

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 Kyaw Win enjoys play contest of 15th cultural performing arts competitions



Lt-Gen Kyaw Win of Ministry of Defence and wife enjoy a play contest. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct — A team representing Sagaing Division participated in a play contest of the 15th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions at the assembly hall of University of

Veterinary Science in Nay Pyi Taw Yezin at 7 pm today.

Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Kyaw Win of the Ministry of Defence

and wife Daw San San Yi, Chairman of the Leading Committee for Organizing the 15th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions
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14th cash donation ceremony for rural water supply

YANGON, 23 Oct — Ministry of Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs held its 14th cash donation ceremony for rural water supply at the Development Affairs Department in Thanlyatsoon, Botahtaung Township, here, this morning. Lt-Gen Myint Swe of the Ministry of Defence addressed the ceremony and accepted the donations. It was also at-

tended by Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win, Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Thein Nyunt, senior military officers, departmental officials, social organizations and donors.

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May Buddha Sasana be flourishing and perpetual-I

The Teachings of the Buddha, Myanmar traditions and custom and loving-kindness are deeply rooted in Myanmar society. People of different faiths profess religions of their choice with peace of mind despite discord and dissension sown by internal and external destructive elements.

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PO YE CHAN

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

PERSPECTIVES

Wednesday, 24 October, 2007

Boost production of quality items for industrial development

With the efficient use of natural resources, the government is taking measures and rendering assistance in various sectors for the nation's economic growth. It is also implementing many industrial projects to build a modern developed nation.

With the establishment of industrial regions and zones, and opening of new factories, the nation has seen many industries for manufacturing import-substitute products. The industrial zones have erected modern foundry plants and forging shops with the use of advanced technologies. So, the industries that produce ironware are making progress.

Today, combined efforts are being made for boosting production of export items, reducing import products and setting up industries producing import-substitute goods for the economic growth of the nation. So, factories and plants have to work hard for boosting production of quality goods.

In the process of manufacturing machines and personal goods, they have to place emphasis on both qualitative and quantitative improvement. Moreover, they are to do research for winning customer satisfaction and production of popular items.

Thanks to the extensive establishment of factories and import-substitute good factories, the industrial zones have new production methods along with more job opportunities for local people.

Responsible persons are therefore to work hard in concert for development of the whole industrial sector including industries and industrial zones, and to boost production of quality products to fulfill the requirements of the people all the more.

2nd Policy Consultation Meeting between Myanmar, the Philippines held

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct—At the invitation of U Kyaw Thu, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mr Enrique A Manalo, Under-Secretary for Policy of the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of the Philippines arrived Yangon on 20 October to attend the 2nd Policy Consultation Meeting between the two foreign ministries.

The 2nd Policy Consultation Meeting between the two foreign ministries was held at the ministry here on 21 October. The Myanmar delegation was led by Deputy Minister U Kyaw Thu and the Philippine delegation by Mr Enrique A Manalo.

During the consultation, both sides discussed the matters related to mutual interests and ways to promote cooperation between the two countries.

In the afternoon, Mr Enrique A Manalo paid a courtesy call on Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win at the ministry.

The deputy minister hosted a dinner in honour of the Philippines Under-Secretary and party at Thingaha Hotel in the evening.

The Philippines Under-Secretary called on Deputy Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Aung Tun and Minister for Hotels and Tourism Maj-Gen Soe Naing separately yesterday.

The Philippines delegation left Yangon by air this morning.—MNA

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

Worldwide Candle Light Vigil on the Right to Food held on grand scale



Minister Maj-Gen Htay Oo delivers an address at Worldwide Candle Light Vigil on the Right to Food to mark the World Food Day 2007 at Nay Pyi Taw City Hall. — MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 22 Oct — Member countries of FAO held the Worldwide Candle Light Vigil on the Right to Food at Nay Pyi Taw City Hall on a grand scale this evening.

Present on the occasion were Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein, Minister for Livestock and Fisheries Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein, Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint, Minister for Forestry Brig-Gen Thein Aung, Director-General Col Thant Shin of Government Office, Resident Representative Mr Tang Zheng Ping and departmental heads, staff, members of social organizations from the townships of Nay Pyi Taw Pynmana District, contestants from states and divi-

sions and guests. First, the master of ceremonies opened the ceremony. Next, Maj-Gen Htay Oo made a speech on the occasion. Afterwards, resident representative Mr Tang Zheng Ping read out the message sent by the Director-Gen-

eral of FAO. The dance troupe of Fine Arts Department of the Ministry of Culture performed those present with song and dance.

Next, Minister Maj-Gen Htay Oo, Mr Tang Zheng Ping, Minister Brig-Gen Maung Maung Thein

and Minister Brig-Gen Thein Aung lighted candles and so did those present.

Afterwards, the ministers and the resident representative presented gifts to artistes and cordially greeted those present.

MNA



Those present light candles at the Worldwide Candle Light Vigil on the Right to Food to mark the World Food Day 2007 in Nay Pyi Taw. — MNA

Course No 3 of Technical Training School opens in Mongla

YANGON, 23 Oct — The Course No 3 of the Technical Training School for National Races of the Ministry of Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs opened in Mongla yesterday, with an address by Chairman of Shan State (East) Peace and Development Council Commander of Triangle Region Command Maj-Gen Min Aung Hlaing.

Present on the occasion were Director-General U Than Win of Education and Training Department, heads of departments at state level, national races leaders of No 4 Special Region-4 of Shan State

(East), townselders, course instructors and trainees.

Next, the commander and party inspected progress in building the training school and attended to the needs.

With the purpose of raising the living standards in the border areas by learning engineering science and turning out skillful workers by setting up industrial services, the training school opened for the national races in the border areas. A total of 27 trainees are attending the 24-week long course. The food and accommodation for the trainees are free of charge. — MNA

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

CIA torture film hopes to shine light on US' HR abuses

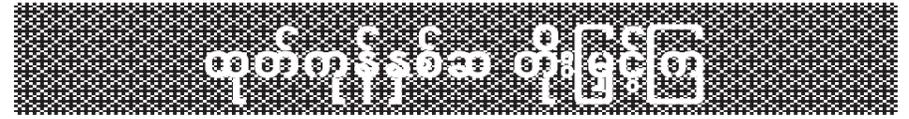
ROME, 23 Oct — Director Gavin Hood hopes his film "Rendition" about the US practice of deporting suspected terrorists to foreign jails will raise public awareness and help stop abuse of human rights in the name of national security.

"It's easy to talk about arbitrary detentions and enhanced interrogation techniques and all these fancy words in the abstract and then we realize that in fact it's about people," Hood told reporters after a screening at the Rome Film Festival.

Starring Jake Gyllenhaal and Reese Witherspoon, "Rendition" tells the fictional story of an Egyptian-American engineer abducted by US Customs at Washington Airport, deported to a North African jail and tortured under the eyes of a CIA agent. Witherspoon plays the man's pregnant wife desperately trying to track him down, while Gyllenhaal is the reluctant CIA agent asked to supervise his brutal interrogation.

The film, which screened at the festival on Sunday and has just been released in the United States, is the latest in a string of Hollywood productions tackling the political and military fallout from the September 11, 2001 attacks. The theme has made US cinema popular at European festivals this year, even though box office returns have been mixed.

MNA/Reuters



Communist Party of China (CPC) leader Hu Jintao (R, front) shakes hands with a delegate at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, capital of China on 22 Oct, 2007. Hu Jintao had a meeting with delegates, special delegates and observers to the recently concluded 17th National Congress of the CPC on Monday afternoon. — XINHUA

Blast kills four in Pakistan's Baluchistan

QUETTA (Pakistan), 22 Oct — A car-bomb killed four people and wounded 17 on Saturday in the gas-rich southwestern Pakistani Province of Baluchistan, where militants have for decades been fighting for autonomy, police said.

"There was a blast in a car which hit a van next to it causing the casualties," said police official Najam Tureen in Dera Bugti District where the blast took place.

A paramilitary official said seven people were killed but Tureen and other police said four people

were dead. A doctor at the district's hospital said four bodies and 17 wounded people — many in critical condition — had been brought in.

MNA/Reuters

Iran says capable of firing 11,000 rockets if attacked

TEHERAN, 22 Oct — Iran on Saturday said it has a capability to launch 11,000 rockets into the enemy bases immediately at the first minute if it was attacked, the state television reported.

"We have identified the enemy bases and the positions, ground force of the Revolutionary Guards will launch 11,000 rockets into them at the first minute if Iran is attacked," General Mahmoud

Chaharbaghi, a commander of the Guards, told the television.

Although the top brass did not specify which countries the "enemy bases" belong to, it is widely known that the United States, which has threatened to attack Iranian nuclear facilities, has a plenty of military bases and troops in the region.

Iranian officials have repeatedly said they were well-prepared to deal with the threats posed by the enemies and vowed to fight against any aggressions on its soil when Teheran's relationship with the West, mainly the United States, had been strained in the past months.

MNA/Xinhua



Children play chess in the Open Day of the Experimental Primary School of Licheng District of Jinan, capital of east China's Shandong Province, on 20 Oct, 2007. XINHUA

Miss Earth 2007 Chinese finalists pose with trophies during the Miss Earth 2007 Chinese Final Competition in Wuxi, east China's Jiangsu Province, on 19 Oct, 2007. Fu Jingjing (L2) from southwest China's Sichuan Province won the champion of the Miss Earth 2007 Chinese Final Competition. — XINHUA

US soldier killed in bomb attack in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 22 Oct — An American soldier was killed and eight others were injured in a roadside bomb attack in eastern Baghdad, the US military said on Sunday.

