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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

7 November election important to all citizens PM urges people to choose good, smart, patriotic persons who want to serve national interest **Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section opens**

NAY PYI TAW, 22 Aug—Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section, part of Pyay (Shwedaga)-Toungoo (Kyaydaw)-Nay Pyi Taw railroad project being implemented by the Ministry of Rail Transportation was inaugurated at Shwedaga Station in Pyay Township, Bago Region this morning with an opening address by Prime Minister U Thein Sein.

Also present on the occasion were Chairman of Bago Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Southern Command Maj-Gen Hla Min, Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint, Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min, deputy ministers, Vice-Chairman of Bago Region PDC Brig-Gen Sein Myint, heads of department, officials of Myanmar Railways, local authorities, teachers and students, members of social organizations, local people, pom pom troupes, dance troupes and guests.

At the opening ceremony of the railroad, Prime Minister U Thein Sein said that the ceremony is to open Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section, part of 120-mile Pyay-Toungoo railroad. The railroad section is 20 miles long. The Prime Minister quoted the Head of State as saying that the sooner the projects are completed the better they are for the people as the facilities will surely benefit the people. The Prime Minister said that according to the goodwill of the Head of State already-completed transportation facilities such as motor roads and railroads are opened to the public.

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein cordially greets passengers of the special train to mark opening of Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section of Pyay (shwedaga)-Toungoo (Kyaydaw)-Nay Pyi Taw railroad project.—MNA



Photo shows maiden trip of train on Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section.—MNA

PERSPECTIVES

Monday, 23 August, 2010

Ensure fresh air in our environs

Fresh air is one of the most fundamental requirements for everyone to enjoy longevity. It is common knowledge that air pollution and environmental degradation are harmful to the health of man. However, people hardly any notice dangers caused by air pollution in buildings, closed rooms and work sites.

Air pollution in a house may be due to cigarette smokes, dust, bacteria and bad smells from cooking. Smokes from burning firewood or charcoal and factories, and bad smells from construction materials, and pesticides also cause air pollution in a building.

Carbon monoxide is emitted in a hermetic room if heater or air conditioner does not work properly. Gas from a gas stove is as hazard as carbon monoxide. If poisoned with gas, a person feels dizzy, sleepy and delirious and loses consciousness, following lack of oxygen in his body. If a person inhales hazardous gases while asleep, he may lose his life.

Everyone, regardless of age, can be poisoned with gases due to air pollution. More vulnerable to contaminated air are elderly persons, pregnant women, children, and those with heart attack, anaemia and neurological disease.

Natural air is the best for human beings to take a breath. Therefore, we should not keep any materials in our houses and rooms that can produce poisonous gases and cause air pollution to be free from respiratory diseases.

Hole-in-One

YANGON, 22 Aug — While playing with Dr Mg Hla, Zaw Tun, Kyaw Win, Htun Htun Lin (Poe Poe Video Production), Wai Yan Aung drove Titleist Pro VI No (1) ball into No (15) Hole, 185 yards far from tee, in one stroke with Srixon ZR 800 Iron (9) club on 18 August evening.

Yangon Golf Course was established in 1909. Within 100 years he is the first one who played hole in one in all different holes of the course.—NLM



Member of Myanmar Women Entrepreneurs' Association Daw Win Ei Khaing (Streamline Training-Learning Centre) seen at the airport on 21 August before departure for Indonesia to attend Asia-Africa Youth Forum.—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

Housing handed over in Yinmabin Township



Commander Maj-Gen Myint Soe unveils signboard of Shwepyisoe guest house of Sagaing Region War Veterans Organization Supervisory Committee.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 22 Aug—Chairman of Sagaing Region Peace and Development Council Commander of North-West Command Maj-Gen Myint Soe and Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan attended a ceremony to open

Shwepyisoe guest house of Sagaing Region War Veterans Supervisory Committee and to hand over the housing in Aung Zeya Myothit in Yinmabin Township, Monywa District, Sagaing Region on 18 August.

Officials formally opened the guest house and the commander unveiled the archway of the guest house. They then looked round the housing.

Next, the commander attended a coordination meeting on cultivation of

monsoon paddy in Sagaing Region. After hearing reports on progress in cultivation of monsoon paddy in the Region through river-water pumping, the commander left necessary instructions.

MNA

Changhong Electronics at Botahtaung Pagoda St

YANGON, 22 Aug—Htewawin Trading Co Ltd opened Changhong Electronics showroom and honoured sales agents on 20 August.

Changhong TV stands No.1 in China electronic market for 15 years in a row and LED, LCD, Plasma and CRT televisions are available. It also markets air conditioners with low power consumption ranging from 0.5 Hp to 25.0 Hp as well as single and double door fridges, frost freezer, chest freezer and washing machines. Changhong electronics



Asia & Pacific Division Manager Mr Fang Jun of Zhongshan Changhong Co Ltd presents best sales agent award to U Myo Thein (Myo Thein Electronics).

MNA

are on sale with three-year warranty—free spare parts and maintenance for first year

and free maintenance for last two years.

The new showroom is at No 182/194,

Botahtaung Pagoda Street Pazundaung Township, here, Ph: 01-73044792.—MNA

Traffic rules lectured in Mawlamyine

YANGON, 22 Aug—Mawlamyine Township Traffic Police Force organized the educative talks on traffic rules at No. 3 Basic Education High School in Mawlamyine on 12 August.

Member of the Traffic Rules Enforcement Supervisory Committee Police Captain Myint Aye and members of the Traffic Police Force explained traffic rules and system of hand signals and presented documentary video and pamphlets to the headmistress.

MMA to hold golf tourney for August

YANGON, 22 Aug—Myanmar Medical Association (Central) will organize the golf tourney for August at Thanlyin golf course at 6 am on 29 August.

Members of MMA may take part in the golf tourney.—MNA

They also held the similar talks at Mawlamyine BEHS No1 2, 4, 5, 6 and 10.—MNA



Floods cause immense damage to Pakistani agriculture

ISLAMABAD, 22 Aug—Massive floods in Pakistan that have killed up to 1,600 people, left 20 million homeless and destroyed crops over an estimated area of more than 1.64 million hectares, farmers and officials told *Xinhua*.

But some of the concerned government officials say that the exact damage to crops is not to be assessed yet finally because more damages are expected

as the flood wave is not over.

Agriculture experts and observers estimated that Pakistan would have to import three million cotton bales as the floods have damaged more than two million bales over the cotton crop area of 280,000 hectares.

Pakistan, in April, hoped to produce 14 million bales of cotton in the 2010/11 season,

compared with about 12.7 million bales the previous financial year 2009/10.

Xinhua

Locals cross a flooded road in Pakistan's Muzaffargarh District of Punjab Province August 22, 2010. Floods are threatening to wreak havoc in more areas of south Pakistan.

INTERNET



Large fire burns at Boston warehouse; no one hurt



Flames shoot from the roof of the building on Norfolk Avenue in the Roxbury section of Boston Saturday night on 21 Aug, 2010.

INTERNET

BOSTON, 22 Aug—About 160 firefighters are battling a widespread blaze at a warehouse in an abandoned industrial complex in Boston.

Fire department spokesman Steve MacDonald says crews were called to the fire in the city's Roxbury neighbourhood just before 10:30 pm Saturday, and the blaze is extensive enough to require a citywide response.

MacDonald says the large brick building appears to be vacant, and no injuries have been reported. He also says there are no residences nearby.

Internet

At least one injured in train robbery in eastern India

NEW DELHI, 22 Aug—At least one passenger was injured after armed dacoits looted a passenger train in the eastern Indian state of Bihar early on Saturday and decamped with cash and jewellery from commuters, a senior police official said.

"Twelve dacoits looted the Asansol-Gomoh passenger train at Bihar's Lakhisarai District. The dacoits shot a passenger, while jewellery and cash were snatched from other travellers. The injured passenger has been admitted to a local hospital," the official said. This is the third major robbery on this route in Bihar over the last month due to absence of any security personnel on the trains. A massive operation has been launched to track down the culprits, he said.

Xinhua



Workers make efforts on a subway carriage made for Guangzhou metro lines in a manufacturing workshop of Zhuzhou Electric Locomotive Company Limited (ZELC) in Zhuzhou, central China's Hunan Province, on 19 Aug, 2009.—XINHUA

Iran inaugurates nation's first unmanned bomber

TEHERAN, 22 Aug—Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad has inaugurated the country's first domestically-built long-range unmanned bomber.

The 4-metre long unmanned plane, dubbed as Karrar or striker, was inaugurated by Ahmadinejad on Sunday, the national day for the country's defence industry.

The ceremony was aired live on state TV.

Iran has been producing its own light, unmanned surveillance aircraft since the late 1980s.

Since 1992, Iran has also produced its own tanks, armoured personnel carriers, missiles, torpedoes and a fighter plane.

Iran launched an arms development programme during its 1980-88 war with Iraq to compensate for a US weapons embargo.—*Internet*



A surviving beached pilot whale is lifted into a vehicle at Karikari beach, in New Zealand. Only nine of 63 whales which beached themselves in a northern New Zealand bay survived, rescuers said. Although 13 whales were refloated, a day after they were found stranded in the sand, four were unable to make their way out to sea and had to be put down.

