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To preserve national solidarity with Union Spirit

The entire national people are duty-bound to preserve the alreadyachieved national solidarity with Union Spirit so that the Union of Myanmar will be able to stand tall as long as the world exists.

> Senior General Than Shwe Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services (From the message sent on the occasion of the 60th Anniversary Union Day)

Senior General Than Shwe felicitates Iranian President

NAY PYI TAW, 11 Feb—Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr. Mahmoud Ahmadenejad, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, on the occasion of the National Day of the Islamic Republic of Iran, which falls on 11 February 2010.—*MNA*

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye sends message of felicitations to Iranian First Vice-President

NAY PYI TAW, 11 Feb—Vice-Senior General Maung Aye, Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr. Mohammad Reza Rahimi, First Vice-President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, on the occasion of the National Day of the Islamic Republic of Iran, which falls on 11 February 2010.—*MNA*

Vice-Senior General Maung Aye receives new Military Attaché of Lao PDR

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Feb—Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Commander-in-Chief (Army) Vice-Senior General Maung Aye received new Military Attaché Colonel Syphanh Phanthalavong of the Lao People's Democratic Republic to the Union of Myanmar at

Zeyathiri Beikman, here, at 9 am today.

Also present at the call were member of the State Peace and Development Council General Thura Shwe Mann, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Nyan Tun, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein and Lt-Gen Ye Myint of the Ministry of Defence.—*MNA*

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
 - ² Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad ³ The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

⁵ Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation

- ² 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

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PERSPECTIVES

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Our Union, home to all national races

A significant characteristics of Myanmar is that it is home to all national races including Kachin, Kayah, Kayin, Chin, Bamar, Mon, Rakhine and Shan. During the thousandyear-old history, the national races have been living in harmony and amity.

The colonialists waged aggressive wars against Myanmar and occupied her unjustly. The occupiers practiced the divided-and-rule policy in administering the plains, the states and hill regions. Thanks to the visionary national race leaders, Myanmar was able to sign the Panglong Agreement, an important contribution to our independence struggle.

Deep in the soul of our national races have been the patriotism and Union Spirit since yore. During the independence struggle, anticolonialist spirit was spreading in the whole country. All the national people with their fine tradition of consolidated unity and patriotism and nationalistic fervour fought back the colonialists and Fascists till Myanmar regained her independence and sovereignty.

The 63rd Anniversary of the Union Day which was conceived in Panglong falls on 12 February 2010. The mother country has seen the passing of time and a lot of changes. We are now building a new peaceful, modern and developed democratic nation in accord with the eternal truth or the national policy – nondisintegration of the Union; non-disintegration of national solidarity; and perpetuation of sovereignty.

There will be peace and stability in the country only if there is national unity, followed by the emergence of a modern and developed nation. A national race or a portion of the territory shall not be separated from the Union. So all are duty bound to keep the Union intact. We will have to ward off all internal and external attempts to harm peace and stability and development and modernization undertakings with the strength of national solidarity.

Union Spirit is ever flourishing in the hearts of our national brethren. We will have to preserve our fine traditions of striving for national peace and progress through unity and safeguarding our Union in which we are living in harmony for its perpetuation.

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

Basic English Course for Officers concludes

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Feb—The ceremony to conclude Basic English Course for Officers of the Ministry of Religious Affairs was held at the meeting hall of the ministry here on 9 February afternoon.

Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung made an address and presented outstanding awards and completion certificates to trainees.

A total of 25 officers attended the three-week course lectured by Retired Professor U Maung Maung Lay of International Theravada Buddhist Missionary University. —*MNA*

FM felicitates Iranian counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 11 Feb— On the occasion of the National Day of the Islamic Republic of Iran, which falls on 11 February 2010, U Nyan Win, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to H.E. Mr. Manouchehr Mottaki, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

MNA



Minister for Religious Affairs Brig-Gen Thura Myint Maung addresses concluding ceremony of Basic English Course for Officers.—MNA

Myanmar, Bangladesh to boost trading of agricultural produce

YANGON, 10 Feb — Chairman of Myanmar Rice Industry Association U Chit Khaing, Vice-Chairman U Sein Win Hlaing, General Secretary U Ye Min Aung and Joint Secretaries U Myo Thura Aye and U Zaw Oo met Bangladeshi Ambassador to Myanmar Major General

Anup Kumar Chakma ndc, psc and Commercial Counsellor Mr. Md Aftabuzzaman at the office of the association on 8 February.

They held comprehensive discussions on agricultural matters and agricultural produce trading.—*MNA*



Nibban dealers enjoy night together



YANGON, 10 Feb-Dealer's Night of Nibban Electric & Electronics took place at Western Park Royal

Managing Director Dr Aung Thein explains about new products and promotion packages.—MNA Restaurant here on 8 February.

New products and promotion packages were introduced by Managing Director Dr Aung Thein of Nibban Group. Chairman U Thein Kyi and officials presented prizes of honour to the best dealers of its products defore the lucky

draw programme started. Products of the group

are available at its head office and showroom at No. 164, Bo Ywe Road, Latha Township, Yangon and at its factory at No. 126, Matkhayar Min Thar Gyi Street, City of Industry (East Dagon) (Ph:01-585103 and 01-700470).—*MNA*







Palestinians inspect the rubble of destroyed Gaza airport after Israeli warplane strike in Rafah city southern Gaza strip, on 10 Feb, 2010. - XINHUA

Two NATO soldiers killed in Afghanistan

KABUL, 10 Feb - Two soldiers of the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) including a service member of the United States were killed in Afghanistan's southern and eastern restive regions on Tuesday, a Press release of the alliance issued here said.

"An ISAF service member from the United States died following an IED (Improvised Explosive Device) strike in southern Afghanistan today," the Press release said. The second soldier was killed in a gun battle in eastern region.-Xinhua



Medical centres in Britain are struggling to bers of injuries amid in-

40th French soldier dies in Afghanistan

ment.

statement,

France for treatment.

Xinhua

Paris, 10 Feb -French Defence Ministry announced this year's first death of French troops in Afghanistan on Tuesday, which brought French toll in the war-zone to 40 since 2001

The soldier was killed when escorting the Afghan Army through the Alasay Valley, north-east of the capital Kabul, and



Afghan soldiers arrive to search for avalanche victims in Salang Pass, some 115 kilometers north of Kabul, Afghanistan, on 10 Feb, 2010. The death toll from massive avalanches that blocked a mountain pass north of Kabul soared, as rescuers recovered 157 bodies, while hundreds more remained trapped in their snowbound vehicles.—INTERNET

US and allies kill, injure Iraqi people

BAGHDAD, 10 Feb- There has been daily casualties in Iraq since the US and its allies have invaded the country

Casualties of Iraqi people

The total number of casualties as from the day they invaded the country to 10 February reached 700237 and the total number of seriously injured people reached 1264454, according to the news on the Internet.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Death toll of Iraqi people	700237
2.	The total number of seriously injured people	1264454

Internet

Hospitals under pressure by Afghan injuries

surge in casualties.

both Afghanistan and cope with mounting numcreasingly fierce opposition from Taleban-led enemies, the public spending watchdog said.

Two major treatment centres in Britain - the main hospital for dealing with seriously injured troops, and the main rehabilitation centre - are "under increasing pressure," said the National Audit Office.

"Casualty numbers from military operations are placing increasing demands" on the centres, said the watchdog.

"In addition, the main field hospital in Afghanistan - Camp Bastion is currently coping with casualty levels, but working close to capacity," it said.



Casualties of Afghan people in invasion of NATO troops led by US

KABUL, 10 Feb-The NATO troops led by the US have invaded Afghanistan and they are there for a long time.

A number of Afghan people are killed and injured due to invasion of the NATO troops led by the US.

Casualties of Afghan people

According to the Internet news, a total of 32571 Afghan people were killed and 38871 injured seriously as from the day when the NATO troops led by the US invaded Afghanistan to 10 February.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Number of Afghan people killed	32571
2.	Seriously injured Afghan people	38871

Internet



People gather at the site of a bombing in the city of Karbala, Iraq, on 5 Feb, 2010. A twin car bombing targeted a crowd of Shiite pilgrims packing a highway as they walked to a holy city south of Baghdad for a major religious ceremony.—INTERNET

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Workers produce handsets at a factory in Shenzhen, in southern China's Guangdong Province. The country's exports surged 21 percent on-year in January, the government said on Wednesday, after figures showed the Asian giant had overtaken Germany as the world's leading exporter in 2009.-INTERNET

Honda recalls nearly 379,000 cars over airbag defects in US

Los ANGELES, 10 Feb- Honda Motor Co said on Tuesday that it is recalling over 378,758 vehicles sold in the United States, expanding a recall that began in November 2008 over concerns that airbag inflators could rupture and cause serious injuries or death.