The attack occurred on Wednesday when a roadside bomb detonated near the soldiers' vehicle while conducting combat operations in the area, the military said in a statement.

Six of the eight wounded soldiers have returned to duty after being

treated in an Army medical facility, the statement said.

The soldiers' unit continues conducting targeted raids and clearing operations against insurgents in this part of the capital, the statement said.

The latest death brings the number of US soldiers who have been killed in Iraq to about 3,835 since the US-led invasion broke out in 2003, according to media count based on Pentagon figures.

MNA/Xinhua





Li Guoping, spokesman for China National Space Administration (CNSA), speaks during a news conference in Beijing, capital of China, on 22 Oct, 2007. China is planning to launch its first moon orbiter on 24 Oct at the Xichang Satellite Launch Centre in Sichuan Province. — XINHUA

First Malaysian astronaut returns to hero's welcome

Moscow, 22 Oct — Malaysia's first astronaut landed safely back in Kazakhstan to a hero's welcome on Sunday with two Russian cosmonauts after spending 11 days in space, officials at Moscow's mission control said.

The *Soyuz* capsule carrying Sheikh Muszaphar Shukor, an orthopaedic surgeon from Kuala Lumpur, touched down about 200 kilometres (124 miles) off course at 1037 GMT because the trajectory of the capsule was changed after entering the atmosphere.

International Space Station commander, Fyodor Yurchikhin, and flight engineer, Oleg Kotov, who had both spent 197 days in space, accompanied Shukor on his return to earth.

Dashing towards earth in what officials call a "ballistic" landing put more stress on the

astronauts but all three were in good health, Russian Space Agency chief Anatoly Perminov said.

In such a landing, the capsule follows a much steeper and shorter trajectory to earth, causing more spin and resulting in a bumpier ride that puts a greater strain on its occupants.

"They all feel satisfactory, I would even say well. And Sheikh Muszaphar feels best of all as his trip to space was much shorter than the other astronauts," Perminov said.

"The load on the

astronauts was a little more than under a normal landing, that is natural. But the so called ballistic trajectory was held only for the last few minutes," he said. — MNA/Reuters

People stand under the jacaranda trees in Pretoria, South Africa, on 21 Oct, 2007.

Pretoria is known as the Jacaranda City for all the purple blossom-bedecked trees which line its thoroughfares.

XINHUA



Gaza hospital to stop surgery as runs out of gas

GAZA, 22 Oct — A Palestinian health official said on Sunday Gaza's main hospital would be forced to stop surgery because Israel had banned imports of anaesthetic gas, but Israel said it had not blocked medical supplies.

Khaled Radi, spokesman of the Hamas-run Ministry of Health in the Gaza Strip, said Israel had told the company that imports hospital supplies into Gaza it would not supply the gas, which is needed to conduct surgery.

He said the hospital had barely two canisters of gas left and would have to halt surgery soon.

"This is a crime against humanity. Israel is killing patients, including women and children," Radi said.

Gaza's Shifa Hospital is

the main medical facility in the impoverished coastal enclave, home to 1.5 million people, and is used for major operations. Radi said supplies of anaesthetic gas were also running out at Gaza's four smaller hospitals. — MNA/Reuters

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Pelosi's judgement questioned over Armenia issue

WASHINGTON, 22 Oct — Democrat Nancy Pelosi's pledge of a new direction took a detour when she fumbled an Armenian genocide resolution and raised questions about her leadership as the highest ranking member of the US Congress.

Pelosi, 67, speaker of the House of Representatives and next in line to the presidency after the vice-president, swore she would push the controversial resolution to a vote, then blinked when some fellow Democrats withdrew their support in the face of furious reaction from Turkey.

President George W Bush warned the symbolic resolution to affirm the 1915 massacre of Armenians by Ottoman

Turks as genocide would harm Washington's relations with Ankara. But as long as it looked like it would pass, Pelosi stuck to her guns.

When Democratic support started waning last week amid protests from NATO ally Turkey — which denounced the measure as "insulting" and hinted at halting logistical support for the US war effort in Iraq —

Pelosi wavered.

Critics say she miscalculated.

"It's certainly not her finest moment," said Michael O'Hanlon, senior fellow in foreign policy studies at the Brookings Institution in Washington.

"There's been no great harm done, but we do have to find some ways to mend the US-Turkish relationship."

MNA/Reuters

Two kidnapped priests freed in northern Iraq

MOSUL (Iraq), 22 Oct — Two Iraqi Catholic priests who were abducted a week ago in the northern city of Mosul were released on Sunday, local police and church sources said.

"Two Catholic priests abducted a week ago have been freed before midday by their kidnappers," a source close to the Catholic Church in Mosul told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

A police source in the city confirmed that the two priests were freed after being kidnapped in the al-Thawra neighbourhood in western Mosul on 13 October.

Chaos and insecurity following the US-led invasion to Iraq left the country's vulnerable minorities easy targets to gangs as well as Sunni and Shiite extremists.

MNA/Xinhua

Boat capsizes in N-E Thailand, three missing, six injured

BANGKOK, 21 Oct — Three tourists went missing and six others were injured after a boat capsized in Thailand's northeastern reservoir of Ubolrat Dam on Saturday evening, local radio reported.

According to the report of Thai Traffic Radio FM 100, the tour boat, with nine tourists aboard, capsized in Ubolrat Dam reservoir in Khon Kaen Province at about 6:30 pm (1130 GMT).

Six persons were injured and the other three were still missing as of Press time.

A local official said the weather, especially the gale, was the cause of the accident. — MNA/Xinhua

Helicopter crashes in Russia, killing four

MOSCOW, 22 Oct — A helicopter crashed on Sunday in the Kemerovo region of Siberia killing four people, ITAR-TASS news agency reported, citing rescue workers.

The US made MD-600 helicopter was flying in poor weather and without permission from flight control, TASS said. No other details were immediately available.

Helicopters are used frequently in Siberia to cover tough terrain. — MNA/Reuters

ECONOMIC NEWS

Fresh fire outbreak hits Shell's gas plant in Nigeria

LAGOS, 22 Oct — Barely 24 hours after oil giant Shell announced the re-opening of the Utorogun gas plant following its closure about a week ago due to a pipeline fire, the company on Friday afternoon suffered from a fresh fire outbreak that happened to the same pipeline, according to local media

reports.

The cause of the latest outbreak could not be immediately ascertained, but it was reported at practically the same spot where the last one occurred along the Utorogun-Ughelli Pumping Station condensate trunk-line, the reports quoted an official statement from the company as saying.

"An early aerial survey of the scene of the inferno also showed a boat burning in the area yesterday afternoon",

said Aoiri Obaigbo, the company's media executive.

The statement added that fire fighters had already been deployed to the scene to contain the fire, and appealed for understanding in the light of the inevitable cut in the country's gas supply.

According to the statement, the Utorogun gas plant has to be shut down to starve the fire point and aid fire-fighting efforts.

MNA/Xinhua

Vietnam wins rice tender in Japan

HANOI, 23 Oct — Vietnamese firms have recently won a bid to sell 21,000 tons of rice to Japan, local newspaper *New Hanoi* reported Monday.

The commodity has been priced, on average, nearly 547.4 US dollars per ton, the paper quoted the Vietnamese Ministry of Industry and Trade as reporting.

Local companies have so far this year won bids of selling a total of 60,050 tons of rice to Japan, compared with 120,000 tons in 2006, and 80,000 tons in 2005, said the ministry.

Vietnam, the world's second largest rice exporter, shipped abroad nearly four million tons of rice totalling nearly 1.3 billion dollars in the first nine months of this year, down 1.5 per cent in volume, but up 14.9 per cent in value, according to the country's General Statistics Office.

It exported over 4.7 million tons of rice worth 1.3 billion dollars last year to nearly 100 markets, with the exports to the Philippines, Malaysia and Cuba accounting for some 60 per cent of the total.

MNA/Xinhua

A National Statistics and Information Institute worker(L) interviews a family during a census in a shantytown in Lima on 21 Oct, 2007. Peru shut down for business on Sunday for a controversial census after President Alan Garcia ordered everyone in the country to stay home for 10 hours.—INTERNET



Foreigners not to be allowed to work over 5 yrs in Bangladesh

DHAKA, 23 Oct — Bangladesh's Board of Investment (BoI) has decided not to allow any foreign national to work in Bangladesh for over five years in order to encourage transferring technical know-how to local people.

The BoI will also not allow any ordinary workforce from abroad to ensure more jobs to the locals in industries fully owned by foreign nationals or joint venture companies, local newspaper *The Daily Star* reported on Sunday.

"If any industry desires to transfer technical know-how to the local people, five years is enough for the task," a BoI director was quoted as saying.

As a least developed and over populated country, Bangladesh is not able to accommodate unskilled work forces in different industries, he added.

The decisions were taken after a task force recently identified that a few foreign nationals working here hid their actual income to evade



A baby is attracted by a mouse toy in a supermarket in Shenxian, east China's Shandong Province, on 20 Oct, 2007. The year of 2008 is the year of Mouse according to the Chinese traditional lunar calendar. Decorations of mouse were shown in the supermarket in Shenxaian — XINHUA

EU, Mediterranean nations to establish free trade area

LISBON, 22 Oct — Trade ministers of the European Union (EU) and the southern Mediterranean countries on Sunday renewed their commitment to establish

a free trade area in the region by 2010 and to enhance bilateral ties.

