



The NEW LIGHT OF MYANMAR

Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe visits regiment in Shwepyitha Township

YANGON, 21 Sept—Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of the Ministry of Defence visited the local regiment of Shwepyitha Township in Yangon North District this morning.

He held a meeting with the officers of the regiment and inspected the conditions of the battalion.

After giving instructions to responsible persons, Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe attended to the needs of the regiment, and cordially greeted their family members.

Next, he had a meeting with officers and other ranks at the assembly hall, and donated a TV set to the regiment.—MNA

Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquility, 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

Naungtaya famous for quality potato and garlic

Naungtaya lies in a plateau amongst high mountain ranges. Its ground goes down slightly from south to north. Mt. Lwemao, the highest part of the town, stands at an altitude of 5920 feet, and Hmwebyin Village, the lowest part, at an altitude of 1920 feet.

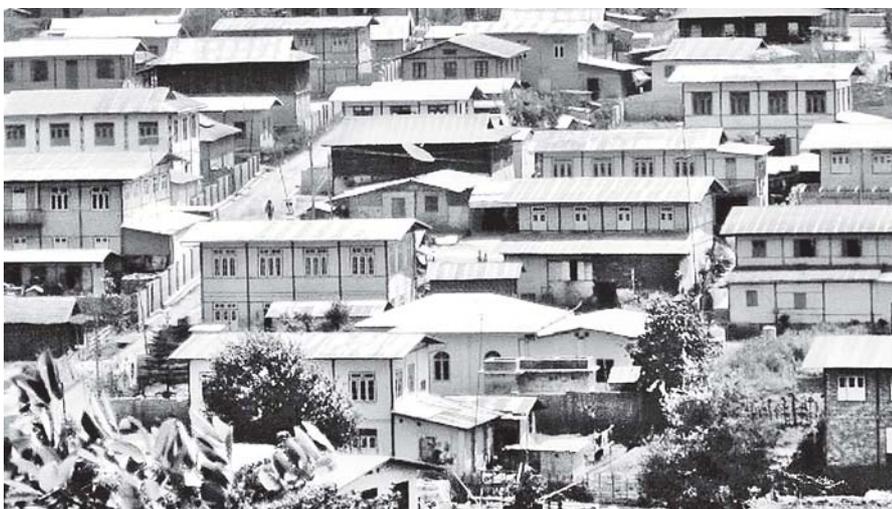
Near Tikyit Village-tract in Naungtaya is a coal-fired power plant under the Ministry of Electric Power-1. Shan Yoma Dragon Co is mining coal from the coal deposits in Tikyit Village-tract and Phayaphyu Village-tract to supply Tikyit Coal-fired Power Plant.

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It was in early March on our trip to Naungtaya, and garlic was in season at that time. Harvesting a garlic farm, Shan national Ma Khin Htwe Yee, 24, garlic farmer from Naungtaw Village, said that they sold large garlic for 2500 kyats a viss; medium garlic for 1350 kyats a viss; small garlic for 900 kyats a viss;



Workers harvesting garlic in a farm.



Neat and tidy houses seen at the heart of Naungtaya.

and single solid clover garlic for 2800 kyats a viss.

Newly-harvested garlic is called wet (green) garlic. The price of garlic depends on its size. Single solid clover garlic is easy to peel off its skin, so it is priced higher than other species of garlic with clovers.

Ma Khin Htwe Yee said, "Garlic farming has been our family business since the time of my grandma. We not only grow garlic but also buy it from other farmers. When

we have collected a lot of garlic, we transport it to Aungban for sale. There are many garlic wholesale centers in Aungban. We grow garlic in Tazaungmone (November) and it is in season in Tabuang and Tagu (March and April). Garlic prices have gone up sharply, so garlic farmers make huge profits this year. The gap of garlic prices one year and another is large. We grow groundnut and soya bean after we have harvested garlic."

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PERSPECTIVES

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Hard work, the key to national development

Owing to the road networks and railroad networks covering the whole nation, every region is now accessible from any other region else around the nation at any time.

Minhla-Minbu Railroad Section in Magway Region, part of Kyangin-Pakokku Railroad going in parallel with the river Ayeyawady, was put into service on 18 September. So, the transport of the regions along the facilities is getting smooth.

Road networks as well as railroad networks are being built for ensuring smooth transport of all parts of the nation. Now, the people can travel by car in all seasons from Putao in the northern part to Kawthoung in the southern part of the nation; and from Muse, Lashio and Kengtung in the eastern part to Sittway in the western part of the nation.

Smooth transport is behind not only trade development but also progress in the education, health and social sectors. In addition, it makes substantial contribution to relations among national brethren, thus further strengthening national solidarity.

Adhering to Our Three Main National Causes, the government puts State stability, community peace and national reconsolidation in the centre of national cause. It is in pursuance of the national goal of building a modern, developed nation, dedicating itself to the 12 political, economic and social objectives it has laid down for equitable development of all parts of the Union.

Today, the nation is on the threshold of development as a result of improving infrastructures and making reforms in various sectors. If every citizen works hard and maintain and improves good foundations, the nation will soon be able to keep abreast of other global family members.

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

Industry-2 Minister visits Magway, Padaung Industrial Zones

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Sept — Minister for Industry-2 U Soe Thein visited Heavy Turbo Truck Factory which is under construction in Magway Industrial Zone, Transmission Plant and Automobile Training Center (Magway) on 18 September.

The minister inspected production line of Automobile Manufacturing Parts Workshop (Hsinte) in Padaung Industrial Zone in Bago Region

(West), functioning of Myanmar Industrial Development Bank (Pyay Branch) and production process of No (1) Machine and Machine Tool Manufacturing Plant (Nyaungchayhtauk) the following day.

