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Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquility, 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

President U Thein Sein accepts credentials of newly-accredited Mexican Ambassador to Myanmar

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today. Also present on the occasion were Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister at President Office U Thein Nyunt and Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of Protocol Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. *MNA*

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President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein receives Ambassador of New Zealand to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Mr. Bede Gilbert Corry at President Office in Nay Pyi Taw.—MNA

PERSPECTIVES

Tuesday, 5 July, 2011

Sanitation for brighter future of students

Students and their parents and teachers are under a responsibility to beef up working together towards school health care the most fundamental process for uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation.

In 1995, WHO organized the global community to set up schools with better health care, noting that investment in school health was cost-effective but very beneficial to the health of the entire people. It also called on all related organizations to pursue the common goal for improving school health worldwide.

Establishment of such schools is a prudent plan to improve the education of students and the health of their families forever.

Keeping school compounds and environs clean and green helps students feel refreshed and active in their studies. Hygienic food, personal hygiene, clean water and fly-proof latrines are fundamental requirements for the health of students.

The youth begin learning at the age of five years, so to keep school compounds and surrounding areas clean is of crucial importance. And they should be nurtured intensively since young.

The youth of today are the future of the nation. Only if they are healthy and dynamic can they keep abreast of their counterparts of other countries. Therefore, parent-teacher cooperation is very important for improving the health standard of school-age children and school sanitation.

Dy Health Minister meets faculty members at Yangon Nursing University

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July — Deputy Minister for Health Dr Daw Myat Myat Ohn Khin met with rector, professor, deans, faculty members, students and staff at University of Nursing (Yangon) on 30 June.

She also attended opening of commemorative ceremony of the institute's golden jubilee and commemorative booth on 1 July.

The deputy Minister also met faculty members and students at University of Medical Technology in Insein Township.—MNA

- * 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 Foreign Affairs Minister meets Pakistani Ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July — Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin received Pakistani Ambassador to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Mr. Qazi M. Khalilullah at his office, here, this afternoon.

They held comprehensive discussions on promotion of bilateral relations and matters of mutual interests. —MNA

Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin receives Pakistani Ambassador to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Mr. Qazi M.Khalilullah.—MNA

Union Construction Minister oversees progress of Twantay-Maubin road, Maletto-Mezali road

YANGON, 4 July—Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint oversaw roadworks on Hlinethaya-Twantay tarred road, and Twantay-Maubin shortcut as well as construction of concrete bridge in place of Myasein wooden bridge and repair of Zipyugon Bridge yesterday.

On his tour, the Union Minister heard reports on progress in tarring of the road and left necessary instructions. The Union Minister inspected roadworks along Maletto-Mezali road and called personnel concerned for stockpiling of gravels in monsoon.

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Union Forestry Minister meets ASFN delegation

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July—Union Minister for Forestry U Win Tun received a delegation from (ASEAN Social Forestry Network-ASFN) at the Minister's office here today. At the call, they discussed socio-economic development of rural people and establishment of plantation.

Also present at the



call were Director-General U San Lwin of Planning and Statistics Department under the Ministry of Forestry, Acting Director-General

U Aye Myint Maung of Forest Department and Deputy Directors-General U Tin Tun and Dr Nyi Nyi Kyaw.—MNA

Union Minister for Forestry U Win Tun receives a delegation from (ASEAN Social Forestry Network-ASFN).—MNA



A total of 30 quality paddy strains to produce Sinayeri-3 Breeder Seed were planted at the rate of one plant per hill at Agriculture Research Farm (Mohnyin) on 1 July. NLM-001

Fashion Show in Mandalay honours Myanmar Women's Day

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July — Mandalay Region Women's Affairs Organization held fashion show in commemoration of Myanmar Women's Day on 1 July. Chairperson of Region WAO Daw Htay Htay Aung made an opening

speech and accepted cash donations made by wellwishers.

Fourteen damsels in Myanmar traditional costumes participated in the show.

MNA

Explosion rocks Kabul, wounds three police

KABUL, 4 July—An explosion rocked Afghan Capital Kabul on Sunday, wounding three policemen, a police officer said.

It was a mortar mine, fired from unknown location and landed near a police checkpoint in Deh Mazang area, injuring three policemen," Najibullah Samsour told newsmen at the site of incident.

However, he did not say who was behind the mortar shelling or what was the target of the attack.

Earlier a police

officer who declined to give his name described the incident as a remote-controlled bomb blast.

The incident happened around 12:45 pm local time close to Traffic department on a road leading to Afghan parliament building.

It is the second attack in the fortified Afghan Capital Kabul over the past six days.

In the previous attack for which Taleban outfit claimed of responsibility, nine militants equipped with suicide vests and light arms targeted a luxury

hotel — the Intercontinental Hotel on Tuesday night which left 21 people dead includ-



ing 10 civilians, two policemen and nine attackers and injured 18

Afghan men stand around a vehicle, which was damaged in the explosion in Kabul, Afghanistan on 3 July, 2011.

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Xinhua

Four killed, seven wounded in Baghdad bomb attacks

BAGHDAD, 4 July — Four people were killed, including three policemen, and seven injured in two roadside bomb attacks in Baghdad on Monday, an Interior Ministry source told *Xinhua*.

In western Baghdad, a roadside bomb struck a police patrol in Mansour District and badly damaged a police vehicle, killing three policemen aboard and wounding another, the source said on condition of anonymity.

Three passers-by were wounded by the blast which also damaged several nearby civilian cars, the source said.

In a separate incident, a roadside bomb ripped through Abu Dsheer neighbourhood in southern the capital, killing a civilian and wounding three others, the source added. Violence and sporadic high-profile bomb attacks continue in the Iraqi cities despite the dramatic decrease of violence over the past few years.

Xinhua



An Afghan man, who was wounded in a suicide attack is seen on a hospital bed in Kapisa northeast of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 15 June, 2011. A suicide bomber killed eight people and wounded four others in a strike on a governor's office in the northeast, while a mortar targeted a building where NATO and Afghan officials were inaugurating the country's largest police training facility in central Afghanistan.

XINHUA

16 militants killed by Afghan, NATO troops in E Province

JALALABAD, 4 July— Afghan forces backed by NATO-led troops eliminated 16 militants in Nangarhar Province 120 km east of capital City Kabul on Sunday night, a local official said Monday.

"Afghan and NATO-led troops launched a joint operation against Taleban hideouts in Margi Khil Village of Khogyani District Sunday night, as a result 16 rebels were killed," governor of Khogyani District Mohammad Hassan told *Xinhua*.

The majority of those killed during the operation are foreign fighters, Hassan said but did not give more details.

Meantime, Zabihullah Mujahid who claims to speak for the Taleban outfit in talks with media via telephone from undisclosed location confirmed the operation and said 13 Taleban were killed in the gun battle that lasted for several hours.

However, he stressed that over 20 Afghan and US soldiers were killed in the fight, a claim rejected by Mohammad Hassan as groundless.

The NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) in a statement released here on Monday said that 15 militants were killed during a combined Afghan-NATO forces operation in Sherzad District of Nangarhar Province on Sunday.

Xinhua



Two killed, two wounded in Baghdad explosion

BAGHDAD, 4 July— A sticky bomb attached to a civilian car detonated in central Baghdad on Sunday, leaving two people inside the car dead and two passers-by wounded, an Interior Ministry source said.

The explosion happened in Bab al-Muadhem district of Baghdad on Sunday afternoon, killing two and wounding two, the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity because he is not authorized to speak to the media.

Several civilian cars nearby were damaged and windows of adjacent buildings were blown out, the source added.

Violence has dropped dramatically since its peak in 2006 and 2007 when sectarian fighting nearly plunged the country into civil war, but shootings and bombings still occur on daily basis.

Xinhua

Injured people receive medical treatment at a hospital in southern Pakistani port City of Karachi on 3 July, 2011. At least two people were killed and four others were injured in shootout in Karachi.

XINHUA



Six Afghan militants killed as explosive device explodes prematurely

KABUL, 4 July— Six Taliban militants were killed when their explosive device went off prematurely in Afghanistan's Helmand Province, 555 km south

of capital city of Kabul, provincial government said on Monday.

"Six Taliban militants were busy in planting a mine on a road in Sangin District of Helmand Province Sunday but their explosive device detonated prematurely, killing all rebels on the spot," a statement issued by Helmand provincial government here said.

Taleban militants who largely rely on roadside bombing and suicide attacks have yet to make comment.

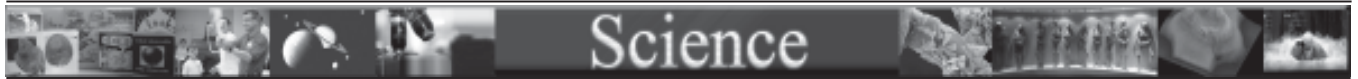
Notorious for growing poppy and militancy, the Helmand Province has been regarded as Taleban hotbed in the militancy-hit southern part of the country.

In a separate development, police detained a would-be suicide bomber and thus foiled a terrorist attack in Surobi district of Kabul Province, some 60 km east of Kabul City, on Sunday, Kabul police said in a statement released here Monday.

Xinhua

Civil defence personnel inspect the site of a bomb attack in Basra, 550 km (342 miles) south of Baghdad recently. A suicide bomber blew up an explosives-filled vehicle at the entrance to a police unit in Iraq's southern oil port of Basra on Monday, killing five people and wounding 15, police and officials said.

