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President U Thein Sein leaves for Indonesia to attend 19th ASEAN Summit, related summits

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov.—President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein left here by special aircraft of Myanmar Airways International for Indonesia at 9 am today to attend the 19th ASEAN Summit and related summits to be held in Bali of the Republic of Indonesia at the invitation of President of the Republic of Indonesia Dr Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono.

The goodwill delegation led by President U Thein Sein was seen off at Nay Pyi Taw Airport by Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo, Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham, Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Lt-Gen Soe Win, Union ministers, the commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command, deputy ministers, departmental heads, the Indonesian Ambassador and officials of the Indonesian Embassy.

President U Thein Sein was accompanied by Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs Dr Myo Myint, Deputy Minister for Health Dr Win Myint, members of the advisory group to the President, member of Nay Pyi Taw Council U Kan Chun and departmental heads.

Members of the Myanmar delegation—Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin and Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein left in advance for Indonesia.—MNA

Vice-Presidents Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo and Dr Sai Mauk Kham see off President U Thein Sein at Nay Pyi Taw Airport on his departure for Indonesia to attend 19th ASEAN Summit.—MNA



True patriotism

- * It is very important for every one of the nation regardless of the place he lives to have strong Union Spirit.
- * Only Union Spirit is the true patriotism all the nationalities will have to safeguard.

Legal affairs discussed



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US enquires Myanmar's progress in building internal peace

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Archer wins first gold for Myanmar

YANGON, 16 Nov — Myanmar Archer Aung Ngein won a gold in XXVI SEA Games women's individual compound event today, beating her rival Philippino archer.

Her reward was the first gold medal for Myanmar in the SEA Games in Indonesia. The Philippines won the silver and Indonesia the bronze

in the event.

In the track and field event today, Myanmar's runner Nilar San won a silver and Indonesia the gold and Vietnam the bronze in the women's marathon event. Myanmar's rowers Shwe Zin Latt and Than Than Nwe won a silver in the women's coxless pair while Vietnam won a gold and Singapore a bronze

for the sport in the SEA Games. Aung Ko Min bagged one bronze in rowing in the MIX event of the 2011 South-East Asian Games today while the Philippino rower clinched one gold beating Thai rower. In the ASEAN Chess tournament, Win Zaw Tun won a silver while Thailand the first and Vietnam the third.

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PERSPECTIVES

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Sense of duty and habit of taking responsibility

Turning the page, reforms are taking shapes in political and economic arenas. Discussions turn into actions without hesitation and scenes of activities are across the nation.

At such time, a citizen who can work should work contributing to the society. Every one should devote to social welfare putting all his energies. All are to take their parts in economic, education, health, social and philanthropic works.

Looking at the global countries, the energetic workforce is also the determining factor in differences in their growth apart from possession of natural resources and technological power. Our nation already has natural resources and national integrity and only needs to equip with a sense of duty to be able to keep abreast of international community.

Generally, almost every one does not even think about what his responsibility is. Only when one knows well what his duty is, dutiful can be he. For a person who does not know what responsibility he shoulders, to perform his duty is highly unlikely. One should exert the equal amount of efforts for what he is paid even if he is not willing to do more than he is paid for.

Whoever assigns the duty, once it is taken with own commitment, it become yours. And completing that duty means adding spiritual values to your soul. One who is imbued with a sense of duty will all the way try to complete his duty once assigned.

Having a sense of duty is maintaining own dignity rather than showing respect for others. Neglect of duty, demands for benefits, bureaucratic attitude and parasitic-to-power attitude are acts of undutiful persons. Those who have a strong sense of duty try to be dutiful as best as they can with innovative mind. Persons with a sense of duty and habit of assuming responsibility are urgently in need in large numbers in establishing a new nation.

Yangon Mayor inspects development tasks in Yangon Region

YANGON, 16 Nov— Yangon Mayor Yangon Region Minister for Development Affairs U Hla Myint this morning inspected progress of extension of road at the corner of Bogoyoke Nay Win Street and Pagoda Road in Thanlyin Township, inflow of water and storage of water and progress of distribution of purified drinking water to Sinkan Waterworks as well as testing to run waterworks in Banbwekon Dam in Kyauktan Township, collection of drinking water with hygienic way in Sinkan Lake at Sinkan Waterworks in Kyauktan Township.

Sinkan Waterworks is distributing a total of 2,060,000 gallons of water to the township.

Then, he proceeded to his inspection tour of Dagon Myothit (Seikkan) Township in which Yangon City Development Committee is carrying

Legal affairs discussed



Meeting of Pyithu Hluttaw Commission for Assessment of Legal Affairs and Special Cases in progress.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov—Pyithu Hluttaw Commission for Assessment of Legal Affairs and Special Cases met at Pyithu Hluttaw Meeting Hall in Hluttaw Building here this afternoon.

Deputy Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker U Nanda Kyaw Swa, Deputy Commission Chairpersons U Thein Swe and U Htay Myint and commission members who discussed legal affairs.

It was attended by Commission Chairman

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Myanmar government donates US\$ 50,000 for Laotian flood victims



NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov—A ceremony to hand over the donation of the Government of the

Deputy Minister U Maung Myint hands over US\$ 50,000 to Ambassador of Lao PDR Mr Nilahath Sayarath.

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Republic of the Union of Myanmar to the

Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, as humanitarian assistance for the victims of the recent floods in Lao PDR, was held at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, here, at 2.30 pm today.

After conveying words of sympathies, on behalf of the Government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint handed over US\$ 50,000 to Ambassador of Lao PDR Mr Nilahath Sayarath who spoke words of thanks.—MNA

Dy FM receives French Ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov—Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint received Diplomats of European Union residing in Yangon and based in Bangkok led by rotating chairman of European Union and French Ambassador to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Mr. Thierry Mathou this noon at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and discussed matters relating to promotion of relations and cooperation between Myanmar and European Union.

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out concrete paving work on Bago River Road, extension of Ayeyawun Bridge on Ayeyawun Road in Dagon Myothit (South) Township, concrete paving work on Thanthuma and Laydaungkan Roads in Thingangyun Township, construction of Ngamoeyeit Bridge (Parami) construction project, which is connecting South Okkalapa and Dagon Myothit (North) Townships, and progress of concrete paving work on Thanthuma Road in North Okkalapa Township.—MNA



A team led by Head of Thingangyun Township Fire Brigade U Nyan Tun, Deputy Commanding Officer U Khin Maung Tun of Township Auxillary Fire Brigade and Administrator U Myint Soe of Ward (b) inspected fire preventive measures of each house in Ward (b) on 12 November.

KYEMON

Six Somalis on trial in France for yacht hijacking

PARIS, 16 Nov—Six Somali men accused of taking a French couple hostage on their yacht went on trial in Paris on Tuesday in France's first prosecution of alleged Somali pirates. They are facing charges of hijacking, kidnapping and armed robbery after they allegedly seized the yacht and its crew, Jean-Yves Delanne and his wife Bernardette, both aged 60, off the coast of Somalia in 2008.

They face life in prison if convicted.

The six, aged between 21 and 35, were captured and flown to France after French special forces stormed the yacht, the Carre d'As IV, and rescued the couple. A seventh suspect was killed in the raid.

One of the suspects was a minor at the time of the crime but the court granted the defence's request to hold the trial in public and not behind closed doors.

The suspects had reportedly demanded a ransom of \$2 million (1.5

million) for the couple's release.

But in the French courtroom Tuesday only one of them admitted to taking part as an "underling" in the hostage-taking.

"I was in such a financial situation, I have six children, it was then that I crossed paths with someone who recruited me," said Ahmed Hamoud Mahmoud, a fisherman who is accused of being one of the leaders of the operation.

Internet



This undated picture released on 20 Sept, 2008 by the French ministry of defence shows, in an unknown location, Jean-Yves Delanne (R) and his wife Bernardette, who were seized by pirates off Somalia. The Six Somali men accused of taking the couple hostage on their yacht went on trial in Paris on Tuesday in France's first prosecution of alleged Somali pirates.

INTERNET



Afghan policemen look at a pool of blood as they investigate the site of a car bomb explosion in Qarabagh District north of Kabul on 15 Nov, 2011. Five members of a family were wounded in the attack, according to a Ministry of Interior Affairs Press statement.—REUTERS

Two Indian businessmen shot dead in S Philippines

DAVAO CITY (Philippines), 16 Nov—An unidentified gunman shot and killed two Indian nationals engaged in money lending business in southern Philippines, police said Wednesday.

Manjeat, 27, and Sukhinder, 26, both surnamed Singh, and resident of Compostela Valley province, died from gunshot wounds after being attacked at Poblacion village in

Agusan del Sur Province Tuesday, according to Superintendent Martin Gamba, spokesperson of the Caraga regional police office.

The victims were about to leave the premises of a rice trading firm when the assailant fired at them several times using a handgun. The suspect then fled on a motorcycle driven by an accomplice. The police is investigating the incident.—Xinhua

US soldier killed in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 16 Nov—A US soldier was killed during a military operation in Iraq, the US military said.

"A US service member was killed Monday while conducting operations in central Iraq," Xinhua quoted a military statement as saying Tuesday.

The statement did not give details about how and where the incident took place. The name of the deceased was also withheld.

This was the second US soldier to be killed so far this month in Iraq.

The latest casualty took the overall US toll in Iraq since March 2003 to 4,484, according to media figures released by the Pentagon.

In October, US President Barack Obama announced that all American troops stationed in Iraq will pull out of the country by the end of this year.

Xinhua

US drone strike death toll in Pakistan rises to 16

US drone attacks



Map of Pakistan locating Baber Ghar, where US drones fired a salvo of missiles that killed at least 16 people Wednesday.—INTERNET

ISLAMABAD, 16 Nov—The death toll of a Wednesday morning's US drone strike in northwest Pakistan has risen to 16, reported local media. At least two local TV channels, namely ARY

and DIN News, quoted their own unidentified sources as saying that 16 people have been killed in the strike launched Wednesday morning by the US drones in Pakistan's northwest tribal area of South Waziristan which borders Afghanistan.

Two Pakistan Taliban commanders got killed in the strike, according to latest news reports.

The strike came at around 10:00 am local time Wednesday when US drones fired four missiles at a compound suspected of being a militant hideout in a hilly area of Jandola, a place sitting far deep in South Waziristan on its eastern side bordering inner Pakistan, said the reports.

Wednesday's strike is the third of its kind in Pakistan since this month and the 62nd of its kind (both counted on daily basis) in 2011. According to a record kept by Xinhua, a total of 532 people, most of whom are believed to be suspected militants, have been killed in such strikes so far this year.

Xinhua

One killed, three injured after military helicopter crashes in Republic of Congo

BRAZZAVILLE, 16 Nov—An M18 type of helicopter belonging to the Republic of Congo's airforce crashed on Tuesday morning, claiming the life of a Russian pilot, a source within the Congolese Armed Forces (FAC) told Xinhua.

The information was confirmed by the spokesman of FAC, colonel Cyr Patrick Morapenda, who said that the Russian pilot lost his

life and three other crew members escaped with slight injuries.

The aeroplane crashed while landing at the Bandondo locality (800 km north of Brazzaville).

Morapenda explained that the accident was caused by bad weather conditions, affirming that the helicopter had just taken off a few hours from Brazzaville.

"This aeroplane was

on a public service mission. It had gone to rescue some geologists of the Congo Mining company (a subsidiary of an Australian firm) which is specialized in mining activities," the military spokesman affirmed.

