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Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

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

Four social objectives

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

Prime Minister U Thein Sein to attend 17th ASEAN Summit and related summits

NAY PYI TAW, 24 Oct—At the invitation of H.E Mr Nguyen Tan Dung, Prime Minister of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, U Thein Sein, Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar, will be attending the 17th ASEAN Summit and related Summits scheduled to be held in Hanoi, the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, in the near future.—MNA

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.

Fullmoon Day of Thadingyut, Abhidhamma Day observed on grand scale across Myanmar

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct—Today, being Fullmoon Day of Thadingyut or Abhidhamma Day, Buddhist devotees around the nation spent the whole day performing meritorious deeds.

The second annual ceremony to observe Abhidhamma Day of the Uppatasanti Pagoda in Nay Pyi Taw was held along with the eight non-stop recitation of patthana at the cave of the pagoda this morning. Member of the State Central Working Committee of the Sangha Abbot of Ngwedaung Tawya Monastery in Nay Pyi Taw Tatkon Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Bhaddanta Panna Siri invested the congregation with the Nine Precepts. Members of the Sangha recited parittas. State Ovadacariya Abbot of Maha Visutarama Zaygon Monastery in Pyinmana Township, Nay Pyi Taw District, Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Bhaddanta Kavisara preached Abhidhamma discourse.

Well-wishers presented offertories to the venerable monks. Members of SSMNC Abbot of Eastern Inntha Monastery in Lewe Township, Nay Pyi Taw District, Agga Maha aSaddhamma Jotikadhaja Bhaddanta Panninta delivered a sermon. The congregation shared the merits for the donation.

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Uppatasanti Pagoda packed with pilgrims on Fullmoon Day of Thadingyut (Abhidhamma Day).—MNA

ARTICLE

I would like to urge the people to participate in the steps to democratization with a sense of electing reliable and responsible candidates to the hluttaws in the elections in the interest of the nation and the people.

MYA MYINMO (TAUNGGYI)

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POEM:

Let's vote

In the annals of history
Goes down this promising age
Votes we cast for candidates
Chosen by ourselves
Beginning from here
Shaping our own future

MAUNG SEIN NAUNG-LEWE

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PERSPECTIVES

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Let's vote in free and fair election

The multi-party democracy general election will be held on 7 November. The Union Election Commission is issuing notifications and directives for the political parties to canvass for votes in accord with the Political Parties Registration Law, Election Law and other existing laws.

The commission and sub-commissions have compiled lists of voters in line with the election bylaws so that all voters who are eligible for the general election in conformity with the prescribed election law can have the voting right. The lists have been displayed on the notice boards of wards and village-tracts concerned.

On the day of the election, polling stations will be opened for the duration in accord with the law. Respective candidates, their representatives, their polling booth agents and assistant agents are allowed to enter the polling stations from the beginning of the polling until the end.

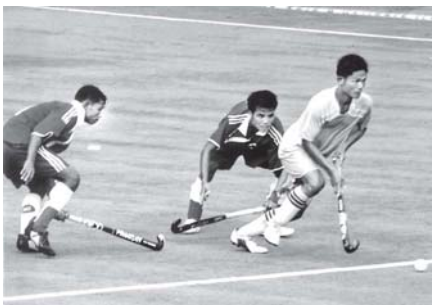
When the casting of ballot papers is over, counting of vote is conducted in the presence of members of the polling booth, the public, representatives of the booth by listing casted ballot papers and advanced ballot papers. The members of at least 10 persons present at the vote counting will also be recorded as witness.

In the counting of votes, candidates, their representatives, their polling booth agents and assistant agents are allowed to view the ballot papers the returning officer has rejected and advance ballot papers.

Hluttaw candidate or his election agents can be present and observe the counting where township election subcommission is counting advance ballot papers, received before 1600 hrs on the day of the election.

These facts prove that the forthcoming election is free and fair and in line with the international standards and norms. As the upcoming election is free and fair and in accord with the law without giving any favour to any political party or any individual, the people are urged to choose those who are capable of serving the best interest of the State.

Hockey Tournament Final: Yangon Vs Mandalay



Party Pledge

- * 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

Construction Minister meets personnel of Caterpillar

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct—Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint received Regional Sales Manager Mr Yves Gaboriault, and General Manager Mr Heinz Ludi of Caterpillar and Myanmar Tractors (Caterpillar Dealer) and party at the ministry on 20 October.

They held discussions about supply of machinery to the ministry for construction projects.—MNA



Minister U Khin Maung Myint receives Regional Sales Manager Mr Yves Gaboriault, and General Manager Mr Heinz Ludi of Caterpillar and Myanmar Tractors (Caterpillar Dealer) and party.—MNA

Cyclone Giri victims provided with cash and kind



Minister U Maung Maung Swe accepts US\$ 10,000 and 1,000 bags of rice donated by Dr Tha Yin Myat of AWE Company and family for cyclone Giri victims.—MNA

YANGON, 23 Oct—Wellwishers provided cash and kind for cyclone Giri victims in Rakhine State yesterday at Fire Services Department (Headquarters) here.

Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Maung Maung Swe accepted US\$ 10,000 and 1,000 bags of rice donated by Dr Tha Yin Myat of AWE Company, wife Daw Nwe Nwe Aye, and daughter Ma Chaw Su Myat, and 50 bags of rice by U Maung Sein of NCV social organization.—MNA

Hospitality Management courses at AKP on 1 Nov

YANGON, 23 Oct—As AKP International Hotel & Tourism Centre is conducting food &

beverage courses, front office course, housekeeping course, cuisine preparing course for those wishing to work in hotels at home and abroad and cruises, the centre is going to open a new section on 1 November.

The centre is also offers free service for hoteliers to find qualified staff. For details, dial 254541 and 250489.

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YANGON, 23 Oct—Rakhine State beat Ayeyawady Region 3-1 and secured the third place in the second National Hockey Tournament held at Theinbyu hockey pitch on 21 October evening.

The tournament, jointly organized by Sports and Physical Education Department of Ministry of Sports and Myanmar Hockey Federation reaches its climax at 3 pm tomorrow as Yangon Region will be vying with Mandalay Region for the trophy as the final.—MNA

Rakhine State and Ayeyawady Region competing for the third place.

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New rainfall record

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct—The amount of rainfall (232) mm (9.13) inches observed at (09:30) hours M.S.T on 23rd October, 2010 in Minkin Station is the (24-hrs) new maximum rainfall record at the station for the month of October during the last 25 years. The former record was (101) mm (3.98) inches on 1st October, 2000.

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Iraqi deaths higher than US count

WASHINGTON, 23 Oct—Military documents laid bare in the biggest leak of secret information in US history suggest that far more Iraqis died than previously acknowledged during the years of sectarian bloodletting and criminal violence unleashed by the 2003 US-led invasion.

The accounts of civilian deaths among nearly 400,000 purported Iraq war logs released Friday by the WikiLeaks website include deaths

unknown or unreported before now as many as 15,000 by the count of one independent research group.

The field reports from US forces and intelligence officers also indicate US forces often failed to follow up on credible evidence that Iraqi forces mistreated, tortured and killed their captives as they battled a violent insurgency. The war logs were made public in defiance of Pentagon insistence that the action

puts the lives of US troops and their military partners at risk.

Although the documents appear to be authentic, their origin could not be independently confirmed, and WikiLeaks declined to offer any details about them. The 391,831 documents date from the start of 2004 to 1 Jan, 2010, providing a ground-level view of the war written mostly by low-ranking officers in the field.

Internet



Afghans wait to seek compensation for a relative's death outside Camp Nathan Smith, an ISAF military base in Kandahar City, Afghanistan, on 20 Oct, 2010.

INTERNET



A young Iraqi cancer patient sits on a bed in the newly inaugurated Basra Children's Hospital.

INTERNET

Afghan district chief, two others killed in roadside bomb attack

KABUL, 23 Oct—The governor of Dur Baba District in eastern Afghanistan's Nangahar province and two other people were killed in a roadside bomb attack Friday.

A press release issued by the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) said the district chief and two others were killed when the vehicle they were travelling in struck an improvised explosive device.—Xinhua

Pakistani forces kill 14 militants in tribal region

ISLAMABAD, 23 Oct—Pakistani security forces on Saturday killed 14 militants and destroyed several hideouts in a tribal region a day after a roadside bomb killed six soldiers, official sources said.

The security forces targeted the militants in upper Orakzai agency, a stronghold of Pakistani Taliban.

On Friday a roadside bomb hit a vehicle of security forces and killed six soldiers, including an officer, in upper Orakzai agency.

Orakzai, one of Pakistan's seven regions of the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA), has become the key stronghold of Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP). After the Pakistan army and Frontier Corps

launched an operation in South Waziristan, militants in large numbers slipped into Orakzai tribal agency.

Heavy damages were inflicted upon them also and their influence in the area was reduced very much.

The army had declared a few months ago an end to the major operation in Orakzai after most of the militants were eliminated or expelled. But the army had stated that target operation will continue time to time.

This resulted in the mass evacuation of the internally displaced persons (IDPs) towards the nearby Kohat and Hangu districts where they were given shelter in camps. The militants also targeted IDPs, mainly Shia Muslims.

Xinhua

Nine Taliban militants killed in S Afghanistan

KANDAHAR, 23 Oct—Nine Taliban fighters, including two commanders, were killed as security forces stormed their hideout in Kandahar Province, south of Afghanistan, Zalmay Ayubi, spokesman for provincial administration, said Saturday.

"Afghan and international troops jointly raided a Taliban hideout in Mianshin District late Friday night. As a result two Taliban commanders, namely Mullah Rahim and Mullah Bashir, along with seven armed rebels, were killed," Ayubi told reporters here.

There were no casualties on the troops and civilians, he said.

Kandahar, the birthplace of Taliban militants, has been the scene of increasing militancy over the past

couple of years.

A joint operation involving Afghan and NATO-led troops has been continuing in parts of Kandahar since early September to ensure lasting peace there.

Xinhua



Photo shows a woman is comforted by her sister-in-law after seeing a photograph of her husband in the viewing room at the central morgue in Baghdad, Iraq.

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INTERNET

Four killed, ten injured in Iraq's violence

BAGHDAD, 23 Oct—Four people were killed and 10 others were injured Friday in separate gunfire and bomb attacks in northern and central Iraq, the police told Xinhua.