INTERNET



Science



The sauna in complex 2 is seen at the Mayan archaeological site of Joya de Ceren in El Salvador, on 1 July, 2011. The Mayan site Joya de Ceren was discovered in 1976 after being buried by an volcanic eruption in year 630.—INTERNET

Bees' effect on UK crops studied

READING, 4 July—A UK study found a decline in honeybee numbers isn't affecting agricultural production, with researchers saying other insects may be providing pollination. "For decades now we have assumed that honeybees have been providing the majority of pollination services to these systems but have very limited evidence to base this assumption on," study author Tom Breeze of the University of Reading said.

When the number of hives present in the United Kingdom was compared to the numbers research suggests are required to optimize crop yields, it was found the country has only about a third of the honeybees it needs, the study in the journal *Agriculture, Ecosystems and Environment* said.

"You would think that such a severe deficit in honeybees would cause massive loss of crop productivity" researcher Simon Potts said. "However, examining yields of these

crops since the 80's, they have just kept going up. While some of that is down to better production systems, other species have probably stepped in to fill the gap left by honeybees."

Researchers say the study demonstrates the need to examine what benefits British crop growers are gaining from the country's 250 species of wild bees, many of which are now threatened by intensive agricultural practices.

Internet

Warming ocean could melt ice faster than thought

WASHINGTON, 4 July—Warming air from climate change isn't the only thing that will speed ice melting near the poles — so will the warming water beneath the ice, a new study points out.

Increased melting of ice in Greenland and parts of Antarctica has been reported as a consequence of global warming, potentially raising sea levels. But little attention has been paid to the impact of warmer water beneath the ice.

Now, Jianjun Yin of the University of Arizona and colleagues report the warming water could mean polar ice melting faster than had been expected. Their report was published Sunday in the journal *Nature Geoscience*.

While melting floating ice won't raise sea level, ice flowing into the sea from glaciers often reaches the bottom, and grounded ice melted by warm water around it can produce added water to the sea.

"Ocean warming is very important compared to atmospheric warming because water has a much larger heat capacity than air," Yin explained. "If

you put an ice cube in a warm room, it will melt in several hours. But if you put an ice cube in a cup of warm water, it will disappear in just minutes."

In addition, Yin explained, if floating ice along the coastal areas melts it will allow the flow of glaciers to accelerate, bringing more ice into the seas. "This mean that both Greenland and Antarctica are probably going to melt faster than the scientific community previously thought," co-author Jonathan T Overpeck said in a statement.

Overpeck, co-director of the University of Arizona's Institute of the Environment, said: "This paper adds to the evidence that we could have sea level rise by the end of this century of around 1 metre and a good deal more in succeeding centuries."

The subsurface ocean along the Greenland coast could warm as much as 3.6 degrees Fahrenheit (2 Celsius) by 2100, the researchers reported.

The warming along the coast of Antarctica would be somewhat less, they calculated, at 0.9 degree F (0.5 C).—*Internet*



Technology

Sony to restore all PlayStation network services in Japan

TOKYO, 4 July—Sony Corp said it will fully restore all Playstation Network videogame services in Japan, marking the resumption of all network services worldwide after a massive security breach forced the company to shut them down in April.

Sony said on Monday that PlayStation and Qriocity network services will be fully back online on 6 July, after the theft of data on 77 million PlayStation accounts and an 11-week shutdown.

Services have been brought back only partially in Japan, which accounts for less than 10 percent of PlayStation network users.

Hackers also stole data from 25 million users of a separate system, its Sony Online Entertainment PC games network, in a breach discovered on 2 May.

The security breaches have forced Sony executives to appear before a US Congressional hearing, and were followed by a reshuffle of management at Sony's gaming unit. Its shares have lost 12 percent since 26 April, the day before the company

revealed the first attack.

Cyber security is quickly becoming a priority for policymakers. An attack on defence contractor Lockheed Martin may have compromised SecureID tokens made by EMC Corp, while data on US government officials may have been stolen through an attack on Google Inc.

Shares of Sony ended up 0.3 percent before the announcement on Monday, against a 1 percent rise in the benchmark Nikkei average.

Reuters



A person plays a video game at a Sony Playstation in Sony store in Berlin.

INTERNET

Facebook engineers create Google+ Style Facebook hack

NEW YORK, 4 July—Google's new social venture, Google+ has been criticized for its similarities with Facebook. Perhaps in response to the buzz, a team of Facebook engineers have created a Google+ inspired Facebook hack, TechCrunch reports.

Currently in a "field trial," Google+ allows you to organize your friends in customized Circles, like friends, family, colleagues, etc. You can then control the privacy settings for each Circle. To include a person in a particular Circle, you simply drag their picture into the appropriate category.

By contrast, it's a bit more complicated to organize your Facebook friends. From the Account menu in the top right hand corner of the browser, you select "Edit Friends," and then "Create a List," and then have to go through a few other steps in order to designate a group of people as being for example "college friends."

Designed by Facebook engineers Vladimir Kolesnikov, Peng Fan, Zahan Malkani, and Brian Rosenthal, Circlehack allows you to organize your friends in the same way you can



Facebook engineers copy Google+ with 'Circle Hack' app.—INTERNET

organize them using Google+.

The comparison between Google+ and Facebook is hard to avoid. Both companies are two of the top name in tech right now. Just ask former Google CEO Eric Schmidt, who recently called Amazon, Apple, Google, and Facebook tech's "gang of four". On the other side of things, even Facebook founder and CEO Mark Zuckerberg has a Google+ profile, although you might have to sift through a few fake profiles to find the real Zuck.

Google+ is still in its early days. But to see how Facebook and Google compare check out PCMag's take in Social Networking Showdown: 8 Facebook Features Google+ Doesn't Have (Yet) and 6 things Google+ Can Do That Facebook Can't.—*Internet*



Health

Milk in baked food helps kids with allergy

NEW YORK, 4 July—Increasing amounts of food with milk baked in, in the diets of children allergic to milk, helps them outgrow their allergy, US researchers say.

Study co-author Dr Anna Nowak-Wegrzyn of Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York studied 88 children ages 2-17 who were diagnosed with milk allergy, to evaluate their tolerance to foods containing baked milk, such as muffins, waffles and cookies.

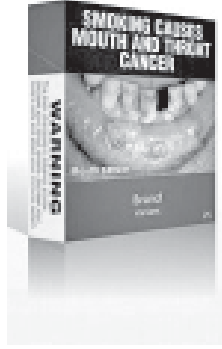
The high temperatures used in baking cause the proteins in milk to break down, reducing the allergenicity, Nowak-Wegrzyn says.

Researchers used a series of food challenges

during a five-year period to introduce the children to foods that had progressively less-heated forms of milk, and at the end of the study, 47 percent of the experimental group could tolerate unheated milk products, such as skim milk, yogurt and ice cream, compared to 22 percent in a control group.

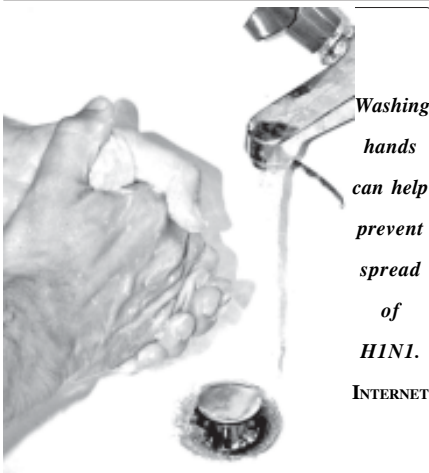
“This study shows that many children with allergies do not need to completely avoid all milk products,” Nowak-Wegrzyn says in a statement. “It’s also an encouraging sign that through careful medical supervision, children can grow out of their allergies much quicker.”

The findings are published in *the Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology*.—Internet



This artist's impression provided by the Minister from the Department of Health and Ageing shows a proposed cigarette packaging stripped of all logos and replaced with graphic images that tobacco companies in Australia will be forced to use.

INTERNET



Washing hands can help prevent spread of H1N1.

INTERNET

People living in deprived areas have higher rates of stroke

CANBERRA, 4 July—People living in deprived areas have higher rates of stroke than those enjoying more affluent lifestyles, Australian researchers said on Sunday. The study led by Dr Emma Heeley, a senior researcher from The George Institute for Global Health, looked at stroke statistics for 3,077 patients from Perth, Melbourne of Australia and Auckland of New Zealand between 1995 and 2003. The study found those from the most disadvantaged areas had a 70 percent higher chance of having a stroke than those in wealthy suburbs.

Those living in poorer areas also had strokes at a younger age, 68 compared with 77 for their wealthier cousins. Dr Heeley said the findings suggested that up to one-fifth of strokes could be prevented by

improving the socioeconomic status of those in deprived areas. “Our analysis provides evidence that people living in areas that are relatively more deprived in socioeconomic terms experience higher rates of stroke,” she said in a statement released on Sunday.

“This may be explained by a higher prevalence of risk factors among these populations, such as hypertension, diabetes and cigarette smoking. “Effective preventative measures in the more deprived areas of the community could substantially reduce rates of stroke.” Dr Heeley and her colleagues also found that men had significantly higher rates of stroke than women across all socioeconomic backgrounds except the most deprived.—Xinhua



Business



Nestle ‘in talks to buy Chinese sweetmaker’

WASHINGTON, 4 July—Swiss food giant Nestle is in talks to acquire Chinese sweetmaker Hsu Fu Chi in what could be one of the biggest takeovers of a Chinese company by a foreign competitor, economic media said on Monday.

Hsu Fu Chi, listed on the Singapore stock exchange, requested that trading of its stocks be suspended from Monday “to avoid abnormal fluctuation over the company’s shares price and maintain shareholders’ interests.” The negotiations surrounding the purchase of Hsu Fu Chi were described as delicate, and a deal is not expected for weeks, according to *the Wall Street Journal*,

which cited a person close to the issue.