The area where the accident took place is densely forested. In June 2010, 11 people lost their lives when a plane crashed in the same locality due to bad weather.—Xinhua

A burning NATO oil tanker is seen in southwest Pakistan's Dasht District on 15 Nov, 2011. At least two NATO oil tankers were torched as unknown militants open fire on NATO oil tankers here on Tuesday.—XINHUA



Business**Hong Kong shares down 1.94 pct by midday**

HONG KONG, 16 Nov—Hong Kong stocks fell 375.37 points, or 1.94 percent, to close Wednesday's morning session at 18,973.07.

Xinhua

Indian stocks open lower

MUMBAI, 16 Nov—Indian main stock index Sensex opened at 16,872.30 points Wednesday, 10.37 points or 0.06 percent lower from previous close of 16,882.67 on losses of Asian stock markets. Capital goods, metal, banking and power sector lost 2.49 percent, 1.4 percent, 1.25 percent and 1.17 percent, respectively.—*Xinhua*

Accusation on yuan exchange rate groundless

BEIJING, 16 Nov—China's Ministry of Commerce (MOC) reiterated on Wednesday that accusations on the exchange rate issue of Chinese currency is groundless and unreasonable. Many economists, both from China and abroad, have proved the exchange rate of yuan is not the major cause of trade imbalance between China and United States and its exchange rate is now at a reasonable level, MOC spokesman Shen Danyang said.—*Xinhua*

Australian wages rise slower than expected in Sept quarter

SYDNEY, 16 Nov—Wages for Australian workers rose 0.8 percent in the September quarter, slightly less than market forecasts, official data showed on Wednesday. The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) reported on Wednesday total hourly rates of pay, excluding bonuses, rose 0.8 percent in the September quarter. The wage price index (WPI) increased by 3.7 percent through the year to the September quarter 2011 for all employee jobs, the ABS said.—*Xinhua*

Mental illness causes being discovered**Health**

WASHINGTON, 16 Nov—One in 17 Americans has a mental illness, such as schizophrenia, major depression or bipolar disorder, US researchers say. However, science is only beginning to understand the underlying physical causes of mental illness. A series of findings were presented at the Neuroscience 2011, the Society for Neuroscience's annual meeting that include:

- Childhood anxiety and depression alter the way the amygdala — the part of the brain that processes and remembers emotional reactions — connects to other regions of the brain. The findings might help explain how early-life stress can lead to future emotional and behavioral issues.
- In animal studies, a link was found between two factors associated with schizophrenia, prenatal infection and impaired function of a molecule important in memory.
- Researchers identified a brain chemical important to antidepressant response in mice. The findings might help in the design of therapies for major depression.
- The connections between two specific areas of the brain might contribute to depression. Stimulating these circuits in rats had an antidepressant effect.—*Internet*

Study finds many patients shun free heart drugs

ORLANDO, 16 Nov—Give people free prescription drugs and many of them still won't bother to take their medicine. Doctors were stunned to see that happen in a major study involving heart attack survivors. The patients were offered well-established drugs to prevent a recurrence of heart trouble, including cholesterol-lowering statins and medicines that slow the heart and help it pump more effectively.

"My God, we gave these people the medicines for free and only half took it," said one of the study's authors, Dr Elliott Antman of Harvard-affiliated Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

In fact, the researchers couldn't even give the stuff away: They had trouble just signing up patients to take part in the study. Nevertheless, Aetna, the insurance company that footed the bill, thinks this approach will save money in the long run and plans to start offering certain heart drugs free to some patients. In the study, patients offered medicines at no cost suffered fewer heart problems and saved \$500 on average over roughly a year. It is no secret many Americans don't follow their doctors'

Business

A sign in front of the Fannie Mae headquarters is photographed in Washington on 11 February, 2011.—*REUTERS*

Fannie, Freddie cut lenders' risk in refinance programme

WASHINGTON, 16 Nov—Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, the largest sources of US housing finance, both said on Tuesday they would relieve lenders from certain risks associated with refinanced loans in an effort to help a government programme reach more distressed homeowners.

In new guidelines for the Home Affordable Refinance Programme, both companies said separately they are relieving lenders of certain representations and warranties that are related to the value and condition of mortgaged property.

HARP seeks to provide refinancing options for borrowers who have little or no equity in their homes. It is open only to loans sold to Fannie and Freddie.

The changes are designed to encourage lenders to participate by reducing their potential liability for bad loans.

The Obama administration programme aims to help troubled borrowers get new loans at lower rates. So far, it has helped about 894,000 borrowers, far fewer than the White House had hoped.

Fannie Mae, in its revised HARP guidelines, said, "The lender is not responsible for any of the representations and warranties associated with the original loan."

Freddie Mac said the changes in its policies regarding representation and warranties is mainly for mortgages valued at more than 80 percent of a property's worth.—*Reuters*

Health

This 15 Nov, 2005 file photo shows 40 milligram tablets of Lipitor, one kind of statin used for lowering blood cholesterol, in Glen Rock, NJ. A study led by a Boston researcher and presented Monday, on 14 Nov, 2011 finds that offering people free medicines after a heart attack can help cut the chances they will suffer another one. It also saves them about \$500 for health care over the next year without raising costs for insurers.—*INTERNET*

instructions. In one survey, one-third said they didn't fill a prescription or used less medicine than they should because of cost. The researchers in this study wanted to see what would happen if they took cost out of the equation.—*Internet*

Low vitamin D levels associated with recurrent inflammatory spinal cord disease**Health**

WASHINGTON, 16 Nov—Vitamin D levels are significantly lower in patients with recurrent inflammatory spinal cord disease, according to a study published online Monday in Archives of Neurology.

Vitamin D is a steroid vitamin that promotes the intestinal absorption and metabolism of calcium and phosphorus. In recent years, low levels of vitamin D have been linked to a variety of autoimmune conditions, including multiple sclerosis (MS). However, the importance of vitamin D in monophasic or recurrent non-

MS spinal cord diseases including transverse myelitis and neuromyelitis optica is unknown, according to background information in the article.

Transverse myelitis (TM) is a disease of the spinal cord in which there is involvement of the myelin sheath that protects nerve fibers; symptoms include back pain and weakness in the legs.

Neuromyelitis optica (NMO) is a disease of the central nervous system that affects the optic nerves and spinal cord.

Xinhua

Vitamin D

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INTERNET

NASA hiring astronauts online — but where's the rocket?

WASHINGTON, 16 Nov— Looking for a job? NASA is hiring astronauts. You can even apply online at a giant government jobs website.

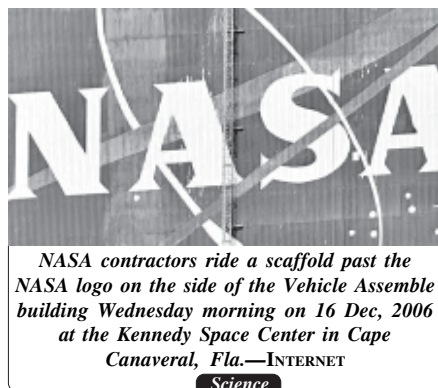
There's only one hitch: NASA doesn't have its own spaceship anymore and is sending fewer fliers into orbit right now.

"The experience is well worth the wait," promised NASA flight crew operations director Janet Kavandi as the space agency started a public search Tuesday for new astronauts.

There will be flights, but not many, with the space shuttle fleet retired. A handful of astronauts each year are launching on a Russian *Soyuz* spaceship to the International Space Station for six-month stays.

NASA needs about 55 astronauts, and with a new class of nine graduating earlier this month, the astronaut roster is up to 58. One of those new astronauts will get to fly to the space station as early as 2013, Kavandi said.

"We're ready to serve, we're ready to get going," new astronaut Serena Aunon said Tuesday



NASA contractors ride a scaffold past the NASA logo on the side of the Vehicle Assemble building Wednesday morning on 16 Dec, 2006 at the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Fla.—INTERNET

Science

at NASA headquarters.

So to find candidates, NASA on Tuesday unveiled what its personnel chief called its biggest ever push to hire new astronauts — with dozens of cheering elementary school students there to ask questions.—*Internet*

Ballmer says "Windows Era" everlasting

Tech

SAN FRANCISCO, 16 Nov—Microsoft chief Steve Ballmer proclaimed an everlasting "Windows Era" as the software giant's board easily won re-election at an annual meeting of shareholders on Tuesday.

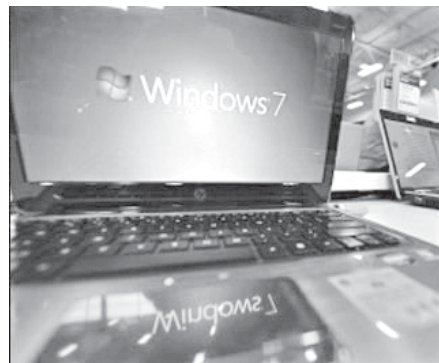
Ballmer along with Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates, Netflix co-founder Reed Hastings and six others saw their positions on the Microsoft board secured with more than 92 percent of votes cast by investors. In response to a question from a stockholder, Ballmer downplayed the notion of a "post PC-era" marked by smartphones, tablets and other mobile devices supplanting desktop or laptop machines powered by Microsoft Windows software.

While the types of computing devices people use evolves so does Windows, he said regarding the operating software at the heart of Microsoft's empire.

"One of the remarkable things about Windows over the years is that it has adapted," Ballmer said.

"It will be a tablet machine; a reading machine, and a note-taking machine," he said. "We are going to have to push Windows into more form factors."

The Windows 7 operating system and the latest version of Office software have been selling at unprecedented rates to businesses while rivals Apple and Google have won consumers hearts when it comes to smartphones and tablets.—*Internet*



Disturbing images spread on Facebook due to spam attack

Tech

SAN FRANCISCO, 16 Nov—Disturbing graphic contents like pornographic pictures and mutilated animal images are spreading across Facebook on Tuesday in a likely widespread spam attack.

Technology news site ZDNet, first to report the attack, said that it started a few days ago and has become an out-of-control exploit that has users angry and disgusted.

The report said that the material is being spread via a "linkspam virus" which appears to be an innocuous story link. Once clicked, the user's newsfeeds will be turned into unstoppable torrents of pornographic and violent images.

Thousands of Facebook users posted their comments on the issue on Twitter. "So Facebook went from porn on my newsfeed to animal abuse. This is ridiculous and extremely sad! I'm not going back on there for a while," tweeted a Facebook user

named Carley Frye.

Internet security firm Sophos said in its company blog that the material had flooded the world's largest social network over the past 24 hours or more, noting that the company could face long term consequences as the problem is likely to drive users away.

Facebook said in a statement to US media that it has been aware of the reports and are investigating the issue.

Technology blog AllFacebook said that the social media giant has been quietly taking down the images.

Some reports are linking the attack to the hacktivist group Anonymous. The group released a YouTube video last Thursday, claiming they had written a virus targeting Facebook dubbed as "Fawkes Virus" and it is "spinning out of control."

Xinhua

Huawei launches world's first Cloud Phones Range in India

Tech

NEW DELHI, 16 Nov— Huawei Devices, which claims to be among the top 5 OEM handset brand worldwide, today announced the launch of Cloud Services for the first time in India.

The event was marked in the presence of Chetan Bhagat, Brand Associate unveiling the highly awaited MediaPad and two New Generation Cloud phones —Huawei Sonic & Huawei IDEOS X3 for the tech and style oriented Indian audiences.

The explosive growth of content, multi-device ownerships, range of connectivity options, social



Huawei Sonic and Ideos X3 phones.—INTERNET

networking services and any time anywhere access has driven the need for Cloud Services worldwide, including India.

