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Applications for formation, registration of political party submitted

NAY PYI TAW, 19 May — Those wishing to form political parties are submitting applications stating the name of their parties to the Union Election Commission. The Mro National Party submitted the application today.

Up to date, 28 of 34 groups that submitted applications for formation of political party have been allowed to form political parties.

Of the 28 groups that have been granted to form political parties, the following groups submitted the applications for registration of political party to the UEC today. They are as follows:-

- (1) National Political Alliances League
- (2) Myanmar New Society Democratic Party
- (3) Chin National Party
- (4) Wunthanu NLD (The Union of Myanmar)

Up to date, there were 39 parties that submitted the applications to form and to continue existence as political party, and 22 have submitted applications to register as political parties. The UEC is scrutinizing the remaining parties. — 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
- * 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



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Officials supervise distribution of drinking water to local people in Kyaukka (North) Village, Monywa Township.

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A wounded Afghan man receives treatment at a hospital after a suicide car bomb attack in Kabul on 18 May, 2010.

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Meiktila Central Institute of Transport and Communication

The Central Institute of Transport and Communication under the Ministry of Rail Transportation is located at Mile Post No. (2) on Meiktila-Kyaukpadaung Road in Meiktila. Upon arrival at the educational institution, we noticed that faculty members, staff and trainees were busy with their duties.

Being informed that the principal was away on duty in Nay Pyi Taw, we interviewed some faculty members for what we wanted to learn about the institute.

Head U Than Oo of the Administration Department told the Myanmar Alin, "Our institute was estab-

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Photos: Tin Soe (Myanma Alin)**

lished at Hsinmalaik Shipyards in Yangon. It was moved here in October 1977, and it was opened on 15 July 1978." With an area of 197.04 acres, the institute consists of 12 lecture halls, one two-storey main lecture hall, headquarters office, Aung Hsan Hall, 24 hostels, one workshop, four stores, and one staff quarter. (See page 8)



The Central Institute of Transport and Communication under the Ministry of Rail Transportation.

PERSPECTIVES

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Accelerate development of rail transportation sector

The government is building systematic transport links through construction of roads and bridges across the nation including border regions so as to overcome the geographical barriers.

At present, the government has been building railroads with the aim of enhancing social and economic sectors of States and Divisions. As part of efforts to build the railroad network, the 22.72 miles long Kwantaung-Ponnagyun-Yotayok railroad section, which is part of Minbu-An-Sittway Railroad, was commissioned into service on 15 May 2010.

The newly-inaugurated railroad section was the second facility of its kind in Rakhine State. In fact, it was a railroad project to link Minbu of Magway Division located on Kyangin-Pakokku railroad section and Sittway of Rakhine State. The 257 miles long facility will have tunnels and large bridges passing through Hsingaung, Padan, Natyegantaung, An, Minbya, MraukU and Kyauktaw. Upon completion of the railroad, the national people of Rakhine State will gain easy access to various regions of the nation. As such, the railroad will be a drive for all-round development of the region.

Thanks to all-out efforts of Myanmar Railways under the Ministry of Rail Transportation, the smooth transportation of railroads has been created from Myitkyina in the north of the nation to Dawei in the south and from Mongnai in the east to Kalay in the west.

Rail transportation sector remains as the very reliable transport service in the world of advanced technologies. That is why all the national people are to join hands with the government in working on all cylinders for gaining development momentum in the rail transportation sector.

Electronic & Living Style Exhibition 27-30 May

YANGON, 19 May—TMW Enterprise Ltd plans to display Sony/LG/T-Home brand TVs and INAX home decorations at Electronic & Living Style Exhibition 2010 to be held at Tatmadaw Convention Centre on U Wisara Road, here, from 27 to 30 May.

Various sorts of electronic equipment with the brands of Panasonic, Chang Hong, Crown, Asahi, KHI, AEK and Master Power, constructional materials, projectors, copiers, laptops, desktops and computer accessories, digital cameras, e-dictionaries, air-conditioners, telephones, household goods, induction cooker, gas stoves, clinic and hospital equipment, automatic air-fresheners, fire extinguishers, inverter and battery, socket breakers, lockers, massager chairs, water & construction chemicals, digital scales and kitchen equipment will be available at the exhibition.

Entertainment and lucky draw programmes will be held daily.

For further information, dial 240910.—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

Construction Minister receives Chinese Minister of Transport

NAY PYI TAW, 19 May—Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint received Minister of Transport of the People's Republic of China Mr. Li Shenglin and party at the Ministry of Construction, here, yesterday morning.

They held discussions on development of cooperation in China-Myanmar Corridor Project to link Rulie and Kyaukpyu.

Also present at the call were Minister for Rail Transportation U Thaurang Lwin, Deputy Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min and Deputy



Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint receives Minister of Transport Mr Li Shenglin of the PRC and party.—CONSTRUCTION

Minister for Rail Transportation U Thaurang Lwin, Deputy Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min and Deputy Minister for Construction U Tint Swe, Deputy Minister for Energy U Than Htay, U Thurein Zaw and officials.—MNA

ROK guests call on Minister for Mines



Minister for Mines U Ohn Myint meets Senior Vice President Mr Baek, Sung-Kwan of POSCO Steel Company of the ROK and party.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 19 May—Senior Vice President Mr Baek Sung-Kwan and party of POSCO Steel Company of the Republic of Korea called on Minister for Mines U Ohn Myint at his office, here, this afternoon.

At the call, they focused on feasibility studies for mineral mines, coal and copper mines, production and investment tasks in the mining sector.—MNA

Sepak Takraw Champion 2010 (Mandalay) kicks off

YANGON, 19 May—Mandalay Division Sports and Physical Education Committee and the Myanmar Double Strong jointly organized Myanmar Double Strong Sepak Takraw Champion 2010 (Mandalay) at the Gymnasium in Bahtoo Sports Ground on 17 May.

Fifteen teams are contending for the trophy in the open event, and 54 teams, in the

doubles event in the tournament, which runs till 21 May.

Events start at 8 am daily. Admission is free.—MNA

Manager U Thein Tun Aung of Sales Department of Myanmar Double Strong explains purpose of holding Sepak Takraw Champion 2010.

MSTF



Iraqi court gives death sentences to 62 Iraqis

RAMADI, 19 May—A court in Anbar province gave death penalties to 62 Iraqis and different prison terms, including life imprisonment, to 130 others, a source from Anbar police command said on Tuesday.

The court in the province delivered the verdicts according to article 4 of the Iraqi counter-terrorism law after the court found them guilty for crimes of killings, bombings, the source told Xinhua on condition of anonymity.

Some senior leaders of the al-Qaeda organization and leaders of other insurgent groups were among those who received death sentences, the source said.

Many of the 130 convicts were either fighters of al-Qaeda group or involved in assisting the group to carry out deadly attacks, the source added.

"All the convicts were residents of Anbar province," he said.

Xinhua



A wounded Afghan man receives treatment at a hospital after a suicide car bomb attack in Kabul on 18 May, 2010. At least five NATO-led foreign troops were killed in the suicide car bomb attack in the Afghan capital on Tuesday, police source said.

INTERNET



A public bus is seen damaged after a suicide car bomb attack in Kabul on 18 May 2010. At least five NATO-led foreign troops were killed on Tuesday's suicide car bomb attack in the Afghan capital, police source said.

INTERNET

Rocket attack injures four policemen in SW Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 19 May— At least four policemen were injured in a rocket attack in the outskirts of southwestern Pakistani

city of Quetta on Wednesday morning, local sources said.

The attack took place at a local police station in Mian Gundi

in Hazar Gangi area near Quetta, injuring the incharge of the police station and two others, the private Aaj TV reported.—Xinhua

20 suicide bombers attack Afghan military base, clash going on

KABUL, 19 May — Twenty Taliban suicide bombers Wednesday launched an attack on the main military base of Bagram, 50 km north of Kabul, the capital city of Afghanistan, a

Taliban spokesman said. Zabihullah Mujahid, a spokesman of the Taliban insurgent group, told Xinhua through telephone from an unidentified location that four of the attackers have exploded

themselves close to the military base. Local media reported that the clash between the militants and the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) started at around 05:00 pm local time and was going on at the moment, leaving seven militants killed.

Bagram military base was operated by a United States Army combat group under the framework of the ISAF.

The detention center inside the military base holds some 800 Taliban and al-Qaeda terror suspects.

Xinhua

Pakistan army kills 60 militants in NW Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 19 May— At least 60 militants were killed and 20 others injured in clashes with the security forces in the Upper Orakzai tribal area in northwest Pakistan, a local TV channel reported Wednesday morning.

Twenty-two security personnel were also injured in the clashes, the private Express News said.

It was the latest offensive launched by Pakistani security forces against Taliban militants in Orakzai Agency in the

troubled northwest tribal areas. On Monday, over 30 militants were killed in fresh assaults.

On Sunday, over 60 militants were killed and several dozens injured in different clashes with the security forces in Kurram and Orakzai Agencies of the Pakistani tribal areas.

So far over 700 militants have been killed during the past two months in the continuing military operation against the militants in Pakistani tribal areas, official sources said.—Xinhua

US and allies kill, injure Iraqi people

BAGHDAD, 19 May— 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 19 May reached 701487 and the total number of seriously injured people reached 1267994, according to the news on the Internet.

