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Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- * Strengthening of national solidarity
- * Building and strengthening of discipline-flourishing democracy system
- * Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the Constitution

Four economic objectives

- * Building of modern industrialized nation through the agricultural development, and all-round development of other sectors of the economy
- * Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- * Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investment 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
- * Flourishing of Union Spirit, the true patriotism
- * Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

Plan underway to establish infant care network

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April— The Child Survival Forum: Advocacy and Coordination Meeting on Newborn Networking, jointly organized by Woman and Child Health Development

Section of Health Department, WHO, and UNICEF, took place at Thingaha Hotel, here, this morning.

In his address, Union Minister for Health

Dr Pe Thet Khin stressed the need to raise infant care and use information for infant care to be able to reduce infant mortality rate included in the 4th point of Millennium Development Goals. He said that it is very important for establishment of infant care network for enabling the organizations to join hands in taking care of babies.

He pointed out that first priority is to be given to maternal and child care so as to put mortality rate on the decline.

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Steel frames being installed at Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku)

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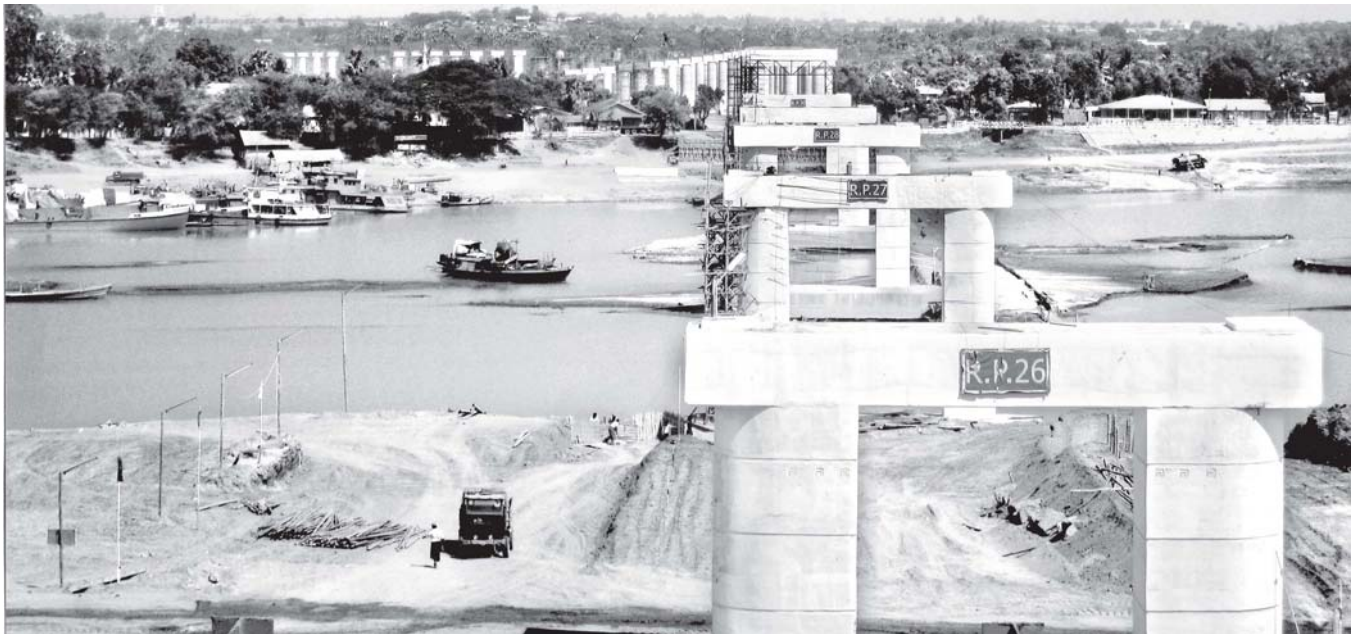


Photo shows sandbank in Ayeyawady River and piers for main structures of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku).

In the afternoon of 22 February 2011, I set on the seat of a pick up car onboard the Z-craft, crossed Ayeyawady River from the Bagan-NyaungU jetty to

Pakokku jetty, taking about one hour due to the fact that the Z-craft rounded the sandbank in the river between Letpanchepaw and Pakokku.

Local people in the past thought that the above-mentioned water course was the best way. At present, Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku), the longest in Myanmar, is being built by Public Works under the Ministry of Construction. The bridge across Ayeyawady River will link Bagan-NyaungU bank of Mandalay Region and Pakokku bank of Magway Region. On completion, a car can pass the bridge from Letpanchepaw to Pakokku, taking five minutes only.

Apart from Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku), Public Works is building Ayeyawady Bridge (Nyaungdon), Ayeyawady Bridge (Malun), Ayeyawady Bridge (Yadanatheinga) and Ayeyawady Bridge (Sinkhan).

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PERSPECTIVES

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Seek knowledge from libraries

Literacy can change not only people's living standard but also the status of a family, a small community or the whole society. So, studying literature, seeking literary knowledge and reading are good habits to cultivate.

The progress of a nation is usually measured by its literacy rate. In this age of knowledge, literacy yields benefits for a person to be able to read and seek knowledge about international affairs.

According to the goal of 'Education for All', literacy campaigns are being launched on a constant basis. Thanks to the concerted efforts of regional bodies, education staff, social organizations and local people, basic literacy campaigns are meeting with success, and there has been 94 percent of adult literacy rate.

It is necessary for every literate to have the habit of reading. Libraries are being established across the nation, the number has reached over 50,000. More and more libraries will be opened with the contributions of the State as well as well-wishers and social organizations.

This month, new library buildings and libraries have been opened in Wasu Village of Hpa-an Township, Haikyin Village of Kyeekha Township, Phuhti Village of Mawlamyinegyun Township, Aungmyintha Village of Kalay Township and Taungletaw Village of Ngazun Township. Furniture, publications and cash were donated at the library opening ceremonies. Measures need to be taken to maintain those libraries.

It is the national pride and glory to see an increase in literacy rate. But it is important that all literates must keep reading. With the increasing number of libraries across the nation, the people will broaden their horizons by cultivating the daily habit of reading.

People disseminated with knowledge about rabies

MOHNYIN, 29 April— As a gesture of hailing the World Veterinary Day which falls on 30 April 2011, a talk on rabies jointly organized by Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department and Health Department, was held at the office of Myoma Market in Mohnyin on 25 April.

Head of Mohnyin District Health Department Dr Phyu Lay Wai gave talks on rabies at human beings and Staff Officer Dr Win Oo of Township LBVD on animal-to-human infectious diseases and danger of rabies.

The talk was attended by about 80 attendees who were ward administrators and staff members of Health Department, Traditional Medicine Department, DAC and breeders.—Our correspondent from Mohnyin

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

CPT to boost partnership with Korean Co

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April – Union Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Thein Tun received Senior Vice President Mr Lee Yong Hwang of SK Telecom (Korea) and party at the ministry here this morning. At the call, matters related to strengthening bilateral cooperation in mobile communication technology was discussed. *MNA*



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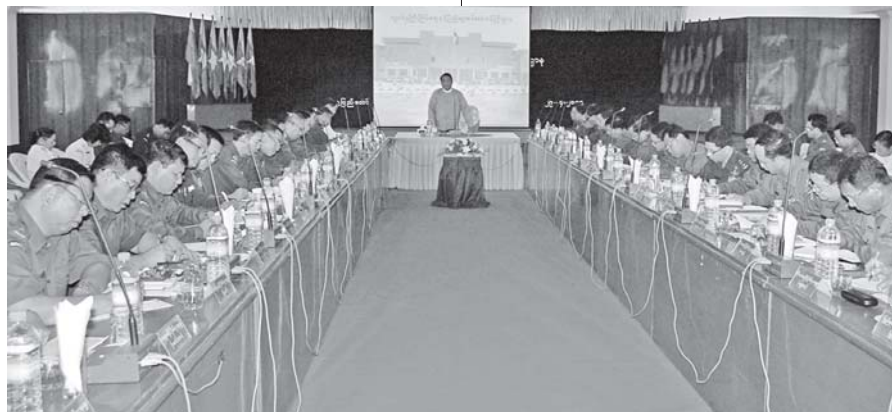
True patriotism

- * 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.

Successfully realize three objectives of the ministry: IP Minister

Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Khin Yi gives instructions in meeting with officials of the ministry.

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Nursing trainees decorated with duty coats, caps

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April— At Kachin State Nursing and Midwifery Training School in Myitkyina on 26 April, the trainees of the 3-year Diploma Nursing Course No. 18 were decorated with duty coats and nursing caps.

After Kachin State Health Minister U Khin Maung Tun decorated the nurses with nursing insignia,

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April— Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Khin Yi stressed the need to effectively implement three aims of the ministry in accord with the guidance of the Head of State, in meeting with officials of Region and State Departments and Special District Departments at the ministry, here, this morning.

The minister also explained matters related to the urgent tasks and future tasks.—MNA

the trainees took nursing oaths. Later, the outstanding trainees in the basic proficiency test were awarded.

MNA

Panama-flagged cargo ship MV Asphalt Venture docks at the Kenyan Port of Mombasa on 28 April, 2011.—INTERNET



Somali pirates release Panama-flagged bulk carrier

MOGADISHU, 29 April—Somali pirates have freed the Panama-flagged bulk carrier *MV Renuar* and its crew of 24 Filipinos after four months in captivity, the European Union's anti-piracy task force said on Thursday. "The ship is now sailing to a safe port," EU Navfor said in a brief online statement.

Pirates firing rocket propelled grenades seized the 17,156 tonne vessel on 11 December as it headed to the United Arab Emirates from Mauritius.

