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Our Three Main National Causes

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



Patron of Leading Committee for Organizing the 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham enjoys performance of artistes of Fine Arts Department of the Ministry of Culture.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 14 Oct — Patron of Leading Committee for Organizing the 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions Vice-President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Dr Sai Mauk Kham cordially greeted members of

central panel of judges, contestants and managers from Regions and States at Myanmar International Convention Centre, here, this evening.

Also present on the occasion were members of board of patrons of

the leading committee, Chairman of the leading committee Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan and members, the chairman of work committee and members, the Union ministers, deputy ministers, members of Nay Pyi Taw

Council, chairmen, secretaries and members of sub-committees, departmental heads and panel of judges from Regions and States.

First, artistes of the Fine Arts Department under the Ministry of Culture entertained those present on the occasion with variety of dances.

Next, Patron of the leading committee Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham cordially greeted work committee members, chairmen, secretaries and members of sub-committees, members of central panel of judges, contestants from the Regions and States and their supervisors.

Afterwards, Patron of the leading committee Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham presented medicines to members of the central panel of judges doyen artistes who attended the 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions.

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Noteworthy amounts of rainfall (14-10-2011)

Nay Pyi Taw (Yezin)	0.75 inch
Kawkareik	1.69 inches
Loilem	1.50 inches

PERSPECTIVES

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Strive for disaster risk reduction

Air and water are essential to the existence of life. It is required to note that the situations of having larger amount of air and water volume than usual may be dangerous. Measures for disaster risk reduction are being taken worldwide as climate change may cause natural disasters such as flood and storm and the world is under the threats of other natural disasters.

The world encountered floods, earthquakes, dangers of nuclear radiation, Hurricanes and Typhoons this year. Severe impacts of natural disasters caused great devastation and loss of life to many people of disaster-stricken countries.

As for Myanmar, cyclone Nargis in May 2008 and cyclone Giri in October 2010 had severe impacts on lives and property of the people, causing a lot of damage in the livelihood and housing sectors. But the government, UN agencies and local and international NGOs made collaborative efforts in carrying out relief and reconstruction works.

During mid-monsoon of this year, region-wide floods occurred due to heavy rains. Water levels in some towns adjacent to rivers have reached above danger levels. The Union government provided flood victims with necessary assistance, especially in accommodation, health, education of children and rehabilitation of cultivation wrecked by the flood. It was the fruitful results of multi-stakeholder cooperation approach made by region/state concerned governments and departments of Union government.

Natural disasters can strike at any time. Myanmar is taking disaster risk reduction measures in cooperating with global and regional partners. Preparedness measures are needed for disaster risk reduction. Myanmar Disaster Preparedness Agency is urged to take disaster risk reduction measures such as relief and reconstruction in cooperation with relevant organizations in time of emergency.

Workshop on enhancement of Myanmar football skills on 18-19 Oct

YANGON, 14 Oct—A workshop on enhancement of Myanmar football skills will be held at Myanmar International Convention Centre in Nay Pyi Taw on 18 and 19 October.

Before the workshop, a coordination meeting will be held at Myanmar Football Federation in Thuwunna at 2 pm tomorrow.

Chairman of Myanmar National Sports Committee Union Minister for Sports U Tint Hsan will attend the coordination meeting. Resource persons, sports columnists, former selected footballers and enthusiasts may attend it.—MNA

Union Construction Minister meets UNSG's special representative for Disaster Risk Reduction

NAY PYI TAW, 14 Oct—Union Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint received Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction Ms Margareta Wahlstrom and party at the ministry here yesterday. They exchanged views on international disaster risk

prevention and urbanization measures.

Also present at the call were deputy ministers U Kyaw Lwin and U Soe Tint, Officer on Special Duty Thura U Sein Thaug, Managing Director U Kyaw Lin of Public Works and departmental heads.

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Mid-level Management Course concludes

YANGON, 14 Oct—The closing ceremony of Management Course No (27) for Mid-

level Officers was held in Kaytumadi Hall of Central Institute of Civil Service (Phaunggyi) this morning.

Rector of the Institute U Win Maung addressed the ceremony, awarded outstanding

trainees and presented completion certificates.

The four-week course was completed by 59 trainees from ministries.

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Deputy Education Minister U Aye Kyu addressing English Proficiency course for PAT and JAT of Higher Education Department on 13 October.

(News reported)

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Fire Fighting and Rescue course No. 6/2011 concludes

YANGON, 14 Oct—A fire fighting and rescue course No. 6/2011 concluded at the Fire Services Department

(Head Office) in Mayangon Township here this morning, with an address of the Fire Services Department Director-General U Tin Moe.

A total of 30 trainees from Region/State Fire Brigades took the four-week course which was organized to enhance their fire fighting skills.

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Literary talks in Mohnyin 24-25 Oct

MOHNYIN, 14 Oct—Local enthusiasts will organize the literary talks in Mohnyin.

Writer Pe Myint and writer U Phone (Chem:) will give literary talks on 24 and writer Maung Tha Cho and writer Ju on 25 October.

The talks will be held at the temporary theatre in the precinct of Shwethalyaung Pagoda for public convenience; and the committee will coordinate with the officials concerned to hold a separate literary talk for students of three Basic Education High Schools in Mohnyin, said Secretary of the literary talk committee U Myint Aye (Shwe Mohnyin).

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Myanmar Gold Entrepreneurs meet

YANGON, 14 Oct—The 9th Annual General Meeting of Myanmar Gold Entrepreneurs Association will be held at Panda Hotel, corner of Wardan Street and Min Ye Kyaw Swar Road in Lanmadaw Township, here.

Those who may attend the meeting are urged to register at the association (Ph:214837) not later than 25 October.

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At No. 38 Basic Education Primary School in Aungmyethazan Township, Mandalay Region, Chairman of Township Writers and Journalists Association U Tun Hla Aung (Moe Zaw Aung-Mandalay) on 1st September made a publication donation.

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

A civil defence personnel is seen as fire rises from a house after a bomb attack in Kirkuk, 250 km (150 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.

REUTERS



Baghdad twin bombings kill 18, wound 43

BAGHDAD, 14 Oct—Two roadside bombs ripped off near a popular cafe in Baghdad's Shiite neighbourhood of Sadr city late on Thursday, killing 18 people and wounding 43 others, a local police source said. The twin blasts happened on Thursday evening and claimed 18 lives, most of them civilians, the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity because he is not authorized to speak to the media. Another 43 people were wounded in the attacks, some seriously, he added. Women and

children were among the victims. Police have rushed the wounded to nearby hospitals and cordoned off the scene, the source said. The attacks happened one day after a slew of suicide bombings and car bombings rocked the capital city and left more than a score dead. Violence in Iraq has dropped significantly since its peak in 2006 and 2007 when the country was embroiled in sectarian bloodshed, but deadly shootings and bombings still occur almost on a daily basis.

Xinhua

Explosion in Rio restaurant kills three

RIO DE JANEIRO, 14 Oct—Three people died and 17 were injured in Brazil on Thursday after an explosion destroyed a restaurant in downtown Rio de Janeiro, authorities said.

Sergio Simoes, chief of the fire department and Civil Defence State Secretary, told reporters the most likely cause of the explosion was a gas leak inside the File Carioca restaurant.

An official at the local gas company said it had not supplied gas to the restaurant since 1961, but police and fire authorities believe the gas leak could have come from the illegal use of six gas cylinders that had been found in the rubble left after the explosion.

"It is irresponsible of whoever used this kind of gas cylinders in this kind of place," said Simoes, adding that gas cylinder was

strictly forbidden in the building the restaurant is located. Authorities said the gas may have accumulated since Tuesday evening and through Wednesday's public holiday when the restaurant was closed. The explosion was caused shortly after restaurant employees returned to work earlier on Thursday and started turning on equipment, said Simoes.

The restaurant was located on the ground floor of a 12-floor building. Eight floors were affected by the explosion. The entire building and neighbouring buildings were under inspection by the Civil Defence Department.

All three dead had been working in the restaurant at the time of the explosion. Among those injured, four are reportedly in critical condition at a nearby hospital, while others only suffered minor cuts and abrasions.

Xinhua

Firefighters work on debris of a restaurant in downtown Rio de Janeiro on 13 Oct, 2011. An explosion apparently caused by a gas leak ripped through a restaurant in downtown Rio de Janeiro early Thursday, killing at least three people and wounding at least 13, officials said.—INTERNET



Afghan clothes vendor, Sher Ahmad, 72, looks on while waiting for customers in the old city of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 13 Oct, 2011.

INTERNET

A man inspects the scene of a bomb attack in Karbala, 80 kilometres (50 miles) south of Baghdad, Iraq, on 25 Sept, 2011. A series of blasts hit a Shiite holy city in Iraq on Sunday, killing and wounding scores of people, police and hospital officials said.

INTERNET

Three hijackers killed in shootout with police in N Philippines

MANILA, 14 Oct—At least three suspected hijackers were killed in a shootout with police in northern Philippines before dawn Friday. Philippine National Police spokesman Chief Superintendent Agrimero Cruz Jr said that the undetermined number of armed suspects forcibly took a 10-wheeler truck loaded with Nestle products from the driver

and his helper at around 2:00 am in Manggahan village, General Trias in Cavite Province. After being informed of the incident, he said the police set up the dragnet and when the suspects were cornered, encounter ensued resulting to the death of the three suspects. Further investigation was being conducted, Cruz said.

Xinhua

North Carolina men convicted of conspiring to aid militants

RALEIGH, 14 Oct—A federal jury found three North Carolina men guilty on Thursday of conspiring to provide material support to Islamist militants in foreign countries.

The jury heard three weeks of testimony and deliberated over two days in New Bern before rendering the guilty verdicts against Mohammad Omar Aly Hassan, Ziyad Yaghi and Hysen Sherifi.

Hassan and Yaghi are US citizens. Sherifi, a native of Kosovo, is a legal permanent resident of the United States, according to the indictment.

The defendants, all young men in their 20s, were among seven men arrested in July 2009 on charges of conspiring to support what the indictment called "violent

jihads" overseas. Three other defendants in the case, including the plot's ringleader, Muslim convert Daniel Patrick Boyd, and his two sons, Dylan and Zakariya Boyd, have admitted guilt to some charges as part of plea deals and are awaiting sentencing.

