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Bangladeshi Prime Minister to pay goodwill visit to Myanmar

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Dec—At the invitation of U Thein Sein, President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh will pay a goodwill visit to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar in the near future.—MNA

Peace, stability, economic growth and HRD essential for democratization process

President U Thein Sein

US wants to be Myanmar's partner US to help Myanmar on basis of mutual respect

US Secretary of State Mrs Hillary Clinton



President U Thein Sein receives US delegation led by US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton at the hall of the President Office in Nay Pyi Taw.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein received a delegation led by US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton at the hall of the President Office, here, at 10 am today.

Also present at the call were Union Minister for Home Affairs Lt-Gen Ko Ko, Union Minister for Border Affairs and for Myanma Industrial Development Lt-Gen Thein Htay, Union Minister

for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan, Union Minister for Industry-1 and for Industry-2 U Soe Thein, Union Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min, Union Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Tin Naing Thein and departmental heads.

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Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights & Labour Mr. Michael Posner, US Special Representative and Policy Coordinator for Myanmar Mr. Derek Mitchell, Charge d' Affaires of the US Embassy Mr. Michael E Thurston and embassy officials.

In his speech, President U Thein Sein said that as US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton's visit to (See page 8)

PERSPECTIVES

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Show your love to the environment

Is your environment is so cold or so hot? Does this concern you? You will go wrong if you answer it is not your business, just the nature of things.

The environment, a mechanism by nature, offers free services to human beings who also deteriorate it.

Humans and environment once maintained a harmonious relation. Excessive applications by the former led to depletion of the latter. Men are to blame for the environmental degradation.

Green house effect is an engine that drives the environment. Men only used the engine but failed to take care of it and its parts, namely land, water, atmosphere and forest.

Carbon emission from the green house engine is increasing. The environment is degraded. Human beings are still using its services, despite its critical condition in urgent need of repair. The green house effect is a matter of great importance as it keeps rhythms of the earth.

Though the experts suggested that unlimited exploitation is posing the grave threat to the nature, it continues to be consumed by greed of human beings. The international community attaches great importance to carbon cut. Alternative energy sources are being developed. Human beings, consuming energies, are to look backwards to previous centuries when the men and environment exchanged positive contributions.

All the dwellers of the earth have a responsibility to create the environment, more pleasant to live in. Hope today's earthlings adapt their behaviours and insatiable demands for revival of our environment.

Third International Conference on Science and Engineering (2011) launched

YANGON, 1 Dec— The Third International Conference on Science and Engineering (2011), organized by the Ministry of Science and Technology, was launched at Sedona Hotel here this morning.

At the opening ceremony, Deputy Minister for Science and Technology Dr Ko Ko Oo delivered an opening speech.

Professors from Hong Kong, Singapore, Thailand, UAE, Australia, Japan, Israel, Malaysia, Germany and the United States shared their experiences in the talks and the paper-reading section held at the designated places. There were a total of 182 papers read out in the sections: 25 papers by the Universities and the Research Departments of the foreign countries, and 157 papers by lecturers and students of the Technological Universities at home.

Aiming to get knowledge on science and engineering, the paper-reading section continues tomorrow, which intends to emerge young engineers who keep abreast of the latest developments in science and technology, research tasks for development of the country, improve knowledge on exchanging information between the country and international countries.—MNA

Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker U Khin Aung Myint receives US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint received US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton at the hall of Amyotha Hluttaw of Hluttaw Building, here, at 12.30 pm today.

At the call, they cordially exchanged views on performance of the Hluttaw to introduce multi-party democracy system, implementation of Hluttaw representatives to fulfil wish and aspiration of the people in accord with the laws and bylaws, cooperation of the Hluttaw with international organizations, drafting the bills, duties and responsibilities of Hluttaw committees, and negotiation with national race organizations for ensuring internal peace.

Also present at the call were Deputy Speaker of the Amyotha Hluttaw U Mya Nyein, chairmen and secretaries of Hluttaw committees, representatives of political parties, national race representatives, women Hluttaw representatives and officials of the Hluttaw Office.

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Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw U Khin Aung Myint shakes hands with US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton.—MNA



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Deputy Health Minister visits National Herbal Park in Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec — On her visit to National Herbal Park of Traditional Medicine Department, here, this morning, Deputy Minister for Health Dr

Myat Myat Ohn Khin inspected sales centre where herbal and fruit plants are available and nursery.

In meeting with director-general, deputy director-general and staff of the department at the meeting hall of the Park, the deputy minister called for better improvement in treatment and potency of traditional medicines and capacity building of traditional medicine practitioners.

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28th Greater Mekong Sub-region Tourism Working Group Meeting concludes

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec — The 28th Greater Mekong Sub-region Tourism Working Group Meeting was held at Bagan Nann Myint Tower on 29 November, with addresses by Director-General U Aung Zaw Win of Directorate of Hotels and Tourism, Country

Director Mr. Criag Steffensen of Asia Development Bank and Executive Director Mr. Mason Florence of Mekong Tourism Coordinating Office.

Those present held discussions on the report and follow-up tasks of the 27th Greater

Mekong Sub-region Tourism Working Group Meeting and Greater Mekong Tourism Forum, progress of marketing in the sub-region, human resources development, poverty alleviation, sustainability of tourism industry, market promotion and

development of tourism sector.

Next, the closing ceremony of the 28th Greater Mekong Sub-region Tourism Working Group Meeting and related meetings, Greater Mekong Sub-region Tourism Show and photo exhibition followed. Deputy Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Htay Aung spoke on the occasion.

MNA

Biden sees rosy US-Iraq relationship



US Vice President Joe Biden (L) shakes hands with Iraq's Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki in Baghdad.—INTERNET

BAGHDAD, 1 Dec—Vice President Joe Biden said Wednesday the United States is committed to helping all sorts of experts on hand to help Iraq as US troops pull out.

"We're going to have in country not only diplomatic experts but experts on trade, agriculture, education, healthcare, transportation, rule of law,

energy, security and the list goes on, because I don't know about you, Mr Prime Minister, but occasionally I at home have to explain why we have such a large embassy here," Biden said in a joint appearance with Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki after a meeting of the US-Iraq Higher Coordinating Committee.

Biden said a new phase in the US-Iraq relationship had begun under the guidelines of the Strategic Framework Agreement signed by the two nations.

"We are here for one reason and only one reason: to assist in the development of the capacity of this great nation," Biden said. "Because as you develop, as you reach your potential which has been ... stunted by Saddam and terror following it, it is good for the whole world, it will bring stability to this region. That is our sole interest in Iraq Period. End of story."

Biden said Iraq and the United States have a "long-term strategic agreement" that goes "well beyond security."

"The SFA is a lasting agreement, and one that serves as the foundation on which we are building a durable and mutually beneficial relationship," Biden said earlier. "Today, we gather again in Baghdad to reaffirm our commitment to this important partnership and to the principles of cooperation, sovereignty, and mutual respect articulated in the SFA."—*Internet*

One of war-torn cities in the world News Photo



Photo shows the site of a bomb attack in central Baghdad.—XINHUA

Mexican killings move away from border

GUADALAJARA (Mexico), 1 Dec—The struggle between the Sinaloa cartel and the Zetas has brought violence to central Mexico while homicides are down along the US border, officials say. In Ciudad Juarez, across the Rio Grande from El Paso, Texas, killings are down 35 percent in 2011, McClatchy Newspapers reported. Recently, there was a period of almost three days with no homicides.

Instead, bodies are turning up in Guadalajara and Veracruz. Last week, 26 bodies were left in three vehicles under the Millennium Arches in Guadalajara.

"Look how we leave you these dead people," a poster signed Z for Los Zetas, said. "We are in your kitchen."

Members of the Sinaloa cartel have been involved for 50 years in smuggling drugs north from Mexico, and the gang, centered on Mexico's Pacific coast, has branched out as far away as Australia.

The Zetas were formed recently. Originally, they were a group of former military commandos who became a militia to protect the Gulf cartel, but they have struck out on their own. To add to the bloodshed, the Sinaloa group recently formed its own strike force, the Metazetas or killers of Zetas.

Internet

Gunmen kill eight in Iraq's Diyala

BAPUBA, 1 Dec—Gunmen killed eight people and wounded six others Thursday in a village in Iraq's eastern Province of Diyala, a provincial police source told *Xinhua*.

The attack occurred in the early hours of the day when unidentified gunmen stormed houses of two brothers, one of them is a member of a local Awakening Council group, in the village of al-Jeel near the provincial capital city of Baquba, some 65 km northeast of Baghdad, the source said on condition of anonymity.

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

The attackers shot dead eight members of the two families and wounded four others before they fled the scene, the source said.

Internet



File picture shows Iraqi police at a roadblock in Diyala Province. A car bomb in a market in Diyala province, north of Baghdad, killed 10 people and wounded at least 20 on Thursday, medical and security officials said.

