

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

In the process of transition to a new nation the entire national people including teachers are to do their bit in the interest of the State and the people keeping themselves free from personality cult and ism

Special Refresher Course No 12 for faculty members of universities and colleges concludes

YANGON, 30 July—Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thein Sein this morning attended

the conclusion ceremony of the Special Refresher Course No 12 for faculty members of universities and colleges held at the Nawarat Hall of Central Institute of Civil Service

(Phaunggyi) in Hlegu Township, Yangon Division, and made a speech on the occasion.

Also present on the occasion were Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Minis-

try of Defence, ministers, the Chief Justice, the Attorney-General, the Auditor-General, the Yangon Mayor, deputy ministers, members of Civil Service Selection and Training Board, departmental heads, the rector of CICS (Phaunggyi) and heads of department, course instructors and trainee teachers.

In his address, Chairman of Myanmar Education Committee Secretary-1 of the State Peace

and Development Council Lt-Gen Thein Sein said that for faculty members of universities and colleges the successful attending of the special refresher course means the dutifully discharging of a task vested in them.

Each and every citizen is to do their bit in discharging duty whether serious or not whenever they are assigned to. Only then, will the nation develop, thereby contributing to sooner emergence of a dis-

cipline-flourishing democratic nation the entire people long for, he added.

At a time when the teachers are studying the affairs of the State at the special refresher course with firm determination and national outlook in order to be able to discharge duties straightforwardly in the education sector the delegates from all walks of life are holding discussions so as to shape the future of the

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The democratic nation that we are building will not be the same in terms of the form of the Western democracy. However, our aspired democratic system will cover the international norms such as liberty, justice, equality and the rule of law.



Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein delivers an address at conclusion ceremony of Special Refresher Course No 12 for faculty members of universities and colleges at CICS (Phaunggyi).— MNA

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

PERSPECTIVES

Tuesday, 31 July, 2007

Strive for increased production of farm equipment

The government is taking systematic measures for economic development of the State making the most of its own rich natural resources. In the meantime, it is taking all the possible steps for development of the industrial sector, a driving force for the emergence of a modern and developed nation.

Nowadays, extended building of import-substitute factories, mills and workshops is being carried out the length and breadth of the nation. In the industrial zones also, the establishment of modern iron foundries with the application of advanced technology and production of quality machine parts are being widely carried out.

Furthermore, in the process of transition to mechanized farming priority is being given to the establishment of industries that contribute to development of the agricultural sector and industries that produce automobiles, power tillers and farm equipment.

Myanma farm equipment factories were set up in Ingon, Kyaukse Township, Mandalay Division and in Ywathagyi, Yangon Division. Those factories are now producing power tillers, harvesters and parts for farm equipment.

At a time when efforts are being made for transition to mechanized farming the increased production of farm equipment will contribute much to development of the agricultural sector.

Applied accounting and management course concludes

YANGON, 30 July — Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry concluded the courses on applied accounting and management levels I, II and Koeki Japanese Language at UMFCFI office here on 28 July.

President of UMFCFI U Win Myint delivered an address. Secretary U Sein Win Hlaing and Director Mr Eigo Kinoshita briefed on related courses. Next, the president and executives presented completion certificates to trainees.— MNA



Director Mr Eigo Kinoshita presents certificate to a trainee.— UMFCFI

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

Minister on inspection tour of Kayan



Minister Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein donates Waso robes and provisions to a Sayadaw.— L & F

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July — CEC member of Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for

Livestock and Fisheries Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein donated Waso robes and provisions to Sayadaw

Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Sobhita of Kinekon Monastery in Kayan Township yesterday.

At Kayan Township USDA office, the minister met with departmental officials, townsenders, executives and organizers of township USDA.

Secretary of township USDA U Myint Oo and chairman of township fishery association reported to the minister on social, economic, education and health sectors. The minister fulfilled the requirements.

While in Kayan, the minister inspected construction tasks of Kayan People's Hospital and accepted an ultrasound worth K 6 million donated by a wellwisher.—MNA

Waso robes offered

YANGON, 30 July — The 30th Waso robes offering ceremony of Waso family (Thakayta) of Kyaikhtiyoe hill missionary was held at Kyaikhtiyoe pagoda in Kyaikto Township of Mon State on 28 July.

The donations were Waso robes, rice, generators and candles worth K 36.6 million in total.— MNA

Ordination and novitiation ceremony held



Ordination and novitiation ceremony being held at Aungmye Yadana Pariyatti Monastery in Magway.— MNA

YANGON, 30 July — Ordination and novitiation ceremony took place at Aungmye Yadana Pariyati Monastery Kanthar Ward, Magway, on 28 July, attended by State Sangha Maha Nayaka Chairman Magway Sayadaw Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Abhidhaja Agga

Maha Saddhammajotika Bhaddanta Kumara.

Altogether five monks and 108 novices, after being put into the order of Sangha, were offered donations by laypersons.

The congregation received the Five Precepts from the Magway Sayadaw.

Then wellwishers U Maung Maung (Zeya Shew Myae Co) and Dr Nilar Thein (Eye-Specialist) and family donated offertories to the members of the Sangha led by the Magway Sayadaw. After sharing the merits gained, they offered 'soon' to members of the Sangha.

MNA

MPF soccer team leaves for Vietnam

YANGON, 30 July — Myanmar Police Force soccer team left for Vietnam by air this morning to take part in the ASEAN Police Forces Soccer Tournament in commemoration of the 40th Anniversary of the Founding of the ASEAN and the 45th Anniversary of the Vietnam Police Force to be held in Hanoi and Nan Dinh in Vietnam from 31 July to 15 August.

The soccer team was led by Police Lt-Col Khin Tun (Deputy Director, Finance) of MPF.

MNA



Myanmar Police Force soccer team being seen at Yangon International Airport before departure for Vietnam.— MNA

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

US' unilateral military action inside Pakistan unacceptable

ISLAMABAD, 29 July — Pakistan's Senate Foreign Relations Committee Saturday took serious notice of US threats to launch strikes inside Pakistan's territory and warned any unilateral military action initiated by the US will be unacceptable.

Strongly condemning any talk of incursions into Pakistan's territory by outside forces, the Senate

Committee said that such statements emanating out of Washington were "irresponsible" and in case any such attack Pakistan should withdraw its support to US in the war against terror.

In a unanimously adopted resolution, the Committee said Pakistan should not be blamed for the failings and weaknesses of NATO and the US forces in Afghanistan,

according to Pakistan's state-run wire service *Associated Press* of Pakistan.

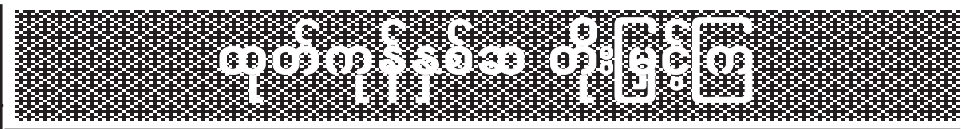
Surging Western reports quoted intelligence sources as saying that al-Qaeda are regrouping in northwestern Pakistan's tribal areas where according to some US officials have turned out to be safe haven for militants.

Pakistani officials have categorically rejected the claims and said if Washington have got accurate and actionable information they should provide it to Pakistan who will then take necessary measures.

The Committee also said that as an ally of the international community in the campaign against terrorism, Pakistan had gone the extra mile, sacrificing nearly 900 of its soldiers and officers in the Northwest Frontier as well as deploying 85,000 troops in that area.

MNA/Xinhua

China on 28 July, 2007 reopened the memorial hall on the historic Nanchang uprising, which produced the first army under the command of the Communist Party of China (CPC) that eventually evolved into the People's Liberation Army. — XINHUA



Palestinians return to Gaza Strip after crossing the Erez border crossing, between Israel and the Gaza Strip, on 29 July, 2007. More than 100 Palestinians stranded for weeks in Egypt after the Hamas takeover of Gaza began returning home Sunday, crossing into Israel and riding buses to a crossing point between Israel and northern Gaza. — INTERNET

Israelis leave sleeping soldier behind in Gaza

GAZA STRIP, 30 July— Officials and media say Israeli soldiers keen to return from a Gaza mission left behind a comrade who had fallen asleep and then took more than an hour to realise he was missing.

The soldier from the elite Golani infantry regiment was taking part in an incursion into the

Gaza Strip last week, the *Jerusalem Post* reported.

The exhausted soldier was at the rear of his unit and fell asleep when the troops paused during their march out of the territory.

When a commander conducted a head count other soldiers keen to get back into Israel after the mission answered in his place, the *Haaretz* daily said.

The unit then marched

out of Gaza, leaving him behind.

The mishap was discovered more than an hour later back at base in Israel.

By then, the missing man had woken up to find himself abandoned, so he started firing tracer bullets into the air to signal his position. He was later retrieved and returned to base unharmed.

Internet

Two US soldiers killed in, near Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 29 July— Two US soldiers assigned to Multi-National Division-Baghdad were killed Sunday in separate attacks in and around the Iraqi capital, the US military said. One soldier was killed as a result of a small-arms attack north of Baghdad; the other was killed during combat operations in eastern Baghdad, according to separate military news releases. With the deaths, 3,648 US military personnel have died in the Iraq war, including 69 in July.—Internet

Third of Iraqis 'need urgent aid'

BAGHDAD, 30 July— Nearly a third of the population of Iraq is in need of immediate emergency aid, according to a new report from Oxfam and a coalition of Iraqi NGOs.

The report said the Iraqi government was failing to provide basic essentials such as water, sanitation, food, and shelter to up to eight million people.

It warned the continuing violence was masking a humanitarian crisis that had

grown worse since the invasion in 2003.

It also found that four million Iraqis had been uprooted by the violence.

More than two million people have been displaced inside the country, while a further two million have fled to neighbouring countries, according to the report. On Thursday, an international conference in Jordan pledged to help the refugees with their difficulties.

Internet

Six kids swept away by flood in southern Nepal

KATHMANDU, 30 July — Six children of a family were swept away Sunday morning by a flood in southern Nepal, local leading media group's website eKantipur reported.

The children were swept away by the overflowing Ram-khanda River when they were asleep at their house at Sanani of Nawalparasi District, some 160 kilometres southwest of capital Kathmandu. The adults managed to swim to safety.

