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## 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

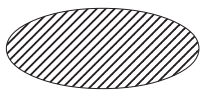
- \* Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- \* Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- \* Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country 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

## Myanmar citizens must be for Myanmar and not be a stooge of any alien

**Government, people and Tatmadaw have to harmoniously strive with added momentum for regional peace and stability and progress**



**Prime Minister  
General Thein Sein  
visits 50-bed  
People's Hospital in  
Namhsan in  
northern Shan  
State.**

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NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—Prime Minister General Thein Sein left Nay Pyi Taw yesterday morning and arrived in Lashio of Shan State (North) later in the morning.

Accompanied by Chairman of Shan State (North) Peace and Development Council Commander of North-

East Command Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut, the Prime Minister and party proceeded to Namhsan of Kyaukme District.

At Namhsan People's Hospital (50-bed), the Prime Minister met departmental personnel and members of social organizations of Namhsan after comforting the patients.

Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said that they were there to inspect security, peace and stability and development of Shan State (North) and fulfil the requirements. Namhsan was a town with poor transport in the past. Therefore, the government managed to ensure emergence of all-weather Namhsan-Hsipaw Road, Namhsan-Kyaukme Road and Namhsan-Mantung Road. Likewise, the 50-bed People's Hospital is constructed for uplifting the health standard of the local people, while efforts are being made for (See page 8)

## Bird's eye view of Namhsan in Kyaukme District in Shan State (North).

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## Political Parties Registration Law in supplement

Four supplementary pages carrying the Political Parties Registration Law issued under the Law No. 2/2010 of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar are inserted in today's *The New Light of Myanmar* daily.



## PERSPECTIVES

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## Environmental conservation — a must

Today, deforestation is rampant around the world causing the greenhouse effect, followed by other natural disasters such as soil erosion, desertification, and swollen rivers and creeks.

So, the international community has to get to the center of the global issue, seeking all possible means, establishing forests extensively, beefing up afforestation in deserts, and growing trees and plants in partly deforested areas.

Myanmar conserves aquatic and terrestrial sources and woodlands systematically by designating forest reserves, protected forests and sanctuaries in line with the Forestry Law. The Ministry of Forestry and related ministries have been establishing watershed areas, sanctuaries and special teak plantations in regions concerned.

Teak plantations are being nurtured along Bago Yoma mountain range for regional greening and regeneration of natural forests. In the forest reserves in Bago Division are plantations of such species of hardwood trees as *Hsithabye*, ironwood, *Pyinma*, and gum kino apart from teak. Regional greening projects have proved effective in the 13 arid districts.

Forests and trees encourage regional greening and temperate climate patterns and provide forest products. Here, conservation of forests and ecosystem is at the centre of the global process. In addition, wastes from industries, mining, and chemical industries are to be disposed in a systematic way since they are hazardous to aquatic animals.

Pollution of air, water and ground, and deforestation leads to environmental deterioration. Therefore, the people have to constantly participate in programmes inclusive of setting up plantations extensively the government has been implementing for environmental conservation.

## Tetlan GK book comes out

YANGON, 9 March—The notes for general knowledge compiled by Captain Hla Shwe (Retd) was in circulation recently.

The book carries notes in detail on general knowledge for the cadets for military officer courses, SIP course and officers of government organizations and students.

The notes are divided into 11 sectors containing over 6,000 items of facts. The book was published by Chi Tay Than Literary House at Pale-3 Ward of Mingaladon Township.—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

19<sup>th</sup> graduation ceremony of UDNR held

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—The 19<sup>th</sup> graduation ceremony of University for Development of National Races was held at the convocation hall of the university on 5 March.

Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Kyaw Thu and Rector U Zaw Min Thein conferred certificates on the trainees.

The ceremony ended

**CSSTB Chairman U Kyaw Thu confers certificates on a trainee.**

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after making speech by CSSTB Chairman U Kyaw Thu.

The chairman then cordially greeted the trainees.

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## Work coord meeting of UDNR held

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—Work coordination meeting on tasks of University for Development of National Races by State/Division Peace and Development Council representatives took place at the university on 4 March.

Vice-Chairman of the University Council of the UDNR Chairman of Central Selection Committee Chairman of Civil Services Selection and Training Board U Kyaw Thu made a speech. They passed the resolutions.—MNA



## U Ohn Thwin presents his Credentials to Maldives President

NAY PYI TAW, 10 March—U Ohn Thwin, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Union of Myanmar to the Republic of Maldives, presented his Credentials to His Excellency Mr. Mohamed Nasheed, President of the Republic of Maldives, on 7 February 2010, in Male.—MNA

## University Council Meeting (1/2010) held

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—Vice-Chairman of University Council of University for Development of National Races, Chairman of Central Selection Committee and Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Kyaw Thu attended University Council Meeting (1/2010) of UDNR held at the university on 4 March.

Academic affairs were discussed at the meeting. The ceremony then concluded with concluding remark of the chairman.—MNA

## 13,742.39 acres of poppy fields destroyed in 2009-2010

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—Up to 27 February 2010 during the poppy cultivation season in 2009-2010, a total of 13,390.09 acres of poppy were destroyed in States and Divisions.

From 28 February to 6 March, a total of 352.3 more acres of poppy plantations were destroyed in States and Divisions. Therefore, total acres of destroyed poppy plantation amounted to 13,742.39 acres. Among them, 35 acres of poppy were destroyed in Tangyan, Kutkai and Namkham townships in Shan State (North), 253.75 acres in Phekhoon, Hsihsang and Pinlaung townships of Shan State (South) and 63.55 acres in Mongphyat, Mongton, Mongping and Monghsat townships in Shan State (East).—MNA

**Cover of the book "Tetlan (1)" featuring notes of general knowledge.—MNA**



## Israelis, Palestinians to begin indirect talks

JERUSALEM, 9 March—Israel and the Palestinians agreed to begin indirect, American-brokered talks, the US Mideast envoy announced on Monday—ending a 14-month deadlock in peacemaking and representing the Obama administration's first substantive diplomatic achievement here.

The announcement, however, came just hours after Israel enraged Palestinians by announcing new West Bank settlement construction on the same day US Vice President Joseph Biden landed in the region to promote negotiations.

Israel's decision to build 112 new housing

units on lands Palestinians claim for a future state highlighted the tough road ahead for those seeking peace in the region.

Also underlining the difficulties are sharp divisions between Palestinian moderates and militants as well as a hardline Israeli government opposed to many concessions seen as necessary for peace.

George Mitchell, the US envoy who is visiting the region, said in a statement that he hoped the indirect talks "will lead to direct negotiations as soon as possible." And in what might have been a reaction to the latest Israeli move, he appealed to the two sides not to do anything that could jeopardize the talks.

Internet

## Daily temperature in Singapore could rise by 4 degrees Celsius by 2100

SINGAPORE, 9 March—Singapore last month experienced the driest month in 140 years, and a new climate study projects that the city state's average daily temperature could jump by more than four degrees Celsius by 2100.

According to Channel News Asia reports on Monday night, the new climate study, which was commissioned by Singapore's National Environment Agency (NEA), projects that the temperature in the country could rise by between 2.7 to 4.2 degrees Celsius from the current average of 26.8 degrees Celsius. And the sea level around the city state could increase by 24 to 65 centimetres by 2100.—Xinhua

## Funding cuts could lead to HIV 'nightmare'

JOHANNESBURG, 9 March—Cuts in donor funding could cause an HIV "nightmare," the United Nations' AIDS agency chief warned on Monday.

Michel Sidibe appealed to government and private donors to keep investing in the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria, an international financing institution. He said that cuts in donations will decrease the availability of free or subsidized life-saving drugs to African patients.

An estimated 94 percent of patients on anti-retroviral treatment in Africa count on external donor funds to provide their medications, Sidibe said.

"If we stop now, if we reduce the financing, the people who are on treatment today ... we will transform their hope for universal access into a universal nightmare, because they will start dying," Sidibe told *The Associated Press* on Monday.—Internet



A newborn baby girl born to an HIV-positive mother in Paarl near Cape Town. Within five years, the world could shield all newborns from HIV, while making strides in reducing deaths from malaria and tuberculosis, the Global Fund to fight the three diseases has said.—INTERNET



Iraqis inspect the damage at the site of an explosion in Baghdad recently.—INTERNET

## Gun battle erupts in Afghan Khost city, troops kill 2 militants

KABUL, 9 March—Afghan security forces killed Taliban attackers in Khost city, the capital of Khost Province in east Afghanistan on Monday afternoon after around

two hours of fire exchange with them and bring the situation under control, provincial police chief Mohammad Yaqub said.

"The security forces

eliminated two terrorists and now the situation is under control," Yaqub told *Xinhua*.

There were no casualties on civilians, he stressed.

Meantime, Amir Badshah, the director of Health Department in Khost city, told *Xinhua* that four policemen sustained injuries in the gun battle had been taken to hospital.

Earlier police in Khost city said that a militant hurled two hand grenades in a square in Khost city and another blew himself up.—Xinhua



In this on 8 March, 2010 photo released by the Colorado Department of Transportation, a portion of a 17-mile stretch of Interstate 70, which has been closed after a rock slide, is shown in Glenwood Springs, Colo. The slide struck around midnight Sunday near the Hanging Lake Tunnel in Glenwood Canyon, a deep and narrow chasm about 110 miles west of Denver, the Colorado Department of Transportation said.—INTERNET

## Colo rock slide rains boulders on bridge, highway

DENVER, 9 March—A rock slide punched gaping holes in a bridge and left huge boulders on Interstate 70, closing a 17-mile stretch in western Colorado and prompting Gov. Bill Ritter to declare a disaster emergency on Monday.

