

**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

**Leading Committee for Development of Gems Industries holds meeting 4/2007**

**Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo calls for development of gems market, industries**



Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo addresses the meeting of the Leading Committee for Development of Gems Industries.— MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov — Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo urged departments concerned to make efforts for flourishing of gems market and convenience of gems merchants and to assist in the gems mining and development of gems industries.

In his address at the 4/2007 meeting of the Leading Committee for Development of Gems Industries held

at Ministry of Mines here today, Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo said that the government has made systematic plans to exploit the resources for the interest of the State and the people as the country is rich in natural resources such as gems, forest and oil.

The government issued rules and regulations for systematic development of gems industries including,

exploration, mining and sales of jade and gemstones and production of pearl, he added.

He continued to say that as part of efforts for development gems industries, the Leading Committee for Development of Gems Industries has supervised the gems industries in accordance with laws and rules.

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**Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than meets service personnel in Bago Township**

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov — Member of the State Peace and Development Council Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Bago Division PDC Chairman Southern Command Commander Maj-Gen Ko Ko and departmental officials met service personnel, social organizations and townsenders at the city hall of Bago this afternoon.

First, the Bago Township PDC chairman reported on facts about the township and conditions of education, health, economic and social, agricultural and transport affairs and Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than

gave necessary instructions. Speaking on the occasion, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than said it is heartening that Bago Township was able to meet targeted cultivation of monsoon paddy but it is also necessary to meet the target of summer paddy cultivation. Officials concerned are to render assistance to the township for cultivating crops in the four main ways. Farmers are required to grow a high yield paddy strain like Yadanawin. In addition, the acreage of edible oil crops should be boosted, he said. He stressed the need for

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## PERSPECTIVES

Tuesday, 6 November, 2007

### Secure and smooth transport for socio-economic progress

Smooth and secure transport plays an important role in building a new modern and developed nation. With better transport trade and commerce have improved and the uplift of socio-economic life of local people can be possible.

The government is building a large number of roads and bridges across the nation for better transport. At present, it has already built over 60,000 miles of roads and 228 major bridges with a length of above 180 feet.

Most recently, new Dagon Bridge across Bago River in Yangon Division was opened. The 4,540 feet long and 72 feet wide bridge has six motorways. It can bear 75 tons of load. As it can bear heavy loads, 10-wheel trucks and 12-wheel trucks can use it.

The emergence of the facility has brought about secure and smooth transport between the busiest city with many industrial zones and its neighbouring regions.

Moreover, with the emergence of the new bridge transport between Dagon Seikkan Industrial Zone, Hlinethaya Industrial Zone and Thakayta International Container Port on Yangon side and Myanmar International Terminal Thilawa on Thanlyin side has become swift and smooth.

Dagon Bridge links Thanlyin, Kyauktan, Kayan and Thongwa townships in Yangon Division as well as Thanatpin and Kawa townships in Bagon Division with the industrial zones. The secure and smooth transport will surely be able to create jobs for local people, thereby contributing to development of economic and social sectors and regional development.

### CSSTB Chairman arrives back from Indonesia

YANGON, 5 Nov — A Myanmar delegation led by Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board Dr Than Nyun arrived back here by air on 2 November after attending the 14th ASEAN Conference on Civil Service Matters held in Bali, the Republic of Indonesia, from 29 to 31 October.

Member of CSSTB U Win Aung and Deputy Director-General U Wai Myint arrived back here on the same flight. — MNA

## People's Desire

- \* Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views
- \* Oppose those trying to jeopardize stability of the State and progress of the nation
- \* Oppose foreign nations interfering in internal affairs of the State
- \* Crush all internal and external destructive elements as the common enemy

### Commander opens building of Post-Primary School (Ywama) in Hlegu Township



Commander Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win opens Basic Education Primary School (Ywama) in Hlegu Township. — MNA

YANGON, 4 Nov — Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Hla Htay Win attended a ceremony to open the extended building of Basic Education Post-Primary School (Ywama) at Myoma Ward in Hlegu Township, here, this morning.

The Commander formally unveiled the school's signboard. No 3 Basic Education Department Director-General U Aye Kyu and donor U Aung Moe Kyaw of MWDC Co Ltd opened the new building.

Afterwards, the commander and guests visited the new school building. At the ceremony to hand over the new school building, the Commander accepted K 13.3 million donated by U Aung Moe Kyaw of MWDC Co Ltd and K 1.2 million by U Zaw Htaik.

Wellwisher U Aung Moe Kyaw handed over documents related to the new building to Director-General U Aye Kyu. Later, Hlegu Township Education Officer U Ohn Thwin spoke words of thanks.

MNA

### Ywathagyi railway station, Satsan goodshed inspected

YANGON, 4 Nov — Minister for Rail Transportation Maj-Gen Aung Min inspected the extension tasks of Ywathagyi railway station at Yawthagyi here today.

First, Assistant General Manager U Htay Aung reported to the minister on the extension tasks of the railway station.

The minister visited sites to build workshop, staff quarters and car parking and fulfilled the requirement of the tasks.

During his inspection tour to Satsan



goodshed, the minister also inspected the extension

tasks of the yard and roadworks. — MNA

Minister for Rail Transportation Maj-Gen Aung Min inspects Satsan goodshed. — RAILWAY

### 13th Myanmar Medical Specialties Conference from 10 to 13 Nov

YANGON, 5 Nov — The 13th Myanmar Medical Specialties Conference organized by Myanmar Medical Association will be held from 10 to 13 November at the Auditorium of MMA here. Research papers will be read at the conference which also covers symposium, clinical session and clinico pathological conference. Those interested may register at MMA from 7 to 9 November during the office hours. — MNA

**Don't  
Smoke**

## Uganda opposes US military base on its soil

KAMPALA, 5 Nov—Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni has said his country cannot allow the establishment of a permanent US Military base in the country, saying it would be surrendering part of its sovereignty.

The President told reporters here on Saturday that Uganda would only allow US presence on a temporary basis, like it allowed the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in the Democratic Republic of Congo (MONUC) and France to

use the country's facilities while on peace mission in eastern DRC.

"Will Uganda allow a foreign base? No, we can not because that is a vote of no confidence in ourselves, Ugandan can only allow it on a temporary basis but not to have a base permanently there like I see in other countries," the President said just after his trip to the US where he met his US counterpart George W Bush. Bush directed the creation of US Africa Command (AFRICOM)

following the country's emerging strategic importance of Africa, and recognizing that peace and stability on the continent impacts not only Africans, but the interests of the US and international community as well.

General William Ward, commander of AFRICOM, visited Uganda early this year, but details of his visit were not revealed, though President Museveni said they discussed matters of mutual interest.

MNA/Xinhua



Children wait with their wind instruments to start a performance as part of a hosting event at the Da Hu Shan Elementary School in Shanghai on 2 Nov, 2007.  
INTERNET

## Heart transplants suspended at Cambridge hospital

LONDON, 4 Nov—Papworth Hospital said on Friday it had suspended routine heart transplants after an increase in the number of early deaths among patients.

This year, seven of the 20 patients who have undergone transplants at the Cambridge hospital have died within 30 days, a

rate of 35 per cent.

Papworth's average rate is 7 per cent, with the average across all transplant centres 10 per cent. The hospital notified the Department of Health once it discovered the increase, and it was advised to suspend heart operations for a review to be carried out.

Lung transplants and

other operations will carry on as normal. The review, which is to take two weeks, is likely to consider the age of donors and the length of time it takes to retrieve organs from other centres and hospitals.

One line the review may look into is the age of donors, with improved road safety resulting in

fewer organs from younger donors being made available. Stephen Bridge, the hospital's chief executive, said: "We are talking comparatively small numbers but it was agreed it would be sensible for us to invite the Healthcare Commission to undertake an external review.— MNA/Reuters



Volunteers prepare their boats before a journey to search for residents stranded in flood waters in downtown Villahermosa on 4 Nov, 2007. Thousands of people perched on roofs in southern Mexico on Saturday, desperate to be evacuated from flooding caused by heavy rains that has left most of Tabasco state under water and 800,000 people homeless.—INTERNET

## New Chief Justice of Pakistan sworn in

ISLAMABAD, 5 Nov — Justice Abdul Hameed Dogar was sworn in as new Chief Justice of Pakistan, the state-run PTV reported on Saturday.

President General Pervez Musharraf administered the oath of office of the new Chief Justice, the PTV report said.

The troops entered the building of the Supreme Court and the former chief justice of Pakistan Iftikhar Muhammad Chaudhry was removed and was verbally told that his services were not required any more.

Musharraf, as the chief of Army staff, promulgated a provisional constitutional order (PCO) after he declared a state of emergency in the

country on Saturday.

According to the PCO, the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan shall remain in abeyance.

Under the PCO, the National Assembly, Senate and the provincial assemblies of Punjab, Sindh and Balochistan will remain functional, with Prime Minister and his Cabinet, Chief Ministers and provincial cabinets and the governors. All those in the service of Pakistan will also continue performing their duties.

MNA/Xinhua

## Constitution suspended in Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 5 Nov — Pakistan's Constitution was suspended on Saturday as President Pervez Musharraf invoked emergency powers, state run Pakistan Television reported.

Supreme Court Chief Justice Iftikhar Chaudhry and eight other judges refused to endorse the provisional constitutional order issued by the President, and Chaudhry has been told his "services are no longer required", private news channels said.

Chaudhry and his fellow judges, according to a Reuters journalist, were still inside the court building on Constitution Avenue, the broad thoroughfare where the presidency and the National Assembly are also located. The road has been sealed off by troops.— MNA/Reuters

## Italian gunman fires from balcony, one dead

ROME, 5 Nov—An Italian gunman shot and killed a man and injured at least six other people on Saturday when he opened fire from his balcony at passers-by and police in a town outside Rome, police said, without offering a motive.