At least 17 people died on Saturday as floods and landslides continue to wreak havoc across the country. — MNA/Xinhua



A US Airways plane arrives while others wait at gates at Sky Harbor Airport on 25 July, 2007 in Phoenix. US airline stocks dropped on Thursday as carriers continued to struggle with high fuel prices and maintenance, and quarterly earnings for US Airways dropped to \$263 million, or \$2.77 per share, from \$305 million, or \$3.25 per share, in the prior-year period.

INTERNET

US pro-Cuba protesters defy travel ban

BUFFALO (New York.), 29 July— American protesters walked across the border from Canada on Saturday after a visit to Cuba that violated a US travel ban, in the spotlight after Michael Moore's film on health care in both countries.

About 60 members of pro-Cuba group Vencemos Brigade walked the Peace Bridge border crossing linking Canada and Buffalo, New York, on their return from Havana.

US travellers to Cuba often fly through Canada, which has regular flights to the country.

"The government is telling us we don't have a right to travel, and we think we do, so we're ready to wage a legal battle with our government," brigade member Kathe Karlson said as the group gathered in Fort Erie, Ontario, for the 1 mile (1.6 kilometres) trek across the bridge.

The protesters walked in groups of 15,

hauling their luggage up a narrow sidewalk high above the Niagara River as trucks, buses and cars rumbled by on the three-lane span.

Every year since 1969, the brigade has sent a group to help rebuild public buildings in Cuba and learn more about a Communist country that has been off-limits to most US citizens since the ban was imposed at the height of the Cold War in the 1960s.

US restrictions on

trade and travel to Cuba have faced opposition lately from some lawmakers.

Moore's film "Si-CKO", in which he takes rescue workers injured in the 11 September attacks to Havana for free medical treatment, has also put a spotlight on the countries' relations.

US authorities have been investigating Moore's trip as a potential violation of Washington's travel restriction.

MNA/Reuters

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Afghan President Hamid Karzai (R) meets South Korean Presidential Envoy Baek Jong-Chun at the presidential palace in Kabul on 29 July, 2007.

XINHUA



Yasemin Vatansever and Yatunde Diya are led to the Accra juvenile court on 26 July, 2007. The two teenage British girls went on trial in Ghana on Thursday charged with trying to smuggle drugs, but their pleas were kept confidential under the West African country's juvenile laws, a British Embassy spokesman said. — INTERNET

Cell phones light up operating room during blackout

BUENOS AIRES, 29 July — The light from the cell phone screens allowed surgeons to complete an emergency appendix operation during a blackout in a city in central Argentina, reports said on Saturday.

Leonardo Molina, 29, was on the operating table on 21 July, when the power went out in the Policlínico Juan D Peron, the main hospital in Villa

Mercedes, a small city in San Luis Province.

"The generator, which should have been working correctly, didn't work," a hospital spokesman, whose name was not given, told TN television news station.

"The surgeons and anesthetists were in the dark... A family member got some cell phones together from people in the hallway and took them

in to provide light," he said.

Ricardo Molina, 39, Leonardo's brother, told *La Nación* newspaper that the lights were out for an hour and his brother's anesthesia was wearing off.

Hospital Director Dario Maurer told *La Nación* the surgery was without light a maximum of 20 minutes.

MNA/Reuters

Seven killed in two bomb attacks in Fallujah

FALLUJAH, 29 July— Seven people, including two policemen were killed and at least 11 others injured in two bomb attacks in the restive city of Fallujah, a local police source said on Saturday.

A roadside bomb detonated on Saturday morning near a passing police patrol in the Hay

Nazzal neighbourhood in the city and damaged a police vehicle, killing two policemen and wounding another on board, the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

Earlier on Friday night, five civilians were killed and at least ten others were injured when an explosive-charge went off inside a minibus

carrying passengers in central Fallujah, according to the source.

Fallujah, some 50 kilometres west of Baghdad, is part of the volatile province of Anbar and has long been the hot bed of insurgency against US troops and Iraqi security forces since 2003.

MNA/Xinhua

Three NATO soldiers killed in Afghan clashes

KABUL, 29 July — Three NATO troops and an Afghan soldier have been killed in two separate clashes with insurgents in Afghanistan, the alliance said.

The identities of the NATO soldiers were not given.

Two of the NATO soldiers and the Afghan

were killed on Friday in an area of eastern Nuristan Province in a clash with Taliban rebels. Thirteen NATO soldiers were wounded in that incident.

The third NATO soldier was killed in another encounter in the south of the country, also on Friday. The alliance did not say if there were any

casualties among the insurgents.

Violence has surged in Afghanistan in the past 18 months, the bloodiest period since Taleban's overthrow in 2001.

Friday's deaths brings the number of foreign troops killed in the country this year to more than 90.

MNA/Reuters

Lightning claims 403 lives in China

BEIJING, 29 July — Lightning strikes have claimed 403 lives in China so far this year, equivalent to last year's total, the China Meteorological Administration (CMA) said on Friday.

The CMA said China had suffered more frequent and severe lightning storms this year. Statistics showed lightning storms caused 2,525 accidents from January to

June, of which 52 involved fires.

Lightning storms caused damage to a number of buildings, electricity supply facilities

and electronic devices. The total direct economic losses topped 80 million yuan (10.57 million US dollars), said the CMA.

MNA/Xinhua

Iraqi soldier shoots in the air as people, waving Iraqi flag, celebrate in streets of central Baghdad, Iraq, on 29 July, 2007. Iraqi national soccer team defeated Saudi Arabia 1-0 in the Asian Cup soccer final played in Jakarta.

INTERNET



ECONOMIC NEWS

Japanese rice sells well despite high price

BEIJING, 29 July— Japanese rice, which has returned to China's supermarkets again after a four-year ban, has won a warm response from consumers.

"The exact sales figures are not yet available, but indications from vendors in Beijing and Shanghai is unexpectedly pleasing," a manager with the rice division of China National Cereals, Oils and Foodstuffs Corporation (COFCO), the sole agent for the rice in China, told *Xinhua*.

"We will consider buying more when the first 24 tons are sold," said the manager who declined to give his name.

However, prices for the two up-market brands, Kishihikari and Hitome-

bore, have also put off many ordinary Chinese.

In a supermarket of the Beijing Pacific Department Store, two-kilogramme bags of Kishihikari sold for 198 yuan each and Hitomebore for 188 yuan, almost 20 times the price of the home-grown rice and more than 10 times the cost of rice imported from Vietnam and Thailand.

"I've known from the papers the rice is famous for its sweet flavour and sticky texture, but it's too expensive," said Shi Zhurong, a retired teacher from Beijing, at the supermarket.

"I'd rather buy the rice imported from Thailand, which is almost the same

in quality, but much cheaper," said the 58-year-old woman.

The supermarket manager who only gave her surname as Zhu said they sold more than 100 bags in the first day.

"We didn't expect to sell that much as the price may be too high for ordinary consumers. Most of the buyers seem to be Japanese," said Zhu.

The COFCO manager said, "High-income earners are our target consumers, and this has proved right by the fact that most of the buyers are Japanese and the people who once lived in Japan as they know the rice is quality.

MNA/Xinhua



A woman listens to music on a cell phone in a file photo. While young people embrace the Web with real or virtual friends and their cell phone is never far away, relatively few like technology and those that do tend to be in Brazil, India and China, according to a survey.—INTERNET

Nigeria's state oil firm gains \$1.39b from crude sales

ABUJA, 30 July—An official with the Nigerian Petroleum Development Company Limited (NPDC) announced here that the company gained 176.5 billion naira (about 1.39 billion US dollars) from crude oil sales in 2006.

NPDC, a flagship subsidiary under the state-owned company Nigerian National Petroleum Corp, also made a profit after

tax of 19.7 billion naira (about 155.12 million US dollars), down 65 per cent compared with its 2005 performance.

Funso Adebisi, the chairman of NPDC's board of directors, said that the revenue figure represented 11 per cent above the 162 billion naira (1.28 billion US dollars) recorded in 2005.

The amount was realized from the 21.2 million barrels of crude oil lifted from the

Nigeria's Mystras oil terminal in 2006, Adebisi said. He attributed the increase in revenue to sustained production from Okono/Okpoho as well as the "unprecedented and favourable global oil prices which were above the plan price of 55 dollars per barrel". The sustained increase in global demand for crude oil in 2006 impacted positively on NPDC's operations, he said.

MNA/Xinhua

Sri Lanka raises retail fuel prices

COLOMBO, 30 July — Sri Lanka's retail fuel prices have been raised for the second time in 30 days and for the fourth time in two months, officials said here Sunday.

"Fuel prices have been raised with effect from midnight Saturday,"

Petroleum Minister A H M. Fowzie said.

Accordingly petrol and diesel price have been raised by over five per cent to 117 rupees (1.06 US dollars) and 75 rupees (0.68 US dollars) respectively.

Fowzie said the crude oil prices in the global market has skyrocketed to 77 US dollars a barrel.

Sri Lanka imports all its crude oil requirements and the bill was in the region of 2.2 billion dollars in 2006 up from 1.6 billion dollars in 2005.

The government fuel entity, Ceylon Petroleum Corporation, shares two thirds of the market with the rest of the market being enjoyed by the Indian fuel retailer the Indian Oil Company.

MNA/Xinhua



Taxis mingle with other traffic in a market area in Bissau, Guinea-Bissau, on 27 July, 2007. INTERNET

Emirates Airline to operate direct flights to Sao Paulo

ABU DHABI, 30 July — The Dubai-based Emirates Airline will operate non-stop flights between Dubai and Brazil's Sao Paulo from 1 October, providing six flights a week, local newspaper *Khaleej Times* reported on Sunday.

"Emirates' plans to launch services to Sao Paulo's Guarulhos Airport in October continue" despite the aviation crisis resulted from the air crash at the city's Congonhas Airport earlier this month, the airline's spokesperson was quoted as saying.

The new service, first

direct one between the Middle East and South America, will be operated by the airline's new fleet of *Boeing 777-200LR* aircraft.

The airline is working closely with relevant authorities "to ensure that the highest standards of safety are in place" for their passengers and crew, the spokesperson added.

Established in 1985 by the Dubai government, Emirates Airline is the second largest and most profitable Arab carrier.