Huawei Cloud+ service offers 16GB Cloud disk for storage, richer messaging with Message+ to share texts, pictures, videos and voice notes, Phone

Finder to locate, back-up and lock, Cloud Gallery to easier viewing and sharing, Huawei Streams for integrated social phonebook experience, Huawei Cloud+ services enables easy downloads and sharing of content and anytime, anywhere, any device access.

Internet

China's coupled spacecraft carries out second orbit maintenance

Science

BEIJING, 16 Nov—China's joint assembly of the unmanned spacecraft *Shenzhou-8* and the prototype space lab *Tiangong-1* at 12:04 pm Tuesday Beijing Time carried out orbit maintenance for the second time, according to the mission's control centre.

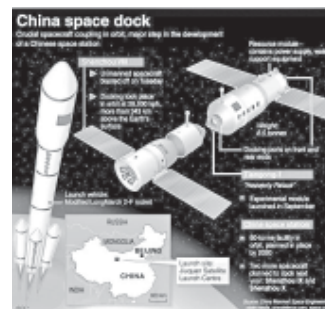
While on Monday China completed its second space docking test during which the spacecraft *Shenzhou-8* disengaged from *Tiangong-1* module after an around 12-day flight together and then re-docked with it.

Shenzhou-8, launched on 1 Nov, rendezvoused and docked with the target orbiter *Tiangong-1* on 3 Nov in an orbit 343 km above Earth, marking China's first space docking a success. *Tiangong-1* has been in orbit since its launch on 29 Sept.

The coupled spacecraft performed its initial orbit maintenance successfully on 4 Nov, and Tuesday's

maintenance is their last such operation before *Shenzhou-8's* return to Earth, according to Beijing Aerospace Control Centre (BACC), which is in command of the mission.

Xinhua



Graphic on China's first orbital docking of two spacecraft, successfully executed on Thursday in a major step towards a manned space station.—INTERNET

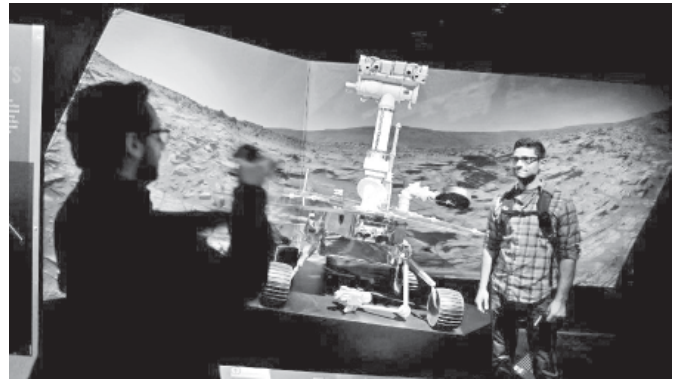
Pirated software distributors seized

BEIJING, 16 Nov— Investigators have cracked an online copyright-infringement case involving the software giant Microsoft, police here said on Tuesday. Economic-crimes investigators received a complaint from Microsoft alleging that a host of various websites in Zhaoqing, a City in Guangdong Province, had infringed on one of the company's copyrights. In response, officials established a task force in August, according to He Guangping, deputy

head of the Guangdong Provincial department of public security. Investigators found the server for those websites, the most famous of which is www.jumao.cn, in Zhaoqing.

"After investigating, police discovered that the principal suspect, whose surname is Wang, established www.jumao.cn in 2003 and later registered other websites to let netizens download pirated versions of Microsoft's Windows XP and Windows 7 for free," he told a news conference in Guangzhou, Capital of Guangdong, on Tuesday.

"Wang illegally earned a large sum of money by bundling the pirated software with advertisements and other software." In 2011 alone, pirated versions of Windows software have been downloaded 4,445 times from Wang's websites, he said. "We've been encouraged by the Zhaoqing police's successful crackdown on online pirate groups," said a Microsoft statement on Tuesday.—Xinhua



A visitor poses for photos during the exhibition with the theme of "Beyond Planet Earth" in New York City, the United States, on 15 Nov, 2011.

XINHUA

Shooting reported at UC Berkeley

SAN FRANCISCO, 16 Nov—An individual was shot Tuesday afternoon at the University of California, Berkeley, local media reported. The shooting occurred inside the university's Haas School of Business, *The Daily Californian*, a newspaper run by students at the university, reported on its website.

The suspect, brandishing a weapon, was shot by law enforcement officials and subsequently taken to hospital, Dan Mogulof, a spokesperson of the university, was quoted as saying. Police officers at the university said they responded to report of a man with

a gun inside the building and shot the suspect. According to the campus' emergency response system, one suspect is in police custody and no further suspects are involved.

Eyewitnesses at the scene said the shooting occurred in a computer laboratory on the south side of the building. Students and faculty were evacuated from the building, and officials at the university called it an isolated incident and said there is no further danger to students, local ABC 7 television station said in a separate report.

Xinhua



A staff member puts a fine porcelain of the Wedgwood classical collection on the shelf in Beijing Hotel in Beijing, capital of China, on 15 Nov, 2011.

XINHUA

Expressway pile-up kills four, injures nine in NW China's Xinjiang

URUMQI, 16 Nov— Four people were killed and nine others injured Tuesday in an expressway pile-up that involved 13 automobiles in northwest China's Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region, local authorities said Wednesday.

The accident happened at about 9 pm on an expressway that links Turfan with Urumqi, the capital City of Xinjiang, according to the fire brigade in Fukang City.

Low visibility as a result of heavy fog and slippery road after the rain and snow during the daytime were thought to blame for the pile-up accident, sources with the fire brigade said. The four dead people were from a sedan that was stuck between two other vehicles, according to the sources.

The injured people were sent to a nearby hospital, but their conditions are not available. Police are further investigating the accident.

Xinhua

Hong Kong seizes record haul of rhino horns



Ports and Maritime Command's Lam Tak-fai shows seized rhino horns at the Hong Kong Customs and Excise Department.—INTERNET

HONG KONG, 16 Nov—Hong Kong Customs officers have seized a record haul of 33 rhino horns along with ivory chopsticks and bracelets hidden inside a container shipped from South Africa, officials said on Tuesday.

Officers found the horns along with 758 ivory chopsticks and 127 ivory bracelets in a haul worth a total of about HK\$17.4 million (US\$2.2 million) during a search Monday of a container declared as containing "scrap plastic".

Senior Customs official Lam Tak-fai told RTHK radio the horns were carefully wrapped in multiple layers of materials and hidden in the rear of the container.

"We think the smugglers wanted to make it look like waste plastic material so as to evade Customs detection," he said, adding the haul was believed to have been destined for a neighbouring country.

Lam said rhino horns had been seized in Hong Kong in the past but never in such large quantities.

"Altogether, we have 86.54 kilogrammes of rhino horns, it's a record seizure so far in Customs history," he said.

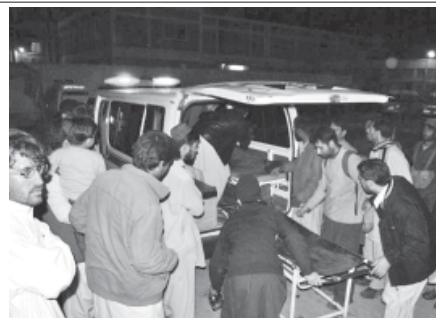
Conservation group WWF said earlier this month that rhino poaching in South Africa had hit a record high, with 341 of the animals lost to poachers so far this year as black-market demand for their horns soars.—Internet

Russian police detain man with 72-year driving ban

MOSCOW, 16 Nov—Police in a Russian City have detained a 40-year-old man, who is banned from driving for 72 years, or until the year 2077, RIA Novosti reported. Sergei was detained Tuesday in Russia's Chelyabinsk City. He has been brought to administrative reprimand 247 times, including 68 times for driving with a revoked driver's licence, and 18 times for driving under the influence of intoxicants. "The total term of the suspension of his license is 72 years," police said in a statement.

Sergei, who still hopes to retrieve his licence, must live to the age of 112 before getting it back. "Actually I think that being banned from driving for 72 years is like facing the firing squad three times in a row," Sergei said, adding that he totally admitted his guilt and was ready to do anything to get his licence back.

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People transfer injured persons to a hospital in southwest Pakistan's Quetta on 16 Nov, 2011. At least five people died and 11 others were injured, including two children, when a tractor crashed into a passenger van bound for Zhob near Muslim Bagh in Qila Abdullah District on early Wednesday.

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US enquires Myanmar's progress in building internal peace

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov—Mr Michael E Thurston, Charge d' affaires of the US Embassy paid a call on Union-level Internal Peace Making Group leader U Aung Thaung and Deputy Group Leader U Thein Zaw in order to ask about the progress of internal peace talks, at Amara Hotel in Nay Pyi Taw Hotel Zone this morning.

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Leader of Union-level Internal Peace Making Group U Aung Thaung and Deputy Group Leader U Thein Zaw receive Charge d' Affaires of the US Embassy Mr Michael E Thurston.—MNA

Myanmar, Bangladesh to cooperate in fight against drug

YANGON, 16 Nov—The 1st Myanmar-Bangladesh Bilateral Meeting on Prevention of Illicit Trafficking in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances was held at Park Royal Hotel in Dagon Township

here this morning. Chief of Myanmar Police Force Kyaw Kyaw Tun delivered an opening address and Director-General of National Narcotic Drugs Control Department of Bangladesh Mr Khandker Mohammad Ali

extended greetings. The meeting focused on cooperation in anti-narcotics campaigns, joint investigation of drug dealers, exchange of information and joint probe of drug deals.

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1st Myanmar-Bangladesh Bilateral Meeting on Prevention of Illicit Trafficking in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances in progress.—MNA

Union F&R Minister attends ASEAN Finance Ministers' Investor Seminar, US-ASEAN Finance Ministers' informal meeting

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov—A Myanmar delegation led by Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun attended the 8th ASEAN

Finance Ministers' Investor Seminar (AFMIS) held at Shangri-La Hotel in Jakarta of Indonesia on 8 November and the US-ASEAN Finance Ministers' informal meeting in Honolulu of Hawaii in the United States of America on 10 November. At the 8th ASEAN Finance Ministers' Investor Seminar, Union Minister U Hla Tun explained progress of Myanmar, economic development in the region and reforms and undertaking of poverty eradication.

The ASEAN finance ministers issued a joint statement at the joint

press conference on opportunities of world economy and ASEAN economic development, challenges and progress of financial and monetary sector.

At US-ASEAN Finance Ministers' informal meeting in Honolulu of Hawaii on 10 November, the Union Minister also explained development of Myanmar, cooperation in financial, monetary and economic sectors with regional countries, and promoting cooperation in monetary and financial affairs between the US and Myanmar.

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Archer wins first gold...

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In the Pan Jat Silat, Myanmar's Hay Mar Oo shared the bronze with Vietnamese athlete in the 65-70 kg event and Myanmar's Thin Myat Aye shared the bronze with Malaysian athlete in

the 70-75 kg event.

On November 16, Myanmar begged one gold, three silver and one bronze, and so far have collected one gold, 12 silver and 16 bronze medals from 11 to 16 November.—MNA



Silver medallist Win Zaw Tun in ASEAN Chess event.—MNA



Silver medallist Nilar San in women's marathon event.

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Silver medallists Than Than Nwe and Shwe Zin Latt rowing even.—MNA



Myanmar female archer Aung Ngein taking part in women's individual compound event in XXVI SEA Games.

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In successive eras, it can be found that the Electrical Inspector was formed under control of the ministries that did not concern with production suppliers. Although there are many provisions in the Electricity Law, many losses can be found due to weakness of following the law. The departments are also to abide by the law and accept inspection of Electrical Inspector. Therefore, the Electricity Law should be amended and added.