Angelo Spagnolo, 52, who media identified as a retired Army captain, surrendered after a more than two-hour standoff in the town of Guidonia, east of Italy's capital. Police said it was unclear whether Spagnolo was still in the military.

"He didn't have a hostage, but he was in a elevated position in the dark, a position of enormous tactical advantage," said Rome police chief Marcello Fulvi, who was shown speaking to reporters on SkyItalia television.

MNA/Reuters

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### British student found dead in Italian flat

ROME, 4 Nov—A British student living in Italy has been found dead with her throat cut in a flat she shared with three other students, Italian police said on Friday. The body of the woman, in her 20s, was discovered in a house in Perugia, capital of the Umbria Region of central Italy.

"The girl was naked, with signs of a cut to the neck," a police official said. "The door was shut, and the agents had to force their way in."

Reports in the Italian media said the

woman had been studying in Perugia since August. Police were led to the scene after finding her mobile phone in the garden of a nearby house.

A British Embassy spokesman confirmed that she was a British national, but said no more details would be released before her family are informed.

A Foreign Office spokeswoman in London said officials were urgently checking the reports. The historic town is a popular base for foreign language students.— MNA/Reuters



A girl takes photos of a bronze sculpture of a monkey's head during a visit to a national treasure exhibition held in Changsha, capital of central-south China's Hunan Province, on 4 Nov, 2007.—INTERNET

## British Minister fined for using mobile at the wheel

LONDON, 4 Nov — Home Office minister Liam Byrne was fined 100 pounds on Friday for talking on a mobile phone while driving, his department confirmed.

The 37 year-old MP for Birmingham Hodge Hill was also ordered to pay 45 pounds in costs and had three points docked from his licence.

Byrne admitted the charge at Sutton Coldfield Magistrates' Court. "Liam Byrne has

pleaded guilty to the charge of driving whilst using a mobile phone, the court has dealt with this matter and the minister has apologized," a Home Office spokeswoman said, declining to elaborate.

Media reports said the incident happened in July while Byrne was driving his Ford Escort north of

Birmingham and that he had been talking about an important matter to do with deportation. His conviction, which was criticized by road safety campaigners, comes after tough new penalties were introduced earlier this year for anyone caught driving while talking on a hand-held mobile phone

MNA/Reuters

## Heads of Army, police in Basra escape bomb attack

BASRA (Iraq), 5 Nov — A roadside bomb blast targeted a convoy carrying the heads of the Iraqi Army and police in southern Iraq on Saturday, but both men were unhurt, the police chief told Reuters.

Major-General Abdul-Jelil Khalaf said he and southern Iraq military chief General Mohan al-Firaiji had been in a convoy of vehicles in Basra when the blast struck. Two guards in the convoy were wounded.

Firaiji and Khalaf were sent to Basra in June charged with improving security, ahead of the expected handover of Basra Province to Iraqi security control from the British in December. There have been a number of previous attempts on their lives.

The two men are seen by British forces as key to stabilizing the volatile region and reining in militias who are vying for control of Basra, Iraq's southern oil hub. — MNA/Reuters

## Ahmadinejad reiterates Iran's nuclear issue "closed"

TEHERAN, 4 Nov — Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad reiterated on Saturday that his country's nuclear issue is already "closed", the official IRNA news agency reported. "Sooner, the fact that we said the nuclear issue has been closed from

our point of view will become clear to all," Ahmadinejad told reporters on the sidelines of the 44th meeting of the Asia-Pacific Broadcasting Union (ABU).

Asked about the latest status of Iran's nuclear case, Ahmadinejad said,

"The legal discussion we had with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) is back to normal and is following its due natural course."

"The political process that started under futile pretexts in connection with Iran's nuclear case

has now ended in our opinion and it has no basis and foundation," he said.

Ahmadinejad has said on many occasions that the issue over Teheran's nuclear programme has been "closed", a claim that is disputed by the United States and some other Western countries.

MNA/Xinhua

## Israeli missile strike kills three Gaza men

GAZA, 5 Nov — A missile fired from an Israeli aircraft killed three Palestinians in the northern Gaza Strip on Sunday, local medical officials said.

An Israeli military spokesman confirmed that an aircraft had fired at three men who had just launched rockets into southern Israel.

He said militants have launched over 1,000 rockets at Israel in the past four months. An official from Gaza's ruling Islamist Hamas faction said the missile hit a container at a factory near the town of Beit Hanoun.

He said the three men, including a father and his son, had not been involved in the firing of the rockets. — MNA/Reuters

## US female soldier killed in bomb attack in Iraq

BAGHDAD, 4 Nov — A US female soldier was killed by a roadside bomb explosion in Baghdad, the US military said on Saturday.

The victim, assigned to Multi-National Division-Centre, was killed on Thursday when the roadside bomb struck her patrol in an area south of Baghdad, a military statement said. The latest deaths bring the number of US soldiers who have been killed in Iraq close to 3,850 since the breakout of the US-led war on Iraq in 2003, according to media account based on Pentagon figures. — MNA/Xinhua

## Polish soldier killed by mine in Iraq, three hurt

WARSAW, 4 Nov — A Polish soldier was killed and three were injured in Iraq after their convoy drove onto a mine, Polish media reported on Friday.

Radio RMF FM said on its website one of the soldiers was critically injured. Poland has about 900 soldiers in Iraq as part of the US-led coalition. Officials of the centre-right party that will lead the next government have said they plan to withdraw the troops in 2008. — MNA/Reuters

## Three US airmen killed in north of Baghdad

BAGHDAD, 4 Nov — Three US airmen were killed while performing combat operations north of Baghdad, the US military said on Saturday.

The three, assigned to the Air Force Office of Special Investigations, were killed on Thursday at Balad air base, 80 kilometres north of Baghdad, the military said in a statement. The brief statement did not release further details about the incident. — MNA/Xinhua

## Landslide at Freeport Indonesia's mine injures 13

JAKARTA, 5 Nov — A landslide injured 13 workers at US firm Freeport's gold and copper mine in Indonesia's Papua Province on Saturday, the company said.

The landslide outside the Grasberg mine did not affect company operations, Mindo Pangaribuan, a Freeport Indonesia spokesman, said.

"It's a natural incident. The victims sustained light injuries," he said, adding

that the injured, all Indonesian workers of the mine, had been taken to the company-run hospital.

The mine — believed to have the world's third-largest copper reserves and one of the biggest gold deposits — has been a frequent source of controversy over its environmental impact and the share of revenue going to Papuans.

MNA/Reuters



More than 100 cars were involved in a series of collisions on Hwy 99 on 3 Nov, 2007 in Fresno, California. At least two people were killed and dozens more were injured in a massive pileup of as many as 100 vehicles on a foggy freeway Saturday morning, the California Highway Patrol said.—INTERNET

## China, Kazakhstan agree to enhance cooperation

TASHKENT, 4 Nov—Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao and Kazakh Prime Minister Karim Masimov agreed on Friday that the two countries should enhance bilateral exchanges and cooperation on economy and trade.

Wen said Kazakhstan is a good neighbour and an important partner of China. The establishment of strategic partnership between the two countries is in the fundamental interests of their peoples and conducive to peace, stability and joint

development in the region.

Masimov said that Kazakhstan attaches great importance to its relations with China and the country wishes to enhance their bilateral exchanges and cooperation.

The two prime ministers agreed that as close neighbours with economies highly complementary to each other, China and Kazakhstan enjoy unique advantages and huge potential for developing cooperation of mutual benefit. The two countries should make the

most of these advantages to deepen and expand practical cooperation.

The two leaders also reached consensus that both countries should implement cooperation projects such as natural gas exploration and pipeline construction and extend their cooperation to areas other than energy production.

Efforts should be made to simplify procedures to facilitate economic and trade cooperation and personnel exchange, they said.—MNA/Xinhua

## Soaring oil price not impact Indonesia's economy

JAKARTA, 4 Nov—Indonesian Vice-President Jusuf Kalla said on Friday that the soaring oil price in international market will not hurt the country's economy.

The Vice President told a Press conference that Indonesia's economy was did not rely much on industrial sector, which would get the serious impact from the rise of oil

price.

"I am confidence that our country's economy is still good," said Kalla at his office here, adding that Indonesia's economy has relied on export of commodities.

Despite the slowdown of the global economy, it would not hurt the Indonesia's export of commodities, he said.

"The commodities

that we export are essential products. They are still basically needed. The volume would not decrease much," he added.

Kalla also said that the rise of the price would increase the country's subsidy's on oil sector but at the same time it would enjoy the rise of revenue from oil export.

MNA/Xinhua

## Official says US set to become Vietnam's top investor

HANOI, 4 Nov — The United States, which is currently Vietnam's 6th largest investor, is set to become its number one investor in the next two years, said President of the US-ASEAN (Association of South-East Asian Nations) Trade Council Matthew Daley.

Daley made the statement at a meeting with Vietnamese Deputy Prime Minister Hoang Trung Hai in the capital of Hanoi capital on 1 November, local newspaper *Vietnam News* reported Friday.

The trade council leader is on a visit aimed

to explore investment opportunities in Vietnam and inaugurate the council's representative office in the city. Hai said Vietnam always facilitates conditions for foreign investors, including long-term US investors, to do business in Vietnam.

