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Maj-Gen Myint Soe looks into progress of transport and regional development tasks in Sagaing Region

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Dec—Maj-Gen Myint Soe of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Chairman of Sagaing Region Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Brig-Gen Soe Lwin and departmental officials on 4 December attended the opening of ICT Exhibition and Sales in front of the city hall in Monywa.

An official explained the purpose of holding the exhibition.

Maj-Gen Myint Soe, the commander and party posed for documentary photo together with those present at the ceremony. They then visited the exhibition.

At the local battalion, Maj-Gen Myint Soe met family members.

At the hall of the local battalion in Monywa

Township, he gave instructions to servicemen and family members and presented foods and gifts to them.

After looking into progress of Patheingyi Road in Sagaing Region, Maj-Gen Myint Soe heard reports on construction of Aungmye war veterans housing project presented by an official. He viewed construction of the housing and Aungmye shops.

Next, Maj-Gen Myint Soe inspected Chindwin Bridge (Monywa) and Concrete Blocks Factory.

On his inspection tour, Maj-Gen Myint Soe looked into conditions of Monywa-Budalin-YeU road section and thriving paddy plantations.

At the mile post No. 111/4, he heard reports on progress of road works presented by an official and left necessary instructions.

MNA

Winners in National Literary Award announced

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Dec—The National Literary Award Scrutiny Committee under the Ministry of Information today announced the winners in prize winning works and writers for 2009.

The National Literary Award winners were Linkar Yikyaw in the novel genre with the book entitled "Dr Shwe Thway and Ma Pan Hmon", Maung Chaint in selected short story genre with "Tanga Athe Mar Ye Thalar Hey" and other short stories", Maung Ni Win (Pakokku) in selected poem genre with "Seintsan Yaykyi poems", Maung Khin Min (Danubyu) in the belle-lettre genre with "Language outlook, literary outlook", U Kyaw Than (Phekhon) in the Myanmar culture and fine arts genre with "Kayan ethnic, Kayan customs", Min Shwe Min (Insein) in the child literature genre with "Pyidaungsu PanUyin poems for children", Ye Tint in translation genre (knowledge) with "Blood and Oil", Ma Kyan

in the general knowledge genre (arts) with "Revenue Affairs in Konbaung Period", Po Swe (MTE) in general knowledge (ordinary science) genre with "Basic Timber Technology", and U Saw Aung Hla Tun in the general knowledge (applied science) genre with Applied Metallurgy (First and Second Volumes)".

There was no winner in the translation (aesthetics), youth literature, drama and political literature genres out of 14 genres.

The winners are to contact the secretary of the committee at Sarpay Beikman at 529/531 on Merchant Street in Yangon, (Tel: 01-381448) within one week and to send one 5-inch by 7-inch sized colour photo and one 1-inch by 1-inch sized photo.

The prize presentation ceremony will be held at the hall of the Ministry of Information in Nay Pyi Taw at 9 am on 29 December (Wednesday).—MNA

Writer Dr Khin Maung Nyunt wins Life-time Achievement for National Literary Award 2009

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Dec—The National Literary Award Scrutiny Committee under the Ministry of Information selected writer Dr Khin Maung Nyunt (Dr. Khin Maung Nyunt) as winner of Life-time Achievement for National Literary Award 2009 for his outstanding lifelong performance in serving the interest of Myanmar literature.

The award will be presented at the ceremony to give National Literary Award and Sarpay Beikman Manuscript Award for 2009 at the hall of the Ministry of Information, here, at 9 am on 29 December (Wednesday).

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.

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

The people duty-bound to ward off puppets under alien influence

The people should not rely so much on the news stories aired by such foreign radio stations, and should not have personality cult by viewing things superficially. At a time when the nation is to decide its future, the people are under a duty to ward off such puppets.

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Myo Chit Maung

PERSPECTIVES

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Fight HIV/AIDS

HIV has been spreading throughout the world countries within 30 years since it has been discovered. Life expectancy in some nations is on the wane because of AIDS. It is learnt that all over the world, the highest mortality of individuals between age group of 15-49 years is due to AIDS.

Now, the whole world has seen more than 33 million HIV/AIDS-infected people. With rapid spread of the virus, over two million people were infected and over one million died in 2009 alone. All the global nations, therefore, are focusing on the combat of AIDS.

Myanmar is carrying out HIV/AIDS elimination tasks as a national concern. It is taking measures such as giving health education to the public, ensuring pure blood transfusion at hospitals, prevention against mother-to-child transmission of HIV in 210 townships and 38 general hospitals, provision of ART treatment in 30 hospitals including in those of states and regions and community home based care for AIDS patients and their families. In cooperation with local and international social organizations, more AIDS patients were given treatment with ART.

Due to such efforts, Myanmar has achieved a unique distinction of bringing a gradual decline in HIV: 0.94% in 2000, 0.67% in 2007 and 0.61% in 2009.

Like taking measures for HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment and care, departments concerned, social organizations and the people are urged to speed up the educative tasks.

Golf tournament to mark 500th birthday of Ketumadi concludes

YANGON, 6 Dec—The final round of the golf tournament to mark the 500th birthday of Ketumadi (Toungoo), sponsored by IBTC, was held at Southern Star Golf Club in Ketumadi Myothit, Toungoo Township, on 5 December morning.

After the fourth round, officials presented prizes to daily best scorers and winners in men's amateur division.

Commander of Southern

Command Brig-Gen Soe Htut gave the first prize to Zaw Zin Win (Srixon) with 293, the second to Soe Kyaw Naing (Srixon) with 294 and the third to Hla Myo with 295. IBTC Executive Director U Tint Oo presented cheque as prize to Zaw Zin Win. The commander presented gifts to MGF Vice-President U Min Thein and IBTC Executive Director U Tint Oo.

NLM



Commander of Southern Command Brig-Gen Soe Htut presents first prize to Zaw Zin Win (Srixon) in professional golfers division.—NLM

People's Voice

- * 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

Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win oversees regional development work in Kawthoung Township



Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win of Ministry of Defence views bunches of oil palm of Yuzana Oil Palm Cultivation Company Ltd.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Dec – Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win of the Ministry of Defence met the military officers and other ranks and their

families at Bayintnaung Hall of Kawthoung Station on 2 December. Also present on the occasion were Chairman of Taninthayi Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Coastal Region Command Brig-Gen Khin Maung Htay and senior military officers.

Next, Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win visited the military hospital in Kawthoung where he comforted the patients and provided cash assistance. He then looked round the local battalions of the station and fulfilled the needs.

Together with the commander and

officials, Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win went to Pulonetonetone (Palo-netonetone) Bridge in Kawthoung on 3 December and inspected repairs of the bridge, maintenance of mangroves. He proceeded to Bayintnaung Hill. Officials concerned reported on greening and beautifying tasks of the Bayintnaung Statue hill.

At Myoma Bridge, Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win inspected implementing of immigration work, construction of retaining wall at Kawthoung circular road and the bridge. He then discussed regional development

tasks with departmental officials at Kawthoung District PDC office.

After that, Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win and party met with and presented clothing and sport gear to the Tatmadawmen and their families at Khamaukgyi Station. He then visited Khamaukgyi Station Hospital and provided cash assistance to the patients.

Later, Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win visited the office of Yuzana oil palm cultivation company and the raw palm oil factory and left necessary instructions.—MNA

Balaba BEHS to pay respects to old teachers on 29 December

YANGON, 6 Dec— The 3rd respect-paying ceremony of Basic Education High School of Balaba Village in Yesagyo Township will be held at the school on 29 December. The old students pay due respect to the teachers.

Those wishing to donate cash and kind may contact Headmaster Ph: 0947209016, Khin Maung Zin (Yangon) Ph: 705623, Shinmataung

Book House Ph: 386617, Thein Hsan Kyi (Mandalay) Ph: 092019986, Khin Maung Yin Ph: 096802331, Khaing Min Ph: 092015514, Layoung (Yedashe) Ph: 05480209, Tin Maung Win (Mingyan) Ph: 0947125634, Kyaw Naing Myint Ph: 092212514, Zaw Myint (Pakokku) Ph: 096571020, Aye Ko Ph: 092301684, Sein Lwin Ph: 092300678, Aung Kyaw Sint Ph: 092302299.—MNA

Colombia rains leave 174 dead, 1.5 million homeless

BOGOTA, 6 Dec—The toll from weeks of heavy rains across Colombia has risen to 174 people dead and over 1.5 million homeless, the Colombian Red Cross said on Saturday. Another 225 people have been injured and 19 were missing, Colombian Red Cross deputy director of operations Cesar Uruena told reporters. A total of 1,821 homes have been damaged or destroyed.

"We've never had this many people affected by the rainy season," he added, noting that the punishing rains were hitting 95 percent of the country. Some regions, including southwestern Valle del Cauca department, saw more than 12

hours of non-stop rain.

More than a dozen mudslides blocked roads from Valle's capital Cali to the Pacific port town of Buenaventura, stranding hundreds of trucks and passenger vehicles.

In Roldanillo, another town in Valle, 200 families were evacuated after the Cauca River overflowed and destroyed thousands of hectares (acres) of crops. A major canal ruptured in the northern department of Atlantico, flooding six villages and leaving at least 20,000 people homeless, officials said.



Residents stand next to a building damaged by the overflowing of the Tachira River, in the municipality of Villa del Rosario, located in the eastern part of North Santander department, Colombia on 3 December.—INTERNET

Internet

Baghdad bombs targeting Shiite areas kill 17

BAGHDAD, 6 Dec—A string of bombings killed 17 people across Iraq's Capital on Saturday, including Iranian pilgrims near a revered shrine and shoppers at a Shiite neighbourhood market, authorities said. The attacks—several roadside bombs and cars packed with explosives—wounded more than 100 people.