The Industrial Supervision and Inspection Department under the Ministry of Industry-1 has drawn the bill for amending the law. Therefore, Ministry of Industry-1, Ministry of Industry-2 and Ministry of Electric Power No. 2 are to make concerted efforts for emergence of the improved Electricity Law as soon as possible. In addition to the Ministry of Industry-1 that compiled the law, the Pyithu Hluttaw should coordinate the emergence of amended Electricity Law and other laws by forming the one committee.

U Win Oo of Yebyu Constituency said that efforts are being made for construction of small-scale hydropower projects to generate 500 kilowatts to be supplied to villages of Dawei District under the rural electricity supply and poverty alleviation. Although the Union ministries allowed region and state governments to undertake small-scale electricity generating tasks, these governments delay to issue permits due to lack of separate laws.

Thus, it is not enough to allow private entrepreneurs for doing business on electricity supply and sales under the MIC Law. Therefore, No 1 and No 2 Electric Power Ministries are to jointly draw the separate through electricity law and the Hluttaw should approve it.

With regard to the proposal, Union Minister for Electric Power No. 2 U Khin Maung Soe said that the ministry was extended with the aim of effectively taking responsibility of generating, feeding and supply of electricity to be able to rapidly supply electricity demand in development task of the State.

In the past, the Electricity Act was promulgated in 1910 for electricity supply tasks of Myanmar, and 1948 Electricity Act was enacted in 1948 for formation of an electricity supply board of Myanmar. Under the instruction of the Ministry of Industry, the Electrical Inspector drew an electricity law in 1974. The Electricity Law was approved as law No. 7 of Pyithu Hluttaw in 1984. Moreover, the Ministry of Industry-1 under the agreement of the Cabinet issued the

Rules of Electricity Law 1985 based on Electricity Rules 1937 of India.

Due to submission of the Ministry of Energy in 1990, the State Law and Order Restoration Council promulgated the law amending the Sections 30 and 31 of the Electricity Law as its law No. 3/90. In 2005, the Yangon Electricity Supply Board was formed for effective undertaking electricity task in the area of YESB and then the Yangon Electricity Supply Board Law.

In 1984-85 when the Myanmar Electricity Law was being drawn, there were one hydropower plant, six gas power plants, 19 main power stations and 1193.81 miles of national grids in



Bill Committee Member U Soe Soe submitting committee's report on Vacant, fallow and Virgin Land Management Bill.—MNA

Myanmar electricity system. At present, Myanmar has 17 hydropower plants, 10 gas power plants, one coal-fired power plant, 154 main power stations and 5756.51 miles long power grids.

In the time of the State Peace and Development Council, the Prime Minister instructed the Electrical Inspector under Ministry of Industry-1 to be assigned under Ministry of Electric Power No. 2 as the ministry concerned should inspect electrical matters. Moreover, the Office of the Prime Minister informed that the Ministry of Electric Power No. 2 should take responsibility for realizing the rules of Electricity Law in conformity with the current period and Ministry of Industry-1 and Ministry of Industry-2 are to coordinate with the EP-2 Ministry if necessary. Therefore, three ministries held many meetings.

In the time of the government of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, instructions have been issued that if it is necessary to amend, add, revoke and redraw the laws inappropriate with the current period, ideas of the Union Attorney-General's Office are to be sought. Under the leadership of the Ministry of Industry that drew the Electricity Law in 1984, the work coordination meeting was held on 9 August, attended by officials of Ministry of Electric Power No. 1, No. 2, other ministries and the Union Attorney-General's office in addition to Myanmar Engineering Society and Myanmar Construction Entrepreneurs Association and electricians.

The provision in the Electricity Law 1984 said that "it must be concerned with exploration,

generating, feeding, supplying and consumption of electricity across the nation and with electrical inspections to be free from danger of electricity for above mentioned tasks." The Electrical Inspector under the Ministry of Industry-1 is running its functions to be free from danger of electricity under law and procedures. However, the law did not prescribe control of electric power system in conformity with power plants, power station, control of national grids, generating power and consumption, generating electricity for supplying the demand of increasing power consumption, feeding of power, and drawing of electricity supply plan for extended

supply of electricity.

Sub-paragraph (a) under paragraph 4 energy, electricity, mining and forest sector under Schedule 2 of the region or state legislative list in accord with the Section 189 of the Constitution said that "except the heavy electricity production and supply to be managed by the Union, the region or state that do not connect with national grid may run the small- and medium-scale electricity generating and supply." Therefore, it is necessary to draw the plans of electricity supply to be undertaken by regions and states in line with the Electricity Law.

The existing law does not comprise provisions on supply of electricity in rural areas. Therefore, he said he has replied to promulgating the law for supply of electricity in rural areas. Now, entrepreneurs and foreigners have been allowed to invest in electrical sector of the State. Therefore, electricity from Shweli-1 and Tarpein-1 power plants is being sold at home for domestic consumption and to the People's Republic of China. Thus, it is necessary to prescribe clear and exact provisions for local and foreign electricity sales. Moreover, Thaukyaykhat-2 and Upper Biluchaung Power Plant are being implemented with the investments of entrepreneurs. There should be suitable laws for purchase of electricity from the power plants through power system as well as direct sales for consumers.

As it is important that type of electricity (volt, frequency and circuit) must be in conformity with electricity demand of consumers, power consumers are playing an important



Union Minister for Environmental Conservation and Forestry U Win Tun making clarification.

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role in the electrical sector.

The government commenced to draw the new Electricity Law for all ministries, private entrepreneurs and power consumers included in the electricity generating, feeding supplying, consuming, controlling power system, selling electricity and drawing power system plans.

As ministries concerned commenced the tasks related to the proposal of U Kyi Tha, the proposal will be put on record. The Hluttaw approved that the Hluttaw will provide necessary assistance for the task.

Member of the Bill Committee U Soe Soe submitted the report of the committee concerning the Vacant, Fallow and Virgin Land Management Bill approved by the Amyotha Hluttaw.

He said that in reviewing the Vacant, Fallow and Virgin Land Management Bill, the Pyithu Hluttaw Bill Committee found that Amyotha Hluttaw has approved the bill with 15 points in 34 paragraphs in 10 chapters. Depending on 12 points of scrutinizing the bills and amendments of the Amyotha Hluttaw, the Pyithu Hluttaw Bill Committee will submit the findings in line with Pyithu Hluttaw Rule-44. The original provision of paragraph 2 (b) in Chapter I said that "the Ministry means Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation of the Union government", so the amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw was perfect.

The ordinary provision in paragraph 2 (f) in Chapter I said that "the virgin land means new land and fallow land regardless of forests, bamboo grooves, bushes, smooth or not geographical conditions. The word includes pasture lands, lake and lands of forest reserve officially cancelled for carrying out agriculture and livestock breeding tasks." Amyotha Hluttaw amended it as "the virgin land means new land and fallow land regardless of forests, bamboo grooves,

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bushes, smooth or not geographical conditions. The word includes forest reserve, pasture land and lakes officially cancelled for carrying out agriculture and livestock breeding, production of mining, and other businesses in line with the law." Therefore, the amendment and approval of the Amyotha Hluttaw is more perfect.

The original provision in paragraph 2 (h) in Chapter I said that "the land tax means the money for tax to be paid to the State by the person with right of doing business on vacant, fallow and virgin lands in line with the law." The amendment of the Amyotha Hluttaw said that "the land tax means the money for tax to be paid to the State by the person with right of doing respective businesses on vacant, fallow and virgin lands in line with the rules of this law." Therefore, it was found that the amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw was more perfect.

The paragraph 3 of Chapter II said that "the President shall constitute the Vacant, Fallow and Virgin Lands Management Central Committee with the Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation as Chairman, the director-general of Settlement and Land Records Department as secretary and suitable persons of ministries concerned as members with the aim of effectively managing the tasks concerning the agriculture and livestock breeding on a commercial scale with the use of vacant, fallow and virgin lands for development of the State economy." The Amyotha Hluttaw approved that "with the aim of effectively managing the tasks in line with the laws allowed by the government for agriculture, livestock breeding and mining tasks on a commercial scale, the Vacant, Fallow and Virgin Lands Management Central Committee must be formed as follows:-

(1) Union Minister	Chairman
Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation	
(2) Union Minister	Vice-Chairman
Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry	
(3) Deputy Minister (Agriculture)	member
Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation	
(4) Deputy Minister (Irrigation)	member
Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation	
(5) Deputy Minister	member
Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development	
(6) Deputy Minister	member
Ministry of Livestock and Fisheries	
(7) Director-General	member
General Administration Department	
Ministry of Home Affairs	
(8) Managing Director	member
Myanma Agriculture Service	
Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation	
(9) Managing Director	member
Myanma Industrial Crops Development Enterprise	
Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation	
(10) Director-General	member
Planning and Statistics Department	
Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry	
(11) Director-General	member
Mining Department	
Ministry of Mines	
(12) Director-General	member
Cooperative Department	
Ministry of Cooperatives	
(13) Director-General	member
Planning Department	

Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development
(14) Director-General Secretary
Settlement and Land Records Department

Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation
(15) Director-General Joint Secretary
Forest Department
Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry

(b) The Union government shall reshuffle the committee." The amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw was found to be more appropriate.

The original text of paragraph (6), subparagraph (c) of Chapter (3) is "Protection of forest reserves and protected public forests and conservation of natural regions, watershed areas and natural waters will have to be undertaken in coordination with the ministry concerned." The amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw is "(c) Protection of forest reserves and protected public forests and conservation of natural regions, watershed areas and natural waters will have to be undertaken in coordination with Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry and other ministries concerned. (d) Necessary suggestions for effective implementation of land use policy of the State will be made to the Union government." It should be kept as in the original.

The original text of paragraph (10), subparagraph (a) of Chapter (4) is "In Sub-section (4), rural farmers and those who want to run manageable farm shall be allowed to use not more than 10 acres of vacant land, fallow land and virgin land." The amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw is "It shall make arrangement to allow rural farmers and those who want to run manageable farm shall to use not more than 10 acres of vacant land, fallow land and virgin land by any local authority concerned." As it is found that the permitted land for rural farmers should be 50 acres, the subparagraph should be "It shall make arrangement to allow rural farmers and those who want to run manageable farm shall to use not more than 50 acres of vacant land, fallow land and virgin land by any local authority concerned."

The original text of paragraph (10) of Chapter (4) includes subparagraphs (a) and (b) to which Amyotha Hluttaw added subparagraphs (c) and (d). The inserted subparagraphs of Amyotha Hluttaw, "(c) The Union government shall allow mining in coordination with Ministry of Mines. (d) The Union government shall coordinate with respective ministry for other permitted industries in accord with the law," make the facts complete.

The original text of paragraph (11) of Chapter (4) includes subparagraphs (a), (b) and (c) to which Amyotha Hluttaw added subparagraphs (d) and (e). The inserted subparagraphs of Amyotha Hluttaw, "(c) The Union government shall allow mining in coordination with Ministry of Mines. (d) The Union government shall coordinate with respective ministry for other permitted industries in accord with the law," make the facts complete.

The amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw to paragraph (16), subparagraph (b) of Chapter (6) is "The reclamation and use of permitted land will have to be finished as designed within three years". As fixed duration may impact on those who obtain the permit, it should be drawn as Rule. The original text, "The implementation will have to be finished as designed within designated period", is more appropriate.

The original text in paragraph (16), subparagraph (e) of Chapter (6) is "It is required to adhere to regulations issued by the central committee regarding the use of vacant land, fallow land and virgin land at any time". The amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw is "It is required to adhere to regulations issued by the central committee regarding the use of vacant land, fallow land and virgin land". The phrase "at any time" bares intended meaning and enables the central committee to issue orders and directives at any time. The subparagraph should be kept as in the original.

