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Second regular session of first Pyithu Hluttaw continues for 33rd day Twelve questions raised, answered, one proposal discussed

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Oct— The second regular session of the first Pyithu Hluttaw continued for the 33rd day at Pyithu Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building here today.

It was attended by Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann and 382 representatives.

Today, 12 questions were raised and answered and one proposal was discussed.

U Thaug of Mawleik constituency asked whether the existing political parties are included in the term “other organizations” expressed in the 1963 Law Safeguarding Public Property.

Union Chief Justice U Tun Tun Oo replied that a court concerned would decide whether the existing political parties are included in the term “other organizations” when they were charged under the 1963 Law Safeguarding Public Property after looking into each case.

Afterwards, Dr Maung Maung Wint of Bahan constituency asked how the State-owned media would be reformed to attract the people and how efforts were being made to promote the media as the fourth estate which could serve the interests of the people.

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Pyithu Hluttaw representatives sign attendance book.—MNA

Our Three Main National Causes

- * Non-disintegration of the Union
- * Non-disintegration of National Solidarity
- * Perpetuation of Sovereignty

Second regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw continues for 32nd day Three questions answered; two bills, one proposal and one report submitted



Amyotha Hluttaw representatives sign attendance book.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Oct — The 32nd-day second regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw took place at Amyotha Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building, here, this morning, attended by Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint and 206 Amyotha Hluttaw representatives.

Deputy Minister for Rail Transportation Thura U Thaug Lwin answered the questions about rail transportation raised by two representatives.

Regarding the question raised by U Khin Maung Htay of Mandalay Constituency No-10 who said whether there is a plan to change the schedule of Yangon-Mandalay express trains from running in the daytime to at the night for enabling passengers to arrive at their final destinations the next morning by taking a night train and to go back their regions at the night after completing their daily works during the daytime, the deputy minister replied that Myanmar Railways heard the convenience of the people and their satisfaction of taking the night train. As the attempts to commit destructive acts on the carriages and on the railroads by saboteurs who take an

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PERSPECTIVES

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Myanmar-Thai writes a page in history together

At the invitation of President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein, a delegation led by Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand Ms. Yingluck Shinawatra arrived in Nay Pyi Taw on a goodwill visit to Myanmar on 5 October.

President U Thein Sein held a meeting with visiting Thai Prime Minister Ms. Yingluck Shinawatra and party at President Office in Nay Pyi Taw on 5 October evening.

President U Thein Sein said in his greetings at the meeting that he, on behalf of the Myanmar government and the people, heartily welcomed the Thai Prime Minister and goodwill delegation; he warmly welcomed the goodwill visit of the Thai Prime Minister after her assumption of office; he firmly believed that the goodwill visit of the Thai Prime Minister will further strengthen existing friendly relations between the two countries.

Thai PM Ms. Yingluck Shinawatra replied that she was delighted at her official visit to Myanmar leading the Thai goodwill delegation and thanked the President for extending warm welcome to her delegation.

The visiting Thai Prime Minister discussed cooperation matters between the two countries, border affairs, border trade, future tasks for Myanmar migrant workers in Thailand, and construction of motor road from Thingannyinaung to Kawkaeik. The President discussed cooperation of the two countries in smooth implementation of Ayeyawady-Chao Phraya-Mekong Economic Cooperation Strategy (ACMECS) among Myanmar, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam, and promotion of trade and investment between the two countries.

Myanmar and Thai are next-door neighbours. The two countries share both the geographical border and culture. The Thai PM's goodwill visit to Myanmar is considered to be a drive to foster existing friendship and cooperation between the two nations.

Small-skill livestock breeding of cow on schedule

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Oct—Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department under the Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries and Food and Agriculture Organization held a workshop on implementation of developing plan for small-skill livestock breeding at Amara Hotel here this morning. Director-General of the Livestock Breeding and Veterinary

Workshop on promotion of Myanmar's economics sector in ASEAN's economics community held

YANGON, 6 Oct— Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry and Institute of Southeast Asian Studies (ISEAS) launched a workshop on promotion of Myanmar's economics sector in ASEAN's economics community at the office of RUMFCCI (Headquarters) in Lanmadaw Township here this morning.

Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe, Regional Minister for Electricity and Industry U Nyan Tun Oo, President of RUMFCCI U Win Aung and Vice Presidents, CEC members, Adviser at the

MYANMARGAZETTE

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Oct— The President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar has confirmed the appointment of Director-General U Myo Hlaing of Education and Training Department of the Ministry of Border Affairs on expiry of the one-year probationary period.

President Office U Myint and Director K Kesavapany and officials concerned of ISEAS were present in the event.

On the occasion, the director of ISEAS made an address and Adviser U Myint led to the discussion.

After that, the Chief Minister took a documentary photo with those present at the workshop.

The workshop is from 6 to 7 October.

MNA

National seminar on protection of copyright and related rights and their contribution to national development opens

Director Mrs Gao Hang of the Copyright Development Service Division of Geneva-based WIPO in Switzerland delivers speech.

MNA



YANGON, 6 Oct—National seminar on the protection of copyright and related rights and their contribution to national development jointly organized by Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association and World Intellectual Property Organization under the supervision of the Ministry of Information was opened at Traders Hotel here today.

It was attended by Deputy Minister for Information

U Soe Win, departmental heads of the Ministry of Information and Ministry of Culture, chairman of the MWJA and personnel, Director Mrs Gao Hang of the Copyright Development Service Division of Geneva-based WIPO in Switzerland and members.

Deputy Minister U Soe Win, speaking on the occasion, said that national seminar on the protection of copyright and related rights was held last time in 2008 and today's seminar was the fifth of its kind.

He noted that development of copyright protection at national level called for systematic measures in consideration of culture and interests of the nation. He said that those present at the seminar wished for interests of different fields and thus he hoped cooperation between those holding the same views on exchange of knowledge would be beneficial to every one.

Director Mrs Gao Hang delivered a speech and the opening ceremony ended with greetings of MWJA Chairman U Tin Hlaing (Ledwintha Saw Chit). Next, the deputy minister together with personnel and guests posed for documentary photo.

Scholars discussed copyright and related rights. The seminar continues tomorrow.—MNA

Department Professor Dr Myint Thein gave an opening speech and Officer Mr Vinod Ahuja of FAO Livestock Policy presented the planning tasks.

The four-year programme for the implementation of small-skill livestock breeding of cow will be carried out in 13 wards of Nay Pyi Taw Council Area, Yangon and Mandalay Regions.

MNA



Deputy Minister for Construction U Kyaw Lwin inspected construction of Ayeyawady Bridge (Pakokku) on 2 October. (News reported)—MNA



Assistant Research Officer U Myint Thauang demonstrated scientific farming methods to farmers in Agricultural Research Farm in Mohnyin on 1 October.

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Flood warning

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Oct— According to the 12:30 hr MST observation today, the water level of Ayeyawady River in Hinthada is (1270) cm. It may reach its danger level (1342) cm during the next (48) hours commencing this noon, said the Meteorology and Hydrology Department.—MNA

Donate blood



Federal police escort Martin Rosales Magaña (5th R), also known as "el Terry", founder of the criminal organization "La Familia", during his presentation to the press in Mexico City, capital of Mexico, on 5 Oct, 2011.—XINHUA

One civilian killed, 16 injured as militants attack bus in S Afghanistan

LASHKAR GAH, 6 Oct—One civilian was killed and 16 others injured Thursday morning when militants attacked a passenger bus in southern Afghanistan's Helmand Province, spokesman for provincial government said.

"A passenger bus was travelling from western Herat Province to capital City of Kabul but a group of militants intended to stop it in Houzi Khoshk area in Gereshk District in the wee hours Thursday but the driver deliberately ignored to stop the bus for fear of passengers' live," spokesman for provincial government Daud Ahmadi told *Xinhua*.

He said the armed militants shortly opened fire on the running bus killing a child and injuring 16 people included eight women, four men and four children.

He said the injured were transported to a District hospital in Gereshk north of provincial capital Lashkar Gah Town.

The motive of the attack was not immediately known, however, militants often stop vehicles for searching soldiers and government employees especially in restive southern provinces.

Ahmadi blamed Taleban militants for the attack, however, the militant group has yet to make comments.

Xinhua



Civil defence personnel work at the site of a bomb attack in Kirkuk, 250 km (155 miles) north of Baghdad recently. At least two people were killed and another 36 wounded when a large bomb exploded in Iraq's Kirkuk City outside a bank where police were collecting their salaries, police and hospital officials said on Thursday.—INTERNET

Policeman killed, 26 people wounded in bomb attacks in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 6 Oct—A policeman was killed and 26 others were wounded, including four Iranian Shiite pilgrims, in separate attacks in central Iraq on Wednesday, the police said.

A policeman was killed in Iraqi's western Province of Anbar when a sticky bomb attached to a car and a roadside bomb coordinately ripped through the industrial area in northern the provincial capital City of Ramadi, some 100 km west of Baghdad, a source from operations command of Anbar told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

The blasts also wounded eight policemen and 12 civilians at the site, the source said.

The attackers apparently followed old tactic of creating an initial explosion to attract security forces and people before setting off another blast to get heavier casualties, the source added.

Near Baghdad, a roadside bomb detonated near a bus carrying Iranian Shiite pilgrims in Taji area, some 20 km north of Baghdad, wounded four pilgrims abroad, an Interior Ministry source anonymously told *Xinhua*.

Militants frequently attacked Iranian pilgrims who flock in large numbers to Iraq to visit holy Shiite shrines since the US-led invasion in 2003 that toppled Saddam Hussein's Sunni regime and set up Shiite-led government.

In a separate incident, a gunman threw a hand grenade on an Iraqi army vehicle on a highway in Baghdad's western district of Adel, wounding two soldiers, the source said.

Sporadic attacks are still common in Iraqi cities despite the dramatic decrease of violence over the past few years.

Xinhua

Russia threatens to stop cooperation with US over missile defence

MOSCOW, 6 Oct—Russia said Thursday that the US approach to the deployment of a missile defence system in Europe was "unacceptable" and that Moscow may stop cooperation with Washington in this field.

In a statement, the Russian Foreign Ministry slashed a recent US-Spain agreement on deploying a missile defence system in

Europe, saying it is unacceptable to Moscow.

The statement said the plan was not discussed collectively, nor did it take into account a position of all the countries concerned. The two NATO members announced Wednesday to deploy four American counter-missile ships at the Rota navy base on Spain's southwestern

coast. Russia said such a practice could negatively affect security and stability in Euroatlantic region. "If things go on the same way, then the chance to render the anti-missile defence from issue of confrontation to issue of cooperation, which was created at the Russia-NATO summit in Lisbon, could be lost," said the statement.

Xinhua



An Afghan doctor helps a boy after he has been injured in an explosion by a remote-controlled bomb killing one female police woman and two civilians in Herat, Afghanistan recently.—INTERNET

Troops rescue midwife from militants in S Philippines

COTABATO CITY, 6 Oct—State security forces rescued Thursday a midwife kidnapped by Abu Sayyaf terrorists last July.

According to Felicisimo Khu, head of the Directorate for Integrated Police Operations for Western Mindanao, the midwife Evangeline Taverisma was rescued by police and military in the village of Kappung in the southern Philippine Province of Sulu.

Khu said there was a resistance from Abu Sayyaf but later abandoned their captive after sensing they were outnumbered.

The Abu Sayyaf militants were asking some 15 million pesos (354, 861 US dollars) ransom for the release of the 57-year-old hostage.