Next, the minister oversaw expenditures and financial matters of respective factories and staff quarters, and attended to the needs. — MNA

SWRR Minister receives UNDP resident representative

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Sept — Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Maung Maung Swe received Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Programme Mr Bishow B Parajuli at the ministry here today.

It was also attended by Deputy Minister U Kyaw Myint, directors-general of the departments and



enterprises of the ministry and officials concerned.—MNA

Minister U Maung Maung Swe receives Resident Representative of the UNDP Mr Bishow B Parajuli.—MNA

Monsoon Sales of Myanmar Book Center

YANGON, 21 Sept — Myanmar Book Center will hold Monsoon Sales soon. Customers can get three benefits at Monsoon Sales Programme. One of

them, members can get 15 percent discount and non-member, 10 percent discount. As second programme, a gift book will be presented to every customer who buys books for K 5,000. As clearance sales, books will be sold at reasonable prices. It includes more than 10,000 books including high academic books, reference books, children and English language teaching books.

Monsoon sales programme will be held at outlets of Myanmar Book Centre simultaneously: (1) No. 55, Baho road, corner of Baho and Ahlon roads, Ahlon township; and (2) No. 560/567, Room-3, ground floor of MAC Tower (1), Merchant street, Kyauktada Township in Yangon from 9 am to 6 pm and Room (429), level-4, 78 Shopping Center, Mandalay from 9 am to 9 pm.—MNA

Wai De footwear opens new showroom



YANGON, 21 Sept — Wai De footwear recently opens new footwear showroom on second floor of Junction Maw Tin Center at the corner of Anawrahta street and Lanthit street in Lanmadaw Township here. Foreign-made footwear for men, women and children are available in all sorts of brands, latest designs and multi-coloured designs.

Customers can choose Thai- and Singapore-made brands. For more information, visit Showroom No. 229, on the second floor of Junction Maw Tin Center and dial ph-01-218252 (ext-1229, 1235 and 1236).

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New shop of Wai De footwear opens on second floor of Junction Maw Tin Center.

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All this needs to be known

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

NATO helicopter crashes in S Afghanistan, killing nine foreign soldiers

KABUL, 21 Sept— Nine service members with the NATO—led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) were killed when an ISAF helicopter crashed in southern Afghanistan Tuesday.

The ISAF confirmed the incident in a press release, saying that two other ISAF service members an Afghan National Army soldier and a US civilian received injuries in the crash and were transported to an ISAF medical facility for treatment.

There are no reports of enemy fire in the area, said the press release.

The cause of the crash is under investigation, it said.



A US UH-60 Black Hawk military helicopter is seen flying over Kabul. Nine foreign troops were killed in a NATO helicopter crash in southern Afghanistan on Tuesday, the military alliance said, taking the overall death toll among foreign forces to an annual record.—INTERNET

Internet

14 Taleban militants killed in Taleban hotbed south Afghanistan

KABUL, 21 Sept— Fourteen Taleban militants were killed after joint Afghan and NATO-led forces patrol repelled insurgents attack on Monday in Taleban hotbed Helmand Province of southern Afghanistan, the NATO-led International Security Assistance Force (ISAF) said in a press release on Tuesday.

“Militants attacked a combined Afghan and coalition forces patrol

with small-arms and machine gun fire in the Nad Ali District of Helmand Province yesterday,” the press release added.

It said that the joint forces positively identified militants firing positions and responded with small-arms and mortar fire and the force also called for close air support.

“The engagement resulted in 14 militants killed and one wounded,” the press release

confirmed.

“Initial operational reporting states there were no civilian casualties, it asserted.

However, Taleban militants fighting Afghan and international troops have yet to make comments.

Helmand and the neighbouring Kandahar Province has been regarded as Taleban stronghold in Afghanistan.

Xinhua

An Afghan soldier keeps watch at a site after a suicide car-bomb exploded in Behsood District of Jalalabad Province on 20 September, 2010. Four Afghan civilians were injured in the incident. Picture taken on 20 September, 2010.

INTERNET



Shooter dead after wounding two at Fort Bliss store

FORT BLISS, 21 Sept—A person opened fire Monday at a convenience store on Fort Bliss, injuring two people before being killed by responding officers, the comm-

ander of the West Texas Army post said.

Col Joseph A Simonelli Jr declined to discuss the conditions of the victims or other details of the shooting. Simonelli said the area was roped off for an FBI investigation, but the sprawling facility next to El Paso never was under lockdown.

Simonelli says the shooting was reported about 3 pm and authorities responded in about three minutes. He said the post’s emergency notification

system worked well, sending several messages to his cell phone.

“Our law enforcement agents took it upon themselves to react immediately and aggressively, and I think that’s the main reason why this didn’t escalate further than it is right now,” Simonelli said.

The victims were taken to nearby William Beaumont Army Medical Centre, said post spokesman Dieter Jester.

Internet



Local villagers look through a damaged gate of a house that was allegedly raided by international security forces at Matun district of Khost province in Afghanistan, on 20 Sept, 2010. One person was allegedly killed and two were taken away after the operation.—INTERNET

Blast kills two Iraqi soldiers in country’s north

BAGHDAD, 21 Sept—An Iraqi police official says a roadside bomb in a restive northern city has killed two Iraqi soldiers.

Col Sherzad Murfali says the blast on Tuesday targeted an army patrol on the outskirts of Kirkuk, which is the centre of a power struggle between Iraqi Kurds and the central government in Baghdad.

Kirkuk is also the main oil hub in northern Iraq. It’s been the scene of sporadic insurgent violence and ongoing tensions between the region’s three main groups—Kurds, Arabs and Turkomen.

Kirkuk is 180 miles (290 kilometres) north of Baghdad.

Internet



An injured policeman receives medical treatment in a local hospital in northwest Pakistan’s Peshawar on 20 Sept, 2010. At least one paramilitary trooper was killed and another three injured as a group of militants attacked a check point in Matni area near Peshawar.