"The southern Mediterranean nations are important neighbours of the European Union. We are determined to deepen and strengthen our links with them," said European Trade Commissioner Peter Mandelson at the Press conference at the end of the sixth EuroMed Trade Ministerial Conference.

The meeting drew ministers from the 27 EU members and 10 southern Mediterranean countries, namely Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Palestine, Syria and Tunisia.

Mandelson said that although significant

progress has been made in trade between the EU and the southern Mediterranean nations, "more needs to be done to reach the full potential of this relationship, and there is still huge untapped potential for increased trade and investment flows in this region."

"Even small steps forward bring significant benefits," he said.

The commissioner said that thanks to the association agreement under the Barcelona process the southern Mediterranean countries had doubled their trade with the EU over the last decade and their trade deficit with the EU has been cut in half.

MNA/Xinhua

government revenue.

Foreign nationals are working in Bangladesh in mainly textile and telecom sectors, buying houses, hatchery plants, aviation, cement, glass, software and re-rolling industries.

MNA/Xinhua

Models present creations by Indian designers Ekta and Ruchira during India Fashion Week in Mumbai recently.

INTERNET





Heavily armed Filipino soldiers with bomb-sniffing dogs patrol in Manila. The toll from a deadly bomb blast in a Manila shopping mall has risen to 11 after another body was found in rubble at the ravaged building and an injured man died in hospital, officials said on 21 Oct, 2007.—INTERNET

US mily explains incident of mishandling N-warheads

WASHINGTON, 21 Oct— The US Air Force said on Friday that the incident of mishandling nuclear warheads in August was an “unacceptable mistake” of a sort that had never happened before.

Air Force Secretary Michael W Wynne made the first explicit confirmation on the incident at a Pentagon Press conference, saying that the military would “make all appropriate changes to ensure this has a minimal chance of ever happening again”.

In the 29-30 August incident, six nuclear warheads on air-launched cruise missiles were improperly handled and procedures were not followed when they were loaded on a B-52 bomber and flown from Minot Air Force Base, in the northern US state of North Dakota,

to Barksdale Air Force Base, in the southern state of Louisiana.

The incident is considered as the worst known violation of nuclear security rules in decades.

Major-General Ric-

hard Newton, the Air Force Deputy Chief of Staff for operations, said at the Press conference that the incident was resulted from “unprecedented string of procedural errors”.

MNA/Xinhua



MESSAGE OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL ON UNITED NATIONS DAY

YANGON, 24 Oct — *The following is the message from the United Nations Secretary General on the occasion of the United Nations Day.*

The world is changing in the United Nations’ favour — as more people and Governments understand that multilateralism is the only path in our interdependent and globalizing world. Global problems demand global solutions — and going it alone is not a viable option. Whether we are speaking of peace and security, development, or human rights, demands on our Organization are growing every day.

I am determined to ensure that we make progress on the pressing issues of our time, step by step, building on achievements along the way, working with Member States and civil society. That means strengthening the UN’s ability to play its role to the fullest extent in conflict prevention, peacemaking, peacekeeping and peacebuilding. And it means invigorating our efforts for disarmament and non-proliferation.

At the same time, we must redouble our efforts to reach the Millennium Development Goals, particularly in Africa. I will seek to mobilize political will and hold leaders to their commitments on aid, trade and debt relief.

And I will continue to do all I can to galvanize global and decisive action on climate change. The UN is the natural forum for building consensus on this pressing issue, as we saw in the high-level event held a month ago on the margins of the General Assembly. The many leaders who attended sent a clear message to the Bali negotiations in December under the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change: this is no longer business as usual, and we must build momentum across industrialized and developing countries to ensure results. Protecting the climate for present and future generations is in the common interest of all.

If security and development are two pillars of the UN’s work, human rights is the third. I will work with Member States and civil society to translate the concept of the Responsibility to Protect from word to deed, so as to ensure timely action when populations face genocide, ethnic cleansing or crimes against humanity.

Finally, we must transform the UN itself. We must adapt to meet new needs, and ensure the highest standards of ethics, integrity and accountability, so as to demonstrate that we are fully answerable to all Member States and to people around the world.

We will be judged in the future on the actions we take today—on results. On this United Nations Day, let us rededicate ourselves to achieving them.

UNIC

Violence flares again in Amsterdam immigrant area

AMSTERDAM, 22 Oct — Disturbances broke out for a sixth successive night in an immigrant

quarter of Amsterdam on Saturday when four cars were set on fire, police said. The unrest started

after police shot dead a man of Moroccan origin last weekend who had stabbed and injured two officers.

Saturday’s fires brought the total number of burnt cars to 11, a police spokesman said.

MNA/Reuters

Models display creations during the Pierre Cardin 2008 spring & summer fashion show on the Mingsha Mountain in Dunhuang City of northwest China’s Gansu Province, on 20 Oct, 2007. — XINHUA

British boys jailed for stoning cricket player to death

LONDON, 21 Oct — Five British boys aged between 12 and 14 were sentenced to two years detention on Friday for stoning a pensioner to death as he played cricket with his son.

The schoolboys, one of whom was aged just 10 at the time, attacked Ernest Norton, 67, next to a leisure centre in Kent, southeast England in February 2006.

The boys spat at Norton, verbally abused him and

pelted him with stones and pieces of wood. He died of a heart attack in front of his son after two stones struck him on the head, one rock the size of half a brick shattering his cheekbone.

Judge Warwick McKinnon, sitting at the Old Bailey court in London, sentenced the boys to two years detention each and described the crime as “a vicious, unprovoked attack”.

“Your behaviour was utterly disgraceful and criminally irresponsible. No sentence I can pass can restore the human life so needlessly taken by this mindless display of violence,” he told them.

The court heard that before the attack, information was posted on an Internet site that there was going to be a fight involving four local gangs in a nearby park.—MNA/Reuters



A Turkish army helicopter flies over a settlement in the southeastern Turkish province of Hakkari, bordering Iraq, on 21 Oct, 2007.—INTERNET

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First, the minister explained matters related to rural water supply tasks. He said for rural water supply tasks, the development affairs committees spent K 250.13 million in 2000-2001, K 321.61 million in 2001-2002, K 572.02 million in 2002-2003, K 653.44 million, K 1083.08 million in 2003-2004, K 1153.32 million in 2004-2005 and K 1124.21 million in 2006-2007. It is estimated to spend K 1578.50 million in 2007-2008.

Out of 8042 villages in three arid divisions where water is scarce, water supply tasks were implemented in 7945 villages from 2000-2001 fiscal to September 2007-2008. So, 99 percent of the project has been completed. Out of 15183 villages in other states and divisions, 9778 villages have enjoyed clean water. So, 64 percent of the project has been completed. Therefore, among 23225 villages in all the states and divisions, water supply tasks have been carried out in 17723 villages accounting for 76.31 percent. Cash donated for water supply tasks included K 2103 million by the State; K 6736.31 million by development affairs committees, K

1551.79 million, US\$ 76752, Euro 770 and FEC 10012 by local and foreign donors, US\$ 5.60 million, ¥ 734.08 million by the international community and K 10391.10 million, US\$ 5.67 million, Euro 770, FEC 10012 and ¥ 734.08 million. Altogether 1921 well-wishers donated K 1551.792 million, US\$ 76752, Euro 770 and FEC 10012 from the

ment Association and Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation are cooperating in the water supply tasks.

Japan International Cooperation Agency will sink 250 tube-wells in Shan State (North) as a five-year project. Up to September 2007-2008, 217 tube-wells have been sunk.

He spoke on sinking of tube wells in the townships in cooperation with NGOs and UNICEF, cultivation

Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Col Thein Nyunt, Commander of Ayeyawady Naval Region Command Commodore Win Shein, Commander of Mingaladon Air Base Command Brig-Gen Zin Yaw, Commander of No 66 LID Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye, Commander of No 77 LID Brig-Gen Win Myint and Director-General of Development Affairs Department U Myo Myint accepted cash

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Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin and wife Daw Swe Swe Oo, Minister for Industry-2 Maj-Gen Saw Lwin, Minister for Commerce Brig-Gen Tin Naing Thein, members of the leading committee, work committee and sub-committees for organizing the 15th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions, members of the cultural troupes from states and divisions, family members of regiments and units in Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana Station, local people from Nay Pyi Taw Pyinmana District and enthusiasts.

A troupe representing Sagaing Division performed a play "Let's unite, a nation of blood national races". — MNA



Lt-Gen Myint Swe delivers an address at 14th cash donation ceremony for drinking water supply to rural areas. — MNA

first to the thirteenth cash donation ceremonies.

A total of 1292 tube-wells were sunk in three arid divisions and 489 in other states and divisions totaling 2281. At the 14th cash donation ceremony, 107 well-wishers donated K 1054.4 million. Social organizations including Union Solidarity and Develop-

of physic nut, maintenance of tube wells and other machines and implementation of the tasks for supply of clean water in 55 townships and seven districts.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe

donated by well-wishers and presented certificates of honour to the donors.

On behalf of the donors, headmistress (Retd) Daw Khin May Than of No 2 Basic Education High School in Insein explained

local people have to go to places about four to five miles away from their houses and spend the whole morning to fetch fresh water. In consequence, they are not in a position to work

international NGOs.

So far, the project has benefited 21 townships of Sagaing Division, 15 townships of Magway Division and 19 townships of Mandalay Division, he said, calling for increased

Altogether 1292 tube-wells were sunk in three arid divisions and 489 in other states and divisions totaling 2281. At the 14th cash donation ceremony, 107 well-wishers donated K 1054.4 million. Social organizations including Union Solidarity and Development Association and Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation are cooperating in the water supply tasks.