The victim was on her way home from work when she was snatched at gunpoint in Sulu Province

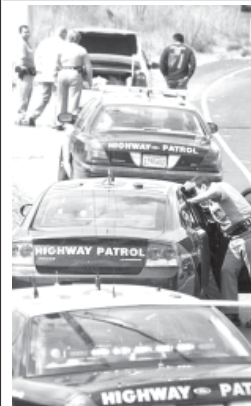
The Abu Sayyaf group, active in southern Philippines, was founded in the 1990s and has perpetrated a number of high-profile attacks, including kidnapping, bombing and beheading. The Philippine military estimates the group currently has less than 400 members.

Xinhua

Afghan official: Karzai assassination plot foiled

BEDING, 6 Oct—Afghan intelligence officials said Wednesday that they had broken up a cell that plotted to kill President Hamid Karzai, arresting six people in Kabul whom they claimed were affiliated with al-Qaeda and the Haqqani militant group.

Intelligence service spokesman Latifullah Mashal said that that the cell included one of Karzai's bodyguards, as well as a professor at Kabul university and three college students.—*Xinhua*



California Highway Patrol officers inspect the car, background, being sought in a series of shootings on San Diego County freeways after the driver stopped and surrendered on an I-210 Freeway onramp in the Lake View Terrace area of Los Angeles on 4 Oct, 2011.

INTERNET

Japan quake rebuilding drives demand for New Zealand timber **Business**

WELLINGTON, 6 Oct—New Zealand's timber industry has received a boost in demand from the reconstruction of areas affected by the March earthquake and tsunami in Japan, although China continues to dominate demand, New Zealand's Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (MAF) announced Thursday.

Log exports reached an estimated 6.9 million cubic meters during the April-June quarter, according to the MAF's forestry production and trade figures.

It was the ninth consecutive quarter of growth underpinned by the large volume of log exports, said Andrew Doube, MAF's acting manager of sector infrastructure.

Demand from China accounted for 59.6 percent of total log export volumes in the quarter, compared with 53.7 percent in the same quarter last year.—Xinhua



Producer Kristin Hahn, centre, and actress and producer Jennifer Aniston, talk with a breast cancer survivor at the Inova Breast Care Center, Monday, on 3 Oct 2011, in Alexandria, Va. October is breast cancer awareness month.—INTERNET



A worker fills the tank of a car at a gas station in Pretoria, South Africa, on 5 Oct, 2011. The Minerals and Energy departments in South Africa increased the fuel prices on Wednesday to a record-high of the country.—XINHUA

Biomarker gene target identified to track Huntington's disease **Health**

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct—Scientists have identified a biomarker gene that could be used to follow the activity of Huntington's disease as well as the response patients might have to neuroprotective treatments.

Huntington's disease, a devastating genetic disorder that causes degeneration of nerve cells in the brain, affects more than 15,000 Americans, and at least 150,000 are at risk of developing the disease.

There is no known cure or treatment for the disease — which starts with changes in mood, judgment, memory, and other cognitive functions

and inevitably leads to increasing physical disability, dementia and death.

The new research describes the discovery and validation of a blood test that could assist in the monitoring of disease activity and in the evaluation of new medications.

"We know how to diagnose HD. What we don't have, however, is a simple test to tell us whether the disease is active and progressing or responding to new medications," said Clemens Scherzer, MD, in the Centre for Neurologic Diseases at Brigham and Women's Hospital.—Internet

A new drug to reverse diabetes? **Health**

LONDON, 6 Oct —American researchers are working on a drug that could help prevent or even reverse Type 2 diabetes, the most common form of the disease linked to lifestyle.

The research involves a natural cell chemical compound known as NMN, which when injected into diabetic mice normalised their blood sugar levels.

The chemical governs how cells use energy. The jabs lowered high levels of cholesterol and triglyceride blood fats. Researchers are now working on a way to administer NMN to mice in drinking water, according to the journal *Cell Metabolism*.

In future, they hope to develop a 'nutraceutical' pill that can be taken like a vitamin to combat Type 2 diabetes, the *Daily Mail* reported.

"Once we can get a grade of NMN that humans can take, we would really like to launch a pilot human study," said study leader Shin-ichiro Imai from Washington University School of Medicine in St Louis.

Type 2 diabetes, the most common form of the disease, is linked to lifestyle.

Internet



News media tour the inside of the second Boeing Co 787 to be delivered to All Nippon Airways (ANA) at the assembly plant in Everett, Wash. ANA is the first customer to take delivery of the 787. INTERNET

In Kodak's troubles, a snapshot of an icon's fall **Business**

ROCHESTER, 6 Oct—Blindsided by a digital revolution, Eastman Kodak is teetering on a financial precipice after a quarter-century of failed efforts to find its focus.

The 131-year-old company that turned picture-taking into a hobby for the masses has tried to bat down sudden talk of bankruptcy.

Kodak insists it has no intention of filing for bankruptcy protection. But investors are unsure it has the financial wherewithal to complete its decade-long turnaround — and employees worry more job cuts are on the way.

The collapse of such a legendary brand would reverberate through not only American business but would also have a profound cultural effect on generations worldwide who took their first snapshots with cameras bearing the unmistakable yellow-and-red K logo.—Internet

Smoking can kill 40 mn more people **Health**

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct — Smoking could cause 40 million excess deaths among smokers, who also suffer from tuberculosis (TB), by 2050, new research says.

Once smokers develop the disease, they are more likely to die from it, meaning that smoking can single-handedly undermine the goal to reduce TB mortality by half between 1990 and 2015, says the research.

The study, led by Sanjay Basu from the University of California, San Francisco, used a maths model to determine the effect of smoking on future TB rates, the *BMJ (British Medical Journal)* reports.

It shows that from 2010 to 2050 smoking could lead to 40 million excess TB deaths worldwide - from 61 to 101 million.

They also conclude that if current smoking trends continue, the number of excess TB cases could rise from 256 to 274 million - 18 million new cases in total.

Internet



In this photo, Procter & Gamble marketing director Kevin Hochman talks about the new packaging for Ivory soap brands at P&G's Cincinnati headquarters.—INTERNET

Business S Korean overseas plant orders contract 18.3 pct

SEOUL, 6 Oct—Overseas industrial plant orders won by South Korean builders contracted 18.3 percent on-year in the first three quarters, a government report showed Thursday. South Korea won 41.4 billion US dollars in overseas orders to construct industrial plants during the January-September period, the Ministry of Knowledge Economy said.

The ministry said overseas plant orders grew 29.1 percent on-year if the deal with United Arab Emirates (UAE) was excluded. South Korea signed an 18.6 billion dollars deal in January last year to build nuclear power plant. By region, orders from the Americas soared 212 percent on-year to 5.16 billion dollars for the first nine months of this year, with orders from Europe and Asia growing 56.5 percent and 54.6 percent respectively.

Xinhua

Student-built electric car sets speed mark

Tech

PROVO, (Utah) 6 Oct— An electric car designed and built by engineering students at a Utah school set a world land speed record for its weight class of 155.8 mph, officials said.

The speed was the average of two runs at the Bonneville Salt Flats for the "Electric Blue" car built as a seven-year project by more than 130 Brigham Young University students, a BYU release said Tuesday.

Recently retired engineering professor Perry Carter spearheaded the long-term project.

"This is a wonderful closure to 31 years of teaching at BYU and many projects," Carter said after the record was certified. "But this is the one that takes the cake. I'm done."

The aerodynamic vehicle used lithium iron phosphate batteries to achieve speeds as high as 175 mph on one of its runs. "Electric Blue" competes in the "E1" class, which includes cars weighing less than 1,100 pounds.



"Electric Blue" car at Bonneville.—Internet

The project was a great way for student to put classroom learning to use, Carter said. "Students who study music need to give concerts, students who study dance need to perform, and students who study engineering need to engineer things and compete to see how they work," he said. "Experiential education is a key aspect of every programme."—Internet

Nose could help reveal accurate time of death

Science

LONDON, 6 Oct — The inside of the nose could help pinpoint the time of death, especially if it was within the previous 24 hours, scientists say.

Tiny finger-like projections lining the nose called cilia continue to beat after death, even though it slows down gradually at a predictable rate.

Accurately estimating the time of death has been a challenge for forensic teams as indicators of body temperature or decomposition rate can be confounded by a number of factors including temperature, and whether the person was involved in a struggle, say, shortly before death. Cilia, however, seems relatively immune to environmental factors, researchers say.

Biagio Solarino of the University of Bari in Italy and his colleagues suspected that cilia continue to beat after death. So they took a scraping of the inside of the nose from 100 cadavers to examine the cilia.—Internet

Scientists 'developing safer breast implants using nanotechnology'

Tech

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct— Researchers at the University of Akron are exploring how nanotechnology may enable the future development of safer breast implants as an alternative to silicone rubber, minimizing health complications.

The only material option available to women undergoing breast reconstruction and augmentation is based on silicone rubber. While no medical device is 100 percent safe and effective, there is an extraordinarily high rate

of complications reportedly attributed to silicone breast implants.

Lead researcher Judit E Puskas, PhD, ME, and her colleagues are currently developing an alternative nanostructured material to silicone rubber that will minimize complications.

The new material will also be able to deliver cancer drugs locally to improve the efficacy of treatment and minimize side effects associated with chemotherapy.

"If successful, our material could be used

for implants with drug delivery capabilities," says Puskas.

"We are hoping that this review will contribute to a better understanding of the controversial issues and motivate material scientists and medical doctors to work together to develop alternatives based on new nanotechnology for the women who opt for a device made of synthetic materials," she added.

The review is published in WIRE's Nanomedicine and Nanobiotechnology.

Internet



The Nikon International Small World Competition awards photographers for their renderings of the beauty and complexity of teensy things through the light microscope. The resulting photomicrographs must not only awe but also contribute significantly to various scientific disciplines. From alien-looking insects and worms to cells that would make stunning decorations, the 2011 award-winning photographs are both stunning and informative. Take a stroll into the world of the small.—INTERNET

Reefs coped mass extinction earlier than Earth

Science

LONDON, 6 Oct — Researchers had always assumed it took the Earth as long as five million years to recover from the species collapse.

However, a new research has proved that reefs came into existence soon after the great mass extinction as soon as the conditions normalised.

An international team, including the paleontologist Hugo Bucher from the University of Zurich and his team of researchers, has proved reefs already existed again in the

southwest of what is now the USA 1.5 million years after the mass extinction.

Metazoan organisms such as sponges, serpulids and other living creatures dominated the reefs.

Metazoan-dominated reefs had already developed during the Early Triassic, much earlier than was previously assumed and as soon as the environmental conditions more or less returned to normal, the reef began to grow again due to metazoan organisms that had played a secondary role in the reefs up to then.

"This shows that, after the extinction of dominant reef creators, metazoan were able to form reef ecosystems much sooner than was previously thought," Bucher said.

The study appears in Nature Geoscience.

Internet



A man demonstrates the notebook function of the Samsung Galaxy Note tablet PC during Press day at the IFA consumer electronics fair in Berlin. INTERNET

72-million-yr-old armoured dinosaur's brain being 'recreated'

Science

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct—Scientists have gained valuable insights into the brain of a 72 million-year-old dinosaur after its skull broke down recently.

Lead researcher Tetsuto Miyashita, a University of Alberta master's student in paleontology, and his colleagues took a rare look inside the skull of a Euoplocephalus and came away with unprecedented details on the brain and nasal passages of the animal. CT scans from undamaged Euoplocephalus skulls are helping the team to reconstruct the twisted,

looping nasal passages and brain chamber.

The researchers claimed that the entire brain of a Euoplocephalus would fit inside a coffee mug, but the size was not small for a dinosaur.

They also claimed that the dinosaur possibly generated sound through its looping nasal passages.

The reconstructed inner ear was tuned for this 'nasal roar', as the length of the ear indicates that the dinosaur was sensitive to low-frequency sounds.