INTERNET

Twin roadside bomb blasts kill four civilians, three police in east Afghanistan

KHOST, 22 Aug—Two roadside bomb blasts in Afghanistan's eastern Paktika Province left seven people including four civilians and three police dead, provincial administration spokesman Mukhlis Afghan said on Saturday.

According to the official, four civilians were killed in the blast Saturday morning as their vehicle struck a roadside bomb in Yaya Khil District. "Four civilians were killed and their car was completely smashed in the blast occurred this morning today in Yaya Khil District," Afghan told *Xinhua*'s reporter based in neighbouring Khost Province.

Xinhua

Premature explosion kills four militants in N Afghanistan

KABUL, 22 Aug—Four Taliban militants were killed as their mine went off prematurely in Afghanistan's northern Balkh Province on Saturday, according to a statement issued by Afghan Interior Ministry on Sunday.

"Four rebels were planting a mine on a road in Tape-i-Alizai area of Chamtal District in Balkh Province on Saturday when the device exploded accidentally killing the four on the spot," the statement said.—*Xinhua*

Unknown armed men kidnap district chief, son in E Afghanistan

KABUL, 22 Aug—Unidentified armed men abducted a district chief and his son in Kunar Province east of Afghanistan, a private television channel reported Sunday.

"Unknown armed men abducted Hajji Ghulam Nabi the governor of Sauki District along with his son on Saturday outside Provincial capital Assadabad," Tolo broadcast in its news bulletin.

Citing police in Kunar Province, the television also added that search operation to recover and rescue the abducted official and his son has begun.

No groups or officials have claimed of responsibility. However, Taliban militants fighting Afghan and NATO-led troops often target government interests.

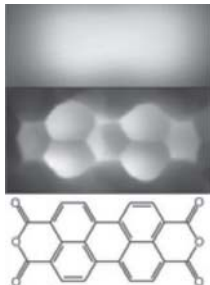
Xinhua

Science

Researchers take a look inside Molecules

NEW YORK, 22 Aug—Looking at individual molecules through a microscope is part of nanotechnologists' everyday lives. However, it has so far been difficult to observe atomic structures inside organic molecules. In a new study published in *Physical Review Letters*, Juelich researchers explain their novel method, which enables them to take an "X-ray view" inside molecules. The method may facilitate the analysis of organic semiconductors and proteins.

For their look into the nanoworld, the Juelich researchers used a scanning tunneling microscope. Its thin metal tip scans the specimen surface like the needle of a record player and registers the atomic



The Juelich method makes it possible to resolve molecule structure where only a blurred cloud was visible before.—INTERNET

irregularities and differences of approximately one nanometre (a billionth of a millimetre) with minuscule electric currents. However, even though the tip of the microscope only has the width of an atom, it has not been able so far to take a look inside molecules.

Internet

Internet connectivity could increase Malware Attacks

WASHINGTON, 22 Aug—As our daily lives become increasingly linked to and controllable by the internet, experts say we may encounter computer viruses attacking us in a host of new ways. With items not traditionally thought of as vulnerable, such as cars, home appliances, and electric metres going online, consumers are now opening themselves up significantly more channels for infection.

"Connectivity makes us more exposed and vulnerable," said Marianne Swanson, Senior Advisor for Information System Security with the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST).

Issues of identification theft, system corruption, and personal privacy could arise, Swanson said, as people take advantage of the convenience and practicality of syncing and operating household items such as refrigerators and air-conditioners over the Web. Swanson cited the electric car and its recharge station as an emerging technology offering yet another point-of-entry for digital danger. As connectivity increases, "there are more ways to tap in and find more information about you," Swanson said.—Internet

This nanoscale-level coating of zinc oxide on top of a copper plate holds the potential to dramatically increase heat transfer characteristics and lead to a revolution in heating and cooling technology, according to experts at Oregon State University and the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory.

INTERNET

Colliding particles shed light on Antimatter Mystery

LONDON, 22 Aug—A recent atom smasher experiment may help finally explain why our universe is mostly made of matter, and not its bizarro-universe sibling, antimatter. Antimatter is a strange kind of stuff with opposite properties from regular matter. When a particle, such as a proton, meets with its antimatter partner, the antiproton, the two annihilate each other in a powerful explosion.

Scientists think the universe was made of roughly equal parts matter and antimatter just after it formed, but these would have quickly destroyed each other. The universe that remains is

made of the small surplus of matter that was left over. But why would there have been a surplus of matter to begin with?

To answer that question, scientists sent protons and antiprotons on a collision course in the Fermilab Tevatron particle accelerator in Batavia, Ill. When the particles smashed together, they created debris that included about 1 percent more matter than antimatter. This overabundance may hold clues to the general asymmetry between matter and antimatter in the universe.

"We don't really understand the source of this matter asymmetry," said Don Lincoln, a physicist at Fermilab who worked on the experiment. "The stuff we've observed, we know is just hints. It's not the final story - it doesn't explain everything."

Internet

Technology



A young Chinese programmer Pan Yong, 22 year-old, left and his brother Pan Lei, 25 year-old, talk on phone as they demonstrate their new invention 'Apple Peel' in Dongguan City, Guangdong Province, South China, on 21 Aug, 2010.

INTERNET

Chrome six Beta may hint at Mythical Chrome OS Tablet

WASHINGTON, 22 Aug—The latest beta of Chrome 6 is out, and its menus have been optimized for touch—complete with buttons for copying, pasting, as well as zooming in on a page. Could this be a taste of what the rumored Chrome OS tablet will be like? Maybe.

Rumors abound about the likely Google Chrome OS tablet to hit stores in November. Various sources seem to think that it'll sport a 1280-by-720 multitouch display, a 22GB solid state drive, and 2GB of

memory, as well as Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, 3G, GPS, and a Webcam. But beyond the physical specs, we want to know what this hypothetical tablet will be like to use, so let's start with looking at what its browser will be like. A multitouch-optimized menu in Chrome 6 beta. Google Chrome now also supports "location sharing", meaning that your browser can detect



where you are, using HTML5's geolocation feature. WeatherNear.Me, for example, uses your position information (served from either your IP address or GPS location) to show you the weather where you are right now.

HTML5 geolocation doesn't depend on how your browser gets position information, meaning websites like Yelp and Twitter could use this feature on their websites to show you nearby restaurants and tweets without a separate app for the iPhone or Android OS.—Internet

MIT brings supercomputing power to the Android phone

NEW YORK, 22 Aug—There really is an app for everything. A team of researchers at MIT has developed a way of bring supercomputing power to the Android phone. The team at MIT have been working with colleagues from the Texas Advanced Computing Centre (TACC) to develop the application. The boffins performed a series of simulations on the Ranger supercomputer to generate a small "reduced model" which was transferred to a slightly less costly front-end: the Android smartphone. They were then able to solve problems on the phone and visualize the results on the fly.

The project proved the potential for reduced order methods to perform real-time and reliable simulations for complicated problems on handheld devices. The use of small-scale devices to perform calculations is not new, what the MIT work has done however, is to add a system of error bounds which provides a range of possible solutions and a metric as to whether an answer is accurate or not.

Internet

Waterloo Labs makes eye-controlled mario

WASHINGTON, 22 Aug—There's a lot going on when it comes to unique console controllers these days—Sony's Playstation Move and Microsoft's Kinect for the Xbox 360 are set to launch this fall, and, of course, the Wiimote has been around forever.

But all of those controllers require that the user get up and move around. The latest in input technology puts an end to such nonsense: Waterloo Labs has come up with a way to control video games—specifically, Super Mario Bros 2 on the Nintendo Entertainment System (NES) console—using only your eyes. That's right—utilizing an eye-position-reading technique known as electro-oculography (EOG) and a custom daughter card, Waterloo Labs has figured out how to control NES with eye movement. Waterloo Labs is a project of Austin-based tech company National Instruments, and has previously brought us such useful experiments as "Driving a Car with an iPhone," and "FPS with Real Guns."

Internet

Health

Health Tips: Six ways to relieve stress at the office

Stress could be positive because it urges someone to compete and be more introspective. If stress levels are already above your ability, release it right way.

Apparently, it is impossible to find time to eliminate stress in the workplace, but try to provide a few minutes, and you can dramatically improve the productivity, happiness, and your health. Here are some tips according to eHow.

1. Take a deep breath

As you inhale, so you will be more relaxed. Do it slowly.

2. Move Around

Look for a new atmosphere in a new place. Go away from your office desk, even if it is only a walk get some water. This activity can help you refresh your mind so you can refocus on the task.

3. Laugh

Read your favourite joke book or just laugh to excite tensions.

4. Play

You can play with a kind of game that can release the fatigue of mind, like a mini-basketball hoop during work. For a fresh mind, you can buy and put it in your work space.

5. Relax

Close your eyes and listen to soothing music.

6. Imagination

Visualize yourself relaxing in your favorite vacation spot or completing a big presentation with ease.

