

**The Law Relating to Private Health Care Services issued  
To develop private health care services in  
accordance with the national health policy  
To participate and carry out systematically by private health care  
services in the national health care system as an integral part**

**The Union of Myanmar  
The State Peace and Development Council  
The Law Relating to Private Health  
Care Services**

**The State Peace and Development Council Law No. 5/2007  
The 4th Waning Day of Hnaung Tagu, 1368 M.E.  
(5 April, 2007)**

The State Peace and Development Council hereby enacts the following Law:

**Chapter I**

**Title and Definition**

1. This Law shall be called the **Law Relating to Private Health Care Services**.
2. The following expressions contained in this Law shall have the meanings given hereunder:
  - (a) **Health care services** mean any service with respect to knowledge, technology and expertise relating to health care, including promotion of

- knowledge and behaviour on health, prevention of disease, diagnosis of disease, treatment of disease, rehabilitation of health and research;
- (b) **Health care** means the activities with respect to knowledge, technology and expertise relating to health, including promotion of physical, mental and social well-being, prevention of disease, diagnosis of disease, treatment of disease, rehabilitation of health and research;
- (c) **Private health care services** mean any health care services contained in section 7 carried out by any private organization or individual with the intention to or not to obtain profit;
- (d) **Private clinic** means the clinic established systematically in accordance with the stipulations to carry out health care services as a private service for out-patients;
- (e) **Private general clinic** means the private clinic where medical treatment is provided, using relevant knowledge and skill by the person who has obtained the general medical practitioner's licence issued by Myanmar Medical Council, or the person who has obtained dental and oral  
*(See page 6)*

**Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than looks into  
progress of agriculture in Bago Division**



*Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than views broadcasting of fertilizer in summer paddy field in Paungde Township. — MNA*

NAY PYI TAW, 5 April — Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than of the Ministry of Defence attended the physic nut plants growing ceremony of Pyay Township at the township farm in Pyay on 3 April.

Together with Chairman of Bago Division PDC Commander of Southern Command Maj-Gen Ko Ko and Vice-Chairman Col Sein Myint, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than nurtured physic nut saplings.

At the briefing hall of Kyangin-Pakokku railroad construction project in Padaung Township, they heard reports on construction of railroad sections and railway stations, land preparations and stockpile of construction materials presented by Project Engineer U Myo Win. Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than instructed officials to complete the tasks on schedule.

Next, they inspected progress of Kyaukphu Creek Bridge on the Kyangin-Okshintpin railroad

section near Kyaukphu Village.

On completion of Kyangin-Pakokku railroad, local people can travel from Pathein to Pakokku, Gangaw and Kalay and Myitkyina of Kachin State through Pakokku-ChaungU railroad section and Monywa-YeU-KhinU railroad section by train.

In Paungde, they viewed broadcasting of fertilizer and weeding at summer paddy plantations.

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

# PERSPECTIVES

Friday, 6 April, 2007

## Model villages reflect high social, economic standards of rural people

The government has been attending to the requirements for the development of rural areas. In the process, it is constantly building infrastructures for ensuring smooth transport, and raising the economic, education and health standards of the people along with supply of sufficient irrigation water and clean water.

It is also constructing more and more village-to-village roads, town-to-town roads, district-to-district roads and large and small bridges. Thanks to the smooth transportation, commodity flow is now swift.

The Thabaung Bridge near Thabaung Village in Myingyan Township, Mandalay Division, and Myingyan-Thabaung tarred road were put into commission on 20 March. In the past, vehicles and people faced delays in their trips in the region due to torrential rains in the rainy season. However, now Myingyan is easily accessible in all weathers.

The programme to electrify villages with the use of the gas emitted naturally at Daybauk model village, Dawbonzu Village, Shwebozu Village and Gwaybingyaung Village in Kayan Township, Yangon South District, was launched on 25 March. The electricity generated from the natural gas wells in these villages is now supplied to the houses and used for lamp posts along the roads.

Thayaung Model Village in Phaungpyin Township, Mawlaik District, and Thayaung Station Hospital were opened on 30 March. Model villages, which depict the progress of rural areas, are enjoying sufficient power supply, new school buildings, libraries and rural health care centres. These facilities are contributing towards the public health care services and the broadening of their horizon.

Now, the government, local administrative organs and wellwishers are carrying out rural development tasks in harmony. With the emergence of a large number of model villages, rural people will be able to enjoy the taste of social and economic development.

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## Peoples' 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

## Industry-1 Minister meets Chinese guests

NAY PYI TAW, 5 April — Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung received President of China National Pharmaceutical Foreign Trade Corporation Beijing Co Mr Lzhixin and party at the minister's office yesterday.

Present also were directors-general, managing directors, general managers and officials of departments and enterprises under the ministry. — MNA



Minister U Aung Thaung meets President of China National Pharmaceutical Foreign Trade Corporation Beijing Co. — MNA

## MYANMAR GAZETTE

NAY PYI TAW, 5 April — The State Peace and Development Council has appointed Vice-Governor U Than Nyein of Central Bank of Myanmar as the Governor of the same organization under the Ministry of Finance and Revenue on probation from the date he assumes charge of his duties.

MNA

## YCDC issues water supply schedules

YANGON, 5 April — Arrangements have been made to supply water to Yangon General Hospital and other important areas round the clock during the Maha Thingyan Festival in 1368 Myanmar Era.

On Thingyan Akyat Day (14 April), Akyat Day (15 April) and Atet Day (16 April), water will be supplied to Tamway, Mingala Taungnyunt, Botahtaung and Pazundaung Townships round the clock. In addition, water will be supplied to Kyauktada, Lanmadaw, Latha, Bahan, Dagon and Pabedan Townships from 7 am to 11 am and from 3 pm to 6 pm; and Ahlon, Kyimyindine and Sangyoung Townships from 7 am to 9 am.

Mingaladon, Insein, Mayangon, Yankin, Kamayut, Hline, Hlinethaya, Shwepyitha, North Okkalapa, South Okkalapa, Thingangyun, Thakayta and Dawbon Townships will be supplied as usual. Beginning Myanmar New Year Day (17 April), all the townships can enjoy normal water supply. For any assistance to repair water pipelines during the water supply period, public may contact workers of Engineering Department (Water and Sanitation) at respective Township Development Affairs Committee Offices and dial 249655, 243550, 382990 and 660340 of Engineering Department (Water and Sanitation) of YCDC.

MNA

## CSSTB marks 70th Founding Anniversary

NAY PYI TAW, 5 April — The Civil Service Selection and Training Board celebrated its 70th Founding Anniversary at the office of CSSTB here this morning, with an address by Chairman of CSSTB Dr Than Nyun.

Present on the oc-

casation were CSSTB members U Aung Myint, U Hla Myint Oo, U Win Aung, U Soe Oo, U Nyi Tun, U Kyaw Aung, directors-general of the departments and universities under the CSSTB, rectors, guests and staff.

First, the chairman made a speech on the

purpose of the celebration of the founding anniversary. Next, the chairman and members presented prizes to outstanding service personnel and students.

Afterwards, the chairman, members and guests viewed commemorative booths.

MNA



CSSTB Chairman Dr Than Nyun views commemorative documentary on display. — MNA

**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**Indian PM elected SAARC chairperson at 14<sup>th</sup> Summit**

NEW DELHI, 4 April— Indian Prime Minister Manmohan Singh here on Tuesday took the chairmanship of the South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation (SAARC) at the 14th Summit meeting of the regional grouping.

The two-day meeting gathered together the Heads of State or Government of the member countries of SAARC—Bangladesh,

Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Pakistan and Sri Lanka to discuss efforts to combat terrorism, alleviate poverty and to promote intraregional trade.

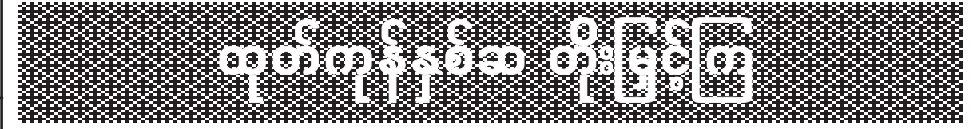
At the opening ceremony of the meeting, Afghan President Hamid Karzai signed a joint declaration with the Heads of State or Government of the seven SAARC member countries, formalizing

Afghanistan's entry into the regional grouping.

SAARC's five observers—China, Japan, Republic of Korea, the United States of America and the European Union also sent their representatives to the meeting.

India hosted the 2nd SAARC Summit in Bangalore in 1986 and the 8th SAARC Summit in New Delhi in 1995.

MNA/Xinhua



Child models present creations by Russian designer Tatiana Alehina during Russian Fashion Week in Moscow on 4 April, 2007. —XINHUA

**Egyptian archaeologists return from France with mummy's hair**

CAIRO, 4 April —An Egyptian archaeological delegation returned home Monday from Paris after having retrieved locks of hair from the mummy of Ramses II, the official news agency MENA reported.

The French authorities handed over Ramses II's hair to the Egyptian Embassy in Paris after arresting a French man who sought to sell them via the Internet for 2,500 euros.

The tress of Ramses II's hair has been lost for 32 years before appearing in France when it was offered for auction in the Internet last year.

The man said he had obtained the relic when his father worked on the pharaoh's mummy in France in the 1970s.

Ramses II's mummified body was moved to France in 1976 for treatment to stop it being destroyed by fungus. Ramses II was the third Egyptian pharaoh of the 19th Dynasty ( about 1,279 BC-1,213 BC). Ramses II's mummy was found in 1881.

MNA/Xinhua



The special V150 French TGV high-speed train travels along a newly built track near Jaulny near Pont-a-Mousson, eastern France, on 3 April, 2007. The train broke the world speed record at 574.8 kilometres (357 miles) per hour on Tuesday. — INTERNET

**Vietnam electronics exports rise in first quarter of '07**

HANOI, 4 April — Vietnam earned 441 million US dollars from exporting electronics goods, including computers, in the first quarter of this year, a year-on-year increase of 16.9 per cent, according to the country's General Statistics Office on Tuesday.

Electronics companies in Vietnam, whose export turnovers rose 24 per cent to nearly 1.8 billion dollars last year, are focusing on strengthening trade promotion in such big markets as Japan, Southeast Asia, China, South Korea and France, and conducting market surveys.

Many of the companies, which produce electronics items under outsourcing

contracts with foreign firms, are trying to raise the added value in their products, partly by designing their own models, and intensifying production of components and spare parts for export, according to the Vietnam Electronic Industries Association.—MNA/Xinhua

**Mexico officials seize 69 tons of illegal seafood**

MEXICO CITY, 4 April— Mexican authorities have seized more than 69 tons of illegal seafood in two operations recently, Mexico's Agriculture, Livestock and Fishing Ministry said on Tuesday.

The ministry said this was one of the strongest actions against illegal fishing, which refers to seafood whose origin cannot be proven.