A final defendant, Anes Subasic, is awaiting trial.—Reuters

Three NATO soldiers killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 14 Oct—Three NATO soldiers have been killed in different incidents in Afghanistan's restive southern and eastern region, the military alliance said on Friday. "An International Security Assistance Force service member died following an militant attack in southern Afghanistan yesterday," NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) confirmed in a statement on Friday.

Two more NATO soldiers were killed in Improvised Explosive Device (IED) attacks in eastern and southern part of the militancy-hit country on Thursday, according to ISAF statements released late Thursday night.—Internet



Health Tip: Protect against infection during cancer treatment

People undergoing chemotherapy or other treatments for cancer often have compromised immune systems, which can make them more vulnerable to germ-related illness.

The American Cancer Society suggests how to help prevent serious infections while being treated for cancer:

- * Make sure you're up to date on all vaccinations, but avoid those that contain a live virus.
- * Be alert for the first signs of infection, and call your doctor right away if you start to become ill.
- * Check for any sore spots, swelling or red areas where needles or catheters have been inserted.
- * Wash your hands often with soap and warm water.
- * Bathe every day.
- * Limit exposure to crowds, and avoid anyone who is sick.
- * Promptly disinfect any cuts or skin wounds.—Internet



You may have set the agenda once, but not anymore. Your baby's schedule is now your schedule. Sure, newborns sleep up to 18 hours a day. But that's broken up into small chunks. And between naps, there's feeding, changing, and a whole lot of holding going on.—INTERNET

Sony Ericsson profits down in third quarter **Business**

STOCKHOLM, 14 Oct—Mobile phone maker Sony Ericsson has posted a break-even third quarter, with profits shrinking because of lower margins, partially offset by lower operating expenses.

Net profit fell to 0 from euro 49 million in the same quarter last year, while sales dipped slightly to euro1.59 billion (\$2.18 billion), from euro1.6 billion a year earlier.

Sony Ericsson said Friday its Android-based Xperia smartphones now account for more than 80 percent of its sales.

It said it will shift its entire portfolio to smartphones next year.

The joint venture between Sweden's LM Ericsson and Japan's Sony Corp said it estimates that it controls about 11 percent of the global Android-based smartphone market.

Internet

Google's Q3 eases fears over ad market, costs **Business**



A photo of the Google Inc logo is shown on a computer screen in San Francisco, California on 16 July, 2009.—INTERNET

SAN FRANCISCO, 14 Oct—Google Inc's results trounced Wall Street expectations with the help of strong advertising sales and deft cost controls, driving its shares roughly 6 percent higher.

The Internet search and advertising leader, benefiting from a growing online ad market and sharper research focus, increased its profit by 26 percent and revenue by 37 percent in the third quarter

Shares of Google rose to \$594.01 in extended trade after closing 1.91 percent higher on Nasdaq.

The stock is off nearly 8 percent from its 52-week high of \$642.96 on concerns about the growing regulatory scrutiny facing the company as well as fears that spending would spiral out of control as Google steps up competition with Apple Inc and Facebook. In August, Google announced plans to acquire Motorola Mobility Holdings for \$12.5 billion.

The deal, which Google expects to close this year or early 2012, will give it one of the wireless industry's largest patent libraries, as well as hardware manufacturing operations that will allow Google to develop its own line of smartphones.

But analysts and investors worry that Google is entering a low-margin business in which it has no experience.

A move to build its own phones could also jeopardize support for Google's free Android mobile software from other phone manufacturers such as Samsung Electronics and HTC Corp.

Google said its net income in the three months ended Sept-ember 30 grew to \$2.73 billion from \$2.17 billion in the year-ago period.

Excluding certain items, Google said it earned \$9.72 per share in the third quarter.

Analysts polled by Thomson Reuters I/B/E/S were expecting adjusted EPS of \$8.74.

Reuters

Use of asthma controller meds on the rise among US kids **Health**

NEW YORK, 14 Oct—The percentage of children with asthma in the United States who use a prescription "controller" medicine has nearly doubled since the late 1990s, a new federal government report finds.

The analysis of data from the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey showed that the use of controller drugs by these children increased from 29 percent in 1997-1998 to 58 percent in 2007-2008, according to the latest News and Numbers from the US Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality.

Asthma controller drugs include: corticosteroids, which control inflammation and reduce the risk of airway spasms; beta-2-agonists, which make breathing easier; and leukotrienes, which help prevent asthma symptoms from occurring.

Use of inhaled corticosteroids among American children with asthma increased from 15.5 percent to 40 percent, use of leukotrienes rose from 3 percent to 34 percent, and use of beta agonists rose from 3 percent to 13 percent, according to the report.

During the same period, the use of reliever and oral corticosteroid drugs fell from 44 percent to 30 percent and from 17 percent to 9 percent, respectively, the investigators noted in an agency news release.

Average annual total spending for all asthma drugs more than quadrupled, from \$527 million in 1997-1998 to \$2.5 billion in 2007-2008.

When broken down by category, spending for controller drugs rose from \$280 million to \$2.1 billion, spending for reliever drugs increased from \$222 million to \$352 million, and spending for oral corticosteroids fell from \$25 million to \$8 million, the findings revealed.

Internet



You may not have to give up your favourite foods. Preparing them differently could help tame your heartburn. You might be able to bake, broil, grill, or roast some foods instead of frying them. And you could trim extra fat off meat and poultry, and cut the skin off chicken. Little tweaks might trim enough fat to make a difference for heartburn — and your overall health.—INTERNET

Archaeologists discover 100,000-year-old art studio

Science

BEIJING, 14 Oct— Archaeologists announced Friday the discovery of the oldest art studio ever found in the world.

The finding was contained in a study published in the American journal *Science*.

The prehistoric workshop was found in a tiny cave by the edge of the Indian Ocean about 180 miles east of Cape Town, South

Africa. By using the technique of radioactive isotopes dating, the archaeologists calculated the studio has been some 100,000 years old.

In the cave, the archaeologists found two shells full of pigment, which was made from ochre, a kind of grindable stone rich in iron compounds that usually give the ancient paints red or yellow hues.

The finding also

included some of the earliest sharp stone tools, as well as evidence of fishing.

“In general we find pigment, but you never find the container with the residue. We were able to study microscopically all the elements in the recipe,” said study coauthor Francesco d’Errico, an archaeologist at the University of Bordeaux in France.

Xinhua

Netflix gets more shows from CBS, Warner Bros



The headquarters of Netflix is shown in Los Gatos, California on 20 September, 2011.

INTERNET

NEW YORK, 14 Oct— Netflix Inc’s US customers will be able to watch shows like “Gossip Girl” and “The Vampire Diaries” online after it signed programming deals with CBS Corp and Warner Bros for shows from their joint venture, The CW television network.

The programming deal, for shows from the current schedule through 2014-15 sea-

son, is the latest in a string of deals Netflix has been reaching to bulk up its streaming service and convert more subscribers from its more costly DVD mail delivery service.

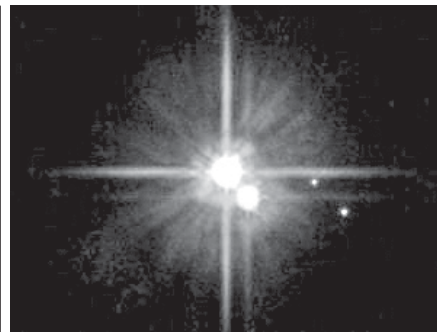
Programmers had initially appeared hostile to what appeared to be Netflix’s threat to the lucrative cable TV programming ecosystem but have recently been reaching new deals.

Warner Bros is owned by Time Warner Inc, whose chief executive Jeff Bewkes had been one of Netflix’s loudest critics until a few months ago. In the past few months Netflix has reached programming deals with Lions Gate Entertainment Corp and Sony Pictures Entertainment for award-winning shows “Mad Men” and “Breaking Bad”, as well as AMC Networks for “Walking Dead” and other shows.

The new deals with Netflix appear to have tighter restrictions such as when they can first be shown, for example.

In The CW pact, older-season episodes of some shows, including “One Tree Hill” and “Nikita”, will available 15 October while others are set for January.

Reuters



Science

This image from the Hubble Space Telescope in 2005 shows Pluto, its moon Charon (below and right of centre) and two newly discovered moons to the right.

INTERNET

Dwarf planet may not be bigger than Pluto

NANTES (France), 14 Oct—The dwarf planet Eris, responsible for Pluto’s demotion from planet status in 2006, is not bigger than Pluto and may even be smaller, French scientists say.

When Eris was discovered in 2005, Hubble Space Telescope images suggested its diameter was about 1,500 miles, about 5 percent bigger than that of Pluto.

Astronomers got a chance last November to refine the measurements when Eris passed directly in front of a distant star, *NewScientist.com* reported.

Bruno Sicardy of the Paris Observatory and colleagues took measurements from two different sites in Chile, and found Eris’ diameter is 1,400 miles, almost exactly the same as the best measurements suggest is true of Pluto.

“It could be smaller, it could be larger; basically, it is a twin,” Sicardy said 4 Oct at a Division of Planetary Sciences meeting in Nantes, France.

Eris remains the heavyweight of the dwarf planets, however, with much more mass than Pluto, he said.—*Internet*

Verizon will soon begin spying on your web habits, here’s how to opt out

Tech

WASHINGTON, 14 Oct—Don’t want your location data and web history monitored? All it takes is a click.

If you’re a Verizon wireless customer, your online identity is about to take another privacy hit.

The company just revealed that its new service agreement will include language that allows the monitoring of your web habits, including websites you visit and even the location data of when and where you use your

wireless browser.

The company says the data will be used solely for business and marketing purposes, and to present you with more relevant advertisements while you’re surfing on the go.

The data that is obtained may also be shared with third-party companies under the guise of making mobile ads better suited to your interests.

Regardless of the intended use of the data — or Verizon’s promise that individuals will not

be specifically identified — your data will still be gathered.

And as history has shown, even supposedly private data isn’t always so secure.

The new policy is enabled by default, meaning that if you do nothing, you are automatically opting in to the programme.

However, if you don’t like the idea of Verizon keeping tabs on your web habits and location, there’s still a way to prevent it.

