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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

## Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, wife Daw Mya Mya San attend ceremony to honour title recipient monks



*The 62nd ceremony to honour monks who passed Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida examination in progress at Maha Pasana Cave, Kaba Aye, in Mayangon Township.—MNA*

Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win Myint, ministers, the chief justice, the attorney-general, the Yangon mayor and their wives, deputy ministers, departmental heads, local authorities, staff of Religious Affairs Ministry, member of religious organizations, disciples and guests.

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**Vice-Senior General Maung Aye offers provisions to a Sayadaw who passed Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida examination.**

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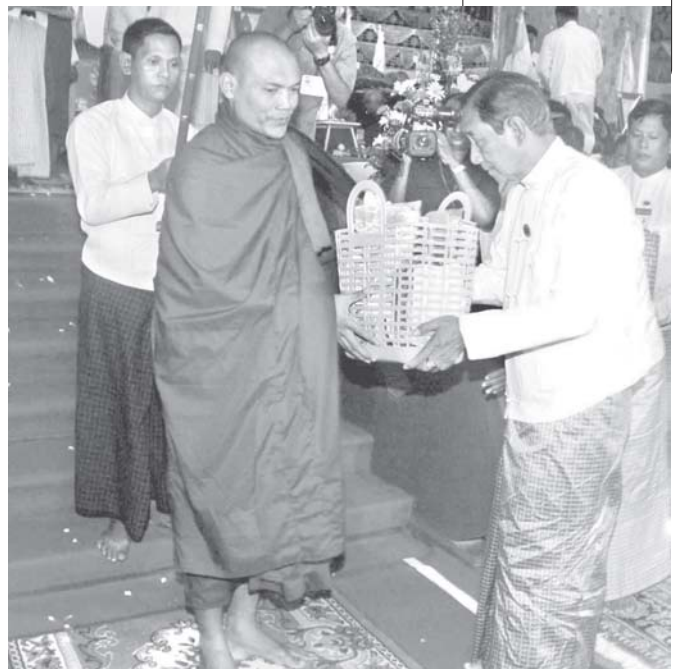
YANGON, 8 May — A ceremony to honour 91 religious title recipient members of the Sangha was held at Maha Pasana Cave, Kaba Aye Hill, here, this morning.

Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and wife Daw Mya Mya San paid homage to the monks — one Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida Sayadaw, one monk who passed Mula Abhidhamma Kovida examination, one monk who passed Mula Abhidhammika, two monks who passed Dighanikaya Kovida ex-

amination, five monks who passed Dighabhanaka examination, three monks who passed Vinaya Kovida examination, 24 monks who passed Vinayadhara examination, seven monks who passed Ubhatovibhanga Kovida examination, and 47 monks who passed Ubhatovibhanga Dhara examination of Ministry of Religious Affairs of the Union of Myanmar.

Also present were members of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee led by Secretary of SSMNC Presiding Sayadaw of Bharmo Monastery in Mandalay Sayadaw Abhidhaja Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Agga Maha Pandita Dr Bhaddanta Kumara-

bhivamsa, Ovadacariya Sayadaws of Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida examination board, Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida Sayadaws, supervisory Sayadaws, title recipient Sayadaws and members of the Sangha, Prime Minister U Thein Sein and wife Daw Khin Khin Win, Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Tin Aye, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Nyan Tun, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein, Lt-Gen Ko Ko, Lt-Gen Myint Swe and Lt-Gen Ohn Myint of the Ministry of Defence, Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung, Lt-Gen Myint Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of



## PERSPECTIVES

Sunday, 9 May, 2010

**Extend cultivation of mangrove forests for environmental development**

Today, the world is facing global warming and climate change. Drought, heat wave, floods, storm and snow fall cause environmental degradation across the globe.

Some tropical storms affected Myanmar in recent years. A large number of lives and property were lost in the storm that hit Ayeyawady Division in the early May 2008. At present, mangrove plantations are being grown systematically along Myanmar coastal regions and the Delta for prevention against danger of storms.

Mangrove forests thrive in the areas between the sea and the coast. Mangrove forests are formed with swampy tidal areas where fresh water and sea water meet and micro-organism flourishes. It is an ideal ecosystem for fish, prawns, crabs, oyster shells, birds, lizards and various species. The Ministry of Forestry is carrying out environmental conservation and protection of mangrove forests that fulfil basic needs of the local people.

Mangrove forests can be seen along Rakhine coastal region, Ayeyawady Delta and Taninthayi coastal region. The mangrove forests block the inflow of seawater into the farmlands and protect against strong winds. In addition, the mangrove plantations help produce fish and prawn so as to contribute to food sufficiency.

Nowadays, the Ministry of Forestry extends cultivation of mangrove forests along the coastal regions of Myanmar including Rakhine State and Ayeyawady Delta region to prevent tidal waves and strong winds. The Biodiversity and Nature Conservation Association planned to grow about 100 acres of mangrove forest in Pyindaye forest reserve in Pyapon Township of Ayeyawady Division.

All in all, all the local people are to harmoniously participate in the preventive measures against danger of storms, extended cultivation of mangrove forests for environmental conservation, nurturing of mangrove plants and establishment of mangrove ecosystem for thriving of mangrove forests forever.

**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

**Culture Ministry holds paper-reading session**

*Minister for Culture U Khin Aung Myint addresses paper-reading session of the ministry.*  
MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 8 May — A paper-reading session was held at the hall of the Ministry of Culture here this morning with an address by Chairman of Myanmar Historical Commission Minister for Culture U Khin Aung Myint.

It was attended by MHC Vice-Chairman Dr Toe Hla, Secretary U Kyaw Win, members Daw Ohn Kyi,

U Kyaw, U Chit San Win and U Kyaw Nyein, scholars, the directors-general of the ministry, rectors, resource persons and guests.

Next, resource persons presented their papers and answered the queries raised by those present.

The session came to an end after the minister gave suggestions on papers.—MNA

**Minister inspects railroad construction project, concrete sleeper factory**

NAY PYI TAW, 8 May — On his inspection tour of Pyay (Shwedaga)-Toungoo(Kyaydaw)-Nay Pyi Taw railroad construction project, Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min on 6 May heard reports on work progress at the briefing hall of Toungoo (Kyaydaw)-Magyipin railroad section project presented by the project engineer.

The minister looked into construction of earth embankments at the sites near Kyaydaw station and Yangon-Nay Pyi Taw Express, and attended to the needs.

After hearing reports on progress of Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukaung railroad section, the minister

*Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min inspects progress of earth work on west side of Yangon-Nay Pyi Taw Express.—MNA*

inspected progress in construction of Paukaung Station, earth work and Pyay Technological University Station.

At the briefing hall of concrete sleeper factory at Oakshitpin in Pandaung Township yesterday, the minister heard reports on progress of construction of factory and called for timely completion of production of sleepers meeting set standard for upgrading of railroad sections.—MNA

**2010 President's Cup Tennis Tournament kicks off**

YANGON, 8 May—An opening ceremony of 2010 President's Cup Tennis Tournament took place at Theinbhyu Tennis Court in Mingala Taungnyunt Township, here, this morning. It was attended by General Secretary of Myanmar Olympic Committee

*SPED Director-General U Thaung Htaik and MTF President U Aung Maw Thein open MTF President's Cup Tennis Tournament.*

MTF

Director-General of Sports and Physical Education Department U Thaung Htaik and officials concerned, President of MTF U Aung Maw Thein and executives, invited persons and tennis fans.

The MOC General Secretary and the MTF President formally opened the ceremony.

Altogether 200 state/division tennis athletes are participating in the group matches through 12 teams.

MNA





## Two Egyptian peacekeepers of UNAMID killed in Darfur



*A convoy of the joint United Nations-African Union force crosses through a mud track in southern Darfur in 2009. Two Egyptian peacekeepers serving with the joint UN-African Union mission in Darfur were killed in an ambush on Friday, UNAMID said, describing the attack as a "war crime."—INTERNET*

KHARTOUM, 8 May—Two Egyptian peacekeepers of the United Nations-African Union Mission in Darfur (UNAMID) were killed, and three others seriously wounded in the

restive western Sudanese region of Darfur on Friday, the UNAMID said in a statement. A military convoy from UNAMID's Egyptian contingent, with three vehicles and 20 people,

was ambushed near Katila village, 85 km south of Edd al Fursan, South Darfur on Friday morning by a group of unidentified armed men who indiscriminately opened fire, without warning, at the peacekeepers, the statement said.

It noted that the attackers fled when the convoy returned fire, adding that the attack left two peacekeepers killed in action and three seriously wounded.

The injured soldiers were air-lifted to UNAMID's hospital in Nyala, South Darfur, and were in stable condition, the statement said.

Xinhua



*An armed policewoman of Kunming Frontier Inspection Station presents the bouquet to a peacekeeping officer, as members of the eighth peacekeeping team to Haiti returned to homeland upon their landing in Kunming, capital of southwest China's Yunnan Province on 6 May, 2010.*

XINHUA

## Two NATO troops, civilians die in Afghanistan

KABUL, 8 May—Afghan civilians travelling south of the capital of Kabul died on Friday when their vehicle hit a large roadside bomb, police said. "When you see the car, it is so badly destroyed," said Deputy provincial police chief Mohammad Nabi Charki said, that it's still unclear how many people died in the car travelling in Charkh District of Logar Province. "We found shoes, a blue burqa and

one mobile phone. We are using the phone to call relatives."