EU Navfor did not say if a ransom had been paid.—*Reuters*

Attacks in Iraq kill six, including 8-year-old girl

BAGHDAD, 29 April—Iraqi officials say attacks around the country have killed six people, including the 8-year-old daughter of an imam who preached against violence and three brothers who fought al-Qaeda.

Police and medical officials in Diyala Province say gunmen stormed the home of the imam in a small village 30 miles (50 kilometres) northeast of the provincial capital of Baqouba on Friday morning. The imam, his wife and their daughter were killed. Police say the imam had preached against sectarian violence.—*Internet*

Suicide bomber kills eight at Shiite mosque in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 29 April—A suicide bomber disguised as a worshipper blew himself up inside a Shiite mosque north of Baghdad Thursday and killed eight people, a police spokesman said, shattering a period of relative calm across the country.

Eighteen people were injured in the blast in the city of Balad Ruz, 45 miles (70 kilometres) north of Baghdad, said the police spokesman, Maj Ghalib al-Karkhi. There was no immediate claim of responsibility, but Sunni militants have often targeted Shiite mosques as a way to incite sectarian violence.

—*Internet*

Three coalition troops killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 29 April—NATO says three service members have been killed in separate incidents in Afghanistan, where militants are stepping up their targeted attacks on coalition troops and others aligned with the government. The coalition said Friday that two died when a bomb exploded in the south and a third was killed by militants in the east. The three deaths, which occurred on Thursday, raise to 48 the number of foreign troops killed so far this month, compared with 33 in April 2010.—*Internet*



A general view of the accident site after a train derailed at a road crossing in the village of Mostki, northern Poland on 28 April, 2011.—INTERNET



Iraqi policemen stop a driver to search his vehicle at a checkpoint in Baghdad on 24 April. More than 14,000 people have disappeared in Iraq since 2003, an official said, revealing for the first time the numbers who have gone missing in the violent aftermath of the US-led invasion.—INTERNET

Obama names team for 'new phase' in Afghan war

WASHINGTON, 29 April—US President Barack Obama charged his reshaped national security team with managing a "new phase" in the long war in Afghanistan the struggle to put Afghans in charge of their own security. Obama nominated CIA boss Leon Panetta as defence secretary, veteran diplomat Ryan Crocker as ambassador to Kabul and chose Lieutenant General John Allen as the new Afghan war commander, refashioning his security braintrust.

He also announced his choice of famed General David Petraeus, the mastermind of US strategy in Iraq and current NATO commander in Afghanistan, to lead covert intelligence operations as new director of the CIA. "In Afghanistan, we're moving into a new phase, transferring responsibility for security to Afghan forces, starting to reduce American forces this summer, and building a long-term partnership with the Afghan people," Obama said.

Though Obama did not specifically mention an eventual US withdrawal from Afghanistan, his remarks were peppered with references to "transition" hinting at a White House desire to see a smaller US footprint in the troubled nation.—*Internet*

Train derails in Poland after hitting truck, two dead

WARSAW, 29 April—An intercity train derailed in northern Poland Thursday after hitting a truck at a road crossing, killing two and injuring at least 23 passengers, regional rescue services said

Thursday. An unidentified man and woman were killed when the locomotive and four carriages, travelling from the southern city of Katowice to the Baltic port of Gdynia, came off the tracks after hitting the



Britain's Prince William, right, kisses his wife, Kate, the Duchess of Cambridge, from the balcony of Buckingham Palace.—INTERNET

William and Kate marry as world watches

LONDON, 29 April—Prince William married Kate Middleton in regal splendour at Westminster Abbey Friday as huge crowds and a global TV audience watched Britain's monarchy pin its hopes on a new generation.

In the biggest royal celebration for three decades, Kate, wearing an ivory and white satin wedding dress with long lace sleeves, a veil and a flowing train, exchanged vows with William, who wore a scarlet military tunic.

"I will," the future king and queen each pronounced solemnly, before William put a ring fashioned from a nugget of Welsh gold on her finger and the Archbishop of Canterbury Rowan Williams pronounced them man and wife.

William, 28, mouthed "You look beautiful" to his bride after she walked up the aisle to the soaring strains of a choral piece that was used at the wedding of William's late mother Diana to Prince Charles in 1981. The absence of Diana, who died in a car crash in Paris in 1997, was keenly felt despite the joyful atmosphere of Friday's service, which also featured a hymn used at her funeral in the same abbey.

—*Internet*



Afghan policemen and firefighters put out a fire on a tanker that was transporting fuel for NATO forces on the Jalalabad-Kabul highway on 27 April, 2011. The fire started after a planted bomb exploded, but there were no casualties in the incident, local officials said.

INTERNET

Reuters



Next-generation US space racers outline plans



SpaceX's Falcon 9 rocket lifts off in 2010 to launch the Dragon space capsule into orbit.

INTERNET

WASHINGTON, 29 April — A handful of companies competing to make the spaceship to replace the iconic US shuttle said Thursday they are racing to shrink what will be a long gap in flying Americans into space aboard US craft.

Boeing, SpaceX and Sierra Nevada Corporation were among the big winners of the latest round of US government funding,

totaling 269.3 million dollars, through a NASA programme to boost private companies' efforts. It will likely be 2015 before a US vehicle is ready to take humans into space again, a timeline that has been widely touted by NASA as a reason for American optimism as the 30-year-old shuttle programme comes to an end later this year. But according to Mark Sirangelo,

programme manager at the Coloradobased Sierra Nevada Corp, his team could eke out a crew flight one year earlier with its Dream Chaser, modeled on a NASA design for a space station rescue vehicle.

"Our vehicle has been in testing for 12 years," said Sirangelo, adding that atmospheric tests would begin in 2012 and the first orbital tests would follow in 2014.

"By that time we would be crewed and ready in 2014," he said. Sierra Nevada won the largest amount of NASA seed money, \$20 million, in the first round in 2010, and the second largest sum in the latest round of NASA contracts issued earlier this month at \$80 million.—*Internet*

First stars were massive, fast-spinning

LOS ANGELES, 29 April — The first stars that dotted the universe were not only immense, but probably also fast-spinning, according to a new study that sheds light on the nature of stellar evolution.

These early stars died out long ago, but astronomers can get a glimpse of what they were like by looking at later generations of stars.

A team of scientists led by Cristina Chiappini of the Astrophysical Institute Potsdam in Germany reanalyzed data

from the Very Large Telescope of a 12-billion-year-old star cluster. They found high levels of metal in the stars — a chemical signature that suggests earlier generations, perhaps even the first stars, were massive and rotated much faster than their present-day counterparts.

This is important because a star that spins more rapidly can live longer and suffer different fates than slow-spinning ones. Findings appear in Thursday's issue of the *journal Nature*.

Internet

CERN marks advance in universe mysteries search

GENEVA, 29 April—Scientists at the CERN physics research centre reported on Friday that they had smashed particles together at a record intensity in a key advance in their programme to unveil mysteries of the universe.

The development came in the early hours after they fed beams into the giant Large Hadron Collider (LHC) with some 6 percent more particles per unit than the previous record, set by the US Fermilab's Tevatron collider last year.

Each collision in the LHC's 27-kilometre (16.8 mile) circular underground tunnel — at a tiny fraction under the speed of light — creates a simulation of the Big Bang which brought the universe into existence 13.7 billion years ago.

The higher the "beam intensity" or number of particles in each beam, the more collisions take place and the more material the scientists have to analyze. Many millions of these mini-Big Bangs are already being produced daily.

Reuters



Microsoft 3Q growth overshadowed by tablet threat

WASHINGTON, 29 April—Even as Microsoft Corp's earnings grow at a robust rate, investors can't seem to shake the feeling that the boom days are winding down for the world's largest software maker.

The company's fiscal third-quarter results, released Thursday, provided little reassurance despite a 31 percent increase in earnings, exceeding analyst estimates. Microsoft shares still dipped.

The main reason for the anxiety: Revenue in the division that includes Microsoft's foundation, the Windows operating system, declined from the same time last year for the second-straight quarter. The slide stems from consumers buying fewer personal computers that run the company's software.

The downturn occurred during the same period that rival Apple Inc couldn't produce enough iPads, a potentially game-changing computer tablet, to meet the rabid demand.—*Internet*



In this 5 Jan, 2011 file photo, Microsoft chief executive officer Steve Ballmer gives his keynote speech for the Consumer Electronics Show, in Las Vegas. Microsoft reports quarterly earnings on 28 April, 2011, after the market close.—*INTERNET*

Smartphone boom lifts phone market in first quarter



People try out smartphones in London in this 12 April, 2011.

INTERNET

HELSINKI, 29 April—Strong demand for smartphones gave a further boost to overall cellphone market volumes in January-March, and making iPhone supplier Apple a rare winner on the market, research firms said on Friday.

IDC saw January-March market growth of 20 percent, helped also by strong gains by smaller vendors as the three largest phone makers Nokia, Samsung Electronics and LG Electronics lost market share.

Apple's iPhone sales more than doubled from a year ago, buoyed by strong sales on Verizon Wireless and additional carrier deals elsewhere, with market share rising to 5 percent.

"The iPhone once again sold particularly well in developed economic regions of the world, such as North America and Western Europe," IDC said.

Apple is now within striking distance to LG, who had 6.6 percent market share in the quarter. Nokia's share dropped to 29 percent from 35 percent a year ago, while Samsung slipped to 19 percent, IDC said.

Strategy Analytics estimated handset shipments grew 17 percent from a year ago, driven by surging smartphone demand in mature regions and increasingly popular models with multiple SIM cards in emerging markets.

