

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

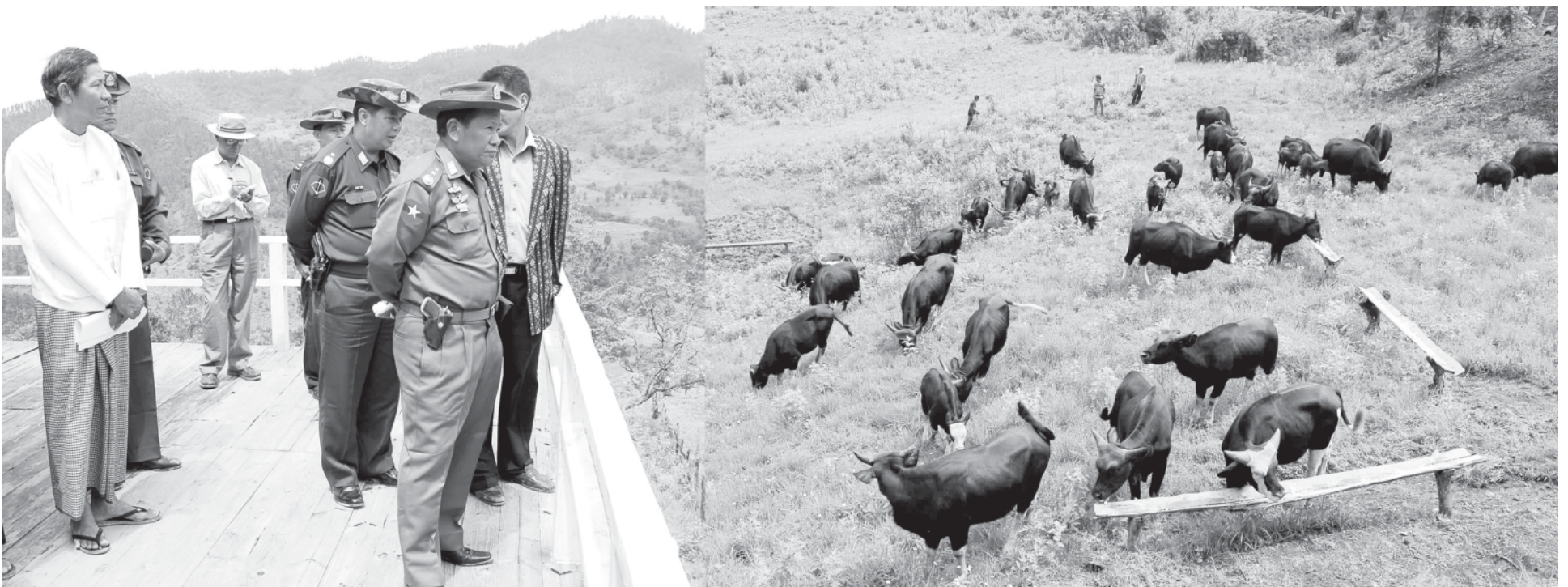
Four economic objectives

- * 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 Ye Myint calls for extended cultivation of tea in Chin State



Lt-Gen Ye Myint of Ministry of Defence inspects mythum farm in Haka. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May — Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Sagaing Division Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Tha Aye, Chairman of Chin State Peace and Development Council Brig-Gen Hong Ngaing and officials of the State Peace and Development Council Office arrived at Yontaung briefing hall in Haka on 25 May.

Chin State Manager U Aye Ko Ko of Myanmar Agriculture Service reported on cultivation of tea in

villages, Yontaung region and its environs in Chin State for 2006-2007 and targets.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint told departmental officials and local farmers to give priority to growing of tea and make strenuous efforts for exceeding the targets.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party observed plucking of tea in five-acre plantation of Chin State Police Force. Altogether 18,000 tea plants were grown. They attended Yontaung tea cultivation ceremony. Lt-Gen Ye Myint said according to the geographical conditions and weather, it is suitable for Chin State to grow tea and extended cultivation of tea will improve economy of the region. Lt-Gen Ye Myint, departmental officials, members of social organizations and local people grew tea plants at the designated places.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party presented robes and offertories to Secretary of Chin State Sangha Nayaka Committee Maha Saddhamma Jotikadhaja Bhaddanta Pandava and clothing for school children of monastic education school.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party visited Border Areas and National Races Development Training School of the Ministry of Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs. Altogether 54 Chin

students are attending the school.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party inspected tea plantation of Health Department and Auditor's Office in the township. They proceeded to Inkyalokwin briefing hall in Haka and Township Manager U Thein Zaw of MAS reported on cultivation of tea. Lt-Gen Ye Myint inspected cultivation of 10 acres of tea of Chin State General Administration Department.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party went to 100-bed People's Hospital. They were conducted round the (See page 8)

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I would like to urge related ministries and social organizations to participate in the creation of a smoke-free environment in cooperation with the Ministry of Health.

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

PERSPECTIVES

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Towards extended cultivation of tea

The government is building economic, education, health, social and transport infrastructures the length and breadth of the nation.

In this regard, it has upgraded Haka-Gangaw road, Haka-Matupi road, Kalay-Falam-Haka road and Mindat-Matupi road in Chin State where there was poor transport in the past. With better transport, there has now been swift and smooth commodity flow in Chin State.

According to geographical conditions, there is shortage of arable land in Chin State. However, Chin State is engaged in extended cultivation of paddy and cash crops for self-sufficiency. Meanwhile, local farmers are to strive for cultivation of cash crops such as rubber, butter-bean, mangoes, jack-fruit and tea extensively as highland farming.

Especially, tea that suits the region is to be cultivated across Chin State. Since 1999-2000, Tiddim, Tonzang, Kyikha, Thantlang, Falam, Haka, Kanpetlet, Matupi and Mindat townships have been cultivating tea.

At present, tea factories are going into commercial operation in some regions as it is being grown extensively.

At a time when local authorities and farmers are engaged in extended cultivation of tea with the aim of turning Chin State into a tea state continued efforts are to be made to meet the target of growing 100,000 acres of tea in the state.

Special Appellate Bench delivers judgment of special appeal cases

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May—The Special Appellate Bench comprising Deputy Chief Justice of Supreme Court (Yangon) U Thein Soe, Supreme Court Judges of Supreme Court (Yangon) U Myint Thein and U Han Shein sitting at Court No (1) of the Supreme Court (Nay Pyi Taw) delivered judgment of three Special Criminal Appeal Cases and eight Special Civil Appeal Cases. And then heard Five Special Civil Appeal Cases under section 7 of the Judiciary Law 2000.

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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

Deputy Foreign Minister winds up two-nation tour

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May — Special envoy of the Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Kyaw Thu and delegation arrived back here on 26 May after paying goodwill visits to the United Arab Emirates and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia from 14-25 May.

The delegation arrived in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, on 14 May. The deputy minister paid a courtesy call on his counterpart of UAE Dr Tariq Ahmed al-Haidan on 15 May and held discussions aimed at further strengthening of bilateral relations and exchanged views on current developments in international affairs.

The deputy minister on 15 May also held talks with Deputy Minister for Economy of UAE Abdulla bin Ahmed al Saleh at his office on matters relating to the expansion of bilateral economic cooperation and opportunities for investment in Myanmar.

On 17 May, Deputy Minister U Kyaw Thu

called on Minister for Energy of UAE Mohamed bin Dhaen al Hamli at the Ministry of Energy and discussed matters related to cooperation in the energy sector between the two countries.

In the afternoon, Deputy Minister U Kyaw Thu called on His Highness Sheikh Sarror Bin Mohammed al-Nahainan at his residential palace and attended the luncheon hosted by the Crown Prince.

For the second leg of the tour, the delegation arrived in Riyadh, the capital of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, on 18 May. Deputy Minister U Kyaw Thu called on his counterpart of the Kingdom Ibrahim O. al Kharashi the next day at the latter's office. The two deputy ministers touched upon matters concerning bilateral relations between the two countries.

On 20 May, Deputy Minister U Kyaw Thu paid a courtesy call on Dr Nizar bin Obaid Madani, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



Deputy Foreign Minister U Kyaw Thu being welcomed by Foreign Minister of Saudi Arabia Dr Nizar bin Obaid Madani.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS

They discussed matters relating to bilateral relations and exchanged views on regional and international affairs.

On 21 May, the deputy minister called on Deputy Minister for Labour Ahmad al Zamil at his office and discussed matters concerning opportunities for Myanmar workers to find employment in Saudi Arabia.

The deputy minister met with Deputy Secretary General Engr Fahad

M Aslimy and members of the Council of Riyadh Chamber of Commerce and Industry at the meeting hall of the council on 22 May, and exchanged views on economic cooperation and other matters of mutual concern.

The deputy minister called on Assistant Minister for Petroleum His Royal Highness Abdulaziz bin Salman bin Saud at the latter's office and Deputy Minister for Interior His Royal Highness Ahmed M al Salem at the Ministry of Interior separately on 23 May. At the meetings, the two sides discussed matters relating to further expansion of bilateral cooperation in the respective fields.

The Myanmar delegation left the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for Myanmar on 24 May. Myanmar delegation included U Ohn Kyaw, Director-General from the Ministry of National Planning and Economic Development, U Soe Aung, Deputy Director-General from the Ministry of Energy and U Thet Win Tu, Assistant Director from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

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Deputy Foreign Minister U Kyaw Thu poses for documentary photo together with Energy Minister of UAE Mohamed bin Dhaen al Hamli and Deputy Minister Nasser M al Sharhan. — FOREIGN AFFAIRS

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Iran uncovers western spy networks

TEHERAN, 28 May—Iran has uncovered spy networks on its territory organized by occupying forces in Iraq and Iraqi groups, the Intelligence Ministry said in a statement published on Saturday.

