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Teachers responsible not only for educating students but also for inculcating them with a sense of morality and thirst for knowledge New school building opened, outstanding students awarded in TadaU Tsp

Our Three Main National Causes

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

Chairman of Union Election Commission U Tin Aye speaks at the prize-presentation to outstanding students who matriculated with flying colours.

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NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—The opening ceremony of new school building of Apyinsanyar Basic Education Primary School in Meethwetaik village-tract in TadaU Township in Mandalay Region was held this morning. Mandalay Region Minister for Social Affairs Dr

Win Hlaing, Director-General U Ye Lwin Aung of No (2) Basic Education Department, and donor Managing-Director of Moon Ray Company U Thet Tin Win formally opened the school building. Mandalay Region Chief Minister U Ye Myint unveiled the sign-

board of the school building.

Chairman of Union Election Commission U Tin Aye, Union Minister for Education Dr Mya Aye, Re-gion Chief Minister U Ye Myint and officials viewed
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Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan at 7th ASEAN Ministers' Meeting on Rural Development and Poverty Eradication.

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Union Minister U Kyaw Hsan attends 7th ASEAN Ministers' Meeting on Rural Development and Poverty Eradication



NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan attended the 7th ASEAN Ministers' Meeting on Rural Development and Poverty Eradication (AMMRDPE) held at Bandar Seri Begawan of Brunei Darussalam on 2 and 3 November

and explained measures taken by Myanmar government for rural development and poverty alleviation in Myanmar.

The Union Minister said that Myanmar had adopted five-point rural development scheme along

with two related programmes to be able to attain Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) of the United Nations from 2001 to 2010 and for national development. In addition, 24-region development project and border regions development works were implemented with a view to narrowing development gap between one region and another. Thanks to such works, the poverty rate of Myanmar had dropped to 26 per cent in 2010 from 32 per cent in 2005 according to integrated household living condition assessment (IHLCA) jointly implemented by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and Myanmar. However, Myanmar did not get technical and financial assistance from World Bank, Asia Development Bank and similar international monetary organizations like other ASEAN nations due to sanctions of some big powers and thus had to work on its own with the strength of people. Despite those restrictions and obstacles, Myanmar people and government had vowed to continue implementing rural development and poverty alleviation scheme as a national duty. The new government is already undertaking rural development and poverty alleviation works in eight specific fields, having formed Rural
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PERSPECTIVES

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Embark on cultivation of marketable rice

About 75 per cent of total sown acreage in Myanmar is fertile for cultivation of over 60 kinds of crops. Of them, paddy is staple food for Myanmar people. And it is also a strategic crop for Myanmar.

Over 70 years ago, Myanmar was the top rice exporter in the world. In some years, it exported over three million tons of rice. At present, over 17 million acres of land have been put under monsoon paddy and three million acres under summer paddy. In consequence, the nation has ability to produce over 1500 million baskets of paddy yearly. As part of efforts not only for local food sufficiency but also for ensuring surplus rice, some areas transport their surplus rice for sales to other rice needy areas.

Vacant and virgin lands to be reclaimed as cultivable lands scatter around the nation. Over 200 dams and reservoirs are facilitated for agricultural purpose in the entire nation. The increase in irrigated sown acreage has contributed to the development of agricultural sector. However, Myanmar must expedite its efforts to export surplus rice meeting one million ton.

Most of rice Myanmar exports is none other than ordinary one. Price of rice calls for quality. Customer countries have shifted from ordinary rice to quality ones. As quality rice is much sought after, cultivation and export of quality rice should be top priority.

Nowadays, farmers are engaged in production of high-yield quality rice. Quality strains of seeds, better agricultural methods, agricultural loans, fertilizers and pesticides are to be provided to farmers in real time.

Farmers and companies must build trust between them to fulfill agricultural requirements, cultivate quality rice and directly penetrate into the market with momentum. Due to climate change, some exporter countries adopted plans to import rice. Thus, priority is to be given to seeking good price for Myanmar quality rice and extending the market.

Officials urged to supervise overloaded vehicles, maintain roads, bridges

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—Ayeyawady Region Minister for Transport U Than Tun met Chief Engineer U Soe Tint (Airport), General Manager U Htin Aung Kyaw and engineers of Public Works in Ayeyawady Region at the office of Superintending Engineer in Patheingyi on 2 November.

The Region Minister instructed them to restrict the driving of vehicles with overloads and maintain roads and bridges.—MNA

Dress rehearsal of conveying sacred Buddha Tooth Relic held



Dress rehearsal of conveying sacred Buddha Tooth Relic in progress.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—A dress rehearsal of conveying sacred Buddha Tooth Relic from the People's Republic of China to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar for the fourth time was held at Nay Pyi Taw Airport and Uppatasanti Pagoda,

here, this morning.

Patron of the Leading Committee for Conveying Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic Union Minister at the President Office U Thein Nyunt, members of the Leading Committee and departmental personnel,

students, members of social organizations and religious associations.

In line with the programme on dress rehearsal of conveying the Buddha Tooth Relic, service personnel, students, members of social organizations and religious associations

participated in paying homage to the tooth relic before arrival of the aircraft carrying the tooth relic from China at Nay Pyi Taw Airport, in conveying the tooth relic from the aircraft to the decorated float via the palanquin and left the airport for Uppatasanti Pagoda.

The decorated float conveying the tooth relic carried by white elephant Nandawady went round the pagoda round the clock. Then, the celestial beings carried the tooth relic from the decorated float to the palanquin that headed for the Maha Manimaya Yadana Jade Buddha Image in the east ward in the cave of the pagoda.

After the dress rehearsal, the Patron of the Leading Committee the Union Minister and members of leading committee and subcommittee reviewed the conveyance of the sacred Buddha Tooth Relic programmes.

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EP-2 Ministry concludes spoken and English proficiency course

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—The spoken and English proficiency course No. 8/2011 of the Ministry of Electric Power No. 2 concluded at the ministry, here, yesterday, with a closing address by Union Minister for Electric Power No. 2 U Khin Maung Soe.

The Union Minister

awarded the first prize winner staff officer Daw Khin Nwe Nwe Htay of Department of Electric Power, the second prize winner assistant engineer U Kyaw Thura of

Myanma Electric Power Enterprise and the third prize winner junior engineer-2 U Myat Min Soe of Electricity Supply Enterprise.

Next, Director-

General U Khin Maung Zaw of Department of Electric Power gave certificates to the trainee leader. Altogether 30 trainees took the course.

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Mandalay Region Chief Minister receives India delegation

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—Mandalay Region Chief Minister U Ye Myint received an India

delegation led by Mr G.L Goenka of Indo-Myanmar Chamber of Commerce (IMCC) of

India at the office of Mandalay Region government in Mandalay yesterday.

Also present at the call were Mandalay Region Ministers, the secretary of the region government and Consul-General Dr Madan Mohan Sethi of Mandalay-based Indian consulate-general.

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Writer Chit Naing (Psychology) gave talks at cooperative capacity building

course in Patheingyi Township in Mandalay Region on 29 October.—MNA





Cars are seen piled on a street in Genoa, northern Italy, on 4 Nov, 2011. At least six people died on Friday in Genoa, after rivers burst their banks during heavy rainfall, local media reported.—XINHUA

Six dead in northern Italy after flash floods

MILAN, (Italy), 5 Nov—At least six people died and some others were missing on Friday in Genoa of northern Italy, after rivers burst their banks during heavy rainfall, local media reported.

Hundreds of houses and shops were flooded in Genoa, a coastal city in northern Italy.

Motorways and railways in the area were

closed, and the authorities said major roads and schools would remain closed on Saturday.

The civil protection agency urged residents to move to high ground as water rose and fire-fighters used rubber dinghies and

divers to evacuate people.

Floods swept away some roads and bridges, while several small towns in Liguria region, whose capital is Genoa, remained cut off from the outside world.

Xinhua

PKK rebel killed in clash in SE Turkey

ANKARA, 5 Nov—One member of the outlawed Kurdish Workers' Party (PKK) was killed in a clash with the Turkish security forces in southeastern Turkey, said an official statement reaching here Saturday.

The clash between the Turkish security forces and the PKK militants took place late Friday in Eruh town of Siirt province and one village guard was wounded in the clash, said the statement issued by Siirt governor's office.

The wounded village guard was taken to Siirt Military Hospital by helicopter for medical treatment, said the statement.

It added that the Turkish security forces had

launched a large-scale operation in fight against the PKK rebels in the region.

The PKK has recently intensified attacks on Turkish troops, police and civilians. Turkish officials vowed to reciprocate with absolute determination.

Listed as a terrorist organization by Turkey, the United States and the European Union, the PKK took up arms in 1984 to create an ethnic homeland in southeastern Turkey. More than 40,000 people have been killed in conflicts involving the PKK during the past over two decades.—Xinhua

Top commander of Colombia's FARC group killed

BOGOTA, 5 Nov—The Colombian government said Friday its military has killed Guillermo Leon Saenz Vargas, alias Alfonso Cano, the top commander of the rebel Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC).

Hailing the killing as an "very important news for Colombia and its people," Defence Minister Juan Carlos Pinzon told a news conference that the rebel kingpin died in a clash with government troops

Friday in jungles near Suarez city of the southwestern Cauca Province.

Cauca Governor Alberto Gonzalez also confirmed Cano's death, telling a local radio that Cano died in the western part of his Province.

A five million-US-dollar reward had been offered for the capture of Cano, who took over the leadership of the FARC after its founder died in 2008.

Cano's death was



Colombian rebel Alfonso Cano, chief ideologue of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC), speaks to the media near San Vicente del Caguan in this on 2 February, 2011 file photo. XINHUA

another major victory for the Colombian government in its fight against the FARC guerrillas, whose military chief Mono Jojoy was killed last year.

Last month, another key member of FARC, Jose Neftali Umenza, who was handling most of the FARC's drug-trafficking business in the Pacific area, died in an explosion in a rural part of the Buenaventura port city in southwestern Colombia.

The FARC, Colombia's largest rebel group, has been at war with the government since its establishment in 1964.

Xinhua



Afghan policemen, right, and foreign soldiers, left, with the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) inspect the scene of a suicide attack in Herat, west of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 3 Nov, 2011. INTERNET

Two killed, 14 injured in Nigeria's Kaduna State

KADUNA, 5 Nov—Nigeria's police in northern Kaduna State said it had commenced investigations into the killing of two women by unknown gunmen at Zonkwa area of the state on Friday.