INTERNET



A cameraman films at the blast site in northwest Pakistan's Peshawar on 1 Dec, 2011. At least one policeman was injured in a bomb blast near a police station in Peshawar on early Thursday morning.—XINHUA

Russia-Cuba to sign deal to make rifle ammunition

MOSCOW, 1 Dec—Russia and Cuba plan to sign a contract to build an assembly line in Cuba for production of ammunition for Kalashnikov and other assault rifles as part of an understanding to modernise Soviet-era military equipment and

train Cuban military personnel.

A source from the ministry of industry and trade said the assembly line for 7.62 mm ammunition rounds used in Kalashnikov assault rifles and other Russia-made rifles will be built at

Cuba's Comandante Ernesto Che Guevara military plant, the Kommersant business daily reported.

The source said Russia's state-run arms exporter Rosoboron-export has already prepared a contract,

which includes the license and technology transfer. He said Russia was hoping to receive a contract in the future on a complete overhaul of rifle ammunition production facilities in Cuba.

The ammunition plants were built in the 1970s-1980s with the help of Soviet specialists.

Internet

Neo-Nazis in Germany heavily armed

BERLIN, 1 Dec—Germany's neo-Nazis appear to be more heavily armed than previously believed, the Interior Ministry says.

A ministry report, in response to a parliamentary inquiry, says the 811 weapons confiscated from right-wing extremist groups in 2009 and 2010 included handguns, rifles, military-grade firearms, pepper spray, more than 40 explosive devices and more than 300 blades, *Der Spiegel* reported Wednesday.

"The increasing number of weapons found in the possession of neo-fascists prove that the militant right is arming themselves to an alarming degree," Ulla Jelpke, the domestic affairs representative for the far-left Left Party in the German Parliament, told the daily *Berliner Zeitung*. "Of particular concern is the strong increase in the number of firearms."—*Internet*

Health

HIV vaccine study success points scientists to human trials



In this photo released on 24 Sept, 2009, a lab technician working with the HIV Vaccine Trial Phrase Project in Thailand, holds up a vial to check information and the manufactured date printed on the AIDS vaccine vials, at the Armed Forces Institute of Medical Science, in Bangkok, Thailand on 19 Feb, 2005.—INTERNET

NEW YORK, 1 Dec—As scientists struggle to find a vaccine to prevent infection with the AIDS virus, a study in mice suggests hope for a new approach — one that scientists now want to test in people. The treated mice in the study appeared to have 100 per cent protection against HIV. That doesn't mean the strategy will work in people. But several experts were impressed.

"This is a very important paper (about) a very

creative idea," says the government's AIDS chief, Dr Anthony Fauci. He didn't take part in the research. The new study involved injecting mice with a protective gene, an idea that's been tested against HIV infection in animals for a decade.

In the nearly 30 years since HIV was identified, scientists haven't been able to find a vaccine that is broadly effective. One boost came in 2009, when a large study in Thailand showed that an experimental vaccine protected about a third of recipients against infection. That's not good enough for general use, but researchers are now trying to improve it. A traditional vaccine works by masquerading as a germ, training the body's immune system to build specific defences in case the real germ shows up. Those defences are generally antibodies, which are proteins in the blood that have just the right shape to grab onto parts of an invading virus. Once that happens, the virus can't establish a lasting infection and is cleared from the body.

Scientists have identified antibodies that neutralize a wide range of HIV strains, but they've had trouble getting people's immune systems to create those antibodies with a vaccine.—Internet

Health Tip: Breast-feeding is good for moms, too

Breast-feeding has been proven more beneficial than formula for babies, but it also offers benefits for moms.

The womens-health.gov website says potential benefits of breast-feeding include:

- * Less time and effort during feedings, and not having to sterilize bottles or mix formula.
- * Saving money from not having to buy formula.
- * Opportunities for bonding and relaxing with the infant.
- * Lower risk of health problems for the mother, including lower risk of breast and ovarian cancers, type 2 diabetes and postpartum depression.
- * Fewer missed work days due to baby being sick less frequently.

Internet

Dow posts best day in 32 months *Business*

NEW YORK, 1 Dec—The Dow turned in its biggest one-day gain in 32 months Wednesday after six central banks coordinated efforts to add liquidity to financial markets.

The joint announcement by the US Federal Reserve, the Bank of Canada, the Bank of England, the Bank of Japan, the European Central Bank and the Swiss National Bank sent stocks higher in Europe, as well, although markets were already closed in Asia as the news was released.

The central banks said they would lower the cost of existing dollar swap lines by 50 basis points beginning 5 Dec. This would make it easier for European banks to access US currency and take some of the strain off financial markets imposed by the ongoing debt crisis in Europe.

In Beijing, the Bank of China said it would ease back on lending



restrictions, which would likely strengthen domestic demand.

In other economic news, payroll firm Automatic Data Processing Inc. said 206,000 jobs were added to the economy from October to November. In addition, ADP said 130,000 jobs were added in the previous month, a revision from an earlier report that estimated the gain at 110,000 jobs in October.

Internet

China factory sector shrinks first time in nearly 3 years *Business*

BEIJING, 1 Dec—China's factory sector shrank in November in the face of weakening demand both at home and abroad, two surveys showed on Thursday, underlining the central bank's move to cut bank reserve requirements to shore up the economy.

The official and HSBC purchasing managers' indexes are likely to feed worries that the global economy is on a slippery slope as the euro zone is marred by its debt crisis, reinforcing expectations that China will ease policy further.

The official PMI released by the China Federation of Logistics and Purchasing (CFLP) fell to 49 in November from October's 50.4, suggesting activity among big manufacturers shrank in November for the first time in nearly three years, or since the global financial crisis.

China's central bank cut the reserve requirement ratio for its commercial lenders on Wednesday for the first time in nearly three years to ease credit strains and shore up an economy running at its weakest pace since 2009.

The reserve cut, effective 5 Dec, reduces the ratio for the biggest banks to 21 percent from a record high 21.5 percent, freeing up funds that could be used for lending to cash-strapped small firms. Analysts said they expect further cuts in bank reserves.—Reuters

Business

Dollar trades at upper 77 yen zone in Tokyo

TOKYO, 1 Dec— The US dollar traded at the upper 77 yen zone Thursday morning in Tokyo.

The dollar bought 77.68-69 yen at midday compared with 77.58-68 yen in New York and 78.00-02 yen in Tokyo at 5 p.m. Wednesday.

The euro was quoted at 1.3442-3444 dollars and 104.42-46 yen against 1.3441-3451 dollars and 104.31-41 yen in New York and 1.3270-3272 dollars and 103.51-55 yen in Tokyo in late Wednesday afternoon.—Xinhua

Hong Kong stocks jump 5.85 pct by midday

HONG KONG, 1 Dec — Hong Kong stocks jumped 1,052.01 points, or 5.85 percent, to close Thursday's morning session at 19,041.36 points. Half-day turnover totaled 57.26 billion HK dollars.

The Hang Seng China Enterprises Index soared 812.31 points, or 8.54 percent, to close at 10,321.25. (1 US dollar = 7.775 HK dollars)

Xinhua

Singapore's bank lending growth slows in Oct

SINGAPORE, 1 Dec — Singapore's bank lending almost stalled in October, with the Singapore dollar lending growing by a modest 0.3 percent to 406.5 billion Singapore dollars (312.7 billion US dollars), statistics released by the Monetary Authority of Singapore showed.

This is in comparison with the growth of 3.1 percent for September, local daily *Business Times* said on Thursday. Business loans shrank by 0.1 percent to 233.3 billion Singapore dollars (179.5 billion US dollars), the first time it shrank 16 months, despite that the statistics were not seasonally adjusted. Over the year to 31 Oct, bank loans grew by 29.8 percent.

Analysts said they expected the bank loan growth to slow further in 2012. The government warned last week that the Singapore economic growth is expected to slow sharply to just 1-3 percent next year and could stall if the developed economies slide into recession.

Xinhua



A labourer works at a textile mill in Huaibei, Anhui Province 22 Sept, 2011. —REUTERS

Science

China's newly-designed scientific research vessel "Kexue", or "Science", is seen during its launching ceremony in Wuhan, central China's Hubei Province, on 30 Nov, 2011.
XINHUA

China's newly-designed scientific research vessel sets sail



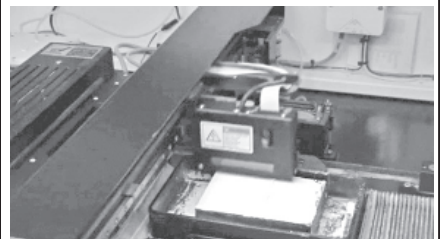
WUHAN, 1 Dec—China's newly-designed scientific research ship, the Kexue, or Science, launched on Wednesday in waters off central Hubei Province.
The vessel, 99.6 metres long and 17.8 wide, is equipped with a podded electric propulsion system, the first such system for a research ship anywhere in the world, said Yu Jianjun, chief engineer of the project.
The ship also features world-class facilities for water body detection, atmospheric exploration, deep-sea environment exploration and remote sensing information research, according to Yu.

The cruising capacity of the ship reaches 15,000 nautical miles with a maximum speed 15 knots.
Construction of the vessel started last year after approval by the National Development and Reform Commission in 2007. With a total cost of 550 million yuan (86.4 million US dollars), the vessel is expected to be put into use by June 2012, Yu said.
The ship was built by Wuchang Shipbuilding Industry Company Ltd, which is based in Hubei provincial capital Wuhan, and will be operated by the Institute of Oceanology under the Chinese Academy of Sciences upon delivery.