XINHUA



Afghan villagers dig the ground to bury seven of their people after NATO forces launched an attack in the village of Khogyani, in Afghanistan’s Nangarhar Province, on 19 Sept, 2010.

INTERNET

Indonesian police crack down terrorist group, killing three

MEDAN, 21 Sept— Indonesian anti-terror police squad has killed three people and captured fifteen others allegedly members of a terrorist group in raids in Lampung and North Sumatra Provinces, National Police Chief General Bambang

Hendarso Danuri said here Monday.

One of those captured was a leader of the terrorist cell in Aceh of Northern tip of Sumatra island, the police chief said. The police seized 3 kilogram-res of TNT and high-powered weapons in the raids on a house in

Tanjung Balai District of North Sumatra and in Lampung on Sunday evening.

The police said that there were 33 members of the group in North Sumatra which have conducted a series of robberies at banks and money changers this year.—Xinhua

Science

Space Shuttle Discovery takes one last trip to launch pad

CAPE CANAVERAL, 21 Sept—The space shuttle Discovery is making its last journey to the launch pad Monday, six weeks before the spacecraft is due to lift off on its final mission to space.

Discovery was expected to take six hours to travel atop a massive, Apollo-era crawler transporter from its voluminous assembly building to the seaside Launch Pad 39A here at NASA's Kennedy Space Centre. Hundreds of shuttle workers and their families turned out to cheer the shuttle on during its last launch pad trek.

"This is most likely Discovery's last rollout to the launch pad, so a very momentous occasion for us, but also a very emotional one for a lot of folks," the shuttle's vehicle flow manager Stephanie Stilson told SPACE.com. "There's a lot of excitement, but also a little bit of sadness over the fact that this will probably be the last one."

The shuttle departed at 7:23 pm EDT (2323 GMT), traveling at the blazing speed of 1 mph to traverse the 3.4 miles (5.5 km) between the Vehicle Assembly Building and the launch complex.

NASA sent out more than 700 invitations to shuttle workers so they

could bring their families to watch Discovery's rollout from a viewing area located just near the river rock-lined road that the treaded crawler transported followed to the pad.

Discovery is scheduled to lift off on NASA's second-to-last flight of its nearly 30-year space shuttle programme on 1 Nov. The mission will deliver a storage room to the *International Space Station* (ISS) and a humanoid robot assistant for the outpost's astronaut crew.

NASA is retiring Discovery and its two sister ships, *Atlantis* and *Endeavour*, as it shifts into a new space exploration plan aimed at sending astronauts to visit an asteroid and, ultimately, Mars.

Only two more shuttle flights are currently scheduled. *Discovery* will fly in November followed by *Endeavour* in February 2011.

Internet

The space shuttle Discovery cast its shadow on the vehicle assembly building as it leaves for its final trip to launch pad 39A at the Kennedy Space Centre in Cape Canaveral, Florida, on 20 September, 2010.—INTERNET

A display of the northern lights in Sweden in 2003. Skywatchers can turn their gaze to a computer for a glimpse of the northern lights: the Canadian Space Agency on Monday launched an online observatory streaming the aurora borealis live over the Internet.

INTERNET



Arctic ice in death spiral

UXBRIDGE, 21 Sept—The carbon dioxide emissions from burning fossil fuels have melted the Arctic sea ice to its lowest volume since before the rise of human civilization, dangerously upsetting the energy balance of the entire planet, climate scientists are reporting.

"The Arctic sea ice has reached its four lowest summer extents (area covered) in the last four years," said Mark Serreze, director of the National Snow and Ice Data Centres in the US City of Boulder, Colorado.

The volume - extent and thickness - of ice left in the Arctic likely reached the lowest ever level this month, Serreze told IPS.

"I stand by my previous statements that the Arctic summer sea ice cover is in a death spiral. It's not going to recover," he said.

There can be no recovery because tremendous amounts of extra heat are added every summer to the region as more than 2.5 million square kilometres of the Arctic Ocean have been opened up to the heat of the 24-hour summer sun.—Internet

Technology

Droid X users anxiously await Froyo update

NEW YORK, 21 Sept—Another day has dawned and still no official word of the Android 2.2 "Froyo" update for the Motorola Droid X. While the Droid X is a more than capable Android smartphone running Android 2.1, the Froyo update adds features and functions that users want and will put the Droid X on an even playing field with other cutting edge Android devices.

Verizon initially promised to push the update over the air in early September, but now that it is September 20 and no update has been deployed users are left wondering what the new ETA is. Neither Verizon nor Motorola seem willing to commit publicly, but rumors persist that the Froyo update will arrive for Droid X this week.

The original Droid has received the Froyo update, and the Droid 2 shipped with Froyo pre-installed, but the Droid X is still part of the majority of Android smartphones ignored by the latest and greatest version of Android. The lack of Froyo may also be impacting sales of the Droid X, and highlights Android platform fragmentation issues faced by IT admins.

Aside from just wanting to be a part of the in-crowd, Droid X users have good reason to want to join the Froyo party. Froyo comes with significant performance improvements and full support for Adobe Flash and Adobe Air. Android 2.2 also has both data tethering and mobile hotspot capabilities—both features that already exist on some Android devices that have been rooted, and may or may not actually be available without rooting depending on the wireless carrier.—Internet

\$399 HP printer comes with detachable, 7-inch Android tablet

WASHINGTON, 21 Sept—we've seen plenty of wireless printers with fancy touchscreen panels before, but the latest printer from HP is the first I've heard of to come with its very own Android tablet.

If the concept behind the PhotoSmart eStation All-in-One sounds a tad familiar, perhaps it's because you've been reading about the rumored HP eStation Zeen, the printer-friendly tablet that got outed by the Federal Communications Commission last month.

