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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

Myanmar literati keep abreast of international literati in art of writing Skilled translators have to translate works of Myanmar literati on a wider scale for international attention

YANGON, 3 May—The 6th Thutasweson Literary Awarding Ceremony took place at the Traders Hotel here on 1 May evening.

In his speech, Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan said that private organizations present literary awards, thereby joining the government in honouring outstanding writers.

Sweson Media Group's Thutasweson Literary Awarding Ceremony is in its sixth anniversary, he said, thanking the group for its continuous presentation of literary awards.

He said that he also thanked the selection boards for working in cooperation with each other in selecting prize winning works in consistence with literary principles laid down by the Literary Scrutinization Board under the Ministry of Information and the Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association.

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Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan attends Thutasweson Literary Awarding ceremony.—MNA

Ma Hta Tha (APBCC) sees convenience of passengers

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Buses from different bus lines running daily to give better transport for convenience of passengers.

A large number of various sizes of vehicles of different bus lines are running along broad roads of Yangon in giving transport services to the passengers daily.

In addition to buses under control of All Private Bus-line Control Committee of Yangon Region (Ma Hta Tha), another bus lines namely Parami Transport Service, Than Myan Thu Passenger Transport, Shwe Yangon Passenger Transport and bus lines of four districts in Yangon Region are also serving transport facility to the people.

Recently, the news crew of Myanma Alin Daily had interviews with responsible persons at the APBCC (Head Office).

Secretary of the committee U Tin Maung Zaw explained, "The APBCC formed with administration department, transport department, accounts and financial department and supply department is making arrangements for convenience of the passenger daily. The head office controls nine branches that closely supervise daily runs of buses."

Under the control of the head office, No. 1 branch is opened at 8th-Mile Junction in Mayangon Township, No. 2 branch on Upper Kyimyindine

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PERSPECTIVES

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Create more literary works in national interests

In successive periods, writers create works on mundane and supramundane affairs and promote the image of national culture, the people and the Buddha Dispensation.

Today, writers create works of various genres in the interests of the nation and the people. Publications are to be designed to boost the people's sense of moral conduct, preservation and promotion of national character, and team spirit.

Now, the government is encouraging establishment of a profound foundation for improving national literature and rendering assistance for development of the literary world. As part of the drive, it scrutinizes works of writers and selects best ones every year for national literary awards.

The government presents 14 national literary awards and first, second and third awards of the 12 Sarpay Beikman manuscript awards a year. Individuals also present literary awards such as Sayawun Tin Shwe Awards, Tun Foundation Awards, Pakokku U Ohn Pe Awards and Thutasweson Awards.

The 9th Sayawun Tin Shwe Literary Awarding Ceremony was held in Yangon on 1 May. Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan addressed the ceremony, saying that at a time when the nation saw democratization process, publication of periodicals was to meet the principles of the constitution.

Literature is the main part of natural culture. Today's writers are under a bounden duty to help preserve and promote national culture through the might of the pen and produce more and more publications that contribute towards the prosperity of the nation.

Yangon Region MADB to disburse K 20736 m to farmers for monsoon paddy

YANGON, 3 May — Yangon Region Myanmar Agricultural Development Bank will loan out K 20,736 million to farmers for monsoon paddy plantation in 2011, with the rate of K 20,000 per acre.

Meeting for allowing disbursement ahead of monsoon paddy season from 12 township MADB branches held at the bank headquarters here yesterday, with the presence of Bank Managing Director U Win Han.—MNA

PERIODICALS

- * 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

Union Defence Minister receives Deputy Defence Minister of Indonesia



Union Defence Minister Maj-Gen Hla Min receives Deputy Defence Minister Lt-Gen Syafrie Syamsjoeddin of the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Indonesia and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May—Deputy Minister Lt-Gen Syafrie Syamsjoeddin of Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Indonesia and party called on

Union Minister for Defence Maj-Gen Hla Min at his office here this morning.

MNA

Special Refresher Course No.16 for faculty members opens

Chairman of UCSB U Kyaw Thu delivering an opening speech at the opening ceremony of Special Refresher Course No. 16 for faculty members.—MNA



NAY PYI TAW, 3 May — The opening ceremony of Special Refresher Course No.16 for faculty members was held at the Central Institute of Civil Services (Upper Myanmar) yesterday.

It was attended by Chairman of Union Civil Services Board U Kyaw Thu, Deputy Minister for

Agriculture and Irrigation U Khin Zaw, Member of Union Civil Services Board U Khin Maung Aye, Minister for Education and Health of Mandalay Region Dr Win Hlaing and officials and 482 faculty members of universities and colleges.

MNA

Summer invitational basketball tournament concludes

YANGON, 3 May — Organized by Myanmar Basketball Federation, the final matches (men's and women's) of summer invitational basketball tournament took place at Aung San Stadium here yesterday.

First prize of the women's event went to the Ministry of Industry-1 team, second to Seikphutaung (A) and third to Kanayawadi (Kayah). In men's event, Venom and Legacy (TTC) teams finished

runner-ups behind Thanlwin team that won the first prize.

Ma May Hninsi Lwin of the Ministry of Industry-1 team and Aung Ye Gaung of Thanlwin team won the best player awards

respectively.

After presenting individual awards to winners by responsible persons of MBF, Patron of Shwe Thanlwin Co Daw Ni presented championship trophies to first prize-winning Ministry of Industry-1 team and Thanlwin team.

MNA

Iran calls on US to leave region after bin Laden's death

TEHERAN, 3 May—Iranian Foreign Minister Ali-Akbar Salehi said the US has no more excuse to remain in the region following Washington's confirmation that al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden has been killed, the English language satellite Press TV reported on Tuesday.

"With the killing of bin Laden, there is no excuse for the US presence in the region," Salehi was quoted as saying.

"If the US invaded the region under such a pretext, the problem is over now and they had better pull out of the region immediately and stop the killing of regional people," he said in Qatari Capital of Doha on Monday.

"The public opinion in the region and even in the United States are not

happy with the US presence in the region," said Salehi. Iranian Foreign Ministry spokesman Ramin Mehmanparast said Monday that after the death of bin Laden there will remain no excuse for foreign troops to stay in the region to fight terrorism.

However, US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton said on Monday that the death of bin Laden does not mean that the fight with terrorism is over and strikes on al-Qaeda will not end with the death of its leader.

US President Barack Obama announced Sunday night that a US operation had killed bin Laden outside the Pakistani capital Islamabad and hailed the terrorist leader's death as the "most significant achievement" in US efforts to defeat al-Qaeda.

Xinhua



A crashed military helicopter is seen near the hideout of Al-Qaeda leader Osama Bin Laden after a ground operation by US Special Forces in Abbottabad, Pakistan, on 2 May, 2011. Pakistan said that the killing of Osama bin Laden in a US operation was a "major setback" for terrorist organizations and a "major victory" in the country's fight against militancy.—XINHUA

Two killed, 3 al-Qaeda members captured in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 3 May—Two people were killed and five others wounded in separate bomb and gunfire attacks in Baghdad and Iraq's eastern province of Diyala, where an al-Qaeda leader and two of his aides were captured on Tuesday, police said.

In Baghdad, a female employee in Baghdad municipality was killed when a sticky bomb attached to her car detonated on a highway in Doura District in southern the capital, an Interior Ministry source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

In a separate incident, a roadside bomb went off near a police patrol in Doura District, wounding a policeman and two civilians, the source said.

In downtown Baghdad, a civilian was wounded in a roadside bomb explosion in the busy al-Naser Square, the source added. In Diyala, an Awakening Council group member was shot dead by gunmen in al-Hashmiyat area in northwest of the provincial capital city of Baquba, some 65 km northeast of Baghdad, a source from Diyala's operations command told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

Separately, gunmen wounded an Iraqi army officer, in the town of al-Maqdadiyah, some 40 km northeast of Baquba, the source said.

Also in the province, a joint US and Iraqi force dropped by helicopters in the early hours of the day on houses at the al-Tahwilah area, some 10 km north of Baquba, and captured Mahmoud al-Obiedi, an al-Qaeda leader and two of his lieutenants, the source said without giving further details.

Iraq frequently announced its troops killed or captured al-Qaeda leaders and their militants across the country. Such announcements are seen as victories for the country's security forces.—Xinhua



Policemen guard near the World Trade Centre site in New York, the United States, on 2 May, 2011.—XINHUA

Service member killed in eastern Afghanistan

KABUL, 3 May—NATO says one of its service members has been killed in a bomb attack in eastern Afghanistan.

The international military coalition did not provide further details on Tuesday's attack or the nationality of the deceased.

More than 150 international service members have been killed so far this year in Afghanistan.

Internet



A destroyed police vehicle is pictured at the site of a blast in Charsadda, northwestern Pakistan, on 2 May, 2011.—XINHUA

One killed as army helicopter crashes in Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 3 May—At least one officer was killed and several others were injured as a Pakistani army helicopter crashed Tuesday evening some 40 km northwest of the country's capital Islamabad, reported local Urdu TV channel Samaa.

According to the report, the disaster took place at about 06:20 pm local time when a Pakistani army chopper carrying an unknown number of people crashed during training near an air force base in Hari Pur, a city located between Islamabad and Abbottabad, a town where the world's most wanted terrorist Osama bin Laden was killed in his compound early Monday morning.

This is the second army plane crash reported on Tuesday in Pakistan.—MNA/Xinhua

7-storey building collapses in Turkey

ANKARA, 3 May—Turkish media say a 7-storey building has collapsed in the south of the country.

They say the building came down in the southern city of Malatya on Tuesday morning.

