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The Law Revoking the 1964 Law Defining the Fundamental Rights and Responsibilities of the People's Workers

(The 2011 Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Law No.12)
11th Waning of Tazaungmon 1373 ME
(21 November, 2011)

The Pyidaungsu Hluttaw hereby enacts the following law.

1. This Law shall be called the Law Revoking the 1964 Law Defining the Fundamental Rights and Responsibilities of the People's Workers.
2. The 1964 Law Defining the Fundamental Rights and Responsibilities of the People's Workers (1964 Union of Myanmar Revolutionary Council Law No.6) shall be revoked with this Law.

I sign in accord with the Constitution of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.

Sd/Thein Sein
President
The Republic of the Union of Myanmar

Our Three Main National Causes

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

Significant night temperature (21-11-2011)

Haka	(4° C)
Pinlaung	(4° C)

President U Thein Sein attends 14th ASEAN-China Commemorative Summit, Launching of ASEAN-China Centre, 14th ASEAN-Japan Summit, 14th ASEAN-Republic of Korea Summit and 14th ASEAN+3 Summit



President U Thein Sein, heads of State/Government of ASEAN nations and China, Japan, ROK pose for documentary photo at 14th ASEAN+3 Summit.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov.—President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein attended 14th ASEAN-China Commemorative Summit, Launching of ASEAN-China Centre, 14th ASEAN-Japan Summit, 14th ASEAN-Republic of Korea Summit and 14th ASEAN+3 Summit at Bali Nusa Dua Convention Centre (BNDCC) in Bali of the Republic of Indonesia on 18 November.

First, ASEAN-China Commemorative Summit was held at Nusa Dua Hall 3 in BNDCC, attended by

President U Thein Sein, King of Brunei Darussalam Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah of Brunei Darussalam, Cambodian Prime Minister Samdech Hun Sen of Cambodia, Indonesian President Dr Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, Prime Minister of Lao PDR Mr Thongsing Thammavong, Malaysian Prime Minister Dato' Sri Mohd Najib bin Tun Abdul Razak, President of the Philippines Benigno S. Aquino III, Singaporean Prime Minister Mr Lee Hsien Loong, Thai

Prime Minister Ms Yingluck Shinawatra, Prime Minister of Socialist Republic of Vietnam Mr Nguyen Tan Dung, Prime Minister of the State Council of People's Republic of China Mr Wen Jiabao and ASEAN Secretary-General Dr Surin Pitsuwan.

Before the summit, heads of State/Government of ASEAN nations and the Chinese Premier posed for documentary photo.

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PERSPECTIVES

Tuesday, 22 November, 2011

Enhance national prestige and integrity through developing reading habit

It is necessary to develop reading habit in order to keep pace with the today's Knowledge Age, IT Age. Only through reading, can knowledge be accumulated.

Reading is of great benefit to us, accumulating knowledge, having a sense of weighing what is right and what is wrong and enhancing our own interest in worldly affairs and religious matters.

There are various kinds of books that can broaden our horizons in today's developing and changing knowledge age. Among them, books that can benefit the youths, books on languages, IT and technology, economics and history are mostly found. Newspapers, journals and magazines are sources of providing unlimited knowledge and aesthetics.

As a sentence or a paragraph can change the life of a reader, books with wisdom and philosophies of ancient educated persons should be read as priority.

People by nature always take an interest in newer things. They are fond of reading newly-published books. Reading books with lack of wisdom and philosophies is a complete waste of time and it is bad for improving yourself. So it is required to read good books to improve our life. Time is precious. Don't waste time by reading books of useless information.

So far, libraries have been set up in townships, towns and even villages. Every one can touch various kinds of newspapers, journals and magazines. Rural libraries are knowledge banks for rural people.

Only by reading good books and developing the reading habit, not only will our own interest but also the prestige and integrity of the nation and its people be enhanced.

Chinese journalists delegation observes Myanmar beauty spots

YANGON, 21 Nov— According to the programme for exchanging views on China-Myanmar journalism industries, a Chinese Journalist delegation led by General Secretary of Liaoning Journalists Association Ms. GUO Yingyan flew to Yangon to pay a trip on observing the interesting places in Myanmar.

They were welcomed by officials concerned of the Ministry of Information, and officials from Chinese Embassy of Myanmar at Yangon International Airport here this evening.—MNA

Chinese Journalists delegation led by General Secretary of Liaoning Journalists Association Ms. GUO Yingyan seen at Yangon International Airport.—MNA

President U Thein Sein meets UN Secretary-General Mr Ban Ki-moon



President U Thein Sein greets UN Secretary-General Mr Ban Ki-moon.
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NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov—President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein who arrived in Bali of Indonesia met UN Secretary-General Mr Ban Ki-moon at Nikko Bali Hotel and Resort at 7 am on 19 November.

Also present at the meeting were Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan, Union Minister for National Planning and

Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein, Myanmar Ambassador to Indonesia U Nyan Lynn and high-ranking departmental officials.

The President and the UN Secretary-General had a discussion on promotion of cooperation between the UN and Myanmar and relaxing sanctions against Myanmar.

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President U Thein Sein meets UN Secretary-General Mr Ban Ki-moon at Nikko Bali Hotel and Resort in Bali.—MNA



Earthquake News

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov—A moderate earthquake of magnitude (5.9) Richter Scale with its epicenter inside Myanmar about (210) miles Northwest of Mandalay seismological observatory (about 20 miles east-northeast of Homalin) was recorded at (09) hrs (46) min (56) sec MST on 21st November 2011.—MNA.

Chinese, Bruneian leaders praise bilateral cooperation



Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao (L) meets with Brunei's Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah in Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei, on 20 Nov, 2011.—XINHUA

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 21 Nov—Visiting Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao and Bruneian Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah said Sunday the two countries' cooperation is fruitful and conducive to regional stability and prosperity.

Addressing a welcoming banquet hosted by Hassanal

Bolkiah, Wen expressed his heart-felt congratulations on the achievements made by the Bruneian people in their nation's development.

China and Brunei share a long history of friendship, said Wen. Ever since the establishment of bilateral relations in 1991, the two countries have expanded cooperation in various

fields, bringing tangible benefits to the two peoples and pushing forward regional stability and prosperity, he added.

The Chinese premier called for joint efforts from both sides to carry on their traditional friendship, strengthen cooperation and strive for a better future for China-Brunei relations.

For his part, Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah said exchanges between Brunei and China can be dated back to over 1,000 years ago.

In the past two decades, peoples of the two countries have further enhanced their mutual understanding and made fruitful achievements in bilateral cooperation, he noted.

Hassanal Bolkiah said Brunei would like to join hands with China to develop and expand their traditional friendship, learn from each other, deepen cooperation and seek common development.

The Chinese premier, who arrived here Sunday for a visit to Brunei after attending a series of East Asian summit meetings in Indonesia, also held talks with Brunei's royal family members before the banquet.—Xinhua

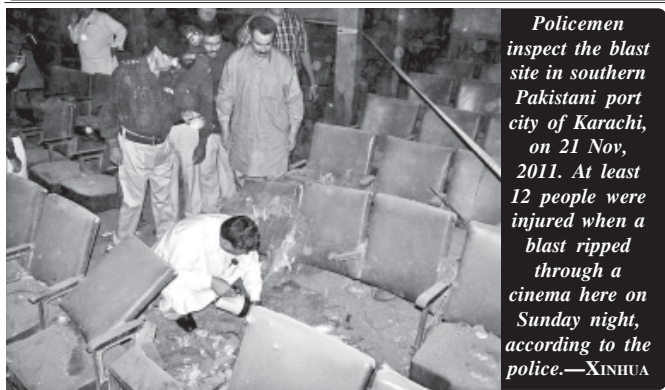
14 security personnel die in shootout with militants in SW Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 21 Nov— At least 14 Pakistani paramilitary troops have been killed in clashes with militants in the country's southwestern Balochistan Province, security sources and local media reported on Monday. TV channels reported that the clashes erupted in the Chamalang mountainous area late Sunday night after armed militants attacked the Frontier Corps (FC) troops, which continued until Monday morning. Local TV Ajj reported that 14 soldiers have been killed in the shootout so far. There are no official comments on the casualties.

Sources said that 11 FC troops were also injured and the bodies and injured have been evacuated in helicopters. The injured were airlifted to a military hospital in Quetta, the provincial capital.—Xinhua



In this 19 Nov, 2011, photo, US President Barack Obama meets with Thai Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra on the sidelines of the East Asia Summit in Nusa Dua, on the island of Bali, Indonesia.—INTERNET



Policemen inspect the blast site in southern Pakistani port city of Karachi, on 21 Nov, 2011. At least 12 people were injured when a blast ripped through a cinema here on Sunday night, according to the police.—XINHUA

Iran to review relations with IAEA

BEIJING, 21 Nov— Iranian Parliament Speaker Ali Larijani says Iran will review relations with the UN's nuclear watchdog, after its censure of Teheran over nuclear activities.

