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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

Utilize local materials as much as possible to implement major projects like Yeywa

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye meets officials in Mogok, inspects Yeywa hydel power project

YANGON, 4 Oct —Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye together with Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thein Sein, members of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Ye Myint, Lt-Gen Kyaw Win, Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo, and Lt-Gen Tin Aye, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Soe Thein, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein, Chairman of Mandalay Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Central Command Maj-Gen Khin Zaw, the ministers and officials of the State Peace and Development Council Office arrived in Mogok by helicopter on 2 October.

They were welcomed by Deputy Minister for Science and Technology U Kyaw Soe, Tactical Operations Commander Col Han Myint and officials.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye told Commander Maj-Gen Khin Zaw and officials to undertake measures for development in Mogok

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Vice-Senior General Maung Aye inspects Yeywa Hydropower Project. — MNA



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

PERSPECTIVES

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ACARIYA GUNAW ANANDAW

It is traditional in this country, just as it is in others, to reserve respects for teachers, who, beginning with school-age, have to be the guardians of children's wellbeing not only academically, but also to make them worldlywise.

In this country, we hold teachers as one of the Five Gems after the Buddha, the Dhamma, the Sangha and the parents.

It is customary for Buddhists, since young, to chant Buddha Gunaw Anandaw, Dhamma Gunaw Anandaw, Sangha Gunaw Anandaw, Mata Pitu Gunaw Anandaw and Acariya Gunaw Anandaw in recognition of their attributes.

Today is a special occasion, World Teachers' Day set aside by the United Nations to honour teachers throughout the world for their contribution toward education of the young as they grow up from school age through different grades till they graduate and then go on for higher education at institutions which produce the intellectuals and intelligentsia that will make nations and this world a worthy habitat.

There are many different days set aside to honour people of different pursuits in life, but after the primary stage of being just children in the care of their parents, the young reach school age and they are admitted to school where they are taught subjects useful to themselves as well as others.

It is customary in Buddhist homes to see young children pay respects to their parents after paying respects to Buddha before going to bed. It is also usual for young pupils to stand aside and make way for teachers and elders, holding their palms in supplication. These are time-honoured acts of reverence not limited to Buddhists, but part and parcel of the way of courteous and admirable, handed down through generations.

The United Nations has set aside October 5 as World Teachers' Day to honour the world's teachers in different categories for just as the "hand that rocks the cradle rules the world", it is also the older academicians that help make the world a better place through their inventions, so when we honour the "Teachers", not only the high school system teachers but also all teachers are to be remembered.

Our society, or system, is such that when we honour those who deserve honour due, we honour all and it is in this spirit that we honour "teachers".

Parents are, first and foremost, the children's teachers, but when they come of school-age, they are entrusted to the care of school teachers who teach them what is academic and worldly.

Today, reminded by the United Nations, and with our own knowledge of what we owe our teachers, we offer our teachers a special supplication mindful that they will nurture the young for their time in the decades ahead.

Here in this country and everywhere in the world, teachers have a special place. Let us cherish them for the contribution they are making and will continue to make to keep this world a pleasant place.

Acariya Gunaw Anandaw.

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



Korean Ambassador Mr Lee Ju-heum and wife greet Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than and wife at the Anniversary of the National Day of the Republic of Korea on 4-10-2005

MNA

General banking services course opens

YANGON, 4 Oct — Course No 6 on general banking services (Official level), conducted by the Bank Supervisory Committee was opened this afternoon at the Central Bank of Myanmar with an address by Minister for Finance and Revenue Maj-Gen Hla Tun.

Present at the course opening ceremony were Deputy F&R Minister Col Hla Thein Swe, Governor of the Central Bank of Myanmar U Kyaw Kyaw Maung, Vice-Governor U Than Nyein, members of the Bank Supervisory Committee, departmental heads under the ministry, executives of Myanmar Banks

Association and guests.

In his opening speech, Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun said the course has been opened for six times and the aim of opening the courses is to catch up with international banking services and to enable personnel to learn efficient banking services. The minister next stressed for the trainees to try their best while attending the training course in order to enthusiastically participate in international seminars and workshops. The deputy minister also spoke on the occasion. The course is being attended by 43 trainees of private and state-owned banks. — MNA

The Yangon Times Journal introduced



Chief Executive U Ko Ko of e-Empire Media Group addresses the introduction of Yangon Times Journal. — MNA

YANGON, 4 Oct — A ceremony to introduce The Yangon Times Journal to be published by e-Empire Media Group was held at Full Moon Restaurant of La Pyi Wun Plaza on Alanpya Pagoda Street this morning.

Present on the occasion were personnel of news and periodicals, officials of Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association, veteran journalists, writers, media persons, guests, the chief executive of e-Empire Media Group and members, staff of The Yangon Times Journal.

First, Chief Executive of e-Empire Media

Group U Ko Ko (Institute of Technology) extended greetings on the occasion.

The journal will feature local news as well as health, economics and international news. It will be distributed to Myanmar Airways and Air Bagan free of charge.

The journal will be published every Thursday starting 5 October, 2005, and it will be distributed to the whole country by e-Empire Media Group (Tel-500721) at No 12 Thukhamain Street in Sangyoung Township.

MNA

UMFCCI officials meet foreign guest

YANGON 3 Oct— Vice-President of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry U Aung Lwin met Ms Marcell Yeater Chief of Legal Affairs and Trade Policy Unit of CITES Secretariat in Geneva, Switzerland, on 30 September.

They discussed matters on cooperation in the affairs of CITES, Convention on Wildlife which are on the verge of extinction and issuing certificates of origin for export. Also present were Joint Secretary-1 Dr Maung Maung Lay, CEC U Tun Kyi and U Tun Aung. — MNA



Vice-President U Aung Lwin meets Chief of Legal Affairs and Trade Policy Unit of CITES. — H

Chinese President stresses scientific concept of development

TIANJIN, 3 Oct — Chinese President Hu Jintao here on Sunday stressed that the country's economic and social development should be in line with the scientific concept of development.

During his two-day inspection of north China's Tianjin Municipality from 1 October, China's National Day, Hu conveyed holiday greetings to the work staff who were on duty in factories and shops and visited the city's residential communities, shops and ports. Coming to the Ping'an business street of the city,

he felt very happy to see the great variety of goods and swarms of customers. He warmly shook hands with people and shop assistants.

He urged the shop managers and assistants to enhance their sense of service and pay great attention to food sanitary and safety.

During his visit to the

Fuyu Square residential community, he said that it is one of the important contents in building the well-off society in an all-round way to improve the construction of residential community. Therefore, officials concerned should improve services, environment, cultural circumstances and social security work in residential

communities.

Hu also inspected the Binhai economic zone, encouraging the technicians and professionals there to improve self-innovation capability, create more homemade well-known brands so as to make new contributions to the regional economy.

MNA/Xinhua

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US helicopters fire on west Iraq town

QAIM, 3 Oct — The US launched airstrikes on Monday in a town on the Euphrates River in western Iraq, part of a three-day offensive against guerillas that has killed at least 36 militants since the fighting began, officials said.

In Baghdad, Iraq's Oil Minister narrowly survived an assassination attempt on Monday when a roadside bomb blasted his seven-car convoy, killing

three of his escorts, officials said. No serious US casualties have been reported in the "Iron Fist" offensive near the Syrian border by 1,000 Marines, soldiers and sailors against the al-Qaida in Iraq group.

A US soldier died on Saturday of wounds suffered after being hit by indirect fire in Ramadi, a militant stronghold 70 miles west of the capital, the military said. The death raised to 1,936 the number of US military members who have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in 2003.

Internet

Car bomb blows up inside Baghdad Green Zone, 2 dead

BAGHDAD, 4 Oct — A car bomber drove into Baghdad's heavily fortified Green Zone complex with a convoy of other vehicles on Tuesday and blew up, killing two people and wounding four, Iraqi police said.

The vehicle entered the Green Zone, which houses the US and British embassies and the Iraqi government, by an entrance frequently used by the media and others.

Police said the car exploded as it was being searched at the first checkpoint inside the zone.

MNA/Reuters

Iraqi MPs ask hard questions on parliamentary cash

BAGHDAD, 3 Oct — Iraqi lawmakers refused to vote on Parliament's 2006 budget on Saturday, saying the chamber meant to spotlight government corruption had failed to provide transparent records on its own spending.

In an extraordinary session, Parliament's finance committee failed to win backing for a 110-billion-dollar (73-million-US-dollar) budget as it faced a barrage of questions on everything from millions of dollars spent on furniture to conference budgets. "What do you mean by extra services? We want a full explanation in the national assembly," said parliamentary deputy Hanan al-Fatlawi.

The grilling came

ahead of an 15 October constitutional referendum and elections in December that Iraqi leaders hope will ease deep sectarian and political divisions.

Iraqi officials have warned that corruption is a major threat to the future of a country already overwhelmed by an insurgency that has killed thousands.

Iraqi leaders have been promising to clamp down on the misuse of funds since a US-led invasion toppled Saddam Hussein's

in 2003. But newspapers report corruption scandals almost every week, angering Iraqis who see greedy officials squandering money meant for recon-

struction and improvements to services after decades of war and economic mismanagement under the old regime.

MNA/Reuters



Chinese soldiers move sandbags to strengthen a dyke upon the approach of Typhoon Longwang in Xiamen, east China's Fujian Province, on 2 Oct, 2005.

INTERNET

1,935 US troops killed in Iraq

WASHINGTON, 3 Oct — At least 1,935 members of the US military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to an Associated Press count. At least 1,506 died as a result of hostile action, according to the military's numbers. The figures include five military civilians. The AP count is four more than the Defence Department's tally, last updated at 10 am EDT Monday.

Since 1 May, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 1,796 US military members have died, according to AP's count. That includes at least 1,397 deaths resulting from hostile action, according to the military's numbers.—Internet

Kazakhstan backs Iran's peaceful use of nuclear energy

ALMA ATA, 3 Oct — Kazakhstan supported Iran's peaceful use of nuclear energy under the supervision of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), the Kazak Foreign Ministry announced on Sunday.