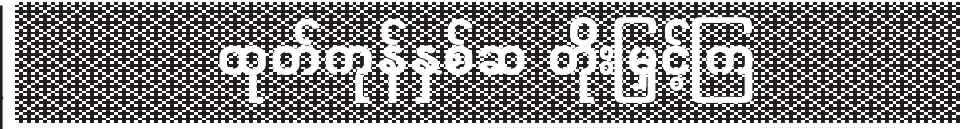
The statement gave few details, saying more would be published in the next few days. Iran has often accused the United States and Britain, which led the invasion of Iraq, of trying to undermine the security of the Islamic Republic.

The ministry's statement did not refer to either country by name. "The Intelligence Ministry succeeded in finding, recognizing and confronting some spy networks of infiltrating elements from the Iraqi occupiers in west, southwest and central Iran," said the statement, carried by the official *IRNA* news agency.

"These spy networks were guided by the intelligence services of the occupiers and were

supported by some influential Iraqi groups. The detailed news will be announced in the next few days." It was not clear whether the "spy networks" were linked to the recent detentions by Iran of Iranian-Americans including US-based scholar Haleh Esfandiari, whom the ministry has accused of being linked to efforts to undermine Iran's Government.

The United States has dismissed the accusations and called for Esfandiari's release.—*MNA/Reuters*



Indonesia President Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono, centre, and Malaysia Prime Minister Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, right, look on as delegates exchange the memorandums of understandings during the World Islamic Economic Forum held at the Putra World Trade Centre in Kuala Lumpur, on 28 May, 2007.—INTERNET

Pakistani gang arrested for stealing kidneys

LAHORE (Pakistan), 28 May —Pakistani police have arrested nine people, four of them doctors, for abducting people, drugging them and stealing their kidneys for transplant operations, police said on Saturday.

Selling kidneys from living donors is not illegal in Pakistan, which medical experts say has a reputation as the world's

"kidney bazaar".

But police said those arrested in the eastern city of Lahore tricked people then drugged them before removing their kidneys.

"These poor people were given tranquillizers and were deprived of their kidneys without their consent," Lahore police chief Malik Mohammad Iqbal told *Reuters*.

MNA/Reuters

US military deaths in Iraq at 3,452

WASHINGTON, 27 May— As of Sunday, 27 May, 2007, at least 3,452 members of the US military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to an *Associated Press* count. The figure includes seven military civilians. At least 2,809 died as a result of hostile

action, according to the military's numbers.

The *AP* count is 19 higher than the Defence Department's tally, last updated Friday at 10 am EDT. The British military has reported 149 deaths; Italy, 33; Ukraine, 18;

Poland, 20; Bulgaria, 13; Spain, 11; Denmark, seven; El Salvador, five; Slovakia, four; Latvia, three; Estonia, Netherlands, Thailand, two each; and Australia, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Romania, South Korea, one death each.—*Internet*

Six bombs explode in commercial district in restive southern Thailand, wounding 13

BANGKOK, 27 May— Thailand: Domestic politics rather than Muslim insurgents may have been behind bombing attacks that injured at least 13 people in southern Thailand's tourist and commercial hub of Hat Yai, a senior police official said Monday. Six bombs

ripped through a key commercial district of the city late Sunday near two hotels, two pharmacies, a department store and a restaurant, police Lt Pod Suansuwan said. Scores of Malaysians, Singaporeans and Indonesians spend their weekends in Hat Yai, but police said all the

injured were Thai nationals. Two of the wounded were reported in serious condition. Thailand's Muslim-dominated south, including the provinces of Pattani, Yala and Narathiwat, has been wracked by violence in recent months.

Internet

Police officials stand near the site of a bomb blast in southern Thailand's Hat Yai Province on 27 May, 2007. INTERNET



Up to 22 killed in central Baghdad car bombing

BAGHDAD, 28 May — The death toll rose to 22 and 30 people injured when a car bomb hit a busy area in central Baghdad on Monday, an Interior Ministry source said.

"According to our reports, the final toll rose to 22 people killed and 30 others injured in the attack," the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

Earlier the source put the toll at 10 killed and 15 injured."A booby-trapped car bomb detonated at about 2:15 pm (1015 GMT) in the crowded Khillani Square," the source said.

In separate incident, a group of gunmen ambushed a police patrol in a neighbourhood in central Baghdad, killing three policemen and wounding seven others.

The gunmen blocked the road in the neighbourhood of Fadhil and opened fire at the police patrol, which is

chasing them after they abducted two minibuses with passengers on board.

The attacks came hours after the US and

Iranian ambassadors met for the first time in decades over how to deal with violence in Iraq.

Internet



A demonstrator gestures during a protest rally at Venceslas Square in Prague on 26 May, 2007. The rally was held to protest against plans to deploy a US missile defence radar system in the Czech Republic.—XINHUA

Chile to enhance bilateral cooperation with Vietnam

SANTIAGO, 27 May— Chilean President Michelle Bachelet said Friday that her country hoped to enhance cooperation with Vietnam.

She made the remarks when meeting with Vietnamese Communist Party General Secretary Nong Duc Manh, who is on an official four-nation Latin America tour, which also takes in Brazil, Venezuela and Cuba.

In a ceremony at the government palace, the President and the Vietnamese General Secretary witnessed the signing of two agreements to strengthen intergovern-

mental cooperation and joint work in science and technology.

Bachelet highlighted the importance of the general secretary's visit, which was aimed at strengthening political and economic ties. In 2005, Vietnam and Chile celebrated the 35th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations.

"Vietnam and Chile are two medium size countries that share the same willingness to make

the best of opportunities and minimize the risks globalization offers," Bachelet said.

"We share the same need to favour national development with social justice. Economic growth allows us to improve the life quality of our people," the President added.

Chile also wants to be a bridge country for Vietnam and Latin America, Bachelet said.

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Romanian director Cristian Mungiu, right, accepts the Palme d'Or from American actress Jane Fonda for his film "4 Luni, 3 Saptamini Si 2 Zile" ("4 Months, 3 weeks and 2 days"), during the awards ceremony at the 60th International film festival in Cannes, southern France, on 27 May, 2007.
XINHUA

China confirms new human case of bird flu

BEIJING, 27 May — China's Ministry of Health has confirmed a new human case of bird flu, the ministry announced on its website Saturday.

A 19-year-old man surnamed Cheng, who is a soldier in the People's Liberation Army (PLA), is now receiving treatment at an Army hospital, the ministry said.

The website did not indicate in which part of the country Cheng was stationed nor how he may have come in contact with the virus. Calls to the ministry were unanswered

at Saturday noon.

Cheng developed symptoms of fever, cough and pneumonia on 9 May. He was sent to an Army hospital on 14 May and has been hospitalized since then. Tests by local Centre for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on 18

May show that he had been infected with bird flu virus strain H5N1. The result was confirmed by Chinese and PLA CDCs on Wednesday.

The website did not indicate the status of Cheng's condition.

MNA/Xinhua

A labourer chisels at a block of marble near a marble mine in Makrana town, about 120 km (75 miles) west of Jaipur in the desert state of Rajasthan, in this 26 April, 2007 file photo. —INTERNET



Memorial Day visitors go to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, on 27 May, 2007. This year is the 25th anniversary of the memorial, which has etched into it the names of the 58,249 American servicemen and women who died or were lost during the Vietnam Conflict from 1959-1975. —INTERNET



Freight train derailed by bomb explosion in eastern Turkey

ANKARA, 27 May—Seven carriages of a freight train derailed after suspected Kurdish rebels set off a bomb on railway track in Turkey's eastern province of Bingol, the semi-official *Anatolia* news agency reported on Friday.

No casualties were reported in the accident, the report said. Some officials were quoted as saying that the remote-controlled bomb was detonated near Suveren Station in Bingol when the freight train was en route from Tatvan to Malatya Province. Train voyages have been suspended on the mentioned route, while an investigation is underway, *Anatolia* added.

MNA/Xinhua

Hungary confirms US expulsion of its diplomat

BUDAPEST, 27 May—Hungarian Foreign Ministry spokesman Gyorgy Odze confirmed on Friday that the United States had expelled a Hungarian diplomat.

Television channel TV2 quoted Odze as saying that the incident, which happened in April, involved a junior diplomat who was found of possessing drugs. The US authorities had requested the diplomat be recalled and the Hungarian authorities had complied with.— *MNA/Xinhua*

NATO soldier killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 27 May—A NATO soldier was killed and four wounded in a clash with insurgents in Afghanistan on Saturday, the alliance said in a statement. It did not identify the casualties in the clash in the south of the country. A Canadian NATO soldier was killed on Friday outside the southern city of Kandahar in a roadside bomb blast.

Violence has surged in recent months in Afghanistan, following a traditional winter lull. Last year was the bloodiest in the country since US-led forces defeated the Taliban government in 2001.

MNA/Reuters

Four die as gunmen open fire in S-W Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 27 May—At least four people were killed when unidentified gunmen opened fire in Pakistani southwestern city of Quetta on Saturday, private TV channel reported.

One other person was also injured when the gunmen sprayed bullets at people in Quetta, the capital of Baluchistan Province, at 11:10 am (0610 GMT) the Geo Television reported. Motives behind the attack were not immediately known. No one has claimed responsibility of the attack.— *MNA/Xinhua*

Gunmen kidnap at least 40 in north of Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 28 May— Gunmen manning faked checkpoints on Sunday abducted more than 40 people on the main road near Samarra City in Salahudin Province, a provincial police source said.

"Gunmen believed to be al-Qaeda militants erected faked checkpoints in the afternoon on the main road south of Samarra abducted more than 40 people," the source from Salahudin Province told *Xinhua*.

He said the militants were looking for people from Jubour and Shummar Iraqi tribes along with individuals working for the Iraqi security forces.

MNA/Xinhua

ECONOMIC NEWS

India to hold tourism shows in London, New York

NEW DELHI, 27 May—India plans to hold two mega shows in London and New York in September this year, showcasing its rich culture and huge potential as a tourist attraction as part of celebrations to mark 60 years of Independence.