Police said the deadliest strike targeted a marketplace in Baiyaa, a Shiite District in southwestern Baghdad. A car parked outside a shopping area exploded around midday, killing six people and wounding 42. Hospital officials confirmed the casualties. "We were terrified," said Ali Tumaal-Nidawi, 30, a government employee who was shopping with neighbors when he heard three explosions within



Iraqi security forces stand guard at the scene of a roadside bomb attack which targeted a government convoy in Baghdad, Iraq, on 4 Dec, 2010.

INTERNET

minutes of each other. "Shops and people were burning, and people were running everywhere. I did mouth-to-mouth resuscitation to many people who were not breathing because of the smoke."

Near-simultaneous blasts also hit two groups of Iranian pilgrims near the gold-domed Moussa al-Kadhim mosque in the

Shiite neighbourhood of Kazimiyah, according to security forces. A pair of bombs killed five pilgrims resting near the shrine. A car exploded next to a bus carrying Iranian pilgrims in the nearby Shiite area of Shula, killing another three people. Police and medical officials said those two attacks wounded 52 people.

Internet

Iran says UN agency sending spies, not inspectors

TEHERAN, 6 Dec—Iran's intelligence minister accused the UN nuclear watchdog agency of sending spies in the guise of inspectors to collect information about Iran's nuclear activities, state TV reported on Saturday.

The claim was another sign that Iran has hardened its stance since the assassination a week ago of a prominent nuclear scientist and the wounding of another. Iran is to hold talks beginning Monday in Geneva with world powers trying to persuade it to curtail key elements of its nuclear work. Intelligence Minister Heidar Moslehi said that inspectors sent by the International Atomic Energy Agency had engaged in espionage and the Vienna-based agency must take responsibility for their actions. He did not elaborate or identify the inspectors Iran was accusing.

Iran has increasingly alleged in recent months that the agency's inspectors have leaked information to US officials and other allies. In June, Iran banned two UN nuclear inspectors from entering the country,

claiming they had leaked "false" information about the country's disputed nuclear programme. "Among the individuals the IAEA sends as so-called inspectors, there are spies from foreign intelligence services. The IAEA must be held responsible for this," state TV quoted Moslehi as saying.—Internet



Iran's Ambassador to the International Atomic Energy Agency, IAEA, Ali Asghar Soltanieh waits to the start of the IAEA's board of governors meeting at the International Centre in Vienna, Austria, on 3 Dec, 2010.—INTERNET

Terrorism makes New York more wary, gradually



In this 2 Dec, 2010 photo, Paula Bosco, right, and Maria DeAngelo, both from Freehold, NJ, ask police officers for directions inside the 42nd Street subway station, in New York.—INTERNET

NEW YORK, 6 Dec—Not far from the New York Stock Exchange, a small crowd of tourists stopped to watch as a bomb-sniffing dog checked out a delivery van. The cobblestoned street was blocked by a line of brass cubes

with holes that glowed red like the inside of a toaster. Suddenly an entire section of the street rotated, cobblestones and all. The cubes moved out of the van's way and their holes turned green. The crowd "ahhed" with surprise.

Welcome to New York, a city where every year since 9/11, tighter security has changed the landscape a little bit at a time, more noticeable to the tourists crowding the streets for the holidays than the residents who have been here all along. "There are so many police," said Jackie Carey, 71, of Wilmington, Del, as she looked over Rockefeller Plaza crowds from the steps of St Patrick's Cathedral. "There's like about five policemen on the corner. How many policemen does it take for you to get across the street?" At Radio City Music Hall, guards check holiday tourists' purses for weapons before the Rockettes' Christmas Spectacular. In Herald Square, new cameras stare down at shoppers. In rail stations, travelers are bombarded with messages warning them to be on the lookout for suspicious activity. There are poison-gas sensors and radiation detectors, automatic license plate readers and random bag searches in the subways.

The Woolworth Building, a 1913 skyscraper that used to attract hundreds of tourists a day to its ornate lobby, now has a sign at the door saying "Tourists Are Not Permitted Beyond This Point."—Internet

Russian satellites off course, crash into Pacific

MOSCOW, 6 Dec—Three Russian satellites, being sent into orbit to complete Russia's GLONASS navigation system, fell off course on Sunday and crashed into the Pacific Ocean not far from the Hawaii Islands, *Ria News Agency* reported.

A spokesman for Russia's space agency Roscosmos told *Reuters* the satellites had strayed from their course and caused an "un-planned situation." He did not confirm that they had crashed.

The satellites were being carried by the "Proton-M" rocket carrier, which blasted off early on Sunday from the Baikonur space centre in Kazakhstan.

MNA/Reuters

Cold snap, air strike and floods bring chaos to Europe



Children sled in Heiloo after heavy snow fell in the southern and northern regions of the Netherlands.

INTERNET

PARIS, 6 Dec—An early cold snap in Europe claimed more lives, while a wildcat strike by Spanish air traffic controllers added to the travel chaos caused by snow, ice, and in some countries flooding. Freezing weather killed another nine people in Poland over a 24-hour period, bringing the death toll there to 46 since the beginning of November, police said. Temperatures there dropped as low as minus

19 degrees Celsius (minus 2 Fahrenheit) overnight Friday.

In the neighbouring Czech Republic, it was minus 20 Celsius (minus 4 Fahrenheit) overnight, disrupting rail traffic as the ice seized up signals at several junctions. French police blamed icy driving conditions for three deaths in the east of the country after a car slid off the road and into a canal near Plobsheim late Friday. Neither the driver nor the passengers

had been drinking, police added.

Weather forecasters warned of black ice in northern France that would make driving particularly dangerous. Officials in the French Alps meanwhile warned of the risk of avalanches on Sunday in ski stations already open because of the early snow. The danger would increase Monday with fresh snowfalls and a subsequent thaw, they added.—*Internet*

Villagers evacuated as Ecuador volcano erupts

QUITO, 6 Dec —The Tungurahua volcano in Ecuador is billowing ash into the sky and sending super-hot pyroclastic flows surging down its slopes, causing authorities to evacuate nearby villages. Hugo Yopez, director of Ecuador's Geophysical Institute, says no one has been injured nor any village damaged. He says people within 8 miles of the volcano's centre were evacuated Saturday as a precaution.

An eruption of ash from Tungurahua last May caused a one-day shutdown of the international airport at Ecuador's largest city, Guayaquil. Thousands of people in near the volcano also were evacuated. The volcano is 95 miles (150

kilometres) southeast of Quito, the capital. In 2006, an eruption buried entire villages and killed at least four people.

Internet



A column of smoke and ashes comes out from the Tungurahua volcano in Pelileo, Ecuador, on 4 Dec, 2010. No casualties were reported.

INTERNET

Bedbugs may flood Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES, 6 Dec — Already troubled by as many as 55 bedbug cases a month, Los Angeles County would see an explosion of the problem during the holiday season, a newspaper report said on Saturday. "LA's slow trickle of bedbugs may turn into a flood," the *Los Angeles Times* warned on its website.

Bedbugs have turned up in the Golden Triangle retail district of Beverly Hills and inside homes and apartments in more than two dozen

local communities, the report said, quoting health officials. "It's really all over the county," said Angelo J. Bellomo, director of environmental health for the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. Since public health officials began tracking reports of bedbugs last spring, there has been an increase in reports from tenants, property owners and businesses, the report said.

Exterminators fear that the number of

reports might rocket because of increased travel and gift-giving, said the report. The pests are "very good hitchhikers" that can be transported on luggage, clothing, beds, furniture and other items, LA County Public Health Director Jonathan E. Fielding was quoted as saying. The bugs also hide out in draperies, throw pillows and even electronics, and adults can live more than a year without feeding, according to the report.

Xinhua

Delta jet slips off taxiway, no injuries

MINNEAPOLIS, 6 Dec — A Delta jet slipped off a taxiway Friday at Minneapolis-St Paul International Airport but no one was injured in the incident, an airport spokeswoman said.

The plane, a 757, had just arrived from Atlanta with 189 passengers onboard at about 7:20 pm. It was on a taxiway connecting a main runway with a gate when its right main wheel slid off the pavement into a patch of grass, airport spokeswoman Melissa Scovronski said.

She said maintenance workers cleared snow from around the wheel and put sand around it "basically like you would do with a car, but on a bigger scale" getting the wheel free by about 8:30 pm.

The flight was one of more than two dozen that were canceled or delayed by a snowstorm in the region Friday. At least 5 or 6 inches of snow were forecast for the Minneapolis-St Paul area Friday night. The Minnesota State Patrol said it responded to reports of 151 highway crashes Friday afternoon and evening.

Internet



A museum assistant poses for photographers by a front cloth designed by Pablo Picasso at the V&A galleries, in London on 5 Aug, 2010. The front cloth, which appeared in the Ballet Russes performance of *Le Train Bleu* in 1924, is the largest known canvas designed by Picasso in the world.

INTERNET

Train accident in HK's Ocean Park injures 7

HONG KONG, 6 Dec — Seven people were injured in a train accident in Hong Kong's Ocean Park at noon on Sunday, as the train grounded to a sudden halt in the middle of an uphill journey.

Four of the injured were sent to nearby hospitals and the three others left on their own, a spokesperson told *Xinhua*, adding that the accident was due to the startup of the rail braking system.

She said the funicular train, which runs through a tunnel and links the park's waterfront and hilltop attractions, suspended service after the accident. The Electrical and Mechanical Department of the HK government has already started an investigation into the accident, the spokesperson said.