In a Press communique released by the Foreign Ministry, Kazak Foreign Minister Kasymzhomart Kemelevich Tokayev expressed his country's supportive view while meeting with his Iranian counterpart Manouchehr Mottaki on Saturday.

Kazakhstan's stand towards the nuclear issue is very clear, the Foreign Minister stated, first, Kazakhstan fully complies with the Nuclear Non-proliferation Principle; second, every country capable has the right to develop its own

nuclear programmes for peaceful purposes; third, any implementation of nuclear plans should be under IAEA's strict supervision.

Mottaki said Iran shared the same stand as Kazakhstan's on the nuclear issue. He suggested that members of the Central Asia Economic Cooperation Organization should have the right to develop nuclear technologies for peaceful use.

He also backed Kazakhstan's decision to voluntarily give up nuclear weapons, and hoped all

countries do the same.

The 15th Foreign Ministers' Meeting of the Central Asia Economic Cooperation Organization was held in Kazak capital of Astana on Saturday. An agreement was passed during the meeting on strengthening economic cooperation in the next 10 years among the organization's member states, in the fields of trade, investment, telecommunications, energy, finance, agriculture, industry, transportation, tourism and environmental protection.—MNA/Xinhua



Iraqi army soldiers lead blindfolded prisoners in Baqouba, Iraq, on 3 Oct, 2005.—INTERNET

Chinese SMEs' investment in "IT" to reach over 230b yuan in 2009

BEIJING, 2 Oct — The investment of small- and medium-sized enterprises (SME) in information technology (IT) will reach over 230 billion yuan (28.36 billion US dollars) in 2009, according to a report released recently by a Chinese global consulting company.

SMEs' demand for IT has become the principal source of growth of China's information technology market, says the report by the China Centre of Information Industry Development (CCID). They have for three years running exceeded large enterprises in terms of investment in "informationization", the report says.

The report says that SMEs have made big progress in the application of information technologies, especially software, with investment in the software sector reaching 17.16 billion yuan in 2004, accounting for 15.8 per cent of the total investment. The growth is 2.2

percentage points higher than in 2003.

SMEs are shifting their focus from financial software to solution software.

Chinese enterprises have made substantial progress in terms of informationization in 2004 and the next three years will be a key period for the informationization market of SMEs to grow mature.

CCID Consulting predicts that Chinese SMEs' informationization market will further grow at an average annual rate of 18 per cent in the next three years, on the basis of a 100-billion-yuan market scale in 2004.

MNA/Xinhua

Iraq Oil Minister survives attack

BAGHDAD, 3 Oct—Iraq's Oil Minister survived an apparent assassination attempt on Monday when a roadside bomb blasted his motorcade in Baghdad as US troops broadened a battle against guerilla fighters near the Syrian border.

At least two bodyguards were killed in the blast that targeted Oil Minister Ibrahim Bahr al-Uloum, who was heading to the northern refining town of Baiji, al-Uloum's spokesman said.

"The minister is fine and is now at the ministry in a meeting with his staff," spokesman Assem Jihad said. Two of the cars in the official convoy had been destroyed by the attack in the Rashdiya district of northern Baghdad.

US commanders, who have about 1,000 troops battling guerillas around

the town of Si'ida about 7 miles from the Syrian border, broadened the operation to the nearby town of Karabila, killing eight suspected members of al Qaeda in Iraq, one of the country's most feared guerilla groups.

"The goal of the operation is to root out al Qaeda in Iraq terrorists operating within the area and to disrupt guerilla support systems," the US military said in a statement late on Sunday, the second day of Operation Iron Fist.

Internet

Death toll rises to 34 in Darfur camp attack

NAIROBI, 3 Oct—The death toll in a murderous assault on a camp and nearby villages in the Darfur Region of western Sudan has risen to 34, the UN refugee agency UNHCR said on Saturday.

In a statement received here, UNHCR said it sent a team to the Aro Sharow camp which learned more details about Wednesday's attack by a large group of armed men riding horses and camels.

The attack on the Aro

Sharow camp on Wednesday, the first reported on a centre for internally displaced people in Darfur, involved 250-300 armed militia men on horses and camels, the UNHCR said.

"The UNHCR team reported on Friday that

many of the 4,000 to 5,000 residents of the camp had returned from the nearby Jebel Moon mountains and surrounding countryside where they initially fled as the horsemen swooped into the camp, killing residents and burning down

their makeshift shelters, on Wednesday afternoon," the statement said.

It said an agency team on the ground had established that 17 camp residents and 17 others from nearby villages who had been in the area for market day had been killed.

"The UNHCR team witnessed the burial of one of the 34 dead and said the man appeared to have had his arms bound before he was killed. Witnesses in the camp said he had been tied up and dragged to his death behind a horse," it said.

The attack follows a series of worrisome security incidents throughout the region.

MNA/Xinhua



Suspected militants hold weapons in the streets of Ramadi, Iraq, on 3 Oct, 2005.—INTERNET

South Korean police investigate the cause of a music concert stampede at the stadium in Sangju, southeast of Seoul, on 3 Oct, 2005. —INTERNET



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Turkish President urges EU to shun "wall of prejudice"

ANKARA, 3 Oct — Turkish President Ahmet Necdet Sezer warned EU leaders on Saturday that any new obstacles to the start of planned entry talks on Monday would erect a "wall of prejudice", which would hamper the bloc's progress.

Turkey faced a nerve-racking countdown to the start of talks with the European Union, with Austria sticking to a demand that the EU offer Ankara an explicit alternative to full membership.

EU foreign ministers, meeting in emergency session in Luxembourg on Sunday night, must agree a negotiating mandate in time for Turkey to begin accession talks less than 24 hours later.

EU president Britain said it was determined to clinch an agreement on Sunday. It issued an optimistic timetable for ratifying the mandate on Sunday evening and holding the opening ceremony at 5 pm (1500 GMT) on Monday.

Sezer, addressing Turkish Parliament that began its new working term, said Turkey's ambition to become a full member of the 25-nation bloc

was on an "irreversible path".

"Building a wall of prejudice before Europe will benefit no one," he said. "Every new obstacle to be placed in front of us will in fact make up the bricks of a wall that will block Europe's own way."

Turkish Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan said on Friday Ankara expected to be treated fairly by the EU and warned of a backlash if the bloc moved the goalposts at the last minute.

Without mentioning Austria by name, Erdogan said: "There are those in the EU who are victims of fanaticism."

MNA/Reuters

Mortars hit near Iraq ministry

BAGHDAD, 3 Oct—Several mortar rounds landed near Iraq's Interior Ministry on Sunday, but there were no casualties, police said.

The mortar attack on the ministry building in central Baghdad came one day after the brother of Interior Minister Bayan Jabbar was kidnapped amid an upsurge in violence ahead of a referendum on a Constitution on 15 October. Police sources said Jabbar's brother was abducted on Saturday near the Sadr City District in the east of the capital.

Guerillas are waging a campaign to topple Iraq's US-backed government. Sunni Arab rebels accuse the Interior Ministry of condoning sectarian killings by members of the long-oppressed Shi'ite Muslim majority. The ministry denies it. —MNA/Reuters

Donate blood



Acrobats from the Xinxiang Acrobat Group perform at a park in Nanjing, east China's Jiangsu Province, on 3 October 2005. — INTERNET

US says 4 troops die in western Iraq fighting

BAGHDAD, 4 Oct — Four US troops died in fighting in western Iraq on Monday, the US military said on Tuesday, taking to at least 1,935 the number of US forces killed since the invasion of Iraq in March 2003.

One Marine was killed by an improvised bomb in Karabila, near the Syrian border, during a major military operation called Iron Fist, a statement said.

Three soldiers were killed by improvised bombs in Haqlaniya, in the western Anbar Province, the US military said. US forces launched Operation Iron Fist on Saturday, sending around 1,000 troops to the area near the Syrian border, which Washington says is the main entry point for

foreign fighters and arms entering Iraq.

On Tuesday, the US military launched a new assault, Operation River Gate, against guerillas in towns in the Euphrates Valley.

Iraq's US-backed, Kurdish-and Shiite dominated government is facing an attack from the Sunni Arab minority which dominated Iraq under ousted leader Saddam Hussein and earlier, but has since been marginalised.

MNA/Reuters

Chavez says Venezuela has "strong oil card" to play against US

BUENOS AIRES, 3 Oct — Venezuela has a "strong oil card" to play on the world geopolitical stage and against the United States, said President Hugo Chavez in an interview published on Sunday.

"It is a card we will use in a tough game against the toughest rival in the world — the United States. But our actions will be governed by transparency and respect," Chavez told the Argentine daily *Clarín*.

He said the card will be even more powerful if other Latin American countries join it in a regional economic alliance.

At the first meeting of the South American Community of Nations in Brasilia last week, Venezuelan state-run petroleum firm PDVSA struck a deal with its Brazilian counterpart Petrobras on jointly building an oil refinery with a total investment of 2.5 billion US dollars.

The companies also

Mahathir describes US as bankrupt country

KUALA LUMPUR, 3 Oct — The United States has been a bankrupt country due to its huge budget and trade deficits, former Malaysian prime minister Mahathir Mohamad said here on Sunday.

If countries like Malaysia is in the same situation, it surely will be declared "bankrupt", but the United States was not declared "bankrupt" due to its superpower status, he told media at the World Islamic Economic Forum.

Mahathir made these remarks during a dialogue with participants of the forum, suggesting Islamic countries do not trade in the US dollar when the country was technically bankrupt now, and opt for other currencies, such as euro.

At one time 0.8 US dollar was equal to one euro, but now 1.30 US dollars is equal to one euro, he said.

This showed Islamic countries lost 50 cents for every single US dollar in trade.

The United States should stop spending too much on arms to solve the "bankruptcy" problem, he noted.

Commenting on the bombing in Bali on Saturday night, Mahathir reiterated his stand that conventional war could not be used to fight terrorism.

This is not a conventional war where you can defeat a country and sign a peace treaty later, he said, adding that the root causes of terrorism should be addressed. — MNA/Xinhua

68 Vietnamese dead or missing due to "Damrey"

HANOI, 3 Oct — Typhoon Damrey, which hit Vietnam's northern and central regions last week, has killed or left missing a total of 68 local people, and injured 22 others, local newspaper

Young People reported on Monday.

