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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 accepts credentials of Ambassador of the Kingdom of Nepal

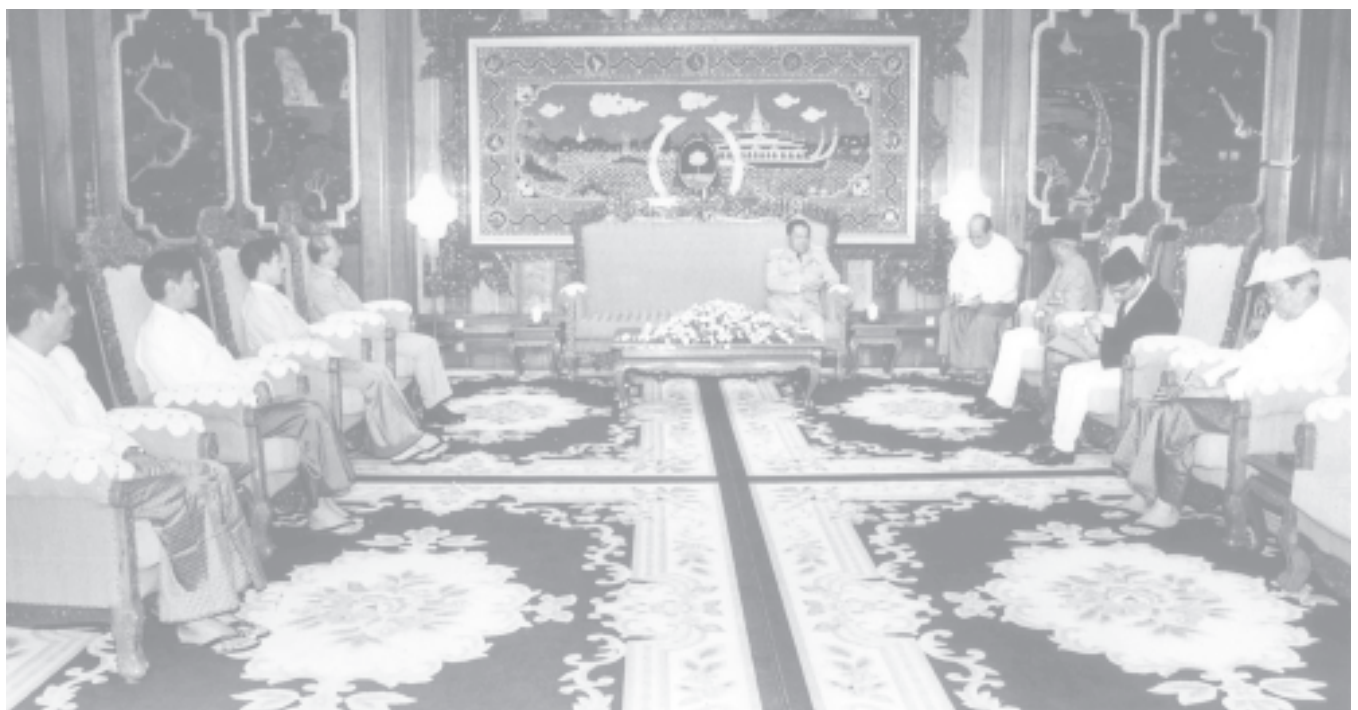
YANGON, 28 June — Lt-Gen (Rtd) Victory SJB Rana, newly accredited Ambassador of the Kingdom of Nepal to the Union of Myanmar, presented his credentials to Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, at Zeyathiri Beikman here at 10 am today.

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 Ministers for Foreign Affairs U Kyaw Thu and U Maung Myint and Director-General Thura U Aung Htet of the Protocol Department.

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*Senior General Than Shwe receives newly-accredited Ambassador of Nepal to Myanmar Lt-Gen (Rtd) Victory SJB Rana. — MNA*

*Senior General Than Shwe accepts credentials from newly-accredited Nepalese Ambassador Lt-Gen (Rtd) Victory SJB Rana. — MNA*



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

**PERSPECTIVES**

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**Committed to national development and defence and security**

The first-day session of Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference 2005 was opened at the Myanmar Convention Centre on Mindhamma Road in Mayangon Township, Yangon Division, on 27 June. It was attended by Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thein Sein, also Chairman of the Central Organizing Committee of Myanmar War Veterans Organization.

In his address at the opening ceremony, Lt-Gen Thein Sein said that Myanmar War Veterans Organization, as a social organization or as a reserve force of the Tatmadaw, is required to take an active part in carrying out such duties as national development and national defence in cooperation with other congenial social organizations.

Now is the time when the Government, the people and the Tatmadaw are working hard in concert for the emergence of a modern, developed and discipline-flourishing democracy. The strength of people means the united strength of social organizations and, MWVO, together with the people and other congenial organizations, is carrying out national development endeavours.

The Central Organizing Committee of Myanmar War Veterans Organization is enthusiastically executing the five main tasks — national politics, national defence and security, economy, social welfare and public services.

Myanmar War Veterans Organization, with state, division, district and township war veterans supervisory committees, has a membership of 136,156.

It is necessary for MWVO to try to be an organization the people can trust and rely on and serve as a bridge between the people and the Tatmadaw through organizational means.

We believe that Myanmar War Veterans Organization will try its best to be able to stand as a highly proficient national force and continue working for national development and defence and security in cooperation with the people and other social organizations.

**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

**DHF control measures taken in Yangon**

YANGON, 28 June — In cooperation with the Yangon City Development Committee, the Health Department of the Ministry of Health took preventive measures against dengue haemorrhagic fever on a collective basis in 14 townships of Yangon Division this morning.

Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint and YCDC Chairman Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin visited the sites. Head of the Health Division of the YCDC Dr Tin Maung Win, Head of the Township Health Department Dr Phyu Phyu Soe, Head of Yangon Division Health Department Dr Hla Myint, Township USDA Secretary Daw Le Le Win Swe reported to the minister and the mayor on their arrival at Tamway Township Development Affairs



Dr Kyaw Myint and Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin meet ward dwellers. — ycdc

Office on the number of households and population of Pathienyunt Model Ward in Tamway Township, outbreaks of dengue hemorrhagic fever, preventive measures being taken against the disease, outbreaks of the disease in 20 wards of the township and measures being taken

against the disease and treatment being given in 43 townships of the division. Next, the minister and the mayor encouraged health staff, YCDC personnel and members of social organizations who were taking preventive measures against the disease and giving educa-

tive talks on the disease to the public in Pathienyunt Model Ward. Similar measures were also taken in Bahan, Dawbon, Pazundaung, Kamayut, Sangyoung, Dagon, Latha, Lanmadaw, Ahlon, Pabedan, Kyauktada and Botahtaung townships. *MNA*

**Talks on Myanmar Women's Day held**

YANGON, 28 June — As a gesture of hailing the Myanmar Women's Day, Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation organized talks on Myanmar Women's Day this morning at No 2 Basic Education High School in Latha Township.

First, Deputy Minister for Education Brig-Gen Aung Myo Min extended greetings. Afterwards, Writer Ma Sandar gave talks on Myanmar women.

Also present on the occasion were Head of the information department of the Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation Daw Kyi Kyi Win, Director-General of No 3 Basic Education Department U Aye Kyu, Deputy Head of the information department Daw Mya Mya, members of MWAF, teachers and students. Daw Mya Mya spoke words of thanks and the talks concluded. —MNA



Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Aung Myo Min delivers a speech at the talks. — MNA



MYANMAR WOMEN'S DAY

3<sup>rd</sup> July 2005

STRIVE TOGETHER FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN

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ကျန်းမာရေးဝန်ကြီးဌာန

# Chinese top legislator emphasizes Sino-Japanese relations

**BEIJING, 27 June—** Friendship between China and Japan is in the common interests of both sides and conducive to peace and development of Asia and the world, Chinese top legislator Wu Bangguo said here on Sunday.

Wu, chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (NPC) of China, said the practice of developing Sino-Japanese relations proved that it took tremendous hard work to achieve the current friendly state of bilateral relations, which should be very much cherished by both countries.

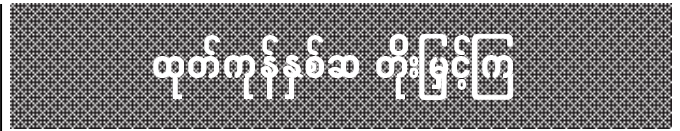
Wu made the remarks during a meeting with Masahiko Komura, president of the Association of Dietmen League for Japan-China Friendship from Japan.

Wu said abiding by the three politi-

cal documents including the China-Japan Joint Statement constitute the political basis for development of Sino-Japanese relations.

He said bilateral relations are faced with certain difficulties at present, which the Chinese side does not want to see. However, he pointed out that the fundamental cause of this difficult situation of bilateral relations lies in the Japanese side, who repeatedly hurt the feelings of the Chinese people on such issues as history and Taiwan.

MNA/Xinhua



Flooding hits the western side of Hong Kong close to the Central district after a torrential downpour on 24 June, 2005. — INTERNET

## H5N2-type bird flu virus detected in chickens in Japan

**TOKYO, 27 June—** The H5N2-type avian influenza virus has been detected in chickens at a poultry farm in Mitsukaido, east Japan's Ibaraki Prefecture, the Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries Ministry announced on Sunday.

The ministry confirmed the infection of chickens with the virus at the farm after about 430 of its 25,000 chickens died between March and May.

Poultry farms in the area have been barred from moving their chickens and eggs beyond a radius of five kilometres from the bird-flu infected farm, according to *Kyodo News*.

The local government will begin disinfecting or disposing of the chickens and eggs at the farm on Monday, *Kyodo* said.

MNA/Xinhua

## India says AWACS project very much active

**NEW DELHI, 27 June—** India's indigenously developed new Airborne Early Warning and Control System (AWACS) project is very active, and will be ready to mount on an acquired jet airliner within next three years.

"The country is well poised to develop a new AWACS much ahead in comparison with the first initiative. However, no decision has been taken on an acquired jet airliner, on which the new AWACS is to be mounted," the *Press Trust of India* quoted K Tamilmani, Director of the Centre for Airborne Systems (CABS), as saying Saturday in Bangalore.

The first initiative received a blow in 1999, when Defence Research and Development Organization (DRDO) HS-748 technology demonstrator aircraft crashed killing seven scientists.

However, the Cabinet Committee on Security,

Indian Government's apex body on security issues, gave its plan to the project last September, thus giving a fresh lease of life to this one of the most ambitious defence missions, at a cost of 18 billion rupees (418 million US dollars).

Indian Air Force and the DRDO are also assisting the development of the system. Upon completion, the system will serve as an eye in the sky to provide advanced warning about hostile activity across the border. Tamilmani said that, with some countries willing to help, the project would see faster development.—MNA/Xinhua

## India's foreign exchange reserves up

**NEW DELHI, 27 June —** On account of increased overseas funds flows, India's foreign exchange reserves stood at 139.57 billion US dollars in the week ending on 17 June, a Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Press statement said on Saturday.

The past two consecutive weeks saw a decline in the country's foreign exchange reserves.

This represents an increase of 1.04 billion US dollars in the country's foreign exchange stocks from the previous week, according to the weekly figures issued by the RBI.

During the week ending on 17 June, the country's foreign currency assets registered an increase of 1.05 billion US dollars from the previous week to touch 133.61 billion dollars, said the RBI statement.

MNA/Xinhua

## Two US fliers killed in Iraq helicopter crash

**BAGHDAD, 28 June—** A US Apache attack helicopter crashed Monday north of Baghdad, killing both pilots, a day after a series of suicide attacks left nearly three dozen people dead in northern Iraq.