"The first quarter of 2011 was marked by supply-chain disruptions related to the Japan earthquake tragedy and by ongoing mild component constraints in areas such as touchscreens, memory and cameras," said Neil Mawston, analyst at Strategy Analytics.

Mawston said component shortages would continue for at least the next 6 to 9 months, causing restricted volumes or rising input prices, but operational challenges from this would remain minor for most manufacturers.

Reuters

Verizon Wireless restores high-speed network

NEW YORK, 29 April — Verizon Wireless said it has fixed problems with its highspeed US wireless network that left customers unable to connect for about a day.

"4G LTE up and running. Thank you for your patience," the venture between Verizon Communications Inc and Vodafone Group Plc wrote on its Twitter feed on Thursday.

Problems with Verizon's newest network, which is based on Long Term Evolution, a high-speed data technology, appeared on Wednesday, when the network suffered an outage that slowed data-transfer flows on some devices.

The company did not identify the cause of the outage.—*Reuters*



Health

Simple test helps spot autism in infants

CHICAGO, 29 April—A five-minute screening test could help detect autism in babies at 12 months of age, giving parents and doctors far more time to intervene, US researchers said Thursday. The study is the first to show that a simple screening tool could be

used to detect autism in infants, said Dr Lisa Gilotty, who heads the autism programme at the National Institute of Mental Health, which funded the study.

“The benefit of this study is children get into treatment much earlier than they would otherwise,” Karen Pierce of the University of California, San Diego, whose study appears in the *Journal of Pediatrics*, said in a telephone interview.

Autism, a complex and mysterious brain disorder, strikes one in 110 children in the United States and affects four times as many boys as girls. The disorder is characterized by difficulties in social interaction, communication and understanding other people’s emotions and behavior.—*Internet*



China launches a ban on smoking in indoor public spaces Sunday but the effort is widely viewed as vague and half-hearted and few expect it to have much of an impact in the tobacco-addicted country.

INTERNET



A pregnant woman walks around the Askham community health care clinic in Askham village in the Kalahari, Northern Cape in 2010.—INTERNET

China bans smoking in public venues in theory

BEIJING, 29 April—China launches a ban on smoking in indoor public spaces Sunday but the effort is widely viewed as vague and half-hearted and few expect it to have much of an impact in the tobacco-addicted country.

The nationwide prohibition is designed to bring China — which has more than 300 million smokers, roughly equal to the entire population of the United States — more in line with health regulations in developed countries.

But it faces a tough test.

Tobacco use is deeply ingrained in China, where offering a cigarette is a common greeting ritual. Lighting up in elevators or even hospital waiting rooms is routine and second-hand smoke is considered a serious health

threat.

“I don’t think this ban on smoking will have a big effect,” Yang Lei, a 32-year-old Beijinger who has been smoking for four years, told *AFP*.

“In China, when you are in a restaurant, people smoke even if there is a ‘No Smoking’ sign. When you eat with friends, few people ask others if it’s OK to smoke and restaurant managers rarely stop clients who smoke.”

Many health experts have warned that China, the world’s largest producer and consumer of tobacco, faces a ticking health timebomb unless it curbs smoking, and the ban marks a significant move for the Chinese government.—*Internet*

Health Tip: Are you at risk for plantar fasciitis?

Plantar fasciitis occurs when the thick tissue that connects the heel to the toes becomes irritated, inflamed and painful.

The ADAM Encyclopedia mentions these potential risk factors for plantar fasciitis:

- * Having either high arches or flat feet.
- * Being obese.
- * Exposing the feet to repetitive stress, from activities such as running long distances, running on an uneven surfaces or running downhill.
- * Gaining weight rapidly.
- * Having tightness in the Achilles tendon.
- * Wearing shoes that don’t offer good arch support or have soft soles.—*Internet*



Business



Summary Box: Signed home contracts up in March

WASHINGTON, 29 April—More Americans signed contracts to buy homes in March, up 5.1 percent from February, according to the National Association of Realtors’ pending home sales index released Thursday.

Signings are 24 percent above June’s reading, the low point since the housing bust. But March’s 94.1 index is below 100, which is considered healthy.

Contract signings are usually a good indicator of where the housing market is heading, with about 80 percent of contracts resulting in sales. But some buyers have canceled purchases after the properties were valued much lower than their initial bids.

Xinhua



German luxury carmaker Daimler, which owns Mercedes-Benz, said Friday that its first-quarter net profit nearly doubled, underpinning a positive outlook for 2011 as a whole.—INTERNET

Daimler’s robust Q1 underwhelms hopeful market

FRANKFURT, 29 April—Daimler posted robust quarterly results that underwhelmed investors whose expectations had been inflated by recent stellar reports by peers such as Volkswagen (VOWG_p.DE) and truck maker Volvo (VOLVb.ST).

Shares of Daimler slid to the bottom of the German blue-chip index (.GDAXI) as well as the STOXX Europe 600 Automobiles & Parts (.SXAP) index, trading 2.1 percent lower at 51.97 euros at 0829 GMT.

Daimler’s first-quarter earnings before interest and tax (EBIT) rose 71 percent to 2.03 billion euros (\$3 billion), helped by

strong passenger car demand from emerging markets and a robust truck business. That was slightly above the average analyst estimate of 1.99 billion euros in a *Reuters* poll but not enough to move Daimler shares higher.

“While the first quarter was definitely a good quarter for Daimler, it also shows that it becomes more difficult for the company to surprise positively as expectations are high,” Equinet analyst Tim Schuldt said. Volkswagen, Europe’s biggest carmaker, this week blasted through market forecasts as it reported emerging markets boosted its quarterly business.—*Reuters*

Kia Motors’ profit nearly doubles, sales increase

SEOUL, 29 April—Kia Motors said quarterly profit rose 91 percent as sales revenue and volume increased in South Korea and overseas amid higher vehicle prices.

Kia Motors, maker of the Sorento crossover and Optima sedan, earned 953.2 billion won (\$889 million) in the three months ended 31 March, it said Friday. That compared with net profit of 498.5 billion won a year earlier.

Kia Motors Corp is South Korea’s

second-largest automaker behind Hyundai Motor Co. Together the two companies form the world’s fifth-largest automotive group.

Kia’s first-quarter sales rose 37 percent to 10.7 trillion won.

Vehicle sales totaled 619,089 during the first quarter, up 30 percent from the year before, Kia said. Domestic sales rose 20 percent, exports gained 37 percent and sales from Kia’s overseas factories increased 29 percent.

Average selling prices for Kia’s vehicle rose 4.5 percent in South Korea and 10 percent for exports, the company said.

Internet



The logo of Kia Motors is seen on a car displayed at a showroom in Seoul, South Korea, on 29 April, 2011.

INTERNET

Nine killed after dump truck flips over in S Philippines

MANILA, 29 April—Nine people were killed after the dump truck they were riding flipped over in Southern Philippines early Friday morning, local media ABS-CBN News reported.

The report said that about 70-80 people were riding a dump truck en route to a palm oil plantation when it hit a soft patch of earth in Sitio Limbacan, Barangay Tingalan in

Misamis Oriental.

The truck then flipped over several times, where six passengers were immediately killed.

Three others died after being rushed to hospitals, while the rest of the passengers were brought to separate hospitals in Cagayan de Oro, ABS-CBN News reported.

Xinhua

A resident watches the sandstorm in Liujiaxia Township of Yongjing County of northwest China's Gansu Province, on 29 April, 2011. Gansu provincial meteorological station issued a sandstorm orange alert Friday morning, saying some areas in the province will see severe sandstorm and strong winds in the day.

XINHUA

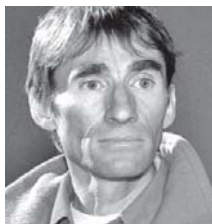


Death toll reaches 14,616 from great quake-tsunami in Japan

TOKYO, 29 April — The National Police Agency of Japan said on Friday that the 11 March earthquake and tsunami have left 14,616 people dead and 11,111 others unaccounted for in Japan by Thursday.

In Miyagi Prefecture, 8,793 people were killed, while the figure for Iwate Prefecture was 4,283. About 126,000 survivors are still staying in shelters across the country. A 9.0-magnitude earthquake hit the Pacific coastal areas of northeastern and eastern Japan on 11 March, triggering an enormous tsunami.—Xinhua

Swiss climbing guide dies in fall



In this march 19, 1998 file picture show Swiss mountaineer Erhard Loretan in an unknown location.

INTERNET

GENEVA, 29 April—Swiss mountain guide Erhard Loretan, one of the few climbers to ever reach the summits of all 14 of the world's peaks above 8,000

metres, has died in a climbing fall on his 52nd birthday.

Swiss police said Friday that Loretan died leading a client up the summit ridge of the Grunhorn, in the Bernese Alps. The accident occurred on Thursday noon. The pair had skied up part way, then roped up for the final ascent.

They fell for unknown reasons at 3,800 metres (12,500 feet) up the 4,043-metre (13,264-foot) peak. Loretan died at the scene, police from the Swiss canton (state) of Valais said. His 38-year-old Swiss client was flown to a

hospital in serious condition. Police are still investigating.

Loretan, originally from the canton of Fribourg, began climbing at age 11. He climbed his first 8,000-metre peak, Pakistan's difficult Nanga Parbat, in 1982. It took him 13 years to make it up the other 13 eight-thousanders.

His 1986 ascent of Mount Everest, without bottled oxygen and in a night-time push that took just 40 hours, stunned the climbing world and made headlines in climbing magazines and newspapers.—Internet

Paralyzed Chinese gymnast sues for \$1.8 billion

NEW YORK, 29 April—Sang Lan, a Chinese gymnast who broke her neck during a vaulting accident at the 1998 Goodwill Games, filed a \$1.8 billion lawsuit against Time Warner and the US gymnastics federation. Sang was paralyzed after being injured during a warm-up vault at the Nassau Coliseum in suburban New York at the global multisport event which is no longer contested but was at the time owned by AOL Time Warner.