Well, it looks like the Zeen has morphed into the 7-inch, Android 2.1-powered tablet that comes bundled with the PhotoSmart eStation, the \$399 wireless multifunction printer that HP announced Monday at a swank New York news conference (which featured, among other luminaries, the one and only Ivanka Trump—go figure).

The Wi-Fi-enabled eStation boasts full-on printing (33 pages per minute for black and white, 32 ppm for color), flatbed scanning, copying and faxing, as well as the ability to connect to your local wireless network for remote printing.

So far, so hum—but it's the eStation's detachable 7-inch panel that caught my eye, which runs on Android 2.1 and comes with a series of widgets from HP (natch), Yahoo! (home of the blog you're reading right now), Facebook and Snafish.

HP is selling the bundled tablet as an easy way to get quick news and weather updates, or print pages from the Web or online photos without having to fire up your PC.—Internet

Flip Video cameras vs iOS devices: Spec Showdown



New York, 21 sept—Cisco announced four new Flip video cameras on Monday that bring high-definition video recording to every single device in the Flip line-up. table. All four cameras—the Flip UltraHD 4GB/8GB and Flip MinoHD 4GB/8GB—now record 720p HD video. Despite the never-ending stream of multifunction devices, Cisco's Flip cameras (Cisco bought Flip-maker, Pure Digital Technologies in 2009) continue to be popular. The company hasn't announced unit sales, but Cisco recently reported that it sold about \$75 million worth of Flip video cameras between February and May 2010. But how much longer can Flip cameras stand up

against smartphones and other multifunction devices that include steadily improving cameras? If you're just looking for 720p video, for example, you can already find that functionality on the iPhone 4 and iPod Touch, as well as the Android-based Droid X and all three of Nokia's new Symbian^3 devices. Plus, smartphones give you increased functionality such as telephony, gaming, productivity apps, and Internet access. Flip cameras are still packing some features that multifunction devices can't compete with yet, such as the video capture frame rate. The iPhone 4 and iPod Touch, for example, offer only 30 frames per second (fps), while all but one of the Flip devices (the 4G UltraHD) have 60 fps.

Internet

Health

Increase in seizures seen in kids with H1N1 flu

New York, 21 Sept—Children made ill by the 2009 pandemic H1N1 swine flu virus suffered more seizures and other nervous system problems than those with seasonal flu, a new report reveals.

In the study, published in the September issue of the journal *Annals of Neurology*, researchers compared neurological complications in 303 children (younger than 19 years) who were

hospitalized with H1N1 and 234 children hospitalized with seasonal flu.

Among the 303 youngsters with H1N1, 18 children most of whom had underlying nerve-related conditions — experienced neurological complications. The most common neurologic symptoms were seizures (67 percent) and encephalopathy (50 percent), a brain disorder that can range from mild to serious and potentially fatal.

More than half of the children with seizures arrived at the hospital in a life-threatening state called status epilepticus, where seizure activity occurs continuously for more than five to 30 minutes, the University of Utah researchers explained.

Internet



Chinese officers check the dates on tins of milk powder at a shop in Tongzi on 9 February. At least six babies died and 300,000 others were made ill by contaminated milk products in a scandal that rocked the country's dairy industry in 2008.

INTERNET

A new study shows how we can prevent some cases of PTSD

WASHINGTON, 21 Sept—We barely know how to treat mental illnesses, so it's difficult to figure out how to prevent them in the first place. But as I wrote at some length last year, research into stopping breakdowns before they occur has advanced dramatically in the past few years. Now comes news of a method that can keep patients who have experienced trauma from

developing posttraumatic stress disorder, or PTSD, before it even starts.

The paper published last week in the journal *Critical Care* looked at 352 patients in intensive-care units. If you make it out of an ICU alive, you often develop mental problems. Many former ICU patients can't quite remember all the procedures done to keep them alive; some of those procedures recur to the recovering patients in awful flashbacks. "These memories are frequently described by patients as very vivid, realistic and frightening," write the authors of the new paper, a European team led by Christina Jones and Richard Griffiths of the University of Liverpool in the UK. Sometimes, the team writes, ICU patients become convinced that nurses and doctors were trying to kill them.—Internet

Alzheimer's brain tangles offer clue to worsening

WASHINGTON, 21 Sept—That sticky gunk coating Alzheimer's patients' brains gets all the notoriety, but another culprit is gaining renewed attention: Protein tangles that clog brain cells and just might determine how fast patients go downhill. Nobody knows what causes Alzheimer's, although the disease's hallmark plaque — that gooey stuff called beta-amyloid — is the main suspect. Yet repeated attempts at anti-amyloid treatments have failed, the

latest disappointment last month when Eli Lilly & Co. abandoned an experimental drug that wound up doing harm, not good. Now comes a different clue: A second protein called tau seems to signal how aggressive the mind-robbing disease will be. Researchers discovered that patients with mild Alzheimer's and high levels of tau also harbored a genetic alteration that in turn predicted they would worsen faster.—Internet



Photo shows a municipal council worker fumigating a garden area to kill mosquitos using a fogging machine in Ampang Jaya, Kuala Lumpur.—INTERNET

Business

Lennar returns to profit in 3Q and shares soar

LOS ANGELES, 21 Sept—Lennar Corp returned to a profitable third quarter Monday as strong completed sales helped drive a 14 percent jump in revenue and the homebuilder's construction costs declined.

But the absence of federal homebuyer tax credits sapped demand in the June-August period and new home orders fell 15 percent.

President and CEO Stuart Miller said June was the slowest month of the quarter, while July and August were "a little less horrible."

"It's been a tough summer," Miller said. "As we've gone into September, we're seeing a little bit of pickup in our traffic, but that shouldn't be cause to have a sigh of relief at



File photo shows construction continues in Lennar's Silver Palms housing addition in Homestead, Fla. Lennar Corp returned to profitability in its fiscal third quarter on 20 Sept, as home deliveries climbed and construction costs declined.—INTERNET

this point."