No.	Subject	Number
1.	Death toll of Iraqi people	701487
2.	The total number of seriously injured people	1267994

Internet

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

KABUL, 19 May—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 32832 Afghan people were killed and 39318 injured seriously as from the day when the NATO troops led by the US invaded Afghanistan to 19 May.

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1.	Number of Afghan people killed	32832
2.	Seriously injured Afghan people	39318

Internet



A truck which was carrying supplies for Western forces in Afghanistan was set on fire on 19 May, 2010, in the Pakistani border town of Chaman.

INTERNET

Astronauts give space station extra compartment



Astronaut Piers Sellers, STS-132 rests in his sleeping bag on the middle of the space shuttle Atlantis. —INTERNET

CAPE CANAVERAL, 19 May—The Atlantis astronauts attached a new Russian chamber to the International Space Station on Tuesday, using a robot arm to drive in the 20-foot-long room that will double as a closet and mini-lab.

This was the first time NASA delivered a

Russian compartment to the 12-year-old space station and required two astronauts working a big robot arm.

Normally, Russian space station modules dock automatically. That's how a similar compartment got to the space station last November.

Astronaut Garrett Reisman operated the space station's robot arm, driving in the module with such precision that the first capture sensor didn't even go off.

"He went right down the middle and got a hole in one," Mission Control said. Reisman was assisted by Piers Sellers, who called out all the milestones.

The six space station residents—especially the three Russians—were thrilled with the addition. Commander Oleg Kotov thanked NASA for delivering the compartment, named Rassvet, or Dawn in Russian.

Internet

Wiltshire student wins at California science fair

LONDON, 19 May—A teenage engineer has scooped several awards at US science fair for a device which could be used to save lives.

The design of James Popper, 18, from Wiltshire, detects kitchen fires without setting off false alarms.

He was inspired to develop the device after an elderly friend with dementia had a devastating kitchen fire.

About 1,600 students took part in the International Science and Engineering Fair in San Jose last week.

The CookerSmart design detects the infrared in flames, reducing the likelihood



The device detects saucepan fires without setting off false alarms. —INTERNET

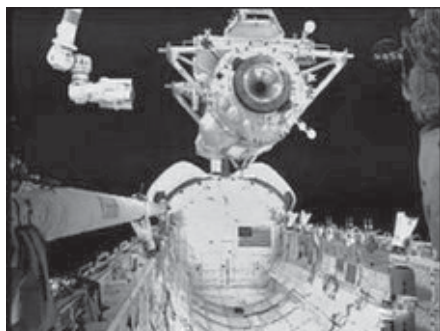
of false alarms.

The Marlborough College student won accolades including the best of category award for Electrical and

Mechanical Engineering, and an invitation to the Stockholm International Youth Science Seminar.

Internet

Russian module added to station



Rassvet is lifted out of the shuttle's payload bay. —INTERNET

NEW YORK, 19 May—Astronauts have succeeded in attaching a new Russian module to the International Space Station (ISS).

The 7m-long unit known as Rassvet was put in place in a delicate manoeuvre by the platform's robotic arm.

The module, brought up by the Atlantis shuttle, is a docking and storage facility. As well as being packed with over a tonne of stores, it carries equipment for a Russian

science lab which will join the ISS in 2012. The berthing of Rassvet was considered to be one of the trickiest tasks on the visiting shuttle astronauts' to-do list. Russian modules are normally flown into place, and there was some concern that the use of a robotic arm might not engage properly the latches and locks on the attachment mechanism. In the event, the procedure passed off without incident.

Internet

NASA wants mission to bring Martian rocks to Earth

MONROVIA, 19 May—If NASA's exploration of Mars were summed up in a bumper sticker, it would read: "Follow the water."

Well, we've found the water—ice was discovered by the Phoenix lander in 2008. Now what?

It's time to search again for signs of life, scientists say, something they haven't done since 1976. This time, they want to bring Martian rock and soil samples back to Earth. Here, they

could be analyzed for fossilized traces of alien bacteria, or chemical or biological clues that could only be explained by something that was alive.

Such a venture as now outlined would be a three-part act, cost as much as \$10 billion and take several years to complete. NASA can't afford it on its own so it recently joined the European Space Agency to map out a shared project.

Internet

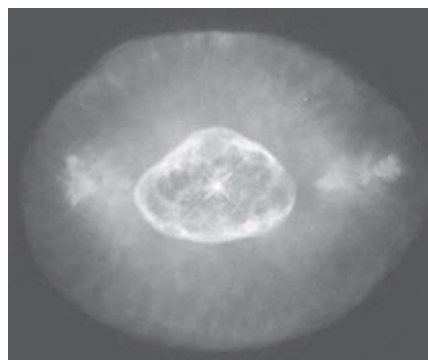
Dinosaur demoted to 'ancient reptile' status

NEW YORK, 19 May—A four-legged weed-whacker of sorts that lived some 230 million years ago just lost its dinosaur affiliation. While past analyses of this once-dinosaur called *Azendohsaurus madagaskarensis* were based on its teeth and jaws, the new study relied on the entire skull of the extinct animal discovered in the late 1990s in southwestern Madagascar. The result suggests *A. madagaskarensis* is a

member of a very early branch on the reptile evolutionary tree. "Even though this extraordinary ancient reptile looks similar to some plant-eating dinosaurs in some features of the skull and dentition, it is in fact only distantly related to dinosaurs," said John J. Flynn, curator in the Division of Paleontology at the American Museum of Natural History in New York.

Internet

Whole earth telescope watching 'dancing' stars



This star is on its way to becoming a white dwarf. —INTERNET

SCIENCE DAILY, 19 May—After billions of years of twinkling and shining, some stars in the heavens appear to "dance" as they wind down. Maybe not like Elvis or Michael Jackson, but they definitely have a rhythmic beat, and some may even spin like a top.

For the next two weeks, the Whole Earth Telescope, an international network of cooperating astronomical observatories led by the University of Delaware, will be continuously monitoring three of these stars to try to figure out what's going on inside

their luminous masses of cooling plasma. The primary target is a white dwarf star known as GD358 in the constellation Hercules. It's made of helium and has a surface temperature estimated at around 19,000 Kelvin. "We recently discovered that this star is pulsating a little strangely, and we are looking for signs that it is spinning like a top," says Judi Provencal, assistant professor of physics and astronomy at the University of Delaware and director of the Delaware Asteroseismic Research Center.

Internet

Science



The smallest water lily in the world, which had vanished from its only known hot springs location in Africa, has been saved from extinction by experts at Kew Gardens in Britain.

INTERNET

Postpartum depression hits dads as well

BEIJING, 19 May— Not only mothers suffer from prenatal and postpartum depression, fathers do too.

A study in the *Journal of the American Medical Assn* Tuesday found that 10.4 percent of new dads experienced serious depression at some point between their partners' first trimester and one year after childbirth. Led by James F. Paulson, assistant professor of pediatrics at Eastern Virginia Medical School in Norfolk, the study altogether took 28,004 samples from US, China, Ireland, Britain,

Australia and several others.

New fathers were generally happy in the early weeks after their babies' birth. However, depression kicked in after three to six months. By this time, at least 10 and up to 25 percent had post-natal depression, according to the study.

Symptoms of paternal depression include sadness, loss of interest, sleep problems and low energy. Other red flags may include irritability, withdrawal and disengagement from the family, said Paulson during an interview with WebMD. —Xinhua



A baby wearing a mask is held at a hospital in Beijing. Chinese authorities have rejected state media reports which quoted a government study saying more than two million youths die in China each year from health problems related to indoor air pollution.—INTERNET



A mysterious "Silver Mirror Man" appears in front of the Griffith Observatory of Los Angeles, US, on 19 May, 2010. He was overcovered by 1,000 fragments of glass.

INTERNET

Research links pesticides with ADHD in children

CHICAGO, 19 May— A new analysis of US health data links children's attention-deficit disorder with exposure to common pesticides used on fruits and vegetables.

While the study couldn't prove that pesticides used in agriculture contribute to childhood learning problems, experts said "the research is persuasive."

"I would take it quite seriously," said Virginia

Rauh of Columbia University, who has studied prenatal exposure to pesticides and wasn't involved in the new study.

More research will be needed to confirm the tie, she said.

Children may be especially prone to the health risks of pesticides because they're still growing and they may consume more pesticide residue than adults relative to their body weight.—Xinhua

Dramatic surge seen in kids hospitalized with MRSA

CHICAGO, 19 May— The number of children hospitalized with dangerous drug-resistant staph infections surged 10-fold in recent years, a study found.

Disease incidence

increased from 2 cases to 21 cases per 1,000 hospital admissions from 1999 to 2008. Most infections were caught in the community, not in the hospital.

Internet

WHO chief calls for greater efforts to reach UN millennium goals

GENEVA, 19 May— The chief of the World Health Organization (WHO) on Monday called on governments to make greater efforts to reach the United Nations' eight Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) by the target year of 2015. "We have very little time left, and little space for unproductive debates. We need to move forward fast," Margaret Chan told the annual

World Health Assembly (WHA), which opened on Monday in Geneva.

"We need coherence in policies, within and beyond the health sector, and we need complementarity of efforts," Chan said.

The MDGs, adopted by all the UN member states, include reducing extreme poverty, achieving universal primary education, reducing child mortality, fighting

and ensuring environmental sustainability. One major topic of this year's WHA is "monitoring of the achievement of the health-related MDGs."