There have been 12 incidents of airbag inflators deploying with too much pressure, causing the inflator to break apart and sending metal fragments through the airbag cushion.

The problem has resulted in at least one fatality, said the American Honda based in Torrance near Los Angeles.-Xinhua

S Korea's Hyundai, LG to launch car-battery joint venture

SEOUL, 10 Feb- Hyundai Mobis Co, the main autoparts provider of South Korea's Hyundai Motors, said on Wednesday they have agreed with LG Chem Ltd, the country's largest chemicals maker, to launch a joint venture to produce lithium-ion car batteries.

HL Green Power Co, the name of the new joint company, is a 29 billion won (25.1 million US dollars) venture that will begin production in the second half of next year, Hyundai Mobis said in a Press release. The factory will be built in the city of Uiwang, south of Seoul, where the auto-parts maker has a plant for hybrid cars, and it plans to produce battery packs for 200,000 vehicles a year, which will increase to 400,000 vehicles a year by 2014, the release said.-Xinhua

SAS airline posts loss, plans job cuts

STOCKHOLM, 10 Feb-Shares (SAS) in Scandinavian Airlines plunged on Tuesday after it said it was planning to raise new capital and cut 650 jobs as part of an expanded cost-reduction plan.

The airline also posted a worse-than-expected fourth quarter net loss, losing 1.3 billion kronor (176 million dollars, 128 million euros) instead of the 733 million expected by analysts surveyed by Dow Jones.

In 2008, the airline lost

fourth quarter. SAS shares closed

down 28 percent to 2.54 kronor on a slightly positive Stockholm Stock Exchange.

"What we plan is 650 full-time (job cuts) within Group,' the SAS Elisabeth Manzi, SAS director of media relations, told AFP.

SAS has already axed thousands of jobs as part of its cost-cutting drive.

The airline reported that overall traffic decreased by 5.1 percent

2.79 billion kronor in the | during January, with passenger numbers down 4.4 percent

FRANKFURT, 10 Feb-

Troubled automaker Opel

laid its cards on the table

Tuesday with details of a

restructuring plan that

will involve 8,300 job

cuts and require billions

of euros (dollars) in state

Opel boss Nick Reilly

delivered a long-awaited

programme for the ailing

General Motors unit and

its 50,000 employees dur-

ing a Press conference

aid.

SAS also announced a rights issue to raise around five billion kronor, which follows a six-billion-kronor issue last year.

The airline, in which Norway, Denmark and Sweden together hold half the stock, has been hit by the rise of low-cost airline Norwegian and the plunge in passenger traffic numbers as a result of the global economic crisis.-Internet

China exports surge in January showed a 16.3 percent |

China's trade surplus

On Tuesday, Germany

ceded to China the title of

top global exporter that it

had claimed in 2003, as

the European giant's trade

suffered its sharpest

slump since 1950, accord-

ing to government data. The stronger Chinese

reached 14.17 billion dol-

lars in January, the figures

showed.

drop month-on-month.

BEIJING, 10 Feb-China's exports surged 21 percent in January from a year earlier, the government said on Wednesday, a day after figures showed the Asian giant had overtaken Germany as the world's leading exporter in 2009.

Shipments totalled 109.475 billion dollars for the month, solidifying a turnaround recorded in December, according to figures released by the General Administration of Customs.

The figure however

that paved the way for

talks with governments in

several European coun-

"We have no time to

in

waste," Reilly said in

Frankfurt, near Opel's

He added that, with the

new plan, "we expect to

break even in 2011 and

make a decent profit in

headquarters

Ruesselsheim.

2012."

Honda Motor Co.'s headquarters is reflected on a

displayed car in Tokyo, Japan, on 10 Feb, 2010.

INTERNET

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vate sector machinery orders increased a seasonally adjusted 20.1 percent in December from a month earlier to 751.2 billion yen (8.3 billion US dollars) according to a report released by the Cabinet Office on Wednesday.

The total value of machinery orders received by 280 manufacturers operating in Japan increased

Opel unveils turnaround plan, 8,300 jobs slashed GM is to contribute 600 million euros (825 million dollars) and is asking countries that host Opel and its British sister brand Vauxhall to stump up another 2.7 billion

> euros Reilly said he had officially submitted the plan to the German authorities and was set to begin negotiations with officials in Berlin.—Internet

exports in January indicated growing US and European demand, a sign the global economy "is coming out of recession" said Robert Subbaraman, economist at Nomura International (HK) Ltd in Hong Kong.

Meanwhile, China's imports jumped 85.5 percent in January compared to the same month in 2009, reaching 95.3 billion dollars.—Internet

Japan's machinery orders rise 20.1% in December

Токуо, 10 Feb-Pri- | by 21.2 percent in December from the previous month on a seasonally adjusted basis. In the October to December quarter the value of orders rose 7.8 percent in comparison to the pre-

> ceding quarter and the volume of orders climbed 0.5 percent in the same period. In fiscal 2009, the to-

> tal volume of new machinery orders decreased by 31.8 percent.

Also private-sector orders, excluding volatile ones such as those for ships and from electric utilities, fell by 26.9 percent, the Cabinet Office said in the report.

However, the Cabinet Office forecast orders will rise 2 percent in the three months ending on 31 March, meaning the government envisions corporate capital spending will rise.-Internet



A SAS MD-82 aircraft parked at a gate at Terminal 5 of Arlanda Airport north of Stockholm, Sweden, Shares in SAS Scandinavian Airlines plunged on Tuesday after it said it was planning to raise new capital and cut 650 jobs as part of an expanded cost-reduction plan.-INTERNET

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Myanmar prepares compilation of Human Rights Report

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Feb—In line with the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) of the UN Security Council, the Myanmar Human Rights Committee discussed the regular matters of human rights and the compilation of the Human Rights Report of Myanmar to be submitted to the UN Human Rights Council, at the committee's meeting 1/2010 taking place at the Ministry of Home Affairs, here, this afternoon.

Judge Advocate-General Lt-Gen Soe Maung, the

deputy ministers, the Deputy Chief Justice, the Deputy Attorney-General, the Chief of MPF, representatives of UN agencies and officials took part in the discussions on compilation of the Human Rights Report of Myanmar.

The meeting ended with concluding remarks by Chairman of Myanmar Human Rights Committee Minister for Home Affairs Maj-Gen Maung Oo. MNA



Minister for Home Affairs Maj-Gen Maung Oo speaking at meting 1/2010 of Myanmar Human Rights Committee.—MNA

Mandalay Division emerge champion in ISD Football Tournament

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Feb—Mandalay Division emerged champion with a 2-1 win over Sagaing Division in the 55th Inter-State/Division Union Shield Men's Football Tournament 2010 at the People's Sports Ground in Pathein of Ayeyawady Division yesterday afternoon.

With a view to turning out outstanding footballers, the ISD Football Tournament was organized with the participation of 16 contending teams at Pathein, Hinthada, Maubin and Myaungmya zones. Magway and Sagaing Divisions tied at third while Ayeyawady Division stood fourth. Best players in the respective places were awarded. Thet Naing (Mandalay) secured the best player award for the tournament.

Maj-Gen Kyaw Swe, Chairman of Ayeyawady Division Peace and Development Council Commander of South-West Command, presented cash award, Union shield and duplicate shield to Champion Mandalay Division team. *MNA*



Vice-Senior General Maung Aye cordially greets new Military Attaché Colonel Syphanh Phanthalavong of Lao PDR. (News on page 1)—MNA



Players of Mandalay and Sagaing Divisions tussling the ball in final of ISD Football Tournament.—MNA

Collegians show off brilliant tennis skills



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YANGON, 10 Feb-Yangon Institute of Education (A) men's team emerged champion in the Inter-University/Degree College Tennis Contest of the Department of Higher Education (Lower Myanmar) taking place at Universities' Tennis Court on Thaton Road of Kamayut Township today. Yangon In-stitute of

Education (B) men's team stood second, while Yangon University and Yangon University of Foreign Languages tied at third.

Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin awards winner in Inter-University/Degree College Tennis Contest.—YCDC In the women's event, Dagon University secured the first prize, followed by Yangon Institute of Economics in the second position, and Yangon Institute of Education (A) and Yangon University of Foreign Languages stood third. Patron of Myanmar

Patron of Myanmar Tennis Federation Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor Brig-Gen Aung Thein Lin and officials awarded the respective winning teams and winners.— MNA

Innocent people wounded in mine blasts in Thandaung and Mone

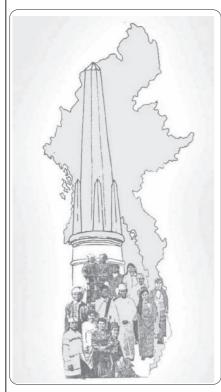
NAY PYI TAW, 10 Feb—U Win Soe and U Lwan Wai of Padaukkon village, Htantabin Township, Bago Division, were wounded in the blast of a mine planted by insurgents after stepping onto it on their way to Mewalan (a) Sapaingkon forest near Kanasobin village, Thandaung township in Kayin State as they were loading firewood onto the bulllock cart at about 4.30 pm on 6 February and the two were sent to Htantabin Hospital.