The slide struck around midnight Sunday near Hanging Lake Tunnel in Glenwood Canyon,

a deep, narrow chasm about 110 miles west of Denver, the Colorado Department of Transportation said.

No injuries or damage to vehicles were reported. All lanes were closed from Glenwood Springs east to the town of Dotsero. Up to 25,000 vehicles a day travel that section of the major east-

west artery, department spokeswoman Stacy Stegman said.

Because of the rugged terrain, the shortest detour adds about 200 miles around the mountainous Flat Tops Wilderness Area. Adding to the traffic mess, US 50 was closed over Monarch Pass due to adverse conditions.

Internet

## US drone attacks kill five in northwest Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 9 March—Suspected US drone on Monday night fired five missiles at a house near Miranshah, the headquarters of North Waziristan tribal agency in northwest Pakistan, killing at least five persons and wounding four others, local TV channels reported.

The reports said that five missiles were fired hitting a house in Malay Khan Serai area. So far it is not clear as to what was the possible target of the attack of the spy plane, nor are the total casualties certain.

Xinhua

## Brazil says trade sanctions on US products not to cause market shortage

BRASILIA, 9 March—Brazil's Foreign Trade Chamber (Camex) said on Monday that the application of trade sanctions on products from the United States would not cause shortages in the Brazilian market.

The list of the US products, which will be subject to punitive import tariffs, was published by Brazil's Official Journal on Monday, including shampoos, perfumes, cars, freezers, stoves, potatoes, cotton, beauty creams, methanol and paracetamol.

In August 2009, the World Trade Organization authorized Brazil to retali-

ate against the United States to offset the damage caused to Brazilian producers due to U.S. cotton subsidies.

Camex executive secretary Lytha Spindola said the products included in the list would be imported at a higher price, but not to the point of preventing the purchase.

"The consumer will manage to keep on buying despite prices rising. But if taxes were too high, it would come to a point that trade is blocked," he said.

Camex, an agency af-

iliated to the Foreign Ministry, avoided including intermediate products in the list, which could bring problems to Brazil's industry because of lack of supply.

According to the list, increases in import taxes, which vary between 22 percent and 100 percent, would become effective 30 days after its release. During this period there would be negotiations between Brazil and the United States that might result in suspension of the sanctions.

Xinhua



A lot of the port of Rio de Janeiro is packed with vehicles and containers in 2008. Brazil said on Monday it would raise tariffs on 591 million dollars worth of US products in the latest twist in its showdown over US cotton subsidies it has blasted as unfair.—INTERNET

## Turkey orders 20 Boeing 737 airplanes

ISTANBUL, 9 March—The Turkish Airlines and US Boeing company have finalized an order for 20 Next-Generation 737 airplanes, according to a statement by Boeing on Tuesday.

The order, valued at 1.6 billion US dollars at current list prices, includes 10 737-800s and 10 737-900ER airplanes.

Turkish Airlines currently operates a fleet of 66 Boeing airplanes, including 58 Next-Generation 737s.

The Boeing 737-800 is the backbone of the Turkish Airlines fleet and proves its value on a daily basis offering unmatched levels of efficiency and reliability.—Xinhua



The Nano EV of the Indian carmaker Tata is displayed on 3 March during the Geneva International Motor Show at Palexpo.—INTERNET

## Data show manufacturing exports support and sustain American jobs

WASHINGTON, 9 March—Exports of US manufactured goods supported more than 6.8 million jobs in 2008, according to a report released by the US Department of Commerce on Monday.

Two of every nine jobs in the manufacturing sector are tied to exports. These 6.8 million jobs represented 5.9 percent of

total private sector employment in the United States, or roughly one out of every 17 private sector jobs.

"I'm encouraged by the results of this report and understand the challenges that our manufacturing sector faces," said Nicole Y Lamb-Hale, assistant secretary for manufacturing and serv-

ices within the International Trade Administration.

"Implementing the National Export Initiative will strengthen our ability to support US companies that are expanding sales into new markets," he said. "The importance of exporting in sustaining and creating jobs cannot be overstated."—Xinhua

## Daimler sells Tata Motors stake

FRANKFURT, 9 March—German auto and truck maker Daimler has sold its stake in Tata Motors of India and will go it alone in the rapidly growing truck market, a source close to the matter said on Monday.

"Tata Motors and Daimler have a relationship that goes back over 50 years but now the German company is exiting its stake as it is now solo in India," Dow Jones Newswires reported, quoting a banker involved in the deal who asked not to be named.

The banker said Daimler received less than 290 million euros (397 million dollars) for its stake, which on December 31 amounted to 4.71 percent of Tata's shares.

A Daimler spokesman contacted by AFP declined to "comment on these rumours."—Internet

## EU to remove antidumping duties on S Korean polyester fiber products

SEOUL, 9 March—The European Union (EU) will remove its anti-dumping duties against South Korean polyester fiber products next week, South Korea's trade ministry said on Monday.

The removal of antidumping duties of up to 10 percent on polyester fiber products from South Korean companies is set to begin on 18 March, the ministry said, which have been in place since 1993.

The announcement comes following relentless calls by South Korean companies of polyester fiber to lift the EU's antidumping tariffs on its products, which has reached 1.3 billion US dollars in exports to the EU countries in 2009, according to the ministry.

Xinhua

## Sony to start selling 3D TVs in Japan in June

TOKYO, 9 March—Sony Corp said it will launch 3D televisions in Japan in June, entering an increasingly crowded field of competition for what many see as the next hot product in the electronics industry.

Sony said it would be-

gin selling 3D TVs in Japan on 10 June. The electronics and entertainment conglomerate expects a model with a 46-inch screen to sell for 350,000 yen (\$3,875) and a 40-inch model to sell for 290,000 yen.

The sci-fi blockbuster

"Avatar" and other recent titles have sparked massive interest in 3D movies, and electronics makers are now rushing to get flat panel TVs with three-dimensional visual effects to the market.

Panasonic Corp has announced plans to launch its 3D TVs in the United States on Wednesday, and cooperate with top US electronics retailer Best Buy Co in promoting them.—Internet

A model poses next to Sony Corp's new 3D Bravia televisions during an unveiling in Tokyo on 9 March, 2010. Sony Corp will launch 3D televisions in June, entering an increasingly crowded market that is betting the revolutionary TV will become the next hot product in the electronics industry.—INTERNET







## US Airways fined for violation of price advertising rules

WASHINGTON, 9 March —The US Department of Transportation (DOT) on Monday assessed a 40,000-dollar civil penalty against US Airways for violating rules that require airline price advertisements to disclose the full price consumers must pay for Air transportation.

"When consumers shop for air travel, they have a right to know how much they will have to pay," said US Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood in a statement. "We will continue to ensure that airlines comply with our price advertising rules."

The Department's Aviation Enforcement Office found that when consumers searched the carrier's website for one-way flights sorted by schedule, US Airways provided a set of fares that did not include additional applicable taxes and fees, or any notice on that page that these additional charges would be required.

Xinhua

*A woman walks past debris in front of a destroyed house in the village of Okcular. A powerful pre-dawn earthquake buried sleeping villagers in remote eastern Turkey, claiming at least 51 lives and leaving dozens injured, officials said.*

XINHUA

*A deicing truck works for a flight at the Beijing Capital International Airport in Beijing, capital of China, on 8 March, 2010. The urban area of Beijing had received 4.2 millimeters of snow on Monday.—XINHUA*

## G20 countries need to remain vigilant against protectionism

GENEVA, 9 March—The Group of 20 (G20) major economies need to remain vigilant against protectionism despite the fact that they have thus far managed to avoid a significant intensification of trade or investment restriction, the World Trade Organization (WTO) said on Monday.

"Unemployment rates are expected to remain high throughout 2010. Coupled with uncertainties about when, and how strongly, sustained global economic growth will resume, this points to the need for G20 governments to remain vigilant in opposing protectionism," the WTO said in a latest report.

It also called on G20 governments "to devise and announce publicly as soon as possible exit strategies from any trade re-

strictions or other measures with trade restrictive or distorting effects that were taken in response to economic conditions last year, so as to undercut protectionist pressures in favor of making these measures permanent." The report, prepared jointly with the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), was aimed at assessing the G20 countries' trade and investment measures since last September.

It noted that some G20 members had continued to implement new trade restrictive policies, in apparent contradiction to their pledges made at their summit meetings in London and Pittsburgh last year.—Xinhua



## UN boosts efforts to tackle food insecurity in Chad

UNITED NATIONS, 9 March—United Nations agencies are ramping up efforts to assist around 2 million Chadians who will require food aid this year because of poor rainfall and lean harvests, the world body said on Monday. Martin Nesirky, the UN spokesman, told a news briefing that an assessment by the government of Chad and its partners showed that around

2 million Chadians will require food assistance during 2010.

"The World Food Programme has put in place a program of assistance to provide 47,000 tonnes of food for 750,000 people affected by drought in regions across the country," he said. "Meanwhile, the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the government have put in a place a project to distrib-

ute 615 tonnes of cattle food, and a project to distribute seeds for 33,000 vulnerable households is planned."