Hsu Fu Chi’s net profit for the quarter ending 31 March reached 206.6 million yuan (22.0 million euros, \$32.0 million), with revenues at 1.5 billion yuan, according to its latest income statement. For the year ending 30 June, 2010, profits were at 602.2 million yuan and revenues at 2.0 billion yuan.

Nestle was not immediately available for comment, while Hsu Fu Chi, which has a market capitalisation of \$2.6 billion, said in a statement that it would not comment on the issue.

“The Group has long been pursuing strategic talks with potential confectionery partners in the market,” said Hsu Fu Chi.—Internet



A woman enters a branch of Germany's federal Labour Agency, in the southern German City of Nuremberg. The agency plans on cutting some 10,000 jobs because of falling unemployment, its chief executive told Monday's edition of *Bild* newspaper.—INTERNET

Banks cutting principal on some mortgages

NEW YORK, 4 July— Bank of America Corp and JPMorgan Chase & Co have started modifying tens of thousands of mortgages where the banks deem the loans especially risky, even if the borrowers have not asked, *the New York Times* reported on Sunday.

In some cases, the paper said, the banks are slashing the amount

borrowers owe, citing one case in Florida where a woman’s principal balance was cut in half.

The paper said the banks are targeting holders of pay option adjustable-rate mortgages, a type of loan where borrowers have the option of skipping some principal and interest payments and having the amount added back onto the loan.

Such “option ARM” loans were seen as especially high risk in the wake of the financial crisis; the two banks collectively still have tens of billions of dollars of such loans in their portfolios. One law professor quoted by *the Times* said the banks were behaving in contradictory ways, modifying some loans that should not be and not modifying some loans that should be.

Spokespeople for the two banks were not immediately available to comment.—Reuters



The logo of Nestle, the Swiss food giant, is seen at the company's headquarters in Vevey, Switzerland.—INTERNET

Turkish inflation drops 1.43% for June

ISTANBUL, 4 July —The Turkish consumer price index dropped by 1.43 percent for June, which was a steeper drop than market expectations, statistics released Monday showed.

The consumer price index for June dropped by 1.43 percent while the producer price index rose by 0.1 percent, according to data released by the Turkish statistics Institute.

Analysts were expecting a 0.77 percent drop for the CPI and 0.35 for the PPI. Based on the data for June, annual CPI stands at 6.24 percent and PPI at 10.19 percent. The drop in the price of fruit was considered as the major factor for the drop. The Turkish economy grew at a record 11 percent during the first quarter of 2011, data released last week showed.—Xinhua

Woman catches toddler who fell 10 stories

BEIJING, 4 July—State media report a toddler is in critical condition in east China after surviving a 10-story fall by being caught by a passing woman.

Media reports say the 2-year-old girl Niu Niu was left unattended Saturday in the family's 10th floor apartment outside Hangzhou City when her grandmother went to run an errand.

The reports say passer-by Wu Juping saw the toddler hanging from the window and then ran over when she saw Niu Niu fall.

Sunday's reports say 31-year-old Wu broke her arm catching the child, who is hospitalized with internal bleeding and other injuries.

Internet



Rescuer Wu Juping smiles at her own son in a ward of the Traditional Chinese Medicine Bone Fracture Hospital at Fuyang, a county-level city in Hangzhou, East China's Zhejiang Province, on Sunday, after she has saved a 2-year-old girl.

XINHUA

Two shot, including officer, in Memphis hotel

MEMPHIS, 4 July—Memphis police say a police officer and another person were shot at a hotel in the middle of a downtown tourist district packed for the Fourth of July holiday. A suspect is in custody.

Officers responded to a call of shots being fired around 7 pm at the Doubletree Hotel. The stricken officer was taken in extremely critical condition to Regional Medical Centre.

Memphis Mayor A C Wharton Jr and Police Director Tony Armstrong said it appeared to begin as a domestic incident. The names of the officer and other victim have not been released, pending notification of their families.

The hotel sits at a busy intersection adjacent to the historic Peabody hotel and the Memphis Redbirds minor-league stadium, where a game was being played and fireworks were planned afterward.—Internet

Russian plane collides with vulture

TOLMACHYOVO, 4 July—A Russian jetliner collided with a vulture Sunday, forcing an emergency landing, authorities say.

The Vladivostok Avia Airbus A320 hit the big bird 2 minutes after taking off from Novosibirsk Tolmashyovo Airport at 1:05 pm local time, *ITAR-Tass*

reported, and landed back at the airport at 4:05 pm after the aircraft's fuel had been used up.

The plane's left engine began to vibrate after hitting the vulture, the *Russian* news agency said.

All 160 people on the plane — eight crew and 152 passengers —

were unharmed; passengers were lodged at the airport hotel.

"The Novosibirsk transport prosecutor's office is verifying the compliance with flight safety regulations," Natalia Krinitsakaya, senior assistant to the West Siberian transport prosecutor, said.

Internet



Youth and children attend a grand singing convention after their parade in Tallin, Estonia, on 3 July, 2011.—XINHUA

At least 15 killed in truck, bus collision in central China

WUHAN, 4 July—At least 15 people died and over 30 were injured Monday morning when a long-distance coach was hit by a truck and caught fire in central China's Hubei Province, local police said.

The accident occurred at about 3:50 am on the Xiantao section of the Suizhou-Yueyang expressway, which links Suizhou in Hubei with Yueyang in adjacent Hunan Province.

A spokesman with the Hubei traffic police headquarters said the

bus, bound for Tianmen City from southern Guangdong Province, was hit by the truck from the behind and ran off the road.

The bus then overturned and caught fire, according to the spokesman.

The casualties are from both the bus and the truck. The injured passengers have been sent to nearby hospitals with no word as of yet regarding their conditions.

Police are investigating the cause of the accident.

Xinhua



German navy's frigate Hamburg (F220) leaves the harbor of St Petersburg, Russia, on 3 July, 2011. The 5th International Maritime Defence Show concluded here on Sunday.—XINHUA

Big fire breaks out at power station of Indian capital

NEW DELHI, 4 July—A major fire broke out at a power sub-station near Rajghat in central Delhi Sunday, *Indo-Asian News Service* reported.

But no casualty was reported from the fire, said the report.

The incident took place at around 11.15 am local time near the memorial to Mahatma Gandhi when a 100 MVA transformer caught fire.

Meanwhile, Delhi Transco officials maintained there will be no power cut due to the fire.

Xinhua



Photo taken on 3 July, 2011 shows a scene of the fire which broke out at Rajghat Thermal Power Station in New Delhi, India.—XINHUA

Water main break soaks LA neighbourhood

LOS ANGELES, 4 July—A broken water main caused a mess in a Los Angeles neighbourhood Sunday afternoon, officials said.

About a half-dozen homes in Sherman Oaks were affected, including one that had its swimming pool filled with mud, Los Angeles' KTLA-TV reported.

"My wife and I looked out the door and lo and behold, we had a river flowing down Valley Vista," resident Marshall Long told the TV station. City Fire Department Battalion Chief Steve Ruda said only minor landscaping damage was reported.

Internet

A story of pensions by the walking stick

Hlaing Bwa (Parami)

My attention was caught by the walking sticks arranged in the cabinet of a minimart. While in service, I did not take a walk regularly. Only after I have retired from work, am I in the habit of walking every morning for my health. Now, I have bad joints and they are troublesome while walking. I needed a walking stick, but I could not afford it as my pension was too poor to buy one. Whenever I passed by the minimart, I had a look at the beautiful sticks behind the glass, and therefore I had a growing thirst for a walking stick. I repeatedly proclaimed in my mind to get a walking stick one day.

Now, I think I will get one soon. The government has announced to increase pension rates of pensioners. So, my pension has been increased from three digits to five digits. I owned one-thousand kyat notes only when my children and grandchildren paid respects and offered bank notes to me. Now, I will soon be able to hold a large amount of money. I can draw my pension at the end of the month. But I could not wait sharing the good news with the owner of the minimart. I think I will buy one just as I collect my pension. I am happy with the thought of taking a walk with a walking stick in the mornings.

I was struck by a deep thought about the life of pensioners. State service personnel have to retire one day for one reason or another. Some get illness pension and some, old age pension. And those who have shouldered political duties receive political pensions. To pay pensions to pensioners, a government spends funds within a budget. However, the number of pensioners is growing. Pensions range in rate as salary rates have been increased several times. So, some get pension rates of three digits, whereas some get six digits. The government pays pensions according to the economic strength of the nation, and so priority is given to in-service personnel who are contributing towards the government's administrative mechanism. Now, it is opportune for the government, which is in service of the interests of the nation and the people, to increase pension rates. In his inaugural speech on 31 March 2011, President U Thein Sein said that according to the proposals submitted by Hluttaw representatives, pension rates of State service personnel would be increased when it was opportune based on national development, the State's revolving funds, inflation rates, prevailing commodity prices, and GDP. His pledge is put into reality in less than 100 days.

In 2010, the multiparty democracy general election was held in accordance with the State Constitution (2008) that was approved with the overwhelming majority of the voters. The election led to democratic formation of a new government. In less than 60 days after it swore, the government managed to take several strides, one of which is the holding of the National Workshop on Rural Development and Poverty Alleviation.