The reasons for the attacks have yet to be established.

State police spokes-

person Aminu Lawal confirmed the incident to reporters, saying some other worshippers were injured during the shooting and had been hospitalized.

He said the command had also deployed more policemen on patrol to restore law and order in the area.

Lawal said the police

had launched a man-hunt for the suspected gunmen, while investigation into the shooting had commenced.

An eyewitness told Xinhua that the women were killed during a vigil in a church in the early hours of Friday, adding that 14 other persons who were injured during the attack were receiving treatment at St Francis Hospital, Zonkwa.

Xinhua

A youth inspects a burnt vehicle a day after bomb attacks occurred in Karrada district in Baghdad on 4 November, 2011. A roadside bomb exploded near a restaurant in Baghdad's central Karrada District, killing two civilians in a car, police and hospital sources said. A second bomb exploded when police arrived at the scene, killing two policemen and wounding six others, the sources said. INTERNET

Four killed in bomb attack on anti-Qaeda leader in north of Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 5 Nov—Four people were killed and 11 injured Saturday in a bomb attack on the house of an anti-Qaeda group leader in north of Baghdad, an Interior Ministry source said.

The attack took place in the early morning when gunmen planted four bombs in the house of a local leader of the Awakening Council group in the town of Taji, some 20 km north of Baghdad, killing four people and wounding 11 others, the source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

The group leader escaped the attack unharmed as he was not at home when the attack occurred, while

his brother and wife were among the dead, the source said. The house collapsed completely after the powerful blasts, which also caused severe damages to nearby houses, the source said, adding that many of the victims were from the neighbouring houses.

Iraqi security forces sealed off the scene and launched an investigation into the incident, he said.

The Awakening Council group, or Sahwa in Arabic, consists of armed groups, including some powerful anti-US Sunni insurgent groups which fought al-Qaeda militants in the Sunni Arab areas after the US-led invasion of Iraq.—Xinhua



Chocolate wards off hunger, and maybe sunburn too

MONTREAL, 5 Nov—Scientists in Canada said that they plan to study whether eating dark chocolate not only satisfies sweet tooth cravings, but protects against sunburn as well. The study by researchers at Laval University in Quebec will monitor the effects of chocolate consumption on fair-skinned volunteers between the ages of 25 and 65, each of whom will be prevailed upon to eat three squares of chocolate per day for 12 weeks.

Earlier research in Germany and Britain has found that chemicals in chocolate called polyphenols increase blood flow close to the skin, which helps protect against ultraviolet rays, but those studies were too small in scale to be conclusive.

The scientists at Laval University's Institute of Nutraceuticals and Functional Foods hope to confirm the link in a study of 60 people, about half of whom already have been recruited, they said.

Test subjects who have been fed chocolate are to be exposed to ultraviolet rays in a laboratory and their skin then checked for sun damage. A control group will be given a placebo. Scientists said the study will only include female participants so that researchers can control for the variability between the body's natural hormones in men and women.—*Internet*



A box of dark chocolates

Japanese supercomputer smashes own world speed record

TOKYO, 5 Nov—A supercomputer that is being developed in Kobe, Japan, is said to have broken its own record of being the world's fastest computer.

The computer, which has been nicknamed K, exceeded the mark of 8.16 petaflops it set in June by of achieving a performance goal of 10 petaflops, or 10 quadrillion computations per second in October. According to the developers, the results of the latest performance have been submitted to the world ranking to be presented at an international computing conference in Seattle that starts on 12th November. The supercomputer has

about 88,000 central processing units and software is now being adjusted before its planned completion in June.

"The K computer is a key national technology that will help lay the foundation for Japan's further progress," the Japan Times quoted Ryoji Noyori, the Riken President as saying.

"As such, I am delighted that it has achieved its major objective of 10 petaflops, demonstrating our strong technical power," he said.

The supercomputer is being jointly developed by Fujitsu Ltd and the Riken research institute.

Internet



Kawada Industries' humanoid robot Hiro pours water into a cup as Tokyo Institute of Technology associate professor Osamu Hasegawa watches, at his laboratory in Yokohama, suburban Tokyo. Hasegawa has developed a system that allows robots to look around their environment and do research on the Internet, enabling them to "think" how best to solve a problem.—INTERNET

Health tip: Are turned toes trouble?

In-toeing or out-toeing occur when a child's toes point inward or outward as they walk. Many children who begin walking this way outgrow the abnormal gait.

The Nemours Foundation mentions these signs that a child may need medical evaluation:

- * Continuing — past the age of 3 — to toe-in or toe out while walking.
- * Limping or having pain while walking.
- * Turning one foot inward or outward more than the other foot.
- * Showing developmental delays in other areas, including delayed speech.
- * Having walking abnormalities that worsen over time.

Internet

Veggie diet, exercise can prevent diabetes among Blacks

WASHINGTON, 5 Nov—A vegetarian diet and active physical activity could help reduce risk of diabetes in the black population, a new study has suggested.

The study found that following a vegetarian diet and exercising at least three times a week, significantly reduced the risk of diabetes in African Americans, who are twice as likely to be diagnosed with diabetes when compared to non-Hispanic whites.

"These findings are encouraging for preventing type 2 diabetes in the black population, which is more susceptible to the disease than other populations," said Serena Tonstad, MD, a professor at Loma Linda University and lead author of the research.

In addition to being at a greater risk for developing diabetes, black persons in the US are also more likely to suffer from diabetes-related complications, such as end-stage renal disease and lower-extremity amputations, according to the US Department of Health and Human Services.

"A vegetarian diet may be a way to counteract the increased diabetes risk for the black population," stated Dr

Tonstad

Dr Tonstad's research found that, compared to non-vegetarian blacks, vegan blacks had a 70 percent reduced risk of diabetes, and lacto-ovo vegetarian blacks (those who consume dairy, but no meat) had a 53 percent reduced risk of diabetes.

Dr Tonstad said one explanation was the protection associated with foods typically consumed in higher amounts in a vegetarian diet.

Fruits and vegetables have a high fibre content, which may contribute to a decreased occurrence of type 2 diabetes.

In addition, whole grains and legumes (beans) have been shown to improve glycemic control and slow the rate of carbohydrate absorption and the risk of diabetes.

The study also showed that black participants who exercised three or more times a week, compared to once a week or never, had a 35 percent reduced risk of diabetes.

The study has been published in the October issue of Nutrition, Metabolism and Cardiovascular Diseases.

Internet



A staff member shows a recently discovered bronze wine vessel in Luoyang of central China's Henan Province, on 29 Aug, 2011. An ancient tomb has been discovered in a construction area of a local hospital. Evidence shows the owner of the tomb lived in the Zhou Dynasty (1046 BC-771 BC), which means it enjoys some 3,000 years of history. The tomb was remain unrobbed, and some bronze wares have been found in the tomb.—XINHUA



Photo shows the rows of windmills in the Gobi in Turpan, northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region. The development of the pneumatic-electric power generating industry in Xinjiang has gained strong momentum since the country's strategy of development of the West, and the dense distribution of the windmills taking advantage of local affluent pneumatic energy become the new tourist attraction now.—XINHUA

Vehicles plunge into river after bridge collapses in central China city

ZHENGZHOU, 5 Nov—At least four vehicles fell into the river after a bridge collapsed in a central Chinese city on Saturday morning, local authorities said.

No casualties have been reported so far. A bridge collapsed in the city of Xiangcheng in Henan Province at around 5 am after an overloaded sand truck drove onto it, said the city's publicity bureau.

The bridge was built in the 1970s. Investigation into the cause of the accident is under way.

Xinhua

Mars crew ‘lands’ after 520 days in isolation

Tech



Mars500 experiment crew members react after leaving the mock spaceship in Moscow on 4 November, 2011.—INTERNET

to briefly embrace family and friends before being ushered into a three-day quarantine period at the end of an experiment to recreate the psychological strain of a real Mars mission as closely as possible. Clothed in blue jumpsuits, the would-be astronauts from Europe, Russia and China grinned and waved as the heavy metal door was shut on their home of the last 17 months in a mock spaceship at a Moscow research institute.

“It’s really, really great to see you all again, rather heartwarming,” said Diego Urbina, an Italian-Colombian participant, who was shaky and red-eyed.

“On this mission we’ve achieved the longest isolation ever so that humankind can go to a distant but reachable planet.” Psychologists fear a return to the noise and activity of ordinary life will come as a shock to the men.

MNA/Reuters

iPhone 4S coming to more countries on

11 Nov

Tech

SAN FRANCISCO, 5 Nov—Apple said on Tuesday that the iPhone 4S, the latest version of its hot-selling smartphone, would go on sale in more countries in Asia, Europe and Central America this month.

Apple said the iPhone 4S will be available on 11 November in Albania, Armenia, Bulgaria, El Salvador, Greece, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Malta, Montenegro, New Zealand, Panama, Poland, Portugal, Romania and South Korea. The iPhone

4S will be available for pre-order on 4 November except in Albania, El Salvador, Guatemala, Malta, Montenegro and Panama, it said.

Apple said the iPhone 4S will be available in more than 70 countries by the end of the year. The iPhone 4S was launched on 4 October, one day before Apple co-founder Steve Jobs died following a long battle with cancer.

Apple sold more than four million iPhone 4S models in its first three days on the market.—Internet



Chinese icebreaker leaves Tianjin for 28th Antarctic expedition

Science

TIANJIN, 5 Nov—With hundreds of people waving their hands and saying goodbye, the Chinese icebreaker *Xuelong*, or “Snow Dragon”, left Tianjin on Thursday for the country’s 28th scientific expedition to Antarctica.

The 220-member expedition team, including two scholars from Taipei, will carry out 31 scientific research tasks during the around-160-day trip.

The Antarctica survey telescope independently designed by Chinese researchers will be installed at Dome A, the continent’s highest point at 4,093 metres above sea level.

According to the plan, *Xuelong*, an A-2 class icebreaker capable of breaking ice 1.2 metres thick, will arrive at Zhongshan Station in early December and will reach Changcheng Station at the beginning of next year after having finished the first-stage work as well as an ocean survey.

It plans to return to Zhongshan Station on 18 February, 2012 to carry out the second stage of work.