On Thursday, one service member was killed in an militant attack in the south, and another died from a mortar or rocket attack in the east, NATO said in a statement on Friday.

The international alliance did not provide details about the deaths or disclose the nationalities of the troops killed.

Xinhua

## China signs up first female astronauts

BEIJING, 8 May—China's space authorities added seven new members to its astronaut crew on Friday, with two women included for the first time. As usual, the names of the second batch of astronauts were not disclosed. However, space authorities did reveal in a Press release that they are all aged 30 to 35, married and have college diplomas.

The five men are fighter pilots, while the

two women fly transport aircraft for the Chinese air force. On average, they have 1,270 hours of flight time each. All of the astronauts are strong physically and psychologically, the release said. "China is expected to test its docking technology in the next few years and the seven new astronauts are selected for these new tasks," said Chen Shuang, director of the Astronaut Centre of China.

Internet

## Africa's first high-speed train to open ahead of World Cup

JOHANNESBURG, 8 May—The Gautrain, Africa's first high-speed rail line, will launch on 8 June in South Africa three days before the opening match of the 2010 football World Cup, the developers said on Friday.

French construction giant Bouygues said the train's first segment, linking OR Tambo International Airport and the posh Johannesburg suburb of Sandton, will open in time for the on 11 June kick-off of Africa's first World Cup.

The segment "will be handed over on 8 June, three weeks ahead of our original schedule," said Christian Gzaignes, Bouygues' executive director.

For 100 rands (13 dollars, 10 euros), World Cup visitors will be able



*The Gautrain, South Africa's first high-speed train, is taken on a test run in Johannesburg. The Gautrain will launch on 8 June in South Africa three days before the opening match of the 2010 football World Cup, the developers said on Friday.—INTERNET*

to ride the 15 kilometres from the airport to the Sandton hotel district in less than 15 minutes.

In rush-hour traffic, the same trip takes more than an hour by car.

Internet

## Energy competition will not lead to world war

PARIS, 8 May—Just before the 65th anniversary of the Victory Day in Europe, which is celebrated on 8 May, an American energy expert said here resource competition won't lead to another world war, which belongs to the history and only proved the vainness of military option.

"I think we've passed that," said the former US ambassador William C. Ramsay, who is now the Energy Programme Director of the French Institute of International Relations.

When commenting on the World War in an interview with Xinhua recently, the once Deputy Executive Director of International Energy Agency, a Paris-based French thinktank,

explained the issue from the angle of geopolitics of energy.

"I think the World War II speaks for itself people understood that just didn't work," he said. In his opinion, though the conflict of resources still exists in nowadays world like before, people are more reasonable and there are other solutions to water down anxiety and conflicts.—Xinhua



*A woman hangs clothes on a line to dry next to an abandoned plane in a camp for earthquake displaced people in Port-au-Prince, on 7 May, 2010.—INTERNET*

## Exercise early, stronger bones later

Gothenburg, 8 May — Swedish researchers say those who exercise when young may be rewarded with stronger bones when old.

Researchers at the Sahlgrenska Academy at the University of Gothenburg in Sweden suggest those in exercise programmes when young build stronger bones and may lower their risk of osteoporosis.

"The bones respond best when you're young, and if you train and load them with your own

bodyweight during these years, it has a stimulating effect on their development," Martin Nilsson, a doctoral student at the Institute of Medicine, said in a statement.

Nilsson and colleagues examined the bones and exercise habits of about 3,200 men — 2,300 18-year-olds were randomly-selected to have heel bone tests. Those who exercised had denser heel bones than those never involved in sports.

Also, tests of the

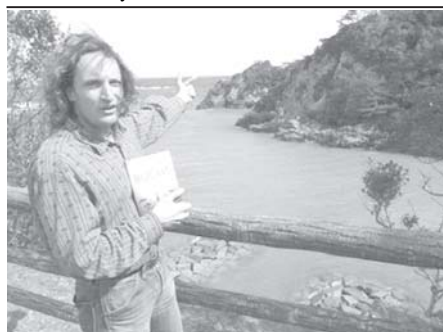
lower leg of about 360 19-year-old men indicated those who had stopped exercising more than 6 years ago still had larger and thicker bones than those who had never done sports.

Finally, tests of bone density throughout the body of 500 randomly selected 75-year old men indicated higher bone densities in those engaged in competitive sports three or more times a week sometime between the ages of 10-30.

Internet



A volunteer donates blood at a blood collection vehicle to donate blood during the national voluntary blood donation campaign in Khartoum on 6 May, 2010.—INTERNET



Hans Peter Roth, co-author of the book "The Cove", shows the cove where dolphin hunts were carried out in Taiji town in Wakayama prefecture, western Japan, in March. Japanese researchers said on Friday they had found high mercury levels in residents of the dolphin hunting town of Taiji, featured in the Oscar-winning documentary "The Cove", but no cases of related illness.

INTERNET

## Unlicensed cosmetic procedures dangerous

New York, 8 May—Unlicensed, non-medical providers for cosmetic surgery or body enhancement procedures can cause disfigurement and death, New York City health officials warn.

"People who undergo these unlicensed procedures are risking their lives," Dr Nathan Graber, director of the city health department's environmental and occupational disease programme, said in a statement.

"We urge people to talk to a licensed healthcare provider about where to go for safe procedures."

The health department has investigated several complaints involving illegal medical practices in recent months including eight women, who were infected with the bacterium Nocardia, after receiving injections of unknown substances from unlicensed practitioners and a woman got an infection after undergoing liposuction by a salon operator without a medical license. The health department also found people injected with foreign substances, such as silicone or polymethyl methacrylate to modify body shape and contour, while others were injected with chemicals to dissolve fat.

Internet

## Health

## Alcohol drinking during pregnancy raise risk of acute myeloid leukemia in children

Los Angeles, 8 May—Drinking alcohol during pregnancy could lead to acute myeloid leukemia (AML) in children, a new study suggests.

Researchers at the Research Centre for Human Nutrition (RCHN) in France based their findings on analysis of 21 case control studies.

The study was published in the latest issue of *Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers & Prevention*, a journal of the American

Association for Cancer Research. The study results showed that alcohol intake during pregnancy, defined as a response to a yes or no question, was associated with a 56 percent increased risk of AML in children.

The risk of AML was higher in children up to 4 years old at diagnosis, according to the study.

"Despite the current recommendation that pregnant women should not drink alcohol during pregnancy, alcohol

consumption during pregnancy is 12 percent in the United States, 30 percent in Sweden, 52 percent in France, 59 percent in Australia and 60 percent in Russia," said Latino-Martel, research director of the RCHN. Julie Ross, Ph.D., director of the division of pediatric epidemiology and clinical research at the University of Minnesota, said there are about 700 cases of AML in the United States in children each year.

Xinhua



A man smokes while waiting for customers at a local firewood market in Pristina, Serbia. Serbian President Boris Tadic on Friday signed into law new anti-smoking measures which will ban lighting up in most public places.

INTERNET

## New HIV subtype found in Macao

Macao, 8 May—The Health Bureau of Macao announced on Thursday that it has found a CRF12\_BF subtype of HIV (human immunodeficiency virus) that is slightly different from the one found in other regions.

The new subtype was detected after the Bureau and the medical experts at the Chinese University of Hong Kong cooperated to carry out molecular biologic analysis of the HIV virus samples found in Macao between 2006 and 2007.

The Bureau said that unprotected sex was the major way through which the HIV was transmitted in Macao before 2004, but the number of needle-sharing drug abusers contracting HIV increased dramatically in that year, and the virus they contracted was the new HIV subtype.

Xinhua

## Cuba to present recombinant DNA anti-hemorrhoid drug

Havana, 8 May—Cuba will soon launch a new drug against hemorrhoids obtained by DNA techniques, local media reported on Friday.

The recombined streptokinase suppositories, which are indicated for treating acute hemorrhoid attacks, will be ready for launch after going through clinical tests in several Cuban hospitals.

According to the Cuban press, researchers at the Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, who developed the drug, have already tested the drug's efficacy and safety.—Xinhua

A Venezuelan sailor whistles during shift change on the Simon Bolivar sailing boat in Guayaquil on 7 May, 2010. Ecuadorean Guayas and Venezuelan Simon Bolivar ships are parked at the Malecon 2000 harbor, after their arrival during the Bicentennial Race participation in Guayaquil on 7 May, 2010.

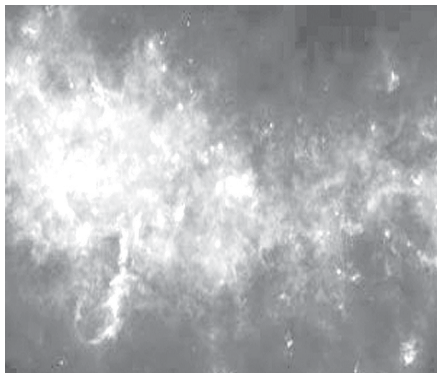
INTERNET







## Hidden side of star birth revealed



*This image is taken looking towards a region of the Galaxy in the Eagle constellation, closer to the Galactic centre than our Sun. Here, we see the outstanding end-products of the stellar assembly line. At the centre and the left of the image, the two massive star-forming regions G29.9 and W43 are clearly visible.—INTERNET*

PARIS, 8 May — The first scientific results from ESA's Herschel infrared space observatory are revealing previously hidden details of star formation. New images show thousands of distant galaxies furiously building stars and beautiful star-

forming clouds draped across the Milky Way. One picture even catches an 'impossible' star in the act of formation.