At the workshop, six scholars presented the paper on poverty alleviation, paper on different opinions about rural development and economic growth and due reforms, paper on development of the agricultural sector and micro credit enterprise, paper on integrated farming and recycling used objects, paper in improvement of living conditions for rural people by boosting trade of agricultural produce, and paper on plans of action according to the papers on rural development and the cooperatives sector. The points

in the papers seem familiar to us superficially, but they are indeed very delicate. By organizing a national level workshop, the government managed to seek solutions to the issues relating to farmers, agricultural entrepreneurs, economists and State service personnel in the agricultural arena. Union ministers and attendees presented their opinions and made suggestions on Plan of Action in the all-round discussions.

The good results of the workshop led to the adoption of eight tasks for rural development and poverty alleviation: development of agricultural productivity, development of livestock breeding and fisheries, development of rural small-scale productivity, development of micro saving and credit associations, development of cooperative tasks, development of rural socio-economy, development of rural energy and environmental conservation. If the tasks are materialized, poverty rate of the nation can be lowered by 16 per cent by 2014-2015. Now, the Union level central committee, work committees and Region and State level work committees have been formed to expedite the tasks.

While seeking many ways to improve the living conditions for the rural people who make up 70 percent of the nation's population, measures were also taken to increase the pension rates of retired service personnel, which had been low with the passage of time, to the same rates as those of the personnel in service as a token of recognizing their good services in shouldering State duties.

It is natural in this human society that parents always protect and look after their children, which is a blessing in terms of worldly affairs. However, we should understand a sense of timing, whether it is in haste or not. We should also believe that chance will come to us at an opportune time. When I, as a young boy, saw my mother preparing for our lunch boxes and putting larger shares of dishes into my elders', I happened to envy them. Similarly, I used to envy my father of getting larger shares of dishes for his lunch box. It dawned upon me later when my mother explained to me that children who had to work to earn family income should be given priority and when I myself started working to earn additional family income. They will earn regular income only when they are fit and healthy. Then, the life of a whole family, including those able to work, those unable to work and those no longer able to work, will be firm. Only when the life of those able to work is comfortable enough, will the family income increase and more care can be provided for the remaining family members. With this end in view, the government turned to pensioners only after taking measures for improving the living conditions of personnel in service, and we have understood this. Yet, I feel sorry for some people who hastily complained and criticized. Now, those complaints and criticisms have disappeared completely.

It is double auspiciousness that the government increased the pension rates of old service personnel to improve their living conditions in addition to taking measures for the approval of the constitution for the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, holding of multiparty democracy general election, successful holding of Hluttaw sessions with representatives of all national races chosen in the elections, formation of a democratically-elected government by the Hluttaw sessions and creation of conditions by the new government for changes and developments aspired by the people. Amid the attacks

and accusations of unscrupulous persons, the government worked hard to strengthen the national economy. Budget spending had to be tightened in various sectors in terms of their proportion. All-round consideration was made to weigh how much should be spent in such and such sectors and how little was spent in such and such sectors. In this way, the government's dream has come true.

Increasing the pension rates of retired service personnel who served the interests of the State can benefit not only themselves but also the nation. Any citizen will feel that as soon as they are given rewards by the State, the duty has come to fall upon them to repay the gratitude in turn. Even we in old age are willing to serve our nation by doing our bit. As thousands of pensioners across the nation will reap such a reward, the manpower of the State will increase for sure. In announcing increased pension rates, the State had no desire to exclude any retired service personnel, and all will be able to enjoy the rewards whether they support the government or not. Any member of old service personnel whichever party they come from will deserve the reward. Although they may have different ideologies, they should play a part in the drive for national development.

In every atmosphere which is the meeting place of pensioners, we will see them smiling and happy with the increased pension rates announced by the government. The most popular term being used in public places such as bus stops, stations, jetties and libraries is none other than 'monthly pension'. At every tea shop we go to, the title of pension come into our ears even before we have started to sit down. That made us smile looking at each other's faces. Some people were concerned that commodity prices might increase taking advantage of the situation. Yet remembering that similar cases happened and there were instances that the government was able to solve the problem, they have been relieved. As every house in Myanmar has at least one retired service personnel member, no one can deny that all families of the nation will be happy.

In this regard, those who are interested in politics will also share happiness. They take seriously the government's taking measures for submissions of representatives from State and Region Hluttaws. They remark that the government has been committed to achieving the ultimate goal of the nation. They recognize that the Hluttaw politics has come into shape. The pension rates that had been desired in successive eras have been increased in a democratic way. So, it can be witnessed that political revolutions have started with momentum. Narrowing of pension rate disparity plays an import role in democratization process. We ourselves need to play a part in this process, we said while holding our cups of tea. And the eyes of every listener were streaming out of jubilation.

On my way back home, the walking stick I had used seemed to be weaker than before. I felt that a new modern walking stick from the cupboard of a store was in my hand. Old things will be left behind for sure. Although they may not be thrown away or destroyed, they will no longer be in use. We will be able to walk far more distant with the help of a new walking stick. The State's goodwill towards us will not only ensure our good health but also light up the life of families of pensioners in all aspects.

Translation: MS+ST

Union Rail Transportation Minister views display of locomotive parts

YANGON, 4 July — Union Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min together with Deputy Minister Thura U Thaug Lwin visited Locomotive Shed (Insein) yesterday

morning and inspected production of locomotive parts, repairing of locomotives and accessories.

Next, the Union Minister attended a

ceremony to display locomotive parts to be produced locally and made a speech. He said that as necessary parts were locally produced, the locomotives could

have been repaired six months ahead because import items had to be awaited for six months to reach. Myanmar Railways transports 70 million passengers and

3.7 million tons of goods every year and run 400 passenger trains and 28 cargo trains each day. Since 1992, MR has been producing machines and parts locally in cooperation with technicians and local industrialists, he added. Then, officials

reported on the locomotives, diesel motorized units and civil machine parts. The technicians took part in the round of discussion and the deputy minister gave a supplementary report. After the ceremony, the Union Minister and party viewed the machine parts on display. — MNA

Union Commerce Minister receives Mexican, Panamanian Ambassadors

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July— Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint received Mexican Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Antonio Guillermo Villegas Villalobos and Panamanian

Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Jose Antonio Ruiz Blanco at his office, here, this afternoon.

They held discussions on prospects of bilateral trade and economic

cooperation. Also present at the call were Deputy Minister Dr Pwint Hsan, the directors-general, the managing director and officials of the ministry. — MNA

Union Transport Minister visits Ahlon Dockyard

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July — Union Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung yesterday visited Ahlon Dockyard of Inland Water Transport in Yangon.

The Union minister

urged the staff there to replace old vessels with new and technically advanced ones. The managing director and superintending engineer of the dockyard reported the minister on

the works of IWT and maintenance and construction of vessels.

The Union Minister inspected the maintenance of vessels and passenger vessels.

MNA



Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint meets Mexican Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Antonio Guillermo Villegas Villalobos and Panamanian Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Jose Antonio Ruiz Blanco.—MNA

Hotel services supervised for convenience of foreign gems merchants

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July—Director-General of the Directorate of Hotels and Tourism under the Ministry of Hotels and Tourism U Aung Zaw Win yesterday visited the Junction Hotel in the Hotel Zone here and gave instructions for convenience of the merchants to the Jade, Gems and Pearls Special Sales.

The Junction Hotel is currently

dealing with 62 foreign gems merchants. Up to 2 July, 3,930 foreign gems merchants are putting up in 1,633 rooms of 25 hotels in Nay Pyi Taw, the majority of whom are from China, and others are Japanese, Thai and Indian peoples. Arrangements are underway for their comfort and convenience.

MNA

RUMFCCI President, Brazil Ambassador hold talks



YANGON, 4 July — President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and

The wife of State Chief Minister and wives of State Ministers presented three million to the outstanding students and one million to the WAO. Besides, family of U Thiha and Daw Khaung Nan presented two million to the students and one million to the WAO.—MNA

President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry U Win Aung receives Ambassador of the Federative Republic of Brazil to Myanmar Mr. Jose Carlos da Fonseca Junior.—MNA

Industry U Win Aung held a meeting with Ambassador of the Federative Republic of Brazil to Myanmar Mr. Jose Carlos da Fonseca Junior at the RUMFCCI here today. Responsible personnel of the RUMFCCI were also

present at the meeting. During the meeting, they discussed matters on boosting bilateral trade, cooperation on investment and trade between the two countries and exchange of economic information.

MNA

Myanmar Women's Day observed in Mandalay

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July— Myanmar Women's Day organized by Mandalay Region Women Affairs Organization was

observed at Region WAO Office in Mahaangmye Township yesterday. Officials from Region WAO presented awards

to winners at article contest of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation and the outstanding athletes.

MNA

Myanmar Women's Day marked in Myitkyina

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July— A ceremony to mark Myanmar Women's Day took place at the town hall of Myitkyina, Kachin State on 3 July morning, with an address of Secretary of State Women's Affairs Organization Daw Wa Wa Khine.

On the occasion, State chief Minister's wife Daw Kansesailon, Minister for Social Affairs of Kachin State

Daw Bautgyar and wife of Chief Justice of State High Court Daw Htu Sai awarded a total of ten students with flying colours, who had passed the last year matriculation examination, and followed by honouring on prize-giving ceremony of students who stood first, second and third in the commemorative essay contest.

Afterwards, Daw Nu

Nu Yi, a member of State Women's Affairs Organization, presented prizes to Ma G a y a e s a u n g n a n (outstanding Red Cross member), first, in women event of the Aerobic contest, the Champion State-selected aerobic team in Region/State Aerobic Contest, and the honoured member of WAO Daw Yin Yin Myint who made blood donation for 44 times.

On-job training course of Immigration and Population Ministry concludes

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July—On-the job training Course No (1/2011) of the Ministry of Immigration and Population concluded here this morning, with an address by Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Khin Yi.