In a federal lawsuit, Sang, now 29, claims promises for care after her injury were broken and her condition has worsened because Time Warner and USA Gymnastics failed to make sure her medical bills were paid and other needs were met.



Injured Chinese gymnast Sang Lan, seen here smiling from her hospital in East Meadow, New York, in 1998.—INTERNET

Sang, paralyzed from below the middle of her chest, says she has been unable to obtain vital treatments after suffering spinal cord injuries and two broken and dislocated vertebrae.

The lawsuit also claims Sang has suffered under the care of two Chinese-Americans who were appointed as her legal guardians after the accident by Chinese gymnastics officials, a move made over her parents' objections.—Internet

Pakistan tests nuclear capable cruise missile

ISLAMABAD, 29 April—Pakistan on Friday successfully conducted flight test of indigenously developed air launched cruise missile, which "can deliver nuclear and conventional warheads with great pin point accuracy," the army said.

The "Hatf-VIII Ra"ad Cruise Missile has the range of 350 kilometres, an army statement said.

The missile has been developed exclusively for launch from aerial platforms, the statement from the Inter-Services Public Relations said.

"The missile test was conducted as part of the

continuous process of improving the technical parameters of the weapon system," it said.

The statement said the missile system has enabled Pakistan to achieve a greater strategic stand off capability on land and at sea.

"Cruise technology is extremely complex and has been developed by only a few countries in the world. The state of the art Ra'ad Cruise Missile with Stealth Capabilities is a Low Altitude, Terrain Hugging Missile with high maneuverability, and can deliver nuclear and conventional warheads with great pin point

accuracy," it said.

The successful launch has been appreciated by the president, the prime minister of Pakistan, and chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee who congratulated the scientists and engineers on their outstanding achievement.

Defence analysts said that Ra'ad is an air launched cruise missile which can be fired from all the aircraft in the Pakistan Air Force. The cruise missile can be used in an anti-shipping role via aircraft against the ground/static targets.

Xinhua

6.0 magnitude quake strikes off Sumatra, Indonesia

JAKARTA, 29 April—A shallow undersea quake with the magnitude of 6.0 rocked Sumatra island of Indonesia on Friday, but it was not potential for tsunami and there was no report of damage or casualty, officials said.

The quake struck at 15:56 pm Jakarta Time (0856 GMT) with the epicenter at 63 km Meulaboh town of Aceh Province in the northern tip of Sumatra island and with the depth at 20 km under sea bed, an official of the Meteorology and Geophysics Agency Arief Nurachim told Xinhua by phone.

The intensity of the quake was felt at 3 to 4 MMI (Modified Mercally Intensity) in Meulaboh town, he said.—Xinhua

A man walks past a Microsoft experience store in Beijing, capital of China, on 28 April, 2011. Microsoft opened its first experience centre on the Chinese mainland in the Chinese Capital on Tuesday.—XINHUA





Steel frames being installed at Ayeyawady...

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Ground consecration ceremony for Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) was held on 14-12-2009 and stake driving ceremony on 15-12-2009 to launch the construction task.

The bridge is located between NyaungU Township of Mandalay Region and Pakokku Township of Magway Region. The main bridge will be 2.16 miles long, the motor road bridge 2.56 miles long, and railroad bridge 3.90 miles long. The approach bridge (motor road) both on Pakokku and Letpanchepaw banks is 2106 feet long and the approach bridge (railroad) 9166 feet long. The two-way motor road of the bridge will be 28 feet wide

and the railroad, 14 feet wide. Pedestrian way will be three feet and three inches wide on either side. Water clearance of the facility will be 262 feet wide and 52 feet high.

The bridge will be built with reinforce concrete bored piles at the lower structure and steel frames at the upper structure. The bridge will withstand 75-ton loads.

We took photos on construction of the main bridge, approach bridge (motor road) and approach bridge (railroad) and installation of steel frames at the main bridge.

We had an interview with Chief Engineer U Shwe Lay of Special Project Construction (3) of Public Works.

He explained that the bridge is under construc-

Photo shows installation of steel frames for the bridge on Pakokku bank.

A crane lifting steel frame imported from China DAMC Engineering Co Ltd.



Ayeyawady Bridge is under construction with piers.



Piers and posts seen at construction site of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku).

tion with reinforced concrete structure on RC bored pile foundation. The upper structure is of steel frame type with 30 bridge spans installed with N-type trusses and Warren-type trusses. The facility will have on railroad and two motor ways. Public Works is responsibility for construction of approach motor roads and Myanma Railways the approach railroad.

Despite facing engineering difficulties, they could successfully solve the problems based on their ex-

periences, he said. The Ministry of Construction is supervising the construction of the bridge and providing necessary assistance on time. Steel frames were imported through tender and Myanmar engineers are installing them at the bridge. On completion, the facility will contribute a great deal to rapid development of Magway Region and Chin State.

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Plan underway to establish infant care...

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He noted that information data on newborn health are to be provided to those who are participating in the health care of babies. Thanks to establishment of the newborn care network, better health care services can be provided to the newborns.

On behalf of UNICEF Resident Representative Dr Ramesh Shrestha, Head of Young Child Survival and Development Department Dr Marinus Gotink made a speech.

Deputy Director-General Dr Thein Thein Htay presided over the forum attended by resident representatives from WHO and UNICEF, experts from UN agencies, representatives of INGOs and officials.—MNA



Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin addresses opening of Child Survival Forum: Advocacy and Coordination Meeting on Newborn Networking.

MNA

Mango garden to be built near Malini Lake in precinct of Uppatasanti Pagoda

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April—Uppatasanti Pagoda Board of Trustees met at its office on the pagoda this afternoon.

Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Thein Nyunt and Union Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung spoke on the occasion.

Nay Pyi Taw Council Member U Than Htay, the Union deputy minister for Ministry of Home Affairs, the deputy attorney-general and per-



Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Thein Nyunt delivers an address at coordination meeting of Uppatasanti Pagoda.

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sonnel submitted reports on progress of respective sectors which were assessed by the Nay Pyi

Taw Council Chairman and the Union Minister for Religious Affairs. Next, the

attendees reported on supply of water for greening the environs of the pagoda and prepara-

tions for establishment of a mango garden near Malini Lake. The meeting

to an end with the concluding remark of the Nay Pyi Taw Council Chairman.—MNA

Emphasis to be placed on regional peace and security



Chief Minister U Sao Aung Myat of Shan State speaking at ceremony to honour Kokang Self-Administered Zone.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April— State service personnel are to discharge duties in the assigned regions with goodwill, joining hands with local people, entrepreneurs and townsenders for regional development, Chief Minister U Sao Aung Myat of Shan State said in meeting with district and township authorities and departmental personnel at the hall in Kunlong on 26 April.

In Hopang, he also met members of the Leading Body of “Wa” Self-Administered Division and stressed the need to focus on peace and security of the region.

He presented cash assistance to patients at Hopang People’s Hospital and viewed the sites for

construction of the hospital (50-bed) and new building for Basic Education High School.

The Chief Minister attended the rubber latex production at the rubber farm near Chinshwehaw and thriving sugarcane plantation in Laukkai Township.

On 27 April, he met district and township authorities and departmental personnel at the hall of Leading Body of Kokang Self-Administered Zone.

After inspecting the building and offices of Leading Body of Kokang Self-Administered Zone he attended the ceremony to honour the Kokang Self-Administered Zone.

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District News in Brief

Fire drill demonstrated

NGAPUTAW, 28 April—The fire drill was held for taking fire preventive measures at office buildings, staff quarters, fuel tank and car warehouse at Ngaputaw Township Development Affairs Committee on 5 April.

Under the supervision of officials, office staff members participated in the fire drill.

Township DAC

Knowledge on anti-human trafficking disseminated

KATHA, 28 April—Talks on prevention against human trafficking in person and drug eradication took place in Katha on 21 March.

Township authorities gave talks on prevention against human smuggling and human trafficking and penalties, and eradication of drug abuse.—Township IPRD

Traditional medicine clinic handed over

SAW, 28 April—A ceremony to hand over a traditional medicine clinic was held in Saw Township on 31 March.

An official of Township Planning Department handed over documents related to the clinic to the township traditional medicine practitioner.—TMD

Union Health Minister receives Charge d' Affaires ai of US Embassy

Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin receives Charge d' Affaires ai of the Embassy of the United States of America Mr Larry M Dinger and First Secretary Mr Adam Neury.—MNA



NAY PYI TAW, 29 April—Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin received Charge d' Affaires ai of the Embassy of the United States of America Mr Larry M Dinger and First Secretary Mr Adam Neury at the

ministry, here, this afternoon.

They discussed raising surveillance for cooperation in control of HIV/AIDS, TB and malaria, vaccination and other health requirements.—MNA

Myanmar to promote trade cooperation with China

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April — With the aim of boosting trade ties between the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the People's Republic of China, Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint held a meeting with Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Li Junhua at his office here yesterday evening. — MNA

Development of hotel service, tourism service coordinated

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April—At a meeting with entrepreneurs in the hotels and tourism industry at the hall of the Ministry of Hotels and Tourism, here, this morning, Union

Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Tint Hsan explained plan for establishment of Myanmar Tourism Board with harmonious participation of Myanmar Hoteliers Association, Union of Myanmar Travels Association, Myanmar Market Promotion Committee, Tour Guides Committee and Myanmar Chefs Association in undertaking future tasks for development of hotel service and tourism service, and coordination with other relevant ministries.—MNA



Union Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Tint Hsan meets private hotel and tourism entrepreneurs.—H&T

Households that moved to Aungmyintha Model Village provided with assistance, compensation for crops

NAY PYI TAW, 29 April— A ceremony to present rice, cash assistance, aid and compensation for crops to households who were removed from Tanphe, Kyeinkharan and Myithson villages to Aungmyintha Model Village of Myitkyina Township was held at Affiliated Basic Education High School in the model village yesterday morning.