The mayor of London is helping to hold the "India New" show, which will be held for three months from July, *Indo-Asian News Service* (IANS) reported Saturday.

The show in New York will coincide with the UN General Assembly and will be on from September

22 to 25. It will have on display various facets of India's culture and folk arts.

These shows are part of the Indian Government's efforts to promote tourism and attract more visitors from abroad, IANS said.

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Indian policemen patrol in a motorboat as tourists tour Dal Lake, a famous tourism site in Srinagar, on 24 May, 2007. As the insurgency ebbs and a peace process between New Delhi and Islamabad progresses, the threat of attacks on visitors highlights how weakened militants can still target the Achilles heel of Kashmir — its tourism industry. —INTERNET

Bangladesh to sign deal with S Korea for manpower export

DHAKA, 28 May—Bangladesh will sign a deal with South Korea on recruitment of workforce under a new arrangement styled Employment Permit System (EPS), private news agency UNB reported Saturday.

A regular meeting of the council of advisers chaired by Chief Adviser Dr Fakhrudin Ahmed on Saturday approved a proposal on manpower export to South Korea at government level through the EPS, introduced by the Far Eastern country this year. Earlier, they used to recruit manpower on the basis of Industrial Training System (ITS), which has been revoked recently. A memorandum of understanding (MoU) is expected to be signed during Foreign Affairs Adviser Dr Iftekhar

Ahmed Chowdhury's Seoul visit on 4-6 June.

The MoU would protect the interest and rights of Bangladeshi workforce in South Korea, where now around 12,000 Bangladeshis work and the new deal could take in some 10,000 more, the report said.

Under the EPS, South

Korea will recruit a total of some 50,000 skilled manpower from 14 countries, including Bangladesh.

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Stock market employee monitoring the shares prices at a private stock market gallery in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, on 25 May, 2007. Kuala Lumpur Composite Index (KLCI) ends almost flat at 1339.08, shedding only 1.9 points as bargain hunting helped benchmark recover from intraday low of 1319.75, following the sharp fall in US stocks overnight and the subsequent decline in regional bourses spurred some heavy selling in early trade.—INTERNET



Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao (C) talks with customers on the pork prices at a supermarket in Xi'an, capital of northwest China's Shaanxi Province, on 26 May, 2007. Wen visited Shaanxi on Saturday for an investigation into pig-raising and pork market.

INTERNET

Trade with China creates more jobs in Brazil

RIO DE JANEIRO, 27 May—There were more jobs created in Brazil in 2005 as a result of exports to China than there were positions lost because of imports from the Asian giant, a Brazilian economist said Friday.

According to a study

by Marta Reis Castilho of the Federal Fluminense University, 559,598 jobs were created as a result of trade with China, while 237,455 positions were lost, which means a surplus of 322,143 to Brazil. The research also showed that the job surplus

peaked at 379,000 in 2003.

Of the jobs that bilateral trade created in Brazil in 2005, approximately 396,000, or 71 per cent, went to workers with basic education levels or less, as the majorexports to China were agricultural products and iron ore.—MNA/Xinhua

Honda Indonesia reports 13% surge in first quarter sales

JAKARTA, 27 May—PT Honda Prospect Motor (HPM), the Indonesian subsidiary of Japanese automotive giant Honda, sold 12,500 vehicles in Indonesia during the first quarter of this year, a 13-

per-cent increase from the same period last year.

Monthly sales in April showed a 21-per-cent increase to 3,754 vehicles from 3,084 in March.

SUV model the All New CRV and hatchback Honda Jazz are the two mainstays of the automotive company. The All New CRV, since it was first launched in January this year and the end of the first quarter, has sold 5,608 units, and controls

49 per cent of the SUV market.

The Jazz, which was launched in early 2004 and is aimed at the youth market, sold 4,821 units during the same period, giving it an 11-per-cent share of the small MPV class, Jonfis Fandy, HPM director of marketing and after-sales service, was quoted Saturday by English daily *The Jakarta Post* as saying.

MNA/Xinhua

Angola, Zimbabwe sign accord on tourism

LUANDA, 27 May—The Angolan and Zimbabwean Government have signed a five-year cooperation accord on tourism, the Angolan news agency *ANGOP* reported on Friday. The accord was signed by Angolan Minister of Hotels and Tourism Eduardo Chingunji and Zimbabwean Minister of Tourism and Environment Francis Nhema at a two-day meeting on tourism held in Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe, which started on Thursday.

The agreement outlines the general bases for the promotion and increase of cooperation in the domain of tourism in the framework of principles of equality, mutual benefit and reciprocity of advantage.

MNA/Xinhua



Andretti Green driver Dario Franchitti of Scotland raises the traditional bottle of milk after winning the 91st Indianapolis 500 at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway on 27 May, 2007. INTERNET

Ethiopia, China sign \$18.5m debt relief agreement

ADDIS ABABA, 27 May — Ethiopia and China signed here on Friday a debt relief agreement amounting to 18.5 million US dollars.

The agreement was signed by Mekonen Manyazewal, state Minister of Finance and Economic Development, and China's Assistant Minister of Commerce Wang Chao.

It was stated on the occasion that the money drawn from the debt relief would be used to finance poverty reduction programme in Ethiopia.

After signing the agreement, Mekonen expressed appreciation to

China's commitment to support Ethiopia.

"It is important to us in that it gives us a fiscal space for our growth and poverty reduction programmes," he said. Wang Chao, who is here on a working visit, said on his part the debt relief would be a landmark to the growing development cooperation between China and Ethiopia.

"Our government will also continue to encourage our Chinese enterprises to conduct mutual beneficial cooperation with Ethiopian enterprises," he said.

He also said the new convention centre of the African Union (AU), which is to be constructed with the help of Chinese Government, would be a new symbol of relations between China and Ethiopia and the whole of Africa.

This second time debt relief is part of the comprehensive package of various supports from China including project assistance, technical cooperation, debt cancelling and private sector interactions.

MNA/Xinhua

US military fails to engage target in new anti-missile test

WASHINGTON, 27 May — A new US test aimed to intercept a supposed enemy long-range missile over the Pacific failed on Friday, agencies reports said.

"The target did not reach sufficient altitude to be deemed a threat and so the Ballistic Missile Defence System did not engage it, as designed," Missile Defence Agency Director Henry Obering was quoted as saying.

During the test, the target missile launched from Alaska failed to reach the test area before an interceptor missile could be launched from California.

The US military is still trying to find out why the target, an old intercontinental ballistic missile, failed after launch from Kodiak Island in Alaska. The interceptor was supposed to try to collide with the target high over the Pacific.

The Missile Defence Agency described the test as "not completed", avoiding to use the term "failure" and saying it will try again some time in the summer.

At present, the United States has two ground sites hosting missile interceptors, in California and Alaska, respectively.

MNA/Xinhua



Lebanese Red Cross volunteers ride a pick-up truck loaded with food supplies as they enter the Beddawi Palestinian refugee camp on 26 May, 2007. Sporadic gunbattles flared overnight between Lebanese troops and Islamist fighters holed up in a Palestinian refugee camp amid efforts to reach a negotiated solution to the worst internal strife since Lebanon's civil war.—INTERNET

Death toll rises to five in Baghdad market attacks

BAGHDAD, 27 May — The death toll rose to five and up to 37 others wounded when a coordinated car bombing and mortar barrage struck a popular market place in a southern Baghdad District on Saturday, a police source said.

"A booby-trapped vehicle went off in the

industrial area in the district at around midday, killing and wounding many people along with burning and damaging several nearby workshops," the source said.

"Few minutes later, four mortar rounds landed on a near by outdoor market in the Baiyaa District," the source told *Xinhua* on

condition of anonymity.

The two attacks killed a total of five people and wounded 37 others, the source added.

Earlier, the source said that four people were killed and 25 others wounded in a mortar barrage on the popular outdoor market in Baiyaa District.

MNA/Xinhua

Suspected food poisoning sickens 30 at S China garment factory

BEIJING, 27 May — About 30 factory workers fell sick Friday in Shunde, a manufacturing town in south China's Guangdong Province.

Food poisoning is the suspected cause, doctors said on Saturday. The workers, mostly women, suffered vomiting, fever

and diarrhoea Thursday night but did not seek medical intervention until 9:00 am on Friday, said a doctor with Daliang People's Hospital in Shunde.

"They said they ate pork, chicken and Chinese cabbage for dinner," he said. "When they came to

the hospital they all looked pale and some of them found it difficult to even stand."

A woman surnamed Huang said she suffered a bad headache shortly after dinner at the staff canteen of the garment factory where she worked.

MNA/Xinhua

Suicide bombing injures four in S Afghanistan

KABUL, 27 May — A suicide blast wounded four persons in Kandahar Province of southern Afghanistan on Saturday, the police said.

A suicide bomber attacked a police vehicle in Kandahar City, the provincial capital, injuring three policemen and one civilian, Asis Khan, a policeman at the blast site told *Xinhua*. The bomber's body was still lying on the ground, and the police vehicle was partly damaged, he added.

Kandahar Province is the birthplace and a stronghold of the Taleban movement, where a lot of insurgency and violence occurs.

Due to rising Taleban-linked insurgency, over 1,600 persons, most of whom were Taleban militants, have been killed in Afghanistan this year.

MNA/Xinhua



Jon Bon Jovi, lead singer of the band Bon Jovi, takes the stage during the 10th annual Tiger Jam at the Mandalay Bay Resort in Las Vegas, Nevada on 26 May, 2007. Tiger Jam is a fundraiser for the Tiger Woods Foundation which funds a variety of youth programmes. —XINHUA

World No Tobacco Day

Dr Nyo Nyo Kyaing

World No Tobacco Day falls on 31st May every year. Myanmar has been observing the Day since 1989. The Ministry of Health has been launching public health education campaigns on the hazards of smoking and tobacco products. In 2000, the ministry launched the tobacco free project with the directive of the National Health Committee. The Myanmar representatives had constantly taken part in drafting the International Convention on Control of Smoking and Consumption of Tobacco Products for four years. Myanmar hosted the fourth Southeast Asia regional meeting in connection with Convention. Myanmar signed the Convention on 23 October 2003. The Convention was ratified on 20 April 2004.