The underground train, named Ocean Express, starts transporting passengers in September 2009. It runs along a 1.3 km long rail and is able to transport 5,000 passengers per hour. Ocean Park opened in 1977 and is now among the world's top 15 most visited theme parks.

Xinhua

Plodding climate talks stepping up to higher level

CANCUN, 6 Dec—The slow-moving UN talks on combating global warming took a step forward on Saturday with revised proposals for a \$100 billion-a-year climate aid fund and other issues for debate by the world's environment ministers this week.

Despite that advance, the chairwoman of key closed-door negotiations warned the open conference that obstacles remain to what delegates hope will be a package of decisions next Friday on financial and other side matters under the UN climate treaty.

"Progress has been made in some areas," Zimbabwe's Margaret Mukahanana-Sangarwe said. But she said the talks were "going backwards" on

important issues. "We need to redouble our efforts." Environment ministers began flying in Saturday for the final days of the annual two-week climate conference, hoping to put new life in the UN talks.

Last week, under Mukahanana-Sangarwe's leadership, a working group from among the 193 treaty nations sought to whittle down the contested texts of proposed decisions. In one sign of the work facing them, only 170 words had been undisputed among the 1,300 on two pages of a key text on the "shared vision" of what the treaty nations want to accomplish. The disputed language was options proposed by various parties and placed within brackets.—*Internet*



Local residents watch as a firefighting plane sprays fire extinguishing material over the fire in Ein Hod, northern Israel, on 4 Dec, 2010. The cause of the worst forest fire in Israel's history is likely negligence, not arson, authorities said Saturday, as firefighters from around the world battled the blaze whipping through northern pine forests toward the Mediterranean.

INTERNET

Look up: Historic Hallidie Building crumbling



The Hallidie Building at 130 Sutter St features a 7-storey glass wall that was remarkable when the building was constructed in 1918.

INTERNET

SAN FRANCISCO, 6 Dec—San Francisco's historic Hallidie Building is falling apart. That shouldn't be a surprise, considering the building was built in 1918. But it's worth noting because the building is one of the most historically significant in the city, at least that's what the architects tell us. The city's Historic Preservation Commission — the final arbiter of all buildings historic — will discuss the state of the

building at their meeting Wednesday. They'll likely approve a plan to mend the building early next year.

The building was the first American building to feature glass curtain walls. Instead of a heavy stone facade common at the time, seven-storey of glass walls allowed plenty of light into the seven-building. The design was borrowed and repeated by countless architects of modern skyscrapers. Once an architectural harbinger, it is now showing its age. Metal outriggers supporting the building's balconies and fire escapes "have deteriorated to the point where they are no longer functional," notes a report that will be presented to the commission.

"Portions of the steel members have disintegrated," states a letter by an engineering firm that analyzed the building. "It is our opinion that it is just a matter of time before portions of the facade supported by these brackets will fall off the building." The building was deemed unsafe by the city's Department of Building Inspection in August. It is unlikely the plan will face any resistance at the commission.

Charles Edwin Chase, the commission's president said in a July interview that he thought the Hallidie Building was one of the most "remarkable buildings where an architect took a design challenge and created the first curtain-walled building in the United States. I just think that that's an extraordinary building to maintain."—*Internet*

International Light Festival "dresses up" Milan

MILAN, 6 Dec — After the International Light Festival kicked off Saturday in Milan, Italy's capital of design is aglow with all kinds of open-air installations by international light designers. The one-month festival is expected to spark creativity in the design of LED lights and encourage the use of LED as a green alternative.

Sixty installations by famous designers and talents such as Karim Rashid, Gilbert Moity and Matteo Thun are illuminating Milan with lights and shows, transforming the northern Italian City into an open-air stage of contemporary art. The festival opened at sunset with a piano and string concert held in Duomo Cathedral Square, and the stained-glass windows of this Milan landmark have also been lit up by decorations.

"The scenographic lighting of historical monuments, the use of new illumination sources and energy conservation are the most important goals of Milan (in the International Light Festival)," Maurizio Cadeo, Milan councillor for the city's urban decor and green areas, said. "Lighting can play a fundamental role in the future of all metropolises, in terms of aesthetics, safety and sustainability," he said. "I think this festival is a praiseworthy initiative for both delighting people and boosting environmental protection during the Christmas season," a student named Marco told Xinhua.

Xinhua

South Korean trade minister defends deal with US

SEOUL, 6 Dec—South Korea's top trade official on Sunday defended a hard-fought compromise with the United States on a stalled free trade agreement by rejecting accusations that his government gave up too much to seal the deal.

Trade representative Ron Kirk reached a final agreement Friday after marathon negotiations near Washington that focused on US demands that South

Korea rework the deal to address its big trade surplus in automobiles.

The South Korea-US free trade agreement was originally signed in June 2007, but steps to ratify it stalled amid changes in government in both countries, the global financial crisis and American demands not just on autos but that South Korea loosen restrictions on American beef imports.

South Korea, which long said it would not budge on the initial deal, ultimately compromised and addressed key US concerns on autos, though says it dug in on beef and got benefits in return such as the US agreeing to a two-year delay in the elimination of South Korean tariffs on pork imports.

Internet

South Korean Trade Minister Kim Jong-hoon speaks during a press conference at the Foreign Ministry in Seoul, South Korea, on 5 Dec, 2010.—INTERNET



Google buys Internet video security firm Widevine

SAN FRANCISCO, 6 Dec—Google has agreed to buy a company whose software is used to protect Internet video from piracy and make it play more smoothly.

The Seattle-based company, Widevine Technologies Inc, makes so-called "digital rights management" software that's used to secure video content as it makes its way to a variety of consumer devices, such as Internet-connected TVs, personal computers and cell phones. Its software is also used to help make sure the content is delivered seamlessly, known in industry jargon as "optimization."

The purchase price wasn't disclosed. Google Inc which is based in Mountain View, owns the video sharing site YouTube.

Internet

PayPal suspends WikiLeaks donations account

WASHINGTON, 6 Dec—Online payment service PayPal said it has suspended the WikiLeaks' account that the organization used to collect donations.

US-based PayPal said in a statement that WikiLeaks, which this week released thousands of secret US diplomatic cables, had violated its policy. A posting on WikiLeaks' Twitter page said "PayPal bans WikiLeaks after US Government pressure."

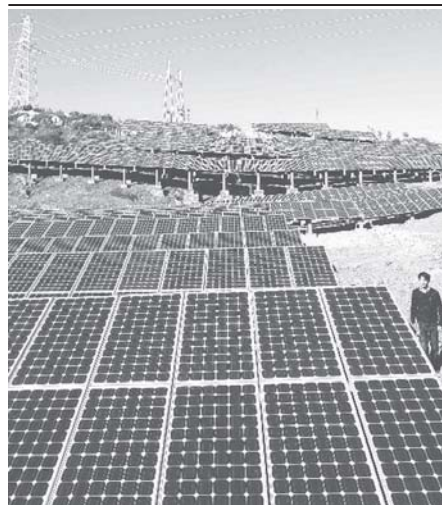
A statement on the PayPal site said: "PayPal has permanently restricted the account used by WikiLeaks due to a

violation of the PayPal Acceptable Use Policy, which states that our payment service cannot be used for any activities that encourage, promote, facilitate or instruct others to engage in illegal activity. We've notified the account holder of this action."

PayPal is one of several ways that WikiLeaks takes in donations to finance its operations. On Friday, WikiLeaks directed readers to a web address in Switzerland after two US Internet providers dropped it in the space of two days.—MNA/Reuters



Firefighters try to put out a fire at a residential area in Manila, the Philippines, on 5 Dec, 2010.—XINHUA



File photo taken on 5 Jan, 2010 shows a man walking next to solar panels in a solar power plant in Shilin Yi Autonomous Prefecture, southwest China's Yunnan Province. Use of solar power highlights the development of new-energy industries at the low-carbon economic era, while the solar-rich Yunnan Province enjoys an average 2,200 sunshine-hours per year, or over six hours per day.—XINHUA

Shark kills German woman swimming in Egypt

CAIRO, 6 Dec — A shark killed a German tourist who had been swimming near the shore at the Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheikh on Sunday, days after a string of attacks injured several divers, Egypt health officials said. The body of the 70-year-old woman was washed onto the shore. Officials said she had lost her right thigh and right elbow. Egypt imposed a 48-hour ban on swimming in part of the waters off Sharm el-Sheikh after four divers — three Russians and a Ukrainian — were injured by shark attacks last week. It was unclear whether the woman, who has not been named, was inside the area where swimming had been banned.

Shark attacks are extremely rare in Sharm el-Sheikh, one of Egypt's most popular holiday destinations, but international media attention raised concerns they may affect tourism, an important source of employment and foreign exchange. "It is unusual to have four attacks in a week," said Rolf Schmid, manager of the Sinai Diver's Centre.

"The attack happened in a shallow area called Middle Garden north of Naama Bay, and the whole area hasn't had sharks for the past 10 to 15 years." The Environment Ministry said on Thursday that it had caught and killed the two sharks behind the attacks on the divers. But a marine NGO then said they had killed the wrong sharks.—MNA/Reuters

Chemical blast kills six at Internet cafe in China

BEIJING, 6 Dec—An explosion caused by stored chemicals has killed six people and injured 37 at an Internet cafe in southwest China.

The Kaili City government in Guizhou Province says in a statement that the blast occurred at a cafe under a bridge late Saturday. Eleven of those hurt were seriously injured.

The official Xinhua News Agency says the explosion was so powerful it shattered the windows of nearby residential buildings.