Internet

Study links prenatal pesticide exposure with higher risk of attention disorder in kids

LOS ANGELES, 22 Aug—Children exposed to organophosphate pesticides while in the womb may be more likely to suffer attention disorder later in life, a new study suggests. Researchers from California based their findings on attention tests given to more than 300 children of Mexican American farm workers in the Salinas Valley of California. The researchers also took measures of organophosphate metabolites in the mothers' urine and collected behavioral reports from the mothers and from professional observers.

The findings showed that although there was only a small link between attention problems and exposure at the age of three, the association became significantly larger at age 5, especially among boys. "We saw that the children were making more errors on the test and that it was significantly related to the mother's prenatal metabolite levels for these pesticides," said lead researcher Brenda Eskenazi, who is director of the Centre for Children's Environmental Health Research at the University of California Berkeley School of Public Health.—Internet

HK performs city's first heart and liver transplant

HONG KONG, 22 Aug—A Hong Kong hospital has completed the city's first-ever combined heart and liver transplant in a 20-hour operation involving almost 70 medical staff.

An unidentified 27-year-old woman received the organs from a brain-dead donor, while giving her own failing but still usable liver to a 62-year-old man with liver cancer, a Queen Mary Hospital

spokeswoman told AFP on Sunday.

The operation, which took place on Friday, was deemed a success and both patients are in "satisfactory condition", she said, adding that they are expected to be discharged in two weeks.

"This is the first time in Hong Kong that a heart and liver combined have been put in a patient," she said.—Internet



The sun sets over Victoria Harbour in Hong Kong.

Hong Kong's Queen Mary Hospital has successfully completed the city's first-ever combined heart and liver transplant in a 20-hour operation involving almost 70 medical staff.

INTERNET

Business

HSBC seen as front-runner to buy South Africa's Nedbank

HONG KONG, 22 Aug—HSBC Holdings Plc (0005.HK) (HSBA.L) has emerged as the frontrunner to buy a controlling stake in Nedbank (NEDJ.J), South Africa's fourth-largest bank, in a deal that could be announced as early as Monday, the *Financial Times* quoted people familiar with the talks as saying.

HSBC, Europe's biggest lender, was set to pip its emerging markets rival Standard Chartered (STAN.L) (2888.HK) to the post in the race for what could be the last big South African bank that regulators allow a foreigner to buy, the *Financial Times* reported on Saturday.

A HSBC spokeswoman declined to comment on the report on Sunday.

In July, a media report said HSBC may bid for Nedbank, a potential \$4.4 billion deal that would give HSBC bigger profile in fast-growing Africa. HSBC had appointed investment bank Lazard (LAZ.N) to advise on the possible takeover, *Sky News* said.



A man ascends an escalator behind a logo of HSBC at its headquarters in Hong Kong on 2 August, 2010.

INTERNET

Nedbank's is controlled by Anglo-South African insurer Old Mutual (OMLJ.J) (OML.L), which is undergoing a strategic overhaul to slim down its complicated structure.

The Sprawling financial conglomerate sold its US life insurance business earlier this month for \$350 million but its Chief executive Julian Roberts declined to comment on whether the restructuring will also include a sale of Old Mutual's flagship asset, its majority stake in Nedbank.

Internet

Nearly 50 percent leave Obama mortgage-aid programme

WASHINGTON, 22 Aug—Nearly half of the 1.3 million homeowners who enrolled in the Obama administration's flagship mortgage-relief programme have fallen out.

The programme is intended to help those at risk of foreclosure by lowering their monthly mortgage payments. Friday's report from the Treasury Department suggests the \$75 billion government effort is failing to slow the tide of foreclosures in the United States, economists say.

More than 2.3 million homes have been repossessed by lenders since the recession began in December 2007, according to foreclosure listing service RealtyTrac Inc. Economists expect the number of foreclosures to grow well into next year.

"The government programme as currently structured is petering out. It is taking in fewer homeowners, more are dropping out and fewer people are ending up in permanent modifications," said Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Analytics.

Besides forcing people from their homes, foreclosures and distressed home sales have pushed down on home values

and crippled the broader housing industry. They have made it difficult for homebuilders to compete with the depressed prices and discouraged potential sellers from putting their homes on the market.

Approximately 630,000 people who had tried to get their monthly mortgage payments lowered through the government program have been cut loose through July, according to the Treasury report. That's about 48 percent of the those who had enrolled since March 2009.—Internet

In this file photo taken 21 July, 2010, a 'bank owned' sign is seen on a home that is listed as a foreclosure on a HUD website, in Hawthorne, Calif. Nearly half of the homeowners who enrolled in the Obama administration's flagship mortgage-relief programme have fallen out.

INTERNET





road, 226-mile Mongnai-Kengtung railroad, 132.5-mile Dawei-Myeik railroad, 89-mile Patheingyi-Begarat-Hlinethaya railroad, 48-mile Hinthada-Nyaungdon railroad and 120-mile Pyay-Toungoo railroad.

Some railroads had been opened section by section. Upon completion of all railroads, all corners

railroads, networks of motor roads were also being constructed. From Putao the northern-most part of the country to Kawthoung, the southern-most part of the country and from Muse-Lashio-Kengtung to the Sittway, one could travel by road in all seasons.

He went on to say that road transport contributed

With prevailing peace and stability of the State, national development tasks in all sectors including road transport could have been carried out and the nation had been on track of progress. Therefore, all were urged to do their bit in national development tasks by making best use of already-built infrastructures so as to further improve their socio-economy. Those infrastructures needed to be maintained by the people of today as well as future

Prime Minister U Thein Sein making speech at opening ceremony of Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section.—MNA



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As the railroad section from Pyay to Paukkaung could have been opened, journey between the two townships become easier and the travelling cost would be reduced. The Prime Minister said smooth transport was fundamental not only to regional development but also to national development. The regions with smooth transport had developed quickly and those

with poor transport had experienced slow progress. So, networks of motor roads and railroads were being built across the nation. As the rail journey was cost-effective and could transport more people and commodities, the government was constructing railroads in all parts of the nation.

The railroads under construction were 320-mile Pakkoku-Kyangin railroad, 257-mile Minbu-

An-Sittway railroad, 98-mile Katha-Bhamo railroad, 95-mile Pyawbwe-Natmauk-Magway rail-

road of Myanmar could be reached easily and a national railroad network would emerge. Not only

a lot to education, health and social sectors as well as to commerce. As there could be close contacts

generations and it was the duty of all, noted the Prime Minister. If posterity was to keep making nation-

Local people waving to maiden trip of special train on Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section.

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein unveils stone inscription of Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section.—MNA

between national brethren, it forged national unity. In the past, the eastern and western parts of Bago Region were separated as the Central Yoma posed a barrier to the Region. But now, there were seven shortcut roads from the east Yoma to the west Yoma. With a railroad constructed, the eastern and western parts of the Region could be travelled easily.

building endeavours, the natural resource-rich country could not only catch up with other nations but also develop more than others. The nation would develop only if peace and stability prevailed. So, all the people side by side with the government were to try to ensure peace and stability, security and the rule of law.

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Prime Minister U Thein Sein on special train waving to local people along Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section.—MNA

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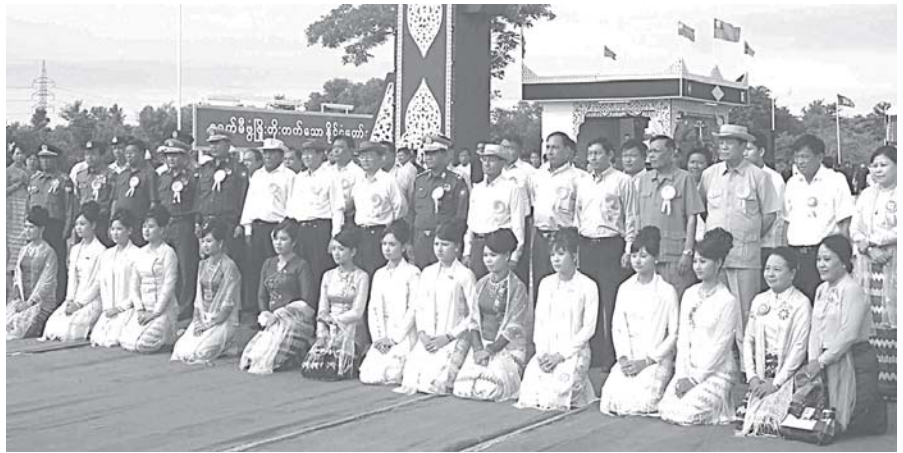
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The Prime Minister said, the multi-party democracy general elections to be held on 7 November were very important for all citizens. So they were to prevent any destructive acts so that the elections would meet with success. In conclusion, the Prime Minister urged people to choose good, smart, patriotic persons who want to serve the national interest upholding the policy of non-disintegration of the Union.

In his address, Commander Maj-Gen Hla Min said that in accord with the guidance of the Head of State, the national railroad network is under construction, and Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section is the first facility of its kind on Pyay (Shwedaga)-Toungoo (Kyaydaw)-Nay Pyi Taw railroad across Bago mountain range as well as a part of the national railroad network.