Lt-Gen Myint Swe accepts cash donated by a well-wisher. — MNA

accepted donations by USDA, Myanmar War Veterans Organization, Myanma Economic Holdings Ltd, Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation and Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association and presented certificates of honour to the well-wishers.

Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win, Minister for

the purpose of the donation.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe in his address said that in order to improve the living conditions of the people of rural areas where about 70 per cent of the nation's population reside, the government has devolved duties upon development affairs committees for ensuring smooth transport and supply of safe water to rural areas.

In arid zones where water is scarce, in summer,

effectively for their living and dysentery, diarrhoea and trachoma are common in the regions.

So, the Development Affairs Department has implemented a 10-year project for rural water supply since 2000-2001 fiscal year with the funds provided by the government and development affairs committees, and cash donations made by well-wishers, USAs, social organizations and

efforts to ensure that all the three arid divisions enjoy sufficient clean water.

He expressed his thanks to all who contributed towards national development undertakings.

Lt-Gen Myint Swe, the commander and the minister inspected the documentary photos.

In the ceremony, 107 well-wishers donated 105,440,000 kyats.

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May Buddha Sasana be flourishing and perpetual-I

Po Ye Chan

Myanmar is globally well-known as a nation where Theravada Buddhism flourishes. The majority of Myanmar people that constitute 90 per cent of the national population are Buddhists with 5.51 per cent of followers of Christianity, 3.68 per cent of adherents of Islam, 0.70 per cent of Hindus, 0.52 per cent of animists and 0.12 per cent of others.

Freedom of Worship

According to the statistics collected in 2006, in Myanmar there are 63,297 monasteries, 3,369 nunneries, 246,663 monks, 299,077 novices and 43,480 nuns. There are altogether over 500,000 members of the Sangha (including novices).

There are 6,318 churches, 2,751 mosques and 787 temples for Hindus. The government provides cash assistance to the religious organizations of Christianity, Islam and Hinduism yearly. It has issued free tickets to travel by train or by boat to the respective religious leaders so that they can carry out religious duties with peace of mind. It has also provided necessary assistance to them for attending meetings abroad and going on pilgrimage as well as publishing of books on religion.

In Myanmar there are altogether 151 Chinese temples. The government provides cash assistance to animists of hilly regions yearly. There are also other religions with very few followers. High-ranking officials of the government attend and take part in religious festivals held by the religions concerned.

At present, religious and racial riots are common in some countries of Asian and African Continents. There are still wars like Crusade of Christianity and Jihad of Islam. The Teachings of the Buddha, Myanmar traditions and custom and loving-kindness are deeply rooted in Myanmar society. People of different faiths profess religions of their choice with peace of

mind despite discord and dissension sown by internal and external destructive elements.

The Land of Pagodas

There are millions of Buddha statues and Buddha statuettes (including Buddha statuettes on alters of the houses) in Myanmar. There are tens of thousands of monasteries, pagodas and religious edifices. All the religious edifices including pagodas and stupas were built based on the ten traditional arts and crafts.

The Bagan archaeological region is a marvelous site for both Buddhists at home and abroad and researchers of different countries. Thousands of tourists and pilgrims flock to Bagan where national heritage is preserved. The religious edifices of the Shwedagon Pagoda are complete with different kinds of arts and crafts. Myanmar is called the Land of Pagodas.

Although the Shwedagon Pagoda deteriorated due to the natural elements, successive Myanmar kings renovated it. In 1999, the old umbrella of Shwedagon Pagoda was replaced with the new one studded with pieces of jewellery that was hoisted atop the pagoda. This reflects faith and generosity of Myanmar people.

The daily pilgrimage of Buddhists to different parts of the country where there are famous pagodas and religious sites is a significant characteristic. Over K 556.5 million and 69.40 viss of pure gold were donated to the Htidaw (umbrella) hoisting ceremony of Shwedagon Pagoda up to 31-3-1999. If the cash amount is added to K 165.9 million donated to the Pagoda Board of Trustees it will amount to over K 734.8 million. Pure gold donated to the new umbrella and Shwethingan (golden robes) is 842.63 viss plus 539.40 viss of 67,868 items of jewellery. This shows profound faith and generosity of Myanmar Buddhists. The forthcoming Constitution include fundamental rights of citizens. Detailed basic principles include freedom of worship for followers of different faiths.

Buddhism which 90 per cent of Myanmar people profess has been recognized as a religion of significant characteristics.

Pariyatti Sasana

To ensure the purification, perpetuation and flourishing of the Sasana the Ministry of Religious Affairs under Ovada of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee holds the following Pariyatti examinations yearly.

- Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida selection examination (December, January)
- Dhammaçariya examination (March)
- Pathamabyan examination (March)
- Five Nikaya Pali examination (June)
- Abhidhamma and Visuddhimagga examination (December)
- Basic Buddhist Cultural examinations (May)

Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida

Tipitakadhara Tipitakakovida selection examination constitutes both written and oral tests and usually takes 33 days. It is the most profound, subtle and difficult one among religious examinations held in Myanmar. There are 20 prescribed text books with 8025 pages for the examination.

The candidates who have passed both written and oral tests are presented Tipitakakovida titles. They are also presented free tickets for land, water and air trips in addition to monthly cash donations. A man with normal diligence, intellectual power and health cannot pass the examination.

The first Tipitakadhara Selection Examination was held on 6th Waxing of Tabodwe 1310 Myanmar Era, and in 58 years, there have emerged 11 Tipitakadhara Title recipient monks: (1) Ashin Vicittasarabhivamsa, Dhamma Nada Monastery in Mingun, Sagaing, in 1953 (the sixth), (2) Ashin Neminda, Maha Withutayama Monastery in Pakokku, in 1959 (12th), (3) Ashin Kosalla, Pwint-hla Theingon Monastery in Pyay in 1963 (16th), (4) Ashin Sumangala Lankara, Maha Withuddhayon Shwegyin Monastery in Bahan Township in 1973 (26th), (5) Ashin Sirindabhivamsa, Maha Withuddhayon Shwegyin Monastery in Bahan Township in 1984 (37th), (6) Ashin Vayamindabhivamsa, Tipitaka Nikaya Monastery in Yangon Division in 1995 (47th), (7) Ashin Vamsapala Lankara, Mingun Moemeikkonmye, Tipitaka Nikaya Monastery in Sagaing in 2000 (52nd), (8) Ashin Silakkhandha Bhivamsa, Mingun Moemeikkonmye, Tipitaka Nikaya Monastery in Sagaing in 2000 (52nd), (9) Ashin Gandhamala Lankara, Tipitaka Monastery in Dagon Township, Yangon, in 2001 (53rd), (10) Ashin Sundara, Sunlungu Vipassana Monastery in Thingangyun, Yangon, in 2004 (56th), and (11) Ashin Indapala, Mingun Moemeikkonmye, Tipitaka Nikaya Monastery in Sagaing in 2004 (56th).

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Religious Title

Religious Title and Agga Maha Pandita Title were offered in accordance with the traditions. In 1992, the government designated 20 more religious titles, and since then, 22 religious titles have been conferred on title recipient monks, nuns and lay persons through the issue of Notification on 4 January every year. Religious titles offering ceremony is held yearly at Maha Pasana Cave on Siri Mangala Kaba Aye Hill in Myanmar month of Tabauung. They are (1) Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Title, (2) Abhidhaja Agga Maha Saddhamma Jotika Title (3) Tipitakadhara Dhamma Bandagarika Title, (4) Agga Maha Pandita Title, (5) Agga Maha Saddhamma Jotikadhaja Title, (6) Agga Maha Ganthavacaka Pandita Title, (7) Maha Dhamma Kathika Bahujana Hitadhara Title, (8) Agga Maha Kammathana Cariya Title, (9) Maha Gantha Vacaka Pandita Title, (10) Maha Saddhamma Jotikadhara Title, (11) Maha Kammathana Cariya Title, (12) Dhamma Kathika Bahujana Hitadhara Title, (13) Ganthavacaka Pandita Title, (14) Saddhamma Jotikadhara Title, (15) Kammathana Cariya Title, (16) Agga Maha Siri Sudhamma Singi Title, (17) Siri Sudhamma Manijotadhara Title, (18) Siri Sudhamma Singi Title, (19) Siha Sudhamma Manijotadhara Title, (20) Thiha Sudhamma Singi Title, (21) Sudhamma Manijotadhara Title, and (22) Sudhamma Singi Title.

Pariyatti Sasana University

The First All Ganas Sangha Meeting held at Maha Pasana Cave on Siri Mangala Kaba Aye Hill in Yangon on 26 May 1980 unanimously passed four principles on Pariyatti (Study of Buddha Scriptures): (a) to promote moral conduct, (b) to be well-versed in Pitakat treatises, (c) to be well-versed in Pali, and (d) to be skilled in Myanmar language.

In accordance with these four principles, the State Pariyatti Sasana University (Yangon) was opened on 23 June 1986, and the State Pariyatti Sasana University (Mandalay) was opened on 21 August 1986. The universities conduct (1) four-year Sasana Takkasila Dhammacariya course and (2) two-year Ssana Takkasila Maha Dhammacariya course.

With the aim of enabling needy children throughout the nation to have access to education and to become polite and gentle, 1313 monastic schools were opened in 248 townships in 2007. Altogether 222,742 schoolchildren are pursuing education in these schools.

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So far, 24 convent schools have been opened across the nation and 3709 girls are pursuing education there.

Missionary Work

Since 1991, more and more missionary centres have been opened yearly in townships in states and divisions for border areas and hilly regions. In 2007, 579 monks and 35 nuns are doing missionary work in 481 missionary centres.