The typhoon also destroyed more than 300,000 hectares of rice and subsidiary crops, damaged nearly 22,000 shrimp and fish ponds,

and inundated some 100,000 houses in the country, causing an estimated property loss of roughly 3.3 trillion Vietnamese dong (VND) (208.9 million US dollars). — MNA/Xinhua

"Otis" fizzles out, Tropical Storm "Stan" crosses Yucatan

MEXICO CITY, 3 Oct — Hurricane Otis weakened to a tropical storm off Mexico's Baja California Peninsula on Sunday as Tropical Storm Stan crossed the country's Yucatan Peninsula on its way to the Gulf of Mexico.

Otis weakened overnight from a Category 1 hurricane on the five-step Saffir-Simpson scale after strengthening to a Category 2 hurricane on Saturday, according to the US National Hurricane Centre in Miami. Otis was expected to make landfall on Monday in sparsely populated semi-desert dotted with fishing villages half way down the western coast of the peninsula, which extends south from the US state of California. Some

600 people began returning home on Sunday after being evacuated at the height of Otis' strength from areas around the Los Cabos beach resorts at the peninsula's southern tip, popular with US tourists, as well as state capital La Paz.

About 200 people from fishing villages in Otis' projected path remained in shelters, said Emigdio Suarez, head of Civil Protection for the state of Baja California Sur.

Tropical Storm Stan strengthened from a tropi-

cal depression as it crossed Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula. Civil protection officials in the low-lying peninsula reported rain and light flooding but no severe damage or injuries.

The hurricane centre said Stan probably would weaken back to a tropical depression over land but likely would strengthen again on Monday, when it is expected to hit warmer water in the Gulf of Mexico, where much of Mexico's oil industry is based. — MNA/Reuters

Typhoon "Longwang" hits Fujian

FUZHOU, 3 Oct — Typhoon Longwang stroke Jinjiang in southeast China's Fujian Province at 9:35 pm Sunday, scaling at force 12 in the epicentre with winds up to 33 miles per hour.

Longwang, or Dragon King, bringing heavy winds and torrents, is moving to Fujian's coastal city Xiamen where airport was closed earlier Sunday morning.

According to local flood prevention office, 376,000 people had been evacuated to safe places by 6:00 pm Sunday.

They were moved from boats and aquaculture offshore farms in Ningde, Fuzhou, Putian, Quanzhou, Xiamen and Zhangzhou.

Over 38,700 boats were also brought back to harbours.

MNA/Xinhua



A general view of the flooded city centre of the Chinese city Fuzhou in Fujian Province, eastern China, on 3 October, 2005 after it was hit by Typhoon Longwang. — INTERNET

MNA/Xinhua

OUR CETENA TEACHER — THE BENEFACTOR

U Thaung Tut

“When the untapped potential of a student meets the liberating art of a teacher, a miracle unfolds”

Mary Futrell

President of Education International

The miracle of teaching-learning process should be opened freely and systematically to every child, every young person. This message has echoed across all over the countries in the world today.

We all are aware of the fact that the rapid and tremendous changes and development in telecommunications and computer technology have great impact and influence on human life-style, human way of thinking—political, economic, cultural and social—including education settings of every country and individuals far beyond expectation.

These effects bring forth the attention of all countries in the world to invest heavily in the human-resource development for facing and living up to the challenges of ever-changing world. To realise this vision, every country is trying to reform, to re-engineer and to change its education system and programmes for sustainable development in the light of the existing culture, socio-economic and political climate of the country. At the heart of any education reform or change of a nation, inevitably comes the essential and vital role of our teachers. Teachers are in fact advocates for, and catalysts of, change. No education reform or change is likely to succeed without the true perspective and active participation of teachers.

Our teachers are really important players in any attempt promoting quality education whether in schools or in any form of teaching-learning process. The main task of our teachers is now not confined to imparting factual knowledge to students to pass the examination. But they have to liberate the hidden and locked potential of each student to bloom into an all-round development of the personality to his or her own fullest capacities. In short, the responsibilities and the professional quality of our teachers are critical and complex.

In our Myanmar society, the status of a teacher is great and high. Our teacher is placed on the same level together with the Buddha, the Dhamma, the Sangha and the parents. The teacher is respected and given due regards by all pupils—present as well as former.

Our Teacher_ The Benefactor

If expressed in analogy
Surpassing the great Mt. Meru
In grace and benevolence,
Equal in status with the Lord Buddha,
The saintly Benefactor.

Magghadeva lanka

The above-mentioned verse depicts the reflection of the pupils on their teacher in Myanmar. Traditionally once a teacher, he or she is a teacher for life whatever he or she may be at present by his or her pupils. This is the way we see and regard our teacher.

On the part of the teacher, he or she has to observe the functions, duties and responsibilities set by age-old tradition in addition to the present ones as expected by students, parents and communities.

A Teacher's Duties

Teaching the arts,
Good manners and morality,
Leaving nothing for himself
Warding off dangers;
Referring to other suitable specialists
These are the main five duties
That a teacher should discharge.

Thingazar Sayadaw

The verse shows how a teacher has to observe high moral, right attitude, correct ethical standard and selfless devoted duties to train and nurture their pupils to become good and highly educated citizens of the country. The contributions rendered by our teachers out of their love and compassion, *cetena* and devotion for their pupils

Our teachers are really important players in any attempt promoting quality education whether in schools or in any form of teaching-learning process.

are varied, immense and immeasurable.

On 5 October the world will be celebrating World Teachers' Day. The holding of World Teachers' Day is an expression of the moral obligations, social responsibilities and correct recognition felt by every country towards all the teachers of the world for their valuable sincere contributions and noble work. There are several instances to depict many writings honouring and praising the power and strength of our teachers by well-known writers, scholars and poets from various parts of the world.

On this auspicious day, let the peoples of the world join together unanimously to make obeisance and to bow our heads three times to our dedicated *cetena* teachers for their unbelievable creation of miracles by unfolding the hidden potential of every pupil in spite of their innumerable hardships and sacrifices in terms of living standard, monetary income and inadequate teaching - learning conditions.

အာရိယံ ဂုဏ် အဟံဝနာမိ
acariya gunam aham vandami
We adore you —Our Cetena Noble Teacher

The Noble Teacher

- * Ever caring and ever sharing,
Never refusing and never neglecting,
Sometimes scolding and sometimes defending,
Is the loving teacher.
- * Ever careful and ever cheerful,
Never hateful and never resentful,
Sometimes forgetful and sometimes hopeful,
Is the helpful teacher.
- * Ever near and ever dear,
Never far and never disappear,
Sometimes feared and sometimes revered,
Is the devoted teacher.
- * Ever active and ever instructive,
Never passive and never destructive,
Sometimes constructive and sometimes innovative,
Is the creative teacher.
- * All these attributes and many more put together,
Is the able, humble and noble teacher.

(A tribute to all teachers on World Teachers' Day - 5 October)

Professor Sein Sein Myint
Dagon University

CSSTB chairman inspects CICS (Paunggyi)

YANGON, 4 Oct— Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board Dr Than Nyun, accompanied by member of CSSTB U Nyunt Swe, Director-General U Hla Kyi of Civil Service Selection and Training Department and Director-General U Kyaw Zan Hla of Civil Service Affairs Department, arrived at Central Institute of Civil Service (Paunggyi) on 30 September and inspected construction of a hostel for female trainees.

The chairman also inspected beautifying tasks carried out around Yaynaukkan Lake and University Library.

MNA

PBANRDA Deputy Minister tours Mandalay Division

YANGON, 4 Oct— Deputy Minister for Progress for Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Brig-Gen Tin Ngwe, on 30 September, met staff of Mandalay Division Development Affairs Committee and discussed matters on keeping towns and villages clean, rural development, maintenance work to be carried out and serving the interests of the people.

The deputy minister next inspected saplings nurtured at Mandalay District Nursery and gave instructions.

At Singaing Township DAD office, the deputy minister heard reports on beautifying tasks and progress in construction of KyunU Creek bridge near Zawgyi River and gave instructions.

The deputy minister also heard reports on water supply tasks in Pyawbwe and Yamethin by officials and gave instructions on installing water meter, systematic carrying out of water supplying tasks and minimizing loss and wastage.

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All this needs to be known

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

Provisions donated to monasteries in Pyay

YANGON, 4 Oct — A ceremony to donate provisions to monasteries in Pyay organized by Pyaytaungtan Rice Offering Association was held on 2 October at Thrikhita Thirinandara Building in Pyay.

At the ceremony, Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Bago Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Southern Command Maj-Gen Ko Ko, Chairman of Bago Division (West) PDC Brig-Gen Hla Min, Brig-Gen Khin Zaw Oo of Innma Station and officials attended the ceremony and presented offertories to Sayadaws of the monasteries.

First, the congregation took the Nine Precepts from Sayadaw of

Sakartaung Monastery in Pyay State Ovadacariya Sayadaw Agga Maha Pandita Agga Maha Sадhamma Jotikadhaja Abhidhaja Agga Maha Sадhamma Jotika Bhaddanta Vilasara.

The association donated 2120 bags of rice, 270 viss of edible oil, 300 viss of salt, 1500 bottles of traditional medicine and K 4,869,430 to the monasteries contributed by the Defence Services (Navy), light infantry divisions, ministries, departments, Bago Division PDC and district/township PDCs in the Division and wellwishers.

After the ceremony, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than performed rituals of golden and silver showers to mark the successful completion of the ceremony.

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Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than offers provisions to a Sayadaw at the 24th donation ceremony of Pyaytaungtan Rice Offering Association. —MNA

Taninthayi Division WAO personnel hold discussions on health, social welfare with members of organization

YANGON, 4 Oct — Patron of Taninthayi Division Women's Affairs Organization Chairperson of Taninthayi Division Maternal and Child Welfare Association Daw Tin Tin Nwe and members met with members of WAO and MCWA at the hall of Kawthoung Township on 2 October.

During the meeting, authorities organized seven group discussions and they held talks on salient points on edu-

cation, health and social welfare and head of organizational department of WAO Daw Khin Thein held discussions on prevention against human trafficking.

Chairperson Daw Tin Tin Nwe presented VCDs and cassette tapes, mosquito nets and items to officials.