Chan stressed that reaching the health-related MDGs actually means "reaching the poor, who are almost invariably the hardest to reach." "This is the challenge, and the measure of success," she said.—Xinhua

Smallpox vaccine may serve as firewall against HIV

LOS ANGELES, 19 May— People who are vaccinated with the smallpox vaccine called "vaccinia" may have greater resistance against HIV infection, a new study finds.

The notion stems from recent work by researchers at the University of California, Los Angeles, and George Mason University in Manassas, Va. The findings were published in the May issue of *Immunology, a journal of the British Medical Council (BMC)*.

If true, the finding could link the rapid, late 20th-century spread of HIV to the simultaneous vanquishing of smallpox

disease and the removal of the smallpox vaccine from worldwide distribution, experts say.

The vaccine for smallpox was gradually removed from use between the 1950s and the 1970s, following global elimination of the disease.

"There have been several proposed explanations for the rapid spread of HIV in Africa," Dr. Raymond Weinstein of George Mason University said in a news release. These include "wars, the reuse of unsterilized needles and the contamination of early batches of polio vaccine," he said.

Internet

Health

Eating hot dogs, bacon, sausage or deli meats increases the chance of heart disease by 42 percent, US researchers said in a report out on Monday.—INTERNET



Rules proposed for avoiding another 'flash crash'



In this on 11 May, 2010 file photo, Securities and Exchange Commission Chairman Mary Schapiro testifies at a hearing on the 6 May stock market plunge, on Capitol Hill in Washington. Regulators and market players still don't know exactly what caused the hair-raising 'flash crash' on Wall Street earlier this month but they've already come up with some new rules they hope will avoid a repeat.—INTERNET

WASHINGTON, 19 May—Regulators and market players still don't know exactly what caused the hair-raising "flash crash" on Wall Street but they've already come up with new rules they hope will avoid a repeat.

US stock exchanges would briefly halt trading of some stocks that have big price swings under the new

trading rules proposed ON Tuesday that are aimed at avoiding market plunges like the one that stunned Wall Street on 6 May.

The rules would take effect in mid-June under a six-month pilot programme agreed to by major US exchanges and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Under the plan, trading of any Standard

& Poor's 500 stock that rises or falls 10 percent or more within a five-minute span would be halted for five minutes. These rules, known as "circuit breakers," would be applied if the price swing occurs between 9:45 am and 3:35 pm Eastern time. That's almost the entire trading day. On 6 May, about 30 stocks listed in the S&P 500 index fell at least 10 percent within five minutes.

Importantly, the new circuit breakers would apply to all US exchanges. Most of the 50 or so US exchanges regulate themselves and design their own tools for slowing or halting trading.

During the recent plunge, the New York Stock Exchange slowed trading according to its rules but the orders that couldn't be executed migrated in a torrent to electronic exchanges, industry officials said.

Internet



US computer giant Hewlett-Packard posted better-than-expected quarterly results on Tuesday as technology spending revived across all markets.

INTERNET

British inflation rate hits 17-month high in April

LONDON, 19 May—The consumer prices index in Britain increased at annual rate of 3.7 percent in April comparing with a rate of 3.4 percent in the previous month and hit a 17-month high in last month, the Office for National Statistics (ONS) reported on Tuesday.

The report showed

that the gain of April's CPI in Britain was driven by big rises in tax on alcohol and tobacco as well as clothing and food prices. The UK retail price inflation gauge rose to 5.3 percent from 4.4 percent, versus forecasts for a rise to 4.9 percent, the highest since July 1991.

The current inflation level in Britain is much higher than the 2

percent target set by the UK government, partly resulting from the soaring financial deficit.

British Chancellor of the Exchequer George Osborne said on Monday that the new coalition government will announce an emergency budget next month aimed at "significantly reducing" the record government budget deficit.

Xinhua

Toyota to recall 12,000 Lexus vehicles

TOKYO, 19 May—Toyota Motor Corp is to recall around 12,000 Lexus vehicles due to a steering system defect, a report said on Wednesday, in the latest embarrassment to hit the Japanese auto giant.

Since March, Japan's transport ministry has received 12 reports of electrical problems causing the steering system to malfunction for a few seconds, the *Yomiuri Shimbun* daily reported, citing unnamed ministry sources.

Toyota would recall around 4,500 Lexus cars in Japan, with the total expected to reach around 12,000 vehicles worldwide. The defect affects four models—the LS460 and LS460L, and hybrids LS600h and LS600hL, it said.

A Toyota spokeswoman declined to comment on the report.

Toyota has recalled around 10 million vehicles worldwide since late last year for safety issues and last month agreed to pay a record US fine for hiding accelerator pedal defects blamed in more than 50 US deaths.

The beleaguered auto giant faces a host of lawsuits over "unintended acceleration" issues that prompted the majority of the recalls.

Toyota overtook General Motors in 2008 as the world's top automaker, but safety issues have raised questions over whether it sacrificed its reputation for reliability to become number one.—Internet

Gold price opens higher in Hong Kong

HONG KONG, 19 May—The gold price in Hong Kong went up 67 HK dollars to open at 11,355 HK dollars per tael on Wednesday, according to the Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange Society.

The price is equivalent to 1,222.47 US dollars a troy ounce, up 7.21 US dollars at the latest exchange rate of one US dollar against 7.797 HK dollars.

Xinhua



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INTERNET

Euro plummets to 111 yen range in Tokyo

TOKYO, 19 May—The euro plummeted early Wednesday to the 111 yen range and 1.21 dollars zone in Tokyo, inheriting its weakness overnight in New York.

At 9 a.m., the euro traded at 1.2147-2152 dollars and 111.56-59 yen against 1.2197-2207 dollars and 112.50-60 yen in New ork and 1. 2384-2386 dollars and 114.85-89 yen in Tokyo at 5 p.m. Tuesday.

The dollar fetched 91.86-87 yen compared with 92.19-29 yen in New York and 92.74-75 yen in Tokyo late on Tuesday.

Xinhua

Hong Kong stocks open down 1.97%

HONG KONG, 19 May—Hong Kong stocks fell 392.78 points, or 1.97 percent to open at 19,552.16 on Wednesday.

Xinhua

Business

UEC Chairman meets Chinese Ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 19 May — Chairman of the Union Election Commission U Thein Soe received Chinese Ambassador to the Union of Myanmar Mr. Ye Dabo at the meeting hall of the office of the UEC, here, at 3 pm today. Present also at the call were UEC member U Tha Oo, Secretary U Win Ko and officials.

MNA



Union Election Commission Chairman U Thein Soe meets Chinese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Ye Dabo.—MNA

Public announcement for remonstrations

1. The Wunthanu NLD (Union of Myanmar) headquartered at NanU Lwin Village-tract in Patheingyi Township of Mandalay Division on 19-5-2010 submitted its applications to register as a political party under the Article-5 of Political Parties Registration Law. In its application, it is mentioned that the party will use its name, flag and seal described hereunder.
2. It is hereby announced in accord with Political Parties Registration Rules 14 (d) that if there is anyone who wants to remonstrate about the name, flag and seal of the party, they may remonstrate with the Union Election Commission with firm evidence within seven days from the date of the announcement.



Flag of the Wunthanu NLD (Union of Myanmar)



Seal of the Wunthanu NLD (Union of Myanmar)

Union Election Commission

Public announcement for remonstrations

1. The Myanmar New Society Democratic Party headquartered at No. (150) on Bogyoke Ne Win Road in Bagosue Ward in Thanlyin Township of Yangon Division on 19-5-2010 submitted its applications to register as a political party under the Article-5 of Political Parties Registration Law. In its application, it is mentioned that the party will use its name, flag and seal described hereunder.
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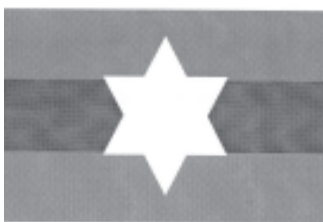


Seal of the Myanmar New Society Democratic Party

Union Election Commission

Public announcement for remonstrations

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Flag of the Chin National Party



Seal of the Chin National Party

Union Election Commission

Public announcement for remonstrations

1. The National Political Alliances League headquartered at Room No. (7) (A) of Building No. (49) on 16th Street in Lanmadaw Township of Yangon Division on 19-5-2010 submitted its applications to register as a political party under the Article-5 of Political Parties Registration Law. In its application, it is mentioned that the party will use its name, flag and seal described hereunder.
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Flag of the National Political Alliances League



Seal of the National Political Alliances League

Union Election Commission

Three innocent people injured in mine blasts in Shwegyin, Kyaukkyi, Mongphyat Tps

NAY PYI TAW, 19 May—While plucking djenkol beans together with a partner at a place about one mile east of Wabodaw Village in Shwegyin Township, Bago Division, Ma Sakina of Shwegyin stepped on an old mine planted by insurgents, at 8 am on 13 May.

She was injured in the right foot and she was rushed to Shwegyin Township Hospital (100-bed).

In another incident, U Saw Hse Mu of Yedwin Village of Kyaukkyi Township together with his son left his village by bicycle. At 8.30 am on 15

May, he stepped on a mine planted by insurgents between Myaungyoegy Village and Mwedwin Village of Mone Station, and part of under left knee was injured. The patient is undergoing treatment at Mone Station Hospital.