Other motor roads across Bago mountain range such as Koebin-Tagara road, Minhla-Seinkantlant-Myochaung-Phado-Peinzalok road and Taikkyi-Phugyi-Phaunggyi-Bago road are under construction. Although there was a railroad linking Nay Pyi Taw, Pyinmana and Taungwingyi railroad across mountain ranges, the 120 miles long railroad from Pyay (Shwedaga) to Toungoo (Kyaydaw)-Nay Pyi Taw is being built. In conclusion, the commander urged the local people to maintain the 20-mile Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section for its durability. Minister U Aung Min reported on construction of Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section. He said that construction of the railroad section started on 12 September 2009. Eleven months later, the railroad section was inaugurated. It has Technological University Station, Paungdale Station, Inngagwa Station and Paukkaung Station.

Based on the strategy of ensuring equitable development across the nation, the Ministry of Rail Transportation is building nine railroads with the length of 1385 miles in the entire nation. A total of 320 miles long railroads out of 1065 have been put into service. According to the Special Projects Implementation Committee Meeting 2/2010 on 16-8-2010 adopted decisions to con-



Prime Minister U Thein Sein and party pose for documentary photo at opening ceremony of Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section.—MNA

struct four new railroad projects: 120 miles long Nay Pyi Taw-Hsinthae (Tatkon)-Pinlaung railroad, 474 miles long Myitkyina-Bhamo-Momeik-Kyaukse-Hsipaw-Laikha-Namhsan railroad, 135 miles long Monywa-Yagyi-Kalewa-Kalay railroad and 150 miles long Toungoo-Yatho-Loikaw railroad.

The State Peace and Development Council is striving for all round development of the regions in the entire nation to shape the modern nation. The Ministry of Rail Transportation is making concerted efforts for maintenance, upgrading and extended construction of railroads and assembling coaches and wagons while placing emphasis on smooth transportation for the people. In conclusion, the minister said that the ministry will dutifully serve the interests of the people and the State in the transport sector.

A local spoke words of thanks.

The Prime Minister and party cordially greeted those present. After the Prime Minister and party took the positions in front of Shwedaga Station, Commander Maj-

Gen Hla Min, Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint, Minister for Rail Transportation U Aung Min, Deputy Minister for Energy U Than Htay and Vice-Chairman of Bago Region PDC Brig-Gen Sein Myint formally opened the railroad section.

The Prime Minister and party posed for documentary photo. The Prime Minister unveiled the stone inscription and sprinkled scented water on the special train and presented gifts to the passengers.

The Prime Minister viewed the condition of railroad section by special train and waved to the local people.

On arrival at Paukkaung Station, he cordially greeted the local people.

The 20 miles long Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section has five stations including Shwedaga Station. The project started in September 2009. It has 93 small and large bridges. In commemoration of the opening ceremony of the railroad, the train will run three days free of charge beginning 23 August.—MNA



Prime Minister U Thein Sein cordially converses with local people at opening of Pyay (Shwedaga)-Paukkaung railroad section.—MNA

Border guard forces take pride in having opportunity to discharge national defence duties



and Khalauknoe villages and nine Kayin folk dance troupes, Shan national damsels, Mon national troupes, Shan traditional troupes from Whae Shan and Mepale villages, band and pom pom troupe of Shwekokko Village and local people.

Nine Kayin folk dance troupes, Shan tradi-

sic Education High School entertained the attendees with traditional dances.

The commander and party posed for group photos with local national race leaders, and members of the forces in commemoration of the launch of border guard forces of the South-East Command Headquarters. The commander pre-

tea party was held at the pavilion near the parade grounds. Commander Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win and Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn delivered speeches and cordially greeted the members of the forces.

Member of the border guard forces take pride in the opportunity to discharge national defence duties, legally holding arms with a sense of Union Spirit due to the forming of Border Guard Forces.

In addition, local people welcome and encourage the formation of border guard forces for peace, stability, improvement of their social-economic status, and devel-

Commander Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win and Director of People's Militia and Frontier Forces Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn decorated an officer of Border Guard Force with Tatmadaw insignia.

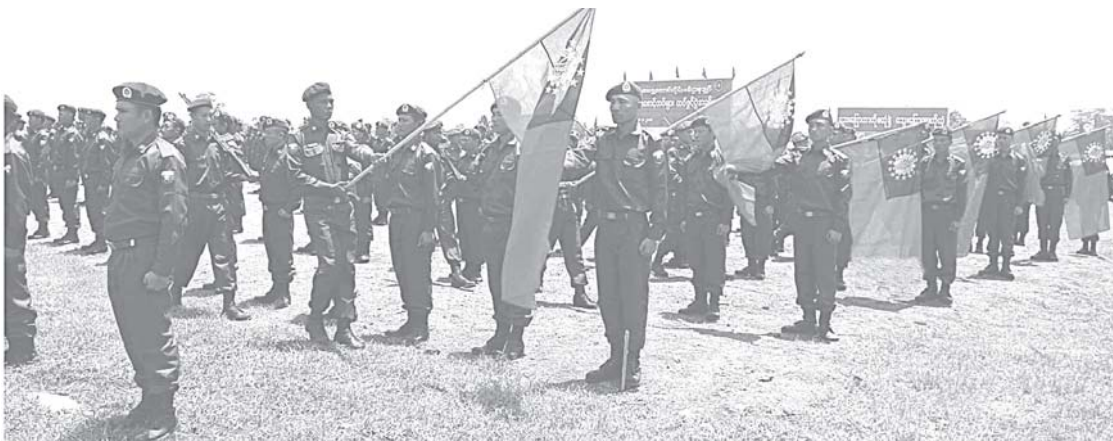
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(from page 16)

After the State Flag had been hoisted, members of the Border Guard Force recited the oaths of a serviceman.

The commander, Brig-Gen Zaw Min, Maj-Gen Hla Shwe, Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn, Maj-Gen Than Soe and Maj-Gen Hlaing Myint decorated officers of the force with Tatmadaw insignias.

Commander Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win and Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn delivered speeches and handed over cash assistance provided by the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services for the forces through the com-



Members of Border Guard Force taking oaths as a member of Tatmadaw at formation ceremony of BGF at Mepale of Myawady Township.—MNA

mandants of the forces.

The members sang in chorus and performed

traditional dances together with Kayin national damsels Shwekokko, Kya-in

troupe of Shwekokko Ba-

sented cash awards to the troupes.

A commemorative

opment and security and perpetual peace of border areas.—MNA



Local people attending formation ceremony of Border Guard Forces at Mepale of Myawady Township.

MNA

Local people welcome and encourage the formation of border guard forces for peace, stability, improvement of their social-economic status, and development and security and perpetual peace of border areas.



Formation ceremony of Border Guard Forces in progress in Mepale of Myawady Township.—(News on page 16)

MNA



Members of Border Guard Forces together with Kayin, Shan, Mon and Shweshan damsels dancing at BGFs formation ceremony in Mepale of Myawady Township.

(News on page 16)

MNA

Industry-1 Minister visits factories in Kyaukse, Paleik, Yamethin

NAY PYI TAW, 22 Aug—Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung visited Win Thuza Shop in Kyaukse yesterday.

At Paleik Textile and Finishing Plant, he viewed production process, designs of textile and

machine parts manufactured by the plant and thriving Ngwechi-6 long staple monsoon cotton on 60 acres of the plant.

This morning, the minister visited Textile and Dyeing Factory (Yamethin) and inspected quality of

products.

At Soap Factory (Yamethin), the minister looked into production process and stressed the need for success in production meeting the target and manufacturing quality products.—MNA



Minister for Industry-1 U Aung Thaung looks into production process at Paleik Textile and Finishing Plant.

INDUSTRY-1

Mandalay Mayor attends monsoon tree planting ceremony

NAY PYI TAW, 22 Aug—A monsoon tree planting ceremony took place at Chanmyathazi Township, Mandalay Region on 19 August morning.

It was attended by Chairman of Mandalay City Development

Committee Mandalay Mayor U Phone Zaw Han, departmental heads and officials concerned.

The mayor and officials concerned planted jack fruit trees and those present saplings. The mayor then viewed the plantation.

And he extended his inspection tour of Aung Myin UPVC Pipe Industry of Mandalay City Development Committee. There, he looked around running tasks of the industry and left necessary instructions.

MNA

40th ISD Volleyball Tournament concludes

YANGON, 22 Aug—At today's prize presentation held at Aung San Gymnasium, here, Yangon Region secured the first prizes in the women's and men's events of the 40th Inter-State/Division U-25 Volleyball Tournament.

On behalf of the

chairman of Myanmar Olympic Committee Minister for Sports, General Secretary of MOC Director-General of Sports and Physical Education Department U Thaung Htaik presented championship shields and duplicate shields to Yangon Region women's and men's vol-

leyball teams.