Internet

The iPhone 4S gets torn apart for the world to enjoy

NEW YORK, 14 Oct—The fine folks over at iFixit have made a name for themselves by tearing apart the gadgets that we love, and they have continued that trend with the iPhone 4S. This teardown might lack some of the excitement that an iPhone 5 teardown would have, but there is still a few secrets to be learned under the iPhone’s glass and metal shell.

The phone’s innards are strikingly similar to those of the Verizon model of the iPhone 4, but do have a few modifications. One of the big questions surrounding the iPhone 4S was the amount of Ram installed. In the iPhone 4 there is 512MB of Ram, which for when it was released is a pretty healthy number. These days most premium phones are being shipped with 1GB of ram, and it was hoped that the iPhone 4S would follow that trend. Sadly

the iPhone 4S still has 512MB of Ram, iFixit explained the situation by explaining the A5 processor has a marking for “two 2 Gb LPDDR2 die—for a total of 4 Gb—or 512 MB.”

Even though it might be disappointing on paper that the iPhone 4S only has 512MB of Ram, that does not mean the performance of the device will suffer. From what we can tell from early reviews of the device the phone’s performance is, “noticeably faster” than the iPhone 4.

One change that caught our attention is that Apple is using a different vibrating mechanism than the original iPhone 4. The iPhone 4S has what is called a linear oscillating vibrator as opposed to a counter-weighted vibrator. What this means is that the iPhone 4S should vibrate quieter and softer than the iPhone 4.



An image from iFixit shows the inner workings of Apple Inc’s fifth-generation iPhone.

INTERNET

Tech

Ultimately iFixit feels that the iPhone 4S is still pretty difficult to repair, but if you happen to break something it won’t be impossible to fix it yourself.

Internet



King Jigme Khesar Namgyal Wangchuck, centre left and Queen Jetsun Pema stand during Buddhist blessings prior to their marriage at the Punakha Dzong, in Punakha, Bhutan, on 13 Oct, 2011. The 31-year-old reformist monarch of the small Himalayan Kingdom wed his commoner bride in a series ceremonies Thursday.—INTERNET

4-year-old drives away in mom's car in Fullerton

FULLERTON, 14 Oct— Fullerton police say a 4-year-old boy had a wild ride but escaped serious injury after he drove off alone in his mom's car during rush hour, eventually rolling the vehicle over and crashing.

Police Sgt Andrew Goodrich says the boy's mother parked the car about 4 pm Thursday to a use a nearby phone. The boy got out of his car seat and climbed into the driver's seat, put the car in gear and drove onto a busy city street.

Goodrich says the boy sideswiped a vehicle, then veered into oncoming traffic. At that point the vehicle rolled over once but landed back on its tires and kept going, eventually crashing into some trees.

Goodrich tells the Orange County Register the boy was taken to a hospital with what were believed to be minor injuries.

The *Los Angeles Times* reports that in all, the boy traveled about a third of a mile.

Internet



Jockeys compete during Chonburi's annual buffalo race festival, around 75 km (47 miles) southeast of Bangkok, on 11 October, 2011. The event, which also celebrates the rice harvest, dates back to the buffalo trade in Chonburi, once the trade centre of Thailand's east.—INTERNET

Man admits guilt in celebrity hacking

JACKSONVILLE, 14 Oct—A Florida man accused of hacking into the personal e-mail accounts of Hollywood celebrities says he plans to plead guilty to all charges.

Christopher Chaney said he knew what he was doing was wrong and he's ready to face the consequences, WAWS-TV, Jacksonville, Fla, reported Wednesday.

"I deeply apologize," said Chaney. "I know what I did was probably the worst invasion of privacy someone could experience. I'm not trying to escape what I did. It was wrong. And I have to

just face that and go forward." Chaney said he hacked the forwarding feature of the e-mail accounts of celebrities including Scarlett Johansson and Christina Aguilera so he received the same messages they did. He said he was merely curious to see "behind the scenes" of Hollywood and never sold any of the pictures or information he found.

"I don't know how my e-mail got a hold of, someone contacted me wanting the pictures," said Chaney. "I don't even know who it was. No, I didn't give that person any pictures. I never wanted to sell or release any images."—*Internet*



A dancer of Russian State Ballet performs the classical Swan Lake in Nanning, capital of south China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, on 13 Oct, 2011. XINHUA

British minister caught trashing documents

LONDON, 14 Oct—A top adviser to British Prime Minister David Cameron was caught on camera dumping secret papers in trash cans in a London park, a newspaper says.

The *Daily Mirror* reported it documented Oliver Letwin on at least five occasions in St James Park binning government documents.

Letwin is minister of state for the Cabinet Office, the department responsible for coordinating the government's work.

Letwin dumped more than 100 papers —

including letters, e-mails, memos and briefing notes — the *Mirror* said. He tore some of them up but did not shred them.

On one occasion in September, Letwin disposed of five intelligence documents involving extraordinary rendition and the 2005 London Transport bombings, the newspaper said.

Another time, he was spotted handing a bundle of documents to a trash collector who put them in his waste bag.

Internet

NAACP: Texas Confederate plates offensive

AUSTIN, 14 Oct—The Texas Department of Motor Vehicles' governing board could vote next month on a politically charged license plate design featuring the Confederate flag.

Opponents of the plate presented a petition containing 22,000 signatures to the board Wednesday, saying the design is offensive, the Austin American-States-man reported.

"This particular flag never flew over Texas; it has been adopted by hate groups to intimidate or do wrong against people," Gary Bledsoe, president of the state NAACP conference, said. "It is every bit as offensive as the swastika. It creates psychological harm, creates fear and intimidation, and is likely to lead to breaches of the peace. It is a fighting flag."

A DMV board vote in April on the license plates — proposed by the Sons of Confederate Veterans — resulted in a 4-4 tie. Texas Land Commissioner Jerry Patterson, a member of the veterans group, pointed out it's likely the board will approve plates honoring Buffalo Soldiers, black US soldiers sometimes used in battles against Native Americans.

"In the spirit of political correctness, why is it OK to honor soldiers who were sent to war against (American Indians) and not Confederate soldiers who were fighting for their country?" Patterson said.—*Internet*

British officer takes sick leave for 'broken heart'

LONDON, 14 Oct—A British police officer has been signed off sick with a "broken heart" for four months after being dumped by her married colleague, a media report said Thursday.

The mother-of-one is believed to have been left devastated when her lover went back to his estranged wife. The unnamed pair had set up home together after meeting at work when the male officer's marriage had broken down, the *MailOnline* reported. Pete Smythe, chairman of the Met Police Federation, said: "As far as the rules are concerned she will be on full pay until six months, then half pay thereafter until 12 months when it will go down to nothing." The two officers' relationship lasted just three months.

The detective was apparently signed off on full pay with stress and failed to return to her 45,000-pound-a-year job, the report said.—*Internet*



A Chinese man tries to sell fruits to passenger boats full of international tourists begin a cruise down the famous Li River and its karst peaks from Guilin to Yangshou in the Guangxi Zhaung Autonomous Region on 7 October, 2011. As one of the most popular and picturesque scenic spots in China, the Li River was listed as one of the World's Top Ten Watery Wonders by the *Natioinal Geographic Magazine*.—INTERNET

Thai flood death toll reaches 289, two missing

BANGKOK, 14 Oct — A total of 289 people were confirmed dead and two people were missing in the floods that have inundated the upper part of the country for almost three months, the Disaster

Prevention and Mitigation Department reported on Friday. Six more people were confirmed dead on Wednesday in central Province of Singburi.

Northern Province of Phichit still has the highest death toll of 45 people, followed by central province Nakhon Sawan, of which 30 people have been killed by flood. Flash floods and mudslides were caused by the heavy monsoon since mid July.



Thai residents salvage their belongings as floods continue to hit Pathum Thani Province, suburban Bangkok.—INTERNET

Floods are still pouring down in 61 of 77 provinces, affecting about 2.5 million households and 8.3 million people. Of 61 provinces hit by flood, the situation in 35 provinces, mostly in the northern and northeastern

provinces, have slowly been recovering. As the situation in adjacent Province of Bangkok has worsened, Bangkok people have been warned to prepare for flash flood and be ready to evacuate if the authorities decide to issue evacuation alert. About 60 main highways in 17 provinces are flooded and cannot be passed and 18 north-bound train routes were cancelled.—Xinhua



Flood-damaged houses line the main street in Prattsville, NY, on 12 Oct, 2011. Tropical storms Irene and Lee have left its victims tired and frustrated more than a month after the back-to-back disasters swamped homes, washed away roads and upended life in a region not accustomed to massive flooding.

INTERNET

Storm death toll rises to 32 in Central America

MEXICO CITY, 14 Oct—Nine more deaths were confirmed on Thursday during the latest wave of tropical storms and hurricanes in Central America, bringing the death toll to 32.

All the deaths were attributed to floods and landslides caused by the heavy rains, brought by Hurricanes Jova and Irwin that circulated off Mexico's Pacific coast, and the tropical depression 12-E that crossed through

southern Mexico into Guatemala.

On Wednesday, the Mexican Interior Ministry declared 10 municipalities in the Pacific coast state of Colima under a "state of emergency."

The Mexican National Meteorological Service (SMN) warned that the heavy rains in the coastal areas of Jalisco and Colima state would continue, while two more storm systems were forming over Southern Mexico and in

the Caribbean.

Guatemala was the worst-hit area, where the death toll had reached to 15, with four still missing.

According to Guatemala's Vice President Rafael Espada, 1,570 people had been evacuated from their previous homes and 931 had been transferred to temporary shelters.

In Nicaragua, the death toll had reached six.

National Disaster Prevention System official Guillermo

Gonzalez said 5,466 people had been affected by the rains and 1,048 houses suffered various degrees of damage. Nine Nicaraguan provinces, including 33 municipalities and 144 towns, continued to be on red alert.

Xinhua



People wade through a flooded main intersection in Manzanillo, Mexico, on 13 Oct, 2011. Hurricane Jova caused damages along Mexico's Pacific coast day after it hit as a Category 2 hurricane.—INTERNET

Cold front to sweep China over next three days

BEIJING, 14 Oct—China's meteorological authorities on Friday forecast a cold spell to sweep most of the country, dragging down temperatures over the next three days.