In northern the country, gunmen in their car opened fire on a police checkpoint in Bab al-Toub District in central Mosul, the capital

of Nineveh Province, killing a policeman and wounding another, a provincial police source said on condition of anonymity.

In a separate incident, a civilian was killed and six others were wounded when a roadside bomb went off near a police patrol in the Entisar neighbourhood in southwestern Mosul, some 400 km north of Baghdad, the source said.

The blast apparently missed the patrol and hit civilians at a nearby marketplace instead, the source added. In Baghdad, two soldiers and a policeman were wounded when gunmen in a car opened fire on a checkpoint in Mansour District in western the

capital, an Interior Ministry source said on condition of anonymity.

Earlier in the day, an anti-al-Qaeda Awakening Council group member and a gunman were killed in separate bomb explosions in the town of Garma, near the once restive city of Fallujah in Iraq's western province of Anbar, a local police source said.

Violence and sporadic high-profile attacks are still common in Iraqi cities, shaping a setback to the efforts of the Iraqi government to restore normalcy in the country after violence-torn Iraq held its parliamentary elections about seven months ago.

Xinhua

Science

Gulf corals in oil spill zone appear healthy

MEXICO CITY, 23 Oct—Just 20 miles north of where BP's blown-out well spewed millions of gallons of oil into the sea, life appears bountiful despite initial fears that crude could have wiped out many of these delicate deepwater habitats.

Plankton, tiny suspended particles that form the base of the ocean's food web, float en masse 1,400 feet beneath the surface of the Gulf of Mexico, forming a snowy-like underwater scene as they move with the currents outside the windows of a two-man sub creeping a few feet off the seafloor. Crabs, starfish and other deep sea creatures swarm small patches of corals, and tiny sea anemones sprout from the sand like miniature forests across a lunar-like landscape illuminated



A submersible carrying John Hocevar, Oceans campaign director for Greenpeace, and Associated Press reporter Brian Skoloff, is lowered into the Gulf of Mexico off the coast of Louisiana from the Greenpeace ship Arctic Sunrise to explore the sea floor, on 15 Oct, 2010.—INTERNET

only by the lights of the sub, otherwise living in a deep, dark environment far from the sun's reach.

Scientists are currently in the early stages of studying what effects, if any, BP PLC's 20 April oil well blowout off Louisiana and the ensuing crude gusher has

had on the delicate deep sea coral habitats of the northern Gulf.

So far, it appears the area dodged a bullet, but more research is needed. Some of the deep sea corals near the spill site were only discovered just last year.

Internet

The skinny on invasive snakes: Florida may be just the start

NEW YORK, 23 Oct—With thousands of pythons and other giant invasive snakes devastating wildlife in the Florida Everglades, the hottest question on many minds is: How far north could they go?

New research shows the snakes can withstand surprisingly cold temperatures, leaving open the possibility that their range could extend hundreds of miles northward. pythons have been crawling amok in South Florida since at least the mid-1990s. The population's forerunners were probably released by pet owners daunted by the prospect of maintaining a predator that can grow to 20 feet (6 meters) long and weigh 200 pounds (90 kilograms).

No one knows

exactly how many there are now, but estimates put their numbers in the thousands or tens of thousands. The pythons have been devouring local wildlife, indulging in mega-meals like deer, bobcats and alligators, as well as endangered species like the woodstork and the Key Largo woodrat.

Internet



Italian prosecutors have launched a real inquiry into a virtual crime a burglary of items including a jacuzzi, a designer sofa and a billiards table from the popular Facebook game Pet Society.

INTERNET

'Star Wars' Planet with 2 Suns Challenges Theories

NEW YORK, 23 Oct—A huge alien planet discovered in a system with two suns akin to the fictional "Star Wars" world of Tatooine is forcing astronomers to rethink their theories about how gas giant planets form. The two stars are close enough together that the leading theory for planet formation that dust and gas circling the stars slowly accrete into such planets' rocky cores isn't likely, researchers said.

The stars' gravity would disrupt this process long before it could get very far, they added. Instead, the new findings support an alternative theory, called gravitational collapse, which holds that superdense regions of the dust cloud form planets much more rapidly, pulling together via the force of their own gravity.

Internet

Technology

Build a custom browser with Mozilla Chromeless

NEW YORK, 23 Oct—No matter how many choices there are in the Web browser arena, it's a pretty safe bet that many of us would love to tweak some aspect of the interface on our browser of choice, if given the opportunity. After all, no one product can satisfy everyone perfectly.

Well, that opportunity may soon be a reality. Mozilla Labs yesterday announced "Chromeless," a new project to create a customizable user interface on the Firefox browser.

"Firefox is put together in a way that seasoned developers are able implement features with amazing efficiency," Mozilla Labs' Marcio Galli wrote on Thursday. "But at the same time, the browser interface in XUL (XML User Interface Language) represents a barrier for potential contributors.

"What if the parts of the browser that are most interesting to contributors were implemented in standard Web technologies such as HTML, CSS, and JavaScript?" Galli continued. "What kinds of wild-eyed experimentation would we see if a new conception of browser UI could be prototyped in about the same time it takes to write a web page?"—Internet



An exterior view along Fifth Avenue of the Guggenheim Museum in New York. The facades of the Guggenheim Museum in New York, Bilbao, Berlin and Venice were transformed into a giant screen showing the winners of a global competition organized with YouTube.

INTERNET

25 finalists in Guggenheim-YouTube creative video biennial

NEW YORK, 23 Oct—Twenty-five clips from around the world were selected for the first creative video biennial run by the Guggenheim Museum and the YouTube video sharing site, highlighting online video as a popular art form.

The finalists of the "YouTube Play, a Biennial of Creative Video" event range from South African rap to Brazilian animation, and were chosen from more than 23,000 submitted entries. They can also be seen on YouTube's website at youtube.com/

play.

The famous white facade of the museum, located on New York's Fifth Avenue in front of Central Park, was transformed into a giant screen late Thursday where the finalist videos were shown. The videos will be broadcast again after sundown Friday, inside the museum and at the museum's affiliates in Bilbao, Berlin and Venice through 24 October. The event is "the first biennial of online video to be organized by a major museum of contemporary art," said Guggenheim Museum Director Richard Armstrong.

Internet

Beware fake microsoft security essentials

NEW YORK, 23 Oct—Microsoft Security Essentials is fake. Well, it is and it isn't. Microsoft Security Essentials is a free antimalware protection programme from Microsoft, but a new malware threat identified by security software vendor F-Secure is also masquerading as Microsoft Security Essentials. You want to avoid that one.

The new malware attack is distributed through a drive-by download as either hotfix.exe or mstsc.exe both reasonably benign and almost legitimate sounding file names that might not raise red flags with some users.

antimalware solutions including all of the top names that users are familiar with such as Trend Micro, McAfee, Panda, and Symantec and identifies those that are capable of detecting and blocking this nefarious threat.

The F-Secure blog explains, "Surprisingly, the only products that seem to be capable of handling the infection are AntiSpySafeguard, Major Defence Kit, Peak Protection, Pest Detector and Red Cross. Never heard of these? No wonder. They are all fake products."

Internet



People play a multi-player video game during an introduction of "Xbox Live" in Hong Kong. Microsoft on Friday announced plans to open an online shop stocked with downloadable games for play on personal computers running on its software.—INTERNET

Health

Hormone replacement linked to cancer

AURORA, 23 Oct—Estrogen replacement therapy may spur ovarian cancer growth, US researchers say.

Researchers at the University of Colorado Cancer Centre in Aurora found estrogen caused ovarian cancer to not only grow five times faster in mice modeling estrogen receptor positive or ER+ ovarian cancer, but significantly increased the likelihood of the cancer spreading to the lymph nodes.

The study, published in *Cancer Research*, also found the estrogen-regulated genes in ovarian cancer reacted differently than ER+ genes found in breast cancer.

"Breast cancer and ovarian cancer are often linked when talking about hormone replacement therapy, but

we found that only 10 percent of the ER+ genes overlapped," Dr Monique Spillman, the study leader, said in a statement.

"We were able to identify estrogen-regulated genes specific to ER+ ovarian cancer that are not shared with ER+ breast cancers. We believe these genes can be specifically targeted with new anti-estrogen therapies that could more effectively treat ER+ ovarian cancers."

Spillman and her team measured ovarian cancer growth in the abdomen of mice using a novel technique for visualizing the cancer. The cancer cells in mice with ER+ ovarian cancer could be tracked because they were tagged with a firefly-like fluorescent protein.

Internet

Dogs may help children with autism

MONTREAL, 23 Oct—Man's best friend the dog may help children with autism lower anxiety, researchers in Canadian suggest.

Researchers at the Université de Montréal suggest specifically trained service dogs help children with autism lower anxiety and enhance socialization skills.

The study, published in *Psychoneuroendocrinology*, found the dogs lowered the children's levels of cortisol a hormone produced in response to stress. In addition, parents on average counted 33 problematic behaviors in their child prior to living with the dog and 25 while living with the animal.

"Our findings showed that the dogs had a clear impact on the children's stress hormone levels. I have not seen such a dramatic effect before," Sonia Lupien said in a statement. "Our results lend support to the potential behavioral benefits of service dogs for autistic children." Lupien and colleagues measured cortisol levels in 42 children with autism in three experimental conditions prior to and during the introduction of a service dog to the family, and after the dog was removed.

Internet

Brains of new moms actually grow

WASHINGTON, 23 Oct—Many new mothers say their brains turn to mush, but US researchers say the brains of new moms actually grow.

Neuroscientist Pilyoung Kim, now with the National Institute of Mental Health, and colleagues found the brains of new mothers grew in volume in areas linked to motivation and behavior.

In addition, mothers who gushed the most about their babies showed the greatest growth in these key parts of the mid-brain, the researchers say. The brains of the women were measured high-resolution magnetic-resonance imaging on the brains of 19 women who gave birth at Yale-New Haven

Hospital in Connecticut.

A comparison of images taken two to four weeks and three to four months after the women gave birth showed that gray matter volume increased by a small but significant amount in various parts of the brain.

