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Four political objectives

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

Four economic objectives

- * Building of modern industrialized nation through the agricultural development, and all-round development of other sectors of the economy
- * Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- * Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investment from sources inside the country and abroad
- * The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

- * Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- * Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- * Flourishing of Union Spirit, the true patriotism
- * Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

64th Anniversary Arzani Day (Martyrs' Day) observed

YANGON, 19 July —The ceremony to mark the 64th Anniversary Arzani Day (Martyrs' Day) 2011 took place at Martyrs' Mausoleum here this morning, attended by Chairman of Leading Committee for Observance of the 64th Anniversary Martyrs' Day 2011 Yangon Region Minister for Development Affairs Yangon Mayor U Hla Myint.

It was also attended by Chairman of Work Committee for Observance of the 64th Anniversary Martyrs' Day 2011 Joint Secretary U Kyaw Soe of YCDC and committee members, departmental heads, the Guard of Honour and officials of Myanmar Police Force and Myanmar Fire Brigade.

According to the agenda, Yangon Mayor U Hla Myint laid a wreath at the Mausoleum and paid tribute to fallen General Aung San and Martyrs.

In the meantime, the Flag of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar was

flown at half mast and the Guard of Honour and the military buglers band paid tributes to the Martyrs by raising their arms and by blowing bugles in their honour. Those present also took a two-minute silence to pay tribute to fallen General Aung San and martyrs.

First, U Aung San Oo, the eldest son of General Aung San, and wife Daw Lei Lei Nwe Thein, and Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, daughter of General Aung San, laid wreaths and paid respects at the mausoleum.

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Chairman of Leading Committee for Observance of the 64th Anniversary Martyrs' Day 2011 Yangon Region Minister for Development Affairs Yangon Mayor U Hla Myint lays a wreath at the Mausoleum and pays tribute to fallen General Aung San and Martyrs. —MNA



Hsin Village getting good harvest of cabbage

By De Dai



Thriving cabbage plantation seen in Hsin village, Kalay Townsip.

Cabbage is a vegetable Myanmar people often consume as a dish or as an ingredient of a dish or a salad. It has a good taste and is available everywhere at affordable prices. I would like to present successful cabbage farming in Hsin Village, Kalay Townsip. In an interview, a local farmer said, "Our village does not have

any other main source of income. I have grown vegetables for about a couple of decades. About 50 families have about 350 acres of farmlands. In the crop season of about seven months, we grow cabbage and cauliflower three with the triple crop rotation system. In a cabbage harvest, our village sells hundreds of thousands of cabbages. We grow cabbage till the vegetable weighs as

heavy as a viss (3.6 lbs), and then we sell it. We don't let a cabbage grow heavier than a viss. If a cabbage is heavier than a viss, we don't make as much profit as we should do because in purchase of cabbages, every cabbage is considered to weigh a viss. Even if a cabbage weighs heavier than a viss, merchants pay the same price. The cabbage price fluctuates a little from month to month

and from year to year. Now, the wholesale price of a viss of cabbage is 200 to 250 kyats. And a viss of cauliflower is sold for 500 to 650 kyats.

Farmers can make handsome profits in a short time if they grow vegetables. Therefore, I would like to urge farmers to grow vegetables on a wider scale.

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PERSPECTIVES

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Use scientific methods for good rice harvests

Today, many countries are trying hard for food security with biological methods and nano technology. Myanmar is making systematic methods popular among farmers to keep abreast of other countries in agriculture, get greater shares in the international market and ensure food security.

Now, agriculturists, departmental staff and farmers are working closely to encourage systematic methods and advanced methods of sowing seeds and nurturing saplings on earthworks for boosting production of monsoon rice for 2011-2012 seasons.

In addition, they are giving agricultural talks and conducting demonstrations of using hybrid strains, advanced methods, and proportionate combination of agricultural inputs including organic and inorganic fertilizers and pesticides.

Agricultural experts and companies have set up model farms for farmers' knowledge of gaining better benefits from 14 scientific methods.

At a time when experts and staff of the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation are rendering all-round assistance for boosting production of monsoon rice for 2011-2012 season, farmers on their part should take their advice and use the methods to achieve the targets.

Sagaing Region Chief Minister makes inspection tour

NAY PYI TAW, 19 July—Sagaing Region Chief Minister U Tha Aye inspected the building of a two-storey ward and consoled the patients at the orthopaedic ward in Monywa General Hospital yesterday.

On a visit to Monywa Station, he inspected rail tracks, surrounding areas, the freight unit, the train tickets counter, and office.

He inspected the building of a new ward at the traditional medicine hospital and comforted the patients.

He delivered an

address to the meeting of the government of Sagaing Region and gold mining companies.

Region Minister for Forestry, Mines and Energy U Than Htaik gave an account of gold mining industry; Deputy General Manager U Win Htein of Region Joint Gold Mining Enterprises Supervisory Office, the processes of exploration of gold and minerals; and attendees, general matters.

The chief minister assessed the reports and gave concluding remarks.

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Sagaing Region Chief Minister U Tha Aye at Monywa Railway Station.—MNA

PROPOSALS

- * 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 Minister inspects rural development and poverty alleviation tasks in Chin State



NAY PYI TAW, 19 July—Union Minister for Forestry U Win Tun together with Chief Minister of Chin State U Hong Ngai viewed condition of 100-acre teak plantations on Gangaw-

to the village. **Union Minister for Forestry U Win Tun addresses meeting on implementation of rural development and poverty reduction tasks.—MNA**

On 15 July, they attended the meeting for implementation of rural development and poverty reduction tasks at the Chin

to provide accommodation to students from remote villages, provision of one television set each to 33 libraries and face-lift of basic education primary

school.

The Union Minister attended the meeting on implementation of rural development and poverty alleviation tasks at Falam Township Town Hall and donated K2 million for supply of water to the township.

The Union Minister together with the Chin State Chief Minister attended the meeting on implementation of rural development and poverty reduction tasks at Kamhok Hall in Tiddim on 17 July and donated cash for erection of new school buildings, renovation of old ones and supply of hydroelectricity.

They visited silk factory in Tiddim and donated a set of computer and computer each to Chunkyon Village BEMS and Balon Village BEMS. The Union Minister also presented 100 tons of sawn timbers to the township so as to be used in construction works.—MNA



Union Minister for Forestry U Win Tun donates cash to medical fund for health care services in Chin State.—MNA

Haka Street in Haka Township on 14 July.

They explained eight tasks for rural development and poverty alleviation to residents at Bonezone Village and coordinated essentials for supply of hydroelectricity

State Government Office and coordinated essentials.

The Union Minister and the chief minister discussed construction of two hostels each in 22 basic education schools and basic education affiliated schools in Chin State so as

schools in the state.

The Union Minister, on 16 July, donated K 100 million to the medical fund for health care services in Chin State and also provided cash and kind for repair of Chunkyon Village basic education middle

Brand Manager Daw Nu Yin Win of Charles & Keith (Myanmar) and Creative Design Manager U Tin Aung Latt donate K 2 million to Mitta Yeikmon (Cancer) Foundation on 14 July.

MNA





Afghan policemen stand guard at the main gate of the Indian embassy in Kabul after a suicide car bomb attack on 7 July.
INTERNET

Afghan security situation worsen?

BEIJING, 19 July — Three members of the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force have been killed by a roadside bomb in eastern Afghanistan. Earlier a close advisor to Afghan President Hamid Karzai, and a member of parliament were killed in different incidents in Kabul.

Jan Mohammed Khan was an adviser to Karzai on tribal issues. Two men wearing suicide bomb vests and armed with guns attacked his home in the western Kabul District of Karti Char. One of the attackers was killed before he could detonate his explosives, leaving the other gunman barricaded inside the home. The commander of Kabul's 111 military Corps says both attackers were killed. Taliban spokesman Zabiullah Mujahid has claimed responsibility for the attack on behalf of the militant group.

He says the Taliban killed Khan because he was assisting coalition forces in carrying out night raids against Afghans.—Xinhua

Three killed, one wounded by gunmen in N Colombia

BOGOTA, 19 July— Three people from the same family were killed and another was wounded by two gunmen Monday in northern Colombia, police said.

Three people, including two minors identified as brothers, were shot dead in a barbershop in Crete, in northern Colombia. A 13-year-old girl was injured in the shooting and transferred to a local hospital, authorities said. Police have started a search for the gunmen but said their whereabouts and motives were unknown.

Cordoba's governor said surging violence in the province caused by a turf war between rival drug gangs has killed at least 575 people.

Xinhua

14 militants killed in two incidents in Pakistan's tribal region

ISLAMABAD, 19 July— At least 14 militants were killed on Tuesday in two different incidents in Pakistan's northwestern tribal region, officials said. Pakistani security forces killed 10 militants in the northwestern tribal region of Kurram Agency during a clash with militants. According to security officials, one soldier was also killed on Tuesday during the offensive.

The Pakistani army launched a military offensive against miscreants on 1 July in Kurram Agency. In another incident, a roadside bomb killed four suspected militants, including a son of a Taliban commander, and injured three others in South Waziristan, a tribal region bordering Afghanistan. The incident took place in Shakai area, a former strong-

hold of Pakistani Taliban, when a vehicle carrying militants were passing through the area.

No group claimed responsibility for the attack, but some sources said it may be the result of differences between the two Taliban groups.

Those killed belong to Mulla Nazir group of Taliban, which has peace deal with the Pakistani government.—Xinhua



Women mourn during a funeral for Thursday's bomb attack victims in al-Shurta al-Rabaa district in Baghdad recently. Three bombs exploded near a busy street market and a religious site in a mainly Shi'ite area of southwestern Baghdad on Thursday, killing at least 23 people and wounding scores of others, security sources said.

INTERNET



People inspect the scene of a bomb attack in Taji, about 12 miles (20 kilometres) north of Baghdad, Iraq recently. A double blast from a car bomb and a roadside bombing at a parking lot outside a city council building, killed and wounded scores of people, police said.