The original text in paragraph (17) of Chapter (7) is

"The central committee will have to form and task supporting groups and separate groups for management of vacant land, fallow land and virgin land in respective Regions or States to review and coordinate cases regarding the use of vacant land, fallow land and virgin land". The amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw is "The central committee will have to form and task working groups and separate groups for management of vacant land, fallow land and virgin land in respective Regions or States to review and coordinate cases regarding the use of vacant land, fallow land and virgin land". The phrase in amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw "working groups and separate groups" is more appropriate.

The amendments of Amyotha Hluttaw to paragraph (18) of Chapter (7) "The central committee shall form special group inclusive of respective departments to vet whether those who obtain permit for the use of vacant land, fallow land and virgin land manage the land in accord with designated rules", to paragraph (19) "The central committee shall reoccupy the least area of land from the permitted vacant land, fallow land and virgin land if a situation arises", and to paragraph (22), subparagraph (c) "Vacant land, fallow land and virgin land which are not reclaimed till the end of the permitted period are deemed to be reoccupied by the State" are more complete than the original ones. The amendments of Amyotha Hluttaw should be approved.

Regarding the amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw to paragraph (25), subparagraph (b) of Chapter (8) "The central committee (a) shall coordinate with departments and organizations concerned for protecting against disturbance, invasion and encroachment on the vacant land, fallow land and virgin land, (b) coordinate in accord with the law with local small entrepreneurs engaging in family trade on permitted vacant and virgin lands not to suffer loss", the phrase "coordinate in accord with the law with" should be replaced with "designate appropriate compensation at current price for".

The original text in paragraph (30) of Chapter (10) is "Offences in Sections 27, 28 and 29 are cognizable offences". The amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw is "Offences in Chapter (9) are cognizable offences". The amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw should be approved.

Vacant Land, Fallow Land and Virgin Land Management Bill would be sent back to Amyotha Hluttaw with amendments.

The discussion date would be announced and Hluttaw representatives who want to participate in discussion were to submit their request not later than 18 November noon.

The Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker reported the Hluttaw that Assessment Commission of Existing Laws formed on 28 August will be renamed to Studying, Examining and Reviewing Commissions on Legal Affairs and Special Cases. The commission will be formed with 15 members, including Chairman Deputy Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw, Vice-Chairman U Thein Swe of An Constituency and U Htay Myint of Myeik Constituency, members Ambassador (Retd) U Lin Myaing, Director-General (Retd) U Than Tun from Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Professor (Retd) Dr Aung Tun The, Lt-Col Aung Khin Thein of Judge Advocate-General Office of the Commander-in-Chief (Army) Office, Professor Dr Tin May Tun, Pfressor Dr Thida Oo, Director (Retd) U Tin Win of Supreme Court, Region Law Officer (Retd) U Khin Maung Oo, Advocate U Myint Lwin, Advocate U Than Maung, Deputy Director (Retd) Daw Than Than Yi of Union Attorney-General Office. The secretary will be announced separately. Duties, authorities, rights and terms are as follow:-

Duties and rights of the commission

- (1) The commission-
 - a. will have to suggest amendment, revoking and drafting of laws after studying existing laws to the Hluttaw through the Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker.
 - b. will have to report to the Hluttaw through the Hluttaw Speaker after studying special cases, if any, from legal standpoint.
 - c. will have to accomplish duties assigned by the Hluttaw Speaker within designated period.

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- d. will have to share duties within the commission for special cases categorized by the Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker.
 - e. will have to make suggestions if requested by the Pyithu Hluttaw.
- (2) The commission shall invite responsible persons of related organizations and discuss with them.
 - (3) The commission members could freely make discussions if not contrary to provisions in the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and Pyithu Hluttaw Laws.
 - (4) Behaviours and words of a member in the commission meeting are not to be publicized. The commission will have to approve the meeting record with detailed discussions. The records shall not be distributed. Copy of the report of the Hluttaw will have to be sent to the Hluttaw Office to file as a case.
 - (5) The commission meeting could be convened as and when necessary and the meeting is valid if half of the members attend it.

Rights and opportunities of the commission

- (1) The commission members shall enjoy allowances of Hluttaw representatives in addition to rights designated by the Hluttaw when they are in the commission-based region to perform the duty of the commission and to attend commission meeting and when they are traveling on duty.
- (2) The commission members are immune from other laws regarding discussions in commission meetings apart from Pyithu Hluttaw Law.

The commission is Union-level institution in accord with Sub-section (h) of Section (2) of Pyithu Hluttaw Law and its term is not more than one year.

The Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker explained that the

commission has done its functions about five months ago. In so doing, occasionally encountering with irregular cases such as legal affairs, political and international affairs, economic and social affairs is very likely. With regard to legal affairs, it has been tried to include retired personnel and currently discharging personnel from judicial departments, personnel discharging at and retired from the Attorney-General Office of the Union and courts at different levels, advocates and lawyers, and instructors giving lectures on law in the commission. Likewise, ambassadors, directors-general, and officials from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Ministry who have experience in political and international affairs are assigned to the commission to be able to deal with political and international affairs.

So, the commission thanks to its comprehensive organizational structure can contribute greatly in analyzing special cases which emerge occasionally. Hluttaws are mainly promoting the interests of the nation and the public. The commission was formed with selected members for it is assumed that the commission members can contribute to not only the Hluttaw but also the national and public interests with their knowledge, experience and goodwill.

In seeking the approval of the Hluttaw with regard to the Environmental Conservation Bill, U Htay Myint of Myeik Constituency discussed that according to the constitution, the main responsibility of the Hluttaws is drafting bills. Amending bills at the Hluttaw includes process of submitting and approving of newly-drafted bills and amending and assessing the existing laws. It needs to take time to enact a new law making least errors.

Then amended paragraphs and sub-paragraphs of the bill are discussed and sought approval of the Hluttaw. Dr Sai Kyaw Ohn of Namkham Constituency made amendment to Sub-paragraph (e) of Paragraph-2 of the bill and Union Minister for Environmental Conservation and Forestry U Win Tun replied that he had no remarks as the amendment made no difference in meaning.

As no representative raised objection to the amendment, it is passed. Member of the Bill Committee U Thein Tun Oo proposed that the Sub-paragraph (f) of Paragraph-2 should be left unchanged as first proposed by the ministry explain that the changing may lead to misunderstanding and Union Minister U Win Tun replied that he seconded the proposal. All representatives showed support for the proposal and it was approved.

Again, Dr Sai Ohn Kyaw of Namkham Constituency

proposed that Sub-paragraph (p) of Paragraph-2 should be left unchanged as proposed by the ministry saying that the amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw is unnecessary and Union Minister U Win Tun approved the proposal. The proposal was then approved as no representatives rejected it.

U Thein Lwin of Chauk Constituency proposed to add a sub-paragraph under Paragraph-3 and Union Minister U Win Tun replied that the proposal is a good suggestion but it would be more appropriate to be included in by-laws. The proposal was approved by the Hluttaw as no representatives turned it down.

U Thein Lwin of Chauk Constituency again proposed to amend to Sub-paragraph (e) of Paragraph-3 and Union Minister U Win Tun replied that the proposal is acceptable and the Hluttaw approved the proposal.

U Khin Maung Shwe of the Bill Committee made amendment to Sub-paragraph (a) of Paragraph-4 and Union Minister U Win Tun replied that he had no reason to reject the proposal as it has certain relation.

U Khaing Maung Yi of Ahlon Constituency proposed to amend the same paragraph and Union Minister U Win Tun said that the committee is formed representing the incumbent government and he is willing to accept if Hluttaw thinks the amendment is necessary and he has no reason to reject as the amendment will be more comprehensive.

U Thein Swe of An Constituency proposed that those amendments could be included in the by-laws and U Htay Myint of Myeik Constituency, U Htay Oo of Hinthada Constituency and U Soe Tha of Twantay Constituency seconded his proposal.

The Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker said that it needs to include chapters and paragraphs that can promote of the interests of the nation and the people and that have not yet been included in the bill. Pyithu Hluttaw had a wish to supplement necessary paragraphs in coordination with related ministries and there are chances to write and submit new paragraphs that should be included in the bill. Proposals of amendment are to be sent by 12 noon 20 November and date for discussion will be fixed later. He urged Hluttaw representatives to take necessary measures in discussing the bill again.

The fourth day second regular session of First Pyidaungsu Hluttaw will be held on 18 November.

Today's session came to an end at 2 pm and the 49th day session will be held after the Hluttaw has fixed a date.—MNA

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so as to produce seasonal crops, garden crops and perennial crops using land, (4) one who engages in agricultural process using land, and (5) one who sells saplings, seeds and strains for production process relating to agriculture using land." As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 2 (c) of Chapter (1) shall be part of this bill.

In Paragraph 2 of Chapter (1) of the Bill Committee, Paragraph 2 (d) "lending farmland means handing over to others by way of setting period or facts that define period or perpetual way without having profit or with profit". As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 2 (d) of Chapter (1) shall be part of this bill.

In Paragraph 2 of Chapter (1) of the Bill Committee, Paragraph 2 (g) "repair to gain progress by building means raising values of land at present land owner's expense or one currently using land's expense or with his or her working power. The amendment also comprises place for one who works agricultural process or buildings, canals, dams, lakes, wells, embankments, roads and other facilities, excluding, but, land clearing works and procedures not for perpetual development. As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 2 (g) of Chapter (1) shall be part of this bill.

In Paragraph 2 of Chapter (1) of the Bill Committee,

Paragraph (h) "guardian is defined as one who was vested with authority to keep under-age person or lunatic or their possessions by authoritative court." As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 2 (h) of Chapter (1) shall be part of this bill.

U Khin Maung Yi of Ayeyawady Region Constituency No. 6 submitted Paragraph 2 (k) of Chapter (1) "peasant organization is the one that is formed to help rural development in conformity with law." As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 2 (k) of Chapter (1) shall be part of this bill.

In Paragraph 3 of Chapter (2) of the Bill Committee, "household or person or organization that acts within competence of following rules will be vested with authority. (b) head of household or a member or guardian must be one who runs family trade in conformity with existing farming laws before enacting this law. As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 3 (b) of Chapter (2) shall be part of this bill.

As Hluttaw approved the proposal submitted by U Sai Thant Zin of Shan State Constituency No. 4 to replace the phrase "rights relating to using land" with the phrase "rights relating to permitted farms", the heading of Chapter (3) shall be part of this bill. As Hluttaw approved the phrase prescribed in Paragraph 4 (a) of Chapter (3) that "right to have such land in hand and gain benefit of such farm", Paragraph 4 (a) of Chapter (3) shall be part of this bill.

As Hluttaw approved the phrase prescribed in Paragraph 7 (e) of Chapter (4) that "it is needed to

register at related department with fee when the process such as lending, exchange, pawning, inheriting of completely handing over of lands is carried out", Paragraph 7 (e) of Chapter (4) shall be part of this bill.

As Hluttaw approved the phrase prescribed in Paragraph 11 (e) of Chapter (5) that "ward or village-tract management organization", Paragraph 11 (e) of Chapter (5) shall be part of this bill.

In Paragraph 12 (a) of Chapter (5) of the Bill Committee, it is stated that "central farm management organization is to be formed with the Union Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation appointed as chairman, the deputy minister for Agriculture and Irrigation as vice-chairman, director-general of Settlement and Land Records Department as secretary, and departmental officials concerned as members". As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 12 (a) of Chapter (5) shall be part of this bill.