Xinhua

3-D printer creates bone-like material

PULLMAN, 1 Dec—US researchers say they've optimized a 3-D printer to create a bone-like material that can be used for orthopedic and dental work.
Washington State University researchers said they used a ProMetal 3D printer with an inkjet that sprays a plastic binder over a bed of powder in layers about half the width of a human hair. The printer creates a channeled cylinder the size of a pencil eraser that can act as a scaffold for actual bone to grow on.
Susmita Bose, a professor in WSU's School of Mechanical and Materials Engineering, said it's possible doctors will be able to custom order replacement bone tissue in a few years. "If a doctor has a CT scan of a defect, we can convert it to a CAD file and make the scaffold according to the defect," Bose said Wednesday in a release.—Internet



This 3-D printer makes bone-like material.
INTERNET

Laptop WiFi may affect men's sperm

Tech

A new study finds that sperm exposed to laptop WiFi connections suffer from reduced motility.
INTERNET



CORDOBA, 1 Dec—Sperm exposed to a wireless Internet-connected laptop exhibited reduced motility and suffered DNA fragmentation, researchers in Argentina found.
Conrado Avendano of Nascentis Medicina Reproductiva in Cordoba and colleagues said the study involved semen samples from 29 healthy donors that were divided into two groups. One-half of the sperm was exposed in the laboratory to a WiFi-connected laptop for 4 hours; the other half was used as a control without being exposed to the laptop, Avendano said.
The study, published in the journal *Fertility and Sterility*, found the sperm samples exposed to laptop WiFi showed a significant decrease in progressive sperm motility — the ability to move spontaneously and actively, consuming energy in the process — and an increase in sperm DNA fragmentation. However, levels of dead sperm showed no significant differences between the two groups, Avendano said.
"To our knowledge, this is the first study to evaluate the direct impact of laptop use on human spermatozoa. Ex vivo exposure of human spermatozoa to a wireless Internet-connected laptop decreased motility and induced DNA fragmentation by a non-thermal effect," Avendano and colleagues said in the study.—Internet

US federal gov't requires Facebook to respect users' privacy

BEIJING, 1 Dec—The US federal government requires Facebook to respect its users' privacy and solve related issues, according to media reports on Thursday. In a statement, the Federal Trade Commission accuses Facebook of engaging in "unfair and deceptive practices."
The commission cited altogether eight wrong-doings about Facebook. One of which said, the company, without informing its users, made their private data public online. It did not impose fines on the company, nor did it say the company broke the law. However, it said, if Facebook violates the terms in the future, it would be penalized for 16,000 US dollars per day per count. Facebook's CEO Mark Zuckerberg, once select Man of the Year by the Time magazine, admitted the company has made mistakes, and it has revised some statement quoted by the federal government.—Xinhua



A model stands by a BMW car on display at the 28th Thailand International Motor Expo 2011 in Muang Thong Thani, Bangkok, capital of Thailand, on 30 Nov, 2011. It is expected that Thailand Motor Expo scheduled from 1 to 12 Dec would generate about 26 billion baht (833 million US dollars), dropping by 21 percent compare with last year's 33 billion baht, local media reported on Wednesday.—XINHUA

No sign of runaway flying Christmas tree



KELOWNA, (British Columbia) 1 Dec—There were no sightings Wednesday of a Christmas tree laden with helium balloons days after it broke its mooring over Kelowna, British Columbia, officials say. An unidentified 32-year-old woman rigged a

a picture of a floating Christmas tree, so as they were setting up the camera, they realized that the tree was beginning to float away," Holmes said. The tree kept ascending and was drifting northward when the woman realized it was headed toward the airport.

She called police and air traffic controllers issued a radio warning for pilots to be aware of the airborne tree.

There have been no reports of it being spotted in the air on the ground, the broadcaster said.

Police said charges were unlikely, as it didn't appear to have been an intentional act to endanger anyone.

Internet

series of balloons to take the 5-foot sapling from a parking lot as part of a party and scavenger hunt, AM 1150 Radio in Kelowna reported.

Constable Steve Holmes told the broadcaster the tether line apparently snapped.

"The idea was to have

"Surgeon" used cement, glue to enhance buttocks

MIAMI, 1 Dec—Oneal Ron Morris claimed to be a plastic surgeon and allegedly offered low-cost household operations to sculpt sexy buttocks, fuller cheeks and luscious lips for clients in the US state of Florida.

The "doctor" however was a fake, using a dangerous mix of cement, an aerosol for flat tires and Super Glue to get results. Embarrassed victims have begun to emerge and are helping investigators gather evidence against Morris, a man who lives as a woman and apparently injected himself with the same toxic mix.

"We have continued to receive calls from several victims... many of them transsexuals, but for now there are two cases

confirmed," William Bamford, spokesman for the Miami Gardens Police Department, told *AFP* on Tuesday.

After a lengthy police search, Morris and his assistant, identified as Corey Alexander Eubank, were arrested last week on charges of practising medicine without a license and causing bodily harm. The two are currently out on bail.

According to police, Morris performed operations in hotel rooms and homes in south Florida.

Morris injected clients, mostly members of the transgender community, with a cocktail of toxins that included mineral oil, and sealed the incision with household adhesives like Super Glue.

Internet



Over nine hectares of forests lost per minute

ROME, 1 Dec—More than nine hectares of forests were lost per minute between 1990 and 2005, a period when the world's deforestation rate accelerated, shows a UN survey issued on Wednesday.

The net loss of forests — deforestation offset by afforestation or natural expansion — totaled 72.9 million hectares during the 15-year period, according to the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO). In other words, the net loss averaged 4.9 million hectares per year, or 9.3 hectares of forests per minute over the 15 years.

The new data also shows that the net loss of forests increased from 4.1 million hectares per year between 1990 and 2000 to 6.4 million hectares between 2000 and 2005.

The survey also shows that the worldwide net loss in forest area between 1990 and 2005 was not as great as previously believed, since gains in forest areas are larger than previously estimated.

The net loss was only two thirds of the previous figure of 107.4 million hectares, according to the survey. The world's deforestation averaged 14.5 million hectares per year, consistent with previous estimates. Deforestation, which occurred mainly in the tropics, may be attributed to the conversion of forests to farmland. "Deforestation is depriving millions of people of forest goods and services that are crucial to rural livelihoods, economic well-being and environmental health," said Eduardo Rojas-Briales, FAO Assistant Director-General for Forestry.—*Xinhua*

Data of 13 million online game subscribers hacked

SEOUL, 1 Dec—South Korea's top games developer vowed Monday to tighten security after the personal information of 13 million users of its popular online game was leaked.

Nexon Korea apologized for the hacking last week, which revealed data including user IDs, names, passwords and residential registration numbers, on the subscribers to its game MapleStory.

The game has a global user base of 18 million but Nexon said no data on overseas users had been leaked.



"We are taking all possible damages from the leakage and will come up with follow-up measures to ease your

experts, ask all users to change their passwords and introduce an integrated log-in process highly protected from hackers next year.

anxiety," CEO Seo Min said in a statement on the firm's website.

He said Nexon would step up data protection by establishing global security control centres in key regions such as North America, Asia and Europe to monitor computer security around the clock.

Nexon said it would hire 30 more security

Police and telecom authorities are probing the case but it is still unknown who gained access to Nexon's server.

South Korea, the world's most wired nation with more than 90 percent of homes connected to the Internet, has expressed concern about cyber attacks.

Internet

Those allergic to eggs should get flu shot

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, 1 Dec—People with allergies to eggs should be vaccinated against influenza, US allergists say, citing new medical recommendations.

Dr Stanley Fineman, president of the American College of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology, said the organization has changed its recommendation concerning the influenza vaccine because research showed few adverse reactions to the vaccine to those allergic to eggs.

"The very low risk of reacting to the injection is greatly outweighed by the risks associated with the flu," Fineman said in a statement.

"The flu can be especially severe for people with asthma and

other respiratory illnesses."

The ACAAI recommends that those with a previous history of egg allergy get the injectable vaccine in a medical facility where any allergic emergencies can be recognized and treated should they occur, Fineman said.

"For those who have had serious reactions after eating eggs, the vaccine should be administered in an allergist's office," Fineman said.

In the past, there was concern that because the flu vaccine is grown in eggs, residual protein could trigger a reaction in those with allergies to eggs, Fineman said.

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Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann receives US Secretary of State Mrs Hillary Clinton

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann received Secretary of State of the United States of America Mrs Hillary Clinton, Assistant Secretary of State Mr Kurt Campbell, Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights & Labour Mr Michael Posner, US Special Representative and Policy Coordinator for Myanmar Mr Derek Mitchell and officials at Zabuthiri Hall of Hluttaw Building here this afternoon.

They exchanged views on check and balance system practised by committees formed in the Hluttaw, priority given to the interests of the public and the country, emergence of laws agreeable to present

situation to which the Hluttaw, the government and the people are to adhere to raise living standard of the public, measures for development of the country, measures taken to brace and build up Hluttaw, matters relating to further strengthening of relations and cooperation with all countries.