MNA/Xinhua



A homeless woman makes a fire in the Shiite holy city of Najaf, 160 kilometres (100 miles) south of Baghdad, Iraq, on 4 Nov, 2007.—INTERNET

## ECONOMIC NEWS



A Somalia young man carries a fish on his head near the shores of Indian Ocean in Mogadishu, on 3 Nov, 2007.

INTERNET

Shoppers look at Barbie and Tanner toys at a store in Beijing.

INTERNET



## Merkel calls on industry to help boost immigration

BERLIN, 5 Nov—German Chancellor Angela Merkel on Saturday urged more German firms to join a new "Diversity Charter" designed to encourage foreigners to move to Germany and make better use of their potential.

In her latest Internet broadcast, Merkel said

130 companies had already signed up and called on all other firms to do likewise. "Only when we integrate immigrants into our society, especially young people, will we have a chance to react to the challenges of demographic change," Merkel said.

In 2006, there were

around 7 million foreigners living in Germany out of a total population of 82.3 million, according to Federal Statistics Office data.

Around 660,000 people emigrated to Germany last year, with more than half coming from other European Union nations.

MNA/Reuters

# China's PM urges Iran to cooperate on nuclear issue

BEIJING, 4 Nov— Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao has urged Iran to cooperate with the International Atomic Energy Agency and show “flexibility” over its nuclear programme, *Xinhua* news agency said on Saturday.

“China respects Iran’s rights to the peaceful use of nuclear power and stands for the maintenance of the international non-proliferation system,” Wen told Iranian First Vice-President Parviz Davoudi during a meeting in Uzbek capital Tashkent, the report said.

“China will continue its efforts to push forward the peaceful resolution of the issue,” Wen added.

“Wen said peaceful negotiation would be the best way to resolve the nuclear issue and he hoped

that Iran could further demonstrate its flexibility,” the official agency quoted a Foreign Ministry statement as saying. Six world powers, including China, agreed on Friday to push ahead with a third round of sanctions against Iran unless reports later this month indicate Teheran has tried to address their concerns about its nuclear programme.

China, a permanent member of the UN Security Council, has generally resisted sanctions and

instead counselled more talks, but the United States has been pushing for what one US official called more “tough-minded diplomacy”. Iran has refused to halt uranium enrichment

after two previous UN sanctions resolutions and denies it wants to make atomic bombs, saying its programme is for power generation.

MNA/Reuters

# NATO soldier killed, two injured in Afghanistan

KABUL, 4 Nov — A soldier of the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) was killed and two others sustained injuries in Afghanistan’s troubled southern region, a Press release of the alliance said Saturday.

“One soldier has been killed and two others injured in an IED (Improvised Explosive Device) strike in southern

Afghanistan today,” the Press release added. However, it did not identify the national of the soldiers or the place of the incident.

Taliban has yet to make any comment.

Southern Afghanistan, which includes Kandahar, the birthplace of Taliban, and the neighbouring Kabul, Uruzgan and Helmand provinces commonly known as the hotbed of Taliban militants, has been the scene of bloody fighting over the past two weeks during which some 100 rebels, according to officials, have been killed.

More than 5,400 people mostly insurgents have been killed in Afghanistan over the past 10 months.

MNA/Xinhua



A visitor takes pictures of a photo on the Wang Xiaohui Art Exhibition at the Tianjin Academy of Art in Tianjin, north China on 3 Nov, 2007. Over 400 pieces of works by famous photographer Wang Xiaohui, including photos, sculptures and settings, were shown in the exhibition, which will tour to Beijing, Shanghai and American and European cities later on.—XINHUA

# Police say Taliban behead Afghan man, woman

GHAZNI, 4 Nov— Afghan police have found the beheaded bodies of two Afghan civilians in Ghazni Province, southwest of the capital Kabul, the provincial police chief said on Saturday.

Taliban insurgents have beheaded dozens of people in Afghanistan in the last two years, accusing them of aiding the pro-Western Afghan Government and foreign forces the hardline Islamist insurgents are battling to oust.

“We were informed by local residents that the bodies of a man and a woman were found beheaded in the Rashidan

District,” said Ghazni police chief Ali Shah Ahmadzai. “The Taliban kidnapped them from the same district three days ago.

“The Taliban insurgents accused them of spying and providing information about the Taliban to foreign and Afghan forces in the area,” he told *Reuters*.

But a Taliban spokesman denied any involvement in the killing and said it might have been the result of tribal enmity. “It must have been the work of the Taliban militants,” said Ahmadzai. “The Taliban kill people by beheading, no one else.”

MNA/Reuters

# China to provide basic medical care for rural residents by 2010

BEIJING, 4 Nov— China has promised that its basic medical and health care system will cover all rural residents by 2010.

*Turkish soldiers patrol on a road surrounded by the rugged mountains in the southeastern Turkish province of Sirnak, bordering Iraq, on 3 Nov, 2007.*  
XINHUA

The Ministry of Health, on behalf of the Chinese Government, made the promise on Friday at a two day forum on China’s rural health care services, organized jointly by the World Health Organization (WHO) and the China’s Ministry of Health.

The government’s investment will account for the main part of the fund for the system and the government will also encourage other public bodies and individuals to raise funds for the system.

The ministry said the government will increase

investment in rural and remote areas. A three-level medical and health care system including the county, township and village will be built all over the country, the ministry said.

The government will ensure there is one public hospital for each township

and one clinic for each village.

It promised to upgrade the medical care infrastructure in rural areas and continue to upgrade them in accordance with economic development so as to offer better services for rural people.

MNA/Xinhua



*A model shows creations by Chinese fashion designer Guo Pei, during a show at the annual China Fashion Week in Beijing, capital of China, on 3 Nov, 2007.*  
XINHUA



# Antioxidants and Health

*Professor Dr. Paing Soe*

All living things, humans and animals, throughout its life, has to perform its natural physiological functions such as breathing of air, digesting of food, beating of the heart and excreting of body waste. During such processes, oxygen, the molecule of life for all aerobic creatures, undergoes chemical reactions with glucose molecules, in the blood and the living cells, known as oxidation, with the resultant generation of energy molecules and undesirable side products known as free radicals. **Antioxidants are substances that scavenge 'free radicals' - damaging compounds believed to contribute to the aging process as well as the development of cancer, cardiovascular diseases and other degenerative diseases.** Antioxidants also occur naturally in the body and are known to inhibit the growth of cancer cells, and may even kill it without harming the normal tissues. Thus it is important that we have adequate amount of antioxidants in the body.

## Free Radicals

Free radicals are oxidizing substances that damage cell membranes, protein molecules, hormone molecules, enzyme molecules and even DNA molecules leading to the development of a host of disease states, cancers and degenerative conditions as well as in the progress of aging. Although free radicals occur naturally in the body when subjected to oxidative stress much larger quantities are produced by most people these days because of excess pollution, environmental toxins including ultraviolet light, radiation, cigarette smoke, herbicides and air pollution. **Gradual accumulation and increasing number of damaging particles of free radicals within the cells are now known to cause aging as well as diseases such as cancer, cardiovascular and degenerative diseases.**

## Antioxidants

Antioxidants are molecules that slow or prevent oxidation of other molecules in our bodies. **They include vitamins, minerals and some oxidative enzymes. Generally, antioxidants help keep your body and cells healthy and a healthy body can fight off diseases better.** Even if you do get sick, antioxidants can help you recover much easier from your illness. They also help when you suffer from an injury, in which antioxidants can help your wounds and injured tissues heal faster (from minor cuts to broken bone). On the other hand, when a

person lack of antioxidants, he will feel more easily tired. **There are now evidence that antioxidants can prevent many diseases caused by oxidation such as hypertension, heart disease, diabetes and vascular diseases.**

Out of more than 100 antioxidants, there are five major antioxidants in our body. They include, glutathione, lipoid acid, coenzyme Q10, vitamin C and E. The best known antioxidants are carotenoid, flavonoid, chlorophyll, amino acid, selenium, Vitamin B complex, Nicotinic acid and omega-3. They can be obtained from colorful fruits and green vegetables, milk, eggs, fish, meat, beans, corn, fish oil, vegetable oil, red wine and green tea.

There are two kinds of antioxidants, **natural and synthetic antioxidants.** Natural antioxidants can prevent development of disease state. Because of the stressful life that everyone of us face today, getting the right amount of antioxidants in your diet can benefit you in many ways. **Nowadays, most people choose to take supplements in addition to eating healthy to make sure they get the proper amount. These supplements (high-potency multivitamins) contain vitamin A, B, C, E, selenium and zinc.**

## Natural antioxidants

Natural antioxidants work by donating an electron to a molecule that has been compromised by oxidation, bringing it back into a state of proper function. The antioxidants molecule is then either re-charged by accepting an electron from other type of antioxidant or it is re-cycled into building material such as -in the case of vitamin C - collagen for purposes of tissue repair. **Natural antioxidants keep the cells healthy and prevent cell damage by unnecessary free radicals. Natural antioxidants neutralize excess free radicals in our body and synthetic antioxidants are lack of this activity.**

## Synthetic antioxidants

In the 1980s, with the assumption those **antioxidants were protective; people started taking them as supplements and high-potency multivitamins. This is because synthetic antioxidants are comparatively more available, accessible, cheaper and more easily consumed than natural antioxidants.** In late 1990s, some research findings started to show that **synthetic antioxidants can act the opposite to what it should do and may even harm our health. Synthetic antioxidants removing much more free radicals than that needed, can also**

## reduce the activity of the body immune system.

Synthetic vitamins, including antioxidants such as vitamin A, B, C and E, are all concocted in labs. just like drugs are. In fact, most B vitamins are coal tar derivatives. Most ascorbic acid or synthetic vitamin C is made by fermenting corn sugar into sorbitol, then hydrogenating it. After this process, acetone (i.e. nail polish remover) is added to break the molecular bond which then creates isolated, crystalline, ascorbic acid. These synthetic vitamins have been shown to be treated like foreign substances in the body, just as drugs are. This means that the body has to work hard to detoxify the body from them, even though most of us are overloaded right now with detoxifying our bodies of numerous environmental chemicals. This tends to cancel out or even outweigh any positive benefits the nutrient might bring to your body. In a Dutch-led study, reviewing 815 clinical trials on the effects of vitamin supplementation in humans, and published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, elaborated that they now have reasonable proof that synthetic antioxidants can be harmful. "When looked at separately they found that **Vitamin A increased death risk by 16 per cent, beta carotene by 7 per cent and Vitamin E by 4 per cent.** The results for **Vitamin C** were not so clear, but by looking at the best quality trials there was a suggestion that it increased death risk by 6 per cent, either on its own or in combination with other supplements" they said. However, other researchers pointed out that the studies examined used only synthetic supplements, and therefore their observations and conclusions **do not apply to natural antioxidants such as those found in fruit and vegetables.**

According to the US National Institutes of Health (NIH), there is a rise in taking antioxidants as supplement, multivitamins over the last decade. For example, use of vitamin E supplements soared. In 1990, almost nobody took vitamin E; by the end of the decade, an estimated 23 million in the US alone were knocking back daily doses.