The FAO reported in November last year that Chad was one of 31 countries worldwide that are facing critical food insecurity due to a number of factors including prolonged drought, ongoing high food prices and conflict.

Xinhua

## Peruvian gov't to launch strategic plan to boost development

LIMA, 9 March—The Peruvian government will launch a National Strategic Development Plan next week, the National Centre for Strategic Planning announced on Monday.

The plan is designed to reduce poverty and rates of maternal and infant mortality, eradicate child malnutrition, and let the population have access to education, medicare and housing, according to the centre.

The program aims to reduce poverty from 36 percent to 13 percent, and increase per capita income from 4,417 to 7,900 US dollars over the next 11 years, the centre said.—Xinhua

## All Items from Xinhua News Agency

## 30 provinces on alert as bad weather hits Spain

MADRID, 9 March—A heavy snowfall hit Barcelona on Monday as 30 provinces were put on alert ahead of another bout of wind rain and snow. Snow fell at sea level in Barcelona as the Autonomous Community of Catalonia bore the brunt of the bad weather with over 60 roads affected. Further south snow was falling at 400 meters altitude in Valencia region and the main motorway north out of Madrid towards Burgos, the N1, was also closed because of the weather. In the far south of Spain, the region of Andalusia was placed on yellow alert because of high winds and waves in coastal regions, while it was raining heavily in the Provinces of Granada, Almeria and Cadiz.—Xinhua

## Ecuador, Iran agree to build three hydroelectric centres

QUITO, 9 March—Ecuador and Iran agreed to build three hydroelectric centers in Ecuador, the Ecuadorian Presidency's office said on Monday.

During an official visit of Ecuadorian Vice President Lenin Moreno to Iran over the last weekend, the representatives of both countries decided to construct three hydroelectric centers in Ecuador by using Iranian technology, with a hydroelectric generation capacity of more than 100 megawatts.

Acknowledging that both countries are geographically far apart, the Presidency's office said that there should nevertheless be more visits between the two countries to enhance bilateral cooperation in trade, investment, tourism, society, culture and sports.—Xinhua

*A man fixes the tyre chains for his car during a heavy snow storm which hits Barcelona, Spain, on 8 March, 2010.*





**Girls stand in line during the opening ceremony of a training camp in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on 8 March, 2010. Nearly 300 girls from across China began a 2-month training session on Monday in Hangzhou and Shanghai in preparation for their work as hostesses during the 2010 Shanghai World Expo.—XINHUA**

### Eurotunnel turns profit despite crisis, fire

PARIS, 9 March—Eurotunnel turned in a slight profit last year despite the effects of the global economic crisis and a fire within the link that connects Britain and France, it said on Tuesday.

The group made a profit of 1.4 million euros (1.9 million dollars) in 2009 — far lower than the 34 million euros it made a year earlier.

The effects of a major fire in September 2008, including compensation payments, helped dent results during 2009, the company reported earlier. The fire broke out as a freight train passed through the tunnel, causing serious damage to the line. Full services were only restored in February 2009.—Internet

### Geraniums may control Japanese beetles

WOOSTER, 9 March—US agriculture researchers say geraniums might hold the key to controlling Japanese beetles, which feed on nearly 300 plant species.

Scientists with the US Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Research Service say the beetle (*Popillia japonica*) costs the ornamental plant industry \$450 million each year in damage.

Although the beetle feeds well on a wide variety of plants — including ornamentals, soybean, corn, fruits and vegetables — within 30 minutes of consuming geranium petals, the beetle becomes paralyzed, rolls over on its back and remains there for several hours.

Internet

### Huge land deals threaten poor country farmers

GENEVA, 9 March—Subsistence farmers in developing nations are at risk because farmland equivalent to the total amount available in France has been negotiated away to foreign investors since 2006, a UN expert said on Monday.

"I am extremely doubtful and worried to see these transactions involving very large areas of land, which will threaten these people's ability to continue" subsistence farming, said Olivier De Schutter, UN

special rapporteur on the right to food.

In a report, De Schutter cited estimates of "between 15 million to 20 million hectares [37 million to 49 million acres] that had been subject to transactions or negotiations involving foreign investors since 2006".

He said it was equal to the total area of farmland in France and a fifth of all agricultural land in the European Union.

Most of the dealings involved leases or the sale of land in sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, Latin America and eastern Europe.—Internet

### Sleep may be fountain of youth

CORVALLIS, 9 March—US researchers suggest a good night's sleep may help fight deterioration due to aging. Researchers at the Oregon State University in Corvallis linked poorer health and earlier deaths to the absence of a key gene controlling the biological clock regulating the sleep cycle.

The fruit fly study, published in the journal *Aging*, found the flies without the gene lived just about as long as normal flies — unless they were subjected to stress.

When the researchers exposed the flies to a mild metabolic stress for 24 hours, they found no change in young flies, but middle-age and older flies showed significant damage beginning to occur.

"We're beginning to identify some of the underlying mechanisms that may help explain why organisms age," Natraj Krishnan said in a statement.

"This study suggests that young individuals may be able to handle certain stresses, but the same insults at an older age cause genetic damage and appear to lead to health problems and earlier death. And it's linked to biological clocks."—Internet

### Einstein's relativity manuscript debuts in Israel



**A visitor looks at a piece of the original manuscript of Albert Einstein's landmark "General Theory of Relativity" exhibited at The Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities in Jerusalem on 7 March, 2010. Einstein wrote the 46-page manuscript in German in 1916 and donated to the Hebrew University of Jerusalem in 1925. The exhibit coincides with Einstein's birthday on 14 March.**

The complete original manuscript of Albert Einstein's epoch-making theory of relativity were exhibited for the first time on Sunday in Israel.

The 46-page manuscript of the Theory of General Relativity, which was donated by Einstein to Hebrew University of Jerusalem in 1925, were on its first public display at the Israeli Academy of Sciences and Humanities.

The exhibition, part of the events celebrating the science academy's 50th anniversary, will be on until the end of March.

The Theory of General Relativity,

which was published by Einstein in 1915, led to a revolutionary understanding of the structure and development of the universe. As the central principle of modern physics, Einstein's ground breaking masterpiece made historic contributions not only to physics research, but also to technological development, creating basis for many scientific experiments as well as common instruments like the global positioning system.

Einstein, often regarded as the father of modern physics, is among the most influential and best-known intellectuals in the world.



**A Chinese Imperial white jade seal inscribed with Taishang Huangdi from a period of Qianlong, Qing Dynasty, is displayed during an auction preview in Hong Kong on 9 March, 2010. The seal, which will be auction on 8 April, 2010, is expected to fetch more than US\$6,410,000, according Sotheby's auction house.**

### Cairo reopens restored 19th century synagogue

The 19th-century synagogue of Maimonides in Cairo's ancient Jewish quarter reopened on Sunday after a nearly two-year restoration by Egyptian authorities, participants at the opening told AFP.

They said some 150 people attended the opening, including Yitzhak Levanon and Margaret Scobey, the ambassadors of Israel and the United States respectively.

About a dozen rabbis from Israel and abroad also were at the ceremony.

"When I first set foot here only five years ago, the synagogue was in ruins and its roof opened to the sky", said Rabbi Andrew Baker of the American Jewish Committee (AJC).

Baker praised Egyptian authorities for recognising that Jewish religious sites are also an integral part of Egyptian heritage and Egyptian culture, and for leading the restoration project, the AJC said in a statement.

Egyptian officials were absent from the ceremony, and Culture Minister Faruq Hosni explained that was because on Sunday's opening was a purely religious ceremony.

Zahi Hawass, Egypt's antiquities chief, said that a more formal opening on 14 March would be attended by

Egyptian officials.

Egypt is happy to tout its Pharaonic antiquities, but authorities remain more discrete when it comes to restoration of ancient Jewish sites.



**Egyptians restore the prayer hall of the Moses Ben Maimon synagogue in the el-Gamaliya area in old Cairo in 2009. The 19th-century synagogue of Maimonides in Cairo's ancient Jewish quarter reopened on Sunday after a nearly two-year restoration by Egyptian authorities, participants at the opening told AFP.**

**NEWS ALBUM**





People visit the Volkswagen pavilion at the Belgrade Car Show in Belgrade, Serbia, on 8 March, 2010. The car show, opening on Monday, hosted 180 foreign and 190 domestic car manufacturers. Some 47 new car models and 38 motorbikes are exhibited.—XINHUA

## US announces 40 million dollars to develop Next Generation Nuclear Plant

WASHINGTON, 9 March — The US government on Monday announced selections for the award of approximately 40 million dollars in total to two teams led by Westinghouse Electric Co and General Atomics for conceptual design and planning work for the Next Generation Nuclear Plant (NGNP).

The results of this work will help the administration determine whether to proceed with detailed efforts toward

construction and demonstration of the NGNP, said the US Energy Department in a statement.

If successful, the NGNP Demonstration Project will demonstrate high-temperature gas-cooled reactor technology that will be capable of producing electricity as well as process heat for industrial applications and will be configured for low technical and safety risk with highly reliable operations.

Final cost-shared

awards are subject to the negotiation of acceptable terms and conditions.

"This investment reflects President Obama's commitment to building the next generation of nuclear reactors that will create thousands of jobs and supply the clean energy to power our economy," said US Secretary of Energy Steven Chu.—Xinhua

## Shanghai economy overtaking Hong Kong

BEIJING, 9 March — Shanghai's economy overtaking Hong Kong has been one of the most discussed topics during China's ongoing NPC and CPPCC sessions.