Also present at the call together with Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann were Deputy Speaker U Nanda Kyaw Swa, chairmen of Pyithu Hluttaw committees, vice-chairmen, secretaries, Hluttaw representatives, officials of Hluttaw Office. The US goodwill delegation was accompanied by the charge d' affaires ai of the US embassy.

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Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann cordially greets US Secretary of State Mrs Hillary Clinton.

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Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann receives US Secretary of State Mrs Hillary Clinton at Zabuthiri Hall of Hluttaw Building.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann met local journalists at Press Room in Zabuthiri Hall of Hluttaw Building here this afternoon. He answered queries related to the meeting with delegation led by US Secretary of State Mrs Hillary Clinton.

The press conference was also attended by Deputy Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw U Nanda Kyaw Swa, chairmen, secretaries and members of Pyithu Hluttaw Committees, reporters of local journals.

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Pyithu Hluttaw Speaker Thura U Shwe Mann meets local media



Speaker of Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann meets local journalists at Press Room in Zabuthiri Hall of Hluttaw Building.—MNA



Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin holds a cordial discussion with US Secretary of State Mrs Hillary Clinton and party.—MNA

Myanmar, US to promote relations

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin received US Secretary of State Mrs Hillary Clinton and party who were here on an official visit at the ministry, here, this morning.

Their meeting focused on promotion of bilateral ties between Myanmar and the US and mutual cooperation.

Also present at the call were Deputy Minister for Foreign

Affairs Dr Myo Myint, directors-general and officials.

The US Secretary of State was accompanied by Assistant Secretary of State Mr Kurt Campbell, Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights & Labour Mr Michael Posner, US Special Representative and Policy Coordinator for Myanmar Mr Derek Mitchell and Senior Director for Asian Affairs National Security Council Mr Daniel Russell.

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Myanmar represented the first trip by a US Secretary of State in 50 years, it was a historic visit. He expressed his belief that engagement between the two countries would be promoted to the level of friendly relations and cooperation between them. Myanmar had been strengthening friendly ties with all countries, upholding the Independent and Active Foreign Policy in accord with five principles of peaceful co-existence, he said. China and India are maintaining good relations with Myanmar for many years and they are geopolitically important neighbours, he added. He continued to say that China encouraged Myanmar to promote relationships with western countries and even arranged dialogues with western countries. Thus, he said that Myanmar would continuously maintain friendly ties with China and India. He added that there was government-to-government relations between Myanmar and US as well as people-to-people contact. He noted that Myanmar's experience of democracy is in its infancy. As the period of taking office of the new government was only eight months, all the steps were being taken cautiously for smooth transition to democracy, he said. As the country was on the right track of flourishing democracy and today's endeavours of the government won the internal and international supports, Myanmar had no plan to make a u-turn.

He vowed that emphasis would be placed on all-inclusiveness in the politics in accord with the law. He said that arrangement for Daw Aung San Suu Kyi and NLD enabling them to register and participate in the by-election was a significant change. With regard to media sector, freedom of media was being granted step by step in conformity with freedom and accountability, he noted.

He said that peace and stability, economic growth and human resources

development were essential for democratization process. While carefully handling internal and external political issues for ensuring peace and stability of the State, Myanmar is in the process of holding peace talks with all national race armed groups. He expressed his hope that all organizations would take part in the peace process soon. If the armed groups returned to the legal fold, the government could cooperate with them in narcotic drug elimination tasks, he said. In the past, Myanmar had been provided by the US in anti-drug drive.

Regarding the strong economy, he said that Myanmar does not need to worry about food, clothing and shelter of the people as it is an agro-based country. However, due to few job opportunities, the poverty rate in Myanmar touched 26 per cent. Therefore, he said that Myanmar is striving to reduce poverty rate from 26 % to 16 % in 2015.

The President also said that the government and the entire people were making concerted efforts for poverty alleviation, adopting eight tasks and to accomplish these tasks cooperation of UN and INGOs was needed; that industrial zones, deep-sea ports and Special Economic Zones were being developed to create job opportunities; that emergence of middle-class entrepreneurs was being encouraged; that Foreign Direct Investment (FDI), and assistances of IMF and World Bank were also required for technology, investment, mutual trade, capital flow; and that research of IFIS should be conducted.

Regarding Human Resources Development, Myanmar wishes to cooperate in education and health sectors; it desires to send Myanmar students to top American universities; it is hoped to develop education standard of Myanmar through bilateral cooperation.

The President said, regarding nuclear non-proliferation, Myanmar adhered to Resolution Nos (1718) and (1784) while working in cooperation with other nations; Myanmar is working closely with IAEA for peaceful use of



President U Thein Sein shakes hands with US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton.—MNA

nuclear energy and will consider signing IAEA Supplemental Protocol; he wishes American President Obama and American people health and prosperity and hopes Mrs. Clinton's trip smooth and pleasant.

Mrs. Hillary Clinton expressed her thanks for detailed explanation of the President on bilateral relations. She said that she conveyed a personal letter from President Obama expressing his thanks and recognition for the Myanmar President's endeavours for national development and arrangements for the visit; it is firmly believed that the relations between the two countries would be developed, based on mutual respect; she pledged to cooperate in Myanmar's reform process as a partner country; she acknowledged Myanmar's role in ASEAN and said its improved relations with neighbours have US's support; and she expressed her belief that the track of the President chose for the future of Myanmar was correct for the national development.

Other countries including the US

would support the steps the Myanmar government has taken to continue. She said she believed that Myanmar would overcome fairly possible challenges and achieve progress as the country has possessed precious energy resources.

For further talks between the two countries, she invited a Myanmar delegation to visit the US early next year. In accord with the wish to further improve bilateral relations, the high-level US delegations were sent to Myanmar during the past two and a half years. The US welcomed the significant reforms the new Myanmar government has carried out and desired to respond the remarkable progress with the matched cooperation. She asked to coordinate matters on sending of World Bank Mission so as to assist and provide Myanmar Banking system. She expressed her wish to cooperate in the fight against narcotic drugs. Rural region development, clearance of landmines, improvement in microfinance and education for children programmes would be provided in cooperation with the UNDP. Under John Hopkins

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US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton explains about her trip to Myanmar.



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Mrs. Hillary Clinton meets media in Nay Pyi Taw

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton held a press conference at Thingaha Hotel where she stayed during her visit to Nay Pyi Taw at 3.10 pm today.

Members of Myanmar Foreign Correspondents Club and journalists at home and abroad were present at the media conference.

Mrs. Hillary Clinton explained about her trip to Myanmar and answered queries of The New York Times and The Wall Street Journal of the US and The Myanmar Times and The Voice of Myanmar.—MNA

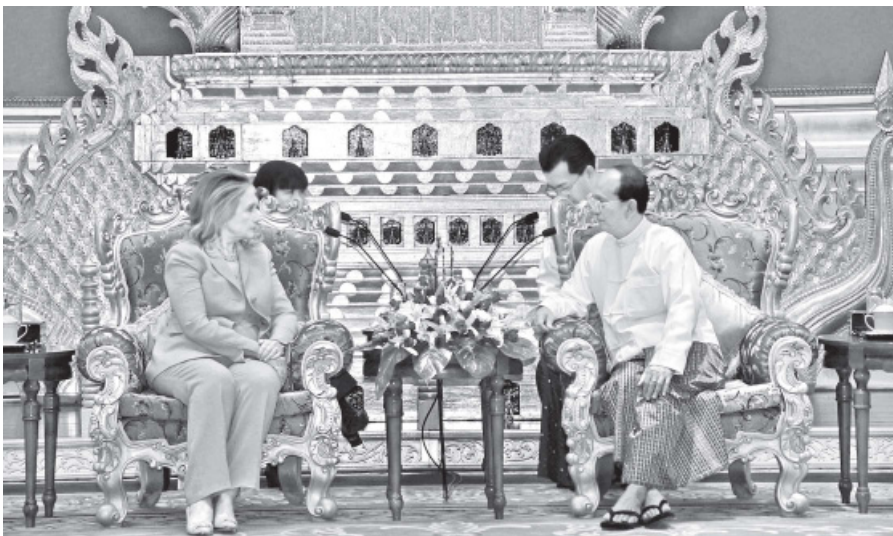
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scholarship programme, scholarships would be granted for Public Health and Engineering. Plan would be made for Myanmar to participate in environmental conservation programmes for countries at the lower part of Mekong river.

Normal diplomatic relations would be made and reappointment of ambassadors would be considered. She showed her desire to send a group for human rights to Myanmar early next year. She spoke words of praise for making peace with national race armed groups such as holding peace talks and ceasefire and would like to help as much as she can. She welcomed formation and functions of Myanmar Human Rights Commissions.

She expected that the by-election will be held and requested the President to allow international observers to the country, that nuclear nonproliferation is high on the list of them. She expressed thanks for Myanmar adheres to the resolutions of UNSG.