Lennar and other homebuilders enjoyed a bump in sales this spring as affordable prices, low mortgage rates and two federal tax credits lured homebuyers into the market. Since the tax credits expired at the end of April, the number of people looking to buy

has dropped. Even the lowest mortgage rates in decades have failed to push sales.

The biggest hurdle remains uncertainty over any economic recovery with the country's unemployment hovering near 10 percent.

Internet

Allied Irish selling stockbroker to Fexco for \$32M

DUBLIN, 21 Sept—Debt-struck Allied Irish Banks is selling its share-dealing unit, Goodbody Stockbrokers, to Irish financial services company FEXCO for euro24 million (\$31.5 million), both companies announced Monday. The all-cash deal represents the latest effort by Allied Irish to meet an Irish regulatory requirement to drum up at least euro7.4 billion (\$9.7 billion) by the end of the year or face government nationalization. Goodbody is the largest stock brokerage in Ireland. Earlier this month Allied Irish announced the euro3.1 billion sale of its 70 percent stake in Bank Zachodni of Poland and other Polish interests to Spain's Banc Santander.

Internet

Oil and dollar slip as markets wait for Fed

SINGAPORE, 21 Sept—The dollar hovered near a five-week low on Tuesday and oil eased as traders positioned for a Federal Reserve policy meeting later that may discuss whether the fragile US economy needs a fresh infusion of cash.

Few market players expect the Fed to make further easing moves just yet — and the dollar could gain if that view plays out — but it is seen as much more likely that it will signal its readiness to act if necessary. Asian shares edged up after a positive lead from Wall Street, where optimistic corporate news from the likes of IBM (IBM.N) had pushed the S&P 500 (.SPX) to a four-month closing high. (.N) Japan's Nikkei (.N225) rose 0.4 percent to a seven-week high, although worries remained

that the yen — whose recent strength is a big problem for the export-led economy — could spike again despite last week's intervention to curb it by the authorities. "If you ask whether the mood has turned positive, it is hard to say yes, even if a worsening in market sentiment has come to a halt," said Mitsushige Akino, chief fund manager at Ichiyoshi Investment Management.

Internet



An employee at a foreign exchange trading company is seen behind a monitor showing the Japanese yen's exchange rates against the US dollar (top L) and the euro (top R).—INTERNET

Julia no longer a tropical storm

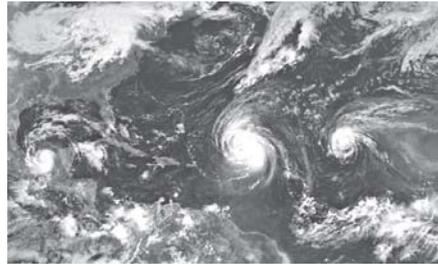
MIAMI, 21 Sept—Julia has weakened in the Atlantic Ocean to a degree it is no longer considered a tropical storm, the National Hurricane Centre in Miami said Monday.

In its 11 am EDT update, the center said Julia was about 1,100 miles west of the Azores with top sustained winds of 45 mph and was heading east at 8 mph.

Julia was expected to move toward the east or east-northeast before dissipating during the next day or so, forecasters.

No coastal watches or warnings were in effect, but tropical storm-force winds extended outward up to 200 miles from Julia's centre.

Internet



This NOAA image shows Hurricanes Igor, Julia and Karl, on 16 September. Large and powerful Igor is moving slowly northwestward, Julia is weakening as it moves quickly northwestward over open waters of the eastern Atlantic and Karl has become a hurricane. A Hurricane Warning has been issued for the Gulf Coast of Mexico.

INTERNET

Bombing at condominium in Bangkok

BANGKOK, 21 Sept—A bomb was thrown at the car park of a condominium in Bangkok early on Tuesday, damaging a car.

No one was injured in the explosion at the Supawadee Tower in Bangkok's Dusit District at 3:50 am on Tuesday, report said.

Bangkok Post online reported that Metropolitan Police commander Police Lieutenant General Santhan Chayanont said it was a TNT bomb and the police were investigating whether the bomb attack was politically motivated as family members of a politician from a big political party are residing there, or the bomber wanted to incite violence.

However, the car was not owned by a politician, ASTV-Manager online reported. —MNA/Xinhua



A participant rides in a self-made flying craft during the annual Red Bull Flugtag (Flight Day) event in Bucharest on 19 September, 2010. Teams compete to build a craft capable of flying the furthest without the use of an engine.

INTERNET

TinkerTool 4.2 gets more Snow Leopard, iTunes options

NEW YORK, 21 Sept—Marcel Bresink has updated TinkerTool, his utility for customizing a number of hidden OS and app preferences, with access to yet more options for Mail, iTunes, Safari, and even the Dock.

TinkerTool 4.2 gains a system-wide preference to make Snow Leopard and the new iTunes 10 (in all its bizarre window toolbar glory) use the standard window title bar layout and horizontally aligned window buttons.

You can set Mail to display the plain text version of messages and disable all RSS features from Safari 4 and 5.

Another new preference allows 10.5 Leopard and 10.6 Snow Leopard owners to hide all apps when using the Dock to open or switch to an app.

Other tweaks and preferences rearranging round out TinkerTool 4.2, which is a free app that requires Mac OS X 10.4 Tiger or later.—Internet

Less invasive surgery OK for breast cancer

LONDON, 21 Sept—Some breast cancer patients may do just as well with a less invasive surgery to remove selected lymph nodes rather than the aggressive operation normally used to remove them all, a new study says.

In the biggest trial yet to compare the two procedures, North American researchers found early breast cancer patients don't need the more interventionist surgery to live longer.