Chief Minister U La John Ngan Hsai of Kachin State made an address. Minister for Economics U Nyunt Aung, Minister for Education, Social, Religious Affairs and Culture Daw Bauk Ja, Kachin State Police Commander Police Col Myint Lwin and responsible persons of CPI Company presented K 100,000 each to 41 households.

The Chief Minister gave rice, mosquito nets and TVs to 41 households of Tanphe Village and 85

households from Maliyan Village and compensation for perennial crops to five farmers from Tanphe Village. After cordially greeting the local people, the Chief Minister visited Aungmyintha Model Village by car.

On arrival at Ayeyawady Bridge Construction Project at Myithson Dam, the Chief Minister inspected progress of works with the use of heavy machinery. The Deputy In-charge of CPI Co reported on construction of the bridge and tasks being done. The Chief Minister stressed the need for durability of the bridge, timely completion of the project and worksite safety.

At the hall of Myithson Hydropower Project, the Chief Minister met officials and called for making utmost efforts for development of the state.

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Chief Minister U La John Ngan Hsai of Kachin State presents aids to households that moved to Aungmyintha Model Village in Myitkyina Township.

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Myanmar-China Border Trade Expo (Muse) opens

YANGON, 29 April—The opening of 10th Myanmar-China Border Trade Expo (Muse) took place in 105th mile trade zone, Muse, Shan State (North) today.

Deputy Minister for Commerce Dr Pwint San, Shan State Economics Minister U Thuang Shwe and Vice Governor Mr Gu Zhaoxi of Yunnan Province of China extended greetings.

The expo included Myanmar with 108 booths, China with 108 booths, and India, Thailand, Laos and

Bangladesh with two booths each.

Agricultural, marine and industrial products, gems, interior home decoration utensils, and foodstuff were on display at Myanmar booths. Also, Chinese booths set out electronic items, kitchen utensils, furniture, medicine and medical equipments, engines, motorcycles and spare parts, sports gear, clothing, foodstuff, solar appliances and cosmetics.

The expo will be thrown open until 1 May.

MNA

Victorious archers back from Lao PDR

YANGON, 28 April—The Myanmar archery team that bagged two gold, four silver and five bronze medals in the 2nd Asian Archery Grand Prix held in Vientiane of the Lao People's Democratic Republic arrived back at Yangon International Airport by air yesterday evening.

The victorious archers were welcomed back by officials of the Ministry of Sports, their parents and relatives.

MNA

Dy Information Minister receives Chinese Cultural Counselor



NAY PYI TAW, 29 April—Deputy Minister for Information U Soe Win received Cultural Counselor Mr Gao Hua of the Chinese Embassy in the Republic of the Union of Myanmar at his office here today.

At the call, they cordially discussed matters relating to further cooperation with Myanmar Radio and Television and Myanmar Motion Picture Enterprise, further implementation of the tasks in the information sectors between the two countries, and escalating the implementation of tasks, which is included in MoUs signed by both countries, year by year.—MNA

Deputy Minister for Information U Soe Win receives Chinese Cultural Counselor Mr Gao Hua.

MNA

2011 Summer Invitational U-18 Basketball Tournament continues

YANGON, 29 April—The 2011 Summer Invitational U-18 Basketball Tournament's round matches, that was

organized by Myanmar Basketball Federation, continued at Aung San gymnasium here at 8 am today.

In today women events, Shan State team (South) of Group B beat Seikphudaung team 46-24 and Mogok Team of

Group A stroke Cupid Girls Team 40-12.

In men events, Cobra Team of Group A hit Kings Team 24-17, Thanlwin Team punched Gandayawadi (Kayah) Team 76-45, Venom Team of Group

B hit Hinthada Team 65-13 and Shan State Team (South) Group A (South) Group B 58-32.

Kings Team meets Thanlwin Team; Hinthada Team, Shan State (South) Group B Team; Cobra

Team, Legacy (T.T.C) Team; Venom Team, Seikphudaung Team; Gandayawadi Team, Mogok Team; Shan State (South) Group A Team, Chaungsone (Mon) Team in tomorrow men event.—MNA

Muse 105th Mile Border Trade Zone...

(from page 16)

I was taken aback by the scene of the trade zone among rocky mountains as that was in my sight suddenly. The zone was found very teeming with merchants as though trucks and

chants from the People's Republic of China were purchasing Myanmar-produced watermelon, muskmelon and mango at auction. On average, 70 truck loads of watermelon, 80 truck loads of muskmelon and

zone daily. Cloths and household utensils are imported from China.

The cold storages of the marine products companies near the gate to Pansai (Kyugok) were found dealing with trucks carrying crabs and eels. By good fortune, I was conducted round some cold storages by Staff Officer U Win Myint from



The inspection centre of Muse 105th Mile Border Trade Zone.

traders from the four corners of Myanmar gathered there. With the help and arrangements mad by Deputy Director In Charge of the zone U Lan San Oo, I embraced the opportunity to observe the functions of the 370-acre zone.

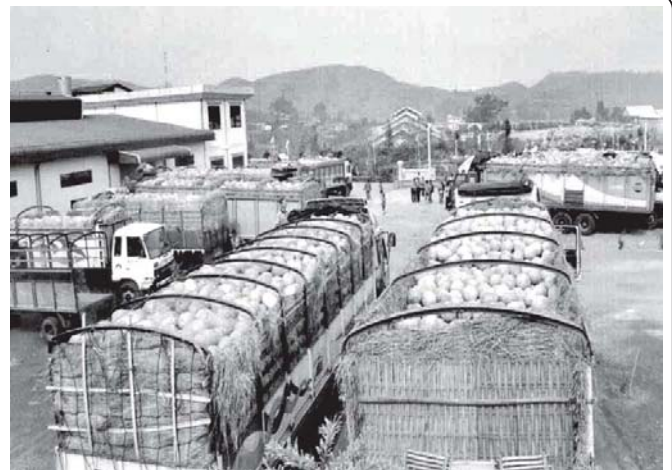
I visited the brokerage house trading in fruit from Sagaing, Mandalay, Bago and Ayeyawady regions and the place where mer-

20 truck loads of mango flow to the zone a day. According to farmer U Soe Myat from ChaungU Township, who was there to sell muskmelon, muskmelon was sold at high prices.

In addition, agricultural produce and forest products of various items are on sale in the export divisions. Furthermore, 10 to 25 truck loads of marine products are sent to the

the Fishery Department and Manager U Tin Maung Win from National Development Co Ltd. It was heartening to see that boxes of crabs were being unloaded from trucks and crabs were being sorted and packed, and fish and prawn were stored systematically in cold storages.

I noticed that trucks, heavy and light, loaded with goods were as busy



Some trucks loaded with watermelon from various regions seen in Muse 105th Mile Border Trade Zone.

as bees and civil servants were active in their duties there. I also witnessed

pavilions, booths and archways being built for Myanmar-China Border

Trade Fair (2011) due to take place soon.

Translation: MS



Some boxes of crabs for export.

S Korea to run emergency inspections on milk

SEOUL, 29 April— South Korea has decided to conduct emergency inspections on milk sold in the market by four major dairy companies, to check the presence of formalin, a state quarantine service said Friday.

The National Veterinary Research and Quarantine Service (NVRQS) said it will collect and test milk products made by the companies with high market share, namely Maeil Dairies, Namyang Dairy Products, Seoul Milk and Dongwon Dairy Foods, to detect formalin, a liquid form of formaldehyde.

The move comes after Maeil Dairies was found to have produced milk from cows given feed tainted with formalin. Formalin, a liquid form of formaldehyde gas, was largely used in the past as a disinfectant, pesticide and bactericide for preservation of biological specimens.—Xinhua



The Governor of Sichuan Province of China Jiang Jufeng (L) plants a tree in Wipro Comany while visiting in Bangalore, India, on 27 April, 2011. This is part of Experience China Sichuan Week in India jointly organized by the State Council Information Office of the People's Republic of China, the Provincial Government of Sichuan, The Chinese Embassy in India and Indian International Unity Foundation.

XINHUA

Spain jobless rate up to 21.3 percent

MADRID, 29 April— The government says Spain's unemployment rate rose sharply to 21.3 percent in the first quarter of 2011, leaving nearly 5 million people without work.

The rate compares with 20.3 percent at the close of 2010 and illustrates the huge challenges Spain faces as it tries to recover from nearly two years of recession and find a new economic model after depending for years on construction as the key driving force in its economy.

The National Statistics Institute put the total number of unemployed at 4,910,200 at the end of March.—Internet

Singapore's unemployment rate falls to 3-year low

SINGAPORE, 29 April— The overall unemployment rate in Singapore fell to a three-year low of 1.9 percent in March, reflecting the tight labour market, statistics released on Friday by the Ministry of Manpower showed.

In comparison, the unemployment rate was a seasonally adjusted 2.2 percent in December last year.

Total employment grew by 23,700 in the first quarter of the year, thanks to healthy economic expansion, lower than the 33,900 in the fourth quarter last year and the 36,200 in the first quarter of this year but still remarkable, considering that the strong hiring last year was partly generated by the recovery and the casino resorts.