In Paragraph 17 of Chapter (6) of the Bill Committee, Paragraph 18 "the ministry has right to sign bond in the presence of ward or village-tract farm management organization in accord with prescription of this law, register bond at respective court, draw bylaw stated as this Session 11 necessary for farm management organization so as to have regional price of farm." As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 18 of Chapter (6) shall be part of this bill.

In Paragraph 18 of Chapter (7) of the Bill Committee, (See page 11)

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it is stated that Paragraph 19 of Chapter (7) that "if there is a failure to follow all rules or a rule of this sessions 7 and 9, farm management organization formed by the ministry has the right to launching an the farm without compensation after launching an investigation". As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 18 of Chapter (7) shall be part of this bill.

In Paragraph 22 of Chapter (9) of the Bill Committee, it is stated that Paragraph 23 of Chapter 9 "despite existing law, confiscated farms for national interest are to be compensated according to law. If farm is upgraded with building, it is required to compensate for such building. As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 23 of Chapter (9) shall be part of this bill.

In Paragraph 26 of Chapter (10) of the Bill Committee, it is stated that "in confiscating farms in the interests of nation, it is a must to confiscate required least measurement of farm. It is necessary to implement projects within prescribed period as soon as possible. If projects are terminated, farms are to be given back to original farm owner." As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 26 of Chapter (10) shall be part of this bill.

In Paragraph 27 of Chapter (10) of the Bill Committee, it is stated that "except order or summons of the President or authorities appointed by the President, pasture land and common village land are to remain unchanged. As Hluttaw approved above-mentioned amendment, Paragraph 27 of Chapter (10) shall be part of this bill.

The Hluttaw decided to approve the paragraph-30 of the Chapter 11 that states "Ministry can leave any virgin and vacant when necessary for the State. According to the rules and regulations of the central committee for managing vacant and virgin land, when the term of land tax exemption expires, the land shall be a part of this law as the lands can be used for the agricultural farming", as a part of this bill.

Regarding the paragraph-34 (A) of Chapter 13 expressed in the paragraph-31 of the Chapter 13 of the bill committee, the Hluttaw decided to approve the amended paragraph-34 (A) of Chapter 13 "the Ministry shall make necessary rules and regulations for agricultural land management with the agreement of the Union Government" as a part of the this bill.

Regarding the paragraph-35 of Chapter 13 expressed in the paragraph-32 of the Chapter 13 of the bill committee, the Hluttaw decided to approve the amended paragraph-35 of Chapter 13 stated that "this law revoked the laws amendment of the 1953 Land Nationalization Act, 1963 Tenancy Law, the 1963 Farmers Rights Protection Law and 1965 Tenancy Law. When the laws are revoked, the cases handled by the previous laws are not ceased. The unfinished or remaining cases shall be handled in accordance with the existing laws to be part of the this bill.

The Hluttaw also approved the newly added paragraph-36 of the Chapter-13 submitted by U Thein Hlaing of Sagaing Region Constituency No.8 stated that "agriculturlists associations are allowed to organize in accordance with the laws enacted for improvement of the socio economy of farmers." as a part of the bill as majority agreed with the new paragraph.

The Hluttaw decided the correction of the bill committee stated that "The 2011 Land Act (Union Hluttaw Law No.—, 2011) —(Day), —(Month), —(1373 ME), —(Day), —(Month), —(2011), the Union Hluttaw enacted this law", as part of the bill. In the discussion session, U Soe Myint of the Constituency No (6) of Magway Region discussed the **proposal to construct sluice gates at necessary places for perpetuity of the Ayeyawady River and to implement the projects on maintaining the water course at downstream of the river.**

U Myo Myint of Mandalay Region Constituency No.6 seconded the proposal saying that as the task to maintain the river is gigantic, the plan should be drawn

step by step while giving priority to the funds.

U Saw Tun Mya Aung of the Constituency No 5 of Kayin State also seconded the proposal and suggested that a reservoir should be constructed upstream of the river to irrigate farmland while sandbanks along the river should be dredged to prevent erosion, and river water pumping projects should be constructed along the river when hydro power is abundant, and industries would be booming along the river.

Dr Aye Maung of Rakhine State Constituency No 1 suggested to draw a master plan to maintain the river and to draw a special plan to maintain the basin of the river.

U Hla Swe of Magway Region constituency No 12 suggested that it is sine qua non to implement a tame river project so that there is abundant of water in the Ayeyawady River in the summer and no floods in the rainy season, the river can handle over-2000-ton ships and farmers can grow crops in islands in the river.

Dr Banyan Aung Moe of Mon State Constituency No 7 suggested to invite experts, NGOs at home abroad and governmental departments to be able to make detail assessment to the long-term project of conserving the river. He stressed the need for carrying out the conservation tasks systematically and cost effectively.

U Zaw Myint Pe of Mandalay Region Constituency No 5 seconded the proposal and suggested that to be able to use the Ayeyawady River effectively, a group of experts should make assess where and which kind of dams will be constructed over the river, to carry out the development projects while conserving the river, to make efforts for attracting assistance from foreign countries or investment as part of win-win cooperation.

Dr Myat Nyana Soe of Yangon Region Constituency No 4 suggested to calculate the risk to security of the people when dams are destroyed by disasters such as earthquakes and record rains. He also suggested not to damage the environment and socio-economy when dams are built. He also suggested to release reports on assessment of the experts and to consider the voice of the people. He also urged the ministries concerned to be wise when they handle every thing.

U Sai Paung Nap of Shan State Constituency No 12 said that people are worried that the Ayeyawady River would disappear when dams are built on it. It is discovered that in developed countries, sluice gates over rivers can store fresh water, can help navigation and can conserve the rivers. Besides, they can help for the navigation, irrigation and hydro power generation.

He requested the ministries concerned to make good assessment to types of dams and sites.

U Khin Maung Yi of Ayeyawady Region Constituency No 6 suggested to make assessment to the river by river conservation experts at home and abroad to consider the proposal while ministries concerned has taken the main duty to make assess and conserve the river. The Hluttaw should decide whether the proposal should be approved.

Regarding the proposal submitted by U Soe Myint, Deputy Minister for Transport U Win Shein said that the big rivers such as the Ayeyawady, Thanlwin, Chindwin, Sittoung are flowing in Myanmar and there are many tributaries and creeks in the country. Two third of the country's area lies in the tropical region, and the rivers in Myanmar are fed by monsoon rain as the country is located in the Asian Monsoon Region. The rainfall from May to October has reached 90% or 95% of the rain fall in a year and the rain fall is heavy in July, August and September. Therefore, the water level in rivers rises in May and June and reaches its peak in July, August and September and decreases in October. Last year's average rain fall is 29.02 inches in Pakokku Township and 178.23 inches in Kyaukphyu township. The average rain fall per year in Myanmar in 10 years is 96 inches, falling around 58 million cubic feet.

Of them, about 22 million cubic feet equivalent to 38 per cent the total rainfall had flowed into the sea through the rivers. The remaining 62 per cent of the total rainfall has sunk into the soil and evaporated.

The flowing rate of the Ayeyawady River has reached

40393 cubic meter/second in the rainy season and 2102 cubic meter per second in summer. Therefore, the river causes floods in the rainy season and it is difficult to handle ships in some places of the river in summer. Therefore, the system of the river needs to be maintained in summer for navigation.

The reason why rivers are damaged is nature and activities of the man. Floods, bad situation for navigation in summer, erosion and sand banks in rivers show that rivers are damaged.

Around 278 tons of sand are silted up the Ayeyawady River every year and 131 tons of sand the Chindwin River every year, limiting the navigation along the rivers.

To over come the hardships to navigation in summer



Amyotha Hluttaw representative U Khin Maung Yi of Ayeyawady Region Constituency No (6) participates in discussion.—MNA



Amyotha Hluttaw representative U Zaw Myint Pe of Mandalay Region Constituency No (5) partakes in discussion. MNA

along the Ayeyawady River, the Water Resources and Rivers System Development Department has applied the bed regulation way.

As about 38 per cent of the total rainfall in Myanmar flows into the sea, it is beneficial to construct a dam project to store the water. However, if the catchment area is damaged due to the environmental degradation, the amount of water flowing into the rivers can be decreased.

Myanmar's rivers which are beneficial to the country are experiencing the floods in rainy season and droughts in summer. Therefore, low head dams along the rivers can control the flowing and can help regular flow of the rivers, decreasing floods in June and August and preventing erosion in rainy season and helping navigation in summer. The systems of building dams to control flow of rivers need heavy investment and produce enormous benefits. To reap the such benefits in the navigation, it is necessary to carry out bed regulation along the rivers section by section.

Therefore, plans should be made to calculate the benefits and risks of sluice gates on rivers by experts. Building dams to store water is the integrated water resources management and could help generating hydro power, irrigation and navigation. To implement these projects, physical model and numerical model should be built to get the safety designs of the facilities not to damage the environment. Therefore, long-term plans should be drawn and implemented systematically to build sluice gates on the Ayeyawady River and to maintain navigation along the river in the interests of the State.

The Hluttaw agreed to approve the **proposal to construct sluice gates at necessary places for perpetuity of the Ayeyawady River and to implement the projects on maintaining the water course at downstream of the river** as majority seconded the proposal.

The Speaker of Amyotha Hluttaw sought the approval from the representatives to send message of condolences to Japan for Mr. Takeo Nichioka, Speaker of the upper house of Japan, passed at the age of 75 on Saturday, 5, November, 2011, and the Hluttaw agreed to send the message of condolence to Japan.

The regular session ended 5:10 pm.

MNA

Bago Region, Ayeyawady Region Hluttaws hold first second regular sessions

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov—The seventh day of the first second regular session of Bago Region Hluttaw was held at the hall of Bago Region Hluttaw at 10 am yesterday. It was attended by Bago Region Chief Minister U Nyan Win, Speaker and Vice-Speaker of Bago Region Hluttaw U Win Tin, and 74 representatives.

At the Hluttaw, the regional representatives asked 34 queries, and the respective regional ministers, secretary of Bago Region government, Bago Region Chief Justice,

advocate-general, Bago Region auditor-general, answered them. The Hluttaw came to an end at 2 pm yesterday.

The fifth day of the first second regular session of Ayeyawady Region Hluttaw was held at the meeting hall of Ayeyawady Region at 10 am yesterday, attended by Speaker of Ayeyawady Region Thayay Sithu U San Sint and 66 representatives.

At the Hluttaw, the representative regional ministers answered 18 queries asked by regional representatives. There were one bill and

four proposals tabled to the Hluttaw. The Hluttaw continued today.

At 10 am today, the sixth day of the first second regular session of Ayeyawady Region Hluttaw was held at the meeting hall of Ayeyawady Region Hluttaw, attended by Speaker of Ayeyawady Region Hluttaw Thayay Sithu U San Sint and 69 representatives.

At the Hluttaw, the Hluttaw representatives asked 25 queries, and the representative ministers answered them. The report on 100-day development tasks

Devotees continue to crowd at Uppatasanti Pagoda to pay obeisance to Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov—Flock of pilgrims continued to visit Uppatasanti Pagoda to pay obeisance to Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic conveyed from the People's Republic of China today from dawn

to dark.

Doctors from Health Department under the Ministry of Health are providing free medical care to devotees from various regions.

Union Minister for Finance and Revenue U Hla Tun and wife Daw Khin Than Win paid homage to the Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic this morning donated K 500,000 for the tooth relic.