On Loianma mountain at 2.30 pm on 15 May, U Ya Si of Mahitaung Village of Mongphyat Township in Shan State (East) was injured in the mine blast planted by insurgents and his right foot was cut off. The injured was rushed to Mongphyat Township Hospital for providing medical treatment to him.—MNA

Water supply in Sagaing, Yangon divisions, Mon State

NAY PYI TAW, 19 May—Deputy Director-General of the Development Affairs Department U Ohn Nyunt yesterday supervised the distribution of 1600 gallons of drinking water to local people in Okhnebok Village, Myaung, Sagaing Division, sinking of a four-inch diameter tube-well, supply of water from Pareinma River Water Pumping Station, distribution of potable water from the river water pumping station in Monywa, and supply of 7200 gallons of drinking water to local people of Kyaukka (North), Khattakan (South) and Nibbanwa villages.

Deputy Chief Engineer U Kyaw Soe of DAD on 16 May inspected the water tank from which 450,000

gallons of freshwater are supplied every day to the five urban wards in Thaton, Mon State, daily supply of 14,700 gallons of safe water to Leik-in Ward in Thaton Township, 30,000 gallons of water to Kadah Ward, and 17,400 gallons of water to Ahlat Village.

Deputy Superintending Engineer U Tin Maung Myint yesterday inspected supply of drinking water to Thongwa Township. This later summer, the weather is very hot, thus sparking shortage of drinking water in some regions. Local authorities, development affairs committees, departments, social organizations and local people are working together for supply of drinking water under the aegis of the government.—MNA



Deputy Director-General U Ohn Nyunt of DAD supervises distribution of drinking water to local people in Kyaukka (North) Village, Monywa Township.—DAD




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6th Meeting of ASEAN Expert Group on International Forest Policy Processes (AEG-IFPP)

jointly organized by
Ministry of Forestry and ASEAN Secretariat

Nay Pyi Taw, Myanmar 20-21 May, 2010

Only four bomb blast victims under treatment

NAY PYI TAW, 19 May — It is reported that of 170 who were given treatment at Yangon General Hospital and other hospitals due to the bomb blast that occurred in front of X20 water throwing pandal on Kandawgyi Ring Road in Mingala Taungnyunt Township, Yangon on 15 April, most of the victims were discharged from the hospital, and only nine—five men and four women—were given treatment at the hospital.

Up to date, only four male patients are under treatment as more victims have been discharged from the hospital.—MNA

Moderate earthquake hits Sunda Strait of Indonesia

NAY PYI TAW, 19 May—A moderate earthquake of magnitude (5.2) Richter Scale with its epicenter outside Myanmar (Sunda Strait, Indonesia) about (1720) miles southeast of Kaba-Aye seismological observatory was recorded at (06) hrs (43) min (20) sec M.S.T today.—MNA

Meiktila Central Institute of Transport ...

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He added, "The objectives of the institute are to produce well-educated staff, to teach trainees procedures prescribed in the manual and advanced technologies, to get trainees familiar with management, to improve relations with the public, and to produce good civil service."

Trainees are taught both theoretically and practically with audio-visual aids. The well-furnished lecture rooms are designed for comfort and convenience of the trainees.

Lecturer U Myint Thein of the Training Department said, "Our department is to teach the officers under the five departments and enterprises under the Ministry of Rail Transportation. We run general management and leadership course, management



U Myint Thein
(Lecturer), Training Division.

course for other ranks, and basic clerical course."

Those wishing to attend courses in the institute have to apply one month ahead. The departments concerned have to scrutinize the health conditions, educational qualifications, and ages of the candidates and send the data to the institute one week ahead. The institute fetches the candidates who come to the institute by train at Thazi and Meiktila stations on weekends.

The courses are



U Thar Dun Aung
(Lecturer), Vehicle Division.

launched at Aung Hsan Hall on Monday. In the first week, it explains rules

and regulations to the trainees. Those trainees who violate rules and regulations are sent to their mother units.

Lecturer U Thar Dun Aung of the Vehicle Division said, "Our division has run the course for seven times in 2010-2011. The course is of four types. They are Driver-in-Charge Course, Driving Course (Grade-III), Basic Driving and Mechanic Course, and Basic Driving Course (Border Areas and National Races Development)."



Trainees get knowledge on engine parts of vehicles and driving.

Under the programme of cooperation with other related ministries, the institute trains staff from the Ministry for Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs, and other ministries. It is heartening to learn that the institute runs 32 courses and train 944 trainees in the 2010-2011 Academic Year. According to our first-hand experience, the Central Institute of Transport and Communication under the Ministry of Rail Transportation is trying its best to



U Than Oo (Head),
Management Division.

help ensure development of human resources.

Translation: MS
Myanma Alin: 18-5-2010



Transport Minister receives Chinese counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 19 May—Minister for Transport U Thein Swe received Minister of Transport of the People's Republic of China Mr. Li Shenglin at the Ministry of Transport, here, yesterday morning. Also present at the call were Deputy Minister for Transport U Nyan Tun Aung and departmental

heads, Ambassador of the PRC to the Union of Myanmar Mr. Ye Dabo and, the head of office and departmental officials.

MNA



Minister for Transport U Thein Swe receives Chinese Minister of Transport Mr Li Shenglin.—MNA

New generation golfers competing in international championships

YANGON, 18 May—A Myanmar golfer Team formed with Nay Bala Win Myint, Yan Myo Aye and Yin May Myo took part in the 27th Men's & the 19th Ladies' Amateur Open Golf championships at Seremban International Golf Club in Malaysia from 14 to 16 May. In the contest, Yin May Myo clinched title in the Open by firing 224 strokes on three-round aggregate.

A golf team comprising Nay Bala Win

Myint, Yan Myo Aye, Soe Moe Win, Yin May Myo, Maung Maung Oo and Ye Htet Aung led by U Soe Kyaw Naing and U Hsan Tun are to participate in the 108th Malaysian Amateur Open at Damai Laut Golf &

Country Club in Malaysia from 20 to 23 May and Kurina Saujana Amateur Open Golf Championships 2010 at Saujana Golf & Country Club in Malaysia from 12 to 27 May.

MNA



First prize winning Ma Yin May Myo seen with trophy in 27th Men's and 19th Ladies' Amateur Open Championship held in Malaysia.—MNA

Applications invited to attend computer science course

NAY PYI TAW, 20 May—MCC Training Institute in Yatanarpon Tele-Port of PyinOoLwin Township creates the opportunity for the enthusiasts to pursue computer science, engineering and economics to be conferred by international universities.

Applications are available for attending the three years B.Sc (Business IT) course to be opened on 24 June. For further studies of M.Sc (Strategic Business IT) of University of Portsmouth, England, the students have to attend at the institute. Arrangements have been made for the students to take the On-job Training Course from the first to final years at International

Software Development Center in Yatanarpon. Yangon Campus of MCC Training Institute will be opened for students of Yangon on 28 June.

Those wishing to attend the course may take applications at MCC (Head Office), Building 3-4, Theingyazay-C Complex, Shwedagon Pagoda Road, Padeban Township, Yangon, Tel: 245758, 245762, 249152 and 246634, and MCC (Yatanarpon) International Center (3) at Yatanarpon Tele-Port, PyinOoLwin, Tel: 02-78112, 02-78114 and 09-5067165.

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Kadaik Dam contributes to boosting agricultural...

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We, Myanmar Alin Daily news crew, left for Kadaik Dam on 26 April in order to write byline about it. The dam is supplying water to 10,000 acres of farmlands in Paung of Thaton District, Mon

State. Thaton is about 13 miles from Paung. About five miles from Yangon-Mawlamyine highway is Kadaik Dam. The dam is surrounded by Zinkyaik, Gaw and Kalama hills and other mountain ranges. The dam was built by Assist-



Releasing water for irrigation.

ant Director's Office 1 of Thaton Construction 6, Irrigation Department under the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation, and put into service on 30 April, 2007. The dam is now supplying irrigation water to 10,000 acres of farmlands for monsoon paddy, summer paddy and multiple-cropping. The dam was built by damming Kadaik Creek about two miles upstream Kadaik village in Paung Township, Mon State. The name "Kadaik" means Kadaik Creek is named "A creek teeming with sheat-fish" in Mon language.

Assistant director U Nyunt Htay of Construction 6 of Irrigation Department explained purpose of building the dam. The purposes are to prevent flood in the downstream Yinnyein Creek by storing rain water and to supply water to 10,000 acres of farmlands for growing summer paddy and multiple-cropping, he said.

Irrigation canals are under construction. Up to 26-4-2010, canal work was 98.48 percent complete, and drain, 30.48 percent.

Out of 55 canal structures, 47 have been completed, which accounts for 85.45 percent. Plans are under way to finish earth work of canal and construction of canal structure during this financial year. At present, the dam supplies irrigation water to 500 acres of summer paddy.

Staff officer U Khin Zaw explained to

us about the construction of the dam. He said, "The dam is earthen type one. It is 5,200 feet in length and 134 feet in height. Its water storage area is 56,000 acres feet. Irrigation water can be adequately supplied to farmlands as the water requirement for 10,000 acres of farmlands is 50375 acres feet. 10,000 acres of farmlands account for 8,000 acres of summer paddy, 1256 acres of beans and pulses. Supply of water from the dam to

Yangon-Mawlamyine railroad is canal system and to Yinnyein sluice gate, drain system. Although 30 percent of drain work was complete, water can be supplied to 5,000 acres of summer paddy. Upon completion of the dam, it can supply irrigation water to more than 10,000 acres of farmlands. Thanks to the dam, Paung Township will soon be abundant with all sorts of crops.

Translation : MT
Myanma Alin
(17-5-2010)



Supply of water to farmlands through feeder canal.