Most patients with such cancer have surgery to remove the disease. Doctors sometimes decide to get rid of all the lymph nodes to better control the cancer because if the disease spreads, it usually goes first to the nearby lymph nodes.

Experts also think there is a relationship between the number of lymph nodes affected and how aggressive a cancer is.

But the invasive operation, an axillary-lymph node dissection, often comes with nasty side effects like nerve damage and reduced use of the arms and shoulders.

Doctors can use another surgery to remove only the first set of lymph nodes, or the sentinel lymph nodes under the arm, but many physicians have assumed the more aggressive surgery gives women a better shot at staying alive.

The study dealt only with victims of early breast cancer, not women needing a mastectomy.

Internet

People wearing traditional Bavarian clothes toast with beer during the opening of the 177th Oktoberfest in Munich on 18 September, 2010.

INTERNET



A Sri Lankan man holds a pair of baby anacondas at the National Zoo on the outskirts of Colombo 2008. A 73-year-old Polish pensioner was shocked to find a two-metre- (6.5-foot-) long anaconda peering up out of her toilet bowl on Monday in her flat in Wroclaw, south-west Poland, local police said.—INTERNET



Shifting to green economy can hasten development, says UN report

UNITD NATIONS, 21 Sept—Intensifying investments in clean energy can accelerate the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) said in a new publication on Monday. A "green economy" is one that "not only improves human well-being and lessens inequality but also reduces environmental risks and ecological scarcities," the brief says, underscoring its importance in realizing the MDGs.

In 2008 amidst the global financial crisis, the UNEP launched its Green

Economy Initiative, which seeks to demonstrate how to revive economies and create lasting jobs while simultaneously addressing environmental challenges.

"There is rapidly-growing evidence that accelerating a transition to a low-carbon, resource-efficient, employment generating Green Economy may not only be the key to meeting sustainability challenges of the 21st century, but also provide a considerable contribution to meeting the other MDGs," said UNEP Executive Director Achim Steiner.—Xinhua

Typhoon Fanapi brings worst rains in a century to south China Province

GUANGZHOU, 21 Sept—Typhoon Fanapi, the 11th and strongest typhoon to hit China this year, has brought the heaviest rains in a century to the southern Guangdong Province, triggering landslides in some cities.

Fanapi, which landed in coastal Fujian Province, southeast China on Monday, wreaked havoc in Fujian and Guangdong before it weakened into a low pressure system at 5 am Tuesday.

The typhoon packed torrential rain in most parts of Guangdong Province in the 24 hours from 9 am Monday to 9 am Tuesday. The average precipitation topped 100 millimetres, the worst in 100 years, the provincial weather bureau said in a statement.

It said precipitation totaled 550 mm in 24 hours in the worst-hit Shuangyao Township in Yangchun City.—Xinhua



People check flight information at Xiamen Airport in Xiamen, southeast China's Fujian Province, on 20 Sept, 2010. A total of 128 flights in Xiamen were delayed due to Typhoon Fanapi as of 4 pms(0800 GMT) on Monday, causing numerous tourists detained in the airport.—XINHUA



Firefighters stand in front of a house where an explosion occurred in Loerrach, southern Germany, on 19 Sept, 2010. Shortly after the explosion in the house that is situated close to the St Elisabeth hospital a woman opened fire killing at least one person and wounding several others, before being fatally wounded.

INTERNET

1st New York Chinese Film Festival kicks off

BEIJING, 21 Sept—The first New York Chinese Film Festival opened over the weekend at the Lincoln Centre.

Nine selected Chinese films will be screened for movie lovers in the big apple. Now let's take a closer look at some highlights from the opening ceremony.

A galaxy of Chinese film stars walked the red carpet, showing their support for the event. Some of them have also brought their best work.

Jiang Wenli, director of "LAN", said, "Very glad to be here. Last time when I was here is ten years ago. I like the city. It's great to screen my debut director film "Lan" here."—Xinhua

Thunderstorm strands thousands at SW China airport

CHENGDU, 21 Sept—More than 10,000 passengers were stranded at an airport in southwest China's Sichuan Province after 20 hours of thunderstorms, airport authorities said Tuesday.

Thunderstorms began to hit the provincial capital Chengdu at 8 pm Monday and stopped at 5 am Tuesday but then started again at 8 am.

The city's weather bureau recorded 359 lightning strikes in the two hours between 7 pm and 9 pm.

There was still no letup in the storms by 3 pm Tuesday, said an official at Shuangliu Inter-

national Airport, which is located in the suburbs of Chengdu.

Over the past 20 hours, five incoming flights were forced to return to their airport of origin while 28 flights were diverted to neighboring cities, he said.

At least 10 flights were canceled and more than 100 postponed. The situation is likely to worsen, as the weather bureau has forecast more rain for Tuesday

night and Wednesday.

The stormy weather has caused chaos at Shuangliu International Airport, which handles about 600 takeoffs and landings per day.

The thunderstorms and delayed or canceled flights have also affected holidaymakers' plans for the Mid-Autumn Festival, an important Chinese holiday that falls on Wednesday.

Xinhua

589 people confirmed to be infected by anthrax in Bangladesh

DHAKA, 21 Sept—With 4 new cases detected in the last 24 hours, a total of 589 people in Bangladesh have been confirmed to be infected by anthrax so far, according to Bangladesh's Institute of Epidemiology, Disease Control and Research (IEDCR) under the country's Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on Tuesday.

According to IEDCR, 12 districts out of 64 districts in the country have been found anthrax infected cases since the disease first broke out in Sirajganj District, 134 km northwest of capital Dhaka on 18 Aug.

Following the quick spread of anthrax to more new districts, the Bangladeshi government on 5 Sept announced red-alert across the country and formed committees in all the 64 districts to coordinate all efforts of anthrax prevention and treatment.