There are contradictory reports about possible casualties. CNN-Turk television says the building was under construction and empty, although one person has been injured. NTV television, however, says there were businesses operating under the building. The Anatolia news agency says several ambulances rushed to the scene.—Internet



Taliban militants are seen lining up in Ghazni Province, south of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 2 May, 2011. Four Taliban militants fighters were detained by Afghan police and security forces when they were planting mines along the road to Ander District in Ghazni Province.—XINHUA



Ancient 'Nutcracker Man' really ate grass



This undated handout photo provided by the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences shows the skull of Paranthropus boisei, known for decades as Nutcracker Man because of its large, flat teeth. Nutcracker man didn't eat nuts after all. After a half-century of referring to an ancient hominin as Nutcracker Man because of his large teeth and powerful jaw, scientists now conclude that Paranthropus boisei actually chewed grasses instead.

INTERNET

WASHINGTON, 3 May—Nutcracker Man didn't eat nuts after all. After a half-century of referring to an ancient pre-human as "Nutcracker Man" because of his large teeth and powerful jaw, scientists now conclude that he actually chewed grasses instead.

The study "reminds us that in paleontology, things are not always as they seem," commented Peter S Ungar, chairman of anthropology at the

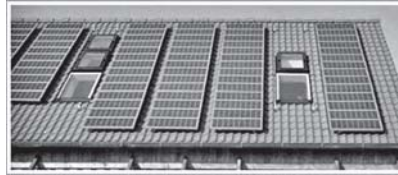
University of Arkansas.

The new report, by Thure E Cerling of the University of Utah and colleagues, is published in Tuesday's edition of Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.

Cerling's team analyzed the carbon in the enamel of 24 teeth from 22 individuals who lived in East Africa between 1.4 million and 1.9 million years ago. One type of carbon is produced from tree leaves,

nuts and fruit, another from grasses and grasslike plants called sedges. It turns out that the early human known as Paranthropus boisei did not eat nuts but dined more heavily on grasses than any other human ancestor or human relative studied to date. Only an extinct species of grass-eating baboon ate more, they said.

"That was not at all what we were expecting," Cerling said in a telephone interview.—*Internet*



The New York Times published a rundown recently of the top 10 states in installed solar power capacity. That California was number one was no surprise, but the other nine were interesting to see.—INTERNET

Large asteroid to pass Earth at closest approach

LOS ANGELES, 3 May — An asteroid will fly past Earth this fall at a close approach that will allow a close-up view of one of Earth's good-sized space rocks, NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) announced on Monday.

"On 8 November, asteroid 2005 YU55 will fly past Earth and at its closest approach point will be about 325,000 kilometres away," said Don Yeomans, manager of NASA's Near-Earth Object Programme Office at the JPL in Pasadena, Los Angeles. "This asteroid is about 400 metres wide the largest space rock we have identified that will come this close until 2028."

Despite the relative proximity and size, "YU55 poses no threat of an Earth collision over, at the very least, the next 100 years," Yeomans said in a Press release. "During its closest approach, its gravitational effect on the Earth will be so minuscule as to be immeasurable.

It will not affect the tides or anything else." "While near-Earth objects of this size have flown within a lunar distance in the past, we did not have the foreknowledge and technology to take advantage of the opportunity," said Barbara Wilson, a scientist at JPL. "When it flies past, it should be a great opportunity for science instruments on the ground to get a good look."

"The best resolution of the radar images was 7.5 metres per pixel," said JPL radar astronomer Lance Benner. "When 2005 YU55 returns this fall, we intend to image it at 4-metre resolution with our recently upgraded equipment at the Deep Space Network at Goldstone, California.

Plus, the asteroid will be seven times closer. We're expecting some very detailed radar images."—*Xinhua*



Laptop users still prefer USB moderns

WASHINGTON, 3 May — Mobile data users still overwhelmingly prefer USB moderns for keeping PCs and other devices connected on the go, but they may turn more to built-in cellular radios and portable Wi-Fi hotspots over the next five years, according to ABI Research.

Despite the growing market for connected tablets and the availability of laptops and netbooks with high-speed cellular modules built in, worldwide shipments of USB moderns still surpass embedded 3G and 4G modules by three to one, ABI said in a report Monday. But by 2016, that ratio may change to near parity, said ABI analyst Jeff Orr.

Mobile operators including AT&T, Verizon Wireless and Clearwire give shoppers the option of buying a laptop or netbook with an integrated cellular module. Those computers let subscribers go online almost anywhere without using up a USB port or carrying around a separate piece of hardware that sticks out of the side of the system.

Built-in moderns lock buyers into one carrier or network technology for the life of the device, which most consumers and enterprises don't want, Orr said. They buy USB moderns because they can be easily discarded when a better network comes along, he said. Prices are low and often there is no early termination fee for getting out of the carrier data contract.

"That device becomes almost disposable," he said.

One problem with built-in moderns is that wireless technology changes faster than most users want to change computers. For example, the past three years a typical PC lifetime have seen the construction of both a WiMax and an LTE network in many cities around the US, offering 10 times or more the speed of 3G networks. The market for embedded moderns is still fairly small, according to ABI. In 2010, only about 5 percent of laptops worldwide shipped with built-in cellular moderns, Orr said. Among netbooks, 17 percent came with moderns, but overall shipments were much smaller for netbooks than for laptops. Meanwhile, 40 percent of tablets came with such moderns, but the overall tablet market was smaller still.—*Internet*

US Holocaust museum to put records online



A photo of the gate at Auschwitz concentration camp taken in April 1945, after its liberation by Soviet troops in January 1945.—INTERNET

WASHINGTON, 3 May—The US Holocaust museum has teamed up with Internet genealogy site Ancestry.com to provide online information about those who were persecuted by the Nazis, the museum said.

The project, dubbed World Memory Project.org, is meant to increase sources of information about Jewish and non-Jewish victims of the Holocaust.

The project "will dramatically expand the number of museum documents relating to individual victims that can be searched online," the US Holocaust Memorial Museum said in a statement. Its archives in the US capital contain records on 17 million people who were targeted by the Nazis, "including Jews, Poles, Roma, Ukrainians, political

prisoners, and many others," it added.

"The World Memory Project will greatly expand the accessibility of the museum's archival collection and enable millions of people to search for their own answers online," the museum said.

"We hope to remind the public that the Holocaust is not about numbers but about individuals, just like us, and to help families uncover histories they thought were lost," said Sara Bloomfield, the museum's director.

Internet

RIM launches new BlackBerry Bold smartphone

ORLANDO, 3 May—Research In Motion showed off a new version of its BlackBerry Bold phone with upgraded software on Monday, aiming to regain its stride after last week's profit warning and other recent stumbles.

RIM also said it will manage corporate and government communications sent using Apple's iPhone and iPad, as well as devices running Google's Android software, through its secure BlackBerry Enterprise Server. It's an

implicit acknowledgment by RIM that its grip on the sector has weakened.

The company aims to capitalize on the BlackBerry's enhanced security features and its established role controlling employee access to corporate data while out of the office. For years, businesses and government agencies have given the BlackBerry to millions of workers in need of mobile access to workplace applications.

Reuters



A salesman stands next to a BlackBerry display in a shop in 2010. BlackBerry maker Research In Motion (RIM) on Monday unveiled a pair of slim, powerful new handsets.—INTERNET



Health



Health Tip: Prepare a diabetic child for insulin shots

For a child with diabetes, blood glucose checks or insulin shots can be major sources of anxiety, especially at the beginning. Parents and caregivers may be no less fearful and guilt-stricken.

The American Diabetes Association suggests how to help you and your child get through blood sugar checks and insulin shots:

- * Practice taking deep breaths, and letting them out slowly.
- * Tell your child a joke, or sing a favourite song during the shot.
- * Allow your child to play doctor and pretend to give you a shot first.
- * Ask your child to tell you about the favourite part of the day.
- * Prep the injection site with a kiss, and give another one when the shot is over.
- * Give the shot as quickly as possible.
- * Offer your child plenty of praise for being brave.—Internet

Mom's exposure to plastics chemical tied to baby's wheeze

WASHINGTON, 3 May—Children born to women exposed to bisphenol A (BPA) during the early part of pregnancy may be more likely to experience wheezing early in life, according to a new study.

BPA is widely used in consumer products, including many hard plastic food containers, water bottles and the lining of metal food and beverage cans. The chemical is present in more than 90 percent of the US population, the researchers note.

This study included 367 pairs of mothers and

infants. BPA levels were measured in the mothers' urine at 16 and 26 weeks' gestation and when they gave birth. The parents reported on signs of wheezing in their babies every six months for three years.

The tests showed that 99 percent of the children were born to mothers who had detectable BPA in their urine at some time during pregnancy.

A link between BPA levels and wheezing was found only in the youngest children. Among infants 6 months of age, those whose mothers had high levels of BPA during pregnancy were twice as likely to wheeze as those whose mothers had low BPA levels.

There were no differences in wheezing rates by the time the children were 3 years old.

Internet

A view of the Belgian headquarters of US pharmaceutical giant Pfizer, in Brussels on 23 Jan, 2007. INTERNET



Pfizer investors on alert for more shrinkage clues

NEW YORK, 3 May—Pfizer Inc is expected to report slightly lower quarterly earnings on Tuesday, but investors will be more focused on any signs the world's biggest drugmaker will further shrink itself to weather looming competition from generic drugs for its Lipitor cholesterol fighter.

"We will be listening for commentary around potential divestitures as well as any colour around potential larger moves," such as breaking up its pharmaceuticals business, JP Morgan analyst Chris Schott said on Monday.

