldo fires Real Madrid into last 16 of Champions League

MADRID, 9 Dec—Cristiano Ronaldo scored two goals that helped Real Madrid assure its place in the last 16 of the Champions League with a 3-1 win away to Olympique Marseilles.

The Portuguese international once again showed his enormous value to his team, which qualified as leader of Group C.

Real Madrid went into the game knowing that only a defeat by 3-0 or more would see them knocked out of the competition.

Coach Manuel Pellegrini decided to leave French striker Karim Benzema on the substitutes' bench, despite Benzema's goal against Almeria at the weekend.

Meanwhile midfielder Rafael Van der Vaart was in the side, playing in a midfield position behind Gonzalo Higuain and Ronaldo. Former Real Madrid defender Gabriel Heinze started the game in the heart of the Olympique defence.—Xinhua



Real Madrid's Cristiano Ronaldo (L) kicks the ball as Olympique Marseille's Gabriel Heinze (R) looks on during their Champions League soccer match at the Velodrome stadium in Marseille on 8 Dec, 2009.—XINHUA

Ancelotti sweats over Essien injury

LONDON, 9 Dec—Carlo Ancelotti faces a nervous wait to discover how long he will be without Michael Essien after the Ghana midfielder limped off with a hamstring injury during Chelsea's 2-2 draw against APOEL Nicosia.



Chelsea's Yuri Zhirkov (left) is challenged by APOEL Nicosia's Kamil Kosowski during their Champions League Group D match at Stamford Bridge in London. Chelsea were made to pay for more costly mistakes as APOEL Nicosia increased the gloom around Stamford Bridge with a 2-2 draw.—INTERNET

Blues boss Ancelotti was already frustrated after watching his side fail to win for the third successive match thanks to a sloppy display capped by John Obi Mikel's costly mistake.

And the prospect of being without Essien, one of the few Chelsea stars to emerge with any credit from Tuesday's Champions League draw with the Cypriot champions, ensured he left Stamford Bridge in a foul mood.

The Italian admitted Essien, who limped off soon after scoring a thunderous first half equaliser, is certain to miss Saturday's home game against Everton and a scan on Wednesday will reveal if the midfielder tyro will be sidelined for much longer.

"Michael has a problem with his leg. We will look at him over the next few days and check on him on Tuesday," Ancelotti said. "We hope it's not a big problem. I think he will not be able to play on Saturday."—Internet



Ribbon on the beach : Indian villagers hold oil lamps as they surround a huge AIDS symbol on the beach at Nalsarovar, some 60 kms from Ahmedabad, on the eve of World Aids Day.

INTERNET

Finnish-German research predicts faster than expected sea level rise

HELSINKI, 9 Dec —A Finnish-German research predicts that global sea levels could rise by as much as 1.9 meters by the end of this century, much faster than expected, Finnish media reported Tuesday.

Martin Vermeer of Helsinki University of Technology in Finland and Stefan Rahmstorf of the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research in Germany obtained the result on the base of data measuring ocean surface levels and sea temperature in the past 130years.

Since 1990, sea levels have been rising at 3.4 millimeters per year, twice as fast as on average over the 20th century. And the sea level would rise increasingly quickly as the globe got warmer, said the scientists.

The rise threatens the existence of many coastal metropolises as well as small island countries.

To avert the threat, greenhouse emissions should be significantly cut as soon as possible, warned the scientist.

Internet

MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (10-12-2009) (Thursday)

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

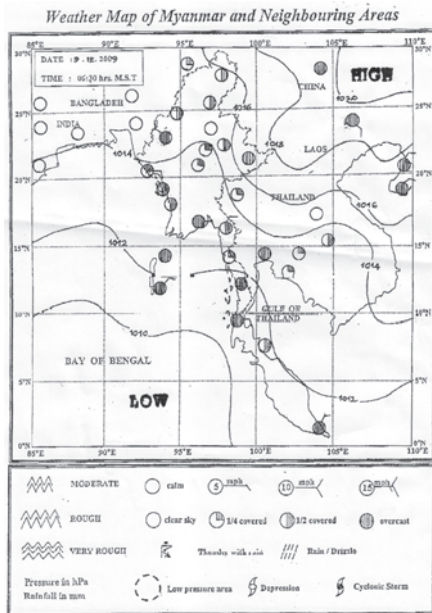
Local Transmission

- * Signature Tune
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights
- * Natural Beauty of Puta-O
- * Arrogant Mosaic
- * Fossilized Wood Picture
- * Culture Stage
- * Mounzann Mayawae
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- * Discovering Imaw Bum Area (Part-III)
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * Welcome to Yenangaung
- * Myanma White Gold (Rubber)
- * Tea-Leaves Plucking Dance of Palaung
- * Orchid Products for Healthy Lifestyle
- * Dainty Hill resort of Loi-Mwe
- * Myanmar Modern Song
- * Buddha Mudras from Bagan Archaeological Museum
- * Song of Myanma Beauty & Scenic Sights

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm



WEATHER

Wednesday, 9th December, 2009

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kachin, Shan and Rakhine States, Mandalay, Yangon, and Taninthayi Divisions and generally fair in the remaining States and Divisions. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below December average temperatures in Shan and Mon States, Sagaing and Magway Divisions, (5°C) to (6°C) below December average temperatures in Chin States and Yangon Division, (3°C) to (4°C) above December average temperatures in Kachin State and about December average temperature in the remaining States and Divisions. The significant night temperatures were Haka (-2°C), Namhsan (5°C), Tiddim and An (6°C) each.