Later Monday, a car bomb exploded between a movie house and Sunni Arab mosque in eastern Baghdad, killing at least four people and injuring 16, authorities said. The New Baghdad area is packed with small shops and markets selling everything from vegetables to

clothes, and it usually is crowded with shoppers in the hours before curfew.

The AH-64 crashed in Mishahda, 20 miles north of the capital, and was in flames on the ground, an *Associated Press* reporter at the scene said. Witness Mohammed Najji told *Associated Press* Television News he saw two helicopters flying toward Mishahda when "a rocket hit one of them and destroyed it completely in the air."

Internet



A Chinese girl receives treatment at a hospital in Sixian County, east China's Anhui Province, on 27 June, 2005. Three health workers have been detained after a Hepatitis A vaccination programme killed a six-year-old student in Shuiliu Primary and made 120 others ill, state media reported. — INTERNET

## Thai public sectors urged to spend budget to boost economy

**BANGKOK, 27 June—** Thai Government has urged all public sectors to speed budget spending so as to boost economic growth and efficiency at the same time.

"The government wants to speed up investments worth about 300 billion baht (about 7.5 billion US dollars)," Finance Minister Somkid Jatusripitak was quoted by newspaper *Nation* as saying on Monday.

"Ministers and senior officials have been asked to report on the implementation of their plans to the Cabinet on 5 July," said the minister.

Concerns over the budget spending was raised at a special Cabinet meeting called on by Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra on Sunday.

The meeting reviewed progress of major investment projects for this year and found out the government was not spending fast enough.

It had spent only 141 billion baht (3.53 billion dollars), or 54.8 per cent of its planned capital expenditure for the current fiscal year.

The rest 116 billion baht (2.9 billion dollars) has been laid idle, while it's only three months away from the end of this fiscal year. State enterprises are also asked to spend some 240 billion baht (six billion dollars) still undisbursed before the deadline of year end, otherwise they have to return the budget.

The meeting, also asking state enterprises to postpone imports, is deemed as the government's efforts to reduce current account deficit and reach this year's growth target.

MNA/Xinhua



Fireworks are let off as the slogan for the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games is unveiled during a ceremony in Beijing, China, on 26 June, 2005.—INTERNET

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## Vietnam holds first trade fair in Thailand

**BANGKOK, 27 June** — An exhibition fair of products from Thailand, Laos and Vietnam is being held in Thailand's central province of Nakhon Pathom.

The trade fair, sponsored by Vietnam's Da Nang Advertising and Trade Fair Company (VINASAD-Danang) in association with the Trade Service of Nakhon Phanom Province, was the first one held by Vietnam in the Thai kingdom, the *Thai News Agency* reported on Sunday.

The fair, drawing more than 100 business firms, aims to boost the East-West economic corridor project and

economic cooperation among the six nations of the Greater Mekong Sub-region—China, Myanmar, Thailand, Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam.

VINASAD Director Duong Dang Cao expected that the fair, which was opened on Saturday, would also help create conditions for Viet Nam-made products to reach 20,000 overseas Vietnamese living in Thailand's Northeast, the agency said. — *MNA/Xinhua*

## Commemorative book released to mark Nepal-China ties

**KATHMANDU, 27 June** — A commemorative book was released here Saturday to mark the golden jubilee of establishment of Nepal-China diplomatic relations and 30th anniversary of Nepali Service of China Radio International (CRI).

The commemorative book, titled *The Journey of Three Decades*, published by National Council of CRI Listeners' Clubs Nepal, a non-governmental Nepal-China friendship organization, was released by Tanka Dhakal, Minister for Communication and Information and Chinese Ambassador to Nepal Sun Heping.

Addressing the ceremony, Minister Dhakal said that the relations developed between Nepal and China in the last 50 years, after the diplomatic relation established between the two countries, is the worthy model of state-to-state good-neighbourly friendship and cooperation.

Ambassador Sun said that the Chinese Government has set a policy to further consolidate and strengthen the good-neighbourly partnership between Nepal and China.

CRI Nepali Service attaches great importance to building a friendly bridge between the two peoples, Sun said, adding that "It has been bringing more friends to the force working for China-Nepal friendship." — *MNA/Xinhua*

## China-Italy relations experiencing "powerful acceleration"

**ROME, 27 June** — Relations between China and Italy in 2005—the 35th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries—are experiencing a "powerful acceleration" which will move into top gear next year, Italian Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Gianfranco Fini has said.

In a recent interview with *Xinhua*, Fini said that cooperation between China and Italy is growing significantly and will be further strengthened in 2006, officially "The Year of Italy in China".

"I believe that it is possible to say, without exaggeration, that today Italy is one of the principle and most important partners of China in Europe, and in the West," he said.

"And for Italy, China is increasingly becoming one of our principal partners and allies," Fini added.

Fini said relations between China and Italy have registered, in recent times, "extremely important developments and a powerful acceleration" due to numerous events — in particular, the May 2004 visit of

Chinese Prime Minister Wen Jiabao in Italy and his meeting with Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi.

The meeting between the two prime ministers resulted in the birth of a strategic partnership between Italy and China and in the formation of the Italy-China Government Committee, which aims to facilitate regular meetings between the two countries at various levels and to periodically monitor bilateral progress accomplished in all sectors.

Another important development in China-Italy relations was the official visit in China by Italian President Carlo Azeglio Ciampi, accompanied by a number of other Italian officials including Fini.

— *MNA/Xinhua*

## India urges effective regulation of flow of funds to NGOs

**NEW DELHI, 27 June** — Finance Minister P Chidambaram Saturday pitched for effective regulation of funds from abroad to NGOs in India to track unreported flow of funds that is fraught with serious security and economic risks.

There are 30,000 organizations registered under Foreign Contribution Regulation Act (FCRA), but only 16,000 reported the flow of foreign funds which amounted to 50 billion rupees annually, Chidambaram said in his valedictory address to a two-day seminar on FCRA.

An equal amount of funds inflow must be going

unreported, he said, adding this had serious security and economic implications.

The seminar came days after the government decided to set constitute a Group of Ministers (GoM) to overhaul FCRA as it had failed to check the overseas funding of anti-national organizations. "Accounting of such flow of funds should not be construed as intrusive or invasive," he said, adding this has become necessary as 50 per cent of NGOs do not report the money received by them.

Admitting that some of NGOs are doing yeoman service to the country, Chidambaram said accounting and reporting of the money received was very important, particularly in the era of globalization.

Two decades ago, the flow of funds were usually in public accounts as they were from government to government. Now things have changed as majority of funds were private capital flows.— *MNA/PTI*

## Fatal helicopter crashes in Iraq war

**BAGHDAD, 27 June**—A list of fatal helicopter crashes in the Iraq war:

- 27 June, 2005: A US *Apache AH-64* attack helicopter crashed in Mishahda, north of Baghdad, killing both pilots.
- 31 May, 2005: An Italian *AB-412* helicopter crashed eight miles south of Nasiriyah, killing four Italian troops aboard in what a spokesman said was likely an accident.
- 26 May, 2005: Guerillas shot down an *OH-58 Kiowa* helicopter near Buhriz, north of Baghdad, killing two US soldiers.
- 21 April, 2005: A Russian-made *Mi-8* helicopter is shot down by missile fire north of Baghdad, killing 11 people, including six American contractors, US and Bulgarian officials say.
- 26 Jan, 2005: A *CH-53 Sea Stallion* transport helicopter crashed in bad weather in western Iraq, killing at least 31 Marines aboard.
- 10 Dec, 2004: An *Apache* collided with a *UH-60 Black Hawk* that was on the ground at an air base in Mosul, killing two US soldiers and injuring four.
- 16 Oct, 2004: Two *Kiowa* helicopters crashed in southwest Baghdad, killing two and wounding two. It was unclear whether hostile fire brought the aircraft down.
- 11 April, 2004: Gunmen shot down an *Apache* attack helicopter in western Baghdad, killing its two crew members.
- 25 Feb, 2004: A *Kiowa* crashed in a river west of Baghdad, killing the two crewmembers on board. A witness saw a missile hit one of two helicopters in the area.

- 23 Jan, 2004: A *Kiowa* crashed near the northern town of Qayyarah, killing the two pilots.
- 8 Jan, 2004: A *Black Hawk* medevac helicopter crashed near Fallujah, killing all nine soldiers on board. A witness said a rocket hit the tail.
- 2 Jan, 2004: A *Kiowa* was shot down near Fallujah, killing its pilot and wounding another soldier.
- 15 Nov, 2003: Two *Black Hawks* crashed in Mosul, killing 17 soldiers and injuring five. The military said the helicopters collided during a likely rocket-propelled grenade attack.
- 7 Nov, 2003: A *Black Hawk* was downed near Tikrit, apparently by a rocket-propelled grenade, killing all six on board.
- 2 Nov, 2003: A *Chinook* transport helicopter was shot down near Fallujah, killing 16 and injuring 26. The military believed a SA-7 shoulder-fired missile struck an engine.
- 19 May, 2003: A *CH-46 Sea Knight* transport helicopter crashed shortly after takeoff in the Shat al-Hillah Canal in Hillah, about 60 miles south of Baghdad, killing four Marines. Another Marine drowned trying to rescue them.
- 9 May, 2003: A *Black Hawk* crashed near Samarra, killing three soldiers, in an apparent accident.
- 20 March, 2003: A *Sea Knight* crashed in Kuwait, about nine miles from the Iraq border, killing eight British troops and four US Marines. — *Internet*



An Iraqi boy walks over the damage to a destroyed house after a mortar attack in Baghdad, Iraq, on 26 June, 2005. —INTERNET

## Payments imbalance can adversely affect E Asia's eco prospects

TIANJIN, 27 June — The emerging global payments imbalance could adversely affect East Asia's medium-term economic prospects if left unattended for long, said president of the Asian Development Bank (ADB) on Sunday.

ADB President Haruhiko Kuroda predicted that the growth in the major industrial countries is likely to slow down in varying degrees this year and the global demand for information technology products is likely to soften. "As a result of the above factors, East Asia is prone to a moderate economic slowdown in 2005," Kuroda said at the Sixth Asia-Europe Finance Ministers Meeting (ASEM-FMM), being held

in the northern China city of Tianjin Municipality. While referring skyrocketing oil prices and a "possible disorderly adjustment of the global payments imbalance" as potential dangers posed to the economic prospects in East Asia, Kuroda places particular emphasis on the second factor.

According to him, the world economy is sustaining a major payments imbalance that

should be largely attributable to the huge current account deficit of the United States. During the first three months this year, the US current account deficit reached a record 6.4 per cent of its gross domestic product (GDP) and has so far shown no signs of receding.

The situation is further exacerbated by unbalanced growth between the US and most major industrial countries," said Kuroda, stressing that if left

unattended, the unwinding of global payments imbalance would have serious consequences for the global economy and the outcome could be detrimental to East Asia's economic prospects".

The current global payments imbalance reflects a "worsening fiscal balance and a fall in personal saving" in the US along with a weak global demand for US goods and services, he said.

MNA/Xinhua

## Beijing's Zhong Kun Group invests in Xinjiang region

BEIJING, 27 June — One of Beijing's fastest-growing non-governmental enterprise Zhong Kun Group announced here on Saturday it will promote a brand new "south Xinjiang international tourism festival."

The festival will last for several months until winter time. Nearly 20 activities will be held during the period, such as hot balloon competition, mountain climbing and jade cultural conference, to display the unique tourism resource in the Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region.

As China's biggest region, Xinjiang has special geographic, historical, ethical and cultural traditions. However, it lacks sufficient capital. In recent

years, Xinjiang opened its door to non-governmental capital in order to attract more investment in tourism-oriented fields.