Many investors fear Pfizer, which has bought three of the largest US drugmakers over the past decade, will be far too big to deliver strong profit growth once its \$10.7 billion-a-year Lipitor faces cheaper generics in November and more than a half dozen other Pfizer drugs lose US patent protection in the next few years.

Wall Street expects Pfizer's new chief executive, Ian Read, to eventually sell parts of the company or cut Pfizer to a size commensurate with its expected narrowing revenue base.—Reuters



A technician fumigates a home in 2009 to fight dengue. The wrong approach to wiping out the mosquitoes that cause dengue infections could lead to worse epidemics in the future, according to a study released Tuesday.

INTERNET



Business



Chrysler turns first profit since bankruptcy

DETROIT, 3 May—For the first time in nearly seven years, Detroit's car companies are all making money.

Chrysler, the last of the three to return to profitability, said Monday it earned \$116 million in the first quarter on revenue of \$13.1 billion. The company, which emerged from bankruptcy protection a little less than two years ago, hadn't reported net income since 2006.

General Motors Co, which also went into bankruptcy in 2009 and took billions in government aid, has reported four profitable quarters and held an initial public offering in November to help repay its loans. Ford Motor Co, which didn't take

bailout money but nearly filed for bankruptcy five years ago, recorded its eighth consecutive quarterly profit last week. Ford's 2010 profit of \$6.6 billion was the highest in a decade.

"It's kind of miraculous," said Van Conway, a consultant and founder of turnaround firm Conway MacKenzie. "If all of us were to put ourselves back in 2009, could we imagine that GM could have done an IPO and these companies would be enjoying this level of profit? I don't think so."—Internet



In this 28 April, 2011 file photo, an assemblyman works on an engine for the Chrysler Jeep or the Dodge Durango which are built on the same line at Chrysler's Jefferson North Assembly Plant in Detroit.—INTERNET

China drug firm eyes \$2.2 bln Hong Kong IPO

HONG KONG, 3 May—Shanghai Pharmaceuticals, one of China's biggest drugmakers, plans to raise as much as \$2.2 billion in an initial public offering ahead of its market listing in Hong Kong this month.

The company will sell 664 million shares in a price range of HK\$21.80-HK\$26.00 (\$2.81-\$3.35) per share ahead of its 20 May listing, Dow Jones Newswires reported, citing unnamed people familiar with the situation.

The drugmaker has confirmed four so-called cornerstone investors —

including Singapore's state investment firm Temasek and pharmaceutical giant Pfizer — to buy a total of \$550 million worth of its shares.

Hong Kong-based investment firm Guoco Group and Bank of China Investment are the other two cornerstone investors, Dow Jones said.

Since last year, the Chinese drug firm has acquired, or signed agreements to acquire, at least nine companies to boost its drug distribution business in the country's fragmented pharmaceutical sector, state press has reported.

Internet

India hikes key interest rates by 50 basis points

MUMBAI, 3 May—India's central bank on Tuesday raised lending rates by a bigger-than-expected 50 basis points, its ninth hike in 15 months to curb inflation, and warned that the move could slow growth.

The Reserve Bank of India raised its repo rate at which it lends to commercial banks — to 7.25 percent and increased its reverse repo — the rate it pays to banks for deposits — to 6.25 percent.

"Reining in inflation should gain priority over (economic) growth, even if it creates some short-term shocks like lower growth," Reserve Bank governor Duvvuri Subbarao said after

bank policymakers met in Mumbai.

The central bank meeting came after data showed inflation had unexpectedly surged to 8.98 percent in March from 8.31 percent the previous month.

"We expect inflation to remain at elevated levels through the first half of the year, before it starts to moderate," Subbarao added in a televised broadcast.

The central bank has previously raised rates in gradual, quarter-percent steps to minimise the impact on economic growth but this time moved more aggressively.

Internet



Pedestrians walk past the Shanghai skyline. Shanghai Pharmaceuticals, one of China's biggest drugmakers, plans to raise as much as \$2.2 billion in an initial public offering ahead of its market listing in Hong Kong this month.—INTERNET



Fire fighters work at a burning logistics center in Lanzhou, capital of northwest China's Gansu Province, on 3 May, 2011. No casualty has been reported yet.
INTERNET

Over 200 sickened by food poisoning in N China

TAIYUAN, 3 May — More than 200 people were sickened on Monday by food poisoning in a restaurant in north China's Shanxi Province, local health authorities said.

The sickened customers suffered from nausea, diarrhoea and other symptoms after they had lunch at Ruizhou Grand Restaurant in Datong City. Four of the victims

were said to be in serious conditions, said a spokesman for the emergency response office with the Shanxi provincial health department.

Some of the sick were receiving treatment at four different hospitals in the city, the spokesman said.

The restaurant served 60 to 70 tables at lunch for two weddings

and one birthday celebration on Monday, the final day of the three-day Labour Day holiday in China.

An initial investigation showed that the large number of the eaters falling sick was caused by a food poisoning, but the cause of the food poisoning remained unknown.

A further investigation is underway.
MNA/Xinhua

Volcano in Russia's Far East spew ash to 6,000 metres

VLADIVOSTOK, 3 May— The Shiveluch volcano on the Kamchatka peninsula in Russia's Far East, has spewed ash to an altitude of 6,000 metres above sea level, local media reported Tuesday.

The seismic activity at the volcano intensified at 4:30 local time Tuesday (1730 GMT Monday) and reached its peak at 6 am to 8 am local time (1900 to 2100 GMT Monday) before gradually abating, the *RIA Novosti* news agency reported.

Though experts said there was no danger for local communities, an aviation "orange" alert has been assigned to the area.

Meanwhile, Kizimen, another volcano on the peninsula, has become active and spewed ash into the air of up to 7,000 metres.

Xinhua

13 Indonesian sailors held hostage by Somali pirates

JAKARTA, 3 May— Some 13 Indonesian sailors onboard Singaporean ship MT Gemini were held hostage by Somali pirates in Somalian waters during its sailing to Kenya on Saturday, Indonesian official said here on Tuesday.

"Efforts to free the captured Indonesian sailors would need assistances from Singapore authority," Indonesian Foreign Affairs Ministry spokesperson Michael Tene said, adding that the hijacked ship belongs to Singaporean firm Glory Singapore.

The ship was loaded with 28,000 tons of crude palm oil and departed from Indonesia, a statement issued by the Singaporean firm said. Besides Indonesian sailors, the pirates also seized five Chinese, four South Korean and three Burmese sailors onboard the ship.—Xinhua

S Korea to increase tariff-free imports from May

SEOUL, 3 May— South Korea plans to increase zero-tariff import items from May as part of efforts to ease prices hikes, the finance ministry said Tuesday.

The government will impose lower or no tariffs on 9 additional food imports to secure supply in the wake of the outbreaks of foot and mouth disease and avian influenza, the Ministry of Strategy and Finance said in a statement.

Eight imported products, including chicken, milk cows, rice bran oil, processed chocolate, processed dairy cream, cream cheese, gouda cheese and recycled or semi-synthetic filament, will be subject to duty exemptions, according to the ministry.

Among them, 50,000 tons of chicken meat and 10,000 heads of milk cow will be exempted from import tariffs until the end of this year. No duty rates for all the imported rice bran oil, processed chocolate and recycled or semi-synthetic filament will be imposed until the year-end, the ministry said. The government will newly cut the import duties on all the imported raisins to 8 percent from the current 21 percent until the end of the year.—Xinhua



Miss One Malaysia Audrey Mu (C), 1st runner-up Lee Tze Hung (R) and 2nd runner-up Jeannie Lee Pui Jin pose for photograph at Kota Kinabalu, capital of Sabah Province in Malaysia, on 2 May, 2011. Mr and Miss One Malaysia Pageant Contest 2011 were held here Monday night. Champions of the contest were titled Mr and Miss One Malaysia.
XINHUA

US, Romania announce missile defence site plans

WASHINGTON, 3 May—The United States and Romania have agreed on a site to install missile interceptors as part of a planned US shield over Europe.

Undersecretary of State Ellen Tauscher and Romanian President Traian Basescu (TRY'-ahn bah-SES'-koo) were announcing the decision Tuesday in Bucharest to build the interceptor site at

Daveselu air base near the Bulgarian border. Romania already had agreed to host the interceptors, but the location had not been announced.

In an interview with *The Associated Press* ahead of the announcement, Tauscher said the interceptors would be operational as planned by 2015.

The Romanian site is part two of a four-part plan that the Obama administration outlined in 2009, when it shelved a Bush administration plan to use long-range interceptors based in Poland to counter any threat from Iran and North Korea.

That plan was opposed by Russia, which worried the system could target Russian warheads or undermine the Kremlin's deterrence strategy.

The Obama administration has said its plan would be more effective and able to counter a threat from Iran earlier.—Internet

Japan eyes \$49 bn nuclear compensation

TOKYO, 3 May—The Japanese government has estimated that compensation for damages resulting from the country's nuclear crisis

could reach four trillion yen (\$49 billion), a report said Tuesday.

Half the money will come from Tokyo Electric Power Co (TEPCO), the operator of the crippled Fukushima Daiichi power plant, with the rest coming from other electricity companies, the Asahi Shimbun said, without citing sources.

The came as TEPCO calculates its earnings and prepares its future budget, the Asahi said.

The Japanese government has officially

refused to estimate the total liability for compensation, saying that Tokyo would not put any cap on TEPCO's burden.