Figures show, in 2009, Shanghai's GDP was up 8.2 percent. While Hong Kong actually suffered a 2.7 percent decline.

Earlier, the Chinese mainland's financial hub also said it has surpassed the SAR in terms of port handling capacity and stock market value.

Analysts say, competition does exist between the two cities. But cooperation is still seen as their top priority. Donald Tsang, Hong Kong SAR's chief executive, also said in Beijing while attending the annual two sessions, that the most important thing for Hong Kong and Shanghai now is to look jointly for growth opportunities.—Internet



Photo taken on 7 March, 2010 shows the illuminated African joint pavilion at Shanghai Expo park during the light debugging, in Shanghai, east China. XINHUA

## China Eastern to operate direct flight from Nanjing to Singapore

NANJING, 9 March — China Eastern will start to operate a direct flight from east China's Nanjing, capital city of Jiangsu Province, to Singapore on 20 March.

The direct flight, to be

undertaken by an Airbus A319, No MU771, will fly on every Monday, Thursday and on Saturday. The flight will take off on 10:00 am from Nanjing Lukou International Airport and arrive at Singapore at 3:50 pm local time. The flight will fly

back from Singapore on 5:05 pm and arrive at Nanjing at 11:00 pm. The new route is expected to further enhance business and culture cooperation between China's Jiangsu and Singapore, a spokesman from China Eastern said.—Xinhua

## Haiti frees US missionary; group leader still held

PORT-AU-PRINCE, 9 March — One of two Baptist missionaries still held on kidnapping charges in Haiti was released and flew to Miami on Monday, but the US group's leader remained in custody.

Charisa Coulter, 24, was taken from her jail cell to the airport by US Embassy staff more than a month after she and nine other Americans were arrested for trying to take 33 children out of Haiti after the earthquake.

Coulter, wearing a red tank top and sunglasses, declined comment as she quickly got into an SUV that took her to the Haitian airport, where she caught a flight back to the United States.—Internet

## Dubai World deal hope lifts markets, divides creditors

DUBAI, 9 March — Hopes of progress this week on Dubai World's (DBWLD.UL) \$26 billion debt restructuring lifted stocks and eased fears of default, but potential divisions emerged among creditors to the state-owned conglomerate.

Dubai World could put its plan to major creditors, which include HSBC (HSBA.L) and Standard Chartered (STAN.L), in London this week but was being delayed by efforts to value the assets of its Nakheel unit, builder of Dubai's palm-shaped islands, bankers said.—Internet

## Samsung Heavy inks floating LNG facility deal with Royal Dutch Shell

SEOUL, 9 March — South Korea's Samsung Heavy Industries Co said on Tuesday it reached a contract with Royal Dutch Shell Plc to build a floating liquefied natural gas (LNG) facility.

The company, in its regulatory filing, said it has won the contract from Europe's largest oil company, without revealing the exact amount.

While Samsung Heavy said it will publicize the value on 1 April, local industry sources es-

timated the value to be around 4 billion US dollars, local media Yonhap News Agency said.

In July last year, the shipbuilder signed an agreement with the European company to construct LNG facilities for up to 15 years, to which the recent contract is subordinate. The July agreement stated Samsung Heavy, together with a French provider, design, construct and install multiple floating LNG facilities.

During the contract

period, Royal Dutch Shell is expected to request around 10 floating production storage and offloading (FPSO) facility orders at a total value of 50 billion US dollars, Samsung Heavy has been saying.

In a separate filing, Samsung Heavy said it also has received orders to build nine tankers and an offshore facility worth a combined 750 million US dollars from Europe and Southeast Asia.

Xinhua



A costume of late Greek actress and Minister of Culture Melina Mercouri is seen at an art exhibition in Athens, capital of Greece, on 8 March, 2010. The exhibition "Melina-Education-Culture" was inaugurated on the International Women's Day and will run to 8 April.—XINHUA



## Myanmar citizens must be for Myanmar and ...

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enhancement of education standard, supply of electricity and improvement of telecommunication.

The Prime Minister stressed the need to effectively make use of sound foundations for promotion of socio-economic standard of the local people. The Government, the people and the Tatmadaw are to join hands to safeguard the development infrastructures for durability.

In carrying out development of Namhsan Townsahip, he urged the administrative bodies and the local people to cooperate in undertaking five rural

He explained that all the national people residing in the Union are to forge the Union Spirit. In conclusion, the Prime Minister highlighted that Myanmar citizens must be for Myanmar and a Myanmar must not be a stooge of any alien nation or a Myanmar in disguise.

Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation Maj-Gen Htay Oo reported on assistance to be provided for agriculture tasks.

Next, the Prime Minister presented clothes and medicines to townselders.

After inspecting the development of Namhsan and Zayangyi village in a motorcade, the Prime Minister and party



**Prime Minister General Thein Sein presents clothes and medicines to townselders in Namhsan.—MNA**

tasks for upgrading Mongton-Namtu and Mongton-Namhsan roads

into all-weather facilities.

The Prime Minister made an address and presented clothes and medicines to townselders.

At township People's Hospital, the Prime Minister met the medical superintendent, doctors and nurses and attended to the needs.

On his arrival at Namtu in Kyaukme District, the Prime Minister met departmental officials, members of social organizations and local people at No (1) Guest House of Win Myintmoh Industries Co.,Ltd in Namtu.

After hearing a

report on food sufficiency in the region through highland farming and assistances to be provided for highland farming presented by Minister Maj-Gen Htay Oo, the Prime Minister presented clothes and medicines to townselders.

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**New Namhsan 50-bed Hospital.—MNA**

development tasks with a view to improving the rural regions. He noted that health staff are to make field trips to the grassroots level to disseminate health knowledge about prevention against common diseases to the rural people so as to uplift the public health standard.

It is necessary to integrate agriculture and livestock breeding business for economic development, he said. All-out efforts are to be made for carrying out livestock breeding works on a commercial scale.

flew to Mongton in Kyaukme District where they were welcomed by Col Maung Maung Hsan of the local station, departmental officials and local people.

In meeting with departmental officials, members of social organizations and local people at Shweli hall of BEHS in Mongton, Minister for Construction and Electric Power No. 2 Maj-Gen Khin Maung Myint reported to the Prime Minister on arrangements being made for supply of electricity in Shan State (North) including Mongton and

**Namhsan was a town with poor transport in the past. Therefore, the government managed to ensure emergence of all-weather Namhsan-Hsipaw Road, Namhsan-Kyaukme Road and Namhsan-Mantung Road. Likewise, the 50-bed People's Hospital is constructed for uplifting the health standard of the local people, while efforts are being made for enhancement of education standard, supply of electricity and improvement of telecommunication.**



**Aerial view of Namtu in Kyaukme District.—MNA**





*Prime Minister General Thein Sein delivers address in meeting with departmental officials, members of social organizations and local people in Namtu.—MNA*

## Myanmar citizens must be for Myanmar and ...

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Next, the Prime Minister left Namtu and arrived back Lashio in the evening.

In meeting with departmental officials, members of social organizations and local people in Mantung and Namtu Townships, the Prime Minister stressed the need for making continuous efforts to ensure the rule of law in Mantung and Namtu after restoring security and peace and stability. Regional development undertakings can be carried out only if there is peace and stability.

The government on its part has been laying down and implementing projects for the development of rural and border areas for harmonious progress of the whole country.

It has already established a transport network the foundation for progress. At the same time it is opening more and more basic education schools and institutions of higher learning. It also is opening one arts and science university, one university of computer studies and one technological university in each of the 24 development regions.

In order to uplift the health sector, it is extending the number of hospitals and dispensaries and upgrading the existing ones providing doctors and other health

staff all health facilities.

The nationalities of the Union should foster Union Spirit which is the true patriotism. Parents and teachers should cooperatively strive for all school age children to attend classes till completion of their education. The Prime Minister spoke of the need to provide effective health care for the people to enjoy disease-free life and longevity, to implement the five-year five-acre highland farm and five-acre tea farm project for farmers to enjoy economic prosperity till posterity. The government, the people and the Tatmadaw will have to harmoniously strive with added momentum for regional peace and stability and progress.—MNA

## Myanmar, China to deepen cooperation

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win received a delegation led by Mr Hu Zhengyue, Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China and party at the Ministry here today.

The two sides discussed matters concerning strengthening of bilateral relations and mutually beneficial

cooperation between Myanmar and China.

Also present on the occasion were Director-General U Kyaw Kyaw of Protocol Department, Director-General U Kyaw Tin of Political Department and officials. The Chinese Assistant Minister was accompanied by Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Ye Dabo. MNA



*Minister U Nyan Win receives Chinese delegation led by Mr Hu Zhengyue, Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs of the PRC.—MNA*

## Victorious women's team of Transport Ministry honoured

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—At a ceremony to honour the women's football team of the Ministry of Transport that secured champion in the 9<sup>th</sup> Inter-Ministry Women's Football Tournament, Managing Director U See

Tint of Inland Water Transport and wife presented K 2.6 million award to the football team.

The ceremony was held at the hall of Ahlon Shipyard of IWT, here, yesterday.—MNA

## Road construction in Yangon inspected

YANGON, 9 March — Deputy Minister for Construction U Tint Swe inspected construction of road linking No (5) Road and Dalla-Twantay Road here yesterday.