The mothers who rated their babies as special, beautiful, ideal, perfect and so on were significantly more likely to develop bigger mid-brains than the less awestruck mothers, Kim says. The intense sensory-tactile stimulation of a baby may trigger the adult brain to grow in some areas, may allow mothers, to "orchestrate a new and increased repertoire of complex interactive behaviors with infants," Kim says.—Internet



A model sits in a vehicle displayed at the Ninth Tianjin International Automobile Trade Show at Tianjin Meijiang Convention and Exhibition Center in Tianjin, north China, on 22 Oct, 2010. The auto show kicked off here on Friday, participated by over 60 domestic and foreign car manufacturers.—XINHUA

Business

Honda recalls 528,000 vehicles worldwide for brake defect



A Honda Odysseys are offered for sale at O'Hare Honda March 2010 in Des Plaines, Illinois. Japanese automaker Honda Motor Co announced the recall of nearly 528,000 vehicles worldwide Friday due to a defect with the cylinder that holds brake fluid.—INTERNET

CHICAGO, 23 Oct—Japanese automaker Honda Motor Co announced the recall of nearly 528,000 vehicles worldwide Friday due to a defect with the cylinder that holds brake fluid.

The recall comes a day after Toyota announced a safety recall of about 1.5 million vehicles worldwide to fix a brake fluid leak that it warned can gradually diminish braking performance. The defective cylinders were built by the same Ohio-based supplier, ADVICS, a Honda spokeswoman said.

"Our supplier is the one who actually notified us of the issue," Honda spokeswoman Christina Ra told AFP.

The recall affects 2005 to 2007 model years of the Acura RL and Honda Odyssey vehicles built at Honda's Saitama, Japan plant.

The bulk of the affected vehicles nearly 472,000 were exported to the United States. Honda is not aware of any accidents or injuries related to the defect, Ra said. Honda said its recall was to "prevent the unlikely failure of a seal in the brake master cylinder."

Internet

G20 summit moves closer to agreement on currencies

GYEONGJU, 23 Oct—A summit of the world's major economies is moving closer to an agreement on policies to reduce currency tensions that threaten the global recovery, a US official said Saturday.

But any accord from the meeting of Group of 20 finance ministers and central bank governors is unlikely to include specific targets for reducing the vast trade surpluses that

emerging nations, China particularly, have with the West. A statement the group plans to issue later Saturday will likely include language saying that emerging nations should move toward market-oriented exchange rates and refrain from competitive devaluations of their currencies, a US administration official said on the sidelines of the final day of the two-day meeting. The official, who

spoke on condition of anonymity because of the sensitive nature of the negotiations, also said that the statement was expected to call for advanced economies to be on guard against volatility and disorderliness in exchange rates. Taking such steps would likely help emerging nations deal with the recent problem of large inflows of foreign money pushing their currencies higher and lead to more flexible exchange rates, the official said.

The summit of G-20 finance mandarins in the South Korean city of Gyeongju comes just two weeks after their meeting in Washington failed to iron out currency differences that have led to fears of a trade war that could trigger another economic downturn.

Internet

India slaps Vodafone with 2.53 bln dollar tax demand

NEW DELHI, 23 Oct—India slapped a 2.53-billion-dollar tax bill on British cell phone giant Vodafone on Friday over its 2007 purchase of an Indian mobile company and demanded payment within 30 days.

The formal demand is the latest development in Vodafone's bitter row with Indian tax authorities over its 11.1-billion dollar purchase of a 67-percent stake in Hong Kong-based Hutchison Whampoa Ltd's Indian mobile unit.

Indian tax officials have called the long-running dispute a "test case."

It is being closely watched by international investors with experts saying the case could have implications for big-ticket purchases of Indian firms by other foreign companies.

"The income tax department today issued an order raising a tax demand of 112.17 billion rupees (2.53 billion dollars) on Vodafone International Holdings BV," owned by Vodafone Group Plc, the tax office said in a statement. "The tax demand is to be paid within 30 days," the statement said.—Internet

Fullmoon Day of Thadingyut...

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Religious verses recitation associations of ministries, regiments and units, and townships in Nay Pyi Taw District recited religious verses in turn from dawn to night. In the evening, lights were lit. At dawn, dawn meals, fruits, flowers, water, lights and scents were offered to the Buddha images.

The whole day, the pagoda was teeming with Buddhist devotees observing precepts.

Similarly, the pagodas, stupas and monasteries in the townships in Nay Pyi

Taw District were lively with charities and religious rites. Pyinmana Township will hold its 92nd hnakeikshitsu (28 Buddhas) Festival on a grand scale at Hnakeikshitsu religious building on Bogyoke Street at 6.30 pm tomorrow.

Dawn meals and day meals were offered to the Shwedagon Pagoda, and Abhidhamma Day was observed on a grand scale. Lights were offered to the pagoda at night.

Likewise, Abhidhamma Day was celebrated on a grand scale

at such pagodas in Yangon as Sule, Botahtaung, Thiri Mingala Kaba Aye, Maha Vijaya, Buddha's Tooth Relic (Yangon), Shwephonepint, Kyaikwaing, Lawka Chantha Abhayalabha Muni Buddha Image, Kyaikkasan, Melamu, Ngahtatkyi, Chaukhtatkyi, Koehtatkyi, Mogaung, Thanlyin Kyaikkhauk, Okkalapa, MyoU, Kyaikkalo and Kyaikkale pagodas. Lights were offered to the Buddha images on the pagodas at nights.

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Abhidhamma Day observed at Uppatasanti Pagoda.—MNA

Nay Pyi Taw illuminated on Fullmoon Day of Thadingyut

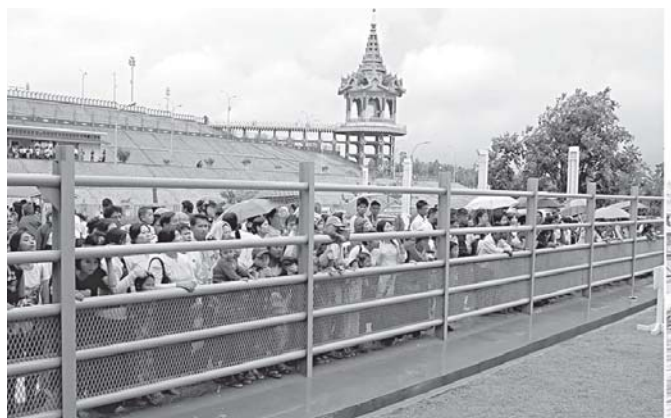
NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct — As today was Fullmoon Day of Thadingyut (Abhidhamma Day), a public holiday of Myanmar, the white elephant shed in the precinct of the Nay Pyi Taw Uppatasanti Pagoda, where Baddawady White Elephant and Nandawady White Elephant are kept, and the pagoda were packed with visitors from near and far.

Similarly, Nay Pyi Taw Water Fountain Garden was crowded with visitors as well as staff families of various ministries. Particularly, the garden with

colourful flowers and water fountain dances and waterfall attracted a large number of visitors.

In late evening, the whole Nay Pyi Taw was illuminated and the ministries, Nay Pyi Taw City Hall, General Post Office, Gems Museum, Myoma Market, Thabyaygon Market, Nay Pyi Taw Junction Centre and roundabouts were lighted with colourful bulbs and candles on the great occasion.

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Visitors from various places are paying visit to Baddawady and Nandawady on Fullmoon Day of Thadingyut.—MNA



Uppatasanti Pagoda teeming with pilgrims on Fullmoon Day of Thadingyut (Abhidhamma Day).—MNA



Religious associations reciting religious verses at Mahawizaya Pagoda.—MNA



Abhidhamma Day observed at Kyaikwaing Pagoda.—MNA





*Shwedagon Pagoda crowded with pilgrims on Fullmoon Day of Thadingyut (Abhidhamma Day).
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*Pilgrims offering lights at Uppatasanti Pagoda in Nay Pyi Taw on Fullmoon Day of Thadingyut (Abhidhamma Day).
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Thabyaygon Roundabout illuminated with multicoloured lights. (News on page 6)—MNA

Images and activities of Nay Pyi Taw on the Fullmoon Day of Thadingyut, Abhidhamma Day

Photo shows Thadingyut illumination of Lotus Roundabout on Yarzahtani Road in Nay Pyi Taw. (News on page 6)—MNA

Commerce Minister attends China-ASEAN Expo, China-ASEAN Business and Investment Summit

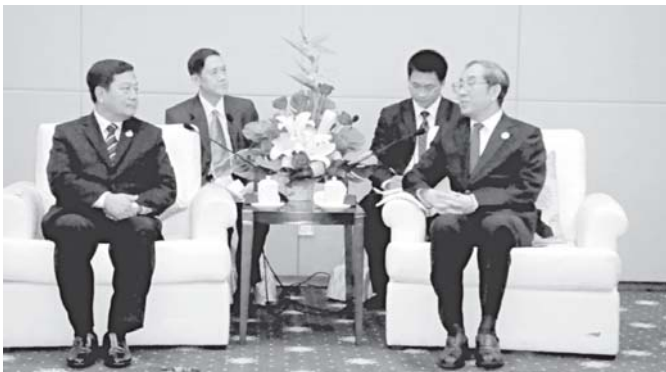
NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct—Minister for Commerce U Tin Naing Thein opened Myanmar booth in the 7th China-ASEAN Expo at Nanning, Guanxi Zhuang Autonomous Region in the People's Republic of

China on 19 October.

The minister accompanied by the directors-general of his ministry and the vice-presidents of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry visited

Myanmar national booth and booths of Myanmar businessmen.

In the afternoon, the minister attended the opening of China-ASEAN Expo in the afternoon. He then attended the opening of



Minister U Tin Naing Thein holding discussion with Governor Mr Ma Biao of Guanxi Zhuang Autonomous Region.

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the 7th China-ASEAN Business and Investment Expo.

The minister met Vice Governor of Yunnan Province Mr Gu Zhaoxi and the director-general of Yunnan Province Commerce Department for promotion of bilateral trade in the evening.

The minister also held discussion with Governor Mr Ma Biao of

Guanxi Zhuang Autonomous Region on economic cooperation, agricultural methods collaboration and handover and inauguration of Myanmar trade representative office in Nanning.

Altogether 283 entrepreneurs from 103 national companies are displaying agricultural produce, marine products, foodstuffs,

pharmaceuticals, finished products of timber, handicrafts, jades and jewellery in the expo. During their stay in Nanning, Myanmar entrepreneurs visited agricultural machinery industries, electrical appliances industries, and seed-producing farms and also discussed with foreign entrepreneurs for business deals.