Internet



People of Dong ethnic groups and tourists dance and sing during Duoye (or group dance) Festival in Sanjiang Dong Prefecture, southwest China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, on 2 Oct, 2011. XINHUA

POEM:

A national duty

- * Our traditional heritage
Love we more and more
The inborn Myanmar duty
- * Earth cannot swallow race
But can other races
So terrifying the danger is
- * Never abandon traditional values
Ever be sensible
Prudent we always are
- * Honesty the best policy
Roots we discover and preserve
Showing dignity to world
All with dynamic efforts

Myo Myat Myat Myint Maung (Trs)

Russia sends Intelsat telecom satellite into space

Moscow, 6 Oct—Russia launched a US *Intelsat* telecom satellite into space early Thursday, aboard a Zenit carrier rocket from a space centre in Kazakhstan, the Russian Space Agency Roskosmos said.

The satellite, produced by Orbital Services, separated from the rocket at around 0330 GMT Thursday and started taking up its geostationary orbit, the *Interfax* news agency quoted a Roskosmos official as saying.

The *Intelsat-18* satellite is equipped with 32 transponders and will provide telecommunications services to customers in East Asia, the US West Coast and the Pacific Region for an expected life-span of 15 years.

The Zenit-2SB, a medium-lift two-stage rocket, is produced by the Yuzhnoye Design Bureau in Ukraine. *Intelsat*, originally formed as the International Telecommunications Satellite Organization, is an intergovernmental consortium which operates the world's most extensive satellite network, comprising more than 50 satellites.—*Xinhua*



Singer Liang Xiaoxue performs at Strawberry Chang Jiang Music Festival 2011 in Zhenjiang, of east China's Jiangsu Province, on 2 Oct, 2011, the second day of the national holiday. The four-day festival kicked off on Sunday, attracting music bands and groups from home and abroad. —XINHUA

Tabloid's mistaken story makes Knox guilty

LONDON, 6 Oct—A British tabloid ran a prepared-in-advance story on its Web site, complete with a colorful description of Knox "sobbing uncontrollably." *The Daily Mail* was one of a number of newspapers and broadcasters in Britain to report wrongly that an Italian appeals court had upheld Knox's murder conviction, *The Guardian* said. *The Guardian*, one of the country's most respected papers, made the same mistake, based on an incorrect translation of the verdict.

Judge Hellman was saying she sank into her chair sobbing uncontrollably while her family and friends hugged each other in tears," the *Mail* reported Monday. In fact, the appeals court found Knox and Sollecito were convicted on unreliable evidence of killing Meredith Kercher, a Leeds University student who shared a house with Knox in Perugia.



Edda Knox, left, comforts her daughter, Amanda Knox, during a news Conference held at the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport near Seattle, on 4 Oct, 2011.—INTERNET

But the *Mail* went farther, running a full story that included quotes from the prosecutors, who said "justice has been done." In fact, the Italian court threw out the guilty verdicts against Knox, a former University of Washington student, and her Italian ex-boyfriend, Raffaele Sollecito.

"As Knox realized the enormity of what

The Mail reported that Knox and Sollecito would be on suicide watch for the next few days. Knox arrived in Seattle Tuesday, where she was reunited with her family.—*Internet*

Cable thefts disrupt trains, and a village

LONDON, 6 Oct—Stealing cable for scrap metal has become a common crime in Britain, with recent thefts disrupting rail service in London and blacking out a village. Commuters into Liverpool Street Station were delayed Tuesday morning after thieves, under cover of darkness, climbed gantries and removed several hundred feet of cable, the *Evening Standard* reported. Sparks jumping from the live wires caused a fire, forcing the closing of a section of track.

"It doesn't bear thinking about if one of our staff had come into contact with these cables," a spokesman for National Rail said. The lights went out Friday evening in Newton-on-Trent in Lincolnshire, *The Daily Telegraph* reported. Mike Price said he and his

wife were about to watch her favourite TV programme, "Strictly Come Dancing." "We cut our losses and went to bed, then we were woken up when the lights came back at around quarter to four," he said. "When we found out it was cable thieves, we were pretty mad. But then you are getting cables stolen from the railway and lead taken from churches, it is pretty sad really."

Karen Taylor of the White Hart Inn said diners were able to finish their meals by candlelight but did not stay around to drink as they might have. The power went off again Saturday, and she said the combined disruptions cost the inn its profit for the weekend.—*Internet*



Photo taken on 2 Oct, 2011 shows the autumn scenery in Shahu Scenery Zone in Pingluo County, northwest China's Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region. The Shahu Scenery Zone has received 850,000 person-times with sales revenues reaching 128 million yuan (about 20 million US dollars) in 2011 till on 2 Oct, according to statistic figures. XINHUA

Panasonic unveils first robotic hairdresser

BEIJING, 6 Oct—The annual CEATEC technology in Tokyo gives Japanese technology companies a chance to let their hair down and show off robots far, far too odd for Western consumption.

Robot unicyclists and 'robot companions' are regulars at the show - often unveiled by otherwise normal technology companies. This year, Panasonic unveiled the first robotic hairdresser - as well as a robot 'doctor'.

Panasonic's robot hair washer uses advanced robot 'fingers' to massage the scalp while washing your head with jets of water and soap - rather like a car wash for your skull.—*Xinhua*

Change of title of Wunthanu NLD (Union of Myanmar) to Wunthanu Democratic Party allowed

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Oct— The Union Election Commission released Notification No. 52/2011 today.

The unofficial translation of the notification is as follows:-

Republic of the Union of Myanmar Union Election Commission Nay Pyi Taw

Notification No. 52/2011
9th Waxing of Thadingyut, 1373 ME
6 October, 2011

Change of title of Wunthanu NLD (Union of Myanmar) to Wunthanu Democratic Party allowed

1. The **Wunthanu NLD (Union of Myanmar) Party** registered with the registration number 22 in accord with Section 9 of Political Parties Registration Law at the Union Election Commission submitted application to the commission to rename the title of the party as **Wunthanu Democratic Party**.
2. After scrutinizing the submission of the party under the law, the Union Election Commission agreed the change of party title and declared that the title of the Wunthanu NLD (Union of Myanmar) was renamed as the **Wunthanu Democratic Party** as of 6-10-2011.

By order,
(Win Ko)
Secretary
Union Election Commission

The Republic of the Union of Myanmar Myanmar National Human Rights Commission Accepting of complaint

1. The Myanmar National Human Rights Commission has been established to promote and protect the fundamental rights of citizens enshrined in the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and it has opened its office at No. 27, Pyay Road, Hline Township, Yangon.
2. Any citizen may send complaint to the Myanmar National Human Rights Commission when his or her fundamental rights in the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar are violated. The following facts must be stated completely in the complaint:-
 - (a) Complainant's name, full address and contact address (If any phone, fax and e-mail),
 - (b) Full account of how the Complainant's rights were violated, and
 - (c) Signed admission that the facts stated in the complaint are true.
3. The complaint, attached with copy of the Complainant's national registration card, must be addressed to the Secretary of the Myanmar National Human Rights Commission and may be either sent by registered mail or delivered to the Commission in person.
4. The facts under above-mentioned paragraph 2 (a), (b) and (c) are necessary to be mentioned completely so that the Commission will be able to deal with the complaint effectively.
5. Matters that have been brought before a court or under the proceedings of a court of law and matters that have been finally decided by a court are not relevant under this announcement.
6. In its examination of the complaints which are received, the Commission will, if and when necessary, interview the complainant.
7. If the Commission concludes that the alleged violations of the fundamental rights in the Constitution against a citizen are true, it will take steps in accordance with its rules of procedure to promote and safeguard the fundamental rights.
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Sweet melodies, aesthetics of life

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Sweet melodies whisper the aesthetics of life. When sweet melodies touch the ears, what they please is not just the ears, but also the heart. And what exactly is the feeling at that moment?

Life is nature. Aesthetic of life means aesthetic of nature. Do you want the life to be bed of thorns or bed of roses? Do you want to see the positive side of life or face raging infernos of life? If you want a pleasant life, you need to extract aesthetic from the life.

Aesthetics of life lie in music. We can extract essence of Dhamma (religion) from the songs and vice versa. Melody is the harmonious combination of beat, key, rhythm, which creates melodious arts. Sweet melodies will emphasize invaluable aesthetics of nature and lead to sensible life, adorning refined human culture.

I am looking forward to spectrum of such aesthetics of life illuminating Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions with great excitement.

It is love that makes the earth go round. Beauty is born out of love. When there is love, there is beauty and when love is ignored, beauty disappears itself.

"Beauty is in the eyes of beholder. Only there is love, there is beauty and life is meaningful", there goes a song.

Love and beauty go hand in hand and sometimes love leaves lovely customs.

There is a piece of lyrics that say "make a generous donation of loving-kindness". Large donation of loving-kindness sounds great but generous donation of love has somewhat adverse meaning. None but monogamous marriage is ideal for a couple. And monogamy is an aspect of culture. It is the result of emergence of civilized societies. The song entitled "Love matters" of vocalist Tin Tin Mya which depicts "the world of the two" highlights this fact.

"We the couple...even in the old tent...or in the

golden palace...love is what matters...I want to say that love is what matters...now we love...let our love continue then...darling."

Songster Tin Tin Mya in the advanced age do not want to sing love songs anymore. But, her love songs are still on air. Because there is no end in love. Love cannot be faded away. The world will be doomed to its end on the day love disappears. I love to hear the sweet lyrics "now we love...let our love continue then" forever in my moments in this world.

If the term "couple" stands for three or four, the particular culture will turn upside down. Recently in a journal, a photo with a bridegroom in the centre hosting a wedding reception with two brides on his right and left appears. As the couple means three in that case, I feel some concern over the culture. If the love is so abundant that it can be offered to more than one, there will be doom and gloom.

Love differs from kindness. The better the kindness by its nature, the more it is offered generously. A song portraying the kindness comes into my head.

"Beings worth kindness...cannot be calculated...the Buddha taught...any beings on the earth...be in good health...pray in loving kindness."

"Stream water flowing through...cooling the earth...believe it forever...having sympathy for others...only kindness can freshen the world up."

Lovely songs are leading to peaceful process of human beings. All the songs bear aesthetic. Nationalistic spirit and the patriotism are also essence of life. If there is no patriotism, our human society would collapse. Creating the essence of life gently flow into our hearts. We all love our nation. We all will safeguard all dangers of the nation. The songs serving the State interest nature the youths equipped with patriotic spirit and nationalistic

spirit.

All the sweet songs possess various types of beauties. The Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions will present depicting love and loving-kindness, patriotism, nationalistic spirit, genuine beauty of strength, scenic beauty, attributes of the Lord Buddha, attributes of Dhamma, attributes of truth, prestige of life, various beauties and varieties of aesthetics. Types of songs comprise classical songs, modern songs and religious songs. Only will the aesthetics create the essence and natural beauty. Aesthetics and beauty are invaluable property of the life. The life without beauty and aesthetics means the life with lack of attribute and glory.

It is required to adore aesthesis and admire the beauty as both beauty and aesthesis are essences of the life.

Subtlety and politeness are derived from teachings of the Buddha. Unlawful acts and politeness are opposite. Rudeness, cruelty, warfare and killing are thrived in the unlawful world. Where can we search for the peace?

The whole nature is filled with beautiful tunes. The nature exists on singing a song with beautiful tunes. So the essence of the music is the essence of the nature as well as the essence of the life. The essence of the life is liberation from desires. In order to stroll along the walk of aesthesis, petals of flowers and sweet songs are to be scattered. I wish for singing songs to get better life.

While singing Dhamma songs comprising teachings, law of nature and aesthesis, we have clearly found out our quest for the peace taught by Buddha.

It is worth to listen to the sweet songs when we realize the essence of the life. It is necessary to extract the essence of the life from the beautiful tunes. Let's welcome the performing arts competitions.

