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## Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint attends second plenary session of 32<sup>nd</sup> AIPA

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept— Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint attended the second plenary session of the 32<sup>nd</sup> ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly at Nuon Srei Hall of Peace Palace in Phnom Penh of Cambodia at 9.30 am on 23 September.

Also present at the session were President of Senate of Cambodia Mr Samdech Akka Moha Thamma Pothisal Cheasim, the President of AIPA and President of Cambodian National Assembly, speakers of parliaments of AIPA member countries, Hluttaw representatives, leaders of special observer and observer countries, officials of AIPA and ASEAN and guests.

Officials of Committee on Political Matters, Committee on Economic Matters, Committee on Social Matters, Committee on Organizational Matters, Committee on Women Parliamentarians of AIPA (WAIPA), Committee on Dialogue with observer Countries and Committee on Joint Communiqueread out their reports on meeting decisions.

Heads of the AIPA member countries including Pyidaungsu

Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint signed the joint communique.

The President of 32<sup>nd</sup> AIPA and President of Cambodia National Assembly handed over duties and

clared.

The Speaker of the Parliament of the Republic of Indonesia extended greetings.

The President of AIPA and

### True patriotism

- \* It is very important for every one 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.



Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint attends second plenary session of 32<sup>nd</sup> ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly.—MNA

functions to Speaker of the Parliament of the Republic of Indonesia Mr Dr Marzuki Alie who will host the 33<sup>rd</sup> AIPA. Next, the date and venue for the 33<sup>rd</sup> AIPA was de-

President of Cambodia National Assembly presented commemorative medals to the Parliament Speakers of AIPA member countries.

Indonesia that will host the

33<sup>rd</sup> AIPA presented documentary video on location of the Republic of Indonesia, history and arrangements for hosting the parliaments.

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## Hluttaw representatives led by Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint arrive in Phnom Penh

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept — At the invitation of President of ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly Mr Samdech Akka Moha Ponhea Chakrei Heng Samrin, the delegation made up of 14 Hluttaw representatives led by Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Khin Aung Myint left Yangon by air on 18 September morning to attend the 32<sup>nd</sup> ASEAN Inter-Par-

liamentary Assembly to accept the recognition as a full-fledged member and arrived at Suvarnabhumi International Airport in Bangkok of Thailand at 11.40 am local time, where Myanmar Ambassador to Thailand U Aung Thein and embassy staff gave the delegation a reception.

The delegation left Bangkok for Phnom Penh by air and arrived at Phnom Penh International Airport at

7.25 pm local time.

Myanmar Ambassador to Cambodia U Cho Tun Aung, Minister-Counselor U Thiha Han, embassy staff, the Vice-President of Cambodian National Assembly and officials welcomed the delegation.

The delegation led by the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker proceeded to Hotel Inter-Continental in a motorcade.

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### Noteworthy amounts

of rainfall

(25-9-2011)

**Hkamti 3.59 inches**

**Toungoo 2.44 inches**

**Machanbaw 1.65 inches**

**Dawei 1.30 inches**

## PERSPECTIVES

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### Gear up quality and productivity

State economy is based on agriculture sector. Focusing on the increased production of various kinds of crops, Myanmar is now standing at the high position of producing paddy and beans and pulses. Vigorous efforts are being made for ensuring local food sufficiency, exporting surplus foods to international market.

More and more efforts must be made for modernization and development of the State. Improvement of industrial sector contributes a lot to modernization of the nation. At present, sound foundations are being built to industrialize the nation. Many import-substitute factories can be seen among the already-built factories and workshops.

The State and private sectors are to work in harmony for development of the industrial sector. While many new factories including heavy industries and workshops are being built in industrial regions and industrial zones, and many of them are in operation at full capacity.

The factories with high technologies and productivity have been established in industrial regions. These factories are manufacturing heavy machines and machinery, diesel engines, hydropower turbines and generators. Production of automobiles meeting standard is being operated on a wider scale. Applying new technologies for productivity, the factories generate job opportunities for the local people.

The process in industrializing the nation in a short time needs skillful technicians with capabilities of applying modern technologies. Greater efforts are to be made for constantly turning out technicians and skillful workers.

As a result of establishing industrial regions and industrial zones, various kinds of products are being manufactured. Emphasis is to be placed on distribution of the products to keep abreast of international goods in the international market. As such, officials concerned in respective sectors are to operate factories and workshops at full capacity, manufacture products and earn income exceeding the targets and increase the marketable products to meet set standards in leaps and bounds.

### Landmine blast kills one civilian

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept — A 27 year-old died in a land mine blast as he stepped on it in Shwegyin Township, Bago Region, yesterday.

Ko Sit Naing from Wahdawgyi Village died on the spot by the blast from the land mine while he was cutting bamboo along with his companion Ko Chit Tun in jungle about two miles east of the village in Shwegyin township. The blast blew off his left foot and pieces from the blast ripped into the part under his chin.

Officials concerned provided necessary assistance with the case.—MNA

### Myanmar, Poland to promote bilateral cooperation



Myanmar-Poland meeting in progress.

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NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept — Myanmar and Poland held talks at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs here today.

The visiting Polish delegation led by Deputy Foreign Minister and Development Cooperation of Poland Mr. Krzysztof Stanowski took part in the meeting while Myanmar delegation was led by Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint.

During the meeting, the two sides discussed matters on strengthening bilateral friendship and

promoting bilateral cooperation and exchanged views on progress in both countries.

In the evening, Deputy Minister U Maung Myint hosted a dinner in honour of the Polish delegation at Thingaha Hotel here.

The Polish delegation have arrived here at the invitation of Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint.

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Deputy Minister for Construction U Soe Tint inspects progress in renovation of SEAMEO Regional Centre at History and Customs (Thiri Hall) in compound of Yangon University. (News reported)—MNA



A meeting between Mandalay Region Fire Services Department and Mandalay Zone Auxiliary Fire Brigade Supervisory Committee on fire preventive measures and conditions of fire fighters in progress at Region FSD on 12 September.—NLM

### Myanmar media delegation visits Philippines to witness journalism boom

YANGON, 25 Sept — A 10-member media delegation led by Secretary of Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association U Ko Ko (Ko Ko-Sethmu Tekkatho) left here for the Philippines by air this morning to observe media development of the

Philippines under the arrangement of MWJA and Singapore-based Asia Media Information and Communication Centre (AMIC).

Members of the delegation—Sarpay Beikman Chief Editor U Myo Tun, Snap Shot Journal Chief Editor

U Myat Khine (Myat Khine), Today Media Group Chief Executive Officer Dr Tha Tun Oo, Popular News Journal Chief Editor U Pho Naing Lin, the Voice Journal Chief Editor U Zeya Thu, Messenger Journal Editor-in-Charge U Aung Paw Tun, the Seven Days

News Journal Executive Editor U Arman, the Myanmar Times Journal Editor U Myo Lwin, and the Flower News Journal Editor-in-Charge U Saw Myint Than (Pauktaw)—boarded the same flight.

MNA

**Smoking kills**

## Bridge kills five travelling on roof of Indian train

MUMBAI, 25 Sept—Five young men travelling on top of an overnight train in western India were killed on Sunday when they slammed into a bridge.

The men, all in their early 20s, were on the roof of the Gwalior-Udaipur Express on their way to sit a village accountancy exam in Bhilwara city, in the state of Rajasthan.

“We came to know about the incident when the train reached Bhilwara. Apart from the five deaths, four persons have been injured, two of them critically,” divisional railway manager Sanjay Das said.

The accident happened at about 3:00am between Ajmer city and Bhilwara.

India’s state-run railway system — still the main form of long-distance travel despite fierce competition from private airlines — carries 18.5 million people every day.

Roof-top travel is illegal but common as trains are often overloaded.

An accident early this month saw a speeding train ram into a stationary one in the southern state of Tamil Nadu, killing nine people and injuring 80.

Internet



*Indian commuters travel on the roof of a train in Mumbai. Five young men travelling on top of a train in western India were killed on Sunday when they slammed into a bridge.—INTERNET*

## Nigerian customs seize shipment of explosives



*Police and rescue workers stand in the debris of the UN building after last month’s blast in Abuja. Nigerian customs officials have seized an illegal shipment of explosives —with the country already buckling under a wave of bomb attacks blamed on militants.—INTERNET*

LAGOS, 25 Sept—Customs have seized an illegal shipment of explosives into Nigeria, a country buckling under a wave of bomb attacks blamed on militants, including one against UN offices, an official said Saturday. “A 40-foot container of explosive materials was intercepted yesterday at the port of Tin Can” in Lagos, customs spokesman Wale Adeniyi said.

The container, which arrived a week ago at one of Nigeria’s busiest ports, originated from China and was falsely declared to contain industrial spares and children’s toys. “It was declared to be industrial valves and ...toys by the source, but it was discovered that the majority of the stuff were explosives,” he said. “It contained all the things that could be used to make explosives — detonators, wires. They have been confirmed to be explosive materials.”

Internet

## One dead in blast at UN mine service in Somalia

MOGADISHU, 25 Sept—At least one person was killed Saturday by a powerful explosion at the offices of the United Nations Mine Action Service in Somalia’s capital Mogadishu, witnesses said.

The blast destroyed a car in the service’s parking lot, killing at least one person in the vehicle, witness Abdulahi Ahmed said.

“The explosion happened inside the compound (of the UN service). I can see the remains of the car destroyed in the blast and the body of at least one person,” Ahmed said.

Another witness, Muktar Isa, said that “the explosion was very strong and it destroyed part of the compound’s wall.” A UN representative in Mogadishu, who requested anonymity, confirmed that an explosion had destroyed a car in the Mine Action compound, without giving further details.

Internet



*A Somali woman walks past ruined buildings in Mogadishu. At least one person was killed by a powerful explosion at the offices of the United Nations Mine Action Service in Somalia’s capital Mogadishu.—INTERNET*

## Four people killed, three wounded in Iraq’s violence

BAGHDAD, 25 Sept—Four people were killed and three others were wounded in separate attacks by gunmen against Iraqi security forces and a government employee in central and eastern Iraq on Saturday, the police said. In western Baghdad, unidentified gunmen attacked a police checkpoint in southern the City of Fallujah, some 50 km west of Baghdad, killing two policemen and wounding three others before they fled the scene, a local police

source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

Iraqi security forces cordoned off the scene and carried out operation in the area, while the police were investigating the incident, the source said. Separately, an employee from the Iraqi Ministry of Foreign Affairs was gunned down in a drive-by shooting by armed men while driving in Baghdad’s western District of Jami’a, an Interior Ministry source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.—*Xinhua*

## Suicide blast kills two, wounds two in Afghan town

KABUL, 25 Sept—A suicide bomber in attempt to target headquarters of Khushi District in Logar Province 60 km south of Afghan capital Kabul blew himself up, leaving two people including himself dead and injuring two policemen on Saturday, a local television channel reported.