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Let's vote in elections

Mya Myinmo (Taunggyi)

The Union Election Commission has designated 7 November 2010 (Sunday) as the day for elections in order that constituents around the nation can choose people's representatives.

Since 20 September 2010, the commission has stuck electoral rolls with Electoral Roll Form (1) on notice boards in offices of ward and village sub-commissions in order that citizens, associate citizens, naturalized citizens, and temporary certificate holders, who have attained 18 years of age, can participate in the elections.

Check electoral roll

The people ought to check voter rolls announced on 20 September 2010 to make sure that their roll numbers, names, citizenship scrutinization card numbers, parents' names, and addresses are correct and their names are on the rolls. If an eligible voter finds his name on the electoral roll, keep the electoral roll number in mind. If he wants to amend or object any of the statements, he shall submit an application paper and objection papers.

If he does not find his name on the electoral roll, he may claim with form (3) to put his name on the roll. Nationals who are abroad or in other regions on duty, on business or to study for more than 180 days have to submit application forms with form (3-A). The sub-commission concerned has to cancel the names of such persons with form (3-B) in order that the name of a voter is not on two voter rolls. If a voter wants to amend or object to some points in the voter roll, he shall submit an application form with form (4).

If a person who is going to migrate to another region submits Form (4-A) of the Commission along with Form (10) issued by the Immigration Department of his home town, the sub-commission will recommend that his name has been cancelled from the electoral roll with Form (4-B). When he arrives in the township he intends to live in, he has to submit his Form (10) issued by the Immigration Department of his home town to the Immigration Department of the new township. When the department of the new township issues Form (66/6) to him, he has to submit Form (3-A) together with Form (4-B) to ask to put his name on the voter roll. Then, he will get the right to vote.

So, voters need to check voter rolls in advance. Only then, can they do other things they have to do in time.

National Registration/Citizenship Scrutinization Card

If a voter finds that his name is on the voter roll and the statements about him are all correct, he also has to make sure that he has applied for or has got citizenship scrutinization card, or his citizenship scrutinization card is with him. Without citizenship scrutinization card any citizen cannot vote. So, relevant departments are issuing citizenship scrutinization cards to such persons as soon as possible. If it is too late for a person to make a citizenship scrutinization card, he has to make arrangements to vote with a temporary certificate.

Ballot Paper Token

One week to the elections, the ward sub-commission will issue ballot paper tokens after

scrutinizing eligible voters of the ward in order to save time in the electoral process. The token states the electoral roll number of the voter on the electoral roll. Tokens are not to be put into the ballot box. The purpose is that the voter roll checker does not need to scrutinize the particulars of voters one by one. A voter just needs to put his signature on Form (1) electoral roll and draw a ballot paper. There are many wards, each of whose electorate number is more than 10,000. Otherwise, facts of 3000 voters are to be checked in a polling station.

Ballot Paper

Candidates who submitted applications to stand for hluttaw seats were scrutinized, and confirmed candidates have been announced constituency-wise since 13 September 2010. The Union Election Commission is now printing ballot papers.

A ballot paper states the hluttaw concerned, the name of the constituency's candidate, his logo, and a square box, in which a voter can put a tick. According to the number of candidates to hluttaws, a ballot paper states logos and square boxes shown against their names in alphabetical order.

For instance, altogether five candidates compete for a hluttaw, their names and logos are stated in rows. Voters put ticks in boxes shown against the name of the candidate they favour. It is a ballot paper.

Ballot Box

Ballot boxes were made by the Union Election Commission, not by representatives of political parties. A ballot box is a 20" x 14" x 12" white plastic container. But, some journals wrongly state that ballot boxes are of green, blue and violet colours. On each white ballot box is a white paper sheet stating a line of words of one of the four colours.

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| - Pyithu hluttaw ballot box | - green words |
| - Amyotha hluttaw ballot box | - blue words |
| - Region (or) State hluttaw ballot box | - violet words |
| - Region/State hluttaw (name of national race) nationality hluttaw representative ballot box | - violet words in violet frame |

These four types of ballot boxes for four hluttaws will be set on tables separately in the polling booths.

Polling Hours/Date

Electorate may cast votes in respective polling stations from 6 am until 4 pm on 1st Waxing of Tazaungmone 1372 ME (7 November 2010) (Sunday).

Polling Station

The majority of polling stations are schools in wards and villages. Any religious buildings will not be used as polling stations. Based on the population of voters, the number of voters of a polling station ranges from 300 to 3000.

A polling station has its compound with an entrance and an exit. Inside a polling station are four separate places: three for three hluttaws, and one for national race. Security members, the returning officer, deputy returning officer, members of ward/village sub-commission, election representative to the hluttaw candidate concerned, and representatives of polling station will be set in front of the entrance

wall of the polling station.

At the tables in front of them will be electoral registration checkers and ballot paper distributors. When a voter enters the polling station and presents his ballot paper token to an electoral registration checker, and puts his signature in the box on the right side of Form (1), he will be issued a ballot paper. The first ballot paper he will get is the paper for Pyithu Hluttaw.

Beyond the ballot paper distributors are a ballot box, but not for putting the ballot paper into it. Beyond the ballot box are polling booths or sites in front of the wall opposite the entrance wall to cast votes for hluttaws. Based on the population of voters, there will be three to five polling areas, each of which is thoroughly walled three sides.

Electoral Process

A voter has to draw ballot papers for four hluttaws one after another: first for Pyithu hluttaw; second for Amyotha hluttaw; third for Region (or) State hluttaw; and last for Region/State hluttaw for national race representative. After drawing ballot papers, a voter has to enter a polling booth or area and put a tick in the square box shown against the name of the candidate he favours. Then, he has to fold the ballot paper and put it into the ballot box, in order that the tick he has put is not visible to anyone. No way, he accidentally puts a ballot paper into a wrong box. It is because every voter has to draw a ballot paper and put it into the ballot box concerned. Only then will he be issued another ballot paper for another hluttaw.

After drawing a ballot paper, a voter has to check whether his fingers are dirty or not. If he needs to have a fingerprint, he should rub his fingers thoroughly with the piece of cloth the polling station has provided. If his ballot paper has an ink stain on it, the ballot paper will be cancelled.

Some think that a voter has to vote only thrice because there are only three hluttaws. In fact, a voter has to vote for representatives of political parties and independent candidates to three hluttaws. And there will be a ballot box for Region/State hluttaw () nationalities hluttaw representatives. A piece of paper stating the name of a national race is stuck to that ballot box.

According to Article 161 of State Constitution (2008) of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, in a Region or State, except the national races who have already obtained Region or Self-Administered Area in that Region or State, the national races, each of which is determined by the authorities concerned as having a population which constitutes 0.1 percent (about 57,000) and above of the population of the Union has the right to elect a national race representative.

For instance, Kayin nationals and Rakhine nationals in Yangon Region, Shan nationals in Mandalay Region, Bamar, Kachin, Inntha, Kayan (Padaung), Lahu, Akhar and Lisu nationals in Shan State are the national races, each of whose population makes up 0.1 percent of the nation's population. So, each of them will have the right to elect a national race representative.

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(from page 8)

I would like to amplify that. Kachin nationals have to vote for the ballot box of Kachin national race, and Bamar nationals have to vote for the ballot box of Bamar national race.

So, in general, the people have to vote three times for three hluttaws. If a voter is a national of one of the above-mentioned national races, he has to vote four times.

Casting votes in advance

Those who will be occupied on the day of elections may vote in advance. Respective ward, village and township sub-commissions will issue in-advance ballot papers to the aged, severely sick people, hospitalized people, those in custodies of police stations or in jails waiting for trial, those citizens who are in other townships or foreign countries on duty, on business or for further studies in order that they can cast votes through Myanmar embassies to those foreign countries, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or other regions in Myanmar.

Cancelled votes

Any of the votes will be cancelled if they are not the ballot papers confirmed by the commission, if ballot papers do not have the returning officer's signature on them, if a voter has voted for more than one candidate, if there is no tick on a ballot paper, if the tick is not clear enough or certain, if a ballot paper is a fake one, if there is a mark on a ballot paper with the intention of making known who the voter is, if a ballot paper has a cut in it, or is torn up.

Counting votes

When voters get into a polling station, it will be made clear in front of the returning officer, those responsible for the polling station, members of ward or village sub-commissions, representatives of candidates, and the people who are already in the polling station that the ballot boxes are empty. Then, the ballot boxes will be closed, taped, and set on the designated tables in

sites where the ballot boxes are clearly visible to all.

If all the constituents have cast votes before 4 pm, the polling station can be closed, and the votes will be counted. If the voting process has not been completed yet at 4 pm, those voters in the compound of the polling station will be listed and allowed to cast votes. Those who arrive at the polling station after 4 pm are not allowed to enter the polling station or cast votes.

As soon as the voting process is over, ballot boxes will be opened and votes will be counted in front of all those responsible who have got inside the polling station before opening of the station, and about 10 eyewitnesses. In counting votes, Form (16) is for votes of candidates to hluttaws; Form (17), for cancelled votes; and Form (18), for votes in advance. The numbers of votes for each of the candidates will be recorded on Form (19). The returning officer will have to submit the results to Region or State sub-commissions through ward, township and district sub-commissions. Then, Region or State sub-commissions will announce the successful candidates as representatives-elect in accordance with the Election Rule.

If there is only one candidate in a constituency, measures will be taken for announcing him as the hluttaw representative. In such constituencies, there is no need to set ballot boxes, and local people do not need to cast votes. What is needed is to declare him as the representative-elect.

Notable points in casting votes

Every voter has to make sure that his fingers are not dirty while drawing ballot papers and casting votes; ballot papers are not stained, tick is to be put in the box shown against favoured candidate, there is no other marks or words in the ballot paper, the ballot paper is not to be torn up in folding it, the ballot paper is folded only in half, and ballot paper is not torn up in putting it into the ballot box.