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Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan replied that nowadays, the nation is being built as a peaceful, modern, developed and discipline-flourishing democratic nation in realization of the market-oriented economic system in conformity with the constitution and multi-party democracy system. In doing so, there must be upright in legislative, executive and judicial powers of the State to achieve success in democratization process and to practice democracy perfectly. Moreover, he said he believes that check and balance system and cooperation tasks play a key role in practicing these powers separately in order that single person or organization may not practice these powers. Thus, the 2008 constitution prescribes the check and balance system of three powers. Practising these systems, the country is being built and democratization process is in progress.

The majority accept that the newspapers, journals, magazines, books and publications, radio and television called the fourth estate is to watch the righteous use of three main powers so as to serve the interest of the State and the people and practice the democracy with correct and perfect essence.

He said he firmly believes that the above-mentioned point is right and it needs really. However, the media called the fourth estate itself must be owned qualification to be able to monitor successfully. The country has not only State owned media but also private owned media. While improving themselves, both media are to perform check and balance between them.

The Ministry of Information has been striving for enhancing the State-owned media to have improved form and essence for discharging its duty successfully since their establishment. Therefore, the State-owned newspapers at the centre established their branches as sub-printing houses in cities of regions and states to enable the people to read the newspapers daily. A plan is underway to accelerate its tasks. In the past, the main houses of newspapers and sub-printing houses used 19 per cent of domestic newsprint. Now, four per cent of domestic newsprint only is used for improvement of its quality and form in colour and impression. In the future, better quality of newspapers will be presented to the readers after trying hard to increase the income of the newspapers. Moreover, a future plan has been adopted to deliver the coloured newspaper.

With regard to the essence of media, information on political, economic and social affairs, development tasks and natural disasters at home and abroad are being presented in the newspapers for broadening horizon of the readers and for proving relaxation to the people in line with the policies to inform, to educate and to entertain the people. At present, the readers are being provided with information presentation through edutainment and infotainment systems. Training courses, seminars and on-job trainings on in-dept and effective writing are being conducted to the staff for improved presentation of editorials, news and articles. Policies were formulated to realize State and public interests or the national interest as objective of the State-owned newspapers to be able to stand as the fourth estate. Moreover, the information network has been extended for the newspapers with appointment of countryside correspondents.

Moreover, State-owned radio and TV media has been built with high form and essence since its establishment and the media is being built. Now, free to air TV channels and pay TV channels are being extended one after another to provide the people with information, knowledge and entertainments and to be able to keep abreast of other countries. These TV channels include many types of TV channels focusing on information, knowledge, edutainment and infotainment. After passing censorship scrutiny, the showing of movies and TV

series are allowed. Likewise the online censor board scrutinizes the delay broadcasting of TV channels from abroad after censoring inappropriate scenes in Myanmar traditional culture.

Regarding radio transmission, Padaukmyay and FM lines in addition to existing Radio Myanmar and national race language radio transmission sessions have been extended for broadcasting the programmes from 5.30 am to 23.00 pm daily. These broadcasts are allowed freely on a wider scale for improving form and essence of such media based on the national cause. The programmes on various items of district news, various sectors, knowledge and aesthetics are aired through FM radios. Moreover, proficiency of staff are being promoted through training courses on creation and production of radio and TV programmes at home and abroad and workshops. The transmission systems of



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TV and radio are being upgraded from Analogue to better quality and cost-effective digital system to be on a par with the international community.

In summery of enhancing the form and essence, State-owned media are being improved with material and skillful performances, upgrading the organizational setup with cooperation network.

While the State-owned media are standing tall on its better quality as the fourth estate, the private-owned media need to do so. In this way, the fourth estate will have the capabilities to adjust the remaining three estates through check and balance system. If they operate their works based on ism, personality cult and sectarianism, the media will not be dutiful and there will arise weakness in the fourth estate. Only when they give priority to the national interest without focusing on ism, personality cult and sectarianism, will the fourth estate effectively serve the interest of the nation and the people. As all the media persons love the State and the people, adore the value of media and wish to support the remaining three estates through the strength of fourth estate through check and balance, he said he believes that the media will agree the principle that the media must perfect as the fourth estate.

To be perfect themselves as the fourth state, the media are to abide by the provision of Section 354 of the Constitution saying that every citizen shall be at liberty, if not contrary to the laws, enacted for Union security, prevalence of law and order, community peace and tranquility or public order and morality to express and publish freely their convictions and opinions.

Thus, it can be found that the media persons have the right to express and publish freely and have the responsibility to maintain security, prevalence or law and order and community peace and tranquility. They have the rights of freely writing and publishing as well as avoiding the activities against the laws enacted for the interest of public morality. Indeed, the word 'public morality' is wide and profound. In this regard, some activities can be controlled under the prescription of laws and some cannot be controlled through laws. All the media persons are to do their works in line with the prescribed laws and do other works through reasoning

Union Minister for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Their replies to questions.



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power. In establishing the perfected fourth estate, the media persons are to practise the freedom and responsibility and the freedom and reasoning power.

While looking forward the future, all the media persons are to take lessons from the past and present events. He said he has noted the lessons from the past events. He continued to say that he would like to point out the present events. In some democratic nations, the media misuse their freedom of press so these countries face political and social problems. Up to now, not only the parliaments and but also the governments control and supervise them in order to fairly use the freedom and responsibility and the freedom and reasoning power.

The Ministry of Information is striving for creating the local media to become the fourth estate for serving the public interest. In so doing, studies are being made for promulgation of a media law that can control the media for concurrently practising the freedom and responsibility and the freedom and reasoning power to be able to protect the rights of media persons in accord with the constitution and to emerge the local media as the fourth estate based on the national interest.

Moreover, a total of 21 principles of press scrutiny have been reduced to 12 points. After studying the principles exercised in ASEAN countries and global nations, those points were set to be in conformity with the current situations and to be a fourth pillar serving the public interests. Moreover, all journals, magazines, books and publications are to practise the freedom and responsibility and the freedom and reasoning power within the 12-point press policy. In addition, they are allowed to criticize any person, an organization or a department through positive attitude as part of efforts to nurture the emergence of the fourth estate. Moreover, all the publications are divided into two groups. The publications in the group (1) are allowed for their operation through publishing and submitting system. The system is to submit their publications to the Press Scrutiny and Registration Division after these works have freely been published through freedom and responsibility and the freedom and reasoning power in line with the 12 press scrutiny principles. The types of publications in the group (1) are fine arts, knowledge, aesthetics, sports, health, child and technological literature. The submitting and publishing system is to draft the works to the Press Scrutiny and Registration Division after creating the works through freedom and responsibility and the freedom and reasoning power in line with the 12 press scrutiny principles. After seeking the permission, the works are to be published.

When the practices are in harmony with the press scrutiny principles, the publications from the group (2) will be inserted into the group (1). Finally, all the publications are to practise the publishing and submitting system meeting standards of the democratic nations. With the collaborative efforts of those from the literary world, the media is being transformed into the fourth estate for

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serving the interest of the people step by step. With the aim of turning out the outstanding media persons and contributing to the emergence of the fourth estate, the National Information Prize Scrutiny Committee was formed with the participation of Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association and those of the literary world on 18-8-2011. The committee will present the best information award, the best byline award, the best news photograph award and the best cartoon award. While improving form and essence of the State-owned media, The Ministry of Information is encouraging the private-owned media to become the genuine fourth estate that will serve the national interest. The Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association and those of the literary world are to cooperate with the Ministry of Information to take up the duties for emergence of the fourth estate. Moreover, the entire people to be dubbed as the fifth estate are to participate in successful realization of democracy with full essence. That is why all the media will become the genuine fourth estate as quickly as possible so as to serve the public interest.

U Nyan Swe Win of Kyaukkyi constituency asked **there was a plan to upgrade the Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department to a department which met international standard so that it could successfully carry out research work for breeding, educating and veterinary science.**

Union Minister for Livestock Breeding and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein said Breeding and Veterinary Department had carried out tasks for livestock breeding and veterinary services, prevention and control of animal infectious diseases and boosting production of livestock and fish and research work.

Under the department, there were one the director-general office, 15 Nay Pyi Taw, region/state livestock breeding and veterinary offices, 65 district LBV offices and 325 township LBV offices, and the department's 996 veterinarians, 62 assistant veterinarians, 89 2nd assistant veterinary personnel were participating in implementing the tasks of the department, he said.

He continued to say that it was required to increase the number of veterinarians and the University of Veterinary Science had increased the enrollment of students from 200 to 270 per year.

The department's laboratories in Yangon, PyinOoLwin, Taunggyi and Patheingyi had produced vaccines, and employees of the department had been carrying out prevention and control of animal infectious diseases.

Today, the department had carried out not only tasks for prevention and control of animal infectious diseases but also five tasks for boosting production of livestock breeding and fish and meat as part of efforts for reforming the department to become a reliable one which could carry out both livestock breeding and veterinary tasks.

The ministry had already sought approval from the State to compile new curriculums of the University of Veterinary Science within the framework of the university education council and to be adaptable to current time. Besides, arrangements had been made to expand laboratories and livestock breeding farms for the theory and practice of the veterinary science, he said.

Afterwards, two representatives asked two questions on the transportations and Union Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung replied them.

U Tha Sein of Kyauktaw constituency asked **whether there was a plan to carry out a new project to repair Sittway Port and Kyaukdaw, Ponnagayun and MyaukU jetties.**

Union Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung replied that Myanma Port Authority had constructed Sittway, Kyaukpyu, Thandwe, Patheingyi, Mawlamyine, Dawei, Myeik and Kawthoung ports to handle coastal

and sea-going vessels.

Out of Sittway, Kyauktaw, MyaukU, Ponnagayun, Yathedaung and Buthidaung ports, Sittway Port was governed by the Myanma Port Authority as it was located within the port limit of the Myanma Port Authority. There were three pontoon bridges: one 120 ft long and 15 ft wide bridge and two 26 ft wide and 11 ft wide wooden bridges at the Sittway Port. The conditions of all bridges had a suitable level of strength and durability, and the ministry had repaired the No.2 Boatseik Bridge at the cost of K5.4 million in the 2008-2009 fiscal year. For the Sittway Port, it was found that it was impossible to construct a ship basin in the Sakyokya Creek as it was narrow. Concerning Kyaukphyu Port, departmental watercrafts anchored at the previous pontoon of the port at high tide. The Ministry had been constructing a new pontoon bridge at the MyaukU Port at the cost of K 12.9 millions in the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

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The pontoon bridge constructed by the Public Work at the Ponnagayun Port was damaged. But, condition of the pontoon bridges at Yathedaung Port and Buthidaung Port had a suitable level of strength and durability.

Therefore, the Ministry of Transport had been maintaining and repairing the pontoon bridges of the Sittway Port and remaining bridges of Kyauktaw, MyaukU, Ponnagayun, Yathedaung and Buthidaung ports depending on funds allotted by the State.

Afterwards, Daw Khin Saw Wai of Yathedaung constituency asked **the new fare of the two-storey Sittway-Yathedaung-Buthidaung ship was fixed by the government as the fare had increased after the transportation was transferred to the private sector and whether there was a plan to fix a reasonable fares for water transportation in Rakhine State.**

The Union Minister replied that the fare was fixed after calculating cost for a passenger and one ton of good for one mile.

The cost of running a ship included 70 percent of fuel cost. The fare for passengers and goods were calculated at 160 kyats per one gallon. The fare had not increased though the price of fuel reached K3000 per gallon of diesel today.

Instead of taking hold of State-owned firms at a loss, arrangements are being made to ensure balance budget by transferring firms to private sector if possible and engaging in joint venture. After assessing implications, it is required to terminate the running of uneconomic routes, reduce times of uneconomic routes run by Inland Water Transport, and to cooperate with private sector based on mutual interests.