He also viewed the maintenance of Pan Hline Bridge and inspected steel girders to be used in construction of road network in Ayeyawady Division at Asia World jetty.—MNA

## MRIA receives officials of Toyota Tsusho Cooperation

YANGON, 9 March—Vice-Chairman U Sein Win Hlaing of Myanmar Rice Industry Association received General Managers Mr Shigemasa Miki and Mr Shigeharu Kato of Toyota Tsusho Corporation (Food & Produce Department) and representative to Myanmar Mr Keiichi Kisara of Toyota Tsusho Corporation at UMCCI Tower on Min Ye Kyaw Swa road here

yesterday.

The two sides discussed mutual cooperation in agriculture sector, exchange of technology and cooperation in paddy sector.

Also present at the call were General Secretary U Ye Min Aung, Joint-Secretaries U Myo Thura Aye and U Aung Zaw Oo. MNA



*MRJA Vice-Chairman U Sein Win Hlaing meets General Managers Mr Shigemasa Miki and Mr Shigeharu Kato of Toyota Tsusho Cooperation (Food & Produce Department).—MNA*

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March — Shweli (3) Dam project will be implemented in Momeik Township of Shan State (North). Minister for Electric Power No 1 Col Zaw Min, accompanied by Deputy Minister U Myo Myint and officials, on 7 March visited the project site to be implemented by the ministry.

On arrival at the briefing hall of the dam project, the minister heard reports submitted by officials of the project. Director U Nay Myo Win of No (2) Construction reported the minister on maintenance of Twinng-Momeik road section, construction of approach road to the dam, road maintenance in Kyauktaung village, situations of bridges on Mandalay Waputaung-Momeik road and the road linking Momeik and the dam, sites chosen for construction of hydropower plant project, implementation of hydropower projects on Shweli River, and facts about the dam project. Director (Geology) U Kyaw Nyein submitted report on geological situation of the project, feasibility tests and future plans. The deputy minister and director-general presented supplementary reports. The minister gave necessary instructions.

The minister inspected the dam project from the view deck on left bank of the dam project.—MNA

## Shweli (3) Dam to be implemented in Shan State



Minister for Electric Power No. 1 Col Zaw Min views progress of Shweli (3) Dam Project.

MNA

## Graduation dinner of UDNR held

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—A dinner for the 19th graduation of University for Development of National Races took place at the university on 4 March. Vice-Chairman of the University

Council of UDNR Chairman of Central Management Committee Chairman of Civil Services Selection and Training Board U Kyaw Thu cordially greeted trainees and hosted a dinner.—MNA

## Great chance for golf professionals



The press conference of Air Bagan Myanmar Open 2010 in progress.—NLM

YANGON, 9 March—A press conference on organizing the Air Bagan Myanmar Open 2010, jointly organized by Myanmar PGA and Asian Tour and sponsored by Air Bagan Ltd, was held at Sedona Hotel, here, on 6 March.

Myanmar hosted the Asian Tour from 1996 to 2005 organized by Rothmans Pall Mall Co Ltd. After a five-year

break, the tour will resume thanks to Myanmar entrepreneurs this year. Air Bagan will cost US\$ 260,000, IBTC US\$ 150,000 and Elite-Tech US\$ 100,000 for the tour to be held at Pun Hlaing Golf Resort from 8 to 11 April 2010.

Winner will bag US\$ 50,000, and hold-in-one scorer will be awarded US\$ 20,000 by Sun Far Travels & Tours.

A total of 120 golfers from over 30 countries and 20 Myanmar professionals and four selected Myanmar players will take part in it.

It will be a Grand Prix in Myanmar for the first time.

Co-sponsors will be Elite-Tech, Sedona Hotel (Yangon) and Pun Hlaing Golf Resort.

NLM

## Duty assigned to trainees of BEd course

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—The graduation ceremony of University for Development of National Races for JAT course No. 19 took place in conjunction with duty-assigning ceremony for the trainees of four-year B.Ed

course No. 41 at the convocation hall of the university on 5 March.

Pro Rector U Htay Lwin of the university read out the minutes related to the JAT course No. 19.

Rector U Zaw Min Thein presented

completion certificates to 13 trainees and members of state and division Peace and Development Council, appointments to graduates.

The ceremonies came to an end with concluding remark of the rector.—MNA

## Newly enacted laws inserted as supplements in dailies, posted on notice board of Union Election Commission Office, sent to States, Divisions

NAY PYI TAW 9 March—The Union Election Commission Law, the Political Parties Registration Law, the Pyithu Hluttaw Election Law, the Amyotha Hluttaw Election Law and the Region or State Hluttaw Election Law issued by the State Peace and Development Council dated 8 March

2010 are inserted as supplementary pages in the dailies. For public knowledge and study, the laws are posted on the notice board of the Union Elections Commission Office, and these laws have been sent to respective States and Divisions.

MNA

## Myanmars fly to India for IT Conference

YANGON, 9 March—A Myanmar delegation started their observation tour of India here yesterday.

The delegation, which toured India at the invitation of Indo Myanmar Chamber of Commerce and Industries, includes Vice-Chairman U Thein Tun Pe, U Htin Aung Khine and CEC

member U Min Swe Hline of Myanmar Computer Professionals Association. MCPA is a brother association of Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry. They will participate in IT Conference and INDIA SOFT 2010 Exhibition in their stay in India.—MNA

## Standards and Norms for Myanmar forests

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—As part of efforts to conserve the Myanmar forests, the Ministry of Forestry organized a workshop on Standards and Norms at the hall of the Forest Department, here, this morning.

Deputy Director-General U Kyaw Tun of Planning and Statistics Department read the paper on General Perspective of Criteria & Indicators for Sustainable Forest Management and

Chairman of the Myanmar Forestry Endorsement Committee U Shwe Kyaw, the paper on Standards and Norms for management of Myanmar forests for long-term existence and Director U Sein Tun of Forest Department, the paper on C&I for SFM implementation.

A total of 75 representatives attended the workshop. Resource persons will submit 10 papers at the workshop that will last up to 11 March.—MNA



## Commander inspects transport infrastructure and factory

YANGON, 9 March—Chairman of Yangon Division Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Maj-Gen Win

Myint, accompanied by Chairman of Yangon Division Traffic Rules Enforcement Supervisory Committee Deputy Commander Brig-Gen Kyaw

Kyaw Tun and officials, inspected Bayintnaung Bridge in Hlinethaya Township, Yangon North District this morning.

The commander also inspected Anawratha Street and the durability of Shwepyitha Bridge near its tollgate.

He later went to Yangon Crown Wire & Cable factory in Shwepyitha Township and inspected production line of the factory.

MNA

## DVB storm news refuted

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—In its news aired on 5 March, DVB said that a storm at a wind speed of about 120 mph would hit Myanmar in following two months.

When contacted and asked about the news, the department said that it issued a public notice on 1 March that "From now on till Monday, temperature will rise significantly. So, cloudy skies will be formed in the afternoon and in the evening, causing occasional strong winds. While strong winds blow, heavy rain with hailstones are likely

to be isolated in some areas..."; that the public notice did not feature any word of "storm" or a phrase "a wind speed of about 120 mph"; that in response to the questions asked on phone by some public members, it explained facts about thunderstorms in order that they would be able to take preparedness measures against a potential thunderstorm; that there is some difference between a thunderstorm and a storm; and that in fact, using staff members of the department as a stepping stone, a DVB staff member in disguise of an ordinary citizen gave

a phone call to ask about the storm news and fabricated a news story.

Therefore, the Myanmar News Agency, regarding the DVB's fabricated news story, hereby issued an announcement that the people are urged to rely on the weather reports presented in daily newspapers, and on radio and TV, and not to allow themselves to be swayed by killer broadcasts bent on sowing hatred among the people, generating public outraging, and causing troubles.

MNA

## Earthquake report

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March—A slight earthquake of Magnitude 4.6 Richter Scale with its epicenter inside Myanmar about 220 miles southeast of Mandalay seismological observatory was recorded at 19 hrs 32 min 40 sec MST today, according to the Department of Meteorology and Hydrology.—MNA

## Objectives of 65<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Armed Forces Day

1. To uphold Our Three Main National Causes at risk to life as the national policy
2. To work hard with national people for successful completion of elections due to be held in accordance with the new constitution
3. To crush internal and external subversive elements through the strength and consolidated unity of the people
4. To build a strong, patriotic modern Tatmadaw capable of safeguarding the sovereignty and territorial integrity of the nation

## Loikaw hears child rights talks

NAY PYI TAW, 9 March — Educational talks on United Nations Convention on Child Rights Human Trafficking was held at town hall of Loikaw in Kayah State on 5 March.

Director-General U Soe Kyi of Social Welfare Department, Secretary of National Committee on Child Rights, shared his knowledge on the UN convention and human trafficking. Director of the department U Myo Hset Aung gave accounts on prevention against recruitment of minors for military services. Local people, departmental officials and representatives of the organizations in related fields attended the talks.—MNA

# Shwedaung famous town for cotton longyi

Byline: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Myo Min Thein (Mayangon)



U Myint Lwin,  
Chairman of  
Township PDC

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percent of the roads are tarred ones. The number of houses, hotels, and stores has increased.

The township has gained development momentums in such sectors as education, health and communication. In an interview with Chairman of Shwedaung Township Peace and Develop-



Auto-exchange in Kyeethe village in Shwedaung Township.

ment Council U Myint Lwin, he explained to Myanmar Alin Daily.