Electoral crimes and punishments

Anyone who tears up the electoral rolls, destroys

ballot paper and polling station, casts a vote pretending himself as other person, votes more than one time, puts a fake ballot paper into the ballot box, disturbs candidates, makes loud noises with an amplifier or shouts loud in the area 500 yards radius of the polling station, canvasses for votes, and urges others to vote for the person he favours is liable for one year's prison term, a fine of up to 100,000 kyats or both under Election Law. Anyone who makes a complaint against someone about those crimes is, if found guilty of making the complaint on purpose, liable to three years' prison term or a fine of up to 300,000 kyats or both.

Misconducts

Bribery for votes, disturbances against electoral rights, putting a fake sign pretending oneself as another person, publication with the intention of promoting one's interest or destroying other's interest, taking the ballot paper out of the polling station instead of putting it into the ballot box, tearing up the ballot paper into the ballot box, and dissuading voters from casting votes are electoral misconduct. Anyone shall not do so.

Conclusion

Therefore, I would like to urge the people to participate in the steps to democratization with a sense of electing reliable and responsible candidates to the hluttaws in the elections in the interest of the nation and the people.

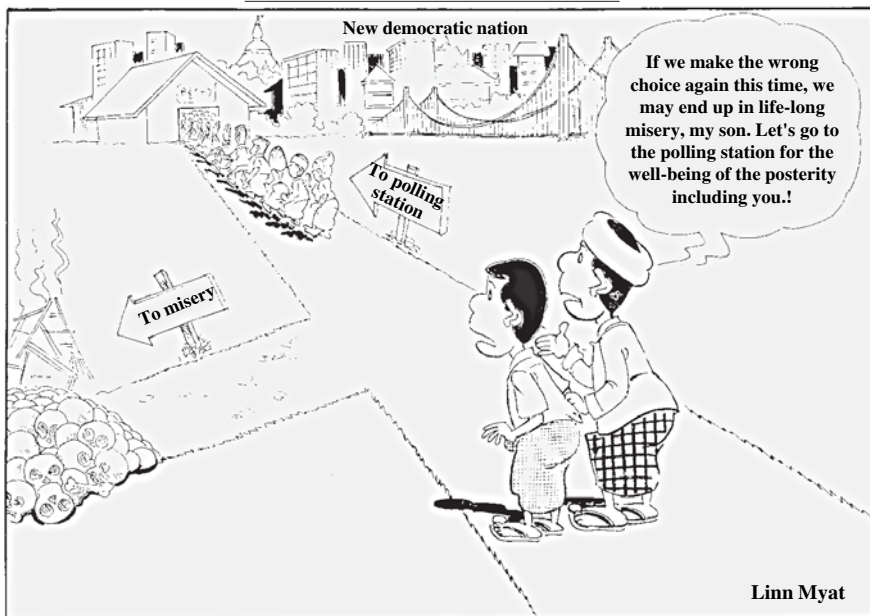
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POEM:

Let's vote

- * In the annals of history
Goes down this promising age
Votes we cast for candidates
Chosen by ourselves
Beginning from here
Shaping our own future
Ushering us into
A new democratic country
- * Approved the great majority
A new constitution
Bonds of love
Strong among Union brethren
Undivided they are always
In togetherness to future
Enjoying rights
Greater than ever
- * The way is paved
To have self determination
For our nation
And our cause
Yowling together the saboteurs
Trying to bar people from voting
But always with correct conviction
And in all seriousness and in harmony
For national cause
Let's vote countrymen!

Maung Sein Naung-Lewe (Trns)



Linn Myat

Cyclone Giri centred near Salin Township, Magway Region

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct — The severe cyclone Giri that crossed Rakhine coast continues to move northeastwards as an inland storm and is centred in a land (near Salin Township, Magway Region) about 100 miles northeast of Kyaukpyu at 3.30 am today. The inland storm is moving northeastwards and it is forecast to abate into a moderate storm within 12 hours from this morning.

The inland storm now is at brown level, moving towards Magway, Mandalay and Sagaing Regions.

The wind speed in those regions is 60 mph and heavy rains are likely to be isolated.

Squalls will be widespread along Rakhine coast and offshore areas with strong waves. Meanwhile, surface wind is 50 miles mph. —MNA

Inland storm centred near Butalin likely to weaken

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct — The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology today issued today that according to the observations recorded at 12.30 pm today, the inland storm crossing the central regions of Myanmar has abated into a moderate inland storm and is centered near Butalin, lower Sagaing Region. The inland storm continued to move northeastwards and is forecast to become less strong within 12 hours from this afternoon.

The inland storm is now at brown level and moving towards northeastwards from the central re-

gions of Myanmar.

Due to influence of the inland storm, the wind speed may reach 40 mph in Kachin State, Shan State (North), Magway Region and Sagaing Region and torrential rains are likely to be widespread region-wise. Passenger and cargo ships are warned not to travel offshore an deep sea areas as there is likelihood of strong winds.

Squalls are likely to be widespread along Rakhine coast and offshore areas with likelihood of strong waves. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach 45 to 50 mph.

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Transport Minister receives personnel from Daewoo International Corporation

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct—Minister for Transport U Thein Swe received Senior Vice President Mr Si Bo Joo of Daewoo International Corporation and

party at the ministry here on 21 October.

The minister and the vice president frankly discussed transportation services of the two nations.—MNA



Minister for Transport U Thein Swe receives Senior Vice President Mr Si Bo Joo of Daewoo International Corporation and party.—MNA

Myanmar ICT Exhibition 2010 kicks off on 29 Oct

YANGON, 23 Oct—Myanmar ICT Exhibition 2010 will be held from 29 to 31 October at Tatmadaw Convention Hall on U Wisara Road here.

Under the supervision of Myanmar Computer Federation, Myanmar Computer Professionals Association and Myanmar Computer Insuatrialists

Association organized the first exhibition in 1999, hoping that it would somewhat contributed to development of IT in Myanmar.

PCs, accessories, latest electronics, communication devices and software will be on display at the exhibition.

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Inland storm centred near Myaung southeast of Monywa

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct —The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology today announced that according to the observations recorded at 9.30 am today, the inland storm crossing the central regions of Myanmar is still centred near Myaung about 30 miles southeast of Monywa. It is moving northeastwards and it is forecast to abate into a moderate storm within 12 hours from this morning.

The inland storm now is at brown level, moving towards the central regions of Myanmar.

Under the influence of the inland storm, the wind speed in Kachin State, northern Shan State, Magway Region, Mandalay Region and Sagaing Region is 50 mph. There is likelihood of strong wind with torrential rain. Therefore, ships and trawlers in storm-hit regions are warned to avert possible dangers of the natural disaster.

Squalls will be widespread along Rakhine coast and offshore areas with strong waves. Meanwhile, surface wind is 50 mph.

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Public warning about possible landslide Signs of landslide

- (1) Windows and doors of the house are getting tight
- (2) Cracks appear in brick walls of the house
- (3) Cracks appear in concrete foundations of the house
- (4) Fences of the house move or turn down on one side
- (5) Cracks appear in concrete/hard roads
- (6) Cracks leak water that have not leaked water before
- (7) Brick walls, fences, lamp posts and trees come to sway and move
- (8) Faint sound at the beginning and the sound is louder when the landslide gets close to you

Preparedness measures to be taken against landslide

- (1) Listen to public warnings on radio and TV in order to know a possible landslide in advance
- (2) To seek knowledge signs of landslides
- (3) If signs of a landslide are noticed, go to a safe place in advance
- (4) If signs of a landslide are noticed, inform it to those in authority as soon as possible
- (5) If signs of a landslide are noticed, inform neighbour as soon as possible

Measures to be taken after landslide

- (1) Not to stay near the landslide
- (2) To take care as there might be another landslide in the scene
- (3) To cooperate with rescue teams to rescue victims
- (4) To give first aid to victims and rush them to nearest hospital or health centre as soon as possible
- (5) To remove rubbles and wreckage as soon as possible
- (6) Not to touch electric power lines on the ground



With Pyinnya Yaungchi Library opened on 15 October in the village, Yezin villagers in Zeyathiri Township, Nay Pyi Taw District finally find intellectual nourishment. The library building was erected by A-1 Construction Company, District Peace and Development Council and donors from Yezin Village.—MNA



The celebration of the 60th anniversary of the peaceful liberation of Qamdo is held in Qamdo, southwest China's Tibet Autonomous Region, on 23 Oct, 2010. On 19 Oct, 1950, troops of the Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) marched into Qamdo Prefecture, which sits in the east of Tibet and borders Yunnan, Sichuan and Qinghai provinces, and raised a Chinese national flag there. The event was a precursor to the peaceful liberation of the entire Tibet in the following year.—XINHUA

16 missing after fishing boat sinks in E China

SHANGHAI, 23 Oct— Two people were rescued while another 16 were missing after a fishing boat capsized in stormy seas at the mouth of the Yangtze River Saturday morning, local authorities said.

The Zhejiang-registered fishing boat sank at 1:10 am Saturday. Among the 18 on board, only two got free of the vessel by jumping into the water before it sank and were later saved by a ship sent by the East China Sea Salvage Bureau.

The rescuers are still searching for the 16 missing.—Xinhua



Virgin Galactic, Sir Richard Branson's space travel enterprise, is launching the world's first commercial spaceport with a runway that will, boosters claim, help wealthy adventurers shoot into space.

INTERNET

Tornado kills 6, injures 116 in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES, 23 Oct— At least six people died and 116 more injured in Formosa province, north of Argentina due to a tornado, authorities said on Friday.

Police commander of Pozo del Tigre in Formosa, Oscar Rodriguez said that among the deaths there are one elder citizen, a 23-year-old woman, three youngsters and a baby.

The tornado strongly affected the region on Thursday noon, destroying houses, Rodriguez said.

Among the injured people, 10 of them are in serious conditions. Rodriguez added that there are no missing people.

Meanwhile, Pozo del Tigre's Mayor Reinaldo Castillo said that to the moment they have not assessed the damages caused by the tornado, however, the town will be aided by the provincial government.

Xinhua

A man rides his motorbike laden with steel bars in central Beijing 23 October, 2010. China's daily crude steel output rose by 0.6 percent in early October from the previous month, industry data showed on Friday, as mills resumed production after state-enforced power curbs.

INTERNET



Turkish police seize large amount of drugs

ANKARA, 23 Oct— Turkish police seized a large amount of drugs in the southeastern and central regions on Friday, local media reported.