It is important to keep our body in good health throughout our lives. **In order to prevent the damaging effect of free radicals, it is important to have adequate amount of antioxidants in our body. Natural antioxidants obtained from food can be considered ideal because they not only prevent the damaging effect of free radicals, but are also free from side effects.** In contrast, the benefits of synthetic antioxidants, not only remain questionable, but can give rise to side effects such as increase incidence of diabetes and heart diseases. Therefore, a simple advice is to stick mainly to the flavonoid-rich foods, drink red wine in moderation, green tea as acceptable and **consume an abundant amount of clean and fresh colourful fruits and vegetables. Take foods rich in health enhancing natural antioxidants and avoid taking high-dose synthetic supplements or heavily fortified synthetic foods until we know more than about them.**

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

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boosting cultivation of rubber that is an industrial crop. Efforts are to be made for meeting the targeted cultivation of 500,000 acres of physic nut. Measures are to be taken to improve the education, health and social sectors.

The State will develop only if there are essential requirements such as peace and tranquillity and the rule of law, strong national economy and human resources. All in all, the departmental personnel are to actively participate in the State's 24 special development region project and five rural development work project.

Next, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than cordially greeted those present. Bago Township has met



**Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than offers robes to Sayadaw of Oakthathiri Monastery Bhaddanta Vimala. — MNA**

the cultivation target of 1,200,000 acres of monsoon paddy and harvested 1084 acres.

It has been targeted to grow 22000 acres of summer paddy, 29,000 acres of beans and pulses and 14,090 acres of edible oil crops. A total

of 44,463 acres of land have been put under rubber and 17,520 acres under physic nut.

This morning, Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than and Commander Maj-Gen Ko Ko visited and paid homage to Bago Division Sangha Nayaka

Committee Chairman Agga Maha Pandita Agga Maha Saddhamma Jotika Dhaja Okthathiri Monastery Sayadaw Bhaddanta Vimala. They donated Kathina robes and K 1 million to the Sayadaw.

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## Secretary-1 calls for development...

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Moreover, in an attempt to realize a higher price for gems and to promote the sales of gems, the committee organizes gems emporium at least three times a year.

Thanks to the efforts of the government for the development of gems industries, the number of local and foreign gems merchants gathered at the gems emporiums and earnings from the emporiums have increased year after year, he said.

Afterwards, Minister for Mines Brig-Gen Ohn Myint reported on condition of mining blocks, earnings from gems sales and arrangements for the mid-year sales of gems and jade this month.

Members of the leading committee also reported on matters related to development of gems industries.

After hearing reports, Secretary-1 Lt-Gen Thiha Thura Tin Aung Myint Oo gave instructions and the meeting ended. The meeting was also attended by ministers, the chief justice, the attorney-general, the director-general of the Office of the State Peace and Development Council, the managing director of Myanmar Gems Enterprise and officials. — MNA

## Foreign Affairs Deputy Minister back from Japan

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov — Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint arrived back here by air yesterday after attending the 5th East Asia Forum and the 23rd ASEAN-Japan Forum held in Tokyo, Japan, from 1 to 2 November 2007.

The deputy minister, Myanmar Ambassador to Japan U Hla Myint, Deputy Director-General of the International Organization and Economic Department U Thant Kyaw and Deputy Director of the ASEAN Affairs Department U Nyi Soe attended the forums.

The East Asia Forum discussed Building towards East Asia Community, Enhancing Regional Investment and Strengthening Environmental Cooperation.

At the ASEAN-Japan Forum, overview of ASEAN-Japan relations, ASEAN-Japan Centre, ASEAN-Japan Eminent Person's Group, East Asia Regional Cooperation including the ASEAN+3 Summit and East Asia Summit, Environmental Issues, Cooperation to combat international Terrorism, Transnational Crimes, Maritime Security and Safety of Navigation, Cooperation against Pandemic Influenza, Energy Cooperation Peace, Building Cooperation, Disaster Management Cooperation, Exchange of views on Regional and International Issues, Preparation and Consideration for the 11th ASEAN-Japan Summit and Future Direction of the ASEAN-Japan Relations were discussed. While in Japan, the deputy minister paid courtesy calls on Mr Mitoji Yabunaka, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs and Mr Hitoshi Kimura, Senior Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs. — MNA



**Lt-Gen Khin Maung Than meeting with departmental officials, members of social organizations and townsenders in Bago.**

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## Villager loses leg in mine blast

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov — A villager in Mone Township, Toungoo District, lost his right leg in an explosion on 31 Oct in Mone Township.

U Kyaw Shwe, 42, of Myaung Oo Village in Mone Township stepped on a mine planted by insurgents on his way to the woods near the village. His right leg was blown off and left thigh injured by the blast.

The victim was rushed to the station hospital in Mone Township and provided with medical treatment there.

Insurgents have committed destructive acts to jeopardize the

community peace and stability and prevalence of law and order to panic the people.

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## No longer interested in activities of NLD Two of Monywa Township NLD quit

YANGON, 5 Nov — Two members of Monywa Township National League for Democracy resigned from the party of their own accord on 20 September.

U Than and U Tun Kyi of Taw Pu Village in Monywa Township, Sagaing Division, sent their resignation letters to NLD headquarters and local authorities.

In the resignation letter sent to Monywa Township Multi-party Democracy General Election Sub-commission, they said they quit the NLD of their own volition as they were no longer interested in activities of the NLD. — MNA



**Deputy Minister U Maung Myint poses for a group photo at 23rd ASEAN-Japan Forum. — FOREIGN AFFAIRS**



## Transport Minister arrives back after attending ASEAN Transport Ministers Meetings

YANGON, 5 Nov — Minister for Transport Maj-Gen Thein Swe, who led the Myanmar delegation, arrived back at Nay Pyi Taw this morning by air after attending the ASEAN-China Port Development and Cooperation Forum held in the People's Republic of China on 28 and 29 October, and the 13th ASEAN Transport Ministers Meeting, the 6th ASEAN-China Transport Ministers Meeting and the 5th ASEAN-Japan Transport Ministers Meeting held in Singapore on 1 and 2 November. They were welcomed back at Nay Pyi Taw Airport by Minister for Electric Power No 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint, Minister for Mines Brig-Gen Ohn Myint and departmental officials.

After attending the ASEAN-China Trade Fair and the ASEAN-China Port Development and Cooperation Forum held at Guan Gxi Whartan International Hotel in Nanning on 28 October, the minister and the delegates called on Mr Zeng Peiyan, Vice Premier of the PRC.

The minister and delegation members attended the 13th ASEAN Transport Ministers Meeting held in Singapore on 1 November. The meeting approved Road Map towards an ASEAN. On 2 November morning the minister and party attended the 6th ASEAN-China Transport Ministers Meeting and the meeting signed ASEAN-China Maritime Transport Agreement. In the afternoon, the minister and delegation members attended the 5th ASEAN-Japan Transport Ministers Meeting and ASEAN-Japan Regional Road Map for Aviation Security and Guidelines for ASEAN-Japan Transport Logistics Capacity Building were approved. — MNA



Minister Maj-Gen Thein Swe attends the 13th ASEAN Transport Ministers' Meeting, 6th ASEAN-China Transport Ministers' Meeting and 5th ASEAN-Japan Transport Ministers' Meeting in Singapore. — MNA

## Gold medallists to have documentary filmed

YANGON, 5 Nov—Gold medallists from the states and divisions who stood first in the respective contests in the 15th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions are advised to contact the Myanmar Radio and Television in order to have a documentary video-taped.—MNA

## Kachin State USDA AGM-2007 held



Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw delivers an address at the annual meeting-2007 of Kachin State Union Solidarity and Development Association. — CPT

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov — Kachin State Union Solidarity and Development Association held its Annual General Meeting-2007 at the city hall of Myintkyina on 2 November.

Present on the occasion were Patron of Kachin State USDA Chairman of Kachin State PDC Commander of Northern Command Maj-Gen Ohn Myint, USDA Secretariat Member

Minister Brig-Gen Thein Zaw, members of social organizations, entrepreneurs, local people and members of state/district USDAs.

After opening the ceremony with a song by the USDA youth members, the commander and the secretariat member gave speeches. Then, they awarded prizes to the outstanding students and prize winners from organizations. Next, well-wishers donated cash for State USDA through officials.