The first operation was carried out Thursday and Friday in Mexico City's La Nueva Viga market, seizing more than 30 tons of illegal seafood. It included 2.264 tons of octopus, 7.723 tons of shrimp, 3 tons of shark meat, 3.345 tons of squid, 1.50 tons of oysters, 1.8 tons of clams and 10.629 tons of unidentified fish.

MNA/Xinhua



**Four US soldiers killed in Iraq**

BAGHDAD, 4 April— The US military said on Tuesday that four US soldiers were killed and two more wounded in insurgent attacks in Iraq on Monday. A Marine was killed while conducting combat operations in the volatile Anbar Province in western Iraq, the US military said in a statement.

A second soldier was killed while conducting combat operations in the western province, said another statement.

A third one was killed when a roadside bomb detonated near his vehicle during a military operation in the Fuhaylat area to the west of Baghdad, a statement said. The fourth soldier died hours after he sustained wounds along with two more soldiers when a suicide truck bomb detonated near his location close to a police station in Kirkuk, a statement said.

Two Iraqi policemen and 10 civilians were also killed, along with 17 policemen and more than 180 civilians injured when the suicide bomber blew up an explosive-laden truck into a police station in the Rahimawa District in the city, local police chief said. More than 3,255 US soldiers have been killed in Iraq since the US-led invasion in March 2003, according to media count based on Pentagon figures.

MNA/Xinhua

Shaolin Wu-Shu Warriors perform with swords during a Chinese State Circus rehearsal in London, on 4 April, 2007. The circus will run from 5-15 April. —XINHUA

# Russian against use of force on Iran

Moscow, 4 April—Russia is against the use of force against Iran, Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said on Tuesday, as the Gulf state continues to hold 15 British sailors and refuses to give up its nuclear programme.

“We are absolutely against the use of force in settling any conflicts. The same position remains in effect in relation to Iran,” the Russian *ITAR-TASS* news agency quoted visiting Lavrov as saying in Yerevan, capital of Armenia.

The United States has accused Iran of trying to develop nuclear weapons under the cover of a

civilian nuclear programme and is increasing pressure on the regime.

It has dispatched two aircraft carriers there and carried out military excises.

Iran has denied those charges, insisting that its nuclear programme is for civilian purpose.

Russian General Chief of Staff Yury Baluyevsky on Tuesday claimed that the possible use of force by the United States against Iran was aimed at enhancing US “positions

of at once a captain and a navigator” on the international arena but will “signal the decline of America”.

Resolutions adopted by the United Nations Security Council has excluded the use of force, Lavrov said, adding that “We urge all those, who may have an idea to use force, to implement the United Nations Security Council’s decisions and to remain in the international law field”.

MNA/Xinhua

*Ships are seen sailing on Xihu Lake in Hangzhou, East China’s Zhejiang Province. Hundreds of ships gather on Xihu Lake to celebrate the inauguration of an annual ship’s meeting there on 3 April, 2007.—XINHUA*



## Vietnam to make biggest island tourist paradise

HANOI, 4 April — Vietnam has planned to develop its biggest island, Phu Quoc, into a major tourist destination with an international airport, a seaport and various entertainment facilities by 2020, according to local newspaper *Young People* on Tuesday.

Under a recent governmental decision, Phu Quoc in southern Kien Giang Province will, from now to 2020, gradually have modern infrastructure and services, including national power grids, adventure tours, mountain climbing, relaxation, golf playing, and dog and horse racing. Construction of the airport in Duong To commune, capable of handling *Boeing-767s*, will start in 2008.

In 2020, Phu Quoc will have 18,000 hotel rooms, 60-70 per cent of which belong to hotels of between 3 and 5 stars, and reap total tourism revenues of some 771 million US dollars. In the year, it is expected to host 2-3 million tourists with foreign ones accounting for 35-40 per cent.

Phu Quoc, home to 68 hotels and guesthouses with a total of 1,253 rooms, received over 102,500 visitors, including 34,200 foreigners in 2006. To date, it has housed 12 domestic and foreign-invested projects totalling 46.9 million US dollars.

Over 100 firms, including big ones from the United States, England, France and Ger-

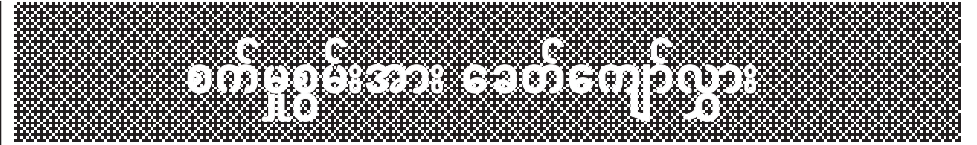
many, are waiting for being licenced to invest in Phu Quoc with combined investment of nearly 1.9 billion dollars.

Vietnam welcomed nearly 3.6 million foreign

visitors, mainly from Northeast Asia, Southeast Asia, North America, Western Europe and Eastern Europe, in 2006, up from nearly 3.5 million in 2005. — MNA/Xinhua



*A female tiger plays with its cubs at a zoo in Nanjing, East China’s Jiangsu Province, on 4 April, 2007. The tiger called Xinta, 8, gave birth to 27 cubs since 2001. —XINHUA*



*A security man guards the serpentine body of a 5,056-metre-long dragon just finished in Luoyang, central China’s Henan Province, on 3 April, 2007. —INTERNET*

## Indonesia-India security agreement comes into effect

JAKARTA, 4 April—The Indonesian Defence Ministry has announced that a security agreement with India had come into effect, paving the way for the joint production of military equipment, local Press said on Tuesday.

The agreement, which was previously ratified by the House of Representatives, came into force after President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono had issued a decree on its implementation.

The possible areas of

cooperation could include human resources training, the exchange of officers, joint border patrols, and fighting terrorism and sea piracy, reported English daily *The Jakarta Post*.

“We are now discussing the establishment of a joint committee to implement the agreement. The committee, which will be chaired by the secretary-general of both defence ministries, will decide on the areas of cooperation to be pursued,” the ministry’s spokesman Brigadier-General Edy Butar Butar was quoted as saying.

The agreement would also become the legal basis for Indonesia to procure military equipment from India and embark on joint ventures

for its production.

Defence Minister Juwono Sudarsono has said Indonesia would continue diversifying its military equipment sources to avoid dependency on the US.

The government has agreed to buy 1 billion US dollars in Russian weapons during the next five years, with the first shipment expected next year.

MNA/Xinhua

## Mild earthquake jolts central Philippines

MANILA, 4 April— A mild earthquake measuring Magnitude 3.1 hit Monday afternoon Borongan Town in Eastern Samar, central Philippines, the Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology (Phivolcs) said on Tuesday.

No one was reported injured in the quake, which Phivolcs described as tectonic in origin and with shallow focus.

The quake came two hours after the Phivolcs lifted a Level-2 tsunami alert on 20 provinces following an earthquake in Solomon Islands Monday morning.

MNA/Xinhua

## ECONOMIC NEWS

## Vietnam exports more cashew nuts in first quarter

HANOI, 4 April—Vietnam shipped abroad 27,000 tons of cashew nuts worth 107 million US dollars in the first quarter of this year, posting respective year-on-year rises of 6.1 per cent and 10.6 per cent.

The country is expected to reap cashew export revenues of 700 million dollars in 2007, up over 38.6 per cent over 2006, according to the Vietnam Cashew Association on Tuesday.

It earned 505 million dollars from exporting 127,000 tons of the nuts, mainly to China, the United States, the Netherlands, Australia, Canada, England and Russia last year.

Vietnam, home to some 350,000 hectares of cashew trees in 2005, plans to raise its cashew cultivation area to 450,000 hectares in 2010.

Vietnam and India, two of the world's three biggest cashew exporters,

have established an alliance to beef up global indirect consumption of the nuts, such as ingredient in candies, baked confectionaries, and other foodstuffs.

The alliance between the Vietnam Cashew Association and India's Cashew Export Promotion Council of India has invited the Association of the Cashew Producers of Brazil to enter the alliance by 30 April.

MNA/Xinhua



Three Omega watches : (L-R) the Omega, 'Seamaster' and 'Seamaster Planet Ocean' watches worn by actor Daniel Craig during the filming of 'Casino Royale' in 2005/2006, and the Omega 'Seamaster' watch worn by actor Pierce Brosnan during the filming of the James Bond movie 'Tomorrow Never Dies' in 1996/97 are pictured during a preview at Antiquorum auction house in Geneva on 3 April, 2007. —XINHUA



A female technician walks past the equipment inside the Bushehr nuclear power plant, some 750 miles (1,245 kilometres) south of the capital Teheran, Iran, on 3 April, 2007. Bushehr is Iran's first nuclear power station, but work at the plant has been long delayed. —XINHUA

## Ethiopia, France sign grant agreement

ADDIS ABABA, 4 April—Ethiopia on Tuesday signed a grant agreement amounting to 12.5 million US dollars with France for the implementation of three separate development schemes.

The agreement was reported to have been part of a partnership framework agreement signed by the two sides in 2006.

Under the agreement, the support will be used to finance projects aimed at increasing safe drinking water provision in the capital Addis Ababa, strengthening export capacity of the country's horticulture sector and providing institutional support for the integrated management of the Blue Nile.

Ethiopia is sub-Saharan Africa's second most populous country and is ranked seventh poorest in the world.

Its development efforts have to rely on massive foreign financing, covering about one-third of the country's annual budget.

MNA/Xinhua

## China-Vietnam economic cooperation zone to boost trade

NANNING, 5 April — China and Vietnam are accelerating the construction of an economic cooperation zone in the two countries' bordering area, aiming at promoting bilateral trades and the development of China-ASEAN Free Trade Area (CAFTA).

The zone comprises a logistics park and a processing park, in which

commodities made in China and Vietnam will enjoy the privilege of zero tariffs and no import linkage tax, said sources with Pingxiang City government Wednesday.

With the completion of the project's first phase, four enterprises have started operation in the processing park, and the second phase is now under construction, said a spokesman of the

management committee of the zone.

The zone, initiated in 2004, at Pingxiang City, south China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region and the bordering Lang Son Province of Vietnam, covers an area of 13.4 square kilometres in Guangxi and a combined 1.17 billion yuan invested by the Chinese part.

MNA/Xinhua



A TV screen at New York Times Square shows the Nasdaq remote market open ceremony held in Beijing on 3 April, 2007. Nasdaq Chief Executive Bob Greifeld rang the opening bell of the exchange to mark 40 Chinese companies' listing on the Nasdaq on Tuesday in Beijing. —INTERNET

## China to become world's largest consumer market

SHANGHAI, 5 April—Fifty-seven per cent of the leaders of small- and medium sized enterprises (SMEs) in the Asian Pacific Region believe China will become the world's largest consumer market in 10 years, overtaking the United States.

According to the 2007 Asia Business Monitor published by United Parcel Service (UPS) in Shanghai Tuesday, 92 per cent of the SME leaders list China as the market with greatest economic growth potential in 2007.