Police teams stopped and searched two cars on Sanliurfa-Diyarbakir highway in the southeastern province of Sanliurfa, confiscating 115.6 kg of hashish in the cars and detaining four people, the semi-official Anatolia news agency reported.

In another operation, police received a tip and stopped a car in the central province of Aksaray, seizing 21 kg of heroin that would be sent from the eastern province of Hakkari to Istanbul and then to European countries, the

agency reported.

Police arrested two people in the car, according to the report.

Turkey is a key transit route for smuggling drugs from Asia and the Middle East to markets in western Europe.

Xinhua

Russia to open new space complex in 2015

MOSCOW, 23 Oct— Russia's space agency Roscosmos and Financial Ministry finalized and signed the project of building a new space launch site in Russia's Far East, the RIA Novosti news agency reported on Friday.

Now the project on construction of Vostochny space launching complex is ready for submission to the government, head of Roscosmos Anatoli Perminov said.

Vostochny, located in the Amur region bordering China, will host two booster sites, a training center and a medical research center. The space complex will be connected to the outer world with roads and railways.

The first launch from Vostochny has been planned for 2015, and the first manned expedition would start from there in 2018.

Currently, Russian manned spaceships are launched from the Baikonur space site located in Kazakhstan.—Xinhua

China becomes Volvo's third largest market

TIANJING, 23 Oct— China has become Volvo's third largest market, with more of its car models to go on sale in the world's largest auto market this year, Chief Executive Office (CEO) of Volvo Cars China said in Tianjin.

Dr Alexander Klose, CEO of Volvo Cars China, told Xinhua at the Ninth Tianjin International Automobile Trade Show, being held from Friday to Wednesday.

Klose said Volvo Cars had entered a new era of fast development, adding that its sales in China roared in 2010. As of the end of September, Volvo's global sales volume was up 12.5 percent year on year, compared with 52 percent year-on-year rise in China, he said.

Volvo also aggressively expanded its dealer network to 98 outlets in 81 Chinese cities this year. Two new Volvo sales centers opened in Beijing within merely one week in early October, about two months after east China's Zhejiang Geely Holding Group Co acquired the Swedish brand from the US auto giant Ford for 1.5 billion US dollars in early August.

Dr Klose said he was confident of seeing tremendous growth in China's auto market in the next five years.

"As the Chinese government has increased the tax rate for large displacement cars already, we now have a lot of cars below three liters, and I think we'll stick to that strategy, as you can see now the XC60 which was introduced today is just two liters," he said.—Xinhua

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (54)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (54) are hereby notified that the vessels will be arriving on 24.10.2010 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 Claims Day.

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South Korean warning on eating octopus heads

SEOUL, 23 Oct — Authorities in the South Korean capital are trying to untangle themselves from a slimy row: how many octopus heads is it safe to eat? The dish is a firm favourite on the peninsula — for its apparent aphrodisiac qualities.

In September, the Seoul city government enraged restaurateurs and the fishing industry when it announced octopus heads contained hazardous amounts of cadmium, a carcinogen that poisons the liver and kidneys. It advised against eating more than two heads a day.

Enraged fishermen threatened to sue the government and their cause caught the imagination of the public when MPs representing their constituents took an octopus into a national assembly session, causing laughter as it tried to es-

cape the jar. Lee Wan-beom, a fisherman from the county of Muan, told the *Korea JoongAng Daily* that prices for octopus had halved since the government's warning. — *Internet*



Octopus is popular in South Korea for its apparent aphrodisiac qualities. — Internet

Loose crocodile caused plane crash

KINSHASA, 23 Oct — A passenger plane crashed in the Democratic Republic of Congo in August when a crocodile escaped from a smuggler's bag, causing a panic, the lone survivor says. *The Daily Telegraph* reported on Thursday the Czech-made *Let L-410 Turbolet* was on a flight from Kinshasa to Bandundu on 25 Aug when the reptile got out of the sports bag where it had been secreted.

"The terrified air hostess

hurried towards the cockpit, followed by the passengers," the investigation report stated. The stampede caused the plane to be sent off-balance "despite the desperate efforts of the pilot", the report said. The aircraft plunged into a house near the Bandundu airport where it was heading. Twenty people on board died. The British newspaper said the crocodile survived the impact but was killed by someone with a machete.

Internet

Zoo buddies : A baby monkey named Miwa rides a young boar named Uribo in the Fukuchiyama City Zoo, Kyoto Prefecture. Both have been sheltered by the zoo since June after losing their mothers. — Internet



Ex-husband cared more about money, says heiress

LONDON, 23 Oct — The £100m (¥112m) heiress who won a landmark ruling over her divorce claimed on Thursday that her ex-husband was motivated by money. Katrin Radmacher made legal history this week when the British Supreme Court recognised the validity of a prenuptial agreement between her and Nicolas Granatino. Before getting

married in 1998, they had agreed not to seek a penny from each other if the relationship collapsed, but on their separation six years later he sought a financial deal.

On Thursday, Miss Radmacher, (41) who is German, said she was relieved that the "nightmare" was over. "Looking back, I don't think he would have married me if

I didn't have a penny," she said. "I think he cared a lot more about the money and that motivated him much more than it did me. I didn't see the truth at the time, but it is obviously very painful. 'I fell head over heels with him. I was madly in love and we married too quickly, before I had really got to know him.'"

Internet



Christian Kandlbauer passed his driving test in a specially adapted car. — Internet

Bionic-armed driver in car crash in Austria

VIENNA, 23 Oct — A man thought to be the first person in the world to drive a car using a mind-

controlled robotic limb has been seriously hurt in a car crash in Austria, according to local media. Christian Kandlbauer, 22, was found in the wreckage of his Subaru, which caught fire after smashing into a tree.

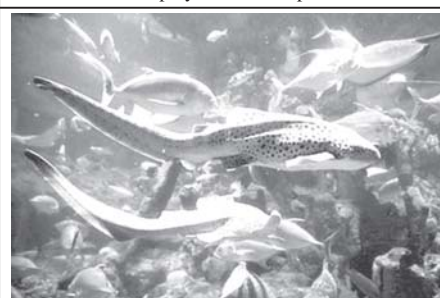
"Looking at the state of the wreck, it's a miracle he got out at all," a police officer was reported as saying. It is not known whether his bionic arm played any role in the accident. Mr Kandlbauer is being treated at a hospital in Graz, Austria, according to Austria's *Kleine Zeitung* newspaper. "He was found by a lorry driver who came across his burning car on a road near Bad Waltersdorf in south-east Austria."

Internet

Heart doctor sues hospital for millions

BALTIMORE, 23 Oct — A Maryland cardiologist, accused of performing unnecessary heart procedures, is suing the hospital where he worked for millions of dollars. Mark G Midei, 53, sued St Joseph Medical Centre in Towson and its parent organization, Catholic Health Initiatives, saying they inflicted "irreparable damage" to his medical practice through a "campaign of corporate deception, trickery and fraud," *The Baltimore Sun* reported on Thursday.

Midei, who helped build the hospital's reputation as a top cardiology center, but was removed from duty last year, says he was made a "decoy" by hospital administrators anxious to deflect the attention of federal regulators investigating the hospital's relationship with Midei's former employer, the *Sun* reported. — *Internet*



Aquarium view : Two zebra sharks swim by at a marine themed park in Hong Kong. — Internet

Briton kidnapped and tortured in Portugal over 'unpaid debts'

LISBON, 23 Oct — A British man had an ear, two fingers and three toes cut off after being kidnapped in Portugal and tortured for 13 days over an alleged debt. James Ross, from Wick in the Scottish Highlands, was allegedly kept captive in a cage after being lured to the Algarve on 5 October. Reports in Portugal suggested that the 26-year-old owed his captors £10,000 and had been told he could pay it off by working for them. But he was kidnapped upon arrival at Faro airport.

According to one local newspaper, *Correio da Manhã*, Mr Ross escaped from his prison — hidden

in a villa in the village of Boliqueime, near the town of Loule — on Monday, and was found bleeding in the street by a local man, Carlos Pereira. Mr Pereira told the newspaper: "He came staggering towards me asking me to stop, waving his arms in the air." — *Internet*

Women who dare to bare face fines of E500 in Italian town

NAPLES, 23 Oct — Women who wear skirts that are too short or who show too much cleavage face fines of up to E500 under new rules to be introduced by an Italian town writes Nick Squires.

Castellammare di Stabia, near Naples, intends to prohibit women from wearing provocative clothing and wants to ban men and women from wearing low-slung jeans as part of a list of 41 new rules that "every good citizen must respect".

Mayor, Luigi Bobbio, said it was all part of an effort to "restore urban decorum and improve co-existence". — *Internet*



Israeli chess grand master Alik Gershon took on 525 opponents simultaneously on Thursday in an attempt to break the Guinness world record, currently held by arch foes Iran. — Internet

Woman drove around with body for months

A California woman who befriended a homeless woman and let her sleep in her car told police she didn't know where to turn when the woman unexpectedly died — so she drove the body around for months along with a box of baking soda to hide the smell, authorities said Thursday.

Officers with the Costa Mesa police found the unidentified body Monday after getting a call about a car partially blocking a driveway. Sgt Ed Everett told *The Associated Press*. When officers arrived, they noticed a stench and saw a leg poking out from a blanket and some clothes, he said.

The partially mummified remains consisted of mostly skin and bones and weighed about 30 pounds, he said.

1,810-pound Wis pumpkin named world's heaviest

Guinness World Records has confirmed that a massive pumpkin grown in Wisconsin is officially the world's heaviest.

The gourd grown this year by Chris Stevens of New Richmond tips the scales at 1,810.5 pounds. That's 85 pounds heavier than the previous record, a 1,725-pound pumpkin grown last year in Ohio.

Stevens' pumpkin has a circumference of

186.5 inches, or more than 15 feet. When turned on its side, the pumpkin is more than waist-high to an average-size person.

Stevens unveiled his pumpkin earlier this month at the Stillwater Harvest Fest in Minnesota.

He said at the time his secret is a precise mixture of sunshine, rain, cow manure, fish emulsion and seaweed.



A forklift moves the largest pumpkin in the world, weighing 1,810.5 pounds, into place for display at the New York Botanical Garden in New York, on 21 Oct, 2010. The pumpkin, which was grown by Chris Stevens of New Richmond, Wis, will be on display through 31 Oct, 2010.