Since the conveyance of Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic from China to

Uppatasanti pagoda on 6 November evening to this evening, donations at the centers amounted to K 255818820, FEC 83, USD 3131, RMB 2034, Thai baht 4289, Philippine Peso 500, Malaysian ringgit 335, Indonesia rupiahs 200500, India rupee 312, Vietnamese dong 141,000, Cambodian riel 2000, Singapore dollar 85, Korean Wan 4287, £ 5, Japanese ¥ 4000, Sri Lanka rupee 100 and 822 items of jewellery worth about 55232460.—MNA

Chinese delegation led by Vice-Chairman of the Internal and Judicial Affairs Committee of the National People's Congress of PRC concludes visit

YANGON, 16 Nov—The Chinese delegation led by Vice-Chairman of the Internal and Judicial Affairs Committee of the National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China Mr. Bai Jingfu this morning paid homage to Shwedagon Pagoda.

After they had offered flowers, water, light, joss sticks and cash donations to the pagoda, they signed the visitors' book.

The Chinese delegation enjoyed the luncheon hosted by Yangon Region Hluttaw Speaker U Sein Tin Win at Sedona Hotel here at noon, together

with Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe, Yangon Region Hluttaw Deputy Speaker U Tin Aung and Chinese Ambassador to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Mr. Li Junhua. The Chinese delegation left Yangon this afternoon.—MNA

Two Poles rescued from Colombian jungle

BOGOTA, 16 Nov—Two Polish scouts who got lost for five days in the thick jungle of southern Colombia have been rescued by a Colombia Air Force emergency team, authorities said Monday.

After trudging through the dense jungle in the southern Province of Caqueta, the rescue team on Sunday spotted one of the Polish scouts near the Yari river and the other still in midstream,

according to an official report posted on the website of the Air Force.

The two men, identified as Thomas Jefrys and Macies Taracin, were found safe and sound, the report said.

According to their accounts, their boat was overturned by a surge of water as they were traveling along the river from the province's capital to the Town of Cartagena del Chaira, leaving them adrift for days.

One of them later made it to shore and used a satellite phone to call a friend in Germany who made the necessary arrangements through the consulate of that country, the report said.

The Poles told local media that they had eaten insects and plants to survive, adding that despite their ordeal, they would not hesitate to visit the South American nation again in future.

Xinhua

Rarest dolphin spotted in NZ harbour after two-year disappearance

WELLINGTON, 16 Nov—One of the world's smallest and rarest marine dolphins has been seen in the harbour of New Zealand's capital, more than two years after the last sighting, conservation officials announced Tuesday. The Hector's dolphin was sighted in Wellington harbour on Monday and reported the country's Department of Conservation (DOC), said a DOC statement.

The person who spotted the dolphin said it had "spent about five minutes zooming under and around the boat (with the engine in neutral) before disappearing," said the statement.

Meanwhile, a spectator on shore reported seeing two dolphins.

"It is really exciting to see the return of this

very special New Zealand dolphin," DOC Kapiti Wellington biodiversity programme manager Peter Simpson said in a statement.

"The next step is to try and get a high quality photograph and genetic sample of the dolphin to see if it is the same or a different individual from the one that visited us in 2009," he said.—Xinhua

Man smuggled scorpions, snakes from China

STOCKHOLM, 16 Nov—A Swedish court sentenced a man to 60 hours of community service for smuggling 41 scorpions and eight snakes from China.

Authorities said the 28-year-old man, who is a snake breeder, was stopped at Stockholm Arlanda Airport and inspectors discovered 41

scorpions, five vipers and three Chinese grass snakes in his luggage, the Swedish news agency TT reported Monday.

Investigators said the creatures were kept in plastic containers and two of the snakes did not survive the trip from China.

The man, who was convicted of smuggling

in Attunda District Court, told the court he had received the animals as a gift.

Prosecutors said authorities had previously intercepted a courier package sent to the man from Hong Kong with five snakes in two containers marked "toys."

Internet

School bus accident kills 19 in NW China

LANZHOU, 16 Nov—Nineteen people, including 17 preschoolers, died in a school bus accident Wednesday morning in

northwest China's Gansu Province, the local government said.

The accident happened at around 9:40 am in Yulinzi Township

of Zhengning County, in the City of Qingyang, the provincial work safety bureau said in a Press release. The bureau did not reveal more details. It said the cause of the accident is under investigation.

Xinhua



A model shows a jeep, made in the United States, at the 2011 Dubai international auto show in Dubai, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), on 10 Nov, 2011. The five-day car exhibition, the biggest in the Middle East, was opened on 10 Nov.—XINHUA

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Deer collision hotspots now include major roads and motorways in central and lowland Scotland, Scottish Natural Heritage found.

INTERNET

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MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (609)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (609) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 17.11.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

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

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Local Sale of (340.15) Metric Tons of Cathode Copper in United States Dollar.

RESERVE PRICE : US\$ 8040/Metric Ton
 CLOSING DATE & TIME : 20th November, 2011 at 18:00 hrs

Tender documents are available at the following address, Any queries can be done between (9:30) AM and (4:30) PM before tender closing date.

No.(1) Mining Enterprise
 Ministry of Mines, Building No. (19), Nay Pyi Taw.
 Ph: 067-409380, 409383 Fax 067-409379

Scotland may cull deer in greater numbers to reduce road accidents

LONDON, 16 Nov — Deer cause an estimated 7,000 collisions a year, with experts blaming new lowland and urban woodlands for population surge. Wild deer may be culled in much larger numbers across lowland and urban Scotland to limit their rapidly increasing population and reverse a



steep rise in road accidents. Wildlife experts have found that the growth in new lowland and urban forests and green spaces has led to a surge in deer numbers, which has increased the rate of crashes and collisions on motorways and major roads in heavily-populated areas. One recent study for Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH), the government wildlife agency, estimated there are at least 7,000 collisions and crashes caused by deer and at least 65 injuries for motorists

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

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As the leading aviation event in the Middle East, the biannual Dubai airshow runs until Thursday. Organizers said fair this year will be the biggest yet and expects some 55,000 professional visitors. — XINHUA

Study links Parkinson's disease to industrial solvent

LONDON, 16 Nov — An international study has linked an industrial solvent to Parkinson's disease. Researchers found a six-fold increase in the risk of developing Parkinson's in individuals exposed in the workplace to trichloroethylene (TCE). Although many uses for TCE have been banned around the world, the chemical is still used as a degreasing agent. The research was based on

analysis of 99 pairs of twins selected from US data records. Parkinson's can result in limb tremors, slowed movement and speech impairment, but the exact cause of the disease is still unknown, and there is no cure.

Research to date suggests a mix of genetic and environmental factors may be responsible. A link has

previously been made with pesticide use. The researchers from institutes in the US, Canada, Germany and Argentina, wanted to examine the impact of solvent exposure — specifically six solvents including TCE. They looked at 99 sets of twins, one twin with Parkinson's, the other without. —Internet

Amelia Hempleman-Adams camps in freezer for Antarctic trip

LONDON, 16 Nov — The daughter of explorer David Hempleman-Adams has taken to a supermarket freezer and braved temperatures of -27C as she prepares for a trip to the Antarctic. Amelia Hempleman-Adams, 16, of Wiltshire, is hoping to become the youngest person to ski to the South Pole. She will join her father on the expedition which begins on 18 November when they leave the UK. —Internet



The daughter of explorer David Hempleman-Adams has taken to a supermarket freezer and braved temperatures of -27C. —INTERNET

Venezuela's coach sees Brazil on horizon

SAN CRISTOBAL, 16 Nov—Venezuela are picking up points in the South American qualifiers at a rate that will surely see them through to their first World Cup finals in 2014, coach Cesar Farias said on Tuesday.

Venezuela beat Bo-



Venezuela's Salomon Rondon, left, controls the ball under pressure from Bolivia's Jaime Robles during a 2014 World Cup qualifying match in San Cristobal, Venezuela, on 15 Nov, 2011. —INTERNET

livia 1-0 to join Uruguay and Argentina on seven points in the top places of the South American group standings they could previously only dream of reaching. "If Venezuela can maintain this (points) average, we will surely reach the World Cup," Farias, who has set his heart on steering his team to the Brazil finals, told reporters.

Central defender Oswaldo Vizcarrondo scored the only goal with a header from a corner in the 25th minute and Venezuela, who are showing their fourth place at this year's Copa America in Argentina was no fluke, then hung on under constant if rather lightweight pressure from Bolivia in a second half downpour.

Internet

Ireland, Portugal, Croatia, Czechs reach Euro 2012

LISBON, 16 Nov—No cruel hand of fate was going to deny the Irish this time. Knocked out of World Cup qualifying two years ago by France with the help of Thierry Henry's hand ball, Ireland clinched a berth in next year's European Championship on Tuesday night, the first major tournament for the Irish in a decade.

Ireland's 1-1 tie against visiting Estonia won the home-and-home playoff on 5-1 aggregate.

"We missed out two years ago in terrible circumstances. So to get to a major championship now is an amazing feeling. It's big celebration time," Irish winger Aiden McGeady said after Ireland earned a berth along with Portugal, Croatia and the Czech Republic to complete the 16-nation field.

A capacity crowd of about 51,000 roared approval as coach Giovanni Trapattoni's squad did a victory lap around Dublin's year-old Aviva Stadium.—Internet



Portugal's Fabio Coentrao, centre, evades Bosnia's Adnan Zahirovic as Portugal's coach Paulo Bento, right, looks on during their Euro 2012 playoffs second leg match on 15 Nov, 2011, at the Luz stadium in Lisbon. Portugal defeated Bosnia 6-2 to qualify for the 2012 finals.—INTERNET

Japan's Sawa in running for another football award

KUALA LUMPUR, 16 Nov—Homare Sawa is in line for another football honour after leading Japan to the Women's World Cup title this year. Three Japanese players were shortlisted Wednesday for the Asian Football Con-

federation's Women's Player of the Year award including Sawa, who won the Golden Boot and Golden Ball awards during the World Cup in Germany, goalkeeper Ayumi Kaihori and Aya Miyama.

Sawa and Miyama have already been included on a shortlist of 10 candidates for FIFA's Women's World Player of the Year.

Server Djeparov is among six men shortlisted for the AFC player award. The 2008 winner from Uzbekistan is in the running against Iran defender Hadi Aghily, Japan pair Shinhi Kagawa and Keisuke Honda and South Korea's Koo Ja-cheol and Yeom Ki-hun.—Internet

cross to mark his 63rd goal at 113 international caps.—Xinhua



Germany's scorer Mesut Ozil, center, and his teammate Sami Khedira, right, celebrate their side's third goal during a friendly soccer match between Germany and the Netherlands in Hamburg, Germany, on 15 Nov, 2011. In the foreground is Dutch player Klaas-Jan Huntelaar.—INTERNET

Canada 4-0 St Kitts and Nevis: Dwayne De Rosario ties scoring record

TORONTO, 16 Nov—Canada concluded the second round of CONCACAF World Cup qualifying on Tuesday



Canada's Simeon Jackson battles for the ball with Thrizen Leader (L) of St Kitts and Nevis during their 2014 World Cup qualifying soccer match in Toronto, on 15 Nov, 2011.—INTERNET

with a 4-0 win over St Kitts and Nevis in front of 10,235 at BMO field in Toronto.

The two sides shared the spoils in their first encounter last week, but Canada made no mistake this time as Josh Simpson, Dwayne De Rosario, Olivier Ocran and Tosaint Ricketts netted for the Canucks.

"It's a great performance all around," De Rosario said in a post-match interview with Sportsnet. "These guys wanted to show the fans that we can score. We proved it tonight."

Internet

Tiger and ex-caddie in the same match

MELBOURNE, 16 Nov—The Presidents Cup wasted no time delivering the match everyone was talking about—Tiger Woods against ex-caddie Steve Williams in the opening session at Royal Melbourne.

Oh, yes, and three other players will join them.