Similarly, U Tin Oo and U Win Zaw of Meikthalin village, Kyaukkyi Township, Bago Division, were injured in a mine explosion triggered by insurgents while they were going to carry firewood by the bull-lock cart at about 8 am on 7 February and the injured were sent to Mone Station Hospital.—*MNA*

MRTV to telecast Union Day Ceremony live

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Feb—Myanma Radio and Television and Nay Pyi Taw Myanma Radio will broadcast live the State Flag Hoisting and Saluting Ceremony of 63rd Anniversary Union Day to be held in Nay Pyi Taw at 7 a.m. on 12 February. The programmes will start from 6.45 a.m. the same day.—*MNA*

Hailing the 63rd Anniversary Union Day Consolidated unity at core of building new nation



Our country stood tall in the international community as a sovereign nation known as the Union of Myanmar for thousands of years on account of the consolidated unity of all national races. Since the times of monarchs, national races have worked together with complete unity for perpetuation of sovereignty and peace. However, once our nation fell under colonial yoke in consequence of the colonialists' plots to sow hatred among national brethren, using force to bully the nation, and invasion with armed superiority, which was a painful memory for the people. The nation lost massive natural resources, and the-then people suffered untold miseries. The nation still has to cope with internal armed insurgency and grave threats to the sovereignty of the Union due to the evil legacy deliberately left by the colonialists.

In successive periods, national races have preserved a fine tradition of sharing joys and sorrows. The morale and vigour of the people is the strength of the nation. It was an extremely formidable challenge faced by the people to build consolidated national unity in the Union throughout the history. National races had great tenacity and resilience in braving and tackling various forms of internal and external acts of sabotage, so the nation could stand tall as a sovereign independent land in the world.

The people have to take invaluable lessons from

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the past bitter experiences in an effort to generate a prosperous future for the nation. They are also under a national duty to make sure that the nation will never face such evil miseries again. Today in the world it is said to focus on peaceful coexistence. However, in practice, the world has come under unfair treatments, invasions, and interference in internal affairs of other countries. In particular, today's world incidents have revealed that certain powers are resorting to various tactics to have domination and political hegemony over developing countries.

Over 100 years into the colonial rule, Myanmar managed to regain independence, sacrificing lives of a countless number of its people. However, the independence was closely followed by multicoloured insurgency with disintegration of national solidarity sparked by the evil legacy the colonialists left on purpose. Because of the internal armed strife, successive governments were in no position to carry out national development tasks in an effective way and had to concentrate most of their attention on State stability, community peace, and national unity. Owing to the persistence of the internal armed insurgency, the nation faced economic slump and was far from development.

Another point is that Myanmar is rich in natural resources and occupies strategic location in terms of geopolitics, thus attracting covetous eyes from certain powerful countries. Therefore, they have been trying for long to manipulate and to put our country under their thumb. Their schemes will never come to fruition so long as national races remain united, and the Tatmadaw and the people work together in harmony. So, the entire people have to be constantly vigilant against different forms of attempts internal and external anti-government groups have been making to undermine national solidarity and to deceive them into misunderstanding the government.

In the post-independence period, Myanmar tried the multiparty democracy system. However, there was no cooperation and unity between political parties and party leaders. They focused all their efforts on their plans for their parties and leaders to come to power. Many profound historic evidences show that the people therefore had to deal with a large diversity of hardships. Their power-craving sense broke their parties into warring factions. So, destabilization and conflicts were rampant across the nation, and the nation was standing on the edge of collapse several times, which is an unforgettable lesson for younger generations. According to the past evidences, whatever system the nation practises, national unity and Union Spirit are of great importance for the future of a union country.

Having a glimpse of the nation's history, we can notice the important role the Tatmadaw played. The Tatmadaw never failed to save the motherland and take State responsibilities in times of emergency such

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as whenever the nation was on the verge of civil war stemming from armed conflicts, the nation was hovering on the point of collapse due to the attempts to secede from the Union, and the nation came under the interference in the internal affairs by powerful countries. In addition, it had to sacrifice lives of its many members, to safeguard national interest and ensure perpetuation of the nation as a national duty.

The Tatmadaw has been carrying out demanding tasks from dawn to dusk such as suppression of internal and external threats, building national unity, restoration of State stability and community peace and ensuring perpetuation of sovereignty, and national development undertakings.

Without State stability and peace, national development is impossible. It is common knowledge that saboteurs have been committing destructive acts such as bomb attacks on railroads, roads, pylons, and factories, and on busy places with the intention of disrupting the development tasks.

Therefore, since its assumption of State duties, the Tatmadaw has given top priority to State stability, peace, the rule of law, ensuring secure and smooth transport, and perpetuation of sovereignty. Taking time, the Tatmadaw government has laid *(See page 7)*

Poem

The seeds of Panglong

- * On that misty day of the past In a little town called "Panglong" All hands joined together in unity With overwhelming courage and zeal A clarion call with vigour and awareness
- * It was on that misty day Signed the Panglong Agreement in unity
- Helping each other in weal or woe And through thick and thin United were the plains and hill regions Warding off the colonialists In the hearts courage and resolve
- Victory flag flying high with glory * In that misty moment Signs of peace and tranquility
- Brethren awakened with dynamism Conviction to share joys and sorrows Overwhelmed by smiles and joy Whole country reverberating
- With victory in unity * In hearts the seeds of Panglong From there to eternity Enjoying the fruits of victory Consolidating the strength of unity Ever united for the future Panglong spirit to enhance The Myanmar glory till future (Hailing the 63rd Anniversary Union Day)

Zaw Min Min Oo (Trs)



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strong foundations in spite of a variety of disruptions. It is easier said than done to enable the nation enjoy development at that degree. Inspired by their pessimistic attitude, anti-government groups are found constantly chiding the government for whatever it does in the national interest. They have hardly extended a helping hand and cooperation in the tasks for restoration of peace and stability and national development. To what they give top priority is their coming to power, not national interest.

After improving the infrastructures to an extent for national development, the government is in pursuit of the national policy of building a multiparty democratic nation in compliance with the aspiration of the entire people. Now, Myanmar is in its transitional stage, which is to be tackled with great care. The nation is poised to take a giant step towards democracy. So, the entire people on their part are to work together in the interest of the nation, to build a new nation with consolidated national unity, and to try with Union Spirit so as to shape a better future for the nation.

Nonetheless, pessimists stick to their plot to hinder the drive. So, it is required of the people to consider for whom are they doing so. The people are also to be aware of the certain foreign countries behind the plots to trouble our country and to have their wishes fulfilled. They are trying to create opportunities, flattering subversives by praising their obstructive acts and coercing the government in order to interfere in the internal affairs of the nation. So, the people have to have a watchful eye on their attempts.

The multiparty democracy election, the first stage for democratization, is drawing near. The entire people are not to let their goal divert from its course. It is, therefore, important to find out the real intention of those countries coercing and imposing economic sanctions against our country. The people also have to beware of the acts of elements aided and abetted by those countries. In that regard, what is the most important is to elect those who will work for the nation and the people and serve the national interest.

National unity is the only thing with which the people can surmount all forms of destructive acts. In other words, the strength of the nation is the consolidated unity of all the national people in the Union. If weak in certain points, the nation will be getting weak. The people should take a lesson that the nation can get weaker, having its parts separated from it one after another, as evidenced by the untold miseries being faced by many other countries. United we stand, and divided we fall. If with disintegration of national solidarity, the country may lose its future.