Zhong Kun declared its plan to invest 1.3 billion yuan (0.16 US dollars) in the next three to five years in southern part of Xinjiang and create jobs opportunities for 10,000 people. Zhong Kun has already invested in Beijing, Anhui, Inner Mongolia, north America and middle Asia. —MNA/Xinhua

## India's FM unveils bust of Tagore in Hungary

LONDON, 27 June — India's External Affairs Minister Natwar Singh on Saturday unveiled the bust of Rabindranath Tagore in the Hungarian city of Balaton Fured, where the Nobel laureate had gone for cardiac treatment in 1926.

"Balaton Fured has a special place in Indo-Hungarian relations and it gives me great pleasure to be here today and present a bust of our Nobel laureate, Rabindranath Tagore to the people of this very picturesque city," the minister said after unveiling the statue. Singh was received by Istvan Boka, Mayor of the city of Balaton Fured.

"We in India are indebted to the people of Hungary for receiving and nurturing our great poet when he visited Hungary and came to Balaton Fured for treatment in 1926," Singh said.

"I would also like to acknowledge with appreciation the efforts of the Balaton Fured Hospital in keeping alive the memory of Tagore by preserving the

room where he received treatment along with the poet's memorabilia," the minister said.

"The promenade named after Tagore and the saplings planted around his bust have become symbolic of the deep roots of the historical friendship and cultural partnership between our two great nations," he added.

MNA/PTI



Japanese children overturn a rubber dinghy as they play in a pool at Tokyo's Toshimaen amusement park on 25 June, 2005. —INTERNET

## Iran has no intention to improve ties with US

TEHERAN, 27 June — Iran's president-elect Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said here Sunday that he has no intention to improve Teheran's relations with the United States as long as Washington adopts a hostile attitude towards the Islamic Republic.

"Iran will develop ties with almost all countries in the world except for the United States, for we cannot

develop relations with a country which always keeps a hostile attitude toward us," Ahmadinejad

told a Press conference, which was his first public show as president-elect. Ahmadinejad stressed that Iran can and will develop relations just with amicable countries. "As long as Washington keeps behaving like that, there is no need for Iran to develop ties with it." "The Americans must totally change its mind about Iran, for example, giving up policies like economic sanctions, sabotages against the Islamic Republic and so on, then we can take into account the development of relations with them," Ahmadinejad elaborated.

Iran "does not really need" to restore relations with Washington after cutting off a quarter of a century ago, he said, adding "Iran is on a path of progress and elevation, and does not really need the United States on this path."

MNA/Xinhua



Residents of a home in Baghdad, Iraq, stand in the rubble under a mortar shell hole in the roof of the car parking area on 25 June, 2005. —INTERNET

## HK Customs seize 1.2 million sticks of dutiable cigarettes

HONG KONG, 27 June — Hong Kong Customs officers of Lok Ma Chau Control Point have seized around 1.2 million sticks of dutiable cigarettes with an estimated value of 1.91 million HK dollars (245,038 US dollars) and duty potential of 960,000 HK dollars (123,663 US dollars) in an anti-smuggling operation, a government Press release said on Saturday.

According to the Press release, around 11.20 p.m. on Friday, Customs officers intercepted and searched an incoming box-type lorry, which was declared to be loaded with jump ropes. Customs officers uncovered from the cargo compartment with no declared goods but approximately 1.2 million sticks of unmanifested and dutiable cigarettes in assorted brands.

No covered load was used but special packaging with carton boxes and plastic wrappings to conceal the smuggled cigarettes for the purpose to evade Customs' detection and action.

A 49-year-old man was arrested for Customs' investigation.

This year, Customs officers at Lok Ma Chau Control Point have detected three cases involving smuggling-in dutiable cigarettes by cross-boundary goods vehicles.

A spokesman for the Customs and Excise Department was quoted as saying that Customs officers would continue to place emphasis on intelligence collection to reinforce front-line operations to combat cross-boundary smuggling activities. —MNA/Xinhua

## Roadside bomb blast kills US soldier in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 27 June — Guerillas detonated a roadside bomb in central Baghdad on Sunday, killing a US soldier and wounding two others, a US military spokesman said. The blast struck a US military convoy at 10:40 am (0640 GMT), the spokesman said.

Of the wounded, one sustained slight injury in the attack, the spokesman said, without elaborating. The name of the victim was being withheld pending next-of-kin notification, he added.

Over 1,730 US soldiers have been killed in Iraq since the US-led invasion in March 2003, according to media tally.

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## Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference...

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 Vice-Chairman of Kayin State WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Aung Maw Maw, Secretary of Falam District WVO Supervisory Committee Maj Thet Naing, Chairman of Shwebo District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Than Tun, Chairman of Dawei District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Khin Maung Nyo, Chairman of Pyay District



MWVO Central Organizing Committee Member U Aung Thuang gives the opening address at the sector-wise discussions of the group-3. — MNA

Township Organizing Committee Lt-Col Min Han (Retd), Chairman of Lashio District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Than Tun, Chairman of Patheingyi Township Organizing Committee Capt Sai Tun

Myint delivered the concluding address. Chairman of Loikaw Township Organizing Committee Maj Tin Win (Retd), Chairman of Hpa-an District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Ko Ko Gyi, Chairman of Thantalan Township Organizing Committee Sergeant Clerk Hatla Mann (Rtd), Chairman of Sagaing District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Soe Naing, and Chairman of Kawthoung District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Tin Soe discussed the national defence and security sector.



MWVO Central Organizing Committee Member Maj-Gen Thein Swe speaks at the sector-wise discussions of the group-4. — MNA

WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Tun Aye, Chairman of Bago Township WVO Organizing Committee Maj Tun Myaing (Retd), Chairman of Magway District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Kyi Tun, Secretary of Aungmyethazan Township Organizing Committee Capt Maung Aye (Retd), Chairman of Kyaikhto Township Organizing Committee Capt Thet Aung (Retd), Chairman of Thandwe District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Hla Tint, Chairman of Mayangon

Loilem District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Win Tint, Chairman of Kengtung District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Kyaw Min Tun (Retd) discussed the national political sector. Maj-Gen Khin Aung Mohnyin District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Aung Din, Chair-

man of Loikaw Township Organizing Committee Maj Tin Win (Retd), Chairman of Hpa-an District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Ko Ko Gyi, Chairman of Thantalan Township Organizing Committee Sergeant Clerk Hatla Mann (Rtd), Chairman of Sagaing District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Soe Naing, and Chairman of Kawthoung District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Tin Soe discussed the national defence and security sector.  
 A meeting on national defence and security sector followed.  
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MWVO Central Organizing Committee Member Col Thein Nyunt delivers a speech at the sector-wise discussions of the group-5. — MNA



Lt-Col Hla Thuang of Kachin State.—MNA



Lt-Col Kan Tun of Kayah State.—MNA



Lt-Col Aung Maw Maw of Kayin State.—MNA



Major Thet Naing of Chin State.—MNA



Lt-Col Hla Tint of Rakhine State.—MNA



Captain Thet Aung (Retd) of Mon State.—MNA



Lt-Col Win Tint of Shan State (South).—MNA



Lt-Col Kyaw Min of Shan State (East).—MNA



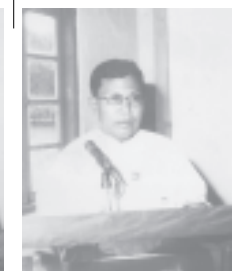
Lt-Col Than Tun of Shan State (North).—MNA



Lt-Col Than Tun of Sagaing Division.—MNA



Lt-Col Khin Maung Nyo of Taninthayi Division.—MNA



Maj Tun Myaing (Retd) of Bago Division (East).—MNA



*Lt-Col Tun Aye of Bago Division (West). —MNA*



*Lt-Col Kyi Tun of Magway Division. —MNA*



*Capt Maung Aye (Retd) of Mandalay Division. —MNA*



*Lt-Col Min Han (Retd) of Yangon Division. —MNA*



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Chairman of Thawady District War Veterans Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Khin Win, Chairman of Kawa Township WVO Organizing Committee Captain Ye Myint (Retd) and Chairman of Pakokku District Lt-Col Htay Oo dealt with the matter.

Next, Chairman of Chanayethazan Township WVO Organizing Committee Maj Hla Nyint Swe (Retd), Chairman of Mawlamyine WVO Or-



*Capt Sai Tun Tun (Retd) of Ayeyawady Division. —MNA*

ganizing Committee Captain Khin Maung Myint (Retd), Chairman of Sittwe District WVO Organizing Committee Lt-Col San Htay, Chairman of Dagon Myothit (North) WVO Organizing Committee Lt-Col San Aung (Retd) took part in it.



*Lt-Col Aung Din of Kachin State. —MNA*

After that, Chairman of Mongpang Township (Southern Shan State) WVO Organizing Committee Captain Maung Than (Retd), Chairman of Kyaukse Township (Northern Shan State) WV Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Soe



*Maj Tin Win (Retd) of Kayah State. —MNA*

Win, Chairman of Tachilek Township WVO Organizing Committee Maj Min Zaw (Retd) and Kyonpyaw Township WVO Organizing Committee Captain Than Aye (Retd) discussed the national defence and security matter.



*Lt-Col Ko Ko Gyi of Kayin State. —MNA*

The meeting ended with the concluding remarks by member of MWVO Central Organizing Committee Col Tin Yi (Retd). Likewise, a meeting on economic sector took place at the Mess-8 at 8 am today.



*Sgt/Clerk Htalaman (Retd) of Chin State. —MNA*

Chairman of the Central Organizing Committee Maj-Gen Saw Tun together with members of the COC U Aung Thuang, Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein and Thura U Thuang Lwin. Vice-Chairman of MWVO Vice-Admiral (See page 9)



*Capt Khin Maung Myint (Retd) of Mon State. —MNA*



*Lt-Col San Htay of Rakhine State. —MNA*



*Capt Maung Than (Retd) of Shan State (South). —MNA*



*Lt-Col Soe Win of Shan State (North). —MNA*



*Maj Min Zaw (Retd) of Shan State (East). —MNA*



*Lt-Col Soe Naing of Sagaing Division. —MNA*



*Lt-Col Tin Soe of Taninthayi Division. —MNA*



*Capt Ye Myint (Retd) of Bago Division (East). —MNA*



*Lt-Col Khin Win of Bago Division (West). —MNA*



*Lt-Col Htay Oo of Magway Division. —MNA*



*Maj Hla Myint Swe (Retd) of Mandalay Division. —MNA*



*Lt-Col San Aung (Retd) of Yangon Division. —MNA*



*Capt Than Aye (Retd) of Ayeyawady Division. —MNA*



*Lt-Col Myint Soe of Kachin State. —MNA*



*Lt-Col Soe Win of Shan State (North). —MNA*



*Lt-Col Hla Swe of Magway Division. —MNA*



*Maj Min Han (Retd) of Kachin State. —MNA*



*Sgt Htein Lin (Retd) of Kayah State. —MNA*

## Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than looks into performance of regional development, livestock breeding in Bago Div

YANGON, 28 June — Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by officials concerned went on an inspection tour of Meninchaung, Thayawady Township, Bago Division on 27 June.

The inspection party was welcomed by Chairman of Bago Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Southern Command Maj-Gen Ko Ko, Chairman of Bago Division (West Branch) PDC Brig-Gen Hla Min, Brig-Gen Khin Zaw Oo of local Station and senior military officers, heads of departments at division, district and township levels.

When Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than arrived at Thintawyo village, he met with local peasants.

Division Manager U Hsan Maung reported to Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than on fertilizers to be used to cultivate paddy.

Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than observed ploughing of paddy.

It was learnt that 450,000 acres was put under monsoon paddy in Bago Division for 2005-2006.