"The township is formed with three wards and 297 villages. It has 25-bed hospital and two station hospitals.

"Local people can now use GSM and auto exchange telephones. In education sector, there are two Basic Education High Schools, four

BEHS (branch) and two affiliated BEHSs. Pass rate of matriculation exam in 2008-2009 academic year is 34.48 percent."

In the township, groundnut is grown by designating it as a special zone. Shwedaung is a township that grows edible oil crop most in Bago Division (West). Groundnut grown on al-

luvial lands along the Ayeyawady River is thriving. Groundnut The crop is grown most in Nwarchangon and Kyeethe village-tracts. Myanmar Alin Daily interviewed U Hla Myint, Township Agricultural Manager.

"The township has set the target to grow 5,913 acres of groundnut in monsoon and 14,229 acres in cold season. The yield is

about 70 baskets per acre.

As sesame and sunflower are grown as special zone, the township stands as edible oil crop zone.

Shwedaung Township is well-known as groundnut special zone as well as a township that produces fabric.

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Welcome to Shwedaung.

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## Sears Tower designer dies of complications

CHICAGO, 9 March—Bruce J Graham, designer of the former world's tallest building and the existing tallest building in the United States, has died at the age of 84.

Chicago-based public relations firm SCC Grossman said on Monday that the designer died on Saturday of complications associated with Alzheimer's disease.

The 110-storey building in Chicago, designed by Graham and known as the Sears Tower when it opened in 1974, remained as the world's tallest until the Petronas Twin Towers were opened in 1996 in Kuala Lumpur of Malaysia.

The Chicago skyscraper was renamed the Willis Tower in 2009.

Graham also designed Chicago's 100-storey John Hancock Center building.—Xinhua

*Cranes are erected at the Dubai Marina, 2008. The United Arab Emirates economy is expected to expand by 3.2 percent in 2010, in sharp contrast to an International Monetary Fund forecast of 0.6-percent growth.*

INTERNET

## CLAIMS DAY NOTICE

### MV RATHA BHUM VOYNO (512)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV RATHA BHUM VOYNO (512) are hereby notified that the vessels will be arriving on 10.3.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.P 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.

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## 11 Indian tigers killed since beginning of 2010

MUMBAI, 9 March—At least 11 Indian tigers have died since the beginning of this year, making the Indian tiger total figures below the official figure of 1,411, the Indian newspaper the *Times of India* reported on Tuesday.

Five tigers were killed in the reserves of the related states, while the other six dead in some states' forests, Indian Environment Minister

Jairam Ramesh said on Monday, the paper reported.

Among the 5 deaths in the reserves, two each were killed because of the infighting in the north-western state of Uttarakhand and the northeastern state of Assam, while the remaining one was poisoned in the central state of Madhya Pradesh, said Ramesh.

Last year, 66 Indian tigers

## Kenya flash floods death toll rises to 13

NAIROBI, 9 March—At least 13 people have been killed by raging floods and more than 10,000 others affected, the Kenya Red Cross Society said on Tuesday.

The Red Cross Communications Manager Titus Mung'ou said at least nine people had died as a result of floods and landslides while four others had been killed by lightning.

"At least 10,117 people have been affected by

floods, landslides and heavy rains across the country in March," Mung'ou said in a statement on Tuesday.

He said those affected included 2,100 in Mandera, 600 in Samburu and Isiolo, 1,200 in Garbatula, 2,000 in Tinderet, 3,600 in Lokori, 420 in Marsabit and 197 in Moyale.

In Isiolo, the local Kenya Red Cross branch had started distribution of non-food items to 120

households in Garfasa area in Garbatula, said Mung'ou.

KRCS staff and volunteers worked jointly with the locals, Kenya police, Kenya Wildlife Service, British Army and Provincial Administration teams in evacuation of affected to safety.

Mung'ou said property of unknown value had been destroyed Samburu, Isiolo, Nakuru and other parts affected by floods.

Xinhua

## Train derails in Belgium, no injuries

BRUSSELS, 9 March —A train derailed on Tuesday morning in the train station of the Belgian town of Mons, 53 km southwest of Brussels, causing no injuries. Corinne Altasse, a spokeswoman said, "There is a train that derailed this morning in the train station of Mons, it is not serious. There were no people in the train."

This accident occurred around 6 am and the train was empty except the driver. Only the last wagon of the seven-wagon train derailed.

The accident has caused traffic disruptions in the southern region of Belgium.

An accident expert of the Belgian Railways group (SNCB) is now at the scene to investigate.

On 15 Feb, two passenger trains crashed head-on near Brussels, killing at least 18 people and injured more than 150 others.—Xinhua

*Copies of the West Australian Newspaper are seen for sale near Perth. The number of jobs advertised in newspapers and online in Australia rose by almost 20 percent in February, according to a bank survey released on Tuesday which suggests unemployment has peaked.—INTERNET*

## Audi '09 net income down 39 pct to \$1.8 billion

FRANKFURT, 9 March—German carmaker Audi AG says its 2009 net income fell 39 percent to euro1.35 billion (\$1.8 billion) as the economic downturn cut demand for its cars.

The Ingolstadt-based company earned euro2.2 billion in 2008.

Audi said on Tuesday revenue fell 13 percent to nearly euro30 billion from euro34.2 billion in 2008. Total vehicle production fell 9.4 percent to 932,260 cars in 2009 from just over 1 million in 2008.

Audi is a unit of Europe's largest carmaker Volkswagen AG.—Internet

## Two killed in wedding shootout in east Nepal

KATHMANDU, 9 March—Two people were killed in a shootout during a wedding ceremony in east Nepal, local media reported on Tuesday.

According to local media *ekantipur.com*, they were shot when an unidentified group opened fire at the wedding function they participated in Monday night at Majhouliya village in Siraha district, some 150 km east of capital Kathmandu.

They died on the way to a hospital for treatment, *ekantipur.com* reported, citing the police.

Police seized a home-made pistol from the incident site and arrested five people in connection with the incident, *ekantipur.com* said.—Xinhua





## Moderate caffeine may not hurt heart

SAN FRANCISCO, 9 March — US researchers say it is unlikely moderate caffeine increases heart arrhythmia risks.

Researchers at the Kaiser Permanente Division of Research in Oakland, Calif., found those who reported drinking four or more cups of coffee daily had an 18 percent lower risk of hospitalization for heart rhythm disturbances and those drinking one to three cups each day had a 7 percent lower risk.

"Coffee drinking is related to lower risk of hos-

pitalization for rhythm problems, but the association does not prove cause and effect, or that coffee has a protective effect," lead author Dr Arthur Klatsky said in a statement.

"However, these data might be reassuring to people who drink moderate amounts of coffee that their habit is not likely to cause a major rhythm disturbance."

Klatsky and colleagues looked at 130,054 men and women, ages 18-90 — with the majority

age 50 and younger. About 2 percent — 3,317 participants — were hospitalized for rhythm disturbances. Fourteen percent in the study drank less than one cup of coffee a day, 42 percent drank one to three cups of coffee a day, 17 percent reported drinking four cups or more each day and about 27 percent were not coffee drinkers.

The findings were presented at a conference of the American Heart Association held in San Francisco.—*Internet*



**Rescuers save a buried worker from the debris after a collapse of floor slabs at a demolition site in Wuhan, capital of central China's Hubei Province, on 8 March, 2010. Three workers were killed and five others were injured in the accident.—XINHUA**

## Pine bark extract may help kidneys

CHIETI, 9 March — Italian researchers say pine bark extract may help counteract kidney damage due to high blood pressure.

Researchers at G D'Annunzio University, Chieti, Italy, say treatment with Pycnogenol — an anti-oxidant plant extract of a French pine tree — lowered urinary proteins from an average level of 89 milligrams per 24-hour period to 39 milligrams, much closer to the 30-milligram measure at which kidney function is considered sufficient.

"Kidney disease is a common problem for people with hypertension and is an equally 'silent' threat to the body.

There are no warning signals and inefficient fluid removal may further increase the blood pressure, causing a vicious circle to set in," lead researcher Dr Gianni Belcaro said in a statement. "The results of this study demonstrated Pycnogenol's ability not only to reduce blood pressure, but also to relieve the kidney damage caused by chronic hypertension."

Belcaro and colleagues gave 55 hypertensive patients with early signs of impaired kidney function anti-hypertensive medication Imperil but 29 patients also took Pycnogenol. Urine was collected at baseline and after six months of treatment.—*Internet*

## Vitamin D critical to fighting infections

COPENHAGEN, 9 March — University of Copenhagen researchers report vitamin D is crucial to activating immune defences to fight off serious infections in the body. Carsten Geisler said when specialized immune cells — T cells — are exposed to a foreign pathogen, it extends a signalling device or "antenna" known as a vitamin D receptor, with which it searches for vitamin D.

"T cell must have vitamin D or activation of the cell will cease," Geisler said in a statement. "If the T cells cannot find enough vitamin D in the blood, they won't even begin to mobilize." Identifying the role of vitamin D in the activation of T cells has been a major breakthrough, the research team said.

"Scientists have known for a long time that vitamin D is important for calcium absorption and the vitamin has also been implicated in diseases such as cancer and multiple sclerosis, but what we didn't realize is how crucial vitamin D is for actually activating the immune system — which we know now," Geisler said.