Ali Larijani, Iranian Parliament Speaker, said, "If the agency acts within the framework of the charter, we accept that we are a member of it and will carry out our responsibilities. But if the agency wants to deviate from its responsibilities then it should not expect our cooperation."

Larijani said that the pressure imposed by the United States and the West would not affect the continuation of Iran's nuclear programme. The International Atomic Energy Agency

passed a resolution on Friday voicing "increasing concern" about Iran's nuclear programme after an IAEA report stated that Teheran appeared to have worked on designing an atom bomb. Iran says it is enriching uranium for a planned network of civil nuclear power stations, not nuclear weapons.

As well, it rejected IAEA Director Yukiya Amano's report as politicised. Iran permits limited, regular IAEA inspections of its declared nuclear installations. However, it does not observe the agency's Additional Protocol allowing for short-notice checks of sites not declared to be nuclear, including research and development facilities.

Xinhua

Bomb-making terror suspect arrested in NYC

NEW YORK, 21 Nov— A 27-year-old man suspected of plotting to bomb various targets in New York City, including those of government and police, has been arrested, Mayor Michael Bloomberg said Sunday.

Police suspected Jose Pimentel, a Manhattan resident and al-Qaeda sympathizer, was plotting to bomb police, post offices and various other targets, Bloomberg told a news conference.

The suspect allegedly got instructions on



Jose Pimentel

how to build a pipe bomb from al-Qaeda's Inspire magazine, published by radical cleric Anwar Awlaki, who was killed by a US drone attack in Yemen in September.

Police has followed the suspect since May

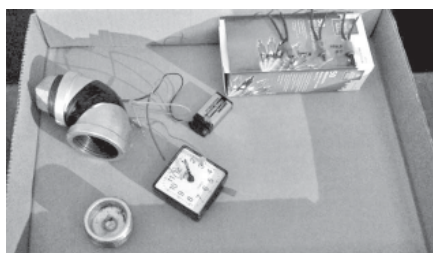
2009 and successfully took the man into custody before he could detonate a fully-operated bomb, according to the New York Police Department Commissioner Ray Kelly.

This is the 14th terror threat targeting New York City since the 9/11 attacks and the suspect was believed to act alone.

"The suspect was a so-called lone wolf, motivated by his own resentment of American troops in Iraq and Afghanistan, as well as al-Qaeda propaganda," Bloomberg said. "He was not part of a larger conspiracy emanating from abroad."

The suspect now faces terrorism-related charges including conspiracy, first-degree criminal possession of a weapon as a crime of terrorism, and soliciting support for a terrorist act.

Xinhua



The suspect allegedly learned how to make a pipe bomb after reading "Inspire," al-Qaeda's English-language magazine, the source said.—INTERNET

Business

Nikkei ends morning session slightly down

TOKYO, 21 Nov—Japan's key Nikkei index fell in morning trading, as a strengthening yen against the dollar pressurized exporters amid lingering concerns over the global economy.

At 11:30 am, the benchmark Nikkei-225 index was down 9.87 points from Friday, or 0.12 percent, to 8,365.04.

The broader Topix index of all Frist Section on the Tokyo Stock Exchange lost 1.89 points, or 0.26 percent to 718.09.—Xinhua

Hong Kong stocks open 1.50 pct lower

HONG KONG, 21 Nov—Hong Kong stocks moved down 277.51 points, or 1.50 percent, to open at 18,213.72 on Monday.—Xinhua

Gold price opens lower in Hong Kong

HONG KONG, 21 Nov—The gold price in Hong Kong went down 80 HK dollars to open at 15,960 HK dollars per tael on Monday, according to the Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange Society.

The price is equivalent to 1,720.01 US dollars a troy ounce, down 8.84 US dollars at the latest exchange rate of one US dollar against 7.789 HK dollars.—Xinhua

ChiNext Index opens lower Monday

BEIJING, 21 Nov—The ChiNext Index, tracking China's Nasdaq-style board of growth enterprises, opened at 866.98 points on Monday, 2.21 points lower from the previous close.

The index, together with the Shenzhen Component Index and the Shenzhen SME (small and medium-sized enterprises) Board Index, makes up the three core indices reflecting the performance of China's stocks listed on the Shenzhen Stock Exchange.

The ChiNext Board, which started trading on 30 Oct, 2009, mainly lists high-tech companies and those with high growth potential.—Xinhua

Health



Pine tree extract helps brain injury recovery. INTERNET

Pine tree extract helps brain injury recovery

LONDON, 21 Nov—An antioxidant extracted from the bark of the pine tree can help treat people with a traumatic brain injury, according to Auckland researchers.

In the study the extract, called Enzogenol, given to 60 people with a brain injury over three months, helps boost memory and improve attention span.

AUT stroke specialist Professor Valery Feigin said patients who took it were less likely to forget

people's names or basic directions, common problems for brain injury sufferers.

The results were great news as there were few evidence-based treatments for people with mild brain injury problems, she said.

"Other than brain exercises, there are limited treatments available to improve damage," the *Courier Mail* quoted Prof Feigin.

She is hoping to launch a large-scale trial on the back of the successful pilot study.

Internet

S'pore economy to grow 1-3% next year *Business*

SINGAPORE, 21 Nov—Singapore's economy is expected to grow by 1 to 3 percent next year, on expectations the global economy will remain subdued.

The Ministry of Trade and Industry (MTI) said the outlook is clouded by increased uncertainty and financial volatility.

"This does not factor in downside risks to growth, such as a worsening debt situation or a full-blown financial crisis in the advanced economies," MTI said in a statement.

"Should these risks

materialise, growth in the Singapore economy in 2012 could come in lower than expected," it added.

MTI reiterated its earlier forecast the

economy will grow around 5 percent this year.

It revised upwards its reading of third-quarter growth to an annualised 1.9 percent,

from an initial 1.3 percent.

Year-on-year, the economy grew by 6.1 percent in the third quarter, up from 1 percent in the preceding period.

MTI said it expects growth in the fourth quarter to weaken alongside deteriorating external macroeconomic conditions.

MTI expects Singapore's electronics industry and other sectors that rely heavily on overseas orders to remain under pressure despite support from Asia's better-performing economies.—Internet



Singapore Skyline.—INTERNET

Health Overweight people eat less often

WASHINGTON, 21 Nov—Overweight adults eat less often than people in the normal body weight range, but still take in more calories and are less active over the course of the day, according to a US study.

By contrast, normal weight adults, including those who had lost a lot

of weight and kept it off, ate more often, according to findings published in the *Journal of the American Dietetic Association*.

"Most of the research has shown that people who eat more frequently have a lower weight. But no one knows why," said lead

researcher Jessica Bachman, an assistant professor in the department of Nutrition and Dietetics at Marywood University in Scranton, Pennsylvania.

More than 60 percent of US residents are obese or overweight, but the relationship between the number of meals people eat each day and the ability to maintain weight loss has remained unclear, she said.—Reuters

Subway commuters walk through the turnstiles while leaving the US Open in New York on 4 September, 2007.—REUTERS



Business Sensex starts off week in the red

MUMBAI, 21 Nov — Indian equities markets started the week with a negative bias with a benchmark index falling almost 160 points minutes after opening bell.

The 30-scrip sensitive index (Sensex) of the BSE, which opened lower at 16,297.03 points, was ruling at 16,211.53 points, down 159.98 points or 0.98 percent from its previous close at 16,371.51 points.

The 50-scrip S and P CNX Nifty of the National Stock Exchange was also trading in the red, 49.35 points

or 1.01 percent lower at 4,856.45 points.

Both benchmarks had lost about 5 percent last week as the European debt crisis continued to plague

Indian investors.

Broader markets were also ruling lower with the BSE midcap index down 0.84 percent.

Internet



President U Thein Sein attends Mekong-Japan Summit



President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein attends Mekong-Japan Summit.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov — President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein attended the Mekong-Japan Summit held at Samudra Hall of Ayodya Hotel in Bali of Indonesia at 7 pm on 18 November.

Also present at the summit were Japanese Prime Minister Mr Yoshihiko Noda, Leaders of Mekong Subregion countries Cambodian Prime Minister Samdech Hun Sen, Laotian Prime Minister Mr Thongsing Thammavong, Thai Prime Minister Ms Yingluck Shinawatra and Vietnamese Prime Minister Mr Nguyen Tan Dung, ministers of Japan and countries in Greater Mekong subregion, deputy ministers and high-ranking officials.

Before the meeting, the Heads of State/ Government posed for a documentary photo.

Next, the Japanese Prime Minister made an opening address at the summit.