Temperatures in the northeastern parts of the Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region and the eastern parts of northeast China will fall by as many as 12 degrees Celsius, and some regions will also get hit by strong winds, the National Meteorological Centre (NMC) said.

The cold front will also bring rainfall to central and eastern parts of Inner Mongolia as well as to northern and northeastern parts of the country, the NMC said. Meanwhile, the coastal areas of Guangdong Province along with the southern parts of Fujian and Hainan Provinces will experience heavy rains, accumulating up to 60 mm of precipitation, according to the NMC.

The year's 20th tropical storm Banyan, which was located about 840 kilometers southeast of the City of Wanning in Hainan as of 5 am Friday, will move northwest at a speed of 15 km per hour, bringing gales to areas it passes, the NMC added.

Xinhua



Drivers are trapped by hydrops in Guangzhou, capital of south China's Guangdong Province on 14 Oct, 2011. A heavy rain hit Guangzhou at 4 pm on Thursday and caused severe hydrops.—XINHUA

6.7-magnitude quake hits New Guinea

BEIJING, 14 Oct— An earthquake measuring 6.7 on the Richter scale jolted the eastern region of Papua New Guinea at 11:35 am Beijing Time Friday, according to the China Earthquake Networks Centre.

The epicenter was monitored at 6.6 degrees south latitude and 148.0 degrees east longitude with a depth of about 40 kilometers, the centre said.

Xinhua

Cause of death unknown for whales found in Alaska river

ANCHORAGE, 14 Oct—Veterinarians have not yet determined a cause of death for two killer whales that wandered far up an Alaska river, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Fisheries Service said on Thursday.

The two adult killer whales, along with a juvenile killer whale, had spent three weeks in the salmon-rich Nushagak River in southwestern Alaska, seen as far as 30 miles upriver from their saltwater habitat in Bristol Bay.

The adult whales were found dead on Saturday, one floating in the water and one beached on the riverbank. The juvenile whale has not been spotted since Saturday, when it was swimming in the tidal area near the river's mouth, NOAA said.

Although biologists said the whales showed signs of freshwater stress while still alive, including secretion of a filmy coating over their skin, necropsies completed by

veterinarians provided no definitive answers, NOAA said.

Although Bristol Bay killer whales often linger near the mouth of the Nushagak, that species of whale had never been reported far up any Alaska river for a prolonged period of time.

Necropsies revealed that both dead whales were female and one was in the late stages of pregnancy, NOAA said. They showed no signs of impact from humans, NOAA said.

Killer whales are known to travel in maternal groups, with juveniles accompanying adults, said Julie Speegle, a spokeswoman for NOAA Fisheries in Juneau.

Officials have made no assumptions about the fate of the third whale, Speegle said.

"I know there's been some concern about its chances for survival," she said. "I guess it's possible that it would make it back to the bay and meet up with a pod, but I don't know if that's likely."—Reuters



Vice-President Dr Sai Mau Kham presents medicines for judges of the 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions. (News on page 1) MNA



A wellwisher donates teaching aid documents for students in border regions through Deputy Minister for Border Affairs Maj-Gen Zaw Win. MNA

Publications donated for schools in border areas

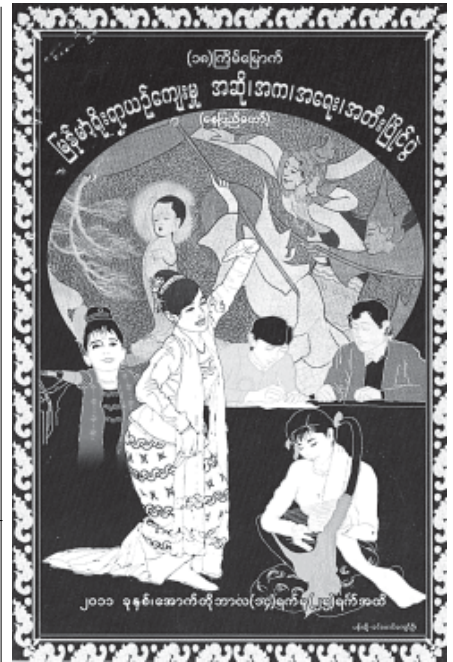
NAY PYI TAW, 14 Oct— Ministry of Border Affairs held a publication-donation ceremony at the assembly hall of the ministry here yesterday morning, with an address of Deputy Minister for Border Affairs Maj-Gen Zaw Win.

The publication donated at the ceremony will go to the schools in the border areas including the Progress of Border Areas and National Races Training School and public-owned schools.

Every year holding such an event intends to advance the pass-rate of the matriculation students of the schools.

It is reported that the ceremony saw a total of 34465 publications amounted K 31,304,400 in the donation of well-wishers.

MNA



World Sight Day observed in Bago Region

YANGON, 14 Oct — In his address at the ceremony to observe World Sight Day held at Thiri Pyinnya Hall of Basic Education High School No (1) in Bago yesterday, Bago Region Chief Minister U Nyan Win called for more efforts to gather momentum in carrying out preventive measures against blindness and reduction of blindness rate as most of eye complaints are curable and stressed the need for enhancement of treatment for blindness so that citizens not only can enjoy healthy and happy life but also can actively take part in national building endeavours.

Next, Head of Bago Region Health Department Dr Ngwe Hsan gave an account of World Sight Day.

In the afternoon, the Chief Minister observed providing free surgical treatment to 65 patients at General Hospital in Bago and Mon Pitikattaik Dhammayon in Shwe Mawdaw Pagoda under the Health Cooperation Programme between Myanmar and Germany under the leadership of Bago Region government and presented cash assistance.

MNA

Russian bombers complete North Sea patrol

MOSCOW, 14 Oct—Two Russian TU-95MS strategic bombers completed a 17-hour patrol of the neutral waters of the North Sea on Wednesday, the Russian Air Force said. Air Force spokesman Vladimir Drik said the aircraft were followed by six British, Dutch and Danish fighters during their patrol. The long-range bombers were refueled in flight by two IL-78 flying tankers, the *Interfax* news agency reported. Russian long-range bombers regularly conduct patrol missions over the Arctic, the Atlantic and Pacific oceans, and the Black Sea.—*Xinhua*

13 die in torrential rains in Guatemala

GUATEMALA CITY, 14 Oct—At least 13 people have died in southern Guatemala after torrential rains from hurricanes and storms off the country's Pacific coast pounded the central American country, Guatemala President Alvaro Colom said on Wednesday. The recent wave of rains started falling Tuesday, hours before Hurricane Jova made landfall in Mexico and two other tropical storms off the Mexican coast north of the border with Guatemala provoked intense rains across southern Mexico and Guatemala.

"We regret the death of at least 13 people, including four people who were electrocuted," Colom told local press in a preliminary evaluation of the emergency caused by the tropical storm currently known as 12-E, which is expected to strengthen later Wednesday, weather forecasters said.—*Xinhua*



Photo taken on 9 Oct, 2011 shows a worker working in the assembly line of a FAW-Volkswagen plant in Changchun, capital of northeast China's Jilin Province. When China's FAW Group made China's first automobile in 1956, Chinese people could probably hardly imagine that they could own their own cars within a few decades. —XINHUA

Cambodia floods claim 247 lives

PHNOM PENH, 14 Oct— At least 247 people had been killed by the Mekong River and flash floods hitting in Cambodia since early August, Cambodia's Prime Minister Hun Sen said on Thursday afternoon.

"The death toll is on the sharp rise and very concerned," the Premier said in a statement after the special Cabinet meeting on flood

disaster. "I would like to appeal to all parents and guardians to take care of kids to avoid drowning during the floods."

"The floods have affected about 1.2 million people.

It also completely destroyed more than 190,000 hectares of rice paddies, or 7.7 percent of the total grown rice paddies, and affected other 390,000 hectares of rice paddies

or 16 percent of the total rice paddies.

Some 1,970 kilometres of roads have affected and other 660 kilometers of roads have been damaged.

Meanwhile, the premier said the Council of Ministers decided to cancel the annual Water Festival scheduled on November 9-11 in Phnom Penh in concern of the flood devastation.

MNA/Xinhua

Registration of Democratic Alliance Party granted

NAY PYI TAW, 14 Oct—*The Union Election Commission released Notification No. 53/2011 today. The translation of the notification is as follows:-*

**Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Union Election Commission
Nay Pyi Taw
Notification No. 53/2011
2nd Waning of Thadingyut, 1373 ME
(14 October, 2011)**

Registration of Democratic Alliance Party granted

The Democratic Alliance Party, headquartered at Block 310 in Letywaygyi Ward of West Daewun Ward, Chanayethazan Township of Mandalay Region, was permitted to register in accord with Political Parties Registration Law Section 9 as of 14 October 2011.

The registration number of Democratic Alliance Party is 45.

By order,

Sd/ Win Ko
Secretary
Union Election Commission

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The Party for Unity and Peace, headquartered at No. 10 on Gawthaka Road in Thayagon Ward of Mingala Taungnyunt Township of Yangon Region, was permitted to register in accord with Political Parties Registration Law Section 9 as of 14 October 2011.

The registration number of Party for Unity and Peace is 46.

By order,

Sd/ Win Ko
Secretary
Union Election Commission



Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan receives Chairman Mr Zao Shu Qin of Yunnan TV in Kunming, Yunnan Province.—MNA

Union Information and Culture Minister meets...

(from page 16) getting a gain in gracious shooting, producing and broadcasting Myanmar-China TV series and movies since 2007, it came into view now, bilateral relations and further cooperation. Both side discussed completed of measures for writing

script, observing shooting location and choosing performers for Myanmar-China relations TV series (at the time of Pyu Era in Myanmar and Tang Dynasty in China), and coordinated further cooperation.—MNA

Men develop diabetes with less body fat than women

GLASGOW, 14 Oct—Men develop type 2 diabetes at a lower body-mass index (BMI) than women, and this finding helps explain why men have higher rates of diabetes in many parts of the world, researchers report.

They analyzed data from 51,920 men and

43,137 women in Scotland with diabetes and found that average BMI at diabetes diagnosis was 31.83 in men and 33.69 in women. This difference was most noticeable at younger ages, the researchers said. The study was published online 30 Sept in the journal

Diabetologia. The findings confirm the hypothesis that men have to gain less weight to develop diabetes, according to study leader Professor Naveed Sattar, of the Institute of Cardiovascular and Medical Sciences at the University of Glasgow.