INTERNET

Two bomb blasts hit Bulgarian opposition parties offices

SOFIA, 19 July— Two explosions occurred in front of the offices of two Bulgarian opposition parties in Sofia during the early hours of Tuesday, the press office of Interior Ministry announced.

The blasts targeted the headquarters of the conservative Order, Law and Justice (OLJ) party and an office of the Democrats for Strong Bulgaria (DSB), party of former Prime Minister Ivan Kostov.

The first explosion was reported at 3:55 am local time (GMT 0155), and the other at 4:20 am (GMT 0220). No casualties have been reported. The police are now searching the sites for possible evidence.

The blasts come just a day after

Bulgaria's centrist and leftist opposition launched in parliament a no-confidence motion against the cabinet of Boyko Borisov, which has hardly any chances of being passed.

The attacks are "an act of helplessness and despair," said the OLJ leadership in a statement.

According to the party, the bomb was planted by the same hand that detonated a bomb outside the office of the Galeria weekly several months earlier.

The OLJ said that the explosions took place on the eve of a European Commission report on Bulgaria and a vote of no-confidence in the government.

Xinhua

Roadside bomb kills two Afghan police in S Afghanistan

KANDAHAR, 19 July— Two Afghan policemen, including the police chief of Rigistan District in Kandahar Province, 450 km south of the capital City of Kabul, were killed as a roadside bomb struck their vehicle on Monday, deputy to

provincial police chief Shir Shah Yusufzai said.

"The gruesome incident happened at around 09:00 am local time, as a result Wali Mohammad, the police chief of Rigistan District, along with another police, was killed," Yusufzai told

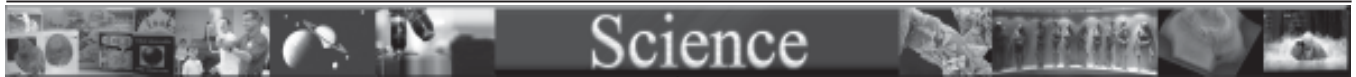
Xinhua.

He blamed the attack on the enemies of peace, a term used against Taliban militants by government officials.

However, the armed outfit fighting Afghan and NATO-led troops has yet to make comment.—Xinhua



Pakistani paramilitary soldiers stand guard in Quetta, 2010. Gunmen have kidnapped eight local staff working for a US charity near the Afghan border in southwest Pakistan, which is rife with insurgency and sectarian violence.—INTERNET



NASA's Dawn spacecraft sends back first image of asteroid Vesta



NASA's Dawn spacecraft obtained this image with its framing camera on July 17, 2011.—INTERNET

LOS ANGELES, 19 July— The spacecraft Dawn of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) has returned the first close-up image of the giant asteroid Vesta after entering its orbit for the first time last week, the Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) announced on Monday.

The image taken for navigation purposes shows Vesta in greater detail than ever before, said JPL in Pasadena, California.

On 15 July, Dawn became the first probe to enter orbit around an object in the main asteroid belt

between Mars and Jupiter.

When Vesta captured Dawn into its orbit, there were approximately 9,900 miles (about 16,000 kilometres) between the spacecraft and the asteroid.

Vesta is 330 miles (about 530 kilometres) in diameter and the second most massive object in the asteroid belt.

Ground- and space-based telescopes have obtained images of Vesta for about two centuries, but they have not been able to see much detail on its surface.

Vesta is thought to be the source of a large number of meteorites that fall to Earth. Vesta and its new NASA neighbour, Dawn, are currently approximately 117 million miles (about 188 million kilometres) away from Earth. The Dawn team will begin gathering science data in August.

Observations will provide unprecedented data to help scientists understand the earliest chapter of the solar system and pave the way for future human space missions, according to JPL.

Xinhua



An adult Grand Cayman blue iguana. A recovery programme has brought the number of free-ranging iguanas within Grand Cayman's protected areas to more than 500 animals. Credit: Julie Larsen Maher/Wildlife Conservation Society. INTERNET

Cayman iguana said on road to recovery

NEW YORK, 19 July— Conservationists say efforts to save the threatened Grand Cayman blue iguana represent a rarity in conservation: a chance for complete species recovery. The Blue Iguana recovery programme has successfully released more than 500 captive-bred reptiles since the programme's beginning in 2002, when the wild population of iguanas numbered less than two dozen, a release from the

Wildlife Conservation Society said Monday.

"For the past several years, we've succeeded in adding hundreds of animals to the wild population, all of which receive a health screening before release," Paul Calle, director of zoological health for the society's Bronx Zoo, said.

The blue iguana is the largest native species on Grand Cayman, growing to more than 5 feet in length and sometimes weighing more than 25

pounds.

"We expect to reach our goal of 1,000 iguanas in managed protected areas in the wild in a few years," Fred Burton, director of the recovery programme, said.

"After that, we will monitor the iguanas to make sure they are reproducing in the numbers needed to maintain the wild population. If we get positive results, we will have succeeded."

Internet



Amazon launches Kindle textbook rental service

BEIJING, 19 July— Amazon on Monday launched its Kindle textbook rental service, which allows students to rent "tens of thousands of textbooks", according to *Los Angeles Times*.

The e-book textbook rental service will help students save as much as 80 percent on some titles.

Amazon said that

students can now rent textbooks from 30 to 360 days and can either rent them again or purchase them once the rental period is up.

"Students tell us that they enjoy the low prices we offer on new and used print textbooks. Now we're excited to offer students an option to rent Kindle textbooks and only pay for the time they need—with

savings up to 80 percent off the print list price on a 30-day rental," Dave Limp, vice president of Amazon Kindle said, according to *PC Magazine*.

Rentals can be read on Amazon's Kindle eReaders, and Kindle apps for PCs, as well as smartphones and tablet computers running Apple's iOS, Microsoft Windows Phone 7 and Google's Android operating system.

Rentals also have a clear advantage over physical copies that students' notes and highlighted content will be stored in the Amazon Cloud, and can be accessed if students rent the books again or buy at a later time.

Xinhua



A man using a computer at an Internet cafe in Taiyuan.

The number of Chinese Internet users hit 485 million at the end of June, with microblogging and group-buying posting the highest user growth rates, a Chinese government Internet statistical body said on Tuesday.—INTERNET

Nepal begins measuring Mt Qomolangma

KATHMANDU, 19 July— Nepal has begun measuring the world's highest mountain, Mt Sagarmatha or Everest (also called Qomolangma).

This is the first time that Nepal is carrying out the measurement of the world's highest peak on its own.

The measurement work will begin taking the Kolkata port of India as the sea level for the measurement and is expected to be completed within two years, according to the Ministry of Land Reform and Management.

The measurement work has been initiated after Nepal became

technologically capable of measuring the mountain.

According to Tuesday's National News Agency RSS report, the height of Mt Qomolangma has been mentioned as 8,848.13 metres in the Nepal-China border treaty.

During the border related dialogue held with Nepal, China has been stating that a unilateral inspection carried out by the government of China has found that the mountain's rock height was 8,844.42 metres and 8,847.933 metres when measured with snow deposit.—Xinhua

Health

Milk, soy proteins may help lower your BP

WASHINGTON, 19 July—Want to lower your blood pressure? Add more soy or low-fat dairy to your diet.

Partly replacing refined carbohydrates with foods or drinks high in soy or milk protein may help prevent and treat high blood pressure, according to a new study.

Study participants who took a milk protein supplement had 2.3 millimetres of mercury (mmHg) lower systolic blood pressure, compared to when they took a refined carbohydrate supplement. Participants who took a soy protein supplement had a 2.0 mmHg lower systolic blood pressure when compared to the refined carbohydrate supplement.

The 352 adults in the study were at increased risk of high blood pressure or had mild cases of the condition. "The systolic blood pressure differences we found are small for the individual, but they are important at the population level," said Jiang He, MD, PhD, lead researcher of the study.

The study has been published in *Circulation: Journal of the American Heart Association*.—Xinhua



Students of Tibetan ethnic group practise as nurses at a hospital in Nanchong City, southwest China's Sichuan Province, on 18 July, 2011. The practice was conducted under a three-year vocational training programme for Tibetan students on the basis of the nine-year compulsory education. —XINHUA

'Good' cholesterol drug may help diabetics

SYDNEY, 19 July—A drug designed to improve levels of "good" cholesterol may also help control blood sugar in diabetics who are on cholesterol-lowering drugs.

Researchers stumbled on this finding while analysing data from a clinical trial on the drug torcetrapib. The development of this drug was halted five years ago.

Torcetrapib is a cholesterol ester transfer protein (CETP) inhibitor, a type of drug that increases levels of high-density lipoproteins (HDLs, or "good" cholesterol), *Journal of the American Heart Association*.

The study found that 6,661 people with type 2 diabetes - also known as "adult-onset" diabetes - showed improved blood sugar control when taking torcetrapib along with a statin medication that reduces low-density lipoproteins (LDLs or "bad" cholesterol).

Subjects who took a statin and a placebo did not see such improvements, according to a University of Sydney statement.

Internet

Exposure to second hand smoke may lead to hearing loss in adolescents

WASHINGTON, 19 July—Researchers, led by an Indian origin scientist, have indicated that exposure to second hand smoke (SHS) is associated with increased risk of hearing loss among adolescents.

Studies have associated exposure to second hand smoke prenatally or during childhood with various health conditions, from low birth weight and respiratory infections to behavioural problems and otitis media. Children exposed to SHS are more likely to develop recurrent otitis media, the authors said. "Second hand smoke may also have the potential to have an impact on auditory development, leading to sensorineural hearing loss (SNHL)," they added.

Anil K Lalwani, MD, and

colleagues from NYU Langone Medical Centre in New York City examined the risk factors for SNHL, including SHS, among adolescents, stratified by demographic groups.

Ompared with teens who had no SHS exposure, those who were exposed to secondhand smoke exhibited higher rates of low- and high-frequency hearing loss. The rate of hearing loss appeared to be cumulative, increasing with the level of cotinine detected by blood tests. The results also demonstrated that more than 80 percent of participants with hearing loss did not realize they had the impairment.