In Rakhine Branch, ships owned by the ministry were ran by a private sector after reaching agreement between the ministry and the private sector. The fare was less than those of private ships. Arrangements had been made to collect ship fare from passengers lower than those of private-run ships.

Afterwards, Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint replied seven questions raised by seven representatives.

In response to the question about **whether there is a plan to allot funds for continuation of repair work of Momeik-Thitkhewepin-Twinng Road** raised by U Kyaw Myint (a) U Pho Tote of Momeik Constituency, the Union Minister said that Twinng-Momeik Road that

Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint answers queries.

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links Twinng of Thabeikkyin Township, PyinOoLwin District of Mandalay Region and Momeik of Kyaukme District of Shan State (North) constructed by deputy superintending engineer and group of Road Construction Special Group-14 in 2000-2001 fiscal year is 46 miles long. In 2007-2008 fiscal year, Tagaung-Katha Road Project Group took the road and bridge construction task. The Ministry of Construction conducted upgrading roads and bridges in 2010-2011 fiscal year.

In 2011-2012 fiscal year, large sum of money are being spent on tarmacking and gravelling potholes, and ordinary repair funds on ordinary maintenance works, and construction for roads and bridges.

As Ministry of Electric Power No. 1 is implementing Shweli-3 Hydropower Project in Shan State (North) in the 2010-2011 fiscal year, vehicles used for the project and vehicles loaded with Pozolan from Mt Popa, Kyaukpadaung Township of Mandalay Region will use the road desperately. The wooden big and small bridges on Twinng-Momeik Road are not strong enough. Due to heavy rains this year, a number of bridges were damaged.

Earthen Twinng-Momeik Road is being upgraded into gravel one step by step. Collaborative efforts will be made to maintain the road during the construction period of Ministry of Electric Power No. 1 that will implement Shweli-3 Hydropower Project and Ministry of Construction.

U Nan Oo of Moenyo Constituency asked **whether there is a plan to repair Htanbinkon Bridge in Monyo-Minhla road section for swift commodity flow and convenience of travelers.** In response, the Union Minister said that Htanbinkon Bridge is located across the Myitmakha River at milepost No. 10/5 on Monyo-Minhla Road. Htanbinkon Bridge is now at ageing state as it was constructed in 1980. Construction group of Thayawady District led by superintending engineer has been carrying out maintenance works with annual budget allocation due to decaying bore pile and weakening bailey frame.

In 2011-2012 fiscal year, works on substitution of wooden floor and track way are being carried out for new structures, and wooden posts will be replaced in open season. Minhla-Moenyo Road in Moenyo Township will be constructed as a sturdy concrete bridge in 2012-2013 fiscal year by spending a large sum of budget.

U Ko Ko Tun of Aunglan Constituency asked **how arrangements will be made to construct detour in Aunglan and whether or not related ministry will implement it at opportune time.** In response, the Union Minister said that Yangon-Pyay-Magway Union Highway lies across Aunglan Township of Magway Region. The road section of Aunglan Township is 38 miles long ranging between milepost Nos. 193/7 and 231/7. Max Myanmar construction Co Ltd was allowed to repair roads and bridges on 28-6-2011 through BOT system. Length of road between milepost Nos 220/0 and 226/0 in downtown Aunglan is six miles long. Until 31-5-2011, the road consisted of 16-foot-wide three-mile-long tar road and 32-foot-wide three-mile-long tar road sections.

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As from open season of 2011-2012 fiscal year, Max Myanmar Construction Co Ltd will carry out upgrading works in downtown Aunglan road section between milepost Nos 221/4 and 224/4 into 32-foot-wide three-mile-long tar road. In coordination with the related region government, arrangements will be made for extension of road for bicycles and motorbikes. If average passing vehicles per day are on the increase, survey of construction for new detour appropriate to increasing vehicles will be conducted.

Pyay-Aunglan-Magway Road meeting set standard will be constructed in 2011-2012 fiscal year. There is no plan for construction of detour in Aunglan for now.

In response to the question raised by U Maung Maung of Thayawady Constituency about **whether there is a plan to upgrade Yangon-Pyay Road in Bago Region into six-lane road for better transport**, the Union Minister said that Yangon-Pyay-Magway Road between milepost Nos 70/6 and 193/7 in Bago Region is 123 miles and one furlong long. Max Myanmar Construction Co Ltd as of 28-6-2011 has been engaging in maintenance works of Yangon-Pyay-Magway Road and bridges on it.

In upgrading roads through BOT system, according to the primary charter of 1996, it is set that length of a road must be 24 feet wide. But, some road sections are less important and found less passing vehicles. So, the length of road of the said road sections is determined according to passing vehicles per day for the sake of convenience of companies running through BOT system. Roads designated as Asian highways and ASEAN highways must be 24 feet wide at least.

Vehicles crossing on Yangon-Pyay Road at Taikkya and Thayawady toll gates in May and June of 2011 numbered 1812 per day. Despite adequate width of the road, Max Myanmar Construction Co Ltd will upgrade the road ranging from 18 and 22 feet into a 24-foot-road. So, there is no plan to upgrade Yangon-Pyay Road into a six-lane road at the moment.

In response to the question of Daw Nan Wa Nu of Kunhein Constituency about **what kind of plan the State will make to upgrade the road from Kholan to Takaw Bridge, and whether there is a plan to assign tasks to private companies through BOT system**, the Union Minister said that if there are proposals from national races entrepreneurs to upgrade 94-mile-and-four-furlong-long road from Namhsan to Takaw through BOT system, they will be tasked in accord with rules and regulations. Ministry of Construction is also inviting national races entrepreneurs to engage in road and bridge construction works by offering technological expertise.

In 2011-2012 fiscal year, arrangements are being made for ordinary maintenance works for 50 miles and four furlongs, fully tarmacking for 17 miles, partial tarmacking for 50 miles and repair works for 11 bridges in the road section from Kholan Sub-township to Takaw Bridge with ordinary maintenance fund. Meiktila-Taunggyi-Kengtung-Tachilek Union Highway linking Shan State (South) and Shan State (East) is an important road.

The repair works were carried out section-wise as from 2011-2012, and smooth transport has been seen. As upgrading works for roads and bridges in Taunggyi-Loilem section and Loilem border section are being carried out through BOT system, swift transport can be seen. Ministry of Construction will ask for large sum of budget and ordinary fund in 2012-2013 fiscal year to perform upgrading works of Namhsan-Kholan-Takaw road section.

Regarding the question of U Yon Bee of Taninthayi Region Constituency about **whether or not the government will build Nyaungbinkwin creek crossing bridge for rural development of Taninthayi Region**,

the Union Minister said that 300-foot-wide Nyaungbinkwin Creek flows across 69-mile-long Taninthayi-Nyaungbinkwin-Thabawlaik-Thepyu-Mawtaung Road at milepost No. 9/4. Nyaungbinkwin Village sits astride the creek. The residents including students from west bank of Nyaungbinkwin have to pass through the creek daily by lying temporary bridge or taking motorboat.

Yuzana Construction Company is taking measures for upgrading works of roads and bridges on Taninthayi-Nyaungbinkwin-Thabawlaik-Thepyu-Mawtaung Road through BOT system. There is no plan to build Nyaungbinkwin Creek Bridge by the company and also by the Ministry of Construction.

Regarding the question raised by U Khin Win of Padaung Constituency about "if there is a plan to upgrade Sinte-Nawaday motor road in Padaung Township to be the one which can cope with express buses and trucks", the Union Minister replied that Sinte-Nawaday approach road linking Padaung Township and Pyay Township is 2 miles and four furlongs long and 12-ft wide road from mile post Nos (1/7) to (4/3); some sections of the road are paved along mountains beside the bank of Ayeyawady River; maintenance of such sections between mile post No (1/7) and (4/3) is progress with ordinary maintenance fund for 2011-2012 fiscal year.

The Union Minister went on that as the spiral road was paved along mountains beside Ayeyawady River, it is needed to widen the road to be 40 feet one if the road is to be broadened, which means that the houses along the entrance to Sinte Village will be moved as they are within the area of proposed construction; in addition, such religious edifices as prayer halls of Ngwebontha Pagoda and Tankyitaung Pagoda and Boyone Monastery are also in the area.

The Union Minister said that in broadening the road on rocky mountains, it is needed to use mines and gunpowder, thus disrupting nearby factories and running of vehicles; the Ministry of Construction currently does not have plan to upgrade the Sinte-Nawaday approach road and in 2012-2013 fiscal year, the ministry will ask fund for maintenance of the road and start the works.

U Soe Win of Kyauktada Township Constituency, U Nyunt Hlaing of Pyu Constituency, U Khin Maung Win of Lanmadaw Constituency, U Aung Zin of Pazundaung Constituency seconded the proposal submitted yesterday by U Soe Win of Sangyoung Constituency **"to enact a law on water resources conservation for prevention against utilization of large amount of natural resources such as river water, creek water and underground water and water pollution"**, saying that the proposal is beneficial to the next generations and national water resources law concerned with the entire nation is now in need.

U Win Than of Thabaung Constituency suggested that comprehensive discussion should be made if Water Resources Bill is submitted and the bill should cover river, creek, lake, and dam in need of protection; the proposal is to be recorded and discussed when the related ministry submit the bill.

Union Minister for Environmental Conservation and Forestry U Win Tun said Chapter (12) of Myanmar Environmental Conservation 21st Century Plan issued in 1997 has called for drawing of administrative policy, planning and management systems of long-term management of fresh water resources and national integrated water resources; Section (3), Resources Management Section of National Sustainable Development Strategy issued in 2009 has described fresh water resources management.

The Union Government Office has instructed for formation of enforcement committee on systematic industrial sewage disposal on 5-9-2011 in accordance with rules and regulations and the enforcement committee comprising 21 representatives from related ministry will draw future work plans; the Ministry of Industry (1) issued water and air pollution control plan in 1995 with

a view to preventing pollution and environmental pollution due to sewages of factories and workshops under the ministry; Myanmar Investment Commission also issued an announcement in 1994 urging to set up purification plants for treating of industrial liquid sewages before disposal and practice other pollution control means.

The Union Minister added that his ministry has set up separate department for administration of watershed areas since 1995 and has been taking effective protection measures such as establishment of swamps and conservation of natural forests; gold and mineral mining is totally restricted in watershed areas that can affect main rivers, dams and reservoirs.

Gems and gold mining in Kachin State and Sagaing Region through which Ayeyawady River flows and Phakant gems land in Kachin State is supervised in accordance with Myanmar Mines Law, in order to prevent raising of sea bed level of upper Ayeyawady River due to gold mining, and degradation of natural environment of Uru Creek and Chindwin River due to gold and jade mining.

Directorate of Water Resources and Improvement of River Systems under the Ministry of Transport has enacted water resources and river systems conservation law on 2-10-2006 and has drawn water resources and river systems conservation rules concerning prevention against water pollution and natural environment conservation, gold-panning, gold mining and exploitation of resources, using of water ways and conservation of water ways described in the law and submitted them to Union Attorney-General's Office; the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, for adoption of water master plan and integrated water resources management strategy, has worked in cooperation with UNESCAP and FAO since 2004 and the directorate has participated in every step of the works; today, formation of Myanmar Water Partnership is in the process of planning; the directorate has also joined the Myanmar Water Partnership and it is projected to formulate water resources policy and national level water resources management strategy with the cooperation of water resources-related departments after the establishment of the partnership.

The Union Minister said that water resources in rivers and creeks in Myanmar is about 870 million acre feet in total and the total amount used by 371 dams and 367 river water pumping stations yearly only accounts for about six per cent of the total water resources; current utilization of underground water for irrigation and drinking and other purposes only account for 0.81 per cent (3.248 million acre feet) of the total underground water resources which is 400.72 million acre feet; although natural resources such as river water, creek water, and under ground water are utilized for public interests, it is needed to abide by laws for water resources conservation for national interests and prevention against water pollution.