“A terrorist driving an explosive-laden car and designed to target the headquarters of Khushi District was identified by police and detonated himself at 01:30 pm local time today killing himself and wounding two policemen,” Tolo aired in its news bulletin. A woman accompanying the suicide bomber in the car was also killed in the blast, it added.—*Xinhua*

## Nine killed, 90 injured in Iraq’s Karbala explosions

BAGHDAD, 25 Sept—Up to nine people were killed and some 90 others wounded in a spate of bomb attacks in Iraq’s holy Shi’ite city of Karbala south of Baghdad on Sunday, the police told *Xinhua*.

“The latest report said that nine people were killed and 90 others wounded in four bomb attacks of Karbala,” said a source from the city police, citing reports from Karbala’s health office.

The first blast occurred at about 9:30 am (0630 GMT) when a bomb attached to a car parking outside the passport and identity card office in central Karbala, some 110 km south of Baghdad, detonated, the source said.

Minutes later, a second blast ripped through the scene of the first blast, the source added.

Two blasts in a quick succession followed after about 20 minutes when Iraqi security forces spread at the scene of the earlier two blasts, he said.

Many Iraqi soldiers and policemen were among the victims, the source said, adding that some of the wounded people left the hospitals after they received treatment. Iraqi security forces sealed off the scene and blocked all the roads leading to the heavily populated area in central the City which also includes Karbala’s provincial council and the provincial police headquarters, the source said.—*Xinhua*



*Firefighters inspected the explosion site in Iraqi City Karbala on 25 Sept, 2011.—XINHUA*



*The less attention we pay to eating a healthy skin diet, the more problems we may see cropping up with our skin. "You could have sallow skin, dry skin, older-looking skin. It's not going to happen overnight, but starve your skin long enough, and it's going to show," Heller says.—INTERNET*

## BAE may cut 3,000 jobs as Typhoon orders slow

**Business**

LONDON, 25 Sept—British defence giant BAE Systems is set to announce up to 3,000 job losses as it struggles to secure orders for the Eurofighter Typhoon in the wake of cuts to defence budgets by partner nations, British media reported on Sunday.

The *Sunday Telegraph* and *Sky News* said up to 3,000 workers could lose their jobs, all of them in Britain, as BAE prepares for a slowdown in orders to core markets — including the joint Eurofighter project.



*Workmen stand in the BAE Systems' Govan shipyard in Glasgow, Scotland on 26 May, 2011.—INTERNET*

The *Sunday Telegraph* said the job losses could come as early as next week at the firm's military aircraft division at two plants in northern England.

BAE has a 33 percent stake in the Eurofighter, alongside EADS and Finmeccanica and has received orders for some 550 planes from the four partner nations involved — the UK, Germany, Italy and Spain. A spokeswoman for BAE said the company would not be drawn on possible job cut figures, which she said were speculative.

"As a company we haven't officially announced anything yet and our approach to this is, as and when we do, we would inform our staff first," she said. But in a statement the company, which is Britain's biggest manufacturer, said it had informed staff it is "reviewing our operations across various businesses" to make sure it was best placed to secure future business. BAE added: "In order to bridge the gap between current demand and future anticipated export contracts the production rate on the current Typhoon programme for the partner nations will be slowed."

The firm said it was actively pursuing Typhoon contracts in India, Japan, Oman and Malaysia and that exports of the fighter aircraft "remained a priority" for the business.—*Internet*

**Business**

## Chinese solar firm to put US HQ in NY

POUGHKEEPSIE, (New York) 25 Sept—A Chinese solar-energy product maker will convert an abandoned New York IBM Corp chip-making plant into its US manufacturing headquarters, officials said.

Linuo Solar Group Co of Jinan, China, 250 miles south of Beijing, plans to hire up to 1,000 people by 2014 and invest \$100 million in the operation, which will make solar panels, solar cells and solar hot-water systems, international development Director Bevan Zhang said at a Poughkeepsie, NY, news conference Friday.

The 17-year-old company, which had \$1.3 billion in revenue in 2010 and employs 13,000 people globally, said it bought the million-square-foot, five-building former IBM semiconductor research-and-development site on 157 acres in East Fishkill, NY, for \$4.5 million in part because the exurban Hudson Valley Region north of New York City is fast-becoming a solar energy hub.

But a promise of up to \$6.4 million in state and local incentives was critical, Zhang said.

The company — which also looked in Arizona, California, Florida, New Jersey, Texas and Utah — will be required to hire at least 150 people next year and 600 by 2014 — and retain those jobs for at least a decade — to qualify for up to \$6 million in state incentives, Empire State Development regional Director Aimee Vargas told the *Poughkeepsie Journal*.

The August bankruptcy filing by Solyndra LLC, a California solar-panel maker that received a \$535 million federal loan guarantee in 2009, has renewed a highly partisan debate in Washington over the benefits or failings of President Barack Obama's stimulus programme and the wisdom of clean-energy subsidies in general. Linuo intends to meet or exceed the New York incentive requirements, Zhang said.

—*Internet*

## Hospital privacy curtains harbor

**Health**

### MRSA

CHICAGO, 25 Sept—Most hospital privacy curtains contain potentially harmful bacteria, including superbug methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*, US researchers found.

Michael Ohl of the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine in Iowa City said contamination occurred rapidly — 12 out of 13 freshly washed curtains hung during the study were contaminated within a week with potentially harmful bacteria, including antibiotic-resistant MRSA and vancomycin-resistant enterococcus species.

The findings suggest healthcare workers should wash their hands after touching privacy curtains and before touching the patient and that there is a need for interventions to prevent bacterial contamination of hospital privacy curtains, Ohl said.

Over a three-week period, 180 swab cultures were obtained twice weekly from the leading edge of 43 separate privacy curtains in 30 rooms — eight medical intensive care units, seven surgical intensive care units and 15 medical wards, Ohl said.

Ninety-five percent of the curtains demonstrated contamination on at least one occasion; MRSA was detected from 21 percent and VRE from 42 percent of curtains among other germs.

The findings were presented at the Interscience Conference on Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy in Chicago.—*Internet*



*Want truly fabulous skin — glowing, vibrant, and, yes, younger-looking skin? Make sure you're drinking plenty of water and eating a healthy skin diet. "Everything you eat becomes a part of not only your inner being, but the outer fabric of your body as well."*

INTERNET

## Health Tip: Keep a diabetes notebook

A notebook of instructions and helpful information will make it easier to stay organized when your diabetic child gets sick.

The American Diabetes Association offers these suggestions for what to include in the notebook:

- \* A list of your doctor's guidelines, including recommendations for when to call.
- \* Daytime and after-hours phone numbers for your child's diabetes care team.
- \* Copies of important documents, such as your child's insurance card.
- \* A meal plan that will provide your child with 50 grams of carbohydrates every three or four hours.
- \* Over-the-counter medications that won't interfere with other meds or affect blood glucose.
- \* A list of what your child has eaten, including blood glucose readings, insulin administered and carbohydrate counts.—*Internet*

## NASA satellite plunges into Pacific off California

WASHINGTON, 25 Sept—A bus-sized US satellite that hurtled unpredictably toward Earth crossed over Africa and the northern Atlantic before likely plunging into the Pacific Ocean off California, NASA said on Saturday.

The six-tonne Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite (UARS) fell from the sky between 11:23 pm Friday and 1:09 am Saturday (0323-0509 GMT Saturday), the space agency said, but there were no sightings or reliable accounts of damage.

The best and latest

estimate, made by the Joint Space Operations Center at Vandenberg Air Force Base in California at two hours before entry, put the re-entry time at 0416 GMT.

“If the re-entry point was at 0416 GMT, then all that debris wound up in the Pacific Ocean,” said Johnson.

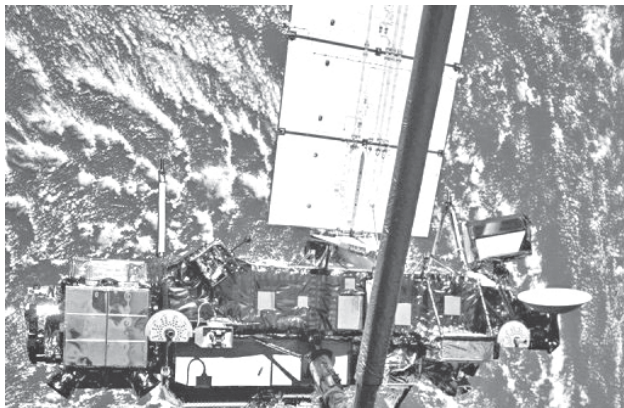
The satellite was expected to break into 26 pieces as it plummeted toward Earth, with surviving parts including titanium fuel tanks, beryllium housing and stainless steel batteries and wheel rims.

“Twenty-six satellite components, weighing a total of about 1,200 pounds (550 kilograms), could have survived the fiery re-entry and reach the surface of Earth. However, NASA is not aware of any reports of injury or property damage,” the space agency said.

UARS was launched in 1991 to measure the ozone layer and other atmospheric conditions and was decommissioned in 2005. The last of its fuel was used up to change its orbit so it would return to Earth sooner.

Influence from solar activity and the tumbling motion of the satellite made it difficult to narrow down where it would penetrate Earth’s atmosphere, and it was expected to leave a 500-mile (800-kilometer) debris footprint. UARS was the biggest NASA spacecraft to fall since the 85-ton Skylab crashed into western Australia in 1979.

Internet



1991 NASA file photo shows the Upper Atmosphere Research Satellite (UARS) in the grasp of the RMS (Remote Manipulator System) during deployment.—INTERNET

## Amazon expected to unveil tablet next week

NEW YORK, 25 Sept—Amazon.com Inc, which revolutionized reading with its Kindle e-reader, is expected to unveil a tablet computer next week that analysts say will seriously challenge Apple’s market dominating iPad.

Amazon on Friday invited media to a press conference to be held in New York next Wednesday, declining to provide further details.