In states and divisions, missionary courses for monks have been conducted 17 times and so far, 1136 monks have completed the course. Missionary course for lay persons have been opened 45 times and 3645 lay persons have completed the course.

Missionary University

According to Meeting No 22/98 of the Government of the Union of Myanmar, with the permission of the State Peace and Development Council, the International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University was established with 327 officials and 426 other ranks in 1998. The purposes of the university are:

- (a) to propagate genuine Theravada Buddhism throughout the world,
- (b) to enable world people to pursue and practise original Theravada Pitakat Scriptures,
- (c) to enable world people to avoid evil deeds and perform good deeds,
- (d) to ensure that Four Cardinal Virtues flourish throughout the world and to help the global community become more peaceful, and
- (e) to enhance world people's knowledge about Buddhist Scriptures and to increase the number of virtuous missionaries with vast Patipatti knowledge.

The International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University under the Ministry of Religious Affairs is near the Buddha Tooth Relic Pagoda on Dhamma Pala

Hill in Mayangon Township, Yangon Division. The 1998-99 academic year was launched with the course "Diploma in Buddhism" on 9 December 1998 with local and foreign students.

It is constituted with four faculties: (1) Pariyatti Faculty, (2) Patipatti Faculty, (3) Faith, Religion and Missionary Faculty, and (4) Foreign Languages Teaching and Translation Faculty. The prescribed subjects are Vinaya, Suttanta, Abhidhamma, Buddhist Culture, History, Pali, Myanmar, Dhammanuloma, Samatha, Vipassana, Comparative Study of Religious Faiths, Missionary Methods, Missionary Research, and English.

Since 2000-2001 academic year, hundreds of local and foreign students from more than 20 countries have been attending the classes in the university. The First Convocation for 2001-2002 academic year was held on 4 June 2002.

Translation of Pitaka Scriptures

Editorial staff of the university have translated Pitakat Scriptures from Pali to English, Chinese and national race languages. The university has distributed CD-Roms on Buddha Scriptures in Myanmar, English, Japanese and Chinese.

The Fourth World Buddhist Summit took place at Maha Pasana Cave in Kaba Aye Hill in Yangon, Myanmar, in 2004, attended by eminent Buddhist monks and people. Myanmar constantly maintains contacts with the international community in the field of Buddhism. Today, Theravada Buddhism flourishes gracefully in Myanmar. What I have presented are some points about Theravada Buddhism. I will present some more points in the next article.

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15th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions continue for sixth day

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct — The 15th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions continued for the sixth day at the designated places in Nay Pyi Taw Yezin yesterday.

Present on the occasions were Chairman of the Leading Committee for Organizing the Competitions Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Maj-Gen Wai Lwin and wife, ministers,

group) girls' classical song contest held at the University of Agriculture.

Chairman of the panel of judges U Sein Mar Din and party supervised the dancing contest at the convocation hall of University of Veterinary Science. A total of 22 contestants competed in the basic education level (5-10 age group) girls' dancing contest.

At the assembly hall of the Agricultural

education level (10-15 age group) boys' violin contest and seven in the basic education level (10-15 age group) girls' violin contest.

Five contestants participated in the amateur level (first class) men's donmin contest and three participated in the amateur level (first class) women's Donmin contest.

Five contestants took part in the basic education level (10-15 age group)



U Salai San Kyi from Magway Division taking part in the amateur level (second class) men's classical song contest. — MNA



A team representing Yangon Division taking part in the amateur level (second class) Dobat contest. — MNA

deputy ministers, departmental heads, officials of the leading committee, the work committee, and subcommittees, service personnel and local people.

Twelve contestants participated in the amateur level (second class) men's classical song contest and eight students in the basic education level (15-20 age

Research Department, Leader of the panel of judges for the violin contest U Tin Ngwe and members supervised the violin contest. Three contestants took part in the higher education level men's violin contest and five in the higher education level women's violin contest.

Seven contestants competed in the basic

boys' Donmin contest, three in the basic education level (10-15 age group) girls' Donmin contest, six in the basic education level (15-20 age group) boys' Donmin contest and six in the basic education level (15-20 age group) girls' Donmin contest.

At the assembly hall of Agricultural Research Department, eight teams

competed in the amateur level (second class) Dobat contest and another four teams in the basic education level (15-20 age

Leader of the panel of judges U Sein Satin and party supervised the competitions of the contestants in the

participated in the basic education level (5-10 age group) boys' orchestra troupe contest and four teams in the basic



Maung Aung Si Minn Htet from Yangon Division participating in the basic education level (10-15 age group) boys' Donmin contest. — MNA

group) Dobat contest, supervised by leader of the panel of judges U Sein Ba Maw and party.

orchestra contest at the convocation hall of the Agricultural Research Department. Two teams

education level (15-20 age group) boys' orchestra troupe contest.

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Ma Thin Nandar Hlaing from Shan State taking part in the basic education level (5-10 age group) girls' dancing contest. — MNA



Maung Kyaw Thet Aung and troupe from Mandalay Division taking part in the basic education level (15-20 age group) boys' orchestra contest. — MNA

Gifts for No 2 Defence Services Obstetric & Gynecological and Children's Hospital in Nay Pyi Taw



Vice-President of MMCWA Dr Daw Tin Lin Myint presents cash to doctors of DSOGCH. MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct—Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association this morning donated two water purifiers to No 2 Defence Services Obstetric & Gynecological and Children's Hospital (300-bed) at a ceremony held at the hospital in Nay Pyi Taw.

It was attended by Vice-President of

MMCWA Dr Daw Tin Lin Myint and CEC members, specialists of the hospital and officials concerned.

Vice-President of MMCWA Dr Daw Tin Lin Myint explained the purpose of the donation.

Next, the vice-president, CEC members Daw Tin Tin Mya and Daw Thazin Nwe presented K 500,000 donated by

MMCWA for two water purifiers to Obstetrician and Gynecologist Major Moe Kyaw Tun, Paediatricians Major Swe Swe Myint and Major Zaw Thein Oo and officials.

After that, Obstetrician and Gynecologist Major Moe Kyaw Tun spoke words of thanks, and the ceremony came to an end.—MNA

Myanmar delegation attends 34th UNESCO General Assembly

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct — Myanmar delegation led by Minister for Education Dr Chan Nyein arrived back here today after participating in the 34th UNESCO General Assembly and meeting of education ministers from 16 to 18 October in Paris, France.

Myanmar delegation attended meetings of Director-General of UNESCO Mr Koichiro Matsuura and education ministers from Southeast Asian nations on 17 October and the meeting of ministers for education and economic development on 19 and 20 October.

Minister Dr Chan Nyein delivered an address at the general assembly of UNESCO on 20 October and briefed on matters related to the development of education sector in Myanmar.

The delegation was welcomed back at Nay Pyi Taw Airport by



Minister Dr Chan Nyein being welcomed by Ministers Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe and Maj-Gen Aung Min. — MNA

Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement Maj-Gen Maung Maung Swe, Minister for Rail Transportation Maj-Gen Aung Min, Deputy Ministers for Education U Myo Nyunt and Brig-Gen Aung Myo Min and officials of the Ministry

of Education. Member of the delegation Dr Myo Myint, General Secretary of Myanmar-UNESCO National Commission and Professor of Yangon University of Foreign Languages also arrived back on the same flight. MNA

People of Magway Division, Shan State (South) and Bago Division denounce recent protests

NAY PYI TAW, 23 Oct — People of Thayet Town in Magway Division, Kehsi, Mongkai, Leikha Townships in Shan State (South) and Kyaukdaga, Nyaunglaybin, Shwegyin, Waw, Kanma, Ottwin, Pyu,

Htantabin and Kyaukkyi Townships in Bago Division who favour stability of the State, prevalence of law and order and community peace walked in procession on 14, 18, 19, 20 and 22 October in the

respective regions to denounce the recent demonstrations instigated by some monks and NLD members.

As they regarded the recent protests as a threat to peace and stability, they walked in

procession after seeking permission from the authorities concerned.

On 14 October in Thayet Town in Magway Division, over 8,000 people holding 14 State Flags and the placards that read "We favour stability", "We favour peace", and chanting "We don't want protests and terrorist acts" and "Fight against internal and external destructive elements" gathered at Township Sports Ground and marched to Mindon Street, Lanmadaw Street, Pagoda Street, Brokers' Street and finally to Electric Power Office Street in the town.

On 18 October in Kehsi Town in Shan State (South), over 7, 500 people holding the placards walked in procession from

Township Sports Ground, through Thitkha Street, Kyaythee-Mongral Street, and finally to Haw Street in the township.

Similarly, on 19 October in Mongkai Township of Shan State (South), over 8,000 people holding the placards walked in procession in the town.

On 20 October in Leikha Township of Shan State (South), over 12,000 people holding the placards marched in procession in the town.

On 22 October in Kyaukdaga Township of Bago Division, over 15,000 people holding 14 State Flags and the placards walked in procession in the town.

On 22 October in Nyaunglaybin Township of Bago Division, some 30,000 people holding the

placards walked in procession in the town.

On 22 October in Shwegyin Township of Bago Division, over 21,000 people holding the placards walked in procession in the town.

On 22 October in Waw Township of Bago Division, some 13,500 people holding the placards walked in procession in the town.

On the same day in Ottwin Township of Bago Division, over 20,000 people holding the placards walked in procession in the town.

On the same day over 20,000 people from Pyu Township, over 15,000 from Htantabin Township and some 7,000 from Kyaukkyi Township walked in procession in the towns. MNA



Local people in Mongkai denounce recent protests.