The Fukushima plant was heavily damaged by the deadly earthquake and tsunami of 11 March, and has since been releasing radioactive materials to the environment.

The worst nuclear disaster since Chernobyl in 1986 has forced the evacuation of tens of thousands of people from their houses, businesses and farms.—Xinhua



Experimental nuclear fusion reactor is seen at a laboratory in the Southwest Institute of Physics in Chengdu, Sichuan Province on 15 April, 2011.
INTERNET

Myanmar literati keep...

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Myanmar literati keep abreast of international literati in the art of writing. Myanmar literati's intellect, views, ideas and the art of writing are of high standard,



Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan presents lifetime achievement award to U Win Maung (Min Yu Wai).—MNA

but a weak point is that the works of literati are hardly translated into other languages to be worldwide well-known. So, skilled translators have to translate works of Myanmar literati on a wider scale for international attention. The Ministry of Information will render assistance in printing and distributing translated works.

He called on writers to strengthen their hand in the ongoing project for building National Library in Nay Pyi Taw. The National Library in Yangon will be upgraded to one with better service. The ministry is working hard for sustainable development of the village libraries, he said.

Managing Director of Sweson Media Group Dr Khin Moe Moe explained the purposes of presenting awards and selection of prizewinning works; and Chairman Dr Tin Tun Oo, assessments of the board of judges.

The minister presented Thutaweson Lifelong Achievement Award to writer U Win Maung (Min Yu Wai) and Belles-Letters Award to Maung Khin Min (Danubyu) for his work "Osaka Guest".

Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe, Yangon Region Minister for Culture and Religious Affairs Daw San San Nwe, Chairman of MWJA U Tin Hlaing (Ledwintha Saw Chit), donor Sweson Media Group Dr Tin Tun Oo and Managing Director Dr Khin Moe Moe also presented awards for other genres to winners.

Officials of Sweson Media Group donated K 700,000 to MWJA to hold a ceremony to pay respects to aged literati; K 600,000 to U Po Kya Thuta Sweson Library; and K 200,000 as assistance for health care to writer Nat Nwe.—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.



Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe presents prize to a winner.—MNA



Second-day session of MMCWA's 21st AGM continues

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May—The second-day session of the 21st annual general meeting of Myanmar Maternal

and Child Welfare Association took place at MMCWA building in Dekkhinathiri Township of Nay Pyi Taw District

today, chaired by Vice-Chairperson Dr Daw Wai Wai Tha.

At the session, the Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Organizations of regions and states submitted resource papers.

The second-day session of 21st annual general meeting of Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association in progress.

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Ma Hta Tha (APBCC)...

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Road in Kyimyindine Township, No. 3 branch on Pinlon Road in Dagon Myothit (North) Township, No. 4 branch on Upper 36th Street in Kyauktada Township, No. 5 branch on Thanthuma Street in South Okkalapa Township, No. 6 branch on Theinbyu Street in Mingala Taungnyunt Township, No. 7 branch on Bagan Road in Shwepaukkan Myothit of North Okkalapa Township, No. 8 branch on Theinbyu Street in Botahtaung Township and No. 9 branch on Bagan Street in Dagon Myothit (South) Township.

The Secretary fur-

ther explained, "Although 2530 buses are included in the lists under control of 140 bus lines, about 1900 buses are running daily in real due to their maintenance and charges of discipline enforcement."

Special buses, ordinary buses, mini-buses, BM Hino, KM Hino, Light trucks, Hilux and the vehicles remained in the world war are running along the routes inside and outside downtown beginning 5 am daily.

The Secretary said, "Officials of bus gates checked all the buses for designated rules for vehicles and disciplines that drivers and bus conductors

abide by for their daily runs. They have to sign the record books at the time control stations along their routes under supervision of the gate supervisors."

He continued, "The discipline enforcement teams submit reports on punishment for buses, bus drivers and conductors, who offended the prescribed disciplines, to the head office. The offenders are punished in accord with the designated rules."

Moreover, the APBCC (Head Office) practises carrot and stick system for the bus lines.

The Secretary said that passengers may submit their complains to the head office.

Branch officers and supervisors are daily supervising systematic runs of buses on their routes.



We have the opportunity to observe the activities of discipline enforcement and control of traffic ways by branch officers and supervisors at Sule car parking, Bogale market bus stop and Pansodan Street

bus stop.

Under control of All Private Bus-line Control Committee, buses are running along their respective routes. While looking at arrival of buses and their departure one after another

at the bus stops, we were thoughtful for achievement of APBCC of Yangon Region and its systematic works.

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Top Royal Modern Cinema goes into operation



Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan and Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe attend the opening ceremony of Top Royal Modern Cinema.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May—Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan and Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe attended the opening of Top Royal Modern Cinema at the front of Sein Gay Har Parami Centre at the corner of Insein Road and Parami Street in Hline Township, Yangon yesterday morning.

Also present on the occasion were Yangon Region Minister for Culture and Religious Affairs Daw San San Nwe, departmental heads and personnel from the Ministry of Information, artistes and guests.

Yangon Region Minister Daw San San Nwe, Managing Director of Myanma Motion Picture Enterprise U Aung Myo Myint and Managing Director U Kyaw Win Zaw of the cinema officially opened the cinema.

Next, Union Minister U Kyaw Hsan and the Yangon Region Chief Minister unveiled the signboard of the cinema. The Union Minister and party enjoyed the film at Top Royal Modern Cinema on the fourth floor of Sein Gay Har Parami Centre.

The cinema has the seating capacity of 333 and shows Myanmar and international films five times a day.—MNA

Coord meeting on sustainability of Inlay Lake held

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May — Union Minister for Forestry U Win Tun called for greater coordination between the departments concerned and local people in conservation measures for sustainability of Inlay Lake being taken by the government at the coordination meeting on environmental conservation and sustainability of Inlay Lake at Phaungdawpyan Hall of Inlay Lake in Nyaungshwe Township, here yesterday.

Next, Shan State Ministers for Agriculture and Forestry U Sai Sar Lu and for Inn National Race Affairs U Win Myint spoke on the occasion.

Then the Union Minister inspected measures taken for environmental conservation in Inlay

Lake and condition of natural forest in watershed mountain ranges of Inlay Lake.

MNA



Union Minister for Forestry U Win Tun addresses coordination meeting on environmental conservation and sustainability of Inlay Lake.—MNA



Union Minister for Immigration and Population receives UNHCR Resident Representative



Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Khin Yi receives UNHCR Resident Representative Mr Bhairaja Panday and party.

MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May— Union Minister for Immigration and Popul- ation U Khin Yi received UNHCR Resident Repr- esentative Mr Bhairaja Panday and party, at the ministry, here, this afternoon.—MNA

Ninth M-CCM Meeting held

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May— Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin delivered a speech at 9th Myanmar-Country Coordinating Mechanism (M-CCM) Meeting, hosted by his ministry, here, this morning.

Deputy Director-General Dr Saw Lwin

announced the name list of M-CCM members and the Union Minister was elected as M-CCM chairman. Officials from UNOPS and Save the Children discussed projects to be implemented with the fund of Global Fund. Director (Disease

Control) Dr Win Maung explained national-level AIDS, TB and Malaria prevention and control project. And Dr Saw Lwin discussed the Global Fund Round 11 Proposal and participation of two members from GAVI-HSS in M-CCM.

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9th Myanmar-Country Coordinating Mechanism (M-CCM) Meeting in progress.—MNA

A & I Minister receives UNDP official



Union A&I Minister U Myint Hlaing receives UNDP Regional Director for Asia and the Pacific Assistant Secretary-General Mr Ajay Chhibber.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May—Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Myint Hlaing received United Nations Development Programme Regional Director for Asia and the Pacific Assistant Secretary-General Mr Ajay Chhibber at his office, here, yesterday morning. They held discussions on development of agricultural sector.—MNA

Mines Ministry and CNMC to boost partnership

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May—Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik received Vice-President of Myanmar CNMC Nickel Co Ltd Mr Wang Xiaowei and party at his office here this morning.

The Union Minister and the Vice-President discussed matters related to investment in nickel mining and boosting production.—MNA

Rice and bean companies meet in Patheingyi

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May — Chief Minister of Ayeyawady Region U Thein Aung yesterday attended the coordination meeting of rice and bean companies at Ayeyar Shwewah Hall in Patheingyi and discussed the formation of agricultural produce associations and development of agriculture sector.—MNA

Ayeyawady Region Chief Minister U Thein Aung addressing work coordination meeting of rice and bean companies.—MNA

Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik receives Vice-President Mr. Wang Xiaowei of Myanmar CNMC Nickel Co Ltd and party.

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Multipurpose Kyeoahn...

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Multipurpose Kyeoahn-Kyeewa Hydropower Project lies near Wunlo Village, about five miles upstream Mezali Diversion Weir in Pwintbyu Township, Minbu District, Magway Region, and about 15 miles downstream Mone

Creek Dam Project. It is due to be completed in 2011-2012 financial year.

The 3280 feet long and 164 feet high dam has a catchment area of 1959 square miles. The average annual rainfall of the region is 45 inches. It is of zone dam type with a maximum water storage capacity of 10,860 acres. It has a 4300 feet long and 130 feet wide diversion canal and 1100 feet long and 326 feet wide reinforced concrete spillway. Its installation capacity is 74 megawatts and, the facility on completion will be able to produce 370 million kilowatt hours a year.

Construction Group (3) of the Irrigation Department under the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation is implementing the project. When the project is over, its four objectives will be achieved fully, and it will make contribution towards development of the nation's economy.