Next, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than met with officials at division, district and township levels, members of social organizations and townelders in Monyo Township, Thayawady District. Chairman of Monyo Township PDC U Tun Kyi reported on cultivation of monsoon paddy for 2005-2006 and other crops for regional development. Next, Maj-Gen Ko Ko and Brig-Gen Hla Min gave supplementary reports.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than delivered an address on the occasion. In his speech he said that the State has been launching tasks for 24



Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than meeting with departmental officials and townelders in Monyo Township. — MNA

development zones and five rural development projects with a view to bringing about equitable development across the nation. Agriculture and livestock breeding sectors play a leading role. The State is building a host of dams for irrigation water to cultivate paddy in Bago Division. The State is carrying out 10 main crops not only for local but also for earning foreign currency. Arrangements have been made for cultivation of 1.2 million acres of monsoon paddy in Bago Division (West) for 2005-2006. Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than urged officials to try to narrow the economic development gap between rural and urban areas.

After that, Commander Maj-Gen Ko Ko reported to Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than on maintenance of 54-mile and 1 furlong long village-to-village road section and measures for strengthening of the dam.

Regarding the reports, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than gave instructions on prevention against floods, tasks to be carried out for strengthening the dam.

Next, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than inspected women's wards, delivery room, surgical room and men's wards at Monyo People's Hospital. Township health officer Dr Sein Win Oo accepted cash donation of K 1 million presented by Managing Director U Khin Myint of Ko Thein Shwe Export Enterprise.

Afterwards, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than and party inspected projects of agriculture and livestock breeding tasks of Ko Thein Shwe Export Enterprise and attended to the needs.

After that, Lt-Gen Kin Maung Than and party inspected beans and pulses.

Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than met with Tatmadawmen and their families in Minhla Township and gave instructions to those present to cooperate with the local people in building the nation and education, health and welfare of the service personnel's children. He cordially met with those present. — MNA

## Minister inspects information functions in Ayeyawady Division

YANGON, 28 June—Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan on 26 and 27 June inspected information functions in Ayeyawady Division and gave instructions to officials.

On 26 June morning, the minister met officials of Maubin, Pantanaw, Nyaungdon and Danubyu Township Information and Public Relations Department and Maubin District and Pantanaw Township General Administration Department and the Township Peace and Development Councils at the office of Pantanaw Township IPRD and gave necessary instructions.

At the Kyaunggon TV Retransmission Station, the minister met staff of the station, the head of the Township IPRD and officials of the Township PDC and the Union Solidarity and Development Association and dealt with departmental functions.

In the afternoon, he met officials and service personnel of Pathein District Myanma Motion Picture Enterprise, Pathein TV Retransmission Station and Thabaung, Ngapudaw, Shwethaungyan and

Hainggyikun IPRDs at Pathein IPRD Office and gave instructions.

Yesterday afternoon, he met officials of Hinthada District and Township Peace and Development Councils, Hinthada District IPRD and Myanaung, Kyangin, Zalun, Laymyethna and Ingapu Township IPRDs at Hinthada District IPRD Office and gave instructions to them.

In his meeting, the minister stressed the need for departmental officials to strive for opening self-reliant libraries in villages of the respective districts and townships, to enhance the reading power of the local people, to make the people know the nation-building endeavours, to refute fabricated news of foreign stations and to ensure every village have a TV.

The minister also urged officials concerned to transmit TV programmes, to be skillful in the operating machinery, to ensure durability of machinery, to take security and fire preventative measures and to engage in farming for the welfare of the staff.—MNA



Information Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan inspects Kyaunggon TV Retransmission Station. — MNA

## Energy Minister inspects No 1 refinery in Thanlyin

YANGON, 28 June — Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Lun Thi yesterday afternoon inspected No 1 Refinery (Thanlyin) of the Myanma Petrochemical Enterprise in Thanlyin Township.

At the refinery, the minister met with staff of the refinery and urged them to stay away from corruption and to run the refinery with full capacity. Next, the minister fulfilled the requirements.

The minister inspected the storage and distribution of tar at the refinery. — MNA

## Workshop on Disaster Management held

YANGON, 28 June — ASEAN Committee on Disaster Management (ACDM) and Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement co-sponsored the ASEAN Committee on Management (ACDM) Regional Workshop on Bilateral and Multilateral Arrangements for Disaster Management and Emergency Response here today.

Forty-two representatives of ten ASEAN nations, the ASEAN Secretariat, the UN and other organizations took part in the discussions. The workshop continues tomorrow. — MNA



# Counter-media offensive to be launched extensively USDA Basic Journalism Course No 1 opens

YANGON, 28 June—The opening of Basic Journalism Course No 1 organized by the Union Solidarity and Development Association (Headquarters) took place at the association office on Tekkatho Yeiktha Lanthit Street in Bahan Township here this morning.

It was attended by USDA Secretary-General Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo, secretariat members and CEC members, course instructors, officials, regional coordinators, trainees and guests.

The Secretary-General gave a speech, saying that placing Our Three Main National Causes in the fore, all the members are to see to effective implementation of the lofty objectives of the Association in the interests of the Association, the State and the people.

He cited the speech delivered by USDA Patron Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Than Shwe at the conclusion ceremony of Advanced Management Course No 6 for USDA Executives, that measures were to be taken for the development of two fundamental factors in nurturing the youth members. The first factor was related to adoration of Myanmar society, and to achieve the aim, emphasis was to be placed on values of national economy, social affairs and culture of the entire nation, and abiding by laws, rules and regulations. The second factor was concerned with duty-consciousness, and in that regard, efforts were to be exerted for flourishing the spirit of cherishing the



USDA Secretary-General Minister Maj-Gen Htay Oo addresses the opening ceremony. — MNA

motherland, national character, sense of national duty, patriotism, Union Spirit, desire to protect the motherland and ensure development of the nation among the members.

He said internal and external destructive elements and media are spreading rumours and making false accusations with intent to tarnish the image of the State and the USDA. Such acts might have negative impact to an extent on some members of the public who would more or less entertain doubts. Under the circumstances, it would be necessary for the association to establish news and information services to

be able to launch counter-offensive in all aspects against the media offensive. He added that the move should be carried out most extensively among the association members as well as the public.

In conclusion, the secretary general urged the trainees to enhance their qualifications, to study hard and abide by rules and regulations to become brilliant ones, and to train constantly for applying the experiences and knowledge gained from the course, and to see to the duties by doing their bit.

A total of 52 trainees from State/Division USDAs are attending the nine-week course. —MNA

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Kyi Min (Retd) also present at the meeting as observer.

Chairman of Myinmu Township WVO Organizing Committee Captain Kyaw Bala (Retd) acted as master of ceremonies and Kya-in-Seikkyi Township WVO Organizing Committee Captain Than Tun Aung (Retd) acted as co-

master of ceremonies. Member of the Central Organizing Committee U Aung Thaug made an opening speech.

Afterwards, Gangaw Township WV Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Hla Swe, Muse District WV Supervisory

Committee Lt-Col Soe Win and Putao District WV Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Myint Soe dealt with the matter.

The meeting ended with the concluding remarks by member of the Central Organizing Committee by U Aung

Thaug. The sector-wise discussions group-4 on (See page 10)



Capt Thet Oo Shein (Retd) of Kayin State.—MNA



Sergeant Clerk Mangokhok (Retd) of Chin State.—MNA



Capt Phone Lwin (Retd) of Mon State.—MNA



Maj Thein Soe Naing (Retd) of Rakhine State.—MNA



Lt-Col Pe Kyaing of Shan State (North).—MNA



WO II Than Nyunt (Retd) of Shan State (South).—MNA



Maj Khin Kyaw (Retd) of Shan State (East).—MNA



Capt Ngwe Thein (Retd) of Taninthayi Division.—MNA



Lt-Col Aung Moe Myint of Sagaing Division.—MNA



Maj Ko Ko Naing (Retd) of Bago Division (East).—MNA



Capt Kyaw Win (Retd) of Bago Division (West).—MNA



Maj Nyo Win (Retd) of Magway Division.—MNA



Capt Khin Aung (Retd) of Mandalay Division.—MNA



Capt Aye Myint (Retd) of Yangon Division.—MNA



Capt Thet Paing (Retd) of Ayeyawady Division.—MNA



Capt Tin Htay (Retd) of Kachin State.—MNA



Cpl Thein Myint (Retd) of Kayah State.—MNA



Capt Tin Myint (Retd) of Kayin State. MNA



Pvt Nanlaw (Retd) of Chin State. MNA



Capt Tin Maung Than (Retd) of Mon State. MNA



Capt Mya Soe (Retd) of Rakhine State. MNA



WO-II Tha Han of Shan State (South). MNA



Lt-Col Khin Zaw of Shan State (North). MNA



Lt-Col Myo Nyunt of Shan State (East). MNA



Lt-Col Thein Soe (Retd) of Taninthayi Division. MNA



Maj Aung Min (Retd) of Sagaing Division. MNA



Capt Thauung Tun (Retd) of Bago Division (East). MNA



Lt Aung Nay Hsan (Retd) of Bago Division (West). —MNA



Maj Soe Than (Retd) of Magway Division. MNA

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social and welfare sector of MWVO Conference 2005 were held at the respective venues this morning.

The meeting was presided over by member of Central Organizing Committee of MWVO Maj-Gen Thein Swe with Brig-Gen Win Sein, Col Sit Myaing (Retd) and Lt-Col Win Pe (Retd) as members of Panel of Chairmen.

Chairman of Bago Division (West) Padaung Township WVO Captain Myint Soe (Retd) acted as master of ceremonies with Chairman of Zigon Township WVO Captain Thein Naing (Retd) as joint master of ceremonies.

Member of Central Organizing Committee of MWVO Maj-Gen Thein Swe delivered an opening address.

Next, Chairman of Phakant Township WVO Major Min Han (Retd), Chairman of Bawlekhe Township WVO Sgt Htain Lin (Retd), Chairman of Hpa-an Township WVO Captain Thet Oo Shein (Retd), Chairman of Tiddim Township WVO Sgt clerk Mango Khok (Retd), Chairman of Kalay District WV Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Aung Moe Myint, Dawei Township WVO Captain Ngwe Thein (Retd), Chairman of Pyay Township WVO

Captain Kyaw Win (Retd), Chairman of Toungoo Township WVO Major Ko Ko Naing (Retd) and Chairman of Taundwingyi Township WVO Major Nyo Win (Retd) took part in discussions.

Representatives from Chanmyathazi, Mudon, Taungup, Hlegu, Lang kho, Kunlon, Kengtung and Pyapon Township WVOs participated in discussions.

The discussions ended at 11.10 am with the concluding remarks by Maj-Gen Thein Swe.

The sector-wise discussions of group-5 on community welfare sector of MWVO Conference 2005 were held at



Capt Myint Swe (Retd) of Mandalay Division. MNA



Maj Maung Win (Retd) of Yangon Division. MNA



Capt Tint Lwin Oo (Retd) of Ayeyawady Division. —MNA

the respective venue this morning.

The meeting was presided over by member of Central Organizing Committee of MWVO Col Thein Nyunt spoke on the occasion.

Representatives from Mogaung, Hpahsaung, Myawady, Mindat, Shwebo, Myeik, Shwe-daung, Yedashe, Chauk, Maha Aungmye,

Chairmen. Member of Central Organizing Committee of MWVO Col Thein Nyunt spoke on the occasion.

Representatives from Mogaung, Hpahsaung, Myawady, Mindat, Shwebo, Myeik, Shwe-daung, Yedashe, Chauk, Maha Aungmye,

Thanbyzayat, Sittway, Lanmadaw, Taunggyi, Laukkai, Monphyat and Bogale Township WVOs participated in the discussions.

The meeting ended with the concluding remarks by the Chairman.

The conference continues tomorrow.