But analysts were confident that the world’s largest Internet retailer will introduce its long-awaited tablet computer this year to expand in mobile commerce and sell more digital goods and services. “Wednesday is tablet day,” BGC partners analyst Colin Gillis told Reuters.

The tablet has been awaited as a strong competitor to Apple Inc’s iPad. Apple has sold about 29 million of the devices since its launch in April 2010.

“The real issue here is that, you know, it is likely going to be good for consumers; is this going to be good for shareholders?,” Gillis said. He wondered whether Amazon would price the tablet below those of rivals — and thereby do little to boost margins.

“Knowing Amazon, it is likely to be a very aggressive price,” Gillis said.

In much the same way Amazon’s Kindle e-reader was priced low to quickly get traction among readers the company is likely to keep the price of its



Amazon.com President, Chief Executive and Chairman Jeffrey Bezos speaks with employers and attendees at the Consumer Reports headquarters in Yonkers, New York, on 11 May, 2011.—INTERNET

tablet low to attract users and sell other content and services, one analyst said. “It’s a marketing tool to build a relationship with customers and sell them cloud (computing) services,” said James McQuivey, an analyst with Forrester Research. While Amazon has remained tight lipped even about the device’s existence, the TechCrunch blog earlier this month said the Amazon tablet also will be called Kindle.

It will be a 7 inch device with a full color, touch screen, run on Google’s Android software and cost \$250, the blog said, well below the price of the least expensive iPad. Robert Baird & Co analyst Colin Sebastian said in a note last month than an Amazon tablet would be a “game-changer.” Sebastian forecast the device could sell 3 million units in its first year.—Reuters



In a Friday, 23 Sept, 2011 photo, wildlife biologist Paul Marinari, left, releases an endangered black-footed ferret into the wild, in the Badlands National Park.—INTERNET

Science

## Biologists celebrate comeback of endangered ferret

INTERIOR, (South Dakota) 25 Sept—As the cage door opened, black-footed ferret No 7505 tentatively peeked his head out, looked hesitantly at the prairie dog burrow offered before him, and then rushed inside, disappearing beneath the earth of western South Dakota’s badlands. His freedom had been months in the making, but in less than a minute — and three decades after his species was believed extinct — he was gone, unleashed into the wild to do what the endangered ferret

does best: attack and kill prairie dogs.

“Hopefully, he’s chowing down on a prairie dog now,” said Paul Marinari, a fish and wildlife biologist with the National Black-Footed Ferret Conservation Centre.

The release was invitation-only event at the Badlands National Park, attended by about two dozen ferret fanatics, to kick off a weekend of nationwide festivities celebrating the 30th anniversary of the rediscovery of a mustelid once thought extinct.

On 26 Sept, 1981, a

ranch dog in Meeteetse, Wyo, proudly presented his owners with a dead black-footed ferret. A local taxidermist identified the creature, which had been thought extinct for several years, launching a decades-long recovery effort that has seen the ferret population grow from 18 to more than 1,000 in the wild.

The ferret is still endangered, but conservationists are hopeful that by 2020, enough will be in the wild to wipe them off the list.

Internet

## China to launch eight Antarctic, Arctic research expeditions in five years

SHANGHAI, 25 Sept—China plans to launch five Antarctic research expeditions and another three to the Arctic from 2011 to 2015, said an official with the Chinese Arctic and Antarctic Administration (CAA) on Sunday. China will launch the 28th Antarctic research expedition in early November and the fifth to the Arctic in early July 2012, said Qu Tanzhou, director of the CAA, at the annual seminar on China’s polar region expedition and research in Shanghai.

In the 2011-2015 period, Chinese researchers will focus on monitoring the weather and environment changes in the polar regions, Qu said.

Qu said climate change in the polar region, particularly that in the Arctic, will inevitably influence China, and the research would benefit the nation’s adaptation to climate change. China plans to build a new icebreaker before 2015, which will form an Arctic-Antarctic maritime research team with Xuelong (“Snow Dragon”), an icebreaker that operated in Antarctica, said Qin Weijia, head of the CAA’s committee of the Communist Party of China. Qin said the plan to build the new icebreaker has already been approved by the National Development and Reform Commission, the nation’s top economic planner. China will have two icebreakers concurrently operating at both the north and south poles, Qin said.—Xinhua

### Russia's Putin, Medvedev agree to swap roles

Moscow, 25 Sept—Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin said Saturday he would run for president in 2012 and suggested President Dmitry Medvedev should become prime minister after the elections.

would become prime minister after the 2012 election and the ruling party would win the parliamentary elections in December.

“I am sure that United Russia will win and Dmitry Anatolyevich Medvedev will be able to build a new,

Luzhniki sport complex.

In proposing Putin's candidacy, Medvedev said: “I believe it would be right if the congress support party leader Vladimir Putin's candidacy for president,” he said.

Meanwhile, Medvedev agreed to head the ruling party's list for the 4 Dec parliamentary elections, adding that he was ready to do some practical work in the government and continue modernization of the national economy.

The president also said he and Putin had “agreed long ago on who will do what following the elections.”

“What we have proposed at the congress is a well-thought-out decision. Even more, we discussed, indeed, this version of developments at the time when our comradely union was formed,” Medvedev said.

He hoped Russian citizens could trust the strategy and efficiency of the administration model set by him and Putin.—Xinhua



Russia's President Dmitry Medvedev (R front) and Prime Minister Vladimir Putin (L front) attend the United Russia congress in Moscow on 24 September, 2011.

XINHUA

Putin announced the long-awaited decision after being proposed by Medvedev at the ruling United Russia party's annual congress.

Putin, who currently serves as prime minister, also said he was confident Medvedev

efficient and young team and lead the government so as to continue modernization of all aspects of our lives,”

Putin was quoted by *Interfax* news agency as saying at the two-day congress, which began Friday in Moscow's

### Gas balloon blast kills Palestinian in Gaza smuggling tunnel

GAZA, 25 Sept—One local worker was killed and seven others wounded when a gas balloon exploded Saturday in a smuggling tunnel beneath the borders between the Gaza Strip and Egypt, medics and witnesses said. Bassam Abu Ziada, in his early 20s working in a tunnel used for smuggling gas balloons from Egypt into the Hamas-ruled coastal enclave, died in the hospital shortly after he was seriously wounded in the blast.

Seven other workers were moderately wounded, said the medics at Rafah town hospital. After Israel imposed a tight blockade on the Gaza Strip when Hamas seized control of the enclave by force in June 2007, the

Palestinians dug hundreds of tunnels under the borders with Egypt to defy the blockade.

According to local Gaza-based right groups, around 160 Palestinians were killed and hundreds wounded, most of them were killed in tunnel cave-in or electrical shocks.—Xinhua

### India test fires surface-to-surface ballistic missile

NEW DELHI, 25 Sept—India Saturday successfully test-fired its surface-to-surface ballistic missile Shourya from a test range in Orissa, eastern India, the *Indo-Asian News Service* reported.

The news service quoted Indian defence ministry sources as saying the 600-km-range supersonic missile was launched at 14:30 pm from a canister in a ground launch mode at the Integrated Test Range (ITR) at Chandipur in the coastal district of Balasore in Orissa.

“The launch of the missile was perfect like in text book and followed the path exactly to the pre-defined target in the Bay of Bengal,” SP Dash, director of the test range, was quoted as saying.” The missile has reached the target within few meters of accuracy.”

The missile, which is meant to give the Indian Army a credible second-strike capability, was first tested from the same defence base 12 Nov, 2008, according to the report.

Xinhua



Cambodians travel on a boat over floodwaters at Kian Svay district in Kandal province, 20 kilometers east of Phnom Penh on 24 September, 2011. XINHUA

### Iran's nuclear setbacks: More than just

WASHINGTON, 25 Sept—Iran's star-crossed nuclear and energy programmes have suffered a rash of setbacks, mishaps and catastrophes in the past two years.

Assassins killed three scientists with links

to Iran's nuclear programmes. The Stuxnet computer worm that infected computers worldwide zeroed in on a single target in Iran, devices that can make weaponsusable uranium.



In this 27 Feb, 2005 file photo, the reactor building of Iran's nuclear power plant is seen, at Bushehr, Iran, 750 miles (1,245 kilometers) south of the capital Teheran.—INTERNET

the country's gas pipelines. Iran's first nuclear power plant suffered major equipment failures as technicians struggle to bring it online.

Has Iran just been unlucky? Probably not.

The chief of Iran's Atomic Energy Organization, Fereidoun Abbasi, told journalists at a meeting in Vienna last week that the United States was supporting an Israeli assassination campaign against his scientists. His comments came almost a year after motorcyclists attached a bomb to the door of his car in Teheran. He and his wife barely escaped.

Internet

### Pirates release Cypriot tanker seized off Benin

MADRID, 25 Sept—Pirates have released a Cyprus-flagged tanker seized off the West African country of Benin 10 days ago with a 23-strong crew, including five Spaniards, a Spanish foreign ministry spokeswoman said on Saturday.

“The boat has been freed. I have not been informed of whether anyone was injured or killed in the operation,” she said. “We are in contact with the relatives,” she added, without giving details.

The International Maritime Bureau announced on 14 September that armed pirates had boarded and hijacked the tanker and taken its 23 crew hostage.

According to Spanish media, the tanker was

freed during the morning once the pirates had left the ship after unloading its cargo of oil. The daily *El Pais* said on its website that one of the members of the crew had been injured but was out of danger.

The coast of Benin, which neighbours Nigeria, Africa's largest oil producer, has seen a steep increase in hijackings this year, with 19 ships coming under attack.

Of the 19, eight were hijacked, nine were boarded and there were unsuccessful attempts to attack two others, according to the maritime bureau.

In such attacks pirates generally steal fuel or oil being hauled by tankers with the aim of selling it on the region's lucrative black market.—Internet



An armed pirate keeping vigil in Somalia. Pirates have released a Cyprus-flagged tanker seized off the West African country of Benin 10 days ago with a 23-strong crew, including five Spaniards, according to Spain's foreign ministry.—INTERNET

## Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker meets Cambodian Dy PM, ministers



*Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint meets with Cambodian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economy and Finance Mr Keat Chhon.—MNA*

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept—During his visit to Cambodia, Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Khin Aung Myint — accompanied by Hluttaw representatives, Myanmar Ambassador to Cambodia U Cho Tun Aung and officials of Hluttaw Office — met Vice Governor of National Bank of Cambodia Ms Neav Chan Thana, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Economy and Finance of Cambodia Mr Keat Chhon, Minister of Commerce of Cambodia Mr. Chom Prasith on 19 September, and Minister of Culture and Fine Arts of Cambodia Mr Him Chhem on 21 September evening.