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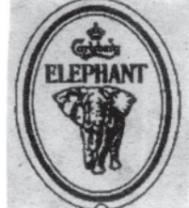
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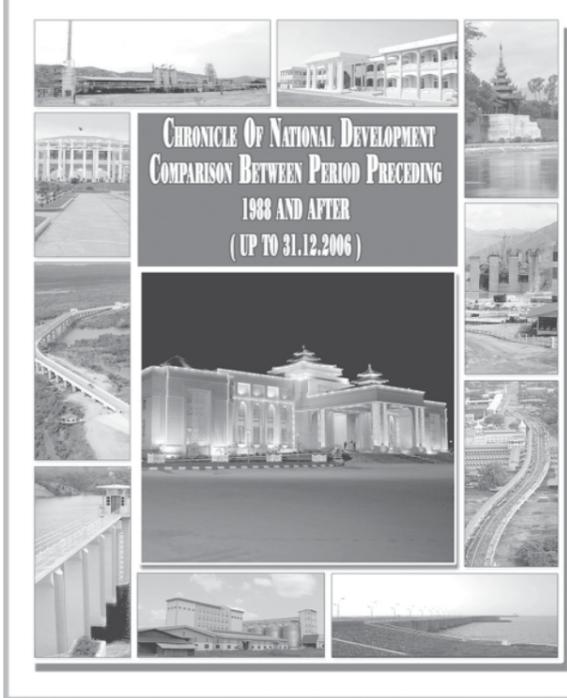
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All Banks will be closed on 26th October (Friday) 2007, being Public Holiday under the Negotiable Instruments Act.
Central Bank of Myanmar

12 killed in Egypt's road crash
CAIRO, 22 Oct — A minibus and a truck collided head-on south of Cairo at dawn on Saturday, killing 12 people and injuring five others, a security official said.
The official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said three of the injured were rushed to a hospital in downtown Cairo in a critical condition. The accident took place near the town of Ayyat, around 45 kilometres (28 miles) south of the capital.
Reckless driving, lax traffic rules and poor road conditions cause many road crashes in Egypt. A series of road and rail accidents in the past few years triggered a public outcry over the government's handling of road and transport safety.
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Britain has failed in Afghan drugs war

KABUL, 23 Oct — Britain, in charge of efforts in Afghanistan to stamp out narcotics, has not only failed to reduce drug production but has been unable to stop an increase in production, Afghan newspapers said on Monday.
Afghan President Hamid Karzai is on a four-day state visit to Britain.
Afghanistan produced 93 per cent of

the world's opium in 2007 and the industry also funds a growing Taliban insurgency, which British and other Western troops are struggling to contain.
Karzai, whose writ does not extend much beyond major cities, is under growing pressure to tackle narcotics, but several Afghan papers, including a state-controlled daily, said Britain was responsible for the failure to stop drugs.
"Britain leads international efforts against drug production

and trafficking in Afghanistan. There has been large investment by this country for the annihilation and destruction of drugs," *Daily Afghanistan* said in an editorial.
"But unfortunately... not only has there been no reduction, but it has gone up year after year," it said.
Afghanistan's allies and major aid donors have taken on responsibility for different sectors since US-led forces overthrew the Taliban in 2001.
MNA/Reuters

Russian booster puts US satellites into orbit

Moscow, 22 Oct — A Russian booster has put into orbit four US satellites early Sunday, news agencies reported.
The Soyuz-FG booster blasted off from the Baikonur space centre in Kazakhstan at 00:12 Moscow time (20:12 GMT) Sunday with the four US Globalstar communication satellites atop.
The Globalstar system was developed by a consortium of international telecommunication companies in 1991 to offer mobile and ground telephone services, Internet, SMS and facsimile communications, as well as Globalstar and GSM roaming and navigation,

with a precision of up to 300 metres.
The system was first deployed at the beginning of 2000 and now consists of 48 main and eight standby transmitter satellites.
MNA/Xinhua

Three dead, six injured in motorway crash in Britain

LONDON, 22 Oct — A woman driver and her teenage passenger were among three people killed in a seven-vehicle motorway pile-up in northern England, police said on Saturday.
The 36-year-old woman and the 17-year-old boy, a back seat passenger, were killed instantly when their Vauxhall Cavalier left the carriageway and careered down an embankment, Humberside Police said.
The 52-year-old driver of a Honda CRV died in hospital after his vehicle overturned during the incident.
No further details of the victims have been released. The crash, involving a lorry and six cars, happened on the M62 on Friday night.
MNA/Reuters

China, Russia wind up 2nd river test since 2005 chemical spill

HARBIN, 22 Oct — Chinese and Russian environmental researchers have winded up the second national-level joint test this year on water quality of the border rivers.
Researchers extracted samples at nine sites along the Ergun, Heilongjiang, Wusuli and Suifen rivers and the Xingkai Lake, and have finished lab analysis based on each country's standards, sources with the State Environment Protection Administration (SEPA) said.
Data were gathered on chemical oxygen demand (COD), contents of heavy metals, pesticides, riverbed mud to determine water quality in the cross-border water bodies.
MNA/Xinhua

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Tokyo Film Festival arranges special section for Hong Kong

TOKYO, 22 Oct — The 20th Tokyo International Film Festival, which curtained up Saturday in Tokyo, has arranged a special section for films from Hong Kong to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the metropolitan's return to the Motherland.

Four outstanding Hong Kong movies are to be shown in central Tokyo's Shibuya commercial district during the four-day section starting Tuesday.

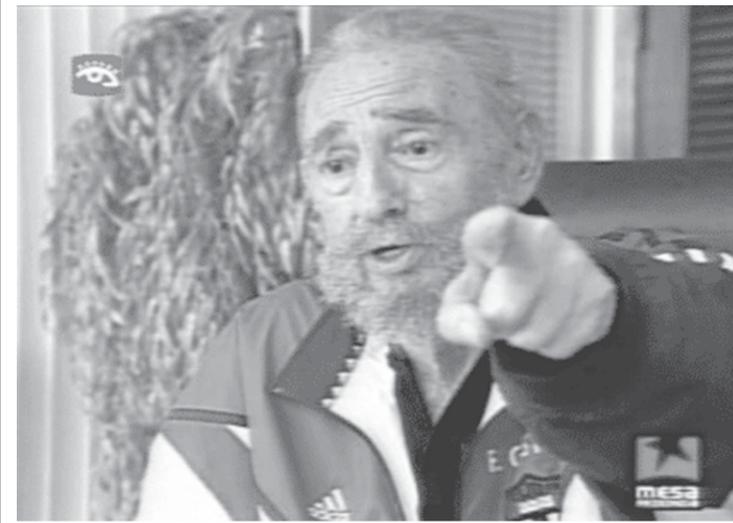
Festival organizer said on the official website that Hong Kong, the "oriental Hollywood," is gathering spotlight in the international film circle and the Hong Kong section will convey the pulse of the development of the city's film industry.

The setup of the Hong Kong section showed the Tokyo International Film Festival's increasing awareness about and interest in Chinese-language films, analysts

said. Films from Hong Kong have been popular recently in Japan's pan-capital region, with some of the famous ones such as "Kungfu" having sealed abundant box income.

To celebrate the 35 anniversary of the normalization of ties between Japan and China, festival organizer also arranged the "China Film Week."

MNA/Xinhua



Television footage shows Cuban leader Fidel Castro speaking during a state television broadcast on 21 Sept, 2007. XINHUA

Hu named chairman of CPC Central Military Commission

BEIJING, 22 Oct — Hu Jintao was named chairman of the Communist Party of China (CPC) Central Military Commission at the first plenary session of the 17th CPC Central Committee here on Monday.

Hu Jintao succeeded Jiang Zemin as chairman of the CPC Central Military

Commission in September 2004 after Jiang resigned. Before that Hu had been vice-chairman of the commission since 1999.

Hu was an alternate member and member of the 12th CPC Central Committee, and has been a member of the Standing Committee of the Political Bureau of the CPC Central

Committee since 1992.

A native of Jixi County, Anhui Province, Hu was born in December 1942. In 1959, he was enrolled by Qinghua University and graduated from the Hydraulic Engineering Department in 1965. He joined the Party in April 1964.

MNA/Xinhua

Iran to France sanctions, will not stop atomic plans

TEHERAN, 23 Oct — Iran will not abandon its right to nuclear technology regardless of threats of more sanctions, Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki said in a letter to his French counterpart issued on Monday by an Iranian news agency.

France, which has toughened its rhetoric against Teheran since President Nicolas Sarkozy took office in May, is pushing for stronger European Union sanctions against Teheran at the same time as negotiating a third round of UN sanctions.

"Iran will not let its right to nuclear technology be suppressed ... Using tools like the Security Council, economic sanctions and other threats cannot deprive our nation and our government for a moment from its decision," Mottaki wrote to Bernard Kouchner in the letter published by ISNA news agency.

"Taking actions and imposing unilateral sanctions against countries is illegal and an obvious violation of the UN charter ... Also it contradicts their commitment to resolving the issue through diplomacy," Mottaki wrote.

"You cannot talk about dialogue while following the path of pressure and threats," the Iranian minister added.

MNA/Reuters

Gunmen seize seven workers from Nigerian oilfield

LAGOS, 22 Oct — Gunmen in speedboats kidnapped seven workers including three foreigners from an offshore Nigerian oilfield in a major setback to peace in the Niger Delta.