MNA

**“သတိပေး နှိုးဆော်ချက်”**

- (က) မိုးရွာစဉ် ယာဉ်မောင်းလျှင် အောက်ပါအချက်အလက်များ သတိပြုပါ။
  - (၁) လမ်းပေါ်တွင် စက်ဆီ၊ ချောဆီများ ပိတ်စင်နေလျှင် လမ်းချော်နိုင်သည်။
  - (၂) မော်တော်ယာဉ်တီးများ ပန်းမရှိလျှင် လမ်းချော်နိုင်သည်။
  - (၃) မော်တော်ယာဉ်များ လေပေါင်ချိန်များလွန်းလျှင် လမ်းချော်နိုင်သည်။
  - (၄) လမ်းပေါ်တွင် ရွှံ့နှံ့များရှိလျှင် လမ်းချော်နိုင်သည်။
  - (၅) အရှိန်ပြင်းစွာ မမောင်းပါနှင့်။
  - (၆) ဘရိတ်ကို ရုတ်တရက် မနှိပ်ပါနှင့်။
  - (၇) ကုန်တင်ယာဉ်များ ဟန်ချက်ညီမျှရန် ဂရုပြုပါ။
  - (၈) ရေသုတ်တံပါရှိရမည်။ ကောင်းမွန်ရမည်။
  - (၉) မိုးသည်ထန်စွာ ရွာသွန်း၍ မြင်ကွင်းမကောင်းလျှင် ရှေ့မီးကြီးကို ဖွင့်မောင်းပါ။
  - (၁၀) မြေသယ်ယာဉ်၊ အုတ်၊ သဲ၊ ကျောက်သယ်ယာဉ်များ ပိတ်စင်မှု မရှိစေရန် လုံခြုံစွာ တင်ဆောင်ပါ။
- (ခ) အထက်ပါစည်းကမ်းချက်များအားမလိုက်နာ၍ ယာဉ်တိုက်မှု၊ ယာဉ်တိမ်းမှောက်မှုများ ဖြစ်ပွားပါက ထိရောက်စွာ အရေးယူခြင်းခံရမည်။

ယာဉ်စည်းကမ်းထိန်းသိမ်းရေးကြီးကြပ်မှုကော်မတီ

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# MWVO totally dedicated to interests of nation and people

Maung Pyi Thar

There are specific causes of war between one nation and another in the world including economic cause and political cause. In fact, due to these factors that can lead to wars, many world people are in dire poverty and straits and are meeting their tragic ends. Therefore, armed forces are to be formed for each and every nation to prevent any alien invasions or to repulse internal and external attacks.

The Union of Myanmar has formed a strong and modern Tatmadaw capable of crushing all internal and foreign military insults to the nation. Similarly, global nations are strengthening their armed forces, and trading arms and ammunition in line with global changes. Now, the world is under serious threat of some nations possessing a wide range of weapons of mass destruction.

Armed forces are necessary for a nation, but establishment of strong armed forces to insult or bully other nations is improper intention. The long history has shown that the Myanmar's Tatmadaw is just a patriotic Tatmadaw, national defence force, which came into being according to the historic necessities of the motherland and the people.

Looking back on the nation's history, Myanmar has stood as a sovereign nation with own monarchs since thousands of years. After waging three aggressive wars on Myanmar, British colonialists annexed the nation blessed with geographic features and rich in natural resources. With the help of lackeys and minions, the colonialists annexed Myanmar to the British Empire on 1 January 1886. The intruders exploited all the natural resources and labour and manipulated all the affairs of the nation to the highest degree to intentionally make the whole

life of the people a misery. A careful study reveals that Myanmar was a sovereign nation but totally lacked strong armed forces, modern warfare, organizational measures, armed power and good leadership, so in the end, the nation fell under alien subjugation.

The national people of the Union then launched anti-colonialist battles across the nation to regain the independence the nation lost to the colonialists. Having no strong and capable Tatmadaw formed with well-trained soldiers, the momentum of repulsing the colonialists was losing. But, the people tried to form forces consisting of patriots such as Bama Letyone unit, Thanmani unit and volunteer police force. They were armed with a firm resolve that the forces would be organized into a strong and capable Myanmar Tatmadaw one day and it would be able to keep the nation free from being enslaved.

During that period, the movements of Bama Letyone unit singing the marching song "Doh Myanmar Pyay" (Myanmar, Our Motherland) with forceful voices were the origin of today's Tatmadaw.

On 26 December 1941, 56 years after the nation had fallen into servitude, the Myanmar Tatmadaw was founded under the name of BIA led by Thirty Comrades fully equipped with nationalist spirit and patriotic fervour. With the noble aim of sacrificing self-interest and serving the interests of the nation and people, many national people who were active and alert with patriotism and nationalist fervour joined the BIA. Hence, the strength of the BIA reached about 30,000 from 3,776. Fearing the rapid growth of the Tatmadaw, the fascists reduced its strength to 3,000 and relegated BIA to Burma Defence Army (BDA) on 27 July 1942.

During the anti-fascists struggle, the strength of the Tatmadaw surged thanks to enthusiastic people joining it. After the struggle, the British colonialists reduced the strength of the Myanmar Tatmadaw to 200 officers and 5,200 other ranks under the Kandy Treaty.

It was no accident that Myanmar regained the independence on 4 January 1948 and it had to exert harmonious combination of the Tatmadaw and the people and absolute unity of the entire nation.

The Tatmadaw and the entire people were one when the nation launched the Fascist Resistance on 27 March 1945, reflecting the military capability and dynamism of patriotic fervour of Tatmadaw members and consolidation of the entire national people.

The Tatmadaw, that helped the nation regain independence in harness with the people, has been standing firmly by the people and crushing all types of dangers to the nation whenever motherland faces any kind of crisis.

It is the historic duty of the Tatmadaw to take over the State duties in 1988 due to unavoidable circumstances. Since then, it has been serving the interest of the nation and the people with might and main, while placing in the fore Our Three Main National Causes — non-disintegration of the Union; non-disintegration of national solidarity; and perpetuation of sovereignty. Throughout history, war veterans who retired from the Tatmadaw due to old age or wounds suffered in the battles or on health grounds have been firmly standing as an auxiliary force of the Tatmadaw. The Myanmar War Veterans Organization was reformed on 22 October 1998 according to the guidance of Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council and Commander-in-

Chief of Defence Services.

The MWVO has been implementing its five major tasks covering the national political sector, the national defence and security sector, the economic sector, the public welfare sector, and the community welfare services sector, in line with the nation's policy.

The Organization has been working hand in hand and in unity with the Myanmar Police Force and Fire Brigades and with non-governmental social organizations including the Union Solidarity and Development Association, the Myanmar Red Cross Society, the Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation, and the Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association as a distinguished force discharging duties above and beyond the call of duty. The MWVO has clearly witnessed the instability that occurred in many parts of the world, regional wars, environmental degradation, the strong desire of certain big nations to dominate the political, economic and cultural sectors of the world, their efforts to build up their military power, their desire to defeat others and their various strategies to realize their goals. In this regard, the veterans should beware of the perpetration of the neo-colonialists to put the nation under subjugation again and should also safeguard the nation.

Hailing the MWVO Conference 2005, I would like to say that the veterans will implement the five major tasks in the interest of the nation and the people, while standing firmly as the Tatmadaw's reserve force; and that they while preserving and maintaining their dignity will uphold the Four Oaths as they have done as soldiers.

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Translation:  
(MS + TMT)

## May Our War Veterans Be Joyously United

- \* May War Veterans All  
Be joyously united  
With thoughts of the nation's wellbeing  
Are assembled together  
Our Three Main National Causes  
We hold in high esteem  
Patriots, brothers together  
Surely had founded it.  
Previously they were dutiful  
And in future they'll be so  
Taking the Tatmadaw's leadership  
In noble companionship  
We shall strive on.
- \* May War Veterans All  
Be joyously united  
Together with National Brethren  
The organization that was founded  
We, the citizens of the Union  
In defence of our land  
'T is the duty of own kin.
- \* To get progress already being made  
Be strengthened much further  
We are working together  
The Five-stage Road Map  
Being put to the fore as noble act  
We'll work toward its realization.
- \* May War Veterans All  
Be joyously united  
Because it's the Tatmadaw's auxiliary force  
We are all included  
"Pyi Khine Phyo", Auxiliary Fire Brigade  
Likewise the Red Cross, MWAFF  
Working for national wellbeing  
Let this Foreword bear witness  
With all of us, brothers and sisters  
Our Union and us must be successful  
This is our determination.

Tekkatho Tin Kha (Trs)

(In honour of Myanmar War Veterans Conference-2005.)

## Representatives to MWVO Conference entertained

YANGON, 28 June — Under the arrangement of Reception, Welfare, Entertainment and Study Visit Subcommittee for organizing Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference (2005), representatives from states

and divisions were entertained this evening with a film entitled *Hnalonghla Lumaik* starring Nay Aung, Min Maw Gun, May Thinza Oo and Khine Thin Kyi. The movie was directed by Maung Tin Oo.

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## Milk powder donated to Obstetric, Gynecological and Paediatric Hospital

YANGON, 28 June — Dr Beauty Kyi and staff of Mo Asia Co Ltd of Pyay Road donated fortified milk powder worth K 320,000 to Defence Services Obstetric, Gynecological and Paediatric Hospital (300-bed) on 11 May.

Professor Lt-Col Kyaw Nyunt accepted the donations and presented a certificate of honour to the wellwishers.

Also present on the occasion were specialists and heads of departments, officials and nurses. —MNA

## All this needs to be known

- \* Do not be frightened whenever intimidated
- \* Do not be bolstered whenever flattered
- \* Do not be softened whenever appeased

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Deputy General Manager  
Supply Department, Myanma Railways,  
Botataung, Yangon

**မြန်မာ့အလင်းစာတိုက်**  
မြန်မာ့အလင်းစာတိုက်သည် အောက်ဖော်ပြပါ အစားအသုံးပစ္စည်းများကို အောက်ဖော်ပြပါ ဝယ်ယူလိုပါသည်။

၁။ မြန်မာ့အလင်းစာတိုက် အစားအသုံးပစ္စည်းများ ဝယ်ယူရန် တင်သွင်းခြင်း

(က) မြန်မာ့အလင်းစာတိုက် အစားအသုံးပစ္စည်းများ ဝယ်ယူရန်

- (၁) 35 mm Film Camera - ၅၅ လုံး  
(28 to 80 mm Wide Zoom Lens with Case)
- (၂) Flash Gun - ၅၅ ခု
- (၃) Television Receiver (29") (Multi Colour) - ၁၀ လုံး
- (၄) Video Compact Disc Player (Multi Colour) - ၂၀ လုံး
- (၅) Digital Camera (18 to 70 mm Wide Zoom Lens) - ၂ လုံး
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(ခ) ပုံနှိပ်ရေးနှင့် စာအုပ်ထုတ်ဝေရေးလုပ်ငန်း

- (၁) Duplex Board (အမှတ်စဉ်) (ပြည်တွင်းဖြစ်) - ၃၀၀၀ ထပ်  
(၁၈၀ ဂရမ်) (၃၂" X ၄၀") (ရှက်ချေ ၁၀၀ ပါအထုပ်)

၂။ တင်သွင်းပေးသူ (၅-၇-၂၀၀၅) ရက် (၁၆-၃၀) နားရီတွင် ပြီးစီးရမည်။

၃။ တင်သွင်းပေးသူသည် အောက်ဖော်ပြပါ လိုအပ်ချက်များကို ဝယ်ယူနိုင်ပါသည်။

ပြည်တွင်း/ပြည်ပ ပစ္စည်းများ ဝယ်ယူရေးနှင့် ထုတ်ဝေရေးကော်မတီ  
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ဖုန်း- ၂၅၅၆၂၄၊ ၂၅၅၆၃၁၊ ၂၅၅၆၄၅

**Minister says Afghan Govt firm to eradicate illicit drug**

KABUL, 27 June — The government of Afghanistan is determined to act on its promises and continue the war against illicit drug till its complete eradication, Minister for Counter-narcotics said Sunday.