Then leaders of Japan and countries in Greater Mekong Subregion discussed matters related to cooperation between countries sharing Mekong River and Japan, and released a joint-declaration.—MNA



President U Thein Sein, leaders of Mekong Subregion countries and Japanese Prime Minister Mr Yoshihiko Noda pose for documentary photo.

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Workshop on Capacity Enhancement of Myanmar Civil Service-2011 commences

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov—A Workshop on Capacity Enhancement of Myanmar Civil Service-2011 organized by the Union Civil Services Board (UCSB) in collaboration with the Sasakawa Peace Foundation of Japan (SPF) was opened at Yadana Theinga Hotel, here, this morning.

Experts for respective subjects from India, Japan, the Republic of Korea, Malaysia and Singapore and local experts will participate in the workshop.

Chairman of the UCSB U Kyaw Thu extended greetings and President of the SPF Mr Yuji Takagi presented an opening address.

The opening ceremony was attended

by members of the UCSB U Khin Maung Aye, Dr Win Myint, Dr Myint Aung, Dr Kyaw Kyaw Htay and U Soe Oo, directors-general, resource persons and participants.

A total of 90 participants from various ministries and governmental organizations are attending the workshop where five main themes focusing on Greater Mekong Sub-regional

Cooperation, Corporate Governance, Identifying Development Project Goals and Measures, the Role of Government in Harnessing FDI and Project Formulation will be discussed. The workshop will last five days up to 25 November.—MNA

China, Sudan to promote military cooperation

BEIJING, 21 Nov— China will strengthen military ties with Sudan and promote military cooperation between the two countries, Vice Chairman of China's Central Military Commission Xu Caihou said on Monday.

During a meeting with Sudanese Defence Minister Abdel Rahim Mohamed Hussein, Xu said China and Sudan have a long history of friendship, and the two countries also have expanded cooperation in a wide range of fields since diplomatic relations were established.

"Bilateral relations have developed to a new level and we hope to expand pragmatic military-to-military cooperation," Xu said.

Hussein spoke highly of Sudan-China friendly relationship, saying that Sudan hoped to cooperate with China in various fields and expand consensus.

"Sudan will continue to adhere to the one-China policy," Hussein said.

Xinhua

President U Thein Sein attends 14th ASEAN-China Commemorative Summit ...

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During the summit, ASEAN leaders and the Chinese Premier reviewed ASEAN-China relations and exchanged views on prospects of future cooperation.

China declared that it would invest USD 10 billion including USD 4 billion loan at low interest rate in infrastructural development of ASEAN Integration Project. It also proposed to invest RMB 3 billion in practical maritime cooperation and promote cooperation in science and technology by designating 2012 as Year



President U Thein Sein, heads of State/Government of ASEAN nations and China attend opening ceremony of ASEAN-China Centre.—MNA



President U Thein Sein attends 14th ASEAN-China Commemorative Summit.—MNA



President U Thein Sein, heads of State/Government of ASEAN nations and Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao pose for documentary photo at 14th ASEAN-China Commemorative Summit.—MNA

of Science and Technology.

President U Thein Sein expressed a welcome to China's leading role. Leaders of ASEAN nations and Chinese Premier adopted the Joint Statement to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of ASEAN-China dialogue relations.

Next, leaders of ASEAN countries and China attended the opening of ASEAN-China Centre. The Indonesian President and Chinese Premier unveiled the signboard of ASEAN-China centre.

ASEAN leaders, Japanese Prime Minister Mr Yoshihiko Noda and the ASEAN Secretary General then attended the 14th ASEAN-Japan Summit at 10 am.

ASEAN leaders and Japanese Prime Minister reassessed ASEAN-Japan relations and exchanged views on prospects of ASEAN-Japan partnership.

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President U Thein Sein attends 14th ASEAN-Japan Summit.—MNA

President U Thein Sein attends 14th ASEAN-China Commemorative Summit ...

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The Japanese Prime Minister welcomed the political reforms in Myanmar, offering Japan's assistance to Myanmar in conducting surveys in its special economic zones in connection with ASEAN Integration if the latter wished. He added that he hoped Myanmar would promote democracy and national reconciliation. He expressed his support for Myanmar's taking over of ASEAN Chair as a responsible fellow of the ASEAN and Japan's commitment to cooperation with Myanmar.

During the summit, leaders of ASEAN nations and Japan adopted Joint Declaration for Enhancing ASEAN-Japan Strategic Partnership and its Plan of Action for 2011-2015.

At 11.35 pm, ASEAN-ROK Summit was held, attended by leaders of ASEAN nations, ROK President Mr Lee



President U Thein Sein, heads of State/Government of ASEAN nations and ROK President Mr Lee Myung-bak pose for documentary photo.—MNA

Myung-bak and the ASEAN Secretary-General.

During the summit, leaders of ASEAN countries and the ROK President reviewed ASEAN-ROK relations and discussed prospects of cooperation.

Next, heads of State/

Government of ASEAN, China, Japan and ROK enjoyed the luncheon at Nusa Dua 2 Hall in BNDCC.

At 2 pm, leaders of ASEAN, PRC, Japan and ROK attended 14th ASEAN+3 Summit, during which they reassessed relations between ASEAN and

its three partners and discussed future prospects. They also exchanged views on regional and international issues.

President U Thein Sein confirmed Myanmar's hosting of 10th East Asia Forum in 2012 under ASEAN+3 partnership.—MNA



President U Thein Sein attends 14th ASEAN+3 Summit.—MNA

Mutual interest, bilateral trade and investment, development assistance the focus of Myanmar-Japan meeting



President U Thein Sein meets Japanese Prime Minister Mr Yoshihiko Noda at Uluwatu 4 Hall of Bali Nusa Dua Convention Centre.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov — President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein who was in Bali of the Republic of Indonesia met Japanese Prime Minister Mr Yoshihiko Noda at Uluwatu 4 Hall of Bali Nusa Dua Convention Centre (BNDCC) in Bali of Indonesia at 6 pm on 18 November.

President U Thein Sein was accompanied by Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan, Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development and for Livestock and Fisheries U Tin Naing Thein, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs Dr Myo Myint, Deputy Minister for Health Dr Win Myint, Ambassador of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar to the Republic of Indonesia U Nyan Lynn, and

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President U Thein Sein attends gala dinner hosted by Indonesian President and wife

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov—President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein attended a gala dinner hosted by Indonesian President Dr Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono and wife at Nusa Dua 5 Hall of Bali Nusa Dua Convention Centre (BNDC) in Bali of Indonesia at 8 pm on 18 November.

It was also attended by King of Brunei Sultan Haji Hassanah Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Cambodian Prime Minister Samdech Hun Sen, Laotian Prime Minister Mr Thongsing Thammavong, Malaysian Prime Minister Dato' Sri Mohd Najib bin Tun Haji Abdul Razak, Philippine President Mr Benigno Aquino, Singaporean Prime Minister Mr Lee Hsien Loong, Thai Prime Minister Ms Yingluck Shinawatra, Vietnamese Prime Minister Mr Nguyen Tan Dung, Premier of the State Council of China Mr Wen Jiabao, Japanese Prime Minister Mr Yoshihiko Noda, President of the Republic of Korea Mr Lee Myung-bak, Indian Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh, US President Mr Barack Obama, Australian Prime Minister Ms Julia Gillard, special



President U Thein Sein attends a gala dinner hosted by Indonesian President Dr Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono and wife.—MNA

representatives of heads of New Zealand and Russian Federation, UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, ministers of ASEAN member nations, high-ranking officials, ASEAN Secretary-General Dr Surin Pitsuwan and guests.

First, the Indonesian President and wife greeted the attendees.

Indonesian President and wife together with heads of State/Government, the UN secretary-general and the ASEAN secretary-general had docu-

mentary photo taken.

Next, the Indonesian President extended greetings.

During the dinner, Indonesian cultural troupe presented songs and dances.—MNA



President U Thein Sein together with leaders of ASEAN countries, China, Japan, ROK, India and the United States, Prime Minister of Australia and Special Representatives of Heads of New Zealand and Russian Federation and UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon pose for documentary photo.

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Mutual interest, bilateral trade and investment...

(from page 7) departmental high-ranking officials. Together with the Japanese Prime Minister, Minister for Economy and Industry Mr Tsuyoshi Saito, Advisor to the Prime Minister Mr Shunichi Mizuoka, the deputy ministers and high-ranking officials were also present.

The President and the Japanese Prime Minister held compre-

hensive discussions on mutual interest between Myanmar and Japan, boosting bilateral trade and investment and Japanese development assistance to Myanmar.

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President U Thein Sein greets Japanese Prime Minister Mr Yoshihiko Noda.

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President U Thein Sein attends 4th ASEAN-UN Summit

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov— President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein attended the Fourth ASEAN-UN Summit at Nusantara-3 Hall in Bali International Convention Centre (BICC) in Bali of Indonesia on 19 November.