The survey shows 71 per cent of the respondents believe Chinese SMEs will become more competitive and 74 per cent of the respondents remain upbeat about the growth of trade volume within the Asian Pacific Region.

UPS Asia Business Monitor is conducted by Hong Kong-based market research firm TNS since 2005, targeting SMEs with no more than 250 employees and annual turnover of 500,000 to 10 million US dollars. It aims to provide the latest insights of the changing opinions and attitudes of the business leaders of the region's SMEs.

UPS is a global logistics giant with its headquarter in Atlanta, the United States. It has set up more than 60 branches in the Chinese Mainland. —MNA/Xinhua

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surgeon registration certificate or licence issued by the Dental and Oral Medical Council;

- (f) **Private specialist clinic** means private clinic where medical treatment is provided using relevant knowledge and skill by the person who has obtained specialist medical practitioner's licence issued by the Myanmar Medical Council, or the person who has obtained specialist dental or oral surgeon registration certificate or licence issued by the Dental and Oral Medical Council for special treatment;
- (g) **Private hospital** means the hospital established systematically to carry out health care activities as a private service in accordance with the stipulations for out-patients and in-patients;
- (h) **Private general hospital** means the private hospital where health care is undertaken and provided by the health care personnel who has obtained general medical practitioner's licence or specialist medical practitioner's licence issued by the Myanmar Medical Council, or the person who has obtained dental and oral surgeon registration certificate or licence issued by the Dental and Oral Medical Council;
- (i) **Private specialist hospital** means the private hospital where health care is undertaken and provided by the person who has obtained one or more speciality's licence issued by the Myanmar Medical Council for specialist health care, or the person who has obtained specialist dental or oral surgeon registration certificate or licence for specialist treatment issued by the Dental and Oral Medical Council;
- (j) **Private maternity home** means the maternity home established systematically in accordance with the stipulated characteristics to carry out ante-natal care normal delivery and health care during and after child birth by admitting the pregnant women as a private service;
- (k) **Private diagnostic service** means provision of laboratory analysis of disease, radiological imaging and any other means of assistance in diagnosing and medical treatment as a private service;
- (l) **Private nursing home** means the premises established systematically in accordance with the stipulations to carry out nursing service after admission to persons suffering from physical or mental disease, persons in need of medical rehabilitation and aged persons as a private service;
- (m) **Private mobile health care service** means the health care services provided by the provider of health care as a mobile private service;
- (n) **Private health care agency** means the health care services for transportation of patient or undertaking local and foreign communication for health care as a private service;
- (o) **Private general health care service** means the health care service carried out by using or not using the electricity, heat, light, any kind of chemical or any instrument by any other means with respect to any physical or mental

condition as a private service;

- (p) **Technician** means the person who has obtained the certificate, diploma, title or degree conferred by the training, school, institute, college or university established to teach the relevant technologies with respect to health care by any government department and organization or with the permission of any government department and organization. The said expression also includes the person who has obtained the certificate, diploma, title or degree conferred by a foreign country and also recognized by the Ministry of Health.
- (q) **Person-in-charge** means the person who has established, supervised or taken charge of the administrative duty of any private health care services;
- (r) **Health care service provider** means the person who has obtained medical practitioner's licence issued by the Myanmar Medical Council, dental and oral surgeon registration certificate or licence issued by the Dental and Oral Medical Council, nursing or midwifery licence issued by the Nurse and Midwifery Council and technicians;
- (s) **Central Body** means the Central Body relating to private health care services formed under this Law;
- (t) **Supervisory Committee** means the Supervisory Committee relating to private health care services formed under this Law.

### Chapter II Aims

3. The aims of this Law are as follows:

- (a) to develop private health care services in accordance with the national health policy;
- (b) to participate and carry out systematically by private health care services in the national health care system as an integral part;
- (c) to enable utilizing effectively the resources of private sector in providing health care to the public;
- (d) to enable the public to choose as desired in fulfilling their needs for health by establishing private health care services;
- (e) to enable provision of quality service at fair cost and to take responsibility.

### Chapter III Formation of the Central Body relating to Private Health Care Services

4. The Government:

- (a) shall form the Central Body relating to private health care services with not more than 21 persons consisting of the Minister for the Ministry of Health as Chairman, the Deputy Minister for the Ministry of Health as Deputy Chairman, the Director General of the Department of Health as Secretary, the heads and representatives of the relevant government departments and organizations and representatives of the non-governmental organizations as members.
- (b) in forming under sub-section (a), may, if necessary, determine and assign duty to a suitable person out of the members as Joint Secretary;
- (c) may reorganize the Central Body formed under sub-section (a) as may be necessary.

### Chapter IV

#### Duties and Powers of the Central Body

5. The duties and powers of the Central Body are as follows:-

- (a) giving guidance in accordance with the national health policy relating to the private health care

services;

- (b) giving guidance to maintain and promote the quality of private health care services by the relevant responsible persons in conformity with the stipulated standards and criteria;
- (c) granting or refusing to grant prior permission in respect of application to obtain prior permission to build new building or renovate a building to establish any private health care services other than private mobile health care service, private health care agency and private general clinic service;
- (d) determining the types of private hospital and kinds of curable disease;
- (e) issuing or refusing to issue licence in respect of application to grant the operation of any private health care services other than application for the operation of private general clinic service;
- (f) inspecting and supervising the private health care services as to whether or not they comply with the prescribed terms and conditions;
- (g) forming the necessary bodies comprising suitable persons to perform special matters and assigning duty thereto in respect of private health care services;
- (h) issuing directives for the private health care services to comply with and exercise the modern and developed medical technologies and methods;
- (i) determining necessary characteristics and requirements for private health care services;
- (j) forming supervisory committees relating to private health care services at the State, Divisional, District and Township levels and assigning functions and duties thereto;
- (k) giving decision on matters submitted by the different levels of supervisory committees;
- (l) forming the working committee for implementation of its duties and powers effectively;
- (m) revising or setting aside any decision of the State and Divisional Supervisory Committees;
- (n) determining the term of licence, licence fee and renewal fee of private health care services;
- (o) submitting, if necessary, to the Government through the Ministry of Health on matters relating to private health care services.

6. The Central Body may, if necessary, delegate its duties and powers to the working committee or the different levels of supervisory committee or any organization or department.

### Chapter V Private Health Care Services

7. The private health care services are as follows:

- (a) private clinic service:  
(1) private general clinic service;  
(2) private specialist clinic service;
- (b) private hospital service:  
(1) private general hospital service;  
(2) private specialist hospital service;
- (c) private maternity home service;
- (d) private diagnostic service;
- (e) private nursing home service;
- (f) private mobile health care service;
- (g) private health care agency;
- (h) private general health care service.

### Chapter VI

#### Characteristics of the Private Hospital

8. The private hospital shall be in conformity with the following characteristics:

- (a) having sufficient specific land area and constructing at the place permitted;

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- (b) the structural design and partition of rooms being in conformity with stipulated standards;
- (c) having arrangement to keep the interior, exterior and premises of the hospital clean and tidy in conformity with health;
- (d) having arrangements to carry out 24 hours duty by the stipulated health care service providers;
- (e) having arrangement to provide 24-hour health care service to emergency out-patients and in-patients;
- (f) enabling to provide emergency life-saving health care service to patients;
- (g) having disinfected and well-equipped operation theatre for operating out-patient or in-patient;
- (h) having equipment and medicines in conformity with stipulated standard;
- (i) enabling diagnosis of disease according to the class and type of hospital;
- (j) having patient referral system;
- (k) having arrangement for the safe blood transfusion;
- (l) maintaining the systematic medical record;
- (m) having accountable supervisory and administrative system according to the class and type of hospital;
- (n) carrying out for not affecting the environment, non-dissemination of infectious disease and systematic disposal of wastes according to the stipulated standard;
- (o) having arrangement for obtaining safe drinking water and water for domestic use sufficiently;
- (p) constructing a systematic water supply and sewerage system;
- (q) having systematic arrangements for preventive measures for disasters and emergency rescue;
- (r) having good communication system;
- (s) having arrangement to obtain 24 hours electricity;
- (t) having stipulated arrangement for diseased patients;
- (u) carrying out other requirements stipulated by the Central Body from time to time.

### Chapter VII

#### Characteristics of the Private Clinic

9. The private clinic shall be in conformity with the following characteristics;
- (a) being a building or room having suitable area;
  - (b) providing treatment only to out-patient, having no permission to admit in-patient;
  - (c) having arrangement to keep the interior and exterior of the clinic clean and tidy in conformity with health;
  - (d) having patient referral system;
  - (e) maintaining the systematic medical record;
  - (f) carrying out for not affecting the environment, non-dissemination of infectious disease and systematic disposal of wastes according to the stipulated standard;
  - (g) having arrangement for obtaining safe drinking water and water for domestic use sufficiently;
  - (h) constructing a systematic water supply and sewerage system;
  - (i) providing health care services by stipulated health care service providers;
  - (j) carrying out other requirements stipulated by the Central Body from time to time.

### Chapter VIII

#### Characteristics of the Private Maternity Home

10. The private maternity home shall be in conformity with the following characteristics;
- (a) having specific premises and specific building;
  - (b) having arrangement to provide 24-hour health care for maternity patients and new-born children;

- (c) arranging to keep the interior, exterior and premises of the maternity home clean and tidy in conformity with health;
- (d) enabling to provide emergency life-saving health care service to patients;
- (e) having disinfected well-equipped operation theatre for operating the out-patient or in-patient;
- (f) having equipment and medicines in conformity with stipulated standard;
- (g) having patient referral system;
- (h) having arrangement for the safe blood transfusion;
- (i) maintaining the systematic medical record;
- (j) carrying out for not affecting the environment, non-dissemination of infectious disease and systematic disposal of wastes according to the stipulated standard;
- (k) having arrangement for obtaining safe drinking water and water for domestic use sufficiently;
- (l) constructing a systematic water supply and sewerage system;
- (m) having systematic arrangement for preventive measure for disasters and emergency rescue;
- (n) having good communication system;
- (o) having arrangement to obtain 24 hours electricity;
- (p) providing health care services by stipulated health care service providers;
- (q) carrying out other requirements stipulated by the Central Body from time to time.

### Chapter IX

#### Prior Permission for Private Health Care Services

11. A person desirous of constructing a new building or renovating the existing building for establishing any private health care services other than private mobile health care service and private health care agency shall, to obtain prior permission, apply to the relevant Township Supervisory Committee together with the recommendation of the relevant development committee or development body in accordance with the stipulations mentioning the following facts;

- (a) the health care service to be established;
- (b) location, area and address of the service to be established;
- (c) land and buildings surrounding the location;
- (d) constitution of building and rooms;
- (e) health care programme;
- (f) other requirements stipulated by the Central Body from time to time.

12. The relevant Township Supervisory Committee shall, after scrutinizing the application made under section 11, submit to the District Supervisory Committee, and the District Supervisory Committee shall submit to the State and Divisional Supervisory Committee stage by stage together with remarks.