As Myanmar is a member of the Convention, it has the duty to implement it. The country issued The Control of Smoking and Consumption of Tobacco Products Law on 4 May 2006 under the State Peace and Development Council Law No 5/2006. The law came into force on 4 May this year. The WHO honoured Myanmar for the law which is a milestone of Myanmar's history of health.

The rate of smoking and consumption of tobacco products is falling in Myanmar thanks to the public awareness of the dangers of tobacco. According to Global Youth Tobacco Survey 2001, the smoking rate of students from eighth to tenth standards in 2001 was 16.9 per cent. The

Repeat Global Youth Tobacco Survey 2004 indicated the said rate at 9.7 per cent. According to survey, tobacco consumption rate among 9th, 10th and 11th graders was 10.8 per cent in 2004, down from 20.4 in 2001. Smoking rate among people from ages 15 and above fell to 31 per cent in 2004 from 48 per cent in 2001 and 60 percent in the 1990s. Smoking among women is falling drastically. But four percent of urban women and 20 percent of rural women are still smoking.

Every year, Myanmar translated into Myanmar WHO mottos for the World No Tobacco Day and acted upon the whole year. Ministry of Sports and Ministry of Health jointly organized the 2002 World No Tobacco Day in accord with the motto — Tobacco Free Sports: Play it Clean— at Thuwunna Sports Ground in Yangon.

In 2003, the ministry carried out World No-Tobacco Day commemorative activities in cooperation with the Myanmar Motion Picture Asiayon and the Myanmar Music Asiayon in pursuit of the theme for the year 2003 “Tobacco free film: tobacco free fashion, action”. The WHO designated “Smoke free environments” as the theme for 2007 to help establish a smoke-free environment so that world people will be free from the dangers of passive smoking.

Tobacco-based products are categorized into two groups—smoking tobacco and smokeless tobacco. Smoking tobacco group includes cigarette, cheroot, cigar, corn-leaf cheroot, tobacco

pipe and long tobacco pipe. And smokeless tobacco group comprises chewing tobacco, chewing betel quid with tobacco, steamed tobacco or marinated tobacco in it, and drinking water in which tobacco is soaked for some time. Inhaling of tobacco smoke, keeping in the mouth or eating any kinds of tobacco-based products is harmful to health.

Cigarette smoke is of two kinds. Environmental tobacco smoke consists of mainstream smoke and side stream smoke. Mainstream smoke is the smoke that a smoker exhales. Side stream smoke is the smoke from other people's cigarette. Both mainstream smoke and side stream smoke contain nicotine and several dangerous items. Inhaling these mainstream smoke and side stream smoke can cause lung cancer, liver cancer, mouth cancer, cardiovascular diseases, and hypertension. Pregnant women smokers are likely to face abortion, their under-one-year-old infants may die suddenly, and they are also likely to give birth to underweight babies and handicapped babies. Passive smoking children may suffer from asthma, swollen trachea and pneumonia. The lungs of a child are smaller than that of an adult, so children are more vulnerable to smoke.

In order to prevent the dangers of passive smoking, tobacco-free areas have been designated under Control of Smoking and Consumption of Tobacco Products Law such as hospitals, clinics, schools, inside passenger buses and aircraft, air-conditioned public halls, theatres, cinemas, video houses and other exhibitions, supermarkets, plazas, stores and roofed and covered markets. The designation of such places helps reduce dangers caused by cigarette smoke drastically. Therefore, I would like to urge related ministries and social organizations to participate in the creation of a smoke-free environment in cooperation with the Ministry of Health.

Translation: TMT+MS

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Lt-Gen Ye Myint of Ministry of Defence visits tea planting ceremony in Haka. — MNA

Lt-Gen Ye Myint calls for...

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hospital by Head of Chin State Health Department Dr U Aung Si Thu.

Chin State Superintending Engineer reported on construction of the two-storey main building of the 200-bed hospital. Lt-Gen Ye Myint inspected the construction site. The main building is 200 feet long, 60 feet wide and 34

feet high and the operation theatre is 100 feet long, 56 feet wide and 34 feet high.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party inspected preparation for cultivation of summer paddy and reclamation of land for terrace cultivation near Theemit Village on Haka-Thantlang Road.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint and

party scattered Shweyinaye paddy seeds in the cultivation plot.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint greeted farmers and called for highland farmland reclamation. The plantation of Theemit Village has cultivated 50 acres of summer paddy. Next, Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party visited Moe Hein family's tea industry Zaythit

Ward in Haka and inspected production process of pickled tea and dried tea. Afterwards, they proceeded to the mythum farm of U Ran Kyone at mile post (4/6) on Haka-Matupi Road. Head of Chin State Livestock Breeding and Veterinary Department Dr Than Htaik reported on breeding of mythum and market condition. Chin State bred 45,429 heads of

mythum up to April 2006 and 48,199 heads up to April 2007 accounting for 5.88 percent increase. Mythum breeding is being extended by establishing seven farms.

Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party visited the tea plantation of Moe Hein's family near mile post (2/7). A total of 25,000 plants have been grown on 7 acres of land. After inspecting Shwemyodaw tea industry in Pyihsaungtha Ward in Haka, Lt-Gen Ye Myint and party paid homage and offered alms to Sayadaw Ganthavacaka Pandita Maha Ganthavacaka Pandita Pariyatti Sasana Hitadhara member of State Central Working Committee of the Sangha

Bhaddanta Tejosara and visited Win Thuza Shop of Chin State Union Solidarity and Development Association.

Later, they visited the tea plantation in the compound of Myanma Posts and Telecommunications in Haka. At the plantation, 10,890 tea plants have been grown on the land of three acres. Chin State has grown 14,952 acres of tea. It is targeted to grow total of 5,000 acres of tea in 2007-2008 in the state and 165,476 viss has been produced. In 2006-2007, 4765 baskets of tea seeds were sown at nurseries and it is targeted to grow 8,648,905 tea plants in 2007-2008.

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Community knowledge centre opened

YANGON, 28 May— Education sub-working group of Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization opened its community knowledge centre at No 6 Ward Peace and Development Council Office on Mekhang Street in Shwepyitha Township today.

Patron of Yangon Division WAO Daw Mar Mar Wai formally unveiled the signboard of the community knowledge centre.

Afterwards, Daw Mar Mar Wai handed over one cupboard, two sewing machines and books donated by district and township WAO through Chairperson of No 6 Ward WAO Daw Than Than Sint.

After the donation, they visited the centre.

Similarly, the com-

munity knowledge centre was opened at the township planning office the same day. Director U Saw Aung of Education Research Bureau explained the purpose of the centre and the ceremony ended.—MNA

Minister meets athletes

YANGON, 28 May— Chairman of Myanmar Olympic Committee Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint met with players of Myanmar youth football team, Myanmar selected yacht team and selected men's volleyball team at

the National Indoor Stadium-1 (Thuwuna) in Thingangyun Township today.

Myanmar Youth Football team will participate in Asian U-13 Asian Youth Football Tournament to be held in Malaysia from 27 May

to 10 June, Myanmar yacht team in a yachting event to be held in Singapore from 6 to 10 June and Myanmar selected men's volleyball team in Asia Club Men's Volleyball Competition to be held in Bahrain from 1 to 8 June.

Officials concerned reported on preparation for the competitions.

Minister for Sports Brig-Gen Thura Aye Myint urged the athletes to enhance Myanmar's image and make efforts for gaining medals.

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Patron of Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization Daw Mar Mar Wai delivers an address at opening of community knowledge centre in Shwepyitha Township. — MNA

PBANRDA Minister attends opening of roads in Ayeyawady Division

YANGON, 28 May — Central Executive Committee Member of Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Thein Nyunt attended opening ceremonies of roads in Ayeyawady Division yesterday.

First, a tared road was inaugurated in Hinthada Township in the presence of Minister Col Thein Nyunt. The road was upgraded by Hinthada Township Development Affairs Department.

The road was formally opened by Chairman of the township Peace and Development Council U Aung Kyaw Naing, Executive Officer of the township DAD U Khin Maung Myint and Secretary of the township USDA U Nyunt Oo. After the opening ceremony, Minister Col Thein Nyunt inspected the upgraded road.

The opening cer-



Minister Col Thein Nyunt attends opening of an upgraded road in Hinthada on 27 May 2007. — PBANRDA

emony was also attended by members of Ayeyawady Division USDA, Myanmar War Veterans Organization, Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation, Maternal and Child Welfare Association, Myanmar Red Cross Society, Auxiliary Fire Brigade and local people.

As it has been upgraded, the road has become the all-weather road providing the smooth transportation to the township.

Afterwards, Minister Col Thein Nyunt also

attended the opening of Anawrahta road in Zalun which is 1,750 feet long and 12 feet wide. It was constructed by Zalun Township DAD at a cost of K 9.35 million.

The road was formally opened by the chairman of the township Peace and Development Council, an executive officer of the township DAD and the secretary of the township USDA. The minister and party inspected the road after the opening ceremony.

On his tour of Zalun Township, the minister also attended the

opening ceremony of a village-to-village linking road in the township. The road linking Danubay Village and Thatkaekyun Village in the township is 3 miles and 7 furlongs long and 10 feet wide. The township DAD spent K 23.1 million on construction of the road.

The road has become the all-weather fa-

cility for 30 villages in six village-tracts in the township.

Afterwards, the minister met with local people at the Basic Education High School (branch) in Mary Lann Village in Zalun Township, and attended to the needs for the regional development.