Internet

Medicines handed over to rural health centre, branches

NAY PYI TAW, 14 Oct—Deputy Minister for Health Dr Daw Myat Myat Ohn Khin met the medical superintendent, specialists, nurses and staff at 200-bed Maubin People's Hospital in Maubin on 9 October and handed over western medicines and traditional medicines to rural health centre and branches.

At Kyaiklat Township General Administration Department, she viewed disbursement of small loans to people.

She handed over western

medicines and traditional medicines to rural health centre and branches at Kyaiklat People's Hospital.

On 10 October, the Deputy Minister met doctor in-charge, health staff and local people at Kyonkadun Station Hospital in Pyapon.

The Deputy Minister handed over western medicines and traditional medicines to rural health centre and branches to Daw Nyein Station Hospital of Ahmar Sub-Township and Zinbaung Rural Health Branch in Pyapon Township on 11 October.—MNA

Applied Pharmaceutical Management Course No 12 concludes

YANGON, 14 Oct—Applied Pharmaceutical Management Course No 12 sponsored by Myanmar Medicines and Medical Equipment Entrepreneurs Association concluded at the office of UMFCCI Office Tower on Min Ye Kyaw Swar Street, Lanmadaw Township on 11 October, with an address by Vice-Chairman

of the association U Thant Zin.

The vice-chairman presented gifts to chief of the course Daw Mi Mi Ko and course instructors and certificates of honour as well as completion certificates to the trainees. The one-month course was attended by 36 trainees.

MNA



At No. 4 Basic Education High School in Kyaukse Township, Mandalay Region, a tree-growing ceremony took place on 24 September morning with an address of Headmaster U Than Nyo, following educative knowledge on preservation of the plantation, given by District Education Officer U Chit Nyo and Assistant Director U Myint Thein Tun of the Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry.—KYEMON



In this 13 Oct, 2011 photo, a resident collects his morning ration of fresh water made from desalinated sea water in Funafuti, Tuvalu, South Pacific. Funafuti is the capital of Tuvalu, a group of atolls situated north of Fiji and northwest of Samoa, in the South Pacific ocean. The atolls are suffering a severe drought and water shortage, coupled with contaminated ground water due to rising sea levels. The governments of Australia, New Zealand and the United States are providing desalination plants to alleviate the critical water shortage for some 10,000 islanders.

INTERNET

Texas authorities round up gang members

SAN ANTONIO, 14 Oct—Six members of the Texas Mexican Mafia gang, including its statewide leader in the free world, were arrested Thursday in San Antonio, authorities said.

Federal and local authorities had previously arrested four other members of the gang, bringing the total in custody to 10.

Nine of the gang members, including Robert “Lil Bit” Carreno Jr, 45, a purported general, are charged with

conspiracy to distribute more than a kilo of heroin, the *San Antonio Express-News* reported Thursday.

The 10th gang member, Teresa “Tia” Alonzo, 63, a daughter-in-law of the gang’s imprisoned vice president Benito Alonzo, faces lesser charges.

“We believe Teresa Alonzo ... was (Benito Alonzo’s) contact in the free world to Mr Carreno,” said Assistant US Attorney David Shearer. He told US Magistrate

Judge Pamela Mathy that Teresa attempted, but failed, to smuggle heroin to Benito in prison and also accepted thousands of dollars in repayment for drugs on Benito’s behalf.—*Internet*

Two visitors take a trial ride on a cross-country motorcycle at CIMAMotor 2011 in southwest China’s Chongqing Municipality, on 13 Oct, 2011.

XINHUA



Accused Bloods gang members rounded up in Maryland

BALTIMORE, 14 Oct—Maryland authorities charged dozens of accused Bloods gang members on Thursday of running a crime ring that committed murder and robbery and trafficked drugs across the state.

Among the 35 who were indicted, several came from Frederick and from affluent Howard County, more suburban areas not often associated with violent gang crime, the US State’s Attorney’s Office for the District of Maryland said.

“No community is immune from gangs,” chief of the Frederick Police Department told

a Baltimore news conference announcing the indictment.

The indictment charged 27 defendants with conspiracy and racketeering, while others were charged with selling illegal drugs including heroin, crack cocaine and prescription drugs.

Among those indicted was Andre Ricardo Roach, the reputed leader of Maryland’s Bloods, known as the South Side Brims Bloods, who is already serving a 50-year prison sentence for second-degree murder.

The investigation began two years ago

when Frederick police discovered a roster listing more than 100 gang members while responding to a stabbing in a motel parking lot.

Law enforcement authorities began monitoring communication among Bloods groups statewide and speaking with informants.

Not only did gang members communicate by telephone and e-mail but they could be seen on YouTube videos, MySpace and Facebook profiles flashing gang signs, throwing cash around and using their street names, according to court documents.

Reuters

Two aid workers kidnapped in Kenya

NAIROBI, 14 Oct—Two international aid workers were kidnapped in Kenya Thursday by gunmen believed to be from the Somali terrorist group al-Shabaab, a police spokesman said.

Spokesman Erick Kiraithe said the two women from Doctors Without Borders were kidnapped about 1 pm local time from a refugee camp in Dadaab near the Kenya-Somalia border, *Capital FM News*, Nairobi, reported.

Kiraithe said a “massive manhunt,” with aid from a helicopter, was under way to try to locate the women but heavy rains impeded the search.

The women were abducted while riding through the camp in a vehicle whose driver was shot and wounded before being thrown from the vehicle, *Capital News* said. A police source in Dadaab said the vehicle was seen speeding toward the Somalia border, where the women may have been taken.

Somali militants kidnapped a Briton and a French woman from Lamu, Kenya, last month, *Capital News* said.

Internet



Photo taken on 14 Oct, 2011 shows the foggy Harbin, capital of northeast China’s Heilongjiang Province.—XINHUA

Toronto Zoo polar bear kills newborn cub

TORONTO, 14 Oct—A 10-year-old polar bear at the Toronto Zoo who gave premature birth to triplets killed one of them, forcing staff to rescue the remaining two, officials said.

Zoo workers were surprised Tuesday night when Aurora gave birth to two male cubs and a female, as it was at least six weeks ahead of schedule, the *Toronto Star* reported.

An unidentified source told the *Star* the mother bear ate one of the cubs and badly clawed a second before workers could remove the surviving cubs.

The two little bears are under 24-hour care in

the veterinary intensive care unit, *Postmedia News* reported.

“They will continue to be hand-raised and we are hopeful that they will both get stronger but they are far from being out of the woods at this time,” the zoo said in a statement.

Aurora and her sister Nikita have been in the Toronto Zoo since 2001,

when provincial wildlife officials found them orphaned by a hunter near Hudson Bay.

Zoo officials said the birth is likely the earliest ever recorded among captive polar bears.

Various countries and agencies rank the species as vulnerable to threatened or endangered.—*Internet*



Cosmo Power President Shoji Tanaka speaks as he stands between the company’s personal flotation devices named “Noah,” that could survive both an earthquake and the tsunami that might follow, at the company’s factory in Hiratsuka, south of Tokyo, on 3 October, 2011.

It’s not quite a yellow submarine, since it’s destined for travel on top of the water, not under it. But the round yellow pod, christened “Noah” for the maker of the ark, could mean the difference between life and death in the case of another killer earthquake and tsunami like the one that hit Japan seven months ago, said its inventor, Tanaka. Picture taken on 3 October, 2011.—INTERNET

School bans 'I[heart] boobies!' bracelets

KELOWNA, 14 Oct—Administrators at a middle school in Kelowna, British Columbia, banned breast-cancer-awareness wristbands reading "I [heart] boobies!" as inappropriate. "In a lot of cases with younger students the interest is not in the raising awareness

around eradicating breast cancer, in actual fact it's more of a novelty item and it has caused distraction. It has also been offensive in some environments," School District 23 Superintendent Hugh Gloster told the Canadian Broadcasting Corp of the action to ban the

bracelets at Springvalley Middle School in Kelowna. The bright-green bracelets are part of Keep A Breast Canada's awareness campaign for youth. "Most of us are mature enough to handle it," ninth-grade student Jamie Crowley told the CBC.—Internet



In this photo provided by Maritime New Zealand, shipping containers float on 12 Oct, 2011, in the water around the cargo ship Rena that has been foundering since it ran aground 5 Oct on the Astrolabe Reef, about 14 miles (22 kilometers) from Tauranga Harbour, New Zealand. INTERNET



Emergency personnel gather at the scene of a multi-vehicle pile-up on a highway in Casablanca, about 43 miles or 70 kilometers from Santiago, Chile, on 12 Oct, 2011. According to government officials, at least four people died and 49 were injured.—INTERNET

Talent introduction for marine economy

BEIJING, 14 Oct—As the marine economy booms in China, the country plans to introduce 87 marine talents studying abroad this year and another 100 marine talents with doctorate degrees studying abroad before 2015.

The State Oceanic Administration, the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Science and Technology, the Ministry of Agriculture and the Chinese Academy of Sciences issued the Medium- and Long-term Plan for the Development of China's Marine Talents 2010-2020 in August.—Xinhua

Plane carrying 32 people crashes in PNG

SYDNEY, 14 Oct—A plane carrying 32 people has crashed in Papua New Guinea (PNG), killing some of those on board, the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) reported on Thursday.

The PNG Airlines Dash 8 plane crashed around 5 pm local time on Thursday while flying from Lae to Madang, in the north of the country, the PNG Accident Investigation Commission said.

"There were reports of fire and there have been some fatalities," the commission's spokesman, Sid O'Toole, told the ABC. He said it wasn't clear why the plane crashed and how many survivors there were but that ambulances had reached the scene.

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade is seeking to confirm with PNG authorities whether any Australians are on board.—Xinhua

Two planes in possible close call over Japan

HONOLULU, 14 Oct—Hawaiian Airlines said Thursday it is working with Japanese authorities to investigate a possible close call between one of its flights and a cargo plane near Osaka.

The incident happened Wednesday local time at Kansai Airport.

Hawaiian Airlines spokesman Keoni Wagner said flight 450 moved from the taxiway to the runway for takeoff at about the same time an

All Nippon Airways cargo plane was coming toward the airport for a landing. The cargo plane aborted its landing and circled back to land.