US captain Fred Couples and International captain Greg Norman, hopeful of putting an end to a three-month soap opera involving Woods and Williams, put them together in the last of six foursomes matches Thursday.

"I think it's great for the tournament," Norman said. "It needed to be done."

Internet

Denmark coach criticizes 24-team format at UEFA Championship 2016

COPENHAGEN, 16 Nov—Denmark's national football coach Morten Olsen said Monday that it was a mistake to expand from 16 to 24 the number of teams competing in the final round of the UEFA European Football Championships 2016. Olsen said the expansion risks making the tournament uninteresting, while encouraging poor athletic performance.

"It is commercially a smart decision,

Denmark's Coach Morten Olsen, centre among Daniel Agger, left, and Simon Poulsen, right, during a training session at Helsingor Stadium, north of Copenhagen, Denmark, on 9 Nov, 2011.—INTERNET

and probably the reason for the enlargement," Olsen told Danish newspaper *Jyllands-Posten*. "But I believe the Championship becomes rather diluted because of it," he added. "I know this world is all about making money, but the tournament is devalued when nearly half of all UEFA members play in the finals," Olsen said.

Internet



Germany down the Netherlands 3-0 at soccer friendly

BERLIN, 16 Nov—Germany sealed the first victory since 1996 against the Netherlands attributed to a faultless performance by the German team against lax Dutchmen in front of home crowd in Hamburg on Tuesday.

Germany staged from the start offensively minded soccer whereas the Netherlands seemed idealess throughout the match. With only 14 minutes into the match, Germany opened the scoring after a terrific combination when striker Thomas Mueller finished the assist from Miroslav Klose.

The "Elftal" was shocked by the early deficit so that Germany were able to double the lead only ten minutes later when top striker Klose headed home a

SPORTS

South Korea to host Presidents Cup in 2015



South Korea's Y. E. Yang watches his ball after he hit from the rough of the 7th hole during the third and final round of the Singapore Open golf tournament, on 13 Nov, 2011 in Singapore.

INTERNET

MELBOURNE, 16 Nov—South Korea will become the first Asian country to host the Presidents Cup in 2015.

US PGA Tour commissioner Tim Finchem said Wednesday at this year's Presidents Cup that an as-yet undecided Korean club will host the biennial tournament between the United States and an International team of golfers representing non-European countries.

Internet

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (17-11-2011) (Thursday)

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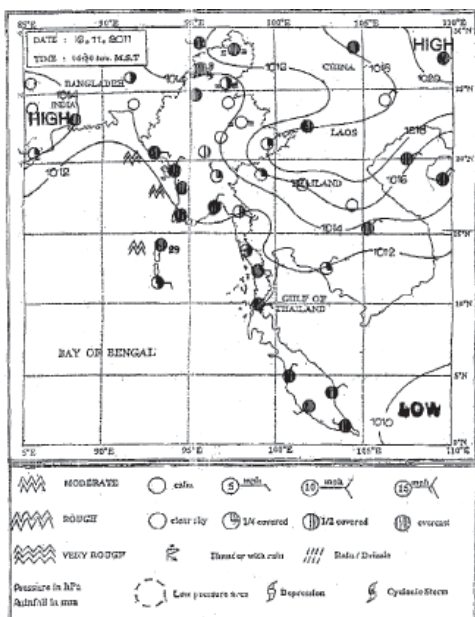
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- * Myanmar Movie "Guilt Over Love"

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Thursday, 17 November View on today

- 7:00 am 1. Paritta by Venerable Mingun Sayadaw
- 7:25 am 2. To Be Healthy Exercise
- 7:30 am 3. Morning News

- 7:40 am 4. Dhamma Puja Song
- 7:55 am 5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 8:05 am 6. Health Programme
- 8:10 am 7. Dance of National Races
- 8:20 am 8. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing arts Competitions
- 8:25 am 9. Dance of Variety
- 8:35 am 10. Documentary
- 8:40 am 11. International News
- 8:45 am 12. Musical Programme
- 4:00 pm 1. Martial Song

- 4:05pm 2. Musical Programme
- 4:20 pm 3. Cute Little Dancers
- 4:30 pm 4. Music on Winter Songs
- 4:45pm 5. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) - First Year (Myanmar)
- 5:00pm 6. Songs for Upholding National Spirit
- 5:05pm 7. One Village and One Product

- 5:20pm 8. Teleplay (Traffic)
- 5:40pm 9. Science and Environment
- 6:00 pm 10. Evening News
- 6:15 pm 11. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm 12. Myanmar Series
- 6:35 pm 13. Approaching Science Discovery World
- 7:00pm 14. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm 15. News
- 16. International News
- 17. Weather Report
- 18. Documentary
- 19. TV Drama Series
- 20. TV Drama Series

Weather forecast for 17th November, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/°F)		For Tomorrow	
		Maximum	Minimum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	30/86	13/55	Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
2	Kayah	27/81	12/54	Generally fair weather	
3	Kayin	35/95	20/68	Partly cloudy	
4	Chin	20/68	04/45	Partly cloudy	
5	Upper Sagaing	31/88	18/64	Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
6	Lower Sagaing	34/93	19/66	Generally fair weather	
7	Taninthayi	35/95	20/68	Likelihood isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
8	Bago	33/91	20/68	Generally fair weather	
9	Magway	33/95	20/68	Generally fair weather	
10	Mandalay	33/91	20/68	Generally fair weather	
11	Mon	35/95	19/66	Partly cloudy	
12	Yangon	35/95	21/70	Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
13	Rakhine	33/91	18/64	Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
14	Southern Shan	26/79	9/48	Partly cloudy	
15	Northern Shan	28/82	12/54	Partly cloudy	
16	Eastern Shan	29/84	11/52	Partly cloudy	
17	Ayeyawady	34/93	23/73	Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers	60%
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	35/95	17/63	Partly cloudy	
19	Neighbouring Yangon	35/95	22/72	Partly cloudy	
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	33/91	19/66	Generally fair weather	

Summary of observations at 09:30 hr MST on today
 During the past (24) hours, rain or thundershowers has been isolated in Upper Sagaing, Yangon and Regions and Kachin State, weather have been partly cloudy in Mandalay, Ayeyawady Taninthayi Regions and Rakhine State and generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Night temperatures were (3°C) above November average temperatures in Rakhine, Kayah and Mon States, (4°C) below November average temperatures in Taninthayi Region, (6°C) below November average temperatures in Upper Sagaing Region and about November average temperatures in the remaining Regions and States. The significant night temperature was Hakha (5°C), Nansam and Pinlaung (7°C) each. The noteworthy amount of rainfall recorded was Cocogyun (1.14) inches.

Bay Inference
 Weather is cloudy in Southern Bay and partly cloudy in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

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

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

Hackers tried to attack royal wedding website

LONDON, 16 Nov— Scotland Yard's cyber-crime unit helped fend off an attack on the official website of Britain's royal wedding in April, the division's chief said Tuesday.

Det Supt Charlie McMurdie told a London cybersecurity conference that action was taken to safeguard the site, which received 15 million hits when Prince William married Kate Middleton on 29 April. McMurdie made the comments in passing at the Royal United Services Institute, a defence think-tank. Asked for more information by *The Associated Press*, she said her unit had "been called in" to deal with an attack.

She declined to go into any further detail, but a



Scotland Yard spokesman asked about the case said a 16-year-old had been detained on 10 Oct in relation to "a suspected attempt to encourage others to commit a distributed denial-of-service attack." Such attacks work by bombarding websites with bogus traffic in an attempt to overwhelm them.

The spokesman said the teenager is out on bail and has yet to be charged. He spoke anonymously

in line with force policy. The royal wedding was a massive Internet event, with providers saying it may have been the most heavily live-streamed event ever.

Many websites, including the *BBC* and *YouTube's* royal channel, occasionally struggled to cope under the strain of the traffic. The official royal wedding website said that, at its peak, it was handling more than 2,000 requests a second.—*Internet*

Pyithu Hluttaw session continues for 48th day

One proposal discussed, information to enlist given, formation of commission submitted, approval for one bill sought

NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov—The 48th day session of the Pyithu Hluttaw was held at Pyithu Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building, here, at 10.15 am today, attended by Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann and 369 Pyithu Hluttaw representatives.

One proposal was discussed, information for enlisting given, formation of commission submitted and approval for one bill sought.

Two Hluttaw representatives discussed the proposal submitted by U Kyi Than of Gwa Constituency that **it should not amend or add the Electricity Law.**

U Aye Mauk of Mahlaing Constituency discussed that electricity was used by Burma Ruby Mine in Mogok in 1908 for the first time. In 1910, supply of electricity was added in Yangon and Mandalay. To be free from danger of electricity, the Electricity Act (1910) was enacted and the Electricity Rules was issued in 1937. As an electricity supply board should be formed, the Electricity Supply Act was promulgated in 1948. The Electricity Law as the Law No. 7 of Pyithu Hluttaw was enacted in 1984 and then electricity rules issued in 1985.

Although the law and rules were in conformity

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with a designated period, the Electricity Law 1984 must be amended compulsory due to improvement of electricity consumption, use of modern electronic equipment and supply system. Such law is being realized by Electrical Inspector-EI under the Industrial Supervision and Inspection Department

of the Ministry of Industry-1.

Electrical Inspector is taking responsibility as medium to inspect and suggest prevention against danger of electricity and to avoid loss of opportunities between producers and consumers.

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Amyotha Hluttaw session continues for 47th day

Approval sought for one bill, one proposal discussed



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NAY PYI TAW, 16 Nov—Amyotha Hluttaw session continued for the 47th day at Amyotha Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building here at 1 pm, attended by Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint and 204 Amyotha Hluttaw representatives.

Approval was sought for one bill and one proposal was discussed.

Hluttaw representatives discussed matters related to the **Farmland Bill** sent and approved by Pyithu Hluttaw. As the order of Hluttaw, officials of Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation were invited to discuss and scrutinize again. And report

was sent to Chairman U Mya Nyein of Bill Committee.

In searching approval of Hluttaw for the Farmland Bill sent and approved by Pyithu Hluttaw to approve it paragraph by paragraph, Paragraph 2 (a) of Chapter (1) of the Bill Committee prescribes that "farmland means virgin lands suitable for farming and land suitable to grow perennial trees and nipa and garden lands, lands suitable to grow vegetable and flowery plants, designated lands, alluvial land, and land on which residential buildings are constructed without permission that can be used as the wish of the State, excluding

residential building within the boundary of township and village, religious buildings and precinct, and private land unable to be used for developing purpose".

As U Ohn Tin of Rakhine State Constituency No. 10 submitted to take out the phrase "used as the wish of the State" of Paragraph 2 (a) of Chapter (1) to search approval of Hluttaw, the approval of Hluttaw was sought. It is decided not to take out that phrase as the representatives who opposed the proposal outnumbered other ones.

So, it is decided that Paragraph 2 (a) of Chapter (1) shall be part of the bill.

In Paragraph 2 (b) of Chapter (1) of Bill Committee, as amendment "right for farming is defined that as the State is original owner of all lands, giving permission for farming in conformity with this law and bylaw, rule and regulation of this law so that agricultural production capacity develop, excluding exploring gems, mines, petroleum, gas and natural resources below and above ground" was approved by Hluttaw, it was decided that Paragraph 2 (b) of Chapter (1) shall be part of the bill.

"Peasant is defined as anyone who falls within the competence of following points in Paragraph 2 (c) of Chapter (1) of the Bill Committee. (1) One using land by oneself or by oneself consistently as own major profession, (2) one who supervises agricultural process all along as own major profession, (3) one who invests capital and carries out growing process all along by oneself or manages

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