Next, the members of WAO viewed free health care services to local people given by specialists and they



Members of Taninthayi Division, District and Township Women's Affairs Organization at the round table discussions on education, health and social affairs.—MNA



Patron of Taninthayi Division WAO Chairperson of Taninthayi Division Maternal and Child Welfare Association Daw Tin Tin Nwe inspects health care services for rural people. —MNA

presented medicines and spectacles to the patients.

Afterwards, wife of the commander Daw Tin Tin Nwe and members arrived at Vocational Training Centre for Women in Kawthoung, the training center in-charge Daw Win Win Htwe briefed on functions of the training centre.

After that, Daw Tin Tin Nwe dealt with promotion programme of women and their development and presented 15 bags of rice to the trainees.

Later, they inspected hostels of the trainees and made arrangements to fulfill the needs.

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Spare parts to be manufactured at home displayed

YANGON, 4 Oct — A ceremony to display machinery spare parts to be manufactured at home was held this morning at the Yadana Hall of the Ministry of Energy on Pyay Road, here, attended by Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay, Deputy Minister for Rail Transportation Thura U Thauung Lwin, Deputy Minister for Industry-2 Lt-Col Khin Maung Kyaw, Deputy Minister for Labour Brig-Gen Win Sein, departmental heads under the Ministry of Energy and officials of the respective ministries, mechanics, industrialists and guests.

In his address, Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Than Htay quoted the Head

of State as giving guidance that industrial development was essential for national development, that import-substitute spare parts were to be manufactured at home and efforts were to be made to export spare parts. In accord with the guidance of the Head of State and under the programme of coordinating between mechanics, experts and industrialists, spare parts to be manufactured at home were displayed.

Next, the deputy minister explained matters on import of spare parts by enterprises under the Ministry of Energy and future plan. Afterwards, those present viewed 566 spare parts displayed at the ceremony.

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Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay inspects local-made spare parts and accessories on display.—MNA

Elements scheming to destabilize the region by piling one-sided pressure on Myanmar

A Reader

I have read news items concerning the report compiled by former Czech president Vaclav Havel and Bishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa calling on the UN Security Council to take action against Myanmar as situations in the country are posing a threat to peace and stability in the region.

So, I studied the report in detail. Referring to the resolutions passed by the UN Security Council to take action against some nations, and authority given under (7) Article of Chapter (41) of UN Charter, the report urged the UNSC to take the following measures against Myanmar.

- To state the main cause why the SC will have to intervene, and major points that pose a threat to peace
- Myanmar and the UN Secretariat are to form a democratically-elected government in accord with national solidarity,
- For the secretary-general to play an active role in addressing the problems and to forward the situations to the SC
- Myanmar Government is to allow UN agencies and international humanitarian organizations to tour freely across the nation and it is to ask for humanitarian aid, and
- Myanmar Government is to unconditionally release Daw Suu Kyi and other political prisoners.

The report compared Myanmar with the nations against which SC had to take action and intervene — Sierra Leone, Afghanistan, Haiti, Yemen, Rwanda, Liberia, and Cambodia— and pointed out the situation of Myanmar is worse than those nations, and the SC should take action.

I have learnt that anti-government elements inside and outside the nation have voiced their support to the one-sided report, while a western power is making preparations to hold talks on Myanmar affairs at the forthcoming meeting of UN Security Council and taking measures to win the support of other nations regarding the matter.

It is clear to all the politicians in the world that even though the elements in collusion are hatching a plot, it is, indeed, unnecessary. It is because had the situation in Myanmar posed a threat to regional security, her neighbours and ASEAN members would have noticed that, and those countries would have called for action against the nation. Surely, there is something wrong with the former Czech president, who lives in a region very far from Myanmar, Bishop Desmond Tutu in

South Africa and a big power worry more than the nations concerned.

If one studies the report, one will see well that it completely lacks ways and means and new ideas to smoothly address the problems of the nation through cooperation and coordination. And, it also refers to many false news items and exaggerations designed to make unfair accusations against the nation.

One of the mistakes is that it was rather irresponsible of the two to hire an international law firm to compile facts about situation in Myanmar instead of making a trip to the nation to solicit public opinion on a wider scale. In reality, the superficial report was based on the facts that conform to their own ideas and wishes, but was not aimed at seeking proper ways and means to deal with the Myanmar affairs.

I have learnt that a human being has two eyes and two ears to view and listen to things in a just and fair way, but only one mouth to tell the truth. If they view and listen to the prevailing situation of Myanmar justly and fairly, it will help the nation solve the problems properly.

The grave mistake is that the report carries personal feelings of anti-government elements and false accusations they always make with the intention of launching attacks against the nation.

If we assess the attitude of certain western nations and persons towards Myanmar, we will find that they prefer a carbon copy of western democracy in the nation, paying greater attention to the interest of an individual rather than to the present way of life in the nation, while holding negative views towards the ruling government that is taking systematic measures for transition to democracy.

Those engaged in politics have to set aside personal feelings and review prevailing situation objectively in the interests of the State and the people. It is regrettable that some western countries are relying too much on the exaggerated stories invented by the groups of anti-government renegades even though they notice the stories are based on groundless facts. They should have understood that due to their bias and prejudice against Myanmar, they have missed good opportunities to provide an effective assistance for the nation.

Frankly, those western nations and elements are badly in need of authentic and reliable intelligence reports.

Early this year, US State Secretary Condoleezza Rice billed Myanmar as the front line camp of dic-

tatorship.

At the ASEAN Summit held in the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Deputy US State Secretary Zolis branded Myanmar as a nation like a person suffering from cancer that is posing a threat to security of ASEAN.

Prior to the UN conference, in meeting with ministers of ASEAN members in New York, US State Secretary Condoleezza Rice said that Myanmar was taking a wrong step in human rights affairs. It is very much like the pot calling the kettle black.

Now, Bishop Desmond Tutu and former Czech president Vaclav Havel presented a similar voice, calling on the UN Security Council to act against the nation that is reportedly harming peace and stability of the ASEAN.

It is found that just after the report was issued, the State Department of the big power began creating situations to enable the UN Security Council to take action against Myanmar. I wonder if their acts were coincidence or part of the strategy they have laid down as far as Asia is concerned.

Those versed in political science know the ins and outs of the Western power's policy that Myanmar occupies the strategic location for the containment of the People's Republic of China, so it is anxious and in a rush to install a puppet government in Myanmar, the western entrance to China.

By conducting a wider view, one can easily notice that Myanmar is situated between two regional giants of Asia — China and India. And Myanmar occupies a strategic point that links India and other ASEAN countries. Besides, Myanmar can serve as an exit to the Bay of Bengal as well as to Malacca Strait, the most important sea lane in the world, for China. That was clearly supported by the concerted movements of ASEAN countries, BIMST-EC members, and nations of Greater Mekong Region. The western power is therefore practising a biased policy on Myanmar in order that it can check the influence of China in the region.

While hearing lopsided accusations, which Myanmar has nothing to do with, again and again against the nation, that reminded me of the launch of the aggressive war on Iraq, with alleged possession of weapons of mass destruction.

The invasion of Iraq has diminished the definition of and reliance on the UN Charter, and international agreements, and given rise to the law of the jungle in which might is right.

If a power bullies Myanmar and dominates her foreign affairs by installing a puppet government it favours, its acts will endanger the countries of the region including the neighbours which are enjoying cooperation and unity. In that situation it is sure that the regional stability will be ruined.

The US suspended all military and economic assistance to Myanmar as soon as the Tatmadaw Government took over the State duties in 1988. Since then the US has been demanding the government to transfer power back to its owner. In addition it has been pressing Myanmar to honour the results of 1990 election. The US Congress in 1997 ratified the law prohibiting all American investment in Myanmar. In 2003, the US Congress banned all goods imported from Myanmar. In addition, President Bush issued a decree freezing all Myanmar assets abroad.

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Elements scheming to destabilize the region by piling one-sided pressure on Myanmar

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All the follow-up notifications are just for extending its policy. No country has imposed sanctions severer than the US. America even ignores the humanitarian issues of Myanmar while continuing to embrace its lopsided stand against us.

At the same time, the big nation is partial to the Myanmar terrorist groups and abetting them in many forms and under different headings, while adding fuel to the existing problems. It never sees the Tatmadaw government's endeavours from the positive point of view, but is in favour with its puppet groups and never makes even a slightest criticism against them for their big mistakes and unreasonable acts.

Some media under the control of the West, are making concoctions and hatching plots for the global nations to have a wrong impression on Myanmar. We have many firm evidences that some of the congressmen and so-called diplomats of the big nation and the members of the groups opposing the government are so close to one another like childhood friends, and they are hand in glove with each other.

Concerning Myanmar political history, the report divided it into the pre-independence era, the post-independence era, the 1962 coup, the 8-8-88 unrest, the 1990 election and the present. But the report omitted all the significant lessons of the history intentionally.

The study of our political history should be started with objective studying of the causes that led to a conflict between the Tatmadaw government and the NLD-led bands opposed to the government in 1988. During the 1988 unrest, neither the existing government, nor the so-called political leaders who were said to have influence over the unrest could not control the situation at all. Hence, the Tatmadaw had to take over the State duties as the anarchy that reigned the nation then had made it impossible for the Tatmadaw to stay idle. It is a fact that cannot be ignored.

As soon as it assumed the State duties, the Tatmadaw government abolished the centralized economic system and the single party system. And then it introduced the market oriented economy and paved the way for multi-party democracy system. In this way, it has started to satisfy the true wish of the people.

The government has been implementing Our Three Main National Causes and the 12 state objectives, and is in the process of implementing the seven-point Road Map. However, the compilers of the report viewed the government to be obstructing democratization. In this way, for half a decade the government had been branded as a military dictatorship. The old conviction that only if the dictatorship system falls will the democratic system be installed has been upheld till today. The strategy of the anti-government elements is to totally crush the Tatmadaw Government to grab power. Confrontation and defiance of authority has been their democracy strategy.