A group says industrial chemicals stored in the cafe caused the blast.

Internet

Alaska ferry rides out storm in remote bay

ANCHORAGE, 6 Dec — A state ferry carrying 40 people has arrived in a small Alaska town after anchoring overnight in a remote bay to ride out a storm that hit Prince William Sound.

Department of Transportation spokesman Roger Wetherell said the Chenega, one of the Alaska Marine Highway System's fast ferries, moored in Cordova around midday Saturday.

The vessel left Whittier on Friday afternoon for the three-hour, 15 minute return trip to Cordova, but ran into 10-foot waves and winds of 45 to 50 mph.

The crew decided to take shelter in the protected bay. Wetherell says the vessel is essentially a day boat. It has no staterooms, so passengers had to spend the night in seats or on the deck.

Internet

In this photo taken on a cell phone by an eyewitness, showing a Tupolev Tu-154 passenger jet belonging to Dagestan Airlines is seen after an emergency landing on 4 Dec, 2010, at Moscow Domodedovo airport.

INTERNET



Rare US national anthem score sells for \$500,500

NEW YORK, 6 Dec—A rare first edition of the lyrics and music of the US national anthem was sold in spirited bidding at auction on Friday to an anonymous buyer for 500,500 US dollars, exceeding pre-sale estimates.

The two-page, 1814 lyrics of "The Star Spangled Banner," which Christie's auction house described as "a true icon of American history and patriotism," was the last of 11 copies to be in private hands. All other copies are in institutions or university libraries.

"It pretty much doubled the estimate," said Chris Coover, senior specialist of books and manuscripts at Christie's. "We knew it was an important piece. We were aware of its great rarity and were pretty confident it would appeal to several bidders at least."

First printed in Baltimore, the song became the US anthem in 1931. Key's verses were inspired by an attack by a British naval flotilla on Fort McHenry, whose flag flew throughout the bombardment.

MNA/Reuters

Over 325 flights called off in Chicago because of heavy snow

CHICAGO, 6 Dec—More than 325 flights have been canceled at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport because of heavy snowfall on Saturday morning, the Chicago Department of Aviation said. Flights in and out of O'Hare have also been delayed by 30 minutes or more on Saturday morning, according to the Department.

Across town at Midway International Airport, delays are averaging 45 minutes, with no cancellations. Aviation officials are advising travelers to check their airlines' website to find out the status of flights. The National Weather Service has forecast snowfall of three to five inches for much of the area.

Xinhua

Cash donated for paying respects to doyen literati in commemoration of Sarsodaw Day

YANGON, 6 Dec—A cash donation ceremony for paying respects to the doyen literati for 16th time in commemoration of Sarsodaw Day (1372 ME) of Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association took place at the meeting hall of the central printing house of Printing and Publishing Enterprise on Theinbyu Road in Botahtaung Township here this afternoon. Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan attended the ceremony and made cash donations.

It was also attended by departmental heads, the MWJA chairman and CEC members, the doyen literati, members of the committee for organizing the respect-paying ceremony and

wellwishers.

First, MWJA Chairman U Tin Hlaing (Ledwintha Saw Chit) extended greetings. Next, the minister presented K 3,990,000 donated by the State Peace and Development Council to U Tin Hlaing. The MWJA chairman presented a certificate of honour to the minister.

Minister U Kyaw Hsan presented K 1.1 million donated by the departments and enterprises under the ministry and K 100,000 donated by the minister and wife Daw Kyi Kyi Win and family to the MWJA chairman.

The minister next accepted K 725,150 donated by printers, K



Information Minister U Kyaw Hsan attends cash donation ceremony for the doyen literati for 16th time in commemoration of Sarsodaw Day (1372 ME) of MWJA.—MNA

296,100 by publishers, K 150,000 by Myanmar Printers and Publishers Association, K 1 million by Patron of Shwe Than Lwin Media Co Ltd, Sky Net, Agga Maha Thirithudhamma Theingi Daw Ni, K 800,000 by Dr Tin Tun Oo and Dr Khin Moe Moe, K 675,000 by Shine Hope Co, K 500,000

each by Asia Fame Media Group, MCDC and MMCWA and K 300,000 each by Dr Tin Aung Khaing (Myanmar News Week), movie stars Nay Toe and Min Thway, MWAFA, Myanmar Music Asiayon, Major Thet Tun (Retd)-Daw Thi Thi Nwe and Envoy Journal.

The responsible persons accepted cash, publications and foodstuff donated by well-wishers including Yangon City

Development Committee and Hot News Journal, K 200,000 each; U Hla Tun (Hla Tun-Twantay)-Daw Nyunt Nyunt Than and family, K 105,000; and U Chit Naing (Chit Naing Psychology), Lt-Col Kyaw Hsan (Retd) (Saya Thukhi Aung)-Daw Khin Mya Mya, Brig-Gen Sithu Tin Pe (Retd)-Daw Thein Hsaing (Writer Ma Myat Lay), K 100,000 each.

The ceremony ended with words of thanks

expressed by Vice Chairman-1 of MWJA U Khin Maung Tun (Khin Maung Tun-Lanmadaw).

Minister U Kyaw Hsan then cordially greeted the well-wishers.

Up to date, donated cash and items for Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association to hold 16th Respect Paying Ceremony to Doyen Literati to mark Sarsodaw Day-1372 ME has reached K 26085200.

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Information Minister U Kyaw Hsan presents K 3,990,000 donated by SPDC to MWJA Chairman U Tin Hlaing (Ledwintha Saw Chit).—MNA

Best Myanmar ITs announced

YANGON, 6 Dec—Myanmar Computer Industrialists Association and Novel Light Media Ltd jointly organized the census of Myanmar information technology, and information and communication technology at the hall of Myanmar Info-Tech in Hline Campus, here, this morning.

Working Group Chairman U Thaung Tin of Myanmar

Computer Federation and Joint Secretary of MCIA U Aung Kyaw Moe made speeches. A responsible person of Novel Light Media Ltd explained collection of 2010 ICT census.

A total of 34 persons who participated in the collection of ICT census were given computers, printers and gifts.

Acer computer won the best laptop computer award; Power Tree

UPS, the best UPS; ViewSonic monitor the best monitor, Epson printer the best printer and Internet journal the most reader IT journal.

Chairman U Thaung Tin presented gifts and certificates to the winners for best computer accessories and organizations according to the 2010 Myanmar computer census.

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Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan accepts cash donation for Sarsodaw Day donated by wellwisher.—MNA

IT Diploma Course at Ocean Gate Training Centre

YANGON, 6 Dec—International recognized IT Diploma course 2011 for computer-basic-level youths in hardware & Networking will be launched at Ocean Gate Training Centre in the first week of January.

Those passed the course are worth getting

Diploma in IT Systems Support recommended by City & Guilds Education Group, and will be able to continue their education in abroad and to live in private.

There is a chance for registration as external candidate for those

wanted international diploma.

For further information, contact Ocean Gate Training Centre, No 355, Room 206, Mingalartaung Nyunt Township, Yangon, and Ph: 01-380130 or 09-9061325.

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The people duty-bound to ward off puppets under alien influence

Myo Chit Maung

Whenever the government brands VOA, BBC, DVB and RFA as killer broadcasting stations, anti-government organizations claim that it is an attack on independent media. However, news stories that support the government's claims appear again.

Last June, accusations against Myanmar were running high that the nation was trying to produce nuclear weapons. The accusations were just based on the statements of expatriate Sai Thein Win, a traitor. DVB's news was echoed as scoop by western media issued in English in addition to VOA, BBC and RFA. The Myanmar government announced that it was one of the countries that initiated the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty; and that Myanmar would never use nuclear power for military purposes. Yet they did not accept the announcement and accused the government of trying to conceal its plan. Some political organizations in the nation also echoed the

accusation that they worried over the news.

Now, the truth is out. News stories issued by PBS broadcasting station and ProPublica say that many other experts concluded that the machines for nuclear weapons project in the photos presented by Sai Thein Win can also be used for other industries; and that some of the machines cannot be used to produce nuclear weapons. One of those experts used to serve as the deputy director of the International Atomic Energy Agency, and some of them are from German government. It is said that even CIA of the US observed the evidence presented by Sai Thein Win, and turned it down. **That news was issued on 12 November, but BBC, VOA, DVB and RFA imposed a news blackout. These radio stations always air fabricated news on Myanmar free of checks. That implies they issue made-up news stories, and fail to issue true stories for public information.**

To issue the news story based on what Sai Thein Win had claimed, DVB cited the statements of

Robert Kelley alone, who was an ex-staff member of the US government as well as an ex-staff member of IAEA. According to international code of press ethic, a news agency has to deal with at least two sources to issue such a very important news story, and to state different views of experts. DVB failed to honour international code of press ethic and to issue the broadcast of PBS. That shows the status of DVB.

National Endowment for Democracy (NED) was behind the broadcasting of the fabricated news. NED was formed in the time of President Ronald Reagan to destabilize Communist nations of Soviet bloc through the media and instigation of mass protests. After the collapse of the Soviet Union, it used the media and instigated protests to install puppet governments under US influence in the developing countries that are against the US. Since 1990, NED has provided all anti-government groups with funds on the pretext of democracy. It is a couple of decades NED has funded close to two million US dollars to anti-government organizations and radio stations a year. NED annual report issued in July 2010 states that it used nearly 2.5 million US dollars for the Myanmar plot in 2009.