It was also attended by King of Brunei Darussalam Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah, Cambodian Prime Minister Samdech Hun Sen, President of the Republic of Indonesia Dr Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, Prime Minister of Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr Thongsing Thammavong, Malaysian Prime Minister Dato Sri Mohd Najib Bin Tun Hj Abd Razak, Philippine President Mr Benigno Aquino, Prime Minister of the Republic of Singapore Mr Lee Hsien Loong, Prime Minister of Thailand Ms Yingluck Shinawatra, Prime Minister of Socialist Republic of Vietnam Mr Nguyen Tan Dung, UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and ASEAN Secretary General Dr Surin



President U Thein Sein, heads of State/Government of ASEAN countries and UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon pose for documentary photo.—MNA

Pitsuwan.

ASEAN Alternate Chairman Indonesian President Dr Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono and UN Secretary-General Ben Ki-moon made

speeches.

After discussing future prospects and reviewing ASEAN-UN relations, President U Thein Sein and the attendees agreed joint declaration

on Comprehensive Partnership between ASEAN and the UN. The leaders also exchanged views on regional and international issues.

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President U Thein Sein meets ROK counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov — President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein who was in Bali of the Republic of Indonesia received President of the Republic of Korea Mr. Lee Myung-bak at Nusa Dua 1 of Bali Nusa Dua Convention Centre (BNDCC), at 12.30 pm on 18 November.

They had a cordial discussion on enhancing bilateral relations frankly.

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President U Thein Sein holding talks with ROK President Mr. Lee Myung-bak at Nusa Dua 1 of Bali Nusa Dua Convention Centre.

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Second regular session of Pyithu Hluttaw goes on 49th day Matters related to one bill informed, report of Bill Committee submitted, one bill discussed and approved



NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov—The Pyithu Hluttaw session continued for the 49th day at Pyithu Hluttaw Hall of Hluttaw Building, here, at 1.10 pm today, attended by Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann and 375 Pyithu Hluttaw representatives.

Matters related to one bill was informed, report of Bill Committee submitted and one bill discussed and approved.

In the sector on informing mat-

Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann attends 49th day second regular session of first Pyithu Hluttaw.—MNA

ters related to one bill, Pyithu Hluttaw accepted the Farmlands Bill sent back by Amyotha Hluttaw with amendments on 16 November. Those wishing to submit proposal for discussions are to sign the letter of information and submit it not later than 3 pm on 22 November.

With regard to the sector of submitting the report of Bill Committee, Secretary of the Bill Committee U Saw Hla Tun submitted the report of Bill Committee concerning the notification No. 39/2011 and 40/2011 on Foreign Investment Law of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar of the Union Government dated 30-9-2011.

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He said that the Union government issued the notifications with the use of authorities entrusted according to the Section 104 of the Union Government Law. The Notification No. 39/2011 comprised nine Chapters, 32 paragraphs and the Notification No. 40/2011, eight Chapters and 24 paragraphs. The Pyithu Hluttaw Bill Committee mainly scrutinized the notifications on land use and foreign exchange based on 12 points prescribed by the Pyithu Hluttaw in line with the facts (1) whether they are in accord with the constitution, (2) whether they are in accord with existing laws, (3) whether they are upholding Our Three Main National Causes and (4) whether they are serving the interests of the nation and the citizens.

He submitted the report through the Speaker of the Pyithu Hluttaw that the Notification No. 39/2011 on rights of using lands and the Notification No. 40/2011 on foreign exchange concerning the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Foreign Investment Law sent by the Union Government were handed over to the Investment and Industrial Development Committee formed by the Pyithu Hluttaw, and Union level organizations concerned are to coordinate with the Office of the Attorney-General of the Union.

In a clarification on needs of promulgation of the Environmental Conservation Law, Union Minister for Environmental Conservation and Forestry U Win Tun said that the United Nations Conference on Human Environment was held in Sweden in 1972 and participants focused on cooperation of all global countries in conservation of degrading environment across the world. They established the United Nations Environment Programme-UNEP to provide necessary technology and assistance for emergence of environmental conservation laws.

The Earth Summit was held in Rio de Janeiro of Brazil in 1992, and it adopted the 21st Century Global Environmental Conservation containing detailed plans for all sectors so as to insert the environmental tasks in the development tasks and urged all global countries to draw country-wise 21st Century Plans.

After the conference, many global countries promulgated country level national environmental conservation laws to effectively manage the environmental protection. He said he would like to present promulgation of some environmental conservation laws in ASEAN countries and some neighbouring countries.

Malaysia enacted the Environmental Quality Law in 1974; the Philippines, Environment Law in 1977; Thailand, Environmental Conservation of National Environment Quality Act in 1992; Vietnam, Law on Environmental Protection in 1993; Indonesia, Environment Management Act in 1995; Cambodia, Protection of Environment & Management of National Resources in 1996; Lao PDR, Environmental Protection Law in 1999; India, Environment (Protection) Act in 1986; China, Environmental Protection Law in 1989; and Bangladesh, Bangladesh Environment Protection Act in 1995.

Myanmar started drawing the Environmental Conservation Bill in 1998. Taking advice of experts from UN Environment Programme, scholars from ministries and NGOs relating to environmental conservation drew the bill based on objective condition of the country to be applied in practical field. Courses and workshops were also conducted many times. The bill could be completely drawn in 2000. But, due to overwhelming development tasks carried out by the State, the bill could not be brought into force. Today, except Myanmar, other ASEAN member countries enacted Environmental Conservation Law over ten years ago. So, Myanmar needs to enact Environmental Conservation Law as soon as possible. After enacted, it is also needed to take time to adopt rules, procedures, orders and directives necessary for environmental conservation measures and to set environmental standards and norms. Head of State is urging to enact the law giving guidelines. As an ASEAN member or a country that will take the ASEAN chairmanship, Myanmar needs to enact the law so as to have fine image of the country.

Myanmar has enacted national environmental conservation law (1994), Myanmar 21st century programme relating to environmental conservation (1997), and national

sustainable development strategy (2009). It is essential to enact Environmental Conservation Law which is bottom line to implement such measures.

The National Environmental Conservation Law is a driving force that brings environmental conservation, and economic and social development policies into force as practical measures at national level. It grants one who is engaging in the tasks to keep balance between better environment, secure natural resources and economic and social development to enjoy justice and balance backing policies and plans in accord with the law. In order to ensure sustainable development in management sector of the government, measures will be further taken to have public participation.

Myanmar, being a member of the United Nations, has been taking part in the international environmental conservation agreements and has a duty to follow and implement the rules and regulations of the conviction. The national laws would help the international laws and duties take shape, prompting Myanmar to enact an environmental conservation law to link with regional and international environmental laws.

The poverty is one of the causes of the environmental degradation. As the poor people are relying on the environment for their livelihood, their means of livelihood has degraded the environment and the environmental degradation has caused the poverty, causing the cycle of poverty.

What the disasters such as the Tsunami, Nargis, Taley Earthquake and Pakokku flash flood taught us is that the environment degraded by means of the livelihood of the people has increased the loss and turned the disaster into stronger one when the disaster happened, causing loss of lives and property and damaging the environment.

Myanmar's natural disaster preparedness project stated that a systematic management of natural resources should be carried out as it is basic task for reducing loss caused by disasters and for poverty alleviation. Therefore, it is necessary to enact an environmental conservation law to manage the natural resources.

As natural resources have been over exploited, the world is experiencing environmental degradation and population, climate change and disasters. To decrease the disasters, the investments in green economies has been increased and measures are being taken to launch the world's green economy programme in 2012. Myanmar held the Green Economy and Green Growth Forum and is taking measures to draw green programs in the development tasks.

Myanmar, joining hands with regional countries, is taking part in achieving the Millennium Development Goals-MGDs. If an environmental law is not enacted, Myanmar will face challenges of meeting the poverty alleviation target, one of the MGDs, and meeting the sustainable development of environment and natural resources which are included in the eight tasks of the rural area development and poverty alleviation in Myanmar.

Today, there are many hazardous waste and chemicals in developed countries. As the cost for systematic managing the hazardous waste and chemicals is so high, the countries has handed over the materials to developing countries through many means and ways, and if an environmental law is not enacted in Myanmar, the hazardous materials can arrive the country and Myanmar will face environmental pollution, causing threats to health of the people. Therefore, it is necessary to enact an environmental law to prevent the threat of hazardous materials.

The Section 45 and 390 of the constitution states that the government and every citizen has a duty to implement the environmental conservation tasks.

During the first meeting of the first regular session of the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw on 30 March, 2011, the President said regarding the environmental conservation, efforts would focus on conservation of forest and efforts would be made to reduce air and water pollution, supervising the waste materials from factories, conservation of wild life, and a policy would be laid down to maintain a balance on the development of the economy and environmental conservation. Therefore, it is necessary to enact an environmental law which is comply with the existing age and system.