The government on Sunday decided to form a national coordination committee to contain anthrax outbreak in the country.

Anthrax is a highly contagious disease, usually transmitted on people through contact with meat, blood or skin of a herbivorous animal that has been infected.

Xinhua



A man removes rickshaws near a car which burst into flames near the scene of an earlier shooting in the old quarters of Delhi on 19 September, 2010. Gunmen on motorbikes shot at a tourist bus near the main mosque in the Indian capital on Sunday, wounding two visitors in an attack only weeks before the city hosts the Commonwealth Games. The Commonwealth Games is seen as a showcase event for India as it emerges onto the global economic and diplomatic stage. Some militant groups have threatened to disrupt the Games.—INTERNET

Official says security in Malacca Straits should not be internationalized

JAKARTA, 21 Sept— Security affairs in Malacca Straits should not be internationalized as three countries sharing border in the straits have agreed to settle the problem by themselves, an Indonesian official said on Tuesday.

Dian Wirengjurit, director for Intra Regional Cooperation for America and Europe at the Indonesian Foreign Ministry, told the press that however, the three countries agreed that some matters in the straits could be internationalized.

"In term of safety that includes navigation, search and rescue effort, radar procurement, among others, we agree that the issue could be internationalized," said Wirengjurit.

He admitted that the world has interest in the straits as it holds a crucial role as transportation route for trade.

More actions to combat piracy in the South China Sea have been called for after the latest attack on 6 Sept.

There have been nine pirate attacks in the area between Singapore and Borneo in the past few weeks.

In the latest attack, armed men boarded a Japanese tanker near Indonesia's Mangkai Island and robbed the crew.

Xinhua

Myanmar hosts 31st ASEAN Ports Association Working Committee meeting

YANGON, 21 Sept —The opening of the meeting of 31st ASEAN Ports Association Working Committee hosted by Myanmar was held at Grand Ballroom of Sedona Hotel here this morning, attended by Minister for Transport U Thein Swe, Managing Director U Thein Htay of Myanmar Port Authority and departmental heads, Chairman of ASEAN Ports Association

Working Committee Capt Dato Haji Abdul Rahim bin Haji Abdul Aziz, the Secretary-General of ASEAN Ports Association, 52 representatives from nine ASEAN countries and guests. First, the managing director and the chairman of ASEAN Ports Association Working Committee extended greetings.

Next, the minister made an opening address,



Chairman of ASEAN Ports Association Working Committee Capt Dato Haji Abdul Rahim bin Haji Abdul Aziz extends greeting.
MNA

Minister for Transport U Thein Swe addresses opening of 31st ASEAN Ports Association Working Committee meeting.
MNA



Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of Ministry of Defence inspects local regiment library in Shwepyitha Township. (News on page 1)—MNA



and the meeting followed. ASEAN Ports Association was established in 1974. Myanmar Port Au-

thority joined the association in 2005. Organized by the association, the working committee meeting and

annual meeting are held yearly in member nations alternatively. It was the first time for Myanmar to host

the working committee meeting of the association. The meeting continues tomorrow. — MNA

Educative talk for women given

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Sept —Work group for protecting and rehabilitating women of Myanmar Women's Affairs Federation gave an educative talk at No.1 Basic Education High School, Pinyinmana, Nay Pyi Taw District, on 20 September. It was attended by Daw Khin May Soe and Daw Soe Wutyi and members of MWAF, Chairperson Daw Win Khine of District WAO, chairpersons and members of Township Women's Affairs Organization and 200 female students.

After the talk, a projector worth K 1.5 million and accessories was donated to the school.—MNA



The 31st ASEAN Ports Association Working Committee meeting in progress.—MNA

Naungtaya famous for quality potato and...

(from page 1)

From the hill on which 25 years old Pariyatti monastery lies, we enjoyed a panoramic view of housing estates, which reflected urban development in Naungtaya. The hilly town is blessed with fertile soil and favourable climate patterns to grow a variety of crops. Exercising multiple-cropping patterns, local farmers get on with their farming. Its main products: potato and garlic earn good reputation for

their quality.

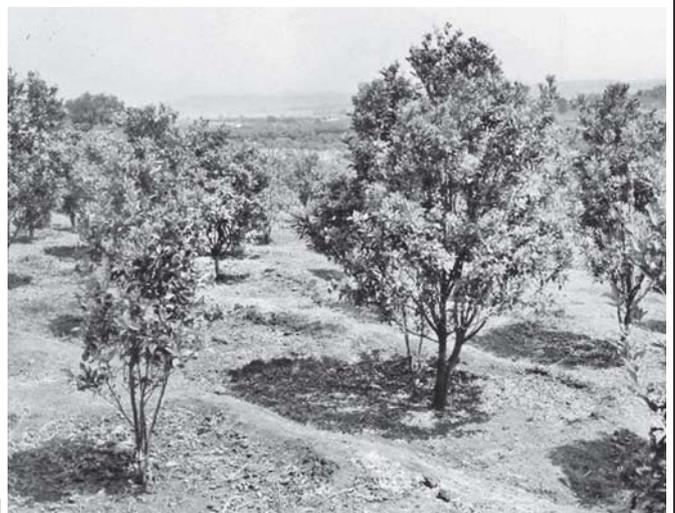
Lying on Aungban-Pinlaung Road, Naungtaya occupies strategic location. It has a road leading to Loikaw, 61 miles from it. Its major trade partner is Aungban. It is now easily accessible from Kalaw, Aungban, Taunggyi along with Mandalay and Nay Pyi Taw through Pyawbwe-Phaya Ngarzu Road.

Superintendent U Sai Aung Tint of Naungtay General Administration Department said, "Our main business

is agricultural farming. Mostly, we grow potato and garlic. We also grow perennial crops such as tea, pear and orange. We don't have any large factories and plants. What we have are rice mills, edible oil mills and small-scale private-run hydropower plants."