Japan's transport ministry said in an initial report that the aircraft proceeded to the runway despite instruction from air traffic controllers to stand by. It described the incident as "serious."

Wagner said the airline hasn't listened to the recordings yet and

that it's premature to draw conclusions.

Hawaiian Airlines began flying to Japan last November. The aircraft involved was a Honolulu-bound Boeing 767 carrying 196 passengers and 12 crew members. Two people were aboard the ANA cargo plane.

There were no injuries or damage to either plane, the ministry said.

Internet



Two Amtrak trains rest against each other after colliding at an Oakland, Calif., station on 12 Oct, 2011. A fire official said one train was unloading passengers when the second train ran into it at an estimated speed of 15 to 20 miles per hour injuring about 16 people.—INTERNET

Two shipping companies fined 1.2 mln USD over oil spill in Australian waters

BRISBANE, 14 Oct—The two shipping companies responsible for Australia's Queensland biggest oil spill have been fined a total of 1.2 million AU dollars (1.22 million US dollars), local media reported on Friday.

The owners of the *MV Pacific Adventurer*, Swire Navigation Co Ltd and Bluewind Shipping Ltd both pleaded guilty in the Supreme Court in Brisbane to disposing of oil into Moreton Bay, off southeast Queensland in March 2009, the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC) reported.

The *MV Pacific Adventurer* spilled more than 270 tones of oil when the ship's fuel tank was ruptured by shipping containers which tumbled overboard in rough seas.

Judge Ken Dorney told the court the two companies were equally responsible.

The two companies have each been fined 600,000 AU dollars (611, 160 US dollars) for causing one of Queensland's worst environmental disasters.—Xinhua



People gather near the wreckage of a passenger bus which swerved from the road and fell into the Sunkoshi river bank at Jhagajholi, in Sindhuli district, some 56 miles (90 km) from Kathmandu, on 13 October, 2011. At least 42 passengers were killed and 16 others injured when an overcrowded passenger bus travelling along the BP Highway swerved from the road and fell into the Sunkoshi river bank at Jhagajholi on Thursday morning, according to local media.—REUTERS

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Visitors watch comic toys during New York Comic-Con, the US East Coast's largest popular culture convention, at Javits Center in New York, the US, on 13 Oct, 2011. The New York Comic-Con is opened here on Thursday, attracting latest products like books, games, movies from comic companies across the world.

XINHUA



CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (603)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (603) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 15.10.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

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Members of "the Dream Team" wait for their show time in Beijing, capital of China on 30 Sept, 2011. "The Dream Team", a Taichi performing team which is made up of visually impaired people, performed on the eve of National Day.—INTERNET

Indian doctors carry out pioneering robotic liver transplant

NEW DELHI, 14 Oct—Indian doctors on Thursday claimed that they had carried out a pioneering robotic liver transplant operation on a four-year-old child and his uncle donor for the first time in the country.

A team at Medanta Medicity hospital in Gurgaon, some 30 kilometres from the Indian capital, said that it performed the surgery last month using the Da Vinci robot on 36-year-old Rahmatullah who donated 20 percent of his liver to his nephew Ziad who had liver cancer due to a rare genetic disorder.

"Robotic surgery is usually performed for other operations like kid-

ney, heart and gynaecological operations. But its use in this liver transplant not only increased the precision, but encouraged the donor by reducing surgery related troubles," team leader Dr AS Soin told media.

Some 1.5 million rupees (30,000 US dollars) was raised through charity for the operation on Ziad suffering from tyrosinemia, a disease where the liver is unable to digest proteins. It later developed into liver cancer.

Xinhua

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The pudding, which is made with finest Belgian chocolate, layered with champagne jelly and glazed with edible gold leaf, breaks the world record with a price tag of 22,000 pounds.—XINHUA

63rd Frankfurt Book Fair opens

FRANKFURT, 14 Oct—The 63rd Frankfurt Book Fair, the world's largest expo for the international book and media industry, opens to public here on Wednesday.

Close to 7,400 publishers and book suppliers from 106 countries and regions took part in this year's event. More than half of the exhibitors come from outside Germany. The book fair is expected to receive 280,000 visitors, including approximately 1,000 authors who are scheduled to meet the readers on the sidelines of the annual expo.

Iceland, a North Atlantic island with a population of just 320,000 and this year's honor guest country, has brought about 40 of its native authors to promote the country's literature.

Xinhua

Aircraft nose-dives at NW China air show; no casualties reported

XI'AN, 14 Oct—An aircraft plunged Friday morning during an air show in Pucheng County in northwest China's Shaanxi Province. There have been no reports of casualties, but witnesses said they saw that the pilot was ejected before the fighter jet fell at about 10:45 am. Xinhua reporters saw heavy smoke billowing at the Pucheng Neifu Airport, where the air show was being staged. The air show is continuing, Xinhua reporters said.

The fighter jet FBC-1,

also known as a Flying Leopard, was manufactured by the Xi'an Aircraft Industry Corp. The three-day air show that opened on Friday is part of the China International General Aviation Convention being held in Xi'an, capital city of Shaanxi. Video footage broadcast by China Central Television (CCTV) showed that the pilot was ejected and parachuted shortly before the fighter jet nose-dived to the ground and exploded.

Xinhua



Dense smoke is seen after an aircraft crash during an air show in Pucheng County, northwest China's Shaanxi Province, on 14 Oct, 2011. There are no reports of casualties, and witnesses said they saw the pilot was ejected before the bomber fell.—XINHUA

Tyrannosaurus rex dinosaur bigger than thought

BEIJING, 14 Oct—Tyrannosaurus rex dinosaur, the giant prehistoric

predator, was even bigger and heavier than it was estimated previously, a new study found. The finding was contained in a study published Wednesday in the scientific journal *PLoS ONE*. Using three-dimension scanning and computer modeling, researchers analyzed five skeleton fossils of T rex dinosaur, including "Sue", the largest and most complete T rex specimen ever found. The analysis tipped the scale of "Sue" at 9 ton, some 30 percent more than it was expected.

"At their fastest, in their teenage years, they were putting on 11 pounds or 5 kilograms a day," said John Hutchinson of the Royal Veterinary College in London, who co-led the study. The larger body mass indicated the better agility and the stronger lower-leg muscles of the ancient monster, said the researcher. "Sue" could have a top speed of about 10-25 miles per hour when it ran on the Great Plains of North America 67 million years ago, Hutchinson suggested.—Xinhua

Australian fans queue up for iPhone 4S in Sydney

SYDNEY, 14 Oct—Australia has become the first country to receive the iPhone 4S as the new phone went on sale on Friday, according to local media reports. Hundreds of Apple fans queued at the Apple Store in Sydney's central business district (CBD) on Friday morning to get their hands on the new iPhone 4S, the *Australian Associated Press (AAP)* reported.

The four-story George Street office was filled to capacity as soon as the doors opened at 8 am (local time) on Friday.

"It feels amazing, it is one of the greatest feelings in the world so far," a 15-year-old boy, who was the first to get his hands on the new phone, told *AAP*. —Xinhua

Michelle Obama makes secret shopping trips

Michelle Obama said she and her daughters often sneak out of the White House for shopping trips and even once managed to visit a Petco without being recognized.

Obama told NBC's "Today" show she and the girls sneak out "as much as possible" for trips to Target and other stores and the trips "help keep our kids' lives normal."

The first lady said she and Bo, the family dog, recently made a visit to a Petco store without being recognized.

"The cashier asked me, 'Oh, what kind of dog is that?' I said, 'A Portuguese water dog.' He didn't recognize us because he didn't expect that we would be in Petco," she said.

Obama said she has found it surprisingly easy to slip in and out of stores without being outed as President Barack Obama's wife.

"People realize and it's amazing how people don't recognize you. They don't expect to see me at Starbucks or at Chipotle," she said. "They're looking right through you. They don't know it's me."



First Lady Michelle Obama greets local area school children after they attempted to break the Guinness World Record title for the most people doing jumping jacks in a 24-hour period, at the White House in Washington on 11 Oct, 2011.

Arrest warrant issued for 'Moss Man'

An Oregon judge issued a bench warrant for a burglary suspect known as the "Moss Man" when he failed to show up for his trial.

The Washington County judge issued a bench warrant Tuesday for Gregory Liascos, 37, who is suspected of breaking

into the Rice Northwest Museum of Rocks & Minerals in Hillsboro in October 2010, KGW-TV, Portland, Ore, reported Wednesday. Liascos, who was wearing a camouflage "ghillie" suit when he was found near the museum by a police dog, said at the time he

Blogger seeks job in Jell-O shots

A Boston biologist whose skill with Jell-O shots earned him unexpected catering jobs said he is looking to turn his art into a full-time business.

Matt Micari, a biologist who blogs about his Jell-O experiments at geology.blogspot.com, said he first started creating unusual Jell-O shots to help him meet people at parties when he first moved to the city, the *Boston Globe* reported Wednesday.

"I figured out that if I'd show up to a party with Jell-O shots, people would talk to me," he said.

Micari, whose creations include a sriracha shot containing the spicy sauce, fresh cilantro, pineapple, lime, and coconut milk gelatin, said the creations did wonders for his popularity and resulted in a few catering jobs.



Gregory Liascos in the camouflage suit, courtesy of the Washington County Sheriff's Office.

News Album

Woody Allen changes name of his new movie



Woody Allen

LOS ANGELES, 14 Oct—What's in a name? In Woody Allen's case, it could be the difference between mass confusion and commercial success.

The filmmaker announced Thursday that he has changed the title of

his latest feature film, from "The Bob Decameron" to "Nero Fiddled."

According to Allen, the decision came after he encountered too much befuddlement over the name.

"I couldn't believe how few people had heard of 'The Decameron,' even in Rome," Allen noted of the production, which filmed this summer in Rome. "And the few that did assumed the movie

was based on Boccaccio's tales, which it's not.