Internal and external anti-government groups, Western nations and their media are launching a propaganda campaign saying that Myanmar people and the nation are in a state of bankrupt. But the Myanmar's objective conditions show that the Myanmar's present conditions are nine or ten times better than it was in 1988. When the Tatmadaw government took over the State duties, Myanmar's economy was in a state of decline. Development infrastructures were deteriorating. At

that time the government administrative machinery came to a halt with the breakdown of the transport sector.

Myanmar has been striving to develop herself on self-reliant basis. Efforts are being centred on ensuring food sufficiency for the growing population. Thus, since 1988, agro-based development programmes have been laid down and implemented. The Tatmadaw government has built 178 new dams, and irrigated areas have increased to over 2,430,000 acres. Crop yield increased from 119.6 percent in 1988 to 152.7 per cent at present. Paddy production has reached nearly 1,200 million baskets. Myanmar can produce adequate amount of food for the growing population of up to 100 million people in the future.

FAO records indicate that Myanmar ranks sixth among the 24 Asian nations. Myanmar is in the ninth position in the poverty indicators. Myanmar ranks 12th in adult literacy. The average of Myanmar's social welfare rate is seventh among the Asian nations. As for a developing nation, Myanmar can be said in a prosperous stage. If the per capita income, economic development rate, rich and poor gap, adult literacy rate, are taken into account, Myanmar's level is at the mid-level.

Thanks to the national programmes the na-

development of productive forces, internal stability, improvement in the living conditions of the people.

Out of the two methods, the Union of Myanmar has chosen the safer and more peaceful path for the sake of the people and is doing whatever is necessary.

The Myanmar government today has launched the democratic transition that is correct and suits its society. However, a Western power and its associate nations are blaming Myanmar for not directly copying the Western democracy. For this reason, they have ceased humanitarian aid and imposed economic sanctions. They blindly stand by the acts of their minion group.

They should be thoughtful and sensible. They should realize the fact that it would be neither proper nor democratic to introduce democracy to certain nations in disregard of the characteristics of the nations concerned. There is no democracy in the world that can be practised and put to use right away. One and all can see that Myanmar has laid down the seven-point Road Map and is implementing it in the process of democratic transition. However, the big nation and its associates are interfering in the internal affairs with intent to divert

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tional economy is developing year after year. Yearly per capita income reached over K 160,000 at present, up from over K 4,000 in 1988.

According to the UN human development report 2001, under nourished people percentage of total population in Thailand was 21 per cent, Philippines 21 per cent, Sri Lanka 25 per cent, China 11 per cent, Vietnam 22 per cent, India 21 per cent, Myanmar seven per cent, Cambodia 33 per cent, Pakistan 20 per cent, Bangladesh 38 per cent, Nepal 28 per cent, and Laos 29 per cent. The reports indicate that Myanmar when compared with her neighbours, has greater opportunities for enjoying longevity and peace.

In the transport sector, Myanmar had 461 Union Highways with a total length of 13635 miles. At present, Myanmar has 160 more highways and 5,005 miles more. To meet the ever rising electricity demand, the government has built 30 hydel power plants, four gas-fired power stations, and one coal-fired power station to this date. The power generation capacity of the nation at present is 833 megawatts.

In the world today, developing countries have been engaged in democratic transition adopting two different methods. One method favours political freedom before economic foundation is consolidated. This method is often replete with the evil consequences such as disintegration and destruction, bloodshed and hardships faced by the people.

The second method involves taking of steps to strengthen economy while opening up political freedom accordingly. This second method of transformation paves the way, phase by phase, for the

and delay the process. This is none other than political manoeuvring in order to create internal problems and cause regional instability.

One of the principles of the United Nations Charter states as follows:

"Nothing in the Charter is to authorize the United Nations to intervene in matters which are essentially within the domestic jurisdiction of any State". Despite this they are trying to put one-sided pressure on Myanmar. The people of Myanmar will strongly oppose and protest against this kind of act. In fact, they are protesting at it.

Like manner, a big nation is pressing the ASEAN nations that are adhering to the Bandung principles which call for non-interference in one another's internal affairs, equality and mutual benefit, to put pressure and isolate Myanmar. Although they tried to make ASEAN a follower of their group, all the ASEAN members will not give up the ASEAN spirit.

The Vietnam war and Iraq war have stood witness to the fact that the world categorically objects to the attempts based on colonial domination. Only mutual benefit and constructive relations will be acceptable.

Hence, the one-sided report asking the United Nations Security Council to take action against Myanmar is unreasonable and contrary to the objective conditions in the country. It is connected with the strategic aims of a big power targeting Myanmar. In fact, it is an act of sabotage to incite instability in the region.

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Vice-Senior General Maung Aye meets departmental...

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Vice-Senior General Maung Aye arrived at Yeywa hydel power project being implemented on Myitnge River near Ye-Yaman Village 31-mile south east of Mandalay. They were welcomed there by Deputy Minister for Electric Power U Myo Myint and officials.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye inspected progress of work at the site. Deputy Minister U Myo Myint reported on the data of the project, sector-wise construction and progress of work.

Minister for Electric Power Maj-Gen Tin Htut also reported on construction of approach roads on both banks of Myitnge River, tarring of roads, installation of crushers, stockpiling of gravel, sand, cement, natural pozzolan, iron rods, diesel and supplies and measures undertaken on the instructions by Vice-Senior General Maung Aye during his inspection tour in the project in September 2004.

Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo and Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun reported on quality of construction materials to be used in the project and technology.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye called on officials to utilize local materials as many as possible and to implement the major project like Yeywa hydel power project with the set standard for public interest. Such kind of projects can be constructed with the exploitation of own technological power and resources so that it will be beneficial to the country.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and party in-



Vice-Senior General Maung Aye gives instructions on Yeywa Hydropower Project to the officials. — MNA

spected construction of concrete separation wall, flow of water in Myitnge river, construction of power intake and digging of the main embankment with the use of heavy machinery.

Minister Maj-Gen Tin Htut and the deputy minister reported on RCC and CVC concrete mixer and process of work. Vice-Senior General Maung Aye then gave necessary instructions.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and party inspected gravel, ice and natural pozzolan.

Yeywa hydel power project is being undertaken by Hydel Electric Power Department Construction-

2. Roller Compacted Concrete Dam, 2,264 feet long and 433 feet high, is being built on Myitnge river. The 790-megawatt power station will generate 3,550 million kilowatt hours annually.

Pozolan Plant was built and it produces cement and natural pozzolan which will be used in construction of concrete dam.

According to the data collected in 2003, there are 287 RCC dams in the world. The RCC dam of Yeywa hydel power project will be one of the largest ones in the world. Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and party arrived back here in the evening.—MNA



The power intake of Yeywa Hydropower Project on Myitnge River. — MNA

Rules for Armed Forces Day commemorative poem contest announced

YANGON, 4 Oct—Hailing the 61st Anniversary Armed Forces Day which falls on 27 March 2006, the Poem Contest Organizing Sub-committee under the Poem and Arts Competition Organizing Work Committee, chaired by Deputy Minister for Culture Brig-Gen Soe Win Maung, has announced the plan to hold the Poem Contest to mark the 61st Anniversary Armed Forces Day.

The contestants can compose objectives of the 61st Anniversary Armed Forces Day, matters related to the 12 fine traditions of the Tatmadaw, the three capabilities of the Tatmadaw, historic endeavours of Myanmar Tatmadaw in the respective periods and the current Tatmadaw (Army, Navy and Air) in national defence, anti-colonialists, anti-fascist and anti-insurgency, Tatmadaw's endeavours for non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity and perpetuation of sovereignty and nation-building tasks after 1988.

The competitions will be categorized into two levels— level-1 and level-2 and long poem and short poem will be included in both categories.

Those who have won the first, second or third prizes in the Poem Contest to mark the Armed Forces Day and the National Motto Contest, Sarpay Beikman Manuscript Award Contest and the Poem Contest of the Pakokku U Ohn Pe Literary Award Contest and National Literary Award winners may participate in the level-1 and those who did not win the prizes may take part in the level-2.

A contestant may take part in one level only. The contestant may participate in both or one of them. However, it must be one entry for one event.

The short poem must be between 100 and 300 stanzas and the long one between 1,000 and 2,000 stanzas. There must be 30 more or less stanzas in short

poem and 50 more or less stanzas in the long poem.

The free verse and modern poems will not be accepted.

The poem must be written on one side of the paper clearly and the three copies of the entry must be submitted.

And, the entry must be attached with the name of the contestant, pen-name, names of parents, education, occupation and address together with three 2" x 2.5" size colour photos.

The State has authority to use the prize-winning works.

The entry must be own creation and has not been featured in any publication yet.

The entries are to be sent to Lt-Col Ohn Maung (Retd) (Myinmu Maung Naing Moe), Chief Editor, Naingngan Gonyi Literary House, Sarpay Beikman, 529/530, Merchant Street, here, Tel: 374532, not later than 31-1-2006.— MNA

MWVO members urged to...

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The opening ceremony was also attended by Vice-Chairmen of the Central Organizing Committee of MWVO Vice-Admiral Kyi Min (Retd) and Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun, members of the central organizing committee, senior military officers, departmental officials, members of the supervisory committees of state/division/district WVOs and trainees.

After the opening ceremony, Lt-Gen Thein Sein greeted the trainees.

Advanced organizing courses No 7/2005 were also opened simultaneously today at the MWVO's training schools in Mandalay and Magway, and 50 trainees are attending each course. — MNA

Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein
has a cordial conversation with
a trainee. — MNA



Regional Director of IPPF calls on MMCWA President



MMCWA President Daw Khin Khin Win meets Regional Director Ms Raj Karim. — MNA

YANGON, 4 Oct — Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association President Daw Khin Khin Win received Ms Raj Karim, Regional Director of International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF), at the office of

MMCWA in South Oakkalapa Township here at 9 am today.

Also present at the call were MMCWA Vice-President Dr Daw Tin Lin Myint and CEC members.

The regional director was briefed on

the aims and objectives, functions and future work programmes of the association. Then the regional director studied the documentary photos on activities of the association.

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India, Pakistan in "good" talks, sign two pacts

ISLAMABAD, 4 Oct — India and Pakistan signed two agreements on security cooperation on Monday as their foreign ministers discussed a tentative peace process.

