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### Four political objectives

- \* Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- \* National reconsolidation
- \* Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- \* Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

### Four economic objectives

- \* Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- \* Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- \* Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- \* The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

### Four social objectives

- \* Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- \* Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- \* Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
- \* Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

## State Peace and Development Council Chairman Senior General Than Shwe accepts credentials of Ambassador of Republic of Cuba

YANGON, 21 June — Mrs Maria Luisa Fernandez, newly accredited Ambassador of the Republic of Cuba to the Union of Myanmar, presented her credentials to Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, at Zeyathiri Beikman

on Konmyinthta at 10 am today.

Also present on the occasion were State Peace and Development Council Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Kyaw Thu and Director-General Thura U Aung Htet of the Protocol Department. — MNA



*Senior General Than Shwe accepts credentials of newly accredited Cuban Ambassador to Myanmar Mrs Maria Luisa Fernandez. — MNA*

## State Peace and Development Council Chairman Senior General Than Shwe accepts credentials of Ambassador of Syrian Arab Republic

YANGON, 21 June — Mr Fahd Salim, newly accredited Ambassador of the Syrian Arab Republic to the Union of Myanmar, presented his credentials to Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State

Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, at Zeyathiri Beikman on Konmyinthta at 10.30 am today.

Also present on the occasion were State Peace and

Development Council Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Kyaw Thu and Director-General Thura U Aung Htet of the Protocol Department. — MNA



*Senior General Than Shwe receives Syrian Ambassador Mr Fahd Salim. — MNA*

**Emergence of the State Constitution is the duty of all citizens of Myanmar Naing-Ngan.**

# PERSPECTIVES

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## Work in concert to be able to enhance the national economic life

The State Peace and Development Council has been systematically implementing the border area development plan, the special regions development plan and the five rural development tasks for parallel development of the hill regions and the plains and, as a result, the entire nation is now able to enjoy the fruits of development.

In striving for the development of the nation, the government is building a network of infrastructures for economic development such as roads and bridges, airports, dams and river water pumping stations. Moreover, for economic development of the nation, the government has successfully implemented the first five-year short-term economic plan and the second five-year short-term economic plan. Now it has reached the last year of the third five-year short-term economic plan.

As the economic plans have been successfully implemented, the economic growth rate has become higher and higher year after year. In addition to economic growth of the nation, per capita income has also increased. At the time when the Tatmadaw government started taking responsibilities of the State, average per capita income was only a little more than a thousand kyats. But now, it stands at K 160,000 and the government is trying to increase the per capita income up to K 200,000 at the end of the current fiscal year.

Agriculture is the main pillar of the national economy. Therefore, it is necessary for the people in each and every region to work for the development of the agriculture, to increase the production of agricultural products and to boost their export.

To ensure self-sufficiency in rice, it is necessary to increase the yield of mixed and double cropping. Moreover, it is advisable to cultivate coffee, tea and oil palm and rubber which are in good demand in overseas market on a manageable and commercial scale.

Production of not only the agriculture sector but also other sectors need to be boosted for the economic development of the nation and for the increase of per capita income.

For this, we have to work two or three times harder than we do now. This being the case, we would like to call on the entire nation to work in concert to be able to enhance the national economic life.

## Sitparagu & Kabyawidu Book comes out

YANGON, 21 June —“Sitparagu & Kabyawidu” written by Thutaythi Yamanya Ko Ko Naing published by Sarpay Beikman has been distributed to members of the Sarpaybeikman Book Club.

The book won a manuscript award in 2001.

Those wishing to become members of the Sarpay Beikman Book Club must pay K 1500 in advance and may contact the club, No 529/531, Merchant Street, Yangon. Books published by the club will be sent to the members.

With the aim of ensuring development of Myanma literature and increasing the number of reading public, the book club was established in 1960. Since then, the club has published many books and distributed books to the members. — MNA

## People's Desire

- \* Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- \* Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- \* Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- \* Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

## USDA membership applications submitted, cash donated in Kachin State

YANGON, 21 June

— A ceremony to present USDA membership applications was held in conjunction with a cash donation for construction of a new school building at Mankhein Shwesat BEMS in Myitkyina, Kachin State, yesterday. Present on the occasions were Member of Panel of Patrons of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Chairman of Kachin State Peace and Development Council Commander of Northern Command Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe, USDA Secretariat member Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs Brig-Gen Thein Zaw, members of Kachin State Maternal and Child Welfare Association and Organization for Women's Affairs.

The commander and the minister made speeches and presented cash for the construction of the school building to



Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw offers provisions to the nunnery.—CPT

the headmistress. MCWA and OWA donated stationery and exercise books.

Next, the headmistress presented 300 USDA membership applications to the Myitkyina Township USDA secretary. The commander and the minister visited Wuntho Monastery and paid homage to the presiding Sayadaw. The commander and wife donated

a replica of Shwedagon Pagoda, gold and cash. The minister also donated a car for Thamidawdaya Nunnery and rice for the monastery and the nunnery.

On 18 June, the secretariat member visited Indaw, Sagaing and

met USDA members at Indaw Township USDA office and donated stationery for students of the township.

Later, the minister inspected Indaw microwave station and Mawlu exchange.

MNA

## Stake-driving ceremony held for construction Shwepyi Soe Sasana Beikman

YANGON, 21 June

—The site chosen for construction of Shwe Pyi Soe Sasana Beikman was blessed at a ceremony at the Shwebontha Pagoda in Ward-2, Myingyan, on 25 June.

The ceremony was graced by State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Joint-Secretary Agga Maha Pandita Agga Maha Saddhama Jotika Bhaddanta Keikhti and members of the Sangha.

A stake-driving

ceremony for the building of the Beikman was held at the site for its construction on 6 June morning.

It was attended by the chairmen and members of PDCs and USDA secretaries in Myingyan District and Township, departmental heads and officials of other social organizations. Shwepyi Soe Sasana Beikman will be constructed at a cost of over K 200 million.

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## Minister inspects training schools

YANGON, 21 June

— Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Sein Htwa and Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Myint arrived at the Social Welfare Department (Head Office) in Mayangon Township this morning.

Acting Director U Hla Myint reported on renovation of the office

buildings.

The minister and party visited Kaba Aye youth training school and left instructions on education and health affairs. They also visited the young women training school. Director-General U Sit Myaing gave a supplementary report. The minister then gave necessary instructions.

MNA

**အချို့မြန်မာ့ Monosodium Glutamate (MSG) စားသုံးခြင်း အန္တရာယ်သတိပေးနှိုးဆော်ချက်**

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၂။ အချို့မြန်မာ့တွင် လူတို့၏ ကျန်းမာရေးကို ထိခိုက်စေသောဓာတ်များ ပါရှိသည်ကို စစ်ဆေးတွေ့ရှိရပါသည်။ အချို့မြန်မာ့ကို စားသုံးခြင်းကြောင့် အောက်ပါရောဂါများ ဖြစ်ပွားစေပါသည်။

- \* ပန်နိုနာရင်ကြပ်ရောဂါ
- \* အရေပြားယားယံခြင်း၊ အပိန်ထွက်ခြင်း
- \* နှလုံးရောဂါနှင့်တူသော ရင်ဘတ်အောင့်ရောဂါ
- \* သွေးတိုးရောဂါ
- \* နှလုံးရောဂါ
- \* နှလုံးခုန်စေခြင်း
- \* စိတ်ဂယောင်ရောက်ခြင်းဖြစ်ခြင်း
- \* ကျောက်ကပ်အားနည်းသူ၊ ကျောက်ကပ်ရောဂါရှိသူများတွင် ကိုယ်ဖောယောင်ခြင်း

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ကျန်းမာရေးဝန်ကြီးဌာန



People walk past a Standard Chartered Bank branch in Hong Kong. The British-based emerging markets bank has acquired a stake in Asia Commercial Bank. — INTERNET



## Anti-terror exercise conducted at Singapore shopping mall

SINGAPORE, 20 June— An anti-terror exercise was conducted at White Sands Shopping Mall in eastern Singapore on Sunday, according to Channel NewsAsia report at night.

Some 1,000 people including residents, tenants and officers took part in the exercise, which aimed at showing Singaporeans what to do if a terrorist attack happens in shopping malls.

The exercise simulated a scenario in which two men entered the mall and left a bag with a bomb inside. The explosion, together with a chemical

leak, caused panic and the Singapore Civil Defence officers rushed in to help the injured.

A bomb dismantling robot, sent by the Defence Minister, made its first public appearance at the spot of the largest-ever exercise of its kind in the city state.

MNA/Xinhua

## Experts hail vision for Nepal as transit economy

KATHMANDU, 20 June— The vision for land-locked Nepal as a transit economy between China and India will serve as a milestone to generate employment and boost Nepal's economy, experts said here Sunday.

Yadab Kant Silwal, former secretary-general of the South Asia for Association of Regional Cooperation (SAARC), said at an interaction programme, "The vision is relevant in the present contest, so everybody should extend support to reflect it in practice."

The trade volume between China and India stands about 10 billion US dollars and the two countries plan to increase it to 30 billion US dollars within 20 years, Silwal noted, adding, "This gives us a lot of prospects to make the trade go through our land."

Former Nepali ambassador to China Rajeswor Acharya described the vision as a good example of economic diplomacy. "The idea will be instrumental to galvanize Nepal's potentials such as hydropower and tourism," Acharya said.

Rup Jyoti, president of Nepal Trans-Himalayan Trade Association, a non-governmental organization,

said Nepal can benefit in employment, development of road transportation, industry and commerce and tourism development sectors from its status as the transit point between India and China.

Similarly, economist Posh Raj Pandey said that the vision will help gather momentum in pushing economic diplomacy with China and India, thereby establishing a cordial and dynamic relations among the three countries.

Nepali King Gyanendra, after his arrival in Kathmandu from Jakarta last month, said that Nepal could be the transit point between the two giants in Asia, and Nepal, from its side, will promote the matter.

The King also made this point of view in his speech on the Second South Summit of the Group of 77 and China in Doha last week.—MNA/Xinhua

## Car bombs kill 29 in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 21 June—At least eight car bombs exploded across Iraq on Monday killing about 30 people as insurgents defied a widespread US-Iraqi security clampdown.

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In the Kurdish city of Arbil, a suicide bomber drove his car into a crowd of police recruits, killing at least 12 and wounding about 100 on a soccer field, officials said.

A second such attack in the normally more tranquil Kurdish region killed the security chief of the town of Halabja while another on an Iraqi army checkpoint in the disputed oil city of Kirkuk, just outside Kurdistan, killed four soldiers.

Five car bombs blew up in Baghdad, targeting mostly Iraqi police and soldiers. One struck the notorious airport road. The wave of violence came as two influential US senators criticized fellow Republican President Bush's handling of the two-year-old war and said Americans needed to be told that US troops faced a "long, hard slog" in Iraq. The Arbil bombing was the second time in six weeks that such a big bomb has shattered the relative peace of the north, where a regional president was sworn in last week. In early May a suicide bomber killed 46 police recruits in the city.

On Monday, a crowd of around 200 traffic police recruits had gathered for roll call in a dusty field behind the police headquarters when the suicide bomber raced his red vehicle toward them and blew up among them as they scattered.—Internet

### China, Jordan vow to further advance cooperation

AMMAN, 21 June — China will further strengthen cooperation with Jordan in various fields, visiting Chinese Foreign Minister Li Zhaoxing said on Saturday.

At a meeting with his Jordanian counterpart, Farouk Qasrawi, the two ministers exchanged views on current regional and international affairs.

China attaches great importance to Sino-Jordanian relations, Li said, adding that his country is willing to make concerted efforts with Jordan to maintain high-level contacts and exchanges, deepen political mutual-trust, broaden cooperation in the fields of trade, economy and education, and enhance coordination in international and regional affairs.

MNA/Xinhua

## Malaysia, Thailand mull border agricultural development

KUALA LUMPUR, 20 June — Malaysia and Thailand will carry out a feasibility study soon on agricultural development in the Kolok River Basin near their borders, the Bernama news agency reported Sunday.

The governments of the two countries wanted to develop the basin as part of the overall joint border projects, Minister in the Prime Minister's Department Mustapa Mohamed was quoted as saying in Kota Bharu, capital of the Kelantan State.

The Indonesia-Malaysia-Thailand Growth Triangle (IMT-GT) had agreed to the agricultural development, Mohamed added.