World's longest cat — Stewie — measures 4 feet

The world's longest cat measures more than 4 feet, stealing the record from another Maine Coon. *The Reno Gazette-Journal* reported that 5-year-old Stewie was certified as the new Guinness World Record holder after measuring 48 1/2 inches from the tip of his nose to

the tip of his tail bone. That's a little more than 4 feet long.

The record was previously held by another Maine Coon that measured 48 inches.

Stewie's owners, Robin Hendrickson and Erik Brandsness, say they decided to try for the record after hearing countless people say they were amazed by Stewie's length.



In this photo taken on 1 July, 2009, Robin Henderson stretches out her Maine Coon cat Stewie outside of her home in Reno, Nev. Stewie, a five-year-old Maine Coon owned by Hendrickson and Erik Brandsness, has been accepted by Guinness World Records as the world's longest cat at 48.5 inches.

Victim takes fake weapon and beats would-be robber

Police said a man using a fake gun in a San Fernando Valley stickup was beaten with the prop weapon when the would-be victim took it from him. Los Angeles police Sgt Jeff Collado told *City News Service* on Thursday that the attempted robbery suspect was bloodied and he was hospitalized. His name hasn't been released.

The sergeant said the man confronted the would-be victim at 11:40 pm Wednesday in the valley's Winnetka area 25 miles northwest of downtown Los Angeles. The intended victim, whose name is being withheld, disarmed him and used the fake weapon to beat him.

News Album

Tale of Lebanon's civil war missing bags UAE film award



Lebanese director Bahij Hojeij (C) receives his Black Pearl Award for "Shatti Ya Dini" (Here Comes the Rain) which won in the best narrative film from the Arab world category during the closing ceremony of the Abu Dhabi International Film Festival in the Emirati capital.

INTERNET

ABU DHABI, 23 Oct—Lebanese film "Here Comes the Rain" (Shatti Ya Dini) that tells the story of missing persons from the country's civil war won a Black Pearl award at the Abu Dhabi Film Festival on Friday.

"I dedicate my film to all those who are in love with freedom and peace in Lebanon," said director Bahij Hojeij, after his film won the 100,000 dollar prize in the Best Narrative Film from the Arab World category.

Russian film "Silent Souls" (Ovsyanki), directed by Aleksei Fedorchenko, meanwhile won a Black Pearl in the Best Narrative Film category "for its poetic depiction" and the "excellence of its cinematic language."—*Internet*

Shah Rukh Khan brings Bollywood spice to Berlin

BERLIN, 23 Oct—Bollywood heartthrob Shah Rukh Khan spoke of his love for Berlin Friday as he presented his new film in the city, which hopes his huge pulling power will lure more Indian tourists to its attractions.

"Every time I come here it's very cold and then I feel the warmth of lovely German bodies against me ... I'm really happy to work in this atmosphere," said the superstar at a press conference in a chilly,



Indian Bollywood actor Shah Rukh Khan

drizzly Berlin.

"The city is one of the most beautiful cities I have ever seen ... I have been here for two weeks and I don't feel I'm

working," he added.

"I'm just happy to be in Berlin. I love it. If you told me to stand up on a tourist bus and dance, I would do it."

Khan is on location in Berlin to shoot his new film, "DON-2", billed by producers as a "Bollywood version of Bond."

The film features Khan in his old role as Don, the "unbeatable, unstoppable, smartest, smoothest gangster in the Asian drug world."

Internet

Photographers say Brand's guard, guest beat them

RANTHAMBHORE NATIONAL PARK, 23 Oct—Four news photographers Friday said that they were punched by two men accompanying British comedian Russell Brand when they were taking pictures of Brand at an Indian tiger reserve one day before his scheduled wedding to American pop singer Katy Perry.

According to Associated Press photographer Mustaf Quraishi, who was one of the four photographers injured, Brand himself looked on during the assault as the photographers tried to defend themselves before being left stranded in the wild animal park.—*Internet*



British actor-comedian Russell Brand, centre, sits with others in a jeep during a jungle safari at the Ranthambore National Park in Ranthambore, India, on 22 Oct, 2010.—INTERNET

Judge's rehab ruling keeps Lohan comeback on hold

BEVERLY HILLS, 23 Oct—New year, new Lindsay Lohan?

That appears to be the hope of Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Elden S Fox, who on Friday ordered the starlet to remain in rehab until January. In doing so he ended any short-term plans for the actress' comeback, but also followed the recommendations of medical professionals who say the "Mean Girls" star is only beginning to realize the depths of her addiction. He also slyly removed one potential source of temptation and relapse.—*Internet*

Chelsea 2-0 Wolverhampton Wanderers

LONDON, 23 Oct—Chelsea moved five points clear at the top of the table with victory over Wolverhampton Wanderers.

Florent Malouda put Chelsea in front in the 23rd minute when he finished off a cross from Yuri Zhirkov.

Substitute Salomon Kalou completed a move he began by slipping Michael Essien's pass under Wolves goalkeeper Marcus Hahnemann 10 minutes from time to secure the win and leave Wolves second from bottom.

Internet



Chelsea's Didier Drogba fends off Christophe Berra of Wolverhampton Wanderers.
INTERNET

Wigan Athletic 1-1 Bolton Wanderers



Wigan Athletic's Jordi Gomez shields the ball from Bolton Wanderers' Chung Yong Lee.
INTERNET

LONDON, 23 Oct—Honours ended even between Wigan Athletic and Bolton Wanderers at the DW Stadium.

Wigan and Bolton both extended their unbeaten Barclays Premier League runs as they had to settle for a

point apiece.

After a first half notable mainly for a serious-looking injury to James McCarthy, it was the hosts who took the lead with 59 minutes gone as a lovely move involving Charles N'Zogbia and Franco Di Santo ended with Hugo Rodallega beating Jussi Jaaskelainen.

But Bolton took only seven minutes to get back on level terms, Johan Elmander netting his fifth goal of the season, as the Trotters made it five matches unbeaten and Wigan four.

Internet

Howard's howler rescues Spurs against Everton

LONDON, 23 Oct—A Tim Howard blunder helped Tottenham grab a 1-1 draw against Everton and move up to third place in the Premier League standings.

Everton, buoyed by their victory over Liverpool in the Merseyside derby last week, got off to a dream start after 17 minutes when Leighton Baines curled in a superb 25-yard free-kick to silence the White Hart Lane crowd.

There appeared to be little danger when Spurs fullback Alan Hutton swung in an innocuous-looking cross from the right.

Howard advanced off his line but instead of punching to safety could only graze the ball

onto Peter Crouch, who guided back across the face of goal for in-form Dutchman Rafael Van der Vaart who hammered home the equaliser.

Yet despite enjoying plenty of possession for the remainder of the game, Harry Redknapp's men were unable to penetrate a well-organised Everton line-up.

"They're a good side. You don't get an easy game with Everton, you never do," Redknapp told Sky Sports afterwards.

"We had the better of the chances but I'm happy with a point ... to come back from 1-0 down again shows tremendous character."

Internet

Mika Miyazato, Jee Young Lee lead in Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR, 23 Oct — Japan's Mika Miyazato and South Korea's Jee Young Lee shot 5-under 66s in steamy conditions Friday to share the Sime Darby

LPGA Malaysia lead, while Michelle Wie opened with a 68 in the round that was delayed for 3 hours because of lightning.

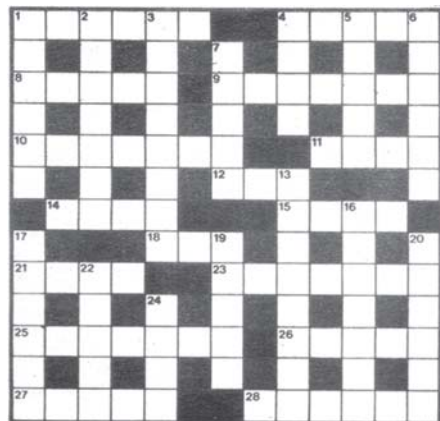
Michelle Wie of the U.S. tees off on the 1st hole during the first round of the Sime Darby LPGA Malaysia.—INTERNET



"It was a pretty long delay," Wie said. "It was kind of frustrating because it was like 30 more minutes, 30 more minutes, but you got to do what you got to do. It was unfortunately a dangerous situation. There was nothing you could do about it. So we just sat around for a little bit."

Internet

CROSSWORDS PUZZLE



ACROSS

- 1 Assassin
- 4 Mournful cries
- 8 Negative quantity
- 9 Answer
- 10 Closest
- 11 Sacred song
- 12 Shack
- 14 Labour
- 15 They flavour beer
- 18 Evergreen tree
- 21 Previously
- 25 Chivalrous
- 26 Soil
- 27 Exhibition of cowboy skill
- 28 Confine

DOWN

- 1 Japanese robe
- 2 The distant past (4,3)
- 3 Yes, later (anag.)
- 4 Cleanse
- 5 Sarcasm
- 6 Shunting track
- 7 Veracity
- 13 Unlucky number?
- 16 Treeless plain
- 17 Sausage (sl.)
- 19 Dance
- 20 Large snake
- 22 Lubricated
- 24 Gambling card game

Benzema confident he will shine at Real

MADRID, 23 Oct — Real Madrid striker Karim Benzema is confident he will get the chance to shine at the Spanish giants and has dismissed reports that he does not get along with new coach Jose Mourinho.

"I am working hard to earn more playing time. Once I play people will see what I am capable of. I am sure I will succeed with Real Madrid. I don't have a single doubt," he said in comments published Friday on Real's website.

"If I have to defend and run, I will. That is fine. I will work harder to play more and to prove to everyone that I am a good forward that can score a lot of

goals and play pretty football.

"Mourinho is a great coach and he has faith in me. He has told me that I need to run more. What I like most about him is that he is daring. He is one of the best coaches I have had," he added.—Internet



Real Madrid's French forward Karim Benzema.—INTERNET

Federer fights into Stockholm semis

STOCKHOLM, 23 Oct — Crowd-pleaser Roger Federer staged a heroic recovery from a set and a break down against fellow Swiss Stanislas Wawrinka to reach the semi-finals of the Stockholm Open 2-6, 6-3, 6-2 as home favourite Robin Soderling crashed out.

Hopes of a potential elite final between the tournament's top two evaporated as Soderling went down to defeat against German outsider Florian Mayer 7-6 (10/8), 6-1.