The icebreaker is expected to leave Zhongshan Station on 10

March, 2012 and return to Shanghai about one month later, covering an estimated 31,000 nautical miles over the course of the expedition.

China launched its first expedition to the Antarctic in 1984 and has established three stations there, including Changcheng Station, Zhongshan Station and Kunlun Station.—Xinhua

MOSCOW, 5 Nov—Pale-faced but smiling, the crew of a long-duration isolation study emerged bleary-eyed to daylight and applause on Friday after 520 days locked away in windowless, cramped cells to simulate the length of a journey to Mars.

The \$15 million Mars500 experiment aims to answer one of the big unknowns of deep-space travel: can people stay healthy and sane during six months rocketing to the Red Planet?

The six male volunteers were allowed

Flexible memory brings ‘bendable and attachable’ computers ‘closer to reality’

Science

WASHINGTON, 5 Nov—Researchers at the Department of Materials Science and Engineering

(KAIST) have developed a fully functional flexible memory, which has been a challenge in the realization of flexible electronics.

The team led by Professor Keon Jae Lee created the fully functional flexible non-volatile resistive random access memory (RRAM) where a memory cell can be randomly accessed, written, and erased on a plastic substrate.

Although several flexible memory materials have been reported, these devices could not overcome cell-to-cell interference due to their structural and material limitations. Now, Prof Lee’s research team has developed a fully functional flexible memory that is not affected by cell-to-cell interference.

They solved the cell-

to-cell interference issue by integrating a memristor (a recently spotlighted memory material as next-generation memory elements) with a high-performance single-crystal silicon transistor on flexible substrates.

Utilizing these two advanced technologies, they successfully demonstrated that all memory functions in a matrix memory array worked perfectly.

“This result represents an exciting technology with the strong potential to realize all flexible electronic systems for the development of a freely bendable and attachable computer in the near future,” Prof Lee concluded. This result was published in the October online issue of the *Nano Letters ACS journal*.

Internet

China to establish space lab around 2016

Science

BEIJING, 5 Nov—China will complete the second step of its three-phase development strategy for its manned space programme by establishing its own space lab around 2016, a spokeswoman for China’s manned space programme said Thursday.

Spokeswoman Wu Ping made the remarks at a Press conference here after the country’s unmanned spacecraft *Shenzhou-8* and the space lab module *Tiangong-1* successfully docked with each other at 1:36 am Thursday.

Through more than 10

years of efforts, China has made breakthroughs in key technologies and formed a set of design, production

and experiment systems for the spacecraft’s space docking, Wu said.

Xinhua



Wu Ping, spokeswoman for China’s manned space programme, speaks during a Press conference about the first docking of China’s unmanned spacecraft *Shenzhou-8* and its space lab module *Tiangong-1*, in Beijing, capital of China, on 3 Nov, 2011.—XINHUA



Dancers from China Disabled People's Performing Art Troupe perform in Yangon, Myanmar, on 3 Nov, 2011. The charity show titled "My Dream" under a China-Myanmar cultural exchange programme was held Thursday in Yangon, and will last until Friday. The earnings from the show will be donated to the disabled people in Myanmar.—XINHUA

John F Kennedy stole famous 1961 inaugural speech from his old headmaster

LONDON, 5 Nov—John F Kennedy stole quotes that came to be known as one of the most famous political speeches in history from his old headmaster, a new book has revealed.

The line 'ask not what your country can do for you – ask what you can do for your country' became the best-known quote of his 1961 inaugural address.

But according to the book, his former classmates had heard the line 'time and time again' in a similar form from their

headmaster at Choate School in Connecticut, the *Daily Mail* reported.

US author Chris Matthews made the claims in his book *Jack Kennedy: Elusive Hero*.

He unearthed notes written by George St John, the President's former headmaster at Choate School in Connecticut, which suggest he had been aware of the 'ask not' line for many years. The papers quote a Harvard College dean's refrain: "As has often been said, the youth who loves his Alma Mater will

always ask not 'what can she do for me?' but 'what can I do for her?'"

The book also includes a reply to a questionnaire about JFK's time at the school, sent to his former classmates when he was President.

One of the students wrote: "I boil every time I read or hear the 'Ask not... etc' exhortation as being original with Jack."

It has been thought that the "Ask not..." speech was written with the input of Kennedy's poetic speechwriter Theodore C Sorensen.—*Internet*

Over 100 killed in N Nigeria bomb attacks

DAMATURU, (Nigeria), 5 Nov—Officials at the Damaturu General Hospital told *Xinhua* that over 100 dead bodies were lying at the morgue as of Saturday noon.

The hospital officials said relatives of the deceased have been trooping to the hospital to identify the victims.

A press conference by the state Police Commissioner Sulaimon Lawal set for 12:00 local time was postponed, as the security operatives in the state were said to be making frantic efforts to curtail further attacks by the dreaded sect.

Gunmen suspected to be members of the Boko Haram on Friday launched bloody bomb attack late Friday in Damaturu, capital of northeast Yobe State.

Six bombs went off in different parts of the town the main targets being the 360 Housing Estate, the Anti-Terrorism Squad office and the Police headquarters.—*MNA/Xinhua*



Liu Peigui, a researcher at Kunming Institute of Botany, tends to trees he has infected with truffle hyphae in hope truffles will grow. The fungus' future is at risk, and Liu appealed to the Yunnan government in 2009 to enact laws on the gathering of truffles, but to no avail. He said, "We need more support from the government."

INTERNET

Speaker of the House Rep John Boehner (R-OH) (L) presents the Congressional Gold Medal to Grant Ichikawa (C) in recognition of dedicated service during World War II, as Rep Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) looks on, in Washington, DC.

INTERNET



No venue change in Alaska weapons trial

ANCHORAGE, 5 Nov—A federal judge in Alaska has rejected a change of venue request in a weapons trial for militia leader Schaeffer Cox.

Cox and co-defendants Coleman Barney and Lonnie Vernon are charged with possession of illegal weapons.

Barney's attorney, Tim Dooley, requested the trial — scheduled to begin in spring 2012 — be moved from Anchorage to Fairbanks, where the alleged crime took place. He said potential witnesses are closer to

Fairbanks and said cultural differences between the two cities could prevent his client from getting a fair trial, the *Fairbanks (Alaska) Daily News-Miner* reported Tuesday.

US District Judge Robert J Bryan said Monday it was too early to know about the location of potential witnesses. He said he prefers the better security the Anchorage courtroom offers.

"The plaintiff refers to various activities and veiled threats that reasonably raise security concerns," he said.

Bryan said he may decide to move the trial in the future after speaking with the US Marshals Service about security.

Charges in an alleged plot to kill Alaska state troopers were dropped against the three men after a judge said recordings made without a warrant by an FBI informant were inadmissible in state court.

Internet

Dancers from Bellettschule der Wiener Staatsoper perform during a concert at the Golden Hall in Vienna, Austria, on 2 Nov, 2011.

XINHUA



Girl, 12, trafficked as prostitute

SAN ANTONIO, 5 Nov—A San Antonio man has been charged with forcing a runaway girl into prostitution and five other men face charges for having sex with her.

Benito Rodriguez, 30, was arrested Tuesday, the *San Antonio Express-News* reported. The charges include

aggravated sexual assault of a child and trafficking someone under 18 as a prostitute.

The girl told police she was only 12 years old in March 2008 when she accepted a lift from a man who took her into his home, raped her and tutored her in prostitution. That man has not

yet been arrested.

A month later, Rodriguez offered her a ride and took her to his house. She said she then worked for him. The girl was arrested on a prostitution charge in June 2008 and returned to her mother. She had a baby and gave it up for adoption.—*Internet*



A man walks past a cow sculpture in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, on 3 Nov, 2011. A total of 59 life-sized cow sculptures are displayed on the streets around the town during the global art event called "Cow Parade". XINHUA

British 'dead man' caught in Australia

SYDNEY, 5 Nov—A British man who allegedly faked his own death and made off with the life insurance payout has been arrested in Australia, police said Thursday. Hugo Jose Sanchez, 47, also known as Alfredo, was taken into Australian Federal Police custody overnight in Sydney, the force said, ending a six-year manhunt. Ecuadorian-born Sanchez and his wife

Sophie allegedly faked his death to claim more than one million pounds (\$1.6 million) in life insurance in 2005, but the plot reportedly unravelled after his fingerprints were found on his own death certificate. She was arrested after returning to Britain for her sister's wedding last September and was sentenced to two years in jail over the scheme. The pair are not the



File photo of police in Sydney. A British man who allegedly faked his own death and made off with the life insurance payout has been arrested in Australia, police said Thursday.—INTERNET

Israel freezes UNESCO funding

JERUSALEM, 5 Nov—Israel would stop its USD 2 million in annual funding to the Unesco in the wake of a vote that admitted Palestine as a full member, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu announced Thursday.

In a vote 31 Oct at the 193-member UN agency's general conference in Paris, the

Palestinian National Authority (PNA) got 107 votes for its membership bid, with 14 countries against. A total of 52 countries abstained.

"Such moves do not advance peace, but rather push it further away. The only path to achieving peace is via direct negotiations without preconditions,"

Xinhua quoted Netanyahu as saying in a statement.

The prime minister directed relevant authorities to redirect the funding "towards other initiatives cooperating to achieve the same goals in the area".

The US has also halted its USD 60 million financial contribution to the UN agency.

The White House termed the formal admission of Palestine to the Unesco "premature", claiming that the move will undermine the Middle East peace process.

Internet

first Britons to try such a scam — former teacher John Darwin made international headlines after faking his disappearance in a canoe off Hartlepool in 2002 so his wife Anne could claim his life insurance.

Darwin turned up alive in 2007, five years after his alleged death and after the couple

purchased property in Panama. They were each sentenced to six years' imprisonment in 2008. In perhaps Britain's best-known faked death, MP and former government minister John Stonehouse, later revealed to have been a Communist spy, left a heap of his clothes on a Miami beach in 1974.—Internet

Vehicle crash in southwest England kills several, injures 43

LONDON, 5 Nov—A serious crash involving 27 vehicles in southwest England on Friday night killed several people and injured 43, local police

confirmed Saturday.

Police officers said the crash on the M5 near Taunton, Somerset, led to "one massive fireball" at the scene, killing "several

people", but specific number was yet clear. "The incident was very, very challenging," said Anthony Bangham, Assistant Chief Constable of Avon and Somerset Police. "Most vehicles were well alight and most continued to burn for a considerable time."