In the afternoon, the

commander and the secretariat member attended a merit sharing ceremony for Kathina Robe offering of USDA at Parahitta Monastery in Myintkyina. The commander and the congregation received a sermon from Wuntho Sayadaw State Ovadacariya Abhidhaja Maha Rattha Guru Bhaddanta Silavamsa and offered provisions to the members of the Sangha.

On 3 November, as a gesture of hailing the Annual General Meeting

2007 of USDA, billboards were set up in front of the office of USDA in Myintkyina and the commander and the secretariat member unveiled the billboards by cutting the ribbons.

Next, the National Immunization Days for 2007 was launched at the city hall of Myintkyina with an opening speech by the commander.

Later, at the office of USDA the secretariat member met secretaries and organizers from state/district USDAs and fulfilled the needs. — MNA

## IRD's officials receive proficiency skills

NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov — Work proficiency course No 33 for the officials of the Internal Revenue Department was opened at the Ministry of Finance and Revenue here today.

First, Minister for Finance and Revenue Maj-Gen Hla Tun delivered an address on the occasion. Altogether 55 trainees from township revenue offices are attending the four-week course.

In his opening address, Minister Maj-Gen Hla Tun said that the purpose of opening the course is to improve the

skills of the officials of the township revenue offices as they play an important role in development of the economy of the country.

He called on the trainees to work hard, to study the rules and regulations of the department during the training and to make

efforts for meeting the targets of the department.

Also present were Deputy Minister Col Hla Thein Swe, Governor of the Central Bank of Myanmar U Than Nyein, the managing directors and the deputy directors-general of the ministry.

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### All this needs to be known

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

# Billboards set up to hail USDA AGM-2007 in Yangon

**YANGON, 5 Nov** — To hail the USDA Annual General Meeting-2007, billboards were set up at designated places here this morning.

At 6 am Yangon Division USDA Joint-Secretary U Than Win and Chairperson of WAO Daw Than Sein held the ceremony to set up the billboards at Hanthawady Round-about, at 6.30 am Yangon Division USDA Executive U Tin Win and Dagon Township PDC

Chairman U Thein Tun Oo in front of People's Park and at 7 am Yangon North District USDA Secretary U Nay Win and Kyauktada Township WAO Chairperson Daw Myint Myint in front of the City Hall here.

Present on the occasions were Chairman of Information Subcommittee for Organizing the USDA Annual General Meeting Managing Director U Aung Myo Myint of

Myanma Motion Picture Enterprise and officials, members of division/district/township USDAs and social organizations and students. — MNA

**Ceremony to set up a billboard hailing the annual general meeting-2007 of Union Solidarity and Development Association in progress in front of City Hall.**

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**Ceremony to set up a billboard hailing the annual general meeting-2007 of Union Solidarity and Development Association in progress in front of People's Square.** — MNA



**Ceremony to set up a billboard hailing the annual general meeting-2007 of Union Solidarity and Development Association in progress near Hanthawady Round-about.** — MNA

# Recent protests aimed at destroying peace and security of the people

## Local residents of Kayah State, Mandalay Division condemn recent protests

**NAY PYI TAW, 5 Nov** — The residents of Phasaung, Myothit, Shartaw, Bolakhe, Maese of Kayah State and those of Maha Aungmyay and Singaing townships in Mandalay Division who want stability of the State, the rule of law and community peace and tranquillity on 29, 10, 31 October and 4 November expressed their desire to denounce the recent protests as they believed that the protests that happened in September were aimed at destroying peace and security of the people.

They walked in

procession in accord with the law after seeking permission from the authorities concerned.

Over 2500 local people of Phasaung and over 1000 residents of Myothit holding the placards that read "Carry out the propagation of the Sasana" and "Beware of the saboteurs" walked in procession on 29 October to condemn the recent protests. On 30 and 31 October, over 2500 people of Sharda, 1500 people of Bawlakhe and over 1500 residents of Maese walked in procession around the town to denounce the

recent protests.

In Mandalay, over 27,000 people of Maha Aungmyay and 270,00

residents of Singaing townships walked in procession around the town on 4 November to

condemn the recent protests holding the placards that read "We respect the UN and the UN

Secretary-General, and We respect majority of Myanmar people.

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**Local people in Bawlakhe express desire to denounce recent protests.** — MNA

## Putin says Russia threatened by “unipolar world”

MOSCOW, 5 Nov — On a holiday created to unite his country, Russian President Vladimir Putin issued a veiled warning that foreigners were seeking to split up the vast country and plunder its resource wealth.

“Some people are constantly insisting on the necessity to divide up our country and are trying to spread this theory,” Putin told military cadets during a speech in Moscow on Sunday, Russian news agencies reported.

“There are those who would like to build a unipolar world, who would themselves like to rule all of humanity,” Putin said, a phrase he has used over the past seven years of his administration to mean the United States.

Putin, who has a black belt in Judo, the

Japanese martial art that stresses calm, emotionless and powerful shifts of an opponent’s weight and balance against himself, also said Russia was well respected by admirers as a stabilising world factor.

“Some minor countries, under pressure from larger ones, are having a hard time figuring out how to defend their own interests. And Russia has played and will continue to play a positive, stabilising role in the world,” he said.

Sunday was National

Unity Day, an Autumn holiday created by Putin’s administration three years ago to replace October Revolution Day, formerly the most patriotic celebration in the Soviet Union, when tanks, missiles and troops filled Red Square.

Unity Day, according to Putin’s own explanation of the holiday, is meant to show the power of the Russian people as a unified whole, rising up to meet the challenges of economic development and national defence.

MNA/Reuters

## “NY Times” says US weighs plan for closing Guantanamo

NEW YORK, 5 Nov — Bush Administration officials are weighing a plan that would grant detainees at Guantanamo Bay greater rights, as part of an effort to close the facility and possibly move some of the detainees to US locations, *The New York Times* reported in Sunday editions.

Citing US officials involved in the discussions, the Times said the widely discussed proposals for revamping procedures that determine whether inmates are properly held included granting detainees legal representation at hearings.

Giving federal

judges, rather than military officers, authority to decide whether suspects are held is also under discussion, the report said.

Officials contend that moving detainees to US territory would have to include enhanced protections, the *Times* said.

If detainees were relocated, “there is a recognition that for policy reasons you would need even more robust procedures than those currently at Guantanamo”, the newspaper cited a senior official involved as saying. — MNA/Reuters

## China says FMD outbreak curbed in Qinghai

BEIJING, 5 Nov — China has contained an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in the northwestern province of Qinghai, the Agriculture Ministry said.

Local authorities have culled 58 cows after

tests confirmed on 30 October the presence of Asia Type One foot-and-mouth disease at a village in Yushu county, the ministry said on its website

Foot-and-mouth disease does not affect humans and outbreaks are relatively easy to control, but the disease can have a serious impact on the livestock industry by reducing meat and milk production.

Outbreaks that resulted in the slaughter of more than 1,000 animals were reported around China last year.

MNA/Reuters

## German coalition adjourns talks on disputed issues

BERLIN, 5 Nov — Germany’s ruling coalition of conservatives and social democrats on Monday adjourned talks aimed at resolving disputes among themselves on a range of key issues and agreed to seek agreement again in a week’s time.

The talks, which began on Sunday evening and ended shortly after midnight local time, are seen as a test of conservative Chancellor Angela Merkel’s resolve to resist a shift to the left by her Social Democrat (SPD) partners.

Miserable opinion poll scores, looming state elections and the challenge of left-wing party Die Linke have prompted SPD leader Kurt Beck to chart a new left-leaning course which seeks to win back voters disillusioned with his party.

This has stoked conflict in the coalition on issues including extending jobless benefit payments to older people, a minimum wage, the part-privatization of state rail operator Deutsche Bahn and reinstating commuter tax breaks. — MNA/Reuters

## Chad frees 3 French journalists, 4 Spanish crew

N’DJAMENA, 5 Nov — Chad released three French journalists and four Spanish flight attendants on Sunday, a lawyer for one of the journalists said, after French President Nicolas Sarkozy arrived in Africa to discuss their case.

The seven were among 16 French and seven Spanish nationals arrested in the eastern Chadian town of Abeche, near the border with Sudan’s wartorn Darfur region, just over a week ago as they tried to fly 103 young African children to

Europe.

“They are happy, they are free,” Jean-Bernard Padare, a Chadian lawyer, told Reuters by phone.

He said the seven were collecting their

belongings from the main law courts in the capital N’Djamena, where they had undergone more than 12 hours of questioning on Saturday by an investigating magistrate.

MNA/Reuters

## Kidnapped radio journalist released in Baghdad

PRAGUE, 5 Nov — A kidnapped Baghdad correspondent for a US-funded radio was released after two weeks in captivity, the station said on Sunday.

Jumana Al-Obaidi, 29, went missing while on her way to an interview in Baghdad on 22 October. Her driver was shot and dumped in the street.

Al-Obaidi works for

the Arabic-language Radio Free Iraq service of the Prague-based Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (RFE/RL).

“All of us at RFE/RL are very relieved Jumana’s ordeal is over,” RFE/RL President Jeffrey Gedmin said in a statement.

The station did not say who the kidnapers were nor if they demanded any ransom.

RFE/RL said Radio Free Iraq has lost two journalists in Iraq this year, Nazar Abd al-Wahid al-Radhi and Khamail Muhsin Khalaf.

The Committee to Protect Journalists says 123 reporters and 41 other people working as support staff for the media have been killed in Iraq since March 2003. Fifty journalists have been kidnapped.