Federer's patchy game in the first set was unrecognis-



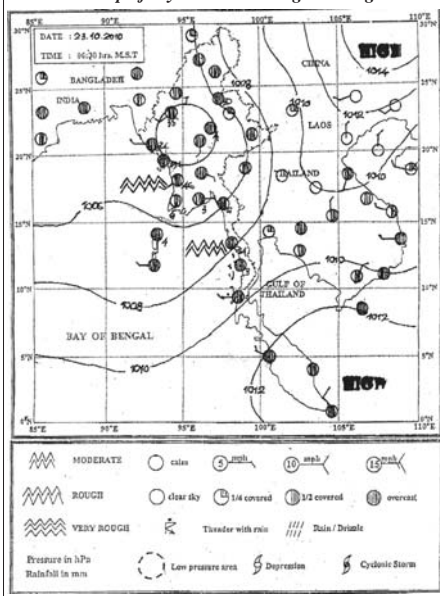
Switzerland's tennis player Roger Federer returns the ball with a backhand shot to Switzerland's Stanislas Wawrinka.—INTERNET

able from the powerhouse comeback which suddenly snapped into place as he trailed a set and 0-2 and which carried him to victory in just under two hours. "It was looking pretty bad," said Federer. "Stan was looking really good. Things were going quickly for me, I had no timing and was shanking balls."

"He was dominating, it was tough for me to stay in it. But I tried, I got lucky and all of a sudden I was back in the match. I fought my way out of this and I'm excited to be in the semis."—Internet

S P O R T S

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Saturday, 23rd October, 2010

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

During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kayah State, rain or thundershowers have been fairly widespread in Kachin, Shan States and Tanintharyi Region and Widespread in the remaining States and Regions with locally heavy falls in Rakhine State and Magway Region and isolated heavy falls and Chin and Mon States, Lower Sagaing Region. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Tatkon) (0.79) inch, Kyaukpau (13.54) inches, Minkin (9.13) inches, Mindat (7.44) inches, An (7.17) inches, Kyauktu (6.28) inches, Pauk (5.59) inches, Saw (3.35) inches, Htilin (3.21) inches, Kyeikham (3.19) inches, Chauk (2.99) inches, Haka (2.32) inches, Monywa (1.69) inches and Pakokku (1.06) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 22-10-2010 was 92°F. Minimum temperature on 23-10-2010 was 73°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 23-10-2010 was (100%). Rainfall on 23-10-2010 was (Tr).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 22-10-2010 was 86°F. Minimum temperature on 23-10-2010 was 74°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 23-10-2010 was (82%). Total sunshine hours on 22-10-2010 was (0.6) hours.

Rainfall on 23-10-2010 was (0.31) inch at Mingaladon, (0.12) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.71) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (80.98) inches at Mingaladon, (94.84) inches at Kaba-Aye and (106.93) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from South at (18:30) hours MST on 22-10-2010.

Bay Inference: According to the observations at (22:00) hrs MST Yesterday, very Severe the Cyclonic storm "GIRI" over East bay Central Bay of Bengal and adjoining Northeast crossed Rakhine Coast near Kyaukpau and downgraded into storm over land. According to the observations at (12:30) hrs MST today, Storm over Central of Myanmar has moved to Northeast ward and downgraded into a land depression centered near Butalin. It is continued to moved Northeast wards and gradually weaken within (12) hrs commencing this afternoon. Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy in the North and East Central Bay and partly cloudy in the Andaman sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until afternoon of the 24th October 2010:

Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in Kayah State, fairly widespread in Shan State and widespread in the remaining States and Regions with likelihood of locally heavy falls in Rakhine State Lower Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway Regions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Occasional Squalls with rough seas will be experienced Deltaic, off and along Rakhine Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (45-50) mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of continuation of increase of rain in the Central Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 24-10-2010: Some rain or thundershowers at times heavy rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 24-10-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 24-10-2010: Some rain or thundershowers at times heavy rain. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Grounded UK nuclear submarine towed free

LONDON, 23 Oct—A new British nuclear-powered submarine was towed free after running aground off the coast of northwest Scotland on Friday.

HMS Astute, the first of a new class of nuclear-powered submarines that was undergoing sea trials, became snagged on rocks off the Isle of Skye in an embarrassing incident for the Royal Navy.

The Navy had to wait for hours for high tide before tugs could tow the advanced submarine to deeper water. "Two tugs attached lines to her and pulled her free at high tide," a Royal Navy spokesman said. The submarine will be closely examined for any damage, he said.

HMS Astute, commissioned into the Navy in August, is nuclear-powered but does not carry nuclear weapons. Britain's nuclear missiles are carried aboard four Vanguard-class submarines.

"This is not a nuclear incident," a Ministry of Defence spokesman said earlier. "There are no injuries to personnel and the submarine is watertight". The submarine got stuck, for unknown reasons, during a routine exchange of crew members.

MNA/Reuters



Petr Naumov, a 61-year-old pensioner who is partially blind, completes his marathon from Russia's western city of Kaliningrad to the country's far eastern city of Vladivostok, on 23 October, 2010. Naumov spent seven months undertaking this journey of more than 12000 kilometres (7456 miles).

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MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (24-10-2010)(Sunday)

Transmissions

Times

Local - (09:00am - 11:00am) MST
 Oversea Transmission - (24-10-10 09:30 am ~ 25-10-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * The World's Largest Book
- * News
- * Romantic Wedding Fair 2010
- * News
- * MI People's Celebrities "Myanmar Style or Western Style"
- * News
- * UNICEF in Children Eye

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- * News
- * Feel Pretty in a Rawan Outfit
- * News
- * Working & Living in Myanmar (Jade and Gem)
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Kyauk Gu Umin Cave Guphaya
- * Myanmar Alternative Medicine (Noni)
- * Myanmar Movies "Mommy's Girls"

Myanmar

TV

Sunday,
24 October
View on today

7:00 am

1. Paritta By Vanarable
- Min Gun Sayadaw Uppatathandi Paritta

7:25 am

2. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning News

7:40 am

4. Dhamma Puja Song

7:50 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

6. (38) Phyar Mingalars

8:15 am

7. Myanmar Traditional Culture Performing Arts Competitions

8:25 am

8. Musical Programme

8:40 am

9. International News

8:45 am

10. Teleplay (Health)

11:00 am

1. Martial Song

11:10 am

2. Musical Programme

11:25 am

3. Round Up Of The Week's International News

11:35 am

7. TV Drama Series

12:35 pm

5. Golf Magazine (TV)

12:55 pm

6. Myanmar Movies

2:40 pm

7. Dance Of National Races

2:50 pm

8. International News

3:30 pm

1. Myanmar National League

MNL Cup (2010)

- Football Competition Live

(Zeyar Shwe Myay FC & Magway FC)

5:15 pm

2. Musical Programme

5:30 pm

3. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures)-First Year (Botany)

5:45pm

4. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

5:50 pm

5. UN Songs

6:00 pm

6. Evening News

6:15 pm

7. Weather Report

6:20 pm

8. Cartoon Series

6:35 pm

9. Tamyethnar Takwetsar

7:00 pm

10. TV Drama Series

7:45 pm

11. "How to Cast Vote" (Myanmar Motion Picture Aseayone)

8:00 pm

12. News

13. Talk of the Political Parties (Repeat)

14. International News

15. Weather Report

16. Cartoon Series

17. TV Drama Series

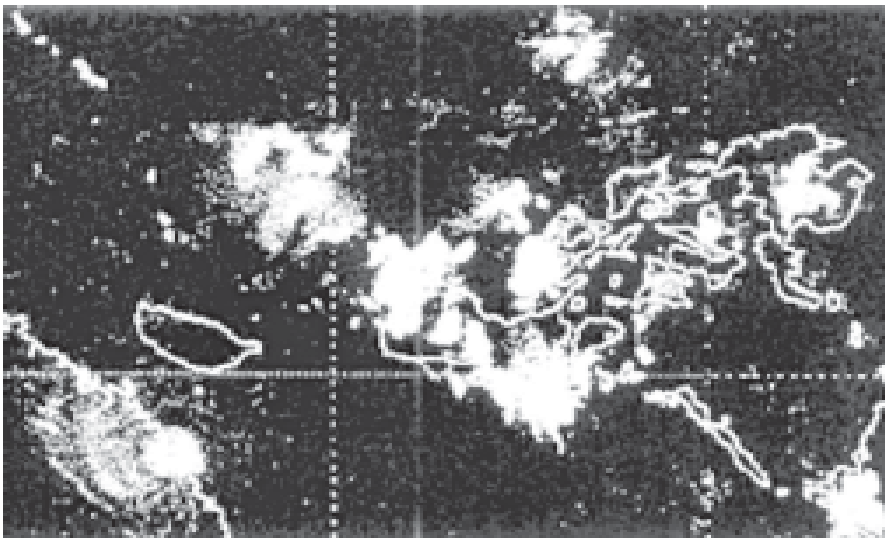
- ★ Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
- ★ Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful

- ★ 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



Inland storm reduced to green level, abating

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct — The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology today announced that, according to the observations recorded at 3.30 pm today, the inland storm near Butalin, lower part of Sagaing Region, has abated into a low pressure area.

The inland storm is now at green level and it is assumed that there has been no sign of cyclone danger.

Due to influence of the low pressure area, torrential rains are likely to be widespread in Magway, Mandalay and Sagaing Regions and there is likelihood of isolated heavy rains.

Squalls are likely to be widespread along Rakhine State and offshore areas with likelihood of moderate to strong waves. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach 35 mph.

MNA

Low pressure area clears

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct — The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology today announced that, according to the observations recorded at 5.30 pm today, the low pressure area occurred near Butalin, lower part of Sagaing Region, abated.

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Mandalay Region sub-commission coordinates electoral process

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct—Mandalay Region Subcommission held a work coordination meeting on electoral process at its office on 21 October.

Chairman of the subcommission U Aung Htut delivered a speech and dealt with matters for drawing a work programme for preparedness measures against natural disaster for successful holding of multi-

party democracy general elections, scrutinizing work in distributing ballot papers district-wise, and holding elections under supervision of members of the sub-commission.

The members reported on work progress district-wise. The chairman responded to the reports and gave concluding remarks.

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