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Taninthayi Region Chief Minister visits schools in Dawei Township

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May —Taninthayi Region Chief Minister U Khin Zaw this morning visited Talaitaung Village Post Primary School, Kayinpyin (North) Ward Primary School and Kyunhmwe Ward Primary School in Dawei Township.

During the visits, the chief minister stressed the need for promoting the image of schools, keeping the schools and their compounds clean and tidy, enabling the students who completed primary education to pursue middle school education and cooperation between parents, teachers and school boards of trustees in implementing the tasks in 2011-2012 academic year.— MNA

Man loses foot in KNU blast

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May—U Kyaw Myint, 53, of Utayit Village, Wawlay Township (Branch), Kayin State, lost his left foot when he stepped on the mine planted by KNU in his farm at about 7 am today.

The local regiment provided him with medical treatment and aids.—MNA



Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint being welcomed by Head of Delegation Ambassador Mr David Lipman of Bangkok-based the Delegation of the European Union Office at the reception to mark Europe Day at Chatrium Hotel in Yangon on 3 May.—MNA

Panama captures members of int'l drug trafficking group

PANAMA CITY, 3 May— Panama's anti-drug agents on Monday captured four members of an international drug trafficking organization, said the National Police (PN).

The PN detained two Colombian citizens, one Costa Rican and one Panamanian, who were transporting some 22 kilogrammes of cocaine in Panama City.

The operation was carried out in coordination with the Specialized Prosecutor's Office on Crimes Related to Drugs in Villa Lorena, east of Panama City.

Police said the drug was hidden in the seats of a vehicle.

The PN also seized two vehicles used by the criminal organization for illegal activities as well as 4,200 US dollars in cash from the detainees.

Panama has been used by international drug cartels as a bridge to smuggle drug from South America to the United States.—Xinhua



Photo released by Canada's Conservative Party shows its leader and Canadian Prime Minister Stephen Harper addresses a rally in Stratford, Prince Edward Island, Canada, on 1 May, 2011. —XINHUA

100 missing after boat capsized in DR Congo

BEIJING, 3 May— About 100 people are missing after an overloaded boat capsized in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Survivors said that the boat was overloaded carrying about 300 people when it sank in the Kasai River, some 50 km from the town of Tshikapa.

Officials said the boat wasn't equipped for so many passengers or for travelling at night. It was only last week that at least 40 people died at Lake Kivu, in the country's east, when their boat capsized.

Xinhua

S Korean police raid Google Korea over location data collection

SEOUL, 3 May—South Korean police on Tuesday raided the office of Google Korea in Seoul on suspicion that the internet search company illegally collected location data of smartphone users.

Investigators from the cybercrime unit of the Seoul Metropolitan Police Agency (SMPA) were dispatched to Google's Seoul office early in the morning and confiscated hard drives and other computer data related to its mobile advertising agency, AdMob, local media reported.

"The raid on Google

Korea was carried out to confirm the allegation that Google's AdMob platform was used to collect data on individuals' locations via smartphone applications," an SMPA official was quoted by Yonhap News Agency as saying.

On the same day, SMPA investigators also raided the headquarters of local portal Daum Communications in central Seoul over similar suspicions.

The latest probes came amid growing worries about smartphone privacy breaches. South Korea's

telecom regulator launched an inquiry into Apple last week to decide whether the US tech giant's collection of location data from its iPhone and iPad users violates privacy rules.

Xinhua



Photo taken on 2 May, 2011 shows the plateau landscape beside the Xinzang Road in construction in Ritu County of Tibet Autonomous Region. Xinzang Road is a plateau road connecting northwest China's Xingjiang Uygur Autonomous Region and southwest China's Tibet Autonomous Region. The workers currently are building the highest part of the road, with an average altitude of 5,000 metres, in the condition of oxygen deficit and cold weather.

XINHUA



A child reads a book in a Jakarta slum area on 2 May, 2011. Indonesia's annual inflation slowed in April to 6.16 percent due to easing food prices, giving Bank Indonesia room to again hold rates at 6.75 percent when it meets on 12 May. —XINHUA

New Zealand's largest city hit by tornado

AUCKLAND, 3 May— A tornado ripped across part of New Zealand's largest city on Tuesday, upturning cars and sending debris slicing through the air, witnesses and news reports said. At least one person was killed and about 20 injured, a hospital official said.

The swirling dark-gray column of air and cloud cut a 3-mile (5-kilometre) path across the Auckland suburb of Albany at mid afternoon, flattening trees and tossing vehicles around, police and witnesses said.

"There were kids in a car which turned upside down and they had to get help," said Hamish Blair,

whose golf supplies store was in the hardest-hit area. "There's probably six or seven seriously damaged cars, and I saw cars flying off the ground about 30 metres (100 feet) in the air."

The tornado first touched down in Albany and then passed through neighbouring Birkenhead. Most of the serious damage was in Albany, where a shopping mall, a large hardware store and a supermarket were hit. Radio New Zealand reported that the roof of the Mega Centre mall in Albany collapsed.

Paul Patton, a spokesman for North Shore Hospital, said one person had been killed and at least 20 injured.

Tornadoes are not

uncommon in New Zealand, particularly on the country's North Island, where Auckland lies. But they tend to be smaller than those seen in the US Midwest.



Auckland generally gets one or two tornadoes a year, according to New Zealand's Ministry of Civil Defence and Emergency Management.

New Zealand has

File photo of the New Zealand city of Auckland. A freak tornado hit Auckland on Tuesday, killing two people and injuring dozens more as it ripped the roof off a suburban shopping mall.

INTERNET

Ship hits railway bridge in Western Australian port city Fremantle

SYDNEY, 3 May — A ship has crashed into a railway bridge in Fremantle, cutting rail access to the West Australian port city, local media reported on Tuesday. The ship, a refueling vessel called the Parmelia 1, hit the bridge on early Tuesday morning just before peak hour, the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) reported.

The 65-metre vessel was reportedly towed away from the bridge by two tugs after it struck about 6:30 am (local time).

Public Transport Authority (PTA) of Western Australia spokesman David Hynes said the crash had damaged its railway lines and commuters had been affected. "This is not one we get every day. A ship has hit the railway bridge at Fremantle and damaged the bridge and damaged our lines there so we can't run trains in and out of Fremantle," he said. Hynes said the PTA was trying to organize replacement buses. Harbormaster Allan Gray told the ABC that no fuel was spilt during the collision but an investigation would be carried out.—Xinhua

Internet



Ruben Vardanian, Troika Dialog's Board Chairman and CEO, Laura Tyson, S K and Angela Chan Chair in Global Management, Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley, Scott Miner, Chief Investment Officer of Guggenheim and Mohamed El-Erian, CEO and Co-Chief Investment Officer of PIMCO, attend the panel discussion "The Shape of Things to Come: Understanding the New Global Economy" at the 2011 The Milken Institute Global Conference in Beverly Hills, California on 2 May, 2011.—XINHUA

Red River flooding to crest this week

WINNIPEG, 3 May—A weekend storm that brought snow, rain and strong winds to the already flooded Red River Valley created large waves but did not inflict major damage on flood defences in the Canadian Province of Manitoba.

The Red River is expected to peak in the provincial Capital Winnipeg on Wednesday or Thursday at levels slightly below those of 2009 and 2006, and well off the record high of 1997, the Manitoba government said on Monday.

The Assiniboine River, which runs west to east and joins the northbound Red in Winnipeg, is already at its highest level in 88 years.

Late-melting snow on saturated ground in the northern US Plains states and in the Canadian Prairies has created the largest area affected by flooding in Manitoba's history.

The flooding has forced 1,900

people from their homes in the province — mostly because of cut-off roads — and delayed crop planting for farmers. The weekend storm temporarily raised water levels mainly because of wind, not precipitation, the provincial government said.

Movement of grain on rail lines affected by flooding in the Red River Valley should return to normal over the next two weeks, the Canadian Wheat Board said on Monday.

Canadian Pacific Railway restored some service on its Winnipeg to Emerson, Manitoba, line on Sunday, the Wheat Board said.

Canadian National Railway's line between Winnipeg and North Dakota remains closed, spokesman Warren Chandler said.

Manitoba expects to keep part of its main road link to North Dakota, Highway 75, closed until mid-May, but a detour is in place.—Reuters

Indonesia hosts maritime security drill

JAKARTA, 3 May—Indonesia hosted a 4-day joint drill on measures to address sea pirates, human trafficking and illegal fishing issues in Asia and Australia joined by ten countries, local media reported on Tuesday.

Besides Indonesia, the drill was joined by Singapore, Australia, Malaysia, Papua New Guinea, The Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Timor Leste and Vietnam.

Ten countries are taking part in the drill organized by Indonesia's coordinating maritime

security agency (Bakorkamla) and Australia's Border Protection Command (BPC) that was opened by Indonesian Coordinating Minister for Politics, Security issues Djoko Suyanto.

"The drill is expected to improve the existing cooperation, develop 'regional contact point' between participating countries in addressing maritime issues," Bakorkamla Chairman Didik Heru Purnomo was quoted by the Antara news service as saying.

During the drill, delegations would expose maritime issues in their respective countries, share their experiences in dealing with sea piracy, human trafficking and illegal fishing problems.—Xinhua



A People's Liberation Army (PLA) Hong Kong Garrison helicopter is seen on an anti-terror drill during an open day in Hong Kong, south China, on 2 May, 2011. The PLA Hong Kong Garrison was open to public on Monday in celebration of the International Labour Day.—XINHUA

17 fishermen missing in southern Philippines

COTABATO, 3 May—At least 17 Filipino fishermen were missing in the waters off southern Philippines after they lost contacts with their superiors for almost a month, the authorities said on Tuesday.