Four hundred thousand US dollars of it went to DVB. In addition to 400,000 US dollars as regular fund, NED provided extra fund for the Sai Thein Win issue. PBS news agency said that NED provided traveling allowance for Robert Kelley, who startlingly made a comment saying that Myanmar was trying to produce nuclear weapons, to fly from Vienna in Austria to Washington in the US for, to study the documents from Sai Thein Win and to compile a report. I think traitor Sai Thein Win also got dollars substantially.

DVB is not the only organization that gets funds from NED. According to the 2009 fund list, the organizations provided with funds by NED ranged from some, each of which got US dollars in five digits, to some, each of which got US dollars in six digits. Those organizations have different names, but share common goal: to attack the government. AAPP based in Thailand

(See page 9)

Over the past two years, there have emerged several organizations that get involved in social affairs for political gains.

Those organizations never claim they are provided with hundreds of thousands of dollars by organizations like NED. They are deceiving the people into misunderstanding that they are carrying out voluntary services with their own funds and labour. So, artless people may think highly of and may be caught in their political tricks.

Now, the truth is already out regarding the news issued by DVB. It highlights that the people have to be vigilant against the broadcasts aired by foreign radio stations and acts of puppets in the nation.

The people duty-bound to ward off puppets under alien influence

Myo Chit Maung

(from page 8)

was provided with 200,000 dollars; two unidentified Websites, with 100,000 dollars each; unidentified political organizations in Myanmar, with 700,000 dollars; an organization involved in AIDS campaign, with nearly 30,000 dollars; and monks taking to the streets for democracy, with over 90,000 dollars. Moreover, anti-government media under various names bagged over 350,000 US \$ from NED.

It is NED that uses not only the media but also political, health and social sectors to spark instability and violence in Myanmar. Maybe, there are US intelligence agencies and other political organizations that provide funds publicly or secretly. NED has spent about two million dollars a year for over two decades. Surely, in the same period, those organizations have spent huge sums of money to destabilize Myanmar and incite a riot and violence in the nation.

The attempt Sai Thein Win and DVB made in collusion is not only to tarnish the image of the government, maybe there are also other intentions to deal a serious blow to Myanmar. When there were rumours that Myanmar was immersed in the secret plan for nuclear weapons, US Senator Jim Webb was in Bangkok to pay a visit to Myanmar. He is not in support of sanctions against Myanmar, and is calling for more engagement with the country. He has good relations with the Myanmar government and understands its objective conditions. Expatriate groups dissuaded him from visiting Myanmar and dealing with the government, but in vain. However, this time, they issued the fabricated news just ahead of Jim Webb's trip. In consequence, he cancelled his visit, claiming that he should not go to Myanmar when there was news about the nuclear plan. The US government and senate put an end to the attempts Jim Webb was making to know well Myanmar's prevailing conditions and development. Some individuals and organizations that constantly demand sanctions against Myanmar heartily welcomed Jim Webb's cancellation of the trip, thus revealing for which DVB's scheme was meant, and who were behind the scheme.

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- * **Their plots have never come true due to collaborative efforts of the government, the people and the Tatmadaw.**
- * **However, they do not seem to give up their conspiracies.**
- * **It is certain they will speed up their attempts when the Road Map is in its last two steps.**
- * **The people should not rely so much on the news stories aired by such foreign radio stations, and should not have personality cult by viewing things superficially.**
- * **At a time when the nation is to decide its future, the people are under a duty to ward off such puppets.**

The US invaded Iraq with the accusation that the latter had weapons of mass destruction including nuclear weapons. However, after the invasion, the US did not find any evidence about weapons in Iraq. So, the joint attempt of Sai Thein Win, DVB and NED was nothing more than a fabrication but to catch a big fish.

It is more than 20 years anti-government elements have conspired to destabilize Myanmar and arouse riots with the intention of installing a puppet government under the thumb of the US. Their plots have never come true due to collaborative efforts of the government, the people and the Tatmadaw. However, they do not seem to give up their conspiracies. It is certain they will speed up their attempts when the Road Map is in its last two steps. In that case, their plans will be associated not only with the media but also through the means of the media and political, social, education, health and religious fields. They do not achieve any success in the political arena. Maybe, they will turn more attention to the social sector.

I notice that over the past two years, there have emerged several organizations that get involved in social affairs for political gains. Those organizations never claim they are provided with hundreds of thousands of dollars by organizations like NED. They are deceiving the people into misunderstanding that they are carrying out voluntary services with their own funds and labour. So, artless people may think highly of and may be caught in their political tricks. Now, the truth is already out regarding the news issued by DVB. It highlights that the people have to be vigilant against the broadcasts aired by foreign radio stations and acts of puppets in the nation.

Overall, the people should not rely so much on the news stories aired by such foreign radio stations, and should not have personality cult by viewing things superficially. At a time when the nation is to decide its future, the people are under a duty to ward off such puppets.

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Workshop on Capacity Enhancement of Myanmar Civil Service 2010 (Nay Pyi Taw)

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Dec—Workshop on Capacity Enhancement of Myanmar Civil Service 2010 (Nay Pyi Taw) organized by the Civil Service Selection and Training Board and sponsored by the Sasakawa Peace Foundation of Japan was opened at Yadana Theinga Hotel here today.

Chairman of CSSTB U Kyaw Thu delivered a welcoming address and on behalf of the President of the Sasakawa Peace Foundation, Program Officer Mr Yasutoshi Yashida made the opening remarks.

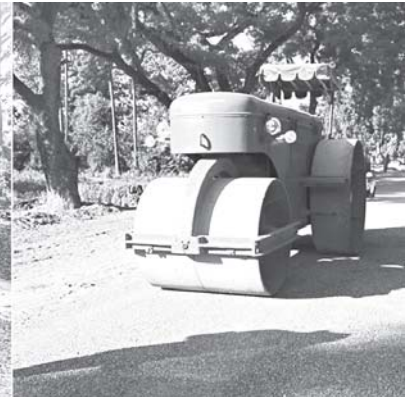
It was also attended by members of the CSSTB U Hla Myint Oo, U Win Aung, U Soe Oo, U Nyi Tun and U Kyaw Aung, directors-general, rectors, resource persons and participants.

A total of 60 participants from various ministries and organizations are currently attending the workshop that lasts up to 10 December.

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Maj-Gen Myint Soe of Ministry of Defence inspects condition of Monywa-Budalin-YeU road section. (News on page 1)—MNA



SWRR Minister inspects relief items for storm victims

YANGON, 6 Dec—Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Maung Maung Swe went to Kyaikwine warehouse of Relief and Resettlement Department here today. He viewed

storage of foodstuff and construction materials and items for marine industry donated by well-wishers from home and abroad for Giri cyclonic storm victims, and six relief items to be provided to storm-affected areas in case of natural disasters.

The minister also viewed Land Cruiser cars to be sent to Giri-ravaged regions in Rakhine State. He then inspected construction of staff quarter.

MNA



CSSTB Chairman U Kyaw Thu extends greetings at opening of Workshop on Capacity Enhancement of Myanmar Civil Service 2010 (Nay Pyi Taw).—MNA

Graduates of YIE to pay respects to old faculty members

YANGON, 6 Dec—The graduates of Yangon Institute of Economics (1967-71) will hold the first ceremony to pay respects to old faculty members at 9 am on 8 January and the get-together at 6 pm at Western Park Ruby Restaurant, here.

All the graduates have been invited to the ceremony without fail.

Those wishing to make donations may contact U Hla Nyein, Tel: 095067165, U Khin Maung Mya, Tel: 541545, Daw Khin Soe Yi (Kyaikkhami), Tel: 095042077, U Kyi Win-Daw Myint Myint Kyi, Tel: 095165248 and 095180517, Daw Rita Myint, Tel: 095006192, U Sai Than Win, Tel: 73033565, U Soe Win Oo, Tel: 098619929, U Richard Than Oo, Tel: 095168251, Bago U Than Oo (Mandaing), Tel: 095008988, U Tin Win (Momeik), Tel: 095127686, U Win Myaing, Tel: 095122651 and U Ye Myint, Tel: 095048876.

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First round of Tatmadaw football tournament continues

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Dec—The first round matches of the 49th Defence Services Commander-in-Chief's Shield Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) Football Tournament continued at the designated zones today.

Camp Commandant's office of the Ministry of Defence team played a 1-1 draw with Nay Pyi Taw Command (A) team in Eastern Command Zone (Taunggyi); North-West Command team ended 0-0 draw with South-East Command team in South-West Command Zone (Patheingyi); South-

ern Command team played 4-4 draw with South-West Command team in North-West Command Zone (Monywa); Yangon Command team trounced Western Command team 2-0 in Southern Command Zone (Toungoo); Eastern Command (A) team beat Northern Command (C) team 11-0 in Yangon Command Zone (Yangon); Defence Services Navy team won over Coastal Region Command (A) team 4-0 in Central Command Zone (Mandalay).

MNA

BSI to pay respects to retired personnel on Dec 19

YANGON, 6 Dec — The 11th respect-paying ceremony for the retired personnel aged 75 and above who worked at Bureau of Special Investigation will be held at Jivita Dana Sangha Hospital in Bahan Township at 10.30 am on 19 December.

Those retired people, ex-staff members and those in service are invited to attend the ceremony and those wishing to donate cash and kind may contact U Tin Myint and U Myint Aye of Jivita Dana Sangha Hospital (Ph:01-545782, 01-541795, U San Ni Maung (Ph: 526455), U Win Myint (Ph: 581164), U Mya Thwin (Ph: 577534) and U Myint Thein (095185132).

MNA

Low pressure area over southwest Bay of Bengal

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Dec—The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology today announced that according to the observations recorded at 5:30 pm today, the low pressure area over Southwest Bay still persists.