Mandalay Region stood second while Magway Region and Mon State tied at third in the women's event. Mandalay Region secured the second position whereas Sagaing Region and Shan State (South) tied at the third in the men's event.—MNA

Water level of Dokhtawady River likely to fall

NAY PYI TAW, 22 Aug—The Department of Meteorology and Hydrology announced today that

according to the 12.30 hr MST observation today, the water level of Dokhtawady River at

Myitnge is 867 cm and it is forecast to fall gradually below its danger level 870 cm.—MNA

Hostages freed in Brazilian hotel, one killed



A released hostage goes out of the Intercontinental Hotel in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, on 22 Aug, 2010. A group of criminals exchanged gunfire with police outside the Intercontinental Hotel, then rush into the hotel and hostage more than 10 workers there.

XINHUA

RIO DE JANEIRO, 22 Aug—Dozens of hostages taken by armed gangsters at a hotel in Rio de Janeiro Saturday morning were freed, police said.

The incident took place at the Intercontinental Hotel in the high-class Sao Conrado neighbourhood of southern Rio de Janeiro, the website of local newspaper *O Globo* reported. Ten suspects were caught and police were still searching the area for other suspects. A female suspect was killed in the incident. Four other people were wounded.

Witnesses said there were about 20 heavily-armed gangsters who stormed the hotel and took dozens of the hotel's staff as hostage after an intense exchange of gunfire with police in the area.

According to the police, the suspects were from the Morro do Urubu shantytown on the city's north

side, and were in route to the Rocinha shantytown on the south side.

However, before they got to Rocinha, they were intercepted by police. The two sides started shooting at each other on the street, which resulted in the death of a woman who was getting out of a cab.

Police said the woman was a member of the gang and there was an arrest warrant on her.

A policeman was among the wounded and his condition was unknown. Although the police didn't reveal the exact number of the hostages, Chertuh Michel, the hotel's manager, told press there were 15 to 20 people briefly held by the gunmen.

TV footages show the hotel building was completely sealed off by police and military helicopters were hovering around.

Xinhua

15 die from homemade alcohol in Bangladesh

DHAKA, 22 Aug—At least 15 people have died after drinking toxic home-brewed liquor in northeastern Bangladesh.

The *United News of Bangladesh* agency reported Saturday they consumed alcohol mixed with toxic methanol in the Sylhet district late Wednesday. The area is 120 miles (190 kilometres) northeast of the capital Dhaka.

Local officials are quoted as saying two died Friday and the others Saturday in hospitals. Many impoverished people drink illegally brewed liquor that is often spiked with toxic chemicals to increase its potency in Bangladesh. The Muslim-majority country is a conservative nation and alcohol is not easy to get. Officials could not be reached for comment Saturday.—*Internet*

Yalu River water level drops below warning level but more rain to fall

BEIJING, 22 Aug—China's flood control authorities said Sunday water levels on the Yalu River in northeast China at the border with the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK) had dropped below their warning levels.

By 9:10 pm Saturday, the water level at a station in Dandong City had risen 2.35 metres above the warning level, the second highest level since records began being kept in 1934, the State Flood Control and Drought Relief Headquarters (SFDH) said.

By 4 pm Sunday, the



Photo taken on 22 Aug, 2010 shows the bird's-eye view of a damaged village after flood in Dandong City, northeast China's Liaoning Province. Heavy rains hit Dandong from 19 to 21 Aug, causing flood around the area.

XINHUA

downpours that began on Thursday in northeastern China's Liaoning Province had left four people dead, one missing

and 48 Dandong townships flooded, local flood control authorities said.

Xinhua

Over 200 wildfires still raging in Russia

MOSCOW, 22 Aug—The number of wildfires in Russia have kept dropping during the weekend, although there are still about 200 wildfires raging on an area of 6,391 hectares, the country's Emergency Situations Ministry said on Sunday.

About 80 new fires were reported while 122 have been put out during the past 24 hours, the ministry said, quoted by *RIA Novosti* news agency.

There are still 21 large fires burning on an area of over 3,000 hectares, including 20 peat bog fires.

The fires in Russia's 22 regions killed over 50 and left over 3,500 people homeless.—*Xinhua*

A resident walks through the smoke from a wildfire near the village of Kartanosovo in Ryazan region, some 200 km southeast of Moscow, 14 August, 2010. —XINHUA



Dubai camel dairy hopes to milk health food market



In this on 13 July, 2010 picture, Dr Ulrich Wernery checks the health of a camel at the Camelicious farm in Dubai, United Arab Emirates.

INTERNET

DUBAI, 22 Aug—The camels know the drill by heart.

Just after dawn, they file on their own — always in groups of 12 — into metal stalls for milking. Workers attach automated pumps. The milk flows into a system of chilled pipes that empty into a sealed metal vat. The next stop someday could be markets in Europe, and possibly beyond, under ambitious plans backed by Dubai's ruler to expand the reach of the playfully eccentric brand name Camelicious. European Union health regulators in July cleared the United Arab Emirates to become the

first major exporter of camel milk products to the 27-nation bloc.

If onsite inspections and other EU tests pass muster, the first batches of powdered camel milk could be heading to European shelves next year — and at some point possibly to Asia and America. "We know this isn't what you'd call a mainstream product in the West," said David Wernery, legal adviser for the Camelicious brand, whose parent company goes by the more staid name of Emirates Industry for Camel Milk & Products.

Internet

US Navy rescues eight Iranian fishermen in Arabian Sea

RIYADH, 22 Aug—A carrier of the Bahrain-based US Navy's Fifth Fleet has rescued eight Iranian fishermen after their vessel went on fire in the Arabian Sea, the Navy said in a statement.

An *F/A-18 Hornet* warplane with Harry S Truman Carrier spotted on Wednesday a vessel that was on fire about 50 miles from the carrier.

Two *SH-60 Sea Hawk* helicopters were dispatched to render assistance and a rescue swimmer dropped into the water for possible mariners in distress, said the statement by the US Fifth Fleet.

Xinhua

Wildfire in LA County forest 100 percent contained

VALYERMO, 22 Aug—A stubborn wildfire that charred 120 acres Friday and spurred some residents to evacuate homes in the Los Angeles National Forest is fully surrounded, authorities said.

The blaze that erupted at about 3 pm near the town of Valyermo in northeast Los Angeles County was 100 percent contained late Friday, US Forest Service spokesman Robert Brady said.

The fire prompted an

unknown number of residents to evacuate their homes voluntarily, Brady said.

KCAL-TV showed horses fleeing stables as flames and a thick layer of smoke covered a wide grassy hillside in the early stages of the fire.

One Forest Service firefighter was injured and was taken by helicopter to Antelope Valley Hospital, Brady said.

More than 150 firefighters from both the Forest Service and the county fire department

and three water-dropping helicopters battled the blaze that was burning about 50 miles northeast of Los Angeles and 20 miles southeast of Palmdale.

Crews will remain on the scene throughout the night to mop up hot spots, Brady said.

Earlier Friday, firefighters surrounded a 28-acre blaze in Riverside County south of Lake Elsinore that investigators believe was started by two boys playing with fire.

Internet



Rescuers search at the wrecking site on the Songhua River, in Harbin, capital of northeast China's Heilongjiang Province, on 20 Aug, 2010. A fishing ship sank in the river on early Friday, causing eight people falling into the river. Four people were rescued while the other four still missing.

XINHUA

Jackie Chan wants kung fu as Olympic sport



Hong Kong actor Jackie Chan attends the premiere of "The Karate Kid" in Beijing on 16 June, 2010.

INTERNET

BEIJING, 22 Aug—Hollywood martial arts star Jackie Chan has called for wushu, better known outside China as kung fu, to be recognised as an official Olympic sport, state media reported on Sunday.

"I love wushu a lot and I would love to see it included in future Olympic Games," Chan, who was in Beijing to record a theme song for an upcoming combat event, was quoted as saying by the official

China Daily newspaper. The International Olympic Committee recognises wushu as a sport but has not included it as an official event in the Games, unlike other Asian martial arts such as taekwondo and judo that are now part of the global sports gathering.

However, the IOC allowed China to organise an international wushu tournament at the same time as the 2008 Beijing Games to showcase the sport—an event that was attended by Jet Li, another Hollywood actor and kung fu star.

Internet

Barclays' network glitch causes chaos in UK

LONDON, 22 Aug—Thousands of Barclays (BARC.L) customers in Britain were unable to access their bank accounts or withdraw money from cash machines on Saturday after a system crash caused chaos nationwide.

The problems, which began at around 1230 GMT (8:30 am EDT), hit telephone and online banking services and caused frustration at retail outlets as embarrassed shoppers were forced to abandon purchases at the till.

Barclays' telephone banking centres were inundated with calls from customers, many of whom were angry at the lack of information. A Barclays spokeswoman was unable to elaborate on the cause of the problems.

Internet

A woman cycles next to changing rooms as she leaves the beach in Tel Aviv after an afternoon visit 20 August, 2010. Israel is experiencing a heat wave this weekend during the high season for tourism.

INTERNET



Dark chocolate may lower heart risk

BOSTON, 22 Aug—Eating one to two servings of high-quality dark chocolate per week was linked to lower risks of heart failure, US researchers found.