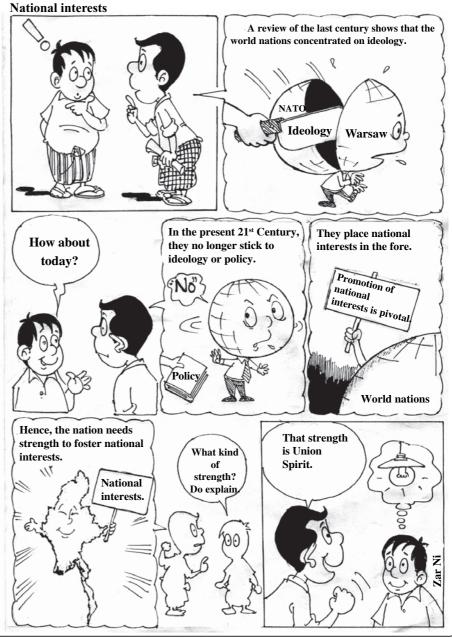
Thus, internal and external elements are working in complicity in their schemes to hamper democratization process and destabilize the nation. They are trying to sow dissension among national brethren, and drive a wedge between the Tatmadaw and the people. More than that, they are resorting to all possible ways to break up the Tatmadaw. The Tatmadaw is responsible for ensuring State stability, peace and perpetuation of sovereignty. The Tatmadaw defends the nation against dangers and threats. It is a notable point that if the Tatmadaw is divided, it will no longer be able to ward off such threats, and the nation will be on the edge of abyss. Some are making the role of the Tatmadaw dim by putting all the blame on it, harbouring grudge and animosity. In reality, only when the Tatmadaw is strong, so will the nation. The collapse of the Tatmadaw will lead to that of the nation. Therefore, I would say those who are trying to disintegrate the Tatmadaw are disregarding the interest of the nation and the people.

More or less, every country has their internal problems. Some deal with their internal issues with their own strength, while some have their internal affairs interfered by alien countries. In many countries, the people are in great troubles due to interference of other countries. The most appropriate and best way is that the nations concerned address their issues on their

own. To be able to cope with such issues, the entire people should remain harmonious and work in collaboration. Complying with the desire of the majority is in consistence with democratic practice, and that can push the nation on track for development. Today, what the people of us should do best is to create a prosperous future for the nation by working hard for national development, based on the present conditions.

Therefore, I would like to call on the entire people to continue to work steadfastly for emergence of a peaceful, modern and developed democratic nation, grappling with acts of internal and external saboteurs in line with the five objectives of the 63rd Anniversary Union Day.

Translation: MS



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Hailing the 63rd Anniversary Union Day National Landmarks Garden (Nay Pyi Taw) depicts national unity Article: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Myo Min Thein (Mayangon)

Kayin traditional style. I

noticed that Kayin nationals

are fond of villas. From the

thanlwin Bridge (Hpa-an)

one could see Mt.

Zwegabin, which is so

attractive that it was very

pleasant for me to view it

from far or near. The

Thanlwin Bridge (Hpa-an)

built by the government reveals the unprecedented

stability and community

Thanlwin Bridge was added

by the beautiful scenes of

Myawady, the Thanlwin

River, and Papun-Hpa-an

holidaymakers in Kayin

State booths somewhat felt

as if they were on a visit to

The elegance of the

Surely,

peace in Kayin State.

Road.

Kayin State.



Kanbawzathadi Palace seen as landmark in Bago Division Booth for forstering nationalism of national races.

roads, and railroads.

The Union of Myanmar is home to various national races including Kachin, Kayah, Kayin, Chin, Bamar, Mon, Rakhine and Shan. National races have preserved a fine tradition of living in amity through thick and thin in the multicultural Union from time immemorial. Thanks to the consolidated national unity, national races enjoy the sweet taste of independence covering stability and community peace and development.

In particular, the Tatmadawgovernmenthas done a good job of achieving national reconsolidation, thereby bringing about all-round development that is

The National Landmarks Garden (Nay Pyi Taw) will be a vacationers paradise where they can study a wide variety of changes for national development and the landmarks of national races from around the Union. The National Landmarks Garden (Nav Pvi Taw) is due to be launched on 11 February 2010 as a gesture of honouring the 63rd Anniversary Union Day. It is situated on Thaikchaung Street near Yezin Dam in Nay Pyi Taw Zeyathiri. Eight companies have been constructing it on a 400-acre plot. The itinerary first took us to the Kachin State booths being undertaken by Htoo Co Ltd.

confluence of the Maykha River and the Malikha River, Bala Min Htin Bridge spanning the Ayeyawady River and statues of Kachin nationals. Viewing the pleasant senses there, I came to feel as though I were really in Kachin State.

That evoked the memories of my visit to Kachin State in which I happened to take a stroll along Bala Min Htin Bridge on the Ayeyawady River, linking Mvitkvina on the west bank and Waingmaw on the east bank. Due to the facility that was put into commission on November 1998, Kachin State has enjoyed smooth transport in it. Also on display were the booths of Putao, and Myitkyina, along



Zwegabin Hill depicts beautiful landmark of Kayin State.

tangible around the Union. Stability and peace restored in the regions have led to significant progress of the whole country in the education, health, and transport sectors.

Moreover, the government has constructed clusters of hundreds of irrigation facilities to improve the national economy. It has also ensured secure and smooth transport between one region and another by constructing many more river-crossing bridges,

Kachin State Booth

Just as we entered the National Landmarks Garden (Nay Pyi Taw) from Thaikchaung Street, we were greeted by a well-decorated archway at the entrance. A short distance from it were Kachin State booths of Htoo Co.

Among them were booths of Mt. Khakaborazi, Lisu residence, Rawan residence, Kachintraditional residence, Jaingphaw residence, Indawgyi Pagoda, and Indawgyi Lake. Then, we enjoyed the sites of the

with restaurants.

Kayah State Booth Upon arrival at Kayah State Booth, we saw the Taunggwe Pagoda first, which was artistically built. In the Kayah State Booth were Kayah traditional houses, artificial scenes of Dimawhso and Bawlakhe. Kavin State Booth

Kayin State Booth and Taninthayi Division Booth were built by Golden Flower Co.

The first thing we found in Kayin State Booth was large wooden houses of Yangon Division Booth were undertaken by Asia World Co.

In Mon State Booth was the sublime Kyaikhtiyo Pagoda, Mon traditional residences, and Setse Beach Resort. Adding to the glory of Mon State, Thanlwin Bridge (Mawlamyine) has ensured smooth transport for local people.

Rakhine State Booth

Rakhine State Booth and Ayeyawady Division Booth were built by Max Myanmar Co.

Just beyond the entrance to Mon State Booth was Sittway booth attractively decorated with Kissapanadi Bridge, Koethaung Stupa, Shitthaung Stupa, and Sittway Point Lake. Sittway was the Kissapanadi Bridge, through which visitors can pass to Sittway, Koethaung Stupa, Shitthaung Stupa, and Sittway Point booth. Shan State Booth

han State Booth

Shan State Booth was to the south of Kachin State Booth. Shan State Booth and Kayah State Booth were undertaken by Eden Groups Co.

The booth comprises Inlay Lake, PhaungdawU Pagoda, Kengtung, Standing Buddha Image, Pindaya Cave Pagoda, and Thanlwin River-spanning bridges such as Kunlong Suspension Bridge, Tarhsan Bridge, Tarkaw



Anawrahta Bridge (Chauk) as landmark of Magway Division seen at National Landmarks Garden (Nay Pyi Taw).

Chin State Booth On our way back from Kayin State Booth, we dropped in Chin State Booth. Just as I entered the booth, I remembered my visit to Haka standing at an altitude of over 6000 feet. The booth of Haka was found blended with Tiddim-Haka-Gangaw-ChaungU Road. Near Haka was a large Chin traditional house built in an impressive way. To the north of Haka was Mindat. We enjoyed Reed Lake that is the pride of Chin State. The lake is decorated with elegant surroundings

> Mon State Booth Mon State Booth and

is a great location to enjoy overviewed the scene of Rakhine State, and Ngapali Beach Resort in addition to Koethaung Stupa and Shitthaung Stupa.

The stone plaque said that the Shitthaung Stupa was built in 879 Myanmar Era (AD 1535) by King Maha Myat Kyi; that it was the most famous of its kind not only in Myanmar but also in the world; that Koethaung Stupa was built in 915 ME (AD 1553) by King Min Teikkha, son of Ming Maha Myat Kyi; and that it was the most famous stupa in MraukU. In Rakhine State Booth Bridge, which were built the Tatmadaw bv government. Due to those bridges, Shan State has enjoyed smooth transport. Of them, Kunlong is a suspension bridge on Hsenwi-Kunlong-Hopang-Mongmao Road, and Tarkaw-et is a bailey type steel suspension bridge on Tangyan-Tonhon-Tarkawet Road. Gokhteik Viaduct, Tarhsan Bridge and Tarkaw Bridge were constructed over the Thanlwin River in the time of the Tatmadaw government. (See page 9)

Bridge and Tarkaw-e



Paunglaung Multi-purpose Dam portrays landmark in National Landmarks Garden (Nay Pyi Taw).

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National Landmarks Garden (Nay Pyi Taw)



Shitthaung Stupa landmark at Rakhine State Booth.