The Union Minister added that as there has been water resources and river systems conservation law promulgated by the Ministry of Transport and water resources and river systems conservation rules have been drawn and submitted to the Union Attorney-General's Office, enforcement will be made in line with those law and rules; laws on long-term use of river water, creek water and underground water and prevention of water pollution are prescribed in environmental conservation law which has been drawn by the Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry and submitted to the Attorney-General's Office and thus when the law formally comes into effect, further steps can be taken for effective conservation works and asked Hluttaw's opinion whether it is needed to enact a specific law.

The Hluttaw then put U Soe Win's proposal on the record with the approval of the representatives.

The 33rd-day second regular session of first Pyithu Hluttaw adjourned at 3.20 pm and the 34th-day session continues tomorrow.

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Second regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw...

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advantage of the darkness and the period when passengers are asleep were informed, passenger trains were allowed to run in the daytime on railroad sections which are likely to be under threat with the aim of ensuring safety of the people and passengers.

In many global countries, passengers take the night trains in order to save hotel and food charges. Although night trains should be run, only cargo trains were allowed to run day in, day out and passenger trains to run in the daytime on Yangon-Mandalay railroad section in accord with the current situation, putting



**Amyotha Hluttaw
Representative U
Phone Myint Aung
of Yangon Region
Constituency (3)
raising question.**

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**Member of Bill
Committee
U Hsai Paung Nat
explains about
Private School
Registration Bill.**

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public interest at the fore. Passenger trains will be allowed to run not only in the daytime but also at the night after getting rid of the threats posed by destructive elements.

Regarding the question raised by U Phone Myint Aung of Yangon Region Constituency No-3 who asked when will permits to use CNG be issued as new applications for use of CNG be suspended and whether there is a plan to allow to reuse CNG cylinders in new cars imported after handing over old cars, the deputy minister answered that up to date from 19 September on which vehicles with the licences of over forty years old were handed over, 7744 vehicles were handed over. Among them, 334 are natural gas vehicles and CNG kits and gas cylinders were handed over to owners.

If imported cars are CNGs, reuse of CNG will be allowed in line with the capacity the old cars were allowed to use. Size of gas cylinder and capacity of imported cars will not be taken into consideration and that of old cars which were handed over will be allowed. But imported dual-use vehicles are to use gasoline. In accord with the Ministry of Energy, vehicles can use natural gas from inland fields as CNG. 20 out of 70 million cubic feet produced by inland gas fields per day are being distributed to NGVs. arrangements are being made to cooperate with foreign

companies on mutual benefit at 18 inland blocks. When more natural gas are found there or explored and produced by Myanma Oil and Natural Gas Enterprise, plans will be carried out to more distribute CNG.

Regarding the question raised by U Khin Maung Yi of Ayeyawady Region Constituency No-6 who asked whether there is a plan to make a similar programme of changing banknotes with new ones for the convenience of local people in their trading as it was very convenient for the people in Nay Pyi Taw and Yangon to change adequately K 50, K 100 and K 200 banknotes with new ones, Deputy Minister for Finance and Revenue U Win Than replied that Central Bank of Myanmar in accord with the Central Bank of Myanmar Law engages in circulation of local currency such as banknotes or coins as a sole producer, circulating various kinds of banknotes from K 1 to K 5000 banknotes and maintaining the value of Myanmar Kyats to be strong at home and abroad.

Banknotes are in circulation through branches of Myanma Economic Bank (Branch). Monthly circulation of various kinds of banknotes including small banknotes such as K 50, K 100 and K 200 banknotes are being carried out from Central Bank of Myanmar (Nay Pyi Taw) to 30 branches of MEB, form Yangon Bank of MEB to 141 branches of MEB in lower Myanmar, from Mandalay branch to 139 branches of MEB in upper Myanmar depending on leftover banknotes and size of branches.

Besides, Central Bank of Myanmar distributed K 1859 million including small banknotes from K 10 to K 500 to All-Bus Line Control Committees in Yangon and Mandalay from 22 January 2008 to 30 September 2011 and K 2328 million to markets in Nay Pyi Taw, Yangon and Mandalay from 8 August 2008 to 30 September 2011.

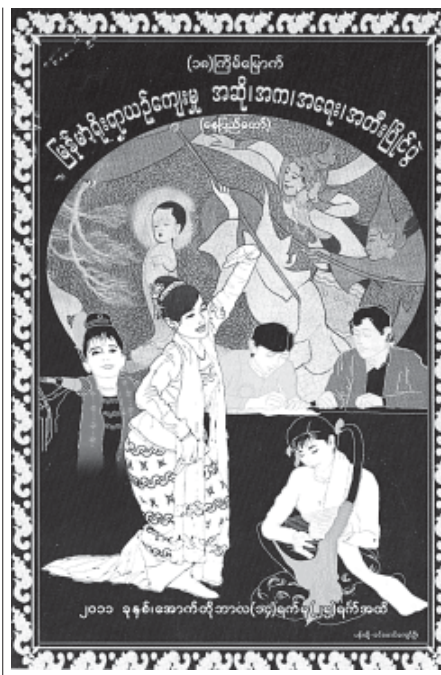
The deputy minister continued to say that, in conveying cash to Sittway, Kyaukpyu and Thandwe District Bank branches in Rakhine State in chartered flight and to Myanma Economic Banks in Taninthayi Region and Kachin State, small banknotes are regularly included; new 50-kyat, 100-kyat and 200-kyat notes are included in the salaries paid to departmental staff in Nay Pyi Taw District since May 2011, those in Yangon Region since July 2011 and those in Mandalay Region in March, 2011; small banknotes will be paid to departmental staff in capitals of States and Regions and countryside as well; the workforce of the staff is compiling; after compilation, the notes will be distributed to them, depending on the amount of small banknotes held in reserve by Central Bank of Myanmar.

Member of Bill Committee U Hsai Paung Nat read out the report of the committee on discussions of Amyotha Hluttaw representatives about Private School Registration Bill sent by Pyithu Hluttaw with amendments.

The Hluttaw agreed amendment paragraphs (4), (8), (10) subparagraph (a), and (16) subparagraph (r) approved by Amyotha Hluttaw.

The insertion of amendment paragraph (8) subparagraph (h) (v) of Pyithu Hluttaw was approved as part of bill as there is no objection to insertion while the approval of the Hluttaw was sought.

A Hluttaw representative submitted the proposal



to discuss the disagreements of Amyotha Hluttaw on Private School Registration Bill sent by Pyithu Hluttaw at Pyidaungsu Hluttaw.

The Hluttaw decided to present Pyidaungsu Hluttaw about the disagreements of Amyotha Hluttaw on Private School Registration Bill sent by Pyithu Hluttaw.

Chairman of Bill Committee U Mya Nyein submitted the report of the committee on Farmland Bill approved and sent by Pyithu Hluttaw. The Hluttaw decided that the Union Government or Union level institution will send back the bill for amending after the Union Government adopted policies and compiled data step by step and the work is underway to make the bill comprehensive.

U Phone Myint Aung of Yangon Region Constituency (3) submitted the proposal that "the Union Government is urged to issue a regulation necessary to allow private or public or joint venture system to undertake public water supply, partly or entirely". The Hluttaw agreed to discuss the proposal as a Hluttaw representative seconded the proposal.

The Hluttaw announced that Hluttaw representatives who want to discuss the proposal are to enlist at Amyotha Hluttaw Department.

Chairman of National Planning, Economic, Monetary and Tax Affairs Committee U San Pyae submitted the report of the committee on the proposal "to transform the Republic of the Union of Myanmar to mining-developed country" submitted by U Nay Win Tun of Shan State Constituency (9). The Hluttaw approved the proposal as amended in the committee's report and things to be undertaken will be sent to the Union Government.

The 32nd-day second regular session of first Amyotha Hluttaw concluded at 11.30 am and the session continues for 33rd day at 10 am on 7 October.

At today's session, the deputy ministers answered three questions raised by Hluttaw representatives; two bills were submitted; one of them was decided to discuss at Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and another one, as the work being carried out; one new proposal was submitted, and one report of National Planning, Economic, Monetary and Tax Affairs Committee was submitted.—MNA

MCPAA to hold talks 30 October

YANGON, 6 Oct— Myanmar Certified Public Accountants Association will organize educative talks at the hall of Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry in Lanmadaw Township at 8 am on 30

October. Deputy Director U Zeya Kyi Nyunt and Assistant Director Daw Mya Mya Oo will give lectures on tax reform.

Those wishing to attend the talks may pay registration fee at the MCPAA Office on the

first floor of the training school (Yangon) of the Union Auditor-General's office, No. 1/ 19 on Thakin Mya Park Road, here, not later than 26 October. Any interested person may attend it. CPA who attended the talks will get the CPE hour

endorsement. The students attending the CPA Course Part II may enlist at the school, before the prescribed date. Those from the countryside may enlist at the office of the association, dialing 214653. Those wishing to enlist beyond the prescribed date will not be considered.—MNA

The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now.



The Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Union Civil Service Board
Vacancy Announcement
Announcement No. 11 / 2011

3 rd Waxing of Thadingyut 1373 ME

(30 September 2011)

1. The Department of Hydropower Implementation under the Ministry of Electric Power No.1 has issued an announcement of vacancies for the following positions -

Sr.No	Position	Vacancy	Educational Qualification
(a)	Staff Officer (Civil)	(Male) 17	B.E (Civil)
		(Female) 4	
(b)	Staff Officer (Mechanical)	(Male) 6	B.E (Mechanical)
(c)	Staff Officer (Electrical Power)	(Male) 2	B.E (Electrical Power)
(d)	Staff Officer (Mining)	(Male) 2	B.E (Mining)
(e)	Staff Officer (Geology)	(Male) 1	M.Sc (Geology)
(f)	Accounts Officer	5	Certified Public Accountant (CPA)

2. The applicants -

- (a) must be citizens of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.
 - (b) must not be over 35 years of age (40 years if service personnel) on 28 October 2011.
 - (c) must be physically fit and possess well intact limbs, must be in good health and capable of serving the duty at any assigned place.
3. Applications must be sent to Office No. (17) of the Union Civil Service Board, Nay Pyi Taw in person, or by expedited Mail Service, or by registered letter not later than 28 October 2011.
4. With regards to filling in the application form, documents to be attached, mode of payment of Ks.500/ for examination fee, subjects to be studied for written examinations and personal interview, candidates applying for the vacant positions will have to follow the instructions manifested in the Guide Booklet published under Letter No. 1/ Selection (Main)/ 2011, dated 1 April 2011.
5. **For service personnel**, his or her original application altogether with the recommendation of the ministry concerned and a passport photo of the applicant must be sent to Office No. (17) of the Union Civil Service Board in Nay Pyi Taw through the Head of Department by 28 October 2011. An extra copy of the application together with photo must also be attached.
6. Written examinations will be held in **Nay Pyi Taw**.
7. Examinations will be held on 26 and 27 November 2011. Identity cards for candidates sitting for the examination will be issued at Office No. (17) of the Union Civil Service Board in Nay Pyi Taw commencing 24 November 2011.
8. The Ministry of Electric Power No.1 has prescribed specific rules and regulations for successful candidates in discharge of their duties. In this context candidates wishing to obtain further information may contact in person or by phone to Office No.(38) of the Department of Hydropower Implementation of the Ministry of the Electric Power No.1 in Nay Pyi Taw (Tel: 067 - 411401, 067 - 411403 and 067 - 411230).
9. For more information, applicants may contact Office No. (17) of the Union Civil Service Board in person or by phone (067 - 409052, 067 - 409430).
10. This announcement and the guide booklet for applicants may be browsed on Websites: ucsb.imis.com.mm and www.ucsb.gov.mm.



The Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Union Civil Service Board
Vacancy Announcement
Announcement No. 10 / 2011

3 rd Waxing of Thadingyut 1373 ME

(30 September 2011)

1. The Department of Health under the Ministry of Health has issued an announcement of vacancies for the following position-

Position	Vacancy	Educational Qualification
Assistant Surgeon	500	M.B.B.S [Degree holders up to 2009]

2. The applicants -

- (a) must be citizens of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.
 - (b) must not be over 35 years of age on 28 October 2011.
 - (c) must be in good health, must be physically fit and possess well intact limbs.
3. Applications must be sent to Office No. (17) of the Union Civil Service Board, Nay Pyi Taw in person, or by expedited Mail Service, or by registered letter not later than 28 October 2011.
4. With regards to filling in the application form, documents to be attached, mode of payment of Ks.500/ for examination fee, subjects to be studied for personal interview, candidates applying for the vacant position will have to follow the instructions manifested in the Guide Booklet published under Letter No. 1/ Selection (Main)/ 2011, dated 1 April 2011.
5. The applicants will be selected by personal interview without holding written examinations. The date and time for psychometric testing and personal interview will be informed individually and announced accordingly at the Websites of UCSB beginning on 28 October 2011.
6. For more information, applicants may contact Office No. (17) of the Union Civil Service Board in person or by phone (067 - 409052, 067 - 409430).
7. This announcement and the guide booklet for applicants may be browsed on Websites: ucsb.imis.com.mm and www.ucsb.gov.mm.

Three win Nobel for showing universe is speeding up

NEW YORK, 6 Oct—Three US-born scientists won the Nobel Prize in physics Tuesday for discovering that the universe is expanding at an accelerating pace, a stunning revelation that suggests the cosmos could be headed for a colder, bleaker future, nearly devoid of light.

In 1998, Saul Perlmutter, Brian Schmidt and Adam Riess presented findings that overturned the conventional idea that the expansion was slowing 13.7 billion years after the big bang. Their discovery raised a question: What is pushing the universe apart? Scientists have labeled it “dark energy,” but nobody knows what it is. It’s “an enigma, perhaps the greatest in physics today,” the Nobel committee said.

Perlmutter, 52, of the Lawrence

Berkeley National Laboratory and University of California, Berkeley, will receive half the \$1.5 million prize. The other half will go to Schmidt, 44, at the Australian National University in Weston Creek, Australia, and Riess, 41, an astronomy professor at Johns Hopkins University and Space Telescope Science Institute in Baltimore.—*Internet*



Ministry of Information
Printing and Publishing Enterprise
Invitation to opened tender to purchase Duplex Board foreign paper (domestic)

- 1. The opened tenders are invited by Printing and Publishing Enterprise under the Ministry of Information for purchasing Duplex Board foreign paper (domestic) for 2011-2012 fiscal year.
 - (a) Duplex (32"x40") 180 Gsm 3225 packets (each packet with 100 sheets)
 - (b) Duplex (32"x46") 180 Gsm 1775 packets (each packet with 100 sheets)
- 2. Forms of opened tender may be taken out from Office No. 7, Ministry of Information, Nay Pyi Taw, from 09.30 hr to 16.00 hr daily from 5-10-2011 to 19-10-2011.
- 3. The opened tenders are to be submitted in the presence of members of the tender committee at Office No. 7 in Nay Pyi Taw, from 13.00 hr to 14.00 hr on 20-10-2011. The tender applications that were over the prescribed period will not be considered.
- 4. The forms of opened tenders and detailed information may be available at the following address.

Procurement Committee
Ministry of Information
Office No. 7, Nay Pyi Taw
Tel: 412327, 412323

Saul Perlmutter, winner of the Nobel Prize for physics, poses with his daughter's telescope at his home in Berkeley, Calif, on 4 Oct, 2011.

INTERNET

US study shows green tea helps mice keep off extra pounds

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct—Green tea may slow down weight gain and serve as another tool in the fight against obesity, according to US Pennsylvania State University food scientists.

Obese mice that were fed a compound found in green tea along with a high-fat diet gained weight significantly more slowly than a control group of mice that did not receive the green tea supplement, said Joshua Lambert, assistant professor of food science in agricultural sciences.

“In this experiment, we see the rate of body weight gain slows down,” said Lambert. The researchers, who released their findings on Tuesday in the online version of Obesity, fed two groups of mice a high-fat diet.

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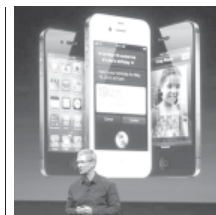
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Apple CEO Tim Cook speaks in front of an image of an iPhone 4S at Apple headquarters in Cupertino, California on 4 Oct, 2011.—INTERNET

**New Apple
 iPhone fails to
 wow investors,
 fans**

CUPERTINO, 6 Oct—Apple Inc's newest iPhone left Wall Street and fans wishing for more than a souped-up version of last year's device, at a time when rival smartphone makers are nipping at its heels.

At his first major product launch since being crowned CEO, Tim Cook ceded the critical iPhone presentation to another executive, and failed to generate the same level of excitement and buzz that predecessor Steve Jobs was famous for.

The new iPhone 4S is identical in form to the previous model, disappointing fans who had hoped for a thinner, bigger-screened design. Apple's shares fell as much as 5 percent, before recovering with the broader market to close down 0.6 percent.

But analysts say the new device sported some new features, such as voice commands, to draw in consumers and is still going to be a big draw this holiday season, particularly as the phone is now available on Sprint's network in addition to AT&T and Verizon Wireless.

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Pilot in fatal NYC chopper crash was experienced

NEW YORK, 6 Oct — The man at the helm of a private helicopter that crashed into the East River on Tuesday, killing one passenger and injuring three others, was an experienced commercial pilot who owns a company that manages a local airport. Investigators are still trying to determine why the helicopter went down shortly after takeoff from a riverbank heliport.

Emergency crews arrived within seconds of the crash to find the helicopter upside-down in the murky water with just its skids showing on the surface. The pilot, Paul Dudley, and three passengers were bobbing, and witnesses reported a man diving down, possibly in an attempt to rescue the remaining passenger.

New York Police Department divers pulled Sonia Marra, 40, from the water about 90 minutes after the Bell 206 Jet Ranger went down at around 3:30 pm. She was pronounced dead at the scene. Meanwhile, a portrait emerged of the



In this frame grab image taken from WCBS-TV, survivors cling to the bottom of a helicopter after it inverted following a crash in the East River in New York, on 4 Oct.—INTERNET

pilot as an expert flier who once landed a plane in a field near Coney Island after its engine failed. Dudley owns Linden Airport Services, the company that manages the Linden, NJ, municipal airport under a 20-year contract with the city, Linden Mayor Richard Gerbounka said.

Internet

**Brazil approves obesity drug
 banned in US, Europe**

SANTOS, 6 Oct—Brazil on Tuesday approved the use of an anti-obesity medication, sibutramine, which has been banned in Europe and the United States, officials said.

The National Health Surveillance Agency (Anvisa) said it would halt sales of weight-loss medications which are based

on amphetamines, but allow sibutramine under heightened surveillance.

The drug will be allowed to be prescribed to patients seeking to lose weight but only if they do not have cardiovascular problems, Anvisa director Dirceu Barbano told the state news agency Agencia Brasil. But one Anvisa board member, former health minister Agenor Alvares, dissented.

If a number of countries took this off the market based on scientific evidence, we cannot ignore that evidence," Alvares said.

Internet

**Jackson doctor's girlfriend talks
 calls, shipments**

LOS ANGELES, 6 Oct—Dr Conrad Murray's complicated love life became entangled with the life and death of his patient Michael Jackson, prosecutors suggested Tuesday as they called a parade of women witnesses who received phone calls from the doctor as Jackson was near death.

The evidence was designed to show that the doctor was trying to juggle his medical practice, personal life and superstar

patient all at the same time and was so distracted he failed to give Jackson proper care. Murray's phone records from the day Jackson died were displayed in court as a backdrop for testimony of those at the other end of the cell phone calls. Three of them were current and former girlfriends and one was the manager of Murray's Houston office. Nicole Alvarez, who lives with Murray and is the mother of his small son, was a key witness.—Internet



Porcelain painter Xiang Qiaoyun and her husband talk about Fencai painting, a coloring technique developed in Yongzheng period (1722-1735) of Qing Dynasty, in Jingdezhen, east China's Jiangxi Province, on 27 Sept, 2011. Fencai painting, known as soft pigment, was built upon the foundation of Wucai porcelain of Kangxi period (1661-1722) of Qing Dynasty and derived from enamel coloring. XINHUA



Prosecution witness Sade Anding testifies during Dr Conrad Murray's trial in the death of pop star Michael Jackson in Los Angeles, on 4 Oct, 2011.—INTERNET

Sounders claim third US Open Cup in a row

WASHINGTON, 6 Oct—Seattle Sounders won their third successive US Open Cup final here on Tuesday after second-half goals from Freddy



Fredy Montero of the Seattle Sounders FC holds the US Open Cup trophy after defeating the Chicago Fire 2-0 in the 2011 Lamar Hunt US Open Cup Final.—INTERNET

Montero and Osvaldo Alonso gave them a 2-0 victory over Chicago.

Not since the 1967-1969 New York Greek-Americans had a team won three consecutive US Open Cups, which features clubs from all levels of US talent but typically matches two Major League Soccer clubs in the final.

Montero, a 24-year-old Colombian striker, netted a rebound off a save from Jeff Parke's header in the 77th minute to give the Sounders the lead.

Cuban midfielder Alonso wrapped up the win with a goal six minutes into stoppage time in front of 35,615 spectators in the 98th edition of the American club championship event.

US veteran goalkeeper Kasey Keller, the Sounders captain who will retire at the end of the season, made four crucial saves.—*Internet*

Germany wait on Klose, Gomez for Turkey clash

MUNICH, 6 Oct—Germany coach Joachim Loew has a potential headache ahead of Friday's Euro 2012 qualifier against Turkey in Istanbul with both key strikers Mario Gomez and Miroslav Klose struggling to be fit.

Veteran Klose, who plays for Lazio, broke off training on Wednesday with a painful knee, while Bayern Munich's Gomez is struggling with a groin strain.

Should both fail to be fit, Loew would have just one available striker in Brazil-born Cacau to call on with his team chasing their ninth straight win in Group A in their qualification campaign.

Internet



Rome's Olympic stadium as the AS Roma football team plays against Cagliari during an Italian Serie A football match in September 2011.—INTERNET

Stadium law to be passed within a month: minister

ROME, 6 Oct—Italy is to pass a new law within the next month which will facilitate the building of privately-owned football stadiums, junior government minister Rocco Crimi said Wednesday.

Currently only Juventus own their own stadium and they only removed there this season. Even big clubs like AC Milan, Inter Milan and

Roma rent their stadiums from the city. The problem with building a stadium is the level of bureaucracy that needs to be overcome before an idea can be put into practice.

But that will soon be a thing of the past as the government is set to approve a law that will remove most of the obstacles. "I'm very happy that the law relating to stadiums has been approved ... it's an important step," said Crimi.

"It will now pass into parliament and I hope that it will be quickly approved to give the country a framework that will allow sports societies to have modern, secure and efficient stadia.—*Internet*

Rafael Nadal (L) and Carlos Moya of Spain pose with the Davis Cup Trophy in 2004.

INTERNET

SPORTS

How do you solve a problem like Lionel Messi?

BUENOS AIRES, 6 Oct—By common consensus the world's best player, Lionel Messi is shy and softly spoken off the pitch and is more likely to be found playing on his PlayStation than tearing up the dance-floor in his local nightclub. As problem players go, Messi is not an obvious candidate, but for fans of Argentina he remains a frustrating enigma.