It has a fleet of 105

aircraft flying to more than 90 cities in Europe, the Middle East, Africa, Asia, Oceania and North America.

MNA/Xinhua

Competitors enter the water during the men's elite division of the Singapore International Triathlon in Singapore on 29 July, 2007.

INTERNET





NASCAR driver Denny Hamlin yawns in the garage while waiting out a rain delay before practice for the Allstate 400 at the Brickyard auto race at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway in Indianapolis, on 28 July, 2007. The 14th running of the race is on Sunday. — INTERNET

Thailand calls for efforts to control smog in Mekong region

BANGKOK, 29 July — Thailand has called for establishment of a working committee from five member countries of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) to deal with severe smog which has impacted some countries in the Mekong River basin, according to *Thai News Agency* Saturday.

Supat Wangwongwatana, director-general of Thailand's Pollution

Control Department, was quoted by the official agency as saying that the smog problem had affected public health in Thailand and its neighbouring countries, especially from earlier this year, due to drought in many areas and the increased number of bush fires. He said Thai officials have proposed that a working committee should be formed from Thailand, Myanmar,

Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam — all members of ASEAN — in an attempt to solve the smog and bush fire problems.

ASEAN environmental officials are scheduled to hold an informal meeting next month in the Philippines and the proposal on establishing the working committee will be discussed in Bangkok in September, according to Supat.

MNA/Xinhua

Floods inflict \$436m in damage on China's roads, bridges

BEIJING, 29 July — Severe floods have battered transport facilities in south China, causing damage worth 3.3 billion yuan (436 million US dollars) in the first half of July, according to the Ministry of Communications.

A preliminary calculation by the ministry showed floods had damaged 9,900 kilometres of public roads, including 2,035 bridges and 79 national highways.

Communications Minister Li Shenglin said July and August were crucial periods for flood risks. The ministry would continue to work with meteorological department to release road meteorological forecasts,

closely monitor rebuilding projects and provide more funds to minimize damage and restore transport as soon as possible, said Li.

The central government had set aside 232 million yuan to finance flood prevention projects in Anhui, Jiangsu, Henan, Hubei and Sichuan provinces.

Continuous rains since early July continued to raise the water levels of many rivers across China.

More than 52 counties and cities in Hubei, central China, have been affected since Saturday.

Chinese singer Zhang Liangying performs at a solo concert in Beijing on 28 July, 2007.

INTERNET

More than 1.39 million people from the 13 worst-hit counties were affected and 100,700 hectares of cropland were damaged, incurring losses of 241 million yuan (31.8 million US dollars).

MNA/Xinhua

13 killed in floods, landslides in N-E India

NEW DELHI, 29 July — At least 13 people were killed and more than 750,000 persons displaced in flash floods and mudslides triggered by heavy monsoon rains in northeast India, *Indo-Asian News Service* reported on Saturday.

IANS quoted a govern-

ment release as saying that nine people were killed and one wounded late Friday when big boulders from a cliff fell on a human settlement in Meghalaya State, bordering Bangladesh. Another four people were drowned overnight in Assam. It is reported that the flood

situation in Assam is worsened Saturday with all major rivers and their tributaries in full spate. "A maximum alert has been sounded across the state with the Army and the paramilitary troopers asked to be on standby for any eventualities," Bhumidhar Barman, Assam's revenue, relief and rehabilitation minister said.

In Assam, the worst hit by floods is the eastern Dhemaji District where authorities evacuated nearly 50,000 people since Friday. "We have about 175,000 people from 350 villages taking shelter in makeshift arrangements on raised embankments, government schools and offices," Dhemaji District magistrate Diwakar Mishra said. — MNA/Xinhua



Flood leaves thousands stranded in Nepal

KATHMANDU, 29 July — Flood triggered by torrential monsoon rainfall was continuing to strike Nepal's southern plains, killing four more persons, a leading Nepali website, nepalnews.com reported on Saturday.

A 50-year-old woman was swept away by a swollen canal in Banigama of Morang District in Eastern Development Region on Thursday night. Likewise, a lady died after being crushed by a house that collapsed due to flooding

in Khadihani of Dhanusha District in the region.

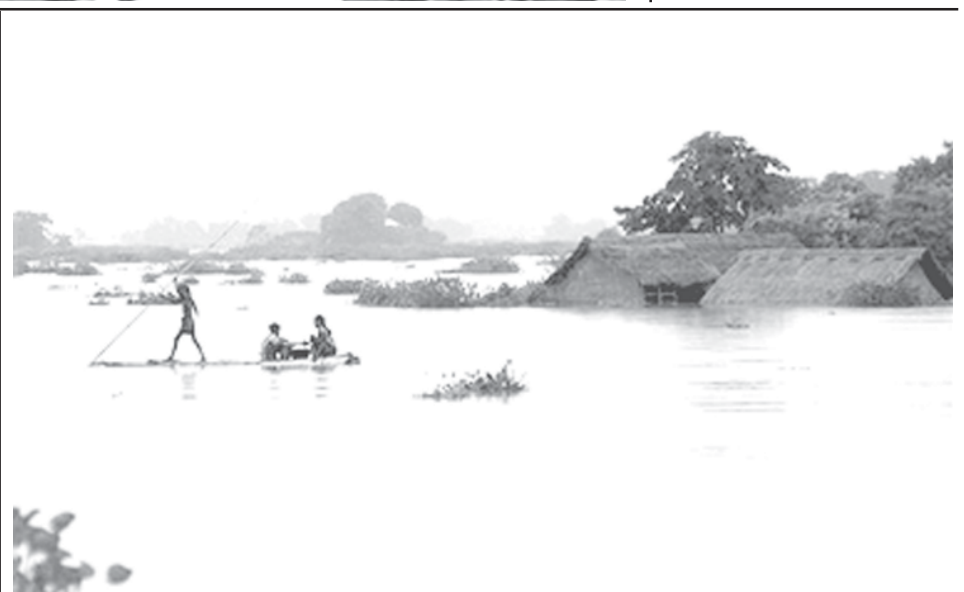
A boy was killed by flood in Mahottari District in Central Development Region while another perished in a landslide in Ramechhap in the region.

According to the website, over 14,000 families have been displaced due to flood in various parts of the country. Nepalgunj in Mid-Western Development Region has been one of the worst affected regions. The city is waterlogged and flood waters have rushed

inside homes. Educational institutions, factories, government offices, schools and markets are closed down. The city has been reeling under power black-out since last two days.

Even water supply has been affected. Local FM radio broadcasts and newspapers coming out of the city have also stopped. People have rushed towards higher grounds—rooftops and community buildings—fearing inundation.

MNA/Xinhua



A family group leave their submerged house aboard a makeshift raft made from parts of a banana tree, through flood waters in Jhargaon, about 90 kilometres (56 miles) east of Gauhati, India, on 29 July, 2007. Floods and mudslides caused by heavy monsoon rains killed at least 21 people and forced hundreds of thousands of people to evacuate their homes this week in the east and remote northeast of India, officials said on Saturday. — INTERNET

CEC member attends ceremony to present prizes to outstanding students



Minister U Aung Thaung donates K 1 million to Schoolhead to construct Taungtha BEHS (Branch).— INDUSTRY-1

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July — The 9th prize presentation ceremony of CEC member of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung and wife Daw Khin Khin Yi and family was held at Taungtha Township Basic Education High School (Branch) in Mandalay Division this morning.

First, the CEC member presented a prize to the distinction winner and gifts to teachers and the

schoolhead. The wife of the CEC member and officials gave away prizes to outstanding students.

Next, the CEC member and wife inspected Zajan village station hospital in Taungtha Township and attended a ceremony to present prizes to the outstanding students held at Zajan BEHS.

Afterwards, the CEC member presented K 10 million for Zajan station hospital through U Win Khine of rural health

care centre. The CEC member and wife attended a ceremony to hand over a vehicle to Zajan village Minkyaung Monastery and offered Waso robes and alms to Sayadaw U Uttama of Minyin (East) Monastery. They cordially greeted the local people and donated K 500,000 to repair Minyin post-primary school.

MNA

MWAF organizes cash donation to Mingaladon Specialist Hospital

YANGON, 30 July — Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation held a cash donation ceremony for Mingaladon Specialist Hospital and growing of physic nut plants in the compound of the hospital here today.

Also present on the occasion were Vice-President of MWAF Daw Khin Thet Htay, head of administration department Dr Daw Khin San Nwe, Patron of Yangon Division Women's Affairs Organization Daw Mar Mar Wai and others.

Vice-President Daw Khin Thet Htay and officials grew physic nut plants at the designated places and viewed sanitation tasks carried out in the hospital compound.

Afterwards, Dr Daw Khin Hsan Nwe explained the purpose of the cash donation. Wellwishers donated K 5 million through Medical Superintendent Dr Kyaw Thiha and Head of Yangon Division Health Department Dr Hla Myint. After accepting the cash donations, the medical superintendent spoke words of thanks and gave certificates of honour to them.

MNA

Minister Maj-Gen Saw Tun signs pact with Bangladesh on road connectivity

YANGON, 30 July — Myanmar delegation led by Minister for Construction Maj-Gen Saw Tun went to Bangladesh by air from 26 to 28 July. They were welcomed at Zia airport of Bangladesh by Communication Minister to Bangladesh Caretaker Government Retired Major General Abdul Matin and officials.

The minister attended a ceremony to sign pact on the road connecting Bangladesh's south-eastern Ramu frontier to Bolibazar

area, 23 kilometres inside Myanmar territory on 27 July.

Present at the signing ceremony were Myanmar delegation led by Minister Maj-Gen Saw Tun and Communication Minister to Bangladesh Caretaker Government Retired Major General Abdul Matin and officials.

The 23-kilometer long and 24 feet wide road link, 180 feet long Taungpyo bridge and 800 feet long Pyuema bridge that will be built are included in the pact. The pact is estimated to be

worth around \$15 million.

Upon completion, the road links will beef up trade ties and regional development between the two countries. Next, Myanmar delegation discussed bilateral matters with Minister of Foreign Affairs Dr Iftekhar Ahmed Chowdhury and members.

Afterwards, Minister Maj-Gen Saw Tun gave advice to 500 students who are studying Buddhism at Myanmar-Bangladesh border on propagation of Buddha Sasana.