President U Thein Sein receives US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton. MNA

She called for keeping up momentum for current national reconciliation, by-election and political progress, adding that road map will be drawn to relax and lift economic sanction, restrictions on tourism sector and export and import embargo, the US wants to be a partner of Myanmar and will provide assistance showing

mutual respects. These are desire of US President Barack Obama and also of country's top leaders. She said that the promising cooperation with Myanmar will be present ahead.

The President showed his appreciation for advices and encouragements on many issues. With all seriousness to advices, measures

that should be taken will be taken, the President said.

At today's call, US President Barack Obama sent a personal letter to President U Thein Sein through Mrs Hillary Clinton, stating that all hope to get on a path to a new phase in bilateral relationship.

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US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton arrives in Yangon

YANGON, 1 Dec —Secretary of State of the US Mrs. Hillary Clinton and party arrived in Yangon from Nay Pyi Taw by special aircraft this evening. They were welcomed at Yangon International Airport by

Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint and officials and US embassy staff.

Next, the US Secretary of the State and party visited Shwedagon Pagoda. — MNA

US Secretary of State Mrs. Hillary Clinton leaves for Yangon



NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec —The visiting delegation led by Secretary of State of the US Mrs. Hillary Clinton left here for Yangon by special aircraft this evening.

They were seen off at Nay Pyi Taw Airport by Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs Dr Myo Myint and officials.

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US Secretary of State Mrs Hillary Clinton being seen off by Deputy Foreign Affairs Minister Dr Myo Myint and officials.—MNA

Manaw Thukha paddy strain harvested in Magway

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—The ceremony to harvest Manaw Thukha good paddy strain (A level) for 2.64 acre was held at field No. 1123 Aukseikkwin of

Aukseik river water pumping region in Myinkawa village-tract, Seikpyu Township of Magway Region on 28 November.

Deputy Director U

Tin Naing Tun of Magway Region Land Records Department and officials supervised paddy harvesting. The paddy field could produce 128.29 baskets.—MNA



Guests attend a ribbon-cutting ceremony marking the opening of a branch office of the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC), in Phnom Penh, Capital of Cambodia, on 30 Nov, 2011. China's Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC), on Wednesday officially opened its branch in Phnom Penh, aimed at cementing Sino-Cambodian economic and trade cooperation. —XINHUA

Tanker hijacked off Kenya coast released after 7 months

SINGAPORE, 1 Dec— Singapore-registered chemical tanker MT Gemini was released on Wednesday, 215 days after it was hijacked off the Kenyan coast, its ship management company said on Thursday.

Twenty-one of the 25 crew members were released, including five Chinese nationals, 13 Indonesians and three Myanmar citizens. They were physically unharmed, the Glory Ship Management Pte Ltd said.

Four South Korean nationals, however, were still being held. Glory said the pirates had earlier promised to

release all the crew members.

The chemical tanker was seized by pirates on April 16, 2011, off the Kenyan coast. The ship had set sail from Kuala Tanjung, Sumatra, Indonesia with a cargo of over 28,000 metric tons of crude palm oil.

"We are relieved that 21 of the crew have been released and are in good health. We will expedite their speedy return home. In the meantime, we are expending all efforts to secure the release of the four South Koreans still held as hostage," Glory said in a statement on Thursday.—Xinhua

Leader of Spokespersons and Information Team of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar gives Al Jazeera TV correspondent interview



Leader of Spokespersons and Information Team of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Union Minister for Information and for Culture U Kyaw Hsan receives Correspondent Ms. Aela Callan of Al Jazeera Television.

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NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec — Leader of Spokespersons and Information Team of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Union Minister for Information and for

Culture U Kyaw Hsan received Correspondent Ms. Aela Callan of Al Jazeera Television at his office, here, this afternoon.

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—HIV virus found in 1981 spread out all the countries throughout the world during 30-year period; at present, about 34 million people are infected with HIV/AIDS; and the majority of dead persons from 15 to 49 years old suffered from AIDS diseases, highlighted Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin at the ceremony to mark the World AIDS Day 2011 at the hall of the ministry, here, this morning.

He continued to say that according to the estimated statistics in 2009, there were about 17100 new patients infected with HIV virus within a year, 17560 dead and 74000 persons to be provided with ART medicine and 4300 expectant mothers to be given the



UNFPA Resident Representative Mr Mohamed Abdel Ahad reads the message sent by the UN Secretary-General.

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medicines that prevent infection of HIV virus from mother to embryos.

Myanmar is striving for prevention against HIV/AIDS as a national duty, and the HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control Central Committee was formed with the responsible persons from the Ministry of Health, related ministries and local social organizations across the nation. In line with the motto "Universal Access to HIV Prevention, Treatment, Care and Support", the prevention against AIDS disease, treatment and care are being undertaken in the nation so as to realize No. 6 objective of the UN Millennium Development Goals, he said.

In his conclusion, the Union Minister said that with the encouragement of the State and assistance of 3 Diseases Fund and Global Fund, Myanmar will

World AIDS Day 2011 marked

Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin delivering an address at the ceremony to mark the World AIDS Day 2011.

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carry out prevention of AIDS, treatment and care tasks with momentum coming years.

UNFPA Resident Representative Mr Mohamed Abdel Ahad read the message sent by the UN Secretary-General.

Country Coordinator Dr Sun Gang of UNAIDS read the message of UNAIDS.

Union Minister Dr Pe Thet Khin, Deputy Ministers Dr Myat Myat Ohn Khin and Dr Win Myint and officials awarded winners in the essay, painting and cartoon contests to mark the World AIDS Day 2011.

This year's motto for the World AIDS Day is "Getting to Zero-Zero, New HIV Infections, Zero Discrimination and Zero AIDS Related Deaths."—MNA

Country Coordinator Dr Sun Gang of UNAIDS reads the message of UNAIDS.

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Members of Sangha, pilgrims crowd Kaba Aye Hill to pay homage to Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—As today is the tenth day on which the Sacred Buddha Tooth Relic which conveyed from the People's Republic of

China to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar for the fourth time is being kept at the Maha Pasana Cave on Kaba Aye Hill in Yangon.

Streams of members of the Sangha and pilgrims paid homage to the tooth relic all day.

Officials from the donation centres

accepted cash donations and a total of 448 items of jewellery by a total of 140 wellwishers. The donations from 30 November to 6 pm today amounted to K 103952497, jewellery worth K 57910500, US\$ 4320, S\$ 217, FEC 576 units, Thai baht 970 and Euro 5.

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Hackers hit United Nations

SAN FRANCISCO, 1 Dec—The United Nations on Wednesday said that hackers broke into an old server and swiped outdated account and password information. UN data stolen by a hacker group calling itself “TeamPoison” remained on file sharing website Pastebin, along with a message criticizing the international organization.

The information was looted during a cyberattack on the UN Development Programme (UNDP) that dates back to 2007 and no active passwords were listed, according to UN deputy spokesman Eduardo del Buey. “The current server of the United Nations Development Programme has not been compromised,” del Buey said. “UNDP found the compromised server and took it offline,” he added.—Internet

Cyberattack on Canada larger than thought

TORONTO, 1 Dec—A massive computer hacking attack on the Canadian government in the fall of 2010 was much larger than first thought, a computer security firm says.

Early this year, government officials acknowledged the federal Finance Department and Treasury Board, along with a Department of National Defence agency had been attacked by computers in China. The departments turned off Internet access for most users in those departments, and they still have limited or no online access, the Canadian Broadcasting Corp reported. Meanwhile, Daniel Tobok, chief of the Digital Wyzdom cybersecurity company told the CBC the “very sophisticated and highly targeted” hacking attacks also affected at least seven major law firms in Toronto.

The crux of the attack appears to have been over a possible takeover of the Potash Corp of Saskatchewan, at the time estimated to be worth \$38 billion, the CBC said. The law firms were all involved in sales negotiations, Tobok said. Australian resource giant BHP Billiton was trying to acquire the company, which Beijing made no secret of opposing. China is one of the biggest importers of potash, used in agricultural fertilizers. Canada’s Conservative government earlier this year ruled out the sale of the corporation to foreign investors.—Internet



US Secretary of State Mrs Hillary Clinton and party visit Shwedagon Pagoda. (News on page 9) MNA



Simon Wasswa, 15-year-old, rests in a village in central Ugandan district of Mukono, on 25 Nov, 2011. Unsure of the day’s meals, which tops his worries, Wasswa moves from village to village in search for petty jobs like fetching water, digging or feeding animals. Wasswa was orphaned by HIV/AIDS, and he is also battling the disease which he says he got from his mother during birth. Aware of the importance of ARVs, Wasswa will now have to walk for four hours and sometimes with an empty stomach to reach the nearest hospital where he can access the medicine.

XINHUA

German intel agency destroyed Nazi files

BERLIN, 1 Dec—Germany’s foreign intelligence agency destroyed personnel files for former employees of the Secret Service and the Gestapo in 2007, historians said.

The Bundesnachrichtendienst, or BND, destroyed the files in 2007, historians studying ties between the Third Reich and the foreign intelligence agency told Spiegel Online.

One week before BND head Ernst Uhlrau is to retire, an independent commission he appointed to research the agency’s Nazi roots uncovered the destruction of documents relating to 250 agency officials who were “in significant intelligence positions in the SS, the SD (the intelligence agency of the SS and the Nazi Party) or the Gestapo,” Spiegel reported Wednesday.