Presented on 6 May during a scientific symposium held at the European Space Agency (ESA), the results challenge old ideas of star birth, and open new roads for future research. Herschel's observation of the star-forming cloud RCW 120 has revealed an embryonic star which looks set to turn into one of the biggest and brightest stars in our Galaxy within the next few hundred thousand years. It already contains eight to ten times the mass of the Sun and is still surrounded by an additional 2000 solar masses of gas and dust from which it can feed further.

Internet

## Study: UVA light doesn't cause melanoma

HOUSTON, 8 May — A University of Texas study has contradicted previous research by finding early life exposure to ultraviolet-A light does not cause melanoma in a fish model.

Scientists at the university's MD Anderson Cancer Center said their finding reinforces ultraviolet-B light as the culprit since the fish model has been the only animal model to indicate

a connection between exposure to UVA at a young age and later development of melanoma.

The data doesn't suggest UVA is harmless, said Professor David Mitchell, the study's lead author at the cancer centre's department of carcinogenesis. "UVA is just not as dangerous as we thought because it doesn't cause melanoma."

Internet



*A piece of ammonite is seen in Los Angeles 6 May, 2010. A US auction company is to hold the "Natural History Auctions" in New York on May 27, 2010. An extraordinarily wide range of categories are offered, including mineral specimens, fossils, petrified wood, amber, ammonite, meteorites, pearls, coral, and natural history-related decor and curiosities.—INTERNET*



*In this 1 May, 2010 photo, guards are seen at a reproduction of the Ishtar gate in the ancient city of Babylon in southern Iraq. A US funded programme to restore the ruins of Iraq's ancient city of Babylon is threatened by a dispute among Iraqi officials over keeping the site authentic or making money off it.*

INTERNET

## Stem cells may aid Parkinson's patients

NEW HAVEN, 8 May — A US study suggests endometrial stem cells might be able to take over the function of the non-working brain cells of Parkinson's disease patients.

Yale University researchers led by Dr. Hugh Taylor said they injected the stem cells into

the brains of mice with a laboratory-induced form of Parkinson's disease. The cells appeared to take over the functioning of brain cells eradicated by the disease.

The scientists said their finding raises the possibility that women with Parkinson's disease could serve as their own stem cell donors. Similarly, because endometrial stem cells — derived from the lining of

the uterus — are readily available and easy to collect, banks of endometrial stem cells could be stored for men and women with Parkinson's disease.

Parkinson's disease results from a loss of brain cells that produce the chemical messenger dopamine, which aids the transmission of brain signals that coordinate movement.

Internet



*Tourist pose for photos with Zakumi, the mascot of 2010 World Cup of South Africa, in South Africa Pavilion at the 2010 World Expo in Shanghai, east China, on 7 May, 2010.*

INTERNET

## Nuke reactor cores simulated on iPhones

SALT LAKE CITY, 8 May — University of Utah scientists say they're using an iPhone application they designed to display medical scans to view simulations of nuclear reactor cores.

Researchers at the university's Scientific Computing and Imaging Institute say the iPhone reactor simulation allows researchers, among other things, to

look at existing nuclear power plants and predict their performance under increased power.

Professor Tatjana Jevremovic, director of the Utah Nuclear Engineering Programme, said, "With these modern and more detailed simulation tools, we can design new types of nuclear power plants in a faster fashion than 15 or 20 years ago."

Internet

## Orion launch abort system passes test

WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, 8 May — The US space agency said the first full test of its Pad Abort 1 system was successful Thursday at the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico.

Officials said the launch of the abort system designed for the Orion crew vehicle lifted off at 5 am EDT. The flight lasted about 135 seconds from launch until the crew module touchdown about a mile north of the launch pad, NASA said.

The flight was the first fully integrated test of the launch-abort system design. Officials said the information gathered from the test

will help refine design and analysis for future launch-abort system escape capability during rocket launch emergencies. The test involved propelling the crew model away from the pad at a speed of approximately 445 mph and an upward trajectory of about 1.2 miles, NASA said. The vehicle used eight thrusters to provide adjustable thrust to keep the module on a controlled flight path. The jettison motor pulled the entire launch-abort system away from the crew module and cleared the way for parachute deployment and a touchdown at 16 mph.

Internet

# Science

## Employment surges in bright sign for recovery

WASHINGTON, 8 May—Employment grew at the fastest pace in four years in April as businesses ramped up hiring, suggesting the economic recovery was growing less dependent on government support.

Employers added 290,000 jobs last month, the Labour Department said on Friday, far more than analysts had anticipated. In addition, 121,000 more jobs were created in February and March than previously estimated.

Private-sector job growth in April was much stronger than expected, with government hiring for the decennial US census a secondary

factor.

Officials have kept the economy on life support with record low interest rates and a \$787 billion package of government spending and tax cuts, and the report eased fears the recovery could falter as the support fades.

"This is now a recovery that could survive the withdrawal of the policy support that we have in place. The missing pieces of the jigsaw are there now, labour market conditions are picking up and strengthening," said Paul Ashworth, senior US economist at Capital Economics in Toronto.

Internet



File photo shows Applicants stand in line during a job fair in Los Angeles.

INTERNET

## Indonesia's ceramic manufacturers look to increase exports by 120 mln USD

JAKARTA, 8 May—The Indonesian Various Ceramic Industries Association (ASAKI) aims to increase export of ceramic products to 330 million US dollars by the end of this year, a significant growth from 210 million dollars in 2009, the *Jakarta Post* quoted an official as saying on Saturday.

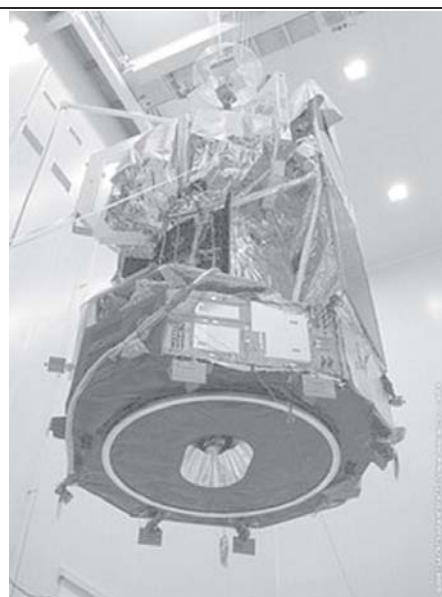
"We're optimistic this year's export will reach 330 million dollars despite the strengthening of rupiah against US dollar in the first quarter," the association's chairman Achmad Widjaja told a Press conference on the upcoming 2010 world ceramic tile manufacturer forum on Friday.

According to ASAKI's latest data, the ceramic industry's annual production capacity reached an average of between 237 million and 243 million cubic meters for floor tile, 150 million cubic metres for roof tile, 253 million pieces for tableware and 5 million pieces of sanitary supplies.

Achmad believed the industry would grow despite worries over the market being flooded by cheaper imported ceramics, particularly after the implementation of free trade with China and Malaysia.

Domestic sales of ceramic products reached an average of 15 trillion rupiah (1.62 billion dollars) annually, he said.

Xinhua



The Herschel telescope is the biggest ever sent into space. New star formations in spiral galaxies such as the Milky Way have declined five-fold in the last three billion light years, according to the first findings of the European Space Agency's Herschel telescope.

XINHUA

## FDIC shuts banks in Fla, Minn, Ariz, Calif

CHARLOTTE, 8 May—Regulators on Friday shut down banks in Florida, Minnesota, Arizona and California, bringing the number of US bank failures to 68 this year.

The Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. took over The Bank of Bonifay, based in Bonifay, Fla, which had \$242.9 million in assets and \$230.2 million in deposits; and Access Bank, in Champlin, Minn., with \$32 million in assets and \$32 million in deposits.

The agency also seized Towne Bank of Arizona in Mesa, Ariz, with \$120.2 million in assets and \$113.2 million in deposits; and 1st Pacific Bank of California in San Diego, with \$335.8 million in assets and \$291.2 million in deposits.

First Federal Bank of Florida in Lake City, Fla agreed to acquire Bonifay's deposits and about \$78.1 million of its assets. The FDIC will keep the remainder for eventual sale.—Internet

## Euro leaders to set up urgent crisis fund

BRUSSELS, 8 May—European leaders launched plans on Saturday to create a new crisis fund aimed at all troubled euro countries, as the Greek debt chaos put the eurozone into a "state of emergency."

The 16 heads of the countries that share the euro currency said they want to build an emergency fund for countries targeted by powerful bond markets, after the region's debt mountain sent global bourses tumbling and triggered alarm from the US to Asia.

"Between now and Sunday night we will have a watertight line of defence in the eurozone," declared euro finance chief Jean-Claude Juncker.

The leaders, meeting in Brussels, also agreed to impose new curbs on speculators blamed for sustained and deliberate attacks.

Internet

## Dikes built to protect China-Russia oil pipeline project

HARBIN, 8 May—Chinese rescuers are building dikes around a China-Russia oil pipeline construction site to protect workers and equipment from flood waters caused by thawing ice in the northeastern Heilongjiang Province.

About 1,200 metres of embankment has been built around the site in Xingan Township, Mohe County, said a spokesman with the border inspection station of Mohe.

On 2 May, an ice run from the Heilongjiang River, the China-Russia boundary river, caused the river's water level to rise, threatening the safety of the workers and property, said the spokesman.