"Anyway," Allen cracked, "I changed the title to 'Nero Fiddled,' which is the first time I've changed a title since my last minute switch of 'Anhedonia' to 'Annie Hall.'" —Reuters



Director Patty Jenkins

"Monster" director Patty Jenkins signs for "Thor 2"

LOS ANGELES, 14 Oct—Marvel Studios has hired "Monster" director Patty Jenkins for "Thor 2," the studio announced Thursday. Kenneth Branagh directed this year's "Thor," which grossed more than \$448 million worldwide. Jenkins's take on it is scheduled for a 13 November, 2013 release. Chris Hemsworth, Natalie Portman and Tom Hiddleston will star.

Marvel's Kevin Feige will produce. Jenkins is an interesting choice. The director's 2003 drama "Monster," which she also wrote, yielded the Academy Award for Best Actress for star Charlize Theron. —Reuters

Kristen Stewart on former teachers

WASHINGTON, 14 Oct—In the latest issue of Great Britain's GQ, Kristen Stewart admits that Robert Pattinson is her boyfriend. Exciting? Yes. Controversial? No.



Kristen Stewart

But the actress also was asked by the magazine about her experience as a student and gave the following revealing answer, explaining that she was "self-conscious" with her peers due to her acting career - and her teachers made things worse: "They didn't want to do the extra

work or put packages together so I could keep up while away. My teachers failed me. Not one, but all of them. I'm always slightly ashamed in a way about what I do. I'm slightly embarrassed, as I had such serious ambitions when I was younger, I just never imagined that I would ever have a reason not to go to school. But then this happened." —Internet

Foreign language Oscar brings 63 entrants

NEW YORK, 14 Oct—Oscar organizers Thursday said they received entrants from 63 countries for this year's foreign language film award, including a first-time submission from New Zealand called "The Orator." The Oscars, which are given out by

the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, are the world's top film honours, and being nominated for the foreign language award brings prestige that helps those movies lure audiences. Among some of the more talked about foreign language titles already in 2011 are Polish entry "In Darkness," a Holocaust drama that played well at September's Toronto International Film Festival, and Spain's "Black Bread," which earlier this year won nine of its home country's top awards, the "Goyas." —Reuters



Bollywood film star Dia Mirza Handrich presents the opening ceremony of the 13th Mumbai Film Festival held in Mumbai, India, on 13 Oct, 2011. More than 200 films from about 50 countries and regions will be shown during the festival.

XINHUA

Swift joins list of celebs to launch fragrance

NEW YORK, 14 Oct—Note to men: Taylor Swift's fragrance might smell good, but it's not for you.

"This fragrance is really for people of all ages and I've had to talk some of my guy friends out of wearing it," Swift said, laughing. "So it's debatable whether it's, you know,

for both (sexes)." The Grammy-winning country singer launched her own perfume, Wonderstruck, at Macy's in New York on Thursday. The perfume, priced at \$59.50, is one Swift says she is "obsessed" with.

Internet



American country singer Taylor Swift launches her debut fragrance, "Wonderstruck", at Macy's Herald Square on 13, Oct, 2011 in New York.—INTERNET

The most watched league in the world

LONDON, 14 Oct — The Barclays Premier League is watched by 70 per cent of the world's estimated 2.08 billion football fans. New research has been carried out by leading sport business research consultancy, SPORT+MARKT, and it reaffirms that the Barclays Premier League is one of the drivers of worldwide football interest.

Global following of England's top flight is projected at 1.46 billion — or 70 per cent of the world's estimated 2.08 billion football fans — extrapolated data from Sponsoring21+, the most in-depth sport sponsorship study ever conducted, has shown. Of those, 615 million are supporters of one of the League's 20 clubs.

The Premier League is even more of a driving force for football interest in its home market, the United Kingdom. Of 21.4 million enthusiasts of the game, 92 per cent follow the Premier League. Figures are also impressive in key international markets such as China and the USA: 64 per cent of Chinese football fans follow the League closely, while half of America's growing soccer-loving

community are absorbed by the goings on across the Atlantic.

In terms of annual domestic sporting competition, the exposure offered by the Barclays Premier League is unprecedented. Last season, television coverage of its matches reached 643 million homes around the world, up 11 per cent from 580 million in 2009/10. Meanwhile, SPORT+MARKT's analysts estimate the total cumulative in-home TV audience shot up from 2.9 to 3.9 billion during that time. When added to the estimated 777 million out of home viewers, that takes the total Barclays Premier League audience last term to 4.7 billion.

Internet



The Barclays Premier League is the most watched league in the world

Wayne Rooney banned for 3 matches in Euro 2012

NYON, 14 Oct — Wayne Rooney will miss the entire group stage of the 2012 European Championship after receiving a three-game ban Thursday for kicking a player during England's final qualifier. European soccer's governing body cited him for his actions against Montenegro defender Miodrag Dzulovic during a qualifying game last Friday. UEFA's rule book calls for three-game bans in cases judged to be assault, rather than the mandatory one-match ban for a red card.

Rooney, who did not attend the hearing, can appear in his own defense at an appeal hearing. England's Football Association said it would study the disciplinary committee's decision before deciding whether to appeal. The expected appeal is likely to be heard before England finds out its Euro 2012 opponents on 2 December when the draw is made in Kiev. Ukraine is co-hosting next year's tournament with Poland. — *Internet*

Kvitova to lead Czechs vs Russia in Fed Cup final

PRAGUE, 14 Oct — Wimbledon champion Petra Kvitova will lead the Czech Republic in the Fed Cup final against Russia. Fourth-ranked Kvitova has struggled since winning Wimbledon but she recently reached the semifinals of the Pan

Pacific Open. Czech captain Petr Pala added Lucie Safarova as the likely No 2 singles player, while Lucie Hradecka should team up with veteran doubles specialist Kveta Peschke.

The final will be played from 5-6 November final at Moscow's Olympic Stadium. The Czechs are playing in their first final, although Czechoslovakia won the title five times between 1975 and 1988. The Russians have won the Fed Cup four times since 2004. — *Internet*



Wimbledon champion Petra Kvitova

Host Mexico hopes for strong performance at 2011 Pan Am Games

MEXICO CITY, 14 Oct — Mexican sports officials and fans have high hopes at the 2011 Pan American games which will start Friday in the city of Guadalajara in Mexico's central state of Jalisco. Mexico's Sports Minister Bernardo de la Garza and Felipe Munoz, secretary general of Mexico's Olympic Committee announced at a joint press conference that the official goal for Mexico is to surpass its record of 23 gold medals from the 1995 games in Argentina's city of Mar del Plata.

"I am sure that there will be a lot of joy, that we will see our flag rise more than 80 times in these Pan American Games, and that we will listen to our national anthem more than 23 times and in that way make history. — *Internet*

Pulis believes Crouch can shine for England

STOKE CITY, 14 Oct — Stoke City manager Tony Pulis believes striker Peter Crouch can still do a job for England.

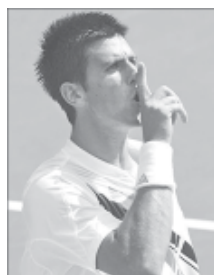
The former Tottenham Hotspur frontman has enjoyed an impressive start to his Potters career, scoring the equaliser to earn a draw with Manchester United and netting in the win against Turkish giants Besiktas in the Europa League. The 30-

year-old was quoted this week as saying he felt his days as an international player were over, having not featured for England in 11 months. — *Internet*



Stoke City manager Tony Pulis

Djokovic to finish year at No 1 after Nadal loss



Novak Djokovic

LONDON, 14 Oct — Novak Djokovic will finish the year as the top-ranked player in the world. The ATP says the Serb clinched the year-end top spot after No 2 Rafael Nadal lost in the

third round at the Shanghai Masters on Thursday. Nadal's loss to Florian Mayer ensured that Djokovic cannot be overtaken before the end of the year.

The 24-year-old Djokovic becomes the first player other than Roger Federer or Nadal to finish a year as No. 1 since Andy Roddick in 2003. Djokovic has been No. 1 since winning Wimbledon in July. He's won 10 titles this year, including his second Australian Open and first US Open.

Internet

Wenger hails Arsenal leaders

LONDON, 14 Oct — Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger believes he now has a number of "captains" in his squad. Arsenal have been criticised at times for their lack of on-field leaders, with too much expectation placed on young shoulders. Wenger has attempted to address that issue by bringing vital experience into his ranks.

Per Mertesacker, Yossi Benayoun, Mikel Arteta and Andre Santos were snapped up towards the end of the summer transfer window and brought considerable Barclays Premier League and interna-



Arsene Wenger believes he has plenty of leaders in his squad

tional know-how with them. It is hoped that a few older heads will help the Gunners to complete on multiple fronts this season, with their 2010/11 campaign having faded badly once the demands of a gruelling campaign took hold. — *Internet*

Just another match for Dalglish



Kenny Dalglish will be treating Saturday's fixture against Manchester United like any other

LIVERPOOL, 14 Oct — Liverpool manager Kenny Dalglish has played down the importance of Saturday's match against Manchester United.

Sir Alex Ferguson has repeatedly stated that the match is the biggest fixture of the season but

Dalglish disagrees. The Anfield boss is only focused on another three points to follow the Merseyside derby win over Everton before the international break.

Dalglish said: "People say this is the biggest game of the season but I don't look at any game as being big or small. It's another game, another three points for a win.

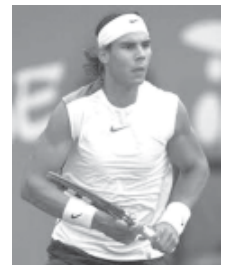
The only difference this time is the fact that, if we win, we will move a bit closer to them. It's an opportunity to help yourself and dent their chances at the same time." — *Internet*

SPORTS

Nadal upset by Mayer at Shanghai Masters

SHANGHAI, 14 Oct — Rafael Nadal was upset by Florian Mayer, 7-6 (5), 6-3 on Thursday at the Shanghai Masters, the second consecutive year he's failed to reach the quarter-finals at the tournament. Andy Roddick advanced with a 6-3, 6-4 win over Spain's Nicolas Almagro. Roddick had 11 aces and 23 winners to beat the seventh-seeded Almagro.