"The IMT-GT meeting today also agreed to carry out a feasibility study on building a new bridge over the Kolok River, which would be funded by Malaysia, and a bridge connecting Pengkalan Kubur and Takbai, southern Thailand, which would be funded by Thailand," Mohamed told reporters after chairing a meeting to re-evaluate programmes under the IMT-GT.—MNA/Xinhua

## Suspects detained in connection with hostage-taking in Cambodia

PHNOM PENH, 20 June— Cambodian police said on Sunday they had detained two more suspects in connection with Thursday's hostage-taking in a Siem Reap international school in which a Canadian boy was killed.

A security guard at the school was detained and the man, Cheut Nee,

who sold the gun to the alleged ringleader Chea Sokhom for 150 US dollars, was arrested late Saturday, said Ou Em, head of the serious criminal division in Siem Reap Province.

Four masked bandits were arrested at the scene when the crisis ended on Thursday, and later another man was detained

who was suspected as the mastermind. However, the man denied any involvement.

Cheut Nee was caught in the Cambodian-Thai border town of Poipet. "He is the one who sold the gun to Chea Sokhom. We are still looking for one more," Ou Em said.

MNA/Xinhua



Whale meat hamburger is unveiled during a sampling of the new menu at local hamburger chain Lucky Pierrot in the northern Japanese city of Hakodate, one of ex-whaling port cities in Hokkaido, on Monday, 20 June, 2005. — INTERNET

Drive safely

## Jamaican PM starts China visit

BEIJING, 20 June — Jamaican Prime Minister Percival Patterson arrived here on Sunday for a six-day official visit to China as guest of Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao.

During his three-leg tour from June 19 to 24, Patterson will visit Beijing, Shanghai and Xi'an, capital of north-west China's Shaanxi Province.

Patterson is expected to hold talks with Wen in Beijing.

MNA/Xinhua

## China's textile, garment orders recover

BEIJING, 20 June — One week since China and the European Union reached agreement on textile and garment trade, Chinese clothing firms have begun to see its rewards — both orders and prices are on the rise.

The agreement cleared up the uncertainties that both importers and exporters worried about and brought new opportunities for Chinese textile producers and traders, analysts said.

"Over the past week, our orders have recovered quickly," said Li Lingmin, vice-president of the China National Textiles Imp. & Exp. Corp. during an interview with *Xinhua* Saturday. "The price is also on the rise. The gloomy days are now gone."

Gloom set in when the United States and the EU announced they would impose restrictive measures on imports of some categories of China's textile and garments earlier this year. The effects of the restrictions were quickly felt. Trade deals decreased at the China Import and Export Fair in Guangzhou last spring, compared with otherwise increasing trade, except in unusual times like 2003 when SARS broke out. — MNA/Xinhua



A vendor sits beside T-shirts for sale at a clothing wholesale market in Shanghai on 20 June. — INTERNET

## Susilo warns against effects of more blasts

JAKARTA, 20 June — All the country's economic, social and cultural activities would be set back for several years if terror bomb blasts reoccurred, President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono said in Denpasar, Bali, on Saturday.

"Not only tourism sector but also all activities in economy, social and cultural fields will be set back (for) several years," he was quoted by state-owned news agency *Antara* on Sunday as saying at the opening of the 27th Balinese Art Festival.

Bomb blasts have affected the people and caused enormous loss, he said.

Therefore, the government is committed to preventing and eradicating transnational crimes, including terrorism, to create safe and peaceful situation in the country, he added.

The art festival, Susilo said, is an effort to boost tourism and security in the country.

He also called on the people to join hands with the government to create and maintain safety and peace.

"We must do some introspection on the Bali bomb blasts in October 2002. Terrorism can occur anywhere and anytime if we are lax and not alert," the President said. The blasts killed over 200 people, mostly Australian vacationers, and injured scores of others.

Meanwhile, Susilo stated that terrorism has not any link with certain religions or teachings. "That is why I ask Balinese community to maintain harmony among different religions," he said. — MNA/Xinhua

## China begins trial exploitation of 1st offshore coal mine

JINAN, 20 June — Energy-thirsty China on Saturday started exploitation of its first offshore coal mine, in eastern Shandong Province.

Experts with the Shandong Longkuang Group said the underwater coal mine, located about five kilometres away from the coast of Longkou City in eastern Shandong, has a proven reserve of 1.29 billion tons of coal.

It is the first offshore coal mine in China. According to the company, the first phase of digging will be done at the field 350 metres below sea level, stretching 150 metres. The deposit there is expected to turn out 89,200 tons of coal.

Representatives from the company said they had set up a sophisticated safety surveillance system and acquired the technology to prevent sea water flooding. It is said most domestic companies fail to meet the strict safety requirement for such exploitation. Earlier discovery data released from Longkou marine research team showed the deposit is part of the coal-bearing basin formed in the Cenozoic Era with six coal layers available for mining. — MNA/Xinhua

## Arroyo visits Hong Kong

MANILA, 20 June — Philippine President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo Monday left for Hong Kong to woo more investment for the country's economy.

Executive Secretary Eduardo Ermita, who personally saw the President leave for Hong Kong, said that during the half-day visit, Arroyo would meet business leaders and officials "to show them that things are okay in the Philippines".

The Arroyo's administration is taking Hong Kong's experience as its model to lick graft and corruption in three years.

MNA/Xinhua

## Vietnam reports two new human bird flu cases

HANOI, 20 June — Two people from Vietnam's northern region have just been detected to have contracted bird flu virus strain H5N1, raising the total number of infections in the country to 64 since late 2004, according to local newspaper *Saigon Liberation Monday*.

The two patients and three suspected cases were admitted to the Institute of Tropical Diseases in Hanoi capital city from 18-19 June. Currently, the institute is treating 28 people with bird flu symptoms, of whom 13 have been tested positive to H5N1.

Recently, Vietnam's Preventive Medicine Department confirmed 55 infection cases, including 18 fatality ones, between mid-December 2004 and early June 2005. Since then, 9 more local people have been detected to have contracted the disease. — MNA/Xinhua



A Kurdish woman cries outside at a local hospital in the Kurdish city of Arbil in northern Iraq, on 20 June. — INTERNET

## Iraq oil sales concern Security Council

UNITED NATIONS, 20 June — Members of the UN Security Council on Monday expressed concern over Iraq's handling of oil sales since the transfer of power from the US-led coalition authority, after an audit reported shoddy accounting and mismanagement.

The audit, by accounting firm KPMG, had found that Iraq's interim government mishandled about \$100 million in oil money meant for development in the six months after they took power from the US government on 28 June last year.

Members of the council got a briefing from Jean-Pierre Halbwachs, the outgoing controller and head of the International Advisory and Monitoring Board, which the council set up in 2003 to ensure the transparent operation of the Development Fund for Iraq.

France's UN Ambassador Jean-

Marc de La Sabliere said Halbwachs detailed some shortcomings exposed by the audit, released in May, and the fact that Iraq's monitoring of the money had not been sufficient.

"I think that all members of the council have acknowledged the efforts of the Iraqi government to improve the situation," de La Sabliere said.

The audit had also found the now-defunct US Coalition Provisional Authority used questionable accounting practices with money from the Development Fund for Iraq.

Internet

## China to expand cooperation with Israel

**JERUSALEM, 21 June** — Visiting Chinese Foreign Minister Li Zhaoxing said here on Sunday that China is ready to expand dialogue with Israel on a broad spectrum of bilateral and international issues and strengthen cooperation in various fields.

In a meeting with his Israeli counterpart Silvan Shalom, Li said China appreciates the efforts by the Israeli Government to develop relations with China in accordance with the fundamental interests of both sides, which is also conducive to peace and stability in the Middle East region and the world at large.

He said China is ready to expand its cooperation with Israel in trade, agriculture, culture, education, tourism and other fields.

China is making efforts to double its trade volume with Israel from 2.5 billion US dollars in 2004 to 5 billion in 2008, he added. He told Shalom that China has listed Israel as one of the tourist destination countries for Chinese citizens.

Shalom, who is also Deputy Prime Minister, said China is Israel's important cooperative partner. Israel is eager to strengthen exchanges with China in all fields and

deepen understanding and cooperation with China, he said. The Foreign Minister stressed that Israel will firmly stick to its one-China policy.

The two sides have agreed to mutual exemption of visas for diplomatic and service passport holders. On the Middle East situation, the two sides agreed that all parties concerned should seize the current opportunity to expedite the Middle East peace process.

MNA/Xinhua



Chinese women react to the heat on the streets of Beijing, China, on Tuesday, 21 June, 2005. Temperatures in the Chinese capital is expected to hit 38-39 degrees Celsius (100-102 F) as the city experiences its longest day of the year. — INTERNET

## Vietnamese PM arrives in US for historic visit

**WASHINGTON, 20 June** — Vietnamese Prime Minister Phan Van Khai, the first Vietnamese leader to visit the United States since the end of the Vietnamese War, arrived in Seattle Sunday.

The visit came 30 years after the United States pulled out its troops from Vietnam and 10 years after the two countries normalized relations during President Bill Clinton's administration.

At a news conference in a hotel in downtown Seattle, Khai said Vietnam will continue working with the United States to strengthen economic ties.

"This is the message I would like to convey to the people and the government of the United States during my visit," Khai told reporters. "I am willing to exchange views where the two sides still have differences." — MNA/Xinhua

## US Republican lawmakers criticize Bush's Iraq policy

**WASHINGTON, 20 June** — Two US Republican lawmakers have criticized George W Bush Administration's Iraq policy, saying that the White House "disconnected from the reality" and should tell the Americans the reality in Iraq, local media reported on Sunday.

"Things (in Iraq) aren't getting better; they're getting worse," Senator Chuck Hagel said in an interview with *US News and World Report*, which will be published next week.

"The White House is completely disconnected from reality," the Nebraska Republican said. "It's like they're just making it up as they go along. The reality is that we're

losing in Iraq".

Hagel's remarks were believed to be the most blunt criticism of Bush's Iraq policy to date from a member of the Republican.

"I got beat up pretty good by my own party and the White House that I was not a loyal Republican," he said, but noting that things are changing today. "More and more of my colleagues

up here are concerned," according to the report.

Meanwhile, Republican Senator John McCain Sunday called on the Bush Administration to tell the Americans the reality in Iraq.

He said in an interview with the NBC's "Meet the Press" that the US people often have been told that "we are at a turning point" in Iraq.

"What the American people should have been told and should be told ... it's long; it's hard; it's tough," McCain said.

"It's going to be at least a couple more years," he added.

Since the outbreak of Iraq war in March 2003, more than 1,700 US soldiers have been killed and nearly 13,000 wounded.

MNA/Xinhua

## Over 26 million Chinese suffer depression

**BEIJING, 20 June** — More than 26 million Chinese suffer depression, but only 10 per cent of them go to doctors, according to a medical expert in Beijing.

Some 10 to 15 per cent of those with the depression problem in the country are likely to commit suicide, but only less than 10 per cent of them are taking medicines or receiving medical treatment, said Zhou Dongfeng, an expert with the Chinese Medical Association, at the Asian Neuro-science Summit held in Beijing on Saturday. Moreover, less than 20 per cent of hospitals in the Chinese cities are capable of making correct diagnoses on depressive symptoms, he said.

"Many people regard depression as a secret problem and therefore avoid taking medicines," said Zhou. "But in fact, it is important for the patients to have a correct view on medical treatment to have their disease cured."

MNA/Xinhua

## Indo-Bangladesh border fencing to be completed by 2006

**SHILLONG, 20 June** — More than half of the fencing work along the Indo-Bangladesh border has been completed and the remainder is expected to be over by 2006.

Of the total 3286.87-kilometre border between the two countries, 1712.22 kilometres has been fenced so far. The entire project was expected to be completed by 2006, a Federal Home Ministry report said.

A pilot project of flood lighting along 126 kilometres of the border was taken up during the current financial year.

To expedite the work, engineering projects (India) Ltd and National

Projects Construction Corporation Ltd were engaged in addition to existing central and state government bodies namely CPWD, BRO, NBCC, Tripura and Assam Public Works Departments.

Less than half of the 443-kilometre long Indo-Bangladesh border in Meghalaya has been fenced so far.