Organized crimes threaten cyberspace in C America

PANAMA CITY, 19 May—The activities of organized crimes threaten the cyberspace of Central American countries, a representative of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) said here on Tuesday.

"Among the bigger threats, we have identified robbery, information subtraction, hackers, occupation of websites and other criminal forms," Alberto Bolana told *Xinhua* at a telecommunications forum.

Bolana called on Central American countries to update their national legislations and local norms in order to neutralize the criminal activities.

"Not all the countries are well prepared to face these kinds of crimes, and they need the support of international entities to develop new capacities," Bolana said.

The representative also urged countries in the region to develop the cybersecurity concept to create more stability and protect them from attacks to

public and private institutions.

"If we have vulnerable facilities, we face a threat where the services can be paralyzed," Bolana said.

According to him, the cybersecurity concept tries to pool resources and measures to properly prevent these cases.

"The best defence is the care the users have in their facilities, but few people take the right precautions," Bolana said.

Xinhua

BP cagey as oil tube registers 'some' success

NEW ORLEANS, 19 May—BP has succeeded in capturing "some" oil and gas by inserting a mile-long tube into the main Gulf of Mexico leak, but would not say if it was a significant percentage of the gusher or just a dribble.

Despite the uncertainty, it was still the first tangible sign of success in more than three weeks of efforts to prevent at least 210,000 gallons of oil from spewing unabated into the sea each day and feeding a massive slick off the coast of Louisiana.



Workers search the beach for tar balls to be picked up as they wash ashore from the Deepwater Horizon site on 14 May, in Dauphin Island, Alabama. BP succeeded on Sunday in capturing "some" oil and gas by inserting a mile-long tube into the main Gulf of Mexico leak, but would not say if it was just a dribble or a significant percentage of the gusher.

INTERNET

BP senior executive vice president Kent Wells refused to be drawn on quantity Sunday, but confirmed that after a temporary hitch in which the tube became dislodged overnight, siphoning operations were up and running once again.

"We will look to... capture as much of the oil as we can," he told reporters in Houston, Texas. "At this point, we

don't know what percentage we will capture" by the process, in which the oil was sucked up as if through a straw to the giant ship.

A BP statement said simply that the four-inch (10-centimetre) diameter tube inserted into the 21-inch leaking pipe using undersea robots had captured "some amounts of oil and gas."

Internet



People take part in a funny family sports meeting in Huai'rou District, Beijing, on 15 May, 2010. The event attracted nearly 100 families. —XINHUA

Cambodia found more than 2,000 ghost civil servants

PHNOM PENH, 19 May—Cambodian government has found more than 2,000 irregular civil servants (simply called as ghost civil servants) who got government payrolls, a government report showed on Tuesday.

The report said since the third census on civil servants began early last month, more than 2,000 irregular civil servants have been found at national level, which accounts for the

loss of about 2 million US dollars per year from the government budget.

Average salary for civil servants is about 80 US dollar per month.

It remains unclear how many more of irregular civil servants will be found until this third census to be ended by the end of this month while there remain six more government institutions that need to be reviewed with.

After a new Royal Cambodian Government was formed in 1993, Cambodia held its first census on civil servants in 1995, and the second of its kind in 2001.—*Xinhua*



Miss Michigan Rima Fakih is crowned Miss USA by Kristen Dalton, Miss USA 2009, during the 2010 Miss USA pageant at the Planet Hollywood Resort and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada on 16 May, 2010.

INTERNET

Egypt unearths red granite colossus of ancient deity

CAIRO, 19 May—Egypt announced on Sunday it has unearthed a red granite colossus of the ancient Egyptian deity of wisdom Thoth in the southern city of Luxor.

Secretary General of Egypt's Supreme Council of Antiquities Zahi Hawass said in a statement the 3.5 metres long and 140 cm width statue was discovered during routine excavations in the northwestern side of King Amenhotep III's funerary temple on the west bank of Luxor.

Thoth was considered one of the most important deities of the Egyptian pantheon. In art, he was often depicted as a man with the head of a baboon.

Hawass, who led the

Egyptian archaeological team which unearthed the colossus, said that evidence at the site suggests that more colossi could be found there. A similar five metres long statue was discovered there last year, he said.

However, he said it is yet to define the age of the statue, pointing out that the mission is still carrying out excavations in the site with hopes to collect more evidence and information about the historic period of the statue.

Meanwhile, Afifi Rohayem, assistant to the mission's director, said the site could contain an avenue of Thoth statues that once outlined the original path leading to the temple.

Xinhua



Serbian singer and songwriter Zeljko Joksimovic receives the prizes for Best song and Best male artist on first edition of Balkan music Awards competition in Sofia, capital of Bulgaria, on 16 May, 2010.

XINHUA

Greek police seize 2 statues from 2 farmers

ATHENS, 19 May—Greek authorities say they have recovered two illegally excavated 6th century sculptural masterpieces and arrested two farmers who tried to sell them abroad for euro10 million (\$12.43 million).

The twin life-sized marble figures of young men were seized in the

southern Peloponnese area on Friday as the suspects were loading them into a truck, police said.

Authorities are seeking a third man suspected of belonging to an antiquities-smuggling gang that planned to spirit the 2,500-year-old works out of Greece.

Archaeologists said on Tuesday the statues are "outstanding works of art" and may have come from a temple or cemetery in a lost ancient city in the Peloponnese. Both are in excellent condition, but lack sections of their lower legs.

Internet



High-speed rail bridge sections join

BEIJING, 19 May—A major link in the highspeed railway from Shanghai to neighbouring Han-gzhou was completed yesterday

with the joining of the two sections of a long arch bridge, railway authorities said.

The 160-metre arched span is the longest used on a fast train route,

authorities said.

Wang Feng, Deputy Director of the Shanghai Railway Bureau, said yesterday that it was a breakthrough in technology for fast railway routes.

The arch bridge in Zhejiang Province overpasses an expressway connecting Shanghai and Hangzhou.

Not to disrupt the 40,000 vehicles that use the expressway daily, builders constructed the two arched sections separately beforehand.

Builders then took an hour to connect the two sections yesterday. Construction of the railway began in April 2009 with a total investment of 30 billion yuan (US\$4.4 billion).

The trains on the 154-kilometre route can reach a top speed of 350 kilometres per hour. Testing will begin in July. The line is expected to start operating on 1 October.

INTERNET

Tricycle rider dies after altercation

BEIJING, 19 May.—A motor tricycle rider died after a quarrel with two men on Saturday, Putuo District police said on Monday.

The suspects have been detained, police said.

The dispute started after the tricycle, ridden by Ai Deqing, blocked the path of the suspects' car outside a supermarket at 2pm, police said.

The two sides argued and fought after the men got out of their car.

Ai, 41, collapsed to the ground after the fight was broken up by bystanders.

He was pronounced dead at a local hospital.

Police found the owner of the car had lent the vehicle to two employees, surnamed "Ma and Chen".

The suspects were caught 12 hours later at their residences.

Internet

Colombian rebels hijack bus of presidential candidate supporters

BOGOTA, 19 May—The Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC), the biggest rebel group in the country, hijacked a bus with supporters of presidential candidate Rafael Pardo in southwestern Colombia, witnesses said on Monday. Hijacking happened when supporters of the Colombian Liberal Party's candidate were returning home on Sunday after a meeting in Santander de Quilichao, said Pardo's debate chief Senator Juan Fernando Cristo.

Rebels seized the bus and asked the passengers to get off. They detailed the driver for a while before

finally setting him free.

The FARC rebels used the bus to attack the country's Public Forces, which in recent weeks have stepped up military operations to stop terror attacks and harassments in the area, said Cristo.

In another development, police on Sunday defused an explosive device on a highway Pardo's convoy was expected to take. Authorities are investigating whether the attack was directed at Pardo or police patrols.

Colombia will hold presidential elections on 30 May.

Internet

Nebraska police nab alleged 'toilet paper' bandit

Police said they suspect they've captured the "toilet paper bandit." A man who concealed his face by wrapping his head with toilet paper robbed a Lincoln convenience store last month. Police said the man was armed with a knife, but no one was hurt in the robbery.

He escaped on foot with an undisclosed amount of money.

Capt. David Beggs said 29-year-old Joshua Nelson was arrested Saturday night. Beggs said a prescription pill bottle found near the store gave officers a clue to pursue. But he said it took until Saturday for officers to find enough evidence for an arrest.



Golden monkeys enjoy their food in the Shennongjia Golden Monkey Research Centre, central China's Hubei Province. Thanks to the improvement of local environment, the number of golden monkeys in the reserve has risen to more than 1,300.

Too much information

A distraught woman who pleaded with cops for help from an abusive boss at a police station in Hangzhou's Xiaoshan district in Zhejiang Province wound up also turning herself in as a fugitive from justice in the process.

The unidentified 25-year-old waitress told police that her boss would fine her mercilessly for small mistakes and tried to beat her after she accidentally broke a small plate.

But when pressed for more information she surprised them saying, "you might check your computer's internal data for my status."

They did and found she was wanted for auto theft in Wenzhou in a case where she and others rented a Honda Accord and then pawned it instead of returning it.

News Album

Next time, use a bank

Thirty thousand yuan (4,400 US dollars) that a 60-year-old man named Xia Dengbao has saved for 20 years and hidden in a junked tire went up in smoke on May 1.