The Union Minister called for no corruption, transparency and reliability of his staff. The three-week course was attended by 19 officials, and 21 staff of departments under the ministry.—MNA

Scrutiny Board of Basic and Higher Education Promotion Workshop meets

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July — Scrutiny Board of Basic and Higher Education Promotion Workshop met at the Ministry of Education here this morning, with an address by Union Minister for Education Dr Mya Aye. It was also attended

by Deputy Ministers U Aye Kyu and U Ba Shwe, Director-General of Education Training and Planning Department U Bo Win, Director-General of Basic Education Department U Tin Pe (Retd),

Director-General of Basic Education Department U Tin Nyo (Retd), Rector U Kyaw Myint Oo (Retd), Principal U Sai Aung Tun (Retd) and Deputy Director U Kyi Than (Retd). Those present made

suggestions for improvement of both basic education and higher education sectors. The Union minister then made concluding remarks.

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Director-General Daw Yin Yin Myint of Training, Research and Foreign Languages Department being welcomed by Chargé d Affaire at Mr Larry M Dinger of the US Embassy at the reception to mark the 235th Anniversary Independence Day of the United States held in Yangon on 4 July.—MNA



Kayin State Hluttaw meets

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July — The first-day special session (1/2011) of First Kayin State Hluttaw was held at the meeting hall of Kayin State Hluttaw in Hpa-an at 10.00 am today, attended by Chief Minister U Zaw Min, Speaker of the State Hluttaw U Aung Kyaw Min, the deputy speaker, the State ministers and representatives.

First, the Hluttaw Speaker submitted the President's proposal to reconstitute the ministries in Kayin State to the hluttaw and sought the approval of the hluttaw. The speaker approved it that won unanimous support. The reconstituted ministries are the Ministry of Security and Border Affairs, the Ministry of Finance and Revenue, the

Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Breeding, the Ministry of Forestry and Mines, the Ministry of Planning and Economics, the Ministry of Transport, the Ministry of Electric Power and Industry, the Ministry of Development Affairs and the Ministry of Social Affairs.

The first-day session ended at 10.10 am.

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Dy Cooperatives Minister meets staff

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July— Vice-Chairman of Sub-Committee for improvement of cooperatives work for rural areas Deputy Minister for Cooperatives U Than Tun held a meeting with

township staff officers, staff and members of Township Cooperatives Association at the hall of Cooperative Department in Pantanaw Township, Ayeyawady Region on 3 July.

The deputy minister instructed them to give a hand to reduction of poverty in rural regions with three main concerns organizing, educating and training.

MNA

Jade, Gems and Pearl Special Sales for 2011 continue

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July — Nineteen gems lots and 2560 jade lots were sold through the tender system today at Jade, Gems and Pearl Special Sales for 2011 at Mani Yadana Jade Hall here.

The number of jade lots sold during the sales has reached 38 lots at the

final day of gems sales.

The special sales will continue till 13 July.

As part of efforts for development of tourism, Myanmar Hoteliers Association set up booths displaying cultural handicrafts and traditional costumes of Myanmar national races

near Myanma Gems Museum and gems merchants and the people visited the booths.

Meanwhile, Myanmar traditional cuisines and food from China, Malaysia and Thailand are available at the food court.

MNA



Members of Taninthayi Region Women's Affairs Organization award winners in contests held in commemoration of Myanmar Women's Day at commemorative ceremony held at Town Hall of Dawei in Taninthayi Region on 3 July.

MNA

Education talks on traffic rules given

YANGON, 4 July— Police Captain Myint Aung of Yangon Region Cordless and Traffic

Force No. 3 and party gave educative talks on traffic rules to a total of 515 teachers and students

of No. 1 Basic Education High School in Sangyoung Township on 1 July morning.—MNA



Local and foreign gems merchants view jade lots at Jade, Gems and Pearl Special Sales.

MNA

Woman, 86, hangs upside down for 27 hours in dark cellar

LONDON, 4 July—An elderly lady in Britain remained hanging upside-down in a dark cellar for 27 hours after she fell and trapped her leg in a ladder.

Joan Eaborn, 86, fell as she tried to climb into her cellar through a trapdoor to reach the electricity fuse box after the power was cut to her home in Ipswich, Suffolk, the *Daily Mail* reported.

It was only after a friend found Eaborn that she was cut free by

firefighters.

"I was just hanging there like a bat," said Eaborn last night, adding: "I quickly realised that there wasn't much I could do but to keep positive and try to spread the weight off my trapped leg."

"I am a strong believer that with a bit of positive thinking and with enough willpower you can keep going and get through these things," said Eaborn as she recovered in hospital from a leg injury and hypothermia.—*Internet*



Visitors watch the model of Cute Tenement at an exhibition of old Hong Kong building models in Hong Kong, south China, on 3 July, 2011.

XINHUA

13 al-Qaeda militants, 10 soldiers killed in fighting in south Yemen's Abyan

ADEN, 4 July — Al-Qaeda militants carried out offensive attacks on the military troops in Yemen's southern Province of Abyan on Sunday, leaving 13 al-Qaeda militants and 10 soldiers killed and dozens of others from both sides injured, local army officers told *Xinhua*.

Al-Qaeda militants were trying to completely get rid of the 25th Mechanized Brigade, which was encircled by al-Qaeda fighters about a month ago, the officer said, adding that clashes were still going on in various parts of the al-Qaeda-seized Zinjibar City.—*MNA/Xinhua*



One of the last KTM trains steams out of the Tanjong Pagar station with the Singapore skyline in the background on 30 June, 2011 in Singapore. The 1930s railway station in Singapore's downtown will see off its final train Thursday as a piece of Southeast Asian history closes as part of a land swap deal between the city-state and Malaysia.—*INTERNET*

Brisbane hotel evicts man for wearing a turban

BRISBANE, 4 July—A Brisbane hotel has evicted a patron because he was wearing a turban.

The management of the Royal English Hotel, run by Coles subsidiary Spirit Hotels, confirmed there had been an incident, and said the matter had been passed on for the company to deal with.

While Spirit Hotels is yet to comment on the incident, industry sources have said an overzealous staff member took the hotel's policy of no hats or caps too far, the *Brisbane Times* reports.

"The bar attendant said 'that's the

policy; no-one is allowed to wear a hat. The duty manager said "no we don't care what sort of hat it is; we don't allow anybody to have anything on their head," the paper quoted the source, as saying.

Queensland Hotels Association chief executive Justin O'Connor said hotels had the right to set dress standards and refuse entry or service to anyone who did not comply with their code or breach responsible service of alcohol laws. "As long as it's not in breach of the anti-discrimination act then they can set a dress code," O'Connor said.

Internet

British banker turns witch doctor in African village

LONDON, 4 July—A British banker was so fascinated by the local culture during a visit to an African Village that he quit his job to become a witch doctor.

Thomas Heathfield, 32, a consultant from Maidenhead, Berkshire county, underwent special training to be a witch doctor, *The Sun* reported.

His training involved going three days without sleep, dancing himself into a trance every night and drinking goats' blood—which he then had to throw up. He endured other ordeals to prove he was worthy to be a sangoma, or healer.

Having learnt to speak local SiSwati language and passing the three-month trials, he was given the name Gogo Mndawe at a remote village in South Africa's Mpumalanga Province.

Heathfield said: "Mum and dad came for my graduation, along with 200 people from villages here." He said a "spiritual awakening" inspired him to drop freelance work advising a high street bank. "The training was so tough I almost gave up and the locals thought I was mad. It's my spiritual calling."

Internet

Brit's oldest biker, 94, has covered 384,800 miles on road!

LONDON, 4 July—Even as most pensioners are happily ensconced in their high-back chairs, Britain's oldest motorcyclist, aged 94, is living a life in the fast lane and has no intention of hanging up his boots.

Adrenaline junkie Reg Scott has covered a staggering 384,800 miles during his 74 years on the road, the equivalent of riding around the world more than 15 times, reports the *Daily Mail*.

Scott, a father of three, grandfather of seven and great-grandfather of seven bought his first bike—a

Norton 16H 490cc—on hire purchase for 73 pounds in 1937 and has had seven more since. The most powerful was a BMW Boxer 1000cc.

Reg now rides a Honda 250cc around his hometown of Ludham, Norfolk, at least four times a week.

He admits he has had to slow down over the years but still manages to top an impressive 60 miles per hour when out on the road.

"Age means nothing to me. I value the independence I have with a bike and plan to carry on until I can't do it anymore," he says.

"Unfortunately, I have had to downgrade to a less powerful bike because I find the bigger ones too heavy to handle."

His achievement as "Britain's Oldest Biker" was recognised by bike insurance firm Bennetts.—*Internet*



A female Siberian tiger licks a baby Bengali white tiger in the Heilongjiang Siberian Tiger Garden in northeast China's Heilongjiang Province, on 4 July, 2011. Five baby Bengali white tigers were born on 1 July in the Heilongjiang Siberian Tiger Garden, the world's biggest Siberian tiger garden, which is the first time in the history of the garden. The Siberian tiger is now suckling the five baby tigers for the mother Bengali white tiger is lack of latex.—*XINHUA*

Eurozone approves new aid for Greece

BEIJING, 4 July—Eurozone finance ministers have released the fifth instalment of loans to Greece in a bid to prevent the debt-ravaged country from defaulting. The latest round of loans amounts to 12 billion euros. It was originally planned to be issued last month, but the fund was held off due to Greek lawmakers' failure to agree on austerity targets.