Researcher Dr Murray Mittleman, director of the Cardiovascular Epidemiology Research Unit at Harvard Medical School's Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Centre in Boston, led the 9-year study, conducted among 31,823 middle-aged and elderly Swedish women.

The study found women who ate an average of one to two servings of high-quality chocolate per week had a 32 percent lower risk of developing heart failure and those who ate one to three servings per month had a 26 percent lower risk but those who ate at least one serving a day or more didn't appear to benefit.

That those eating the chocolate daily may have no protective effect is probably due to the additional calories gained from eating chocolate instead of more nutritious foods, Mittleman says.

Although 90 percent of all chocolate eaten in Sweden was milk chocolate, it contained about 30 percent cocoa solids, while US standards require only 15 percent cocoa solids to qualify as dark chocolate. As a result, American chocolate may have fewer heart benefits and more calories and fat for equivalent amounts in Sweden.

Internet



Star Wars character Darth Vader holds up a model of the new Star War-themed M&M's which is unveiled in Time Square on 29 March, 2005 in New York City. Masterfoods USA, the makers of M&M's, is marketing a dark chocolate version of the popular candy as they promote the movie "Star Wars." —INTERNET

Canada to rely on science to set Arctic boundaries

OTTAWA, 22 Aug—The boundaries of Canada's claim to the Arctic continental shelf will ultimately depend on the results of underwater mapping of the North American continental shelf, Canada's foreign minister said on Friday.

At a news conference called by the Canadian government to announce its new Arctic policy, Foreign Minister Lawrence Cannon admitted that the extent of the continental shelf is still not known.

He said Canada will know the strength of its claim to a large area of seabed once the mapping, which is being done by United States and Canadian vessels operating in the Beaufort Sea, is complete.

Cannon said he expects the survey to be finished in time to meet the 2013 deadline set by the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea.

"I have never seen a map up to now that will indicate to you ... where the extended continental shelf is. I didn't see it. Nobody has seen it. We're doing it. This is work in progress," Cannon said.—Xinhua

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Green leafy vegetables 'may cut diabetes risk'

LONDON, 22 Aug — A diet rich in green leafy vegetables may reduce the risk of developing diabetes, UK research says. In an analysis of six studies into fruit and vegetable intake, only food including spinach and cabbage was found to have a significant positive effect. A portion and a half a day was found to cut type 2 diabetes risk by 14%, the *British Medical Journal* (BMJ) reports.

But experts urged people to continue to aim for five portions of fruit and vegetables a day.

The researchers from Leicester University reviewed data from the studies of 220,000 adults in total. They found that eating more fruit and vegetables in general was not strongly linked with a smaller chance of developing type 2 diabetes but "there was a general trend in that direction". — *Internet*



Green leafy veg, rather than a healthy diet in general, were linked to benefits. — INTERNET

Hillingdon ops ban over kit contaminated with flesh

LONDON, 22 Aug — Spitals were suspended after surgical kits contaminated with human flesh were discovered by medical staff. BBC London has learned the first contaminated kit was found at Hillingdon Hospital on Wednesday. Operations continued until Thursday, by which time 24 contaminated kits had been found, Hillingdon NHS Trust said.

Private company IH Sterile Services, which cleans the hospital's equipment, has apologized. The company, which is owned by Sunlight Clinical Solutions, delivered 200 kits for general use by surgeons which were supposed to have been cleaned. Contaminated equipment was also found at Mount Vernon Hospital, also run by Hillingdon NHS operations were suspended there from Thursday to Friday. — *Internet*

APM unit planned in Zhuhai

BEIJING, 22 Aug — Plane and train maker Bombardier Inc on Friday said it is considering an automated people mover (APM) assembly factory in Zhuhai, Guangdong Province.

The company said the

Zhuhai plant would be the company's first APM facility outside of North America. APMs are taxi-like systems that mainly serve small areas like airports, downtown districts or theme parks.

Larger and more com-



An automated people mover at Terminal 3, Beijing Capital International Airport. — XINHUA

plex APM systems have the characteristics of a mass transit system.

Bombardier is currently involved in the bidding process for the first stage of the Macao Light Rapid Transit (LRT) project along with its partner China Road and Bridge Corporation, said Zhang Jianwei, president, Bombardier China.

The company will start work on the plant after it wins the contract. All the trains in the Macao LRT will make use of the APM facility in Zhuhai, said Bombardier.

Internet

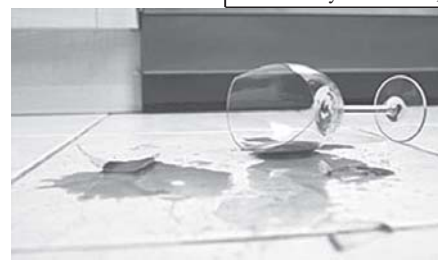
Binge drinking, high blood pressure a lethal combo

SEOUL, 22 Aug — It's no secret that high blood pressure increases your risk of heart disease and stroke. Nor should it come as a surprise that binge drinking isn't the healthiest habit. But a new study suggests that combining the two may add up to double the trouble — and much more, in some cases.

Compared with teetotalers with normal blood pressure, men with high blood pressure (hypertension) who even occasionally down more than six drinks in one sitting have nearly double the risk of dying from a stroke or heart attack, according to the study, which followed 6,100 South Koreans age 55 and

up for two decades. If men with high blood pressure have 12 drinks or more at one time, their risk is nearly five times higher, the study found.

Internet



High blood pressure combined with binge drinking can lead to deadly consequences. Researchers found an increased risk for lethal heart attacks and strokes. — INTERNET

170-year-old mystery uncovered in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, 22 Aug — Researchers say six of the Irish immigrants buried in a mass grave near Philadelphia during an 1832 cholera epidemic appear to have been victims of foul play. Archaeologists have found signs of violence on the skeletal remains, including what could be a bullet hole in one skull and marks on another that might have been inflicted by an ax, *The Philadelphia Inquirer* reported. Four others show signs of what modern investigators would call blunt force trauma.

William Watson, a professor at Immaculata University, and his twin brother, the Rev Frank Watson, got interested in the fate of the 57 Irish workers at Duffy's Cut in Chester County on the Philadelphia & Columbia Railroad from studying their grandfather's papers. He was a secretary to the railroad president a century after the line was built.

They became suspicious because records said all 57 died of cholera a few months after arriving in Pennsylvania, an unusual mortality rate. Now, 10 years after they started the Duffy's Cut Project, they have evidence to back up their suspicions. — *Internet*



A kid plays a toy in the Brooklyn Children's Museum on 20 Aug, 2010. Brooklyn Children's Museum was the first museum created expressly for children when it was found in 1899. With a recent expansion in 2008, the museum is now both the world's oldest and the world's newest children's museum. — XINHUA

Dali sculpture snatched from museum

BRUGES, 22 Aug — A man has stolen a bronze sculpture by Salvador Dali in broad daylight at an exhibit in western Belgium, walking away with the statuette hidden in a bag. The man bought a ticket like any other customer to visit the Dali exhibit at the Belfry tower in Bruges on Wednesday afternoon,

walked around the halls and removed the piece from its base, the newspaper *Het Laatste Nieuws* reported on Friday.

The whole scene was captured by surveillance cameras, which police were examining, *Belga* news agency reported. The statuette, titled *Woman With Drawers* and created in 1964, is worth up to 120,000 euros (\$A172,440), Bruges police say. It is 50cm high and weighs 10kg. The Spanish surrealist artist's piece depicts a young woman lying on her side with six drawers coming out of her chest and abdomen. — *Internet*

Teens questioned in killing of man, 87

PHILADELPHIA, 22 Aug — Two teenagers suspected of killing an 87-year-old Philadelphia man during a robbery gone wrong were arrested on Friday, police said. The suspects — a male and a female — were being questioned, *The Philadelphia Inquirer* reported. They had not been charged, and their identities were not released.

George Greaves was shot in his garage Wednesday afternoon after returning home from working out at a gym. Neighbours said they saw a young woman in Muslim clothes and a man in shorts running from the neighbourhood.

Internet

Dutch sailor girl set to leave on solo world trip

A 14-year-old Dutch girl will set off Saturday on a controversial attempt to become the youngest person to sail solo around the world, her representatives said.

Laura Dekker's ambition of completing the yearlong trip has fueled a global debate over the wisdom of allowing young sailors to take on the tremendous risks of sailing the high seas alone.

The girl who grew up on a sailboat faces a host of challenges — including favorable winds to send her across the Atlantic Ocean from her jumping off point in a marina in the resort city of Portimao at the southwestern tip of Portugal.

Late Friday, seas were so calm that the ocean looked like a mirror, and Laura was still out in her boat, performing last-minute tests on her red-hulled 38-foot (11.5-metre) yacht named "Guppy."

Hordes of television crews, reporters and photographers from around the world descended on Portimao Friday to cover the departure. They gave up on their stakeout after her yacht did not return to port after dark.

Marijke Schaaphok, the director of Masmedia, a company filming the trip with remote cameras mounted on



In this file photo dated on 4 Aug, 2010 Laura Dekker hoists a flag of The Sea Shepherd Conservation Society on her boat in the harbour of Den Osse, southwest Netherlands. The 14-year-old Dutch girl will try to become the youngest person to sail solo around the world when she sets off from Portugal on 21 Aug, 2010.