Some of those whose files were destroyed were investigated for possible war crimes in the aftermath of World War II.

Commission spokesman and historian Klaus-Dietmar Henke said he was “stunned” by the findings, and the commission has called for a full investigation of the document destruction.

Internet

Poisoned beverage suspected in boy’s death

BEIJING, 1 Dec—A fourth-grade boy is dead, and his mother is in a coma, in Changchun, Northeast China’s Jilin Province, after consuming a beverage produced by a subsidiary of Coca-Cola on Tuesday, according to a Beijing News report. The police say organic phosphorus, a toxic pesticide, has been found in the Guoli Naiyou (strawberry flavor drink). Guoli Naiyou is a mix of milk, juice and fruit particles

manufactured by Minute Maid, which is owned by Coca-Cola Co. Two other people in Changchun were sent to the hospital recently after drinking the beverage, police said, but they have recovered.

Coca-Cola Jilin Beverage Co Ltd said Wednesday that nothing abnormal turned up in an internal quality test, adding that it will cooperate with the official investigation.

Meanwhile, quality supervision authorities who are conducting the investigation have ordered the product off supermarket shelves.

Xinhua



A client pays electricity bill in Lianyungang City, east China’s Jiangsu Province, on 30 Nov, 2011. The National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC) announced Wednesday that it will raise the price of electricity for non-residential use by an average of 0.03 yuan (0.47 US cents) per kilowatt-hour (kwh) nationwide starting Thursday.—XINHUA



Australian Governor-General Quentin Bryce (C) cuts the ribbon during an activity to mark the upcoming annual World AIDS Day which falls on 1 December, in Sydney Opera House, Australia, on 30 Nov, 2011.—XINHUA

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV NOBLE-CORAL VOY NO (42)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV NOBLE-CORAL VOY NO (42) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 2.12.2011 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of S.P.W (4) 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

MV SUPA BHUM VOY NO (201)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV SUPA BHUM VOY NO (201) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 2.12.2011 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.

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Qantas pilot under investigation over mile-high scandal

SYDNEY, 1 Dec—A Qantas pilot was under investigation Tuesday over a mile-high scandal with a female passenger during a long-haul flight to Australia. Passengers in the first class section of QF32 from London were stunned at the pilot's amorous antics with the woman. He was seen sitting on her lap during the flight in the luxurious premium section of the Qantas A380 jet before things became quite steamy, sources told the *Herald Sun*. The seat has privacy walls and reclines to become a bed. The pilot was off-duty and not in uniform at the time of the incident. He was scolded twice by the crew as passengers became annoyed at the public display of affection, sources said. After the flood of complaints, the pilot shifted to economy. The female passenger left the flight in Singapore and the pilot returned to the first class cabin, staying on the flight until it landed in Sydney at 8:10pm on Friday.—*Internet*

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

MV KOTA MACHAN VOY NO (327)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA MACHAN VOY NO (327) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 2.12.2011 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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Australian Cameron Andersen (centre) takes rigid trainings at Shaolin Temple in Henan Province.
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Aussie black-belt hosts travel show

BEIJING, 1 Dec — In 2008 Australian Cameron Andersen was practicing international law in Shanghai when he was spotted as a TV natural by the producer of "Getaway." He was then invited as a guest for the 30-minute travel show on International Channel Shanghai, or ICS, which is seen nationwide and overseas. Not only was he funny, smart, versatile and poised, he also spoke fluent Mandarin and Shanghaiese, and that clinched it. He sings and raps in Chinese and does break-dancing and freestyle Latin dance, but not on the show. He's also a martial arts practitioner, and viewers can sometimes watch him demonstrating his skills on the travel show. Today Andersen, 29, is still the regular host of "Getaway." "TV was absolutely a big decision for me, a huge departure from my former profession and life. But I am a person who love to succeed at the many things I dream of," he says. Andersen quit the law and got some practical TV training. The global financial crisis hit in 2008 but Andersen says that's not the reason he left law (he worked at a local firm), though many foreign firms reduced staff or packed up and left.—*Internet*

Bidding Announcement

THE EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA
YANGON

1. The Embassy of the Republic of Korea invites submission of sealed bids from construction companies for the Embassy Renovation project.
2. Closing Date & Time : 5 December 2011 at 16:00 hrs
3. Detail information of Tender is available on the Embassy Homepage (<http://mmr.mofat.go.kr/worldlanguage/asia/mmr/main/index.jsp>).

Business in Christmas decorations booms

BEIJING, 1 Dec—Despite Christmas still being a month away, employees at Yihang Christmas Decoration Arts and Crafts company have already stopped working and begun decorating their 26,000-square-meter factory on the outskirts of Yiwu, in Zhejiang province, with leftover seasonal ornaments.

It's not because they have nothing else to do due to the stagnant economies in Western countries to which the company traditionally exports containers of Christmas decorations.

On the contrary, the 700 workers from one of the biggest factories of its kind in the city, if not in the country, are seeing an unprecedented sales boom and are celebrating the moment.

"This is the best year," said Lou Aiju, the wife of the boss, or "laobanniang" as she is generally addressed, of the company. "I cannot tell you how much money we are making this year, but it's definitely the best in its history - something we never expected." Lou, a 50-year-old Yiwu native, is a witness to the history of Christmas product manufacturing in Yiwu, where more than half of Christmas products worldwide, 70 percent in the United States and 40 percent in Europe, are made.—*Internet*

World AIDS Day being marked in Nepal

KATHMANDU, 1 Dec—Nepal is marking the 24th World AIDS Day organizing various programmes on Thursday with the slogan: Getting to Zero was determined as per the United Nations HIV/AIDS Programme.

Although the statistics has shown the lowering rate of HIV transmission in Nepal, some six people contract HIV every day in the country, it was informed at a Press meeting.

At the Press meeting organized by the National AIDS and STDS Control Centre on the occasion of the AIDS Day, it was informed that some 18,000 Nepalis have been living with HIV/AIDS which was traced first in 1988.

Similarly, some 5,000 people are dying of AIDS in Nepal. There are 36 anti-retro viral treatment centres across the country from where some 6,000 HIV survivals are receiving treatment.

Meanwhile, an interaction organized in the Capital Kathmandu stressed on protecting the Nepalis involved in the hotel, rafting, trekking and tour guide from the chance of getting HIV.

On the occasion, Minister of State for Tourism and Civil Aviation Dilip Maharjan said the tourism industry would be durable if AIDS control programmes were conducted in collaboration with tourism industry.—*Xinhua*



Dolls designed by famous designers were shown during the exhibiton of Frimousses decreateurs at Petit Palais in Paris, France, on 28 Nov, 2011.
XINHUA

Missing holy book returned to church

The pastor of a New York state church said he was overjoyed when an anonymous man returned a missing Holy Gospel book to a parishioner.

The Rev Volodymyr Zablotsky of Sts Peter and Paul Orthodox Church in Buffalo's Lovejoy neighbourhood said the ornate book, containing the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, was thought to have been taken by copper thieves who took \$5,000 to \$6,000 worth of metal from the church's roof two days before the book went missing about two weeks ago, *The Buffalo*

News reported Monday. Parishioner Steven Camp said the book was handed to him by a man who did not give his name and said he needed "to do the right thing." Zablotsky said he is not interested in bringing the thief to justice.

"The person who did turn the Gospel in evidently had some change of heart," Zablotsky said. "I asked my congregation today to pray for him, because that might be the beginning of work that God needs to do in his heart."

News Album



Chris Walton, a Las Vegas woman who hasn't clipped her finger nails in 18 years, has won the Guinness World Record for the longest nails in the world. The 45-year-old woman's nails measure 10ft 2in on her left hand and 9ft 7in on her right hand.

Fla water tower chosen for calendar cover

Paint company Tnemec said the newly refurbished water tower in Hollywood, Fla, was chosen to be the cover image of its new calendar. The firm said the tower, which was refurbished earlier in the year, was chosen as the cover image due to the vibrant colours of the fish and turtles painted on the structure, *The Miami Herald* reported Monday. "Hollywood's water tank definitely stood out," said Mark Thomas, vice president of marketing for Tnemec. "It's a landmark for the community." The water tower received a clock and temperature reader as part of the work that ended in May, but they have yet to work properly, officials said.

Woman gives birth at airport

A spokesman for a Maryland airport said a woman gave birth on the floor of a concourse restroom shortly after exiting a plane that had just landed.

Jonathan Dean, a spokesman for Baltimore-Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport, said police and firefighters responded to the call about a woman in labor about 2:20 pm Sunday and the woman gave birth on a bathroom floor with the help of an officer, *The Baltimore Sun* reported Monday.

The unidentified mother and newborn boy were taken to Baltimore Washington Medical Centre in Glen Burnie where the child was said to be healthy, Dean said. Dean said the child was the first baby he could recall being born at the airport.

Daniel Radcliffe to play poet Ginsberg

WASHINGTON, 1 Dec —Daniel Radcliffe is set to play legendary Beat poet Allen Ginsberg in new movie 'Kill Your Darlings'.