It was finally approved after Athens endorsed new austerity measures. The International Monetary Fund is expected to approve its share of loans worth 3-point-3 billion euros next week. The EU and IMF are working to devise another bailout package before September. But some economists argue the new rescue package will not be enough to prevent Greece from defaulting.—*Xinhua*



A German shepherd dog warms up before attending the 17th World Championship for Rescue Dogs at Chastre in Belgium, on 3 July, 2011.—*XINHUA*

Rain-triggered mudslides cut off traffic, hold up 7,000 vehicles SW China county

BEIJING, 4 July—Rain-triggered mud-and-rock slides damaged several highways in Wenchuan county, Sichuan Province, holding up around 7,000 motor vehicles in the area, the local traffic police said Sunday.

Rainstorms have pelted many places in Sichuan since Saturday evening, with several areas recording 100 millimetres of precipitation.

The continuous rains have caused mud-and-rock slides, cave-ins, and change of river courses in Wenchuan county, according to traffic police of Aba Tibetan and Qiang Autonomous

Prefecture.

The national highway 213 and provincial highway 303 were cut off at a number of sections in Wenchuan. A 100-plus meters section of the roadbed of the national highway 213 in Yinxin Township was destroyed, according to traffic police.

The traffic police said they were put on traffic control at a number of road spots and relevant departments were going all out to repair the roads.

As the rain was continuing, the police said they had no idea when the traffic would become normal.

Xinhua



Photo taken on 3 July, 2011 shows the overflowing Jinjiang River in Chengdu, capital of southwest China's Sichuan Province.—XINHUA



Photo taken on 1 July, 2011 shows the beautiful scenery of the high altitude summer pasture called Suusamy, some 170 km south of Bishkek, capital of Kyrgyzstan.—XINHUA

Fiji's weather office issues flash flood warning

SUVA, 4 July—Fiji's Nadi Weather Office on Monday morning issued a flash flood warning as a low pressure system lies over the Pacific island country.

The flash flood warning is in place for regions of Viti Levu, Southern Lau, Lomaiviti, Kadavu and nearby smaller islands, said the weather office.

The low pressure system in the country has a lot of rain bands or

clouds which are bringing showers to most areas in Viti Levu, the main island of Fiji, it added.

The duty forecaster urged people living in low lying areas to be on alert into the evening and clear up on Tuesday. Heavy downpour occurred in Fiji late last week, partly because of which, residents living in many areas were advised to be prepared for disruptions of water supply.—Xinhua

Two killed, 15 missing in S Philippine landslide

MANILA, 4 July—Two people were killed and 15 others went missing after a landslide hit a southern Philippine city Monday morning, a local TV station reported.

The landslide was triggered by heavy rains in Valencia City, Bukidnon Province during the night, TV station ABS-CBN quoted Valencia City Police Director Supt. Adonis Mutia as saying.

The victims were walking on a road in the city when the soil eroded, said Mutia, adding that two of the victims' bodies have been recovered.

Rescue operations were ongoing, the report said.

Xinhua

Torrential rains kill 16 in Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 4 July—The torrential rains in Mexico due to the tropical storm Arlene in the states of Mexico, Tamaulipas, Veracruz, Hidalgo, Puebla and San Luis Potosi, killed 16 people and left more than 20,000 victims and caused material damages.

Hidalgo's Civil Protection Director Miguel Garcia said in a statement issued on Sunday that in total seven people died in his state in the areas of Huejutla, Arenal, Jacala and Meztitlan.

Also in those areas

at least 1,000 people were evacuated as there were hundreds of landslides.

In Tamaulipas state, northeast of the country, one person died when he was walking in a flooded street.

So far, the authorities in the state of Mexico, centre of the country, have reported five deaths including two children related to the rains. In this state the most affected areas are Nezahualcoyotl and Ecatepec, where Los Remedios River overflowed.

The federal govern-

ment declared Nezahualcoyotl and Ecatepec as disaster areas, as water there reached 1.5 metres high and affected more than 400 houses.

In San Luis Potosi in central part of the country, one person died in Tampacan community while in Veracruz, east of the country, one person died in San Andres Tlanahuayacan when a landslide buried two houses.

In the mountainous area of Puebla, in the central part of the country, another woman died due to the rain.

Xinhua



The calm after the storm, as tents are pitched on the high ground following heavy rain during the Roskilde Festival, early on 2 July, 2011.

Some 75,000 ticket holders are expected to participate in the gigantic music festival which continues until Sunday, although rain storms are predicted.

INTERNET

Floods damage homes, disrupt traffic in Denmark

COPENHAGEN, 4 July—Authorities say heavy rains have flooded hundreds of homes and several streets in Denmark's capital, disrupting traffic and delaying trains.

Jeppe Ilkjaer, a spokesman for the rescue services company Falck, says his organization has re-

ceived calls from more than 1,000 home owners in Copenhagen whose cellars have been flooded following the rains late Saturday.

The Danish Road Directorate says the floods have forced it to close four major freeways surrounding the city Sunday and have delayed trains in the region.

No one has been injured by the floods, which also have disrupted telephone lines to Copenhagen police.

Rescue Services said 150 millimetres (6 inches) of rain fell over the Copenhagen area on Saturday and more heavy showers are expected Sunday evening.

Internet



Destroyed cars are seen in a flooded neighbourhood in Jalapa, in the state of Veracruz, Mexico, on 3 July, 2011.

INTERNET

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MV HANSEDUO VOY NO (015)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV HANSEDUO VOY NO (015) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 5.7.2011 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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AGENT FOR: M/S REGIONAL CONTAINER
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Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

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

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

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Consignees of cargo carried on MV BANG SAO TONG VOY NO (139) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 5.7.2011 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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**Fat takes a
pounding in
latest fitness fad**

BEIJING, 4 July—The latest exercise craze involves fitness fanatics picking up drumsticks and beating their way to a better body in time with music. Shaya Tayefe Mohajer finds out more about the origins and rise of the rhythmic regime. Move over, pole-dancing, kettlebells and Zumba. Drumstick-smashing is the latest rage to hit the Hollywood exercise circuit, offering a workout similar to Pilates or boot camp, but without the serenity of a yoga studio or the bark of a drill instructor.

The group fitness class, called Pound, was devised by Cristina Peerenboom, 25, and Kirsten Potenza, 26, who promote it as a fun and energetic alternative to the usual sweat-inducing routines.

Xinhua

Warring ants know their enemies

LONDON, 4 July—A study of the ant species *Temnothorax longispinosus* has revealed that it can spot its worst enemy and react with appropriate aggression.

The ant colonies are often invaded by slavemaker ants, which steal their pupae. So when the ants spot a slavemaker, they attempt

to kill it by biting and stinging. But the insects do not waste their energy on less threatening intruders. The results were published in the journal *Ethology*.

The team, led by Inon Scharf and Susanne Foitzik from the Johannes Gutenberg University of Mainz in Germany, wanted to find out how

these socially complex insects reacted to intruders of different species.

Internet



The ant, Temnothorax longispinosus, has evolved to fend off its worst enemy.—INTERNET

**Investors turn back to
S Korean Samsung**

SEOUL, 4 July—Investors began turning their backs to Samsung Electronics, the world's largest technology company by assets. The share price of Samsung has been in downward trend since it peaked at over 1 million won (940 US dollars) in late January.

The tech firm closed at 855,000 won on Friday on the Seoul bourse. Right after the first-quarter earnings results were announced, local securities firms unveiled rosy outlooks for the second-quarter earnings of the world's largest maker of memory chips, televisions and flat screens.—Internet

**Mijor Pipeline blast cuts gas exports to Israel,
Jordan**

EL-ARISH, 4 July—A major gas pipeline was bombed early Monday by saboteurs, cutting Egyptian gas exports to neighbouring Israel and Jordan, local security sources told Xinhua.

The attack occurred in the wee hours of Monday at a village on the northern Sinai Peninsula, some 80 km from El-Arish, a major gas-exporting hub in Egypt.

No casualties have been reported so far.

A clerk of the company which operates the pipeline said about 1,500 households in El-Arish city would be affected by the blast.

Flames as high as 20 metres were seen 15 km from the scene. Local residents said they heard a big explosion. Workers were still trying to shut down the valves of the pipeline.

It was the third attack on gas pipelines in North

Sinai since February when political turmoil struck Egypt and ousted former President Hosni Mubarak.

On 27 April, a powerful explosion hit the main natural gas terminal at the entrance of the city, causing huge flames of 20 or 30 metres high. Gas supplies to Israel and Jordan were halted.

In February, an explosion of a pipeline in the same area cut gas exports for a month.

Egypt's natural gas exports to Israel have been a big target of criticism from Egyptians following Mubarak's fall.

Mubarak was accused of involvement, together with former Petroleum Minister Sameh Fahmy and other senior officials, in exporting natural gas to Israel at prices lower than international levels to gain illicit benefits for themselves at the expense of public interests.—MNA/Xinhua



A worker comments on Chinese shares in a Shanghai trading house last year. Asian markets have risen after better-than-expected US manufacturing data sent Wall Street stocks rallying, while traders' concerns over Greece's sovereign debt have eased.

INTERNET



Team Dumb's homemade race vehicle waits on 3 July, 2011 to take the start of the Stockholm Red Bull Soapbox race. Participants compete in homemade, freestyle designed non-motorized vehicles down a slope in the Soedermalm area of Stockholm.

Big turtle stolen from pet store

Thieves stole a 70-pound turtle from a Chicago-area pet store, authorities say.

Spur, a 30-year-old female Sulcata tortoise, was stolen from The Animal Store, an exotic pet store in Lincolnwood, Ill., about 3:30 am

Saturday, the Chicago Tribune reported. Ken Bearman, owner of the store, suspects the perpetrators may be getting more than they bargained for.