World-beating for Barcelona, he is a different player in the sky blue and white of his country and his record of 17 goals in 62 internationals is a poor return for a man who scores goals in his sleep for Barca. "I am not going to win any games on my own, just as I don't win games on my own with Barcelona," he protested in a recent interview on Argentine radio.

How to get Messi playing for Argentina like he

plays for Barcelona has become something of a national obsession in his homeland, where suspicions fester about his commitment to the country's cause.—*Internet*



Argentina's forward Lionel Messi gives a thumbs-up during a training session in Ezeiza, Buenos Aires, on 5 October.—INTERNET



Germany strikers Mario Gomez

Sevilla named Davis Cup final venue

VALENCIA, 6 Oct—December's Davis Cup final between Spain and Argentina will be held in Seville, the Royal Spanish Tennis Federation (RFET) announced on Wednesday.

"As their bid was the only one that fulfilled all of our requirements, we will propose to the International Tennis Federation (ITF) that Seville should host the final," read a statement on the RFET's website.

Malaga, Madrid and Valencia had also declared an interest in staging the final, although the former two had

already pulled out of the running, leaving Valencia as the only rival to Seville. The venue for the December 2-4 match-up will be the 25,000-seat La Cartuja Stadium.—*Internet*



Unemployed man pays for referee's blunders

MILAN, 6 Oct—An unemployed man from Florence has received death threats after his namesake, Serie A referee Gianluca Rocchi, made a series of blunders during Saturday night's Inter Milan-Napoli clash. Napoli won 3-0 after Rocchi, who is also from the Florence region, sent off Inter's Joel Obi and awarded a penalty for a foul that actually happened outside the box.

Playing with 10 men, Inter went onto to lose the match 3-0 and after the game, players, officials and fans all expressed their ire towards the referee.

But now a 44-year-old from Limite sull'Arno,

just outside Florence, has received threatening phone calls.

"It's not the first time it's happened and that's also why I follow the Florentine referee's performances to see if I need to expect some telephone threats," the unemployed Rocchi told local newspaper Il Tirreno.—*Internet*

Woods eager to make another return to golf

SAN MARTIN, 6 Oct—When last seen at a golf tournament, Tiger Woods was leaving early from the PGA Championship after missing the cut. He didn't qualify for the FedEx Cup playoffs, giving him a long break that he wasn't expecting.

If there was an upside that day in Atlanta, Woods figured he would have "nothing to do but work on my game."

And that's what he did. He showed up Wednesday at CordeValle for the Frys.com Open knowing that whatever happens over the next two or four days, it won't be from a lack of practice.—*Internet*



Tiger Woods signs autographs for fans during the pro-am at the Frys.com Open golf tournament.

INTERNET



Italian referee Gianluca Rocchi looks on during the Italian serie A football match Inter Milan vs Napoli.

INTERNET



Italy strike Mario Balotelli

Balotelli, Pazzini to miss Italy's Serbia clash

ROME, 6 Oct—Italy strike pair Mario Balotelli and Giampaolo Pazzini will both miss Friday's Euro 2012 qualifier against Serbia in Belgrade through injury.

Italy's chief medical officer Enrico Castellacci revealed on Wednesday that both players had been sent back to their clubs to receive treatment. Manchester City forward Balotelli has a back problem, while Inter Milan's Pazzini is suffering from pain in his heel.

Italy coach Cesare Prandelli reacted by calling up in-form Roma forward Pablo Osvaldo, who has scored in his last three matches.—*Internet*

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (7-10-2011) (Friday)

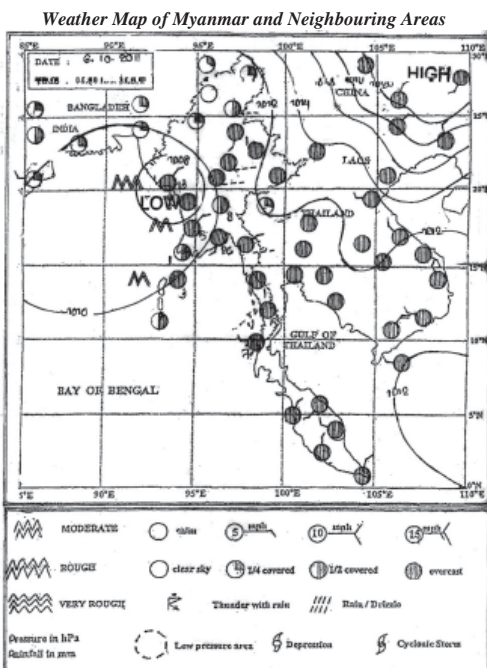
Transmissions		Times
Local		(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
Overseas Transmission		(7-10-11 09:30 am ~ 8-10-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Myanmar Performing Arts (Puppet)
- * News
- * The Elephant Dance Festival Myanmar's Pride Devotion
- * News
- * "Myanmar Movies Impact" Mighty Energetic Love
- * News

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- * News
- * Colourful Lotus-Shaped Candles
- * News
- * Youth of the Future (Episode-3) Photographer
- * News
- * Glimpse at the Architecture (The Dhammayangyi)
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * The World's Largest Book
- * News
- * Safari park: Nay Pyi Taw's Fresh Appeal
- * Myanmar Movie "Essence of Devotion"



Friday, 7 October View on today

- 7:00 am**
- 1. Paritta By Venerable Min Gun 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. The Mirror Images of The Musical Oldies
- 8:20 am**
- 8. Teleplay (Traffic)
- 8:25 am**
- 9. Selected Songs for 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions (2011) (Modern Song) (Higher Education Level) (Women)
- 8:40 am**
- 10. International News
- 8:45 am**
- 11. Musical Programme
- 4:00 pm**
- 1. Martial Song
- 4:05 pm**
- 2. Song Of National Races
- 4:10 pm**
- 3. Songs Of Yester Years

- 4:20 pm**
- 4. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) - Second Year (Chemistry)
- 4:35 pm**
- 5. Songs for Upholding National Spirit
- 4:40 pm**
- 6. Myanmar Language
- 4:50 pm**
- 7. Musical Programme
- 5:00 pm**
- 8. Documentary
- 5:10 pm**
- 9. Selected Songs for 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions (2011) (Maha Gita) (Amateur (First) Division Level) (Men/Women)

- 5:30 pm**
- 10. Yoetha Phyu Sin Kalaydoethwin
- 6:00 pm**
- 11. Evening News
- 6:15 pm**
- 12. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm**
- 13. Internet Gardern
- 7:00 pm**
- 14. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm**
- 15. News
- 16. International News
- 17. Weather Report
- 18. 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions (2011) Interview (Opera)
- 19. Just For Laughs (Gags Asia)
- 20. TV Drama Series
- 21. Song Lover

Weather forecast for 7th October, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/F)		For Tomorrow	
		Maximum	Minimum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	32/90	24/75	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
2	Kayah	28/82	20/68	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
3	Kayin	31/88	23/73	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
4	Chin	19/66	13/55	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
5	Upper Sagaing	32/90	23/73	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
6	Lower Sagaing	30/86	25/77	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
7	Tainthaya	33/91	23/73	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
8	Bago	32/90	24/75	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
9	Magway	28/82	24/75	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
10	Mandalay	29/84	26/79	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
11	Mon	31/88	25/77	Widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
12	Yangon	31/88	24/75	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
13	Rakhine	31/88	22/72	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
14	Southern Shan	25/77	18/64	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
15	Northern Shan	31/88	21/70	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
16	Eastern Shan	32/90	22/72	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
17	Ayeyawady	31/88	25/77	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	30/86	25/77	One or two rain or thundershowers	80%
19	Neighbouring Yangon	31/88	24/75	One or two rain or thundershowers	80%
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	29/84	26/79	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%

During the past (24) hours, Southwest monsoon has withdrawn from Central Bay of Bengal and Deltaic areas. Weather has been partly cloudy in Kayah State, isolated in Sagaing and Bago Regions and Shan State, scattered in Kachin, Rakhine, Kayin and Mon States, fairly widespread in Mandalay, Magway and Ayeyawady Regions and widespread in the remaining Regions and States. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Marazaung (1.97) inches, Pyu (1.89) inches, Paung (1.38) inches, Pyay (1.33) inches, Yangon (Kabo-Aye) (1.02) inches, Taunggy (0.94) inch, Aungmyan (0.90) inch and Htilin (0.83) inch.

Weather is partly cloudy in the North Bay and Central Bay. Monsoon is weak in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Seas will be slight to moderate in Myanmar waters.

Thundery conditions in the extreme Southern Myanmar areas.

Li Na becomes first Chinese to reach WTA Championships

BEIJING, 6 Oct— Chinese tennis star Li Na on Thursday became the fifth singles player to qualify for the prestigious TEB BNP Paribas WTA Championships which would be held in Istanbul, Turkey on 25 to 30 October, 2011, becoming the first Chinese singles player to book a spot on the WTA season-ending tournament.

Grand Slam finals and tennis fever both at home and abroad. According to the stats of CCTV (China Central Television), her French Open final against Francesca Schiavone attracted more than 100 million audience to watch through TV.



China's Li Na hits a shot during her match against Romania's Monica Niculescu at the China Open tennis tournament in Beijing on 2 October, 2011. The Chinese characters read "Beijing".—INTERNET

"This year has been the most successful of my career so far and I'm very happy to have qualified," said Li Na. "I'm proud to be the first Chinese woman to qualify in singles for this event."

Li Na enjoyed a historic season in 2011, twice making into the

Attasammapanidhica; to establish oneself rightfully; this is the way to auspiciousness

Prime Minister of Kingdom of Thailand visits Uppatasanti Pagoda in Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Oct—The Thai delegation led by Ms. Yingluck Shinawatra, Prime Minister of Kingdom of Thailand, who were on a goodwill visit to Myanmar at the invitation of President U Thein Sein of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, visited Uppatasanti Pagoda in Nay Pyi Taw at 8:40 pm yesterday.

On their arrival at the pagoda, they were warmly welcomed by Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs Dr Maung Maung Htay and officials concerned.

The Thai Prime Minister and her entourage paid homage to the pagoda, and offered flowers and water to Buddha Patima Jade Image in the cave of the pagoda. They then made cash donations to the Pagoda Board of Trustees.

After that, they observed the white elephants in the precinct of the pagoda.

Later, the Thai Prime Minister and party on their departure for Thailand by the special flight at 10 pm were seen off by Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin and departmental officials at Nay Pyi Taw Airport.



Thai Prime Minister Ms. Yingluck Shinawatra making cash donation.—MNA

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Thai Prime Minister Ms. Yingluck Shinawatra views white elephant in the precinct of Uppatasanti Pagoda.—MNA

Talks on traffic rules promulgated

YANGON, 6 Oct—SIP Khin Maung Tun of No. 4 and Traffic Region of Yangon Region Wireless and Traffic Police Corps gave an educative traffic talk to 230 bus owners, drivers and bus conductors at the office of Yangon Region All Private Bus Line Control Committee on 3 October, and Head of Traffic Region No. 1 Police Captain Myint Kyi and party to 721 teachers and students at No. 44 Basic Education Middle School (branch) in Shwepyitha Township in the afternoon.—MNA

Flood Bulletin

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Oct— According to the 12:30 hr MST observation today, the water level of Sittoung River in Toungoo 640 cm has exceeded by 40 cm (about 1.3ft) above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level 600 cm during the next 48 hours commencing this noon, announced by the Meteorology and Hydrology Department.—MNA

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Southwest monsoon withdraws

NAY PYI TAW, 6 Oct—The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology announced today that during the past (24) hours, southwest monsoon has withdrawn from Central Bay of Bengal and Deltaic areas.—MNA