According to TwitchFilm.com, the 'Harry Potter' star is set to start shooting the film - which will be written and directed by John Krokidas - after his run in Broadway play 'How To Succeed In Business Without Really Trying', Contactmusic reported.

The project was initially announced in 2009 with Jesse Eisenberg originally set to play Ginsberg with Chris Evans as poet/novelist Jack Kerouac and Ben Whishaw as instrumental Beat Generation figure Lucien Carr.

The film - which is based in real events - revolves around the relationship between Ginsberg, Kerouac and Carr.

Internet



Daniel Radcliffe

Harrison Ford to star in Indiana Jones five

LONDON, 1 Dec—Indiana Jones is set to return to big screen for the fifth time with 70-year-old Harrison Ford playing the lead.

Director Stephen Spielberg has confirmed that George Lucas is writing the story for a new film, due to start shooting in late 2012.

"George is working on Indy V. We haven't gone to screenplay, he's working on the story," the Mirror quoted him as saying on Showbiz Tonight.

However, Ford's age



Harrison Ford

could now make it hard for fans to take him seriously as the daredevil archaeologist in the latest adventure movie.

Indiana's last outing was in 2008's Kingdom of

the Crystal Skull, which received mixed reviews.

Spielberg acknowledged that using an alien, which they referred to as MacGuffin, in the plot led to fights in production.

"I sympathise with people who didn't like the MacGuffin because I never liked the MacGuffin. George and I had big arguments," he added.

Though he did admit that the idea of Indy surviving a nuclear blast by climbing in a fridge was his.

Internet

Jolie once wanted to be a funeral director

LOS ANGELES, 1 Dec—Hollywood actress Angelina Jolie said on this week's edition of "60 Minutes" she once considered a career as a funeral director.

"It sounds like this very strange, eccentric, dark thing to do, but, in fact, I lost my grandfather and was very upset with his funeral," People.com quoted Jolie as saying.

"How somebody passes and how family deals with this passing and what death is should be addressed in a different way. If this whole acting thing didn't work out that was going to be my path." Jolie, who has six children with her longtime partner Brad Pitt, is on the promotion trail for her directorial debut, "In the Land of Blood and Honey." She won an Oscar for Best Supporting Actress for "Girl, Interrupted" in 1999.—Internet



Hollywood actress Angelina Jolie

Robert Pattinson can 'die' for love

WASHINGTON, 1 Dec —Robert Pattinson has revealed that he would be willing to lose his own life in order to protect those who mean the most to him.

Earlier, the 25-year-old heartthrob, who is in a relationship with his 'Twilight Saga' co-star Kristen Stewart, had claimed that he is an old fashioned person when it comes to love.

"I think if you love anyone, you kind of feel like that. If you're in love with anyone, I think the majority of people would say, 'If I have to die for this person, I will,'"



Robert Pattinson and Kristen Stewart

Contactmusic quoted him as telling Denmark Berlingske TV.

"I mean, you don't really love someone if you're like, 'No. Just let them die,'" he said.

Internet



Mimi Rogers

Mimi Rogers to guest star on 'Men'

LOS ANGELES, 1 Dec—Mimi Rogers will play the mother of Ashton Kutcher's character Walden in an upcoming episode of the US sitcom "Two and a Half Men," CBS said Tuesday.

Rogers will appear in the show set to air 12 Dec.

"Walden's mother arrives and Alan is smitten with her, even as she reveals a secret about Walden's past that sends him into a downward spiral," CBS said in a synopsis.

Jon Cryer plays Alan on the show.

Rogers' small-screen credits include "The Roustlers" and "Paper Dolls."

Internet



Crystal Palace's Glenn Murray (R) celebrates with Patrick McCarthy after scoring his side's second goal during their English League Cup soccer match against Manchester United at Old Trafford in Manchester, northern England, on 30 Nov, 2011. Manchester United suffered a shock 2-1 loss to Crystal Palace.—XINHUA

Crystal Palace eliminates United from League Cup

MANCHESTER, 1 Dec—Manchester United was knocked out of the League Cup quarterfinals by Crystal Palace, with Glenn Murray scoring in the eighth minute of overtime to give the second-tier club a 2-1 victory Wednesday night and its first win at Old Trafford since 1989.

Former Premier League midfielder Darren Ambrose put Palace ahead in the 65th minute when he scored on a 35-yard free kick. United, fielding a mostly second-string lineup, tied the score four minutes later on Federico Macheda's penalty kick. Glenn Murray then headed Ambrose's free kick past goalkeeper Ben Amos to earn Palace a semifinal matchup against fellow League Championship club Cardiff. Liverpool and Manchester City will meet in the other semifinal.

Crystal Palace had 10 losses and three

draws against United since a 3-0 home league win in May 1991. Palace had been winless at Old Trafford since December 1989, losing eight and drawing two.

Internet



Manchester United's Park Ji-Sung (L) challenges Crystal Palace's Stuart O'Keefe (R) during their English League Cup soccer match at Old Trafford in Manchester, northern England, on 30 Nov, 2011. Manchester United suffered a shock 2-1 loss to Crystal Palace.—XINHUA

Red Bulls striker Juan Agudelo set to train with Liverpool during MLS break

NEW YORK, 1 Dec—New York Red Bulls striker Juan Agudelo is the latest MLS player to train with a Premier League team during the league's winter break after announcing on Twitter that he is headed to Liverpool.

Agudelo first teased his followers by writing, "Flight to England tomorrow. ill keep my followers n fans on a suspenseful cliff hanger, without naming the team i will be training with Yet." Moments later, he tweeted: "Ok.... I guess a lot of people knew already lolol. #LFC it is."

Agudelo will join the Reds on a two-week training stint. He will join two other Americans - striker Villyan Bijev (on loan at Fortuna Dusseldorf) and



New York Red Bulls striker Juan Agudelo midfielder Marc Pelosi - at the club.

The 19-year-old had been training with German team VfB Stuttgart before getting the call to England. Agudelo also attended the US Under-23 team's training camp in Germany earlier this month in preparation for next summer's Olympics.

Agudelo has shown potential with the US men's national team, but was left off the roster for this month's friendlies against France and Slovenia.—Internet

Golf-Tiger in upbeat mood after faring well Down Under

THOUSAND OAKS, 1 Dec—Tiger Woods had a noticeable glint in his eye ahead of this week's Chevron World Challenge, oozing confidence about his game after an encouraging fortnight of competition in Australia.

Though he has not won a tournament in more than two years while struggling with his private life and working on the fourth swing change of his career, he believes he has made significant strides since regaining full fitness.

Two weeks after the PGA Championship in August, Woods was given the go-ahead by his doctors to practise as much as he wanted, having previously been limited while recovering from injuries to his left knee ligaments and Achilles tendon.

"What people don't realise is that I

wasn't able to practise this year, I wasn't able to play at home," the 14-times major winner told reporters at Sherwood Country Club on Wednesday.

"People don't realise how much golf I play at home when I'm getting ready for an event, how many holes I play. I play a lot, and I wasn't able to do any of that, because I was under a strict ball count for the day.—Internet



Tiger Woods talks with his caddie Joe LaCava (L) as he carries Tiger's new golf bag on the 18th fairway during a pro-am round at the Chevron World Challenge golf tournament in Thousand Oaks, California, on 30 Nov, 2011.—INTERNET

Buzzetti returns to Fiji coaching job

WELLINGTON, 1 Dec—Fiji has reinstated Uruguayan Juan Carlos Buzzetti as national team coach two years after he was dismissed from the position.

Buzzetti coached Fiji for three years until 2009. The team has since been coached by Yogen Dutt until 2010, and most recently, Gurjit Singh.

Fiji Football Association president Rajesh Patel said Fiji reappointed Buzzetti because "we need a man of his caliber back to steer us in the right direction."

Patel said "we have reached an understanding with him and he is ready to come back. It is now just up to us to get the logistics right before he makes his return."

Interent

Golf-Furyk not tempted to skip Sherwood for Sun City



Jim Furyk

THOUSAND OAKS, 1 Dec—Jim Furyk found it surprisingly easy to resist the temptation to miss this week's Chevron World Challenge for the Nedbank Golf Challenge in South Africa where he is a twice

former champion. While the Nedbank will always hold a special place in the American's heart, the chance to compete on home soil in a charity event hosted by Tiger Woods proved to be the trump card.

"This is such a nice event and it's here in our country for us," Furyk, the 2009 champion, told reporters at Sherwood Country Club on Wednesday.

"Years ago, I used to go play in South Africa at Sun City and I won a couple times over there. I really enjoy the people there, and I love the golf course.

Internet

FC Dallas' Hernandez to become player-coach

DALLAS, 1 Dec—FC Dallas has signed 34-year-old midfielder and captain Daniel Hernandez to a three-year contract to serve as a player-coach.

Under the deal signed Wednesday, the 13-year veteran will play for at least one more season before joining head coach Schellas Hyndman's staff.