It said 198.06-kilometre border was fenced in the phase I while that for 201 kilometres sanctioned in the second phase. — MNA/PTI



An Iraqi investigator looks at the remnants of a suicide car bomb which was driven into a crowd of traffic police recruits in the northern Iraqi city of Arbil, on 20 June, 2005. — INTERNET

## Flood hits east China province

**FUZHOU, 20 June** — Flooding following continuous torrential rains over the past several days hit northern and western parts of Fujian Province, east China, causing casualties and affecting transportation in some places.

Local government sources confirmed that three people were killed in flooding in Dongfeng Town of Jian'ou City, which reported serious flooding in all local rivers. The Zixi section of east China's major railway from Yingtan, Jiangxi Province, to Xiamen, Fujian Province, was broken down by blocks and

earth coming down from a rainstorm-caused cave-in on the local road, which is 30 metres higher than the altitude of the railroad Sunday morning.

The section of the railroad reopened to traffic at 6:45 pm Sunday after eight hours' repair efforts of the Nanchang Railroad Bureau.

MNA/Xinhua

## Earthquake jolts east Japan

**TOKYO, 20 June** — An earthquake measuring 5.6 on the Richter Scale hit east Japan's Kanto region early Monday morning.

According to the Japan Meteorological Agency, the 01:15 am (1615 GMT) quake was registered with an intensity of 3 to 4 on the Japanese seismic scale of 7 in Tokyo and its neighbouring prefectures.

The earthquake was strongly felt in Tokyo and other prefectures in east Japan.

No tsunami tidal wave warning was issued for the quake, the agency said, adding that the focus of the earthquake is about 50 kilometres underground in Chiba Prefecture, east of Tokyo.

MNA/Xinhua

## China to render strong financial support to recycling economy

**BEIJING, 21 June** — China will support the development of a recycling economy with more governmental spending and preferential policies, to ensure a sustainable development for the country, a Chinese Ministry of Finance (MF) official has said.

“China will increase spending on environmental protection, adjust tax policies, promote industrialization of waste treatment, and raise the prices of natural resources to support the recycling economy,” said Li Jinghui, deputy director of MF’s Economic Building Department, at a weekend forum in Beijing on China’s sustainable development.

He disclosed that his ministry was mulling setting up a special fund to support the research and development of renewable energies, badly needed by the country to boost its rapid economic growth.

Meanwhile, the government will gradually increase its spending on clean production, said Li, noting that the MF had established a special fund in this regard last year. Li said that China would also reform its tax system, “taking into account the environmental factors”.

For instance, tax rebates for the export of some

resources-based products would be revoked while the import tariff for such products would be exempted.

China has witnessed high economic growth over the past two decades. However, such growth was accompanied by a high consumption of natural resources and serious pollution.

Li attributed the phenomena mainly to the low cost of natural resources in the country, saying that his ministry was considering to increase the prices of resources-based products to reverse the trend.

The recycling economy, which highlights “reduce, re-use and recycle”, aims at promoting a more efficient use of energy and natural resources.

The Chinese Government has put high on its agenda the development of a recycling economy, hoping to achieve a coordinated development between economy, society and the environment.

MNA/Xinhua

## Inaugural Asia-Middle East Dialogue to open in Singapore

**SINGAPORE, 21 June** — More than 200 representatives from about 40 countries and regions in both Asia and the Middle East are convening in Singapore on Monday for the first Asia-Middle East Dialogue (AMED), which will open in the evening.

Under the theme of “Common interests and common challenges”, the three-day AMED hopes to foster dialogue and mutual understanding, as well as strengthen cooperation between Asia and the Middle East in different areas.

Participants are invited to pool their viewpoints on political and security issues, economic issues as well as social, educational, scientific cultural and media issues facing the two regions.

Singapore Senior Minister Goh Chok Tong and Jordanian King Abdullah II Ben Al Hussein, as represented by his Finance Minister, are expected to deliver keynote speeches on Tuesday morning.

MNA/Xinhua

## E Asian, Pacific countries to maintain regional financial security

**JAKARTA, 21 June**— The governors of central banks from 11 East Asian and Pacific countries agreed to build a regional financial security network and strengthen coordination in a bid to decrease financial vulnerability against external pressure, the *Bisnis Indonesia* reported on Monday.

At the end of the 10th Meeting of East Asia Pacific Central Banks or Monetary Authorities opened in Bali on Saturday, Indonesian Central Bank Governor Burhanuddin Abdullah said “This cooperation is expected to boost economic security in the region.”

Burhanuddin said that the financial leaders of the East Asia and Pacific countries saw the neces-

sity of a healthy and stable monetary system to uphold financial policies.

The consolidation of regional financial system is important and the monetary policy must always be changed and adjusted according to actual condition, Burhanuddin said.

Present at the meeting were central bank governors from Chinese Main-

land, Hong Kong, Australia, Japan, Singapore, South Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Thailand as well as Deputy Governor of Central Bank of the Philippines.

The meeting was held amid increasing international pressure on regional currencies and the strengthening of US dollar, which also hit rupiah.

MNA/Xinhua



Chinese workers sew dresses that will be exported to Europe at a garment company in Huaibei in eastern China’s Anhui province on 20 June, 2005.

INTERNET

## Sharmila Tagore's husband under police custody

**JHAJJAR, 20 June**— Former India cricket captain Mansur Ali Khan Pataudi, who had been evading arrest in connection with the poaching of an endangered black buck, Saturday surrendered in a court here and was remanded to police custody for questioning.

Sixty five-year old Pataudi, also known as “Tiger”, surrendered in the court of Chief Judicial Magistrate Sudhir Jiwan, a day after his anticipatory bail plea was rejected by the Punjab and Haryana High Court.

Soon after he surrendered, police whisked him away and questioned him for three hours before producing him in the afternoon before the magistrate, who remanded him to one day police custody. Among the seven accused in the case evading arrest, he was the only person to surrender.

A team of Jhajjar police, including Superintendent of Police Hanief Qureshi and DSP Sumit Kumar, questioned Pataudi at the Jhajjar police station, police sources said. The former India cricket captain, who is also husband of India Film Censor Board chairperson Sharmila Tagore, and seven others were facing charges of hunting an endangered black buck and two rabbits in a sanctuary here in Haryana State of northern India.

While one of the accused Madan Singh was on regular bail, six others are still elusive.

Pataudi and seven others — Shashi Singh, Dayal Singh, Shaheed Ahmad, Daya Suddin, Mohammad Ayub Khan, Karam Singh and Balwan were booked under various sections of the Wildlife Act following the recovery of the carcasses of a black buck and two rabbits from their vehicle near a wildlife sanctuary in Jhajjar in Haryana earlier this month. —MNA/PTI

## ICO urged to address challenge of vast economic imbalance

**PUTRAJAYA, (Malaysia), 21 June** — Malaysian Prime Minister Abdullah Ahmad Badawi on Monday urged the Organization of the Islamic Conference (ICO) to pay more attention to the vast economic imbalance among its member countries and seize it as a potential for self-help.

The ICO, of which Malaysia is the current chairman, should focus more on economic development and integration among its member countries and help lift up the lot of its 22 members considered as least developed nations, Badawi said in his keynote address at the ICO Trade Forum and Exhibition held here.

Abdullah, who is also Minister of Finance, briefed his audience on the ICO statistics that pointed towards vast wealth possessed by few of its 57 member countries.

Ten of the 11-member Organization of Petroleum-Exporting Countries (OPEC) are ICO members, of which Saudi Arabia, Iraq, Iran, United Arab Emirates and Kuwait possess 700 billion barrels of proven oil reserves, Badawi

said.

The economic imbalance was obvious as the gross domestic product per capita of the six richest members exceeds 10,000 US dollars a year whereas 45 others have per capita incomes of less 1,000 dollars, Badawi said.

MNA/Xinhua

Given the diversity and varying levels of development, there could be no one-size-fits-all economic model to address the challenges facing the grouping, Badawi said.

He stressed that the economic development of a nation did not only depend on natural commodities but also on human capital development.

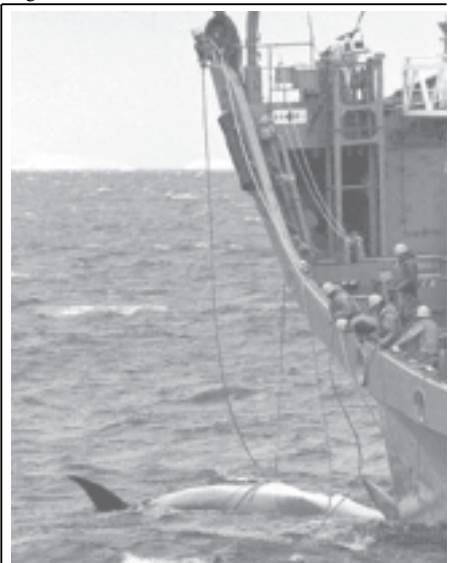
“Let us work together to move from being producers of commodities to manufacturers of higher value-added downstream products,” he said.

Badawi also urged Is-

lamic countries to capitalize on their natural advantage and critical mass to

make economic initiatives a success.

MNA/Xinhua



Japanese whalers haul in a Minke whale in the Southern Ocean. Whaling countries led by Japan were to present a proposal to the International Whaling Commission outlining a return to commercial catches, despite suffering a setback in their campaign. — INTERNET

# Agriculture is first and foremost work for Myanmar people to improve their socio-economic life

## Moyongyi Sluice gate in Waw Township opened

YANGON, 21

June—A ceremony to open Moyongyi Sluice gate built by the Irrigation Department under the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation near Kywetsu Village in Waw Township, Bago Division was held at the pandal near the facility this morning with an address by Chairman of Bago Division PDC Commander of Southern Command Maj-Gen Ko Ko and Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo.



Commander Maj-Gen Ko Ko, Minister Maj-Gen Htay Oo formally open Moyongyi Sluice Gate. — (A & I)

Also present on the occasion were Director-General of IR U Kyaw San Win, Chairman of Bago District PDC Lt-Col Aung Min and departmental officials, officials of ID, members of the Union Solidarity and Development Association, the Women Affairs Committees, the Maternal and Child Welfare Association, War Veterans Organization, Auxiliary Fire Brigade and Red Cross Society, local people from War Township, Thanatpin Township and Kawa Township, local people and others numbering over 3,000.

In his address, Commander Maj-Gen Ko Ko said that with the advent of Moyongyi Sluice gate, the region will be able to enjoy the fruits of development by

making full use of the facility.

The irrigation facility is the 41st of its kind implemented by the government in Bago Division, and it is also the fifth of its kind to be implemented for South Pagaingta land reclamation project in Bago District.

The sluice gate was built with the aim of preventing flood from Moyongyi Lake in monsoon and of supplying water for summer paddy.

Farmers in Bago Division are making relentless efforts by making better use of land and marine resources in the division for development of agricultural sector.

With the emergence of the facility, fallow and virgin land and wet land in the division will be of great benefit.

The commander stressed the need for local authorities and local people to safeguard dams and sluice gates that were built for regional development to ensure their durability.

Next, Minister Maj-Gen Htay Oo spoke. He said that Moyongyi Sluice gate was opened with the aim of extending the farming undertakings in Bago Division and the facility will be beneficial to the region and will help enhance the socio-economic life of local people.

The agricultural infrastructures have been built one after another under the leadership of Head of State Senior General Than Shwe to ensure strong national economy. Of the infrastructures, Moyongyi Sluice gate is the 175th facility in the country and

it will go down in the annals of Myanmar history, the minister added.

The minister said that Myanmar is an agro-based country. The agriculture is the first and foremost work for Myanmar people to improve their socio-economic life and it is also the business on which the rural dwellers, the majority of Myanmar people, solely rely. This being the case, boosting of agricultural production has been accorded special priority.

In an effort to boost the agricultural production, acquisition of water for agricultural purpose is of prime importance. Therefore, dams and reservoirs were built and river water pumping projects are being implemented across the nation, he noted.

In addition, to make better use of fallow

and virgin land, sluice gates have been constructed and measures for preventing inundation are being taken.

Altogether 41 dams and sluice gates in Bago Division are now benefiting 666,970 acres of farmland, he stressed.

Moyongyi sluice gate was built not only to benefit 40,000 acres of farmland but also to prevent floods in monsoon and store clean water in summer. It will also contribute to project for greening 30-mile radius of Yangon City and conservation of wildlife and environment of Moyongyi Lake.

With the advent of the facility, the sown acreage of paddy will increase up to 80,700 from 45,000, he concluded.