"The first time it takes a dump in your bedroom, you're going to be sorry," he said, explaining that to the right buyer, Spur could sell for \$1,500, but the care and cleanup before selling her would not be worth it.

The store's surveil-

lance proved to be fruitless as evidence, only capturing the thief's foot for a moment, and the sound of breaking glass. Bearman filed a report with local police and has been publicizing the theft on his blog and Facebook page, as well as putting the word out to friends in the exotic animal community.

"Just bring her back," he implored whoever took Spur.

Treasure found in India

A hidden treasure worth hundreds of millions of dollars has been discovered below a temple in southern India, officials say.

The diamonds, emeralds, and gold and silver coins and figurines were found in underground chambers at the 16th century Sree Padmanabhaswamy temple in Kerala state, the BBC reported Saturday.

Inspectors are cataloguing the items, which have not been officially value but are believed to be worth

about 28 billion rupees, or more than \$600 million.

"I have instructed the police chief to reinforce security further following the findings and it would be there permanently," Oomen Chandy, the state's chief minister, said.

The treasure found in six vaults is believed to have been stored below the temple for more than a century, put there over a period of time by the Maharajahs of Travancore, the Times News Network of India reported.

Bought for 60 pounds, car now to fetch 500,000 pounds

A beaten-up car in Britain that was bought for barely 60 pounds is likely to be sold for 500,000 pounds.

Jack Perkins bought the 1925 Bugatti back in 1950 for 60 pounds, which is about 1,300 pounds in today's money.

It had been kept in an aerodrome in Nottingham where staff took it out for joy rides, The Sun reported. He decided to restore it, for which he sourced a 2.3 litre original engine and got other parts straight from Bugatti.

Jack, who raced the car regularly, died in 1992.

His widow displayed it at the Haynes Motor Museum in Somerset. The family has now decided to sell it. "This example represents an exciting opportunity to acquire a Type 35 in the model's ultimate, supercharged configuration," spokesperson of Bonhams, an auctioneer, was quoted as saying.



Baby golden monkeys stay with adult golden monkeys in Shennongjia Nature Reserve of central China's Hubei Province, 3 July, 2011. A golden monkey research center in Longtan of Shennongjia embraced eight baby monkeys in this year.

News Album

Lindsay Lohan enjoys night out

LONDON, 4 July—Actress Lindsay Lohan celebrated her first night of freedom with an evening out in Los Angeles after she was released from house arrest.

After serving 35 days in home confinement, Lohan wasted no time in heading out with friends and attracted paparazzi, reports femalefirst.co.uk.

The "Mean Girls" star was sentenced to three months under house arrest for violating her probation from a 2007 case by taking a necklace from a California jewellery store. She was initially handed a 120-day jail sentence, but she was allowed to serve time at home in Venice, California due to prison overcrowding.—Internet



Lindsay Lohan

Jada Smith gives up career for kids

LONDON, 4 July—Hollywood actor Will Smith's wife Jada Pinkett has given up her singing career to spend more time with her two children - Jaden and Willow.

Jada launched her music career in 2005, when she helped create the heavy metal rock band Wicked Wisdom. She even toured the world with the band.

"I had to make choices. Believe me, I would still be on the road with my band, Wicked Wisdom, and making as many movies as I can a year, and doing all sorts of other things if I didn't have the responsibility of a family. But I have children with their own talents and dreams and I know I have to be standing next to them for that journey," dailystar.co.uk quoted the 39-year-old as saying.

It was tough to walk away from the band, says Jada.

"It was excruciating, completely excruciating. When Jaden was auditioning for (film) The Pursuit of Happyness, my band had just gotten an offer to open for Guns N' Roses in Europe. For me, that was unbelievable," she added.—Internet



Jil Sander creates new scent

LONDON, 4 July—German designer Jil Sander has created a new fragrance, Eve.

Sander has collaborated with perfumer Oliver Polge to work on the coral-tinged scent with notes of grapefruit flower, red currant, wild rose and jasmine sambac on a base of cashmere wood and patchouli, reports femalefirst.co.uk.

German actress Karoline Herfurth has been announced as the face of the campaign which will be released by fragrance company Coty Prestige, which has previously worked with Sarah Jessica Parker and Halle Berry.

Internet

Actress Jada Pinkett Smith and her husband actor Will Smith.—INTERNET

Rosie Huntington-Whiteley obsessed with Prince Harry

LONDON, 4 July—Actress Rosie Huntington-Whiteley is obsessed with Prince Harry and describes him as the ideal man for her.

Huntington-whiteley, who played actor Shia LaBeouf's love interest in the recently released movie "Transformers: Dark of the Moon", is currently dating actor Jason Statham.

Despite that, the 24-year-old expressed her feelings towards Prince Harry in an interview with an US television show, reports Vogue magazine.

"I'm waiting for my proposal. I keep writing. I think he knows how obsessed I am. Well, he does now. He's so handsome," she said.

She even intitax Prince Harry to propose to her directly, saying: "Come on Harry!"—Internet



English actress Rosie Huntington-Whiteley.
INTERNET

Philippines beats Sri Lanka 4-0 in WCup qualifier

MANILA, 4 July — The Philippines thrashed Sri Lanka 4-0 in an Asian World Cup qualifying match at Rizal Memorial Stadium in Manila on Sunday. Emelio Asada Caligdong opened the scoring 19 minutes into the game before Phil Younghusband and Angel Guirado followed up with successive goals to put the game beyond reach.

Younghusband completed the triumph with a successful penalty kick.

Philippines' Angel Guirado, center, kicks the ball towards the goal as Sri Lankan goalkeeper Manjula Fernando defends during a preliminary round qualifying match between Philippines and Sri Lanka for the 2014 FIFA World Cup in Manila, Philippines, on Sunday.

INTERNET

The win takes the Philippines to the second round of the qualifiers, a first for the Southeast Asian nation known for its passion for basketball and boxing.— *Internet*



NZ swim teen takes parents to court

AUCKLAND, 4 July — A 17-year-old has won a court case allowing him to take part in swim meets after his parents tried to stop him competing in order to end his relationship with an American Olympic gold medalist who is seven years older.

Justin Wright was forced into the action when his parents withdrew the parental consent needed to compete in Swimming New Zealand events, thinking that would prevent him seeing 24-year-old Rhi Jeffrey.

Internet

Argentine federation head defends Messi

BUENOS AIRES, 4 July — The head of Argentina's Football Association (AFA), Julio Grondona, on Sunday praised striker Lionel Messi, but criticised his squadmates in the wake of their disappointing opening Copa America draw with Bolivia. Messi has often been criticised in his homeland for failing to show his superlative Barcelona form in the national side and the media even question his loyalty to a country which he left for Catalonia as a young teen.

But Grondona told Radio Del Plata: "Messi always plays well, never badly — which is what the others around him were doing." Coach Sergio Batista had sent out an attacking side to



The head of Argentina's Football Association (AFA), Julio Grondona, has praised striker Lionel Messi (pictured), but criticised his squadmates in the wake of their disappointing opening Copa America draw with Bolivia.— *INTERNET*

beat the Bolivians but Messi and strike partner Carlos Tevez drew a blank and it was left to sub Sergio Aguiero to rescue a point at La Plata. For Grondona, Messi was forced to forage too deep.

Internet

Paraguayans and Ecuador in goalless Copa stalemate

SANTA FE, 4 July — Paraguay and Ecuador fought out a goalless stalemate in Group B of the



Ecuadorian defender Neicer Reasco (L) kicks the ball marked by Paraguayan forward Roque Santa Cruz during the 2011 Copa America Group B first round football match held at the Cementerio de Elefantes stadium in Santa Fe, 476 km north of Buenos Aires.—*INTERNET*

Copa America on Sunday, as did their rivals Brazil and unfancied Venezuela. A tight match saw neither side able to make a breakthrough before a 40,000 crowd at Santa Fe's Brigadier Estanislao Lopez stadium on a cold, wintry evening.

Gerardo Martino's Paraguay had gone into the encounter as favourites having shown some impressive form in qualifiers for last year's World Cup, but their forward line of German-based Lucas Barrios and Blackburn man Roque Santa Cruz was unable to make their greater experience of the big occasion count.

Internet

Klitschko beats Haye by unanimous decision

HAMBURG, 4 July — Wladimir Klitschko wanted to punish David Haye for all the trash talking he did leading up to their title fight. He settled for merely making Haye another statistic in his dominating heavy-weight run. Matched up against an opponent who didn't fight nearly as well as he talked, Klitschko dominated from the opening bell on Saturday night on his way to a lopsided decision win in a fight that did not live up to its advance hype.— *Internet*



IBF, WBO, IBO world champion Wladimir Klitschko of Ukraine, top, fights with WBA world champion David Haye of Britain in a heavyweight unification fight in the stadium in Hamburg, Germany.—*INTERNET*

Palestinian team in next round of WCup qualifiers

AL-RAM, 4 July — The Palestinian team made the most of its rare homeground advantage Sunday, advancing to the second round of Asian World Cup qualifying after a 1-1 draw with Afghanistan gave them a 3-1 aggregate victory. One of the few FIFA members which is not a UN recognized state, the Palestinians face Thailand in the next round. Palestinian defender Hasam Wadi scored in the 11th minute, before Balal Arezou equalized in the 63rd for Afghanistan. The Palestinian team defeated Afghanistan 2-0 in the first leg of their World Cup qualifier, played in Tajikistan because of the security situation in Afghanistan.