MNA



Minister Maj-Gen Saw Tun and Bangladeshi Communication Minister sign an agreement. — CONSTRUCTION

MISIS, UN agencies organize seminar on humanitarian assistance in border areas

YANGON, 30 July — Myanmar Institute of Strategic and International Studies of Ministry of Foreign Affairs and UN agencies organized seminar on the "UN Humanitarian Assistance in Border Areas—Lessons from Wa Special Regions" at Nikko Royal Lake Hotel here today.

Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Kyaw Thu delivered an opening address. UN Resident Coordinator Mr Charles

James Petrie and Secretary U Kyee Myint of MISIS extended greetings.

Present on the meeting were Dean of the Diplomatic Corps Cambodian Ambassador Mr Hul Phany, departmental officials, representatives of UN agencies and officials.

After the opening ceremony, Mr Charles James Petrie presided over the meeting. The representatives of UN agencies discussed

reflecting the extent of Humanitarian operations in the Wa Special Regions and the difficulties encountered in their implementation.

In the second session, the secretary of MISIS presided over the meeting. The representatives of the ministries briefed on collaboration between all the stakeholders to address the difficulties encountered in the humanitarian operation programmes.

After the present-

ations, the representatives participated in the discussions which focused on lessons learnt and their applicability to other areas of the country needing to be assisted.

The concluding session was presided over by Director-General U Tint De (Retd) of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The meeting ended with concluding remarks by Mr Charles James Petrie and Director-General U Kyee Myint.— MNA



Deputy Minister U Kyaw Thu addresses opening of seminar on UN Humanitarian Assistance in Border Areas—Lessons from Wa Special Regions. — MNA

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State at the National Convention, the first step in the process of smooth transition to a new nation.

He went on to say that when the National Convention is completed there will be work programmes for the drawing of an enduring State constitution, the approval of the State constitution by a referendum and the election of representatives.

In the process of transition to a new modern and developed nation the entire national people including all the teachers are to do their bit in the interest of the State and the people keeping themselves free from personality cult and ism,

to them, he stressed.

Only when there is progress in the education sector will the gap between rich and poor as well as development gap among the global nations be narrowed. As a result, there will emerge a peaceful and fair world. With this concept, all the nations of the world are striving with their own resources for promotion of their education.

At a time when globalization is in progress only those who are educated with a sense of national outlook will be able to serve the national interest and stand tall among the international community.

Therefore, the task for national education

engineers, computer scientists and physicians are badly in need.

The achievements in which the nation is making progress in all spheres without foreign assistance can be attributed to the efficiency of the people including intellectuals and intelligentsia.

This being the case, the intellectuals and intelligentsia capable of shaping the future of the State and the nation are to contribute their shares in the drive for development of the education sector.

The government is striving to build political, economic and social foundations in consistency with the nation's historical traditions in order to catch up with the international community. Those foundations can be built through the education sector. In addition, constant learning society is being built to consolidate such good foundations.

Therefore, it is necessary for universities and colleges to upgrade and develop their school curriculums and syllabuses in related subjects and branches of study in accord with the international standards so as to meet the requirements of a future State. They also need to conduct research to enable the students to learn their related specialized subjects thoroughly. It is also required to develop and learn various subjects related to IT, Economics, finance, management and productivity in combination with the practical learning at worksites. Young people are to be trained at their universities and colleges in order that they are familiar with and can employ the systems of e-government, e-commerce and e-banking when they go into their professions after being graduated.

Today's education sector has been creating good learning opportunities for students and they can learn bridge courses in

promotion programmes is wide, subtle and full of national essence. It is also a national task which is to be implemented for the brighter future of the State and the people. Realizing that, all the teachers are to carry out the tasks of education sector with a sense of duty.

Today is the time when efforts are being made with own resources for the nation to keep abreast of the international community. In the process, human resources such as intellectuals and intelligentsia like teachers,



Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein presents prize to an outstanding trainee.— MNA

he noted.

In building a new modern and developed nation, stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity and prevalence of law and order are indispensable. At the same time, development of national economy and human resources development are also instrumental in that regard.

Realizing that the education sector plays a pivotal role in fulfilling such requirements all teachers are committed to discharging a string of education duties assigned



Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thein Sein greets trainees at conclusion of Special Refresher Course No 12 for faculty members.— MNA

order to develop their quality of education. However, the education sector still needs to pay special attention to fulfilling all the needs of direct links between education and practical life, direct links between education and practical worksites and socio-economy of the State. Findings and research of universities and colleges should be used effectively for the development of human society.

All the teachers are not only to learn constantly and conduct research but also to train their pupils to raise their education standards and then apply their skills when they enter their professions.

Only then can a constant learning society be built. Nowadays, as the State's education vision has met with success to a certain extent, the nation is well on the way to reaching its national education goal.

At such a time like this, faculty members are to work hard by making use of educational opportunities in order for the State to develop in its all aspects.

With a view to ensuring peace and stability of the State and building a new modern, developed nation, State Peace and Development Council is working very hard side by side with the people.

The government has carried out duties that have been more difficult than usual to ensure stability and prevalence of law and

order. Joining hands with the people it has endeavoured to do away with the evil legacy, armed conflicts and mutual mistrust among the national brethren while building up national reconsolidation based on magnanimity, vision and determination.

Infrastructures such as transport and communications, education and health as well as irrigation networks, bridges, international standard sea ports and airports have been built nationwide with might and main from the state of general deterioration. Moreover, national level projects have been

introduce market economy from the centralized system. The government has helped national entrepreneurs, who are out of practice for long concerning business rules and procedures and international economic practices, engage in international trade and commerce.

It has also assisted in the establishment of industrial zones, industrial cities and international standard factories and mills.

At the same time, the government has laid down national objectives in various fields including political and social sectors and is implementing them

The government and the entire nation have made nation-building endeavours of immense magnitude and delicate nature day in, day out for nearly two decades. Now, these efforts have begun to bear fruits. The new peaceful, modern and democratic nation desired by the people has come into shape and it is now in sight.

implemented to see that all parts of the nation including border areas achieve equitable progress with the aim of gradually narrowing the development gap between the different regions.

In the economic sector, systematic efforts have been made to

most extensively for building an all-round developed modern nation as desired by the people.

While enhancing the value of the Union and national interests, the government is striving for the emergence of a new nation blessed with the

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attributes such as national solidarity, national harmony, social justice, political stability and good governance.

Furthermore, it is endeavouring for the development of social spheres such as education, health and fitness, higher standard of living of the peo-

ple, community spirit, nationalism and Union spirit while nurturing the people to adore and preserve national culture, take pride in one's nation and people and to have confidence in own social caliber with strong moral capability.

from our ancestors; is to stay together sharing weal and woe and work together for the development of the nation.

The emerging democratic new nation will preserve and promote the cultural heritage and uphold the Myanmar way of thinking and concept, social norms and national character.

After building the firm foundation, measures are being taken for smooth transition to discipline-flourishing democratic nation through the seven-step Road Map.

The democratic nation that we are building will not be the same in terms of the form of the Western democracy. However, our aspired democratic system will cover the international norms such as liberty, justice, equality and the rule of law.

Our desired democratic society is to protect and safeguard the Union that we have inherited

character. The government has been realizing the lofty national objectives through the implementation of the seven-step Road Map. At present, the National Convention, the first step of the Road Map, is in progress and the work of laying down basic principles and detailed basic principles will be completed soon.

The government and the entire nation have made nation-building endeavours of immense magnitude and delicate nature day in, day out for nearly two decades. Now, these efforts have begun to bear fruits. The new peaceful, modern and democratic nation desired by the people has come into shape and it is now in sight.

The entire people including the faculty members are duty-bound to

safeguard the results already achieved after overcoming much difficulty.

The mass of people need to realize and prevent the instigation and attempts to hinder progress of the seven-step Road Map and they are urged to help accomplish the transition to a new nation.

Hence, the faculty members are urged to boost the standard of national education by imparting vision, experience and knowledge to the people to enable them to differentiate right and wrong.

In conclusion, faculty members are urged :—

— to widen the national outlook of the people so as to preserve the good foundations for the stability, peace and development of the State and perpetuity of the Union and at the same time to make the people possess the capability and spirit to safeguard the national interests and the people through the education sector;

— to dutifully carry out national responsibilities for the successful realization of the tasks for the emergence of peaceful, modern and discipline-flourishing democratic nation through the education sector.

Later, the Secretary-1 presented awards to the outstanding trainees and completion certificates to the trainee teachers through respective group leaders. Then, he cordially greeted the trainees.—MNA



Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw speaks at paper reading session of e-Library online. — MNA

Paper reading session on promoting e-library system held

YANGON, 30 July — Organized by Union Solidarity and Development Association, Ministry of Communications, Posts and Telegraphs and Ministry of Education held a paper reading session on promoting e-library online system at the Myanmar Info-Tech building this morning. It was attended by Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Chairman Yangon

Command Commander Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win, USDA Secretariat member CPT Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw, Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation Vice-President Daw Khin Thet Htay, departmental heads and responsible persons from Myanmar Computer Federation and foreign and local computer companies.

The minister spoke on the occasion e-library

system was briefed through DVD presentation and wellwishers donated e-books, computers and accessories and cash including US dollars. Next, resource persons read out their respective papers on promoting e-library online system. For those seeking knowledge of education, a website named www.elibrary.com.mm has been launched as of 10 March 2007. — MNA

F&R hammers Forestry 8-3

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July — F&R hammered an emphatic 8-3 victory over Forestry in the group-BB match of the second round of the 1st Nay Pyi Taw Inter-Ministry Football Tournament for 2007, jointly organized by the Ministry of Sports and Myanmar Football Federation, held in Paunglaung Sports Ground of Nay Pyi Taw

Pyinmana at 4 pm today.

Among the spectators were Minister for Finance and Revenue Maj-Gen Hla Tun, Deputy Minister Col Hla Thein Swe, heads of departments of the ministries, officials of Myanmar Olympic Committee and MFF, staff families and fans.

Ye Tun Kyaw struck a hat trick, Kyaw Wai

Hlaing and Thein Htaik Lwin, double each and Ko Ko Latt, one for F&R while Lin Htet Kyaw netted twice and Aung Aung, one for Ministry of Forestry.