A fire service member said it was "the worst road traffic collision anyone can remember." It was believed that the weather may have been a contributory factor in the crash, with witnesses saying that the place was shrouded in heavy fog at the time.—MNA/Xinhua



A general view of the scene on the M5 motorway close to Taunton in southwestern England early Saturday 5 Nov, 2011 following a 27 vehicle pile-up late Friday, in which several people were killed and dozens of others injured.—INTERNET

Bees attack California woman, three dogs

CHULA VISTA, 5 Nov—A swarm of bees attacked an elderly California woman and her three dogs, one of which died from an allergic reaction shortly after, a veterinarian said.

The 77-year-old woman was in the backyard of her Chula Vista house Tuesday afternoon when a few thousand bees began swarming, *The San Diego Union-*

Tribune reported.

The woman was stung just a few times and paramedics determined she did not need to go to the hospital, Deputy Fire Chief Jim Garcia said, but her dogs weren't so lucky.

A 12-year-old Dalmatian mix was stung more than 100 times and died of a seizure before arriving at Otay Pet Vets.

The other dogs, ages 8 and 14, were treated at the animal hospital.

"We removed stinger after stinger," veterinarian Kevin Anderson said. "They are still improving, but they are not out of the woods yet."

A private exterminator was called to take care of the bee hive in the woman's yard.

Internet

IMF right forum to help Eurozone economies

CANNES, 5 Nov—Even as the G20 is closely monitoring how the members of the Eurozone propose to resolve the crisis, India firmly believes the International Monetary Fund (IMF) is the right forum to extend the funds and monitor the progress.

"We strongly support the IMF playing its part in restoring stability in Europe," Prime Minister Manmohan Singh to the G20 Summit Thursday, amid various proposals that were being examined, particularly for Greece.

"At the same time, the IMF must also keep in mind the liquidity requirements of developing countries, who are not at the centre of the crisis, but may nevertheless be adversely affected as innocent bystanders," the prime minister added.

Briefing journalists after the first leg of summit meetings, Planning Commission Deputy Chairman

Montek Singh Ahluwalia, also Manmohan Singh's main interlocutor, said India could help in resolving the Eurozone crisis but no formal request had yet been made.

Ahluwalia said India does welcome the European Financial Stability Facility, but it was still not clear how next they proposed to raise resources and from whom. In that, India feels IMF will be the right forum.

Ahluwalia said India, certainly, will not oppose any country from making a bilateral commitment towards resolving the Eurozone crisis. But this must also be looked in the context of just USD 250 billion available with IMF, including money needed by poor nations.

"Global financial systems do not work on accidental acts of generosity."

Internet



File photo shows Taiwanese teenagers taking part in a noodle eating competition in Taipei, China. Taipei moved Thursday to curb eating contests, a fad that has caused at least one death, and suggested the national health insurance stop paying for participants seeking medical treatment afterwards.—INTERNET

Teachers responsible not only for educating...

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the school building and cordially greeted teachers and students.

The UEC chairman and officials visited TadaU Township People's Hospital and viewed Toyota Hiace ambulance.

The UEC chairman addressed the ceremony to award outstanding students, to hand over the new school building and ambulance and to fund TadaU Township Education Foundation held Basic Education High School in TadaU Township.

He said democracy is taking shape in Myanmar with Hluttaw and the government formed with elected representatives. Upholding Our Three Main National Causes, strengths will have to be gathered in politics, economy and defence. To help the State keep abreast with world

countries, it is needed to develop well-rounded human resources.

Every successive generation needs to vow to turn out brilliant human resources. Each and every citizen is to be equipped with civic duties.

The prize presentation ceremony is held with the intention of developing appetite for competition and thirst for knowledge among the students.

While realizing free compulsory primary education, the State is adopted 30-year long-term basic education promotion plan. It is implementing 10 tasks with six five-year short-term plans. Teachers, parents and students are at the front to address challenges of 21st century.

As a saying goes, "Good teacher turns out good pupils", pupils can be brilliant only when the

teachers are competent. Teachers are to be well-versed in what they teach to their students and should be continuously learning. Teachers are responsible not only for educating students but also for inculcating them with a sense of morality and thirst for knowledge. Teachers are to set an example to their students and always seek knowledge of various fields.

Parents are to play a supporting role for successful realization of such goals and objectives as promotion of national education and brighter future of every youth. Parents are to act in accordance with parental obligations of Myanmar traditions. As parents are very first teachers of their children, they are to nurture them to be good offspring who are educated and can even advance to international stage of education. Parents are to continuously monitor their offspring since childhood to become brilliant and morally good



Union Election Commission Chairman U Tin Aye awards an outstanding student who matriculated with flying colours.

MNA

citizens.

In conclusion, he urged parents to monitor their offspring for national development and promised future of their offspring; teachers to train their students to become morally good and bright persons and to act as guid-

ing stars to their students; outstanding students to try to safeguard interests of the community and the nation.

Next, the Union Education Minister and Mandalay Region Chief Minister made addresses. The UEC Chairman, Union Education Minister, Region Chief Minister and personnel awarded one six-distinction winners, two five-distinction winners, four four-distinction winners, seven three-distinction winners, four two-distinction winners and 23 one-distinction winners, the school that achieved best pass rate in TadaU Township and the school that turned out the most distinction winners.

Donor U Thet Tin Win handed over relevant documents of Pyinnya Gonyi new school

building to the Mandalay Region Education Officer.

Next, a donor presented 30 sets of desk and chair and six sets of tables and chairs and one bench and one set of settee through the headmaster of Apyinsanya Basic Education Post Primary School.

U Hla Maung Shwe of Pyae Phyo Kyaw Co handed over relevant documents of ambulance for TadaU Township People's Hospital to the township health officer who then explained establishment of TadaU Township Education Foundation. Then wellwishers donated cash assistance for the foundation through foundation Chairman Dr Kyaw Tin.

The UEC Chairman then cordially greeted the attendees.—MNA

Union Election Commission Chairman U Tin Aye views students learning at Apyinsanya Basic Education Primary School. MNA



Tatmadaw donates relief items to flood victims of Pakokku District

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—A ceremony to donate cash and relief items by Tatmadaw to flood victim households of Pakokku District in Magway Region was held at the temporary accommodation supervisory office in Sunthai Ywathit field in Kywete Village-tract in Pakokku yesterday afternoon.

Col Myo Hla of the local station handed over cash and relief items donated by Tatmadaw to Magway Region Minister for Security and Border Affairs Col Arnt Zaw.

Tatmadawmen are building tents, repairing housings, erecting lamp-posts and installing power lines and carrying out sanitation

tasks in flood hit areas of Pakokku District.

Officers and other ranks of Kyaukpadaung, Meiktila, Magway, Monywa, Pakokku, Yesagy, Shwebo and Ayadaw stations joined hands with local people in reconstruction tasks in flood-affected villages.—MNA

Taninthayi Region government presents basic education schools with teaching aids

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—Taninthayi Region government provided basic education schools with teaching aids this morning.

The teaching aids presentation ceremony was addressed by Region Chief Minister U Khin Zaw, urging teachers and students to

prepare for modern technologies.

The Region Chief Minister presented 26 sets of PC to Dawei District Education Officer Daw Aye Kyu, Deputy Minister for Education U Aye Kyu, 23 sets of PC to Myeik District Education Officer U Bo Maung and Region Social Affairs

Minister U Win Swe presented 5 sets of PC to Kawthoung District Education Officer U Saw Waw Lit.

At today's ceremony, the Region government presented 54 PC sets worthy of K 16.2 million to basic education schools in the Region.—MNA

Union Minister U Kyaw Hsan attends 7th ASEAN...

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Development and Poverty Alleviation Central Committee and work committees and Union-level supporting committees, and region/state level sub committees under the central committee and work committees. So, rural development and poverty alleviation works would be more effective.

The ASEAN Ministers reviewed the achievements of the Framework Action Plan on Rural Development and Poverty Eradication (2005-2010) and adopted the Framework Action Plan on Rural Development and Poverty Eradication (2011-2015) which outlines new strategic thrusts and concrete actions in five priorities of (a) sustainable rural development and rural economic growth, (b) food security and food

sovereignty amidst climate change, (c) social protection and safety nets, (d) development of infrastructure and human resources in rural areas, (e) constituency building for rural development and poverty eradication.

There are 12 work plans under the framework action plan and Myanmar will assume responsibility for development of techniques for weather-resistant agricultural production and dissemination of such techniques to rural peoples in ASEAN nations, which is the second work of the No.4 of the 12-point work plan.

The Union Minister, together with the ministers of ASEAN fellow countries, paid a courtesy call on Brunei King Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah.

The Union Minister then visited Myanmar Embassy and explained

Brunei King Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah welcoming Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan.
MNA



political and economic reforms and international relations, internal peace-making and information sector in Myanmar to Ambassador Thura U Thee Oo Maung and embassy staff.
MNA

Hluttaw sessions of Sagaing, Bago Regions and Rakhine State continue



The second regular session of the first Rakhine State Hluttaw continues for third day.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov — The second regular session of the first Sagaing Region Hluttaw continued for third day at the hall of Sagaing Region Hluttaw yesterday, attended by Sagaing Region Chief Minister U Tha Aye, Region Hluttaw Speaker U Thin Hlaing, the deputy speaker, region ministers and 100 Hluttaw representatives.

At the session, 20 questions were answered, two proposals were approved, financial statements and the fifth five-year short-term plan of the region were discussed and approved.

The second regular session of the first

Bago Region Hluttaw continued for third day at the hall of Bago Region Hluttaw yesterday, attended by Bago Region Chief Minister U Nyan Win, Region Hluttaw Speaker U Win Tin, the deputy speaker and 74 Hluttaw representatives.

Region Minister for Agriculture and Livestock answered 29 questions raised by Hluttaw representatives and Hluttaw approved financial statements of the region.

The second regular session of the first Rakhine State Hluttaw continued for third day at the hall of Rakhine State Hluttaw yesterday,

attended by Rakhine State Chief Minister U Hla Maung Tin, State Hluttaw Speaker U Htain Lin, the deputy speaker, state ministers and 46 Hluttaw representatives.

At the session, six questions were answered, one new proposal was submitted and three proposals were approved.