Eric Buagas, acting commander of Philippine Coast Guard based in the city of General Santos, said families of those on board the F/B Lady Gelaine-2m ship reported the incident and asked for assistance.

The official said the ship's crews was suppose deliver food supply for their stranded colleagues in the Moro gulf last 2 April but they failed to return. "We have dispatch team to look for them. We are hoping they are still alive," Buagas said.—Xinhua



Visiting German President Christian Wulff (L) and his Mexican counterpart Felipe Calderon shake hands after a press conference at the Official Residence of Los Pinos, in Mexico City, capital of Mexico, on 2 May, 2011. Wulff is on his 3-day visit to Mexico.—XINHUA

Vietnam successful example of development

HANOI, 3 May— Vietnam represents success stories in development and an example for other developing countries around the world, said Haruhiko Kuroda, president of the Asian Development Bank (ADB).

Kuroda made the remarks at a press conference under 44th annual meeting of the Board of Governors of the ADB in Vietnam's capital city of Hanoi Tuesday. After a decade of rapid growth, Vietnam has made impressive achievements in poverty reduction and joined the group of middle-income countries since 2008, said Kuroda.

Vietnam is also recovering after the

global financial crisis and economic downturn. Vietnam and other developing countries in Asia are facing many challenges in development process such as rising oil and food prices due to the impact of political instability in the Middle East and North Africa, the impact from the earthquake and tsunami in Japan, he added. Along with that, inflation has also affected hundreds of millions of poor people in Asia, including Vietnam. In particular, the economic growth in Asia also led to problems of environmental pollution and climate change which Vietnam is one of the most vulnerable countries.—Internet

Chile finds radioactive traces in Korean cars

SANTIAGO, 3 May—Chilean officials found traces of radioactivity in tests on around 20 used cars on a ship from South Korea that had been in the vicinity of Japan's damaged Fukushima atomic plant, a report said Monday.

The report in the daily *El Mercurio* quoted Iquique customs director Raul Barria as saying the radioactivity did not appear to pose a danger.

He said the vehicles were showing a level of one to five on a radioactive index, below the level of nine needed for an alert.

The ship sailed from South Korea and then docked at the Japanese ports of Osaka and Yokohama, located 500 kilometres (300 miles) from the reactor in Fukushima, which saw several explosions after the earthquake and tsunami that struck Japan on 11 March.

Nonetheless, workers at the Chilean port some 1,800 kilometres (1,100 miles) north of Santiago were concerned and asked for testing, said Moises Chavez, a spokesman for the stevedores.—Internet



A burnt train is seen at the railway station in Ciudadela in Buenos Aires Province, Argentina, on 2 May, 2011.—XINHUA

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A child walks past a "transformer" model during the Nanjing International Auto Exhibition in Nanjing, capital of east China's Jiangsu Province, on 2 May, 2011. The creations made of waste motorcars and parts are a spotlight of the exhibition.—XINHUA

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV HANSEDUO VOY NO (010)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV HANSEDUO VOY NO (010) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 4.5.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P 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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Photo taken on 30 April, 2011 shows beautiful ice floating on Sayram Lake in Bortala Mongol Autonomous Prefecture, northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region.—XINHUA



Fairgoers visit the Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) 2011 in Houston, on 2 May, 2011. The World's largest offshore resources event OTC 2011 kicked off on Monday.—XINHUA

No abnormalities found in radiation levels in China

BEIJING, 3 May—The Chinese mainland's environmental radiation levels remain normal, according to a daily notice posted by China's National Nuclear Emergency Coordination Committee on Tuesday.

No abnormalities in drinking water and food supplies have been

detected in sample surveys, said the notice.

Monitoring results showed that radiation levels in the inland environment, the air above the sea, and the surface seawater also remained normal in China, it said.

No obvious changes have been observed in the readings from on-site radiation monitoring posts at the quake-damaged Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant in Japan, said the notice, quoting a report from the International Atomic Energy Agency on Tuesday.

The Committee also announced that it will stop issuing daily reports on radiation levels from Tuesday. Reports hereafter will be issued on an irregular basis, it said.

Xinhua

Sony hacked again, 24.6 mln users' data at risk

BEIJING, 3 May—Hackers may have stolen personal information of 24.6 million Sony Online Entertainment users, the company disclosed on Monday afternoon. The compromised accounts were in addition to the recent leak of over 70 million accounts from Sony's PlayStation Network, an online game and entertainment service for its PlayStation 3 console.

The Japanese electronics company said the break-in also led to the theft of 10,700 direct debit records from customers in Austria, Germany, the Netherlands and Spain and 12,700 non-US credit or debit card numbers.

The Sony Online

Entertainment network, used for massively multiplayer online games like EverQuest, Star Wars Galaxies and Matrix Online, has been suspended temporarily, Sony said on Monday.

The entertainment net-

work is separate from the PlayStation Network, but both hacks have similar traits, said Mai Hora, a spokeswoman for Sony Computer Entertainment in Tokyo.

In both cases, the stolen data includes customer names, e-mail addresses and hashed versions of their account passwords. That data could be used to spam customers or trick them with phishing e-mails.—Xinhua



Sony Corp's Executive Deputy President Kazuo Hirai bows his head at a news conference to apologise for a massive security breach of its PlayStation Network in Tokyo on 1 May, 2011.—XINHUA

People enjoy themselves watching the Kiev flower show in Kiev, Ukraine, on 2 May, 2011. The five-week Kiev flower show opened in Kiev on Monday.—XINHUA



Skinny people also face colon cancer risk

SINGAPORE, 3 May—Not only those with overweight problems face higher risk of colon cancer, but the skinny folk are also in the same boat, a latest study has found, local media reported on Tuesday. The surprising finding emerged from the Singapore Chinese Health Study, a long-term research involving more than 50,000 participants and funded by the United States National Cancer Institute, local daily Straits Times reported on Tuesday.

Among those with a good body-mass index (BMI) of 21.5 to 24.4, only 89 out of 100,000 had colon cancer, the study found. Among those with BMIs of 18.5

to 21.4 and 24.5 to 27.4, the number of cases went up to 103. And among those with BMIs of 18.5 or less, or the skinny folk, the incidence shot up to 119 or 33 percent higher than the ideal group, the study found.

The BMI is calculated by dividing the weight by the square of height, all in metric form.—Xinhua



Visitors view a creation made of waste parts during the Nanjing International Auto Exhibition in Nanjing, capital of east China's Jiangsu Province.—XINHUA

81-year-old fights off Hong Kong teen muggers

An 81-year-old man in Hong Kong single-handedly fought off a gang of teenage muggers, police said Monday, with eight youths arrested and some requiring hospital treatment. The elderly man, only identified as Mak, was assaulted by the gang aged between 15 and 19 in a pedestrian tunnel during the 4:00 am incident when he was on his way to do morning exercise. He was attacked from behind.

"They pushed him to the ground and tried to rob him. The man fought back and the gang ran away empty-handed," a police spokeswoman told AFP. Some of the teenage muggers, five boys and three girls, sustained cuts and minor injuries after the man put up a fierce fight. Police later traced a trail of blood to a nearby flat and detained the teenagers. The injured were taken to hospital for treatment. "They are still being detained and under investigation for assault with intent to rob," the police spokeswoman said.

Bees interrupt match at Dutch friendly venue in Brazil

A match in the stadium where Netherlands will meet Brazil next month was held up for 20 minutes when a beehive was discovered on one of the crossbars and ended in a free-for-all among players and rival fans.

The Goiania State championship semi-final between Vila Nova and Goias at the Serra Dourada Sunday was held up after half an hour when hundreds of bees gathered at the top corner of the goal being kept by Pedro Henrique of Goias.

The fire brigade was called in and they used an extinguisher and a flaming torch to get rid of the bees with play resuming 20 minutes later even though not all the bees had gone.

Following a 2-2 draw that sent Goias through to the final, a Vila Nova player

kicked Rafael Toloi as he celebrated the victory, sparking a running battle among the rival teams on their way to the dressing rooms.

Television footage showed players exchanging punches and kicks and fans throwing seats from the stands onto the pitch which they invaded to join in the fighting.

The Serra Dourada will stage the 4 June friendly between Brazil and the Netherlands, their first

meeting since the Dutch eliminated the Brazilians in their 2010 World Cup quarter-final in South Africa.

Experts work with a special radar as they search for the body of the woman whom they believed modelled for Leonardo da Vinci's Mona Lisa at a dilapidated convent in Florence on 27 April, 2011.



Eurovision guides reprinted due to mistakes

German tourism officials in the city of Dusseldorf are reprinting about 30,000 visitors' booklets promoting the Eurovision Song Contest on May 10 to correct embarrassing mistakes.

The booklets incorrectly list an event as "Gay's day of action" instead of "Schools' day of action," a city tourism board spokesman said on Friday. The error is in booklets printed in both German and English, but only English versions will be reprinted. The booklet also contains the typos "Welcome to Duesseldorf" on its binding. The mistakes have generated headlines across the country since it was first reported on Wednesday. The board is putting correction stickers over the event listing in the 65,000 German booklets already printed. The mistake was made first in German, in which the words for school and gay are almost identical, and then was translated into English. The annual Eurovision Song Contest, which is one of the longest running television shows in the world, has traditionally had a strong following in gay communities.

News Album

Jackson doctor due in court to seek trial delay



Dr Conrad Murray, singer Michael Jackson's personal physician.—INTERNET

LOS ANGELES, 3 May— The doctor charged in Michael Jackson's death returns to court Monday to ask for a delay in his upcoming involuntary manslaughter trial.