The meetings focused on maintaining amicable relationship between two countries and matters for boosting cooperation. The Myanmar delegation led by Speaker of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint attend a welcome dinner hoisted by President of National AIPA Group of Cambodia Dr.Chean Yeap at Sofitel Phnom Penh Hotel in Phnom Penh.

After the dinner, the delegation took part in the executive committee meeting of AIPA at the hotel.

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*Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint meets with Cambodian Minister of Culture and Fine Arts Mr Him Chhem.—MNA*

## Sitagu Shwe Pyi Hein Hospital's sixth free-of-charge eye surgery programme

YANGON, 25 Sept— established by Sitagu Shwe Pyi Hein Sayadaw Venerable Monk Dr Ñanissara in the compound of Shwe Pyi Hein Monastery in Pyithaya Baukhtaw ward of Yankin Township, provided free eye surgery



*Three eye patients having surgery at Sitagu Shwe Pyi Hein Sakkudhana Hospital.*



*An eye patient undergoing surgery at Sitagu Shwe Pyi Hein Sakkudhana Hospital.*

to patients with eye complaints for sixth time under the leadership of Shwe Pyi Hein Sayadaw Venerable Monk Khemasi-rilankara.

Fifty one eye patients underwent surgery yesterday and 54 today, totalling 105 in this batch. A total of 620 patients had free surgery in the series of programmes.

The Alcon (USA Laureate System), which is worth US\$45489, is used in surgery. Pathology, blood test and medicines for surgery are free of charge at all. One-day stay in hospital is allowed. Patients in good conditions are allowed to discharge from the hospital. An eye patient costs between K 40,000 and K 50,000.

Medicines and cash contributed by donors and interests of medical fund pay the cost, said the Shwe Pyi Hein Sayadaw.

Specialists and GPs are providing treatment to 200 patients daily at Shwe Pyi Hein specialist clinic. Poor patients are satisfied with the helpful free treatment.

**Nyunt Than (MNA)**  
Translation: HKA

## Speaker of Pyidaungsu ...

(from page 1)

At 5 pm, parliament speakers of AIPA member countries, members of delegations of observer countries and officials of AIPA and ASEAN including Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint

called on His Majesty Preah Bat Samdech Preah Boromneath Norodom Sihamoni.

The Myanmar delegation led by Speaker U Khin Aung Myint left Phnom Penh International Airport at 10 am yesterday and arrived in Yangon in the evening.

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*President of AIPA and President of Cambodia National Assembly Mr Samdech Akka Moha Ponhea Chakrei Heng Samrin presents commemorative medal to Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint.*

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*Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint signs cooperation report at second plenary session of 32<sup>nd</sup> ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly.—MNA*

## Hluttaw representatives attend respective meetings

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept—A Hluttaw representative delegation who accompanied Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint on his attendance at the 32<sup>nd</sup> ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly participated in the respective meetings.

Pyithu Hluttaw Representative Daw Win Maw Tun and party, together with women

parliamentarian delegations of ASEAN countries, attended WAIPA-Women ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Meeting at Sofitel Phnom Penh Hotel in Phnom Penh on 19 September.

On 21 September, Hluttaw representatives led by Member of Amyotha Hluttaw Rights Committee U Nyunt Tin attended meeting of Committee



*Chairman of Amyotha Hluttaw Government's Guarantees, Pledges, Undertaking Vetting Committee Amyotha Hluttaw Representative Dr Aye Maung and party attend Meeting of Committee on Organizational Matters at Inter Continental Hotel in Phnom Penh.*

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of Political Matters, Hluttaw representatives led by Pyithu Hluttaw Representative Wunna Kyaw Htin U Htay Myint meeting of Committee on Economic Matters, Hluttaw representatives led by Amyotha Hluttaw Representative Dr Khin Shwe meeting of

Committee on Social Matters, Chairman of Government's Guarantees, Pledges, Undertaking Vetting Committee Dr Aye Maung meeting of Committee on Organizational Matters at Inter Continental Hotel and participated in respective discussions.—MNA

*Pyithu Hluttaw Representative Daw Win Maw Tun and party attend WAIPA-Women ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Meeting at Sofitel Phnom Penh Hotel in Phnom Penh.—MNA*



## Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint addresses ceremony to accept Myanmar as full-fledged member of AIPA



*Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint delivers an address at 32<sup>nd</sup> ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly.—MNA*

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept — Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Khin Aung Myint attended the 32<sup>nd</sup> ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) and delivered an address at the ceremony to accept the Republic of the Union of Myanmar as a full-fledged member of AIPA at Nuon Srei meeting hall on the third floor of Peace Palace in Phnom Penh of Cambodia at 9.30 am on 20 September.

**[The opening of the 32<sup>nd</sup> ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) and the speech delivered by Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint at the ceremony to accept the Republic of the Union of Myanmar as a full-fledged member of AIPA were reported on papers issued on 21 September 2011.]**

Next, leaders of AIPA member countries Brunei Darussalam, the Republic of Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic and Malaysia made addresses respectively.

In his address, Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint said that he would like to give a brief account of Hluttaws in Myanmar to speakers of parliaments of ASEAN member countries and its partners. The State announced the process to systematically implement the seven-step Road Map for the emergence of a discipline-flourishing democracy on 30 August 2003. In seeking the approval of the people for the draft Constitution by holding the National Referendum, the fourth step of the Road Map, more than 98 per cent of eligible voters all over the country cast votes and of them 92.48 per cent supported the draft Constitution. As a result, the fifth step of holding the free and fair multi-party democracy general elections for formation of Hluttaws in accord with the new Constitution was realized on 7 November 2010 across the nation in which 22 million out of 29 million eligible voters cast their votes, accounting for 77.216 per cent. Hluttaw sessions of three Hluttaws formed with elected representatives were held.

Holding Hluttaw sessions means realization of the sixth step. A total of 435 Hluttaw representatives elected on the basis of township as well as population attended Pyithu Hluttaw. A total of 224 Hluttaw representatives attended Amyotha Hluttaw formed with 12 representatives each from seven Regions and seven States. The joint session of Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw is called Pyidaungsu Hluttaw attended by 659 representatives. Pyidaungsu Hluttaw is the top legislative body of the State. Hluttaw sessions

were held from 31 January to 30 March 2011. When Pyithu Hluttaw and Amyotha Hluttaw were in session, Hluttaw Speakers and Deputy Speakers were elected respectively. He was elected as Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw. As the Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker shall serve as the Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw in rotation up to first 30-month term of the 60-month term of Hluttaw in accord with the Constitution, now he is concurrently serving as the Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw. The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw is formed with representatives of 15 political parties, independent representatives, representatives who stood for elections after returning to the legal fold, representatives who won both in the 1990 elections and the present elections and 18 women representatives.

As part of efforts to implement the seventh step of the seven-step Road Map of the State, the government and administrative bodies were constituted after convening the Hluttaw meetings. The presidential electoral college with participation of all Hluttaw representatives elected three vice-presidents, and then one President of three vice-presidents. The elected President sought the approval for the number of ministries, number of ministers, nomination of ministers, nomination of the Union Chief Justice and member judges, the Union Attorney-General and members, the Chairman of Union Election Commission and members, the Chairperson of the Constitutional Tribunal of the Union and members from the Hluttaw. Thus, the new government was elected in line with the multi-party parliamentary democracy after realizing the seven-step Road Map of the State.

The Pyithu Hluttaw and the Amyotha Hluttaw have formed four standing committees namely the Bill Committee, the Public Accounts Committee, Hluttaw Rights Committee and the Government's Guarantees, Pledges and Undertakings Vetting Committee. Moreover, the Hluttaws may form the ad hoc committees in respective sectors. The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw has constituted the Joint Bill Committee and the Joint Public Accounts Committee permanently. In accord with the constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, power of the State is shared to legislative, executive and judicial bodies through check and balance system. The people who are original holder of the power hand over three powers to the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw formed with participation of people's representatives. The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw hands over executive power to the President and the government again and judicial power to the Union

Chief Justice. After concluding the regular sessions of the first Hluttaw, Hluttaw representatives came back to their constituencies extending friendly relations with the local people and are discharging duties to protect the citizens' rights.

On 22 August 2011, the second regular sessions of three Hluttaws resumed with the attendance of all Hluttaw representatives. The Hluttaw sessions focused on amendment of laws, drawing of bills and formation of more committees. The Hluttaws in Myanmar are protecting the fundamental rights of citizens while joining hands with international organizations. He continued to say that the UN-designated International Day of Democracy was observed in the Hluttaw of Myanmar on 15-9-2011 with attendance of Hluttaw representatives, students, people and UN representatives, totaling 950. Thus, Myanmar Hluttaws are striving for flourishing of multi-party democracy system and systematic building of a modern and developed democratic nation.

While making utmost efforts in building a new modern and developed democratic nation, Myanmar cooperates with international organizations. Myanmar is proud of its participation in AIPA as a full-fledged member. He noted that he has learnt there is an ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Myanmar Caucus (AIPMC) through media. The group improperly uses the name ASEAN without the participation of MPs of all ASEAN member states. Moreover, it is interfering in Myanmar affairs. Therefore, he requested the parliament speakers of AIPA member countries to take necessary action against the group.

In conclusion, he on behalf of Myanmar pledged Myanmar has decided to actively participate in the AIPA activities and cordially cooperate with ASEAN member countries for ensuring peace and stability and development in ASEAN region.

The Secretary-General of the ASEAN delivered an address. The second session of the first plenary session continued at 2 pm. Leaders of observer countries namely EU Parliament, Australia, Canada, the People's Republic of China, India, Japan, Republic of Korea, Papua New Guinea, Russian Federation and special observer countries delivered addresses.

The participants approved the programmes to be undertaken at the 32<sup>nd</sup> AIPA. First Vice-President Mr Nguon Nhel of National Assembly of Cambodia hosted a dinner to the participants of the 32<sup>nd</sup> AIPA at Inter-Continental Hotel.