Danubyu Town-

ship DAD also inaugurated an upgraded road in the township during the minister's tour of Danubyu. The road was opened by the chairman of Danubyu Township Peace and Development Council, an executive officer of Danubyu Township DAD and the secretary of Danubyu Township USDA.

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Minister attends 35th Annual Meeting

YANGON, 28 May — Ingapu Township Association (Yangon) held its 35th Annual Meeting, respect-paying ceremony and prize presentation ceremony at the Dhammayon

of Myanmar Timber Enterprise on Shwedagon Pagoda Road, with an address by Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung.

Next, the minis-

ter and wellwishers donated K 4.7 million for the funds of the association and then chairman U Myint Aung extended greetings.

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Minister Brig-Gen Thein Aung receives Ambassador of Sri Lanka Mr P.A.D Samarasekera. — FORESTRY

Minister receives guest

YANGON, 28 May — Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung received Ambassador of the Democratic Socialist Republic

of Sri Lanka to the Union of Myanmar Mr P.A.D Samarasekera at his office here this morning.

Also present on

the occasion together with the minister was Managing Director of Myanmar Timber Enterprise U Win Tun.—MNA

Cash donation for medical fund of Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital

YANGON, 28 May — A cash donation for medical fund of Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital was held at the hospital this morning.

First, Medical Superintendent of ENT Hospital Dr Kyaw Hla Myint explained facts about the hospital with the help of charts to Vice-President of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation Daw Khin Thet Htay and party.

Next, Head of administration department of MAAF Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe reported on cash donation.

Wellwishers donated

K 2.85 million including K 200,000 each by MAAF and Chairperson Daw Mar Mar Wai of Yangon Division Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee, K 100,000 by Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin and wife Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe and K 200,000 by Yangon Division Peace and Development Council to Medical Superintendent of ENT Hospital Dr Kyaw Hla Myint, Director U Kyaw Lin of Health Department and Head of

Yangon Division Health of Department Dr Hla Myint.

Physic nut cultivation organized by Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation was held in the hospital compound.

MAAF Vice-President Daw Khin Thet Htay, Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe and patron of Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization Daw Mar Mar Wai planted the physic nut plants and members of social organizations carried out sanitation work in the hospital compound.

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UN says West must stop drug cartels overrunning W Africa

DAKAR, 28 May— The international community must act to stop drug cartels from overrunning poor West African nations and turning them into narco-states, the United Nations special representative for the region said on Saturday.

Powerful Latin American drug rings are muscling their way into West Africa as a backdoor route into Europe, where the street price of cocaine is often three times as high as in North America.

The rich cartels are spending millions of dollars to establish air and sea routes and create drug stockpiles from the deserts of the Sahara to the steamy creeks of the Gulf of Guinea, alarming US and

European counter-narcotics agencies.

Two big drug busts of more than 600 kilos of cocaine in Mauritania and Niger in recent weeks show authorities can stem some of the flow, but UN officials say a far greater volume of narcotics is getting through.

"It's a very large quantity — according to UN figures, in the last eight months more than two tons," said the special representative of the UN

secretary-general for West Africa, Ahmedou Ould-Abdallah.

He said the drug gangs had logistical, financial and communications means that were far more sophisticated than those possessed by the African states and they would be difficult to dislodge if they put down roots.

"Faced with fragile governments and huge areas, it is very difficult to control. We do not want to see a criminalization of these states," Ould-Abdallah told Radio France Internationale.

"Even better organized countries in Latin America have been taken hostage by these mafias. That is why we are calling attention to this."

In recent months, the US Navy has begun to refocus its operations in the Mediterranean southward to deal with the increasing threat of drug trafficking and illegal migration.

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Thirteen members of the Sangha recite Patthana at Boddh Gaya Monastery in Sangyoung Township on 27 May 2007. Members of the Sangha led by Sayadaw of Myanmar Monastery in Boddh Gaya, India, Bhaddanta Ñanninda has recited the Patthana for three days at the second recitation of Patthana in Buddh Gaya Monastery in Sangyoung. — MNA

5 dead, 3 missing after floods in Turkey

PROVINCE OF AGRI, Turkey, 28 May—A total of five people died and other three are missing after Sunday floods caused by the torrential rains in Turkey's province of Agri.

Emergency crew help the families, whose houses have been partially or completely demolished.

The heavy rains hit four residential areas in the region.—Internet

Severe heat claims 11 lives in east India

NEW DELHI, 28 May — Three more people have died in Orissa due to sunstroke, taking the toll in heat-related deaths to 11, official sources said Sunday, according to *Indo-Asian News Service*.

The state's coastal belt is bearing the brunt as high humidity level in the atmosphere, coupled with soaring day temperature, is leading to cases of sunstroke, the report said.

The meteorological office here forecast that heat wave conditions would last two more days.

On Saturday, Talcher, which recorded 47 degrees Celsius, was the hottest place in the state, while other districts registered over 42 degrees Celsius.

MNA/Xinhua

Afghan clash kills 10 militants, 2 policemen

KABUL, 28 May — A clash killed 10 Taleban militants and two Afghan policemen in the southern Kandahar Province, a local official said Sunday.

Taleban rebels ambushed a police patrol in Shah Walikot District on Saturday night, and the police returned fire, district chief Abidullah told *Xinhua*.

The conflict left 10 Taleban militants and two policemen dead, and two other policemen wounded, he said.

Due to rising Taleban-linked insurgency, over 1,600 persons, mostly Taleban militants, have been killed in Afghanistan this year. — MNA/Xinhua

Bird flu hits ninth province in Vietnam

HANOI, 28 May — Bird flu has spread to another province in northern Vietnam and now nine cities and provinces have been struck by the deadly virus in less than a month, the Agriculture Ministry said.

Tests on ducks at a poultry farm in Ninh Binh Province showed they were infected with the H5N1 virus, the Agriculture Ministry's Animal Health Department said in a report seen on Monday.

About 1,200 of the 1,750 ducks on the farm had been vaccinated against the H5N1 virus,

the report said.

It also said no fresh outbreaks were reported in the other eight cities and provinces in the past few days.

International public health authorities describe Vietnam's mass poultry vaccination programme and other measures as a model for keeping the virus at bay for the past 18 months.

But last Wednesday, it recorded the first human case since November 2005 when a

man from Vinh Phuc Province near Hanoi was found to have contracted H5N1 after he helped slaughter chickens at a friend's wedding about a month ago.

The World Health Organization said it was working with the government to investigate the case and the WHO needed to verify the virus sample. It said finding the suspected patient was not alarming if it was an isolated case.

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Two injured in drive-by shooting in southern Thailand

BANGKOK, 28 May — A village headman and his 7-year-old son were severely injured in a drive-by shooting by suspected insurgents Sunday morning in Thailand's restive southern province of Pattani, local media reported.

Wae-abdulroman Sama, 40, and his son, Waemuhamadalfan Sama, were shot on a bus of the Aziz Sathan Foundation School at 7:30 am (0030 GMT) on a road

in Muang District.

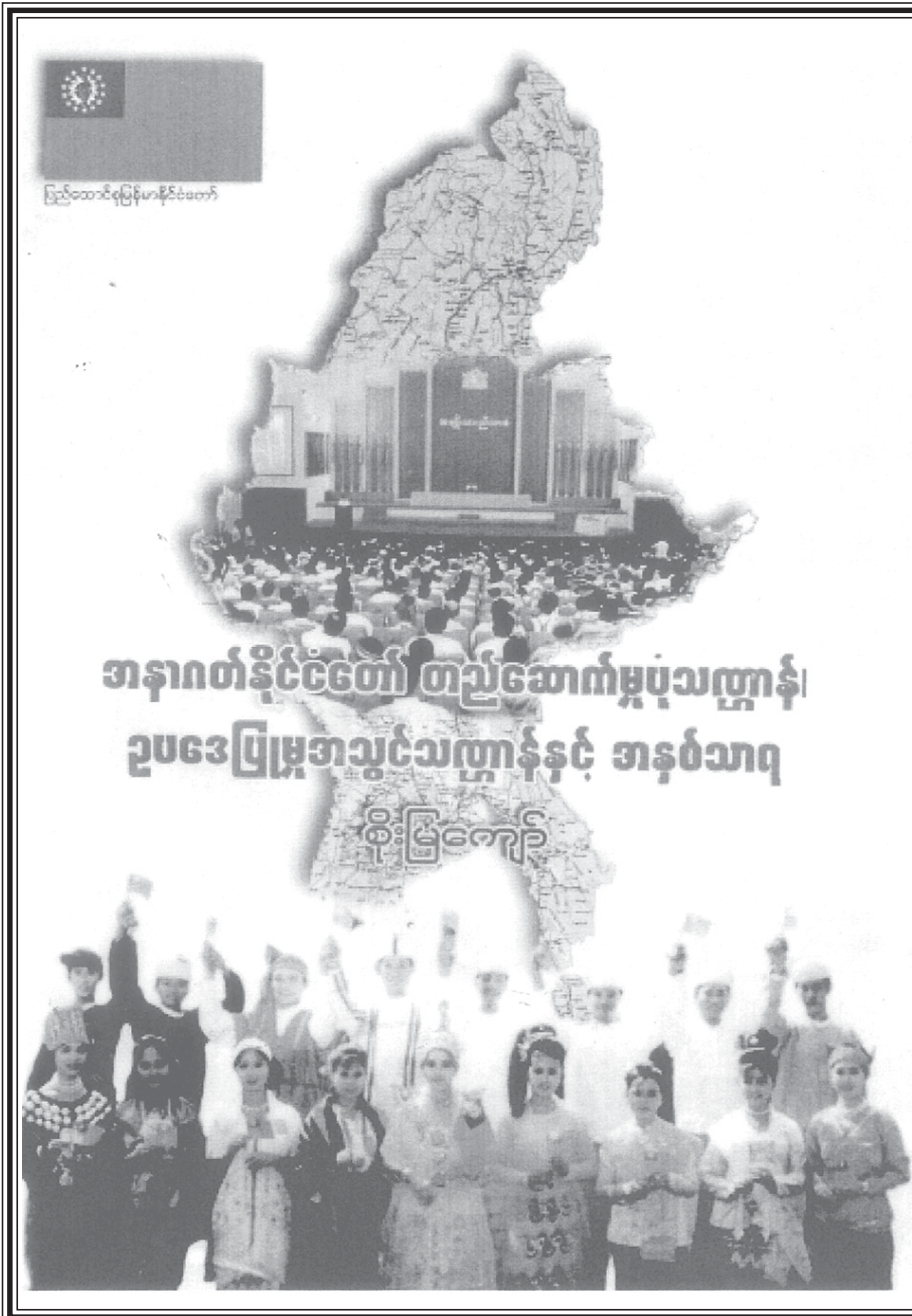
Witnesses were quoted by news network *The Nation* as saying that Wae-abdulroman Sama, the head of Moo 3 Village, was driving the bus to pick up students when two men on a motorcycle caught up with the bus and the pillion rider opened fire at him with an AK-47 assault rifle.