With the aim of speeding up the environmental conservation activities in accord with the Section 45 of the Constitution, the Ministry of Forestry was renamed as the

Ministry of Environmental Conservation and Forestry by Notification No (83/2011) dated 6-9-2011 of the President Office under the agreement of the second regular session of the first Pyidaungsu Hluttaw. Under the agreement of the President Office to form the Environmental Conservation Department which is responsible for environmental conservation activities, the Project Appraisal and Progress Reporting Department sent a report to the President Office after scrutinizing the organizational set-up the department. Without an environmental conservation law, the Ministry will not be able to deal with environmental conservation tasks in accord with the law.

Impact of environmental degradation on the mankind and environment can be significant in the long-term. Enactment of environmental conservation law for sustainable development of the State, taking all necessary measures for implementation of environmental conservation tasks, is a matter of great urgency.

Only by promulgating the environmental conservation law for sustainability and long-term exploration of natural resources, can undertakings for development of the nation be realized. The already-submitted environmental conservation law will help realize the concept of Green Inclusive Growth which is the final agreement of Greater Mekong Sub-region countries.

Only when the respective Hluttaws approved to enact the environmental conservation law which was drawn for the State and the people in the time of democratic government, will the prestige of the nation as a democracy be enhanced.

Regarding the Environmental Conservation Bill that sought the approval of the Hluttaw after holding discussions on paragraph and sub-paragraph on 16 November, Pyithu Hluttaw committees and Hluttaw representatives discussed the proposals of amendment.

Regarding the paragraph 4 (a), Member of Bill Committee U Khin Maung Shwe, U Khaing Maung Yi of Ahlon Constituency, U Aung Kyaw Khin of Kyauktan Constituency and Secretary of Pyithu Hluttaw Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation Committee U Thein Lwin submitted proposals of amendment.

As there is no objection on the proposal of amendment of Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation Committee, it was approved.

Union Minister for Environmental Conservation and Forestry U Win Tun accepted the proposals of amendment regarding paragraph 5, paragraph 6, paragraph 7, paragraph 8, title of Chapter (4), from paragraph 9 (a) to (n), paragraph 10, paragraph 13, paragraph 14, paragraph 15, paragraph 23, paragraph 27 (a), paragraph 28, paragraph 35, paragraph 37, paragraph 38 and paragraph 41 submitted by Secretary of Pyithu Hluttaw Natural Resources and Environmental Conservation Committee U Thein Lwin. Regarding the paragraph 38, member of Investment and Industrial Development Committee U Win Oo and Chairman of Planning and Financial Development Committee U Soe Tha discussed.

As no one made objection on the paragraphs, proposals were approved.

Secretary U Thein Lwin and Dr Sai Kyaw Ohn of Namhkam Constituency submitted proposals of amendment regarding paragraph 9 (0) to paragraph 36. The Union Minister seconded the proposals.

As the majority was in favour of the two proposals, the Hluttaw approved them.

Member of Bill Committee U Ba Shein and Secretary U Thein Lwin submitted a proposal of amendment regarding paragraph 42.

Bill Committee Chairman U Khun Ti Myat and U Kyaw Naing Htay held discussions on the amendment.

As there is no objection on the amendment of the Bill Committee, it was approved.

The Hluttaw decided to approve the paragraphs and sub-paragraphs with no amendments as part the bill.

The Hluttaw approved that title and preamble of the bill shall be part of the bill in accord with the amendment of Amyotha Hluttaw.

Regarding the Environmental Conservation Bill, Hluttaw sought the approval for paragraph, sub-paragraph and numbers which were changed in accord with the Hluttaw-approved amendments.

The Hluttaw approved the amendments to paragraphs and sub-paragraphs of the whole bill.

The session ended at 4 pm and the 50th day session will be held on 23 November.—MNA

President U Thein Sein attends 3rd ASEAN-US...

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contribute towards national reconciliation and national reconso- lidation of Myanmar; they

encourage further improvement of protec- tion of human rights, transparent and demo- cratic political system

and economic system; and they welcome the continuous relations of the US with Myanmar government and recent appointment of US Special Representative and Policy Coordinator

YANGON, 21 Nov— In tenth-day fight of XXVI SEA Games in Jakarta and Palembang of Indonesia, Myanmar won gold medal in 2000-m twenty-oar women's tradition boat race while Indonesia and Thailand bronze

and silver. Myanmar male athletes also snatched gold in 2000-m twenty-oar men's tradition boat race while Philippines and Indonesia silver and bronze.

Myanmar athletes Kyaw Zin Thet and Wai

Pho Aung grabbed gold in double wushu contest while Philippines and Singapore silver and bronze. In 48-kilo Sanso event, Myanmar female athlete Hla Hla Win plucked silver while Vietnam won gold. In the final match of women's double sepak takraw contest, Myanmar won gold

Myanmar hails winning two golds in boat race, one gold and one silver in wushu, one gold one silver in sepak takraw

after fighting Laos 3-0. In men's double sepak takraw contest, Myanmar got silver while Thailand and the Philippines gold and bronze.

Myanmar hailed four gold medals and two silvers in today's games. From 11 to 21 November, Myanmar with 16 gold medals, 27 silvers, and 35 bronzes, totaling 78 medals, is standing at seventh position above Timor, Brunei, Cambodia and Laos in standing table.

Tonight, Myanmar boxer Wai Lin Aung fights against Thai boxer in 69-kilo event, and Myanmar boxer Aung Ko Ko against Vietnamese boxer in 81-kilo event.—MNA

No	Nation	G	S	B
1	Indonesia	171	147	136
2	Thailand	105	95	118
3	Vietnam	96	90	101
4	Malaysia	59	48	77
5	Singapore	42	45	73
6	Philippines	36	56	77
7	Myanmar	16	27	35
8	Laos	9	12	36
9	Cambodia	4	11	24
10	TimorL	1	1	6
11	Brunei	0	4	7
Total		539	536	690



Myanmar gold medalists in women's double sepak takraw.

MNA

Man sitting 2,000 miles away helps catch thief

LONDON, 21 Nov—A computer expert helped catch a thief, who was 2,000 miles away, with the help of an in-built camera in a stolen laptop.

David Duffy, an IT whiz, turned a detective after his business partner's holiday home in Spain's Tenerife island was ransacked. Two Apple MacBooks were stolen from company director Mike Birtwhistle, the

Daily Mail reported. Birtwhistle, 47, informed about the stolen things to Duffy back home and he noticed one of the computers was online.

Using remote control software, Duffy was able to take over the laptop. He then changed its master password and accessed its in-built camera, which allowed him to see through the

computer's screen and take a photograph.

Police in Tenerife recognised the man and both laptops were recovered.

"It is a victory for technology over crime. I would be very cautious these days if I was a crook stealing laptops. The technology available is unbelievable," Mike was quoted as saying.

Internet

Australian nurse charged with five murders

SYDNEY, 21 Nov—A 35-year-old male nurse in Australia was Saturday charged with five murders after a nursing home blaze in Sydney killed five elderly patients.

Three people died

when flames engulfed part of the Quakers Hill Nursing Home Friday. Two died later in hospital. At least 30 injured were still in hospital, the *Sydney Morning Herald* reported. Nurse Roger

Dean did not apply for bail after being charged by a Sydney court with five counts of murder. He appeared for the hearing via audio-visual link from police custody.

Three of the dead were aged 73, 87 and 86 years old.

Internet



Migratory birds fly over a wetland in Hokersar, some 16 kilometres north of Srinagar, on 19 Nov, 2011. More than half a million migratory birds have arrived in Kashmir's wetland Hokersar, wildlife officials said.

XINHUA



A young Thai girl joins volunteers sweeping an intersection during a cleaning drive after floodwaters receded in Bangkok, Thailand, on 19 Nov, 2011.—INTERNET

Two dead, three trapped after scaffold collapses in east China

HEFEI, 21 Nov—Two people are dead and three others remain trapped after a scaffold collapsed at a construction site in east China's Anhui province, local authorities said Sunday.

The accident occurred at 6:20 pm Saturday, trapping nine construction workers in the Sanbing township in the

city of Chaohu, according to a statement issued by the information office of the city of Hefei, the provincial capital.

Four workers, as well as the bodies of the two deceased, have been freed from the collapse as of Sunday morning, according to the statement. The four freed workers are being treated at a local hospital,

it said, but did not specify their condition.

Rescuers are still searching for the three remaining workers.

The construction project is the work of Fengyi Construction and Installation Engineering Co, Ltd of Jiangsu province.