Xinhua



Newly-built apartment buildings in Beijing. China's recent measures to rein in soaring property prices had been effective in stabilising the real estate market, a top housing official said during a rare online chat with Internet users.

INTERNET

## Business



Diesel trucks and cars pass windmills along the 10 freeway near Banning, California. US energy-related carbon dioxide emissions fell a record seven percent in 2009, officials said late Wednesday, citing the economic slump and other factors including increased energy efficiency.

INTERNET



# No gross violations of loving-kindness (2)

*Ngar Min Swe*

In the early March, U Sein Win and I carried out a feasibility study in Kyaukpyu, Taungup, Thandwe, Kyeintali and Gwa to reclaim virgin lands for more salt farms to help meet the growing demand of crude salt for the industries in the nation. We could find out some 10,000 acres of vacant lands which are not arable lands or mangrove forests. If I turn about 10,000 acres of fallow lands to salt farm, I will be able to help the nation get a lot of crude salt for industrial development. And that can create many jobs for local people. Thanks to the government's encouragement, the salt farms in Mon State and Ayeyawady Division have become to revive since 2009. The daily wages of workers are not low. So, the daily income of a family of three or four could run into five digits. The amount of money is even more than that earned in the other country. So, workers in Mon State no longer go to the neighbouring country to work for their earning.

After my return from Rakhine State, I went to Bago salt farm, which was launched this year. I planned to put seawater at the concentration of 25 degree into the salt farms on 14 March and collect salt on 25 March. However, there was a rainstorm with a rainfall of two inches at about 6 pm on 19 March. So, the crude salt was destroyed. Due to the efforts of skilled salt farming workers, I was able to put saltwater into the salt farms again on 31 March, and collect crude salt on 10 April. A minister observed my salt farms in Bago and said that the **Head of State was pleased with boosting production of sun-baked salt in Bago, and gave guidance on extensive production of salt because that could generate long-term benefits to next generations. The minister stressed the need of esprit de corps in the drive for national development; that esprit de corps was the spirit of making self-sacrifice or loving-kindness; and that without loving-kindness, not only the nation but also the world would meet their end. His words reflected the benevolent attitude the government and Tatmadaw members have to the nation and the people.**

I kept staying in Bago salt farm during Thingyan Festival. During that period, salt farmers had no days off. At 6 pm on Thingyan Akyat Day (15 April), salt farmers were collecting crude salt into the warehouse. At that time, I was listening to 6 pm news of Nay Pyi Taw Myanmar Radio and Television to know what the weather would be like. I thought there would be no news special as it was in the period of the Thingyan Festival. I was shocked to the core when I heard the bad news that three bomb blasts occurred at X<sub>2</sub>O water throwing pandal on Kandawgyi Circular Road in Mingala Taungnyunt Township at about 3 pm. Soon after that, salt farmers and the manager and the clerk came close to me. But, they did not think the news was true, because there could be no such cases on

the significant occasion of Thingyan. They felt sad when I said to them that that news was true because it was aired by Nay Pyi Taw Myanmar Radio and Television.

I lay awake for long in bed that night. How barbarous they are! We even should keep showing loving-kindness to a person that has harmed us and forgive him. I wonder why they committed terrorist acts to kill the people who were enjoying themselves in the Water Festival. But, I was unable to produce any answers to that question. In fact, that question was not a new one for me. I had tried in vain to answer that question for a couple of decades.

Over 20 years ago, insurgents blasted Ye-Mawlamyine Train between Hnit Kayin and Anin stations (then at mile post No 244/2), and the attack killed over 60 innocent civilians. Two of the dead were Mon nationals Daw Ngwe and Mi Aye Thein, who were workers at my Plaingkee salt farm. Daw Ngwe was a widow and she lived for two little girls. Mi Aye Thein, while she was alive, was taking care of her old parents.

**At that time again, I happened to try repeatedly to get the answer to the question "Why they cruelly blasted a passenger train?" I have not been able to produce the answer to the question up to now. So, I asked my father, over 80, who had much more experience than me why they detonated bombs in Thingyan, and blasted a passenger train. He responded, "I have no idea, either. I think the bombers know best why." Whatever excuses the bombers may give, their excuses will not be acceptable to anyone. So, I hereby make an earnest demand they stop killing innocent people.**

I arrived in Ye Township, Mon State, on 21 April. I drove a Sunny pickup on the road from Ye to Asin village. Ye-Asin road is a smooth tarred one. In the past, the journey could be reached only by waterways. But now it can be accessible by car, by motorbike. Ye-Asin road was upgraded with the use of heavy machinery of the military command under the supervision of Mon State Peace and Development Council. With this machinery, Ye-Andin road and Ye-Palaingki road were upgraded. Turning right from Ye-Asin road, I reached Ye-Palaingki road, which could be reached by train in the past. As no more trains ran, we had to go on foot. Now, I can drive the pickup on Ye-Palaingki road at top speed.

Ye Township is a place where Mon nationals live most. All villages from all corners of Ye can be reached by road in all seasons. The people of Ye Township now have got CDMA mobile phones. The township is the southernmost part of Mon State. Yet, per capita income of Ye Township is the highest in Mon State. Ye is one of the fast-developing border townships of Myanmar in the time of State Peace and Development Council.

I drove into Palaingki salt farm. I saw the workers earnestly carrying salt. Without taking holiday even in the Thingyan days, they were carrying salt into the shelters. They were looking tired as they had been working for days and months. But they never lost heart. I went up to the workers and gave them some food. When I said that we should have another Myanmar saying besides the saying "Save rainwater while it is raining", they asked me what it was. That was "Carry salt in the sunshine", I replied. I explained there would be rainfall very soon. Thirty thousand viss of salt produced by our salt farm was enough for 15,000 people in a year. The salt produced in one season was enough for about 700,000 Myanmar citizens in a year. That was why we needed to work hard on this salt farm, I said.

While in Palaingki salt farm, I tuned in to news of foreign broadcasting stations. They aired the issue of the border guard force formation of some national race armed groups with words of instigation. An armed group representing Ye region was among them. Due to the broadcast, Manager U Thein Aung of Palaingki salt farm said he feared the region would become unstable.

Before 1988, there were many national race armed groups in Myanmar. They clashed with each other. The national people who unavoidably received one armed group were brutally killed by another one. A lot of national people died in the clashes between the armed groups. They massacred the national people by accusing them of being the government supporters. Blowing up passenger trains and cars and opening fire with small and heavy weapons caused deaths of lots of national people. The insurgents raided the towns and villages, killing many national people. After 1988, cease fire agreement was reached and those insurgents started making peace with the government. Therefore, it is true that the Union of Myanmar has become peaceful and developed.

Myanmar people wish the national race armed groups to do business in the interest of their own nation and people by unconditionally surrendering their arms, or to carry out philanthropic work, or to form border guard forces in order to defend the State. They want the armed groups never to come to the former status in which they terrorized the national people.

**Now the Union of Myanmar has achieved more national consolidation than ever. There is no racial discrimination and all national people are dealing with each other on equal terms. There is no chauvinism and no racism. A Bamar national treats a Mon national like his own race, and vice versa. It can be seen that a Kayin national treats a Bamar national like his own race, and vice versa. This is why the national race armed groups are urged to participate in ensuring peace and stability and development of the Union of Myanmar by discarding racism.**

I strongly request that the insurgents and anti-government groups are not to attack the Myanmar people building the nation with loving-kindness with the economic weapon, bombs and guns. They are to respond to the loving Myanmar people with loving-kindness.

Translation: MS+ST

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## Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, wife Daw Mya Mya San...

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Vicittasara of Tipitaka Mahagandawin Nikaya monastery of Yangon Division and Ashin Nadavamsalankara of Shwedaung U Tipitaka Dhammapala monastery of Sagaing Division who passed Dighanikaya Kovida examination. Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Tin Aye presented titles and certificates to five monks who passed Dighabanaka

examination.

Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Nyan Tun, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein, Lt-Gen Ko Ko, Lt-Gen Myint Swe, Lt-Gen Ohn Myint, Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thura Myint Aung, Lt-Gen Myint Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence, Commander Maj-Gen Win Myint, Attorney-General U Aye Maung, Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo, Minister

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**Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, wife Daw Mya Mya San and party receive Five Precepts from the Sayadaw at 62nd ceremony to honour the monks who passed Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida examination.—MNA**



**Daw Mya Mya San, wife of Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, offers provisions to a Sayadaw at ceremony to honour title recipient monks.—MNA**

Thura U Myint Maung, Minister for Forestry U Thein Aung presented titles and certificates to re-

cipient monks.

Dr Bhaddanta Kumarabhivamsa delivered a sermon.