The three contractors to Royal Dutch Shell, a Croat, a Russian and a Briton, were taken from a support vessel at the EA field off the southern state of Bayelsa on Saturday night after a three-hour gunfight with troops, security sources said on Sunday.

"There was a long drawn-out battle and three were taken from a support vessel," a security source at an oil company said.

Four Nigerians were also kidnapped, Shell said.

No group has claimed responsibility.

The EA field has been halted since an attack in February 2006.

It was the first attack of this type since the inauguration in May of President Umaru Yar'Adua, who started a peace process to address demands for more regional autonomy by armed groups in the Niger Delta.

The attack is also a setback for Shell's plan to resume production from the western Niger Delta.

The company reduced output there by 477,000 barrels per day (bpd) after the attacks in February 2006.

MNA/Reuters

Wind-stoked wildfires rage in southern California

LOS ANGELES, 22 Oct — At least nine wildfires stoked by gusting winds burned out of control in southern California on Sunday, killing one person in San Diego and forcing hundreds to evacuate the wealthy enclave of Malibu where five homes went up in flames.

The Malibu fire burned 1,250 acres (505 hectares) by 4:30 p.m. (2330 GMT) and destroyed at least seven buildings,

including a landmark castle-like house and a Presbyterian church, officials said. No injuries were reported.

To the south in San Diego County, officials said one person died, while four residents and four firefighters were injured in a fire that scorched 2,500 acres (1,000 hectares). Another blaze in that county burned 3,000 acres (1,200 hectares).

Malibu saw some

respite in the afternoon, but authorities warned the fierce Santa Ana winds that roar through California's canyons remained erratic and could double in speed overnight.

"Have a plan and be prepared," Malibu Mayor Pamela Conley Ulich told a news conference. "The winds, although they are dying down, could kick up again this evening."

MNA/Reuters



Performers stage the music drama "Butterfly" in Harbin, capital of northeast China's Heilongjiang Province, on 19 Oct, 2007. The drama is adapted from Chinese classic love story "Liang and Zhu".—XINHUA

SPORTS

Karlsruhe slip to fourth after 0-0 draw with Bielefeld

BERLIN, 22 Oct — Karlsruhe missed a chance to reclaim second place in the Bundesliga when they were held to a goalless draw at home to Arminia Bielefeld on Sunday.

Karlsruhe began brightly and almost took the lead with a clever free kick in the second minute but they soon faded and the game petered out.

Hanover 96, with a chance to go up as high as fourth, were also disappointed on Sunday, as they had to settle for a 2-2 draw away to VfL Wolfsburg, with all the goals coming in the first half. — MNA/Reuters



Ferrari Formula One Kimi Raikkonen of Finland kisses his trophy on podium of the Brazilian Grand Prix at the Interlagos racetrack in Sao Paulo on 21 Oct, 2007. — XINHUA

Newcastle pile agony on Spurs with easy 3-1 victory

LONDON, 23 Oct — Tottenham Hotspur's poor start to the season showed little sign of improving when they were beaten 3-1 by Newcastle United in the Premier League at St James' Park on Monday.

Spurs, who have finished fifth for the last two seasons, remain in the bottom three after goals from Obafemi Martins, Claudio Cacapa and James Milner gave Newcastle a comfortable victory. Newcastle stay in eighth place with 17 points from their nine matches, while Spurs languish in 18th with just seven points from their opening 10 matches.

Robbie Keane scored Tottenham's goal after 57 minutes with a tap from a rebound after Darren Bent hit the post to bring the score back to 2-1.

Martins opened the scoring on the stroke of halftime and Cacapa headed the second from a corner after 51 minutes,

his first goal for United.

Milner wrapped up the points for Newcastle with a well-struck volley from the edge of the box 17 minutes from time to kill off any hopes of a Spurs comeback.

The defeat, which leaves Spurs with just one league win this season, increases the pressure on manager Martin Jol, who came close to losing his job earlier in the campaign.

MNA/Reuters

UEFA cuts Milan keeper Dida's ban to one game

MILAN, 23 Oct — AC Milan goalkeeper Dida's two-match Champions League ban for feigning injury against Celtic was reduced to one game on Monday.

The Brazilian will miss Wednesday's home fixture with Shakhtar Donetsk, with the second match suspended for a one-year probationary period, UEFA said on its website (www.uefa.com).

Dida fell dramatically to the ground after chasing a Celtic fan, who had run on to the pitch to celebrate his team's late winner in a 2-1 victory on October 3 and appeared to make light contact as he slapped the Brazilian round the neck.

UEFA's disciplinary committee banned Dida for two games and fined Celtic 60,000 Swiss francs (57,000 US dollars), half of which will be suspended for two years, for failing to keep the fan off the pitch.

European champions Milan immediately indicated they would appeal, saying the ban was excessive and the real villain was the fan.

UEFA's appeals commission decided on Monday to halve Dida's suspension based on a paragraph in the regulations of European soccer's governing body stating "players, officials and members shall conduct themselves according to the principles of loyalty, integrity and sportsmanship".

MNA/Reuters

Referee Clattenburg left off Premier League rota

LONDON, 23 Oct — Referee Mark Clattenburg, who was roundly criticised for a number of key decisions in the Merseyside derby on Saturday, will not be refereeing a Premier League match at the weekend.

The Professional Game Match Board, which allocates the referees, have not given him a match for the coming weekend.

Everton manager David Moyes was angry he sent off his defender Tony Hibbert for bringing down Liverpool captain Steven Gerrard in the box.

He was also angry that Dirk Kuyt was not sent off for an aerial lunge at Everton's Phil Neville for which he only received a yellow card.

As a result, he was on the field to score Liverpool's winner in their 2-1 victory from the penalty spot just before the end of the match. Everton also had a strong claim for a penalty turned down after Liverpool defender Jamie Carragher appeared to wrestle Joleon Lescott to the ground as Everton launched a final attack for an equaliser. — MNA/Reuters

Lanus stay top in Argentina as Independiente lose

BUENOS AIRES, 22 Oct — Independiente missed a chance to go back to the top of the Argentine championship when they lost 2-1 at home to defending champions San Lorenzo on Sunday.

South American champions Boca Juniors dropped further behind the leaders as they were held 1-1 at home by Estudiantes while River Plate kept their chances flickering with a 2-0 win at Gimnasia-La Plata.

With five rounds of matches left in the Apertura championship, Lanus lead with 27 points from 14 games but only six points separate them from eighth-placed San Lorenzo.

Lanus, the unfashionable club from

the sprawling southern suburbs of Buenos Aires, went top on Friday by beating San Martin 2-0, displacing Independiente.

The Red Devils had a chance to regain the lead on Sunday but fell behind to a Adrian Gonzalez penalty in the 27th minute.

San Lorenzo had Osmar Ferreyra sent off one minute later and German Denis headed the equalizer before halftime with his 16th goal of the championship.

But, after Independiente had Lucas Mareque sent off in the 58th minute, Jorge Ortiz restored San Lorenzo's lead midway through the second half.

MNA/Reuters

Sao Paulo beat rivals Cruzeiro to edge closer to title

SAO PAULO, 22 Oct — Sao Paulo moved closer to their second successive Brazilian championship title by beating Cruzeiro 1-0 in a top-of-the-table clash on Sunday.

Sao Paulo, with 67 points from 32 games, extended their lead at the top to 13 points with six games left while Cruzeiro dropped from second to third after their fifth game without a win.

The only goal came in the 69th minute when substitute Diego Tardelli broke down the left and pulled the ball back to midfielder Jorge Wagner, who hit a first-time shot into the bottom right-hand corner.

Goalkeeper Rogerio Ceni kept another clean sheet for Sao Paulo, who have conceded only 12 goals in the championship.

Palmeiras moved into second place with 54 points, one more than Cruzeiro, by beating struggling Parana 3-0 with two goals from striker Rodrigao and one from Chilean midfielder Jorge Valdivia.

Santos (52 points) stayed fourth, losing 1-0 at Figueirense after defender Kleber put through his own goal in the 45th minute. Vasco da Gama had a player sent off for the fourth game in a row as they lost 1-0 to Atletico Mineiro and slipped further down the table.

Left back Eduardo was given his marching orders after collecting two yellow cards in the first 36 minutes. Marcos scored the only goal in the 47th minute.

MNA/Reuters

Nancy held to 1-1 draw by struggling Sochaux

PARIS, 22 Oct — Nancy missed a chance to join Olympique Lyon at top of Ligue 1 when they were held to a 1-1 home draw by struggling Sochaux on Sunday.

The Lorraine side, with a game in hand, now have 23 points from 10 matches and are two points behind six-times champions Lyon, who beat Monaco 3-1 on Saturday.

Nancy opened the scoring on 26 minutes through Kim but were denied the three points 12 minutes into the second half by a Mevlut Erding goal.

Sochaux dropped to third from bottom with eight points from 11 games.

MNA/Reuters

Zenden gives Marseille first Ligue 1 home win

MARSEILLE, 22 Oct — Olympique Marseille finally enjoyed victory at home in Ligue 1 when a Boudewijn Zenden second-half goal helped them beat RC Lens 1-0 on Sunday.

Former Liverpool midfielder Zenden netted his first goal for the Provence side in the 74th minute as the hosts earned the ideal tonic ahead of Wednesday's Champions

League clash against Porto.

Marseille are 17th in the 20-team table with 10 points from 11 matches as RC Lens fell into the relegation zone with nine points from ten games.

The visitors had the first clear chance in the 23rd minute when midfielder Yohann Demont connected with an Aruna Dindane cross but his attempt was par-

ried away by Steve Mandanda.