The study has been published in the *Archives of Otolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery*.—Xinhua

Business

Wall Street drops on fear, uncertainty

NEW YORK, 19 July—US stocks declined on Monday as concerns over European and US debt problems weighed heavily on the market.

In the United States, the talks between two parties on the debt ceiling seemed to stall. Ratings agency Moody's suggested Monday Washington should eliminate its statutory limit on government debt to reduce uncertainty among bond holders. The US debt limit should be raised by 2 Aug or the US government will risk defaulting on its debt.

As for euro zone crisis, the result of European banking stress tests on Friday showed that eight banks failed the test with a combined capital shortfall of 2.5 billion euros. Some investors doubted the test might not be tough enough because it excluded the possibility of Greek debt default.

Concerns about the euro zone debt crisis lingered in the market and investors fled to seek refuge. The dollar was lifted by risk-aversion investments as the dollar index gained 0.46

percent to 75.47 in late trading session on Monday.

"Fear and uncertainty is starting to increase," said Ben Willis, floor director of Sunrise Securities, told *Xinhua*.—Xinhua



A general view of a Borders book store in San Diego on 18 July, 2011. Borders Group Inc has entered talks to sell a small number of stores to retailer Books-A-Million Inc while hundreds of its other locations could be liquidated, according to two sources close to Borders' bankruptcy process. —XINHUA

Iran holds int'l car exhibition

TEHERAN, 19 July — Iran holds an international car exhibition in the northwestern City of Mashhad. The 11th Iran's International Car Exhibition hosts over 230 local and international companies which are engaged in car industry.

Some companies from South Korea, Germany and Britain along with 20 companies from China have participated in the exhibition.

The participants have displayed their latest achievements in manufacturing cars, spare parts, engineering and designing. The exhibition in Iranian Khorasan Razavi Province is set to be held from 16 July to 20 July.—Xinhua

Gold jumps above 1,600-dollar mark on US, European debt concerns

CHICAGO, 19 July— Gold futures on the COMEX Division of the New York Mercantile Exchange extended its winning streak into a 10th session on Monday, settling above 1,600 dollars per ounce, as concerns about the eurozone debt crisis and the lack of agreement on raising the US debt ceiling prompted investors to flock to the precious metal as a safe haven.

The most active gold contract for August delivery rallied 12.3 dollars, or 0.8 percent, to 1,602.4 dollars per ounce.

Analysts mentioned that there are growing concerns among investors that Europe's debt crisis will spread to Italy and Spain, ahead of an emergency meeting of EU leaders later this week, amid continuing uncertainty over the ability of European officials to agree on a second aid programme for Greece and stop Greece's trouble from spreading to other debt-plagued eurozone nations. A trader mentioned that investors are also worried by the inability of US politicians to work out a deal before 2 Aug, the deadline for Congress to pass legislation to raise the debt ceiling and effectively prevent a default.—Xinhua



Traders work on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange in New York on 18 July, 2011. XINHUA

Tibet celebrates 60th anniversary of peaceful liberation

LHASA, 19 July—A grand ceremony was held Tuesday in Lhasa, capital city of Tibet Autonomous Region, to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the peaceful liberation of Tibet.

On 23 May, 1951, the Agreement of the Central People's Government and the Local Government of Tibet on Measures for the Peaceful Liberation of Tibet, also known as "17-Article Agreement," was signed in Beijing, marking the peaceful liberation of Tibet.

Xinhua



Chinese Vice President Xi Jinping (3rd R Front) attends the celebration conference marking the 60th anniversary of the peaceful liberation of Tibet, in Lhasa, capital of southwest China's Tibet Autonomous Region, on 19 July, 2011. A delegation of the central government led by Vice President Xi Jinping attended the celebration conference.

XINHUA



Former News of the World journalist Sean Hoare is seen in this undated handout picture released on 18 July, 2011.—XINHUA

News Corp's phone-hacking whistleblower found dead

BEIJING, 19 July—Sean Hoare, a former reporter at News of the World who blew whistle about the newspaper's phone-hacking scandal, was found dead at home on Monday, according to Guardian reports.

Hoare, 47, worked as a showbiz reporter for News of the World, said in interviews with the *New York Times* and *BBC* in last September that his

editor, Andy Coulson, asked him to intercept mobilephone voice mails.

Hoare was fired for drink and drugs problems, and Andy Coulson later served as a top aide to UK Prime Minister David Cameron and resigned in January amid the escalating phone-hacking scandal.

Police arrested Coulson on suspicion of phone hacking earlier this

month and he was released without charge.

The investigation is under way and the police are treating the death of the man as unexplained not suspicious, according to *Reuters*.

His death is the latest dramatic turn in *News Corp's* phone-hacking scandal, during which the 168-year old *News of the World* was closed.

Xinhua

Russian Navy to get new air defence system

Moscow, 19 July—The Russian Navy will soon receive a new ship-based missile air defence system, the developer of the system has said.

KBP Instrument Design Bureau said the system is dubbed Pantsyr-M.

"Pantsyr-M will replace the Kortik air defence systems and will be installed on all new classes of Russian combat ships, from corvettes to cruisers," said Alexander Zhukov, a senior KBP official.

The system has a response time of 3-5 seconds and can track and destroy simultaneously up to four targets. Its missiles have a range of 20 km and can hit targets at altitudes from two metres to 15 km, while its guns have a range of four km and can hit targets at altitudes up to three km.—*Internet*

Submarine building is strategic

RIO DE JANEIRO, 19 July—Building of submarines in Brazil is a strategic issue and a guarantee of sovereignty, said Brazilian President Dilma Rousseff in a weekly radio talk Monday.

Brazil has started building four diesel-powered submarines under an agreement with France which entails technological transfers.

President Dilma Rousseff attended the commencement ceremony last week at the shipyard where four submarines will be built. The first vessel is expected to be ready for delivery by 2016.

"Brazil is becoming part of a small group of countries which have the knowledge and technology to build submarines. The capacity to produce submarines is a strategy for both defense and economic growth," said the president. She noted that each submarine consists of more than 36,000 components which will be produced by 30 Brazilian companies.

Building the four submarines will help create, both directly and indirectly, some 46,000 jobs, said government sources.—*Xinhua*



Liu Yang, an attendant, serves the drink in the T27 train from Beijing, capital of China, to Lhasa, southwest China's Tibet Autonomous Region, on 17 July, 2011. Over 5.25 million passengers have taken the train line over the past five years.—XINHUA

Ukraine sold 1 bn dollars worth of weapons in 2010

Moscow, 19 July—Ukraine's arms exports in 2010 reached almost \$1 billion with the bulk of weapons sold to African countries, a newspaper said.

"The portfolio of contracts signed by state-run arms exporter Ukrspetsexport increased in value from \$799.5 in 2009 to \$956.7 billion (in 2010)," the *Kommersant-Ukraine* newspaper reported citing data from the State Service for Export Control.

The leading buyers of Ukrainian weapons

were Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo. Ukraine sold a total of 250 T-55 and T-72 tanks to both countries.

Sudan also bought Grad multiple rocket launchers, 122-mm 2S1 Gvozdika self-propelled howitzers, 152-mm 1S3 Akatsia self-propelled howitzers, D-30 howitzers, 82-mm mortars and a variety of small arms, including 10,000 Kalashnikov assault rifles.

Ukraine sold a T-80BV main battle tank - built in 1985 - to the US

and 14 air-to-air missiles commonly used by Libyan MiG fighter jets to Italy.

Former Ukrspetsexport director Sergei Bondarchuk dismissed the figures as "unrealistic." "I don't trust these figures. As far as I know, we only signed an option for a previous contract with Sudan last year and the rest are ongoing deliveries under contracts signed by the previous team," Bondarchuk told the paper. There has been no comment from Ukrspetsexport so far.

Internet

Four killed, 20 injured in traffic accident in E Turkey

ANKARA, 19 July—Four people were killed and 20 others injured in a traffic accident in eastern Turkey on Tuesday, the *semi-official Anatolia* news agency reported.

An Iranian tourist bus, enroute from Iranian capital Teheran to Turkey's Istanbul, turned over on the Erzurum-Erzican highway, leaving

four people including an Iranian national, a Turkish policeman and a woman dead and 20 others injured, according to the report.

The injured were taken to hospitals in Erzurum Province for treatment, the report said, adding that investigation into the accident was underway.

Xinhua

Several United Arab Emirate (UAE) women weave mats out of palm leaves, a traditional Emirate handicraft, during the seventh Liwa Date Festival in Liwa of UAE on 16 July, 2011. The date festival, which kicked off on 12th July, would last for 10 days.—XINHUA



One killed in helicopter emergency landing in C Russia

Moscow, 19 July— At least one person was killed when a helicopter made an emergency landing Tuesday in Russia's central Sverdlovsk Region, a spokesman for the Regional emergencies administration said.

According to the spokesman, the Mi-8 helicopter, owned by the Uktus air carrier, made the emergency landing some 90 km west of the regional capital City of Yekaterinburg.

There were four people on board and it was not immediately clear whether

the other three survived, *RIA Novosti* news agency said.

Another Mi-8 carrying nine rescuers was expected to soon reach the site of the accident.

This was the third report about Mi-8 crash landing in just one week.

On Sunday, a Mi-8 helicopter made a safe emergency landing in the Western Siberian Krasnoyarsk Region after its engine failed. On 12 July, in the northern Komi Republic another Mi-8 made crash landing and left no casualties.—*Xinhua*



Residents travel in a small boat through a flooded street in Gioana, state of Pernambuco, Brazil, on 18 July, 2011. Heavy rains hit the northeast of the state, affecting the public transport, officials said.—*XINHUA*



A student enjoys the cool in a fountain in Seoul, South Korea, on 18 July, 2011. The highest temperature in Seoul soared to 33 degrees Celsius on Monday.

XINHUA

At least three injured in fireworks factory explosion in SW China

CHENGDU, 19 July— At least three people have been confirmed injured after an explosion occurred at a fireworks factory in Suining City, southwest China's Sichuan Province, Tuesday morning.