Afterwards, a local people expressed thanks

for the emergence of the facility.

Next, the commander unveiled the stone inscription of the sluice gate.

Later, the commander and the minister formally opened the sluice gate.

After that, they had a documentary photo taken together with local people in front of the facility and cordially greeted those present on the occasion.

After the opening ceremony, Director U Hla Myint of ID reported on construction of the sluice gate and its advantages and project for greening the environs of Yangon City.

Next, the minister and officials inspected the sluice gate and thriving monsoon paddy in its environs.

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### လျှပ်စစ်အန္တရာယ် နှိုးဆော်ချက်

- ၁။ ယခုနှစ်မိုးရာသီအချိန်တွင် ဓာတ်လိုက်မှုကြောင့် အသက်ဆုံးရှုံးမှုများ ဖြစ်ပေါ်ခဲ့ သဖြင့် ပြည်သူ့လူထုအနေဖြင့် ဓာတ်လိုက်မှုအန္တရာယ်ကင်း ဝေးစေရအတွက် အောက်ပါ အချက်များကို သတိပြုကြပါရန် အသိပေးနှိုးဆော်အပ်ပါသည်။
  - (က) အသုံးပြုထားသော ဝါယာကြိုးများ ဆွေ့မြေပေါက်ပြဲနေခြင်း။
  - (ခ) ဆားဗစ်ကြိုးပေါက်၍ ဆားဗစ်ကြိုးကို ပူးတွဲချည်ထားသော ဝန်ထမ်းကြိုးတွင် ဓာတ်အားစီးဝင်နေခြင်း။
  - (ဂ) မိုးဒဏ်လေဒဏ်ကြောင့် ဓာတ်ကြိုးများ ပြတ်ကျနေခြင်း။
  - (ဃ) ဓာတ်အားလိုင်းပေါ်သို့ သစ်ပင်မြို့လဲကျနေခြင်း။
  - (င) ဓာတ်အားလိုင်းပေါ်သို့ သစ်ကိုင်း ကျိုးကျနေခြင်း။
  - (စ) ဓာတ်ကြိုးနှင့် သစ်ကိုင်းထိနေခြင်း။
  - (ဆ) ဓာတ်တိုင် ကာတိုက်ခံရ၍ လဲကျနေခြင်း။
  - (ဇ) ဓာတ်ကြိုးများ ရှောင်မိခြင်း၊ မီးများပန်းထွက်နေခြင်း။
  - (ဈ) ဓာတ်ကြိုးများ လျော့ကျနေခြင်း။
  - (ည) ဓာတ်တိုင်ပေါ်သို့ တာဝန်ရှိသူမဟုတ်ဘဲ တက်ရောက်ခြင်း။
  - (ဋ) လျှပ်စစ်ကျွမ်းကျင်မှုဆိုင်ရာ လက်မှတ်မရှိဘဲ လျှပ်စစ်တပ်ဆင်ခြင်းနှင့် ပြင်ဆင်ခြင်း လုပ်ငန်းများကို ဆောင်ရွက်ခြင်း။
- ၂။ အထက်ပါအချက်များ ဖြစ်ပေါ်နေသည်ကို တွေ့ရှိပါက သက်ဆိုင်ရာအဖွဲ့မှ သတိပေးစစ်ဆေးပေးရန်အတွက် အမြန်ဆုံး ဆက်သွယ် အကြောင်းကြားကြပါရန်။

မြန်မာ့လျှပ်စစ်ဓာတ်အားလုပ်ငန်း



Participants compete in the martial arts contest hailing 2005 Olympic Day at the Gymnasium of Dagon Myothit (North) on 21 June.— NLM

### လျှပ်စစ်အန္တရာယ် သတိပြုဖွယ်

- ၁။ မြန်မာ့လျှပ်စစ်ဓာတ်အားလုပ်ငန်း၏ မိုးဒဏ်ဒဏ်ခံနိုင်စွမ်း မဟာဓာတ်အားလိုင်းများအနီး ယာဉ်ကြီးများ ရပ်နား၍ ပစ္စည်းအတင်အချ ဖြုလုပ်ခြင်း၊ ဖျော်ဖြေခွင့်ပွဲများ ကျင်းပ၍ မီးပုံးပျံလွှတ်တင်ခြင်း၊ စွန့်လွှတ်ကစားခြင်းတို့ကြောင့် လျှပ်စစ်ဓာတ်အားလိုင်းများမှ တစ်ဆင့် မတော်တဆ ထိခိုက်ဒဏ်ရာရမှု/အသက်ဆုံးရှုံးမှုများ မကြာခဏ ဖြစ်ပေါ်လျက်ရှိနေပါသည်။
- ၂။ သို့ပါ၍ မဟာဓာတ်အားလိုင်းများအနီးတဝိုက်တွင် ယာဉ်ကြီးများရပ်နားခြင်း၊ မီးပုံးပျံ လွှတ်တင်ခြင်း၊ စွန့်လွှတ်ကစားခြင်းများကို ရှောင်ကြဉ်ကြပါရန် အသိပေးနှိုးဆော်အပ်ပါသည်။

မြန်မာ့လျှပ်စစ်ဓာတ်အားလုပ်ငန်း



Senior General Than Shwe receives Ambassador of the Republic of Cuba Mrs Maria Luisa Fernandez at Zeyathiri Beikman on Konmyinthta. (News on page 1)—MNA



Daw Kyaing Kyaing plants a Gangaw tree at the archway of National Race Village to hail Myanmar Women's Day. — MNA

Daw Mya Mya San plants a Gangaw tree at the archway of National Races Village to hail Myanmar Women's Day. — MNA



## Honorary Patron of Myanmar Women's Affairs...

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Next, President of MWF Daw Than Than Nwe, President of MMCWA Daw Khin Khin Win and wives of the members of the State Peace and Development Council planted gangaw, star flower and Padauk trees at the designated places.

Honorary Patrons of MWF Daw Kyaing Kyaing and Daw Mya

Mya San offered alms, water, flower, light and incense sticks to Lawka Chantha Abhaya Labha Muni Buddha Image.

Next, Daw Kyaing Kyaing and party presented K 100,000 donated by MWF for Lawka Chantha Abhaya Labha Muni Buddha Image to Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Aung Ko and Chairman of the Pagoda Board

of Trustees U Shein Aung Bo.

At 9.30 am, Daw Kyaing Kyaing and party went to national races village in Thakata Township near Yangon-Thanyin Bridge where they were welcomed by Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Thein Nyunt and wife Daw Kyin Khaing, officials, members of wom-

en's affairs organizations and national races. Daw Kyaing Kyaing planted a Gangaw tree in front of the archway of national races village.

Next, Daw Mya Mya San, Daw Khin Than Nwe, Daw Khin Lay Thet, Daw Than Than Nwe, Daw Khin Khin Win, members of Panel of Patrons of MWF, wife of Chairman of Yangon Di-

vision Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Myint Swe Patron of Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization Daw Khin Thet Htay, wives of the

ministers planted gangaw saplings at the designated places.

Director-General of the Progress of Border Areas and National Races Department (See page 10)



Daw Khin Khin Win plants a commemorative sapling.—MNA



Daw Than Than Nwe and Daw Khin Khin Win plant a Gangaw tree at the archway of National Race Village to hail Myanmar Women's Day. — MNA



## Lt-Gen Ye Myint inspects dams in Mandalay Division

YANGON, 21 June — Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence, together with Chairman of Mandalay Division Peace and Development Council Commander of the Central Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw and officials, on 19 June went to model summer paddy cultivation fields in Magyitaing Village-tract in Kyaukpadaung Township on Kyaukpadaung-Meiktila Road.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint inspected the thriving of 60 acres of Shwe Myanmar paddy and five acres of hybrid paddy and urged officials and farmers to boost paddy cultivation. Kyatmauktaung Dam supplied irrigation water to the fields.

Afterwards, Lt-

Gen Ye Myint and party went to Kyatmauktaung Dam in Kyaukpadaung Township in Myingyan District. At the briefing hall of the dam, officials concerned reported on irrigation and cultivation of crops using irrigation water.

After hearing reports, Lt-Gen Ye Myint called for extended cultivation of paddy and cotton in Mandalay and Magway divisions and high yield cultivation. He also inspected the summer paddy cultivation.

Kyatmauktaung Dam supplied water to 1,007 acres of summer paddy and 5,616 acres of monsoon paddy in 2004-2005.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party proceeded to Taungye Dam project in Kyaukpadaung Town-

ship and inspected two diversion tunnels linking Taungye Dam and Kyatmauktaung Dam.

Next, at the briefing hall of the Taungye Dam project, officials briefed on construction of tunnel which will transport water from Taungye Dam to Kyauktaga Dam and construction work.

Taungye Dam will supply water to Kyaumaukaung Dam.

An intake channel which links Taungye Dam and Kyauktaga Dam is 13.5 miles long and 11.5 miles have been completed so far. Now, over 78 per cent of the project has been completed.

Next, Lt-Gen Ye Myint inspected the flow of water into Taungye Dam.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint also inspected construction of regulating dam



Newly-accredited Syrian Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Fahd Salim presenting his credentials to Senior General Than Shwe on Tuesday. (News on page 1) — MNA

which includes in intake channel construction project linking Kyauktaga Dam and Taungye Dam on Ywgyi Creek.

Later, they went to

Kyauktaga Dam project where officials concerned reported on construction of link channel of Kyauktaga Dam and Taungye Dam and ar-

rangements for irrigation.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party proceeded to Nyaunggon Dam in Meiktila Township. At the briefing hall, officials reported on arrangements for water supply from Nyaunggon Dam to Meiktila Lake for greening of Meiktila plain.

Nyaunggon Dam will supply 10,000 acre ft of surplus water from Chaungkauk Dam in Pyawbwe Township and 9,000 acre ft from Lunnin and Latkokpin dams to Meiktila Lake. Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party left Nyaunggon Dam and arrived at Meiktila in the evening. — MNA



Lt-Gen Ye Myint inspecting the diversion tunnel linking Taungye Dam and Kyatmauktaung Dam. — MNA



## Commerce Minister inspects reclamation in Shan State (South), Mandalay, Sagaing

YANGON, 21 June — Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein on 17 June met with entrepreneurs and private companies in Tounggyi, Shan State (South), which are undertaking reclamation in Shan State (South).

At the meeting, he discussed with the entrepreneurs matters on land reclamation and assistance to be provided in land reclamation.

On 18 June, Minister Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein visited thriving crop fields in Indaw, Kyaukgu in Yaksawk Township and attended to the needs.

Afterwards, the minister went to Kyaukhson Village in Indaw Township and pre-

sented a television and a typewriter for the village.

On 19 June, the minister met with official of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry-UMFCCI and Mandalay Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry and private companies in Mandalay which are undertaking land reclamation.

At the meeting, Minister Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein said that the ministry will provide necessary assistance, and he called for extended cultivation and land reclamation.

The minister discussed with officials concerned land reclamation

and cultivation.

Minister Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein yesterday met with members of Sagaing Division, District and township Union Solidarity and Development Associations in Monywa and urged the USDA members to make efforts for regional development.

Later, he went to Monywa Industrial Zone and met with members of the supervisory committee of the industrial zone, industrialists and entrepreneurs.

In the evening, the minister went to the USDA office in Sagaing and provided K 1 million to the education, health and social fund of the town. — MNA

## Workshop on Tobacco Control Legislation and Implementation of WHO held

YANGON, 21 June — A ceremony to open Intercountry Workshop on Tobacco Control Legislation and Implementation of WHO FCTC, jointly-organized by the Ministry of Health and World Health Organization, was held at Grand Plaza Park Royal Hotel on Alanpya Pagoda Street this morning, with an address by Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint.

Also present on the occasion were ambassadors of foreign embassies to Myanmar, directors-general of the department under the ministry, directors-general of related departments, managing directors,

deputy directors-general, rectors, directors, medical superintendents, professors, deputy directors, the chairman of Myanmar Academy of Medical Science and executives, the resident representatives of WHO and UNICEF and officials, officials of Geneva Headquarter and Directorate of ASEAN, representatives of ASEAN region and guests.

First, the minister delivered an address on the occasion.

Next, acting resident representative of WHO Dr Stephan P Jost read out the message sent by the regional Director of ASEAN.