Ministry of Information takes on Ministry of Culture in Paunglaung Sports Ground of Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana tomorrow.

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Minister Maj-Gen Thein Swe accepts cash presented by Managing Director U Maung Maung of Hero International Co Ltd.— MNA

Specialists, sales representatives honoured

YANGON, 30 July — A ceremony to honour specialists and sales representatives, organized by Geofman Pharmaceuticals, Hero International Enterprise Ltd and Sandar Myaing Company Ltd, was held at Traders Hotel on Sule Pagoda Road yesterday.

First, Managing Director U Maung Maung (a) U Yu Sut of Hero

International Co Ltd donated K 2.5 million to be used in social welfare and health affairs through CEC member of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Rakhine State In-Charge Minister for Transport Maj-Gen Thein Swe.

Next, the general manager of Geofman Pharmaceuticals and managing director Dr Daw

Phyu Phyu Khin of Sandar Myaing Company Ltd extended greetings and presented gifts to specialists and sales representatives.

The company of Geofman Pharmaceuticals initiated in 1973, produced over 200 kinds of medicines and exported varieties of medicines to 18 countries.

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members of the Sangha, senior nuns of eight nunneries of the township, Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win, Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung and senior military officers, departmental officials, members of social organizations and wellwishers and guests.

First, Lt-Gen Myint Swe, Commander Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win and Minister Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung and senior military officers donated Waso robes and alms to the Sayadaw and members of the Sangha and senior nuns.

Today's cash and kind donated to the monasteries and nuns in Mayangon Township were over 816 bags of rice, 1730 viss of edible oil, 5601 viss of iodized salt, 1120 boxes of iodized salt, 1030 boxes of traditional medicines, 1134 viss of gram and meals funds K 27,054,000. — MNA

Energy Deputy Minister meets with staff of Chauk oil field



Deputy Minister Brig-Gen Than Htay visits No 2 oil refinery in Chauk.— MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July— Deputy Minister for Energy Brig-Gen Than Htay met with staff of Chauk oil field, No 2 oil refinery, at the office of Myanmar Oil and Gas Enterprise in Chauk on 28 July. He stressed the need for being loyal to the State and working hard.

The deputy minister inspected production process and security matters of No 2 oil refinery.

Next, he viewed 106.5 acres of physic nut plantations of Chauk oil field and gave necessary instructions. The deputy minister looked into No 2 Fertilizer Plant (Kyungchaung). He urged responsible persons to try to exceed the production target of 2007-2008.—MNA

Bago Division (West) MCWSC and specialists provide free medical treatment to local people

YANGON, 30 July—Chairperson Daw Thein Paing of Bago Division (West) Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee and Secretary Dr Than Win, Head of Division Health Department (Branch), and specialists attended a ceremony to submit membership applications at Ayemyathaya model village, Okpo Township, Thayawady District, on 23 July. Chairperson Daw Thein Paing made a speech. She presented K 100,000 for providing free health care for local people through Dr Myint Oo, head of Thayawady District Health Department.

Chairperson Daw Thein Paing accepted 200 membership applications from Chairperson Daw Aye Kyawt Khing of Okpo Township MCWA.

Dr Than Win, Dr Daw Khin Mu Aye of Thayawady District General Hospital and Dr Kyaw Win of Pyay General Hospital gave educative talks on infectious diseases, Dengue Haemorrhagic Fever and mental health.

Chairperson Daw Thein Paing and party encouraged the specialists providing free medical treatment to 547 patients at Ayethaya station hospital.

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CPT Minister inspects communication stations

YANGON, 30 July—Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs Brig-Gen Thein Zaw on 29 July morning inspected the site chosen for construction of the new GSM radio station in Thuwunna Sports Ground, Thingangyun Township and attended to the needs.

Next, the minister

inspected the site chosen for construction of the new GSM radio station at Setsan Shipyards, the site chosen for construction of the new GSM tower on Strand Road in Ahlon Township and the site chosen for installation between Baho Street and Pyay Road in Ahlon Township and fulfilled the requirements.

After that, Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw looked into the GSM tower under construction at the university communication station and machine building under implementation and gave necessary instructions.

Afterwards, the minister inspected the site chosen for construction of

the GSM tower at the Women's Development Centre on Thanlwin Road and gave necessary instructions.

On arrival at the International Express Office near Hanthawady roundabout, the minister met with officials of the Mynama Posts and Telecommunications and gave instructions on development of communication stations.

Secretary member of the Union Solidarity and Development Association Minister for Communications, Posts and Telegraphs Brig-Gen Thein Zaw on 30 July attended the opening of Basic Organizing Course No 46/47 conducted by Thingangyun Township USDA and made a speech on the occasion.

Next, the minister accepted 981 membership applications and cash donated by well-wishers for the association and expressed thanks.—MNA

Forestry minister attends International Tender Sales



YANGON, 30 July — Myanmar Timber Enterprise under the Ministry of Forestry held International Tender Sales at MTE (Headquarters) here this morning.

Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung attended the sales and extended greetings to local and foreign entrepreneurs.

At the tender sales high quality teak logs were put on sale through tender, low quality teak logs were sold through sealed tender and sawn timber through auction.

A total of 125 entrepreneurs — 37 from abroad and 88 at home attended the sales.

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Minister Brig-Gen Thein Aung attends international tender sales.—MNA

Course on traditional medical health care concludes

YANGON, 30 July— Organized by Yangon

West District Kyauktada Township Maternal and Child Welfare Association course on traditional medical health care concluded at BEHS Kyauktada Township this morning.

First, Chairperson Daw Mar Mar Wai of Yangon Division Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee gave a speech and presented herbal plants to the trainees.

Next, she accepted 2000 membership applications.

A total of 40 trainees attended the three-day course. — MNA

Health care provided in Hmawby Township

YANGON, 30 July — Led by Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association CEC member Dr Than Oo, a medical team of the association's diagnostic clinic including Yangon Division Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee member Dr Daw Khin Thet Myaing gave talks on prevention against DHF, life security for mothers, reproductive cancer and prevention of diarrhoea at Thebyu Model Village MCWA (Branch) in Hmawby Township. Next, Dr Than Oo donated medicine and medical equipment. Then the medical team conducted medical check-ups and provided health care for pregnant women and handed out condoms to the villagers.

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Dr Than Oo donates medicine and medical equipment to health care centre at Thebyu modal village.— MNA



Commander Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win and visitors view Book Drive Diy (News on page 9).— MNA

Commander's Shield Football Championship commences

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July — A ceremony to open Commander's Shield Football Championship of Nay Pyi Taw Command for 2007 was held in the Sports Ground of Nay Pyi Taw Command Headquarters this evening.

Present on the occasion were wife Daw

Swe Swe Oo of the Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command, wives of senior military officers of the command, station commanders, families of regiments and units and participating teams.

First, Commander Maj-Gen Wai Lwin made a speech on the occasion. Next, the

participating teams saluted the commander. No 1 Motor Transport Battalion made a bright start crashing No 6 Operation Control Command with 5-0.

A total of 19 teams will take part in the championship till 16 August.

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Minister attends Waso robes offering ceremonies

YANGON, 30 July — Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung attended a ceremony to offer Waso robes to 150 members of the Sangha, organized by Kyauktada, Pabetan and Latha Townships yesterday.

First, the minister offered Waso robes and alms to members of the Sangha.

Similarly, Chairman of Bago Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Southern Command Maj-Gen Ko Ko and Minister Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung attended a ceremony to offer

Waso robes and alms to 1,200 members of the Sangha held at Kyakhatwaing Pariyatti Sarthintaik in Bago today.

Next, the minister donated sets of portable VCD and computer to Kyakhatwaing Sayadaw Bhaddanta Jotipala. Afterwards, the minister paid homage to Dhammalinkara Sayadaw Abhidhaja Agga Maha Saddhamma Jotika Agga Maha Saddhamma-jotikadhaja Bhaddanta Visudha and Dhammalawha Maha Muni Bronze Buddha Image and supplicated on religious affairs and donated K 1 million and alms to the Sayadaw.

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Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun addresses opening of basic course for employee of the Customs Department.— F & R

Minister on inspection tour of Machines and Tools Manufacturing Factory (Nyaungchedauk)

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July — Minister for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Saw Lwin and officials concerned went on an inspection tour of

Machines and Tools Manufacturing Factory (Nyaungchedauk) in Padaung, Bago West on 28 July.

First, general manager U Thit Lwin Lay briefed the minister on manufacturing of vibro shear machines, hack saw machines, CNC lathe machines and drilling machines.

After hearing the reports, the minister gave

instructions on production of machines and tools to meet the target, emphasis to be placed on manufacturing of new machines and tools and minimizing production cost.

Next, the minister inspected the lathe machine workshop and the general manager briefed him on production of press die which is involved in the

manufacturing of electric meter and machine parts to be used at state-owned factories.

After hearing the reports, the minister gave instructions on production of machine parts in time, beefing up manufacturing of machine parts and constant check on machines and looked into production of electric wire. — MNA

Serb police arrest gunman

BELEGRADE, 30 July— A Serbian gunman who shot dead nine people, apparently at random, in a village on Friday was arrested during the night after a police manhunt using helicopters and anti-terrorism units.

The man, armed with a rifle, was identified as Nikola Radosavljevic, 39. He had recently returned from Austria to his native village of Jabukovac near the town of Negotin, close to Serbia's eastern border with Romania.

He killed four women and five men before police seized him as he tried to kill himself.

MNA/Reuters



Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung speaking at a ceremony to honour victorious athletes of the ministry who participated in local and foreign sport competitions. — FORESTRY

Sub-power station projects inspected

NAY PYI TAW, 30 July—Minister for Electric Power No 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint and officials inspected 500 KVA Thabyewa main sub-power station (Meiktila) construction project, Meiktila District on 28 July.

At the briefing hall, project Manager (2) U San Tint of power supply project (North) and Director U Nyunt Than of Three Million Group Co Ltd reported to the minister on matters related to the project. The minister gave necessary instructions and oversaw construction of the sub-power station and staff quarters.

The minister and party next proceeded to 500 Kv Belin main sub-power station (Kyaukse) construction project site.

At the briefing hall, officials briefed the minister on facts about the project. The minister looked into the project site and urged the responsible persons to try to complete the project as scheduled.