The system is under closely watched for regenerating to intensify.

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Military officers warmly welcome members of Mon Peace Defence Group who exchanged arms for peace. (News on page 16)—MNA

China says some at climate talks want to kill Kyoto



A man walks past posters reading "Time for Climate Justice" in Cancunmesse, where climate talks are taking place, in Cancun on 2 Dec, 2010.—INTERNET

CANCUN, 6 Dec—China accused some developed nations on Friday at UN climate talks of seeking to kill the Kyoto Protocol pact to curb global warming, in a damaging standoff with Japan, Russia and Canada.

Venezuela and Bolivia also branded some rich countries "unacceptable" for distancing themselves from the Kyoto accord, stepping up sparring before ministers

arrive for next week's climax of the 29 November- 10 December talks in the Mexican beach resort of Cancun. Developing countries favour an extension of the 1997 protocol, which obliges only developed nations to cut greenhouse gas emissions until 2012, while many rich nations prefer a new agreement that includes emerging economies led by China.

Some countries "even want to kill the Kyoto Protocol, to end the Kyoto Protocol," Huang Huikang, a special representative for climate change negotiations at China's Foreign Ministry, told reporters. "This is a very worrying movement." The future of the 1997 Kyoto pact was the main hurdle at the 194-nation talks that are seeking to agree a modest package of measures to slow global warming, said Huang. Ambitions are low after the 2009 Copenhagen summit failed to agree on a binding UN treaty.

MNA/Reuters

Tycoon Nadir released from UK custody

LONDON, 6 Dec—Tycoon Asil Nadir, who returned to Britain this year to stand trial on theft and fraud charges, was freed on Saturday after being briefly held by police who initially suspected he had breached bail conditions.

"He's been released with no further action to be taken (against him)," a Metropolitan police spokesman said. The 69-year-old businessman, who once ran the Polly Peck empire, was arrested at his house in

the exclusive Mayfair District of central London. Police would not say whether a mistake had been made, but Nadir said officers had apologized.

"Well, unfortunately I've been a victim of an unlawful arrest today claiming that I had broken my bail conditions: That was not the case," he told waiting reporters as he left custody. "I'm hoping that this sort of unlawful behaviour, as I've claimed for many years,

should not take place in this country."

Now awaiting trial, he is under strict bail conditions that include a midnight to 6 am curfew, reporting to a police station once a week and wearing an electronic tag. He has also surrendered his passport. The Turkish Cypriot businessman, who was a big donor to Britain's Conservative Party, voluntarily returned in August from his home in northern Cyprus in a bid to clear his name.

MNA/Reuters

NASA delays shuttle flight to Feb, cracks culprit



NASA managers announced the latest delay for Discovery on 3 Dec, 2010. They say they need more time to analyze cracks in the shuttle's fuel tank. The damage cropped up following a failed launch attempt in early November.

INTERNET

CAPE CANAVERAL, 6 Dec—Space shuttle Discovery's final mission is off until February, three months late because of fuel tank cracks that are stumping engineers. NASA's top spaceflight managers announced the

latest delay on Friday. They said they need more time to understand the cracking, which cropped up following a failed launch attempt in early November.

Discovery remains on the launch pad, holding a load of equipment for the International Space Station. The launch team plans to conduct a fueling test by month's end — rigging the external tank with gauges and sensors, then loading it up — in hopes of cracking the elusive crack problem. "Analysis can only get you so far," said shuttle programme manager John Shannon. "It's time to go test."

Bill Gerstenmaier, head of NASA's space operations, said liftoff tentatively is set for around 3 Feb, the opening of the next practical launch window. That will push the final mission of shuttle endeavour back a full month, into April. A series of unmanned cargo ships from other countries are due to fly to the orbiting lab in the next few months, complicating matters. Also on tap is the arrival of a new station crew in mid-December, via a Russian Soyuz spacecraft. Six astronauts are assigned to the Discovery mission, as well as the first humanoid robot bound for space, Robonaut, which will stay packed aboard the shuttle.

Internet

Agency moves to end Philly cruise ship departures

PHILADELPHIA, 6 Dec—Declining demand has Philadelphia's port getting out of the cruise ship business. The Delaware River Port Authority says bigger ships and lower interest

have led to fewer departures out of Philadelphia's Navy Yard terminal. Only two cruises are scheduled to depart out of Philadelphia next year, down from more than 30 a few years ago.

The authority's executive committee approved a plan Wednesday to end the terminal lease on 1

January.

The Philadelphia Inquirer reports the agency would save \$18 million in renovation costs by ending cruises. The full board is expected to give the plan final approval later this month.

The two departures scheduled for 2011 would still be honored.

Internet

Dozens of rescuers killed in Israeli fire

JERUSALEM, 6 Dec—A bus burst into flames as it raced to an Israeli prison during a massive forest fire, killing dozens of prison guards participating in the rescue mission, officials say. It was one of the deadliest accidents in the nation's history. Fire officials say the blaze, which torched about 650ha, remained out of control after nightfall. A university, three prisons and a hospital were evacuated and at least one village was destroyed.

After nightfall, bodies of 25 victims from

the bus had been identified, police said. Fire officials said about 40 people were killed. About two dozen people were still missing, Israel Radio reported. "This is a disaster of unprecedented proportions," Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said on Friday. He said the government was using all means at its disposal to contain the blaze, and he appealed to Cyprus, Italy, Russia and Greece to provide backup.

His office said Greece and Cyprus agreed to send

firefighting helicopters.

After nightfall, he flew over the scene of the fire to inspect the damage. At the firefighters' command post, he said the blaze was of "international proportions" and the arrival of equipment from abroad today could be decisive, but they could not work at night. The fire broke out around midday and quickly spread, fanned by uncharacteristic hot and dry conditions. Israel experienced an exceptionally hot summer and has had little rain during

the normally wet autumn and winter season.

It destroyed one of Israel's few large forests, made up of natural growth and planted areas, a favourite spot for camping, hiking and picnics.

A nature reserve provided a refuge for dozens of species of wildlife. Forestry workers tried to evacuate animals from the inferno.

The forest recovered slowly from a fire in 1989, but experts said today's blaze was many times worse.

Internet

At least 40 people have been killed in Israel by a devastating forest fire near the northern city of Haifa.—INTERNET



CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV KOTA RESTU VOY NO (063)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA RESTU VOY NO (063) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 6.12.2010 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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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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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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Women dressed in Christmas costume take part in a parade held in San Francisco, on 4 Dec, 2010. Hundreds of local residents Saturday took part in the annual Santa Claus parade held in San Francisco.
XINHUA

Nepali farm develops disease-resistant tomatoes

KATHMANDU, 6 Dec—A Nepali agriculture farm has developed nine varieties of disease-resistant and heat-tolerant tomatoes. According to Sunday's Republica, Gorkha Seed Company, the first ever Nepali hybrid tomato variety is making final preparations to introduce the tomatoes in the market. "The varieties we have developed are bacte-

ria-resistant and withstand hot climate," senior scientist at the company Kedar Bud-hathoki told the daily. "We will soon name those varieties." Budhathoki claimed that the new varieties can yield a record production of 30 kg per plant. The research is currently being undertaken at some plots in the capital. "Farmers can produce at least 10 kg per plant even

under worst conditions with each tomatoes weighing up to 80 grams. These varieties can be produced even in areas where the temperature is as high as 40 degree Celsius," said Budhathoki.

Bishnu Marahatta, the proprietor of the company, said the new varieties will be brought into the market within a year for commercial purpose. — Internet

9-year-old girl shot after answering door in Hercules

HERCULES, 6 Dec—A 9-year-old girl was shot immediately after she answered her front door on Friday night, police said. Police were called out to the 100 block of Brighton, a residential street in Hercules, around 10:25 pm on Friday after gunfire was reported in the area. Responding officers found the girl with gunshot wounds to her neck and back, spokeswoman Doreen Mathews said.

Witnesses told investigators the girl was answering a knock at the door when the initial shot was fired. It was soon followed by about nine to 10 more shots. The assailant then fled on foot, Mathews said. The child, whose identity was not released, was taken to Oakland Children's Hospital in critical

but stable condition. Mathews said on Saturday her condition had improved and she was expected to be released from the hospital soon.

No one else was injured and no arrests have been made. Police were following leads on Saturday based on interviews with others who were inside the home at the time of the shooting, as well as neighbours. The victim has yet to talk to investigators, Mathews said. Police have been called out several times to the home where the shooting occurred, Mathews said. Several neighbours said Saturday that the sight of police on their street has become commonplace during the past year, but feared speaking publicly about their neighbours. — Internet



In this image provided by the New Orleans Museum of Art/John d'Addario, visitors view 'Woman in an Armchair,' by Pablo Picasso, from 'Great Collectors/ Great Donors: The Making of the New Orleans Museum of Art, 1910-2010,' an exhibit celebrating the museum's 100th anniversary in New Orleans. NOMA has more than 35,000 pieces in its permanent collection — ranging from Degas, Picasso, Chagall and other big-name artists, to dramatic African and Asian art, antique glass and a sculpture garden featuring works by 20th century greats such as Henry Moore and Louise Bourgeois. — INTERNET



A man cuts salt on Uyuni salt lake, which holds the world's largest reserve of lithium, about 500 km (311 miles), south of La Paz, on 28 Nov, 2010. Bolivia plans to build a plant to produce up to 30,000 tonnes a year of lithium carbonate from the Uyuni salt lake. Bolivia does not currently mine lithium, the main component of the rechargeable batteries that power products ranging from laptops to cameras.