Roddick will play third-seeded David Ferrer, who saved three match points against Juan Carlos Ferrero in a 1-6, 7-5, 6-2 win. Mayer pressured Nadal at the net through-



Rafael Nadal

out the match, winning 21 of his 29 approaches. Nadal saved two set points while serving at 4-5 in the first, but then gave away several crucial points in the tiebreaker, which Mayer clinched with an ace. — *Internet*

**MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(15-10-2011) (Saturday)**

	<u>Transmissions</u>	<u>Times</u>
Local	-	(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
Overseas Transmission	-	(15-10-11 09:30 am ~ 16-10-11 09:30 am) MST

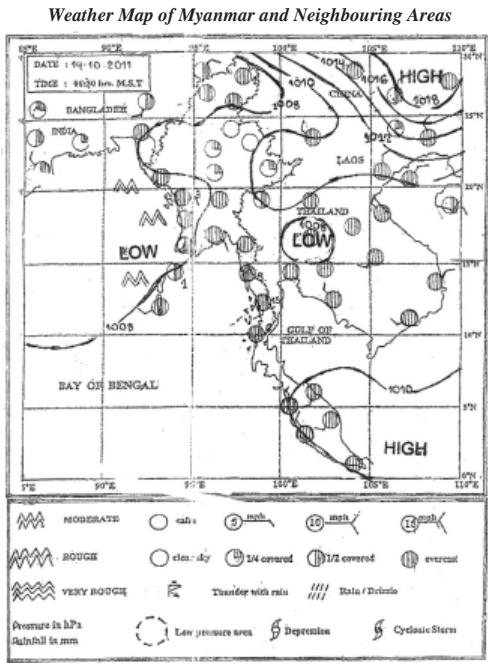
Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Overviews of Special Economic Zone (SEZ) Development
- * News
- * 1st MFDG Fashion Phenomenon
- * News
- * Youths' Vista on Study Abroad
- * News

Overseas Transmission

- * The History of MraukU Pagoda
- * Opening
- * News
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- * News
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- * News
- * Youths' Vista on Study Abroad

- * News
- * The History of MraukU Pagoda
- * News
- * Myanmar Traditional Wicker Ball (Chinlone)
- * News
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Secret Places for Yummy Food "Shwe Musel"
- * News
- * Mya Nan San Kyaw (The Golden Palace)
- * Myanmar Movie "On Getting Six Lives"



**Saturday,
15 October
View on today**

- 7:00 am**
1. Paritta By Venerable Min Gun Sayadaw Uppatathandi Paritta
- 7:25 am**
2. To Be Healthy Exercise
- 7:30 am**
3. Morning News
- 7:40 am**
4. Dhamma Puja Song
- 7:50 am**
5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 8:00 am**
6. Health Programme

- 8:10 am**
7. Documentary
- 8:15 am**
8. Poem Garden
- 8:30 am**
9. Teleplay (Health)
- 8:35 am**
10. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 8:40 am**
11. International News
- 8:45 am**
12. Musical Programme
- 11:00 am**
1. Martial Song
- 11:10 am**
2. Musical Programme
- 11:25 am**
3. Game For Children
- 11:50 am**
4. Round Up of the Week's TV Local News
- 12:20 pm**
5. Delicious Dishes
- 12:35 pm**
6. TV Drama Series
- 1:30 pm**
7. Dance Of National Races
- 1:35 pm**
8. Teleplay

- 2:05 pm**
9. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 2:20 pm**
10. Musical Programme
- 2:40 pm**
11. Documentary
- 2:50 pm**
12. International News
- 4:00 pm**
1. Martial Song
- 4:10 pm**
2. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 4:20 pm**
3. Cultural Dances
- 4:35 pm**
4. Musical Programme
- 4:50 pm**
5. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) -First Year (English)
- 5:10 pm**
6. Songs for Upholding National Spirit
- 5:15 pm**
7. Documentary

- 5:20 pm**
8. Musical Programme
- 5:30 pm**
9. International Science News
- 5:35 pm**
10. Game For Children
- 6:00 pm**
11. Evening News
- 6:15 pm**
12. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm**
13. Ahlashamae Hlagabawai
- 6:35 pm**
14. Yindagomae
- 7:00 pm**
15. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm**
16. News
- 17. International News**
- 18. Weather Report**
- 19. Cartoon series**
- 20. TV Drama Series**
- 21. Gitadagale Phwintbaohn**
- 22. 18th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions(2011)**

Weather forecast for 15th October, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/°F)		For Tomorrow	
		Maximum	Minimum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	36/97	23/73	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
2	Kayah	31/88	21/70	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
3	Kayin	35/95	25/77	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
4	Chin	25/77	07/45	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
5	Upper Sagaing	37/99	25/77	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
6	Lower Sagaing	37/99	26/79	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
7	Taninthayi	33/91	25/77	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
8	Bago	32/90	23/73	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
9	Magway	31/88	25/77	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
10	Mandalay	36/97	26/79	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
11	Mon	33/91	26/79	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	80%
12	Yangon	34/93	25/77	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
13	Rakhine	35/95	24/75	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
14	Southern Shan	27/81	18/64	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
15	Northern Shan	32/90	18/64	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
16	Eastern Shan	31/88	21/70	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
17	Ayeyawady	35/95	26/79	Scattered rain or thundershowers	80%
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	36/97	24/75	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
19	Neighbouring Yangon	34/93	25/77	Isolated rain or thundershowers	80%
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	36/97	26/79	Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers	40%

Summary of observations at 09:30 hr MST on today: During the past (24) hours, weather has been widespread in Taninthayi Region, scattered in Shan and Kayin States, isolated in Mandalay, Magway, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions, Kachin, Rakhine and Mon States, and partly cloudy in the remaining Regions and States. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Yeziin) (0.75) inch, Kawkairek (1.69) inches and Lotlem (1.50) inches.

Bay Inference: Weather is partly cloudy to cloudy in the Andaman Sea and South Bay and partly cloudy elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

State of the Sea: Seas will be moderate in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of increase of light rain in the extreme Southern Myanmar areas.

China's Li Na is writing a book

BEIJING, 14 Oct—Chinese French Open tennis champion Li Na is writing a memoir to tell her fans—as the book's working title proclaims—"How to Go West and Win," publisher Penguin said on Friday.

Li, 29, Asia's first Grand Slam winner, will tell fans how she rose to the highest level of the sport, offering tips on "harnessing personal passions to win against the odds," the British publisher said. "I hope my story can inspire people of all ages," Li said in a statement.

Penguin will co-publish the book in Chinese first in spring 2012 with a Chinese publishing partner — a first for the company whose business in China up to now has focused on importing English titles and exporting translations. "This book will not only appeal to tennis fans, but also to people in China striving for success in this changing and dynamic country," Jo Lusby, Penguin China managing director, said over the phone from the Frankfurt Book Fair.

"Li has a very straight-talking unusual personality and is more



Chinese French Open tennis champion Li Na.

outgoing than most Chinese athletes and we think this could translate around the world." Li, now ranked sixth in world tennis, broke away from China's state-run sports system to manage her own career, and keep more of her winnings.

In June, she made history by becoming the first Asian player to win a Grand Slam title at the French Open at Roland Garros in Paris. Since then, she has not been able to add to her trophy cabinet, crashing out of major tournaments such as Wimbledon and the US Open. In September, Li told reporters in Beijing that "female players are not as harsh or as tough as male players, they want to take some time to re-adjust themselves after a big victory in a big event."—Internet

Ñabbanasacchikiriya ca; to realize the Ñirvana; this is the way to auspiciousness

Union Information and Culture Minister meets officials of Asia Arts Festival observance committee and Yunnan TV, discusses joint production of Myanmar-China TV series and movies



Union Minister U Kyaw Hsan meets Chief Director Mr Hu Zui Yin of Organizing Committee for 12th Asia Arts Festival (chief management director of opening and closing ceremonies of Olympic Games-2008) and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 14 Oct—Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan met Chief Director Mr Hu Zui Yin of Organizing Committee for 12th Asia Arts Festival (chief management director of opening and closing ceremonies of Olympic Games-2008) and committee members in Chongqing of the People's Republic of China on 11 October.

The Union Minister explained arrangements for staging opening and closing ceremonies of XXVII

SEA Games to be hosted by Myanmar in 2013, entertainment programmes reflecting Myanmar history and national unity with the help of sound, lighting and IT effects, and sought advice. Mr Hu Zui Yin and committee members explained required preparatory measures based on the experience of holding Olympic Games and Asian Games held in China, saying that experts for the first phase will be sent to Myanmar to conduct study on ground and

required arrangements. For the second phase, Chinese side explained required assistance to be provided by China for Myanmar to purchase and hire requirements based on the first phase.

The Union Minister on 12 October met Chairman Mr Zao Shu Qin of Yunnan TV and party in Kunming, Yunnan Province and said that as there has been a discussion in Beijing with Chinese leaders on joint (See page 9)

Union F & R Minister calls for proficiency, efficiency and goodwill in discharging duties

Union F & R Minister U Hla Tun meets state/district/ township departmental personnel in Kayin State. MNA



NAY PYI TAW, 14 Oct—Departmental staff at different levels needed to understand objectives and goals of the State and make efforts for accomplishment of those goals in unison, urged Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun in meeting with state, district and township level departmental personnel at Kayin State Government Office yesterday afternoon.

After hearing reports of departmental officials at Kayin State level of Myanma Economic Bank, Myanma Small Loans Department, Myanma Insurance, Budget Department, Internal Revenue Department, Customs Department and Pension Department on completed tasks in the current fiscal year and future plans, the Union Minister called for

proficiency, efficiency and goodwill in discharging duties, stressing that every piece of work should be done with a sense of righteousness and responsibility in line with rules and regulations based on unity.

Next, Kayin State Chief Minister U Zaw Min urged departmental officials to play a part for the interests of the locals while striving to exceed the operational target.

The Union Minister elaborated on plans for expansion of rural development schemes and greeted the attendees.

The Union Minister this morning, while visiting Myanma Economic Bank (District Branch) and the office of the Head of Kayin State Pension Department, called staff for swift, correct process in calculation and

issuance works of increased pensions. He also visited departments under his ministry in Hpa-an.—MNA

Permits to import 3125 vehicles issued

NAY PYI TAW, 14 Oct — Starting from 19 September, vehicle import permits are being issued under one stop service in the interest of the people.

Permits to import 199 saloons, two trucks and one passenger bus totaling 202 were given yesterday. Starting from 19 September to yesterday, permits to import 3125 vehicles have been issued so far. — MNA