MNA

Mon State shows love for mangrove forest

THANBYUZAYAT, 5 Nov—Thanbyuzayat Township Forest Department and Mon Region Social Development Alliances Association gave educative talks on conservation of mangrove forests at Kyaseik Basic Education Primary School in Kyaikkhami on 18 October.

A signboard calling for conservation of mangrove forests was erected after the talks.

Township IPRD



Coord meeting for Telecommunication and IT Ministers Meeting, Senior Official Meeting held

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—The 11th Telecommunication and IT Ministers Meeting-TELMIN and the 12th Telecommunication and IT Senior Official Meeting-TELSOM are to be hosted by ASEAN member countries once a year alphabetically. This year to observe the meetings is in turn for Myanmar. The second work coordination meeting of the Leading Committee for holding the meetings was held at Myanmar International Convention Centre, here, yesterday

morning, with an address by Chairman of the Leading Committee Union Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs U Thein Tun.

In his address, the Union Minister said that the meeting will focus on implementation of aims of the ASEAN Master Plan-2015 by ASEAN countries; and apart from ASEAN member countries, dialogue partner countries will be invited to the meeting.

The secretary of the leading committee director-general of Direc-

torate of Telecommunications reported on arrangements for successfully holding the meeting. Deputy ministers and officials of subcommittees submitted reports on their respective sectors.

As concluding remarks, the Union Minister stressed the need to place emphasis on successfully holding the meeting at international level without any weak point and to make preparations for respective sectors.

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Overloaded vehicle bumps against bailey iron frame of Yeshingyi Bridge

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—A truck with overloads of 400 baskets of paddy, driven by U Myint Naing from Kyauktan,

bumped against the bailey iron frame in east ward of 60 feet long

Yeshingyi Bridge due to failure of break at 12.30 pm on 1 November.

The 60-foot bridge is located on Shwebo-Myitkyina Road (Kyaybin-et Dam detour) in Kanbalu

Township. Officials of Shwebo District Public Works under the Ministry of Construction are repairing the bridge not to disconnect the road transport.—MNA

A visit to commercial teak...

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Forestry allows entrepreneurs to establish teak plantations on a commercial scale so as to produce marketable teaks.

“Tachilek District Forest Department grew 50 acres of teak plantation in 2009-2010 fiscal year and 50 more acres in 2010-2011. Now, 50 more acres of teak plantation has been extended in 2011-2012 fiscal year.

So, Phanmin forest area has put 150 acres of land under teak plantations successfully,” said Assistant Director U Tin Tun of Tachilek District Forest Department.

At first, we observed two-year-old teak plantation established in 2009-2010 fiscal year, comprising 27,000 plants in a row as 540 saplings per acre. Indeed, the area was abandoned in the past. Therefore, the abandoned land was

transformed into the croplands. In so doing, job opportunity was created for the local people to reclaim the abandoned land to the cropland to enable them to earn increased incomes.

Moreover, the department allows the local people to grow paddy, groundnut, soya bean, maize and chilli among young teak plantations so as to contribute towards local food sufficiency.

Despite being two years old, the teak plants



Photo shows lush and green teak plants.



Rangers of Forest Department systematically nurture teak plants.

are over 25 feet high and nine inches diameter due to care and concerted efforts of the staff. In establishment of teak plantations, the forest conserves watershed areas for maintaining natural springs and takes fire preventive measures.

Thanks to careful efforts, 98.44 per cent of teak plantation established in 2009-

2010, 95.80 per cent of the plantation in 2010-2011 and cent per cent in 2011-2012.

Although soil type of Tachilek region is unfavourable for thriving of teak plants, concerted efforts of officials, staff members of Forest Department and local people help develop the teak plantations. The abandoned land in the

past has been transformed into the lush and green plantations. In accord with the motto of the Forest Department “The whole nation must be lush and green with forests”, we saw thriving teak plantations in Tachilek region.

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Thai flood death toll reaches 446, two missing

BANGKOK, 5 Nov—A total of 446 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 Saturday.

Four more people were confirmed dead on Thursday in central province of Ayutthaya.

Central province of Nakhon Sawan has the highest death toll of 61 people, following by central province of

Ayutthaya with 53 people killed.

Flash floods were caused by the heavy monsoon “Nock-Ten” and overflow from several dams in upper part of the country since mid July.

On Saturday, floods

still prevail in 25 of 77 provinces and are affecting about 3.2 million people from 1.2 million households

The floods have affected about 3.3 million households and about 10 million people in 64 of 77 provinces since 25 July.

70 main highways in 13 provinces are flooded and cannot be passed and some north-bound train routes were cancelled.—Xinhua



A visitor takes pictures in Mt Nae Jang San, which is located in south of Cholla-Do, Korea, on 4 Nov, 2011. Mt Nae Jang San is one of the most famous places in South Korea for enjoying beautiful colored leaves in Autumn.—XINHUA



Photo taken on 2 Nov, 2011 shows vehicles in a flooded street in Bangkok, the capital of Thailand. A total of 446 people were confirmed dead and two people were missing in Thailand’s worst floods that have inundated many provinces since 25 July, the Disaster Prevention and Mitigation Department said.

XINHUA

28 Venezuelan soldiers injured in grenade explosion

CARACAS, 5 Nov—Twenty-eight government troops were injured Friday after a grenade exploded during a drill in southwestern Venezuela, local press reported.

The accident took place at a navy unit in the southeastern district of Puerto Ayacucho in

the state of Amazonas, believed to be caused by the mishandling of explosive devices by a group of young soldiers who were recently recruited.

The majority of the injured soldiers were taken to Jose Gregorio Hernandez Hospital in Puerto Ayacucho, while

four seriously injured soldiers were airlifted to Caracas, capital of the country, for special treatment.

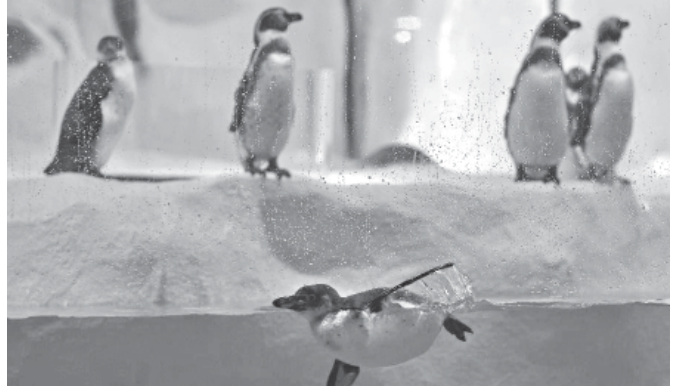
The hospital’s assistant manager Luis Torres said that all the injured soldiers were in stable condition except for the four sent to the capital.—Xinhua

Malaria much older than human race!

WASHINGTON, 5 Nov—Malaria is not only native to the New World, but was present long before humans existed and the disease has evolved through birds and monkeys, a new study has found.

The researchers from Oregon State University conducted the study of insect specimens preserved in amber. The study makes it clear that these pathogens have existed for at least 100 million years, and

suggests that efforts to conquer them will be an uphill battle against such formidable and adaptive foes. "Amber tells us that these diseases have been here for many millions of years, have co-evolved with their hosts and move readily from one species to another," George Poinar, one of the world's leading experts on the study of fossils in this semi-precious stone, said. "Malaria is one of the greatest insect-borne killers in human history, and more than one million people a year are still dying from it. "But the evolutionary record suggests it can easily change its protein coat in response to vertebrate immune reactions. That's why it's always becoming resistant to drugs, and efforts to create vaccines will be very difficult," he added. The study has been published in the American Entomologist. *Internet*



A Humboldt penguin swims inside the Manila Ocean Park in Manila, capital of the Philippines, on 4 Nov, 2011. The 9 Humboldt penguins are the country's first and are now open for public viewing just in time for the Christmas season.—XINHUA

Soon, new material for air cleaner filters to capture influenza viruses

WASHINGTON, 5 Nov—Scientists have now come up with a new material that teams up with the fiber in face masks, air conditioning and air cleaning filters to capture flu viruses before they can get into people's eyes, noses and mouths and cause infection.

Xuebing Li, Peixing Wu and colleagues explain that in an average year, influenza kills almost 300,000 people and sickens millions more worldwide.

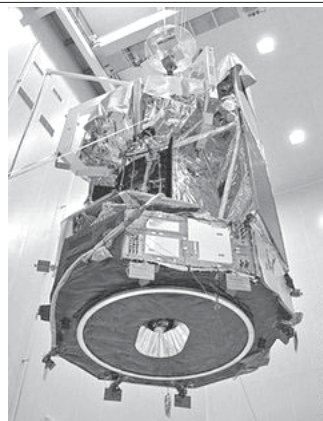
The constant emergence of new strains of virus that shrug off vaccines and anti-influenza medications has led to an urgent need for new ways of battling this modern-day scourge.

So the scientists sought a new approach, using a substance termed chitosan made from ground shrimp shells.

The scientists combined chitosan with substances that the flu virus attaches to in order to infect cells.

They found that this new version of chitosan ideal for attaching to fibers of face masks and air filters was highly effective in capturing flu virus.

The material could become an important addition to vaccinations, anti-influenza medications, and other measures in battling flu, they suggest. The report has been published in ACS' journal *Biomacromolecules*.—*Internet*



The Herschel telescope is the biggest ever sent into space. New star formations in spiral galaxies such as the Milky Way have declined five-fold in the last three billion light years, according to the findings of the European Space Agency's Herschel telescope.—*INTERNET*

Largest bear that roamed Earth 5 million years ago had strongest bite of all

LONDON, 5 Nov—The largest bear that ever lived on the earth, the *Agriotherium africanum*, also had the strongest bite, a new study has found.

Dr Stephen Wroe and his team from the University of Newcastle, Australia used CT scanners to create 3-D images of bear skulls and scanned six species, ranging from a giant panda to a reconstructed fossil of *A africanum*.

Reconstructions of the skull of the carnivore, which became extinct almost five million years ago, showed researchers that it was well adapted to resist the forces involved in eating large prey and exerted the highest bite force.

"Our analyses show that *Agriotherium africanum* had an enormously powerful bite - considerably greater than for the largest of living big cats, or any living bear," the *BBC* quoted Wroe as saying.