MNA/Reuters

## Ferry sinks in central Thailand, killing 3

BANGKOK, 5 Nov — An overloaded ferry in Thailand’s central Samut Prakan Province sank in the gulf of Thailand late Sunday, killing three persons, local radio reported.

The long boat, whose rated load was only 15 persons, carried 37 persons while it crashed with an underwater telegraph pole near Samut Prakan Province, some 60 kilometres from Bangkok.

The ferry totally sank after the bump, the FM 100 Traffic Radio said.

A local police was quoted as saying that the rescuers have found all the three missing passengers soon after the accident, while all the other passengers were saved.

All the passengers, including Japanese, Indonesian, Bangladeshi and Thai nationals, were teachers and graduate students from the famous Chulalongkorn University. An Indonesian female student were among the three killed.

MNA/Xinhua



Egypt’s antiquities chief Dr Zahi Hawass, 3rd left, supervises the removal of the lid of the sarcophagus of King Tut in his underground tomb in the famed Valley of the Kings in Luxor, Egypt on 4 Nov, 2007. The mummy of the 19-year-old pharaoh, whose life and death has captivated people for nearly a century, was placed in a climate-controlled glass box in the tomb, with only the face and feet showing under the linen covering. — INTERNET

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**Indonesian woman dies of suspected bird flu**

JAKARTA, 5 Nov—A 30-year-old Indonesian woman died of suspected bird flu on Saturday, the country's Health Ministry said here.

The woman from Tangerang Town on the outskirts of Jakarta died on Saturday in a designated bird flu hospital of Persahabatan in east Jakarta, said Harris Subianto, an official of the anti-bird flu center of the ministry.

One of two laboratories' tests, which needed for confirmation, indicated that she was positive of avian influenza, said the official.

"She was dead today. One of laboratory tests has showed positive," he told *Xinhua*.

The woman had history of contact with some of hundreds chickens that suddenly died last month in her residence, he said.

"She had contact with dead chickens belonging to her neighbours," said Subianto.

If the woman's case is confirmed, it will put the death toll to 90 out of 112 cases in the bird flu hardest-hit country, he said.

Her child and niece who were suspected of having the disease, were not under suspicion, said the official.

The woman began to have the germs of the disease on 23 October and went to clinics five days later in the town, said the official. She was admitted to a hospital in Tangerang Town on 30 October and was shifted to Persahabatan Hospital in east Jakarta one day later, said Subianto.

Millions of people could be dead should the highly pathogenic H5N1 viruses mutate into a certain level that could make it transmittable among humans.

MNA/Xinhua

**Four Chinese mathematicians honoured**

BEIJING, 5 Nov—Four Chinese mathematicians were respectively awarded the Hua Luogeng Mathematics Prize and the Chen Xingshen Maths Prize on Friday.

Li Daqian from Fudan University and Yan Jia'an from the Chinese Academy of Sciences were awarded the Hua Luogeng Mathematics Prize for their outstanding contributions to the field of mathematics. Li won the prize for his excellent research results in the field of partial differential equation.

Yan was awarded for his contributions to the fields of martingale theory, stochastic analysis, white noise analysis, and financial mathematics. Zong Chuanming and Ji Min were awarded the Chen Xingshen Maths Prize.

Zong, from Peking University, won the prize for his excellent research results in the fields of geometry of numbers and

sphere packings. Ji from the Chinese Academy of Sciences was awarded the maths prize for making contributions to researches on partial differential equation and calculus of variations.

Ji was the first female to win the prize since it was established in 1985.

The Hua Luogeng Mathematics Prize, the highest honour of its kind in China, was initially set up in 1991 in honour of the late Chinese mathematician Hua Luogeng, who was noted for his pioneering research in mathematics. The prize is sponsored by the China Mathematics Society and the Hunan Educational Publishing House. And the Chen Xingshen Maths Prize was established in 1985 in the name of the noted Chinese maths professor Chen Xingshen, with a Hong Kong entrepreneur patronizing the prize.—MNA/Xinhua

**HK, Mainland financial market integration to take time**

HONG KONG, 5 Nov—As there are regulatory and operational differences between Hong Kong and Mainland financial markets, further integration of them will take time, a financial official of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government said here Saturday.

Speaking on a radio talk show, Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury KC Chan said that the Government will facilitate cooperation between the two markets, adding the two jurisdictions' stock exchanges may consider joining forces to develop new markets.

He said Hong Kong should continue to attract Mainland enterprises to do business in Hong Kong and should further strengthen its asset management centre by assisting Mainland

investors to invest in overseas markets.

To enhance Hong Kong financial market competitiveness the Government will organize overseas promotions to attract more overseas companies to list on the city's exchange, said Chan.

When asked if the Government will do

something to prevent local stock and property markets from overheating, Chan said the Government will explore ways to ensure Hong Kong's economic stability and help the public overcome inflation problems. He also urged investors to make proper risk assessments.

Noting the US sub-prime mortgage crisis may

affect Hong Kong's economy in the short term, he said the city should make long-term investment in infrastructure.

On anti-poverty measures, Chan said the Financial Secretary will start consulting the public on his coming Budget next week and will explore ways to alleviate poverty.—MNA/Xinhua

**Second man arrested in N England over "explosive material"**

LONDON, 5 Nov—Police investigating the discovery of "potentially explosive material" at a house in northern England arrested a second suspect under anti-terrorism laws on Saturday.

The 31-year-old man was detained in Dundee in the early hours, a Humberside Police spokeswoman said.

Another man, also 31, was arrested on Wednesday after police seized the unidentified material during a house search in the centre of Goole, East Yorkshire.

Police sealed off the area around the house during the searches and tests are being carried out on the material.

The men, both from Goole, have not

been named. They were detained under the Terrorism Act 2000 and are being questioned at a West Yorkshire police station.

Police said the house in Goole was searched as part of a separate criminal investigation.

"We would ask people to go about their business as usual," a police spokeswoman said. "However, we would always urge people to remain vigilant."

Police stepped up patrols earlier this year after two car bombs were found in central London and a Jeep was rammed into a terminal at Glasgow Airport.

MNA/Reuters

## Iran bank says US sanctions, accusations wrong

TEHERAN, 5 Nov — Iran's Bank Mellat has denied US allegations that prompted Washington to slap sanctions on the institution and says it reserves the right to take legal action against the US authorities in response.

The United States imposed sanctions last month on Bank Mellat and other Iranian banks and bodies, including Iran's Revolutionary Guards, to counter what it said was Teheran's bid to build an atomic bomb and its support for terrorism.

Iran, the world's fourth largest oil producer, says its atomic work is to master technology to generate electricity, not make warheads, so that it can save its huge oil and gas resources for export. It

denies backing terrorists.

"The recent allegations made by the USA against Bank Mellat (have) absolutely no justification and legal ground, and (are) simply based on illegal and baseless accusations," the bank said in a statement received on Saturday.

Washington said Bank Mellat and its subsidiaries provided banking services in support of Iran's nuclear activities, including the country's Atomic Energy

Organization.

Under the sanctions, no US citizen is permitted to deal with the bank and any of its assets under US jurisdiction will be frozen.

Washington is pressing for the European Union to take measures against the Islamic Republic and is also pushing for a third round of UN sanctions to be imposed for Iran's refusal to halt atomic work that has both civilian and military uses.

MNA/Xinhua

## China regulates development of new energy automobiles

BEIJING, 4 Nov — China has made a substantial move to advance the development of automobiles powered by new energies amidst concerns on energy conservation and environmental protection.

A new regulation regarding the qualifications of manufacturers for automobiles powered by new energies was promulgated Thursday by the country's top economic planner, the National

Development and Reform Commission (NDRC), after seven months of public discussion.

New-energy automobiles were defined by the regulation as hybrid cars, battery electric vehicles (BEV), fuel cell electric vehicles (FCEV), hydrogen-fuelled vehicles and vehicles powered by other new types of fuel.

Professor Zha Daojiong, director of the Centre for International Energy Security at Renmin University of China in Beijing, told *Xinhua* the regulation came out against a background of increasing

domestic and international energy demands.

The promulgation of the regulation coincided with the announcement of a sharp gasoline price hike by the NDRC.

The prices of gasoline, diesel oil and aviation kerosene increased by 500 yuan per ton, a rise of almost 10 percent, to lessen the gap between soaring international crude prices and stateset domestic oil prices.

The document said China would accelerate the research, development and production of new energy vehicles step by step.

MNA/Xinhua

## Water supply cut off, affecting 100,000 in S-W China

CHONGQING, 4 Nov — More than 100,000 residents in Chongqing Municipality in southwest China has suffered from water shortage for 24 hours due to a water supply cut-off, local government sources said on Saturday.

The incident was caused by a transformer substation malfunction at a local water supply plant, which occurred at 8 pm Friday, the sources said.

The affected area include Jiangbei District, Yubei District and New

Northern District in northern part of the city.

Local government has exerted full effort to repair

the water-supply system. So far, other water supply plants in the city are transferring water to the

districts with the aim to rapidly resume water supply for the residents.

MNA/Xinhua

## Thailand suspends sending workers to Kuwait after brawl

BANGKOK, 5 Nov — Thailand's Labour Ministry has requested labor recruitment agencies in the kingdom to suspend sending Thai workers to Kuwait following a clash with Egyptian construction workers there.

Manoon Punyakariyakorn, director-general of the Thai Government's Employment Department, said on Sunday that four Thai workers remained in hospital in Kuwait after a brawl with Egyptian labourers at a Thai

workers' camp on Thursday night.

In order to prevent the situation from getting worse, Thailand's Employment Department has ordered recruitment agencies to stop sending Thai workers to Kuwait

for the time being, he said.