Hernandez joined FC Dallas in 2009 after two years in the Mexican Primera Division. Previously, the American played for the Los Angeles Galaxy, Tampa Bay Mutiny, MetroStars and New England Revolution in Major League Soccer, as well as for the Mexican

club Necaxa. Hernandez has played a total of 61 games for FC Dallas, including a 2010 campaign that ended in the MLS CUP final. However, he has struggled with knee issues over the past two seasons, undergoing offseason surgery before the 2011 season.

Internet



Daniel Hernandez (L)

Real Madrid's Ricardo Carvalho suffers new injury blow

MADRID, 1 Dec—Real Madrid has announced via its official website that Ricardo Carvalho is currently nursing a new fitness problem.

The 33-year-old defender had only recently returned to training with the squad after a back

problem saw him miss more than five weeks of action.

Carvalho - whose last appearance was 27 Sept in his side's 3-0 victory against Ajax in the Champions League - has now sprained the ligaments in his right knee.

The former Portugal international's recovery time is still unknown, but

the problem puts him in doubt for the Clasico against Barcelona on 10 Dec.

The defender joins compatriot Cristiano Ronaldo in the infirmary, as the 26-year-old attacker is racing to recover from an ankle injury suffered in the weekend derby against Atletico Madrid.

Interent



Real Madrid's Portuguese defender Ricardo Alberto Carvalho gestures during the Spanish league football match between Valencia CF and Real Madrid on 19 Nov, 2011, at the Mestalla stadium in Valencia.—INTERNET

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (2-12-2011) (Friday)

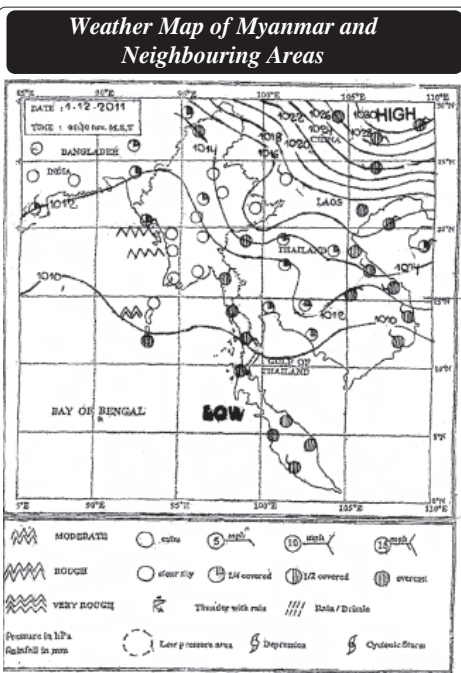
	Transmissions	Times
Local		(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
Overseas Transmission		(2-12-11 09:30 am ~ 3-12-11 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Myanmar Social & Charitable Association (Episode-3) (Part - I)
- * News
- * Fortune of Human correlated with Astro Science (December)
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- * News
- * The Heartbeats of A Diva
- * News
- * Myanmar-German ENT Workshop
- * News
- * Truly Magical Pindaya
- * Myanmar Movies "As her real son"



Friday, 2 December 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
- 8:00 am**
5. Nice & Sweet Song
- 8:15 am**
6. Health Programme
- 8:25 am**
7. The Mirror Images of the Musical Oldies
- 8:40am**
8. International News
- 8:45am**
9. Musical Programme
- 4:00 pm**
1. Martial Song
- 4:10pm**
2. Songs of National Races

- 4:20 pm**
3. Songs of Yester Years
- 4:30 pm**
4. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) - Second Year (Zoology)
- 4:45 pm**
5. Songs for Upholding National Spirit
- 4:55 pm**
6. Myanmar Language
- 5:20 pm**
7. Dance Variety

- 5:35 pm**
8. Documentary
- 6:00 pm**
9. Evening News
- 6:15 pm**
10. Weather Report
- 6:20 pm**
11. Internet Garden
- 7:00 pm**
12. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm**
13. News
- 14. International News**
- 15. Weather Report**
- 16. Just for Laughs (Gags Asia)**
- 17. TV Drama Series**
- 18. Song Lover**

Weather forecast for 2th December, 2011

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (C°/F)		For Tomorrow	
		Maximum	Minimum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	27/81	15/59	Likelihood of isolated light rain	(60%)
2	Kayah	27/81	09/48	Partly cloudy	
3	Kayin	35/95	19/66	Partly cloudy	
4	Chin	18/64	08/46	Partly cloudy	
5	Upper Sagaing	28/82	17/63	Partly cloudy	
6	Lower Sagaing	33/91	17/63	Generally fair weather	
7	Taninthayi	35/95	19/66	Likelihood of isolated light rain	(60%)
8	Bago	33/91	17/63	Generally fair weather	
9	Magway	33/91	17/63	Generally fair weather	
10	Mandalay	33/91	17/63	Partly cloudy	
11	Mon	35/95	21/70	Partly cloudy	
12	Yangon	34/93	18/64	Generally fair weather	
13	Rakhine	29/84	14/57	Generally fair weather	
14	Southern Shan	24/75	10/50	Generally fair weather	
15	Northern Shan	27/81	07/45	Generally fair weather	
16	Eastern Shan	27/81	12/54	Likelihood of isolated light rain	(60%)
17	Ayeyawady	33/91	17/63	Generally fair weather	
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	34/93	16/61	Partly cloudy	
19	Neighbouring Yangon	34/93	18/64	Generally fair weather	
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	33/91	17/63	Partly cloudy	

During the past (24) hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Taninthayi Region, Kachin and Mon States and generally fair in the remaining Regions and States. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) below November average temperatures in Taninthayi Region, Northern Shan and Rakhine States, (3°C) to (4°C) above November average temperatures in Upper Sagaing Region, Kachin and Mon States, (7°C) above November average temperatures in Chin State and about November average temperatures in the remaining Regions and States. The significant night temperature were Lashio and Nansan (6°C) and Pinlaung (7°C).

Summary of observations at 09:30 hr MST on today

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

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

Outlook for subsequent two days Generally fair weather in the whole country.

Blast outside bank kills two, injures over 10 in central China



Police officers conduct an initial investigation at the site of an explosion in Wuhan, capital of central China's Hubei Province, on 1 Dec, 2011. An explosion that occurred at a China Construction Bank branch in Wuhan Thursday afternoon has left at least six people injured, according to local firefighters. XINHUA

WUHAN, 1 Dec—An explosion that occurred near a bank in central China's Wuhan City Thursday afternoon has left two pedestrians dead and more than 10 injured, according to local police.

The explosion occurred at about 5:30 p.m. on the sidewalk outside of a China Construction Bank branch in Hongshan District of Wuhan, capital of Hubei Province, police said. An initial investigation showed that the blast was triggered by an unidentified object outside of an adjacent drugstore, according to the police.

The injured have been sent to nearby hospitals for treatment, although their conditions are not yet known.

A further investigation into the explosion is under way.—Xinhua

Vice-President Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo felicitates Laotian counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 2 Dec—On the occasion of the 36th Anniversary of the founding of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, which falls on 2 December 2011, Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo, Vice-President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Bounnhang Vorachit, Vice-President of the Lao People's Democratic Republic.—MNA

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Belarusian Prime Minister and wife arrive in Nay Pyi Taw



Belarusian Prime Minister Dr. Mikhail V. Myasnikovich and wife Mrs Ludmila Myasnikovich being welcomed by Union Foreign Affairs Minister U Wunna Maung Lwin and wife at Nay Pyi Taw Airport.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—A goodwill delegation led by Belarusian Prime Minister Dr. Mikhail V. Myasnikovich and wife Mrs Ludmila Myasnikovich arrived in Nay Pyi Taw by special aircraft at 7 pm today.

The Belarusian delegation members were welcomed by Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin and wife, Deputy Minister for Sports U Aye Myint Kyu and wife, Deputy Minister for Transport U Win Shein, Myanmar Ambassador to Belarus U Min Thein, Honorary Consular of Belarus to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Dr Aung Moe Myint and officials.

The Belarusian delegation led by the Belarusian Prime Minister and wife were accompanied by ministers, deputy ministers and senior officers together with Belarusian Ambassador to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Mr Valery Sadokho.—MNA

Moderate earthquake jolts outside Myanmar

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—A moderate earthquake of magnitude 5.5 Richter Scale with its epicenter outside Myanmar (Nicobar Island of India), about 633 miles southwest of Kaba Aye seismological observatory, was recorded at 2 hr 15 min 28 sec today, according to the Department of Meteorology and Hydrology.—MNA

Timetable on matriculation examination for 2012 announced

NAY PYI TAW, 1 Dec—The matriculation examination will be held from 12 to 22 March 2012. In the timetable for the examination, the subjects to be examined from 9 am to 12 noon are Myanmar on 12-3-2012 (Monday), English on 13-3-2012 (Tuesday), Mathematics on 14-3-2012 (Wednesday), Optional Myanmar on 15-3-2012 (Thursday), Chemistry on 16-3-2012 (Friday), Physics on 19-3-2012 (Monday), Biology/History on 20-3-2012 (Tuesday), Geography on 21-3-2012 (Wednesday) and Economics on 22-3-2012 (Thursday).—MNA

Significant night temperature (1-12-2011)

Lashio	(6°C)
Namhsan	(6°C)
Pinlaung	(5°C)



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