(from page 8) In Shan State Booth were Mongmao booth decorated with pine trees, Panhsan beautified with teak, along with Kengtung, Namhsan, Lashio. Mongvan, Mongla, and Taunggyi, Loilem, Hopang, Namsang, Inlay Lake, PhaungdawU Pagoda and Thibawkyo Pagoda in Shan State (South). We also noticed Shan, Intha, Danu and PaO traditional residences in the booths

houses of Leshi and Naga

Chindwin River, Chindwin Bridge and Hsinbyushin Bridge at the booth reflect the government's efforts on smooth transportation in Sagaing Division.

Thaphanseik Dam is included in the Sagaing Division booth. It was inaugurated on 17 April, 2001 in Kyunhla Township of Sagaing Division. The 22587-foot long dam is the Bayintnaung Statue in Kawthoung for forging patriotism and nationalistic fervor, Bayintnaung Cape, the pleasant view of Kawthoung attract visitors to come and visit again.

Bago Division Booth

Bago Division and Nay Pyi Taw Booths were built by Original Group. Sittoung Bridge and Kanbawzathadi Palace welcomed visitors at the entrance to the booth. Shwemawdaw Pagoda, Shwethalyaung Buddha Image, Nawaday Bridge, Sittoung River, the pleasant scenery of Bago, natural beauty of Bago Roma mountain ranges and traditional houses in addition to play ground were built at the booth.

Magway Division Booth Magway Division booth was built by Co. We can pay homage to Magway Myathalun Pagoda next to Ayeyawady River Crossing Bridge (Magway) at the



Chaungtha Beach landmark at Ayeyawady Division Booth.

Nay Pyi Taw Booth

Nay Pyi Taw emerged in the time of Tatmadaw government and all-round development of the nation can be observed at the National Landmarks Garden. It is a spot for public recreation as Yezin Dam, Ngalike Dam and Paunglaung Reservoir together with playgrounds were built at the site. Original Group is building the scale model of Nay Pyi Taw to enjoy developments of Nay Pyi Taw by pressing the button.

Sagaing Division Booth

Shwedaung Co. built Sagaing Division and Chin State booths. When we entered Sagaing Division booth, we saw first beauty of Sagaing Hills, Shwebo Palace and Kaunghmudaw Pagoda. Then we saw a Myanmar traditional house in Monywa and traditional biggest one in Myanmar and the longest one in Southeast Asia. It can irrigate over 500,000 acres of farmland all the yearround. Thanks to emergence of the facility, thriving monsoon and summer paddy plantation canbe witnessed in Shwebo, KhinU, Kanbalu, YeU, Dabayin, Butalin, Wetlet and Ayadaw Townships.

Taninthayi Division Booth

The magnificent mountains and archipelagos of Taninthayi along Myanmar coastline can be seen in Nay Pyi Taw National Landmarks Garden.

We saw first the Reclining Buddha Image at the foot of the Pahtawpahtet Hill on the other side of Myeik. The very impressive natural scenery of Pearl Island, Maungmakan beach and beautiful Dawei, booth. Anawrahta Bridge (Chauk) was built together with Mann Shwesetaw Pagoda at the booth. We were amazed by the scale model of Nagapwataung near Minbu on the other side of Magway.

Magway, Pathein-Monywa Road, Magway-Nay Pyi Taw Road. Magway-Chauk Road with the landscape were also built at the booth. K Co. built not only Magway Division booth but also Four Tooth Relics booth that comprises Shwzigon, Tantkyitaung, Tuyintaung and Lawkananda Pagoda of Mandalay Division booth. Besides, the company built the magnificent Bagan Palace.

Mandalay Division Booth Myanansankyaw Shwenanntaw, moat, Nann Myint Tower, stone inscription, scale model of Mandalay Palace, Meiktila,



Glittering Taunggwe Pagoda as landmark at Kayah State Booth.

Mogok and Mandalay Hill are included in Mandalay Division booth built by Ayeya Shwewah Construction Co.

The significant structures at the booth were Ayeyawady Bridge (Yandanabon), Mt. Popa and Yeywa Hydropower Project. Yeywa Hydropower Project is located at the place, 31mile south-east of Mandalay. It is the biggest in its kind of facility in Myanmar and it will generate 3550 million kwh per year. There is a large

Myanmar traditional house at the booth. It is learnt that the design of the house is very similar to that of Kinwun Mingyi. It was built without using nails and wooden pins were used in building the ancient-style house.

Yangon Division Booth Then we left Mandalay Division booth for Yangon Division booth. City Hall and Independence Monument were built at the booth. Independence Monument proves the unity of the national brethren in the Union that led to signing of the Panglong agreement for ensuring perpetual existence of the Union.

Similarly, Yangon City Hall reflects the rapidly developing Yangon since 1988. Especially, Yangon



Ayeyawady Division Booth

It was pleasant to see Mawtinsun Pagoda, Mawtinsun Lake, Ngwehsaung Beach, Ngawun River Crossing Bridge, Bo Myat Tun Bridge and Pathein Food Shop at the booth.

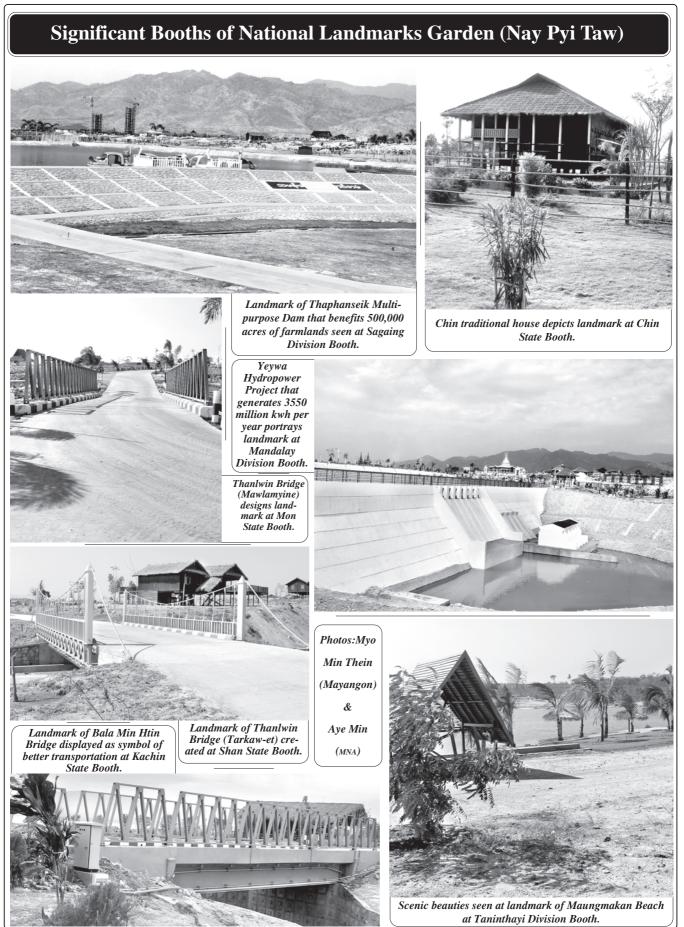
Mawtinsun Pago-da and Mawtinsun Lake is situated in Hainggyikyun Region, south-west of Pathein. It is an excellent opportunity for visitors to gain merits because Mawtinsun Pagoda can be reached by motorway and waterway. Moreover, Ngwehsaung Beach was built at the booth for public relaxation. Ngawun Bridge and Bo Myat Tun Bridge displayed at the booth show government's efforts for better transportation in Ayeyawady Division. Thanks to contributions of the government and wellwishers, Ayeyawady dwellers hit by cyclone Nargis enjoy better living standard than the past. Ayeyawady Division, the granary and salt pot of Myanmar, has been restored to its former glory.

We, Myanma Alin news crew, saw landmarks of each region and remarkable progress in states and divisions at the Nay Pyi Taw National Landmarks Garden.

Visitorscan witness landmarks of states and divisions and significant progress in states and divisions in the time of Tatmadaw government.

Nay Pyi Taw National Landmarks Garden reflects images of national races namely Kachin, Kayah, Kayin, Chin, Bamar, Mon, Rakhine and Shan who reside in the Union through amity and unity since time immemorial. Thus Nay Pyi Taw National Landmarks Garden was built with the aim of fostering national spirit and strengthening national consolidation. **Translation: MS+YM**





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Prime Minister General Thein Sein...

(from page 16)

Development Council Commander of South-East Command Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win, Minister for Industry-2 Vice-Admiral Soe Thein, Deputy Minister Maj-Gen Kyaw Swa Khaing, senior military officers and officials.

Minister Vice-Admiral Soe Thein reported on the history of the factory, manufacturing of tyres and production capacity, local demand and supply of the ministry.

After attending to the needs, the Prime Minister gave instructions on operating of the machines at full capacity for meeting the target.

The Prime Minister presented a fruit basket to the General Manager and the Design Institute President of China CAMC Engineering Co Ltd and viewed the scale model of the factory.