"We have seized more than 30 tons of narcotics over the past several months and took into custody some 100 smugglers and these all reflect our firm resolve to eliminate the menace from our society," Habibullah Qadiri told reporters at a Press conference.

Earlier in the morning, the Afghan Government as a sign of its commitment to fight illicit drug and mark the International Day Against Drug Abuse, set ablaze

30 tons of contraband including two kilos of heroin at a ceremony attended by officials and journalists.

"Confiscating narcotics, destroying it and efforts to provide alternative livelihood to the farmers all speak of our relentless war against the menace," emphasized the minister.

However, the Minister failed to present a clear picture of poppy cultivation and its harvest in the current year or how much fund has been allocated to fight it.

Afghanistan with an output of 3,600 tones of opium poppy in 2003 became the single largest supplier of raw material used in manufacturing heroin in the world and

the country with 4,200 tons of opium in 2004 hit an all time record.

President Hamid Karzai, whose administration is under world pressure on increasing poppy product, last year announced Jihad or holy war against poppy cultivation in an attempt to check the menace.

According to survey conducted jointly by UN Office on Drug and Crime and Afghan Countre-narcotics Ministry early this year, the poppy plantation in the country has dropped by 30 per cent.

Afghanistan under a strategy launched in May 2003 has planned to reduce poppy cultivation by 75 per cent by 2008.

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**မူလတန်း၊ အလယ်တန်းနှင့် အထက်တန်း အင်္ဂလိပ်စာ အထောက်အကူပြု Student's Companion စာစဉ် အမှတ်(၁)ထွက်ပါပြီ**

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**Ex-drug users organize blood donation camp in Nepal**

KATHMANDU, 27 June — Former drug users and HIV/AIDS patients on Sunday organized a blood donation programme at the SOS Youth Village in Kathmandu to mark the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking.

"Although the former drug users cannot donate their blood, what they can do is organizing such events with the intention of showing that they, too, are capable of serving society," said Kipak Tamang, founder chairman of Light for Life, a non-governmental organization that counsels drug users on rehabilitation and runs awareness programmes on drug use and HIV/AIDS.

Even after drug users overcome their dependence on drugs and want to live a normal life, the society still disregards their feelings and does not trust upon them, Tamang, who himself is a rehabilitated drug user, complained to reporters at the inaugurating function of the camp.—MNA/Xinhua

**LDCs advocate passage of US trade bill**

DHAKA, 27 June— Fourteen least developed countries (LDCs) including Bangladesh and Sri Lanka are strongly advocating passage of the US Trade Relief Assistance for Developing Economies Act 2005 in the US Congress by February next year.

If the proposed trade bill is passed, Bangladesh might fetch an extra 5.0 billion US dollars from the US market alone within the next three years, *The Financial Express* reported Sunday.

Bangladesh is currently earning a total of more than 5.0 billion dollars through apparel exports annually from the global market.

"We are planning to sit with those beneficiary LDCs sometime in September in the US capital to intensify our lobbying with the Bush Administration," Anisul Huq, president of the Bangladesh Garment Manufacturers and Exporters Association, was quoted as saying.

Prime Minister of

Bangladesh Khaleda Zia reportedly would take up the issue with the US Administration at a convenient time.

The beneficiary countries are Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Bhutan, Cambodia, Laos, Kiribati, the Maldives, Samoa, Solomon Islands, East Timor, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Yemen. Sri Lanka has been considered another beneficiary on the ground that its economy was devastated by last year's tsunami.

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**SAARC agrees on collective response to large disasters**

KATHMANDU, 27 June— A special session of SAARC environmental ministers adopted a declaration on a collective response to large scale disasters, the SAARC Secretariat said in a Press statement here Sunday.

The one-day meeting named South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) Environmental Ministers in the Aftermath of the Indian Ocean Tsunami was held in Male, the capital of the Maldives, on Friday.

"The one-day meeting held Friday in Male, the capital of the Maldives, called on the member states to identify national focal points who would meet at the proposed expert group meeting in Dhaka later in the year to formulate a comprehensive framework on early warning, disaster manage-

ment and disaster prevention," a Press statement issued by the secretariat said.

The six-point declaration includes exchange of information about existing early warning capabilities in the member states and development of a strategy to integrate disaster recovery and reconstruction activities into national sustainable development strategies.

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### US scientists sequence genome of beneficial bacterium

LOS ANGELES, 27 June — US scientists reported on Sunday they have decoded the genome of a bacterium that protects plants from diseases.

This study, published in the journal *Nature Biotechnology*, provides clues to better explain how the helpful bacterium, *Pseudomonas fluorescens* (Pf-5), naturally safeguards roots and seeds from infection by harmful microbes that cause plant diseases. It is expected to greatly benefit crop plants, said scientists at The Institute for Genomic Research.

Two decades ago, scientists found the Pf-5's capability to suppress two

major cotton diseases. Since then, plant pathologists around the world have used this strain as a laboratory model to study beneficial microbes. The paper in *Nature Biotechnology* presents the first complete genome sequence of a biological control agent for combating plant diseases.

The researchers determined the genome of this microbe is composed of 7.1 million base pairs.

The genome sequence has helped identify new

chemical pathways that the microbe apparently uses to create what are known as "secondary metabolites", possibly including new antibiotic compounds, according to Joyce Loper, a plant pathologist from US Agricultural Research Service (ARS) who led the sequencing. The use of naturally-occurring, beneficial microbes such as *P fluorescens* to control plant pathogens is called "biological control". That

method is gaining momentum as a way to grow healthy plants without using synthetic fungicides. In all, about three dozen beneficial microbes are currently used as an environmentally-friendly way to fight plant diseases.

Loper predicted that the new genomic data will help scientists more quickly develop new ways to boost the effectiveness of beneficial microbes in fighting plant diseases.

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### Egyptian twins separation operation successful

CAIRO, 27 June — Egyptian conjoined twins Alaa and Walaa were successfully separated on Saturday in the Saudi capital of Riyadh, the *Egyptian Gazette* reported on Sunday.

Head of the supervising medical team Abdullah al-Rubia said Alaa and Walaa are now separated and in good and stable condition.

Both of them are now in their own beds for the first time in their lives after a seven-phase operation, he added. Alaa and Walaa were born in a Riyadh hospital on 19 April and were previously joined at the lower chest and abdomen.

A team of 35 doctors, nurses and medical assistants at King Abdul Aziz Medical City spent 10 hours finishing the operation following detailed pre-surgical investigations including blood tests and kidney functions during the past six weeks.

The operation was the 10th of its kind performed in Saudi Arabia.— MNA/Xinhua

### Drug users in Cyprus grew sharply in 2004

NICOSIA, 27 June — Drug users in Cyprus grew by 170 per cent in 2004 compared to the previous year while drugs led to 13 deaths in 2004 and 13 deaths in the first four months of 2005, local Press reported Sunday.

The island's Centre For Education About Drugs And Treatment Of Drug Addicted Persons (KENTHEA) revealed in its latest study that 87 per cent of the drug users are aged at 20-39.

Health Minister Andreas Gavrielides said Cyprus has approximately 1,400 problem drug users and the government is running two therapeutic programmes — a detoxification centre and a centre for psychological aspects of kicking addiction. Cyprus Police Chief Tassos Panayiotou revealed that a total of 515 drug-related cases were reported to the police in 2004 with 639 people involved,

among whom 435 were Cypriots and 204 were foreigners.

The total drugs seized in 2004 include kilos of cannabis, hashish, cocaine, ephedrine and heroin, said the police chief. Cyprus has three main entrance points for drugs, which are international airports of Larnaca and Paphos, Limassol Port and the Turkish controlled north of the island.

Meanwhile, Education Minister Pefkios Georgiades highlighted the need to take preventive measures in schools as part of the country's anti-drug strategy. — MNA/Xinhua



Egyptian conjoined twins Alaa and Walaa lay on 25 June, 2005, at King Abdul Aziz Medical City in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Saudi doctors started a 10-hour operation in a Riyadh hospital on Saturday to separate two-month-old Egyptian twins joined at the abdomen, the official SPA news agency reported. — INTERNET

### 60th anniversary of UN celebrated in San Francisco

SAN FRANCISCO, 27 June — Celebrations on the 60th anniversary of the founding of the United Nations kicked off Saturday here as participants called for active US involvement in UN activities.

The two-day event in this US city, where the UN Charter was signed 60 years ago, was organized by the local branch of the United Nations Association, a non-governmental organization dedicated to enhancing US participation in the world body.

UN Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information Shashi Tharoor, who acted as representative of Secretary-General Kofi Annan to attend the weekend celebrations, briefed some 150 guests over the UN reform proposals that will be considered by the UN General Assembly this September.

Hailing that the United Nations' existence created the framework within which human progress was possible during the Cold

War and beyond, Tharoor said that future UN reforms would be aimed at creating mechanisms to address global issues more actively and bringing the Security Council and the General Assembly into the 21st Century. Other speakers at the conference, including former US ambassador to the United Nations Richard Sklar, said that active US participation in UN activities would only do good for world peace and stability.

Sichan Siv, US representative to the UN Economic and Social Council, was representing President George W Bush and Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, who reportedly turned down invitations to attend the San Francisco celebrations.

MNA/Xinhua

### Continuous high temperature harms agriculture in Italy

ROME, 27 June — High temperature and lack of rainfall have worsened drought in the farming areas in northern Italy, the Italian Agricultural Association said on Sunday.

Agricultural products including fruits, vegetables and rice will have a sharp decline in harvest if the drought continues, said a statement released by the association.

Due to continuous drought and rainfall scarcity, water levels of the rivers, lakes and reservoirs in the main farming areas in northern Italy were just half of those in

the same period last year.

The decrease of snowfall in the Alps region last winter had worsened the drought with less water from thawing snow flowing into the farming areas as temperature rises, said the statement. The water level of the Po River, which provides some 70 per cent of irrigation water for the main farming belt in northern Italy, has fallen

to a record low for the same period in history, it said.

The loss caused by drought will be worse than in 2003, which saw a loss of 5.5 billion euros (6.8 billion US dollars) in farming harvest due to continuous high temperature and drought, given that the shortage of irrigation water is one month earlier than in 2003, the association predicted. Heatwave also affected human life in

central and northern Italy. The temperatures in the cities like Milan, Turin and Florence stood at 35 degree Celsius to 38 degree Celsius.

Six people, most of them aged over 80, have been killed by the heatwave, official figures showed. Weather service said the heatwave would continue for four to five days.

MNA/Xinhua

### Heavy rains ruin Nigeria's cocoa quality

ILE-IFE (Nigeria), 27 June — Cocoa beans for sale in southwestern Nigeria are of poor quality, with moisture levels of 15-18 per cent, as rains prevented farmers from properly drying their beans, farmers and traders said at the weekend.

In addition, percentage of moldy and slaty beans in some bags was also high. International standards require a moisture level of 7.5 per cent or less.

A field survey in the southwest cocoa belt showed there has been heavy and continuous

rainfall in the five cocoa-producing states in the belt in the past fortnight, making it difficult for farmers to dry beans.

"We have been having continuous rains in Osun State for several days now without sunshine; this has raised the moisture content in co-

coa," Wale Awosoji, a farmer in Ile-Ife, the state capital, told *Xinhua*.

Awosoji said it had rained daily for the past two to three weeks and farmers were apprehensive the moisture content could be higher if the rains do not subside.