The cause of the accident is under investigation.—Xinhua

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV ORIENTAL DESIRE VOYNO(016)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV ORIENTAL DESIRE VOY NO (016) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 22.11.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.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.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

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Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA MACHAN VOY NO (325) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 21.11.2011 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.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S ADVANCE CONTAINER
LINES**

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV SUPA BHUM VOY NO (200)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV SUPA BHUM VOY NO (200) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 21.11.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P 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.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

**SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY
AGENT FOR: M/S REGIONAL CONTAINER
LINES**

Phone No: 256908/378316/376797

**Gandhi's SA house now
a museum**

JOHANNESBURG, 21 Nov—A house in the leafy suburb of Orchards in Johannesburg, where Mahatma Gandhi once resided, is now a unique hotel that doubles up as a museum on the life of the leader who left a legacy in both countries of South Africa and India. 'Satyagraha House' was officially opened on Tuesday by Jean Francois Rial, chief executive of French travel company Voyageurs du Monde, which bought the house two years ago.

With assistance from local historians, the company has re-created the authentic Edwardian home and developed an on-site museum complete with Gandhi memorabilia and period pieces from India that reflect the development of the Mahatma's anti-colonial and anti-racism philosophy and his commitment to

nonviolence. "Gandhi's concept of passive resistance became known as Satyagraha, hence the name chosen for this new tourism destination for those who wish to learn more about Gandhi's South African experience," Rial said.

Internet



Baker St 221B:exploring Sherlock Holmes Museum in UK.—XINHUA

Small steps for tuna, sharks and swordfish

LONDON, 21 Nov—Measures to prevent illicit fishing of Mediterranean bluefin tuna have been strengthened at the annual meeting of governments involved in the industry.

The International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (Iccat) decided to implement an electronic system for recording bluefin catches. Research shows

catches have been far higher than skippers have declared.

The meeting, in Turkey, also gave extra protection to the silky shark, whose numbers are falling because of fishing. Tuna boats often snare this species by accident; and now, fishermen will have to release them alive. Government delegates also voted through a minimum legal size for swordfish, and will draw up a comprehensive recovery plan in 2013. But proposals for protecting the porbeagle shark, classified as vulnerable to extinction on the internationally recognised Red List, were rebuffed.

Internet



Most of the bluefin will end up in Japanese markets such as Tsukiji in Tokyo.—INTERNET

Spanish boom town that went bust

BENALUP, 21 Nov—The shiny Audis and BMWs that still line the narrow streets of Benalup are a reminder that this Andalucían country town once boasted the greatest

number of luxury cars per head in the south-western Province of Cádiz. These days this charming place, set bull-rearing countryside inland from Gibraltar, holds a different kind

of record: not only the worst unemployment rate in the country, but the worst in Europe.

"I don't know whether they can fix this," said 19-year-old Juan Carlos Gutiérrez, one of hundreds of young people who dropped out of school and now drift between part-time work, training courses and the dole queue. "I've picked asparagus and worked in a packing factory, but the jobs never last. The future is screwed."—*Internet*



The Spanish town of Benalup in Andalusia. INTERNET

**Awesome masterworks
from Japan**

BEIJING, 21 Nov—The finest Japanese arts of brocade, art glass, painting and woodblock printing (ukiyo-e) are on display through 28 November at the No 1 Shanghai Art Museum. The 91 art pieces are a rare collection that brings together superb works across genres. The exhibition is part of the 13th Shanghai International Arts Festival.

The roots of many Japanese arts can be traced back to China but they reflect different and distinctly refined Japanese aesthetics. The highlight of the exhibition is the famous brocade "Flowing Design of Soutatsu" that decorates a folding screen

and has awed viewers.

It was created by Soutatsu Tawaraya, founder of the Rimpa school who made abundant use of pure gold and platinum threads. It is a masterpiece of Nishijin Ori brocade work that dates back 1,200 years.

Another powerful modern Nishijin brocade is "Sun and Moon Landscapes/Waves at Mathsushinma." The large-scale work uses gold, platinum and a rare phosphorescent yarn and the scene changes from day to night. Works of contemporary glass art master Yoshinori Masuda are also exhibited.

Xinhua

The world needs more toilets

PALO ALTO, 21 Nov—It does not make for pleasant dinner conversation. But we have a global sanitation crisis. More than 40% of the world's population does not have access to a toilet. These 2.6 billion people, most living in low- and middle-income countries in Asia and Africa, face the daily challenge of finding a bush, train track or empty lot where they can urinate and defecate in

relative privacy.

Between 1990 and 2008, the share of the world's population that had access to basic sanitation increased only 7%, to 61% of the world's citizens. In many developing countries, mobile phone penetration is expanding at a faster rate than sanitation. In Tanzania, for example, half the country's citizens have mobile phones, but only 24% use an improved sanitation facility. Saturday marks the 10th anniversary of World Toilet Day, a day set aside not simply as a celebration of this most venerable and useful of technologies, but as a way to draw attention to the crisis and some possible solutions.—*Internet*

A street art exhibition by the German Toilet Organization in Lausanne, Switzerland, in 2006.—INTERNET





English pilot, Russ Swift, holder of three Guinness World Records, performs acrobatics on two wheels during the Rally Mobil Motorshow, in a circuit of 1,600 metres on Alameda Bernardo O'higgins Avenue in front of La Moneda Palace, in Santiago, capital of Chile, on 19 Nov, 2011.

Giant ad screen irks neighbours at night

New Yorkers living near Eighth Avenue and West 42nd Street said the Port Authority building's 6,000-square-foot, digital TV screen is keeping them up at night.

The residents said the light from the screen at night resembles lightning or emergency vehicle lights and bothers humans and pets alike, the *New York Post* reported Monday.

"It's flashing, flashing, flashing all the time, like lightning or having the paparazzi chasing you in your living room," said Wilmer Hernandez, 74, a 40-year resident of the neighbourhood. "My cats don't know what's happening. They're jumping around and looking all over the place trying to figure out where the light's coming from. It's funny, but it's

not funny." The screen, which was installed during the summer, displays ads for businesses including Fidelity Investments, Paramount Studios and Peter Pan Bus Lines. Port Authority officials said the screen is dimmed by 40 percent at night, but residents said they would like to see it dimmed further or even switched off completely at late hours.

Man used ax to attack snow plow

Alaska state troopers said they arrested a man who allegedly used an ax to cause \$200 in damage to a snow plow.

Plow driver James Ross told troopers a man with a "maul-style ax" ran in front of his vehicle while he was plowing snow 6 Nov in Big Lake and swore at him before using the ax to strike the door of the truck, *The Anchorage Daily News* reported Thursday.

Ross said he drove away from the scene and gave officers a description of the attacker.

News Album

Juror accused of laptop theft

Florida authorities said a juror was arrested at a courthouse for allegedly stealing a videographer's laptop computer.

Miami-Dade police said videographer Jonathan Castro, 19, noticed his laptop was missing while he was preparing to record a session in Circuit Judge Rosa Rodriguez's courtroom at the Miami-Dade criminal courthouse, *The Miami Herald* reported Thursday. Police reviewed security tapes and spotted Ramon Torrech, 55, who was sporting a juror badge,

taking the Macbook computer at the courthouse security checkpoint.

Officers confronted Torrech in the jury pool room and he was found to be in possession of the laptop. "I was stupid, officer. I should have returned the laptop but I didn't. I thought about returning it a million times but I didn't. This is probably going to mess up my marriage and career," Torrech allegedly told an officer. Torrech was arrested and is scheduled to be arraigned 14 Dec.

Aretha Franklin items sold at auction

LIVONIA, 21 Nov— Hundreds of people attended an auction Saturday in Livonia, Mich, to bid on clothing items once belonging to soul queen Aretha Franklin.

"The first thing they attacked was the hats," Jill Pendergast, who organized the sale of items from a storage unit containing Franklin memorabilia, told *WJBK-TV, Detroit*.

"I love hats. To me this hat has Aretha all over it," Melissa Vogel of Clinton Township, holding the black-and-yellow hat she bought for \$225, told the TV station. "It's just pretty out there but I love it so I just knew I had to get it."

Items were sold from \$10 to \$2,000.

"What they're basically looking for is to get a piece of Detroit history," said Al Parham,

who bought the storage unit containing the memorabilia.

"Obviously, Aretha had a big impact on Detroit and the music scene in Detroit. She's still at it right now, she's looking good and still going. People want to get a piece of that history."

Unsold items were available on eBay under "Aretha's collection," *WJBK-TV* said.

Internet



Singer Aretha Franklin entertains the crowd as she preforms at the grand opening of the Peabody Opera House in St Louis on 1 Oct, 2011. Originally opened in 1934 as the Kiel Opera House, the facility was closed for over 20 years and has now been restored to its original look.—INTERNET

Selena Gomez likes baking

LONDON, 21 Nov— Singer Selena Gomez says she likes cooking, but most of all she loves to bake.

The 19-year-old, who is currently dating teen sensation Justin Bieber, loves to spend her free time in the kitchen when she is not on tour or on set, reports *femalefirst.co.uk*. "I like to bake — cookies and cakes and stuff. I'm not that good but that's the whole fun

of it; you get to mess around and experiment," said Gomez.