Afterwards, act-

ing resident representative of WHO Dr Stephan P Jost presented a commemorative prize for World No-Tobacco Day 2005 to Deputy Director of Department of Health Daw Nyo Nyo Kyaing.

After the workshop, Minister Dr Kyaw Myint together with the attendance posed for a documentary photo.

A total of 39 representatives of ASEAN member countries under WHO attended the workshop. Three representatives each from one member country took part in discussions.

The workshop continues up to 23 June.

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**Honorary Patron...**

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U Than Swe reported on the history of national races village, houses in their respective style, construction of significant symbols of the respective states, pagodas, lakes and mountains and arrival of visitors.

Daw Kyaing Kyaing and party visited the village.

At 11 am, Daw Kyaing Kyaing and party went to Agricultural Museum in Kandawgyi Natural Park where they were welcomed by Daw Ni Ni Win, wife of Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo and members.

Head of Gardens and Sport Grounds Department of YCDC U Nyunt Pe reported on tasks for



Daw Kyaing Kyaing and party presents K 100,000 donated by MWF for the funds toward the Lawka Chantha Abhayalaba Muni Buddha Image to Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Thura Aung Ko. — MNA

upgrading Kandawgyi Natural Park, measures undertaken for four zones, landscaping and construction of buildings in relaxation zone, education zone and recreation zone.

Daw Kyaing Kyaing and party visited the mu-

seum and they were conducted round it by Curator U Soe Myint. They also visited agricultural product and equipment shops of the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, orchid farm and fresh water fish garden in

Myepadethakyun.

A similar ceremony was held in front of Gandama Hall on the campus of Hline University.

President of MWF Daw Than Than Nwe, Vice-President Daw Khin Lay Myint, heads of departments, Patron of Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization Daw Khin Thet Htay, officials and members of social organizations numbering about 500 planted 500 saplings. School girls entertained the guests with dance.

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Daw Kyaing Kyaing and party visit Agricultural Museum in Kandawgyi Natural Garden. — MNA



Daw Khin Thet Htay plants a tree to hail Myanmar Women's Day. — MNA

**Mass of women put national cause in the fore**

**Poem**

- \* When our monarchs ruled Myanmar Honour did not fade, it was glorious There was equality with Man Equal rights enjoyed with Man
- \* Born during subjugation Equal rights enjoyed by Mnanmar Woman Did fade or diminish Like a plaything, without glory Had to grow up, that was Mother's Life.
- \* In current period, those who grew up Myanmar Women, rights gained thus far Were polished, made progressive, modern Had important role, to play in nation building Myanmar Women's organization Could be formed, as part of life
- \* In our time, there's no subjugation What in Granny's time, the rights Women had got, must be maintained Keeping in mind, national affairs Looking ahead, in the workplace That we're able to participate, work We now surely know.
- If under subjugation We could't show our face 'Cause it was evident in Mother's time I have come to know.
- \* The activities we're undertaking All of it, have been used By scheming colonialist, all along We're not laying bridges, for their easy access Now are we laying roads at all Women's cause, is national cause 't is surely that Which you'll very well know.

Nwai Cho (Trs)

(Hailing Myanmar Women's Day— July 3)

**Minister U Aung Thaung inspects preparations for MWVO Conference**

YANGON, 21 June — Secretary of Committee for holding the conference of Myanmar War Veterans Organization Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung and party arrived at No 1 Transit Centre on Bayintnaung Road this morning and the minister inspected hostels and venues for group discussions of MWVO conference. Commandant of Defence Services Record Office, Commandant of No 1 Transit Centre Lt-Col Tin Kyaing and officials reported on preparations. The minister and party inspected Win Thuza shop in the Transit Centre which would sell 245 items of goods and entertainment hall. They went to Myanmar Convention Centre on Mindhamma Road and inspected the hall where the conference was to be held. Chairman of reception, welfare, entertainment Sub-committee Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein and members reported on preparations.—MNA



Daw Khin Lay Myint plants a tree to hail Myanmar Women's Day. — MNA

**Minister inspects archaeological edifices**

YANGON, 21 June— Minister for Culture Maj-Gen Kyi Aung and Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Soe Win Maung made an inspection tour of Srekestra ancient city in Pyay Township yesterday morning. In the evening, the minister and party visited the Myinbahu Pagoda built by King Dwut-htabaung.

Next, they inspected the road leading to the pagodas in the ancient city, the cemetery of Queen Beikthano, Be Be and Laymyet-hna temples built in Srekestra Pyu period,

the Bawbawgyi Pagoda built by King Dwut-htabaung, Rahanta ancient temple, and instructed the officials to maintain the ancient edifices.

This morning, the minister delivered an address at the opening of the two-month refresher course No 1/2005 for the staff conducted by the archaeological training centre (Pyay) of the Archaeology Department under the Ministry of Culture in the ancient city. In his address, the minister said that the State has enacted laws

to preserve the nation's cultural edifices. The State established the training centre where lecture on preservation and maintenance of cultural heritage will be given theoretically and practically, calling on the trainees to work hard in their studies.

Next, the minister and the deputy minister inspected renovation of Rahanta Hnakeik Maharam wall and ancient ordination hall near Photheintan Village in Shwedaung Township.

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**Commander-in-Chief (Air)'s Shield soccer tournament kicks off**

YANGON, 21 June — Commander-in-Chief (Air)'s Shield soccer tournament commenced at Meiktila Ground Training Base in Meiktila yesterday.

On behalf of the Commander-in-Chief (Air), Commander of the Ground Training Base Col Thura Khin Maung Win made an opening address and opened the tournament.

Among the spectators were senior military officers of the Meiktila Station, officers and other ranks and invited guests. — MNA

**Education Minister receives Cuban Ambassador**

YANGON, 21 June — Minister for Education U Than Aung received Ambassador of the Republic of Cuba to the Union of Myanmar Mrs Maria Luisa

Fernandez at the Diamond Jubilee Hall on Pyay Road here at 11 am today.

They discussed matters on bilateral cooperation in education. Also present on

the occasion were Deputy Minister for Education U Myo Nyunt and directors-general of departments under the Ministry of Education.—MNA

HAILING THE MYANMAR WOMEN'S DAY (3RD JULY, 2005)

# Significance of Myanmar Women's Day (3rd July)

*Eint Dali*

In Myanmar 49.7 per cent of the population are men and 50.3 per cent women. Moreover, women enjoy equal rights with their male counterparts in education and employment. Average life expectancy of men is 60.6 years and women 64.5 years.

As Myanmar has a population of over 54 million, over 27 million are women. In the countries that are claiming themselves the most developed democratic states, women got the equal voting rights with men only in the mid 20th Century. In Myanmar, women have the vested right to pursue education and get employment as well as equal payment when the rank or position is the same compared with men. Myanmar women have enjoyed the right to vote since the introduction of the voting system in the nation.

Scholars have already confirmed that according to the stone inscriptions and other evidence of Bagan era, Myanmar traditions and customs and laws provided equal rights for women. Since Bagan era, every woman has been acknowledged as the life-long companion of her husband as the one who will make donations, perform meritorious deeds and earn income for the family together with her spouse. A woman has the right to inherit all the possessions of her husband when he dies. She also has the right to play a leading role together with her husband in the family affairs. Women can make donations the same way as men do.

Women artistes have been prestigious since Srekestra. A number of women artistes were included in the Pyu cultural delegation that visited China during the Pyu period.

Statues, murals and stone inscriptions have proved that Myanmar women artistes did exist in the Bagan era. The number of women literati were large during Pinya, Inwa, Sagaing, Nyaungyan, Toungoo, and Konboug eras. The names of women literati such as Shin Min, Me Khwe, Nandwin Mi Nyo, Nandwin Mi Phyu, Khin Hson, Ma Mya Galay and Hlaing Htaik Khaung Tin and their works including classical songs have been recorded in Myanmar history of the cultural field.

According to the fossilized remains found at Pondaung Ponnya region, evidences of Stone Age, and chronicles documenting a very long period from Tagaung to Yadanabon during which Myanmar people lived under their own monarchs, we can confirm that Myanmar people have existed and civilized since long long ago. Myanmar is rich in various natural resources including forests, oil, gold, silver and other minerals, invaluable gems, and fertile land and water resources for cultivation of crops. Since the time of their forefathers, men and women of Myanmar have loved their lineage and upheld their national pride. Because they love their nation and race.

In the 18th and 19th centuries, during which the colonialists of the west tried to enslave many nations around the world to grab the latter's riches, the peoples of the nations which fell victim to their invasions bravely fought back the intruders with full patriotism. The historic battles Myanmar men and women waged against the colonialists during the three Anglo-Myanmar

Wars that broke out in 1824, 1852 and 1885 respectively have been chronicled.

British military officers recorded with amazement the participation of Shan women warriors together with Myanmar soldiers of various national races including Kachin, Kayah, Kayin, Chin, Bamar, Mon, Rakhine and Shan in the historic Wethikan battle that occurred during the third Anglo-Myanmar War.

Women also took part in the independence struggles of the anti-colonialist organizations such as YMBA, the GCBA and the Doh Bamar Asiayon that were launched in the 1900s. The independ-

**Myanmar women are fully equipped with Union Spirit and the independence spirit with which they will never let the mother country lose an inch of the land and never allow anyone to harm the nation's sovereignty. Indeed, the history of the Myanmar women is that of anti-colonialist struggle, independence struggle, and defending and safeguarding the nation's independence. For the entire Myanmar women who love the Union, the 3rd of July is designated as the Myanmar Women's Day, on which they rededicate themselves to serve the interests of the nation and the people and the Myanmar society with might and main.**

ence struggles of the women proved that the anti-colonialist sentiment of the womenfolk was strong as they did not want to yield to the colonialists who were exploiting and manipulating the rich resources of the nation.

The mass of Myanmar women played an active role in the movements organized by the GCBA and Doh Bamar Asiayon that effectively accelerated the momentum of the independence struggle of the nation. In 1920, 1936 and 1938, Myanmar women, side by side with men, also took part in the battles against the colonial education system designed to prolong the enslavement of the nation.

On 16 November 1919, the Myanmar Kommayi Association was formed with the aim of speeding up the independence struggle. Then, branches of the Kommayi Association were formed across the nation.

The woman members of Doh Bamar Asiayons of all towns of the nation rose against the colonialists. In the year 1300 ME incident, Myanmar women made uniforms and carried out tasks for preparing meals for the demonstrators.

In the Myanmar literary world during the colonial days, many writers and literati wrote a large number of songs, poems, novels and articles and shot motion pictures designed to incite the people to take part in the independence struggle. Such woman writers as Sayamagyí Dagon Daw Khin Khin Lay, Journal Kyaw Ma Ma Lay, Daw Khin Myo Chit, Dagon Khin Lay Swe and Independent Daw San (Daw Kwasi) created artistic and effective works. A lot of Myanmar women got involved in the anti-

fascist resistance, which was launched on 27 March 1945. Many Myanmar women sacrificed their lives in the independence struggles. Thakhinma Daw Htwe of Kyaikkhami fell in the battle against fascists in Mawlamyine District.

The role of Myanmar women was very important in the struggle for regaining independence from the British colonialists after the World War II. The active participation, unity and strong vigour of Myanmar women in the 1946-47 independence struggle were worthy of the highest honour of the nation and the people.

In this regard, Myanmar women represented various ages of grandmother, mother, aunt, elder sister, younger sister, daughter, granddaughter, and great granddaughter. Grandmothers joined hands with grandfathers in the anti-colonialist movements. Mothers and aunts defended and safeguarded the independence and the Union together with fathers and uncles in accord with the fine tradition of anti-colonialist struggle. And elder sisters, younger sisters, nieces, daughters, granddaughters and great granddaughters have inherited the anti-colonialist sentiment and the spirit of cherishing and safeguarding independence and are contributing towards the building of a peaceful, modern and developed democratic nation with flourishing disciplines, and will defend and safeguard the future nation for its durability. These responsibilities are the bounden duty of the new generation women. These traditions have been preserved well throughout the successive eras by the mass of Myanmar women. The Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation was established with seven objectives to enable the new generation women to inherit, preserve and promote such fine traditions. Of the seven objectives, six points concern the drive for raising the living standard of the mass of women and enabling them to enjoy human rights fully.

The first objective is related to the national duty. It is aimed at elevating the role of women in building a peaceful, modern and developed nation. It reflects a lofty aim and a future work programme as well as the national duty.

The Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation made up of more than 27 million Myanmar national women is the main force of Myanmar women. The first objective is laid down to contribute toward the emergence of a peaceful, modern and developed nation, so the MWAF is the pillar to serve the interests of over 54 million national people.

Myanmar women are fully equipped with Union Spirit and the independence spirit with which they will never let the mother country lose an inch of the land and never allow anyone to harm the nation's sovereignty. Indeed, the history of the Myanmar women is that of anti-colonialist struggle, independence struggle, and defending and safeguarding the nation's independence. For the entire Myanmar women who love the Union, the 3rd of July is designated as the Myanmar Women's Day, on which they rededicate themselves to serve the interests of the nation and the people and the Myanmar society with might and main.

**Translation: TMT + MS**

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# ADVERTISEMENTS

## ပြည်ထောင်စုမြန်မာနိုင်ငံတော် ဝန်ထမ်းရွေးချယ်ရေးအဖွဲ့ ကြော်ငြာစာအမှတ်၊ ၁၃/၂၀၀၅ (၂၀၀၅ ခုနှစ်၊ ဇွန်လ ၁၅ ရက်) လျှောက်လွှာခေါ်ယူခြင်း

၁။ ယဉ်ကျေးမှုဝန်ကြီးဌာန၊ ရှေးဟောင်းသုတေသနဦးစီးဌာန၊ ရှေးဟောင်းသုတေသနနည်းပညာ  
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အလိုရှိပါသည်-

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မကျော်လွန်သူဖြစ်ရမည်။  
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၄။ ရာထူးတစ်မျိုးထက်ပို၍လျှောက်လွှာတင်သွင်းလိုပါက ရာထူးတစ်မျိုးစီအတွက် ဝင်ကြေး ၄၅၀/-  
ကို သီးခြားပေးသွင်းပြီး ရာထူးအလိုက် လျှောက်လွှာသီးခြားတစ်စောင်စီ တင်သွင်းရမည်။  
၅။ လျှောက်လွှာတွင်ဖော်ပြရမည့်အချက်များ၊ ပုံဆွဲပုံရိပ်မည်စာရွက်စာတမ်းများ၊ ဝင်ကြေး ၄၅၀/-  
ပေးသွင်းရမည့်နည်းလမ်း၊ ရေဖြေ နှုတ်ပြေစစ်ဆေးမှုအတွက် လေ့လာရန်လိုအပ်ချက်များနှင့်စစ်လျဉ်း၍  
ဤအဖွဲ့ကကြော်ငြာချက်အမှတ်၊ ၁/၉၁ ဖြင့်ထုတ်ပြန်ထားသော ဝန်ထမ်းရွေးချယ်ရေးအဖွဲ့က  
ကြော်ငြာခေါ်ယူသောရာထူးများသို့ လျှောက်လွှာတင်သွင်းသူများအတွက် လမ်းညွှန်စာစောင်ပါ  
သတ်မှတ်ချက်များနှင့်အညီ လိုက်နာဆောင်ရွက်ရန်ဖြစ်သည်။  
၆။ **ရန်ကင်းမြို့နှင့် မန္တလေးမြို့များတွင်** ရေဖြေစာမေးပွဲစာစစ်ဌာနများထားရှိမည်။ မိမိပြေဆိုလိုသော  
စာစစ်ဌာနကို လျှောက်လွှာတွင် ရှင်းလင်းတိကျစွာ ဖော်ပြရမည်။  
၇။ ဝန်ထမ်းများသည် မူရင်းလျှောက်လွှာတစ်စောင်ကို မိမိတာဝန်ထမ်းဆောင်သည့် ဌာနအကြီးအမှတ်ဆိုင်  
ဝန်ကြီးဌာန၏ခွဲပြုချက်ယူပြီး ဝန်ထမ်းရွေးချယ်ရေးအဖွဲ့ရုံးသို့ ၁၂-၇-၂၀၀၅ ခုနှစ် အရောက်ပေးပို့ရမည်။  
လျှောက်လွှာတစ်စောင်ကို ခါတ်ပုံနှင့်အတူ ဤအဖွဲ့ရုံးသို့ တိုက်ရိုက်ပေးပို့ရမည်။  
၈။ ၃၀-၇-၂၀၀၅ ခုနှစ် ၃၀-၇-၂၀၀၅ ခုနှစ်တွင် အရည်အချင်းစစ်ရေးဖြေ စာမေးပွဲကျင်းပမည်။  
၂၈-၇-၂၀၀၅ ခုနှစ်မှစ၍ မန္တလေးတိုင်း အထွေထွေအုပ်ချုပ်ရေးဦးစီးဌာနရုံးနှင့် ဤအဖွဲ့ရုံးတို့တွင်  
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## Ugandan ruling party supports lifting of presidential term limits

KAMPALA, 20 June — Uganda's ruling party, the National Resistance Movement (NRM), has made a decision to support the lifting of presidential term limits, local media reported on Saturday.  
The decision was contained in a resolution passed by delegates at the end of the one-day meeting of NRM's National Executive Committee (NEC) at Speke Resort Munonyo near Kampala

on Friday.  
The resolution said that the meeting support the removal from the Constitution of the controversial article 105 (2) that limits presidential terms to two.  
The resolution on the term limits now rests with Parliament, which will commence debate on the matter on Monday.  
After the meeting, NRM spokesman Opono Opono told Press that "this resolution binds all

NEC members of Parliament to support the position during the amendment process of the Constitution".  
Uganda's 1995 Constitution permits any elected president only two five-year terms. President Yoweri Museveni's second term ends in 2006. If the amendment is approved by the Parliament, Museveni will be eligible for another term in office.  
MNA/Xinhua

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## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

**Finance/Operations Officer - Project Office**  
The Integrated Community Development Project (ICDP-MYA/01/001) is a project funded by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). The project has its head office in Yangon and field offices in twenty townships in Delta, Dry and Shan.  
ICDP is seeking to recruit a motivated and committed professional of the highest integrity to manage the Finance unit of ICDP.  
The Finance Officer will work under the overall supervision of the Agency Project Manager and will be responsible for the following:

Manage and supervise the Finance unit; ensure proper management and accounting of all financial transactions of ICDP; prepare budget revisions when necessary, to reflect changes in workplan and activities as authorized by UNDP; prepare budget analyses to assist project planning; analyse and prepare reports on project expenditures and monitor all expenditures against the approved project workplan, activities and budget; supervise project procurement processes including preparation of comparative analyses of materials, supplies and costs, and other documentation, in consultation with the relevant UNDP office unit; prepare contracts for service providers, Memoranda of Partnership (MOPs) and work orders as per UNDP rules and regulations; liaise and follow up on financial and related matters with Programme unit, General Services unit, Human Resources unit and other office units of UNDP; ensure that appropriate procedures are followed in respect of banking processes; perform any other tasks assigned by the Agency Project Manager.

**Requirements:**  
**Academic qualifications:** Certified Public Accountant or B.Com with other advanced University degree/diploma related to Business Administration field.  
**Work experience:** Minimum seven years progressively responsible professional experience in Financial and Administrative and Procurement Management including Auditing with special emphasis on Financial Management, analytical, facilitation, communication and decision-making skills will be advantages, prior experience with UNDP projects will be an asset  
**Other essential qualifications:** Fluency in spoken and written English; good knowledge of computer skills. Interested **Myanmar Nationals** can submit their application via **registered mail** with updated CV, recent photo, educational certificates and references to the **Agency Project Manager, ICDP project, c/o Human Resources Unit, UNDP Office, PO Box 650, Yangon, Yangon 11181, Myanmar, by 12 July 2005. It is important that applicants write the title of the post on the envelope to ensure it reaches the intended addressee in the UNDP office.**  
Only short-listed candidates will be notified for the personal interview; Applications from women are strongly encouraged; UNDP regrets its inability to reply individually or attend to telephone queries on the advertised posts.

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## New commander takes charge of Chilean Navy

SANTIAGO, 20 June — Rodolfo Codina Diaz was sworn in Saturday as commander of the Chilean Navy to replace Miguel Angel Vergara.  
The swearing-in ceremony at the Naval School at the port of Valparaiso was attended by representatives of the Armed Forces and police, ministers and legislators.

Codina Diaz was born at Valparaiso on July 3, 1949, and graduated from the Naval Academy in 1969.— MNA/Xinhua

## Zimbabwe imports 31,000 tons of maize

HARARE, 20 June — The Zimbabwean Government recently imported 31,000 tons of bulk maize, the Grain Marketing Board (GMB) said on Saturday.

Several tons of bagged maize from South Africa by road was being distributed to the southern parts of the country.  
The GMB Acting Chief Executive Retired Colonel Samuel Muvuti said the GMB has acquired 40 trucks as efforts to augment the existing fleet in readiness for food distribution exercise.  
MNA/Xinhua

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**Advertisement for submitting expression of interest**

Integrated Community Development Project (ICDP) is a project being executed by UNDP Myanmar, in Delta Zone, Dry Zone and Shan State covering eleven townships. ICDP is in a process to prepare a roster of national resources persons/organizations who could provide input in various disciplines. Interested, qualified and experienced candidates (not working in government offices) and organizations are requested to submit expression of interest to be included in the roster. Candidates should have a graduate degree with at least ten years of working experience or masters' degree with five years of working experience especially in community development and related field. In case of organizations at least five years of experience in any of the proposed areas will be required. The proposed areas of specialization are as follows:

- \* Agronomy
- \* Agriculture extension
- \* Livestock and Fishery
- \* Forestry
- \* Soil and water conservation
- \* Training Specialist
- \* Specialist on Gender and Development
- \* Water supply and sanitation
- \* Public Health and Hygiene
- \* Education (Specialized in teachers training, Non-formal education programme and Early Childhood Care and Development)
- \* Civil Engineering
- \* Water resources and Irrigation
- \* Information Education and Communication and Data Management Specialist

Application along with CV should be sent via registered mail addressed to **The Agency Project Manager, ICDP Office, No.6, Natmauk Road, P.O. Box 650, UNDP, Yangon** not later than 12 July 2005. Only short listed resource persons will be informed.

UNDP regrets its inability to attend to telephone queries related to the above announcement.

**G-8 countries to pool data on terrorism**

**LONDON, 20 June—** The Group of Eight developed nations will discuss pooling terrorism research, computer material and possibly DNA and fingerprint samples at their three-day meeting at Gleneagles in Scotland from July six which Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh will attend as a special invitee.

As a prelude to the G-8 summit, Justice and Interior ministers, including the US Secretary of Homeland Security, Michael Chertoff, have agreed to press ahead with unprecedented cooperation on data-sharing at a three-day meeting in Sheffield which concluded last evening. The flagship measure of the new G-8 anti-terrorism plans will be coordinated research into radicalization of new generations, including studies of the effects of Guantanamo Bay and similar detention centres on alienated people, particularly the youth.

This will be backed up by technical and legal drives to see how much information-sharing can be permitted by the different privacy laws of G-8 nations following the success of international databases set up to counter child abuse and people trafficking.

British Home Secretary, Charles Clarke, who chaired the meeting said international terrorism was changing in both nature and likely tactics, and potential victim states needed to know why and how.

Input from Russia will focus on transport systems, especially underground railways, while another G-8 member, Japan, will contribute lessons learned from the 1995 sarin nerve gas attack on the Tokyo underground. "Our research will go through all possible sources of recruitment for terrorism and analyze from the bottom up how this happens and why it happens," Clarke said. "We want to work more closely on understanding what the motivations for terrorism are. It is our opinion that the threat from terrorism is changing, and we need to understand how we can deal with that." —MNA/PTI

**Chinese, European scientists find anti-SARS medicine**

**Hangzhou, 21 June —** A medicine currently used to treat schizophrenia was found to be effective in inhibiting the coronavirus of the deadly Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS), announced a group of Chinese and European scientists in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on Sunday.

Cinanserin, being in therapeutic usage against the mental disease since the 1970s, was identified as a cure for the SARS epidemic and is the only ready-to-use medicine among the total 15 possible anti-SARS remedies recommended by scientists participating in the Sino-European Project on SARS Diagnostics and Antivirals (SEPSDA) after careful pathological studies.

"The finding means that cinanserin could be directly prescribed to prevent the SARS disease or treat SARS patients if

the fatal epidemic mounts a comeback," said Professor Peter Kristensen, from Denmark's University of Aarhus, here on Sunday.