**Daw Khin Khin Win, wife of Prime Minister U Thein Sein, donates alms to a Sayadaw at ceremony to honour title recipient monks.**

MNA

The congregation led by Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and wife Daw Mya Mya San shared the merits gained. Vice-

Senior General Maung Aye and wife Daw Mya Mya San and party also offered provisions to the Sayadaws.—MNA

**Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Nyan Tun offers certificates of Vinayakovida title and Vinayadhara title to two Sayadaws.**

MNA







*Vice-Senior General Maung Aye offers title of Tipitakavida and certificate to Ashin Abhijatabhivamsa of Mahathubawdayon Monastery of Sagaing (NEWS ON PAGE 1).*

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## Title Recipient Sayadaws Honoured at a Grand Ceremony

*Prime Minister U Thein Sein donates  
provision to a monk ceremony to honour  
title recipient monks.*

MNA



*Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Tin Aye presents title of Dighabhanaka and certificate to a Sayadaw.—MNA*

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Chief (Air) Lt-Gen  
Myat Hein presents  
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Vinayadhara and  
certificate to a  
Sayadaw.*

MNA



*Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence offers title of  
Vinayadhara and certificate to a Sayadaw.—MNA*



*Lt-Gen Ohn Myint of Ministry of Defence presents title of Vinayadhara  
and certificate to a Sayadaw.—MNA*



## Brazilian President to be awarded by UN for fighting hunger

BRASILIA, 8 May—Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva will next week receive the “Champion in the Battle Against Hunger” award from the United Nations World Food Programme (WFP), local press reported on Friday.

The United Nations says Lula was chosen because he prioritized the fight against hunger in his terms of presidency.

The award will be

handed to Lula by WFP Executive Director Josette Sheeran, who will visit projects run by the Brazilian government’s “Fome Zero” (Zero Hunger) programme in Brasilia and other Brazilian cities.

Sheeran praised the “active role” played by Lula’s government in anti-hunger efforts in Brazil and other countries.

He made special mention of an interesting Brazilian project which

provides school children with quality meals, attracting them to attend school.

In late April, Lula was elected by the US weekly magazine *Time* as one of the most influential names in the world.

In 2009, he was chosen by the French newspaper *Le Monde* and the Spanish *El Pais* as Person of the Year for his role of leadership in Latin America.—Xinhua



**Towing company employees inspect the wreckage of a bus after its accident on the N1 on 5 May between De Doorns and Touws River some 150 kms north east of Cape Town. The owner of a bus that killed 23 people in South Africa was charged with murder on Friday, a police spokesman said.**

INTERNET

## Shell declares force majeure due to Nigeria fire

LAGOS, 8 May—Anglo-Dutch oil giant Shell said on Friday it had deferred crude shipments from its Bonny Light terminal in the Niger Delta for two months due to a fire that has hampered production.

Shell “declared force majeure on Bonny Light lifting for May and June 2010, effective ... May 7,” company spokesman Tony Okonedo said in a statement.

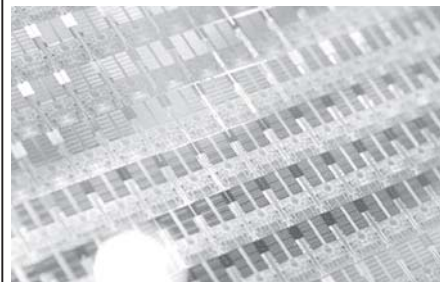
“This is as a result of production deferment from the leaks and fire incidents which occurred on the Trans Niger Pipeline (TNP) on 5 May,” he said, adding that repairs were underway to resume production as soon as possible.

Internet



**A picture received in 2004 from the Movement for the Survival of the Ogoni People, shows the aftermath of an oil pipeline leak and subsequent fire in the southern Nigerian village of Goi, in the Niger Delta region.—INTERNET**

**A man watches children make building blocks near the river Nile in the capital Khartoum on 4 May, 2010.—INTERNET**



**A 45nm process 300mm silicon wafer. Global semiconductor revenues are expected to increase 16-18 percent this year after dipping 9.0 percent in 2009, industry research firm IDC said Friday as demand picks up.**

INTERNET

## Two soldiers, 5 PKK militants killed in conflicts in SE Turkey

ANKARA, 8 May—Two soldiers and five militants of the outlawed Kurdish Workers’ Party (PKK) were killed in conflicts erupted in southeast Turkey on Friday, local media reported.

Another soldier was wounded during the fight, which occurred in the Daglica region of the Yuksekova town of Hakkari province, said the semi-official Anatolia news agency.

The army had sent air support and reinforcements to the area, it said.

The clash came after a PKK raid on a military outpost in the eastern Tunceli province on 30 April, which killed four soldiers and injured seven others, the most deadly attack against government troops over the past several months.

Xinhua



## Rodents pose new health threat in Zimbabwe’s towns

HARARE, 8 May—A stray cat paws through a heap of refuse between blocks of flats in Harare’s upmarket Avenues area, sending rats squealing and scurrying for cover among the rubbish.

Across the road, cars take turns to skirt a swelling mound of garbage nearly blocking one of the two lanes.

Informal dumpsites have become a familiar sight in sections of Harare where residents are resorting to emptying bins in open spaces as the municipal authorities fail to collect refuse, causing residents to fear disease outbreaks.

The ubiquitous heaps are breeding grounds for rats and mice, posing a health threat as the rodents sometimes find their way into homes.—Internet



**People are seen walking past a heap of rubbish in Harare’s Mbare suburb. Local authorities have not collected the garbage over the past few months resulting in the increase of rats in the capital.**

INTERNET

## Brazil reports 50 deaths of A/H1N1 flu in first quarter

BRASILIA, 8 May—A total of 50 Brazilians have died and 361 others have been hospitalized due to the A/H1N1 flu in the country since on 3 April, Brazilian Health Minister Jose Gomes Temporao said Friday.

Among the deaths, 76 percent were women, 32 percent of whom were pregnant, Temporao said.

In the campaign against the deadly A/H1N1 virus, 47.5 million people have been vaccinated so far, about 81 percent of the government’s target.

The next stage of the campaign is aiming at the people aged between 30 and 39, with estimated 30 million people to be vaccinated. Up to on 21 May, all people aged over 60 are recommended to be immunized. The A/H1N1 flu started spreading in Brazil in May last year and caused 2,051 deaths in 2009.

Xinhua



## Brazil launches first oil tanker

PORTO DE SUAPE, 8 May—Brazil on Friday launched the first of 10 domestically built oil tankers it will use to boost its trade in “black gold,” and give new life to its shipbuilding industry.

The 274-meter (899-foot) long vessel, named the “*Joao Candido*” after

a famous black Brazilian sailor, cost 120 million dollars and can transport a million barrels of crude — around half the daily output of Brazilian state oil company Petrobras.

President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva led the launching ceremony, telling the 3,700 shipyard workers here

that the tanker symbolized “a people’s high affirmation.”

Brazil is sitting on 14 billion barrels of proven reserves of crude oil, and expects to more than triple that with recent offshore finds, propelling it into the ranks of major oil exporters.—*Internet*



**Brazilian President Luiz Inacio da Silva (L) attends the launching of the oil tanker “Joao Candido” at Suape Harbour in Recife, in the northeastern Brazilian state of Pernambuco.**

INTERNET

## Finland’s largest biomass power plant operational

HELSINKI, 8 May—Finland’s largest wood-burning biomass power plant has been formally brought into production as the official inauguration was held in Lappeenranta in southern Finland, reported Finnish media Friday.

The biomass plant, which is located at Kaukas’ mill complex of UPM Kymmene, cost 240 million euros to build. The plant’s thermal power is 385 MW and its electricity generation capacity is 125 MW. Biomass accounts for around 80 percent of the plant’s fuel supply, about half of which is bark from the sawmill, pulp mill and paper mill of the Kaukas mill complex of Finnish forest industry giant UPM Kymmene, with the rest consists of branches, stumps, small wood and peat.

Finnish Minister of Environment Paula Lehtomaki said in the inauguration on Friday that the plant was a step forward in the use of renewable energy sources and emissions-free energy production.

*Internet*

## Spain’s GNP shows weak growth in first quarter

MADRID, 8 May —Spain’s Gross National Product increased 0.1 percent during the first quarter, bringing an end to economic contraction in six consecutive quarters, the central bank said.

“In the first months of 2010 the gradual recovery of the Spanish economy took place in surroundings characterized by the progressive recovery of the world economy, as well as the effect of government measures to support demand and the confidence of those parties involved,” the bank said.

*Xinhua*

## 5.9-magnitude earthquake hits Central Indonesia

JAKARTA, 8 May—A 5.9 magnitude earthquake hit Central Indonesia’s West Nusa Tenggara province on Saturday, but there was no immediate report of casualties or material damage.

According to the website of Indonesian Meteorology, Climatology and Physical Geography Agency (BMG), the quake struck at 11:22 am local time (0322 GMT), with the epicenter at 8.09 degrees southern latitude and 118.27 degrees eastern longitude, 68 km in the northwest of Raba regency of West Nusa Tenggara province, at a depth of 10 km below sea bed.

*Xinhua*

## Toronto barbecue chef makes 267-kg burger to break Guinness world record

Ted Reader, a 46-year-old chef in Toronto, hopes 267 kilograms of beef, bun and condiments he made on Thursday will help him become the Guinness world Record keeper of the world’s largest burger.

“All I want today is to build the world’s biggest burger and so we try rally to break the record,” Reader told *Xinhua*, adding that he became interested in cooking when he only 16 years old.

On the difference with a normal everyday burger, Reader said: “The size is more than 300 times the burger we eat every day.”

He and a 10-member crew started the preparation at 4 am Thursday on the Toronto Dundas square,



**Barbecue chef Ted Reader (R) holds a bottle of champagne to celebrate the finish of a giant hamburger in Toronto, on 7 May, 2010.**

and the whole process was more than eight hours.

The one-metre-in - diameter burger was fully baked at 1:30 pm, and was auctioned at the

price at 7,500 Canadian dollars (about 7 50 US dollars). Reader said that he made a test burger earlier this week at his home, and it was successful.