The bullets hit him twice on his chest and hit the head of his son sitting behind him.

MNA/Xinhua



A designer makes plasticine cartoon characters at Japan Design Festa in Tokyo, capital of Japan on 27 May, 2007. The 25th Japan Design Festa was held here from 26 to 27 May, attracting some 6,000 exhibitors from all over the world. — XINHUA



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China discovers 3.8 TCMs of gas reserves in Sichuan

CHENGDU, 28 May — About 3.8 trillion cubic metres of natural gas deposits have been discovered in southwest China's Sichuan Basin, with verified exploitable reserves topping 600 billion cubic metres. The reserves were discovered in Dazhou, a gas-rich city in Sichuan Province. By 2010, the newly found deposits will raise the city's gas output to 24 billion cubic metres and sulphur to more than 4.3 million tons, according to a Dazhou official at the on-going Western China International Economy-Trade Fair on Saturday. China National Petroleum Corporation (CNPC), the country's biggest oil and gas producer, and Sinopec Corporation, China's largest refiner, plan to build five purification plants in Dazhou and are expected to purify a total of 74 million cubic metres of natural gas a day by 2010. Dazhou City, located in eastern Sichuan, covers an area of 16,600 square kilometres with a population of 6.46 million.

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Bomb blast kills 7 in N-E India, 18 wounded

GUWAHATI (India), 28 May — A bomb hidden in a rickshaw exploded in a crowded market place in India's northeastern state of Assam on Saturday, killing seven people and wounding 18, police said.

Authorities said the separatist United Liberation Front of Asom (ULFA) was behind the attack in the busy market area of Athgaon in central Guwahati, the state's main city. "It is absolutely clear

the ULFA is behind this attack," Sibabrata Kakati, a police officer said. Three dead bodies lay on the blood splattered road which was littered with parts of human flesh. The body of the rickshaw

driver remained mangled in his vehicle where the bomb had been hidden.

Nearby vehicles were also damaged by the impact of the blast which took place a day ahead of celebrations to mark the state government's first year in office after elections.

Fire engines rushed to the site, while local traders quickly placed the dead and injured on wooden hand carts and in rickshaws, evacuating them to a nearby hospital.

"Someone was carrying a gas cylinder at the time of the explosion which caught fire and that caused maximum damage," a senior police officer said.

Hospital sources said three of the 18 injured were in a critical condition, warning that the death toll could increase.

MNA/Reuters



A man pours water to douse a fire on an auto rickshaw where a bomb was planted in Guwahati, India, on Saturday, on 26 May, 2007. A bomb went off in a crowded market in the main city of India's restive northeast on Saturday, killing seven people and injuring 18, an official said. The explosives were packed in a three-wheeled auto-rickshaw, said CK Bhuyan, a district administrator in the state of Assam. —INTERNET

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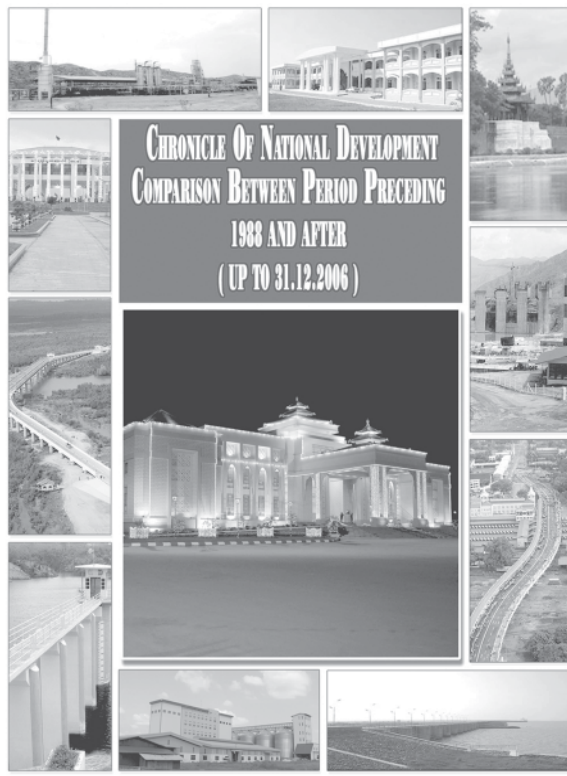
House fire kills three in New Jersey

WASHINGTON, 28 May—Three people were killed early Sunday morning in Spotswood, New Jersey, when a fire tore through a two-storey house, CBS News reported.

Firefighters were called to the house shortly after 1:30 am, according to the report.

Inside, they found the bodies of Roman Lipinski, 53, and Alfred Soos, 59, as well as that of an unidentified female.

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'Pirates' plunders \$57m in North America

LOS ANGELES, 28 May— "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End," the third film in Walt Disney Co's lucrative adventure franchise, sold an estimated 57 million US dollars of tickets in its first two days of release across North America, the company said on Saturday. The tally includes 14 million US dollars from Thursday evening previews that took place before the film's official release the next day. The balance of 43 million US dollars includes sales of 3 million US dollars from midnight screenings.— MNA/Reuters

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MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT
MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY

INVITATION TO TENDER

TENDER NO.MPA/CE (BAG) 001/2007-2008

1. Sealed Tenders from eligible Tenders/Construction Contractors are invited for the **Renovation and Strengthening of Bo Aung Gyaw No.2 Wharf.** Tender Prices to be quoted in FEC (or) US Dollar.
2. Tender Documents are available at the under mentioned address commencing from 29th May, 2007 and Tender will be closed on 15 June 2007 at 16:00 hours.
3. Detailed information will be available at the following office within the office hours:-
Civil Engineering Department
Myanma Port Authority
No.10, Pansodan Street, Kyauktada Township
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AGENT FOR: M/S EAGLE SHIPPING CO., LTD
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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

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Experts predict rise in pollution-related deaths

LOS ANGELES, 28 May — Health officials warned that some 4,000 people in California will die over the next 13 years as a result of pollution-related illness, it was reported Saturday.

Officials cited diesel engines as a major cause of the deaths, the North County Times, a local newspaper, reported.

The deaths would be eliminated if the diesel engines were cleaned up or replaced with modern power plants, the paper

quoted health officials as saying. To save thousands of lives per year, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) has proposed rules to regulate off-road diesel engines.

But there have been wildly-contradictory estimates of how much it would cost to retrofit or replace 180,000 diesel engines in use across the state, and what the benefits might be.

Construction and warehouse businesses across the state would be

affected by the proposed smog rules affecting forklifts and bulldozers.

CARB claimed that thousands of tons of nitrogen oxides and particulate matter that are launched into the atmosphere daily by construction equipment and other off-road industrial vehicles.

Alexander Greiner, a local allergy physician, said there are more than 40 dangerous and toxic compounds in diesel exhaust. However,

Construction industry advocates said it would cost 13 billion US dollars to make that changeover, a switchover that cannot be afforded by the small construction companies that make up the bulwark of contracting firms. "The only option to comply is to get rid of your equipment, and when you get rid of equipment, you get rid of employees," said construction contractor Maichael Lewis, quoted by the paper.

MNA/Xinhua

Loitering whales move to ocean after rescue efforts

BEIJING, 28 May — After loitering in an offshoot of the Sacramento River near Rio Vista, about 70 miles (115 kilometers) from the Pacific, two lost humpbacks began moving toward the ocean again Sunday afternoon, US officials coordinating the rescue said.

Scientists weren't sure why the creatures started heading downriver again after weeklong efforts to urge them seaward using a variety of tactics.

Scientists planned to use three to five fire boats shooting streams of water Tuesday to drive the humpbacks at least 24 kilometers downriver, where saltier water could help their health.

Before the pair headed south, veterinarians used sponges attached to a long pole to swab skin cells from bumps resembling blisters or lesions on the mother and calf.

The humpbacks' long exposure to fresh water has led to serious skin



Residents and onlookers gather around a 24 metre (79 feet), rare Bryde whale which was stranded in shallow shores at an island off Kota Kinabalu in Malaysia, on 15 December, 2006.—INTERNET

damage, biologists said, making them vulnerable to germs they would not face in their saltwater habitat. "We really need to try to get them back

into a more appropriate environment so they can start healing," said Trevor Spradlin, a marine mammal biologist with the National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration.

Deep gashes in both whales — likely suffered from a run-in with a boat's keel — have also worsened rather than healed outside their ocean home. But veterinarians think antibiotics injected into both whales Saturday could slow the infections.