The 14 other medicinal solutions have to go through lengthy animal tests before being used to treat human patients, said Kristensen, a participant of the three-year SEPSDA programme, which was funded by the European Union and involved eight Chinese and European institutions.

The ambitious programme, launched in 2004, aims to find 50

chemical compounds to treat SARS. In the coming two years, scientists from China, Germany, Poland and Denmark will continue to search for the rest 35 compounds, according to sources with the programme.

In addition, scientists working for the programme also confirmed here on Sunday the finding of two homologous SARS coronaviruses in animals from the Netherlands and Hong Kong, China respectively.

Professor Rolf Hilgenfeld, from

Germany's University of Luebeck, said that both the newly-found viruses and the formerly-detected SARS virus were variations of an ancient virus, which had been harboured among animals for ages but remained unidentified.

The German scholar also said other latent coronaviruses could pose dangers to human beings as the SARS virus did. "People should closely monitor such viruses and their variations to effectively prevent them from endangering humans," said Hilgenfeld. —MNA/Xinhua

**Flood threatens Canada's western city of Calgary**

**OTTAWA, 20 June —** Canada's western city of Calgary issued an emergency order Saturday evening as its two main rivers are running wild, media reports said.

Calgary Mayor Dave Bronconnier urged all Calgaryans to stay away from the waterways, and to follow all directions by emergency personnel.

The order affects an estimated 2,000 to 2,500 people in about eight neighbourhoods in Calgary, the largest city of Alberta Province.

The Bow River, one of the two overflowing rivers in the city, is flowing higher than it ever has in recorded history.

It is now flowing at 2,000 cubic metres per second, in comparison to a normal flow of 100 cubic metres per second.

Flooding also hit areas in the south and northwest of Calgary.

MNA/Xinhua



A monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*) is seen on a flower at the butterfly garden of the Metropolitan Zoo and Botanical Garden in Budapest, Friday, on 17 June, 2005. There are about 500 specimens of 56 species in the garden that are seen during the summer time. —INTERNET

**One of oldest glassworks found in Egypt**

**CAIRO, 20 June —** A first-rate scientific journal said British and German archaeologists had found an ancient glassworks, believed to be one of the earliest glassmaking sites, in Egypt, the *Egyptian Gazette* reported Sunday.

Evidence at Qantir-Piramesses on the eastern Nile Delta indicates that glass was made there out of raw materials as early as 1250 BC, according to a study published on Friday's issue of *Science*.

The reworking of already made glass into finished goods has been documented at ancient sites in the Middle East and Egypt, but the new report adds evidence for primary glass production at this location.

Thilo Rehren of University College, London, and Edgar B.

Pusch of Pelizaeus Museum in Hildesheim, Germany, report finding a large number of crucibles with remains of glass inside.

Glass was made using finely crushed quartz powder melted with other materials inside the ceramic crucibles, which then were broken to get the glass out, they said. The glass ingots "would then have been transported to other artistic workshops where they were re-melted and worked into objects", Pusch and Rehren said.

MNA/Xinhua

**Ruling party wins by-election in Zimbabwe**

**HARARE, 20 June —** Voting to choose the new Member of Parliament for Mudzi East constituency in Zimbabwe ended on Sunday with a victory for the ruling Zimbabwe African National Union-Patriotic Front (ZANU-PF). Joseph Musa of ZANU-PF secured a massive 15,811 votes against Bvunzayi Gozi's 2,382 votes of the opposition Movement for Democratic Change.

There were 18,643 votes cast and 450 spoilt ballot papers. People voted in 90 polling stations with a total of 42,072 registered voters.

MNA/Xinhua

**Don't smoke**

## SPORTS

## Preparations for 6th Winter Asian Games go smoothly

SHANGHAI, 21 June—Preparations for the sixth Winter Asian Games went smoothly, said the organizing committee of the Games in the Shanghai New Expo Centre on Monday.

The Games is slated in Changchun, Northeast China from January 28 to February 4, 2007, and will attract more than 3,000 athletes and officials from 44 countries and regions to the "North Spring City", said An Li, executive chairwoman of the organizing committee and vice mayor of the hosting city.

Changchun plans to invest 22 billion yuan for the Games, most of which for the construction of infrastructure, competition facilities as well as the organizing efforts, An said.

And 800 million will be directly used for the Games.

Besides, the logo and mascot of the Games have been registered in the State Administration for Industry and Commerce, and the efforts for market development have been fully launched.

Apart from a new skiing ground, Changchun has built the biggest speed skating rink in the country, and refurbished seven stadiums to be appraised by the Olympic Council of Asia by the end of the year, said the vice mayor.—MNA/Xinhua



Russia's Elena Dementieva returns the ball to Iveta Benesova of the Czech Republic in their first round women's singles match at the Wimbledon tennis championships in London, June 20, 2005.—INTERNET

## Ferguson sets eyes on Owen

LONDON, 21 June—Real Madrid's England star Michael Owen might come back to English Premier League next season, local report said on Monday.

The tabloid Sun said that Manchester United manager Alex Ferguson has been interested in Owen, who moved from Liverpool to Real Madrid on a 8-million-pound contract last year.

The England striker scored 14 goals but still has to fight for the starting place in the star-studded Real.

Owen was valued at 13 million pounds by Real, but United reportedly only had 6.25 million pounds to spend before the end of their financial year on July 31.

That money has been assigned to the signings of Fulham's Dutch goalkeeper Edwin van der Sar and South Korean midfielder Park Ji Sung from Dutch side PSV Eindhoven. United currently have four strikers, including Ruud van Nistelrooy, France international Louis Saha, Alan Smith and Wayne Rooney. One of the strikers might have to leave Old Trafford if United wants to sign Owen.

United were also interested in midfielder Jermaine Jenas, whose first-team slot at Newcastle is under threat since the arrival of Scot Parker from

Chelsea, according to the Sun.

Ferguson is bidding to rebuild United, which lost the FA Cup final to Arsenal and finished a distant third behind champions Chelsea in the Premiership. The club also went out of the Champions League in the last 16.—MNA/Xinhua

## No more signings for Barca

MADRID, 21 June—Spanish champions Barcelona have said that they would not make any more signings this summer.

Barca President Joan Laporta was quoted as saying by the daily Sport on Monday that he had been told by the club's technical staff "the squad is now complete for next year".

Barca, who won the league title in May, have since signed Netherlands midfielder Mark van Bommel and Athletic Bilbao winger Santi Ezquerro.

Though the club continued to be linked with a number of other players, Laporta said that more signings were unnecessary.

"With the arrival of Van Bommel and Ezquerro, they feel we now have a balanced squad and we don't need any more players."

Besides the two new signings, Barca will also welcome back four players who missed most of last season with long term injuries.

The players included Swedish striker Henrik Larsson, Spanish defender Gabri and Brazilian midfielders Thiago Motta and Edmilson.

MNA/Xinhua

## Ze Roberto to stay at Bayern Munich for one more season

BERLIN, 21 June—Brazil international Ze Roberto has extended his contract with ruling German champions Bayern Munich for another season, the Bundesliga club said on Monday.

The contract extension came after the 30-year-old midfielder had been reportedly linked with Italian, Spanish and even Russian clubs.

"I am very happy that negotiations were successful in allowing me to stay another year at Munich," said Ze Roberto.

Ze Roberto, who has been coming to the end of his previous contract, has failed to have a great season at Bayern.

But his good performance in their 2-1 cup final win over Schalke 04 seemed to have convinced coach Felix Magath to keep him on.—MNA/Xinhua

## AC Milan target Parma striker Gilardino

ROME, 21 June—AC Milan have expressed their interest in Parma's prolific striker Alberto Gilardino, according to local report on Monday.

The 22-year-old Gilardino, who was the league's second highest scorer with 23 goals, scored a goal in the Serie A relegation play-off against Bologna last week to help Parma stay up in the top flight.

AC Milan vice-president Paolo Berlusconi said that he hoped to see the striker play for AC Milan next season.

"Milan need an out-and-out striker and Gilardino is the right man for that position," he was quoted as saying by

the Gazzetta dello Sport.

Gilardino had spells with Piacenza and Verona before joining Parma in 2002. He scored four goals in 24 Serie A matches in his first season, but was on scoring sheet 23 times in 34 games for the following season.

Milan finished second to Juventus in Serie A before losing the Champions League final to Liverpool in a penalty shoot-out.

MNA/Xinhua

## Qualifying round of AFC Women's C'ship concludes

HANOI, 21 June—Taibei, Myanmar, Thailand and hosts Vietnam have won berths to the finals round of the AFC Women's Championship after the qualifying round ended here on Monday.

In the two quarterfinals contested on Monday, Myanmar defeated Uzbekistan 2-1 while Thailand downed India 3-2 to book the berths.

On Sunday, Taibei crushed Singapore 3-0 and Vietnam eased by Hong Kong 4-1 in the other two quarterfinals.

Thanks to physical strength and numerical advantage, Myanmar netted twice in the next half after trailing Uzbekistan 0-1 at halftime.

Both teams played actively and held relatively equal ball possession in the first half, with Myanmar players performing a little better than their opponents due to good physical strength and personal skills.

However, Uzbekistan player Natalya Mihaylova scored the opening goal in the 25th minute after latching onto a short pass from right flank. Her blitz low

shot to the left corner surprised Myanmar goalie Khin May Min. After the goal, Myanmar deployed a pressing style, continually laying siege to Uzbekistan goalkeeper Yuliya Ahmedova.

In the 26th minute, Myanmar player Nandar Aye Hlaing made a curler from a free kick from a distance of some 20 metres, but it was caught by Natalya. On the stroke of the break, her teammate Zin Mar Wann, with a powerful shot and sudden header, also failed to defeat the goalie twice.

Five minutes after the break, Hlaing, standing near the left corner, delivered a curler above Natalya, so it did not escape her hands. In the 63rd minute, Myanmar Mar Lar Win, after receiving a low pass from the right wing, equalized the score with a powerful shot from close range.

player Oydinhon Turdimatova received her second yellow card in the 68th minute and then left the field with a miserable and painful face, partly because she had been injured repeatedly, Myanmar launched series of rapid attack. Their efforts paid off in the 85th minute when Wann blasted home from close range, sealing off a victory of 2-1 for Myanmar.

"Four of our key players were injured before the match today. Our player No. 5 named Turdimatova even got hurt again during the match," Miriman Kim, Uzbekistan's coach, said after the game, adding that Myanmar took advantage of her dismissal in the second half.

Aye Maung, Myanmar's coach, said he was very satisfied at his players' physical strength, adding that their average age was 23.