## Workers dig pool in wrong yard

An Australian homeowner said workmen mistakenly began digging a swimming pool in his garden and fled once they discovered the \$17,700 mistake.

Peter Collard of Brisbane, who is trying to sell the house, said he received a call from his real estate agent saying he should rush home because two men were digging in his yard, *The Daily Telegraph* reported.

“The first I heard of it was when my agent rang me and said: ‘There’s someone digging your yard up. You’d better rush home.’” Collard said. “I rushed home to find this huge mess and about \$20,000 (US \$17,700) worth of damage.”

“These guys obviously knew there was something up and took off,” he said.

Susan Grantham of Queensland state police said the men loaded their backhoe onto a dump truck and left the scene without explanation.



**In this April 30, 2010 photo, Koda, a 900 pound Polar Bear swims above visitors to the Water’s Edge exhibit at the Pittsburgh Zoo.**

## 100-year-old woman being evicted by niece

A 100-year-old Illinois woman whose bank agreed to halt foreclosure proceedings said she is now facing eviction at the hands of her niece.

Agnes Albingier, received a notice of eviction this week from her niece, Bridget Gruzdis, 47, giving her until on 16 May to vacate the Monee farm she has occupied since 1949, the *Chicago Tribune* reported.



**A volunteer stands beside a giant spoon and coin replicas surrounded by yellow coin banks for poor children around the world during a charity event by World Vision in central Seoul.**



**Two-year old Reese Pfaff, of Des Moines, Iowa, sits in a large pair of wooden shoes on display during the annual Pella Tulip Time festival, on Thursday, 6 May, 2010, in Pella, Iowa.**

# News Album

## CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

### MV SINAR BIMA VOY NO (061)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV SINAR BIMA VOY NO (061) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 9.5.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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

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## Woman passes driving test after 960 tries

SEOUL, 8 May — A South Korean woman who finally passed her driving test after 960 tries is ready to buy a car and get behind the wheel.

The *Yonhap* news agency reported that 69-year-old Cha Sa-soon passed the driving part of the test last month.

South Korea requires a written test first, and Cha took it nearly daily since April 2005 before passing last year.

*Yonhap* quoted her as saying she wanted to buy a small secondhand car to visit her son and daughter and for her business selling vegetables.

Internet



A woman is seen reading a webpage written in Chinese, in Beijing. Internet addresses written in Arabic are making history as the first online domains in non-Latin characters, with Chinese and Thai expected to follow close behind.

INTERNET

## New hope for HIV vaccine efforts

WASHINGTON, 8 May — US researchers say they are a step closer to understanding why some people have natural protection against HIV.

They believe rare individuals who progress very slowly to AIDS when infected make white blood cells that are

better at fighting the virus. The findings, published in *Nature*, may help international efforts to design an effective AIDS vaccine.

But the research team at MIT and Harvard says any such vaccine is at least a decade away. The findings relate to so-called "elite controllers" — a small number of people who, when exposed to HIV, progress very slowly to AIDS or never develop it at all.

In the late 1990s it was discovered that these individuals — about one in 200 of those infected with HIV—AIDS carry a specific gene, known as HLA B57.

The research team, led by MIT Professor Arup Chakraborty and Harvard Professor Bruce Walker, found this gene causes the body to make more potent killer T cells — a type of white blood cell that fights infections.

This helps them to keep the HIV virus at bay, but also makes them more susceptible to autoimmune diseases, where the body's immune system turns on itself. The work is based on computer modelling of how immune cells develop in a specialized organ of the immune system known as the thymus.

The researchers say the study has implications for designing an effective vaccine.

Internet



The Google Nexus One smartphone. Google on Thursday released free software that lets smartphones based on its Android operating systems be used as language translation tools.—INTERNET

## GPS fails trusting tourists

BRISBANE, 8 May — A tip for tourists: if your GPS system leads you into a forest, forces you to unlock gates and move rocks blocking the road, chances are something is amiss. South Korean tourists travelling from Brisbane to Rockhampton had to be rescued from a remote track in a forestry reserve in southeast Queensland after they tried to follow the directions given by their car's GPS system.

The three followed gravel roads, then dirt roads, then went through a couple of gates, and ended up bogged in a gully in Cordalba State Forest, near Childers. The men, who did not speak English, ignored danger signs and moved rocks blocking a road, to get to an isolated point that was practically inaccessible, the *Bundaberg NewsMail* reports. When their Ford Falcon became bogged the men tried to walk out, further endangering themselves.

Bundaberg Police received a call about 1am on Wednesday. A council worker found the tourists' vehicle six hours later. The forest has form, Childers Police Sergeant Geoff Fay told the paper. A month ago backpackers also got lost there after following their GPS too faithfully. He said travellers should learn how to use their GPS, and turn back if something looks wrong or signs don't match.—Internet



Ceu na Boca : Dancers of the Brazilian group "Quasar Companhia de Danca" perform on stage during a dress rehearsal for their new show "Ceu na Boca" in the northern German city of Wolfsburg.—INTERNET

## New blood fat heart disease link

LONDON, 8 May — A type of blood fat different from cholesterol may play a key role in heart disease, a study suggests. Cambridge University researchers looked at the role of triglycerides, which is produced in the

liver and derived from foods such as meat and dairy products.

The analysis of 350,000 people from 101 previous studies found those with higher levels of the blood fat were more likely to have heart disease.

But experts warned more research was needed to confirm the link.

The analysis centred on a specific gene which is known to influence the levels of triglycerides, the *Lancet* medical journal reported.

Previous research has looked into the issue, but has been inconclusive. But the latest study found those with the variation in the gene which boosted triglyceride levels had an 18% greater risk of heart disease than those that did not.

Internet

## Study suggests X-ray guided steroid injections effectively treat hamstring tendonitis

HOUSTON, 8 May — Fluoroscopic (X-ray) guided steroid injections offer a safe and effective alternative to the conventional treatment of hamstring tendonitis, according to a study to be presented at the ARRS 2010 Annual Meeting in San Diego, CA. Conventional treatment includes rest, anti-inflammatory drugs, and physical therapy.

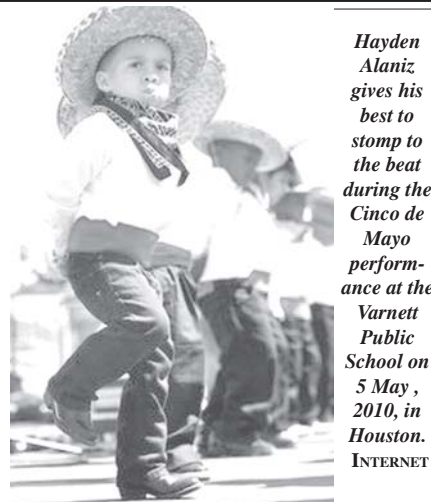
Hamstring tendonitis refers to inflammation (pain, swelling, warmth, redness, and dysfunction) in one or more of the hamstring tendons. It is relatively common in a multitude of track and field athletes and dancers.

The study, performed at the University of Texas Health Science Centre in

Houston, TX, included 16 patients with hamstring tendonitis who were treated using X-ray guided cortisone injections. "Post treatment, 11/16 patients showed a major improvement," said Manickam Kumaravel, MD, lead author of the study. The remaining five patients showed a minimal to moderate improvement," said Kumaravel.

"No immediate or long-term complications were found in any of the patients or injection sites. Our study suggests that X-ray guided steroid injections are safe and beneficial for the treatment of hamstring tendonitis in athletes," he said.

Internet



Hayden Alaniz gives his best to stomp to the beat during the Cinco de Mayo performance at the Varnett Public School on 5 May, 2010, in Houston. INTERNET





A man looks at a painting of Jamaican musician Bob Marley on a street wall in Port au Prince, on Friday, 7 May, 2010.—INTERNET

## NYC mayor unveils \$63 billion budget, 11,000 job cuts

NEW YORK, 8 May—New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg on Thursday unveiled his revised \$63 billion budget plan for fiscal 2011, which includes shedding 11,000 public employees through layoffs and attrition.

The mayor, an independent, repeatedly blamed the city's problems on the state, saying Governor David

Paterson's \$135 billion budget plan could take \$1.3 billion from the city — though the state gets half of its money from the city.

"It's clear we cannot continue to do everything we have been doing with the size of the workforce we have — we just don't have the revenue, and we're not going to get the help from Albany," the

mayor said in a televised news conference.

The mayor said the state has worsened the city's financial stress by missing budget deadline on 1 April, creating uncertainty. Unless the state restores funding, the teachers will bear the brunt of the job cuts, with 6,414 positions lost, partly through attrition.

Internet

## Kids will get veggies, if hungry

UNIVERSITY PARK, 8 May—Many parents say their children won't eat vegetables, but US researchers found children eat more vegetables if served as the first course.

Barbara J Rolls of Pennsylvania State University and colleagues served lunch to 51 children at a day-care centre on four occasions and measured the amount of vegetables eaten. Children were provided with no carrots, about 1 ounce of carrots, about 2 ounces of carrots or about 3 ounces of carrots as the first course of their lunch.

The children had 10 minutes to eat the carrots.

Then they were served a lunch of pasta, broccoli, unsweetened applesauce and low-fat milk.

The study, published in the *American Journal of Clinical Nutrition*, found the preschool children, who received no carrots, consumed nearly 1 ounce of broccoli from the main course.