Among the resident labour force, the unemployment rate declined to 2.7 percent. An estimated 57,100 residents were unemployed in March on a seasonally adjusted basis.—Xinhua

Chrysler to repay bailout loans by June

CHICAGO, 29 April— Chrysler Group LLC on Thursday announced that it plans to repay its 7.4 billion US dollars of loans to the US and Canadian governments by the end of June.

Chrysler said in a statement that it plans to repay its government loans with proceeds from new term loan and newly issued debt securities, which will be sold to institutional investors in a private offering, as well as the funds that it will receive from Fiat.

Italian automaker Fiat announced earlier that it plans to buy a 16 percent stake in Chrysler for 1.27 billion dollars. Chrysler said that the completion of the term loans, debt offering and the equity investment by Fiat would occur concurrently.

"Chrysler has come a long way in a short time," said Edmunds.com's senior analyst Michelle Krebs in an e-mail to Xinhua, "Many thought the brand wouldn't survive, but now it is gaining momentum with new models. The Chrysler 200 was the hit of the Super Bowl and gives Chrysler an entry to weather the current storm of high gas prices."

Xinhua



Hernan Pitocco flies over Buenos Aires with a glider in Argentina, on 27 April, 2011. To avoid the traffic jam, the 31-year-old man flew over the capital city and ended up being arrested for endangering the airspace.—XINHUA

China Comic and Animation Museum design unveiled

HANGZHOU, 29 April— The design of China Comic and Animation Museum was revealed at the Seventh International Animation and Cartoon Festival when it opened Thursday evening in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province.

The museum is designed by MVRDV, an international architecture and urban design company, and will be located on an island in Baima (White Horse) Lake in the Binjiang District of Hangzhou.

Inspired by the dialogue box in comic books, MVRDV's design transforms the

boxes into three-dimensional bubble like structures.

The construction of the museum, with an area of 30,000 square metres, is expected to be completed in 2013.

The total investment of the whole project is around 1 billion yuan (150 million US dollars).

The museum will include a cartoon exhibition hall, comic hall, as well as an IMAX cinema. Once finished, the museum will be symbol of China's animation industry, said Wang Xiaomei, deputy director with the municipal publicity department.

Xinhua



Chrysler Group and Fiat CEO Sergio Marchionne addresses the media during a visit to the Chrysler Jefferson North assembly plant in Detroit, Michigan on 28 April, 2011.

XINHUA

Four L American nations aim to jointly explore Asian markets

LIMA, 29 April— Presidents of Colombia, Peru, Chile and Mexico would sign a trade agreement here Thursday in a bid to formulate a common strategy for the four Latin American nations to explore Asian markets.

The so-called Pacific Accord would call for the establishment of an economic bloc to improve trade environment among countries on the Pacific rim.

Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos told *Peruvian Press* the accord was "a very important step for the well-being of our people," and would "deepen the integration among the four countries."—Xinhua



An aerobics plane makes training flying in Dazu township of southwest China's Chongqing municipality, on 27 April, 2011. The Second China Dazu International Aviation Sports Festival and the First Aerobics Flying Masters will be held from 30 April to 2 May in Longshui Lake of Dazu Township. The festival is a large-scale event with diverse cultural elements like aviation, sports, tourism and so on.

XINHUA

CLAIMSDAY NOTICE

MV DIBENA EXPRESS VOY NO (131)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV DIBENA EXPRESS VOY NO (131) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 29.4.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of S.P.W(5) 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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Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA RUKUN VOY NO (581) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 30.4.2011 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.

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Turkish troops kill 7 Kurdish rebels in clash

TUNCELI, 29 April—Turkish security forces killed seven Kurdish guerrillas in an army operation in eastern Turkey, military sources told *Reuters* Thursday.

At least 1,000 soldiers, backed by helicopters, attacked a large group of Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK) militants in a mountainous area on the borders of Tunceli and Bingol Provinces late Wednesday, the sources said.

Operations against the guerrillas were continuing on Thursday, they added.

The PKK ended a six-month ceasefire in February and there have been fears of an increase in violence ahead of Turkey's parliamentary election on 12 June.

Three militants were killed earlier this month further west in Kahramanmaraş.

Reuters

**MINISTRY OF RAIL TRANSPORTATION
MYANMA RAILWAYS
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1. Sealed Tenders are invited for supply of the following items in Euro;

Sr No	Tender No	Description	Qty	Closing Date
1.	12(T)2/MR(ML) 2011-2012	Rolled Steel for Diesel <i>Electric Locomotive</i> Tyre (Rough Turn)	240 Nos	3.6.2011 (12:00)hr
2.	12(T)3/MR(ML) 2011-2012	Spare Parts for Machinery and Equipment	25 Items	17.6.2011 (12:00)hr

2. Tender documents are available at our office starting from 2.5.2011 during office hours and for further detail please call Deputy General Manager Supply Department, Myanma Railways, Corner of Theinbyu Street and Merchant Street, Botahtaung, Yangon. Phone: 95-1-291985, 291994.

Solar plane prepped for first international flight

GENEVA, 29 April—A team of Swiss adventurers are preparing their solar-powered plane for its first international flight next month.

The Solar Impulse team says the flights to Belgium and France are a big challenge because the plane will need to navigate across international air traffic networks. The single-seater prototype with the wingspan of a Boeing

777 made its 2009 maiden flight in Switzerland and further tests have all taken place there.

Pilot Andre Borschberg said on Thursday the success of the first cross-border flights depends on the team receiving authorization

from national authorities. The team says it will ready the plane from 2 May and take off to Brussels when weather conditions are right. The plane is expected at the 49th International Paris Air Show from 20 to 26 June.—*Internet*

'Yeti hand' replica to be returned to Nepal monastery

KATHMANDU, 29 April—A pilot from New Zealand is in Nepal to return a replica of what some believe is the hand of a yeti to a remote monastery in the Everest Region. Mike Allsop will fly from Kathmandu to the Everest region on Friday to take the models to Pangboche Monastery, which sits at 4,000m (13,123ft). The originals were stolen from the monastery in the 1990s.

They first came to light in the 1950s when an expedition to find the mythi-

cal yeti came upon the monastery. Mr Allsop will also take with him a replica of a yeti skull-cap, which was also stolen in the 1990s. "I will take these replicas back to the monks so they can replace the ones that were stolen," Mr Allsop told the BBC.—*Internet*



It is hoped the replicas will boost revenue at Pangboche Monastery.—INTERNET

US housewife in 'milkshake murder' doesn't appeal

HONG KONG, 29 April—Lawyers for an American woman convicted in Hong Kong of drugging her banker husband and bashing him to death say she has decided not to appeal.

They say she will seek a transfer to a US prison. Nancy Kissel, 47, was convicted last month for a second time and sentenced to life in prison for the 2003 murder.

Her first conviction in 2005 was overturned by Hong Kong's top court

last year.

Lawyer Colin Cohen said on Thursday that Kissel didn't appeal by a Tuesday deadline and will seek a transfer to a US federal prison.

Another lawyer said the process usually takes a year and Kissel will likely seek a transfer to California because her mother lives in the Californian City Sebastopol. The second lawyer said the Kissel family requested he not give his name.—*Internet*



Actors perform during a dress rehearsal of Joseph Haydn's opera "Die Schoepfung" (The Creation) in Berlin, on 28 April, 2011. The opera is conducted by Christoph Hagel and has its premiere on 30 April at the Berliner Dom cathedral in the German Capital. —XINHUA

Great Dane 'adopts' 30 chick hatchlings

KELOWNA, 29 April—A young male Great Dane has turned maternal and is helping to rear 30 chicks in British Columbia, its owners said. The 16-month-old dog named Marmaduke took an interest in the brood before they even hatched at Eco Turf Farms in Kelowna when owner Sue Paull brought the chicken eggs indoors to incubate, *The (Vancouver) Province* reported.

"He watched them all hatch and he was so curious," Paull told the newspaper. "When we put them in the box, he just took one out and started cleaning them." The 115-pound dog shows

A 16-month-old Great Dane in Kelowna 'adopted' 30 new-born chicks on Easter Sunday.—INTERNET

no interest in full-grown chickens at the farm, but has a distinct inclination for the baby birds. "Every time you go near the box, he has to be there," Paull said. "He's just very curious and makes sure they go back in the box." Marmaduke has also been "fostering" an 8-month-old baby goat since its birth, she said.



Pang Qing (L) and Tong Jian of China greet the spectators after their pairs free skating competition at the ISU World Figure Skating Championships in Moscow on 28 April, 2011. Pang and Tong took the bronze medal with 204.12 points in total. — XINHUA

Historian searches for Mona Lisa's remains

An Italian art historian is leading the search for the remains of the woman believed to have been Leonardo da Vinci's model for the Mona Lisa. Art historian Silvano Vinceti said he is "reasonably confident" the remains of Lisa Gherardini Del Giocondo will be found beneath a former chapel at what used to be the St Ursula convent in Florence, ANSA

reported Thursday. "We're looking underneath the cement that was laid down when the convent was supposed to be turned into a barracks in the 1980s. Eventually we'll start digging," he said. Vinceti said any remains discovered would be DNA tested and compared to samples taken from her two children buried in Florence. "Subsequently,

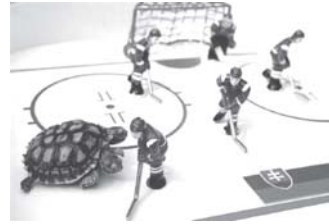


A restored version of the Mona Lisa.

we're hoping to reconstruct her physiognomy," Vinceti said.