The minister and party went to 132/33/11 KV, 18 MKV Yadanabon Myothit sub-power station construction project site. Officials concerned reported to the minister on facts about the project. The minister inspected installation of Switch Yard Gantry and 132/33 KV (18) MVA transformer and left necessary instructions there.—MNA

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**S' Pore's FM says new ASEAN
S-G will face new challenges**

SINGAPORE, 29 July—Singapore's Foreign Minister George Yeo said on Saturday that the next secretary-general of the Association of South-East Asian Nations (ASEAN) will face new challenges with the introduction of the ASEAN Charter.

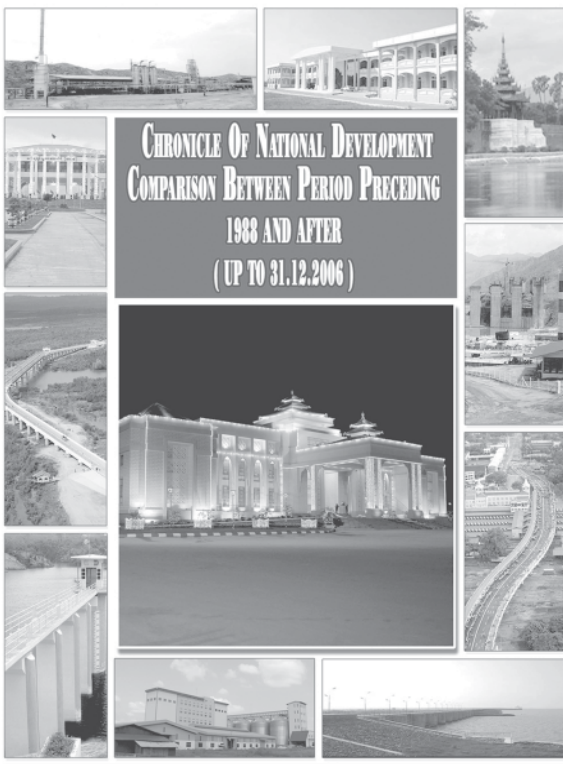
Yeo, who will attend ASEAN's foreign ministers meeting in Manila on Sunday, told local television Channel NewsAsia that the issues they will examine at the meeting include the appointment of a new secretary-general and the draft ASEAN Charter, which is expected to be signed in Singapore at the end of the year.

Current Secretary-General Ong Keng Yong will end his five-year term at the end of 2007.

"Once the Charter is signed, we are into a new phase and it will have to be a larger Secretariat and it has to be a more effective Secretariat, it has got to be more meritocratic," Yeo told Channel NewsAsia. He pointed out that the new chief, who will come from Thailand, would have to preside over a transition, a different kind of ASEAN, "for that reason, we need someone who is not a civil servant but a political leader". *MNA/Xinhua*

**Singapore's private
properties' prices
up 8.3% in Q2**

SINGAPORE, 29 July—Prices of private home, office and shop properties in Singapore rose sharply in the second quarter, demonstrating the city-state's booming real estate, statistics showed Friday. Overall prices of private residential properties, including public houses, apartments and condominiums, rose 8.3 per cent in the second quarter, compared with the 4.8-per cent increase in the previous quarter, the Urban Redevelopment Authority (URA) said. *MNA/Xinhua*



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Wen calls on firms to secure reputation of "Made in China" label

BEIJING, 29 July—Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao on Friday called on domestic firms to improve product quality and build their own world-class brands in order to secure the reputation of the "Made in China" label.

"Product quality has a direct bearing on people's immediate interests, the survival and development of firms and the national image," said Wen, adding that only firms with good product quality are competitive and able to increase their share on the international market.

As food safety is a global issue, China is ready to strengthen

international exchanges and cooperation and solve international divergence on the issue through dialogue, negotiations and investigations, said Wen.

"We understand good product quality is the most persuasive argument,"

said Wen. "We will not evade the problems, but oppose biased media reports, trade protectionism and discrimination."

China should tighten supervision of product quality by raising market access for food manufacturers and setting up a

monitoring system that covers plantations, breeding farms and production bases, said Wen.

The country should also ensure its major quality standards keep abreast with international standards, he added.

MNA/Xinhua

**Hong Kong makes record
seizure of cocaine from Panama**

HONG KONG, 29 July—Hong Kong has made a record seizure of 160 kilos (352 pounds) of high-grade cocaine with a street value of 14.5 million US dollars, hidden inside cargo containers carrying bottled mineral water from Panama, officials said on Friday.

Customs officers discovered the cocaine on Tuesday inside two cargo containers from Panama, declared to be carrying bottles of "purified water". With the help of sniffer dogs and X-ray scans, Customs officers found the cocaine concealed inside 80 wooden frames under the bottles of water.

Seven Hong Kong people, five men and two women aged between 23 and 51, were arrested.

Ben Leung, the head of Hong Kong's Drug Investigation Bureau, said it was Hong Kong's largest seizure of cocaine.

"We thought it was highly suspicious that

bottles of mineral water would be transported thousands of miles to Hong Kong," Leung told reporters.

"The drug syndicate's method of trafficking using the wooden frames was sophisticated and rarely seen," said Leung, who added that investigations showed the drugs

were destined for places outside Hong Kong. He did not elaborate.

In March, the US Coast Guard made what it called the largest drug bust ever at sea, seizing 20 tons of cocaine with a street value of 600 million US dollars from a Panamanian cargo ship.

MNA/Reuters

**Nurses, cleaners at
increased risk for asthma**

NEW YORK, 29 July—Nurses are roughly twice as likely as people with other jobs to develop asthma, according to a report in *The Lancet* medical journal. A heightened, albeit slightly lower, risk is also seen in cleaners. Dr Manolis Kogevinas, from the Municipal Institute of Medical Research in Barcelona, Spain, and colleagues tested 6,837 subjects for asthma when they took part in the European Community Respiratory Health Survey from 1990 to 1995. The participants had had no respiratory symptoms or history of asthma when the study began.

The findings confirmed that exposure to certain cleaning chemicals, bioaerosols, mites, agricultural products, and latex in the workplace raise the risk of developing asthma. Of major occupation groups, nurses had 2.2-times the risk of asthma compared to the group as a whole; cleaners had 1.7-times the risk.

MNA/Reuters

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Mistaken tsunami alarm in S Thailand frightens tourists

BANGKOK, 29 July — Seven disaster-warning towers in Thailand's southern Krabi Province unexpectedly sounded an alarm simultaneously late Saturday, prompting residents and tourists to run for higher ground in fear of a tsunami.

It was later deemed faulty alarms and officials were investigating the cause. Krabi disaster prevention and mitigation officer Thalerngsak Phuwayanapong was quoted by local news network *The Nation* as saying that he was informed that the warning towers at Phi Phi Island pier, Saladan Beach, Lanta Island, Jam

Island, Yao Beach, Laem Sak Bay and Ao Leuk Bay sounded sirens and warning messages in five languages at 5 pm (1000 GMT), prompting locals and tourists to run for their lives.

The false alarm made the tourists, mostly foreigners, and local resident rushed for their lives. The districts which were hit by the mistaken tsunami alarms

were all fell into chaos, local radio FM 100 said.

However, the National Disaster Warning Centre (NDWC) in central Nonthaburi Province said no earthquake occurred in the southern region that could trigger a tsunami and no officials pressed any buttons or sent signals to the towers.

MNA/Xinhua



Soldiers from China and Thailand take part in a drill in Guangzhou, south China's Guangdong province on 29 July, 2007.—INTERNET

German historian wants Hitler's book republished

BERLIN, 29 July — A German historian is campaigning to get Adolf Hitler's *Mein Kampf* published in Germany for the first time since World War II, warning that a delay could turn the controversial book into a sensation.

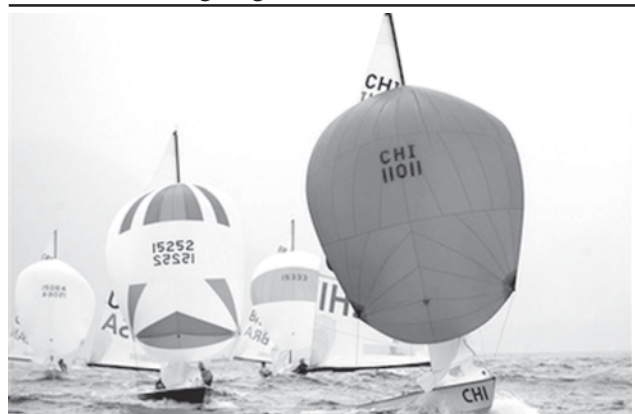
But his drive has been criticized by Jewish groups, who say publishing the book too early would offend Holocaust survivors and send the wrong signal

about Germany. Hitler dictated the tome while in prison in Bavaria following the failed Munich "Beer Hall" putsch of 1923. It outlines a doctrine of German

racial supremacy and ambitions to annex vast areas of the Soviet Union.

First published in 1925, it was a standard text in German schools after Hitler won power in 1933.

Now only purchasers who can prove an academic purpose may secure a copy of *Mein Kampf*. Otherwise, it is not available in Germany, as the copyright holder, the state of Bavaria, refuses to authorize the printing of new copies. Bavaria's copyright, assigned to it by the Allies after World War II, expires in 2015, after which time anyone will be able to publish the book. —MNA/Reuters



Chile's boat, right, leads the race to win the gold medal in Lightning sail event as the US, second from left, sails behind at the Pan American Games in Rio de Janeiro, on 28 July, 2007. —INTERNET

Miss Bahrain wins Miss Arab World 2007 title

CAIRO, 29 July — The title of Miss Arab World 2007 went to Miss Bahrain here at dawn on Saturday after nearly six hours of performance and contest.

Wafaa Yaakoub, a 23-year-old teacher from the Law Faculty of Bahrain University, won the title of Miss Arab World 2007, while the first runner-up went to the 25-year-old Miss Egypt, Shaimma Mansour and Miss Lebanon Abeer Layous, 23, became the second runner-up.

After being crowned by Claudia Hanna from Iraq and with a Bahrain national flag on her shoulder, Yaakoub told *Xinhua* that she was very happy to win the title because she represents her

country. Being asked whether she will continue her teaching career after her winning the title, she hesitated for a few seconds and replied "yes".