The commander and the minister formally opened the factory. The Prime Minister unveiled the stone plaque.

The Prime Minister looked into production process and sample raw materials and visited the



Prime Minister General Thein Sein inspects No. 2 Tyre and Rubber Product Factory (Bilin).—MNA

production buildings, warehouses and rubber plantations.

The factory is located near mile post No 122 on Yangon-Mawlamyine Road in Bilin Township. It can manufacture 300,000 pieces of tyres weighing 2608 tons for 11 items of motor cars yearly and penstock pipes, gloves and other industrial products.

After the opening ceremony, the Prime Minister and party flew over thriving rubber plantations in Bilin and Kyaikto townships and reclamation of salt farms in Kawa Township.

They arrived in Yangon at 11.40 am.-MNA

An aerial view of No. 2 Tyre and Rubber Product Factory (Bilin).

Four villagers taken hostages by KNU for extortion

NAY PYI TAW, Feb 10 — Four insurgents from Battalion-22 under Brigade-7 of KNU seized four villagers from Patkyaw Village in Hlaingbwe Township, Kayin State, on 6 February as the village failed to provide extortion money to them for 2009.

Holding two AK-47 rifles, M-16 rifle and a pistol, the four insurgents entered the village of Patkyaw and took away four men — U Thein Nyo, 52, U Akyi Phoe, 50, U Hu Shin, 52 and U San Hae, 30. They were each in charge of ten households.

The insurgents released U Akyi Phoe at Tahaw village, Lawkaw Village-tract, Paingkyone Township at 5 am the next day with a letter demanding K 5 million. In the letter signed by Capt Maung Me of KNU Brigade-22, and written in Kayin Language, the group demanded to give K 5 million to them at Phaung Yar Kyo Village near Ywa Kaing Kaung Village in Hlaingbwe Township on 8 February.

Though KNU insurgents have voiced the development of Kayin people and Kayin State, they have blasted mines in towns and villages where Kayin public were largely populated and sabotaged power grid pylons. As they have extorted money and forced villagers to provide provisions to them, people including Kayin populace have detested them.

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Trial programmes of MRTV-3 begin today

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Feb—MRTV-3 television programmes currently broadcast by Myanma Radio and Television under Ministry of Information will be aired in new form and essence starting from 11 February. The channel named Myanmar International is aimed at letting the international community know true national trends, progress, beauty, nature and prevailing conditions of Myanmar and helping Myanmar nationals abroad ease the pain of homesickness.

The channel will be aired for trial run from 11 February to 26 March and the regular broadcasts will begin on 27 March.

In trial period, well-edited television documentaries, programme trailers and branding trailers in the current affairs, and greetings of foreigner news presenters will be broadcast together with regular programmes. When regular broadcasting begins, TV viewers may enjoy documentaries of international level, current affairs and news presentation of foreigner news presenters. Steps have been taken for viewers around the world to watch Myanmar International television programmes around the clock whereas local TV audiences can enjoy the programmes of Myanmar International Channel from 9:00 am to 11:00 am after MRTV morning programmes.—*MNA*

Nay Pyi Taw Myanma Radio to extend national race programmes

NAY PYI Taw, 10 Feb—Nay Pyi Taw Myanma Radio will extend its programmes on national race languages as of 12 February 2010. These programmes are being aired through 50.71 meters short wave and 5915 KHz, and 411.51 meter medium wave and 729 KHz from 6 am to 12 noon and 2 pm to 6 pm daily. Beginning 12 February, the programmes will be broadcast from 6 am to 12 noon and 2 pm to 8 pm by extending two hours.

The programme on Kayah language will be added with Kayan, Gekho and Geba languages. Chin language programme will be extended with Mindat Chin language, while "Wa" language will be added with Kokang language. The plan is now underway to broadcast more programmes in the future.

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CLAIMS DAY NOTICE MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (495)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV KOTA TEGAP VOY NO (495) are here by notified that the vessels will be arriving on 11.2.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of A.W.P.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

SHIPPING AGENCY DEPARTMENT MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY AGENT FOR: M/S ADVANCE CONTAINER LINES

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Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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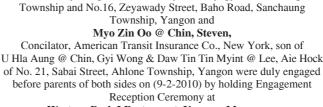
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Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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It is hereby announced that Zin Mar Aung,

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Daw Than Aye (Tiger Confectionery) of Phayagyi Street, Paungde

MYANMA PORT AUTHORITY HOLIDAY NOTICE

As the wharves warehouses and chellan Offices of Yangon Port will be closed on the 12th February 2010 (Unionday) and 27th February 2010 (Full moon Day of Tapaung) Day being the public Holiday Goods. Will be received shipped or delivered on payment of Holiday Fees.

Bad liquor kills eight on Indonesia's Java island

JAKARTA, 10 Feb—Indonesian police say eight people have died after drinking liquor laced with methanol on the country's main island of Java.

Police Maj Syaiful Anwar said on Tuesday the victims bought the drink from the same stall on Friday.

No one has been arrested. Police have questioned the street vendor who sold the alcohol in the central city of Yogyakarta. Methanol can be used for fuel and is an ingredient in formaldehyde, plastics and paints.

Alcohol is heavily taxed in Indonesia, meaning high prices that have spawned a huge black market for wine and liquor. Last year 25 people died in two weeks after consuming a homemade liquor laced with methanol on Indonesia's resort islands of Bali and Lombok.—*Internet*

Cook Islands residents moving inland ahead of cyclone

WELLINGTON, 10 Feb—Plans were being made to move people inland in some parts of the south Pacific island nation of Cook Islands in preparation for the arrival of Cyclone Pat. Storm conditions were expected to strengthen later on Wednesday. Recent forecasts put the Category two cyclone 320 km north of Aitutaki, moving slowly southwest at about six to nine knots, Radio New Zealand International reported on Wednesday.

The Met Service said a warning system was in place and strong winds and high seas were being felt by some islands.—*Xinhua*



Workers inspect the

freestyle skiiing

moguls course on

Cvpress Mountain

before the Vancouver

2010 Winter Olym-

pics on 9 Feb, 2010.

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Somali pirates free Panama-flagged ship

MOGADISHU, 10 Feb—Somali pirates on Tuesday released a Panama-flagged cargo ship with 26 crews after receiving more than three million dollars in ransom, pirate sources said.

The cargo vessel, the *Al Khalil*, was seized late last October as it plied in the Indian Ocean with a crew of 26, mostly Indian nationals.

"I know that the money, more than three million US dollars, was dropped onto the ship and that almost all the men left the ship which is now ready to leave the shore," Muse Hagar, a pirate commander in the pirate stronghold of Harardhere, told *Xinhua.—Xinhua*



Dubai tower shut after visitors stuck in elevator

DUBAI, 10 Feb—Visitors on the observation deck of the world's tallest tower heard a loud boom, then saw dust that looked like smoke seeping through a crack in an elevator door 124 floors above the ground. The 15 people inside were trapped for 45 frightening minutes until rescuers managed to pry open the doors.

Because the elevator was apparently stuck between floors, rescuers had to drop a ladder into the shaft so those inside could crawl out. On the observation deck, about 60 more people were stranded and some began to panic.

Shortly after the drama unfolded on Saturday evening, the half-mile-high Burj Khalifa that was supposed to be one of Dubai's proudest achievements shut down to the public just a month after its grandiose opening. It was the latest embarrassment for the once-booming Gulf city-state that is now mired in a deep financial crisis.

Witnesses who were on the 124th floor observation deck at the time and a Dubai rescue official recounted on Tuesday the chain of events that led up to the shutdown in interviews with *The Associated Press. Internet*



Israel targets 30% tourist increase in three years

Another major snowstorm hit Washington, DC, area

-Another major snowstorm hits the US capital of Washington, DC, and nearby area on Tuesday, two days after the city was covered by the record downfall of snow.

The National Weather Service predicted that another 10 to 20 inches (25 centimetres to 50 centimetres) of snow would

A man attempts to dig his car out of the snow on

Capitol Hill in Washington, on 9 February, 2010.

The federal government announced it would

remain closed on Tuesday and most schools

planned to shut down as residents of the mid-

Atlantic struggled to dig out from a blizzard that

dumped two feet (0.6 metres) of snow on the

region.-XINHUA

WASHINGTON, 10 Feb | fall on northern Virginia | also expect some snow, and eastern Maryland, including Washington, DC, through on Tuesday afternoon to Wednesday.

> Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, could be slammed with 3 to 7 inches of snow on Tuesday and an additional 8 to 12 inches on Wednesday, and other major cities such as Boston and New York City

said the services.