Two-headed tortoise takes on tipster role at World Championships

Following in the 'footsteps' of Paul the oracle octopus, a rare two-headed tortoise has embarked on a new career in predicting results at the upcoming ice hockey World Championship in Slovakia. Magdalena the African spurred tortoise will try to replicate the success of Paul, who rose to fame by correctly predicting the outcome



Ice Hockey—Two-headed tortoise takes on tipster role.

of eight successive matches at last year's soccer World Cup in South Africa. Magdalena's first attempt was in line with

bookmakers, predicting hosts Slovakia would beat outsiders Slovenia in the championship's opening match on Friday.

Two Oregon dogs survive 175-foot slide down cliff

Oregon authorities says two Golden Retrievers swept 175 feet down a cliff in a landslide survived their tumble to the edge of the Clackamas River.

A Clackamas County sheriff's spokesman says rescuers from the sheriff's Marine Patrol and a local fire district were able to retrieve 8-year-old George and 10-year-old Doug after their Wednesday afternoon fall down an 80-degree slope. Their owner, John Grady, was working on a fence at his Eagle Creek property when he saw the dogs wander out onto an unstable overhang that collapsed.

Grady's 20-year-old neighbour, Dustin Shatner, climbed down the cliff to help the dogs. Rescuers picked him up as well.

Police dress up as doctors to test citizens

Turkish police donned white coats and stethoscopes to disguise themselves as doctors, then knocked on people's doors to see how easily they would fall for a confidence scam.

The undercover police officers told residents of the southeastern city of Gaziantep they were screening for high blood pressure and handed out pills, according to Turkish media. They were alarmed when residents at 86 out of 100 households visited on Tuesday swallowed the pills immediately.

Police later returned to warn

residents to be more cautious. The police pills were harmless placebos. But a local gang had been using the same technique to give people heavy sedatives and then burgle them.

Turkish police in other provinces have also used novel methods to test citizens' gullibility. Officers in Adana in southern Turkey last week called at houses, announcing through the intercom: "I am a burglar, please open the door."

Police said they were stunned at the number of people who opened the door, the *Radikal daily* newspaper reported.

Born in the northern Slovak Town of Zilina in March with the genetic defect of having two heads, Magdalena makes the picks by moving around a small-scale model of an ice hockey rink.

Roman Gresak, the tortoise's owner, said he would not force Magdalena to predict all the results.

News Album

Bon Jovi to tour while guitarist in rehab



Bon Jovi guitarist Richie Sambora (L) and Jon Bon Jovi perform during the 10th annual Tiger Jam at the Mandalay Bay Resort in Las Vegas, Nevada in this 26 May, 2007 file photo.—INTERNET

LOS ANGELES, 29 April— Who wants to play guitar in Bon Jovi?

The rock band said on Thursday its upcoming tour of North America and Europe would proceed even though guitarist Richie Sambora has entered rehab for a drinking problem.

A spokeswoman declined to say who would take Sambora's place on the trek, which begins on Saturday in New Orleans and runs through 31 July in Lisbon. "Our support for Richie is absolute. He is, and will remain, a member of Bon Jovi," the band's statement said.

"Although he will be absent from upcoming shows for the time being, we very much look forward to his healthy return. In the meantime, we will keep our commitment to our fans and continue our tour."—Reuters

British actors Daniel Radcliffe, Emma Watson and Rupert Grint attend the World premiere of "Harry Potter And The Deathly Hallows" at Odeon and Empire, Leicester Square in London on 11 Nov, 2010.

INTERNET



'Potter' tops US DVD sales chart

LOS ANGELES, 29 April—The fantasy flick "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part I" is the top-selling DVD in the United States, *Rentrak* reported.

Coming in at No 2 for the week ending 24 April is "The King's Speech," followed by "Tangled" at No 3, "Bambi [Two-Disc Diamond Edition]" at No 4 and "Tron: Legacy" at No 5 Rounding out the top tier are "Gulliver's Travels" at No 6, "Sharpay's Fabulous Adventure" at No 7, "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn

Treader" at No 8, "Yogi Bear" at No 9 and "Little Fockers" at No 10.

"Little Fockers" is the top DVD rental for the week ended 23 April.

"Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 1" is No 2, "Gulliver's Travels" is No 3, "The King's Speech" is No 4, "Tron: Legacy" is No 5, "The Chronicles of Narnia: The Voyage of the Dawn Treader" is No 6,

"Country Strong" is No 7, "Black Swan" is No 8, "The Tourist" is No 9 and "Tangled" is No 10.—Internet

Nepal to hold int'l folk music film festival

KATHMANDU, 29 April — Nepal Folk Musical Instruments Museum is going to hold an international folk music film festival in capital Kathmandu from 25 to 27 November.

The international folk music film festival themed "Music for Life and

Survival" is organized for promoting the study and research on different aspects of the Nepali folk songs, folk music, folk musical instruments, folk dances, folk culture and folklore and for publicizing its folk heritage. At a Press Conference held here on Thursday, founder of

Nepal Folk Musical Instruments Museum, Ram Prasad Kandel said the objective of organizing the international folk music film festival is to promote sharing of national and international experiences in the field of folk music and folk culture.—Xinhua

Hollywood's Grauman's Chinese Theatre to be sold

LOS ANGELES, 29 April — The iconic Grauman's Chinese Theatre in Hollywood, Los Angeles, is being sold to two new owners, various media outlets reported Thursday. Hollywood producer Don Kushner, who made sci-fi fantasy "Tron: Legacy," and controversial dry cleaner turned-filmmaker Elie Samaha bought the theater from Warner Bros and Paramount Pictures parent Viacom Inc for an undisclosed price, the *Los Angeles Times* reported on its website.

Aside from the on-screen theater on Hollywood Boulevard, the two producers also bought the Mann's Chinese 6 multiplex equipped with D-Box facilities in an adjacent shopping mall.—Xinhua



FC Porto's forward Radamel Falcao (front) from Colombia heads the ball to score his third goal against Villarreal during their UEFA Europa League semi-finals first leg football match at the Dragao Stadium in Porto.—INTERNET

Super Falcao sinks Villarreal, Benfica edge Braga in Europa League

PARIS, 29 April—A stunning four goal show by Colombian striker Falcao saw Portuguese champions Porto come from a goal down to overwhelm Spanish side Villarreal 5-1 on Thursday in their Europa League semi-final first leg clash in Oporto. Falcao's goals took him to a record 16 in the competition, beating Jurgen Klinsmann's total of 15 for Bayern Munich in the 1995/96 competition when it was the UEFA Cup. With Porto set fair for the final in Dublin in May, they will be joined there by another Portuguese club, with Benfica holding a slight edge over Sporting Braga after beating them 2-1 at home also on Thursday. Villarreal — who were only in this season's competition because Real Mallorca were disqualified from competing because they didn't meet financial regulations set by UEFA - had looked to be in control at the break after Cani had put them ahead.— *Internet*

Rooney targeted in phone hack scandal

LONDON, 29 April — Manchester United star Wayne Rooney revealed on Thursday that detectives probing a phone hacking scandal had informed him he may have been targeted by journalists under investigation.



Manchester United star Wayne Rooney

Rooney wrote on micro-blogging site Twitter that police officers had told him he could have been among the dozens of celebrities and public figures who are believed to have had their phones hacked into by the News of the World. "Scotland Yard detectives came to see me earlier and showed me some documents, looks like a newspaper have hacked into my phone. Bigsurprise," Rooney wrote. — *Internet*

SPORTS

Cyclist Cunego wins Tour de Romandie second stage

ROMONT, 29 April— Former Tour of Italy champion Damiano Cunego got back to winning ways with victory in the 171.8 km second stage of the Tour de Romandie on Thursday. Cunego led Australia's 2006 race winner Cadel Evans of BMC by two seconds in a sprint finish, followed by Alexandre Vinokourov of Kazakhstan, after a series of breakaways split the pack and left yellow jersey Pavel Brutt trailing.

helped reel in a succession of breakaways including a final bid by Briton David Millar. "This win was also built by my team mates," Cunego, who rides for Lampre, said.— *Internet*



Former Tour of Italy champion Damiano Cunego

While the Russian Team Katusha rider kept his overall lead, Cunego cut it by two-thirds to about 40 seconds after his Lampre team-mates



Bayern Munich star Bastian Schweinsteiger

Schweinsteiger sees red at Press Conference

BERLIN, 29 April— Bayern Munich star Bastian Schweinsteiger saw red at a Press Conference here on Thursday, lambasting a journalist before turning his attention to teammate Arjen Robben. Two days before Bayern take on Schalke Schweinsteiger threatened and insulted the reporter, then telling him:

"It's a joke what you write, you don't understand anything, you should treat me with more respect."

The midfielder then left the conference room, only to return to criticise Robben, who the day before had questioned Schweinsteiger's lack of authority when he was captain. Without mentioning the Dutch international by name he said: "I'm not a small captain, when I say something everyone in the changing room listens to me." Bayern face Champions League semi-finalists Schalke on Saturday with the pressure mounting to finish in the top three and secure Champions League football next season.— *Internet*

before they served as instructors at a Washington youth clinic, the Williams sisters showed no signs of the setbacks that have kept them off the court. "One thing we have learned from being away from the game is how much we love it," Venus Williams said. "The good part is we both get better every week." — *Internet*

Tennis stars Serena Williams, left, and her sister Venus Williams



Serena, Venus look well but unsure of French Open

WASHINGTON, 29 April — Serena and Venus Williams have shaken off injuries that have sidelined them from competitive tennis, but whether or not they will be ready for next month's French Open remains uncertain. "The French Open is a great tournament. It's a fun event. We definitely want to be there," Venus Williams said. "We're taking it week to week right now. Our goal is sooner than later."