Vitamin D is produced as a natural byproduct of the skin's exposure to sunlight and is also found in fish liver oil, eggs and fatty fish such as salmon, herring and mackerel or a dietary supplement.—*Internet*



## Exercise helps if weight is regained

COLUMBIA, 9 March — Many who lose weight subsequently regain it, but US researchers say exercise can maintain the health benefits of weight loss, such as lower blood pressure.

Tom R Thomas, professor at the University of Missouri in Columbia, and colleagues put overweight men and women on a diet and a supervised aerobic five-day-a-week exercise plan for 4-6 months. After losing weight, participants were separated into two groups, one that exercised and one that didn't.

The non-exercise group experienced rapid deterioration in weight-loss induced benefits. The exercise group maintained improvements in almost all measures, including oxygen consumption, blood pressure and glucose.

Exercise didn't maintain blood cholesterol and abdominal fat loss, the study said.—*Internet*

**Wang Meiying (front), a farmer painter, watches her granddaughter painting at their home in Shanghai, east China, on 7 March, 2010. The members of a three generation artist family gathered on the occasion of the International Women's Day.—XINHUA**

## How to preserve brain function

BOSTON, 9 March — There are ways to preserve executive function — being able to make choices, plan, initiate action, inhibit impulses — a US newsletter advises. The Harvard Health Letter says executive function can be more important to functioning independently as one gets older than retaining memory because it can affect everything from walking speed to attention span to friendships and family ties.

Regular exercise can help preserve executive function. Avoiding high blood pressure and getting enough sleep each night can also help, the newsletter says. Other ways to maintain executive function include:

- Making an effort to concentrate on tasks.
- Saying things aloud when making a plan because it encourages pausing and paying attention to the task at hand.

— Creating habits. If keys and other items are always in the same place, executive function is not needed to figure out where to find them. Making simple things "automatic" may help make complicated matters easier to handle.—*Internet*

## Food allergy disorder linked to gene

CINCINNATI, 9 March — US medical investigators say they have linked a food allergy-related disorder to a so-called master allergy gene. Researchers led by Dr Marc Rothenberg at Cincinnati Children's Medical Centre Hospital report identifying a region of a human chromosome that is associated with eosinophilic esophagitis, often called EoE, a recently recognized allergic disease.

The scientists said people suffering EoE frequently have difficulty eating or may be allergic to one or more foods, with symptoms varying with age; In children a major symptom is vomiting, while in older children food might become stuck in the esophagus.

The study suggests a

suspected so-called master allergy gene might play a role in the development of the rare, but debilitating, disorder.

The researchers, supported by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and the National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases, performed a genome-wide association analysis in children with EoE and healthy children. The investigators identified changes in genes within a region on chromosome 5 that were highly associated with EoE, with one gene that encodes a protein called thymic stromal lymphopoietin found more highly expressed in children with the condition than in children without the disorder.

*Internet*

## SPORTS

## Liverpool's Champions League hopes take a battering

WIGAN, 9 March—Hugo Rodallega scored the only goal of the game as Wigan dented Liverpool's Champions League hope with a 1-0 victory at the DW Stadium here on Monday.

Fernando Torres had already hit the post when Rodallega made the most of poor defending from the Reds to fire the hosts in front just after the half hour.

And there was little response from Rafael Benitez's side as they slipped to a ninth Premier League defeat of the season.

They are still just one point off fourth place but with nine games remaining, they are sixth in the table and Tottenham and Manchester City above them now have games in

hand. It was Wigan's second win of 2010 and their first in eight matches which sees Roberto Martinez's side move four points clear of the relegation zone.—*Internet*



**Liverpool's Dutch forward Dirk Kuyt (R) and Wigan Athletic's Scottish defender Gary Caldwell (L) compete for the ball during their English Premier League football match at The DW Stadium in Wigan. Wigan won 1-0.—INTERNET**

## Valencia draw a blank against lowly Santander

MADRID, 9 March—Valencia dropped important points in the fight for a Champions League place after they were held 0-0 at home by lowly Racing Santander on Monday in



**Valencia's Dutch defender Hedwiges Maduro (L) vies for the ball with Racing Santander's midfielder Sergio Caneles during their Spanish league football match at Mestalla Stadium in Valencia.—INTERNET**

their Spanish First Division match.

With fourth-placed Sevilla losing, Valencia could have opened up a six-point cushion but they were never at their best with a number of players missing through injury and suspension.

A make-shift defence struggled especially against the skills of youngster Sergio Caneles but they still had the chances to see off the threat from Racing going forward.

The normally clinical David Villa shot straight at the Racing keeper Fabio Coltorti from six-yards out and then saw another strike come back off the post.

Racing also had their moments with Caneles denied by the Valencia keeper Miguel Moya before the break and in the second half Santander had the better opportunities to win the match.—*Internet*

## Terry tough enough to take taunts says Lampard

LONDON, 9 March—

Frank Lampard said the verbal abuse directed at John Terry by Stoke fans during Chelsea's 2-0 FA Cup quarter-final win would make his club and England colleague all the stronger in a World Cup year.

Terry, 29, is still being taunted by opposition fans for his alleged affair with Vanessa Perroncel - the ex-girlfriend of his former Chelsea team-mate Wayne Bridge.

The fall-out from the British press revelations led Fabio Capello to strip Terry of the England captaincy although the Italian manager stressed the centre-back remained part of his plans for this year's World Cup in South Africa. Sunday's match at Stamford Bridge saw Terry respond to the jeers by setting up the opening goal for Lampard before scoring the second with a header that sent holders



**Chelsea's Captain John Terry (R) celebrates with Chelsea's Frank Lampard at the final whistle against Stoke City during their FA Cup quarter final football match at Stamford Bridge in London, on 7 March.—INTERNET**

Chelsea on their way to an FA Cup semi-final against another Premier League side, Aston Villa, at Wembley next month.

*Internet*

## Rangers confirm takeover talks

GLASGOW, 9 March—Scottish giants Rangers confirmed on Monday that majority shareholder Sir David Murray has begun discussions with London-based property developer Andrew Ellis regarding a takeover.

The runaway Premier League leaders - who are 31 million pounds in debt - said discussions with "interested parties" are at an early stage. An independent committee of the board, which includes Ibrox legend John Greig, has been set up to consider any offers for Rangers.

Murray stepped down as chairman in August 2009.—*Internet*



**Carlos Bocanegra of the United States, left, scores a goal, past goalkeeper Maarten Stekelenburg of the Netherlands, right, during their international friendly soccer match at the Arena stadium in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, on 3 March, 2010.—INTERNET**

## Blanc 'not favourite' for France job, says French chief

BORDEAUX, 9 March—French Football Federation (FFF) president Jean-Pierre Escalettes says he has never identified Bordeaux manager Laurent Blanc as the favourite to succeed Raymond Domenech as coach of France.

In an interview appearing in Tuesday's edition of French regional daily *Sud-Ouest*, Escalettes said: "If I hadn't said that the coach of the reigning French champions (Blanc), and a former world champion, wasn't on the list of 10 or 12

names, you'd laugh in my face. "But I've never said that he was the favourite. We're working on the profile of the next coach, but neither me nor my colleagues have attempted to approach Laurent Blanc. We have to let him finish his season."

"The only certain thing is that the coach will be French."—*Internet*



**Raymond Domenech**

## Fans key to Real comeback against Lyon - Ronaldo



**Cristiano Ronaldo**

MADRID, 9 March—Cristiano Ronaldo believes Real Madrid can overcome its 1-0 first leg defeat to Lyon and reach the Champions League quarter final on Wednesday for the first time since 2004, with some help from the fans.

Lyon "are a strong team physically, but it's our turn to play at home,"

the Portuguese winger told a news conference.

"I was amazed by the fans on Saturday and I must thank them for their support. I hope we see the same kind of atmosphere on Wednesday because they will play a crucial role in our success. The stadium will be great to see so full and the players are ready."

Real lost 1-0 at Lyon in their last-16 first-leg match on 16 February, and now have it all to do on Wednesday at the Santiago Bernabeu stadium - where this year's Champions League final will be played.

*Internet*

## Russia's Pavlyuchenkova lands first WTA title

MONTERREY, 9 March—Russian teenager Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova claimed her first WTA title over the weekend after battling back to win her second match of the day.

The 18-year-old needed 1hr 40min to see off experienced Slovak second seed Daniela Hantuchova 1-6, 6-1, 6-0 in the final.

Pavlyuchenkova, the third seed, was earlier taken to a three setter by Latvian Anastasija



**Russian teenager Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova**

Sevastova in her semi-final which had to be played on Sunday after rain washed out much of Saturday's play.

She won 6-3, 2-6, 6-1, and then rested as the doubles final took place.

Hantuchova had completed her match on Saturday before the rain, and she looked on her way to her fourth WTA title after racing through the first set.

*Internet*

## Netherlands beats US 2-1 in World Cup warmup

AMSTERDAM, 9 March—DaMarcus Beasley may have boosted his World Cup chances. Jonathan Bornstein and Robbie Findlay did nothing to help theirs. And Stuart Holden joined the long US injured list.

The United States fell flat in Europe once again, losing to the third-ranked Netherlands 2-1 on Wednesday night in the Americans' last match before coach Bob Bradley picks his World Cup roster.

"We had some moments in the first half that were OK, but I don't think we put enough pressure on them," said US midfielder Landon Donovan, who hardly touched the ball. "It took us too long in the second half before we made some real plays."