In other first-round qualifiers: Malaysia scraped through on away goals despite losing 3-2 in Taiwan; Laos advanced 8-6 on aggregate after scoring twice in extra time against Cambodia for a 6-2 home win; Vietnam thrashed Macau 13-0 on aggregate; Philippines won 4-0 at home to advance 5-1 over Sri Lanka; Myanmar scored twice at home to advance 2-1 on aggregate over Mongolia; Bangladesh held Pakistan 0-0 away to progress 3-0 on aggregate; and Nepal advanced 7-1 on aggregate over Nepal. The World Cup qualifier was the highest profile football match on Palestinian territory to date.—*Internet*

Earnhardt Jr furious after frustration at Daytona

DAYTONA BEACH, 4 July — Dale Earnhardt Jr made it clear he's no fan of the current style of restrictor plate racing before he even arrived at Daytona International Speedway. "I'm not looking forward to going to Daytona, not with the way the drafting is there," he said a week before Saturday night's race. "It's really weird and kinda wrong on some levels to race that way," he said the day the track opened. But if there was any doubt, he ended it after a frustrating 19th-place finish that had his passionate army of fans accusing Hendrick Motorsports teammate Jimmie Johnson of sabotaging Earnhardt's chance to win.

"I am really ticked off. It was a foolish ... race. I don't know what to tell you," he fumed. "I don't like this kind of racing and you know it." Earnhardt didn't appear to be "ticked off" at Johnson, the teammate he partnered with for the second consecutive plate race.— *Internet*

Hushovd in overall Tour lead after team time trial



The Garmin Cervelo cycling team with new overall leader Thor Hushovd of Norway, left in rainbow jersey, celebrates on the podium after the second stage of the Tour de France cycling race, a team trial over 23 kilometers (14.3 miles) starting and finishing in Les Essarts, western France, on Sunday.

—*INTERNET*

LES ESSARTS, 4 July — Thor Hushovd of Norway captured the overall lead at the Tour de France on Sunday after his Garmin-Cervelo team won the time trial in the second stage of the race. Hushovd took the yellow jersey from Philippe Gilbert of Belgium, the winner of Saturday's opening stage, as defending champion Alberto Contador lost more time to his main rivals.— *Internet*

Watney flawless to win by 2 shots at Aronimink

NEWTOWN SQUARE, 4 July — Never mind that Nick Watney was the highest-ranked player at the AT&T National, or that he won a World Golf Championship in March. Stepping to the first tee Sunday in a tie for the lead at the AT&T National, he had reason to feel overlooked. After being announced, one fan called out, "Go, Rickie!" Several other fans in the large gallery wore bright orange shirts and flat-brimmed caps

to show their support for Rickie Fowler, a 22-year-old who was tied for the lead and going after that first PGA Tour win.— *Internet*

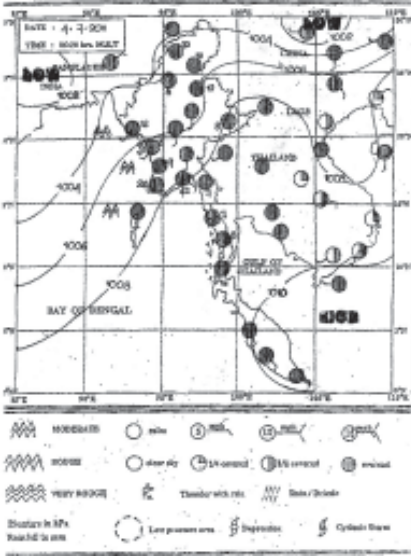


Nick Watney and his wife, Amber, applaud during ceremonies after Watney won the AT&T National golf tournament at Aronimink Golf Club.— *INTERNET*

WEATHER

Monday, 4th July, 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 has been partly cloudy in Lower Sagaing Region, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Mandalay and Magway Regions, Kayah State, fairly widespread in Chin and Rakhine States and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with regionally heavyfalls in Upper Sagaing Region and isolated heavyfalls in Yangon Region and Rakhine State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Khayan (4.89) inches, Khamti (4.72) inches, An (4.32) inches, Kalaywa (3.50) inches, Zaung Tu (2.36) inches, Hsipaw and Kalay (2.21) inches each.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 3-7-2011 was 91°F. Minimum temperature on 4-7-2011 was 76°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 4-7-2011 was (84%). Rainfall on 4-7-2011 was (Tr).

Nay Pyi Taw (Airport)

Maximum temperature on 3-7-2011 was 84°F. Minimum temperature on 4-7-2011 was 74°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 4-7-2011 was (84%). Rainfall on 4-7-2011 was (0.12) inch.

Rainfall on 4-7-2011 was (Tr) at Nay Pyi Taw, (1.89) inches at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) and (Nil) at Mandalay. Total rainfall since 1-1-2011 was (22.91) inches at Nay Pyi Taw, (57.44) inches at Yangon

(Kaba-Aye) and (16.14) inches at Mandalay. Maximum wind speed at Nay Pyi Taw was (8) mph from east at (21:30) hours MST on 3-7-2011.

Bay Inference: Monsoon is moderate to strong in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 5th July 2011: Rain or thundershowers will be scattered in Lower Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Regions, Chin State, fairly widespread in Bago Region, Shan and Kayah States and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with likelihood of isolated heavyfalls in Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions, Rakhine and Mon 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) to (40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of increase of rain in the Lower Myanmar Areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 5th July 2011: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 5th July 2011: Some rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Brazil stuns Norway 3-0 at FIFA Women Worlds

BERLIN, 4 July—Brazil defeated Norway 3-0 owing a brace by top midfielder Marta to wrap quarterfinals in group D ahead of schedule in front of 26,067 spectators at outsold Volkswagen Arena on Sunday.

Group favourite Brazil had problems to enforce their strategy against pressing Norway but with 22 minutes into first half Brazil midfielder Marta opened the scoring with a terrific turn shot although referee Kari Seitz oversaw an irregular tackle previously. Norway remained shocked with the opener whereas Brazil failed to utilize their chances.

Seconds into second half, midfielder Marta assisted teammate Rosana inside penalty area who doubled the lead. With 48 minutes into the match, Marta sealed the deal for Brazil when she capitalized



Daiane (L) of Brazil vies with Isabell Herlovsen of Norway during the second round Group D match between Brazil and Norway at the FIFA Women's World Cup Germany 2011 in Wolfsburg, on 3 July, 2011.

on error by Norway's defence to mark the final 3-0 score.

Brazil occupies first position in group D with six points followed by Australia with three points, Norway with three points but with a weaker goal difference and Equatorial Guinea with zero points.

Xinhua

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (5-7-2011) (Tuesday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	(09:00am-11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	(5-7-11 09:30 am - 6-7-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Travelogue "Wonderful Pagodas on the Mount Akauk"
- * News
- * Secret Places for Yummy Food "Malihku Cuisine"
- * News
- * The Land of Blossoming Flowers
- * The Relics Left After The Ceremony Of Monle Sayadaw
- * News
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- * News
- * Being Young (Youth and Fashion) (Wit Hmone Shwe Yee)
- * News
- * A Passage to Lat Yat Ma Village
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * National Kandawgyi Garden (Pyin Oo Lwin)
- * News
- * Mann Hero, Beauty Queen On Shweli River
- * Myanmar Movies "An Ugly Fate"



Tuesday, 5 July

View on today

7:00 am

1. Paritta By Hilly Region Missionary Sayadaw

7:25 am

2. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning News

7:40 am

4. Dhamma Puja Song

7:50 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

6. Health Programme

8:10 am

7. Songs of Yester Years

8:20 am

8. Songs of National Races

8:25 am

9. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions

8:35 am

10. Teleplay (Health)

8:40 am

11. International News

8:45 am

12. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Musical Programme

4:20 pm

3. Teleplay (Policy)

4:35 pm

4. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) -Third Year (Physics)

4:50 pm

5. Songs for Upholding National Spirit

5:00 pm

6. The Mirror Images of The Musical Oldies

5:10 pm

7. Documentary

5:25 pm

8. Performance With Song

5:45 pm

9. Sweet Melody

6:00 pm

10. Evening News

6:15 pm

11. Weather Report

6:20 pm

12. Kyae Pwint Myaye Yin Khone Than

6:35 pm

13. Sing A Song

7:00 pm

14. TV Drama Series

8:00 pm

15. News
16. International News
17. Weather Report
18. Just For Laughs
19. TV Drama Series

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

- ★ Anarchy begets anarchy, not democracy
- ★ Riots beget riots, not democracy
- ★ Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

People's Desire

- We favour peace and stability
- We favour development
- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence

- ★ VOA, BBC-sowing hatred among the people
- ★ RFA, DVB-generating public outrage
- ★ Do not allow ourselves to be swayed by killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

President U Thein Sein accepts credentials of newly-accredited Ambassador of Republic of Panama

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.

NAY PYI TAW, 4 July — Mr. Jose Antonio Ruiz Blanco, the newly-accredited Ambassador of the Republic of Panama to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, presented his credentials to U Thein Sein, President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, at President Office, here, at 11.00 a.m. today.

Also present on the occasion together with U Thein Sein, President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, were Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister at President Office U Thein Nyunt and Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of Protocol Department under the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.—MNA

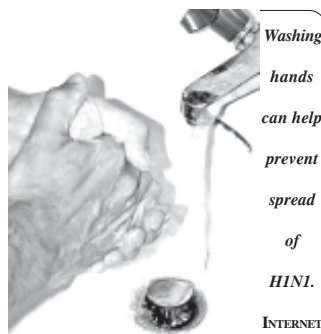
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A story of pensions by the walking stick

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