On Sunday, biologists also planned to capture exhalation vapor from the whales to help get a better sense of their health and show whether the calf is still nursing, but those attempts were abandoned after the whales started moving. Scientists have said the whales are not in immediate danger of starvation despite a lack of the saltwater foods that make up their diet, since humpbacks typically don't eat until the summer feeding season. The whales were first spotted in fresh water 13 May and drew large crowds to the Port of Sacramento before leaving and swimming to Rio Vista last week.—Internet

Canadian city declares state of emergency for poor air quality

OTTAWA, 27 May — A state of emergency was declared on Friday in the city of Windsor in eastern Canada, following an auto body shop fire that led to widespread air pollution in the city.

The mayor announced the decision amid concerns for poor air quality and smoke although the fire has been put

under control.

Nearby buildings including two schools were evacuated after the fire broke out around 11:30 am local time (1530 GMT). No damage has been reported. Fire services and the hazardous materials unit have begun testing and monitoring the air quality in the city.

MNA/Xinhua

Gorilla sees light again after successful cataract surgery

KUALA LUMPUR, 28 May — An orangutan, staying at a wildlife protection centre in East Malaysia with both eyes suffering cataract, now can see more clear light again after animal ophthalmologists performed a surgery on it,

local media reported on Sunday.

The surgery proved to be a success as the male orang utan can get food himself and move out of the cage to contact other orang utans at the Matang Wildlife Centre in

Malaysia's eastern state of Sarawak. The 19-year-old orangutan, known as Aman, developed cataract on both eyes about 10 years ago. It has been suffering from decreasing vision, especially since 2000.—MNA/Xinhua

SPORTS



China's Wang Nan (L) and Zhang Yining celebrate with the women's doubles winners trophy at the world table tennis championships in Zagreb on 27 May, 2007. Defending Olympic and world champion Wang Nan/Zhang Yining beat fellow Chinese Guo Yue/Li Xiaoxia 11-5, 11-6, 13-11, 11-9 to win the women's doubles gold medal at the world table tennis championships here on Sunday. —INTERNET

Safin signals threat to favourites in Paris

PARIS, 28 May — Former world number one Marat Safin signalled that he could threaten the favourites for the French Open title after brushing aside Spain's Fernando Vicente 6-1, 6-3, 6-1 on Sunday to reach the second round.

The Russian, a semifinalist in 2002 but beaten in the first round last year, needed just one hour, 24 minutes to advance. Vicente, in the draw as a lucky loser, has not won a match at Tour level since June 2006 -- a run of 11 straight defeats — and once Safin won the first set the result was rarely in doubt.

Safin won just three matches on clay in the build-up to Roland Garros and his expectations were low coming into the second Grand Slam event of the year.

Safin, the number 22 seed, maintained his concentration in light rain in the third set to set up a match with the winner of the all-Serbian clash between Janko Tipsarevic and qualifier Dusan Vemic. — MNA/Reuters

Ajax clinch Champions League spot in playoff

AMSTERDAM, 28 May — Ajax Amsterdam scored three second half goals to beat AZ Alkmaar 3-0 on Sunday and win the Dutch Champions League playoff final 4-2 on aggregate.

Ajax go into the third qualifying round of Europe's premier club competition while Alkmaar have to settle for a place in the UEFA Cup after a heartbreaking season in which they missed out on the title on the last day and also lost the Cup final.

Both sides missed their suspended playmakers — Wesley Sneijder of Ajax and AZ' Simon Cziommer — in a lacklustre first half, though Alkmaar almost scored minutes before the break when Shota Arveladze's shot from 18 metres hit the bar.

However, 10 minutes after the interval Johnny Heitinga opened the scoring from close range and Alkmaar's Ryan Donk then doubled the home side's lead when he tried to clear a cross from Tom de Mul but instead lifted the ball over his own goalkeeper. — MNA/Reuters

Celta Vigo snatch late win, Gimnastic relegated

MADRID, 28 May — Celta Vigo scored an injury-time penalty to beat Real Betis 2-1 at home and keep their hopes of avoiding relegation alive in the Primera Liga on Sunday.

Brazilian striker Fernando Baiano kept his nerve to score from the spot and put 19th-placed

Celta level on 33 points with Real Sociedad, who lost 2-0 at Osasuna to remain 18th.

Celta and Sociedad are four points from the safety zone with two matches left.

Athletic Bilbao moved on to 37 points, the same as Betis, after beating visitors Real Mallorca 1-0, but remain 17th due to an inferior head-to-head record.

Levante's 3-2 win at Racing Santander assured them of a place in the top flight for next season as they climbed to 15th on 39 points.

Bottom club Gimnastic Tarragona (25) had their relegation mathematically confirmed even before they lost at home to Atletico Madrid. Spain striker Fernando Torres scored both goals in their 2-0 defeat.

MNA/Reuters

Sporting's Nani (R) kisses the Portuguese Cup Trophy with teammates Yannick Djalo (L) and Miguel Veloso after winning the final soccer match against Belenenses at Jamor stadium in Lisbon on 27 May, 2007.

INTERNET



Sporting win 14th Portuguese Cup final

LISBON, 28 May — Brazilian striker Liedson scored two minutes from time to give Sporting a 1-0 win over city rivals Belenenses and clinch their 14th Portuguese Cup trophy at National Stadium on Sunday.

Both sides' goalkeepers made several spectacular saves before Liedson grabbed the winner when he tapped in a low Miguel Veloso cross. Sporting ended runners-up in the Portuguese Premier League which ended last weekend. — MNA/Reuters



Sauber driver Nick Heidfeld of Germany steers his car through a curve during the Monaco Formula One Grand Prix, on Sunday, 27 May, 2007. Two-time Formula One champion Fernando Alonso won the Monaco Grand Prix on Sunday, holding off McLaren teammate Lewis Hamilton and Felipe Massa of Ferrari. Heidfeld placed in sixth position. —INTERNET

Dynamo Kiev beat Shakhtar 2-1 to win Ukraine Cup

KIEV, 28 May — Dynamo Kiev beat arch-rivals Shakhtar Donetsk 2-1 in the Ukrainian Cup final on Sunday to retain the trophy for a fourth straight year.

Brazilian striker Kleber put Dynamo ahead in the 58th minute and Ukraine international Oleg Gusev added the second goal against the run of play 10 minutes from time.

Shakhtar's Brazil international midfielder Elano pulled one back from close range in the 89th minute but Dynamo held on for victory despite having Brazilian defender Rodrigo sent off after picking up his second yellow card in the 70th minute.

Among the 60,000-strong crowd at Kiev's Olympic stadium were Ukraine President Viktor Yushchenko and his chief political adversary, Prime Minister Viktor Yanukovich, sitting side-by-side in the VIP box.

The match, however, was marred by serious clashes between riot police and a large section of Dynamo supporters.

The police moved in to prevent the fans throwing firecrackers onto the pitch to celebrate the Kleber goal and after a 10-minute clash with fans order was restored. — MNA/Reuters

Hansen beats Rose in PGA Championship playoff

VIRGINIA WATER (England), 28 May — Denmark's Anders Hansen won the PGA Championship for the second time in his career by beating Briton Justin Rose at the first hole of a sudden-death playoff on Sunday.

Hansen, the 2002 champion, punched the air in delight after rolling in an 18-foot putt for a birdie four on the 18th at a soggy Wentworth.

Rose (71) and Hansen (69) were tied on eight-under 280 at the end of the regulation 72 holes. The only time Hansen has won in Europe has been at the PGA. Among the rewards for winning the tour's flagship event are a five-year exemption on the circuit, a three-year exemption into the British Open and a place in next month's US Open.

The Dane has played mainly in the United States this year and this was only his second appearance in Europe.

Rose produced a brilliant shot to make the playoff, hitting a 109-yard wedge to 18 inches at the last to set up a birdie four.

One stroke adrift in joint third place were Fiji's Vijay Singh (66) and Richard Sterne of South Africa (74). Argentine Angel Cabrera, who won this event two years ago, tied for fifth with Miguel Angel Jimenez of Spain.

Britons Ross Fisher (84) and Paul Broadhurst (80), the joint overnight leaders, could not come to terms with the persistent rain that fell on the West Course in Surrey. — MNA/Reuters



Italy's Danilo Di Luca, followed by Luxembourg's Andy Schleck, pedals during the 15th stage of the Giro, Tour of Italy cycling race, from Trento to Tre Cime di Lavaredo, northern Italy, on Sunday, 27 May, 2007. Danilo Di Luca retained the overall leader's pink jersey. —INTERNET



AS Roma's Francesco Totti (L) holds his son Christian as he celebrates at the end of their Italian Serie A soccer match against Messina at the Olympic stadium in Rome on 27 May, 2007.

INTERNET

Hamas says Israel wounds 2 Gaza gunmen

GAZA, 28 May — Israeli soldiers shot and critically wounded two Hamas gunmen on Monday in a fresh round of violence triggered by the firing of

mortars at Israel from the Gaza Strip, Hamas officials and medics said. The confrontation followed a series of Israeli airstrikes overnight against

Hamas targets after Prime Minister Ehud Olmert pledged unlimited military action aimed at halting rocket fire from Gaza that has killed two Israelis in the

past week.

Hamas said soldiers aimed artillery fire at gunmen who had shot mortars toward Israel, in southern Gaza, before dawn. Medics said both were taken to hospital where they were listed in critical condition.

The Israeli Army had no immediate comment.

Hamas' armed wing claimed responsibility on Sunday for a series of rocket attacks against Israel, one that killed an Israeli driver, 36, in Sderot, and another that slammed into a home injuring one person, Israeli medics said.