Federal government agencies and schools are closed on Tuesday for a second day, and hundreds of flights were cancelled as airlines consider the impact by the severe weather situation.

quest for that jump in numbers on the right foot, *Xinhua* the minister told the 16th India expects "exceptional"

on Tuesday.

which would mean a 30

percent rise in visitor

numbers, Tourism Minis-

ter Stas Misezhnikov said

Israel has begun its

ties with Cuba at all levels

HAVANA, 10 Feb-India's ambassador to Cuba said she wished "exceptional" relations could be established between the two countries at all levels, local media reported on Tuesday.

Bilateral relations could be further expanded to reach the level the two countries now enjoy in the political field, Indian Ambassador Mitra Vasish said.

She said the two countries could promote ties in such areas as bio-technology, pharmacy, science and technology and culture.

The ambassador cited as an example the two countries' cooperation via India's Programme of Technical and Economic Cooperation and said much more could be done in this respect as part of South-South cooperation.

Vasisht, also ambassador to the Dominican Republic and Haiti, told the local Press that former Cuban leader Fidel Castro is a "very loved person" in India and Argentine-born Cuban revolutionary hero Ernesto "Che" Guevara is a familiar person for millions of people in her country.-Xinhua

Israel hopes to attract an Mediterranean Tourism additional 1 million tour-Market, which was ists per year by 2013, launched in Tel Aviv.

Figures for January show a remarkable 62 percent improvement on those for the same month last year and a 17 percent climb on the equivalent 2008 figure.

The enormous rise was the result of two key

JERUSALEM, 10 Feb- | annual International | factors that blighted Israeli tourism early last year: the international financial crisis and the fighting in the Gaza Strip.

The minister said a special job fair would take place during the tourism exhibition, with 2,000 new workplaces being made available.

Xinhua

European governments agree to help Greece

BERLIN, 10 Feb-European governments have agreed in principle to help heavily indebted Greece, a senior German coalition source said on Tuesday, in what would be the first rescue of a euro zone member in the currency's 11-year history.

"The decision on help for Greece has been taken in principle within the euro zone," said a source in the German coalition government who has knowledge of the negotiations.

Various options were under consideration and no final decision had been taken but the most likely possibility was to offer "bilateral help," the source said.

The comments were the strongest signal so far that European Union economic heavyweight Germany may be ready to step in to stave off a crisis of confidence in the 16-nation currency bloc that has roiled markets around the globe. German government spokesman Ulrich Wilhelm called reports that a decision had already in effect been taken "unfounded," but the newspaper Financial Times Deutschland also said Germany was preparing an aid package for Greece.-Internet

Doctors in Haiti assist survivor after 27 days under rubble

Doctors in Port au Prince, Haiti's capital on Tuesday assisted a 28-yearold male survivor, who spent 27 days under the rubble after the devastating earthquake of 12 Jan.

The survivor is Evan Muncie, who was selling rice at the market when the earthquake occurred. The doctors said that he is dehydrated and undernourished.

Due to Muncie's critical health conditions, the doctors in Port- au-Prince had made great efforts to keep him alive.

Doctor Mil Connelley, as quoted by a US TV news channel, said that Muncie is disoriented but he does not have grave injuries.

Meanwhile, Muncie has been able to

'Antique's Roadshow' finds \$156,000 plate

A British woman who brought her more than 20-year-old plate the BBC's "Antiques Roadshow" in Wales said appraisers told her the item is worth \$156,000

Malaysian Chinese erect an egg on

the ground as a part of the local

custom to mark the beginning of the

Spring in Kota Kinabalu, Malaysia,

on 4 Feb, 2010. The "beginning of

the spring", the first of the 24 solar

terms in Chinese lunar calendar,

falls on 4 Feb this year, which is

observed among the Malaysian

Chinese by erecting eggs

on the ground.

Wendy Jones said she did not think the plate - which had sat upon a support on the sideboard of her home for 30 years — would be worth money, so she tossed it into a single grocery bag with no padding when she carried it to the event in Aberglasney, Wales, The Daily Telegraph reported on Monday.

"When I heard how much it might be worth I was shocked," she said. "On the way to the show the plate was on the back seat of the car, but on the way home I kept hold of it all the way."

Experts said the plate was made between 1750 and 1755 by the Prussian East India Company for King Frederick II of Prussia.



say that person dressed in white has been giving him water every day since he was rescued and his mother thanked God because his son is alive.



In this photo provided by michaelthemaven.com, a man who identified himself as Evans Monsigrace, 28, is attended at the Salvation Army medical centre after being brought in by two men in Portau-Prince, on 8 Feb, 2010. University of Miami doctors working in Haiti are treating Monsigrace, who, according to two Haitian men who brought him, had been trapped in rubble since the 12 Jan earthquake. and he may have been provided food and water during his reported ordeal.

field hospital or at a Salvation Army medical centre where Monsigrace, emaciated and suffering from dehydration, was first brought.

Man aims for chocolate construction record

An Italian man said he is vying for Guinness World Record fame by creating a 26-foot scale model of Venice's St Mark's bell tower completely out of chocolate.

Mirco Della Vecchia said he will unveil the 17 1/2-ton confection during the March 5-7 "Chocolating the Dolomites" festival in the resort town of Auronzo di Cadore, ANSA reported on Monday.

Della Vecchia, who used more than 8 tons of pure chocolate from Calceta, Ecuador, said he has an eye on the record for tallest construction in chocolate, which is currently held by a Belgian.



A Dutch-built amphibious bus enters the Clyde River near Glasgow where it is aiming to replace an existing ferry service. The state-of-the-art "Amfibus, which can carry 50 passengers and operate on water and roads.

The men's account could not be confirmed by doctors at a university



Serbian star Jovanovic signs for Liverpool

bian international attacking midfielder Milan Jovanovic signed for English Premier League giants Liverpool on a free transfer from Belgian First Division side Standard Liege on Tuesday, his agent confirmed.

The 28-year-old, who will join Liverpool in June this year, signed a three year contract and will earn a reported 3million euros a year.

Jovanovic, who turned down an offer from Spanish side Real Madrid last year because he didn't think he would get enough

BRUSSELS, 10Feb-Ser- | playing time, had also been a target for Serie A duo AC Milan and Juventus as well as Valencia.



Serbian international attacking midfielder Milan Jovanovic

Fulham crush struggling Burnley

turf.

LONDON, 10 Feb- Fulham boosted in the Europe's second tier competition their bid for a Europa League place with an emphatic 3-0 win over struggling Burnley at Craven Cottage on Tuesday. Roy Hodgson's team earned a place



Fulham's Bobby Zamora (L) vies for the ball with Burnley's Chris Eagles during a Premier League match at Craven Cottage in London. Fulham won 3-0.—Internet

Haas advances, Roddick readies for San Jose ATP action

SAN JOSE, 10 Feb-Fourth-seeded German Tommy Haas needed a tiebreaker to get past wild card Devin Britton 6-4, 7-6 (7/3) in the first round of the ATP Tour's SAP Open.

Sixth-seeded German Philipp Kohlschreiber also advanced, downing American Rajeev Ram 6-7 (7/9), 6-1, 6-3, and seventh-seeded American Sam Querrey beat Russian Teimuraz Gabashvili 6-3, 6-2.

Germany's Bjorn Phau beat eighth-seeded Frenchman Jeremy Chardy 6-3, 6-1.-Internet



Fourth-seeded German Tommy Haas (pictured in January) needed a tiebreaker to get past wild card Devin Britton 6-4, 7-6 (7/3) in the first round of the ATP Tour's SAP Open. INTERNET

Fabregas strikes verbal deal to join Barca

MADRID, 10 Feb-Ar-

senal's star midfielder and

captain, Cesc Fabregas,

has struck a verbal agree-

ment with Champions

League holders Barcelona

to return to the club next

season. Cadena Ser radio

ment between Barca and

Cesc Fabregas even if it is

only verbal," the Spanish

station reported without

taken place and, follow-

ing those meetings, Cesc

told Barca that he wanted

to rejoin them from next

Cadena Sersaid the deal

The reigning Spanish

champions have neither

would be subject to agree-

ing a fee with Arsenal.

"Several meetings have

citing its sources.

season," it added.

last season and the west London club

could repeat the trick this term if they can

maintain their impressive form on home

Cottagers captain Danny Murphy

opened the scoring and David Elm added

another dismal away-day.

There is a firm agree-

reported on Tuesday.