MNA



*Iranian children play on surface-to-air missiles during a war exhibition to mark the Week of Defence, which is held to commemorate Iranian sacrifices during the eight-year Iraq-Iran war in the 1980s, in Teheran, Iran, on 24 Sept, 2011.—XINHUA*

### Last bullfights in Spain's Catalonia before ban

BARCELONA, 25 Sept—Spain's top matadors gathered Saturday for a final weekend of bullfighting before the blood sport is banned in the northeast Catalonia region, and crowds of fans carried them for miles (kilometres) to their hotel after they killed the bulls. Top flight 'toreros' were on the bill both Saturday and Sunday at the La Monumental arena in Barcelona. They include Jose Tomas, one of Spain's most popular bullfighters.

The ban takes effect 1 Jan, but this weekend's fights are the last events of the 2011 season in the Catalan capital.

The conservative, pro-bullfighting newspaper *El Mundo* ran an

analysis by an economist lamenting that the city will lose money by banning bullfighting that is permitted in all other regions of Spain except in the Canary Islands, where it was prohibited in 1991.

The newspaper published another article that read like an obituary, with vignettes about matadors who made their names in Catalonia and others who died in the ring, including four in Barcelona's La Monumental.—*Internet*



*People view kites flying in the sky during a kite festival with the theme of "Dance of Wind" held at Baisha Bay of Xinbei City, southeast China's Taiwan, on 24 Sept, 2011.*

*Kite craftsmen from 15 countries and regions attended the festival, which kicked off here Saturday. Barcelona and Sevilla moved one point behind leader Real Betis' 12 points, while Madrid has 10 along with Valencia.*

XINHUA

### Bear attacks Idaho bow hunter near Yellowstone park

SALMON, (Idaho) 25 Sept—A bear, possibly a grizzly, attacked an Idaho elk hunter armed with a bow and arrows who may have startled the animal near Yellowstone National Park on Saturday, wildlife officials said. The 40-year-old man was airlifted to a hospital suffering from a broken arm and wounds to his hand that required surgery, but his injuries were not life-threatening, said Gregg Losinski, regional conservation educator with the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

The attack was the latest in an unusual spate of bear attacks in the Yellowstone area this year. Losinski said the man and a hunting partner

were seeking elk near Island Park, Idaho, south of the Montana border, when they startled a bear. The bear charged at the hunter, who was nearer the animal than his partner. The partner used a bear spray canister, which shoots an aerosol mixture of hot pepper, as the animal retreated.

Idaho conservation officers said early indications suggested the bear was a grizzly but they were awaiting confirmation from DNA evidence gathered from the scene. Wildlife officials decided not to capture the animal, based on the description of the attack provided by the hunters, both from Island Park, and an investigation of the scene.—*Reuters*

### Widespread power blackout hits much of Chile

SANTIAGO, (Chile) 25 Sept—A massive power blackout affected 9 million people across Chile on Saturday, forcing thousands in the capital to be evacuated from trains or subway cars.

Energy Minister Rodrigo Alvarez said the cause of the blackout has not been definitively determined but he cited "oscillation problems" in two power lines and a failure in a computer system.

The blackout occurred at 8:30 pm local time (23:30 GMT) Saturday and affected a 1,300-kilometre (810-mile) stretch of this narrow, coast-hugging country. Two hours later, officials said power had been restored to 90 percent of the capital, Santiago. Other parts of Chile remained without electricity.

Authorities said the blackout affected 9 million of Chile's 16 million people.—*Internet*



*Visitors look at a PGO car during the 16<sup>th</sup> AUTOMECH AKHBAR EL YOM, International African Arabian Exhibition for Vehicles, Buses, Motorcar Workshops, Service Station Equipment, Automobile Spare Parts, Accessories and Feeding Industries, at Cairo International Convention & Exhibition Centre in Cairo, capital of Egypt, on 24 Sept, 2011.—XINHUA*

### Beef bound for Georgia schools recalled over E coli worries

NEW YORK, 25 Sept—A Texas company has recalled 40,000 pounds of frozen ground beef products, shipped for distribution to Georgia schools, due to possible contamination from E coli bacteria, the US Department of Agriculture said. Palo Duro Meat of Amarillo, Texas, produced the meat products on 9 September and shipped them to two warehouses in Georgia for transportation to six school districts and other institutions, the USDA said.

Officials said they were not aware of the beef having been served as part of school lunches in the districts, which participate in the National School Lunch Programme, the USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service said in announcing the meat recall on Friday. It said in a statement that most of the ground beef products had not left those warehouses and there had been no reports of illnesses from consumption of the products now subject to recall.—*Reuters*



*A worker separates oil from water at a kitchen waste disposal company called Lusen in Foshan, south China's Guangdong Province, 22 Sept, 2011. Kitchen gutter oil is collected and processed here to be refined as biodiesel. However, kitchen leftovers disposal companies such as Lusen are stranded due to less supply of the oil. According to Li Yaosong, president of Lusen, the daily reclaimed oil volume dropped from 20 tons in 2004 to 10 tons presently in the company, accounting for 20% in the whole reclaimed kitchen oil volume of the city's Nanhai District. Part of the rest sneaked back to dining tables through an underground muck-money network. Being in charge of the oil recycle business of Nanhai, Lusen signed contracts with 5,000 local restaurants, among which over 3,000 restaurants didn't supply their waste oil to the company because of low purchasing price provided.—XINHUA*



Customers cheer with staff members of Apple Inc at the new store in Hong Kong's upscale International Financial Centre Mall on 24 Sept, 2011.—INTERNET

## Hong Kong's 1<sup>st</sup> Apple store mobbed on

HONG KONG, 25 Sept—Apple Inc opened its long-awaited first store in Hong Kong on Saturday, with thousands of fans of the computer and gadget maker pouring in on the first day.

Some Apple enthusiasts had camped out for nearly two days to secure a place at the head of the line and be among the first to walk through the doors of the new store, where they were greeted with high fives and chants of "Apple, Apple!" by the 300 newly hired staff.

The store is located on two floors linked by a glass spiral staircase in

Hong Kong's upscale International Financial Centre Mall, in the city's central business district.

The Cupertino, California-based company's products are wildly popular in mainland China. The Hong Kong store follows the opening of a third Shanghai store on Friday as the company boosts its presence in a key market. It also has two stores in Beijing.

"I've always wanted to participate in this kind of event, to enjoy the atmosphere. It's cool," said 17-year-old Liu Jiarong, a high school student from Shenzhen, across the border from

Hong Kong in mainland China. Liu said he had been waiting for the day that an Apple store would open near his home. He was one of the first to enter the store after joining the line at about 4 pm Friday.

The first person in line arrived sometime on Thursday evening, according to security guards.

Staff handed out free T-shirts to the first 5,000 people in line, which snaked out the mall and over a long footbridge to nearby ferry piers. The store is one of 30 that the company plans to open in the current quarter.—Internet

## Boat sinking kills 13 in Indonesia

JAKARTA, 25 Sept—A boat capsized near Madura, East Java, on Saturday, killing 13 passengers and 15 others went missing, the *Jakarta Post* said.

Local police have discovered the remains of the 13 passengers. 14 others survived the accident while some are still missing, according to the report.

The boat sank after reportedly being struck by strong waves.

Xinhua

## Obama links education reform to economic recovery

WASHINGTON, 25 Sept—Young people in the United States are falling behind their overseas peers in reading, math and science, President Barack Obama said on Saturday, calling education reform an essential part of economic recovery.

In his weekly radio and video address, Obama said as many as a quarter of American students are not finishing high school and far too few young people are getting college degrees.

"It is an undeniable fact that countries who

out-educate us today will out-compete us tomorrow. Businesses will hire wherever the highly skilled, highly trained workers are located," the Democrat said. "We have to pick up our game and raise our standards." With the 2012 campaign for the US presidency heating up, Obama is speaking increasingly often about education, a key issue for his political base.

His \$447 billion job creation plan includes money for hiring teachers and school repairs, and on Friday he announced a loosening of "No Child



President Barack Obama greets sixth grade student Keiry Herrera on stage after making remarks on the need to Provide states with relief from key provisions of the No Child Left Behind education policy, at the White House in Washington on 23 Sept, 2011.—INTERNET

Left Behind," a decade-old education measure introduced by former President George W Bush that seeks to hold schools accountable for students' performance.

Internet

## Frontier Airlines to cut 213 jobs in Wisconsin

MILWAUKEE, 25 Sept—Indiana-based Frontier Airlines plans to lay off more than 200 workers in Wisconsin in November as the commercial carrier dramatically reduces service to the Milwaukee airport. Frontier filed a mass layoff notice on Friday with the Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development, saying it would cut 213 jobs in Milwaukee, effective 14 November.

Frontier, a subsidiary of Republic Airways, said earlier this month it planned to suspend nonstop service from Milwaukee to six destinations, including Des Moines, Cleveland and Minneapolis, and to reduce service to a number of other destinations, including Kansas City.—Reuters

## Samsung says 10 million Galaxy S II handsets sold

SEOUL, 25 sept—South Korea's Samsung Electronics, the world's second-largest mobile phone maker after Nokia, said it had sold 10 million Galaxy S II smartphones worldwide since the device debuted in April.

Sales of the new model, an upgraded version of the firm's flagship smartphone, had doubled in two months after hitting the five-million mark in July, the company said on Sunday.

The new device was released locally on April 29 and in some European countries in May. It also went on sale in China in July before hitting the US market in September.



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"In just five months year that Samsung the Galaxy S II has seen planned to sell globally tremendous growth, more than 10 million of reflecting strong support the phones, powered by from carrier partners," Google's Android operating system and JK Shin, the head of the firm's mobile device spearheading the firm's smartphone push this unit, said in a statement. year.—Internet Shin said earlier this

## LG to pour about \$7 billion in "Green New Business"

SEOUL, 25 Sept—LG, South Korea's second largest business conglomerate, said on Sunday it will invest 8 trillion won (\$6.83 billion) in "Green New Business" sectors such as electric vehicle parts, LED lighting and sewage

treatment industries by 2015. The business group also said it was aiming to generate 10 trillion won in revenues and create 10,000 new jobs through these investments.

LG will invest 2 trillion won in the electric vehicle battery area by

2013, 1 trillion won in the photovoltaic, LED and water treatment sectors and 490 billion won in the polysilicon business by 2014. In addition, another 400 billion won was set aside to build facilities to produce solar cell wafers on a step-by-step basis by 2015, according to an LG statement.