MNA/Reuters

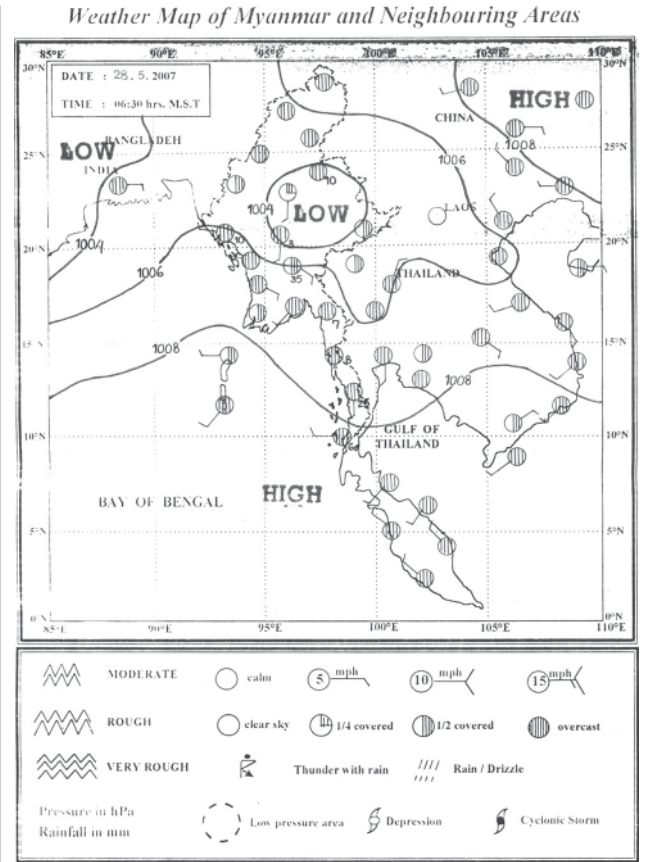
Palestinian gunmen killed by Israeli troops in east Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, 28 May 28 — Two Palestinian gunmen were killed by Israeli security forces in east Jerusalem on Saturday evening, Israeli police said.

According to the police, the Palestinian assailants were killed in a gunfight after they fired at the Israeli forces

in the neighbourhood of Sheik Said between East Jerusalem and the West Bank town of Bethlehem.

During the gunfire, four Israeli soldiers were also injured. Two were with moderate injuries while the other two were lightly injured. — MNA/Xinhua



WEATHER

Monday, 28 May, 2007

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours

MST: During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Kayin and Mon States, Taninthayi Division, fairly widespread in Kachin State, isolated in Shan and Rakhine States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay and Bago Divisions, weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Day temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) above May average temperatures in Kachin, Shan, Rakhine and Kayin States, Yangon, Mandalay and Taninthayi Divisions, (5°C) to (6°C) above May average temperatures in Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions and about May average temperatures in the remaining areas. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Taungoo (1.37) inches, Thaton (1.30) inches, Dawei (1.03) inches, Myeik (0.99) inch, Yamethin (0.20) inch and Meiktila (0.12) inch.

Maximum temperature on 27-5-2007 was 95°F. Minimum temperature on 28-5-2007 was 81°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 28-5-2007 was 81%. Total sunshine hours on 27-5-2007 was (5.0) hours approx.

Rainfall on 28-5-2007 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2007 was (25.28) inches at Mingaladon, (29.49) inches at Kaba-Aye and (28.66) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (8) mph from North-west at (18:30) hours MST on 27-5-2007.

Bay inference: Weather is partly cloudy in the North Bay and monsoon is moderate in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 29-5-2007: Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Mon and Kayin States, Taninthayi Division and scattered in Kachin State, upper Sagaing, Bago, Ayeyawady and Yangon Divisions and isolated in remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Thundery conditions in the Central Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring areas for 29-5-2007: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of Certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas for 29-5-2007: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas for 29-5-2007: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).



A member of Hamas's Executive Force guards his damaged compound after an Israeli air strike in Gaza on 27 May, 2007. Israel pressed ahead with an air offensive in Gaza on Saturday, killing five Hamas militants, and arrested another Palestinian cabinet minister in the West Bank as Gaza militants fired more rockets into Israel. —INTERNET



Tuesday, 29 May

Tune in today

- 8:30 am Brief news
- 8:35 am Music: -Our love
- ... Tiffany
- 8:40 am Perspectives
- 8:45 am Music: -One step closer
- 8:50 am National news/Slogan
- 9:00 am Music: -Sometimes
- 9:05 am International news
- 9:10 am Music -This time
- 1:30 pm News/ Slogan
- 1:40pm Lunch time music -Can you feel the love tonight
- Colours of the wind
- Go to distance
- A whole new world
- 9:00pm English Speaking Course
- 9:10pm Article
- 9:20pm Weekly sport reel
- 9:30pm Music at your listening pleasure - Breathless
- My baby you
- I wanna love you forever
- From this moment on
- 9:45 pm News /Slogan
- 10:00 pm PEL



Tuesday, 29 May
View on today

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 am 1. Recitation of Parittas by Missionary Sayadaw U Ottamathara 7:25 am 2. To be healthy exercise 7:30 am 3. Morning news 7:40 am 4. Nice and sweet song 7:50 am 5. ကဗျာပန်းဥယျာဉ် 8:05 am 6. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:15 am 7. Song of yesteryears 8:30 am 8. International news 8:45 am 9. Let's Go 4:00 pm 1. Martial song 4:15 pm 2. Song to uphold National Spirit 4:30 pm 3. English for Everyday Use 4:40 pm 4. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ဝဉာဏ်ရေ ရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ -ပထမနှစ် (သတ္တဗေဒအထူးပြု) (သတ္တဗေဒ) 4:55 pm 5. Dance of national races 5:10 pm 6. ခံစားနားဆင်တေးဇာတ်ဝင် | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:25 pm 7. Sing and Enjoy 6:00 pm 8. Evening news 6:30 pm 9. Weather report 6:35 pm 10. ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခုန်သံ 6:50 pm 11. The mirror images of the musical oldies 7:05 pm 12. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "သန်းတစ်ရာ ရွှေအိပ်မက်" (အပိုင်း-၃) 8:00 pm 13. News 14. International news 15. Weather report 16. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ရေသူမလေးသူတိယ ချစ်ပုံပြင်" (အပိုင်း-၁၄) 17. The next day's programme |
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Cash donated to construction of monastery in Kyauktalon Kyaungsu Village of Lewe Township



Nay Pyi Taw Command Commander Maj-Gen Wai Lwin inspects harvesting of summer paddy in Yanaungmyin Village-tract. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 26 May — The cash donation ceremony for construction of the monastery in Kyauktalon Kyaungsu Model Village of Lewe Township was held at Paukmyaing Monastery in the township this morning.

Speaking on the occasion, Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command

Maj-Gen Wai Lwin said that Kyauktalon Kyaungsu Village was moved from the wetland area of Chaungmange Dam. Development facilities such as school, library and dispensary of the village were upgraded in line with the characteristics of model village. In addition, arrangements are being made to build the monas-

tery in the village. Therefore, departments concerned and wellwishers were invited to donate cash and kind for construction tasks.

Chairman of Lewe Township Peace and Development Council U Maung Maung The reported on development of the township and progress of the village.

The commander and officials accepted K 16.94 million including K 3 million donated by CB Bank and ACE Co; K 2 million by Pynmana District DPC; K 2.6 million and Lewe Township PDC and entrepreneurs; K 1.5 million by Ayeya Shwewa Co; K 1 million by K Co and Shwe Thabyay Co; K 1.5 million by Max Myanmar Co; K 1.34 million by District and Township PDCs, departments

and people of Lewe Township.

Commander Maj-Gen Wai Lwin and wife Daw Swe Swe Oo presented K 300,000 for construction of the monastery to the Chairman of Pynmana District PDC. The chairman of Lewe Township PDC spoke words of thanks.

Afterwards, the commander and wife offered alms to the Abbot Sayadaw.

The commander and party inspected harvesting of paddy in the summer paddy plantation at Yanaungmyin Village-tract. After hearing the reports of Assistant Director U Thein Htay and officials of Agricultural Mechanization Department, the commander fulfilled the requirements.

The per acre yield of the summer paddy plantation is over 107 baskets.

MNA

Construction Minister looks into bridge construction in Magway

NAY PYI TAW, 28 May — Construction Minister Maj-Gen Saw Tun inspected road works and construction of bridges on Seikpyu-Pakokku Road in Magway on 26 May.

First, the minister went to the site chosen to construct Chitchaung Bridge, one of six bridges on Kyangin-Pakokku Rail Road, to be constructed by the Public Works under the ministry, and inspected condi-

tion of the site. In-charge of the bridge construction Senior Engineer U Han Soe, Senior Engineer of Pakokku District Public Works U Zaw Win Myint and Superintending Engineer U Sein Maung reported to the minister on the construction tasks and condition of the road to be used as a rail-cum-bridge.

Afterwards, Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun proceeded to the site chosen to con-

struct Yaw Chaung Bridge across Yaw Creek.

He inspected the site chosen and the creek. He also called on officials concerned to work together with responsible personnel of the Ministry of Rail Transportation to coordinate the works. After hearing reports of the officials concerned, the minister assisted in the construction tasks and fulfilled the requirements. — *MNA*

30 quit Dabayin Township NLD

YANGON, 28 May — Thirty members of Dabayin Township National League for Democracy in Sagaing Division resigned from the party on 27 May. They include Pyithu Hluttaw Representative-elect U Bo Maung of Dabayin Township Constituency-1, U Pyay Kyaw, U Than Tun, U Khin Thuang, U Kyaw Win, Ma Pauk Pauk, U Wa Oe, U Moe, and others U Thein Zaw, U Tin Shwe, U Kyaw Nyein, U Nyo Than and U Pauk Kyaw and others.

U San Myint submitted the resignation letters to member of Dabayin Township Multi-Party Democracy General Election Subcommission Township Judge U Kyaw Zeya, NLD Headquarters and authorities concerned. The letter sent to Dabayin Township MDGES, says they quit the NLD as it is sticking so much to centralization, following the wrong path in realizing the goal of building a democracy, committing malpractice, not serving public interest at all, upholding self-interest rather than others' interest and losing sight of their national politics programme, the goal of the party.

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