13. The State and Division Supervisory Committee, in respect of the application made under section 11:

- (a) shall, if it is of matter for prior permission to construct a new building or renovate the existing building for establishing any private health care services other than private general clinic services, submit to the Central Body together with remarks;
- (b) may, after scrutiny, if it is of matter for prior permission to construct a new building or renovate the existing building for establishing private general clinic services, issue the prior permission together with the stipulated terms and conditions or refuse to issue the prior permission.

14. The Central Body may, after scrutinizing the application for the prior permission submitted by the State and Divisional Supervisory Committee to construct a new building or renovate the existing building for establishing any private health care services under sub-section

- (a) of section 13, issue the prior permission together with the stipulated terms and conditions or refuse to issue the prior permission.

### Chapter X

#### Licence for Private Health Care Services

15. A person desirous of establishing any private health care services shall:

- (a) apply to the relevant Township Supervisory Committee in accordance with the stipulations to obtain licence for private health care services which he desires to carry out;
- (b) if it is an application of licence for any private health care services other than private mobile health care service and private health care agency, submit together with the prior permission issued under sub-section (b) of section 13 or section 14.

16. The Township Supervisory Committee shall, after scrutinizing the application made under sub-section

- (a) of section 15 in accordance with the stipulations, submit to the District Supervisory Committee and the District Supervisory Committee shall submit to the State and Divisional Supervisory Committee stage by stage together with remarks.

17. The State and Divisional Supervisory Committee:

- (a) shall submit the application of licence to carry out any private health care services other than private general clinic service to the Central Body together with remarks.
- (b) may, after scrutinizing the application of licence to carry out private general clinic services, issue the licence together with the stipulated terms and conditions or refuse to issue the licence.

18. The Central Body may, after scrutinizing the application of licence submitted by the State and Divisional Supervisory Committee under sub-section (a) of section 17, issue the licence together with the stipulated terms and conditions, or refuse to issue the licence.

19. A person who obtains a licence for any private health care services shall:

- (a) comply with the terms and conditions of the licence;
- (b) comply with the notifications, orders and directives issued by the Central Body, Ministry of Health and Department of Health from time to time;
- (c) perform the duties assigned by the Ministry of Health when necessary in case of emergency situation of health.

20. (a) A person who obtains a licence for any private health care services shall, when desirous of continuing his services after the expiry of the term of licence, apply before the expiry of the term of licence at least 60 days in advance to the relevant Township Supervisory Committee to extend the term of licence, in accordance with the stipulations.

- (b) The Central Body and the different levels of the supervisory committee shall perform in accordance with the stipulations in respect of the application to extend the term of licence under sub-section (a).

21. A person who obtains the licence for any private health care services shall, if desirous of transferring or leasing the licence to another person, apply in accordance with the stipulations to the relevant Central Body or State and Divisional Supervisory Committee which is authorized to issue the licence.

### Chapter XI

#### Control and Promotion of the Quality of Private Health Care Services

22. The Central Body may, in order to control and promote the quality of private health care services, form the Private Health Care Quality Control and Promotion Bodies comprising suitable experts.

23. The Private Health Care Quality Control and Promotion Bodies shall, after scrutinizing the following facts in accordance with the directive of the Central Body in respect of private health care services, submit to the Central Body:

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- (a) the number of health care service providers and whether their qualification and equipment are sufficient or not;
  - (b) whether or not performing in accordance with the practices prescribed by the World Health Organization and relevant international organizations of respective subjects for each service;
  - (c) whether or not the measures are arranged to promote the quality in performing the health care services in accordance with the stipulations;
  - (d) whether or not strict measures have been taken so that health hazard may not occur and infectious disease may not spread to the health care service provider, patient, public and environs;
  - (e) whether or not the health care users are satisfied with the provision of health care service;
  - (f) whether or not the working condition of the health care service providers is satisfactory;
  - (g) whether or not the terms and conditions prescribed by the Central Body from time to time are complied with.
24. The Private Health Care Quality Control and Promotion Bodies and the different levels of supervisory committee may direct the relevant person-in-charge and health care service providers as may be necessary to maintain and promote the quality of private health care services.

### Chapter XII

#### Duties and Obligations of Person-in-Charge and Health Care Service Provider

25. The duties and obligations of the person-in-charge and health care service provider are as follows:
- (a) providing health care mainly for the requirement of patient's health;
  - (b) complying in accordance with the notifications; orders and directives issued by the Central Body, the Ministry of Health and Department of Health;
  - (c) complying in accordance with the existing laws, rules, notifications, orders and directives relating to health;
  - (d) complying with and exercising the modern and developed medical technology and methods in accordance with the directives issued by the Central Body;
  - (e) complying in accordance with the directives relating to the highly infectious disease and criminal cases stipulated by the Ministry of Health, from time to time;
  - (f) if necessary, referring in time to the relevant specialist, department and hospital aiming for the benefit of the patient;
  - (g) providing life-saving treatment to any emergency patient and making referral if necessary;
  - (h) providing high quality service to the public at fair service charge;
  - (i) complying with the directives of the Private Health Care Quality Control and Promotion Body and the different levels of supervisory committee.
  - (j) laying down plans to be able to appease the dissatisfaction of health care user;
  - (k) forming the administrative sub-body, the sub-body for quality control and promotion and other necessary sub-bodies as may be required according to the size and type of hospital;
  - (l) keeping confidential of the patient's personal health matter except on official request of the relevant government department and organization;

- (m) obtaining permission of the Ministry of Health, if it is required to do research by making use of patients;
- (n) paying stipulated taxes and revenues regularly;
- (o) avoiding from performing any other services without permission or licence, in carrying out private health care services permitted under the relevant licence.

### Chapter XIII

#### Taking Administrative Action

26. If the private health care services licence holder fails to comply with any duty contained in section 19 or has been convicted for committing any offence contained in this Law or if the person-in-charge fails to comply with the duties and obligations contained in section 25, the Central Body and the State and Divisional Supervisory Committee authorized to issue licence for relevant private health care services, may pass any of the following administrative orders on the relevant licence holder;
- (a) warning;
  - (b) imposing the stipulated fine;
  - (c) suspension of the licence for a limited period;
  - (d) cancellation of the licence;
27. The Central Body or the State and Divisional Supervisory Committee that takes action under section 26, shall inform the relevant Myanmar Medical Council, Dental or Oral Medical Council, or Nursing and Midwifery Council to take necessary action if the health care service provider fails to comply with any of the duties and obligations contained in section 25.

### Chapter XIV

#### Appeal

28. Any person dissatisfied with an administrative order passed by the State and Divisional Supervisory Committee under section 26 or any other order passed under this Law may file an appeal to the Central Body within 60 days from the date of passing such order.
29. The Central Body may in appeal under section 28, revise, set aside, or confirm the decision passed by the State and Divisional Supervisory Committee.
30. The order or decision passed by the Central Body under this Law shall be final and conclusive.

### Chapter XV

#### Offences and Penalties

31. Whoever carries out the private hospital service without licence may, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend from a minimum of 1 year to a maximum of 5 years and may also be liable to a fine.
32. Whoever carries out the private maternity home service or private clinic service without licence shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend from a minimum of 6 months to a maximum of 3 years and may also be liable to a fine.
33. Whoever performs any other Health Care Services except private hospital service, private maternity home service and private clinic service without licence shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend from a minimum of 3 months to a maximum of 1 year and may also be liable to a fine.
34. Whoever has obtained licence:
- (a) in carrying out services at the place permitted under relevant licence, by virtue of the private health care services, carries out any other services without permission or licence with the exception of the matter prohibited under any existing law shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend from a minimum of 1 year to a maximum of 5 years and may also be liable to a fine;
  - (b) in carrying out services at the place permitted under relevant licence by virtue of the private health care services, violates the matter prohibited under any existing law shall, on conviction, be punished under relevant existing law.
35. Whoever transfers or hires a licence that he has obtained under this Law to another person without the permission of the Central Body or State and Divisional Supervisory Committee authorized to issue the relevant

licence shall, on conviction, be punished with imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 years or with fine or with both.

### Chapter XVI Miscellaneous

36. The Ministry of Health shall:
- (a) bear the expenses of the Central Body and other bodies formed by the Central Body under this Law;
  - (b) make arrangement to enable the Central Body and different levels of supervisory committee to perform the office work.
37. If a person who has carried out the private health care clinic registered under the Union of Myanmar Public Health Law, 1972 before this Law has come into force is desirous of continuing his services, he shall apply for a temporary licence in accordance with the stipulations within 90 days commencing from the date of coming into force of this Law and;
- (a) if he carries out private hospital service, or private maternity home service, he shall, after fulfilling the relevant characteristics and requirements prescribed under this Law, apply for a licence in accordance with the provisions of this Law, within a year commencing from the date of coming into force of this Law.
  - (b) if he carries out private specialist clinic service or private diagnostic service, he shall, after fulfilling the relevant characteristic and requirements prescribed under this Law, apply for a licence in accordance with the provisions of this Law, within 9 months commencing from the date of coming into force of this Law.
  - (c) if he carries out any other private health care services, with the exception of services contained in sub-section (a) and sub-section (b), he shall, after fulfilling the relevant characteristics and requirements prescribed under this Law, apply for a licence in accordance with the provisions of this Law, within 6 months commencing from the date of coming into force of this Law.
38. The Central Board may exempt any private health care services from all or part of the provisions contained in this Law, subject to time limit if it is in public interest.
39. (a) The person injured due to the negligent act of the person-in-charge or health care service provider at any private health care services, may sue the relevant person-in-charge or health care service provider under the Law of Tort to obtain damages for his injury;
- (b) The person-in-charge or health care service provider, sued under sub-section (a), shall not be exempted from administrative action taken under any relevant existing law.
40. In respect of private clinics before this law has come into force, the notifications, orders and directives issued by the Ministry of Health and Department of Health under the Union of Myanmar Public Health Law, 1972 may continue to be applicable in so far as they are not inconsistent with this law.
41. The provisions of this Law shall not apply to the private traditional hospital and private traditional clinic which conduct treatment by the traditional medicine.
42. For the purpose of implementing the provisions of this Law:
- (a) The Ministry of Health may, with the approval of the Government, issue such rules as may be necessary;
  - (b) The Central Body and the Ministry of Health may issue such procedures, notifications, orders and directives, and the Department of Health may issue such orders and directives, as may be necessary.

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**Than Shwe**  
Senior General  
Chairman

The State Peace and Development Council



## Commander, Ministers inspect development tasks in Shan State (South)



Commander Brig-Gen Thaung Aye delivers an address at opening of basic training course No 1/2007 of Shan State (South) USDA. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 5 April— Chairman of Shan State Peace and Development Council Commander of Eastern Command Brig-Gen Thaung Aye, Minister for Information Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan and Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein went to the brokerage at Myoma Market in Taunggyi on 2 April and inspected sale of beans, pulses and vegetables.