"Our analyses show that it had the most powerful bite of any known terrestrial mammal determined thus far," he said. The study has been published in the *Journal of Zoology*. *Internet*

Fruit fly intestine may help put breaks on aging

WASHINGTON, 5 Nov—The intestines of fruit flies may hold secret to the fountain of youth and serve as a target for drugs or other therapies to put the breaks on aging and age-related diseases, a new study has suggested.

Scientists at the Salk institute of Biological Studies have found that modifying a gene known as PGC-1, which is also found in human DNA, in the intestinal stem cells of fruit flies delayed the aging of their intestines and extended their lifespan by as much as 50 percent.

"Fruit flies and humans have a lot more in common than most people think," *Newswise* quoted Leanne Jones, a lead scientist on the project as saying. "There is a tremendous amount of similarity between a human small intestine and the fruit fly intestine," she said. Jones and her colleagues used genetic engineering techniques to boost the activity of the fruit fly equivalent of the PGC-1 gene.

They found that boosting the activity of dPGC-1, the fruit fly version of the gene, resulted in greater numbers of mitochondria and more energy-production in flies—he same phenomenon seen in organisms on calorie restricted diets.

When the activity of the gene was accelerated in stem and progenitor cells of the intestine, which serve to replenish intestinal tissues, these cellular changes correspond with better health and longer lifespan. The flies lived between 20 to 50 percent longer, depending on the method and extent to which the activity of the gene was altered. *Internet*

20 missing as cargo ship sinks off N Philippines

MANILA, 5 Nov—Philippine authorities are now conducting search and rescue operations for 20 crew members of a Panamanian cargo vessel that sank off northern province of Ilocos, coast guard spokesman said on Saturday.

Lieutenant Commander Algier Ri-cafrente said that a ship and two helicopters have been sent off Cape Bojedor, Burgos town in Ilocos Norte

province where MV Oceanic Union reportedly submerged. He said the Hong Kong Maritime Rescue Coordinating Centre alerted the Philippine Coast Guard regarding the distressed vessel Friday night. The cargo vessel came from Shanghai, China's leading port, and was supposed to go to Subic port in northern Philippine province of Zambales.—*Xinhua*



Vehicles run on a fog shrouded road in Jinan, capital of east China's Shandong Province, on 4 Nov, 2011. About 20 highway toll stations around Jinan were closed due to the heavy fog hit the city on Friday.—XINHUA

Klimt painting fetches \$40.4m

NEW YORK, 5 NOV—A 1915 Gustav Klimt landscape, looted by the Nazis and recently returned to the owner's grandson, has sold for \$40.4m (£25.4m) at a New York auction. Litzberg on the Attersee was returned to Georges Jorisch, 83, by Salzburg's Museum of Modern Arts in July. Other highlights of the Sotheby's impressionist and modern art sale included Picasso oil painting L'Aubade, which sold for \$23m (£14.5m). David Norman, of Sotheby's, said the market had "really roared back".

Litzberg on the Attersee, a painting of a lake in western Austria, was originally owned by Austrian iron magnate Viktor Zuckerkandl before being passed on to his sister, Amalie Redlich, when he died in 1927. She was deported in 1941 and never heard of again. Her art collection was seized by the Nazis and sold off.

Auction records were set for French impressionist Gustave Caillebotte, whose Le pont d'Argenteuil et la Seine fetched \$9.3m (£5.8m), and Russian-born Art Deco painter Tamara de Lempicka, whose Le reve (Rafaela sur fond vert) sold for \$8.5m (£5.3m).

Internet



The work depicts a lake in western Austria.

INTERNET

Changes to the world's time scale debated

LONDON, 5 NOV — Time, as we know it, could soon be in for a radical change. This week, scientists at the Royal Society are discussing whether we need to come up with a new definition of the world's time scale: Coordinated Universal Time (UTC). And the main issue up for debate is the leap second -- and whether we should abolish it. The leap second came into existence in 1972. It is added to keep the time-scale based on atomic clocks in phase with the time-scale that is based on the Earth's rotation.

The reason for this is that while atomic clocks, which use the vibrations in atoms to count the seconds, are incredibly accurate, the Earth is not such a reliable time-keeper thanks to a slight wobble as it spins on its axis. Rory McEvoy, curator of horology at the UK's Royal Observatory in Greenwich, explained: "Since the 1920s, it has been known, and previously suspected, that the motion of the Earth is not quite as constant as we'd first thought."

This means that time based on atomic



The leap second is troublesome for applications that require constant time.—INTERNET



Atomic clocks are much better at keeping time than the Earth.—INTERNET

clocks and time based on Earth drift ever further out of phase over time. So every few years, before the difference has grown to more than 0.9 seconds, an extra second — called the leap second — is added to snap the two back into synchrony. "The International Earth Rotation Service monitors the Earth's activity, and they decide when it is appropriate to add a leap second into our time-scale," said Mr McEvoy. — Internet

Greenhouse gases rise by highest amount on record

LONDON, 5 NOV—The global output of heat-trapping carbon dioxide jumped by the biggest amount on record, the US Department of Energy calculated, a sign of how feeble the world's efforts are at slowing man-made global warming. The new figures for 2010 mean that levels of greenhouse gases are higher than the worst case scenario outlined by climate experts just four years ago.

"The more we talk about the need to control emissions, the more they are growing," said John Reilly, co-director of MIT's Joint Program on the Science and Policy of Global Change. The world pumped about 564 million more tons (512 million metric tons) of carbon into the air in 2010 than it did in 2009.

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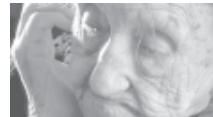
Signs of ageing halted in the lab

LONDON, 5 NOV—The onset of wrinkles, muscle wasting and cataracts has been delayed and even eliminated in mice, say researchers in the US. It was done by "flushing out" retired cells that had stopped dividing. They accumulate naturally with age. The scientists believe their findings could eventually "really have an impact" in the care of the elderly.

Experts said the results were "fascinating", but should be taken with a bit of caution. The study, published in *Nature*, focused on what are known as "senescent cells". They stop dividing into new cells and have an important role in preventing tumours from progressing. These cells are cleared out by the immune system, but their numbers build up with time. The researchers estimated that around 10% of cells are senescent in very old people.

Scientists at the Mayo Clinic, in the US, devised a way to kill all senescent cells in genetically engineered

mice. The animals would age far more quickly than normal, and when they were given a drug, the senescent cells would die. The researchers looked at three symptoms of old age: formation of cataracts in the eye; the wasting away of muscle tissue; and the loss of fat deposits under the skin, which keep it smooth.—Internet



Will it one day be possible to stop ageing?—INTERNET



Yoong Swen Moon (C), winner of Malaysia's Jumbo Queen 2011, Ong Key Li (R), the runner-up, and Goh Yea Min, third-place winner, pose for a group photo in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on 1 Nov, 2011. Ten contestants, weighing from 85 to 120 kilograms, attended the Jumbo Queen 2011 competition in Kuala Lumpur on Tuesday, and 21-year-old Yoong Swen Moon, who weighs 94 kilograms, was the final winner.

XINHUA

Abuse of painkiller reaches 'epidemic' levels in US

NEW YORK, 5 NOV— Abuse of prescription painkiller have reached "epidemic" levels in the US, a government report says.

Overdoses of pain relievers cause more deaths than heroin and cocaine combined, the report has found.

It says sales and prescriptions of the drugs rose sharply in recent years and this was linked to the rise in overdoses. Narcotic painkillers are prescribed to relieve chronic pain but the drugs can be "highly addictive", the report says. The report, published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), said fatalities caused by narcotic pain relievers have more than tripled in the last 10 years — equivalent to 40 deaths a day.

Last year, a national survey on drug use and



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health showed that one in 20 Americans over the age of 12 said they had used painkillers for non-medical reasons.

Named as the fastest growing drug problem facing the US, narcotic painkillers are increasingly used recreationally — for the high they cause.

"Almost 5,500 people start to misuse

prescription painkillers every day," said Pamela Hyde, administrator for the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, a federal body. Sales of the drugs to pharmacies and health care facilities have surged more than 300% since 1999, according to figures from the Drug Enforcement Administration. —Internet

Homeless woman's child dies in street birth

PARIS, 5 NOV—A woman who lost her child while giving birth on the streets of an affluent district of Paris has caused soul-searching over France's treatment of its homeless.

Anna (38), a former lab technician and recovering drug addict, was eight months' pregnant when her contractions started in the tent she shared with her husband, Miloud, pitched on Rue de l'Observatoire in Paris's 14th arrondissement.

Their makeshift home was a stone's throw from the Port Royal Saint Vincent de Paul maternity clinic and Cochin hospital.

Internet

Drunk man stowed away in van

California police said a 19-year-old man who took his grandmother to see his incarcerated father found a drunken man in the vehicle on the way home. Sacramento police said the man and his grandmother visited the Sacramento County Jail Tuesday and left the van unlocked while they were inside, *KTXL-TV*, Sacramento, reported Thursday.

The pair stopped to eat on the way home and once they were out of the vehicle the man revealed he had seen someone in the back of

the vehicle and did not say anything while driving to keep his grandmother from panicking. Police said officers found Steve Bosick, 54, drunk and asleep in the back of the vehicle.

Deer crashes into Idaho elementary school

The principal of an Idaho elementary school said the building custodian arrived for work to find a deer had crashed through a glass door into the building.

Principal Don Haisley of Hemingway Elementary School in Ketchum said the custodian arrived at 5:30 am Monday and found the deer had crashed through a glass door and was still inside the building, *KTVB-TV*, Boise, reported Thursday. Haisley said the deer managed to butt a hole in a wall and damaged two doors but did not appear to be injured.

The principal said he did not know how much the damage would cost to repair. The deer left on its own when the custodian opened a door for it.



Photo shows the first European rabbit hopping championships held on 30 October, 2011 in Wollerau, Switzerland.

Snake slithers out of ATM

Authorities in Spain said a man was shocked when a snake slithered out of an ATM while he was withdrawing money.

Police in Llodio said the man was withdrawing money around 8 am when the snake slithered out of the Caja Madrid bank ATM and attempted to attack him, *Euro Weekly News*, Costa del Sol, Spain, reported Thursday.

The man grabbed his money and called police, who removed the reptile and took it to an animal shelter. Police said the snake may have come from the nearby countryside or it may have been placed in the machine as a prank. Investigators did not say whether the snake was venomous.