Laura Dekker's ambition of completing the yearlong trip has fueled a global debate over the wisdom of allowing young sailors to take on the tremendous risks of sailing the high seas alone.

Laura's boat, told *The Associated Press* that the girl was expected to return to port and depart at an undetermined time on Saturday.

Woman buries brother, discovers dead son

A French woman discovered her 42-year-old son had been buried in the same cemetery where she was attending her brother's funeral, after she had tried to invite him to the ceremony, a newspaper said on Friday.

The family were leaving the cemetery near Lille, on Wednesday when one of them noticed a temporary wooden gravestone bearing the son's name and date of birth in an area reserved for poor people.

"In two or three seconds, everybody started to scream," the man's father Elie Langlet told *La Voix du Nord* newspaper. "Josiane (the mother) collapsed. She buries her brother and finds her kid in a grave near him. It's unthinkable," he said.

The local council confirmed the father of one, Olivier, had died on 5 July from natural causes.



Spanish rejoneador (mounted bullfighter) Pablo Hermoso de Mendoza watches as his horse bites a bull during a bullfight at the Malagueta bullring in Malaga on 20 August, 2010.

Germany tries to love 'ugly' architecture

Some architects in Germany say the country has many ugly buildings that should be embraced and appreciated rather than demolished.

In the frantic rush of construction that swept the country to rebuild after the destruction of World War II, plenty of architectural "missteps" were made as boxy concrete eyesores went up in cities everywhere, *Der Spiegel* reported Friday.

Getting rid of them all would amount to a vast, and expensive, re-reconstruction project.

As an alternative, many architects suggest, it may be time to admit that ugliness has its virtues — and time to begin recognizing that fact.

News Album

Cole and Cowell clash in new UK X-Factor series

LONDON, 22 Aug—Show business tycoon Simon Cowell and singer-actress Cheryl Cole swap insults in the new series of *The X Factor* starting on Saturday, previews showed. Tempers flare when Cowell brands the Girls Aloud star a "brat" during an early audition and jokes about her catty behaviour by putting out a saucer of milk for her.

Internet



British singer and actress Cheryl Cole, pictured at the Cannes Film Festival on 21 May.—INTERNET

Betty White and "The Pacific" win Emmys



Actor John Lithgow gestures as he holds his Emmy award for Outstanding Guest Actor in a Drama Series for playing the role of Arthur Mitchell in "Dexter" at the Primetime Creative Arts Emmy Awards in Los Angeles on 21 August, 2010. This is Lithgow's fifth Emmy award.—INTERNET

LOS ANGELES, 22 Aug—Newly ubiquitous "Golden Girls" actress Betty White won the fifth Emmy of her career on Saturday for hosting an episode of "Saturday Night Live," while fellow screen veteran Ann-Margret got a standing ovation after receiving her first statuette.

White, 88, won for guest actress in a comedy series during the "creative arts" portion of the Primetime Emmy Awards, where more than 70 awards, mostly in technical categories, were handed out. The 26 high-profile categories will be announced during a live broadcast of the US TV awards on 29 August.

Internet

Zhang Liangying, a pop singer winning out from a nationwide talent show "Super girl" held five years ago, performs during her world tour concert "I Believe" in Beijing, capital of China, on 21 Aug, 2010.

XINHUA



Van Gogh painting stolen in Egypt, fate unclear

CAIRO, 22 Aug—A Van Gogh painting worth an estimated \$55 million was stolen from a Cairo museum on Saturday and after reporting it had been recovered, the state news agency quoted a minister as saying it was still missing. Citing Culture Minister Farouk Hosni, the *MENA* news agency reported that security had caught a young Italian man with the painting by the Dutch post-Impressionist master at the airport and also had detained an Italian woman with him.

Later the agency, which said the painting was worth an estimated \$55 million, issued another statement from the minister saying "measures were continuing to recover the painting," which according to the Arabic statement was called the "Poppy Flower."

Internet



Argentinian-born Israeli conductor Daniel Barenboim directs the West-Eastern Divan Orchestra during a free open-air concert at Plaza de la Republica Square in Buenos Aires on 21 August, 2010.

XINHUA

Chelsea extend flying start

WIGAN, 22 Aug—Doubles from Nicolas Anelka and Salomon Kalou helped Chelsea continue their flying start to their Premier League title defence with a 6-0 thrashing



Chelsea's forward Salomon Kalou (L) clashes with Wigan Athletic's defender Steve Gohouri.

INTERNET

of Wigan at the DW Stadium on Saturday.

Florent Malouda and Yossi Benayoun were also on target as Carlo Ancelotti's men followed up their opening day defeat of West Brom by the same scoreline.

Anelka, who was banned this week from representing France for 18 internationals in the wake of his behaviour at the World Cup, showed no signs of sulking as he struck twice in four second half minutes to kill-off the home side's stubborn resistance and help Chelsea continue their remarkable run of form.

Internet

Inter trophy run continues with Supercup

ROME, 22 Aug—Inter Milan won their fourth trophy of the year as they added the Italian Supercup to their Champions League, Serie A and Italian Cup triumphs with a 3-1 win over AS Roma on Saturday.

Inter may have changed coaches in the summer with Rafael Benitez replacing Jose Mourinho but there was no change to their results as Roma, runners-up in the league and cup last season, finished bridesmaids once again.

Samuel Eto'o scored a brace as the treble winners hit back from a 1-0 deficit at the San Siro in Milan.

Benitez praised his team's reaction to falling behind. "I'm happy be-

cause we conceded a goal and then showed character," he said.—Internet



Inter Milan's Wesley Sneijder (R) jumps to avoid AS Roma's defender Philippe Mexes.—INTERNET

Coach wants video technology after Stoke goal row

STOKE, 22 Aug—Stoke manager Tony Pulis joined the growing demand for video technology after referee Chris

NEWCASTLE, 22 Aug—Andy Carroll grabbed a hat-trick and Kevin Nolan scored twice as Newcastle thrashed Aston Villa.

Joey Barton gave the Magpies the lead when he thumped in from 20 yards before Nolan headed in on the half-hour mark and Carroll drilled in to make it 3-0.

Carroll volleyed his second from 12 yards

Newcastle 6-0 Aston Villa



Carroll scored his first hat-trick for Newcastle in their brilliant win.

INTERNET

after the break, Nolan hooked in the fifth from close range before Carroll swept in his third late on.

John Carew wasted Villa's best chance

when he blazed his penalty over at 0-0.

Had Villa converted their early penalty then the game may have taken on a different complexion.

Villa's most potent threat won a penalty for his side in the ninth minute when he was brought down by keeper Steve Harper after Young had been picked out by Stiliyan Petrov.—Internet

Fulham 2-2 Man Utd

MANCHESTER, 22 Aug—Brede Hangeland made amends for an own goal with a late header to rescue a point for Fulham and spoil Manchester United's 100% start to the season.

Paul Scholes' 25-yard drive put United ahead but Simon Davies' 12-yard finish deservedly drew the home side level.

Hangeland diverted a corner into his own net to give the lead to United, for whom Nani saw a penalty saved by David Stockdale barely minutes later.

Hangeland rose to head in from a corner to give his side a share of the spoils.

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Fulham and Manchester United share the spoils after a thrilling 2-2 draw and Newcastle demolish Aston Villa 6-0 in the Premier League, while Middlesbrough see off Sheffield United 1-0 in the Championship.

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Atwal takes 3-shot lead in Wyndham

GREENSBORO, 22 Aug—Arjun Atwal had to play his way into the Wyndham Championship. He's spent most of the week outplaying eve-



Arjun Atwal, of India, hits a tee shot on the 16th hole during the third round of the Wyndham Championship.—INTERNET

ryone else. Atwal built a three-stroke lead Saturday through three rounds of the PGA Tour's final pre-playoff event. He shot a 5-under 65 to reach 17-under 193, and he has either led or shared the lead after each of the first three days.

Not bad for someone who lost his tour card and had to win a qualifying tournament just to earn a spot at Sedgefield Country Club.—Internet

Stoke manager Tony Pulis (pictured in 2009) joined the growing demand for video technology.

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SPORTS

Results on 21 August

Arsenal	6 - 0	Blackpool
Birmingham C.	2 - 1	Blackburn R.
Everton	1 - 1	Wolverhampton W.
Stoke C.	1 - 2	Tottenham H.
West Bromwich A.	1 - 0	Sunderland
West Ham U.	1 - 3	Bolton W.
Wigan Athletic	0 - 6	Chelsea
Italian Super Cup		
Inter Milan	3 - 1	AS Roma
Spanish Super Cup		
Barcelona	4 - 0	Sevilla

Fish to play Federer in Cincinnati Masters final



Roger Federer of Switzerland.—INTERNET

CINCINNATI, 22 Aug—Mardy Fish reached the championship of the Cincinnati Masters event by rallying to beat American compatriot Andy Roddick 4-6, 7-6 (7/3), 6-1.