Marseille stepped up a gear after the interval with Senegal striker Mamadou Niang being denied by Lens goalkeeper Vedran Runje.

Eric Gerets's side, however, were rewarded for their efforts 16 minutes from time when Zenden fired home from 20 metres.

MNA/Reuters

Scientific development inscribed in CPC Constitution

BEIJING, 22 Oct — Delegates to the 17th National Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC) on Sunday adopted a resolution on the amendment to the CPC Constitution to enshrine the “scientific outlook on development” and other strategic thoughts advanced since 2002.

The scientific outlook on development was proposed by the 16th CPC Central Committee in 2003, against the backdrop of rapid economic growth and a series of problems including excessive consumption of resources, damages to the environment and a widening gap between

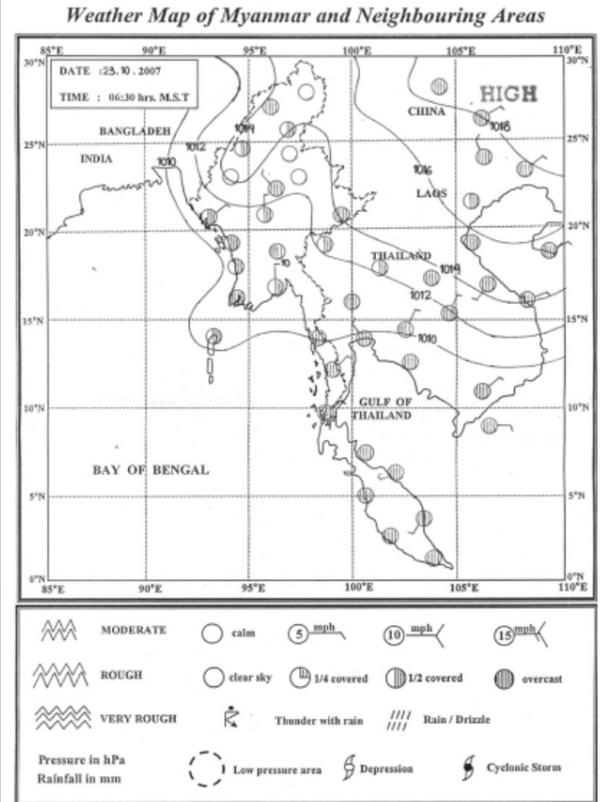
the rich and poor.

The scientific outlook on development “takes development as its essence, putting people first as its core, comprehensive, balanced and sustainable development as its basic requirement, and overall consideration as its fundamental approach”, reads the resolution on

the amendment to the Party Constitution, unanimously passed at Sunday’s closing session of the national Congress.

This is the fifth amendment to the current edition of the Party Constitution, adopted at the 12th Party Congress in 1982.

MNA/Xinhua



WEATHER

Tuesday, 23 October, 2007

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST: During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Shan State and Taninthayi Division, isolated in Bago Division and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Pinlaung (0.55) inch, Namhsam (0.51) inch and Taunggu (0.40) inch.

Maximum temperature on 22-10-2007 was 92°F. Minimum temperature on 23-10-2007 was 72°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 23-10-2007 was 82%. Total sunshine hours on 22-10-2007 was (7.5) hours approx.

Rainfall on 23-10-2007 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, (Nil) at Kaba-Aye and (Nil) at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2007 was (136.46) inches at Mingaladon, (140.75) inches at Kaba-Aye and (142.72) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from North at (15:30) hours MST on 22-10-2007.

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

Forecast valid until evening of 24-10-2007: Rain or thundershowers will be fairly widespread in Taninthayi Division, scattered in Kachin, Shan, Rakhine States, Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions, isolated in Ayeyawady, Bago and Yangon Divisions and weather is partly cloudy in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Generally fair weather in the whole country.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 24-10-2007: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 24-10-2007: Possibility of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (40%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 24-10-2007: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Two killed when bus plunges into canal in N-E Thailand

BANGKOK, 23 Oct — A bus plunges into a canal in northeastern Thailand’s province of Si Sa Ket early Sunday morning, killing two people and injuring 17 others.

Police were quoted by local newspaper the *Nation’s* website as saying

that the bus driver, Sadis Phaophukiew, 45, fell asleep and lost control of the bus, causing it to hit into a bridge fence and plunge into the Hay Samran Canal.

Police said the bus conductor, Porntida Phothong, 21, died at the

scene. A passenger, Ratchanee Maneephan, 36, died at the Khun Khan Hospital.

Seventeen other passengers were injured slightly and were allowed to go home after receiving treatment at the hospital.

MNA/Xinhua



Wednesday, 24 October
Tune in today

- 8:30 am Brief news
- 8:35 am Music -Could number nine
- 8:40 am Perspectives
- 8:45 am Music -Everyday
- 8:50 am National news/ Slogan
- 9:00 am Music -Happy go lucky
- 9:05 am International news
- 9:10 am Music -Who will be there
- 1:30 pm News/ Slogan
- 1:40 pm Lunch time music -I will come to you
- Baby come back to me
- 9:00 pm Variations on a tune -Love me tender
- 9:10 pm Article
- 9:30 pm Music at your request -Come into my life
- Give it to you
- 9:45 pm News /Slogan
- 10:00 pm PEL



Wednesday, 24 October
View on today

- 7:00 am
 1. ကျေးဇူးရှင်မင်းကွန်း ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၊ နိုင်ငံတော်သံဃာ့မဟာနာယကအဖွဲ့၊ အကျိုးတော်ဆောင်ချုပ်၊ အဘိဓမ္မာရတနာ၊ အဘိဓမ္မာအဂ္ဂမဟာသဒ္ဓမ္မဇောတိက၊ တိပိဋကဓရ၊ ဓမ္မဘဏ္ဍာဂါရိက ဆရာတော် ဘဒ္ဒန္တဝိစိတ္တသာရာဘိဝံသ၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်
- 7:25 am
 2. To be healthy exercise
- 7:30 am
 3. Morning news
- 7:40 am
 4. Nice and sweet song
- 7:55 am
 5. မြူးမြူးကြွကြွ ယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက
- 8:05 am
 6. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ
- 8:15 am
 7. ဗိုလ်မြတ်ထွန်းတံတား

- 8:30 am
 8. International news
- 8:45 am
 9. Let's go
- 4:00 am
 1. Martial song
- 4:15 am
 2. ဆောင်းပါးရှင်မြန်မာနိုင်ငံဆိုင်ရာ ဂျပန်နိုင်ငံ သံအမတ်ကြီး၏ ပြည်ပနိုင်ငံများ၏ မြန်မာနိုင်ငံ အပေါ်လွှဲမှားသောတစ်ဖက်သက် အမြင်များ
- 4:30 am
 3. Song for uphold national spirit
- 4:45 am
 4. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ-တတိယနှစ် (သမိုင်းအထူးပြု) (သမိုင်း)
- 5:00 pm
 5. Song of national races
- 5:05 pm
 6. Classical songs
- 5:15 pm
 7. ကမ္ဘာ့ကုလသမဂ္ဂနေ့တေးများ
- 5:25 pm
 8. ရှုဖွယ်စုံလင် အာဆီယံအစီအစဉ်
- 5:35 pm
 9. ရသပေါ်လွင် သရုပ်ဆောင်လွင်ပြင်

- 6:00 pm
 10. Evening news
- 6:30 pm
 11. Weather report
- 6:35 pm
 12. မြန်မာလေ့ရိုးရာလက်ရာ
- 6:50 pm
 13. လွင်မိုးခရီးသွားနေသည့်
- 7:20 pm
 14. Musical programme
- 7:35 pm
 15. “မပြောမမြဲမတီးမမြည်” (နေရဲလင်း၊ မောင်မောင်မြင့်၊ ရှင်ဖုန်း၊ အိမ်ချယ်၊ မိုးဇော်၊ နိုင်ဆွေယု) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-မောင်မောင်မြင့်)
- 8:00 pm
 16. News
 17. International news
 18. Weather report
 19. ၂၀၀၇ခုနှစ်၊ (၁၅)ကြိမ်မြောက် မြန်မာ့ရိုးရာယဉ်ကျေးမှု အဆိုအက၊ အရေး၊ အတီး ပြိုင်ပွဲ
 20. Franz Hararay's Magic Planet
 21. မြန်မာ့ရုပ်ရှင် “လျှို့ဝှက်သောနှင်း” (လွင်မိုး၊ လူမင်း၊ ညွန့်ဝင်း၊ ထွန်းထွန်းဝင်း၊ ဖိုးမြတ်နန္ဒာ၊ နီလာအောင်အောင်) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-စင်ရော်မောင်မောင်)
 22. The next day's programme

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People's Desire

- ★ We favour stability.
- ★ We favour peace.
- ★ We oppose unrest and violence.

- ★ RFA, VOA and BBC airing skyful of lies
- ★ RFA, VOA and BBC saboteurs, watch your step!
- ★ The public be warned of
killers in the air waves —
RFA, VOA and BBC

- ★ Skyful liars attempting to destroy nation
- ★ BBC lying
VOA deceiving
RFA setting up hostilities
- ★ Beware! Don't be bought by those ill-wishers

Who are the winners, and who, the losers from recent violent protests?

- ★ Due to the violent protests,
The people are in a state of panic
Artless persons get into bad company and run into trouble
Trade and commerce hit hard
Vendors and shopkeepers have hard times
Tourism industry in bad shape
- ★ Due to the violent protests,
Colonialists' lackey expatriates earn dollars
Touts were provided with funds
Criminals and opportunists are happy with the unrest
National traitors from agitator media gained a lot of dollars