Reuters

People walk past a company logo of LG Electronics in Seoul on 21 October, 2009.

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**Travellers facing eviction given breathing space**

LONDON, 25 Sept — Residents facing the threat of eviction from the UK's largest illegal Travellers' site have been given more breathing space over the weekend. A judge yesterday continued an existing injunction until 4pm on Monday to prevent Basildon Council in Essex from clearing the Dale Farm site.

Mr Justice Edwards-Stuart is having to decide whether the injunction should be continued further and said he hoped to give his decision on Monday. Marc Willers, appearing for the Dale Farm residents, said that the residents were applying for permission to seek a judicial review on the grounds that the whole eviction process was "disproportionate".

The possibility of the long-running battle over the future of the site being settled quickly was put in doubt when the judge was told two fresh applications for judicial review to stop the evictions were now pending.—Internet

**India to pursue nuclear energy after safety ensured**

NEW DELHI, 25 Sept—Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh on Saturday said his country will pursue nuclear energy after "full satisfaction" about its safety is attained, reported local daily *Indian Express* on Sunday. Singh told the UN General Assembly session in New York that India is ready to work with International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to enhance safety and security levels and that the country has undertaken a thorough review of the safety of nuclear plants in the wake of the Fukushima disaster in Japan in March.

"Our plans for utilizing nuclear power to meet our energy needs hinge upon full satisfaction about the safety of nuclear energy. We have undertaken a thorough review of the safety of our nuclear plants," he was quoted as saying. — MNA/Xinhua

**Missile may have downed airliner over Italy in 1980**

MILAN, 25 Sept — A plane crash off the island of Ustica in 1980, which killed all 81 people on board and triggered numerous conspiracy theories was probably caused by military aircraft, a court ruled on Thursday. Itavia flight 870 was flying from Bologna to the Sicilian capital, Palermo, when the DC-9 plunged into the sea 80 miles south-west of Naples. At first, mechanical failure was suspected. Then it was claimed that a terrorist attack was to blame. Even more people died in a bomb attack at Bologna's station the same year.

But many blamed military aircraft for the accident, and judges in Palermo concluded yesterday that the crash was caused by a missile or "a near-collision with unidentified military aircraft flying around the airliner at the time of the disaster". Previous inquiries claimed that US, French and Libyan military aircraft were flying nearby at

the time of the crash. Magistrates and victims' relatives have long suspected that the DC-9 was caught in a dogfight between NATO planes and a Libyan jet, the wreckage of which was found months after the Ustica crash.—Internet



Medusa, seen here cosying up to her new colleagues, will be on display at the Edge of Hell, a haunted house attraction in Kansas City.—INTERNET

**Meet Medusa the world's largest snake**

KANSAS, 25 Sept—She weighs more than 300lbs, is 25ft long and it takes 15 people to hold her. Now Medusa is set to slither into the record books as the

world's largest snake living in captivity. The massive python, which will be on display at the Edge of Hell haunted house attraction in Kansas City, eats a 40lb animal about once a week but could easily eat something weighing more than 100lbs. She will soon be visited by representatives from the Guinness Book of World Records who are coming to verify her new title. Medusa's trainer Larry Elgar told NBC Action News he isn't intimidated by the monster python. He said: 'They've actually cut people out of them, they are man eaters. Fear is just a lack of understanding. I have no fear. I understand that she can kill me. I've been wrapped up and put

**Largest international music festival kicks off in Rio**

RIO DE JANEIRO, 25 Sept — After a ten-year hiatus, the world's largest music festival, Rock in Rio, returned to its hometown Rio de Janeiro for seven days of concerts from Friday, attracting 700,000 people over the whole week. It is the 10th edition of the Rock in Rio festival, but only the 4th to be held in Rio as the organizers exported the fest to Lisbon and Madrid ten years ago.

The first edition of the fest was in 1985, gathering an audience of 1.38 million in ten days of concerts, and the most recent edition in Rio was held in January 2001.

A total of 700,000 tickets were sold out for this year's festival. The success prompted organiz-

ers to announce an extra day of concerts, and tickets for that day has been sold out as well.

The festival consists of four stages, in which the concerts are expected to last up to 14 hours a day, with the participation of International stars including Elton John, Katy Perry, Shakira, Rihanna, and bands Metallica, Evanescence,

and System of a Down. Several stars which performed in previous editions of the fest, such as Guns N' Roses and Red Hot Chili Peppers, are also on the list this year. In addition, a number of local singers and bands, such as Paralamas do Sucesso and Titas, will also join this year.

Xinhua



People attend the Rock in Rio music festival in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, on 23 Sept, 2011. Rock in Rio, initiated in 1985, is one of the world's biggest music festivals. This year's event will be held from 23 Sept to 2 Oct.

XINHUA

**US businessman jailed for drunken rant on BA flight**

LONDON, 25 Sept—A US businessman who drunkenly abused staff on a British Airways flight to London has been jailed for three

months. Timothy Bradley, 32, a mortgage consultant, of Phoenix, Arizona, had pleaded guilty to common assault and being drunk on an aircraft.

The incident took place on 20 August on a Phoenix to London flight. Isleworth Crown Court heard Bradley swore at staff and was abusive after he was refused more alcohol.

The businessman had been drinking beers and bourbon cocktails with friends before boarding the flight and had continued to drink once aboard.

Early on in the flight he began chatting up a female crew member, Charlotte Howell, who was replaced by her male colleague Stuart Williams, after she felt uneasy.—Internet



Models present creations of the Italian fashion house Moschino during the Milan Fashion Week Women's Wear Spring/Summer 2012 in Milan, northern Italy, on 23 Sept, 2011. — XINHUA



Actually, I am a car...

**A man wears a costume representing a car frame as he runs on the street on World Car Free Day in Avenida Paulista in Sao Paulo on 22 Sept, 2011. The movement aims to raise awareness of environmental. A man wears a costume representing a car frame as he runs on the street on World Car Free Day in Avenida Paulista in Sao Paulo on 22 Sept, 2011. The movement aims to raise awareness of environmental problems caused by the heavy usage of cars in urban areas, and to promote bicycles as a cleaner and more sustainable mode of transport.**

### Man broke into home to do laundry

Police in Florida said a man arrested on a burglary charge allegedly broke into a home so he could do his laundry.

The owner of the Bonita Springs home told Lee County sheriff's deputies he was sitting in his truck

outside the vacant house Monday when he saw Robert James Luther III, 23, pry open the laundry room door and enter the domicile, *the Naples News* reported Thursday.

The owner said Luther may have known the previous tenants of

the house but he did not have permission to enter the property.

Deputies said they arrived to find Luther and a woman doing laundry at the house.



### Lottery win has longtime friends at odds

A dispute over who should collect a \$1.35 million jackpot in a French lottery has two longtime friends pitted against each other, officials said.

State-owned lottery operator Francaise Des Jeux said it was contacted by one of the claimants after the winning ticket numbers were displayed in a cafe in the town of L'Ecrevisse, *The Local* reported Friday.

Cafe owner Cheik Guendouzi, 73, said he is entitled to half the jackpot in the ironically named "Amigo" lottery won by cafe regular Messaoud Boudissa, 79.

Guendouzi said he and Boudissa played the lottery together regularly and that on this particular day he gave Boudissa the money to play.

"He didn't have any money so I gave him 20 euros [\$27]," Guendouzi said. "He played and got the jackpot. He was happy to share it.

But then after four or five days he changed his mind as if he didn't know me anymore."

Boudissa denied that.

"These are lies," he said. "He wants me to give

him the money, that's all. I did it with my money. I don't owe anyone anything." Guendouzi said he has hired a lawyer and has around 30 people who can back up his version of events.

### Beer heist goes about as wrong as possible

An alleged beer burglary in Covina ended with three 19-year-olds in custody and a botched getaway that injured a store employee and reportedly sent one suspect through a car wash on foot, police say.

Nicholas Kalscheuer and Nicholas Fiumetto are accused of trying to steal beer from the Baja Ranch Market, located at 425 S Citrus Ave, according to

Covina police. On Wednesday around 3 pm, the men entered the store and each grabbed a 30-pack of Tecate beer, said police.

"As they walked to exit the store, Kalscheuer dropped the beer due to store employees following him, and continued to follow Fiumetto, who was still holding the 30-pack of beer," according to a statement from Covina police.

Fiumetto and Kalscheuer ran outside, where Andy Huynh was waiting in a getaway car, police allege. Kalscheuer was detained by a store employee while Fiumetto managed to hop in the vehicle with his beer, according to police.



Left to right: Nicholas Kalscheuer, Andy Huynh, Nicholas Fiumetto.

### Greer plays Kutcher's ex-wife on 'Men'



Actress Judy Greer.

INTERNET

LOS ANGELES, 25 Sept—Actress Judy Greer will play the ex-wife of Ashton Kutcher's character Walden Schmidt on the US sitcom "Two and a Half Men," CBS said.

Greer's first appearance as Bridget on the show will be Monday.

Kutcher joined the cast this season as a replacement for fired actor Charlie Sheen. He plays a heartbroken Internet tycoon who

befriends the family of Sheen's character, the recently deceased Charlie Harper, and buys his house.

Greer is best known for her work on TV's "Arrested Development." Her film credits include "Adaptation," "The Wedding Planner," "13 Going on 30," "27 Dresses" and "Love and Other Drugs."—*Internet*

### Kim Delaney escorted from Philadelphia podium

PHILADELPHIA, 25 Sept—Kim Delaney, star of the television show "Army Wives," had to be escorted from the podium at an event in Philadelphia after struggling to read her speech from a teleprompter.

It happened Thursday at an event honouring former Defence Secretary Robert Gates.

Delaney is a 52-



Bernadette Peters is shown in a scene from the Broadway production "Follies," in New York.

INTERNET

### 'Follies' on Broadway extends run until 22 Jan

NEW YORK, 25 Sept—Stephen Sondheim's "Follies" will be haunting Broadway for a little longer. Producers of the hit revival said Friday they're extending its run for three more weeks, until 22 Jan.

The show benefits from a veteran cast of 41 actors that includes Bernadette Peters and Jan Maxwell and is backed by a 28-piece orchestra. Most reviews

have applauded the production, which centres on middle-aged angst and ghosts of the past.

The production

began at the Kennedy Centre in Washington, DC, before arriving at the Marquis Theatre on Broadway in September.—*Internet*

### Early Monroe photos, copyrights to sell at auction

LOS ANGELES, 25 Sept—Copyrights and images from Marilyn Monroe's first photo shoot are hitting the auction block.