However, the children who received 1 ounce of carrots before lunch ate 50 percent more broccoli than those who had no carrots and the children, who ate 2 ounces of carrots, increased broccoli consumption to more than 2 ounces of broccoli.

Internet



An oil rig stands near the village of Cojimar on the outskirts of Havana on 7 May, 2010. Spanish oil giant Repsol YPF has contracted with a unit of Italian oil company Eni SpA for a drilling rig that some sources said was bound for operation in Cuba's still untapped offshore fields. Cuba estimates it has 20 billion barrels of oil in its part of the Gulf of Mexico, which abuts the oil-rich US and Mexican zones of the gulf, and Havana views its possible production as a godsend.

INTERNET

## Apple iPad to hit global market on 28 May

SAN FRANCISCO, 8 May—Apple Inc on Friday announced that its iPad tablet computer will go on sale in nine countries outside the United States on 28 May.

The nine countries include Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Spain, Switzerland and Britain.

Customers can pre-order all iPad models from Apple's online store in these countries beginning on 10 May, the company said in a statement.

Apple also announced that it plans to release iPad in Austria, Belgium, China's Hong Kong, Ireland, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand and Singapore in July.

The iPad debuted in the US on 3 April with Wi-Fi only models, followed by 3G versions hitting US stores on 30 April.

Xinhua

## Colon cancer not associated with coffee, sodas

LOS ANGELES, 8 May—Drinking coffee and sodas might not boost the risk of colon cancer, a new study suggests.

Researchers at the Harvard School of Public Health drew the conclusion after analyzing 13 studies which involved more than 730,000 people, of whom more than 5,600 developed colon cancer.

The new research findings, published online on 7 May in the *Journal of the National Cancer Institute*, showed that drinking more than six eight-ounce cups of coffee or eight-ounce cups of sugar soft drinks a day did not boost the risk of colon cancer.

Xinhua

## Less than 6 hours of sleep can kill you

WARWICK, 8 May—People who sleep for less than 6 hours each night have an increased risk of dying prematurely,



A visitor visits the exhibition "Picture by Women: A History of Modern Photography" in the Museum of Modern Art (MOMA) in New York, the United States, on 7 May, 2010. An exhibition featuring abstract works by modern women artists and another exhibition on pictures by modern women photographers opened here on Friday.

INTERNET

British and Italian researchers said.

Researchers at the University of Warwick and the Federico II University Medical School in Naples, Italy, found that those who slept for less than 6 hours a night were 12 percent more likely to die prematurely than those who slept the recommended 6-8 hours a night.

The study, published in the journal *Sleep*, also said sleeping more than 9 hours a night is not linked to premature death, but can indicate a serious or potentially fatal illness.

Xinhua

Mexican marines stand guard next to five arrested crew members and part of confiscated cocaine at a naval base in Salina Cruz in Mexico's state of Oaxaca recently. Mexico intercepted a ship in international water in the Pacific Ocean carrying 2,400 kg of cocaine. The message reads, "Confiscated drug from vessel 'Charamusca'."

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## Evans targets first cycling tour win in Italy

AMSTERDAM, 8 May—The Tour of Italy, unusually, starts off in the Netherlands on Saturday with a host of big names in with a chance of winning starting with Cadel Evans, Carlos Sastre and Ivan Basso. The 197-strong peloton will open with a 8.4 kilometres individual time-trial in the streets of Amsterdam before contesting two other Dutch stages to Utrecht and Middelburg.—*Internet*



*The Tour of Italy, unusually, starts off in the Netherlands on Saturday with a host of big names in with a chance of winning starting with Cadel Evans (pictured in April), Carlos Sastre and Ivan Basso.—INTERNET*

## Chelsea boss says we can't let title slip away now

COBHAM, 8 May—Carlo Ancelotti has warned his Chelsea players against the complacency that could allow the Premier League title to slip from their grasp. Ancelotti's side go into their final game of the season against Wigan at Stamford Bridge on Sunday one point ahead of second placed Manchester United who host Stoke.

With home advantage and faced by opponents



*Carlo Ancelotti*

who have nothing left to play for this season, Chelsea are strong favourites to lift the title for the first time since 2006 and complete the first leg of a potential league and FA Cup double.—*Internet*

## Nerves jangling as Barca and Real vye for the title

MUNICH, 8 May—Tomas Berdych lost his ATP title here on Friday as the Czech Republic star ranked 16<sup>th</sup> in the world slipped to a 1-6, 6-3, 6-4 defeat to Germany's Philipp Kohlschreiber and Spain's Nicolas Almagro respectively.—*Internet*

Petzschner, ranked 45 in the world, will play experienced Russian second seed and two-time champion here Mikhail Youzhny, who eased past Berdych's compatriot Jan Hajek 6-1, 6-3. Saturday's other semi-final

will see Cyprus' former Australian Open finalist Marcos Baghdatis play top seed Marin Cilic of Croatia after the duo saw off Germany's Philipp Kohlschreiber and Spain's Nicolas Almagro respectively.—*Internet*



*Czech Tomas Berdych*

## Golf fan Tasered, arrested at Players Championship

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, 8 May—A 36-year-old man attending the second round of The Players Championship was subdued by a Taser on Friday. Travis Parmelee, of Jacksonville, was charged with disorderly intoxication and resisting arrest without violence, said St. Johns County Sheriff's Office Capt. Dave Messenger. Messenger said course marshals notified officers that Parmelee was yelling at players and being belligerent near the 11th hole. Officers responded and attempted to calm Parmelee down, but they said he became more combative.

They tried to take Parmelee into custody,

but he resisted and was Tasered once. "He was at the point where it was time for law enforcement to step in," Messenger said. "Our goal is to escort people off the property, but it was clear he wasn't going to go with us."

Parmelee pulled away as officers tried to put him into a golf cart, Messenger said, prompting one to touch him with a stun gun. Messenger said it was clear Parmelee had been drinking.

*Internet*



*St. Johns Sheriff's Deputies cuff and pick up Travis Parmelee, of Jacksonville who was tasered by the deputies after repeated requests for him to calm down while in the area behind the 11<sup>th</sup> hole at The Players Championship golf tournament in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. on 7 May, 2010.—INTERNET*

## Liverpool won't sell stars despite debts

LIVERPOOL, 8 May—Liverpool chairman Martin Broughton insists key players Fernando Torres and Steven Gerrard will not be sold to help solve the club's financial problems. Accounts released on Friday show the club made an operating loss before tax of 16 million

pounds (23 million dollars) in the year ending on 31 July, 2009.

That plunged Liver-

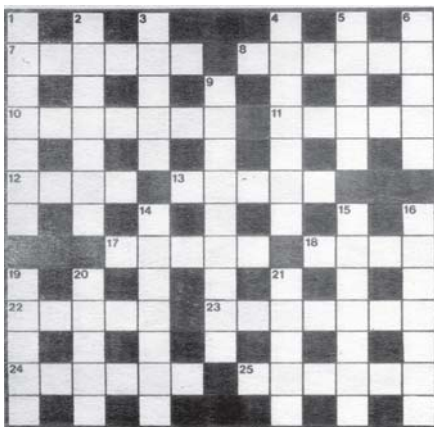


*Liverpool chairman Martin Broughton insists key players Fernando Torres, seen here in April 2010, and Steven Gerrard will not be sold to help solve the club's financial problems.*

*INTERNET*

pool's finances further into the red with the debt rising from 299.8 million pounds (443 million dollars) to 351.4 million pounds (520 million dollars), while interest payments on loans increased by 3.6 million pounds (5.3 million dollars) to 40.1 million pounds (59.3 million dollars). It is a worrying state of affairs for Liverpool fans but Broughton, appointed to find a buyer to replace current co-owners Tom Hicks and George Gillett, is adamant that Gerrard and Torres will not be sold to raise funds.—*Internet*

## ACROSSWORDS PUZZLE



### ACROSS

- 7 Narrow seaway
- 8 Anchor raised
- 10 Hide
- 11 Hours of darkness
- 12 Wild goat
- 13 Grown up
- 17 Take it easy
- 18 None better
- 22 Planetary path
- 23 Opening
- 24 Sidestepped
- 25 Game bird

### DOWN

- 1 Clairvoyant
- 2 Allowed
- 3 West African river
- 4 Defraud
- 5 Scorch
- 6 Pale
- 9 Gold tiara(anag.)
- 14 Tanned hide
- 15 Remains
- 16 Guided
- 19 Verbosc
- 20 Habitat
- 21 Liquid measure

## Westwood takes lead at Sawgrass

PONTE VEDRA BEACH, 8 May—Lee Westwood doesn't rate The Players Championship as the fifth major. He's playing like it is. The 37-year-old Englishman has been on the cusp of breaking through with his first major over the two years — he was one putt away from playoffs in the US Open at Torrey Pines and the British Open at Turberry. He was a distant third at the PGA Championship last year, and was runner-up to Phil Mickelson last month at the Masters.

He can make golf look simple, and such was the case on Friday when he posted a 7-under 65 to build a one-shot lead going into the weekend over Heath Slocum, Ryuji Imada and TPC Sawgrass newcomer Francesco Molinari of Italy. "As you get older, it gets harder to peak all the time when you want to," Westwood said.