Rattlesnakes slither into college building

Officials at Weber State University in Utah said four rattlesnakes have slithered into a building in separate incidents during the past week.

Weber State University spokesman John Kowalewski said the snakes were found on separate days in different areas of the Receiving and Distribution Building, *KSTU-TV*, Salt Lake City, reported Thursday.

"This is the first time we've heard of rattlesnakes inside one of the buildings. With the change in the weather and it getting cold, the snakes are coming down the nearby hillside and finding a warm place, they think, for winter," Kowalewski said. Experts said the snakes were likely heading for nearby hills to hibernate and got side-tracked when they found the building in their way.

News Album

Lindsay Lohan could lose half-a-million dollar deal due to jail sentence

WASHINGTON, 5 Nov—Lindsay Lohan could lose her half-a-million dollar deal as the face of Philipp Plein's 2012 campaign due to the prison sentence she has to undergo for violating her probation.



Lindsay Lohan

Judge Stephanie Sautner has sentenced Lohan to 30 days in jail and community service in LA, along with a strict timeline on completing the remainder of her probation, which includes psychotherapy sessions.

However, sources say she is supposed to make an appearance in Dusseldorf, Germany on 15 November, which would mean violation of probation terms leading to 270 days in jail.

"I don't know how this is all going to play out. But if she doesn't make the designated appearances, she is going to lose a whole bunch of money," Fox News quoted the source as saying.—*Internet*

Jennifer Aniston and Brad Pitt may 'reunite' at Oscars after seven-year hiatus

MELBOURNE, 5 Nov—Hollywood hotties and ex-spouses Jennifer Aniston and Brad Pitt are planning to make their first public appearance together since 2004 at the Oscars.

Pitt and Aniston, who divorced in 2005 after five years of marriage, have been asked to present one of the gongs at next February's



Jennifer Aniston and Brad Pitt

Oscars ceremony, after their friend, film maker

and video director Brett Ratner, landed the job of producing the Academy Awards show.

"They're both considering it," the *Daily Telegraph* quoted a source as telling the UK's *Now* magazine. "Brett knows that getting them on the podium together will make the ceremony the most talked about one ever," the source added.

Internet



Actors Robert Pattinson, Kristen Stewart and Taylor Lautner attend 'The Twilight Trio' Hand and Footprint Ceremony at Grauman's Chinese Theatre, in Hollywood, California, on 3 Nov, 2011.—XINHUA

Amy Winehouse kept alcohol addiction hidden from mum

LONDON, 5 Nov—Tragic singer Amy Winehouse was so ashamed of her alcohol addiction that she refused to drink in front of her mother Janis Winehouse.

"She never drank in front of me. She loved and respected her family too much for that," the Sun



Tragic singer Amy Winehouse

quoted Janis as saying. When Amy died at her London home in July, she was five times over the drink-drive limit.

"I think Amy felt she was invincible," Janis added. "Alcohol addiction seemed to creep up on her and then just took her by surprise. She could go for weeks without a drink but then she'd fall off the wagon," she added. Janis, 56, who is divorced from Amy's dad Mitch, saw her the day before she died. "She didn't seem drunk or tipsy - she was normal and coherent," Janis said. "There was absolutely nothing which left me worried about her. I had no inkling that I would never see her again," she added.

Internet

Drew Barrymore most overpaid actor

LOS ANGELES, 5 Nov—Drew Barrymore has been named the most overpaid actor in Hollywood by *Forbes* magazine.

Barrymore tops *Forbes* 2011 list of Hollywood's Most Overpaid Actors list with a return average of 40 percent for every dollar movie studios spend on her.

The 36-year-old's films have failed to rake in moolah at the box office in the past five years. "Everybody's Fine" earned only USD 16 million globally and "Lucky You" brought in only USD 8 million.

The second position went to Eddie Murphy. He returns USD 2.70 for every dollar spent on him. Will Farrell is at the third position with a return average of USD 3.50, reports *aceshowbiz.com*

Reese Witherspoon and Denzel Washington wrapped up the top five with return averages of USD 3.55 and USD 4.25 respectively.

Internet



Drew Barrymore

Aston Villa rallies to beat Norwich 3-2

BIRMINGHAM, 5 Nov—England striker Darren Bent scored twice as Villa rallied to beat Norwich 3-2 in the Premier League on Saturday.

Strike partner Gabriel Agbonlahor set up both of Bent's goals and scored one himself. Norwich took the lead at Villa Park through a

powerful free kick from Anthony Pilkington in the 26th minute after defender Alan Hutton brought down Grant Holt.

After half an hour Bent brought Villa level, forcing the ball over the line after a pass from Agbonlahor.

In the 48th, put Villa ahead after a mix-up between Kyle Naughton and Norwich goalkeeper John Ruddy.

Naughton's back pass was slightly short but Ruddy still looked favorite to get the ball only for Agbonlahor to win the challenge and slip the ball into an empty net for his fifth goal of the season.

Internet



Aston Villa's Darren Bent, left, controls the ball past Norwich City's Russell Martin during the English Premier League soccer match at Villa Park, Birmingham, England, Saturday 5 Nov, 2011.—INTERNET



Newcastle United's Ryan Taylor, celebrates his goal during their English Premier League soccer match against Everton at St James' Park, Newcastle, England, Saturday, 5 Nov, 2011.—INTERNET

Everton 1, Newcastle United 2

NEWCASTLE, 5 Nov—Ryan Taylor's spectacular shot from the edge of the area earned Newcastle a 2-1 win over Everton on Saturday that preserved the Magpies' unbeaten start to the Premier League season.

Taylor's dipping half-volley in the 29th minute proved to be the difference between the sides and took Newcastle to 25 points from 11 matches.

Taylor's goal made it 2-0 after

John Heitinga's own-goal had put the home side ahead in the 12th.

Jack Rodwell got a goal back for Everton in first-half injury time but, despite losing Yohan Cabaye and Sylvain Marveaux to injury, Newcastle held out in the second half to maintain the Premier League's best defensive record.

The Magpies have conceded just eight goals.—Internet

Liverpool, Swansea draw 0-0 in EPL

LIVERPOOL, 5 Nov—Liverpool extended its unbeaten run to eight matches in all competitions



Liverpool's Andy Carroll (L) challenges Swansea City's Ashley Williams (R) during their English Premier League soccer match at Anfield in Liverpool, northern England 5 Nov, 2011. INTERNET

in a 0-0 draw with Swansea, which finished its first visit to Anfield in 21 years with only its second away point in the English Premier League on Saturday.

Liverpool striker Andy Carroll missed an easy chance in front of goal when he side-footed against the crossbar in the seventh minute.

The home side had plenty of other chances, but Swansea goalkeeper Michael Vorm was up to the task. Vorm also kept a clean sheet at Anfield last year when he played for Utrecht in the Europa League.—Internet

Ferguson celebrates 25th anniversary with win

LONDON, 5 Nov—Alex Ferguson celebrated 25 years as Manchester United's manager as his team beat Sunderland 1-0 at Old Trafford on Saturday although the occasion overshadowed United's less than glittering performance.

Former United defender Wes Brown, on his first return to Old Trafford since leaving in the summer, put the ball into his own net just before halftime and the three points lifted United back into second place in the Premier League.

The game was never a classic but United did enough to win on the day that chief executive David Gill announced the north stand at Old Trafford had been renamed the "Sir Alex Ferguson Stand" and that a statue of the 69-year-old Scot was being commissioned to mark his achievements for the club since he took over on 6 Nov, 1986.

Internet



The United players celebrate after Sunderland defender Wes Brown heads the ball into his own net to give the home side the lead. INTERNET

Ferguson has brought 37 trophies to Old Trafford and, although they are not leading the title race now, they are in contention for a 13th championship since 1993, after moving to within two points of leaders Manchester City who were playing at Queens Park Rangers in a match kicking off at 1730 GMT.

"I thought we were anxious but in the second half we improved, although the last 15 minutes was torture," Ferguson told Sky Sports.

Blackburn 0 - 1 Chelsea

LONDON, 5 Nov—Frank Lampard's sixth league goal of the season secured Chelsea victory as Blackburn's troubles continued. Andre Villas-Boas's side had lost their previous two league matches - but Lampard headed in Branislav Ivanovic's clever cross.

Blackburn fans hired a plane to fly over Ewood Park with a banner calling for manager Steve Kean's dismissal. And the pressure increased on Kean after misses by Yakubu and Grant Hanley, while Gael Givet hit the bar.

Blackburn only had themselves to blame for failing to secure at least a point against a Chelsea side which struggled to get going until the second half.—Internet

Van Persie's first-half free-kick gave Arsenal the lead. INTERNET



English Premier League Result

QPR 2 — 3 Man City

Van Persie leads Arsenal to 3-0 win over West Brom

LONDON, 5 Nov—Robin van Persie scored his 11th league goal of the season and set up two others to help Arsenal beat West Bromwich Albion 3-0 for a fourth straight win in the Premier League.

The Dutch striker opened the scoring from close range in the 22nd minute after Theo Walcott's shot had been parried by goalkeeper Ben Foster. Van Persie cut the ball back for defender Thomas Vermaelen to score the second goal in the 39th and then provided the pass for Mikel Arteta to complete the scoring in the 74th.—Internet

SPORTS

Djokovic, Federer advance to Swiss Indoors semis

BASEL, 5 Nov—Novak Djokovic fought back after losing the first set to beat Marcos Baghdatis 2-6, 6-2, 6-3 in the Swiss Indoors quarterfinals on Friday. The top-ranked Serb stayed on course to meet hometown favorite Roger Federer in the final for a third straight year after the defending champion beat American Andy Roddick 6-3, 6-2. Djokovic had his serve broken twice early on before recovering to seal a victory that improved his record against Baghdatis to 6-0 and raised his overall 2011 record to 67-3.