A bankruptcy judge in Florida ruled earlier this week that photos taken in 1946 of Norma Jeane Dougherty — who went on to become the iconic Monroe — will be sold at auction to settle the debts of the photographer.

Joseph Jasgur's photos, negatives and image copyrights will be sold in December by Julien's Auctions. The collection also includes several model-release forms Dougherty signed for Jasgur in Hollywood.

Darren Julien, chief



A photo of Norma Jean Dougherty, who eventually changed her name to Marilyn Monroe, is shown.

INTERNET

of Julien's Auctions, said the photos have not been widely distributed and the collection has been locked up in court battles for more than two decades.

*Internet*



Actress Kim Delaney.

INTERNET

The event Thursday at National Constitution Centre was in honour of Gates. He received the 2011 Liberty Medal, a civic award, for his long public service career.

*Internet*

## Hat tricks for Messi and Ronaldo

BARCELONA, 25 Sept — Lionel Messi and Cristiano Ronaldo each scored his second hat trick of the season, leading Barcelona and Real Madrid to victories in the Spanish league on Saturday night following draws in midweek.

Messi scored on brilliant individual moves in the 26th and 78th minutes, and added a goal in second-half stoppage time, leading Barcelona over visiting Atletico Madrid 5-0. Messi also forced an own-goal by Miranda in the 15th, six minutes after David Villa had put Barcelona ahead. Messi has 12 goals in nine



**FC Barcelona's Lionel Messi, from Argentina**

matches this season and leads the league with eight, one more than Ronaldo.

At Madrid, Ronaldo scored in the 39th minute and converted penalty kicks in the 51st and 84th to help Real defeat Rayo Vallecano 6-2. Gonzalo Higuain, Raphael Varane and Karim Benzema also scored for the hosts.

*Internet*

## Bob Bradley signs as coach of Egypt national team



**Former United States coach Bob Bradley**

CAIRO, 25 Sept — Former United States coach Bob Bradley signed a contract to take over the Egypt national team on Saturday, charged with reviving the fortunes of a team that recently failed to qualify for the African Cup of Nations. The 53-year-old Bradley agreed a deal worth \$37,000 a month until after the 2014 World Cup in Brazil. "I'm proud to take over as coach of Egypt," Bradley said at a news conference. "I'm looking forward to deal-

ing with the players."

Bradley's first match in charge is an exhibition against five-time world champion Brazil in November. Longtime coach Hassan Shehata stepped down in June after Egypt collected two points from four African Cup qualifiers and a subsequent loss to Sierra Leone confirmed Egypt's failure to qualify for a tournament it has won on the last three occasions.

The record seven-time winners will not compete in the continental championship for the first time in 33 years.—*Internet*



**Theo Walcott**

## United drop 1st points of season in Premier League

LONDON, 25 Sept — Peter Crouch scored on a header in the 57th minute, giving Stoke a 1-1 tie with visiting Manchester United on Saturday and ending the Red Devils' perfect start to the Premier League season. Nani scored in the 27th minute for Man U, which was



**Stoke City's striker Peter Crouch (L) vies with Manchester United's Scottish midfielder Darren Fletcher (R)**

without injured forward Wayne Rooney.

Manager Alex Ferguson said Rooney, who leads the EPL with nine goals, will be sidelined more than a week because of a hamstring injury. Crouch's goal was his first since Stoke bought him from Tottenham for a club record transfer of \$15.5 million last month.

City defeated visiting Everton 2-0, getting second-half goals from substitutes Mario Balotelli and James Milner against American goalkeeper Tim Howard. Chelsea (4-1-1) is three points back after beating visiting Swansea 4-1. Demba Ba had a hat trick for fourth-place Newcastle (3-0-3) in a 3-1 home win over Blackburn, while Liverpool (3-2-1)



**Manchester United's Nani, second right, scores against Stoke City during their English Premier League soccer match at the Britannia Stadium, Stoke, England.—INTERNET**

climbed to fifth by beating Wolverhampton Wanderers 2-1 at Anfield — the team's first win in three league games.

Tottenham (3-2) won 2-1 at Wigan on goals by Rafael van der Vaart and Gareth Bale for its third straight victory. Robin van Persie scored twice for Arsenal in a 3-0 win

over Bolton, giving him 100 goals for the Gunners. Fans sang "There's only one Arsene Wenger!" the Arsenal manager under pressure for a 1-1-3 league start coming in. Fulham held West Bromwich Albion to a 0-0 draw in a game between two of the division's bottom four.

*Internet*

## Wenger fears Walcott will miss Euro tie

LONDON, 25 Sept — Theo Walcott is a major doubt for Arsenal's Champions League clash against Olympiakos in midweek after suffering a knee injury in his side's 3-0 victory over Bolton.

Walcott pulled up late in the game and will undergo a scan on the injury to establish the full extent of the problem and Gunners manager Arsene Wenger admitted his concern about the England winger's availability for his side's second group game following the 1-1 draw at Borussia Dortmund.—*Internet*

## Gladbach on top, Dortmund win at the death

MOENCHENGLADBACH, 25 Sept — Borussia Moenchengladbach went provisionally top of the German Bundesliga on Saturday with a 1-0 win over Nuremberg, while champions Borussia Dortmund thanked a last-gasp goal for a 2-1 win at Mainz. Gladbach have not



**Nuremberg's striker Christian Eigler (Front) vies for the ball with Moenchengladbach's Belgian defender Filip Daems during the German first division Bundesliga football match in Moenchengladbach. INTERNET**

won the league since 1977 and their most recent honour, in 2008, was the second division trophy.

But Belgian defender Filip Daem's 76th-minute penalty was enough to ensure that the five-time champions went top of the heap at least for a few hours, with previous table-toppers Bayern Munich facing Bayer Leverkusen later.

Saturday's success was Gladbach's fifth in seven games this season, as they moved a point clear of Bayern. Reigning champions Dortmund, meanwhile, had to scrap as they came from a goal down to win 2-1 at Mainz. — *Internet*

## Federer pulls out of Shanghai Masters to rest

SHANGHAI, 25 Sept — Roger Federer has pulled out of next month's Shanghai Masters to rest, event organizers confirmed on Saturday. The 30-year-old Swiss star wrote in a letter to the organizing committee in Shanghai that he needs "necessary time to rest and recuperate after a long summer." "I have some nagging injuries that I need to address and I look forward to returning to the ATP World Tour as soon as possible," he added.

Federer played two Davis Cup singles matches and a doubles match in Australia last weekend, just days after losing to eventual cham-



**Roger Federer**

pion Novak Djokovic in the US Open semifinals in New York. The 16-times grand slam winner apologized to his fans and said he looks forward to returning to Shanghai for the 2012 event.

"I have very fond memories of Shanghai so I will miss this amazing tournament and all my loyal Chinese fans, but I look forward to returning to China next fall," said Federer.— *Xinhua*



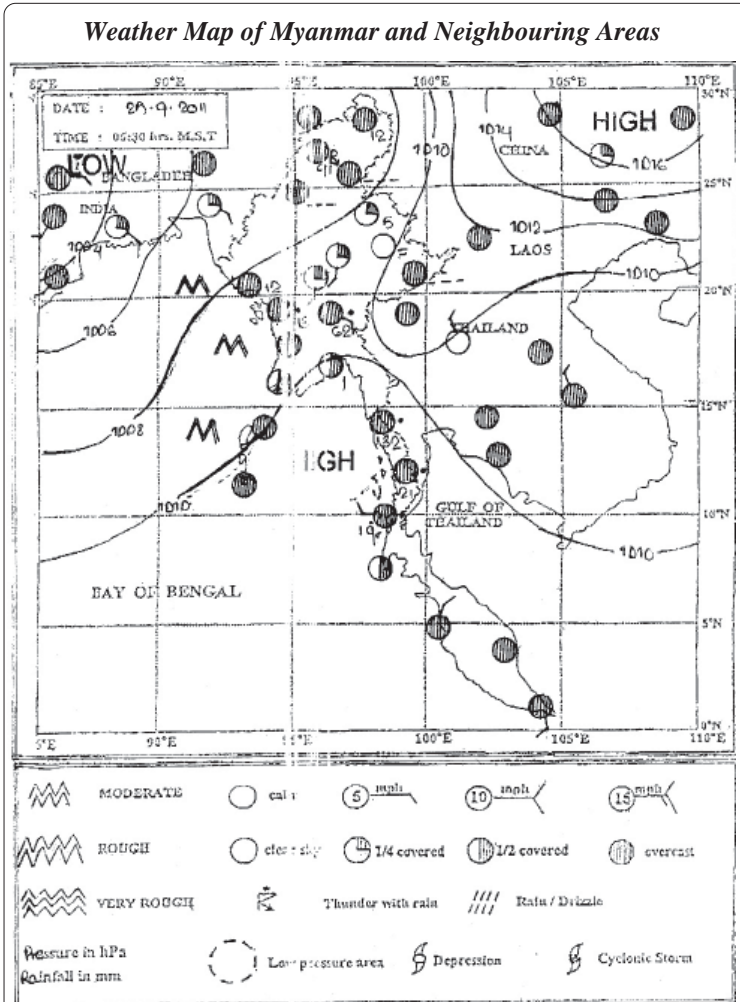
**Liverpool's Uruguayan striker Luis Suarez (L) celebrates after scoring the second goal of the English Premier League football match against Wolverhampton Wanderers at Anfield in Liverpool.—INTERNET**

## Gerrard's Anfield return overshadowed by Suarez

LIVERPOOL, 25 Sept — Liverpool midfielder Steven Gerrard's first appearance at Anfield since March was overshadowed by Luis Suarez's virtuoso performance in his side's much-needed 2-1 victory over Wolves on Saturday. Gerrard, who returned after groin surgery during Wednesday's League Cup win at Brighton, made just his second appearance of the season — and his first in front of the Kop — after coming on for the final nine minutes.