The move comes two days before jury selection resumes, and one week before opening statements are scheduled to begin.

Dr Conrad Murray had been seeking a speedy trial, but his attorneys asked for a delay late Friday to give them more

time to prepare to rebut the opinions of newly-disclosed prosecution experts. The Houston-based cardiologist is accused of giving Jackson a lethal dose of the anesthetic propofol in the bedroom of the singer's rented mansion in June 2009. Murray has pleaded not guilty.

Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Michael Pastor said Friday that he would consider the delay request, but would not necessarily grant it.

Internet



Conviction upheld against US music producer for killing actress



Music producer Phil Spector (L) sits in court with his attorney Dennis Riordan at the Los Angeles Superior Court, during his sentencing for the February 2003 shooting death of actress Lana Clarks on 29 May, 2009.—XINHUA

LOS ANGELES, 3 May— A Californian appellate court panel Monday upheld the murder conviction of famed music producer Phil Spector, who was found guilty in 2009 for murdering actress Lana Clarkson.

Handing out the ruling, the panel's three judges from California's 2nd District Court of Appeal was rejecting the defence's claim that jurors should not have heard the accounts of five women who

contended they were involved in gun-related incidents with Spector between 1975 and 1995 — years before Clarkson's death on 3 Feb, 2003. According to a 2009 verdict, Clarkson was shot dead by Spector at his home in Southern California. She was 40 at the time.

Spector, 71, who has been serving a sentence from 19 years up to life time for the murder, shot to fame in the 1960s for developing the "Wall of Sound" recording technique which was used in his collaboration with the Beatles and other top music groups.

Xinhua



A dancer performs during the annual Dance in Yonge-Dundas Square in Toronto, Canada on 2 May, 2011.—XINHUA

Thriller movie about bin Laden's killing underway

BEIJING, 3 May— The filmmakers behind "The Hurt Locker" have been moving forward with an action thriller about bin Laden's killing after the real-life operation took place in Pakistan on Sunday.

Kathryn Bigelow, who won an Academy Award for her 2008 film "The Hurt Locker," is already working with her team on a movie about the Al Qaeda leader's death, media report on Tuesday. The project is provisionally entitled "Kill Bin Laden," based on a previous botched attempt to get the Al Qaeda leader, according to the Hollywood Reporter industry daily. Bigelow and her screenwriting collaborator Mark Boal — who worked with her on "The Hurt Locker" — have been meeting with actors for the action thriller project, when Sunday's shock development occurred.—Xinhua

Leverkusen's Hyypia to retire, start coaching

LEVERKUSEN, 3 May — Bayer Leverkusen's Finnish defender Sami Hyypia confirmed on Monday he will hang up his boots at the end of the season and will join the coaching staff at the Bundesliga club. Hyypia, 37, joined Bayer in 2009 after 10 years with Premier League club Liverpool and his contract was due to expire in 2012.

However he has decided to return to Finland to prepare his coaching diploma and will then join the coaching setup at the Finnish national side before returning to Leverkusen in 2012 after

the German club offered him a two-year contract as deputy coach.

"My time at Leverkusen has been fascinating and will finish with a direct qualification for the Champions League," said Hyypia, who played 52 times for the club. — *Internet*



Bayer Leverkusen's Finnish defender Sami Hyypia

Douchez opts to leave Rennes for PSG

RENNES, 3 May — Rennes highly-rated goalkeeper Nicolas Douchez is to sign for French giants Paris Saint Germain from rivals Rennes, it was revealed on Monday. The 31-year-old - who has yet to be capped though he has featured in several



Rennes highly-rated goalkeeper Nicolas Douchez

squads — informed Rennes' general manager Pierre Dreoissi on Sunday evening of his decision.

"He (Douchez) has chosen Paris. For us it is clear. From this moment on we are going to speed up the process of thinking of who is the best option to replace him," said Dreoissi. Dreoissi, who enjoyed a successful spell with Toulouse before signing for Rennes in 2008, had been thinking over several offers for a long time before opting for PSG, whose offer was not the most financially lucrative.—*Internet*

Barcelona, United on course for 2009 final rematch

LONDON, 3 May — With both Barcelona and Manchester United protecting 2-0 leads, a rematch of the 2009 Champions League final is looming at Wembley Stadium later this month. But ensuring they each have a chance to win a fourth European title will require the semifinalists to successfully negotiate second-leg matches. On Tuesday, Barcelona will be hosting a Real Madrid team still seething following an ill-tempered loss at home last week.

Real coach Jose Mourinho suggested there is a conspiracy to help Barcelona go reach the final, one of the inflammatory moments last Wednesday that led to a disciplinary investigation by European soccer's governing body. Barcelona also is under investigation after scuffle between players and officials from both teams at halftime resulted in the ejection of backup goalkeeper Jose Pinto. Madrid has already started stoking the tensions as it tries to overturn the deficit and enable Mourinho to reach a second successive final, having triumphed with Inter Milan against Bayern Munich last May. Madrid has posted a video on its website calling on Belgian referee Frank de Bleckere to avoid "falling for Barcelona's theater."—*Internet*



Canaries fly back to heady heights of Premier League

LONDON, 3 May — Norwich were promoted to the Premier League on Monday after they defeated Portsmouth 1-0 and join champions Queens Park Rangers among the elite for next season.

Their fourth successive win — thanks to Simeon Jackson's fifth goal in six games — leaves them four points clear of third-placed Cardiff, who lost 3-0 at home to Middlesbrough earlier on Monday, with a match remaining. It is Norwich's second successive promotion and sees them return to the Premier League after a six year absence.

Norwich manager Paul Lambert said it equalled the greatest moment of his playing career, which included winning the Champions League with Borussia Dortmund in 1997. "It's incredible what the lads have done. They are the ones who do it week in week out," said the Scotsman.

—*Internet*

Kurt Busch loses cool and blasts Penske race team

CHARLOTTE, 3 May — There's little doubt Roger Penske made the right choice in skipping the NASCAR race at Richmond, a decision that spared him from the R-rated rant driver Kurt Busch launched against his race team. Angry because his car wasn't competitive, Busch railed against his crew during the early portion of Saturday night's race.

He pointedly blamed Penske Racing's shortcomings on technical director Tom German over a radio frequency available to the public, and that was just his warmup act. When Busch ran into Ryan Newman's spinning race car, he delivered an expletive-laden tirade that paled beside the

Wie and Creamer commit to Sybase Match Play event

GLADSTONE, 3 May — The top 44 players on the LPGA's official money list are part of the preliminary field list for the LPGA Sybase Match Play Championship in two weeks at the Hamilton Farm Club. Michelle Wie and Paula Creamer confirmed on Monday they will play in the event scheduled for 19-22 May.

"I'm looking forward to the Sybase Match Play Championship," said Wie, who finished second in the Honda LPGA Thailand Open earlier this year. "Last year, I made the quarterfinals, and this year, my goal is to make it much further."—*Internet*

Guardiola salutes returning French defender Abidal

BARCELONA, 3 May — Barcelona coach Pep Guardiola on Monday saluted French defender Eric Abidal as he returned to full training ahead of his side's Champions League semi-final second leg against Real Madrid at the Nou Camp barely six weeks on from surgery on a liver tumour.

"This is the news of the day," exclaimed a delighted Guardiola. "Abi can't play 90 minutes, he has lost weight. But he is in perfect health and he'll be able to help us," Guardiola told reporters. "His teammates are happy as 'Abi' is back and the people who come to the stadium will see him on

the bench — or maybe even in the warm-up."

Abidal had the operation on 17 March but looked in fine shape as he trained with his teammates.

His return is a boon, particularly when Liga champions-elect Barca, who lead 2-0 from the first leg, also have fellow defenders Maxwell and Adriano on the sidelines.

—*Internet*



Barcelona's French defender Eric Abidal

Juventus put a brake on Lazio's CL hopes

ROME, 3 May — Lazio's hopes of gaining some breathing space in the race for a Champions League place were dashed here on Monday as they lost 1-0



Juventus' forward Alessandro Del Piero controls the ball against Lazio during their Serie A football match at Olympic stadium in Rome. — INTERNET

at home to Juventus. Simone Pepe's 87th minute goal dealt an unwelcome blow to the hosts — who were reduced to 10 men for the final 10 minutes when Cristian Ledesma was sent-off for a second bookable offence — hopes of Champions League football next season.

Lazio only lead Udinese and bitter city rivals AS Roma by a point with three matches remaining while victory kept Juventus hopes of grabbing the last Champions League spot alive, as they are four points adrift of Lazio. The decisive matches could well come next weekend as Lazio travel to Udinese while Roma are at home to AC Milan, who only require a point to seal the title.—*Internet*

Optimistic Federer puts clay mistakes behind him



Swiss Roger Federer

MADRID, 3 May — Roger Federer has wiped his clay-court slate clean and was on Monday heading into his start at the Madrid Masters with renewed enthusiasm. The former World number 1 bids to correct the errors which bothered him in his spring debut on the surface a fortnight ago.

The two-time Madrid

champion Swiss, seeded third behind Rafael Nadal and Novak Djokovic, who is 27-0 for the year to date, admitted to some errors in strategy last month when he lost a Monte Carlo quarter-final to Jurgen Melzer.