MNA/Xinhua

### 323 traffic accidents within two days kill 37 in Poland

WARSAW, 27 June — A total of 323 traffic accidents in two days in Poland killed 37 people and injured 463 others, police said on Sunday. The traffic accidents occurred on Friday and Saturday, the *Polish Press Agency* reported, quoting a police Press official. — MNA/Xinhua

## SPORTS

## Queen heads Spanish delegation to Singapore

MADRID, 28 June— Spain wants the International Olympic Committee (IOC) to give Madrid the right to host the 2012 Olympic Games, the local Press said Monday.

Spain seeks to raise the image of Madrid through the games, said the Foreign Ministry.

Spain will send a top-level delegation to the July 6 ceremony at Singapore, where IOC will announce what city is to be the Olympic venue in 2012.

Madrid is vying against London, Paris,

New York and Moscow. The previous occasion when Spain organized the Olympic Games was in Barcelona in 1992.

The delegation for the ceremony at Singapore will be headed by Queen Sofia and Spanish Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero, said the Foreign Ministry. —MNA/Xinhua



South Korean soccer star Park Ji-sung, left, hands his highschool uniform to Park Jong-hee, Suwon World Cup Stadium manager, during an opening ceremony of his memorial hall at the World Cup Stadium in Suwon, south of Seoul, on Monday, 27 June, 2005. Park's transfer to Manchester United moved closer on Friday when the South Korea midfielder passed a medical examination. Park, 24, now needs a work permit to complete his euro 6 million (US\$7.3 million) transfer from PSV Eindhoven. — INTERNET

## Hleb to join Arsenal

LONDON, 28 June— Belarus international midfielder Alexander Hleb agreed on Monday to join Arsenal from Bundesliga side VfB Stuttgart on a long term contract.

The Premier League club said the deal, which is subject to a medical and the player obtaining a work permit, could cost the them about 15 million euros (18.25 million US dollars).

Hleb, 24, has made 137 appearances in his five years with Stuttgart and has played 18 times for Belarus.

—MNA/Xinhua

## Real Madrid gives Santos "ultimatum" on Robinho

BRASILIA, 28 June— Real Madrid is not going to pay over 25 million dollars for Brazilian Robinho and expects to conclude the negotiations with Santos (Brazil) on 8 July, Wagner Ribeiro, the representative of the 21-year-old striker, told web site "pele.net".

These conditions are contained in the new offer to the Santos executives sent by Real Madrid through Ribeiro, appointed as representative of the Spanish club in the negotiation.

"If Santos does not accept the proposal by July 8, Real will make an official note saying the club is no longer interested on the player," said Ribeiro to pele.net.

The 25-million-dollar offer is 10 millions higher than the offer presented last week to Santos President Marcelo Teixeira.

"The bidding for Robinho is twice as high the value paid by Milan for Kaka or nine times what was paid for Julio Baptista. Do you think it is little?" said the representative.

The public relations office of Santos said Teixeira will continue rejecting the offer if it does not reach the 50 million dollars.

Last Sunday, English Premier club Arsenal expressed their interest, through coach Arsene Wenger, to hire Robinho, and they would pay the same 25 million dollars as Real. —MNA/Xinhua

## Gatlin wins 200m to grab sprint double

WASHINGTON, 27 June— Olympic 100 metres titlist Justin Gatlin won the 200 metres in 20.04 seconds at the US championships in Carson, California, on Sunday.

Tyson Gay finished second in 20.06 seconds with Olympic champion Shawn Crawford third in 20.12 seconds. Three will be the members of the US team for August's world championships in Helsinki.

Gatlin, who won the 100m on Saturday, became the first person to win both sprints at the US championships since 1985.

Crawford was at a disadvantage running from lane nine after slowing up in the semifinals and just qualifying.

Olympic silver medallist Bernard Williams crashed out in the semi-finals, finishing eighth in his race in 20.94 seconds while running the tight curves of lane one.

—MNA/Xinhua

## South Korea's Kim wins US Open

WASHINGTON, 27 June— Birdie Kim clinched a dramatic two-shot victory and became the second South Korea golfer to win the US Women's Open in the 60th competition when she holed a bunker shot for birdie at the last in Cherry Hills Village, Colorado, on Sunday.

The 23-year-old closed with a 72 for a three-over total of 287 that earned her 560,000 US dollars, finishing ahead of second-placed American amateurs Brittany Lang and Morgan Pressel.

Lang closed with a 71 early on while Pressel, joint third round leader, needed a birdie at the last to tie with Kim but dropped a shot for a 75.

Once of six Kims on the LPGA Tour, the triumphant South Korean played as Ju-Yun in her rookie year in 2004 before changing her name at the start of this season.

She told reporters: "This week was great fun, very exciting. I hit the ball pretty great today."



Birdie Kim of South Korea celebrates after sinking a birdie shot out of the eighteenth hole bunker to win the 60th US Women's Open Championship at Cherry Hills Country Club. — INTERNET

Kim, a 19-time winner on the Korean circuit, has a best finish of joint seventh on the LPGA Tour in a tournament in Atlanta in May and has missed seven cuts from 14 starts.

This week, she made

her debut in the US Open and her third major appearance. She missed the cut at last year's LPGA Championship and was 41st in this year's version two weeks ago.

—MNA/Xinhua

## Clement runs best world 400-m hurdles in 2005

WASHINGTON, 27 June— Kerron Clement ran a 47.24 seconds on Sunday in the 400-metre hurdles on the final day of the US athletics championships held in Carson, California.

The 19-year-old not only shaved 32-hundredths of a second off his own previous world leading time of 47.56 set at the US collegiate championships in Sacramento on June 11, he posted the fastest time in the world since Bryan Bronson on June 21, 1998, and the 11th-fastest in history.

The University of Florida student, who captured athletics world's attention earlier this year when he broke Michael Johnson's 10-year-old indoor 400m world record with a time of 44.57 seconds, said he was not surprised by his hurdles time Sunday because it was the first time this year he put together a flawless race.

The final day of action produced two other world-leading times as Michelle Perry clocked 12.43 seconds on the semifinals of the 100m hurdles, which she went on to win in 12.66 ahead of 2004 Olympic gold

medallist Joanna Hayes, who was second in 12.77 ahead of Virginia Powell in 12.87.

Perry continued a sparkling season that saw her post a time of 12.45 in New York on June 11.

Allyson Felix, silver medallist in the 200m at Athens, signaled her intention to move up a step on the podium at Helsinki when she posted the fastest time in the world this year in winning the 200m title in 22.13. Rachelle Smith was second in 22.22 and LaTasha Colander was third in 22.34.

Olympic 100m gold medallist Justin Gatlin, whose championships began in confusion with a disqualification then reinstatement in the first round of the 100m, added the 200m title to the 100m victory he claimed on Saturday to become the first man to complete the double at the national championships since Kirk Baptiste in 1985.

Tyson Gay also won the right to take part in the Helsinki competition by finishing second in the 200m in 20.06. Olympic gold medallist Shawn Crawford, who was runner-up to Gatlin in the 100m, finished third in 20.12.

—MNA/Xinhua

## Dane Kroldrup moves to Everton

LONDON, 28 June— Danish international defender Per Kroldrup has completed a 5.0-million-pound (9.16-million-US-dollar) transfer from Udinese to Everton, the English Premier League club said on Monday.

The 25-year-old, who has made 13 appearances for Denmark, will help strengthen Everton in their first season in the Champions League after spending four years in Italy at Udinese.

—MNA/Xinhua



Maria Sharapova of Russia hits a backhand to Nathalie Dechy of France during their fourth-round match at the 119th Wimbledon Championships in London. Sharapova won 6-4, 6-2. —INTERNET

### အပင်အာဟာရအပြည့်အဝရရှိရန် ပုလဲဓာတ်မြေ သြဇာကို အကျိုးရှိရှိ အသုံးပြုရေးနည်းစောချက်

၁။ ပုလဲဓာတ်မြေဩဇာသည် စနစ်တကျ အသုံးပြုပါက ပါဝင်သည့် အပင်အာဟာရ နိုက်ထရိုဂျင် ဓာတ် (၆၀) မှ (၈၀) ရာခိုင်နှုန်းအထိ လေလွင့်ဆုံးရှုံးနေနိုင်ပါသည်။ ဆုံးရှုံးမှုကြောင့် စပါးတစ်ကေလျှင် ပုလဲဓာတ်မြေဩဇာ (နှစ်) အိတ်သုံးပါက (၅) ပုံ (၁) ပုံသာ အပင်မှ ရရှိနိုင်ပါသည်။

၂။ ဆုံးရှုံးမှုသည် (၁) အမိုးနီးယားအိုင်ယွန်း (NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>) အဖြစ် စီးဆင်းနေခြင်း၊ (၂) အမိုးနီးယားဓာတ်ငွေ့ (NH<sub>3</sub>) အဖြစ် လေထဲတွင် အငွေ့ပျံ့ဆုံးရှုံးသွားခြင်း၊ (၃) နိုက်ထရိုဂျင်ဓာတ် (N<sub>2</sub>) အဖြစ် လေထဲသို့ အငွေ့ပျံ့ဆုံးရှုံးခြင်း၊ အပူချိန်မြင့်မီသော နေရောင်ခြင်းထက် စပါးခင်းများ မြေအောက်တွင် (pH<sub>1</sub>) ဝန်းကျင်တွင်ရှိသော်လည်း နေရောင်ခြင်းအပူချိန်မြင့်တက်လာပါက မြေအမျှင်ဓာတ်မှာ (pH<sub>2</sub>) ထိ ရှိလာပြီး အမိုးနီးယားဓာတ်ငွေ့ (NH<sub>3</sub>) အဖြစ် ပြောင်းလဲကာ ဆုံးရှုံးမှုများစေသည်။

၃။ သို့ဖြစ်ပါ၍ ပုလဲဓာတ်မြေဩဇာ အကျိုးရှိရှိ အသုံးပြုနိုင်ရန်အတွက် အောက်ပါအတိုင်း စနစ်တကျ သုံးစွဲရန် နည်းစောချက်အပ်ပါသည်။

- (က) စပါးပင်သက်တမ်း တစ်လျှောက်လုံးအတွက် တစ်ကေလျှင် ပုလဲဓာတ်မြေဩဇာတစ်အိတ်နှင့် သဘာဝမြေဩဇာ (နွားချေး/မြေချေး/အမှုက်ချေး/ဘိုကာရီ) သုံးအိတ် သုံးစွဲပါ။
- (ခ) သုံးစွဲမည့် ပုလဲဓာတ်မြေဩဇာနှင့် သဘာဝမြေဩဇာကို တစ်ကြိမ်တည်းမသုံးစွဲဘဲ စပါးပင်မှ နိုက်ထရိုဂျင်ဓာတ် လိုအပ်ချိန်များဖြစ်သည့် ကောက်ပင်လှန်ချိန်၊ ပင်ပွားအများဆုံး ထွက်ချိန်၊ မှိုကပ်ချိန် (သို့မဟုတ်) ရောင်စည်ကတ်တို သုံး၍ အပင်လိုအပ်ချိန်တွင် ထည့်သွင်းပါ။
- (ဂ) တစ်ကြိမ်လျှင် ပုလဲဓာတ်မြေဩဇာ တစ်အိတ်၏ သုံးပုံတစ်ပုံကို သဘာဝမြေဩဇာ တစ်အိတ်နှင့် သမအောင်ရောပါ။ ရောစပ်ရာတွင် အစိတ်အပိုင်းများ မများလွန်းစေဘဲ သင့်တော်သော အစိတ်အပိုင်းအရ ဂရုပြု၍ အပင်ပိုမိုပင်စေဘဲ၊ ဂုန်နီအိတ်၊ ဖျာစသည်တို့ဖြင့် လုံခြုံစွာ မှအုပ်၍ တစ်ညနှပ်ထားပါ။
- (ဃ) မိုးအုံ့ပါက နေ့လယ်ပိုင်းတွင် မြေဩဇာအရေကို ကြပ်ကဲနိုင်သော်လည်း နေ့ပိုင်းပါက နံနက်ပိုင်း (၇) နာရီမှ (၉) နာရီအတွင်းနှင့် ညနေ (၃) နာရီမှစတင်မိုးကြပ်မီပိုင်းတွင် မြေဩဇာအရေကို စပါးပင်တွင် ကြပ်ကဲထည့်ပြီးတိုင်း တမန်းပြင်အောက်သို့ ရေကန်ရှိရန် မြေဖြင့်နင်းမြှုပ်၍ သော်လည်းကောင်း၊ ပေါင်းလိုက်တမန်းနိုး ကိရိယာအသုံးပြု၍ သော်လည်းကောင်း တမန်း အောက်ရေကန်အောင် အောင်ရွက်ပေးခြင်းဖြင့် ပိုမိုထိရောက်နိုင်ပါသည်။

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## Heavy rain lashes Seoul, vicinity areas

SEOUL, 28 June — Heavy rain lashed Seoul and its vicinity areas from last Sunday until Monday, causing blackouts in some regions and flight suspension, said (South) Korea Meteorological Administration (KMA) on Monday.