INTERNET

At least 50 missing in Colombian landslide

BOGOTA, 6 Dec — At least 50 people were missing in Colombia on Sunday after heavy rains caused a landslide in the northwest of the Andean nation, relief organizations said. Colombia is experiencing torrential downpours due to the La Nina weather phenomenon. The rains and floods have killed around 170 people so far this year, mostly in recent months, and affected 1.5 million more.

"It's believed that there could be between 50 and 60 people trapped, maybe more," said disaster official John Freddy Rendon in the city of Medellin near where the landslide occurred.

MNA/Reuters

Australia readies for Oprah juggernaut



The decision by TV host Oprah Winfrey to film her hugely popular show in Australia has created excitement around the country.

INTERNET

SYDNEY, 6 Dec—When US talkshow supremo Oprah Winfrey films her show *Down Under* this month, Karen Ferrazzo will celebrate by hosting a barbecue in her honour, complete with ‘Oprah’-inspired snacks. Ferrazzo, 36, is not expecting the

megastar to descend on her home in Melbourne’s leafy north for the event — but the mother of two is fully expecting to get caught up in the ‘Oprah fever’ hitting the nation.

“Because we didn’t win tickets (to Oprah’s two Sydney shows) we decided the next best thing was to celebrate and be part of the festivities the ‘Australian’ way,” Ferrazzo said. “There will be Aussie wines and beers and plenty of love for Oprah on the day.”

Oprah’s announcement that she would film her hugely popular show in Australia has created excitement around the country, with hordes of fans beyond the 12,000 who won tickets expected to descend on Sydney’s Opera House for the 14 December shows — the first ever shot outside the United States.

The famous sail-shaped monument will temporarily become the ‘Oprah House’, nearby streets will be blocked off and special buses brought in to transport the thousands of fans expected to try to catch a glimpse of the star.— *Internet*

Two stabbed in Rose Bowl brawl before USC-UCLA game



Southern California running back Allen Bradford, centre, and USC Trojan marching band celebrate their 28-14 win against UCLA after an NCAA college football game at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena, Calif, on 4 Dec, 2010.—INTERNET

PASADENA, 6 Dec—Dozens of fans brawled in a Rose Bowl parking lot before the Southern California-UCLA football game Saturday, leaving two men stabbed, two police officers with minor injuries and three men arrested, authorities said. About 40 fans of

both schools fought at about 4:20 pm in a grassy part of Brookside Golf Course that the stadium uses for event parking, Pasadena police Cmdr Darryl Qualls said.

One person was stabbed in the cheek and the other was stabbed in the back during the

melee some three hours before the crosstown-rivalry game between the Bruins and Trojans was set to start. Qualls said. Both were taken by ambulance to Huntington Memorial Hospital. He described their condition as stable.

One officer was treated for a sprained hand, the other for a sprained ankle, and both were released, Qualls said. Arturo Cisneros, 44, was arrested on suspicion of attempted murder, police said. Steven Radu, 27, and Joshua Elder, 23, were arrested for investigation of assault on a police officer. They were being held in Pasadena City Jail.

Internet

LimeWire music-sharing service to close 31 December

NEW YORK, 6 Dec—LimeWire — one of the world’s biggest outlets for people to share music, movies and TV shows free of charge over the Internet — said it would be shutting down by the end of the year and closing its sole office in New York.

In October, a US federal judge granted the music industry’s request to shut down the popular LimeWire file-sharing

service, which had been found liable for copyright infringement. “As a result of our current legal situation, we have no choice but to wind down LimeWire Store operations,” LimeWire said in a statement on Friday. “Despite our dedication and efforts, 31 December, 2010, will mark the day when LimeWire Store shuts its virtual doors.”

LimeWire also said

its plan to bring a separate, legal music service to market had been canceled. Founded in 2000 by Mark Gorton, LimeWire has been a thorn in the side of record companies because millions of fans used it to download music for free. The music industry blames online and physical piracy as the primary reasons for declining music sales.

Reuters

Katy Perry supreme as ‘Divas’ salutes troops

SAN DIEGO, 6 Dec—Katy Perry loves a man in a uniform.

The pop superstar met dozens of service members while working on the special “VH1 Divas Salute the Troops” this weekend near San Diego.

“There was a kid who I met backstage who was rather chatty, but adorable,” Perry recalled.

“He was really sweet. He was 19. He had such a good heart.

He said, ‘Yes, ma’am’ to me. ‘Yes ma’am!’ I was like, ‘OK! Yes, sir!’”

A VH1 publicist estimated an audience of 27,000 attended the nearly three-hour taping of the concert Friday night at the Marine Corps Air Station in Miramar.

The show, which airs Sunday night, features a bounty of what the network has dubbed “divas” — female or

female-lead musical acts, including established stars such as Heart, Paramore and Sugarland, as well as hot newcomers Grace Potter and The Nocturnals, Keri Hilson and Nicki Minaj.

But if one diva emerged supreme, it was Perry, who both opened and closed the show, and performed solo or with others on a half-dozen songs — twice that of anyone else in the lineup.— *Internet*

Settlement of Enterprise suit angers car owners

KANSAS CITY, 6 Dec—A St Louis judge has approved a settlement in a class-action lawsuit against Enterprise Rent-A-Car over vehicles it sold that lacked side airbags.

The cars were once part of the company’s rental fleet, and people who bought them will receive \$100 vouchers toward Enterprise rentals or car purchases.

The deal has angered car owners, who say the vouchers don’t make up for the lost value of their cars. Four law firms who brought the lawsuit will split \$1.3 million.

Most of the affected cars are 2006-2008 Chevrolet Impalas in which the airbags weren’t installed upon request of the car rental company, even though they were standard safety features. The Kansas City Star says dropping the option saved Enterprise \$15 million over three years.

Internet

Polanski’s “Ghost Writer” tops Europe film awards

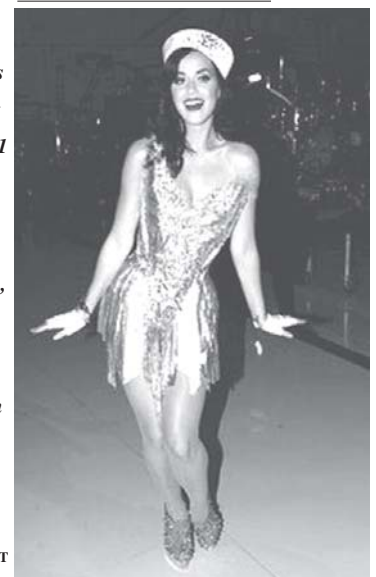
LONDON, 6 Dec—Polish director Roman Polanski’s political thriller “The Ghost Writer” swept the European Film Awards on Saturday, picking up six prizes including best movie, director, actor and screenplay. The annual awards, held this year in the Estonian Capital Tallinn, also honoured Israeli war drama “Lebanon”, shot almost entirely from inside a tank. Lebanon won the coveted Golden Lion at the Venice film festival in 2009.

Polanski, who spent several months this year under house arrest in Switzerland but avoided extradition to the United States in connection with a 1977 sex crime, did not attend the prize ceremony but appeared via Skype from his Paris home. Polanski was named best director, the movie — with a lead role loosely based on former British prime minister Tony Blair — was best European film, its star Ewan McGregor picked up the best actor award and Polanski and Robert Harris won the best script writer category.

Reuters

Katy Perry is seen at the ‘Vh1 Divas Salute the Troops’ on 3 Dec, 2010 in San Diego, Calif.

INTERNET



S P O R T S

Villarreal reclaim third in Spanish league with Sevilla win

MADRID, 6 Dec—Villarreal reclaimed third place in the Spanish first division with a 1-0 home win over Champions League rivals Sevilla on Sunday with Brazilian striker Nilmar's ninth league goal of the season sealing victory.

Nilmar, the club's record signing at 11 million euros, struck on 29 minutes as Villarreal made it 19 points from 21 at home and climbed back into third after

Espanyol had temporarily gone a point above them with a 1-0 home win over Sporting Gijon.

Internet



Villarreal's Brazilian forward Nilmar celebrates after scoring a goal during the Spanish league football.—INTERNET

Juventus win but suffer 'Lampard' moment as good goal ruled out

ROME, 6 Dec—Fabio Quagliarella suffered a Frank Lampard moment on Sunday when he had a perfectly good goal ruled out in Juventus's 3-1 win at Catania when

officials failed to spot his shot had crossed the line.

Quagliarella unleashed a 43rd-minute drive from a Milos Krasic pass which crashed against the crossbar before bouncing behind the line and back into play in a replay of Lampard's effort in England's World Cup defeat to Germany. Juventus had already opened the scoring in the 35th minute when Vincenzo Iaquinta set up Simone Pepe to volley home.

Internet



Juventus forward Fabio Quagliarella is congratulated by his teammates after he scored against Catania.—INTERNET

Results of respective leagues on 5 December

Italy - Serie A

Cesena	0 - 2	Bologna
Fiorentina	1 - 0	Cagliari
Lecce	1 - 3	Genoa
Parma	2 - 1	Udinese
Sampdoria	3 - 0	Bari
Catania	1 - 3	Juventus

Spain - Primera Division

Almeria	1 - 1	Zaragoza
Espanyol	1 - 0	Sporting Gijon
Getafe	3 - 0	Mallorca
Malaga	4 - 1	Racing Santander
Villarreal	1 - 0	Sevilla
Real Sociedad	2 - 0	Athletic Bilbao

Germany - Bundesliga I.