A spokesman with the

city's fire department said one who was seriously injured had been sent to the central hospital of Suining City.

Burning fire caused by the explosion was put off at around 10:00 am.

The explosion

happened at around 7 am in the fireworks workshop in Huima Township of the city. The exact number of casualties has yet been confirmed.

Cause of the explosion is being investigated.

Xinhua

Children cool off in water in the northeastern city of Mashhad, Iran, on 18 July, 2011. A heatwave with the temperature of over 33 degrees Celsius swept the city.

XINHUA

5.5-magnitude quake hits south of the Fiji Islands

SUVA, 19 July— An earthquake measuring 5.5 on the Richter scale jolted south of the Fiji Islands at 07:15:52 GMT on Tuesday, the US Geological Survey said.

The epicentre, with a depth of 543.20 km, was initially determined to be at 23.6127 degrees south latitude and 179.2454 degrees east longitude.—*Xinhua*



Bus accident in South Africa injures 80

AMANZIMTOTI, 19 July— Eighty people were injured on early Monday morning when a passenger bus overturned on a highway in eastern South Africa, emergency officials said. The accident happened at around 2 am local time when a passenger bus traveling from Queenstown in Eastern Cape Province to Durban in KwaZulu-Natal overturned on the N2 highway near Amanzimtoti, a coastal town near Durban. The bus was carrying a total of 81 people.

"Netcare 911 and the provincial paramedics arrived at the scene to find the crumpled remains of the bus on its side in the center medium of the highway," said Chris Botha, a spokesman for Netcare 911. "The injured passengers were scattered over a large area with three still trapped in the wreckage."

Botha said there were a total of 80 patients, eleven of whom were seriously injured. Sixty-nine others escaped with mostly minor injuries, while one person came out of the accident uninjured. "Medics stabilized the injured on scene before transporting them to various hospitals for the care that they required," the spokesman said. The cause of the accident was not immediately known.—*Internet*

A firefighter helps to transfer a trapped resident on the waterlogged road at Daban town in Chifeng City, north China's Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region, on 18 July, 2011. Heavy rain hit the town on Monday, causing waterlog and interfering local traffic. No casualties had been reported by press time.

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Tropical storm forms off S Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 19 July— The National Meteorological Service issued a storm warning Monday for the southern Mexican coastal states of Chiapas and Oaxaca.

It said a tropical depression over the Pacific Ocean was forecast to become a hurricane Monday and

would bring more rain to the Region.

Forty-two cities and towns in the region have been placed under a state of emergency.

Heavy rains in Isthmus of Tehuantepec, Oaxaca, have caused three deaths and affected at least 100,000 residents, according to the state government.

The meteorological service said record rains hit regions along the Gulf of Tehuantepec, with as much rainfall in two days as it normally expects to get in a month.

Large parts of Mexico have been hit by torrential rains since the beginning of July as the arrival of this year's hurricane season coincided with Mexico's rainy season.—*Xinhua*



Cuba records 695 forest fires in drought season

HAVANA, 19 July — The Forest Rangers Corps said Monday Cuba registered a record high of 695 forest fires as over 20,000 hectares were blackened by forest fires from January to May, Cuba's drought season. The drought has been worsened by the lack of rain, which also caused the surge in forest fires this year.

The Rangers Corps also said more than 90 percent of these blazes were caused by human negligence. An estimated 55 percent of the these fires occurred in western Pinar del Rio and eastern Camaguey and Holguin Provinces, as well as the Isle of Youth, a municipality off the south coast of mainland Cuba. The Rangers Corps urged the public to be aware of the fires' impact on the environment and human health.—*Xinhua*



Family members of U Ba Win lay a wreath at U Ba Win's Mausoleum
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Family members of U Razak pay floral tribute to U Razak.
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Next, family members of the Martyrs laid wreaths and paid respects at the mausoleum respectively.

Then, representatives of Myanmar War Veterans Organization, Myanmar Fire Brigade, Myanmar Red Cross Society, Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association, Myanmar Motion Picture Association, Myanmar Music Association, Myanmar Artistes Association and Myanmar Traditional Artists and Artisans Association laid wreaths and paid tributes to the Martyrs at the mausoleum.

Afterwards, the public visited the Martyrs' Mausoleum and paid tribute to the Martyrs.

MNA

Refresher course for IWT staff commences

NAY PYI TAW, 19 July — Managing Director U Soe Tint of Inland Water Transport addressed opening ceremony of refresher course for IWT staff at Ahlon Dockyard's Ayeya Hall in Yangon Region yesterday morning.

The managing director inspected the dockyard.

While meeting with

Ayeyawady Region Chief Minister U Thein Aung, he reported the chief minister on running vessels extensively, earning more income and designating the ferry fee at a reasonable price.

He met staff at Region IWT manager's office and inspected Patheingyi jetty.

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Volleyball enthusiasts to be selected for Yangon Region

YANGON, 19 July—At 9:00 am of 30 July, there will be an event to select athletes representing Yangon Region, aged under 25, to partake in 41st State and Region Men/Women Volleyball Tournament-2011 at Hline Township Stadium.

Those interested may contact Yangon Region Sports and Physical Education Department, (Ph: 564489 or 09-5189943).

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General Banking Services course opened

YANGON, 19 July—Deputy Minister for Finance and Revenue U Win Than attended the opening of General Banking Services Course No. 18 conducted by Banks Supervisory Committee, at Myanmar Banks Association yesterday morning.

The deputy minister urged trainees to thoroughly learn procedures of international and domestic banking services and called for effective application of knowledge in real work.

A total of 65 trainees are attending the 10-week course. After the ceremony, the deputy minister viewed training courses being conducted at the Myanmar Bank Training School.

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Myanmar Fire Brigade lays mourning flowers at the Mausoleum on the occasion of Martyrs' Day.
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Myanmar Artistes Association pays floral tribute to fallen martyrs on the occasion of Martyrs' Day.
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Talks on traffic rules given in Myaungmya

NAY PYI TAW, 19 July—Talks on traffic rules were given at Moksoegwin Village-tract in Myaungmya Township on 12 July.

Administrator U Tint Naing of Myaungmya Township General Administration Department gave a speech. Staff Officer U Win Aung from District Transport Planning Department and Office In-Charge of District Traffic Police Force Police Sub-inspector Kyaw Khaing gave talks on road safety measures and traffic rules.

The team also gave similar talks at Ward 1, 3, 4, 7 and 10, Phayachaung Ward, Lwekwe Village and some wards surrounding the township.

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Opening of Basic Education High School (Branch) in Thagara Village, Thazi Township, in progress on 22 July.

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"Management Effects" to be given at Myanmar Fisheries Federation

YANGON, 19 July—An educative talk on "Management Effects" by Dr Khin Maung Nyo is to be held at Thiriannawah Hall of the federation on Bayintnaung Road in Insein Township at 2:00 pm of 23 July (Saturday).

Myanmar Fisheries Federation and Myanmar Prawn Entrepreneurs Association will conduct the talk under the main sponsorship of Thet Paing Soe Co Ltd. Any interested persons have a chance to catch his words.—MNA

ACE Construction Co., Chairman's Cup goes to Kwele village

NAY PYI TAW, 19 July — Ayeyawady Region Finance Minister U Win

Ko Ko and ACE Construction Company Chairman U Phyo Ko Ko Tint Hsan awarded champions and outstanding players after the final showdown of the latter's cup U-21 Football Tournament in Myaungmya on 17 July.

Kwele village football team emerged as champion of the inter-station tournament, seized K 5 million blue ribbon prize.—MNA



Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik addresses the coordination meeting on rural development and poverty alleviation.—MNA

Coordination meeting on rural development and poverty alleviation held in Yangon Region

NAY PYI TAW, 19 July—Coordination meeting on rural development and poverty alleviation took place at General Administration Department in Yangon East District on 16 July with an address by Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik.

The Union Minister stressed the need for ensuring rural development that generates poverty alleviation, compilation of accurate, latest figures of farmers and residents in east district and south district in Yangon Region, providing necessary

assistances regarding basic needs, health, access to primary education, formation of private co-operative credit society and fight against gambling.

The Union Minister coordinated the essentials after hearing the reports presented by those present.—MNA

Union I & P Minister calls for taking effective measures to fulfill people's desires

NAY PYI TAW, 19 July — A meeting on measures taken for issuing household certificates and national scrutinizing cards for those who have qualifications to be a citizen at a fixed cost and within a fixed period was held at Town Hall in Mawlamyine, Mon State on 15 July, attended by Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Khin Yi, Mon State Chief Minister U Ohn Myint, the Region Hluttaw Speaker and ministers, the director-general of Immigration and National Registration Department, departmental officials and local people.

The Union Minister and the Chief Minister spoke on the occasion. Then the Union Minister met staff of Mon State Immigration and National Registration Department.

Next, the Union minister inspected the process of issuing national scrutinizing cards at the office in



Union Minister U Khin Yi speaking to attendees at the meeting.—MNA

Kyaikto Township and presented the cards to respective people.

On 16 July, the Union minister visited office and staff quarters of Immigration and National

Registration Department in Mawlamyine and called for taking effective measures to fulfill people's desires.

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Union Health Minister visits hospitals



Union Minister Dr Pe Thet Khin visits Toungoo Nursing and Midwifery Training School.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 19 July — Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin and officials visited Laboratory, X-ray Department and wards of Nay Pyi Taw Pinyinana 200-bedded People's Hospital and construction site of new hospital on 15 July.

At the meeting hall

of the hospital, the Union Minister met with medical superintendent, specialists, doctors and nurses, calling for forming a reliable hospital of the people.

The Union Minister and party then inspected Nay Pyi Taw Lewe 100-bedded People's Hospital and met with health staff at the meeting hall. The Union

Minister underscored the decline of mother and child mortality rate.