Thai workers will be permitted to be dispatched to that country again after the investigation into the incident is completed, Manoon was quoted by the official *Thai News Agency* as saying.

The brawl occurred Thursday night when some 200 Egyptian workers surrounded a camp occupied by a similar number of Thai labourers. A free-for-all occurred following an earlier dispute, according to Tharit Charungwat, a Thai Ministry of Foreign Affairs spokesman.

MNA/Xinhua

## Firefighter killed, three missing in C England warehouse blaze

LONDON, 4 Nov — A firefighter died and three others were missing after they were called to a huge blaze at a warehouse in central England, emergency services said on Saturday.

More than 80 firefighters tackled the fire which broke out on Friday evening at a vegetable packing warehouse on an industrial estate near Stratford upon Avon in Warwickshire.

Large parts of the roof collapsed as flames engulfed the building, an

ambulance service spokesman said. Three firefighters are missing inside the building.

"This has to be one of the darkest days in the history of emergency services in Warwickshire," said West Midlands Ambulance Service Chief Executive Anthony Marsh.

Fire crews worked through the night to bring the blaze under control. Television pictures showed the scene still shrouded in thick smoke as dawn broke.

MNA/Reuters

## House collapse kills four in E China province

HEFEI, 4 Nov — The collapse of a house under construction in a village in east China's Anhui Province killed four people and injured four others, the local government said on Friday.

The collapse occurred around 10:00 am on Thursday in the Wang-xinzhuan Village in Xiaoxian County of the province when the two storey structure suddenly fell apart. Four workers were killed at the scene and another four were seriously injured.

The injured are now in a county hospital where three of them, including house owner Ding Xiuyun, were still in a coma as of Friday afternoon, a hospital official said.

Zhao Chengfu, a

construction worker who suffered cuts to his chest, said he was painting a wall from a scaffold on the

second floor when the ceiling suddenly came down on him.

MNA/Xinhua

## Tanzania refutes chemically preserved fish reports

DAR-ES-SALAAM, 4 Nov — The government of Tanzania has refuted reports that some traders have used a hospital chemical to help treat and stock fish products to prolong shelf life.

Deputy Health Minister Aisha Kigoda told the Tanzanian National Assembly which is now in session in Dodoma that the government was aware of the allegation in June 2006 and had so far established that no such chemical had been used.

The hospital chemical in question is formalin

which is used to help preserve human bodies.

"My ministry, through the Tanzania Food and Drug Authority, conducted a laboratory investigation on all fish samples which were allegedly preserved through the use of formalin," said the deputy minister. "It was established that no such chemicals had been used."

The official added that the tested fish samples had been collected from various warehouses where fish were stored before transportation.

MNA/Xinhua

*Pedestrians and firefighters walk on a street flooded with ice after a heavy hail storm flooded some of Bogota's main streets, on 3 Nov 2007.—INTERNET*



# SPORTS

## Masterful Calzaghe hands Kessler first defeat

CARDIFF, 5 Nov — Welshman Joe Calzaghe produced a masterful display to beat Denmark's Mikkel Kessler on points in an absorbing world super-middleweight unification fight in the early hours of Sunday morning.

The 35-year-old Welshman, roared on by a huge crowd in the Millennium Stadium, was taken the distance but was the better fighter and took a unanimous points decision. In defending his WBO title for the 21st time, spanning 10 years, Calzaghe also inflicted a first defeat on Kessler and walked off with the 28-year-old's WBA and WBC belts.

Calzaghe, who took his record to 44 wins and no defeats, relinquished his IBF title last year but there is no question now that he is the undisputed king of the 12 stone division. The heavily tattooed Kessler, fighting outside Denmark for only the third time as a professional, won the respect of a partisan Cardiff crowd, and his opponent, but eventually ran out of ideas against the Welsh wizard. — MNA/Reuters

## Italy provides knockout finish to World C'ship

CHICAGO, 5 Nov — Italy provided a knockout finish to the world boxing championships when heavy-weight Clemente Russo and super-heavyweight Roberto Cammarelle scored upset wins to steal the spotlight from Russia on Saturday.

Russian boxers left with a tournament best three gold medals but missed an opportunity of a record haul, settling for silvers in three other weight classes. It had been 16 years since Tommaso Russo won Italy's only world championship gold medal, the unrelated Clemente Russo ending the drought with a narrow 7-6 decision over Russia's Rakhim Chakhkeiv.

He was followed into the ring by Cammarelle, who tamed Ukraine's Vyacheslav Glazkov 24-14 to give Italy two gold medals in 15 minutes.

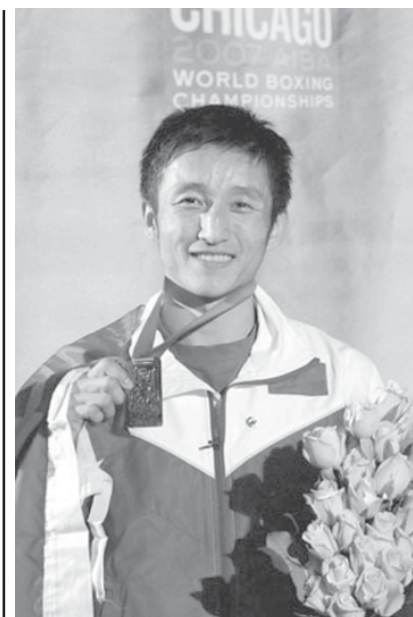
The United States and England

also ended gold medal droughts.

Both countries possess rich boxing traditions but that has not translated into success on the international amateur stage.

The US came into the championship without a gold medal in eight years while England had never celebrated a world champion.

Both streaks ended on Saturday, flyweight Rau'shee Warren and welterweight Demetrius Andrade returning the US to the top of the podium and lightweight Frankie Gavin became the first Englishman to lift a world title by out-pointing Italian Domenico Valentino 18-10. "I think I had the toughest draw of the tournament from the last world championships I beat the silver medallists, the bronze medallists, the Olympic champion," Gavin said. "I've never had a better week.— MNA/Reuters



China's boxer Zou Shiming poses at the awarding ceremony of the World Amateur Boxing Championships in Chicago on Saturday. China's Zou Shiming outpointed Harry Tanamor of the Philippines to win the gold medal in the 48 kilogram division at the championships.—XINHUA



West Ham United's George McCartney (L) beats Bolton Wanderers' Abdoulaye Meite to score during their English Premier League soccer match at Upton Park in London on 4 Nov, 2007.—INTERNET

## Wenger delighted at last-gasp equalizer against United

LONDON, 5 Nov — Arsenal manager Arsene Wenger admitted he was surprised to see referee Howard Webb signal the goal that gave his side a stoppage-time equalizer in Saturday's 2-2 home draw with champions Manchester United.

"I did not see it," said Wenger, laughing at the line he has made famous.

"When the referee interrupted the play I thought it was for a free-kick against us, it was a surprise when he signalled for a goal, but having seen it on TV, the ball goes over the line by about a yard."

The goal was scored by Arsenal skipper William Gallas with just a minute of stoppage time left in the top of the table clash. It was particularly satisfying for the French defender, who had scored an own goal at the end of the first half to put United 1-0 ahead.

Premier League leaders Arsenal fought back with a 48th minute equalizer from Cesc Fabregas before Cristiano Ronaldo put United 2-1 in front with eight minutes to play.

Asked whether Arsenal had got out of jail in preserving their unbeaten record this season, Wenger said: "I don't know about that, but our character was tested twice today — just before halftime and with eight minutes to go.— MNA/Reuters

## Mutu suffers racial abuse from Lazio fans

ROME, 5 Nov — Fiorentina striker Adrian Mutu was racially abused by Lazio fans during his side's 1-0 Serie A victory at Rome's Stadio Olimpico, Italian media reported on Saturday.

Fans called Mutu a "gypsy" in derogatory chants referring to the striker's Romanian origins when he was booked shortly after coming on in the second half, according to the reports. Lazio fans have got the Rome club into trouble a number of times in recent years because of crowd trouble and incidents involving racist chants and banners. — MNA/Reuters



Shiv Kapur of India watches his drive on the third tee during the final round of the Singapore Open golf tournament on 4 Nov, 2007.—INTERNET

## Ferguson hits out at touchline danger at Arsenal

LONDON, 5 Nov — Alex Ferguson criticized the lack of security at Arsenal on Saturday, saying it was dangerous on the touchline for him and his Manchester United coaching staff.

"On our bench we were getting terrible abuse from people (fans) two or three feet away," the United manager told his club's in-house television channel MUTV after the 2-2 Premier League draw at the Emirates Stadium. "There is a lack of security here.

"It is absolutely disgraceful the abuse you and your staff take. All sorts of things are being shouted and screamed at you and there is an absolute danger here."

Ferguson was also unhappy with the performance of referee Howard Webb.

"I think Howard Webb has a great chance to be the top referee but today was a big game for him and, at times, he favoured Arsenal," said the Scot.

"Their second goal (by William Gallas in stoppage time) came from him not giving a free kick for a foul on Louis Saha. It should have been a foul for us."

MNA/Reuters



Canada's Jessica Dube (bottom L) and Bryce Davison (top L), Germany's Aliona Savchenko (bottom C) and Robin Szolkowy (top C), Russia's Yuko Kawaguchi (bottom R) and Alexander Smirnov (top R) pose during the medals ceremony at Skate Canada figure skating championship in Quebec City on 3 Nov, 2007. Savchenko and Szolkowy won the competition, Dube and Davison finished second, Kawsaguchi and Smirnov finished third.—XINHUA

## Rangers ease to 2-0 win over Thistle

GLASGOW, 4 Nov — Rangers cruised to a 2-0 win over Inverness Caledonian Thistle with a goal in each half from Kris Boyd and Carlos Cuellar in the Scottish Premier League (SPL) on Saturday.