Speaking on Thursday

Veteran Seedorf plans to keep going



Veteran midfielder Clarence Seedorf

ROME, 29 April—Veteran midfielder Clarence Seedorf brushed off talk of retirement on Thursday as he was presented with a Dutch Knighthood. The 35-year-old is one of the most decorated players in the history of the game and the only one to have won the Champions

League crown with three different clubs, including twice with Milan. And on the brink of landing his fifth league title, and second in Italy, Seedorf insists he has no intention of hanging up his boots.

"In my job the important things are motivation and your physical condition and as long as I still have those, I'm not setting myself limits," he said from the Rome residence of the Dutch ambassador to Italy. — *Internet*

Agent denies Lavezzi link to Barcelona

ROME, 29 April— Ezequiel Lavezzi's agent denied on Thursday that the Argentine is a target for Spanish champions Barcelona. The 25-year-old is enjoying another spectacular season with Napoli, pushing the transfer rumour mill into overdrive.

But the Argentine's agent Alejandro

Mazzoni told Radio Kiss Kiss Napoli that there's nothing in the Barca speculation. — *Internet*



Napoli's Ezequiel Lavezzi

UEFA to probe Mourinho outburst



Real Madrid's Portuguese coach Jose Mourinho leaves the field after being expelled during the match between Real Madrid and Barcelona at the Santiago Bernabeu stadium in Madrid on 27 April. — INTERNET

NYON, 29 April—UEFA on Thursday announced it had launched a disciplinary inquiry into events surrounding on Wednesday's fractious Champions League semi-final tie between Real Madrid and Barcelona. One of the incidents being investigated is Real coach Jose Mourinho's post-match outburst in which the Portuguese suggested referees always showed favouritism to Barcelona, who won 2-0 in Madrid to take a huge step towards the final.

Mourinho also came under fire from Barcelona, who later Thursday announced they were lodging an official complaint with European football's governing body over his tirade. — *Internet*

Bubba Watson, Matt Jones share Zurich Classic lead

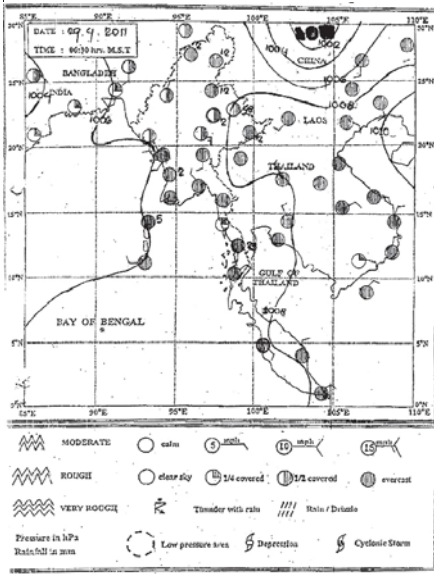
AVONDALE, 29 April—Bubba Watson entered the Zurich Classic as a favor to his mother. "My mom really wanted me to come," said Watson, tied for first-round lead with Matt Jones after opening with a 6-under 66 on Thursday. "My mom always comes to this golf tournament, so when my mom says she wants to come, I'm here. And somehow I shot 6 under today."

Watson, the winner at Torrey Pines in late January, made a 32-foot eagle putt on the par-5 11th and had six birdies and two bogeys at TPC Louisiana — far from his favorite course. "The way the course is, it just doesn't fit my eye the way it is," Watson said. — *Internet*



Matt Every tees off on the 17th hole in front of the 'Baccagator,' a float from the Krewe of Bacchus Mardi Gras parade, during the first round of the Zurich Classic PGA Tour golf tournament in Avondale, La, on Thursday.— INTERNET

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Friday, 29th April, 2011

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.
 During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Mon State, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions and Rakhine State, scattered in Mandalay and Taninthayi Regions and Kayin State, fairly widespread in Magway Region, Shan and Rakhine States and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with regionally heavyfall in lower Sagaing Region and isolated heavyfall in Rakhine State. Day temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below April average temperatures in upper Sagaing and Ayeyawady Regions, Chin and Kayin States, (7°C) to (8°C) below April average temperatures in Magway and Bago Regions, Eastern Shan, Rakhine and Kayah States and about April average temperatures in the remaining Regions and States. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Shwebo (3.15) inches, MraukU (3.07) inches, Kyauktaw (2.64) inches, Mogok (2.40) inches, Monywa (2.24) inches, Lashio (1.89) inches, Maungtaw (1.53) inches and Minbu (1.34) inches and Haka (1.33) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 28-4-2011 was 86°F. Minimum temperature on 29-4-2011 was 73°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 29-4-2011 was (92%). Rainfall on 29-4-2011 was (Nil).

Nay Pyi Taw (Airport)

Maximum temperature on 28-4-2011 was 86°F. Minimum temperature on 29-4-2011 was 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 29-4-2011 was (77%). Rainfall on 29-4-2011 was (Tr).

Rainfall on 29-4-2011 was (Nil) Nay Pyi Taw, Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (0.08) inch at Mandalay. Total rainfall since 1-1-2011 was (7.44) inches at Nay Pyi Taw, (7.09) inches at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (4.26) inches at Mandalay. Maximum wind speed at Nay Pyi Taw was (6) mph from Northwest at (12:30) hours MST on 29-4-2011.

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

Forecast valid until evening of the 30th April 2011: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered to fairly widespread in Sagaing, Mandalay, Ayeyawady, Yangon and Taninthayi Regions, Kachin, Shan, Mon and Kayin States and isolated in the remaining Regions and States. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) m.p.h.

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

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 30-4-2011: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 30-4-2011: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 30-4-2011: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Weather Outlook for the last Weekend of April: Scattered to fairly widespread rain or thundershowers in Yangon and Mandalay Regions.

Sprawling devastation as US storm toll reaches 313



A couple try to salvage items from a flattened shop in Tuscaloosa, Alabama.—INTERNET

TUSCALOOSA, 29 April Friday sifted through the — Shocked Americans on rubble from the worst US

tornadoes in decades, which carved a trail of destruction across the south claiming at least 313 lives. Communities like Alabama Governor Robert Bentley's home town of Tuscaloosa were virtually wiped off the map, and officials warned the body count would rise as rescuers uncovered more dead in the debris.

Disbelief was written on faces across eight states crippled by the ferocious

spring storms — the deadliest tornado tragedy to strike the United States since 332 people were killed by a tornado outbreak on 21 March, 1932. Recalling the more recent horror of Hurricane Katrina in 2005, families picked through the remains of homes, businesses and schools, bearing witness to scenes of devastation more common in war zones or after earthquakes.

Internet

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (30-4-2011) (Saturday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	(09:00am-11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	(30-4-11 09:30 am ~ 1-5-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Wonderful Myanma Handicrafts from Inlay Lake
- * News
- * A Visit To Kayah Stae (Part-I)
- * Aquarium Nay Pyi Taw: A Pleasant Underwater Heaven
- * News
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- * Wings Sign Art
- * Photo City
- * News
- * Useful Vatiety of Bamboo
- * Myanmar Footwear "Ponedaw" Famed in Successive Eras
- * News
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Beach Resort of Chaung Tha
- * Myanmar Movies "Longing For Mother"



Saturday, 30 April

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
- 8:05 am
- 6. Poem Garden
- 8:25 am
- 7. Teleyay (Traffic)
- 8:40 am
- 8. International News
- 8:45 am
- 9. Musical Programme
- 11:00 am
- 1. Martial Song
- 11:10 am
- 2. Musical Programme
- 11:25 am
- 3. Game For Children
- 11:55 am
- 4. Round Up Of The Week's TV Local News
- 12:25 pm
- 5. Yan Can Cook
- 12:50 pm
- 6. TV Drama Series
- 1:40 pm
- 7. Dance Of National Races

- 2:05 pm
- 8. Teleyay (Health)
- 2:35 pm
- 9. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 2:50 pm
- 10. International News
- 4:00 pm
- 1. Martial Song
- 4:10 pm
- 2. Musical Programme
- 4:20 pm
- 3. Cultural Dances
- 4:30 pm
- 4. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures) -First Year (Oriental)
- 4:45 pm
- 5. Songs For Upholding National Spirit
- 4:50 pm
- 6. Teleplay (Policy)
- 5:10 pm
- 7. Musical Programme

- 5:20 pm
- 8. International Science News
- 5:30 pm
- 9. Game For Children
- 6:00 pm
- 10. Evening News
- 6:15 pm
- 11. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm
- 12. Ahlashamae Hlagabawai
- 6:35 pm
- 13. Yindagomae
- 7:00 pm
- 14. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm
- 15. News
- 16. International News
- 17. Weather Report
- 18. Monthly Weather Report
- 19. Cartoon Series
- 20. TV Drama Series
- 21. Gitadagale Phwintbaohn

- ★ 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

Muse 105th Mile Border Trade Zone becomes a commercial hub

Muse 105th Mile Border Trade Zone in Muse District, Shan State (North), where a wide variety of goods are available, is attracting attention from a growing number of traders day by day.

The zone about seven miles to Muse on Mandalay-Lashio-Muse Union Highway is always thronged with merchants as it is a strategic market near China-Myanmar border. When I was close to

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Muse 105th Mile Border Trade Zone on my recent tour, I saw from afar mountain ranges gloomy amidst rain clouds.

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The price of muskmelon keeps going up in Muse 105th Mile Border Trade Zone in Muse District, Shan State (North).

Myanmar Library Foundation invites cash and publications

The Myanmar Library Foundation is making encouragement to broaden the horizons of the people and ensure development of self-reliant libraries.

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