India's Natwar Singh and his Pakistani counterpart, Khurshid Mehmood Kasuri, said their talks were going well as officials signed pacts on advance warning of ballistic missile tests and on a hotline between their Coast Guards.

"All I can say is that the talks went off in a very cordial manner," Kasuri told reporters at the Foreign Ministry in

Islamabad, during a break in the discussions. Singh said: "We have had very good talks. Now we are again going for talks."

The nuclear-armed neighbours have gone to war three times since independence in 1947 and nearly fought a fourth in 2002 before launching a peace process early last year. As well as the two security pacts, there is also

a possibility of progress on the withdrawal of troops from a disputed Himalayan glacier and on a maritime border row, analysts said.

But a breakthrough on the main issue of contention, their decades-long dispute over the Himalayan region of Kashmir, was not likely, analysts from both sides have said. — MNA/Reuters

Arrangements for Mid-Year Myanmar Gems Emporium previewed

YANGON, 4 Oct — Patron of the Central Committee for Organizing Myanmar Gems Emporium Minister for Mines Brig-Gen Ohn Myint previewed the arrangements for the Mid-Year Myanmar Gems Emporium (2005) at the Myanmar Gems Mart on Kaba Aye Pagoda Road here this afternoon.

On arrival at the emporium, he was welcomed by Chairman of the Central Committee Deputy Minister for Mines U Myint Thein, Vice-Chairman Deputy Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Wai Lwin, Secretary Managing Director of the Myanmar Gems Enterprise U Thein Swe and members.

The minister inspected jewelry shops and mosaic paintings shops on the ground floor, imperial jade lots, commercial jade lots, raw jade lots around the emporium, and jewelry lots and pearl lots on the top floor. The committee members conducted him round the emporium. The second meeting of the Central Committee took place at the emporium, with an address by the minister.

Members of the Central Committee and officials of respective subcommittees reported on preparations for the emporium.

The minister assessed the reports and delivered concluding remarks. — MNA



Minister Brig-Gen Ohn Myint previews the arrangements for the Mid-Year Myanmar Gems Emporium (2005). — MNA

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The Integrated Community Development Project is one of the projects in Myanmar funded by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) under its Human Development Initiative (HDI) IV. The project is currently providing assistance on social infrastructure and livelihood activities to poor rural communities in a number of selected townships in Myanmar. The assistance is delivered to the communities by township based project teams. Currently ICDP/UNDP is seeking applications from qualified Myanmar Nationals for the following posts:

Post: Township Facilitator
Duty Stations: ICDP project townships (ongoing and upcoming)
Responsibilities: Working under the direct supervision of Township Coordinator the Township Facilitator's responsibility will include:

- 1. Facilitate and coach partner communities to be able to identify, prioritize, plan, implement, and sustain village development activities in a participatory, transparent, and equitable manner.
2. Assist communities to identify opportunities for development, which focus on the needs of the poorest households in the communities with special attention to the needs of women and children.
3. Assist, facilitate, train and coach partner communities in developing and/or strengthening local community groups.
4. Facilitate linkage between beneficiaries and local sources of technical and financial support relevant to their development activities.
5. Assist the Township Coordinator in the preparation of work plans and budgets and reports as required.
6. Provide support to and monitoring of community activities co-funded by the project for community infrastructure, livelihoods, or training.
7. Any other duties assigned by the Township Coordinator or person assigned by him or her.

Qualification and requirements: A university degree, with minimum three years of experience community-based rural development having knowledge and skill in basic computer operation (words and excel). Prior practical experience in participatory rural poverty-alleviation and ability to speak/write English and speak local dialects would be an added advantage.

Applications should be addressed to: The Agency Project Manager, ICDP office, No. 6 Natmark Road, P.O. Box 650 Yangon and submitted during office hour not later than 19 October 2005.

Note: UNDP practice relating to recruitment prohibits hiring of persons currently engaged by Government services or who left Government service during the past six months. Only those candidates in whose qualifications and experience the organization has further interest will be contacted for subsequent interviews. ICDP regrets its inability to reply individually or attend to telephone queries on the advertised post.

Six missing as truck plunges into river in central Nepal

KATHMANDU, 3 Oct— At least six people went missing on Saturday when a truck plunged into a river in central Nepal, local police office said.

"The ill-fated truck fell 500 feet off the road into the Bhotekoshi River, after a head-on collision with another truck at Chaku Bazaar area of Sindhapalchowk District, northeast of Kathmandu," District Police Office said in a Press statement.

The missing included the driver of the truck and three passengers hailing from Darjeeling of India, the statement noted, adding, "the two others missing have not been identified yet."

MNA/Xinhua

Civil Service Selection and Training Board
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Toyota Motor Corp President Katsuaki Watanabe stands beside Toyota's new compact car model Ractis in Tokyo on Monday, 3 Oct, 2005. —INTERNET

S Korean movie wins top prize in 50th APFF

KUALA LUMPUR, 3 Oct— The 50th Asia Pacific Film Festival (APFF) closed here Saturday night and the movie "Tae Guk Gi" from South Korea took away the prize of Best Director.

The Best Director prize went to Kang Je-Gyu who directed the South Korea feature film, while Joo Hyun, who played a father of a young girl committing various crimes in another South Korea feature movie the "Family", awarded Best Actor.

Malaysian actress Tira Jacquelina won a gust of warm applause when

she went onto the stage to accept the Best Actress prize for her role in Malaysian feature film "Puteri Gunung Ledang," or "A Legendary Love".

Jackie Chan, a well-known movie star of Hong Kong, China, failed to appear at Putra World Trade Centre here to pick up a special prize granted by the jury of the festival. He was

among the five awarded a special prize by the jury.

The most prestigious film festival in the Asia Pacific Region opened at the Istana Budaya national theatre here on Wednesday with the theme Towards International Success. Sixteen countries sent 45 movies to vie for 14 prizes in three categories — feature film, documentary and cartoon.

Anthony Wong from Hong Kong, China scored the Best Supporting Actor prize for his excellent performance in "Initial D", while Indonesian actress Rima Melati won the Best Supporting Actress prize for her role in "Violet", a film sent to the festival by Jakarta City of Indonesia.

The Best Screenplay was awarded to Lin Cheng Sheng who adapted the script for the "Moon Also Rises," a film presented by Chinese Taipei. The city will host the 51th Asia Pacific Film Festival next year. — MNA/Xinhua

Immigrant boat sinks off Spain, three dead, 14 missing

MADRID, 3 Oct — Spanish sea rescue services were searching for 14 would-be immigrants missing and believed drowned on Sunday after their boat sank off the Canary Islands killing at least three, Spanish media reported.

Another 17 immigrants were rescued from the rickety boat which capsized around 26 miles off the southeastern coast of Fuerteventura. Coast Guards held out little chance of finding the missing, state radio reported.

Separately, another 150 North Africans were caught trying to get across the Gibraltar Strait illegally, state radio said.

Earlier this week, five would-be migrants died trying to cross the border into Spain's North African enclave of Ceuta, as up to 600 Africans stormed razor wire fences.

Spain's Interior Minister later confirmed reports that two of the victims had died of bullet wounds, but has not said who fired the shots. An investigation is under way.

The deaths put a spotlight on the immigration problem just as Spanish Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero was about to hold talks with his Moroccan counterpart Driss Jettou.

Both sides are under pressure to sort out immigration chaos on Europe's only land borders with Africa. — MNA/Reuters



General view of the opening ceremony of Shanghai Qizhong Tennis Center on 3 Oct, 2005 in Shanghai, China. —INTERNET

British rocker Pete Doherty held after drugs raid

LONDON, 3 Oct — Bad-boy British rocker Pete Doherty, famous for his relationship with supermodel Kate Moss, has been held by police after a drugs raid on a venue where his band were playing, a spokesman for the singer said on Sunday.

Officers with sniffer dogs raided Shrewsbury Music Hall in central England, where Doherty's group, Babyshambles, were playing on Saturday

night to target "the suspected illegal use of Class A drugs".

They also searched the band's tour coaches.

A West Mercia police spokesman said they had arrested a man and a woman, who was later freed without charge, for suspected possession of a Class A drug — a cate-

gory which includes cocaine and heroin.

Police would not identify the arrested man but Doherty, a confessed drug addict, had been held according to his spokesman.

He added that the band's two tour buses had also been impounded by police. They are now undergoing forensic tests.

Police said the arrested man had been taken to a police station in Telford and would be questioned later on Sunday.

Doherty, 26, shot to stardom as the lead singer of The Libertines but was kicked out of the band for his well-publicized drug addiction to crack cocaine.

— MNA/Reuters

Ten killed, nine missing in boat accident in Congo

KINSHASA, 3 Oct — At least 10 people died and nine went missing on Saturday in a boat accident on the Tchuapa River in the Democratic Republic of Congo, the Independent Electoral Commission of the DR Congo confirmed on Sunday.

The accident occurred in a northwest equatorial province of DR Congo and the victims were 17 policemen and two crew members.

Carrying both cargoes and people, the ship sank after it caught fire, and its passengers included six crew members and 94 police officers who were responsible for the security of the ongoing voter registration in DR Congo.

Also on Sunday, the Independent Electoral Commission announced that up to 14.4 million voters have been registered by October 1. And the national vote, which will be the first free elections of DR Congo in 45 years, is expected to be held before 30 June, 2006.

— MNA/Xinhua

Three due in court over Britain's brothel raid

LONDON, 3 Oct — Two men and a woman face magistrates on Saturday after a police raid on a Birmingham massage parlour freed a number of foreign women thought to have been held as sex slaves.

The two men, aged 52 and 22, and the 50-year-old woman have been charged with running a brothel and with firearms offences after a specialist police team stormed the Cuddles massage parlour on Thursday evening releasing 19 women. — MNA/Reuters

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SPORTS

Mexico stun Brazil to lift Under-17 world title

LIMA (Peru), 4 Oct—Mexico scored twice in two minutes to set up a stunning 3-0 victory over defending champions Brazil to capture the FIFA Under-17 World Championship on Sunday.



Mexico's U-17 players celebrate as they arrive at the international airport in Mexico City on 3 October, 2005. The team won the U-17 World Cup soccer championship Peru 2005 against Brazil at the National Stadium in Lima on 2 October.—INTERNET

Tournament top scorer Carlos Vela put Mexico ahead with a low header in the 31st minute and Omar Esparza doubled the ad-

The victory in the 16-team tournament was Mexico's first at any level in a FIFA world championship. Brazil have won the event on three previous occasions.