But it was Uruguay forward Suarez who took the plaudits for a man-of-the-match performance, capped with the decisive second goal after Roger Johnson's own goal gave Liverpool an early lead. Steven Fletcher got one back in the 49th minute, but Liverpool held out to record a vital win — ending a run of two successive league defeats and condemning Wolves to a third consecutive loss. — *Internet*

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**Weather forecast for 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2011**

Sr. No.	Regions/Stater	Temperature (°C/F)		For Tomorrow	
		Maximum	Minimum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	33/91	26/79	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
2	Kayah	30/86	20/68	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
3	Kayin	27/81	22/72	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
4	Chin	23/73	12/54	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
5	Upper Sagaing	30/86	25/77	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
6	Lower Sagaing	34/93	25/77	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
7	Taninthayi	28/82	22/72	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
8	Bago	28/82	20/68	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
9	Magway	32/90	25/77	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
10	Mandalay	35/95	26/79	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
11	Mon	27/81	22/72	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
12	Yangon	32/90	23/73	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
13	Rakhine	27/81	22/72	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
14	Southern Shan	26/79	18/64	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
15	Northern Shan	29/84	21/70	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
16	Eastern Shan	27/81	22/72	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
17	Ayeyawady	31/88	24/75	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	34/93	24/75	Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
19	Neighbouring Yangon	32/90	23/73	One or two rain or thundershowers	80%
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	35/95	26/79	Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers	60%

**Summary of observations at 09:30 hr MST on today**  
 During the past (24) hours, weather had been partly cloudy in Lower Sagaing Region and Kayah State, rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Taninthayi Region and Kachin State, fairly widespread in Upper Sagaing, Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions and Mon State and scattered in Bago Region and Rakhine State and isolated in the remaining Regions and States with isolated heavy fall in Upper Sagaing Region. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Hkamti (3.59) inches, Toungoo (2.44) inches, Machanbaw (1.65) inches and Dawei (1.30) inches.

**Bay Inference**  
 Monsoon is moderate in the Andaman Sea and South Bay and weak elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

**State of the Sea**  
 Squalls with moderate to rough seas are likely at times off and along Mon-Taninthayi Coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (35) mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

**Outlook for subsequent two days**  
 Continuation of thundery conditions in the Northern Myanmar areas.

**Jacqueline: On a roll with Hrithik..**

NEW DELHI, 25 Sept—Ex-Sri Lankan beauty queen-turned-actor Jacqueline Fernandes feels lucky to be working with actor Hrithik Roshan. She has just replaced Chitrangda Singh in *Krish 3* and will play the role of a female mutant.

Jacqueline says, “I am excited and gearing up for my first action film.” She has, in the past, shot an ad with the film’s lead actor, Hrithik Roshan when she was new to the city and hadn’t done any films. She says, “I was a random ‘foreign’ model and he was a huge star. I saw him at an award function later, but I didn’t think he would remember me. Even after signing *Krish 3*, I didn’t think he would recall me from the ad.”

So, has she met Hrithik yet? “We haven’t met after signing the film. I had a narration and meeting with Rakesh Roshan (director). I don’t know the dates yet,” she



says. Is she upset about not being considered for *Murder 3*, since she was part of the second franchise? “The Bhattas have created a Bond-like franchise and people want to see who the next *Murder* girl would be. It’s better if they get another actor for the next one.”

Internet



**Monday, 26 September 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. Cute Little Dancers
- 8:20 am**  
8. Dance Of National Races
- 8:30 am**  
9. Selected Songs for 18<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions (2011) (Oldies & Mono classical) (Amateur (First) Division Level) (Women)
- 8:40 am**  
10. International News
- 8:45 am**  
11. Musical Programme
- 4:00 pm**  
1. Martial Song
- 4:10 pm**  
2. Dance Variety
- 4:20 pm**  
3. Musical Programme (The Radio Myanmar Modern

- 4:30 pm**  
4. Dhamma Sekka Thutta Reciting Competition (1<sup>st</sup> Prize Winner) (Lathar Yadanar)
- 4:50 pm**  
5. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) -First Year (Myanmar)
- 5:05 pm**  
6. Songs for Upholding National Spirit
- 5:10 pm**  
7. Selected Songs for 18<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions (2011) (Oldies & Mono Classical) (Amateur(Second) Division Level) (Men)

- 5:25 pm**  
8. Myanmar Idol
- 6:00 pm**  
9. Evening News
- 6:15 pm**  
10. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm**  
11. Song & Enjoy
- 7:00 pm**  
12. TV Play in honour of Myanmar library Foundation
- 8:00 pm**  
13. News
- 14. International News**
- 15. Weather Report**
- 16. 18<sup>th</sup> Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions (2011) Interview (Dramatic Arts)**
- 17. World’s Stars**
- 18. TV Drama Series**
- 19. India Drama Series**

**MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (26-9-2011) (Monday)**

Transmissions	Times
Local	(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
Overseas Transmission	(26-9-11 09:30 am ~ 27-9-11 09:30 am) MST

**Local Transmission**

- \* Opening
- \* News
- \* A Day Out with Sarah (Episode-2)
- \* News
- \* 100 Shuttle Silk Fabric and its Key Notes

- \* News
- \* Today’s Youths and Dancer Training Courses
- \* News
- \* Music Gallery
- \* A Traditional Dish of Myanmar Lads

**Overseas Transmission**

- \* Opening
- \* News
- \* A Day Out with Sarah (Episode-2)
- \* News
- \* Alluring Myanmar’s Rattan Product
- \* 100 Shuttle Silk Fabric and its Key Notes
- \* News
- \* Today’s Youths and Dancer Training Courses
- \* News
- \* Music Gallery

- \* A Traditional Dish of Myanmar Lads
- \* News
- \* Ananda Guphaya
- \* News
- \* Bamboo Paper
- \* Myanmar Green Hotel Standardization Workshop
- \* News
- \* Myanmar Movies Impact “Father-in-Rock”
- \* News
- \* Let’s Sing Together “I just call to say I love you”
- \* Myanmar Cultural Heritage From Kyar Paing Village
- \* Culture Stage
- \* Myanmar Movie “Night Walker”

Appamadoca dhamesu; to be diligent in laws; this is the way to auspiciousness

Sittoung Canal Bridge as sixth above-180-foot bridge emerges on DaikU-Sittoung Road in Waw Township

Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint and Bago Region Chief Minister U Nyan Win walk on Sittoung Canal Bridge.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept—Sittoung Canal Bridge located at mile post No. 5/4 on DaikU-Sittoung road in Waw Township of Bago Region was inaugurated as the sixth above-180-ft bridge in the time of incumbent government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar this morning, attended by Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint, Bago Region Chief Minister U Nyan Win, Deputy Minister for Construction U Soe Tint, Region Ministers and locals.

The Union minister explained construction works of the bridge, and the Chief Minister expressed thanks for opening of the bridge.

The RC type facility constructed by Special Bridge Construction Group No (2) is 240 feet long and 24 feet wide

with two-way traffic, flanked by 3.5-ft wide pedestrian walk and can withstand 60-ton load inclusive of the vehicle.

The bridge lies on the shortcut linking DaikU on Yangon-Mandalay Union Highway with Sittoung on Yangon-Bago-Mawlamyine road. Cutting 24 miles of the route, it can benefit vehicles running on DaikU-Sittoung road.

Thanks to the emergence of the bridge, local people will be able to travel from Bago Region to other parts of upper and lower Myanmar, to Mon State, Kayin State and Taninthayi Region and commodity will be transported from east to west and south to north through road networks, thereby contributing towards development of economic, social, education, health and administrative sectors of the region.—MNA



Innocent Kachin woman killed in gun fire of KIA in Sadon Sub-Township

NAY PYI TAW, 25 Sept—KIA group opened fire with small arms and threw grenade at Sadon market in Sadon Sub-Township of Waingmaw Township, Kachin State, at about 3 am on 22 September. In the scene, Daw Ma Shi Kawt, 43, (daughter of U Phaung Mya Labyin) of Ward 5 in Sadon Sub-Township was injured at the body below the armpit by the gunshot and while receiving medical treatment at the hospital, she died of the wound in the afternoon.

Not only local national races in Kachin State but also all the people in the entire nation hope KIA group to return to the legal fold to join hands with the local people for serving the interests of the Kachin State and the Union and they do not want it to commit the destructive acts such as committing mines attacks to destroy roads, forced recruitment in villages at gunpoint, collection of extortion money, disrupting State's projects, killing one another and planting mines at areas frequented by people.—MNA

Rangers steal a point from Villa

LONDON, 25 Sept—The hosts dominated the first half with Adel Taarabt hitting the post before Barry Bannan had a free-kick saved.

Bannan then stepped up to give the visitors the lead from the spot on 58 minutes after Armand Traore's foul on Gabriel Agbonlahor.

But just as it got worse for QPR when Traore was sent off, Dunne was unlucky to turn in Stephen Warnock's clearance.

The Irishman could not do much to avoid the ricochet off his team-mate as Luke Young tried to get on the end of Heidar Helguson's cross.

Rangers can point to two penalty appeals when Alan Hutton twice appeared to handball from Shaun Derry's header and Tommy Smith's cross, both of which were waved away by referee Michael Oliver.

Much like the goalless draw against Newcastle in their last home game, Rangers were full of enterprising play, despite the number of new recruits, but they failed to turn their superiority into goals.

Richard Dunne has now scored nine own goals in the Premier League.

Taarabt's curling effort was the pick of the bunch in a first half where QPR swarmed all over their visitors and showed how to make a five-man midfield function.

But for all their dominance, Rangers were thankful to goalkeeper Paddy Kenny, who made an outstanding save to deny Bannan's free-kick just before half-time.

There was a tinge of controversy to the penalty as many missed Traore's tug on Agbonlahor's shirt as the Villa forward tried to get on the end of Warnock's cross.

Twenty-six year-old official Oliver had no doubt, however, booking Traore in the process, and Bannan tucked into the corner from 12 yards.

The temperature increased in Loftus Road as the home supporters grew frustrated by their team's inability to score.

But just after Traore was booked for a second time following a tackle on Marc Albrighton, Dunne provided an unlikely lifeline to give Rangers fans a late cheer on a balmy afternoon in west London.

Internet



Bannan scores his first goal of the season to give Villa the lead.



Myanmar, Poland to promote bilateral cooperation

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In a Friday, 23 Sept, 2011 photo, wildlife biologist Paul Marinari, left, releases an endangered black-footed ferret into the wild, in the Badlands National Park.



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Want truly fabulous skin — glowing, vibrant, and, yes, younger-looking skin? Make sure

you're drinking plenty of water and eating a healthy skin diet. "Everything you eat becomes a part of not only your inner being, but the outer fabric of your body as well.



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