Xia's son cleaned the family home in Wengao village in Yiyang, Central China's Hunan Province and burned the tire along with other rubbish, not realizing that his father's savings was going up in smoke.

A resident participates his Ford T Speedster at Antebellum, the 6th edition, exposition and parade of cars built before the World War II, in Bucharest, capital of Romania, on 16 May 2010. This Ford T Speedster, built in 1912, is the oldest car in Romania.



Detective granny help police shut down illegal Internet bars

Shown is a crude map drawn by an illiterate 72-year-old grandmother surnamed "Huang" in Hebi, Henan Province detailing the location of six illegal Internet bars. She gave the guide to police who used it to shut them down. Granny Huang used pictures of turtles to mark the locations (references to turtles in Chinese are often obscene) after she posed as a ragged bottle collector in order to find them and blend into the areas.

Her detective work was spurred by her concern for her 11-year-old grandson, Xiao-hui, whom she and her husband are caring for while the boy's mother works.



Photo taken on 12 May, 2010 shows the excavation site of the tomb of Cao Xiu, a noted general from the Three Kingdoms period (220-280 A.D.) in Mangshan of Luoyang City, central China's Henan Province. Archeologists of Henan provincial cultural heritage bureau confirmed that they have founded the tomb of Cao Xiu during the tomb excavation in Mengjin County of Luoyang City at a press conference.

CLAIMS DAY NOTICE**MV ID TRADER VOY NO (03)**

Consignees of cargo carried on MV ID TRADER VOY NO (03) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 20.5.2010 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of S.P.W.3 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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Consignees of cargo carried on MVRATHA BHUM VOY NO (519) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 20.5.2010 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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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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Robin Hood misses US box office target

LONDON, 19 May—Robin Hood has failed to hit number one at the North America box office, landing behind last week's box office lead, Iron Man 2.

The Ridley Scott movie, which opened the Cannes Film Festival last week, made \$37.1m (£25.7m), while the Iron Man sequel netted \$53m (£37.7m).

The film, starring Russell Crowe, fell short of industry forecasts that it would take \$40m (£27.7m).

It is estimated Robin Hood cost at least \$155m (£107.6m) to make.

The latest incarnation dispenses with much of



The new film casts Robin Hood as a war veteran.—INTERNET

the story's regular mythology, including the notion that he robbed from the rich and gave to the poor.

The critical reaction to the film has been mixed.

Crowe's most recent major release, American Gangster, returned \$43.6m (£30.2m) in its first week-end in the US three years ago.—Internet

Euro touches four-year low against dollar

LONDON, 19 May—The euro has pulled back from a four-year low against the dollar, although fears over the strength of the eurozone economy remain.

The euro fell to \$1.2237 in early trade on Monday, but then recovered to trade at \$1.2307.

Traders fear that the



The euro is falling again on the world's currency exchanges.

INTERNET

austerity measures being put in place in many eurozone countries will hit growth.

Elsewhere on the currency markets, the pound was trading at 1.1698 euros and at \$1.4477.

Despite the huge sums of money pledged in support for eurozone countries, severe measures are needed to cut budget deficits and debt.

John Kyriakopoulos, from the National Australia Bank in Sydney, said: "Concerns that severe fiscal austerity in the eurozone will crush growth in the region continues to weigh (on the euro)."—Internet

Poor weather halts Venus mission

LONDON, 19 May—Japan has had to postpone the launch of its Akatsuki mission to Venus.

Poor weather at the Tanegashima spaceport early on Tuesday morning (local time) prevented the probe from leaving Earth on its H-IIA rocket. Mission controllers have a window that stretches into early June to get Akatsuki away and on to its six-month cruise to the inner world.

The H-IIA will also deploy secondary satellites, including a giant sail that will be propelled by sunlight. Once Akatsuki gets to Venus, it will study the planet's atmosphere and hunt for signs of active volcanoes.

It will be joining a probe from the European Space Agency that arrived at the planet in 2006.—Internet



National Transportation Safety Board Chairman Ellen Engleman (R) inspects the damage to a Staten Island Ferry, in New York.—INTERNET

Nintendo, American heart group join to tackle obesity

TOKYO, 19 May — The American Heart Association has teamed up with Japanese entertainment giant Nintendo to harness its Wii consoles and encourage Americans to exercise more to counter a soaring obesity problem.

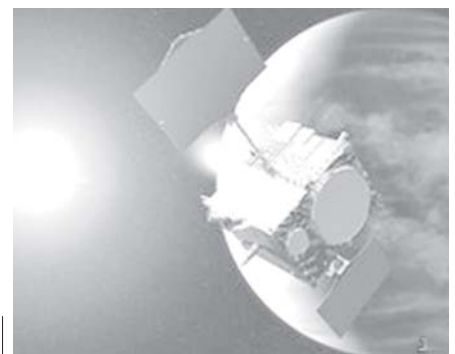
Nintendo, whose Wii consoles with motion-controlling sensors took markets by storm in 2006, is working with the AHA in order to cut the risks of heart disease among Americans, their websites said.

Internet



File photo shows a man posing inside an advertisement for Wii Fit by Japanese game console maker Nintendo.

INTERNET



Akatsuki will try to find active volcanoes on Venus.—INTERNET

Forum strives for better pilots, controllers

WASHINGTON, 19 May—Federal safety officials want to promote a greater culture of professionalism among pilots and controllers in response to a series of aviation accidents and incidents over the past year.

The National Transportation Safety Board begins a three-day forum on Tuesday on getting more pilots and controllers to strive for professionalism under pressure by learning from the success stories of their peers.

NTSB Chairman Deborah Hersman said most pilots and controllers are very professional, but safety requires that everyone follow every rule every time.

Internet

Chinese tycoon Huang Guangyu jailed for bribery

LONDON, 19 May—Chinese tycoon Huang Guangyu has been sentenced to 14 years in prison after being found guilty of bribery, insider trading and illegal business practices.

Huang, who was for a time the richest man in China, was also fined 600 million yuan (\$88m; £59m), the official Xinhua news agency said.

He built a billion-dollar business from almost nothing, after dropping out of school nearly 30



Chinese tycoon Huang Guangyu.—INTERNET

years ago. His business grew into a chain of more than 1,300 stores across China.

The Gome chain of domestic appliance shops was the second largest in the country.

Internet

London's Heathrow, Gatwick airports reopen

LONDON, 19 May—London's main airports Heathrow and Gatwick reopened Monday after being forced to close by the volcanic ash cloud, but airports in Northern Ireland and others around Britain remained shut.

Heathrow, Europe's busiest airport, reopened at 7am (0600 GMT) as did Gatwick, Britain's second-busiest air hub.

However restrictions remained on their flights because of their proximity

to a dense section of the shifting ash cloud from a volcano in Iceland.

Airports inside the no-fly zone were shut until 1200 GMT with all airports in Northern Ireland and the Isle of Man to remain closed until then.

Scotland's busiest airport, Edinburgh, plus Aberdeen and Inverness were closed while Wales's main airport Cardiff was shut, as was Swansea.

Internet



An aircraft takes off from Heathrow Airport and flies over a sign on the perimeter road, west of London, in 2009. London's main airports Heathrow and Gatwick have reopened after being forced to close by the volcanic ash cloud, but airports in Northern Ireland and others around Britain remain shut.—INTERNET

Egypt eyes diplomatic action to resolve Nile Basin dispute

CAIRO, 19 May—A senior Egyptian official said on Sunday the coming weeks are to see intensive diplomatic actions by Cairo to resolve a water dispute which has for long plagued Nile Basin countries. Addressing a parliamentary session, Egyptian Minister of Legal Affairs and Parliamentary Councils Mofid Shehab said Egypt is keen to opening dialogue with upstream countries to reach a formula that meets the interests of all states, Egyptian media reported. For Egypt, Nile water is a national security issue and a line that must not be crossed, he said, adding that dialogue is the only way to reach a satisfactory compromise.

Internet



Women wearing traditional Hanbok dress take part in a coming-of-age day ceremony at Gyeonghui Palace in Seoul on 17 May, 2010.

INTERNET

Swedish man arrested for plotting Somalia attack

STOCKHOLM, 19 May—Sweden's security service on Tuesday arrested a man suspected of plotting a terrorist attack in Somalia, the latest in a string of Somali-linked terror cases in Scandinavia.

The man is a Swedish citizen and was detained in the Goteborg area in western Sweden, according to a brief statement from the security service, known as SAPO. It said the man had been under investigation for some time and an arrest warrant had been issued prior to his capture. Several people will be questioned in the investigation, SAPO said.

SAPO spokesman Patrik Peter said the arrest was "undramatic" but refrained from giving any more details about the case.

It wasn't immediately clear how the suspect responded to the allegations.—Internet

EU, Mexico vow to boost collaboration on climate change talks

COMILLAS, 19 May—The European Union and Mexico agreed on an action plan on Sunday, which details specific proposals for cooperation on security, combating organized crime, defending human rights and macroeconomic growth.

The agreement reflects a commitment by both sides to achieving greater coordination and harmonization on global and regional issues of mutual interest, particularly on working to make a success the climate change summit scheduled in Mexico at the year-end.

The 5th EU-Mexico summit, held in the northern Spanish town of Comillas, was attended by European Council President Herman Van Rompuy, European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso and Spanish Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero, whose country is

holding the rotating EU presidency, and Mexican President Felipe Calderon.

"Europe is willing to collaborate with Mexico and will do everything possible to make the climate change summit a success," Rompuy told a news conference following the meeting.