Daily information

on prices of commodities across the country is available at the brokerage of the Shan State (South) association of traders and industrialists, and residents are trading their agricultural produce there.

Afterwards, Commander Brig-Gen Thaung Aye, Secretariat-Member of Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan and CEC Member of USDA Minister Brig-Gen

Tin Naing Thein went to the physical training course No 1/2007 at the training school of Shan State (South) USDA office in Taunggyi and provided cash assistance to the trainees of the course. A total of 131 trainees are attending the one-month course.

During the tour of Taunggyi, they also visited Public Access Centre at Shan State (South) USDA office. They also attended the

improvement of cultivation methods and disseminating of modern cultivation methods to local people. They also urged the trainees to organize local people to grow marketable fruits and vegetables. A total of 87 trainees are attending the course.

Afterwards, the commander and party went to Shwenyaung Village-tract to attend the onion cultivation at the field of the Eastern Command. They urged local farmers to do a commercial-scale onion cultivation as the soil in the region is favourable to onion. Onion cultivation costs K 1.16 million per acre and one acre produces 4,213 viss of onion. The Eastern Command has grown 50 acres of onion and local farmers have also grown 50 acres.

On 1 April, CEC Member of USDA Minister Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein met with town elders and USDA members in Pinlaung Township. At the meeting, the minister briefed on implementation of border and rural areas development tasks joining hands with USDA members and local people.

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## Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than looks...

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In Zigon, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than met with local authorities of Pyay and Thayawady districts and members of agricultural coordination committees. Officials reported on regional development and progress of agricultural sector.

After hearing the reports, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than urged local authorities to make field trips to grass-roots level for implementation of the projects.

Yesterday, they arrived at the Research and Plant Propagation Farm of Myanma Perennial Crops Enterprise in Indagaw of Bago Township. Departmental officials reported on cultivation of 57,822 acres of rubber plantation in the division and organizing the entrepreneurs who want to grow rubber, and rubber production.

After giving necessary instructions, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than attended to the needs. Next, they viewed nurturing of rubber saplings at the farm and production of fertilizers. — MNA

## Filling stations to be open during Myanmar New Year holidays

YANGON, 5 April — Myanmar Petroleum Products Enterprise of the Ministry of Energy has already planned to open its filling stations in Yangon Division during the holidays of Myanmar New Year.

Filling stations in the other states and divisions will be kept open on the holidays of Myanmar New Year except the Thingyan holidays. — MNA

## USDA Secretary-General meets UN Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs

YANGON, 5 April — Secretary-General U Htay Oo of Union Solidarity and Development Association received Ms Margareta Wahiström, United Nations Assistant Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and party at the Headquarters of the association this morning.

Present also were CEC member U Aung Thein Lin and officials.

Secretary-General U Htay Oo briefed accounts on the aim, directive and future tasks of the association and explained the activities of the association in cooperation with the non-governmental organizations to them. Ms Margareta Wahiström also gave accounts on humanitarian aid of the United Nations. Later, the Secretary-General presented gifts to them. — MNA

*Secretary-General of Union Solidarity and Development Association U Htay Oo receives Ms Margareta Wahistrom and party. — MNA*



Commander Brig-Gen Thaung Aye, Minister Brig-Gen Kyaw Hsan and Minister Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein visit Public Access Centre in Taunggyi. — MNA

## Commerce Minister to attend Turkey-Pacific Trade Bridge meetings

NAY PYI TAW, 5 April— Myanmar delegation led by Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein left here by air for Turkey to attend opening of Turkey-Pacific Trade Bridge meetings to be held from 7 to 8 April in Istanbul, Turkey today.

The delegation was seen off at Nay Pyi Taw Airport by Minister for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Saw Lwin, Minister for Hotel and Tourism Maj-Gen Soe Naing, departmental heads and officials.

The minister is accompanied by Deputy Director-General U Myo Oo of Directorate of Trade under the Ministry of Commerce, Deputy Director-General U Thein Tun of Central Statistics Organization under the Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development and vice-president U Zaw Min Win of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chamber of Commerce and Industry. — MNA

opening of the horticulture course No 3 in Taunggyi. Speaking on the occasion, the commander and ministers called for making efforts for finding export markets for fruit and vegetable,



## SAM donates cash to MMCWA

YANGON, 5 April—Singaporean Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Mr Robert Chua donated K4.2 million to Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association in South Okkalapa Township today.

President of Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association Daw Khin Khin Win accepted the cash donation and gave certificate of honour and gifts to the Singaporean Ambassador.

The cash donation was made by Singapore Association of Myanmar (SAM).

Afterwards, Chairman of SAM Mr Richard Koh briefed on the donation and the



**Singaporean Ambassador Mr Robert Chua presents cash to President of Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association Daw Khin Khin Win. — MNA**

MMCWA president spoke words of thanks.

Also present at the donation ceremony were Vice-Presidents of

MMCWA Dr Daw Tin Lin Myint, Daw Aye Aye and executives.

After the donation, they viewed the

documentary photos of MMCWA, states/divisions MCWSC displayed at the association. **MNA**

## Health Minister back from Singapore

NAY PYI TAW, 5 April — The Myanmar delegation led by Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint arrived back here by air this morning after attending Health Meetings held on 2 and 3 April in Singapore.

The delegation was welcomed back at Nay Pyi Taw Airport by Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein, Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung, Deputy Ministers for Health Dr Mya Oo and Dr Paing Soe, directors-general of the departments under the ministry, officials and families.

Myanmar, Laos, Malaysia, Singapore, Vietnam, Brunei and Indonesia attended the meetings. The minister was accompanied by Director Dr Saw Lwin of the Department of Health (Disease Control) and Assistant Director Dr Kyaw Khine (Foreign Relations). — **MNA**



**Minister Dr Kyaw Myint at International Health Security Meeting in Singapore.**

**MNA**

## Free medical treatment for patients with eye complaints

YANGON, 5 April — A specialist team led by eye specialist Dr Timmothy Victor Robert of Australia will provide medical treatment for the patients with eye complaints free of charge at Jivitadana Aroja Hospital on Mount Popa from 10 to 20 April, it is learnt. — **MNA**

## Beauty makes heart content

- \* **The faint blue hills surrounding I've been to Kengtung Town**
- \* **On the current trip to Kengtung I found it bustling, prospering With newly built roads and bridges A buzz as with the bees among flowers.**
- \* **Roads that connect town and village Roads that join village and village Roads that connect district and district Roads that connect states Roads miscellaneous, flowers blooming The states in ecstasy of peace.**
- \* **O... From Kengtung to Mongla Another journey to Taunggyi Another connection to Tachilek Journey wends to heart's content Good trade and transactions Make the heart flutter Beauty that makes one content.**

**Sai Thein (Kengtung) (Trs)**

## Lt-Gen Maung Bo inspects...

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organization members. He heard reports on progress of respective townships presented by Township PDC Chairmen from Mawlamyine District. Mawlamyine District PDC Chairman U Maung Maung, Secretary of Mon State PDC U Aung Win and Director U Tin Thein of General Administration Department reported on their respective sectors.

At Mawlamyine University, Lt-Gen Maung Bo conversed with faculty members of the university and basic education teachers who are attending the refresher course on chemistry and biology. Pro-Rector U Tun Thein of Mawlamyine University, Mon State Education Officer U Tun Yi and Deputy Director-General U Tun Kyi of No 1 Basic Education Department submitted reports on refresher courses, opening of multimedia classrooms and education promotion programmes.

After hearing the reports, Lt-Gen Maung Bo said that the teaching efficiency of teachers plays a key role in development of human recourses of the nation. Hence, teachers are to study respective subjects in the refresher course and then to provide their experiences to the students.

In Thayagon Village of Mudon Township, they attended the Mon State physic nut nurturing ceremony. Next, they inspected nurturing of the saplings and land preparations for its cultivation.

Lt-Gen Maung Bo instructed officials to place emphasis on growing 500,000 acres of physic nut.

Lt-Gen Maung Bo viewed thriving rubber plantations on either side of Mawlamyine-Mudon-Thanyuzayat-Ye Road, and arrived at Ye in the evening. — **MNA**

## Shwehtidaw hoisted atop...

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Next, the commander and the minister attended the opening of Hmawshan-Hsai Aung tarred road in Phakant. The commander, the minister and wellwisher U Tun Tun formally opened the 2970-foot road, which was built at a cost of K 28.6 million donated by Tun Yadana Sein Co and Yadana San Shwin Co.

A ceremony to mark successful completion of major repair to Lonkhin Station Hospital and to honour the wellwishers took place at the hospital. The commander and the minister accepted the cash donations from the wellwishers.

They also attended the opening of the office of Nammaphyt Village-tract Union Solidarity and Development Association in Phakant Township, and formally opened the office. They made speeches and presented clothes. Secretary of Kachin State USDA U Rawanjon accepted 1125 membership applications of Nammaphyt Village-tract.

Next, they attended the inauguration of Phakant digital auto exchange and cut the ribbon to open the facility. They inspected the digital auto exchange and gave instructions.

They proceeded to Kamain. The township organizer presented 1000 membership applications to U Rawanjon. The commander and the minister gave speeches and attended to needs for regional development.

At the membership applications presentation ceremony held at Manywet Village basic education middle school, U Rawanjon accepted 645 membership applications. The commander presented clothes to local people, and the minister, cash donations to Hsahmaw and Pinbal rural health care centres through officials.—**MNA**

# The 70th founding anniversary of CSSTB

*Maung Than Nyein*



Formed as Public Service Commission in April 1937, Civil Service Selection and Training Board (CSSTB) is now 70 years old.

Every nation has civil servants as well as an institution to train them. Despite the differences in organizational set-up and duty sharing, every nation has a separate institution responsible for civil service. In most of the countries, the institution is known as Public Service Commission. In some countries, such institution has the duty to run training programmes in addition to arranging post appointments. Organizations like the UN where personnel from various countries are working have international service commission.

Myanmar also has had successive organizations taking the duty of selecting and training civil service. At present, the legally formed Civil Service Selection and Training Board of the Union of Myanmar is concerned with the work of selecting and training civil service. During the time of ancient Myanmar kings, the country had a standard system in selecting civil servants (court servants). Competitions of various kinds and academic qualification tests were held to gather court servants with high physical and intellectual capabilities and valour and efficiency.

When the nation fell under foreign enslavement, staff were appointed and assigned duties to run the colonialist administrative machinery. Mostly, foreigners were appointed to senior positions in the interest of the colonial governance.

As Myanmar was part of India then, selection of government staff was under the arrangement of ICS.

Only in 1937 the British government began to select a large number of Myanmar national races for various government posts under BCS programme.

The first Public Service Commission was formed in Myanmar in 1937, with a foreigner as its chairman. Two Myanmar — U Thein Maung and U Ba Aye — were members.

The Fascists who occupied Myanmar during the World War II formed the civil service commission. After the WWII, Public Service Commission was reorganized, with a foreigner as its chairman and two Myanmar, U Saw Hla Phyu and U Maung Gale, as members.