After Uzbekistan

MNA/Xinhua



Brazilian striker Ronaldinho walks to the team bus before departing from Hanover, Germany, June 20, 2005. Brazil lost to Mexico 1-0 Sunday and have to win their next match against Japan to advance to the semifinals of the Confederations Cup.—INTERNET

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ယခုအခါ မိုးကြို ဂုန်လျှော်/ချဉ်ပေါင်လျှော် စိုက်ပျိုးပြီးစီးချိန်ဖြစ်ပြီး ဂုန်လျှော်/ချဉ်ပေါင်လျှော်များအထွက်တိုးစေရန် အောက်ပါအတိုင်း လိုက်နာ ဆောင်ရွက်နိုင်ပါရန် နိုးဆော်အပ်ပါသည်-

၁။ အတန်စိုက် ဂုန်လျှော်/ချဉ်ပေါင်လျှော်များကို တစ်ပင်နှင့် တစ်ပင် (၃) လက်မခွာခွာ ပြင်ကြပ်နှုတ်ပေးပါ။ ကြိပ်ပတ်စိုက်ခင်းများတွင် (၆)လက်မ ပတ်လည် တစ်ပင်နှင့် ကျန်ရှိအောင် ထွန်ဖြင့်ထွန်ပေးပါ။

၂။ ခေါင်းလိုက်လက်ကြားခွဲခြား၍ (၁၅-၂၀) ရက်သာတွင် တစ်ကြိမ်နှင့် (၃၀-၃၅) ရက်သာတွင် တစ်ကြိမ်၊ အနည်းဆုံး နှစ်ကြိမ်ခွဲ၍ ဆောင်ရွက်ပါ။ ပေါင်းလိုက်လက်ကြားခွဲပြီးတိုင်း ယူရီးယားဓာတ်မြေဓာတ်ကို တစ်စက်လျှင် (၄) ဆိတ်နှုန်းဖြင့် (၂) ကြိမ်ကြိပ်ပတ်ပေးပါ။

၃။ အပင်ငယ်စဉ် ရေမဝစေရန် ဂရုပြုပါ။ စိုက်ခင်းအတွင်း ရေဝနေပါက ပတ်မြောင်း၊ စိတ်မြောင်းများဖြင့် ရေဖောက်ထုတ်နိုင်ရေးဆောင်ရွက်ပါ။

၄။ အပင်ငယ်စဉ်တွင် ပုရစ်အန္တရာယ်ကျရောက်နိုင်ပြီး အဓိကကျရောက် ဖျက်ဆီးသော ပိုးမွှား မွှားပင့်ကူနီ၊ ခါးတွန်သောက်ဖက်၊ ရွက်စားရုမွှားစုတ်နှင့် ပင်စည်ထိုးကျိုင်းတို့ဖြစ်ပါသည်။ ဂုန်လျှော်/ချဉ်ပေါင်လျှော်ခင်းများအား ပုမှန် စစ်ဆေး၍ လိုအပ်မှသာ ဆေးပတ်ဖျန်း ကာကွယ်ပါ။

၅။ ဂုန်လျှော်ပင်စည်ပွင့်စွန်းရောက်မှစ၍ မြစ်ပတ်အောက်များတွင် အပင်လိုက် နှုတ်၍ မီးရှို့ဖျက်ဆီးပါ။

၆။ ချဉ်ပေါင်ပင်အများပိုင်းတွင် အဂရောင်၊ အပြုရောင် ရောင်မညီ ကွက်ကြား (mosaic) ရောဂါတွေ့ရှိရင် အပင်လိုက် နှုတ်၍ မီးရှို့ ဖျက်ဆီးပါ။

၇။ နည်းပညာနှင့် အကူအညီ ရယူလိုပါက နီးစပ်ရာ မြန်မာဂုန်လျှော် ပစ္စည်းလုပ်ငန်း၊ ဒေသရုံးများနှင့် ဆက်သွယ် အကူအညီရယူပါ။

**လယ်ယာစိုက်ပျိုးရေးနှင့်ဆည်မြောင်းဝန်ကြီးဌာန**

**Thai, Japanese FTA deal likely to be concluded in July**

**BANGKOK, 21 June — Thai Finance Minister Somkid Jatusripitak has expressed confidence that a conclusion on the proposed Thai-Japanese Free Trade Agreement (FTA) would be reached in July.**

He also stressed that the two countries would sign deals on the uncontentional parts of the agreement first, according to the Thai News Agency on Sunday.

After meeting Japanese Foreign Minister Nobutaka Machimura and the Minister of Economy and Trade Shoichi Nakagawa in Tokyo on Saturday, Somkid denied that the phased discussions indicated that Thailand wanted to postpone the deal.

He said the Japanese side was becoming increasingly accommodating to Thai demands on industry, and that a conclusion had already been reached on the agricultural sector after Thailand decided to remove rice from the list for negotiation.

Sectors which remain points of contention include the steel and automobile industries.

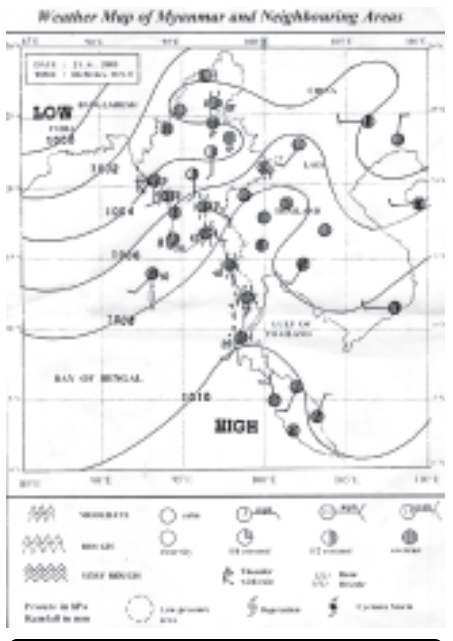
"These negotiations represent an economic relationship between the

two countries to help look after the investments of Japanese and Thai business people, and to ensure that the investment meets the needs of both parties," Somkid was quoted as saying.

He warned that the Thai private sector needs to make urgent adjustments in anticipation of the deal, saying that trade liberalization is unavoidable.

Somkid, who is paying an official visit to Japan, also revealed that an increasing number of Japanese automobile companies were shifting their production bases to Thailand, helping modernize the Thai automobile sector with research and development.

MNA/Xinhua



**WEATHER**

**Tuesday, 21 June, 2005**

**Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST:** During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Chin State, lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in upper Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions, scattered in Rakhine, Kayah and Kayin States, Bago Division and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Bago (2.71) inches, Hinthada (2.55) inches, Myaungmya (2.13) inches, Sittwe (1.26) inches.

Maximum temperature on 20-6-2005 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 21-6-2005 was 71°F. Relative humidity at 9:30 hrs MST on 21-6-2005 was 97%. Total sunshine hours on 20-6-2005 was (2.3 hours) approx. Rainfalls on 21-6-2005 were (0.75) inch at Yangon Airport, (0.47) inch in Kaba-Aye and (1.06) inches in central Yangon. Total rainfalls since 1-1-2005 were (21.30 inches) at Yangon Airport, (17.95 inches) at Kaba-Aye and (15.59 inches) at central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from Southwest at (10:35) hours MST on 20-6-2005.

**Bay inference:** Monsoon is generally moderate in the Bay of Bengal.

**Forecast valid until evening of 22-6-2005:** Weather will be partly cloudy in lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kayah State and Mandalay Division, scattered in South and Eastern Shan, Chin and Rakhine States, upper Sagaing and Bago Divisions and widespread in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is 80%.

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

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Moderate monsoon.

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 22-6-2005:** One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is 80%.

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 22-6-2005:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is 60%.

**အပြစ်ပြည်ဆိုင်ရာ မူးယစ်ဆေးဝါးအလွဲသုံးစားမှုနှင့် တရားမဝင်ရောင်းဝယ်မှုတိုက်ဖျက်ရေးနေ့**

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**International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking**

**26-6-2005**

**တန်ဖိုးရှိလှ လူငယ်ဘဝ မူးယစ်ကင်းစင် ကျန်းမာမှု**

**Value yourself --- make healthy choices**



**Wednesday, 22 June Tune in today:**

- 8.30 am Brief news
- 8.35 am Music: We've got it going on
- 8.40 am Perspectives
- 8.45 am Music: -Who do you think you are
- 8.50 am National news/Slogan
- 9.00 am Music: -Close to you
- 9.05 am International news
- 9.10 am Music: -Story
- 1.30 pm News/Slogan
- 1.40 pm Lunchtime music -Dawn of love -I specialize in love -Story of love -All out of love
- 9.00 pm Variations on tune -The power of love
- 9.15 pm Article/music
- 9.25 pm Music at your request - Wanna be -If we are only friends -Living next door to Alice
- 9.45 pm News/Slogan
- 10.00 pm PEL

**TV Myanmar**

**Wednesday, 22 June**

**View on today:**

- 7:00 am 1. Recitation of Parittas by Missionary Sayadaw U Oattamathara
- 7:15 am 2. တိပိဋကဓမ္မာ ဓမ္မာဏ္ဍာဝါရိက၊ အဂ္ဂမဟာပဏ္ဍိတ၊ တက္ကသိုလ်ရှိရာ အိပ်ခါ(ယောဆရာတော်)ဟောကြားတော်မူအပ်သောဥပသုတ္တံတစ်ပုဒ်
- 7:25 am 3. To be healthy exercise
- 7:30 am 4. Morning news
- 7:40 am 5. Nice and sweet song
- 7:55 am 6. တရားနိဗ္ဗာန်ပုဒ်
- 8:05 am 7. မြူးမြူးကြွကြွယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက

- 8:20 am 8. အတီးဖြင့်ပွဲ
- 8:30 am 9. International news
- 8:45 am 10. Let's Go
- 4:00 pm 1. Martial song
- 4:15 pm 2. Songs to uphold National Spirit
- 4:30 pm 3. Practice in reading
- 4:45 pm 4. Musical programme
- 5:00 pm 5. အဆေးသင်တန်းတက်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ -ဂုတိယုနစ် (ရုက္ခဗေဒ၊ သက္ကဗေဒ၊ အထူးပြုများ) (ရုက္ခဗေဒ)
- 5:15 pm 6. Song of National races
- 5:30 pm 7. မြန်မာစာ၊ မြန်မာစာကား
- 5:45 pm 8. Classical Song
- 6:00 pm 9. ရွှေယံမုလင်အဆီယံအစီအစဉ်
- 6:10 pm 10. Discovery

- 6:15 pm 11. မူလနိဗ္ဗာန်သွယ်သွယ်ဆိုကြပေ
- 6:30 pm 12. Evening news
- 7:00 pm 13. Weather report
- 7:05 pm 14. Musical programme
- 7:20 pm 15. Strong and healthy Myanmar
- 7:30 pm 16. (၂၃) ကြိမ်မြောက် အရှေ့တောင် အာရှအားကစား ဖြိုင်ပွဲဝင်ပည့် မြန်မာအားကစားအဖွဲ့များ၏ ကြိုတင်ပြင်ဆင်မှုများ (ဘီလီယံနှင့် ဓနုကာ)
- 8:00 pm 17. News
- 18. International news
- 19. Weather report
- 20. ဒွါဒသမအကြိမ် (၁၂) ကြိမ် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှုနှင့် အဆို၊ အက၊ အရှေ့၊ အတီးဖြင့်ပွဲ (ဂြိုဟ်)၊ မဟာဘိဇ္ဇာတော်တော်ကြီး (မန္တလေးတိုင်း)
- 21. The next day's programme

# Honorary Patron of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation Daw Kyaing Kyaing attends tree planting ceremony to hail Myanmar Women's Day



Daw Kyaing Kyaing plants a Gangaw tree to hail the Myanmar Women's Day.—MNA

YANGON, 21 June —Hailing the Myanmar Women's Day which falls on 3 July, wife of Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe Honorary Patron of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation Daw Kyaing Kyaing attended a tree

planting ceremony organized by MAAF in the precincts of Mindhamma Hill in Insein Township this morning.

Daw Kyaing Kyaing, accompanied by wife of Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General

Maung Aye Honorary Patron of MAAF Daw Mya Mya San, arrived at Mindhamma Hill at 8.30 am.



Daw Mya Mya San plants a Padauk tree to hail the Myanmar Women's Day.—MNA

They were welcomed by wife of Lt-Gen Tin Oo Daw Khin Than Nwe, wife of member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann member of Panel of Patrons of MAAF

Daw Khin Lay Thet, wife of Prime Minister General Soe Win President of MAAF Daw Than Than Nwe, wife of Secre-



Daw Khin Lay Thet plants a Gangaw tree to hail the Myanmar Women's Day.—MNA

tary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thein Sein President of Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association Daw Khin Khin Win, members of Panel of Patrons of MAAF wives of members of the State Peace and Development Council, Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Myint Swe, Chairman of Myanmar National Committee for Women's Affairs Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Sein Htwa, Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Yangon Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin, the deputy ministers and

officials. Daw Kyaing Kyaing planted a Gangaw tree at the designated place in the precincts of Mindhamma Hill. Honorary Patron of

MAAF Daw Mya Mya San also planted a Padauk tree and Daw Khin Than Nwe and Daw Khin Lay Thet star flower tree. (See page 8)



Daw Khin Than Nwe plants star flower tree. MNA



Daw Than Than Nwe plants a commemorative sapling.—MNA



Daw Khin Lay Thet plants a Gangaw tree. MNA

၂၀၀၅ ခုနှစ်၊ ဇူလိုင်လ (၃)ရက် မြန်မာအမျိုးသမီးများနေ့ မြန်မာအမျိုးသမီးများ ပေါင်းစည်းအား ထင်ရှားစွမ်းဆောင်ရည် ဇူလိုင် ၃ ရက် လက်ချင်းယှက် မပျက်ကမ္ဘာတည်

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The Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation was established with seven objectives to enable the new generation women to inherit, preserve and promote the fine traditions. Of the seven objectives, six points concern the drive for raising the living standard of the mass of women and enabling them to enjoy human rights fully.  
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