Earlier, Miss Egypt, Mansour, who is a football referee, told *Xinhua* that she was attending the contest to promote Egypt's tourism and sports.

Seventeen ladies from 15 countries attended the final competition and performance at the closing ceremony of the 2nd Miss Arab World Contest on Friday night. The competition is one of the

major attractions of the 2nd Arab Tourism Festival, which opened here on Wednesday.

The jury consisted of fashion, beauty and tourism experts as well as academics, and the finalists were chosen from more than 10,000 participants who registered through the Internet, according to the contest's organizing committee.

The first Miss Arab World Contest was held in Egypt's Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheikh from 26 July to 29 July, 2006. —MNA/Xinhua



Competitors for the Miss Arab World (from L to R) Lebanese Abeer Layoos, Egyptian Shaimaa Mansour, Bahraini Wafaa Yakoob, Tunisian Khadija Mrabet and Libyan Rima Bosiry stand during second Miss Arab World contest in Cairo on 28 July, 2007. Candidates to the contest came from 16 Arab countries.—INTERNET

BBC launches free Internet TV service

LONDON, 29 July — Billed as the biggest change in the way viewers watch television in 40 years, the BBC launched an online service on Friday that allows people to download many programmes from the last week.

BBC Director-General Mark Thompson says the arrival of the "on-demand" iPlayer is as important as the first colour broadcasts in the 1960s. Viewers can choose from 400 hours of programmes, between 60 and 70 per cent of the total TV output, including hit shows such as "EastEnders", "Doctor Who" and "Planet Earth".

It faces competition from similar services

provided by Channel 4 and ITV and from increasingly popular video-sharing sites such as YouTube.

The growth of the Internet, mobiles and hard-drive recorders that save hours of programmes, has destroyed the notion of fixed TV schedules delivered through a TV in the corner of the room.

Broadcasters are under pressure to hold on to viewers by letting them

watch programmes when and where they want.

"Our vision is for BBC iPlayer to become a universal service available not just over the Internet, but also on cable and other TV platforms, and eventually on mobiles and smart hand-held devices," said the BBC's Ashley Highfield, director of future media and technology.

MNA/Reuters

SPORTS

Van Persie wins Emirates Cup for Arsenal

LONDON, 30 July — Dutch striker Robin van Persie scored a superb late goal to give Arsenal a 2-1 win over Italian champions Inter Milan and victory in the pre-season Emirates Cup tournament on Sunday.

Arsenal's hopes of winning the two-day event played at their Emirates Stadium suffered a setback in the 62nd minute when Honduran striker David Suazo headed Inter in front.

But Belarus midfielder Alexander Hleb soon levelled and van Persie won it with a fine solo goal, firing home an angled shot to match their 2-1 win over Paris St. Germain on Saturday.

The hosts' victory came after PSG beat Valencia 3-0 in Sunday's opener, courtesy of goals from Ivorian

Amare Diane and French strike partner David Ngog in the opening half-hour.

Peguy Luyindula, who scored against Arsenal on Saturday, added the Parisians' third in the 85th minute, six minutes after coming off the bench to replace Ngog.

MNA/Reuters



An Iraqi player (Front) holds the trophy during the awarding ceremony for the final match with Saudi Arabia at the 2007 AFC Asian Cup in Jakarta, Indonesia, on 29 July, 2007. Iraq won the match 1-0 and claimed the title.—INTERNET

Kuban rout FK Moscow, CSKA held by Khimki

Moscow, 30 July — Kuban Krasnodar scored four second-half goals to crush FK Moscow 4-1 in the Russian Premier League on Sunday.

FK Moscow could have joined Spartak Moscow at the top of the standings if

they had beaten lowly Kuban but instead stayed three points behind their city rivals.

The emphatic victory enabled Kuban to move away from the relegation zone.

Champions CSKA

Moscow's indifferent form continued with a 0-0 draw at home against struggling FK Khimki.

The Army club have failed to score in six of their last seven games and remain seven points behind Spartak, who were held to a 1-1 draw at Luch Vladivostok on Saturday, ending their four-game winning streak.

MNA/Reuters

Furyk wins second straight Canadian Open

MARKHAM (Ontario), 30 July — Jim Furyk became the first player for 56 years to win successive Canadian Opens on Sunday after an early hole-in-one gave him a lead he never relinquished.

Following birdies on the first and third holes, Furyk aced the par-three 209-yard fourth with a five-iron at the Angus Glen course to eliminate a three-stroke deficit and grab the lead from Fiji's Vijay Singh.

Furyk went on to card an equal best-of-the-day seven-under 64 to finish on a 16-under-par total of 268, one clear of Singh and three ahead of fellow Americans Ryan Palmer and George McNeill.—MNA/Reuters



Natalie Gulbis of the US celebrates winning the 14th Women's Golf Masters in Evian on 29 July, 2007.

INTERNET

Arsene Wenger: We can do well

LONDON, 30 July — Arsene Wenger is looking forward to the kick-off of the Premier League after a run of positive pre-season performances.

The Gunners manager is now preparing his squad for the Amsterdam Tournament after watching his side collect their first piece of silverware of the season following an impressive 2-1 victory over Internazionale on Sunday.

The win over the Serie



Arsene Wenger.

A champions, coupled with a victory over Paris Saint Germain on Saturday, handed Arsenal the inaugural Emirates Cup and Wenger likes what he has seen.

"What I have learned is that the team loves to play together," he said.

"It has also shown that

the spirit in the side is absolutely fantastic.

"This victory, we do not class it as a trophy, builds up the belief of the team, which was needed because we did not have the greatest season last season confidence wise.

"It shows we can do well." Arsenal are also hopeful they will be able to begin the new season with Eduardo da Silva.

The Brazilian-born Croatian forward, who Arsenal paid Dinamo Zagreb £7.5million for this summer, has yet to receive his work permit from the Home Office, but he has an appeal on Thursday.

Internet

Four Asian Cup referees suspended

JAKARTA, 30 July — Four match officials have been suspended for poor performances during the Asian Cup, the Asian Football Confederation (AFC) announced on Sunday. The AFC banned one referee for a month and suspended another referee and two assistants until further assessment, following a meeting of the referees appointment sub-committee.

Lebanese referee Najm Talaat was suspended for one month for his handling of the Group B match between Vietnam and United Arab Emirates.—MNA/Reuters

Chakvetadze beats Mirza to win Stanford Classic

STANFORD (California), 30 July — Top seed Anna Chakvetadze defeated India's Sania Mirza 6-3, 6-2 to win her first Stanford Classic title on Sunday.

On her way to her 10th win in the United States in 2-1/2 weeks, the 20-year-old Russian was the far more consistent player, pushing Mirza around the court with razor sharp groundstrokes. Both Mirza and Chakvetadze had also reached the doubles final with different partners and had played in Cincinnati last week where Chakvetadze won the title.

MNA/Reuters



Los Angeles Galaxy's David Beckham (R) of Britain sits on the bench during a match of the SuperLiga soccer tournament against Mexico's Club Deportivo Guadalajara in Los Angeles on 28 July, 2007. Beckham, in a surprise move by Los Angeles Galaxy coach Frank Yallop, was named as one of the substitutes for Saturday's SuperLiga match against Mexican side Chivas de Guadalajara at LA Coliseum.—XINHUA

Monaco overcomes starace to clinch Austrian Open

KITZBUEHEL (Austria), 30 July — Argentine fifth seed Juan Monaco picked up his third career title on Sunday with a 5-7, 6-3, 6-4 Austrian Open win over Italian tenth seed Potito Starace.

Monaco, whose three ATP Tour wins have all been this season and on clay, was forced to come from behind after squandering an early break and two opening set points.

The world number 32 rallied with a late break of Starace's serve to take the second set.

He then shaded a nervy deciding set, breaking Starace twice either side of being broken once himself. — MNA/Reuters



Winner of the Austrian Open tennis tournament Juan Monaco, stands with his opponent Potito Starace of Italy, as they pose with their trophies on the center court in Kitzbuehel, Austria on 29 July, 2007. Monaco won by 5-7, 6-3, 6-4. —INTERNET

Moya wins Croatian Open for 20th career title

UMAG (Croatia), 30 July — Spain's Carlos Moya beat Romanian Andrei Pavel 6-4, 6-2 on Sunday to win the Croatian Open for the fifth time.

Sunday's victory was the 20th career title for the former world number one, now ranked 20th. Moya's last victory in Umag was four years ago. The 30-year old sixth seed broke Pavel in the ninth game but secured the first set only after taking eight set points and saving four break chances in the next game.—MNA/Reuters

US anti-war protest focuses on dollars over deaths

KANSAS CITY (Missouri), 30 July — First they tried lines of empty boots, then ribbons bearing the names of the more than 3,000 dead US soldiers. Now anti-war protesters are trying a fresh tactic: appealing to American

worries about their wallets. Proclaiming that one day of the Iraq War costs 720 million US dollars or 500,000 US dollars a minute, the Quaker pacifist group American Friends Service Committee is taking the money-focused

message to a dozen US cities in a series of seven-foot (more-than-one-metre) banners.

The banners stress what could be bought with the war dollars: one banner says that the tax funds spent in Iraq each day could pay for 84 new elementary schools, while another says it could pay for health care for more than 163,000 people.

A variety of anti-war groups are displaying the banners on downtown street corners, festivals and at campaign stops around the country, including in Kansas City on Friday and Saturday.

And the banners will be featured prominently by protesters marching in front of the White House this week, organizers said.

"We want to really motivate people," said Ira Harritt, an anti-war organizer in Kansas City. "There is a stalemate in Washington and we have to make it politically imperative for Congress ... to realize it is too costly to allow the war to grind on and on."