The Netherlands beat Turkey 2-1 for third place.

The championship marked the official competition debut of the new "intelligent ball" embedded with a microchip to help referees monitor when the ball crosses the goal-line.

FIFA President Sepp Blatter has said the technology could be used at next year's World Cup finals in Germany if tests in Peru and at a World Club Championship in Japan in December went well.

It yielded "interesting results" at the Peruvian tournament, Blatter said in Lima on Saturday.

MNA/Reuters

Italian Serie A match reports

MILAN, 4 Oct — Brief reports of matches played in Italy's Serie A on Sunday:

Ascoli 3 — Parma 1

Two goals from Croatian Sasa Bjelanovic helped Ascoli to their first win of the season after Parma had taken the lead through Andrea Pisanu in the 20th minute.

Bjelanovic's equalizer was followed by a brilliant solo goal from Pasquale Foggia before a second header from the Croat secured the win. Parma had midfielder Domenico Morfeo sent off seven minutes from the end.

Fiorentina 3 — Livorno 2

The game turned in Fiorentina's direction in the 16th minute when Livorno striker Cristiano Lucarelli was sent off for dissent and, down to 10 men for the remainder, the visitors struggled.

Luca Toni headed Fiorentina, part of the pack chasing leaders Juventus, in front and Martin Jorgensen blasted in the second in the 35th minute before another well-struck goal from Giampaolo Pazzini on the hour gave La Viola a decisive lead.

Livorno's goals came in the final four minutes as Fiorentina eased off, Fabio Galante and Stefano Morrone finding the target.

Lecce 3 — Cagliari 0

Lecce picked up their first win against a Cagliari side who have made a dreadful start to the season.

Axel Konan put Lecce in front and was then brought down for the penalty that was converted by Alex Pinardi while Cristian Ledesma completed the win from a free kick.

Messina 1 — Sampdoria 4

Sampdoria are looking strong again this season as they chase their target of a top-four finish although this win was not as convincing as the result suggests.

Francesco Flachi put Samp ahead just before the break but then missed a penalty after the restart. Emiliano Bonazzoli made it 2-0 with a great shot on the turn in the 63rd minute before it was Messina's Arturo Di Napoli's turn to fail from the spot — Francesco Antonioli saving well.

Marco Borriello slid in at the back post to make it 3-0 for Samp before Gaetano D'Agostino pulled one back for Messina only for Bonazzoli to strike again in the last minute.

Palermo 2 — Empoli 2

A disappointing result for the Sicilians who had taken the lead through Andrea Caracciolo in the seventh minute only for Francesco Tavano to equalize two minutes later and then, with a fine solo goal, make it 2-1 just before the interval.

Nigerian Stephen Makinwa's header 10 minutes after the restart brought Luigi Del Neri's team level but they were unable to convert several chances to win the game.

AS Roma 2 — Siena 3

A very poor result for Roma who suffered the added insult of all 10-man Siena's goals coming from former Lazio players.

Paolo Negro put Siena ahead from close range in the 17th minute but Brazilian Rodrigo Taddei equalized with a goal against his former club.—MNA/Reuters

Sporting stars launch NSPCC campaign

LONDON, 4 Oct—A host of sporting celebrities including Sir Alex Ferguson, rugby player Jonny Wilkinson and boxer Amir Khan have joined together to support an NSPCC campaign to urge people to help stop child cruelty.

The NSPCC launched their campaign "Talk 'til it stops" on Monday with a new study which said abused children waited an average of two years and four months before telling anyone about their abuse.

The study also said the children spoke to an average of three people before anyone helped them.

Ferguson, Wilkinson and Khan will appear in a new television advert to promote the campaign with Manchester United defender Rio Ferdinand.

Ashes winner Marcus Trescothick and rugby World Cup winner Matt Dawson have also signed up to promote the

charity's campaign.

In the report, the NSPCC said they spoke to 68 children and young people who had suffered from abuse or domestic violence with the majority saying they had been worried about who to talk to. "We know that millions of people across the country are willing to play their part in ending child cruelty, but are often confused about what to do or whether it will make a difference," NSPCC director Mary Marsh said.

"But every action, however small, counts.

"Most children and young people in our report said they looked to adults to protect them and

get help from other people. Taking action in Full Stop Week and using the advice available will make a difference to children who are suffering in silence." The campaign includes national television adverts and an advice card which will be sent to nine million homes this week. This will also include a survey which hopes to establish people's attitude towards abuse.

The Full Stop Week runs from 3 to 9 October.

MNA/Reuters

Porto held by stubborn Maritimo

LISBON, 4 Oct—Porto were held to a 2-2 draw at Maritimo in a stormy Portuguese Premier League encounter on Sunday to be joined at the top of the standings by unfancied Nacional Madeira, who overcame Penafiel 2-0.

Porto lead on goal difference, with both teams on 14 points from six matches, two ahead of Sporting, who ended a miserable week with a 3-0 drubbing at Pacos Ferreira.—MNA/Reuters



Vitoria de Guimaraes Targino celebrates after scoring against Benfica to tie the game 1-1 during their Portuguese League soccer match on 3 Oct, 2005, at Benfica's Luz Stadium in Lisbon, Portugal.—INTERNET

Primera Liga match reports

MADRID, 4 Oct— Brief reports of Primera Liga matches played on Sunday:

Cadiz 1 — Celta Vigo 1

Celta slipped off the top of the table after being pegged back by Cadiz. Uruguayan midfielder Andres Fleurquin headed Cadiz in front from a corner after 15 minutes, but Brazilian striker Fernando Baiano levelled with a close-range backheel just 10 minutes later, taking his tally for the season to five.

Both sides hit the woodwork later on. Deportivo Coruna 0 — Osasuna 1 Osasuna responded well to their UEFA Cup exit at the hands of Stade Rennes in midweek with a resilient display against Depor.

Midfielder Inaki Munoz scored against the run of play with a low shot from 25 metres to send Joaquin Caparros' side to their first league defeat of the season.

Racing Santander 1 — Alaves 2

Alaves earned their first win of the season against the league's tightest defence with an injury-time goal from midfielder Santiago Carpintero.

Brazilian midfielder Wesley scored from a corner to put Alaves in front in the first half, but Racing striker Juanjo levelled in a one-on-one 12 minutes from time before Carpintero drilled home the winner from the edge of the area.

Real Sociedad 1 — Real Betis 1

After an impressive midweek performance in the Champions League against Anderlecht, Betis returned to earth with another stuttering league showing. They have not won in four outings.

MNA/Reuters



Russia's Maria Kirilenko returns a shot to Ayumi Morita of Japan at the first round of the Japan Open tennis championship in Tokyo on 4 October, 2005. Kirilenko won the match 6-4, 6-4.—INTERNET



Italian firefighters put out the fire caused by the simulated explosion of a suicide bomber in front of Rome's ancient Colosseum on 3 October, 2005.

INTERNET

US judge denies ex-Tyco execs' bail requests

NEW YORK, 4 Oct — An appellate judge denied requests on Monday by jailed former Tyco International Ltd chief Dennis Kozlowski and co-defendant Mark Swartz that they be freed on bail pending appeal of their convictions for stealing more than 150 million US dollars from the company.

In a one-page court document, Justice Angela Mazzaelli of the Appellate Division in New York denied their motion without comment. The judge had asked prosecutors to file papers last month on defence attorneys' request for bail.

"It's very, very sad, so disappointing. Even (ex-WorldCom chief) Bernie Ebbers, who got 25 years, is out pending appeal. We just have to now concentrate on the appeal," said Charles Stillman, lawyer for Swartz.

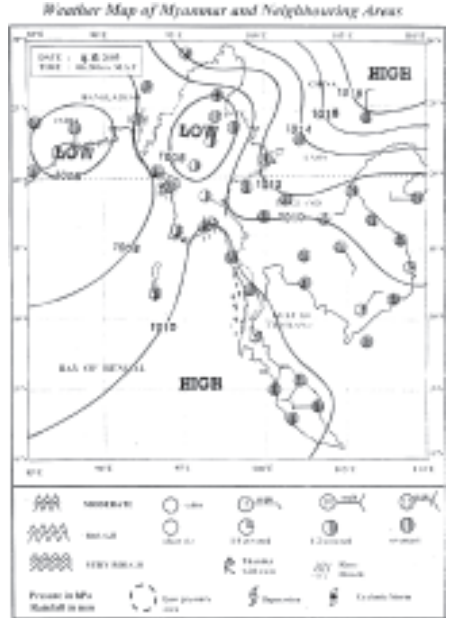
Stephen Kaufman, lead lawyer for Kozlowski, was unavailable for comment, having already left his office for the Jewish high holy day of Rosh Hashanah.

Robert Morgenthau, the Manhattan district attorney, said, "We don't think it's appropriate to be gloating" when asked to comment on the appellate court decision.

Defence lawyers had

previously said they plan to appeal the ex-Tyco executives' criminal convictions. Former Tyco CEO Kozlowski, 58, and former chief financial officer Swartz, 45, were each sentenced to 8-1/3 to 25 years in prison and ordered to pay millions of dollars in fines and restitution.

MNA/Reuters



WEATHER

Wednesday, 5th October
Tune in today:

- 8:30 am Brief news
8:35 am Music: -We've got it going on-(BSS)
8:40 am Perspectives
8:45 am Music: -Pump up the Jam. (Technotronic) National news & Slogan
9:00 am Music: -Breakfast at Tiffany's (Jackie "O")
9:05 am International news
9:10 am Music: -Moving on up (Tee's Freeze Mix)
1:30 pm News / Slogan
1:40 pm Lunch time music
-It might be you (Stephen Bishop)
-Save the best for last - (Venessa Williams)
-Too much love will kill you (Bryan May)
-Full circle (Dolly Parton)
Variations on a tune
"A taste of honey"
-(Tracy Lopez, July London, Instrumental Version)
Article
Music at your request
-All I want is you-(911)
-Make it through - (Randy Travis Linda Davis)
-Brother Louie (Modern Talking)
News/Slogan
10:00 pm PEL

Tuesday, 4th October, 2005

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST: During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Kachin, Shan, Kayin and Mon States, Taninthayi Division, isolated in Kayah State, Mandalay, Bago and Yangon Divisions and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Machanbaw (2.36) inches, Heho (1.57) inches, Pinlaung (1.30) inches, Taunggyi (0.66) inch and Pyinmana (0.08) inch.