Striker Boqd put them ahead after just 45 seconds when he fastened on to a pass from Spanish forward Nacho Novo 16 metres out and sent a low shot into the bottom right of the net. Spanish defender Cuellar grabbed the second goal in 63 minutes.

Rangers remain second in the SPL standings with 25 points, three behind champions Celtic who won 2-1 at Kilmarnock earlier on Saturday with a first-half double from Australian striker Scott McDonald.

MNA/Reuters

# Korean-owned ships freed by Somali pirates

NAIROBI, 5 Nov — Pirates have released two South Korean-owned vessels held since May off Somalia in one of the world's most dangerous waterways, a regional maritime group said on Sunday.

Andrew Mwangura, coordinator of the Kenya-based East African Seafarers' Assistance Programme, said shipping sources confirmed to him that the two fishing boats, both registered in Tanzania's Zanzibar Islands, were released on Sunday afternoon.

A US Navy spokesman confirmed the fishing vessels, *Mavuno 1* and *Mavuno 2*, had been released and said there were about 24 people on board.

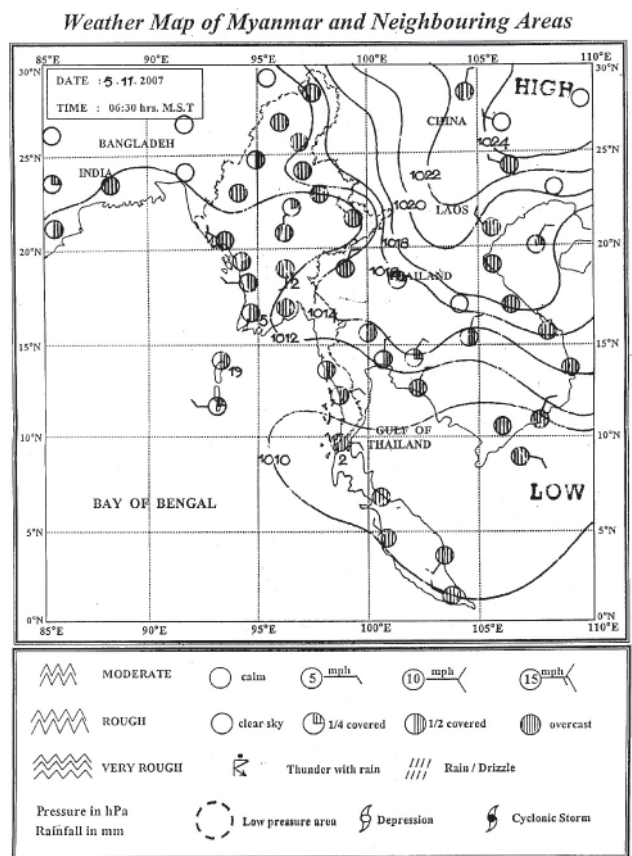
Mwangura said US vessels in the region would probably escort the two freed boats to the Kenyan port of Mombasa.

"We understand they were demanding 1.5 million US dollars, but the ship owner said he could not afford that," Mwangura, speaking from Mombasa, told *Reuters*.

"We think some sort of ransom must have been paid, but that information will not come out until the ships reach safe water."

Gunmen attacked the ships off the Somali coast in mid-May as they were on their way to Yemen.

MNA/Reuters



## WEATHER

Monday, 5 November, 2007

**Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hours MST:** During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Rakhine, Kayah and Mon States, Mandalay and Taninthayi Divisions, scattered in Shan and Kayin States, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Divisions and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining areas. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) above November average temperature in Kachin States and Bago Division, (4°C) below November average temperature in upper Sagaing Division, (5°C) below November average temperatures in Magway Division and about November average temperatures in the remaining areas. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Zaungtu (2.09) inches, Thaton (2.05) inches, Shwegyin (1.06) inches, Co Co Island (0.75) inch, Phyarpon (0.67) inch, Taunggyi (0.59) inch, Gwa (0.55) inch, Hpa-an and Kayan (0.47) inch each.

Maximum temperature on 4-11-2007 was 92°F. Minimum temperature on 5-11-2007 was 71°F. Relative humidity at 09:30 hours MST on 5-11-2007 was 92%. Total sunshine hours on 4-11-2007 was (3.5) hours approx.

Rainfall on 4-11-2007 was (Tr) at Mingaladon, (Tr) at Kaba-Aye and (0.08) inch Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2007 was (136.46) inches at Mingaladon, (140.75) inches at Kaba-Aye and (144.29) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from Southeast at (15:30) hours MST on 4-11-2007.

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

**Forecast valid until evening of 6-11-2007:** Likelihood of isolated light rain or thundershowers in Shan, Rakhine, Mon, Kayin and Kayah States, Mandalay, Bago, Ayeyawady, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions and weather will be partly cloudy in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers in the Southern Myanmar areas.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 6-11-2007:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 6-11-2007:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 6-11-2007:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

# Nine men found shot dead in Russian forest

MOSCOW, 5 Nov — The bodies of nine men with gunshot wounds were found on Sunday in a forest in the north Caucasus Republic of Kabardino-Balkaria, a Russian news agency reported.

The men were found near two abandoned

automobiles in a wooded area near the village of Lechinkai, local police told *Interfax*.

According to the police, the men were hunters from nearby Nalchik, Nizhny Chegem and Khasyan.

The North Caucasus is a complex patchwork of different religions and ethnic groups divided by rivalry and suspicion. Russia has fought two wars in nearby Chechnya since the dissolution of the Soviet Union.

MNA/Reuters

Russian visitors learn Taiji from Chinese Kongfu master Zhang Maoguo, accompanied by Chinese folk music in Boao, southern China's Hainan Province on 3 Nov, 2007.—INTERNET



## Tuesday, 6 November Tune in today

- 8:30 am Brief news
- 8:35 am Music -Why
- 8:40 am Perspectives
- 8:45 am Music -You are my baby
- 8:50 am National news/Slogan
- 9:00 am Music -Super girl
- 9:05 am International news
- 9:10 am Music -Tazon boy
- 1:30 pm News/Slogan
- 1:40 pm Lunch time music -Everybody hurts -Anotherday
- 9:00 pm English speaking course
- 9:10 pm Article
- 9:20 pm Weekly sports reel
- 9:35 pm Listening pleasure -My heart keeps following you -Gina
- 9:45 pm News/Slogan
- 10:00 pm PEL



## Tuesday, 6 November View on today

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| <p>7:00 am</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. ကျေးဇူးရှင်မင်းကွန်း ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၊ နိုင်ငံတော်သံဃာ့မဟာနာယကအဖွဲ့အကျိုးတော်ဆောင်ချုပ်၊ အဘိဓမ္မာရတနာ၊ အဘိဓမ္မာမဟာသဒ္ဓမ္မဇောတိက၊ တိပိဋကဓရ၊ ဓမ္မာဏ္ဍာဂါရိက၊ ဆရာတော်ဘဒ္ဒန္တဝိစိတ္တသာရာဘိဝံသ၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်</li> </ol> <p>7:25 am</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. To be healthy exercises</li> </ol> <p>7:30 am</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Morning news</li> </ol> <p>7:40 am</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Nice and sweet song</li> </ol> | <p>7:50 am</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. ကဗျာပန်းဥယျာဉ်</li> </ol> <p>8:00 am</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. အကပြိုင်ပွဲ</li> </ol> <p>8:10 am</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Song of yesteryear</li> </ol> <p>8:20 am</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. ယူးချောင်းတံတား</li> </ol> <p>8:30 am</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9. International news</li> </ol> <p>8:45 am</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10. Let's go</li> </ol> <p>4:00 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Martial song</li> </ol> <p>4:15 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Song to uphold National Spirit</li> </ol> <p>4:30 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. English for everyday use</li> </ol> <p>4:45 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ်ပညာရေး ရုပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ-ပထမနှစ် (ရက္ခဗေဒ၊ သတ္တဗေဒ အထူးပြုများ) (ရက္ခဗေဒ)</li> </ol> | <p>5:00 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. Dance of national races</li> </ol> <p>5:15 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. ခံစားနားဆင်တေးဇာတ်ဝင်</li> </ol> <p>5:25 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. Sing and enjoy</li> </ol> <p>6:00 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. Evening news</li> </ol> <p>6:30 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9. Weather report</li> </ol> <p>6:35 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10. ကြယ်ပွင့်များရဲ့ရင်ခုန်သံ</li> </ol> <p>6:50 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11. သုတစုံလင်ရွှေညာဏ်ရှင်</li> </ol> <p>7:15 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်သောရွှေနေ့ခြည်" (အပိုင်း-၂၇)</li> </ol> <p>8:00 pm</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>14. News</li> <li>15. International news</li> <li>16. Weather report</li> <li>17. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ပြီးလှည့်ပါချစ်သူရယ်" (အပိုင်း-၂၁)</li> <li>19. The next day's programme</li> </ol> |
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## People's Desire

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

### Who are the winners, who the losers from violent protests?

- ★ **Due to violence and unrest**  
 Peace-loving people have to live in state of alarm  
 Learning of students disrupted  
 Commodity flow stagnant  
 Vendors have hard times  
 Passenger transport services delayed
- ★ **Due to violence and unrest**  
 Only the notorious neo-colonialists benefited  
 Instigators covertly earning dollars  
 Expatriates and ax-handles living in luxury  
 Followers of colonialists earning handsome dollar rewards

- ★ **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**