Maximum temperature at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was 91°F. Minimum temperature on 9-12-2009 was 58°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 9-12-2009 was 72%. Total sun shine hours on 8-12-2009 was (7.3) hours approx.

Rainfall on 9-12-2009 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, at Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2009 was (111.69) 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 Northeast at (12:30) hours MST on 8-12-2009.

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

Forecast valid until evening of 10th December 2009: Isolated light rain are possible in Taninthayi Division, weather will be partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty (40%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of isolated light rain in the extreme Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 10-12-2009: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 10-12-2009: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 10-12-2009: Partly cloudy.



Thursday, 10 December
View on today

- 7:00 am
 1. မင်းထွန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော်
- 7:25 am
 2. To Be Healthy Exercise
- 7:30 am
 3. Morning News
- 7:40 am
 4. အပူပေးမင်္ဂလာ

- (ယဉ်ပေးထွန်းတေးရေး-ဝိတဏှာတို့ဖွဲ့နွဲ့ဆွဲဆွဲ)
- 7:50 am
 5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 8:00 am
 6. ကြားညှပ်သီးနှံဝပင်
- 8:15 am
 7. Musical Programme
- 8:30 am
 8. "ကိုစိန်နီတိုယိုနီဆောင်မိခင်"
- 8:40 am
 9. International News
- 8:45 am
 10. Dance Variety
- 2:30 pm
 1. (၂၅)ကြိမ်မြောက်အရှေ့တောင်အာရှအားကစားပြိုင်ပွဲအဖွဲ့သားဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲတိုက်ရိုက်ထုတ်လွှင့်မှုအစီအစဉ်(ပြန်မာနှင့်အင်ဒိုနီးရှား)
- 4:15 pm
 2. Musical Programme
- 4:25 pm
 3. Dance Of National Races

- 4:35 pm
 4. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေးရပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာပထမနှစ် (သမိုင်းအထူးပြု)(သမိုင်း)
- 4:50 pm
 5. Songs For Uphold National Spirit
- 5:00 pm
 6. Cute Little Dancers
- 5:10 pm
 7. နိုင်ငံစီးပွားအလေးထားကျေးလက်ထုတ်ကုန်များ
- 5:20 pm
 8. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 5:35 pm
 9. ပြန်ပြည်တစ်လွှားလမ်းတံတားများ
- 5:40 pm
 10. ဘက်စုံဆောင်သံစဉ်
- 6:00 pm
 11. Evening News
- 6:15 pm
 12. Weather Report

- 6:20 pm
 13. ပျော်ရွှင်စေသောနေ့ရက်များ "ဈေးသည်" (အပိုင်း-၃) (မိုးမိုး၊ သူရလင်း၊ ညိုတက်၊ သင်းယမင်း၊ မြင့်သိန်း၊ ယုနုဗိုလ်မြင့်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-အောင်ကျော်သူရ)
- 6:40 pm
 14. ထူးဆန်းထွေလာများကိုသိပ္ပံဖြင့်ချဉ်းကပ်ခြင်း
- 7:00 pm
 15. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မေတ္တာလောင်းရိပ်" (အပိုင်း-၁၉)
- 8:00 pm
 16. News
 17. International News
 18. Weather Report
 19. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မေတ္တာလောင်းဆုံ" (အပိုင်း-၈၁)
 20. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်တေးသံသာ" (အပိုင်း-၂)

- ★ 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

Bicycle Factory (Kyaukse)

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

Today, the government has established a large number of industrial regions with the aim of generating more and more job opportunities and manufacturing import-substitute goods on a large scale.

Under the Ministry of Industry-1 are cement plant, quality fire brick factory, plastic factory, bicy-

cle factory, sewing machine factory, shoe factory, steel ware factory in Kyaukse Industrial Region.

Kyaukse Industrial Region is on Yangon-Mandalay Highway, five miles east of Kyaukse. So, it is convenient to distribute its products.

In an interview, Manager U Soe Ni of Bicycle Factory (Kyaukse) told the Myanma Alin, "The Ministry of Industry-1 signed an agreement with Samra International (P) Limited of India on 30 July 2001 to produce seven types of bicycle parts in Kyaukse Industrial Region. The factory was opened on 10 April 2002.

"In order to produce 15 more kinds of bicycle parts, we dealt with Laxmi International on 19 March (See page 10)



Electric bicycles in Bicycle Factory (Kyaukse).

Relations Minister meets Daw Aung San Suu Kyi

YANGON, 9 Dec—Minister for Labour U Aung Kyi, who has been entrusted duties to serve as Minister for Relations to deal with Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, held a meeting with Daw Aung San Suu Kyi at Seinle Kantha Guesthouse here from 1.05 pm to 1.50 pm today.—MNA

Significant night temperatures

(9-12-2009)

Haka	(-2°C)
Namhsan	(5°C)
Tiddim	(6°C)
An	(6°C)