Maximum temperature on 3-10-2005 was 91°F. Minimum temperature on 4-10-2005 was 72°F. Relative humidity at 9:30 hrs MST on 4-10-2005 was 93%. Total sunshine hours on 3-10-2005 was (8.7) hours approx. Rainfalls on 4-10-2005 were nil at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and central Yangon. Total rainfalls since 1-1-2005 were (93.78) inches at Mingaladon, (96.14) inches at Kaba-Aye and (99.92) inches at central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (5) mph from West at (11:55) hours MST on 3-10-2005.

Bay inference: According to the observations at (06:30) hours MST today, the low pressure area over Northwest Bay has crossed the West Begal Coast of India, Monsoon is weak in South Bay and weather is partly cloudy elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 5-10-2005: Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Mon State and Taninthayi Division, scattered in Kachin, Chin and Rakhine States, upper Sagaing, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Divisions, isolated in Shan, Kayin and Kayah States and partly cloudy in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of withdrawal of Southwest monsoon from Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 5-10-2005: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is 80%.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 5-10-2005: Partly cloudy.

ကျွန်ုပ်တို့အတွက်

သိတင်းကျွတ်ကာလနှင့် တန်ဆောင်တိုင်ကာလများတွင် ပြောက်အိုး၊ မီးရှူးနှင့် ဒုံးများ(ရှူးဒီဇီ) ပစ်ခတ်ခြင်းဖြင့် ပြည်သူများအထိ တိတိလက်လက်ဖြစ်ခြင်း၊ မသမာ သူများက ရပ်ရွာ အေးချမ်းသာယာရေးနှင့် လုံခြုံရေးကို ထိခိုက်အောင် လုပ်လာနိုင်ခြင်း တို့ကြောင့် ပြောက်အိုး၊ မီးရှူးနှင့် ဒုံးများ(ရှူးဒီဇီ)တို့ ပစ်ခတ်ခြင်းကို တားမြစ်ရမည်။
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(က) ထုတ်လုပ်ရေး၊ ချသဖြင့် အရေးယူမှု(၂၀၇)ခုတွင် တရားခံ (၂၀၁)ဦးအား အနည်းဆုံးထောင်ဒဏ်(၂)နှစ်မှ အများဆုံး ထောင်ဒဏ်(၃)နှစ်အထိ ချမှတ်အရေးယူခဲ့သည်။
(ခ) ခေတ်ပြောင်း ပစ်လွန်ခြင်းများပြုလုပ်သဖြင့် အရေးယူမှု (၁၀၇)ခုတွင် တရားခံ (၁၆၀)ဦးအား အနည်းဆုံးထောင်ဒဏ် (၂)နှစ်အထိ ချမှတ်အရေးယူခဲ့သည်။
၃။ သို့ဖြစ်ပါ၍ ယခုနှစ် ၂၀၀၅ခုနှစ် သိတင်းကျွတ်ကာလနှင့် တန်ဆောင်တိုင်ကာလများတွင် ပြောက်အိုး၊ မီးရှူးနှင့် ဒုံးများ(ရှူးဒီဇီ) များအား ထုတ်လုပ်ရေး၊ ချခြင်း၊ ပစ်ခတ်ခြင်းများ ပြုလုပ်ပါက ယခင်နှစ်များနည်းတူ အာဏာပိုင်အဖွဲ့အစည်းတို့အား အရေးယူမည် ဖြစ်ကြောင်း သတိပေး နှိုးဆော်အပ်ပါသည်။
(က) ထုတ်လုပ်ခြင်း၊ ရောင်းချခြင်းများပြုလုပ်ပါက တည်ဆဲဥပဒေအရ အများဆုံး ထောင်ဒဏ်အထိ ချမှတ်မည် ဖြစ်ပါသည်။
(ခ) ပစ်လွန်သည့်နေရာမှ အနီး၊ အဝေး၊ အနီးနှင့် အမြင့် တို့တွင် ပေါက်ကွဲစေ တတ်သော ပြောက်အိုး၊ မီးရှူးနှင့် ဒုံးများ(ရှူးဒီဇီ)ပစ်ခတ်သည့် တည်ဆဲ ဥပဒေအရ အများဆုံးထောင်ဒဏ်အထိ ချမှတ်မည် ဖြစ်ပါသည်။
(ဂ) သတင်းပေးသူကို ထိုက်တန်စွာ အရေးယူမည်။

ရန်ကင်းတိုင်ဆေးခန်း၊ ချမ်းသာယာရေးနှင့် ဖွံ့ဖြိုးရေးကော်မရှင်



Wednesday, 5th October
View on today

- 7:00 am ၁. ဈေးကွက်၊ မင်းကျွန်၊ ဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၊ နိုင်ငံတော်သံဃမဟာ နာယကအဖွဲ့ အကျိုးတော်ဆောင် ချုပ်၊ အဘိဓမ္မယောဂဋ္ဌဂျရ၊ အဘိဓမ္မအဂ္ဂမဟာ သဒ္ဓမ္မ ဇောတိက၊ တီပီဂုဏ်ဇရ၊ ဓမ္မသဏ္ဍာဂါရိက၊ ဆရာတော် ဘဒ္ဒန္တ ဒီဇ္ဈသာရာဘိဝံသ၏ ဝရိတ်တရားတော်
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. မြေပြားကြွကြွ ယဉ်ကျေးမှု အက
8:05 am 6. အတိုးပြိုင်ပွဲ
8:20 am 7. ငြိမ်းချမ်းတံတား

- 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. အစောင့်အရှောက်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ - ဒုတိယနှစ်(စုကုမ္ပဏီအထူးပြု) (စုကုမ္ပဏီ)
4:45 pm 4. Song of national races
4:50 pm 5. ၂၀၀၅ ခုနှစ်၊ တေရသမ အကြိမ်(၁၃ကြိမ်) မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာ ယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆို၊ အက၊ အရေး၊ အတိုးပြိုင်ပွဲဝင်များ လေ့လာ နိုင်ကြရန် (ကာလ ပေါ်နှင့် ခေတ်ဟောင်းဟောင်း) (ဥယျာဇွန်အစင်) (အမျိုးသမီး)
5:05 pm 6. တာဝန်ရှိသူ မြန်မာ့ဂီတ (အဘိဓမ္မာသာယာရေးအဖွဲ့) (အဆိုင်း-၄)
5:20 pm 7. Classical song
5:30 pm 8. ရှုမဝပုံစံလင် အာစီယံ အစီအစဉ်

- 5:40 pm 9. မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာလက်ရာပွဲ
6:00 pm 10. သုတစုံလင် ဓမ္မဉာဏ်ရင်
6:30 pm 11. Evening news
7:00 pm 12. Weather report
7:05 pm 13. Variety spectacular
7:25 pm 14. (၂၃)ကြိမ်ပြောက်အမှု တောင် အာရှအားကစားပြိုင်ပွဲဝင်မည့် မြန်မာအားကစားအဖွဲ့များ၏ ကြိုတင်ပြင်ဆင်မှုများ (ဘော်လီဘော)
7:45 pm 15. ကြားမြင်သူတ ဖြည့်ဝစေရာ စာပဒေသာ
7:45 pm 16. ဖွံ့ဖြိုးမှုအလင်းရောင်ပြော ဓမ္မလေးတိုင်းရွာသစ်ကျေးရွာ
8:00 pm 17. News
18. International news
19. Weather report
20. Myanmar Movie "ဝန်းကြွယ်လေးကဥယျာဉ်မျိုး" ကျော်ဟိန်း၊ ရေအောင်၊ သီဟိုဠ်နန်း (ဒေါ်နိုတ်တာ-မောင်တင်နီ)
21. The next day's programme

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye meets departmental officials, townselders in Mogok, gives instructions to officials on development of Mogok region

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region. Lt-Gen Kyaw Win, Lt-Gen Tin Aye, Vice-Admiral Soe Thein and the ministers met Chairman of Mogok Township Peace and Development Council and members, departmental personnel, members of social organizations, townselders and gem entrepreneurs at Mani Yadana Hall in Mogok.

Chairman of Mogok Township Peace and Development Council U Maung Maung reported on measures undertaken for agriculture, livestock breeding, economy, education and health sectors and development of the region.

Next, Minister for Mines Brig-Gen Ohn Myint reported on extraction of precious stones in Mogok, the need to conserve environment and arrangements for emergence of an international gem market at home.

Lt-Gen Tin Aye explained the purpose of the inspection tour of Manda-



Vice-Senior General Maung Aye cordially greets departmental officials, members of social organizations, and townselders in Mogok. — MNA

lay Division by Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and endeavours in every sector for emergence of a peaceful modern devel-

oped nation.

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye arrived at the hall and he cordially greeted those present.

After the meeting, Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and party left for Mandalay by helicopter. (See page 10)

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The grave mistake is that the report carries personal feelings of anti-government elements and false accusations they always make with the intention of launching attacks against the nation.

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MWVO members urged to participate in implementing seven-point Road Map

YANGON, 4 Oct — Advanced Organizing Course No 7/2005 conducted by Myanmar War Veterans Organization was opened today at the training school of the MWVO in Hmawby Township, Yangon Division, with an opening address by Chairman of the Central Organizing Committee of MWVO Secretary-

I of the State Peace and Development Council Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thein Sein.

In his opening address, Lt-Gen Thein Sein briefed on objectives of the MWVO, implementation of the five tasks laid down at the MWVO conference-2005 and MWVO's investment in economic

undertakings and participation in agriculture, livestock breeding and industrial sectors. He also urged all to participate in implementing the seven-point Road Map for the emergence of a peaceful, modern and developed nation.

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Secretary-1 Adjutant-General Lt-Gen Thein Sein addresses the opening of Advanced Organizing Course No 7/2005. — MNA