The first Myanmar chairman of the Public Service Commission was U Lun Baw. He was appointed to the post in November 1947. The commission had two Myanmar members. The number of commission members was increased to three in 1948.

After Myanmar regained independence in 1948, the State appointed the chairman and members of the Public Service Commission. The State appointed U

Lun Baw as chairman again and Bo Tun Lin, U Aung Zan Wai and U Mahn Aye Pe as members. In 1953, the Union Public Service Commission Law was enacted, and U Lun Baw was appointed chairman of the commission which had four members.

Myanmar adopted a new administrative system in 1972. The name of Public Service Commission was also changed. It was renamed Public Service Selection and Training Board in 1973. In 1977, it was placed under the supervision of the State Council.

In accord with a new Pyithu Hluttaw law, the Civil Service Selection and Training Board was directly responsible to the State Council. Although its name was changed for a number of times, the institution was widely known as PSC or Public Service Commission. Now, the institution's name is Civil Service Selection and Training Board (CSSTB). It is carrying out its tasks under the directive of the State Peace and Development Council (SPDC).

The successive chairmen of the PSC are as follows:

U Lun Baw	1947 to 1963
U Ka	1963 to 1968
U Hlaing Hok	1968 to 1973
U Khin Maung Phyu	1973 to 1977

The successive chairmen of CSSTB are as follows:

U Than Sein	1977 to 1981
U Maung Maung Gyi	1981 to 1999
Dr Than Nyun	1999 to this date

The duties of CSSTB are: to select and train personnel for government institutions, to support the SPDC to lay down service procedures, principles and directives, and to conduct research concerning service personnel.

The CSSTB is also discharging the service promotion duty as the government institutions concerned have to coordinate with it in promoting staff of other ranks to officer level.

The CSSTB is discharging the above-mentioned duties through group coordination. Hence, efficiency, fairness, visionary and experience of the members are much important. Normally, the CSSTB is formed with rectors, eminent professors, legal experts, career diplomats, skilled training programmers, scholars in various fields and literati. The rank of the CSSTB chairman is equal to minister and the members, deputy minister. The CSSTB is formed with the following members.

Dr Than Nyun	Chairman
U Aung Myint	member
U Hla Myint Oo	member
U Win Aung	member
U Soe Oo	member
U Nyi Tun	member
U Kyaw Aung	member

To accomplish the assigned duties, it formed the Civil Service Selection and Training Department, the Public Service Affairs Department and the Central Institute of Civil Service. In 1988, the Academy for Development of National Races was put under the CSSTB and was upgraded to a university in 1991.

In accordance with the directives of the board, the two departments have been selecting qualified candidates as gazetted officers for the ministries and departmental organizations and training them, scrutinizing in accord with the rules the matters submitted by departmental organizations for promoting other ranks to gazetted officers, submitting matters to the State Peace and Development Council for the approval regarding officer level appointment under extraordinary conditions, giving advice as to whether measures on punishments and civil rights are taken in conformity with rules and regulations, and publishing public servants' manuals for service personnel.

Between 1996-97 and 2006-07, the board appointed over 8,800 officers through advertisements, over 23,000 officers with mature service and 7,200 officers with premature service.

In three years, it held examinations for more than 50,000 candidates and selected the qualified ones to fill vacancies.

With regard to training service personnel, it promulgated a principle "Central Institute of Civil Service shall be formed under supervision of the Civil Service Selection and Training Board for training service personnel". The objectives of the institute are as follows:—

- to conduct training courses for officers (administration and professionals),
- to conduct refresher courses for non-gazetted officers (administration),
- to hold seminars on advanced management for members of central level and local authoritative bodies,
- to carry out research as regards teaching subjects on management to service personnel.

In compliance with the guidance of Head of State Senior General Than Shwe on ensuring equitable development of all parts of the nation including border areas in the drive for national development, and proportionate development in the health, education and social infrastructures around Mandalay for the people of upper Myanmar, the Central Institute of Civil Service (Upper Myanmar) was opened in PyinOoLwin Township in 1999.

The two central institutes of civil service are conducting regular courses and special refresher courses for service personnel of the ministries. Since 1 January 1965, the Central Institute of Civil Service (Phaunggyi) has trained 205,274 service personnel. And since 7 February 1999, the Central Institute of Civil Service (PyinOoLwin) has trained 48,351 service personnel.

The University for Development of National Races has been training the youths who will carry out duties for flourishing of patriotic spirit and national solidarity, and ensuring progress of national races. Up to the end of March 2007, the university had conferred MA degrees of academic field on 62 persons, BE degree on 1,547 persons, and diploma certificates and course certificates of academic field on 8,793 persons.

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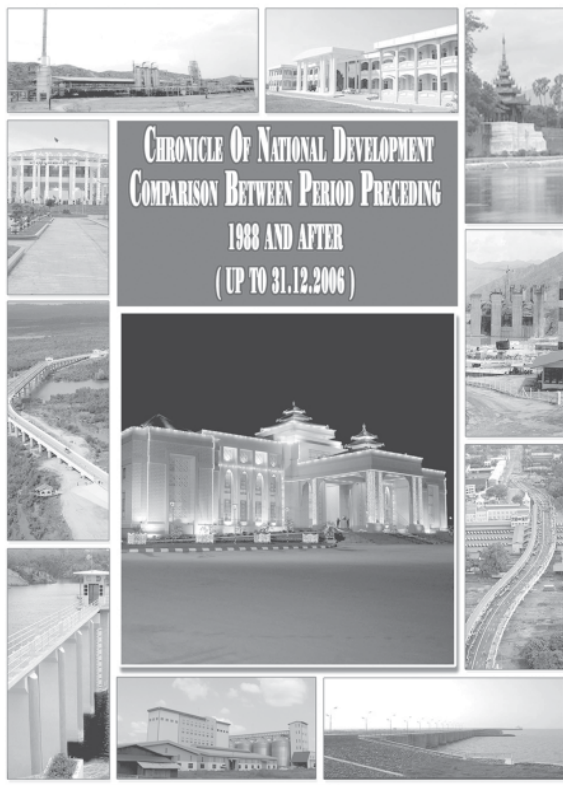
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**China, Mexico develop trade union links**

BEIJING, 4 April—The top trade unions of China and Mexico on Tuesday have agreed to step up cooperation and cement relations between workers from the two countries.

"The All-China Federation of Trade Unions (ACFTU) and the Mexican Revolutionary Confederation of Workers and Farmers (MRCWF) should increase exchanges, as one way of boosting China-Mexico ties," ACFTU President Wang Zhaoguo said in a meeting with MRCWF General Secretary Isaias Gonzalez.

Wang, also vice chairman of the Standing Committee of the 10th National People's Congress, China's top legislature, said the two trade unions should work together more closely to cope with the challenges posed by economic globalization. He also proposed more worker exchanges. — MNA/Xinhua

**UNSG urges diplomatic solution to Iran-Britain dispute**

UNITED NATIONS, 4 April— UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon on Monday called for a diplomatic and peaceful solution to the ongoing row between Iran and Britain over the fate of 15 British sailors detained by Iran.

The UN chief, who just returned from an 11-day Middle East tour, told reporters at the UN Headquarters that he met with Iranian Foreign Minister Manouchehr

Mottaki in Saudi Arabia over the issue.

"I appealed to him that this issue should be resolved as soon as possible through political and diplomatic consultations," Ban said. "I would hope that this rhetoric, which is not desirable in helping resolve this issue, should be toned down."

Ban also expressed the hope that the British sailors would be released early. "I know there are

many issues involved. But it would be desirable for the international community to see early resolution of this issue in a diplomatic and peaceful way," he added.

The 15 British sailors, part of a multinational force in Iraq, were seized by Iran on Friday. Iran has insisted that the sailors illegally entered its territorial waters. But Britain said its soldiers were in Iraqi territorial waters. —MNA/Xinhua

**Thailand eyes China as key rice export destination**

BANGKOK, 4 April—The Commerce Ministry of Thailand is now strongly determined to maintain Thailand's position as the world's top rice exporter with China becoming a key export destination, the official Thai News Agency (TNA) reported on Tuesday.

Krirkkrai Jirapaet, Thai Commerce Minister who recently led a team of 16 rice exporters to China's Guangdong Province to meet Chinese rice importers, said China is one of Thailand's major rice export destinations.

Thailand's rice export to China totalled 600,000-700,000 tons each year, half of which is fragrant jasmine rice.

He was quoted as saying that the government had a policy to keep Thailand's position as the world's top rice exporter. Last year, the total rice exports rose to 7.5 million tons and are expected to surge to 8.5 million tons this year.

Krirkkrai said the visit to Guangdong is considered success since 11 out of 16 exporters accompanying him managed to sign rice trade deals with Chinese importers.

Under the deals, 275,000 tons of rice are set to be exported to China, of which 52,000 tons are fragrant jasmine rice. It showed the rice had won Chinese people's recognition, he said. — MNA/Xinhua

**Two Japanese kidnapped in Paraguay along with policemen**

TOKYO, 4 April—A Japanese man and his female secretary were kidnapped in Paraguay along with two local police officers, and their captors are demanding 150,000 US dollars for their release, Japanese media reported on Tuesday.

Kyodo news agency said Paraguay's national police had arrested several people in connection with the case, but added that the safety of those kidnapped was unknown. The kidnapped man, believed to be 62-year-old Hirokazu Ota who runs a local property management company, and his secretary Sawako Yamaguchi, 37, were taken on Sunday from a town about 300 kilometres (186 miles) east of the capital Asuncion, Japanese public broadcaster NHK said, quoting Paraguay police. — MNA/Reuters

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A passenger walks through Bangkok's Suvarnabhumi airport on 2 April, 2007. With 12 million tourists a year and Thailand's aspirations to be a regional trading and meeting centre, Suvarnabhumi — which means "Golden Land" in Thai — has been touted as a rival air hub to Singapore and Hong Kong.—INTERNET

**Study: Solar bursts cause GPS glitch**

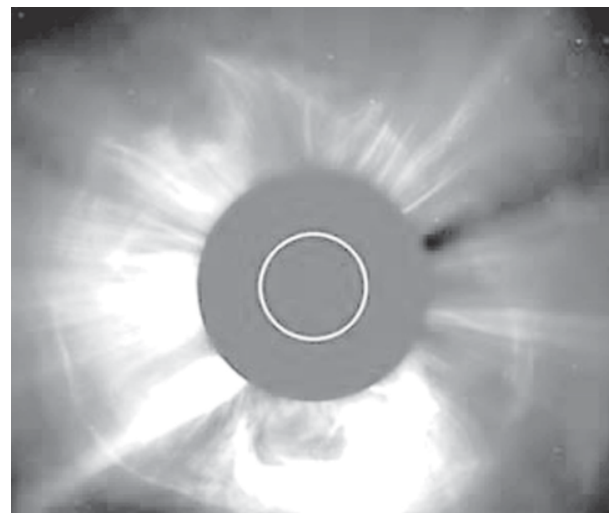
BEIJING, 5 April—The Global Positioning System (GPS) and other navigational systems were threatened by a powerful solar flare last December, a panel of US scientists revealed on Wednesday.