"You have to pick and choose your ones, and you want to play well in the biggest tournaments. And this is one of the biggest tournaments." There's a chance it might finally start playing like one. Westwood was at 12-under 132, the lowest score to lead after 36 holes at The Players Championship since 1994, when Greg Norman was at 14 under on his way to setting the 72-hole record.—*Internet*

**SPORTS**

## Hamlin edges teammate Busch

DARLINGTON, 8 May—Denny Hamlin doesn't care which Kyle Busch he beat at Darlington Raceway on Friday night. Hamlin pulled away from Busch over the final five laps on Friday night to take the Royal Purple 200, his third straight Nationwide series victory at the track.

Earlier, Hamlin playfully shot down Busch's

contention from last week that he was the "new and improved Kyle Busch" who persevered to win at Richmond. Busch almost did it again this time, sliding to about a half-car length ahead of Hamlin on the final restart before falling back in line behind his friend.

*Internet*

*Denny Hamlin raises the trophy in victory lane after winning the NASCAR Nationwide series Royal Purple 200 auto race at the Darlington Raceway in Darlington, SC, on 7 May, 2010.—INTERNET*





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**Bereaved Family**



Photo taken on 7 May, 2010 shows the scene of landslide in Tianxin Village, Egong Town of Dingnan County in east China's Jiangxi Province. Seven people were dead and five were missing after floods and landslides wreaked havoc in Jiangxi over the past two days.

XINHUA

## Drive safely



## WEATHER

**Saturday, 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2010**

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

During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Kachin State, scattered upper Sagaing Division, isolated in Shan, Chin, Rakhine, Kayin and Mon States, lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Ayeyarwady Divisions and weather have been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Day temperatures were (3°C) to (5°C) below May average temperatures in Kachin State, (6°C) to (8°C) above May average temperatures in Shan and Kayin States and Ayeyarwady Division, (3°C) to (5°C) above May average temperatures in the remaining States and Divisions. The significant day temperatures were Thawayady (42.8°C), Nay Pyi Taw (Yesin), Nay Pyi Taw (Pyinmana), Nyaung U, Chauk, Magway, Ann, Pyaw and Shwegyin (42.0°C) each. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Katha (1.26) inches, Machanbaw (0.63) inch and Bhamo (0.27) inch.

Maximum temperature on 7-5-2010 was 103°F. Minimum temperature on 8-5-2010 was 83°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 8-5-2010 was 51%. Total sun shine hours on 7-5-2010 was (8.0) hours.

Rainfall on 8-5-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (Tr) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and (Nil) at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from Southwest at (18:30) hours MST on 7-5-2010.

**Bay Inference:** Weather is partly cloudy in the Andaman sea and Bay of Bengal.

**Forecast valid until evening of the 9<sup>th</sup> May 2010:** Rain or thundershowers are likely to be isolated in Kayah and Kayin States, Magway and Bago Divisions and weather will be partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (60%).

**State of the sea:** Seas will be moderate in Myanmar waters. **Outlook for subsequent two days:** Likelihood of continuation of isolated rain or thundershowers in the southern Myanmar areas.

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 9-5-2010:** Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (40%).

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 9-5-2010:** Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (40%).

**MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL**  
**Programme Schedule**  
(9-5-2010)(Sunday)

**Transmissions**

**Times**

**Local** - (09:00am-11:00am)MST  
**Oversea Transmission** - (7-5-10 09:30 am ~ 8-5-10 09:30 am) MST

**Local Transmission**

- \* Opening
- \* News
- \* Current Affairs "Surprising Myanmar (Longyi)"
- \* News
- \* Documentary "Bagan: The Land of Pagoda"
- \* Myanmar Performing Arts Showroom
- \* Music Gallery
- \* News
- \* Monks daily Cade of Conduct (Maha Gan Dar Yone)
- \* News
- \* Ancient Historic Mwaytaw Kakku Pagoda
- \* Traditional Meritorious Deeds Ceremony (Pindaya Region)

**Oversea Transmission**

- \* Opening
- \* News
- \* Current Affairs "Surprising Myanmar (Longyi)"
- \* News
- \* Documentary "Bagan: The Land of Pagoda"
- \* Myanmar Performing Arts Showroom
- \* Music Gallery
- \* News
- \* Short story "My Thought"
- \* News
- \* Fine Arts Podium (Conch shell, Wind Instrument)
- \* News
- \* Current Affairs "Surprising Myanmar (Longyi)"
- \* News
- \* Documentary "Bagan: The Land of Pagoda"
- \* Let's visit the underwater world
- \* Sand Sculptures on Beautiful Beach Chaung Tha
- \* News
- \* Monks daily Cade of Conduct (Maha Gan Dar Yone)
- \* News
- \* Ancient Historic Mwaytaw Kakku Pagoda
- \* Traditional Meritorious Deeds Ceremony (Pindaya Region)
- \* Myanmar Movies "Master of Flowers"



**Sunday, 9**

**May**

**View on today**

**7:00 am**

1. မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်
- ဘုရားကြီး၏
- ပရိတ်တရားတော်

**7:15 am**

2. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင်
- (သန်းမြတ်စိုး၊တေးရေး-
- မောင်မောင်လတ်)

**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. ယဉ်ကျေးလိမ္မော်(၃၈)ဖြာ
- မင်္ဂလာ

**8:05 am**

7. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ

**8:15 am**

8. Musical Programme

**8:30 am**

9. "တိရစ္ဆာန်ဥယျာဉ်နေပြည်တော်
- သွားလိုက်ကြစို့တုယောင်ပျော်"
- (အပိုင်း-၂)

**8:40 am**

10. International News

**8:45 am**

11. Connect With
- English
- (Episode-46)
- (Friendship)

**11:00 am**

1. Martial Song

**11:10 am**

2. Musical Programme

**11:25 am**

3. Round UP of The
- Week International
- News

**11:35 am**

4. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ
- "မပြယ်သောချစ်ခြင်း
- မနွမ်းသောမေတ္တာ"
- (အပိုင်း-၆)

**12:30 pm**

5. Golf Magazine (TV)

**12:45 pm**

6. မြန်မာ့ဒီဇိုလိုဇာတ်လမ်း
- "အချစ်ကိုစိတ်ထဲမှ
- လက်ဆယ်ချောင်းထောင်"
- (ခန့်စည်သူနန္ဒာလှိုင်)
- (ဒါရိုက်တာ-အောင်မြင်ဘွား)

**2:45 pm**

7. International News

**3:45 pm**

1. AFC Presidents Cup
- (2010) ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲ
- တိုက်ရိုက်ထုတ်လွှင့်မှု
- အစီအစဉ် (ITTU
- (TKM) အသင်းနှင့်
- Drukstars (BHU)
- အသင်း)

**5:45 pm**

2. Musical Programme

**6:00 pm**

3. Evening News

**6:15 pm**

4. Weather Report

**6:20 pm**

5. ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ်
- "BUGS
- ADVENTURES"
- (အပိုင်း-၁၂)

**6:40 pm**

6. တစ်မျက်နှာတစ်ကွက်စာ
- "ဝယ်တစ်နံ"
- (ရန်ကုန်ကောင်းဆင်လှိုင်
- ချမ်းမိုးမိုး) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-
- မောင် (MMG))

**7:00 pm**

7. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ
- "ချစ်မိတာခွင့်လွှတ်ပါ"
- (အပိုင်း-၆)

**8:00 pm**

8. News
9. International News
10. Weather Report
11. ကာတွန်းအစီအစဉ်
- ကောကောင်ငယ်
- သိုင်းညီနောင်လေးများ-
- (အပိုင်း-၂၃)
12. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ
- "အရွယ်လွန်ချစ်အိမ်မက်"
- (အပိုင်း-၆)
13. "ရုပ်သံကြယ်ပွင့်များ"

- ★ 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 killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

### Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, wife Daw Mya Mya San attend ceremony to honour title recipient monks

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Sayadaws including the title recipient Sayadaws were ushered into the Cave in accord with the tradition by staff of the ministry.

The congregation led by Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and wife Daw Mya Mya San received the Five Precepts from Sayadaw Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Aggavamsabhivamsa.

Sayadaw Abhidhaja Agga Maha

Saddhammajotika Agga Maha Pandita Dr Bhaddanta Kumara-bhivamsa delivered an Ovada.

Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung supplicated religious matters.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye presented the titles and certificates to Ashin Abhijatabhivamsa of Mahathubodayon monastery of Sagaing who passed Tipitaka-dhara Tipitakakovida examina-

tion and Sayadaw Ashin Vaseththalankara of Tipitaka Mahagandayon monastery of Mingaladon Township, Yangon, who passed Mula Abhidhamma Kovida examination.

Prime Minister U Thein Sein presented titles and certificates to Ashin Panisaralankara of Shwedaung U Tipitaka Dhammapala monastery of Monywa, Sagaing Division, who passed Mula Abhidhammika and Ashin

(See page 8)



Prime Minister U Thein Sein offers Dighanikaya Kovida title and certificate to Ashin Nandavamsalankara of Shwetaung U Tipitaka Dhammapala Monastery of Monywa in Sagaing.—MNA

INSIDE

The Myanmar people wish the national race armed groups to do business in the interest of their own nation and people by unconditionally surrendering their arms, or to carry out philanthropic work, or to form border guard forces in order to defend the State. They want the armed groups never to come to the former status in which they terrorized the national people.

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### The significant day temperatures

(8-5-2010)

Thayawady	42.8° C
Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin)	42.0° C
Nay Pyi Taw (Pyinmana)	42.0° C
Nyaung U	42.0° C
Chauk	42.0° C
Magway	42.0° C
An	42.0° C
Pyay	42.0° C
Shwegyin	42.0° C