The unseeded Fish was able to regroup during a third rain delay and upset the former world number one in the semi-final match. Roddick led 5-2 in the second set when the players briefly went to the locker room. Fish was in top form when they returned.

"I was just lucky to get out of it," Fish said.

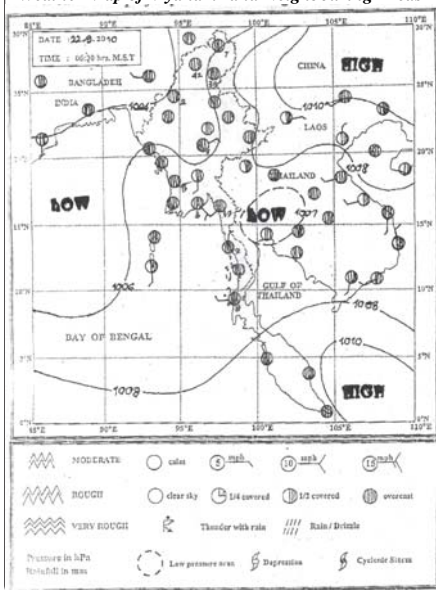
In Sunday's final, Fish will play Swiss superstar Roger Federer who easily beat unseeded Marcos Baghdatis 6-4, 6-3.

Internet

Answers to yesterday's Crosswords Puzzle



Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Sunday, 22nd August, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Chin State and lower Sagaing Region, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Magway Region, scattered in Shan and Rakhine States, Mandalay and Bago Regions, fairly widespread in upper Sagaing and Yangon Regions and widespread in the remaining States and Regions with isolated heavy falls in Kayah State, Mandalay, Bago and Taninthayi Regions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nay Pyi Taw (Pynmana) (1.54) inches, Nay Pyi Taw (Laeway) (0.86) inch, Shwegyin (5.15) inches, Hpa-an and Longlon (3.07) inches each, Chaungzon (2.83) inches, Mudon (2.80) inches, Kyeikmaraw (2.75) inches, Thaton (2.68) inches, Namhsan (2.64) inches, Loikaw (1.93) inches and Yamethin (1.14) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather

Maximum temperature on 21-8-2010 was 97°F. Minimum temperature on 22-8-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 22-8-2010 was (92%). Rainfall on 22-8-2010 was (0.56) inch.

Yangon (Kaba-Aye) Weather

Maximum temperature on 21-8-2010 was 91°F. Minimum temperature on 22-8-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on

22-8-2010 was (92%). Total Sunshine hours on 21-8-2010 was (1.5) hours.

Rainfall on 22-8-2010 was (0.08) inch at Mingaladon, (0.12) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.20) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (52.36) inches at Mingaladon, (58.70) inches at Kaba-Aye and (71.14) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum windspeed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (7) mph from South at (12:30) hours MST on 21-8-2010.

Bay Inference: Monsoon is weak to moderate in the Andaman Sea and Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until afternoon of the 23rd August 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in lower Sagaing and Magway Regions, scattered in Shan and Chin States, Mandalay Region, fairly widespread in Rakhine State, upper Sagaing and Bago Regions and widespread in the remaining States and Regions with likelihood of isolated heavy falls in Mon State and Taninthayi Region. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

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

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 23-8-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 23-8-2010: One or two rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 23-8-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Hosts ensure three titles at China Open, women's singles open

Suzhou, 22 Aug—Hosts China have made it sure ahead of Sunday's finals that trophies of men's singles, men's doubles and women's doubles will all stay home at the 330,000 US dollars table tennis China Open. The women's singles title contest, however, is left wide open as Chinese-born Shen Yanfei, having represented Spain since late 1990s, produced shocks in a row on Saturday to set up a semifinal showdown against South Korea's Kim Kyung Ah, who beat China's Guo Yan in full sets.

Shen, a 31-year-old mom of a 10-month baby girl, repeated her giant-killing run at the Korean Open earlier this month, beating all the odds again at the star-studded China Open to oust former world champion Guo Yue 4-2 before upsetting Singapore's top woman paddler Feng Tianwei 4-3.—Xinhua



Gold medalist Ethiopia's Mohammed Geleto (C), silver medalist Qatar's Hamza Driouch (L) and bronze medalist Charlie Grice from Great Britain pose on the podium during the awarding ceremony for boys' 1000m final A at Bishan Stadium of the Singapore 2010 Youth Olympic Games in Singapore, on 22 August, 2010.

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MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (23-8-2010) (Monday)

Transmissions

Local - (09:00am ~ 11:00am) MST
 Oversea Transmission - (23-8-10 09:30 am ~ 24-8-10 09:30 am) MST

Times

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Mural Painting
- * News
- * Topic on Journal (Agricultural waste for power generation)
- * Booming of Rakhine Coastal Region
- * Lifestyle & Car Expo
- * Iron Cross (Part-I)
- * News
- * Mythical Antelopes & Old Spirit Ogres
- * A Pilgrimage to Dhammayangyi

Oversea Transmission

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- * News
- * Culture Stage
- * Disaster and Development (V)
- * News
- * Current Affairs "Shopping at the Departmental Store and Supermarket"
- * Unforgettable Trip to Ahka Village
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Myanmar Art of Making Items in gold
- * Global Warming and Climate Change
- * Myanmar Movie "Up Stream"



Monday, 23 August
View on today

7:00 am

- မင်းကွန်းဆရာတော်
- ဘုရားကြီး၏ပရိတ်တရားတော်

7:25 am

- To Be Healthy Exercise

7:30 am

- Morning News

7:40 am

- အိတ်ဇေမင်္ဂလ် (ယဉ်ဝေယံထွန်းတေးရေး-ဝိတဗာဆိုမျိုးနွယ်ဆွေ)

7:50 am

- Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

- Song Of National Races

8:05 am

- Cute Little Dancers

8:15 am

- အတီးပြိုင်ပွဲ

8:30 am

- "ငါးရစ်မျိုးငါးတို့မစား"

8:40 am

- International News

8:45 am

- Musical Programme

4:00 pm

- Martial Song

4:10 pm

- အဆိုပြိုင်ပွဲ

4:20 pm

- Dance Variety

4:30 pm

- Musical Programme

4:45 pm

- အခင်းသင်တန်းသို့လုပ်သောရေ ချပ်မြင်သံကြားသင်ခန်းစာ -တတိယနှစ် (ဦးဗွားရေးပညာအထူးပြု) (ဦးဗွားရေးပညာ)

5:00 pm

- Songs To Uphold National Spirit
- Musical Programme (The Radio Myanmar modern Music Troupe)

5:15 pm

- "ကဏ္ဍာရုံလင် အားကစားအစီစဉ်"

5:35 pm

- မြန်မာတေးသံရုပ်ရှင်ဇွဲချယ်ပွဲ

6:00 pm

- Evening News

6:15 pm

- Weather Report

6:20 pm

- ဆိုကြမယ်ပျော်ကြမယ်

6:50 pm

- ကိုယ့်တိုင်ရေးတဲ့သင်ခန်းစာ (သရုပ်ဆောင်-ကောင်းခန့်၊ ဂေမာန်အောင်အောင်)

7:00 pm

- နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ "မဟာဆန်သူ... ကိုယ့်ချစ်သူ" (အပိုင်း-၁၀)

8:00 pm

- News
- International News
- Weather Report
- ခေတ်အဆက်ဆက် အထိမ်းအမှတ်များ (စတီရီယိုတေးသံရုပ်ရှင်များ)
- တေးရေး-မင်းချစ်သူ
- "နိုင်ငံခြားဇာတ်လမ်းတွဲ" "အဆီသံတိုအချစ်" (အပိုင်း-၂၀)
- သုခုမရင်ပြင်



- ★ 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

Border guard forces take pride in having opportunity to discharge national defence duties

Border Guard Forces set up in Mepale of Myawady Township, Kayin State

NAY PYI TAW, 22 Aug—National race peace groups that have been contributing towards restoration of regional peace, stability and development across the Union of Myanmar are transformed into border guard forces with the rights to legally hold arms in line with the constitution. A ceremony to set up the Border Guard Forces of DKBA took place on a grand scale in Mepale of Myawady Township, Kayin State, on 20 August.

It was attended by Chairman of Mon State Peace and Development Council Commander of South-East Command Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win, Chairman of Kayin State Peace and Development Council Brig-Gen Zaw Min, Vice Adjutant-General of the Ministry of Defence Maj-Gen Hla Shwe, Director of People's Militia and Frontier Forces Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn, Director of Public Relations and Psychological Warfare Maj-Gen Than Soe, Director-General of Central Military Accounts Maj-Gen Hlaing Myint, senior military officers, heads of department, the vice-chairman of DKBA and members, war veterans, local people militias, members of Fire Brigade, service personnel, townselders, members of District Women's Affairs Organization, District Maternal and Child Welfare Association, Red Cross Society, traditional dance troupes, bands and troupes.

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Commander Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win and Director of People's Militia and Frontier Forces Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn cordially greet members of Border Guard Force at formation ceremony of BGF in Mepale of Myawady Township, Kayin State.—MNA