GPS receivers have become widely used in recent years, using satellite signals in navigating airplanes, ships and automobiles, and in using cell phones, mining, surveying and many other commercial practices.

"Our increasingly technologically dependent society is becoming increasingly vulnerable to space weather," David L Johnson, director of the National Weather Service, said at a briefing.

The cause for their concern, Johnson said, was an unexpected solar radio burst on 6 Dec, that affected virtually every GPS receiver on the lighted half of Earth. Some receivers had a reduction in accuracy while others completely lost the ability to determine position, he said.

In addition to the GPS system, the December solar flare also affected satellites and induced unexpected currents in the electrical grid, Johnson said. Dale Gary of the New Jersey Institute of Technology said the burst created 10 times more radio noise than the previous record.



Solar activity on 28 October, 2003. A solar eruption in December disrupted the Global Positioning System, a satellite-based navigational system used widely by the military, scientists and civilians, researchers reported on Wednesday

The difference between that burst and normal solar radio emissions "was like the difference between the noise level of a normal conversation and the noise level in the front row of a rock concert," he said. Solar activity rises and falls in 11-year cycles, with the next peak expected in 2011. — Internet

**Arianespace to launch two telecommunications satellites**

PARIS, 4 April — The Ariane-5 satellite launcher will be used to launch two satellites for International telecommunication satellite (Intelsat) during the third quarter of the year, Arianespace, a company charged with commercializing European satellite launchers announced on Monday.

The two satellites known as Intelsat-11 for Intelsat and Horizons-2 for Horizons Satellite LLC, a joint venture of Intelsat and JSAT will be launched from Europe's Spaceport which is situated in Kourou, French Guiana.

The Horizons-2 and Intelsat-11 satellites will be positioned 74° and 43° to the west of the Longitude respectively, according to the company.

Weighing approximately 2,350 kilograms at launch, the Horizons-2 will be constructed by Orbital Sciences Corporation.

Equipped with 20 high power KU waveband repeaters with an electric capability of 3.5 kilowatts, the satellite will provide digital video programmes for the high definition television and IP format television services to the whole of

the United States, the Caribbean and parts of Canada from its geostationary orbit.

The Intelsat-11 will equally be constructed by Orbital Sciences Corporation and will weigh approximately 2,500 kilograms at launch. —MNA/Xinhua



US team BMW Oracle Racing, right, clears the mark in front of China Team, during the Louis Vuitton Act 13 fleet race competition qualifier for the 32nd America's Cup on the Mediterranean Sea off Valencia, Spain, on 3 April, 2007.—INTERNET

**Egypt says scientists have evidence of volcano destroyed cities**

QANTARA EAST (Egypt), 4 April — Egypt's chief archaeologist said on Monday scientists had found traces of volcanic lava in Sinai dating from about 1500 BC, the time of a massive eruption on the Greek island of Santorini.

Zahi Hawass of the Supreme Antiquities Council said the lava must have come from Santorini and that the discovery indicated that the volcano was responsible for the destruction of several cities on the Mediterranean coast of Egypt and the Levant.

He did not name the cities but said that ancient texts and inscriptions referred to their destruction.

An Egyptian archaeological mission found the lava at the ancient fortress of Tharo near what is now the east bank of the Suez Canal. Tharo was part of a system to defend Egypt from attacks by its enemies to the east.

Tharo is about 900 kilometres (550 miles) from

Santorini and Hawass did not say how lava could reach so far. The main damage far from volcanoes is through volcanic ash, which blocks out the sun and can disrupt weather patterns for years.

Hawass linked the destruction to a period of Egyptian history known as the Hyksos era, which ended in about 1570 BC.

Although the effects of the Santorini eruption are visible throughout the region, scientists have never been able to fix the exact date. Estimates vary from 1650 to 1500 BC.

MNA/Reuters

**Nina Wang, Asia's richest woman, dies**

HONG KONG, 5 April—Nina Wang, Asia's richest woman, has died after an illness, her personal assistant said on Wednesday.

Known for her signature ponytails and nicknamed "little sweetie" by the local media, she won an eight-year battle in 2005 for her late husband's business empire in a case filled with tales of adultery, kidnapping and murder. The Hong Kong heiress, whose maiden name was Kung, was reported by local newspapers to be suffering from cancer, but that was never officially confirmed.— MNA/Reuters

# SPORTS

## Colo Colo boost chances with second-half goal spree

RIO DE JANEIRO, 5 April — Chilean champions Colo Colo went on a second-half scoring spree to beat Ecuador's LDU 4-0 in the Libertadores Cup and boost their chances of reaching the last 16.

Nacional beat LDU's compatriots Emelec 3-1 in Group Four, a result which leaves defending champions Internacional in danger of elimination, and Banfield completed an unhappy night for Ecuador with a 1-0 win away to Army club El Nacional in Quito.

Gonzalo Fierro began the rout in the Santiago when he won and converted a 50th minute penalty to set Colo Colo on their way to a third straight win in Group Six, where they lost their opening two games.

Fierro was on target again in the 72nd minute while Humberto Suazo and Rodrigo Millar shared the other goals. — MNA/Reuters



Na Li, of China, returns a shot during her second-round-tennis match against Karolina Sprem at the Bausch and Lomb Championships, on Wednesday, 4 April, 2007, in Amelia Island, Fla.—INTERNET

## Ferguson confident despite 2-1 defeat to Roma

ROME, 5 April — Manchester United coach Alex Ferguson remained confident his side would reach the last four of the Champions League despite losing 2-1 to AS Roma in the first leg of their quarterfinal on Wednesday.

Roma took charge of the match at Rome's Olympic Stadium after the 34th-minute sending-off of Paul Scholes.



Korea's skip Lee Je-Ho delivers a rock against Finland during the World Curling Championships in Edmonton on 4 April, 2007. —INTERNET

Goals by Rodrigo Taddei and Mirko Vucinic gave them the win, though Wayne Rooney's away goal could prove crucial in the return leg at Old Trafford next Tuesday.

"Over the years we've had some great teams come to Old Trafford, but if we score we will go through. That's my opinion," Ferguson told a news conference, before going on to deny he had ever considered Roma a soft opponent.

"Every game in Europe is a big test, but we've been particularly impressed by Roma this season. Their home record is fantastic. So we knew it was going to be tough, and it was.

"The difficulty of playing Roma is the system they have. Without a main striker they overload the midfield, so sometimes you have to surrender possession."

Ferguson was full of praise for Rooney, who coolly chested down an Ole Gunnar Solskjaer cross to convert United's only clear chance of the game.

"He could have gone for his shot straight away. But he waited for the defender to move, side-stepped, and then scored," Ferguson said.

"For a boy of 21 that shows tremendous composure in front of goal."

MNA/Reuters

## Valencia earn valuable 1-1 draw at Chelsea

LONDON, 5 April — Valencia earned a valuable 1-1 draw at Chelsea on Wednesday in a combative first leg of their Champions League quarterfinal.

Valencia took the lead with a stunning 30th minute strike by David Silva which flew past Chelsea goalkeeper Peter Cech but Chelsea's Didier Drogba nodded his 30th goal of the season in the 53rd minute to equalize.

Chelsea will be frustrated at the outcome after having most of the possession, but Valencia kept it tight at the back and played some sharp incisive football going forward.

The away goals rule tips the tie in the Spaniards' favour as a goalless draw in next Tuesday's second leg will see them through to the semifinals, most likely against Liverpool after their 3-0 first leg win over PSV Eindhoven.

Chelsea coach Jose Mourinho went for an attacking line-up with Claude Makelele dropped in favour of John Obi Mikel in the holding midfield role, striker Salomon Kalou on the right flank and Drogba paired with Andriy Shevchenko up front.



Chelsea's Didier Drogba (L) challenges for the ball with Valencia's Emiliano Moretti during their Champions League quarter-final, first leg soccer match at Stamford Bridge in London on 4 April, 2007.—INTERNET

Chelsea were quicker to settle and Drogba nearly opened the scoring in the 10th minute, the Ivorian spinning round to smack a shot onto the crossbar after Shevchenko had been flattened by a Roberto Ayala challenge.—MNA/Reuters

## AS Roma down 10-man United 2-1

ROME, 5 April — Goals by Rodrigo Taddei and Mirko Vucinic gave AS Roma a 2-1 win over 10-man Manchester United in the first leg of their Champions League quarterfinal on Wednesday.

It was the second United away match in Europe after their visit to Racing Lens in the previous round to be marred by

crowd trouble with fans clashing with Roma supporters first and then police at halftime.

United went a man down in the 34th minute when Paul Scholes picked

up a second booking and Roma capitalized with a goal a minute before halftime by Brazilian playmaker Taddei.

Wayne Rooney volleyed a fine equalizer as

United broke forward on the hour, but second-half substitute Vucinic restored the home side's lead six minutes later as Roma extended their unbeaten home record in European competition to 10 matches.

It was United's first defeat in 15 matches in all competitions since mid-January and Roma's 100th victory in European competition.

Roma made an aggressive start, forcing Gabriel Heinze to concede a corner under pressure from Christian Wilhelmsson after barely 10 seconds but there were also early flashes of brilliance from United's Cristiano Ronaldo and Rooney.—MNA/Reuters



AS Roma's goalkeeper Doni (L) saves on Manchester United's Wayne Rooney during their Champions League quarterfinal first leg soccer match at the Olympic Stadium in Rome on 4 April, 2007.—INTERNET

## O'Meara tempts fate with par-3 win

AUGUSTA (Georgia), 5 April — Twice major winner Mark O'Meara tempted fate by winning the traditional par-three contest on the eve of the US Masters on Wednesday.

Since the pre-tournament event became part of Masters week schedule, no winner of the par-three has gone on to claim the green jacket.

O'Meara, who has not won on the PGA Tour since lifting the Masters and British Open crowns in 1998, finished the nine holes at five-under, one shot clear of fellow American Zach Johnson and Britain's Luke Donald.

David Toms and Rory Sabbatini delighted the large crowd each carding a hole-in-one. There have been 63 aces since the par-three tournament was first played in 1960.—MNA/Reuters



Shingo Katayama, from Japan, hits from a bunker on the second hole during practice for the 2007 Masters golf tournament at the Augusta National Golf Club in Augusta, Ga, on Wednesday, 4 April, 2007. First round play begins on Thursday.—INTERNET

# The 70th founding anniversary of ...

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Myanmar always attends ASEAN Conference on Civil Service Matters and exchanges views. The government sends qualified service personnel to the seminars and courses conducted under the programme of the conference. ASEAN Resource Centre was opened in every member nation under the programme of the ASEAN. The centre was formed under the CSSTB, which is carrying out functions in line with the objective of the centre "Training of Trainers for Civil Service". It is also deputing qualified service personnel trainers to workshops and internal and international courses for promotion of their efficiency. Furthermore, it is cooperating with governmental organizations and non-governmental organizations in the People's Republic of China, India, the Republic of Korea and Japan as a rector of international relations for promotion of staff's work efficiency.