Arsenal's star midfielder and captain, Cesc Fabregas

confirmed nor denied the report. Fabregas, a 22year-old Spanish international, is Arsenal's top scorer with 14 goals in all competitions this season and is under contract with the Gunners until 2014. Internet

Reja confirms he will coach Lazio

ZAGREB, 10 Feb-Edoardo 'Edy' Reja, currently the coach of Croatian First Division side Hajduk Split, on Tuesday confirmed press reports that he was to replace Davide Ballardini as Lazio boss. "I've been weighing it

up for a long time, but eventually I gave my word to Lazio's president. Yes, I'm leaving for Rome," Reja told journalists on a ferry to Split, on the central Adriatic coast.

calling me from Italy during the past few months. I was refusing the offers, I was not even thinking about them. However, Lazio is too important a challenge,"the 64-year-old added.-Internet

Roma's Cicinho returns to Sao Paulo on loan

AS Roma's Brazilian

defender Cicinho

SAO PAULO, 10 Feb-

In-form Serie A sider AS

Roma's Brazilian de-

fender Cicinho has joined

his former club Sao Paulo

on loan until the end of the

season, the Brazilian club

"Cicinho has agreed to

return to the club where

he made his name in world

football," a Sao Paulo

said on Tuesday.

spokeswoman said.

The 29-year-old international - a member of the 2006 World Cup finals squad - will stay with the six-time Brazilian champions until June 30 with an option for a threemonth extension if Sao Paolo qualify for the Copa Libertadores.

His 97,000-euro-amonth salary will be shared between Roma and the Brazilian team.

Cicinho moved from Sao Paolo to Spanish giants Real Madrid in December 2005. Internet

Stoke still unbeaten in 2010 after draw with Wigan

City held on to their unbeaten record this year away at relegation-threatened Wigan on Tuesday after the Latics blew the lead to draw 1-1.

Roberto Martinez's men badly needed a win after going into the game hovering two places above the drop zone and having picked up a meagre six points from their previous nine games.

Stoke, meanwhile, stretched their unbeaten run to five and are still to be defeated in 2010 following their 3-0 demolition of Blackburn Rovers at the weekend.

Latics' new teenage sensation Victor Moses had to make do with a place on the bench, while Stoke were still without skipper Abdoulaye Faye

WIGAN, 10 Feb-Stoke after he failed to recover from the back spasm that forced him to miss Saturday's game.

Wigan started the match brightly with winger Charles N'Zogbia at the centre of much of his side's attacking play. Internet



Stoke City's Turkish forward Tuncay Sanli celebrates scoring during their English Premier League football match against Wigan Athletic at The DW Stadium in Wigan. INTERNET



Novak Djokovic began with a runaway win at the Rotterdam Open on Tuesday, crushing Sergiy Stakhovsky 6-2, 4-1 in his opening match as the Ukrainian had to guit after 54 minutes with a knee injury.

The top-seeded Serb is playing this week for the first time since a bout of indigestion cost him the match in the Australian Open quarter-finals to Jo-Wilfried Tsonga.

"I'm motivated, I want to do well this week," said Djokovic, a semi-finalist in his last Rotterdam appearance in 2007.



Manchester City's Carlos Tevez celebrates scoring against Bolton Wanderers during their English Premier League soccer match in Manchester, northern England on 9 Feb, 2010. Manchester City won 2-0.—XINHUA



Serbia's Novak Diokovic

"I did well at the Open and had a good end of season in 2009.

"My lifetime goal is to achieve number one. I'm used to the pressure but I'm trying to just enjoy my tennis' I don't think about it and try to give my 100 percent on the court.'



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Burnley were still looking for their first away win of the season and any belief that they could end that run here were dashed before half-time.-Internet

Bobby Zamora wrapped up the points after the interval. Brian Laws's visitors had claimed a crucial win over fellow strugglers West Ham on Saturday to climb out of the bottom three. But the Clarets are just two points above the relegation zone after

a second for the hosts before half-time. "When they've been

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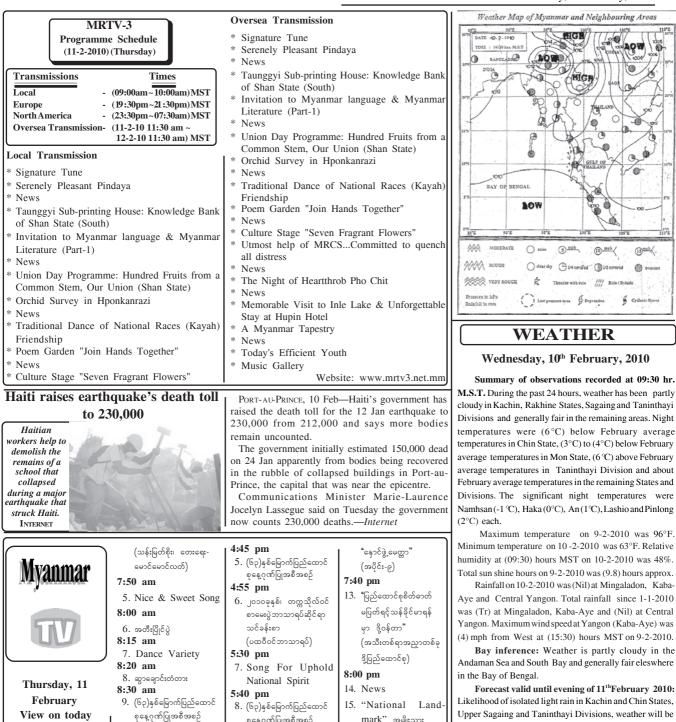
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9. Evening News

10. Weather Report

11. ပျော်ရွှင်စေသောနေ့ရက်များ

(မိုးမိုး၊သဇင်၊သူရလင်း၊

.. အောင်ကျော်သူရ)

12 နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

မေမျိုးသင်း) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-

'မျှားငါးကြင်း" (အပိုင်း-၁၂)

6:00 pm

6:15 pm

6:25 pm

6:45 pm

Ave and Central Yangon, Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (Tr) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and (Nil) at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from West at (15:30) hours MST on 9-2-2010. Bay inference: Weather is partly cloudy in the

> Forecast valid until evening of 11thFebruary 2010: Likelihood of isolated light rain in Kachin and Chin States, Upper Sagaing and Taninthayi Divisions, weather will be partly cloudy in Shan, Kayin and Mon States, Ayeyawady and Yangon Divisions and generally fair in the remaining areas. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

> Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of isolated light rain in the extreme Northern Myanmar areas

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 11-2-2010: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for -2-2010: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 11-2-2010: Generally fair weather.

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16. International News

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အထိမ်းအမှတ်

(နေပြည်တော်)

17. Weather Report

18. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

"ကိုယ်ရံတော်"

(အပိုင်း-၁၆)

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'ချစ်တေးသံသာ'

(အပိုင်း-၂၀)

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7:25 am

7:30 am

7:40 am

1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု

ပရိတ်တရားတော်

Exercise

ဆ ရာတော် ဘု ရားကြီး၏

2. To Be Healthy

3. Morning News

4. မြတ်ဂုဏ်တော်သခင်

8:40 am

8:45 am

4:00 pm

4:10 pm

4:25 pm

4:30 pm

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10. International News

11. "အေးမြသောလေညှင်း

1. Martial Song

2. ဂီတသံစဉ်အလှဆင်

ဘဲပြည့်စေသား'

3. "ရေအကျိုးဆယ်ပါးမတောင်း

4. Cute Little Dancers

- ★ Only with stability and peace will the nation develop
- ★ Only with stability and peace will democratization process be successful
- ★ Anarchy begets anarchy, not democracy
- ★ Riots beget riots, not democracy
- **★** Democracy can be introduced only through constitution

People's Desire

- We favour peace and stability
- We favour development
- We oppose unrest and violence
- Wipe out those inciting unrest and violence
- ★ VOA, BBC-sowing hatred among the people
- ★ RFA, DVB-generating public outrage
- ★ Do not allow ourselves to be swayed by killer broadcasts designed to cause troubles

Prime Minister General Thein Sein stresses the need to operate machines at full capacity for meeting target No. 2 Tyre and Rubber Product Factory (Bilin) inaugurated in Bilin Township



NAY PYI TAW, 10 Feb—Prime Minister General Thein Sein attended the inauguration ceremony of No. 2 Tyre and Rubber Product Factory (Bilin) under the Ministry of Industry-2 in Bilin Township of Mon State at 9:10 am today.

At the factory, the Prime Minister, accompanied by Lt-Gen Khin Zaw of the Ministry of Defence, the ministers and departmental heads, was welcomed by Chairman of Mon State Peace and *(See page 11)*

Prime Minister General Thein Sein inspects No. 2 Tyre and Rubber Product Factory (Bilin).—MNA

Trial programmes of MRTV-3 begin today Nay Pyi Taw Myanma Radio to extend national race programmes

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Article

The National Landmarks Gardens (Nay Pyi Taw) will be a vacationers' paradise where they can study a wide variety of changes for national development and the landmarks of national races from around the Union.
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Poem

The seeds of Panglong * On that misty day of the past In a little town called "Panglong" All hands joined together in unity

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