Zapatero said Mexico has played an increasingly great role in the international community. "It is a main actor in the struggle against climate change, it gives an important contribution in the G20 and it has a constructive understanding of the new global system, which is more and more multilateral and needs increasing cooperation."

The close relationship between the EU and Mexico is "a decisive asset" for confronting the major global challenges, Zapatero stressed.

Xinhua

(L to R) Spanish Prime Minister Jose Luis Rodriguez Zapatero, Mexico's President Felipe Calderon, European Union President Herman Van Rompuy and President of the European Commission Jose Manuel Durao Barroso attend a joint press conference during the EU-Mexico summit in the Northern Spanish town of Comillas on 16 May, 2010.

XINHUA



Mexico seizes 5,830 sea turtle eggs, arrests 2

ACAPULCO, 19 May—Authorities on Mexico's western Pacific coast say they have detained two suspects who were allegedly transporting 5,830 sea turtle eggs recently extracted from local beaches.

The office of the Attorney General for Environmental Protection says the eggs were so fresh that they have been taken to a local facility to be reburied in hopes they still could hatch.

Sea turtles are protected species in Mexico and extraction of their eggs is punishable by up to 9 years in prison. The office said Monday the suspects allegedly intended to sell the eggs. Both had been arrested before on similar charges and released while awaiting trial.

The office did not specify which of the six species of sea turtles in Mexico the eggs belonged to.

Internet

Israel dedicates huge sea-water purification plant



A view of a new desalination plant is seen in the city of Hadera, Israel, on 16 May, 2010. XINHUA

HADERA, 19 May—A huge new desalination facility on Israel's Mediterranean seashore, with a network of pipes beneath the beach reaching far into the ocean, could help solve Israel's chronic fresh water shortage, officials said Sunday.

The plant, one of the largest in the world, turns sea water into drinking water. It stands next to the northern city of Hadera, the third of five large facilities that will dot the coastline, designed to provide two-thirds of the country's drinking water and reroute the National Water Carrier, a water transport system that has sustained Israel for 50 years.

"Up until now, it was a government monopoly regulating all water transportation," said Teddy Golan, vice president of IDE Technologies, a company responsible for the plant. "Then we found it was cheaper to desalinate water on the shore than transfer it from the (Sea of Galilee) in the north."—Internet

Argentina unsure on Maradona the manager

Buenos Aires, 19 May—A veritable living god as a player, Diego Maradona has yet to inspire the same fervour as Argentina national coach after a laborious and controversial World Cup qualifying campaign.



A veritable living god as a player, Diego Maradona, seen here in February 2010, has yet to inspire the same fervour as Argentina national coach after a laborious and controversial World Cup qualifying campaign.—INTERNET

Argentina's struggles to reach South Africa mean many fans are sceptical about his chances of leading the country to a third World Cup triumph.

Maradona, the inspirational captain of Argentina's 1986 World Cup-winning side, was named national boss in November 2008 after a disappointing start to the qualifying campaign brought Alfio Basile's tenure as coach to an end.

Fourteen years after he left the 1994 World Cup in disgrace following a positive drug test, Maradona returned to the Albiceleste with a two-pronged objective: take Argentina to the World Cup, and do it in style.

Internet

Grosso shock as Lippi trims World Cup squad to 28

Rome, 19 May—Juventus left-back Fabio Grosso was the shock victim as Italy coach Marcello Lippi cut two players from his pre-World Cup squad on Tuesday.

Lippi trimmed his squad from 30 to 28 players, with midfielder Antonio Candreva also sent home.

The omission of Grosso, who has 48 caps and scored four goals, is particularly surprising given that he has been Italy's first-choice left-back for several years and was

a key part of the World Cup-winning team of 2006.

—INTERNET


Juventus midfielder Fabio Grosso reacts after AS Roma's Norwegian defender John Arne Riise scored during the Serie A football match.—INTERNET

The standard for measuring young stars

Ponte Vedra Beach, 19 May—Adam Scott again is part of the conversation when it comes to great young players, although that probably



Adam Scott, of Australia, hits from the sand on the 18th hole during the final round of the Texas Open golf tournament.—INTERNET

won't last much longer. He turns 30 in two months.

That doesn't make him old, nor does it make him irrelevant.

If anything, it should make all those kids behind him — and there are more of them every year — take stock of what the Scott has done before turning 30, and realize that great play is measured by more than one year, much less one tournament.

Internet

SPORTS

FIFA aims for swift probe on Triesman comments



FIFA has said its ethics committee will probe allegations made by former Football Association chairman Lord Triesman, seen here, about rival bidders in the 2018 and 2020 World Cup.—INTERNET

Zurich, 19 May—FIFA's ethics committee will probe former Football Association chief Lord Triesman's alleged claims about rival bidders in the 2018 and 2020 World Cups swiftly, a senior official said on Tuesday.

Asked if the committee announced on Monday would report on possible breaches by Lord Triesman or possible substance of his alleged claims, such as bribery, Jerome Valcke, secretary general of world football's governing body replied: "On both."

Internet

Referees to target penalty feints at World Cup

Zurich, 19 May — Football's rulemakers on Tuesday approved changes in time for the World Cup, outlawing "unsporting" feints in penalty kicks and giving the fourth match official similar powers to assistant referees.

Players in South Africa who feint before kicking at the end of their run up to a penalty to trick the goalkeeper risk a yellow card for "unsporting behaviour", the International Football Association Board decided.

They will also be forced to take the kick again if the ball goes into the net, FIFA Secretary General Jerome Valcke said after the IFAB meeting chaired by the president of world football's governing body Sepp Blatter.

The permanent rule change, which comes into force for the coming season, follows concern about the growing use of such feints in South America, where players paused to see which way the goalkeeper was diving, officials added.

—INTERNET


A goalkeeper fails to stop a penalty during a Major League Soccer match on 15 May.—INTERNET

Nalbandian to miss French Open

Buenos Aires, 19 May—Argentina's former world number three David Nalbandian withdrew from the French Open on Tuesday because of a hamstring problem that flared up recently at the Madrid Masters.



Argentina's former world number three David Nalbandian, seen here in April 2010, withdrew from the French Open on Tuesday because of a hamstring problem that flared up recently at the Madrid Masters.

INTERNET

The 28-year-old two-time French Open semi-finalist's ranking has slipped to 150 after he spent nine months off the circuit last year following surgery on a hip problem.

"David will not be at the second Grand Slam of the season because he is suffering from a hamstring injury that flared up when he returned to the court," said a statement on the player's website.

—INTERNET


Florida Marlins shortstop Hanley Ramirez accidentally kicks a ball.—INTERNET

Italy doesn't respect me, complains Mourinho

Rome, 19 May — Inter Milan coach Jose Mourinho refused to speculate on his future



Inter Milan coach Jose Mourinho, seen here at a training session, refused to speculate on his future but did explain on Tuesday why he is unhappy in Italy.—INTERNET

but did explain on Tuesday why he is unhappy in Italy.

Inter are preparing for their biggest match in 38 years as they face Bayern Munich in the Champions League final in Madrid on Saturday — their first final in this competition since 1972.

But all anyone seems to want to know in the build up is who the Portuguese will be coaching next year, with Real Madrid the big favourites to sign him. But without revealing what he will do, Mourinho said the only thing pushing him away from Italy is a lack of respect.

"It's not a problem with my contract or money, in fact I'm a bit ashamed about how much I earn given there's a crisis," he said.

—INTERNET

Kobe gets 40, Lakers rout Suns in opener

Los Angeles, 19 May—Kobe Bryant dribbled toward the Lakers' bench, luring Channing Frye and Jason Richardson along with him. Bryant leaned back and launched a feather-soft jumper over Phoenix's double team, neatly beating the first-quarter buzzer.

That's about when the Suns should have noted the bright yellow brace on Bryant's right knee is the colour of a caution sign.

Even with a balky knee and a litany of additional woes, Bryant still is among the most dangerous postseason scorers in NBA history — and he had no problem giving Los Angeles an early leg up in the Western Conference finals.

—INTERNET


Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant dribbles around Phoenix Suns forward Grant Hill during the second half of Game 1 of the NBA basketball Western Conference.—INTERNET



People view exhibits at the Laomeihua Huaxia Shoe Cultural Museum in Tianjin Municipality, north China, on 19 May, 2010.

The Tianjin Laomeihua Huaxia Shoe Cultural Museum was opened on Tuesday.

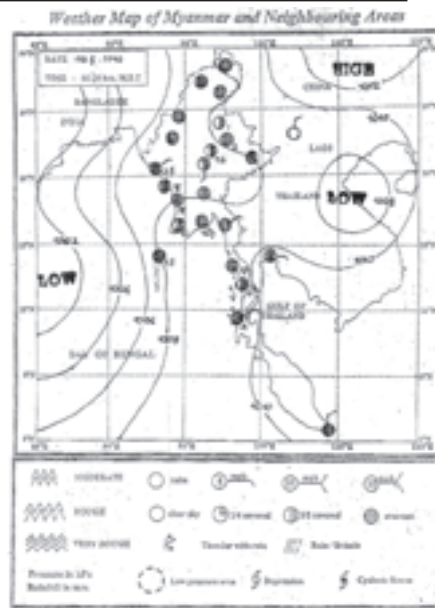
XINHUA

Traditional ethnic sports blossom at All-China Games

HEFEI, 19 May — Accompanied with a slow music, Qigong master Lai Jianhui preformed a graceful, flowing combination of movements. As the music faded away, applause thundered forth.