He also met with medical superintendent, specialists, doctors and nurses at Toungoo General Hospital and principal, instructors and trainees at Toungoo Nursing and Midwifery Training School.—MNA

Outstanding students honoured in Mudon Township

NAY PYI TAW, 19 July—Mon State Chief Minister U Ohn Myint attended a ceremony to honour outstanding students of Basic Education High School (branch) in Kawpayan Model village in Mudon Township, Mon State on

14 July.

The Chief Minister, Minister for Social Affairs of the State Dr Hla Oo and Minister for Security and Border Affairs Col Htay Myint Aung awarded the students. The Chief Minister presented cash

awards to the teachers. The school with 78 percent passes rate stands second in Mon State.

In the afternoon, the Chief Minister attended the opening of Kangyiyayle rest house in Mudon.

He met with staff from Myanma Perennial Crops Enterprise, at the mess of Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation.

In the evening, he visited Jonejonekyia waterfall.

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Mon State Chief Minister U Ohn Myint awards a three-distinction winner.

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Image of the collapse of a section of the dock of bridge Ibicuy, located in the province of Entre Rios, Argentina, on 18 July, 2011. XINHUA

Toddler to be discharged from ICU 16 days after high-rise fall

HANGZHOU, 19 July—A toddler who survived a fall from her 10th-floor home in east Zhejiang Province is expected to be discharged from the intensive care unit (ICU) soon, according to her doctor.

Doctors have turned off two drainage tubes from her stomach, and if her condition is good, the final tube will be plugged and she will be transferred from the ICU to the general ward, said Zhang Chenmei, director of Zhejiang Children's Hospital Pediatrics ICU Centre.

"She is now fully conscious and her intestines and stomach are regaining functions," Zhang said.

The two-year-old girl, nicknamed Niu Niu, became unconscious after she fell out of a window at her home near

Hangzhou on 2 July.

Wu Juping, a mother of a seven-month-old boy, saw the girl dangling from the window and raced to catch her, preventing the girl from hitting the ground at full force and winning applause from the whole country.

Zhang said that further treatment on Niu Niu would be focused on the sensory disturbance of the left side of her body, bone fractures and injuries in the internal organs.

Zhang is optimistic about her full recovery. "Children's regeneration capacity is more powerful than adults, and she can grow like another healthy kid when she restores her strength," he said.—Xinhua



The Chinese Jingdezhen porcelain exhibition is held in Santo Domingo, Dominica, on 18 July, 2011. More than 2,000 pieces of Chinese porcelain were displayed at the month long Chinese Jingdezhen pottery and porcelain exhibition that was opened on Monday in Santo Domingo.—XINHUA

Now, 10-year-old boy 'racially abused' during junior football match in Australia

CANBERRA, 19 July—Racial vilification has rocked Australian football again with another case surfacing, where a junior footballer is set to face a tribunal over accusations that he racially abused a boy during a football match.

The ten-year-old boy was allegedly called Ronen Jafari, also 10, the 'n-word' while the two were playing under-12s football in Geelong earlier this month.

News.com.au quoted Jafari's stepmother Lucy, as saying that her son was crying and traumatized when she picked him up after the game.

"He was crying, he was red in the face. You know how little kids cry, they breathe in and out (quickly), they can't speak," she said.

His father, Ben, who is of Iranian

descent, said the family were was so upset by the matter that they decided to approach the tribunal.

Football and Netball Geelong operations manager Michael Limb said clubs tried to deal with the incident through mediation, but the victim's family were unhappy with the outcome.

Limb said if the child was found guilty, he could face suspension.

This is not the only case of racial vilification hitting Australian football.

Last month, an Aboriginal player from North Bendigo under 15s was racially abused by a spectator during a game against Kangaroo Flat.

The incident sparked off an on-field brawl in the third quarter, and the spectator was banned from games.—Internet

Japan bans Fukushima cattle shipments

TOKYO, 19 July—Japanese government on Tuesday banned all cattle shipments from Fukushima prefecture

due to fears of radiation-tainted beef in the country's meat distribution chain.

Xinhua

Somali pirates hijack UAE-owned ship

NAIROBI, 19 July—Somali pirates have hijacked United Arab Emirates-owned oil tanker with 16 crew members in the northern Indian Ocean, European Union anti-piracy taskforce said on Monday. EU Naval Force Spokesman Paddy O'Kennedy said the laden UAE-flagged tanker, MV Jubba XX was seized on 16 July on her regular route from the United Arab Emirates to the port of Berbera, Somalia.

"On the morning of 17 July, the vessel was located by a Maritime Patrol aircraft 100 nautical miles north-west of Socotra Island, heading to the northern Somali coast," O'Kennedy said.

He said little information is available at present but it is reported that nine suspected Somali pirates are on board MV Jubba XX. The MV Jubba XX has deadweight of 4,831 tonnes, with a crew of 16 (one Sri Lankan, five Indian, three

Bangladeshi, one Sudanese, one Myanmar, one Kenyan and four Somali).

According to the Somalia Report, Maritime Editor, Andrew Mwangura, the vessel is managed and owned by the Sharjah of UAE based Jubba General Trading Company. "She is currently heading towards Somali coast under control of the gun men but a military chopper is monitoring the situation," Mwangura told Xinhua in Mombasa. The vessel, according to the official, is a regular caller to Berbera sea port and operates between UAE and Berbera.

There is no information on the condition of the crew and the vessel was not registered with Maritime Security Centre for Horn of Africa (MSCHOA) at the time of the pirating.

Xinhua

A Somali pirate carries his high-caliber weapon on a beach in the central Somali town of Hobyo in 2010. Pirates have hijacked a petrol tanker belonging to the United Arab Emirates in the Indian Ocean and are sailing it to the Somali coast, the EU's anti-piracy body announced on Monday less.—INTERNET



Greek oil tanker seized by pirates off Nigeria

ATHENS, 19 July—A Greek oil tanker with 20 crew members on board had been seized by pirates off Nigeria, Greek authorities said on Monday.

According to a Press release issued by the Greek Citizen Protection Ministry, the Liberian-flagged "Aegean Star" of Greek shipping company "Endeavour Marine Agency," came under attack by some 10 armed men on the weekend as it was sailing some 30 nautical miles off Nigeria's coasts.

Greek authorities said the vessel was transporting oil from Ghana to Benin. Based on earlier information, all crew members, among them the Greek captain

and two Greek mechanics, are in good health.

Piracy is an increasing problem in the area, as well as the eastern coasts of Africa over the past three years. Despite the deployment of international anti-piracy task forces off the coast of Somalia and the Gulf of Aden to safeguard the sea routes of merchant ships, pirates hold dozens of ships and hundreds of hostages. In many cases shipping companies have opted to pay millions of US dollars in ransoms to secure the release of the crews and the vessels.—Xinhua



Citizens walk beside candles at a seaside park in Daiba, Tokyo, capital of Japan, on 18 July, 2011. Japanese celebrated Monday the annual Marine Day to give thanks to the ocean.—XINHUA



Firemen await atop their truck outside the gates of the National Refinery Limited after a Pakistani Naval unmanned aerial vehicle (UAV) crashed in its grounds in Karachi on 19 July, 2011.
INTERNET

Oil refinery catches fire following small plane crash in Karachi, Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 19 July—An oil refinery caught fire following a small plane crash Tuesday morning in Pakistan’s southern port City of Karachi, reported local TV channel Express.

According to the local media reports, the incident took place at about 10:15 am local time when a small plane crashed inside an oil refinery named The National Refinery in the Korangi area of Karachi.

Some local media reports said that

there could be two or three people on board while other reports said that the plane crashed is a small remote-control plane which could be used by Pakistani navy for surveillance purpose.

Civil aviation authority is not aware of the incident yet. Rescue team is rushing to the crash site. Media people and even ambulances are not allowed to go inside the refinery where the plane crashed.

Xinhua

Flying car to soar in UK skies in just five years time!

LONDON, 19 July—The flying car concept has been around for decades, but has never really seemed to get off the ground. But soon, it may become a reality.

Aviation experts have now said that a flying car could be in regular use in the UK within five years after the US authorities formally approved a model.

The 250,000 dollars (L155,000) Terrafugia Transition is a two-seater aircraft which has a top speed of 115mph, a range of 500 miles on a tank of fuel and requires just 20 hours training to fly. At the touch of a button it takes just 15 seconds for the wings to fold up automatically and the power to be re-routed from the propeller to the rear wheels.

It can then be driven at up to 65mph and will comfortably fit in a standard size garage. “It’s like a little Transformer,” the *Daily Mail* quoted Terrafugia founder Carl Dietrich, referring to the children’s toys that were turned into a blockbuster movie franchise, as saying.

The US’s National Highway Traffic Safety Administration paved the way for the flying car to be rolled out after recently announcing exemptions to allow it on American roads.

Internet



The Flying Car.—INTERNET



Photo taken on 25 Jan, 2011 shows the Tamar Development Project, which will house the Legislative Council and government departments once completed, in Hong Kong, south China. The Legislative Council will move into a modern complex in downtown Hong Kong in October from its colonial-era building, which was put in use in 1912. The building will be taken over by the Court of Final Appeal.—XINHUA

Three WWII soldiers’ remains ID’d

WASHINGTON, 19 July—The remains of three American soldiers killed in World War II have been identified, the US Defence Department said Monday.

The remains of Army Pfc. Lawrence N. Harris of Elkins, WV, Cpl. Judge C Hellums of Paris, Miss, and Pvt Donald D Owens of Cleveland were being returned to their families for burial with full military honors, the department’s POW/Missing Personnel Office said in a release.

The three soldiers’ remains will be buried in a single casket Wednesday in Arlington National Cemetery.

The men, members of the 773rd Tank Battalion, were believed to have been killed on 9 Oct, 1944, while fighting

German forces in the Parroy Forest near Luneville, France. Hellums, Harris, Owens and two other soldiers were in an M-10 Tank Destroyer that was hit by enemy fire.

The other two men survived with serious injuries.

Remains were found in November 1946 and buried as unknowns in a US cemetery in Belgium.

In 2003, a Frenchman exploring the battle scene found human remains and an identification bracelet with Hellums’ name. He eventually gave the items to US authorities, and more remains, personal effects and an identification tag for Owens were found in 2006.