After training in Switzerland with another Austrian, Stefan Koubek, Federer pronounced himself fit for a long haul which not only includes the clay-court run through the French Open but also the grass campaign and a Swiss Davis Cup quarter-final to follow Wimbledon.— *Internet*



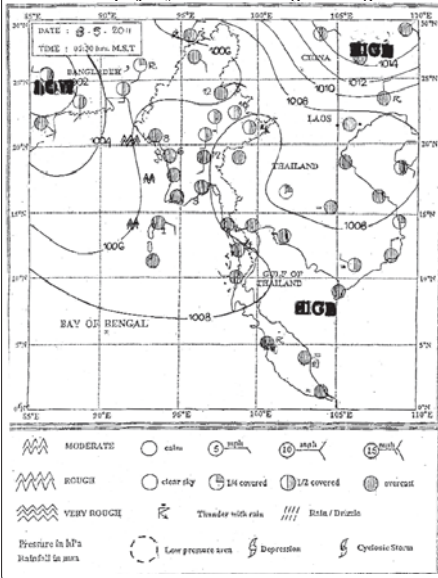
Kurt Busch

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WEATHER

Tuesday, 3rd May, 2011

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather have been partly cloudy in Lower Sagaing Region, rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Kachin and Shan States, fairly widespread in Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions. Scattered in Upper Sagaing, Mandalay Regions, Rakhine, Kayah and Mon States and isolated in the remaining Regions and States. Day temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below May average temperatures in Lower Sagaing, Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions, Kachin, Shan, Rakhine and Kayah States, (5°C) below May average temperatures in Magway Region, (7°C) to (8°C) below May average temperatures in Upper Sagaing and Bago Regions, and about May average temperatures in the remaining Regions and States. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Airport) (1.81) inches, Nay Pyi Taw (Pynmana) (0.87) inch, Gyobingauk (2.15) inches, Myintkyina (1.84) inches, Katha (1.77) inches, Kyaukpyu (1.49) inches, Saw (1.10) inches, Zaung Tu and Tharyawady (0.90) inch each and Myaungmya (0.86) inch.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 2-5-2011 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 3-5-2011 was 72°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 3-5-2011 was (92%). Rainfall on 3-5-2011 was (0.39) inch.

Nay Pyi Taw (Airport)

Maximum temperature on 2-5-2011 was 88°F. Minimum temperature on 3-5-2011 was 73°F. Relative

humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 3-5-2011 was (77%). Rainfall on 3-5-2011 was (1.81) inch.

Rainfall on 3-5-2011 was (0.39) inch at Nay Pyi Taw, (Nil) at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (Nil) at Mandalay. Total rainfall since 1-1-2011 was (10.00) inches at Nay Pyi Taw, (8.82) inches at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (4.26) inches at Mandalay. Maximum wind speed at Nay Pyi Taw was (6) mph from Southeast at (12:30) hours MST on 3-5-2011.

Bay Inference: Weather is partly cloudy in the Southwest and East Central Bay, partly cloudy in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 4th May, 2011: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in Lower Sagaing, Magway and Mandalay Regions, Shan State and fairly widespread in the remaining Regions and States. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with moderate to rough sea 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 4-5-2011: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 4-5-2011: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 4-5-2011: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Aussie Stosur thunders to Madrid tennis win

MADRID, 3 May—Australian Samantha Stosur moved into the third round of the ATP-WTA Madrid Masters on Tuesday, defeating Daniela Hantuchova for the second time in a fortnight on red clay.

The fifth seed came through 7-6 (7/1), 7-5 winner in a second round match which was almost interrupted by a huge thunderclap in the skies over the Caja Magica. The noise caught Hantuchova off-guard, with the flinching Slovak asking to stop play.

But with Stosur closing in on victory, the match went ahead, with the French Open finalist advancing on her second match point in just under two hours of play moments later.

Stosur lifted her clay record in 2011 to 6-2 as she closes in on her career-best in Madrid, a quarter-final last year. She next faces the winner from French 11th seed

Marion Bartoli and Russian Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova.

“We always have tough matches,” Stosur said after claiming victory



Australian Samantha Stosur returns a ball to Slovakian Daniela Hantuchova during their match of the Madrid Masters at the Caja Magica sports complex in Madrid.—INTERNET

with 24 winners and 28 unforced errors. “We know each other’s game very well.

“It was a tough match and I’m glad to get through. I was ready to play a third set if it had gone to that.

I just tried to stay in the moment and play each point as it came.

“My game if feeling good on clay, in fact I’ve had some of my best matches this season on the red clay. I’m feeling very good and hope to keep going like this.”

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MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (4-5-2011) (Wednesday)

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

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Communal Novitiation Ceremony
- * News
- * Creative Expert in Myanmar “The Life of an Artist”
- * News
- * Miss Eushido 2011
- * News
- * A Day Out With Sarah (Episode-1)

Oversea Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Communal Novitiation Ceremony
- * News
- * Creative Expert in Myanmar “The Life of an Artist”
- * News
- * Miss Eushido 2011
- * News
- * A Day Out With Sarah (Episode-1)
- * News
- * Youth of the Future (Episode-5) (Vocalist)
- * News
- * Festive Events of Twantay
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Orchids Research from Mount Popa
- * News
- * A Day In ZALUN
- * Myanmar Movies
- * “My Teacher”



Wednesday, 4 May

View on today

- 7:00 am
1. Paritta By Venerable MinGun Sayadaw
- 7:15 am
2. Dhamma Puja Song

- 7:25 am
3. To Be Healthy Exercise
- 7:30 am
4. Morning News
- 7:40 am
5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 7:55 am
6. Health Programme
- 8:05 am
7. Cultural Dances
- 8:15 am
8. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 8:25 am
9. Musical Programme
- 8:40 am
10. International News
- 8:45 am
11. Teleplay (Health)
- 4:00 pm
1. Martial Song
- 4:10 pm
2. Musical Programme

- 4:15 pm
2. Dance Of National Races
- 4:20 pm
4. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 4:40 pm
5. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures) First Year (Botany)
- 4:55 pm
6. Songs For Upholding National Spirit
- 5:00 pm
7. Classical Songs
- 5:10 pm
8. Documentary
- 5:25 pm
9. Song Programme
- 5:40 pm
10. “ASEAN” Programme

- 6:00 pm
11. Evening News
- 6:15 pm
12. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm
13. Traditional Boxing
- 6:35 pm
14. Shwe Yin Chone Than
- 7:10 pm
15. Singing In Different Versions
- 7:40 pm
16. Joint Performance by State Traditional Orchestra
- 8:00 pm
17. News
18. International News
19. Weather Report
20. Korea NG Award
21. TV Drama Series
22. Teleplay (Hailing “Fire Brigade Day”)

- ★ 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

Multipurpose Kyeoohn-Kyeewa Dam

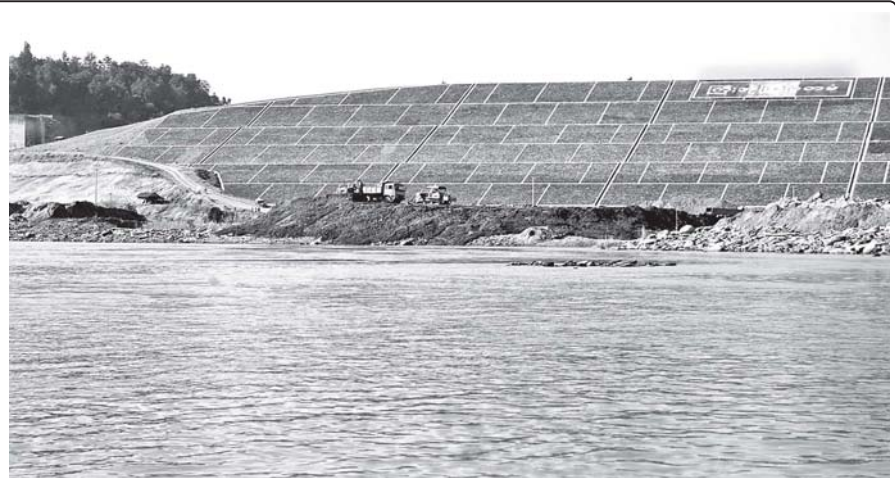
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The Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation has been carrying out feasibility study to beef up utilization of water and land sources for development of the agricultural sector as part of the drive for economic growth of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

In addition, it is improving the hydropower sector indispensable for supply of adequate electricity across the nation. One of the hydropower projects it is implementing is Multipurpose Kyeoohn-Kyeewa Hydropower Project that is nearing completion.

Multipurpose Kyeoohn-Kyeewa Hydropower Project was launched in 2002-2003 fiscal year with four objectives:

- (1) to generate 74 megawatts of hydropower, storing the water from the Mone Creek Dam and the water that flows in the area between



Multipurpose Kyeoohn-Kyeewa Hydropower Project seen on 1 November 2010.

- the dams,
- (2) to supply irrigation water to 96,777 acres of fields of monsoon paddy through Mezali Diversion Weir,

- (3) to increase the total summer paddy sown acreage of 74,007,
 - (4) to green surrounding regions.
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Union Minister for Immigration and Population receives UNHCR Resident Representative



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New Zealand's largest city hit by tornado

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Fire fighters work at a burning logistics center in Lanzhou, capital of northwest China's Gansu Province, on 3 May, 2011. No casualty has been reported yet.



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Myanma Railways Library opens

NAY PYI TAW, 3 May—To mark the 134th anniversary of Myanma Railways, which fell on 1 May, Myanma Railways Library was opened this afternoon at Nay Pyi Taw Railway Station here.

Myanma Railways Managing Director U Thein Swe accepted publications and cash donated by well-wishers and looked round the library. The aim of opening the library is to broaden the horizons of Myanma Railways staff.—MNA