A discipline of the 4th All-China Games, Qigong, which has a over 1000-year history, has enchanted many citizens in the host city Heifei.

Wu Meiyu, a 57-year-old retired worker, watched every Qigong competition. "Their performances were really fantastic," said Wu. "My friends and I have practiced Qigong for more than 15 years, but I cannot perform so well as these athletes. I really want to learn from them." —Xinhua



WEATHER

Wednesday, 19th May, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.
During the past 24 hours, Southwest monsoon has advanced into the Andaman Sea, South Bay and Southern Myanmar areas. weather has been partly cloudy in Kayah State and Magway Division, rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Kachin State, Yangan and Taninthayi Divisions, fairly widespread in Rakhine and Mon States, Bago, and Ayeyawady Divisions, scattered in Shan and Kayin States, lower Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions, and isolated in the remaining states and divisions with isolated heavyfall in Mandalay Division. Day temperatures were (3°C) to (5°C) above May average temperatures in Shan, Rakhine, Kayah, Kayin and Mon States. Sagaing, Mandalay, Magway, Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions, (6°C) to (8°C) above May average temperatures in the Taninthayi Division and about May average temperatures in the remaining States and Divisions. The significant day temperatures were Kalewa and Myingyan (42.8°C) each, Monywa, Sagaing, Chauk and Minbu (42°C) each. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Moegok (4.25) inches, Pyin Oo Lwin (1.73) inches, Bago (1.70) inches, Kyaukpadaung and Monghsat (1.41) inches, Sittway (1.38) inches, Kyaukse (1.22) inches, Yangan (Mingaladon) (1.18) inches, An (1.10) inches and Sagaing (1.07) inches.

Maximum temperature on 18-5-2010 was 95°F. Minimum temperature on 19-5-2010 was 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 19-5-2010 was 92%. Total sun shine hours on 19-5-2010 was (2.7) hours.

Rainfall on 19-5-2010 was (1.18) inches at Mingaladon, (0.71) inches at Kaba-Aye and (0.35) inches at Central Yangan. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (2.48) inches at Mingaladon and (2.91) inches at Kaba-Aye and (1.26) inches at Central Yangan. Maximum wind speed at Yangan (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Southeast at (07:30) hours MST on 18-5-2010.

Bay Inference: According to the observations at (12.30) hours M.S.T today, the cyclonic storm "Laila" over Southwest Bay and adjoining West Central Bay has moved Northwestwards and is centered at about (300) miles. Southwest of Visakhapatnam (India). It is forecast to intensify further and move North or Northwestwards. Monsoon is moderate in the Andaman sea and South Bay and weather is cloudy elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until evening of the 20th May 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be widespread in Rakhine and Mon States, Yangan, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions, fairly widespread in Kachin, Chin and Kayin States, Mandalay and Bago Divisions and scattered in the remaining States and Divisions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Squalls with rough seas will be experienced at times off and along Myanmar Coasts. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach (40) mph.

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

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 20-5-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangan and neighbouring area for 20-5-2010: Some rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 20-5-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (20-5-2010) (Thursday)

Transmissions

Times

Local - (09:00am~11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission - (20-5-10 09:30 am ~ 21-5-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Current Affairs "Working & Living in Myanmar (Tourism)"
- * News
- * Documentary "The World's Largest Book"
- * Topic on Journal "One Stop Visit in Myanmar"
- * News
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * The World of Mro Nationals

Oversea Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Current Affairs "Working & Living in Myanmar (Tourism)"
- * News
- * Documentary "The World's Largest Book"
- * A Myanmar Tapestry
- * News
- * Literature for Heart & Soul
- * Living in Paradise
- * News
- * Topic on Journal "One Stop Visit in Myanmar"
- * News
- * Current Affairs "Working & Living in Myanmar (Tourism)"
- * News
- * Documentary "The World's Largest Book"
- * Mobile Education Activities for Wildlife Conservation
- * News
- * Talent Show (Ko Ko Naing - Mon State)
- * News
- * Music Gallery
- * Myanmar Movies "The Moon Born from the Sun"



Thursday, 20 May
View on today

7:00 am

1. တောင်တန်းသာသနာပြု ဆရာတော်ဘုရားကြီး၏ ဝရိတ်တရားတော်

7:25 am

2. To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

3. Morning News

7:40 am

4. အောင်တော်မူ (စောမင်းနောင်စိုင်းညိုမင်း)

တေးရေး-

ဝိုင်းလင်းတေးအောင်

7:50 am

5. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

6. Dance of National Races

8:15 am

7. "စက်နှင့်စက်တိရိယာ ဝဇ္ဇည်းစက်ရုံ(မြိုင်)"

8:25 am

8. Musical Programme

8:40 am

9. International News

8:50 am

10. Dance Variety

3:30 pm

1. Myanmar National League MNL (2010)
ဘောလုံးပြိုင်ပွဲထုတ်လွှင့်မှု အစီအစဉ် (မကွေး FC အသင်းနှင့် ဥသယုန်တက် FC အသင်း)

5:10 pm

2. အေးသင်တက္ကသိုလ် ပညာရေးရုပ်မြင်သံကြား သင်ခန်းစာ-တတိယနှစ် (ပထဝီဝင်အထူးပြု) (ပထဝီဝင်)

5:25 pm

3. မျိုးချစ်စိတ်ဓါတ်ရှင်သန် ထက်မြက်ရေးတေးများ

5:30 pm

4. မူဟန်သွယ်သွယ်ဆိုကြမယ်

5:45 pm

5. "ပြည်သူများအတွက်စေတနာ့ ဝန်ထမ်းမိခင်နှင့်ကလေး ဓောင့်ရွှေတိုရေ အသင်းဝင်များ"

6:00 pm

6. Evening News

6:15 pm

7. Weather Report

6:20 pm

8. ဖျော်ဖြေစေသောနေ့ရက်များ "အချစ်တော်မီ"(အပိုင်း-၇) (သုရလင်းမေတ္တာ၊ နန်းသုရတီစိုး၊ ယုဇနနုလ်မြင့်)

စုပုံချစ်(ဒါရိုက်တာ- အောင်ကျော်သူရ)

6:40 pm

9. ထူးဆန်းထွေလာများကို သိပ္ပံဖြင့်ချဉ်းကပ်ခြင်း

7:00 pm

10. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ဆွမ်းသောချစ်နှင်းဆီ" (ဒုတိယပိုင်း) (အပိုင်း-၂)

8:00 pm

11. News
12. International News
13. Weather Report
14. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "နှင်းဆီရောင်ဘဝ" (အပိုင်း-၁၆)
15. နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "ချစ်တေးသံသာ" (အပိုင်း-၄၄)
16. မင်္ဂလာဆောင်တော် ဘုရားကြီး၏အရပ်ဆယ် မျက်နှာမေတ္တာတာဝန်ခံ ပွားများခြင်းတရားတော်

- ★ 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

Laila intensifies, forecast to move north or northwestwards

NAY PYI TAW, 19 May—According to the observations at 5:30 pm today, the cyclonic storm “Laila” over Southwest Bay and adjoining West Central Bay has moved northwestwards and is centered at about 270 miles Southwest of Visakhapatnam of India. The maximum wind speed of the storm is about 75 mph. It is forecast to move north or northwestwards.

The storm is now at the yellow level, and is assumed not moving towards Myanmar. Due to the influence of the storm, squalls with rough seas are likely at times off and along Myanmar coast. The wind speed in the squalls is likely to be 40 mph, announced the Meteorology and Hydrology Department today.—MNA

Kadaik Dam contributes to boosting agricultural production

Byline and Photo: Aung Than (Mingala Taungnyunt)



Control tower of Kadaik Dam. (Byline on Page 9)

Weather forecasts

NAY PYI TAW, 19 May—A depression that occurred over the south Bay of Bengal on 17 May become a small storm. It was intensified further into cyclonic storm Laila on 18 and 19 May.

Due to influence of cyclone Laila that is not likely to move toward Myanmar, it rained in Chin and Mon States, Bago, Yangon, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Divisions, Kachin and Shan States and Mandalay Division. Noteworthy rainfalls were 2.20 inches in Yangon (Kaba Aye), 1.65 inches in Dawei, 1.57 inches in Paung, 1.46 inches in Thandaunggyi, 1.38 inches in Pyapon, 1.30 inches in Yangon (Mingaladon), 1.30 inches in Myingyan and 1.02 inches in Kawkaik.

Today, rain is scattered in Kachin State, Yangon and Taninthayi Divisions, Rakhine and Mon States, Bago and Ayeyawady Divisions, Shan and Kayin States, lower Sagaing and Mandalay Divisions. Significant rainfalls were 4.25 inches in Mogok, 1.73 inches in PyinOoLwin, 1.70 inches in Bago, 1.41 inches in Kyaukpyu and Monghsat, 1.38 inches in Sittway, 1.22 inches in Kyaukse, 1.18 inches in Yangon (Mingaladon), 1.10 inches in An and 1.07 inches in Sagaing. Due to rain in the nation, the high temperature noticeably fell across the nation within two days. The cyclone is likely to bring continuous rain to upper Sagaing Division, Kachin, Chin and Rakhine States for next three days. As monsoon is likely to enter the delta regions within 48 hours, temperature would fall noticeably and scattered rains occur.

It is learnt that the entire people are delighted by cool weather due to rain as high temperatures are over.

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