Bayer Leverkusen	3 - 2	1. FC Cologne
Nurnberg	0 - 2	Borussia Dortmund

France - Ligue 1

Lille	6 - 3	Lorient
Nice	1 - 0	Marseille
Paris S.G.	3 - 1	Brest
Saint-Etienne	2 - 2	Bordeaux

Djokovic, Troicki give Serbia first Davis Cup tennis title

BELGRADE, 6 Dec—World number three Novak Djokovic and the unheralded Viktor Troicki swept Serbia to an historic first Davis Cup title on Sunday, overturning an overnight deficit to beat nine-time winners France 3-2.

Troicki, the world number 30, eased past Michael Llodra 6-2, 6-2, 6-3, after Djokovic had crushed Gael Monfils 6-2, 6-2, 6-4 to pull his country level with his sixth win in six Davis Cup singles rubbers this season.

"It's the best moment of my life," said Troicki, who had lost Saturday's doubles alongside Nenad Zimonjic to Llodra and Arnaud Clement, forcing his team to face a nailbiting last day.

Djokovic marked the historic moment by having his head shaved courthouse by his team-mates.—INTERNET



Serbian Davis Cup squad members hold up the Davis Cup trophy after winning the last singles Davis Cup tennis.—INTERNET

Albion on the rise in Premier League after beating Newcastle

BIRMINGHAM, 6 Dec—West Bromwich Albion maintained their impressive rise up the Premier League table as Nigeria striker Peter Odemwingie scored twice in a 3-1 win over Newcastle on Sunday. Roberto Di Matteo's side have made a surprisingly big impact following promotion from the Championship last season and they are now in the top eight after Cameroon midfielder Somen Tchoyi and Odemwingie sealed victory at The Hawthorns.

Peter Lovenkrands got one back for

Newcastle in stoppage time but it was too late to stop his team suffering their third defeat in five games.—INTERNET



West Bromwich Albion's Scottish midfielder James Morrison (R) vies with Newcastle United's English midfielder Danny Guthrie during the English Premier League football match at The Hawthorns in West Bromwich. West Brom won 3-1.

INTERNET

Westwood maintains No 1 spot with win at Sun City

SUN CITY, 6 Dec—Lee Westwood cemented his year-end No 1 ranking



England golfer Lee Westwood kisses the trophy after winning the Nedbank Golf Challenge in Sun City.—INTERNET

with an eight-shot win at the Nedbank Golf Challenge at Sun City on Sunday. The Englishman closed with a 4-under 68, chipping in from the fringe at No 18 for a birdie from nearly 40 yards to finish at 17-under 271 at the Gary Player Country Club.

"It was the stuff that dreams are made of, I guess," Westwood said of the shot that nestled in the cup in front of a packed gallery.

Internet

Paris Saint-Germain's midfielder Mathieu Bodmer celebrates after scoring a goal during the French first division.

INTERNET



Internet

Barca victims in travel fiasco, fumes Guardiola

MADRID, 6 Dec—Five days after crushing Real Madrid 5-0, Barcelona ended the week furious at having to make a five-hour overland dash to Pamplona, helpless victims of the air traffic controllers strike which paralyzed Spain.

Barcelona were unable to fly to the fixture against Osasuna due to the industrial strife, but the Spanish football federation (RFEF) then reversed their decision to postpone the game



Barcelona coach Pep Guardiola

until Sunday.

That meant the Catalan club undertook a hectic five-hour train and coach journey to Pamplona via Zaragoza and the 20:00 (1900 GMT) kick-off was delayed by 50 minutes.

Internet

Henderson sends West Ham back to bottom

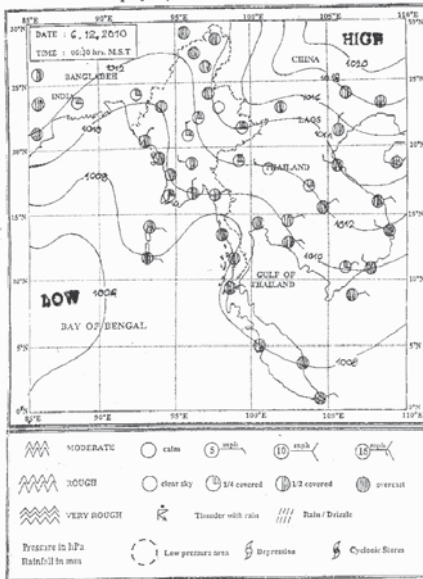
SUNDERLAND, 6 Dec—Jordan Henderson pushed West Ham back to the bottom of the Premier League as the Sunderland midfielder's goal clinched a 1-0 win at the Stadium of Light on Sunday.

The Hammers had moved up into 19th place without playing on Saturday after Wolves' heavy defeat at Blackburn, but Henderson's first half winner ensured Avram Grant's team finished the weekend back where they started. Henderson's strike also secured a first win in three matches which lifted Sunderland into seventh place.—INTERNET



Sunderland's Jordan Henderson celebrates scoring against West Ham United during an English FA Premier League.—INTERNET

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Monday, 6th December, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain have been isolated in Upper Sagaing and Taninthayi Regions, weather has been partly cloudy over the remaining States and Regions. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) above December average temperatures in Kachin, Southern Shan and Rakhine States, Upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Bago, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Regions and about December average temperatures in the remaining States and Regions. The significant night temperatures were Machanbaw (2°C), Pinlaung and Haka (5°C) each. The noteworthy amount of rainfalls was Kawthoung (1.97) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 5-12-2010 was 91°F. Minimum temperature on 6-12-2010 was 66°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 6-12-2010 was (83%). Rainfall on 6-12-2010 was (Nil).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 5-12-2010 was 94°F. Minimum temperature on 6-12-2010 was 70°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 6-12-2010 was (73%). Total sunshine hours on 5-12-2010 was (9) hours.

Rainfall on 6-12-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (82.76) inches at Mingaladon, (96.34) inches at Kaba-Aye

and (108.62) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Northeast at (15:30) hours MST on 5-12-2010.

Bay Inference: According to the observations at (12:30)hrs MST today, yesterday low Pressure Area over Southwest Bay still persist. Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy over the Andaman Sea and Southwest and West central Bay and partly cloudy over elsewhere Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 7th December

2010: Rain are likely to be isolated in Kachin, Chin, North Rakhine and Mon States, Sagaing, Magway, Yangon and Taninthayi Regions and weather will be partly cloudy over the remaining States and Regions. Degree of certainty is (60%).

State of the sea: Strong Easterly winds with moderate to rough seas are likely at times Deltaic, Gulf of Mottama, off and along Mon-Taninthayi Coast. Surface wind speed in strong wind may reach (35) mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of isolated rain in the Lower Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 7-12-2010: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 7-12-2010: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 7-12-2010: Partly cloudy.

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MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(7-12-2010)(Tuesday)

Transmissions

Times

Local - (09:00am ~ 11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission - (7-12-10 09:30 am ~ 8-12-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Ananda Guphaya
- * News
- * VCD Centre
- * News
- * Secret Places for Yummy Foods
- * News
- * The Richly Blessed Gem Land

Oversea Transmission

- * Opening
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- * The Richly Blessed Gem Land
- * News
- * Myanmar's Customs & 7 Days Born
- * News
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * From "Putao" to "Machan Baw"
- * News
- * Myanmar Orchestra "Duet Dance"
- * Myanmar Movie
- * "The Moon Born from the Sun"



**Tuesday,
7 December
View on today**

7:00 am

1. Paritta By Hilly Region Missionary Sayadaw

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. Health Programme

8:05 am

7. Songs Of Yester Years

8:15 am

8. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition

8:25 am

9. Dance Of National Races

8:30 am

10. Musical Programme

8:40 am

11. International News

8:45 am

12. Local Talent

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Musical Programme

4:25 pm

3. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures) -Third Year (English)

4:40 pm

4. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

4:50 pm

5. The Mirror Images Of The Musical Oldies

5:05 pm

6. Documentary

5:15 pm

7. Sweet Melody

5:25 pm

8. Documentary

6:00 pm

9. Evening News

6:15 pm

10. Weather Report

6:20 pm

11. Kyae Pwint Myaye Yin Khone Than

6:50 pm

12. Sing A Song

7:00 pm

13. TV Drama Series

8:00 pm

14. News

15. International News

16. Weather Report

17. Just for Laughs

18. TV Drama Series

19. Movie Quiz

- ★ 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

Members of armed groups exchange arms for peace

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Dec—Upholding Our Three Main National Causes, the State Peace and Development Council is bending its efforts in earnest to national reconciliation to create a peaceful, modern and developed country. Realizing the goodwill of the government, armed groups exchanged arms for peace to live in the bosom of the people



Members of Mon Peace Defence Group seen at the ceremony to exchange arms for peace.—MNA



A member of Mon Peace Defence Group hands over his arms to an officer at the ceremony to exchange arms for peace.

MNA

and the Tatmadaw understanding their wrong acts.

To step forwards the Seven-Step Road Map of the State in accordance with the new state constitution and to join hands with representatives-elect so as to build a democratic nation aspired by the people, 167 members of Mon Peace Defence Group led by Naing Shaung splintered from New Mon State Party ex-

changed arms for peace in South-East Command area on 26 October, bringing along with them 50 assorted weapons. At present, they are hand in hand with the local people in undertaking peace and stability of the region.

Some members of New Mon State Party, no longer believing in the armed struggle line, also joined Mon Peace Defence Group led by Naing

Shaung. On 1 December, a total of 101 persons with 22 assorted small arms exchanged arms for peace.

The Tatmadaw and officials concerned warmly welcomed and provided necessary assistance for 268 persons who exchanged arms for peace. There are more armed groups or members who want to exchange arms for peace.

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