Internet



Cars soak in the flooded Longfan Road in Nanjing, capital of east China’s Jiangsu Province, on 18 July, 2011. A heavy rainfall hit Nanjing on Monday, leaving some roads flooded.
XINHUA

Wife weighing less than hubby is key to happy marriage!

LONDON, 19 July—Researchers have revealed the secret of a happy marriage—wives weighing less than their hubbys.

A four-year study has suggested that in the short and long term, both partners are more contented if the woman has a lower Body Mass Index.

The researchers concluded that initially men stay in the relationship because they find their thinner partners attractive. Further down the line,

women feel confident and loved because they know their man still wants them.

The study from the University of Tennessee, which selected 169 married couples aged under 35, discovered that men who had a higher BMI, which is calculated from height and weight, were happier at the start of their marriage and stayed that way.

The same effect was true for the women – by the end of year four wives with a lower BMI than

their husbands were significantly happier than those who weighed the same or more.

“The great message from our study is that women of any size can be happy in their relationships with the right partner,” the *Daily Mail* quoted lead author Andrea Meltzer, as saying.

“It’s relative weight that matters, not absolute weight. It’s not that they have to be small,” added Meltzer.—Internet

UK couple ‘surprised’ to know one of Hitler’s bombers is buried in their garden

LONDON, 19 July—A couple in UK was ‘surprised’ to know that one of Hitler’s bombers is buried in their garden.

Andy and Betty Jennings, of Puriton, Somerset, had no idea their bungalow was built next to the spot where a Heinkel was shot down in the Battle of Britain.

But wartime archaeologists found its remains on radar and will start excavating next week. Retired BT engineer Andy, 56, said parts of the plane could be six feet below the surface.

“It was a surprise, but we’re quite excited by it now,” the Sun quoted him as saying. Wartime records show the Heinkel was part of a Luftwaffe raid on aircraft works in Filton, Bristol, and Cardiff docks in August 1940.—Internet



Photo taken on 18 July, 2011, shows a sheep fighting during the Torch Festival at the Torch Square in Butuo County, southwest China’s Sichuan Province. The Torch Festival falls on the 24th day of the sixth Chinese lunar month in Butuo County, the birthplace of the Chinese Yi Torch Festival. On and around the festival, people of the Yi ethnic group gather together and participate in various activities, such as sheep and bull fighting, beauty contests and horse racing.
XINHUA

**THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR
MINISTRY OF ENERGY**

Dated: 8th July, 2011

INVITATION FOR BIDS TO CONDUCT PETROLEUM OPERATIONS IN MYANMAR ONSHORE AREAS (2011)

1. The Ministry of Energy of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar hereby announces Invitation of Sealed Bids for Petroleum Operations to be conducted in Myanmar Onshore Areas on production sharing basis.

2. The following Onshore blocks are available for bidding in this bidding round:-

- (1) PSC E (Myingyan)
- (2) PSC G (Taungdwingyi)
- (3) PSC H (Taung-Pyinmana)
- (4) PSC I (Hinthada)
- (5) PSC J (Mawlamyine)
- (6) PSC K (Yamethin)
- (7) EP 1 (Kyauky-Mindon)
- (8) EP 2 (Aunglan)
- (9) EP 5 (Inbin-Tegyigon)
- (10) RSF 2 (Tuyintaung (Myaing South))
- (11) RSF 3 (Gwegyo-Ngashadaung)
- (12) RSF 9 (Pyalo-Paukkaung)
- (13) RSF 10 (Kamma-Nattaung)
- (14) MOGE 4 (Myintha)
- (15) PSC S (Lashio-Hsenwi)
- (16) PSC T (Lashio East)
- (17) PSC U (Kalaw)
- (18) PSC V (Loikaw)

3. All interested parties are cordially invited to submit "the Letter of Expression of Interest," together with

Company's Article of Association (AOA), Memorandum of Association (MOA), Certificate of Incorporation, latest Annual Report and latest Financial Statement (or) Financial Report, which are to be endorsed for authenticity by the respective Embassy of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar at the place of Company's registration (or) establishment or nearest, in sealed envelopes superscribed "Confidential" "Myanmar Onshore Blocks Bidding Round-2011", to the following addresses **not later than 23rd August 2011:-**

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4. The petroleum operation shall be conducted on production sharing basis and the party(s), who desired to enter into the Production Sharing Contract with the Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise (MOGE) shall have technical competency, financial capability, experience, expertise and technical know how to conduct petroleum exploration and development works and must have good track record.

5. The potential bidders will then be selected and presented with General Geology of each Block and at the request will be shown with representative data and information of the Company's interested block(s) free of charge by Geological/Geophysical Team of Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise.

6. The Potential bidders will then be provided with Standard Terms and Conditions in order to submit proposal(s).

7. The potential bidders are allowed to submit up to

three (3) proposals for three (3) onshore blocks together with proposed Terms and Conditions. The proposal submitted shall be on a block by block basis.

8. The potential bidders' proposed Terms and Conditions will be assessed and the best offered Terms and Conditions will be selected for awarding.

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Scientists find 'better way' to grow adult stem cells

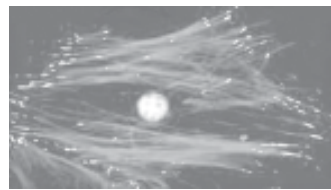
LONDON, 19 July — A new plastic surface which overcomes the difficulties associated with growing adult stem cells has been developed, according to scientists. Standard surfaces have proved limited for growing large amounts and retaining the stem cells' useful characteristics. It is hoped the discovery could lead to the creation of stem cell therapies for re-growing bone and tissue, and also for conditions such as arthritis. The study was carried out by Glasgow and Southampton universities.

The new "nano-patterned" surface was created using a manufacturing process similar to that used to make Blu-ray discs. The surface is covered with tiny pits, which the researchers said made it more effective in allowing stem cells to grow and spread into useful cells for therapy.

Currently, when adult stem cells are harvested from a patient, they are then cultured in a laboratory to increase the quantities of cells and create a batch of sufficient volume to kick-start the process of cellular regeneration. At this point

they can be reintroduced back into the patient.

The process of culturing is made difficult because stem cells grown on standard plastic tissue culture surfaces do not always expand to create new stem cells but instead create other cells which are of no use in therapy. Stem cell expansion can be boosted by immersing the cells in chemical solutions, but the scientists said these methods were limited in their effectiveness. —*Internet*



A stem cell makes adhesions (shown in green) to the new "nano-patterned" plastic surface.— INTERNET

Homes and roads flooded in Inverness and Perth

PERTH, 19 July—Flooding has caused disruption across Scotland after almost 24 hours of heavy rain. In the Highlands, homes in the Culloden, Balloch and Smithton areas near Inverness have been affected. Police closed Murray Road and Murray Terrace in Smithton, and Barn Church Road, Culloden, and said the A96 Balloch junction was also "badly flooded". There

were also flash floods in Perth and Balerno in Edinburgh.

Northern Constabulary said other roads in the Highlands were affected by "significant surface water" and advised drivers to take alternative routes. Highland Fire and Rescue service sent four pumps to the area. Flooding in Glasgow also affected some train services. —*Internet*



Tourists enjoy themselves in the sea and on the beach in Beidaihe in Qinhuangdao City, north China's Hebei Province, on 16 July, 2011. As summer comes, Qinhuangdao City, which owns many famous scenic spots, enters a busy season of tourism. — XINHUA

Woman charged in deadly Winnipeg fire

WINNIPEG, 19 July — A Canadian woman was charged with murder and attempted murder in a fire that killed four people and critically injured two

others, Winnipeg police said on Sunday. Lulonda Lynn Flett, 40, of Winnipeg, who was arrested at a fire that killed four people and counts of second-degree murder and four counts of attempted murder, the Canadian Broadcasting Corp reported.

Police said a witness saw someone use a flammable substance to ignite the rooming house fire early Saturday, the CBC said. Authorities said the fire likely started near the front entrance, possibly on the veranda, blocking an escape route.

—*Internet*



Drivers had to be rescued after becoming trapped in floodwater in Inverness.— INTERNET



Foreign visitors play with mud during the 14th Boryeong Mud Festival at Daecheon beach in Boryeong, about 190 km (118 miles) southwest of Seoul, on 17 July, 2011.

85-year-old receives degree after 66 years

An 85-year-old Welsh man received his diploma after a 66-year hiatus from college, officials say.

Harold Jones formally received his Cardiff University diploma Monday after having missed his 1945 graduation due to World War II, the BBC reported.

Jones, now living in Madrid, was called to complete Royal Navy training in 1945 and was never able to collect his diploma. He went on to have a successful career in engineering, though, working in Wales, the Middle East, London, the Netherlands and South Africa.

The new graduate began his studies at Cardiff in 1942, where his mother enrolled him in engineering classes.

"Some people did it to avoid getting called up, so that might have been my mother's motivation," he told the BBC.

"People on the course had an added incentive to make sure they passed their exams, because if you didn't you were handed a rifle and told, 'Right, go and get some Germans.'"

He added that while at the university, he had to complete weekly fire-watching and Home Guard duties.

News Album

Woman sells kids on eBay as joke

A Geelong, Australia, woman could lose custody of her children after she tried to sell them on eBay, officials say.

The woman, who is in her 30s, put photos of her son and daughter, both under 10 years old, last week, apparently as a joke, the Geelong Advertiser reported Monday. The listing was online for one day last week, and was taken down after police contacted eBay.

The police believed the woman's excuse that the listing was a joke and did not press criminal charges, however, the Department of Human Services is still investigating her actions.

Pigeon rides ferry every day for three years

Crew members of a New York Waterway ferry said the same feral pigeon has ridden the vessel every day for the past three years.

The crew members of the Thomas Jefferson ferry from Manhattan to Weehawken, NJ, said the pigeon, nicknamed Tony, boards the vessel every day during the rush hour commute and rides the ferry back and forth for about two hours, the *New York Daily News* reported Monday.