Yangdong-ri, a town in Yangpyeong County of Gyeonggi Province, received the highest amount of rainfall with 307 millimetres as of 10 am (0100 GMT). Seoul had 132 millimetres, and many towns in Gangwon and Gyeonggi provinces recorded over 100 millimetres of rain, South Korean *Yonhap* news agency quoted information released by the KMA as reporting.

The KMA also forecast these regions will receive 5 to 60 millimetres more of rain until the evening when the monsoon will start to mainly affect southern provinces.

Heavy storm warnings were issued for western and southern coastal cities and the city of Jeju on Jeju Island, the southernmost island of South Korea.

The torrential rain caused blackouts in some areas in Seoul and Gangwon Province. About 7,200 households

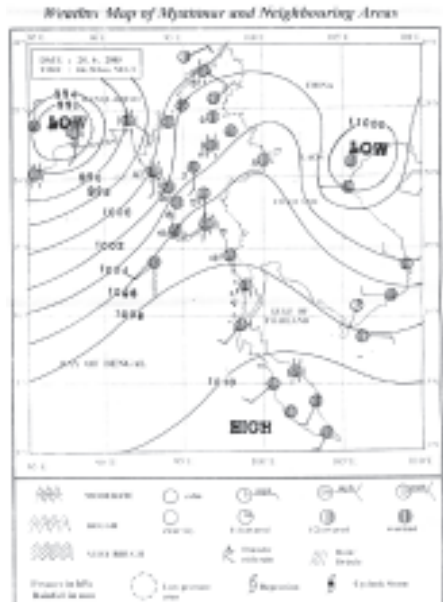
in northern Seoul lost power for an hour Sunday night.

Low-lying roads and households were submerged in some areas in Seoul, Incheon and Gyeonggi Province, snarling traffic during the Monday morning rush hour.

At an apartment building in Goyang, north of Seoul, about 80 residents were forced to evacuate early in the morning for the heavy rain caused a 30-centimetre crevice in one of the supporting pillars.

A total of 64 domestic flights linking Seoul and rain-hit cities were suspended, according to the KMA.

MNA/Xinhua



### WEATHER

Tuesday, 28 June, 2005

**Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST:** During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Kachin and Kayah States, lower Sagaing Division, scattered in Shan State, upper Sagaing, Magway, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with locally heavyfall in Rakhine State and isolated heavyfall in Taninthayi Division.

The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Dawei (5.31) inches, Maungtaung (5.12) inches, Kyauktaw (4.65) inches, Ann (2.28) inches, and Sittway (2.13) inches.

Maximum temperature on 27-6-2005 was 88°F. Minimum temperature on 28-6-2005 was 67°F. Relative humidity at 9:30 hrs MST on 28-6-2005 was 96%. Total sunshine hours on 27-6-2005 was (1.2) hours approx. Rainfalls on 28-6-2005 were (0.34) inch at Yangon Airport, (0.55) inch at Kaba-Aye and (1.78) inches at central Yangon.

Total rainfalls since 1-1-2005 were (25.66 inches) at Yangon Airport, (22.84 inches) at Kaba-Aye and (22.01 inches) at central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (8) mph from Southwest at (06:50) hours MST on 28-6-2005.

**Bay inference:** According to the observation at (11:30) hrs MST today, a low pressure area has formed over the Northwest Bay of Bengal. Monsoon is strong elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

**Forecast valid until evening of 29-6-2005:** Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in lower Sagaing and Magway Divisions, scattered in Kachin, Shan and Kayah States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay Divisions and widespread in the remaining States and Divisions with likelihood of isolated heavyfalls in Rakhine State. Degree of certainty is 80%.

**State of the sea:** Occasional squalls with rough seas will be experienced off and along Rakhine Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (40) mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Decrease of rain in the Eastern Myanmar areas.

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 29-6-2005:** Some rain. Degree of certainty is 80%.

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 29-6-2005:** Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is 80%.



### Wednesday, 29 June Tunes in today:

- 8:30 am Brief news
- 8:35 am Music: -Best friend
- 8:40 am Perspectives
- 8:45 am Music: Tell it to your heart
- 8:50 am National news/Slogan
- 9:00 am Music: -Everybody Gongi Gon
- 9:05 am International news
- 9:10 am Music: -You and me
- 1:30 pm News/Slogan
- 1:40 pm Lunch time music: -I remember
- 9:00 pm Variations on a tune: -Right here waiting
- 9:15 pm Article/Music
- 9:25 pm Music at your request: -Close
- 9:45 pm News/Slogan
- 10:00 pm PEL



### Wednesday, 29 June Tunes in today:

- 7:00 am
  - 1. ကျေးဇူးရှင်မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး နိုင်ငံတော်သံဃာမဟာ နာယကအဖွဲ့အစည်းတော်အောင်ပျော်၊ အဘိဓမ္မာဓမ္မဟောအပူပူ၊ အဘိဓမ္မာ အပ္ပမဟာ သဒ္ဓမ္မဓမ္မာစတိက၊ တိပိဋက ဓမ္မာပုဏ္ဏာဂါရိက၊ ဆရာတော် ဘဒ္ဒန္တဝိမ္ဗသာရာဘိဝံသ၏ ပရိတ် တရားတော်
- 7:25 am
  - 2. To be healthy exercise
- 7:30 am
  - 3. Morning news
- 7:40 am
  - 4. Nice and sweet song
- 7:50 am
  - 5. မြူးမြူးကြဲကြဲယုတ်ကျေးမှုအက
- 8:05 am
  - 6. အကျော်ပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 8:15 am
  - 7. ရိုးထိုက်ထိုက်တံတား
- 8:30 am
  - 8. International news
- 8:45 am
  - 9. Let's Go

- 4:00 pm
  - 1. Martial song
- 4:15 pm
  - 2. Songs to uphold National Spirit
- 4:30 pm
  - 3. Demonstration Exercises for Correct Pronunciation
- 4:45 pm
  - 4. Musical programme
- 5:00 pm
  - 5. အစားသင့်တရားရှိစေရန်အတွက် ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်စနစ်စာ -တတိယနှင့် (ခရာဝေခေ)
- 5:15 pm
  - 6. Song of national races
- 5:30 pm
  - 7. အထိပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 5:40 pm
  - 8. လက်အခင်းကမ်းအမွေ (ရုပ်သေး)
- 5:50 pm
  - 9. Classical song
- 6:05 pm
  - 10. Strong and healthy Myanmar
- 6:15 pm
  - 11. ရှုမှန်ခဲလဲအသိအစဉ်
- 6:25 pm
  - 12. Discovery

- 6:30 pm
  - 13. Evening news
- 7:00 pm
  - 14. Weather report
- 7:05 pm
  - 15. ထာဝရစင်္ဂဟ ပြန်စာဂီတ (အရေးဘာသာရပ် ဆွေးနေးဆန်း) (အပိုင်း--၂)
- 7:25 pm
  - 16. သေဝမ်းစာလူလုမီး ဆင်းရွေလို စပါးစိုက်ကြန့် (အပိုင်း--၁)
- 7:40 pm
  - 17. တန်ဖိုးရှိလှ လူငယ်ဘဝ စူးစမ်း ကမ်းဝင် ကျန်းမာမှု (အပိုင်း--၁)
- 8:00 pm
  - 18. News
  - 19. International news
  - 20. Weather report
  - 21. "မြန်မာအမျိုးသမီးများနေ့ ရုတ်ပြုအခြေခံ" (ရန်ကုန်တိုင်း ဝန်ကြီးဌာနချုပ်၊ ရွှေလမင်းအငြိမ်) (မင်းသမီး--ခိုင်မာစင်စင် သို့မဟုတ် ဝါခါရိုး၊ လူရွှင်တော်--ဧရာ၊ ကျော်ထူး၊ မနိုးဝင်း၊ စင်စိုင်း)
  - 22. မင်းတုန်းဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး ဦးဝိမ္မာသာရာဘိဝံသ၏ အရပ် အယ်ဒီတာ့အဖွဲ့အစည်းများ မြင်း တရားတော်
  - 23. The next day's programme

# Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference continues

## State/Division representatives discuss five major tasks

YANGON, 28 June— The Myanmar War Veterans Organization Conference continued at the respective venues of No 1 Transit Centre here today. Representatives of states and divisions presented sector-wise discussions on the national political sector, the national defence and security sector, the economic sector, social affairs and welfare sector and community welfare services sector.



Maj-Gen Khin Aung Myint addresses the sector-wise discussions of the group-1 on national political sector. — MNA



Col Tin Yee delivers an address at the sector-wise discussions group-2 on national defence and security sector.— MNA

Members of Central Organizing Committee of MWVO Maj-Gen Khin Aung Myint and U Chit Naing presided over the meeting. Maj-Gen Khin Aung Myint delivered an address.

Chairman of Bhamo District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Hla Thaug, Chairman of Bawlake District WVO Supervisory Committee Lt-Col Kan Tun, (See page 6)

# 221 gem lots, 1,003 different kinds of jewellery, 2,408 jade lots put on sale

## Jade, Gems Special Sales (2005) commences

YANGON, 28 June— The Central Committee for the Myanma Gems Emporium launched the Jade and Gems Special Sales (2005) at the Myanma Gems Mart on Kaba Aye Pagoda Road here today.

The special sales drew the attention of 658 gem merchants — 162 merchants from 43 companies of six foreign countries and 496 merchants from 211 local companies. Secretary of the Central Committee Managing Director of the

Myanma Gems Enterprise U Thein Swe and secretaries of respective subcommittees conducted the merchants round the museum and provided assistance for them.

More than 600 merchants from companies of foreign countries are expected to visit the exhibition, in which 221 gem lots, 1,003 different kinds of jewellery, 2,408 jade lots are put on sale.

The number and the quality of gems and jade lots of this time are more

and better than that of previous sales. More local and foreign gem merchants will arrive here till 30 June.

The nation's gems and jade emporium and special sales and Myanmar's precious stones industry are making cumulative progress year by year due to the mining of gems and jade by the State and private companies through joint-venture sys-

tem, assistance rendered by respective regional authorities, and peace and stability in the region.

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Local and foreign gem merchants examining a large variety, of jade.— MNA

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The MWVO has been implementing its five major tasks covering the national political sector, the national defence and security sector, the economic sector, the public welfare sector, and the community welfare services sector, in line with the nation's policy.