The US Open, Wimbledon and Australian Open champion will play 32nd-ranked Kei Nishikori of Japan in Saturday's semifinals. Nishikori beat Mikhail Kukushkin of Kazakhstan, 6-4, 5-7, 6-4 in a match that featured 13 breaks of serve. Federer will play his 2008 Beijing



Serbia's Novak Djokovic reacts during his quarter final match against Marcos Baghdatis of Cyprus at the Swiss Indoors ATP tennis tournament in Basel

Olympics gold medal-winning doubles partner Stanislas Wawrinka. The Swiss No. 2 eased past Florian Mayer of Germany 6-2, 6-2. In beating Roddick at Basel for the fourth time, Federer improved to 21-2 against the 2003 US Open winner. He cruised after breaking Roddick's serve to lead 5-3 in the first set.— Internet

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (6-11-2011) (Sunday)

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

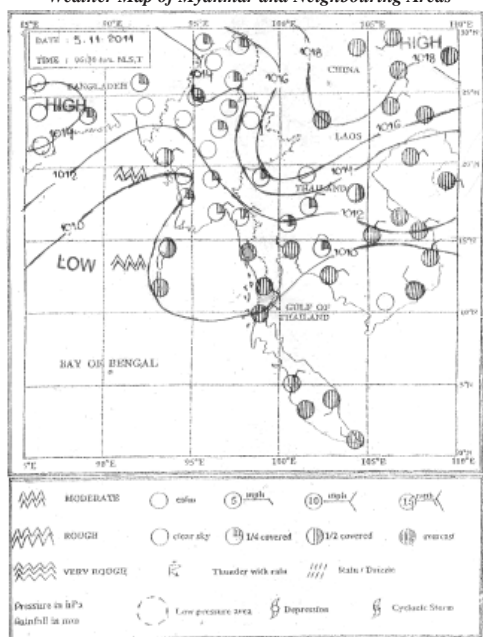
Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Kyaik Htee Yoe: Myanmar's Miraculous Marvel (Part-1)
- * Padonma Lotus Robe
- * News
- * People Utilities & Electronic Exhibition with IT Zone
- * Stone Forest in Kunming
- * News
- * Young Champions of this Generation
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- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Thadingyut Festival in Yangon
- * News
- * To Overcome Economic Challenges
- * News
- * Get Well-tailored Clothes Here
- * A Day with a Special Talk
- * News
- * Seeking Beauty in Yoga
- * News
- * Zinathuka Yan Aung Chan Thar Reclining Buddha Image
- * Myanmar Movies "Uncontrollable Heartbeat"

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Sunday, 6 November View on today

- 7:00 am**
- 1. Paritta by Hilly Region Missionary Sayadaw
- 7:15 am**
- 2. Dhamma Puja Song
- 7:25 am**
- 3. To Be Healthy Exercise
- 7:30 am**
- 4. Morning News
- 7:40 am**

- 5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 7:50 am**
- 6. Health Programme
- 8:00 am**
- 7. (38) Kinds of Auspiciousness
- 8:15 am**
- 8. Musical Programme
- 8:25 am**
- 9. Performance with Song
- 8:30 am**
- 10. International News
- 8:35 am**
- 11. Documentary
- 8:45 am**
- 12. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 11:00 am**
- 1. Martial Song
- 11:10 am**
- 2. Musical Programme
- 11:20 am**
- 3. Round up of the Week's International News
- 11:30 am**
- 4. TV Drama Series

- 12:30 pm**
- 5. Documentary
- 12:40 pm**
- 6. Myanmar Video Feature
- 2:40 pm**
- 7. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 2:50 pm**
- 8. International News
- 4:00 pm**
- 1. Martial Song
- 4:10 pm**
- 2. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 4:20 pm**
- 3. Song of National Races
- 4:25 pm**
- 4. Teleplay (Forest)
- 4:40 pm**
- 5. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures)

- First Year (History)
- 5:00 pm**
- 6. Songs for Upholding National Spirit
- 5:05 pm**
- 7. Sing & Enjoy
- 6:00 pm**
- 8. Evening News
- 6:15 pm**
- 9. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm**
- 10. Cartoon Series
- 6:40 pm**
- 11. Tamyethnar Takwetsar
- 7:00 pm**
- 12. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm**
- 13. News
- 14. International News
- 15. Weather Report
- 16. Cartoon Series
- 17. TV Drama Series

Weather forecast for 6th November, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/°F)		For Tomorrow	
		Maximum	Minimum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	31/88	15/59	Likelihood isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
2	Kayah	28/82	15/59	Partly cloudy	
3	Kayin	38/100	23/73	Partly cloudy	
4	Chin	18/64	04/39	Partly cloudy	
5	Upper Sagaing	30/86	16/61	Partly cloudy	
6	Lower Sagaing	32/90	20/68	Partly cloudy	
7	Taninthayi	35/95	22/72	Likelihood isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
8	Bago	32/90	21/70	Likelihood isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
9	Magway	33/91	23/73	Partly cloudy	
10	Mandalay	33/91	21/70	Likelihood isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
11	Mon	36/97	23/73	Likelihood isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
12	Yangon	34/93	24/75	Partly cloudy	60%
13	Rakhine	30/86	16/61	Partly cloudy	
14	Southern Shan	25/77	12/54	Likelihood isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
15	Northern Shan	26/79	13/55	Likelihood isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
16	Eastern Shan	25/77	17/63	Likelihood isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
17	Ayeyawady	34/93	24/75	Partly cloudy	
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	35/95	20/68	Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers	40%
19	Neighbouring Yangon	34/93	24/75	Partly cloudy	
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	33/91	21/70	Partly cloudy	

Summary of observations at 09:30 hr MST on today

During the past (24) hours, light rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Mandalay and Bago Regions, Shan State, weather has been partly cloudy in Upper Sagaing, Magway, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Regions, Chin, Rakhine, Kayin and Mon States and generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Night temperatures were (4°C) above November average temperature in Mon State, (3°C) to (4°C) below November average temperature in Upper Sagaing and Taninthayi Regions, Kachin, Shan and Chin States, (7°C) below November average temperatures in Rakhine State and about November average temperatures in the remaining Regions and States. The significant night temperature was Haka (4°C). The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded was Nay Pyi Taw (Tatkon) (0.24) inch.

Bay Inference Weather is generally fair in the North Bay, partly cloudy to cloudy in the South Andaman Sea and partly cloudy in the North Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

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

Outlook for subsequent two days Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers in the Southern Myanmar areas.

Jacobson leads by 2 shots in final WGC at Shanghai

SHANGHAI, 5 Nov— Starting the third round with the lead, Fredrik Jacobson kept his mistakes to a minimum, knocked in long birdie putts on consecutive holes and wound up with a 5-under 67 and a two-shot lead. It still wasn't enough to shake a world-class leaderboard at the HSBC Champions.

The final World Golf Championship of the year is living up to its billing.

"Everyone is going to be pumped up because it's a great leaderboard going into the final round," Louis Oosthuizen said. "I think everyone wants that title, so you are going to see some good golf."

It already has been a treat in many ways over three rounds at Sheshan

International. Jacobson broke by two shots the 54-hole tournament record and was at 16-under 200 as he tries to win for the second time this year. As soft as it has been, this is no time to play conservatively. Two shots behind was Oosthuizen, a British Open champion at St Andrews, who birdied his last hole for a 68.

Joining them in the final group is Adam Scott, a former winner of The Players Championship, a Tour Championship and a World Golf Championship. Despite growing controversy of his caddie Steve Williams' racial slur about Tiger Woods at a private party, Scott went on a birdie-birdie-eagle finish to salvage a 69 and was only three behind.—Internet



Fredrik Jacobson of Sweden, bottom, and his caddie, top, line up for the putt on the 16th green during the third round of the HSBC Champions golf tournament in Shanghai, China Saturday, 5 Nov, 2011.

INTERNET

Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik and Mandalay Region Chief Minister U Ye Myint view functions of one stop service centre for export of value-added polished jade from Sagaing and Mandalay regions.—MNA

One Stop Service Centre for polished jade items export opened in Mandalay



NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov—One Stop Service Centre for exporting value-added polished jade from Sagaing and Mandalay Regions was opened at Myanmar Gems Entrepreneurs Association (Mandalay Branch) yesterday.

The opening ceremony was attended by Union Minister for Mines U Thein Htaik, Mandalay Region Chief Minister U Ye Myint, the Region Minister for Forest and Mines, officials and guests.

The chief minister and Vice-Chairman of MGEA U Yon Mu

and Vice-chairman of Gems Entrepreneurs Association (Mandalay Branch) U Myint Han formally opened the ceremony.

Afterwards, the Union Minister unveiled the signboard of the One Stop Service Centre and looked into the functions of the centre.

After viewing tasks of One Stop Service Centre, the Union Minister and the Region Chief Minister heard the reports of officials. The Union Minister gave necessary instructions.—MNA

Union S & T Minister attends opening of Refresher Course for faculty members of Technological Universities, Colleges and Institutes

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov — During this academic year, a total of 93000 students are undergoing engineering and computer courses at 44 Technological Universities, Colleges and Institutes and 25 Universities of Computer Studies under the Ministry of Science and Technology.

In his address at the opening of Refresher Course for faculty members of Technological Universities, Colleges and Institutes at Technological University (Yangon) yesterday, Union Minister for Science and Technology U Aye Myint said that the ministry is striving for promotion of the quality of courses and enhancement of capacity of the graduates to be proficient in their subjects and called on trainees to try hard in their studies as the aim of the opening of this course is to enhance the ability of faculty members to be able to nurture engineering graduates who have theoretical knowledge and practical experience and perform academic tasks—lecture, practical and tutorial and monthly tests—in accord with the



curriculum.

Also present at the opening ceremony were Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe, region ministers, the director-general of Technical and Vocational Education Department, rectors of Technological Universities and University of Computer Studies, pro-rectors, professors and 522 faculty members.

Next, the Union minister viewed round lecture and practical rooms and library at the university.

Similarly, the opening of Refresher Course was held at the convocation of Technological University (Mandalay) on 3 November with an address by Deputy Minister for Science and Technology Dr Ko Ko Oo.—MNA

Union Minister for Science and Technology U Aye Myint speaks at opening of Refresher Course for faculty members of Technological Universities, Colleges and Institutes at Technological University (Yangon).—MNA

Hluttaw sessions of Sagaing, Bago Regions and Rakhine State continue



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Aston Villa rallies to beat Norwich 3-2



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A visit to commercial teak plantations in Phanmin forest area

**Article and Photos:
Maung Yin Kyay
(Tachilek)**

On our recent trip to Tachilek, we saw Phanmin commercial teak plantation near Mongmao (Palaung) Village in Mongkoe Village-tract, 16 miles northeast of Tachilek.

Lush and green thriving teak plantation faded out my tiredness.

The Ministry of Environmental Conservation and (See page 10)



Staff of Forest Department weeding teak plantation.