Dirk Kuyt converted a penalty kick in the 40th minute after Bornstein pulled on Wesley Sneijder's arm in the penalty area. Kuyt sent his kick to the right of goalkeeper Tim Howard, who dived the other way.—*Internet*





A person walks on the pier in Collioure, southern France, as heavy snow falls on the south of France.  
INTERNET

## Two massive earthquakes, different scenarios

CONCEPCION, 9 March — The western hemisphere has been hit by two deadly earthquakes this year: the 7.3-magnitude quake in Haiti on 12 Jan and the other measuring 8.8 on the Richter scale in

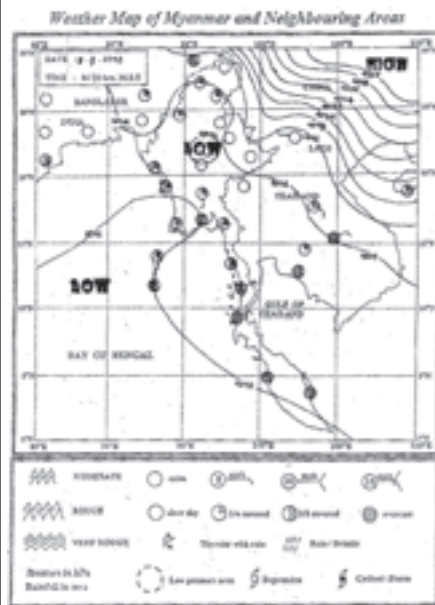
Chile on 27 Feb.

But the impacts have been vastly different due to a combination of elements, including geography, comparative wealth, disaster

readiness and level of infrastructure.

The Chile earthquake has so far killed less than 500 people, while the weaker Haiti quake killed some 220,000.

Xinhua



### MRTV-3 Programme Schedule (10-3-2010)(Wednesday)

#### Transmissions

	Times
Local	- (09:00am~10:00am)MST
Europe	- (15:30pm~23:30pm)MST
North America	- (23:30pm~07:30am)MST
Oversea Transmission	- (10-3-10 11:30 am ~ 11-3-10 11:30 am) MST

#### Local Transmission

- \* Signature Tune
  - \* The Beauty and Lifestyle of Taung Yoe Tribe
  - \* News
  - \* Village of Palaung
  - \* Shwesandaw Pagoda Festival
  - \* News
  - \* Topic on Journal "Discussion on Measures to lay down Timber Certification Work Plan"
  - \* The Magnificent Maha-Nandamu Cave At The Peik Chin Ravine
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- \* Music Gallery
- \* News
- \* Fabulous Glassware Decoration
- \* Culture Stage
- \* News
- \* Healthy Babies, Sweet Smiles
- \* Myanmar Footwear "Ponedaw" Famed in Successive Eras
- \* News
- \* Unique Biodiversity of Indawgyi Lake (Part-2)
- \* News
- \* Travelogue "Ngapali"
- \* The Beauty of Ingyin Fossils From Chindwin River

Website: www.mrtv3.net.mm

## WEATHER

Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2010

### Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr.

M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kachin, Rakhine and Mon States, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions and generally fair in the remaining States and Divisions. Day temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) above March average temperatures in Shan, Rakhine, Kayah and Kayin States, (5°C) to (6°C) above March average temperatures in Kachin and Chin States, Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway and Taninthayi Divisions and about March average temperatures in the remaining States and Divisions. The significant day temperatures were Chauk (43°C) and Minbu (42°C).

Maximum temperature on 8-3-2010 was 100°F. Minimum temperature on 9-3-2010 was 76°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 9-3-2010 was 70%. Total sun shine hours on 8-3-2010 was (8.4) hours approx.

Rainfall on 9-3-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye 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 (6) mph from Southwest at (18:30) hours MST on 8-3-2010.

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

**Forecast valid until evening of 10<sup>th</sup> March 2010:** Likelihood of isolated light rain or thundershowers in Kachin and Shan States and Taninthayi Division, weather will be partly cloudy in Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway, Yangon, and Ayeyawady Divisions and generally fair in the remaining States and Divisions. 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 slight increase of Day temperature in the central Myanmar areas.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 10-3-2010:** Partly cloudy.

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 10-3-2010:** Partly cloudy.

**Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 10-3-2010:** Partly cloudy.



Wednesday, 10  
March  
View on today

7:00 am

1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:15 am

2. မြတ်ကုဏ်တော်သခင် (သန့်မြတ်စိုးတေးရုပ်-မောင်မောင်လတ်)

7:25 am

3. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

4. Morning News

7:40 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

7:55 am

6. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:05 am

7. "တက္ကစီမိတာသင်လိုရာ"

8:15 am

8. မြေမြေကြွကြွ ယဉ်ကျေးမှုအက

8:25 am

9. (၆၅) နှစ်မြောက်တပ်မတော် နေ့ဂုဏ်ပြုအစီအစဉ်

8:40 am

10. International News

8:45 am

11. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:05 pm

2. Musical Programme

4:20 pm

3. Classical Songs

4:30 pm

4. အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

4:40 pm

5. တပ်မတော်နေ့ဂုဏ်ပြု တေးသီချင်းပြိုင်ပွဲ ဆုရတေးများ

4:50 pm

6. အဝေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေးရပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ တတိယနှစ် (အင်္ဂလိပ်စာအလေးပြု) (အင်္ဂလိပ်စာ)

5:05 pm

7. Songs For Uphold National Spirit

5:15 pm

8. Dance Of National Races

5:25 pm

9. "မိမိတစ်ခါသွေးလျှံကြစို့" (ငှက်ပျော့ကြော်၊ ချစ်သူတေ၊ မိုးလွန်၊ မီးမီးသွေ) (ဒါရိုက်တာ-ကိုရွှေမိုးသက်)

5:35 pm

10. ရွှေပွင့်စုံလင်အာဆီယံ အစီအစဉ်

5:45 pm

11. (၆၅)နှစ်မြောက်တပ်မတော်နေ့ ဂုဏ်ပြုအစီအစဉ်

6:00 pm

12. Evening News

6:15 pm

13. Weather Report

6:20 pm

14. မြန်မာ့ဓလေ့ ရိုးရာလက်တွေ့

6:40 pm

15. တက်မြက်ပျော်ရွှင်အိမ်ထောင်ဖွင့်

7:10 pm

16. ရသပေါ်လွင် သရုပ်ဆောင် လွင်ပြင်

7:40 pm

17. အလကတိဝတ်ရည်မြန်မာမှု တေးဂီတအဖွဲ့ဖျော်ဖြေခန်း

8:00 pm

18. News

8:00 pm

19. International News

20. Weather Report

21. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ

"ချစ်တေးသံသာ"

(အပိုင်း-၂၇)

(အပိုင်း-၂၇)

22. မြန်မာ့ရုပ်ရှင်

"နောင်တမြေမြေ"

(ရန်အောင်၊ စိုးသူ၊

ထွန်းအိန္ဒြာရီ)

(ဒါရိုက်တာ-သက်မောင်မောင်)

- ★ 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

## Shwedaung famous town for cotton longyi

Byline: Myint Maung Soe; Photos: Myo Min Thein (Mayangon)

Shwedaung, located in Bago Division (West), is a town in which Myanmar traditional See Longyi has been famous throughout the history. The township grows groundnut as a special zone. It is surrounded by Thegon in the east, Padaung in the west, Monyo and Nattalin in the south. It is situated on Yangon-Pyay road about eight miles to the south of Pyay.

In the town, there exist two famous pagodas, namely Shwenattaung and Shwemyathman. Shwenattaung pagoda is situated about four miles to southwest of Shwedaung. Shwedaung Township development affairs committee upgraded the four-mile-long road to pagoda into a tarred one. The road is beneficial not only to farmers from nearby regions but also to pilgrims. About one furlong to Shwedaung from Yangon-Pyay road is Shwemyathman pagoda which lies at the heart of Shwedaung.

In Shwedaung Township, Ngwegyi (6) cotton is thriving. So, Shwedaung textile mill creates jobs for local people. The mill operates with over 2,000 workers in day and night shifts. Shwedaung textiles are the best and most famous. Shwedaung is also famous for its Shwedaung longyi and Myanmar traditional See longyi produced from Kyeethe village, which is about ten miles southwest of Shwedaung. In

the past, weaving of See longyi was the whole village's livelihood. But, U Thein Myint family and other five now continue the business. In the time of Tatmadaw

Government, Shwedaung Township has developed significantly. In the township, 80 (See page 11)



Photo shows groundnut plantation near Kyeethe village in Shwedaung Township.

### Banking services diploma conferred on trainees

YANGON, 9 March—Certificates of diploma was conferred on the trainees of Diploma in Banking Services Courses No. 1 in Mandalay and No. 2 in Yangon conducted by Institute of Banking Services (Yangon) and (Mandalay), organized

by Myanmar Banks Association, at the convocation hall of Yangon University on 7 March.

Altogether 36 trainees attended the course No. 1 and 58 trainees at the course No. 2.—MNA

### 65th meeting of MRCS on 19-20 March

YANGON, 9 March—The 65th central council meeting of Myanmar Red Cross Society will take place at the meeting hall of Ministry of Health here on 19 and 20 March.

MRCS have invited executive members of MRCS, Central Council mem-

bers of states and divisions, state/division Red Cross Supervisory Committee Chairmen heads of state/division Health Department and Commanders of state/division Red Cross brigades state/division police force commanders to attend the meeting.—MNA