The crew said the bird returns for another two-hour shift during the evening commute.

"I've been working this job for 23 years and I've never seen anything like this," said senior deckhand George Schumpp, 52. "Three years ago, this pigeon shows up and starts going through the cabin and eating crumbs. Next thing you know, he's here every day at the exact same time. And he does more work cleaning than my partner."



A sausage used to make a 200-metre-long hot dog lies in a shelf in Mariano Roque Alonso, Paraguay, on 15 July, 2011. The hot dog is about to set a new Guinness record, breaking the older one created by Spaniards.

Jennifer Lopez to be paid 620K pounds to sing at wedding in Ukraine

LONDON, 19 July—Jennifer Lopez, who is in the middle of divorcing her husband Marc Anthony, will be paid more



Jennifer Lopez

than 620,000 pounds to sing at a wedding in Ukraine.

Lopez, 41, will be performing just days after she announced the end of her seven-year marriage to Anthony, 42.

"It's a wealthy guy who wanted J-Lo and was willing to pay top dollar," the Sun quoted a source as saying.

A spokesman for Lopez however could not comment on the terms of the agreement. "Jennifer will be performing in the Ukraine. Terms of the agreement cannot be confirmed," the spokesman added.—*Internet*

Beyonce Knowles pays tribute to astronauts

LONDON, 19 July— Singer Beyonce Knowles has paid a tribute to astronauts with a special message during final NASA shuttle mission.

Following the footsteps of Veteran musicians Sir Paul McCartney and Sir Elton John, the 29-year-old recorded a touching wake-up call for the crew of shuttle Atlantis.

She also gave a memorable shout-out to Sandy Magnus, the only

female astronaut on the mission, reports contactmusic.com.

Beyonce piped in her hit song "Run The World (Girls)" over the spacecraft's sound system and told the group, "Good morning Atlantis. This is Beyonce. Sandy, Chris, Doug, and Rex, you inspire all of us to dare to live our dreams... This song is especially for my girl, Sandy, and all the women who've taken us to space



Singer Beyonce Knowles

with them, and the girls who are our future explorers."—*Internet*

Sonam Kapoor's balancing act

NEW DELHI, 19 July— Actress Sonam Kapoor would have missed the recently held unveiling of the theatrical trailer of her forthcoming film "Mausam", had she not requested her "Players" producers for a short break.

Sonam was about to give the event a miss, but she really wanted to be a part of it and asked for a few hours off from her pre-booked schedule of "Players", according to a source close to the actress.

Sonam promised to be back on the shoot as soon as possible, and managed to balance her responsibilities to both her projects.



Actress Sonam Kapoor

"Mausam" producer Sheetal Talwar of Vistara Religare Film Fund says he was glad that Sonam could make it to the event.

"It was great that Sonam could make it for the launch, after all 'Mausam' is a love story and would have truly been incomplete without her," Talwar said in a statement.

"Mausam", which is actor Pankaj Kapoor's directorial debut and stars Shahid Kapoor in lead role, will release 16 Sep. *Internet*



US jazz saxophonist and composer Seamus Blake performs at the Malta Jazz Festival in Valletta on 16 July, 2011.—XINHUA

Charlie Sheen's ex heading back to rehab

LONDON, 19 July— Actor Charlie Sheen's estranged wife, Brooke Mueller, has decided to go to a rehabilitation centre in Mexico to get rid of her drug addiction.

Mueller is heading to a treatment facility in Cancun for an intensive seven-day stint in a bid to finally overcome her addiction, reports TMZ.com.

The 33-year-old, who has endured a long drug and alcohol abuse battle, finished her 45-day

treatment programme at a rehab centre in May this year.

Mueller and Sheen married in 2008, but split in April 2010 after the couple's drugs and lifestyle problems got in their way. *Internet*



Charlie Sheen

Women's World Cup final breaks Twitter record

LONDON, 19 July — The Women's World Cup final between Japan and the United States set the record for tweets per second, eclipsing the wedding of Prince William and Kate and the death of Osama bin Laden. Japan rallied twice to tie the United States 2-2 after extra time before winning a penalty shootout on Sunday in Frankfurt, Germany. The US was aiming for its third World Cup victory, while Japan lifted the World Cup trophy for the first time after going 0-25 against the Americans over the years.



Japan's Homare Sawa lifts the trophy following the final match between Japan and the United States at the Women's Soccer World Cup in Frankfurt, Germany.—INTERNET

The exciting climax drew 7,196 tweets per second, according to Twitter. Paraguay's penalty shootout win over Brazil in a Copa America quarterfinal later the same day came close to beating it with 7,166. The previous record of 6,939 was set just after midnight in Japan on New Year's Day. Other spikes include bin Laden's death (5,106 per second) and the Super Bowl in February (4,064).

Spain's World Cup win over the Netherlands in July 2010 managed a high of 3,051, although the record for the tournament (3,283) was set when Japan beat Denmark in the group stage—another statistic pointing to Twitter's popularity in Japan. The record-breaking numbers Sunday reflect a sharp rise in Twitter usage. Its users send 200 million tweets per day, compared to 10 million two years ago, according to Twitter.

Internet

World Cup gives Japan joyful respite from disaster

TOKYO, 19 July—After months of grief and gloom, Japan found a reason to unite in celebration. Japanese who have shared in mourning for months boisterously cheered a Women's World Cup victory that briefly put aside the long and uncertain recovery from the earthquake, tsunami and nuclear disaster.

Fans decked out in the national team's dark blue uniforms hugged and sang in Tokyo as they watched their team lift the winner's trophy on live broadcasts from Frankfurt, Germany. "This is a chance to forget the nuclear disaster and everything else, to just to unite and celebrate," said 22-year-old Toru Komatsu. Prime Minister Naoto Kan called the victory the "greatest gift" to the nation, especially to the residents of the northeast coast most devastated by the 11 March disaster.

The earthquake and tsunami left nearly 23,000 people dead or missing and caused partial meltdowns at a nuclear power plant. "(The team) gave courage for every-

one by showing a diehard match even when they were on the back foot," Kan said in the statement carried by *Kyodo* news agency. Japan became the first Asian nation to win the Women's World Cup, beating the United States 3-1 in a penalty shootout Sunday after a 2-2 draw.

The team, tiny in stature compared to the Americans, fell behind twice but battled back to equalize both times, their final goal coming with just three minutes left in extra time.—Internet



Japanese fans celebrate at a sports bar in Tokyo on Monday morning, on 18 July, 2011 after Japan beat the United States in their final match at the Women's Soccer World Cup in Frankfurt, Germany.—INTERNET

Corinthians yet to agree deal for Man City's Carlos Tevez

LONDON, 19 July—Brazilian club Corinthians say they have not yet struck a deal to sign Manchester City striker Carlos Tevez. On Sunday, City boss Roberto Mancini claimed a deal had been reached for the 27-year-old, with only personal terms still to be agreed. But a Corinthians statement said: "We would like to clarify to the public that City did not accept our offer."

"City sent a counter-proposal in the early hours... and this will be analysed by Corinthians."



Tevez scored 20 league goals for Manchester City last season.

INTERNET

Tevez's representative Kia Joorabchian also insisted that, contrary to Mancini's comments on City's pre-season tour, the clubs had not yet settled on a fee despite Corinthians returning with an improved bid understood to be about £40m.—Internet

Manchester City slips past Whitecaps 2-1

VANCOUVER, 19 July—Shaun Wright-Phillips scored in the 84th minute and Manchester City of the English Premier League defeated Major League Soccer's Vancouver Whitecaps 2-1 in an exhibition game on Monday. Wright-Phillips unleashed a shot from about

30 yards that beat goalkeeper Jay Nolly.

It was his second goal in as many games on Man City's North American tour, having scored Saturday in a 2-0 win over Club America in San Francisco. Wright-Phillips almost had a second goal, but Nolly made a save late in the game.—Internet



Vancouver Whitecaps' Bilal Duckett, left, and Manchester City's John Guidetti compete for the ball during the second half of an international friendly soccer match in Vancouver, British Columbia.—INTERNET

SPORTS

Inter to keep 2006 Italian League title

ROME, 19 July—The Italian Football Federation (FIGC) announced on Monday that Inter Milan will be allowed to keep the 2006 Serie A title, attributed to them in the wake of that year's Calciopoli scandal. A motion by the FIGC's federal council declaring that there was "no judicial basis for the revocation" of the 2006 Scudetto was passed by 22 votes to one at a meeting in Rome, with two abstentions.

The Calciopoli scandal

led to Juventus being stripped of the league titles they had won in 2005 and 2006 after it was discovered that they had been trying to influence referees. Juve were also relegated to Serie B and deducted nine points, although they did win immediate promotion back to the elite.

The scandal also led to Fiorentina being deducted 15 points, Milan losing eight, and Lazio three points. It was as a result of these punishments that Inter were retrospectively awarded the title.

Internet



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INTERNET

Given joins Villa on five-year contract

LONDON, 19 July—Aston Villa on Monday announced the signing of experienced Irish goalkeeper Shay Given on a five-year contract from Premier League rivals Manchester City. The 35-year-old, who arrived for an undisclosed fee, is Villa coach Alex McLeish's first signing since he succeeded Gerard Houllier at the end of last season. "Aston Villa is a huge club and I'm really excited to be joining," Given told the Villa website. "It's a new challenge and I'm eager to embrace it."

Given joined City from Newcastle United for £7 million (\$11.2m) in 2009 but has spent much of his time on the bench after City coach Roberto Mancini decided to make England international Joe Hart his first-choice goalkeeper.—Internet



French striker Nolan Roux

Schalke fail with improved Roux bid

PARIS, 19 July—Schalke 04 have had an improved bid for Brest's French striker Nolan Roux rejected, the German side's sporting director Horst Heldt revealed on Monday. "Our new, improved offer has been refused," Heldt said during Schalke's pre-season training camp in Austria, according to AFP subsidiary SID.