When she's not baking in her spare time, she simply likes to lounge around at home and watch movies.

"It's nice to feel pretty and get dressed up but otherwise I'm definitely in jeans and my hair is up. I just like sitting on my couch watching movies," she said.

Internet

Meryl Streep donates film fee for charity

LONDON, 21 Nov— Actress Meryl Streep was so keen to make a film on former British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher that she slashed her fee and donated the rest to charity.

The Hollywood veteran plays Thatcher in new film "The Iron Lady", which tells the

story of Thatcher's rise to power and her role as the country's first female leader.

The grapevine is abuzz with news that Streep didn't make any money from the movie as she cut her usual salary to 625,000 pounds to make sure the project could go ahead

and then donated the fee to a good cause, reports *daily-star.co.uk*.

The publication reports Streep used the money to help fund America's National Women's History Museum.

Internet



Actress Meryl Streep

Noel Gallagher may write Bond theme tune

LONDON, 21 Nov— Former Oasis guitarist Noel Gallagher is



Former Oasis guitarist Noel Gallagher

reportedly in talks to write the new James Bond theme tune.

According to the *sun.co.uk*, the 44-year-old will pen the theme tune for Daniel Craig's starrer "Skyfall" and he is likely to meet with movie bosses to discuss the project.

"They're going to talk about potentially

writing and performing the song for next year's new Bond film. Nothing is signed or official, it's just being discussed at the moment," said a source.

Earlier, it was reported that British singer Adele has been considered for the "Skyfall" soundtrack.

Internet

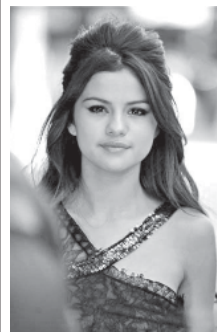
Snow Patrol wants to work with Lady Gaga

LONDON, 21 Nov— Snow Patrol drummer Jonny Quinn has revealed the band wants to collaborate with Lady Gaga because as an artiste she is the whole deal.

The "Called out in the Dark" group has a lot of respect for the "Bad Romance" hitmaker and would love to get her into the studio to add



Snow Patrol drummer Jonny Quinn



Singer Selena Gomez

something different to one of their songs, reports *femalefirst.co.uk*.

"I think she's pretty incredible. To get her to guest vocal would be a coup," said Quinn. "I love watching her and reading her interviews. She knows exactly what she's doing, she seems so much smarter than your average pop star and is really talented," he added.

Internet



Malaysian football players celebrate upon winning their SEA Games final match against Indonesia.
INTERNET

SEA Games: M'sia beat host to take gold

JAKARTA, 21 Nov— Malaysia defended their Southeast Asian Games football title Monday with a nerve-shredding 4-3 win on penalties after their hotly anticipated final with hosts Indonesia ended 1-1 following extra time.

The Malaysia captain Baddrol Bakhtiar calmly stroked in the winning penalty, after Indonesia missed two of their spot kicks, prompting jubilation among the visiting team and heartbreak for the 90,000 home fans at the Gelora Bung Karno stadium.

In a game lacking quality but packed with incident, the hosts took a deserved lead after five minutes when centre-back Gunawan Dwi Cahyo popped up unmarked at the back post to head in a corner.

But Malaysia regrouped, despite the deafening roar of the home fans, to equalise in the 33rd minute with a diving header by Omar Muhammad Asraruddin

after some suspect defending by the hosts.

The game see-sawed throughout the second-half, with Malaysia spurning two guilt-edged chances after sloppy defending from Indonesia's erratic back line, while the hosts had a goal disallowed.

Kenny Dalglish hails Liverpool as 'fantastic' after win

LONDON, 21 Nov— Liverpool manager Kenny Dalglish said his side were "fantastic" in their 2-1 win at Chelsea.

Malaysia's defence — the games' stingiest having conceded three goals in six matches — nullified the threat of Papuan forwards Titus Bonai and Patrich Wanggai who menaced but created little in the way of direct chances.

INTERNET

Glen Johnson's 87th-minute winner earned the Reds three points after Chelsea's Daniel Sturridge had cancelled out Maxi Rodriguez's opener.

Dalglish said: "If you have a fantastic performance you've got a better chance of getting a result and I think that's what we did. "We played really well in the first half and deserved to win."

INTERNET



Dalglish praises Liverpool after win at Chelsea



Juventus players celebrate their win against Palermo at the end of their Italian Serie A soccer match at Juventus stadium in Turin.
INTERNET

Juventus thrash Palermo to atop Serie A

ROME, 21 Nov — Juventus routed Palermo 3-0 on Sunday to stay at the top of Serie A with one game in hand. Simone Pepe broke the deadlock for the hosts at the 20th minute after a well-worked move capped by Giorgio Chiellini who whipped a cross from the left for the winger to nod in.

It should have been 2-0, but Mirko Vucinic only scuffed his finish when running on to a Stephan Lichtsteiner through ball.

Juventus doubled their lead just three minutes after the restart. Lichtsteiner's through ball down the right released Alessandro Matri, whose right-foot angled drive beat Palermo goalkeeper Alexander Tzorvas at the near post. Claudio Marchisio wrapped up the win for Juventus at the 65th minute when his precise angled drive down the right channel left Tzorvas no chance.

INTERNET

SPORTS

Myanmar grab bronze after win over Vietnam

JAKARTA, 21 Nov—Myanmar grabbed the bronze medal ahead of Vietnam this evening with a 4-1 victory in the penultimate match of the men's football event that was played at the Gelora Bung Karno Stadium.

Realising that they needed to put the brakes on the speedy Vietnamese frontline, Myanmar were doing a lot of the defending in the first 20 minutes of the game as they relied more on the counter-attacks.

And in the 72nd minute a free-kick from Min Min Thu, who had come in place of Kyaw Zeyar Win, was knocked into goal by Vietnam defender Ngo Hoang Thinh.

But the game is far from over where six minutes to the end, striker Kyaw Ko Ko delivered further humiliation on Vietnam with the fourth goal of the game — this time scoring in between the legs of Vietnam custodian Tuan Manh.

INTERNET

Man United and Benfica eye next round

MANCHESTER, 21 Nov— Manchester United have improved their concentration levels in keeping five successive clean sheets and like Benfica will have only one thing on their minds on Tuesday with both clubs able to wrap up qualification for the Champions League knockout stage. The pair have eight points in Group C, with United ahead on goal difference, and victory for either at Old Trafford would

put that side through as group winners with a game to spare. A draw would send both through if FC Basel lose to Otelul Galati. Alex Ferguson's United have tightened up since last month's 6-1 drubbing by Premier League leaders Manchester City, with the manager saying that game had been a "wake-up call" that has been followed by five wins in a row with clean sheets.

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Nadal fights hard to beat Fish at ATP Finals

LONDON, 21 Nov — World No 2 Rafael Nadal fought for almost three hours to overcome debutant Mardy Fish at the ATP World Tour Finals on Sunday. Nadal met Fish, his first opponent in this year's Finals after Swiss



Rafael Nadal of Spain serves to Mardy Fish of the US during their singles tennis match at the ATP World Tour Finals in London on Sunday.— XINHUA

legend Roger Federer beat Frenchman Jo-Wilfried Tsonga 6-2, 2-6 and 6-4 in the opening match in the afternoon.

The Spaniard took the first set 6-2 but lost the second to American top seed Fish 3-6 before fighting until the tiebreak to grab the win 7-6 (3) in the final set. Nadal will face defending champion Federer in his next group match, whom he believed was in good shape. "It will be a challenge for me. He's playing fantastic, winning two tournaments in a row, and now today. It will be a very difficult match. I will try." —Xinhua

Stewart wins Homestead to win NASCAR championship

HOMESTEAD, 21 Nov — Tony Stewart nearly wrote off his season during a summer slump, then dismissed his chances at the beginning of NASCAR's championship chase. Then something suddenly changed — with his cars, with his attitude, with his driving — and old Smoke was back. Stewart thrust himself early into title contention, then never let up as he drove all over the competition and chased down Carl Edwards. He seized his third championship Sunday night with a powerful and relentless drive that will go down with the greatest in NASCAR history.

He won at Homestead-Miami Speedway, holding off Edwards for a tie in the final Sprint Cup Series standings — good enough to win the title based on his five victories. All of Stewart's wins came in the Chase, and Edwards' lone victory this season was in March. It was the first tie in the points standings in NASCAR history. —INTERNET



Tony Stewart celebrates after winning the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series auto race and clinching the series championship, at Homestead-Miami Speedway in Homestead, Fla, on Sunday.— INTERNET

Corinthians leads Brazilian Championship after 36 rounds

RIO DE NEIRO, 21 Nov — Corinthians was able to hold onto first place of the Brazilian Championship after 36 rounds on Sunday.