Mary Zerkel, a spokeswoman for

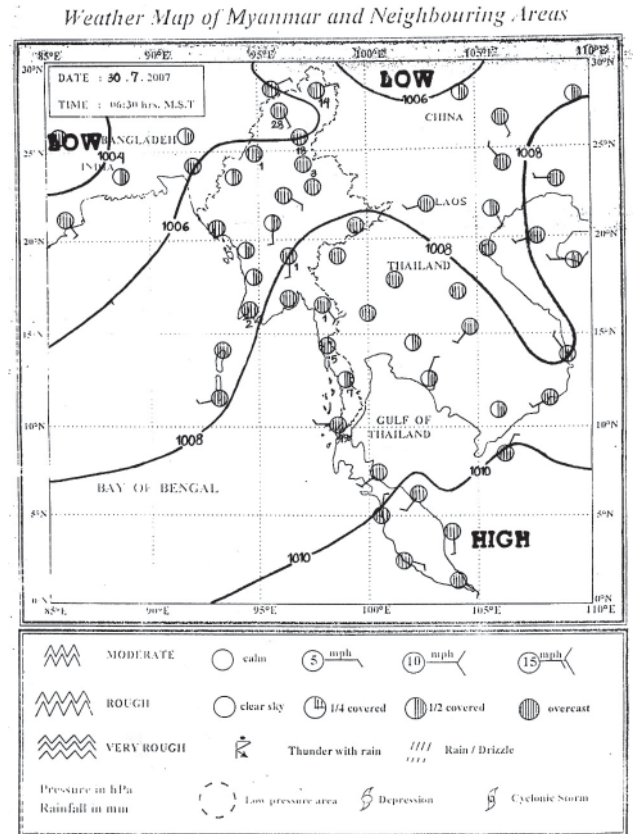
American Friends, said the 720 million US dollars includes money spent in Iraq for troops, equipment and rebuilding projects as well as money spent to care for wounded soldiers and to pay the interest on the war debt.

"Every kid in the country could have a four-year scholarship to college with this money," Zerkel said. "Where are our priorities?"

MNA/Reuters



US' Lisa Wang competes in the Pan American Games gymnastics rhythmic individual apparatus - club competition in Rio de Janeiro, on 28 July, 2007. Wang won the silver medal. — INTERNET



WEATHER

Monday, 30 July, 2007

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hour MST: During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Magway Division, rain or thundershowers have been fairly widespread in Kachin State and upper Sagaing Division, scattered in Shan State and Bago Division and isolated in the remaining areas. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Mogok (2.16) inches, Kawthong (1.14) inches, Hkamti (1.11) inches, Yangon (Mingaladon) (1.02) inches and Myitkyina (0.83) inch.

Maximum temperature on 29-7-2007 was 94°F. Minimum temperature on 30-7-2007 was 77°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 30-7-2007 was 85%. Total sunshine hours on 29-7-2007 was (5.4) hours approx.

Rainfall on 30-7-2007 was (1.02) inches at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye (Nil) and Central Yangon (Nil). Total rainfall since 1-1-2007 was (78.58) inches at Mingaladon, (81.34) inches at Kaba-Aye and (82.24) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from Northwest at (15:00) hours MST on 29-7-2007.

Bay inference: Monsoon is feeble to weak in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of 31-7-2007: Weather will be partly cloudy in Magway Division, rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Rakhine and Kayah States, Mandalay, lower Sagaing and Ayeyawady Divisions, scattered in Shan and Chin States, upper Sagaing, Bago and Yangon Divisions, fairly widespread in Mon and Kayin States and widespread in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of increase of rain in the Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring areas for 31-7-2007: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas for 31-7-2007: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas for 31-7-2007: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Flood Bulletin

(Issued at 12:30 hr MST on 30-7-2007)

According to the (06:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Ayeyawady River at Nyaung Oo (2147) cm is exceeded (27) cm above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level (2120) cm during the next (48) hrs commencing noon today.

According to the (06:30) hr MST observations today, the water level of Chindwin River at Homalin (3028) cm is exceeded (128) cm above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level (2900) cm during the next (48) hrs commencing noon today.

According to the (06:30) hr MST observation today, the water level of Dokehtawady River at Myitnge (904) cm is exceeded (34) cm above its danger level. It may remain above its danger level (870) cm during the next (24) hrs commencing noon today.



Tuesday, 31 July

Tune in today

- 8:30 am Brief news
- 8:35 am Music: -The perfect fan (BSB)
- 8:40 am Perspectives
- 8:45 am Music: -Earth, wind, water & fire (Toybox)
- 8:50 am National news/Slogan
- 9:00 am Music: -Every other time (LFO)
- 9:05 am International news
- 9:10 am Music: -More than a feeling (No mercy)
- 1:30 pm News / Slogan
- 1:40 pm Lunch time music -Cheri Cheri lady (Modern Talking) -Crazy on dancing (Savage Garden)
- 9:00 pm English speaking course
- 9:10 pm Article
- 9:20 pm Weekly sports reel
- 9:30 pm Listening pleasure -Listen to the radio (Don Williams) -Sail on (Lionel Richie)
- 9:45 pm News /Slogan
- 10:00 pm PEL



Tuesday, 31 July View on today

- 7:00 am
 1. ကျေးဇူးရှင်မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော် ဘုရားကြီး၊ နိုင်ငံတော်သံဃာ့ မဟာနာယကအဖွဲ့အကျိုးတော် ဆောင်ရွက်၊ အဘိဓမ္မမဟာ ရတနာ၊ အဘိဓမ္မမဟာ သဒ္ဓမ္မဇာတိက၊ တိပိဋကဓမ္မ၊ ဓမ္မဘဏ္ဍာဂါရိက၊ ဆရာတော် ဘဒ္ဒန္တဝိစိတ္တသာရာဘိဝံသ၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်
- 7:15 am
 2. တိပိဋကဓမ္မ၊ ဓမ္မဘဏ္ဍာဂါရိက၊ အဂ္ဂမဟာပဏ္ဍိတ၊ ဘဒ္ဒန္တ သိရိန္ဒာဘိဝံသ(ယောဆရာတော်) မောကြားတော်မူအပ်သော ဥပ္ပါတသန္တိပါဠိတော်
- 7:25 am
 3. To be healthy exercise
- 7:30 am
 4. Morning news
- 7:40 am
 5. Nice and sweet song
- 7:55 am
 6. ကဗျာပန်းဥယျာဉ်
- 8:05 am
 7. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 8:15 am
 8. Song of yesteryears
- 8:30 am
 9. International news
- 8:45 am
 10. 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
- 4:45 pm
 4. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ -ပထမနှစ် (အင်္ဂလိပ်စာအထူးပြု) (အင်္ဂလိပ်စာ)
- 5:00 pm
 5. Dance of national races
- 5:15 pm
 6. ခံစားနာဆင်တေးဇာတ်ဝင်
- 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. ဘင်း(မ်)စတတ် (BIM STEC) အကြောင်းသိကောင်းစရာ
- 7:05 pm
 12. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "သန်းတစ်ရာရွှေအိမ်မက်" (အပိုင်း-၂၁)
- 8:00 pm
 13. News
- 8:00 pm
 14. International news
- 8:00 pm
 15. Weather report
- 8:00 pm
 16. လပတ်မိုးလေဝသနှင့် ဇလဗေဒခန့်မှန်းချက်
- 8:00 pm
 17. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ရေသူမလေး ဒုတိယ ချစ်ပုံပြင်" (အပိုင်း-၃၂)
- 8:00 pm
 18. The next day's programme

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Families of Defence Services (Army, Navy and Air) donate rice, edible oil, salt, medicine, gram and cash to monasteries and nunneries in Mingaladon and Mayangon Tsp

YANGON, 30 July — Families of Defence Services (Army, Navy and Air) donated rice, edible oil, salt, medicine, gram and cash to 20 monasteries and 7 nunneries in Mingaladon Township at Tawtaik Dhammayeiktha Monastery yesterday.

Present on the occasion were presiding Sayadaws of 20 monasteries and members of the Sangha, senior nuns of seven nunneries, Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence, Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Com-



Lt-Gen Myint Swe of Ministry of Defence shares merits gained at rice and cash donation to monasteries and nunneries donated by Families of Defence Services (Army, Navy and Air) and wellwishers.— MNA

mander Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win and senior military officers, departmental officials, members of social organiza-

tions and wellwishers and guests.

First, the congregation received the Five Precepts from Presiding

Sayadaw of State Ovadacariya Tawtaik Dhammayeiktha Monastery Agga Maha Saddhamajortikadhaja

Agga Maha Kanmathanacayira Bhaddanta Dhammasaya. Next, Lt-Gen Myint Swe offered Waso robes and alms to the Sayadaw and members of the Sangha and so did Commander Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win and senior military officers.

On behalf of the families of Defence Services, three senior military officers offered rice, edible oil, salt, medicine and gram to the Sayadaw and senior nuns. Next, Commander Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win offered rice, edible oil, salt, medicine and gram of the Yangon Division PDC to the Sayadaw. Wellwishers' donations were K 5,514,500, and

Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win and senior military officers presented certificates of honour to the wellwishers.

Today's cash and kind donated to the monasteries and nunneries in Mingaladon township were 320.12 bags of rice, 1402.40 viss of edible oil, 367 viss of gram, 2324 viss of iodized salt, 464 boxes of tooth paste, 110 boxes of traditional medicines, 720 tins of soft drinks and meals funds K 5,514,500.

The similar ceremony was held in Mayangon Township. Present on the occasion were presiding Sayadaws of 33 monasteries and (See page 10)

Delegate group of Intellectuals and Intelligentsia of National Convention meets



Dr Maung Maung Wint addresses group meeting of delegate group of Intellectuals and Intelligentsia.— MNA

YANGON, 30 July — The Meeting of Delegate group of Intellectuals and Intelligentsia of National Convention was held at hall-6 of Nyaungnapin Camp, Hmawby Township, at 9 am today.

Before the meeting, members of the penal of chairmen and delegates of the National Convention from respective delegate groups signed in the attendance book.

Alternate Chairman Dr Maung Maung Wint presided over the meeting together with Dr Thein Nyunt and U Khin Zaw, Deputy Director U Than Win of the NCC Work Committee as MC and Assistant Director U Nyein Myint as co-MC.

First, the Alternate Chairman made an open-

ing speech.

He then explained the clarification of the Chairman of the NCC Work Committee concerning the detailed basic principles for the Chapters "Election", "Political Parties", "Provision on State of Emergency", "Amendment of the Constitution", "State Flag, State Seal, National Anthem and the Capital", "Transitory Provisions", and "General Provisions" to be included in drawing the State Constitution, and approved the proposals of the delegate group after seeking the approval.

Next, the Alternate Chairman made concluding remarks.

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Weather Forecast for 31-7-2007

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Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring areas
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Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring areas
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