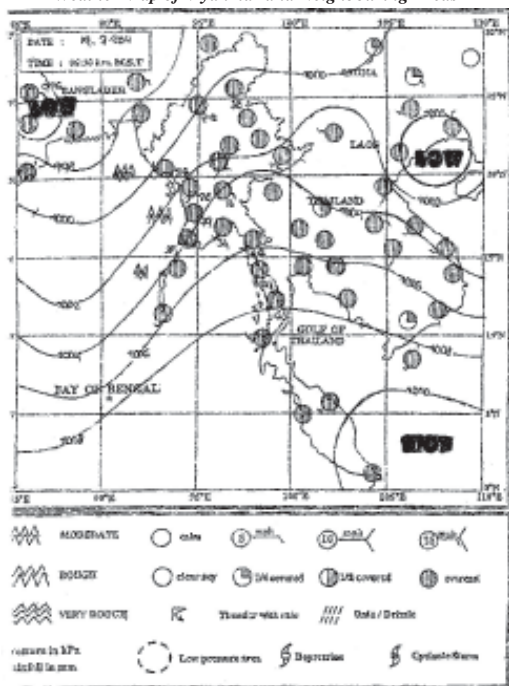
If France Under-21 international Roux's chances of moving to Gelsenkirchen now appear slim, Schalke are still seeking to re-jig the attacking department of their squad. Romanian striker Ciprian Marica, released by Stuttgart last

week, could join the club, although his failure to impose himself at the Swabians means "the risk has to be evaluated," according to Heldt.

A decision on whether or not to sign Marica is expected to be made before the end of the week. Schalke's Brazilian striker Edu, meanwhile, could leave the club for Asia. A Japanese club are believed to be preparing a bid for the 29-year-old, who arrived from Korean outfit Suwon Bluewings in January 2010. Should Edu leave, Heldt said "it is possible that two forwards would be recruited".

Internet

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Weather forecast for 20th July, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/F)		For Tomorrow	
		Maximum	Minimum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	25/77	24/75	Widespread rain (H)	80%
2	Kayah	29/84	21/70	Scattered rain	80%
3	Kayin	28/82	24/75	Widespread rain (H)	80%
4	Chin	23/73	14/57	Widespread rain	80%
5	Upper Sagaing	30/86	22/72	Widespread rain (H)	80%
6	Lower Sagaing	35/95	26/79	Scattered rain	80%
7	Tanintharyi	26/79	24/75	Widespread rain	80%
8	Bago	30/86	22/72	Fairly widespread	80%
9	Magway	32/90	26/79	Scattered rain	80%
10	Mandalay	34/93	27/81	Scattered rain	80%
11	Mon	28/82	24/75	Widespread rain (H)	80%
12	Yangon	29/84	24/75	Widespread rain	80%
13	Rakhine	27/81	23/73	Widespread rain (H)	80%
14	Southern Shan	24/75	18/64	Fairly widespread	80%
15	Northern Shan	29/84	21/70	Fairly widespread	80%
16	Eastern Shan	30/86	22/72	Fairly widespread	80%
17	Ayeyawady	29/84	24/75	Widespread rain (H)	80%
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	33/91	24/75	One or two rain	80%
19	Neighbouring Yangon	29/84	24/75	One or two rain	80%
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	34/93	27/81	Isolated rain	60%

During the past (24) hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Lower Sagaing Region, rains have been isolated in Kayah State, scattered in Mandalay and Magway Regions, Shan State, fairly widespread in Ayeyawady and Tanintharyi Regions and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with regionally heavy falls in Upper Sagaing Region and Rakhine State and isolated heavy falls in Ayeyawady Region and Mon State. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Kyauktaw (10.12) inches, Mraak(1) and Khami (9.37) inches each, Homalin (8.54) inches, Maungtaw (4.61) inches, Sittway (4.06) inches, Thandwe (3.93) inches, Gwa (3.36) inches, Pyarpon (3.52) inches, Tamu (3.43) inches and Kyeikkhame (3.15) inches.

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

State of the Sea: Occasional squalls with rough seas will be experienced off and along Myanmar Coasts, Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (40) mph.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Continuation of strong monsoon.

Russia wins team technical gold at world titles

SHANGHAI, 19 July—Russia continued its dominance in synchronized swimming at the world aquatic championships, winning the team technical competition Tuesday for its third gold medal in as many nights. Russia scored 98.3 points to beat China, which finished with 96.8. Spain won the bronze with 96.0 points.



Russia perform their routine in the synchronised swimming Free Combination event at the FINA 2011 Swimming World Championships in Shanghai, China, on 19 July, 2011.—INTERNET

On Monday, Russian Natalia Ishchenko won her second gold medal, teaming with Svetlana Romashina to win the duet technical final a night after taking the solo gold. The competition has four more gold medals to be awarded, all in the freestyle events — solo, combination, duet and team.—Internet

Seven policemen poisoned, killed in Afghanistan

LASHKAR GAH, 19 July—Seven policemen were poisoned and shot dead by insurgents in Lashkar Gah, the provincial capital of Helmand province 555 km south of capital city of Kabul on Monday, said a statement of the provincial government released on Tuesday.



Seven Afghan policemen manning a checkpoint in the restive southern province of Helmand were fed poisonous food and later shot dead. INTERNET

“Seven policemen, who were guards of a check point in the Sarkar areas in the vicinity of Lashkar Gah, were first poisoned and then shot dead by insurgents at around 02:00 pm local time on Monday,” said the statement.—Xinhua



Wednesday, 20 July View on today

- 7:00 am
- 1. Paritta By Venerable Mingun Sayadaw -Uppatasanti Paritta
- 7:25 am
- 2. To be Healthy Exercise
- 7:30 am
- 3. Morning News
- 7:40 am
- 4. Dhamma Puja Song

- 7:50 am
- 5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 8:00 am
- 6. Health Programme
- 8:10 am
- 7. Performance with Song
- 8:15 am
- 8. Cultural Dances
- 8:25 am
- 9. Musical Programme
- 8:40 am
- 10. International News
- 8:45 am
- 11. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 8:50 am
- 12. Documentary
- 9:00 pm
- 1. Martial Song
- 4:10 pm
- 2. Musical Programme
- 4:25 pm
- 3. Dance Of National Races
- 4:30 pm
- 4. Teleplay (Health)

- 4:40 pm
- 5. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) - Second Year (Psychology)
- 4:55 pm
- 6. Songs for Upholding National Spirit
- 5:00 pm
- 7. Classical Songs
- 5:05 pm
- 8. “ASEAN” Programmes
- 5:15 pm
- 9. International Science News
- 5:30 pm
- 10. Melody Tunes (Sogya Pyawshwin Tay Thansin)
- 6:00 pm
- 11. Evening News
- 6:15 pm
- 12. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm
- 13. Traditional Boxing

- 6:30 pm
- 14. Shwe Yin Chone Than
- 6:50 pm
- 15. Preview of 26th South East Asia Games
- 7:00 pm
- 16. An Interview with officials of Immigration and National Registration Department on Censuses and Citizenship Serutiny Card
- 7:30 pm
- 17. Centenary of A One Soe Myint (Composer)
- 8:00 pm
- 18. News
- 19. International News
- 20. Weather Report
- 21. Korea NG Award
- 22. TV Drama Series
- 23. Myanmar Vedio Feature

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (20-7-2011) (Wednesday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	(20-7-11 09:30 am ~ 21-7-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Historical Kyaukse and its Environs

- * News
- * A Fever of Korean Excitement! (Part-I)
- * News
- * A Fever of Korean Excitement! (Part-II)
- * News
- * The Creator of Parcel

Oversea Transmission

- * Opening
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- * News
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- * News
- * A Fever of Korean Excitement! (Part-II)

- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * The Creator of Parcel
- * News
- * Poem Garden “Join Hands together”
- * News
- * All Lives Under The Sky: “Catch of Fish by Cooperation of Fisherman and Dolphin”
- * Record Album
- * News
- * Shopping with Torch-Light
- * News
- * Come and visit, no matter the distance (Pathein)
- * Myanmar Movies “My Teacher”

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- ★ 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

Union Construction Minister inspects Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung-NyaungU and Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Myothit-Kanbya roads

NAY PYI TAW, 19 July — Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint, accompanied by officials, visited construction site of Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung-NyaungU Road (Kyaukpadaung-NyaungU road section) implemented by Myat Noe Thu Company with B.O.T system yesterday morning and stressed the importance for completing the repair of damaged tarred road ahead of the dry season.

Afterwards, the Union minister inspected Magway-Yenangyoung-Gwecho-Kyaukpadaung Road (Kyaukpadaung-Magway road section) implemented by Kaung Mon Company with B.O.T System.

The Union minister and party viewed damaged road and bridges along Nay Pyi Taw-Taungnyo-Myothit-Kanbya (Magway) road due to heavy rains, erosion and landslide.

Next, Union Minister U Khin Maung Myint looked into the building of a diversion drain, bridges, box culverts, conduits and tarred road along the road. On arrival at Shwepangon briefing hall, the Union minister met with officials and gave necessary instructions.

The Union minister and party inspected the tarred road, Htantabinchaung bridge and Ngalaik bridge. During his inspection, the minister called for construction of retaining walls wherever necessary along the road.—MNA



Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint inspects NyaungU-Kyaukpadaung Road section.

MNA

Industrial Product Exhibition in Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 19 July — Organized by Industrial Development Committee, Industry-1 and -2 Ministries' Industrial Product Exhibition kicks off on 22 July at Myanmar International Convention Centre.

The exhibition will stage a variety of items from the two ministries as well as entertainment programmes and model shows till its end on 24 July.—MNA

Flood Warning

NAY PYI TAW, 19 July — According to the 12.30 hr MST observation today, the water level of Chindwin River at Hkamti is 1153 cm. It may reach its danger level 1360 cm during the next 48 hours commencing noon today.

According to the 12.30 hr MST observation today, the water level of Chindwin River at Homalin is 2815 cm. It may reach above its danger level 2900 cm during the next 24 hours commencing noon today, announced the Meteorology and Hydrology Department.—MNA