The board is also implementing e-Government tasks and releasing news, results and announcements. It has established e-communication system to communicate with the universities under it. It has formed e-IT committees.

The Union of Myanmar has more than one million service personnel. So, the board alone cannot select service personnel nor conduct basic courses and refresher courses for all the staff. Respective ministries are also selecting and promoting other ranks and organizing in-service courses (basic) and proficiency courses.

Head of State Senior General Than Shwe occasionally makes inspection tour of training centres and universities and gives guidance on training service personnel to uplift their morale, discipline and efficiency. The CSSTB and the training centres under the ministries are upholding the guidance of the Head of State in discharging the training duties.

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# US top source of global warming, Americans least anxious

OSLO, 5 April — More than two-thirds of the world's people are worried by global warming with Americans among the least anxious even though their nation is the top source of greenhouse gases, an opinion poll showed on Tuesday.

The survey, of more than 14,000 people in 21 nations for BBC World television, showed most respondents around the world reckoned the United States was more to blame than other nations for rising temperatures.

"More than two-thirds (68 per cent) of the world is concerned about climate change with the South Africans (82 per cent) and Brazilians (87 per cent) most concerned," a statement of main findings said.

At the low end of anxiety were Americans on 57 per cent and Indians with 59 per cent.

Almost all scientists say temperatures are rising because of a build-up of greenhouse gases in the atmosphere from burning fossil fuels, threatening ever more floods, droughts, heatwaves and rising seas.

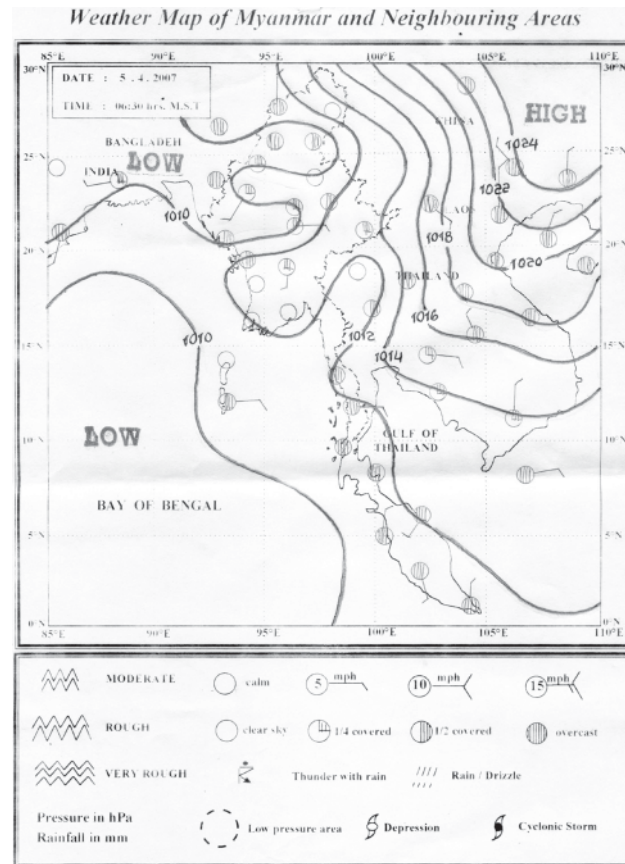
And the poll, by the Synovate research group,

said two-thirds of all respondents reckoned the United States was more to blame than any other country for the problem.

"Almost four in five Americans, however, think that no one country is to blame," it said. The United States is the top world emitter of greenhouse gases with almost a quarter of the total, ahead of China, Russia and India.

In per capita terms, Americans are responsible for about 20 tons of greenhouse gases each per year, against a world average of below 4 tons.

MNA/Reuters



## WEATHER

Thursday, 5 April, 2007

**Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST:** During the past 24 hours, rain or thunder-showers have been widespread in Kachin State, scattered in Taninthayi Division and isolated in Sagaing Division, weather has been partly cloudy in Shan and Chin States and generally fair in the remaining States and Divisions. Day temperatures were (4°C) below normal in Kachin State, (3°C) to (4°C) above normal in Shan, Chin and Kayin States, Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway, Ayeyawady, Yangon and Bago Divisions, (5°C) to (6°C) above normal in Taninthayi Division and about normal in the remaining areas. The significant day temperatures were Minbu (44°C), Monywa, NyaungU, Chauk and Magway (42°C) each. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Myeik (0.67) inch and Putao and Machanbaw (0.12) inch each.

Maximum temperature on 4-4-2007 was 101°F. Minimum temperature on 5-4-2007 was 74°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 5-4-2007 was 56%. Total sunshine hours on 4-4-2007 was (9.2) hours approx.

Rainfall on 5-4-2007 was (nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2007 was (nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (8) mph from Northwest at (13:57) hours MST on 4-4-2007.

**Bay inference:** Weather is partly cloudy in the South Bay and generally fair in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

**Forecast valid until evening of 6-4-2007:** Isolated rain or thundershowers are likely in Kachin State, Sagaing and Taninthayi Divisions and generally fair in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Continuation of likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers in the Northern Myanmar areas.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring areas for 6-4-2007:** Fair weather.

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas for 6-4-2007:** Generally fair weather.

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas for 6-4-2007:** Fair weather.



Friday, 6 April  
Tune in today

- 8:30 am Brief news
- 8:35 am Music: -Let me count the ways ... Natural
- 8:40 am Perspectives
- 8:45 am Music: -Steel bare ... Michel Bolton
- 8:50 am National news & Slogan
- 9:00 am Music: -Moving out ... Billy Joel
- 9:05 am International news
- 9:10 am Music: -Summer of love ... Steps
- 1:30 pm News & Slogan
- 1:40 pm Lunch time music: -Someday we'll be together ... Jimmy Somerville
- Send me a lover ... Taylor Dayne
- Do your thing (N'sync)
- 9:00 pm WOM
- 9:15 pm Article
- 9:25 pm Music at your request: -Right in front of you ... Celine Dion
- One voice ... Billy Gilman
- 9:45 pm News & Slogan
- 10:00 pm PEL



Friday, 6 April  
View on today

- 7:00 am
  - 1. Recitation of Parittas by Missionary Sayadaw U Ottamathara
- 7:15 am
  - 2. တိပိဋကဓရ၊ မေဃာဏ္ဍာဂါရိက၊ အဂ္ဂမဟာပဏ္ဍိတ၊ ဘဒ္ဒန္တသိရိန္ဒာဘိဝံသ (ယောဆရာတော်) ဟောကြားတော်မူအပ်သော ဥပ္ပါတသန္တိပါဠိတော်
- 7:30 am
  - 3. Morning news
- 7:40 am
  - 4. Nice and sweet song
- 7:55 am
  - 5. ရိုးရာကျေးလက်ကစားနည်း
- 8:00 am
  - 6. The mirror images of the musical oldies
- 8:10 am
  - 7. ရန်ကုန်တိုင်းပေါင်းလင်း (ငမိုးရိပ်ရေကူ) ရေလှောင်တစ်
- 8:20 am
  - 8. ဓါသကြိမ် အဆိုအကများ
- 8:30 am
  - 9. International news
- 8:45 am
  - 10. Happy and Educational English Summer Course MRTV
- 4:00 pm
  - 1. Martial song
- 4:15 pm
  - 2. Song to uphold National Spirit
- 4:30 pm
  - 3. တေးသရုပ်ဖော်အစီအစဉ်
- 4:40 pm
  - 4. အဆေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေးရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ -တတိယနှစ် (စီးပွားရေးပညာအထူးပြု) (စီးပွားရေးပညာ)
- 4:55 pm
  - 5. Song of national races
- 5:10 pm
  - 6. မြန်မာစာ၊ မြန်မာစကား
- 5:20 pm
  - 7. Song of yesteryears
- 5:35 pm
  - 8. "မင်းမသိသေးပါဘူးကွာ" (ဇရာ၊ ငှက်ပျောကြော်၊ ချစ်စရာ၊ ကြုံကြုံသင်း၊ အေးအေးခိုင်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ဆွေစင်ထိုက်)
- 5:45 pm
  - 9. ဓါသကြိမ် အဆိုအကများ
- 6:00 pm
  - 10. Evening news
- 6:30 pm
  - 11. Weather report
- 6:35 pm
  - 12. သုတစုံလင်ရွှေညောင်ရင်
- 7:05 pm
  - 13. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "သစ်ရွက်ကလေး၏ ရင်ခုန်သံ" (အပိုင်း-၁၃)
- 8:00 pm
  - 14. News
- 15. International news
- 16. Weather report
- 17. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "အကြင်နာနေဦး" (အပိုင်း-၂၆)
- 18. The next day's programme

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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

# Lt-Gen Maung Bo inspects development tasks in Mon State



Lt-Gen Maung Bo of Ministry of Defence meeting with departmental officials and members of social organizations in Mawlamyine. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 5 April — Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Maung Bo of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Chairman of Mon State PDC Commander of South-East Command Brig-Gen Thet Naing Win and officials, paid homage to

Webyan Sayadaw State Ovadaçariya Agga Maha Pandita Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Abhidhaja Agga Maha Saddhammajotika Bhaddanta Vijayabhivamsa of Sasana Manaung Webyan Monastery in Aukkyin Ward of Mawlamyine on 2 April morning.

Lt-Gen Maung Bo offered alms to the Sayadaw and supplicated on the religious affairs.

At the Mon State Hall, Lt-Gen Maung Bo met local authorities, departmental personnel and social (See page 10)

# Shwehtidaw hoisted atop Candamuni Pagoda in Phakant



Commander Maj-Gen Ohn Myint and Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw formally open a digital auto-exchange office in Phakant. — MNA

YANGON, 5 April—Shwehtidaw, Hngetmyatnaw and diamond orb were hoisted atop the Candamuni Pagoda in Phakant, Mohnyin District, Kachin State, and the pagoda was consecrated on 1 April.

The ceremony was graced by the presence of State Ovadaçariya Wuntho Monastery Presiding Nayaka Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Agga Maha Pandita Agga Maha Saddhamma Jotikadhaja Bhaddanta Silavamsa and members of Sangha.

Also present on the occasion were Chairman of Kachin State Peace and Development Council Commander of Northern Command Maj-Gen Ohn Myint, Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs Brig-Gen Thein Zaw, departmental officials, members of social organizations, wellwisher U Tun Tun of Tun Yadana Sein Co and family members, and local people.

The commander and wife, the minister, officials and wellwishers conveyed and hoisted the religious objects atop the pagoda.

The Buddha images and the pagoda were consecrated at Thiri Yadana Sein prayer hall donated by Tun Yadana Sein Co.

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