With its 2-1 come-from-behind victory over Atletico-MG, Corinthians improves to 67 points and enjoys a two-point lead over second place Vasco da Gama. Adriano was the hero for Corinthians, scoring the game-winning goal and his first with Corinthians. Corinthians will next travel to face Figueirense on 27 November in the penultimate round of the running-point tournament.

Vasco da Gama remains close behind in second place with 65 points after its 2-0 win over a visiting Avai.

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MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (22-11-2011) (Tuesday)

Local	Times
Local	(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
Overseas Transmission	(22-11-11 09:30 am ~ 23-11-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Moe Hnyin Than Buddhé, The Unique Pagoda in the Monywa
- * The Fragrance of Upcountry
- * News
- * Secret Places for Yummy food (Myeik Noodle)
- * Large Parasol "A Souvenir of Patheingyi"
- * News
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Travelling in Shan Mountain Plateau (Pin Loung)

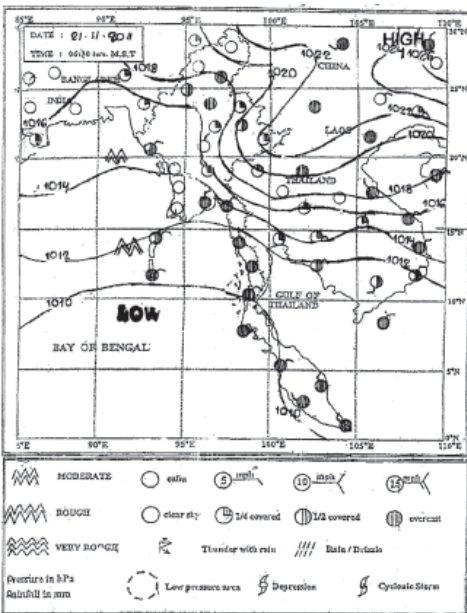
Gyi Shwe Chan Thar Phaung Daw U Pagoda Festival)

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- * News
- * Travelling in Shan Mountain Plateau (Pin Loung Gyi Shwe Chan Thar Phaung Daw U Pagoda Festival)
- * News
- * Youth of the Future "Talent Audio Engineer Khaing Htoo"
- * News
- * Taking an Oath for Life
- * Live Concert
- * News
- * Mural Painting (Bagan)
- * Culture Stage
- * News
- * Sweet Memories in Pyin Oo Lwin
- * Myanmar Movie "Due to this True Hatred"

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Tuesday, 22 November View on today

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

- 7:30 am
- 4. Morning News
- 7:40 am
- 5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 7:50 am
- 6. Health Programme
- 8:00 am
- 7. Performance With Song
- 8:05 am
- 8. Songs Of National Races
- 8:10 am
- 9. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 8:15 am
- 10. Songs of Yester Years
- 8:30 am
- 11. Teleplay (Traffic)
- 8:40 am
- 12. International News
- 8:45 am
- 13. Musical Programme

- 4:00 pm
- 1. Martial Song
- 4:05 pm
- 2. Musical Programme
- 4:20 pm
- 3. Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
- 4:35 pm
- 4. One Village & One Product
- 4:45 pm
- 5. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) - Second Year (Economy)
- 5:00 pm
- 6. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

- 5:05 pm
- 7. The Mirror Images of The Musical Oldies
- 5:20 pm
- 8. Teleplay (Policy)
- 5:40 pm
- 9. Sweet Melody
- 6:00 pm
- 10. Evening News
- 6:15 pm
- 11. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm
- 12. Kyae Pwint Myayee Yin Khone Than
- 6:35 pm
- 13. Sing A Song
- 7:00 pm
- 14. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm
- 15. News
- 16. International News
- 17. Weather Report
- 18. Bakery World
- 19. TV Drama Series
- 20. India Drama Series

Weather forecast for 22nd November, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/°F)		For Tomorrow	
		Maximum	Minimum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	30/86	16/61	Partly cloudy	
2	Kayah	28/82	11/51	Partly cloudy	
3	Kayin	36/97	19/66	Partly cloudy	
4	Chin	18/64	04/39	Partly cloudy	
5	Upper Sagaing	28/82	14/57	Partly cloudy	
6	Lower Sagaing	31/88	18/64	Partly cloudy	
7	Taninthayi	35/95	22/72	Likelihood of isolated light rain or thundershowers	60%
8	Bago	33/91	16/61	Partly cloudy	
9	Magway	32/90	19/66	Partly cloudy	
10	Mandalay	31/88	20/68	Partly cloudy	
11	Mon	35/95	21/70	Partly cloudy	
12	Yangon	34/93	22/72	Partly cloudy	
13	Rakhine	31/88	15/59	Partly cloudy	
14	Southern Shan	25/77	11/52	Partly cloudy	
15	Northern Shan	28/82	08/46	Partly cloudy	
16	Eastern Shan	27/81	11/52	Partly cloudy	
17	Ayeyawady	33/91	20/68	Partly cloudy	
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	33/91	18/64	Partly cloudy	
19	Neighbouring Yangon	34/93	22/72	Partly cloudy	
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	31/88	20/68	Generally fair	

Summary of observations at 09:30 hr MST on today

During the past (24) hours, light rain or thundershowers has been isolated in Taninthayi Region, weather has been partly cloudy in Mandalay, Bago and Yangon Regions, Mon State and generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Night temperatures were (3°C) above November average temperatures in Yangon Region, (3°C) to (4°C) below November average temperatures in Bago Region, Shan and Rakhine States and about November average temperatures in the remaining Regions and States. The significant night temperature were Pindlaung and Haka (4°C) and each.

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

State of the Sea
Strong Easterly wind moderate to rough seas are likely attimes Gulf of Mottama, off and along Mon-Taninthayi Coasts. Surface wind speed in strong wind may reach (30) mph. Seas will be slight to moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

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

New MRI scan may be key to test for Parkinson's

LONDON, 21 NOV—One of the many frustrations of Parkinson's disease is that a patient must display outward signs of the debilitating condition before treatments can begin. But researchers are now taking steps that could lead to early diagnosis of a disease that causes tremors and weakness.



A patient is seen undergoing an MRI scan in this undated image.—INTERNET

Employing a new high-powered MRI at the Robarts Research Institute at the University of Western Ontario in London, researchers are confident they have found signs of Parkinson's in the area of the brain where the disease causes cell degeneration.

"The ratios look different, very different," said researcher Rob Bartha. The extraordinary

detail of the scans is the key, according to Dr Mandar Jog.

"It gives us beautiful images of very small areas," he told CTV medical specialist Avis Favaro. "We could image the small regions, which has never been done before."

And that opens the door to a possible test for Parkinson's. "That is the goal to develop a test like

this," said Bartha. "Bring someone in, give them a scan of the brain and say with some certainty, 'Yes, you are getting Parkinson's' or 'You have it.'" The idea of early diagnosis of the disease or gaining the ability to gauge the brain's reaction to medication would be good news for Beverly Lavender, a Toronto resident with Parkinson's.—Internet

President U Thein Sein attends 3rd ASEAN-US Leaders' Meeting

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov—President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein attended the 3rd ASEAN-US Leaders' Meeting at Nusa Dua 3 of Bali Nusa Dua Convention Centre (BNDCC) in Bali of the Republic of Indonesia at 4.40 pm on 18 November.

Also present together with President U Thein Sein at the summit were King Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkiah Mu'izzaddin Waddaulah of Brunei Darussalam, Cambodian Prime Minister Samdech Hun Sen, Indonesian President Dr Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, Laotian Prime Minister Mr Thongsing Thammavong, Malaysian Prime Minister Dato Sri Mohd Najib bin Tun Haji Abdul Razak, Philippine President Mr Benigno Aquino, Singaporean Prime Minister Mr Lee



President U Thein Sein, leaders of ASEAN nations and US President Mr Barack Obama pose for documentary photo.—MNA

Hsien Loong, Prime Minister of Thailand Ms Yingluck Shinawatra, Vietnamese Prime Minister Mr Nguyen Tan Dung, President of the United States of America Mr Barack Obama, ministers and ASEAN Secretary-General Dr

Surin Pitsuwan. First, leaders of ASEAN countries and the President of the US posed for a documentary photo. At the meeting, Heads of State/ Government of ASEAN countries and the US

reviewed relations between ASEAN and the US President and discussed future prospects. In his discussion, the US President said that he welcomed democracy transition process of Myanmar and would

dispatch Secretary of State Hillary Clinton to visit Myanmar in the near future. For his part, President U Thein Sein said that he welcomed the visit of the US Secretary of State to Myanmar and his government was

striving to ease the concerns of President Obama over Myanmar. A joint statement was issued at the meeting. The joint statement said that they welcome political reforms to (See page 11)



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