Taking all the scenarios, Naungtaya, a naturally beautiful hilly town, is on the threshold of rapid development with stability and community peace and favourable climate patterns.

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Honey orange thrives well in Naungtaya.

Commander inspects development undertakings



NAY PYI TAW, 21 Sept—Chairman of Yangon Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Tun Than together with officials inspected progress of housings construction, taking education of students in Basic Education Middle School, and chosen place to extend the school building in No. 3 War Veteran Village (Thabaikkon) in Hlegu yesterday.

He later visited monsoon paddy field grown by the Yangon Command in Barlar Region-1 of Mingaladon Township. The commander, after hearing the reports on paddy growing, gave necessary instruction and viewed the paddy fields.

MNA

Commander Brig-Gen Tun Than inspects monsoon paddy plantation in Barlar Region -1 in Mingaladon Township.—MNA

Labour Minister tours Hlinethaya Industrial Zone

YANGON, 21 Sept—Minister for Labour U Aung Kyi inspected Asia Thamadi Garment Factory on Twin Thin Taikwun U Tun Nyo Street in Industrial Zone (3), Shwepyitha Township, Yangon Region, on 19 September. He touched upon manufacturing capacity and staff welfare.

He viewed health care and vaccinating of factory workers against tetanus (lockjaw) by a medical team led by the medical superintendent of Yangon Workers' Hospital.

Next, the minister inspected the clinic of the factory.

Medical Superintendent Dr Khaing Cho

Myint gave workers talks on worksite health care; and Region Manager Daw Nwe Nwe Yee, on rights on social security.

MNA

Minister U Aung Kyi views Asia Thamadi Garment Factory in No (3) Industrial Zone in Shwepyitha Township.—MNA



A visit to Mawlamyine...

(from page 16)
No. 11/12 in Kyauktan Village-tract of Mawlamyine Township and has 254.40 acres. It lies beside Mawlamyine-Ye Railroad, about 18 miles from Mawlamyine-Ye Road.

Industrial Zone Supervisory Committee was formed with 34 district level departmental officials under the leadership of District Peace and Development Council Chairman. There are 43 large scale, 130 medium scale and 12 small scale business in the zone.

Until the end of June 2010 there were investment of 1998.96 million kyats and production value of 9658.96 million kyats.

Chairman of Mawlamyine Industrial Zone Supervisory Committee and owner of Aung Kaung (Shwe Myaing) Auto Manufacturing U Sein Pu explained, "There are

17 auto manufacturing groups in 2007-2008 financial year and they manufactured 812 out of permitted quantity of 945. In 2008-2009, 14 auto manufacturers produced 56 out of 175 with the use of engines and related items from the Ministry of Industry-1. In 2009-2010, with the agreements of Myanmar Industry Development



Vehicle manufactured by Aung Kaung (Shwe Myaing) Auto Manufacturing.



Signboard at the entrance of Mawlamyine Industrial Zone.

Commi-tee, 264 have been manufactured with the use of engines from auto companies. Aung Kaung (Shwe Myaing) Auto Manufacturing has brought out 150 Jeeps (light truck) from 2003 to date.

At King rubber making machine factory, Manager U Zaw Moe Khaing explained production of the factory to us.

The main business of Mawlamyine Township is rubber growing. Moreover, the township has been manufacturing agri-

cultural implements, motorcars, small electricity generators, and other functional machines and tools.

Mawlamyine Industrial Zone is now manufacturing industrial products on a considerable scale more and more. Accordingly, mass production of industrial zone contributes much to the shaping of the bright future of industrialization.

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Hurricane Karl death toll rises to 12 in Mexico

MEXICO CITY, 21 Sept—Death toll caused by Hurricane Karl rose to 12 on Monday, President Felipe Calderon told a press conference on Monday.

The hurricane, which came onshore in eastern coast of the country's state Veracruz on Friday, has caused rivers in the eastern part of the country to overflow.

Calderon promised to continue dredging work to reduce the water levels in Veracruz and to conduct repairs.

"The rivers in the region are all above their historical levels. They must be reduced a little at a time. We are going to implement dredging works so

that the reduction can be speeded up," he said.

Calderon gave the speech in Veracruz, where he was visiting to view the damage. Authorities there had previously reported 500,000 affected, including nine deaths and 100,000 evacuated from their homes.

Calderon also said several main roads were damaged.

"The most urgent work is removing mudslides and repairing the drainage. We will ask people to do short term work including cleaning-up," Calderon said.

Xinhua



A parking lot is damaged along South Road at John Smith's Bay in Smith's Parish following Hurricane Igor's effects in Bermuda, on 20 Sept, 2010.—INTERNET

Attacker blows himself up in Somali presidential compound

MOGADISHU, 21 Sept—A suspected Islamist suicide bomber on Monday blew himself up inside the compound of the presidential residence in the Somali capital Mogadishu killing himself and wounding a government soldier, a government official said.

The Somali president is safe, a government official who sought anonymity confirmed to Xinhua.

The attacker did not manage to enter deep into the compound but was able to evade detection at two checkpoints at the front gates of the presidential Palace and blew himself up after he was fired upon by security officers at the last checkpoint, the government official said.

Xinhua



A woman walks on a flooded street in Kaohsiung County, southeast China, on 20 Sept, 2010. Typhoon Fanapi brought heavy rains and gales to southern Taipei after it made landfall on Sunday, causing waterlog in some regions. A total of 12,000 residents have been evacuated.—XINHUA

NZ university operates after two weeks closing for quake

WELLINGTON, 21 Sept—Canterbury University students are back in class on Monday, two weeks after being closed due to the 7.1 magnitude earthquake on 4 Sept.

Some lectures will have to be reorganized, and exam timetables are to be compressed. A study break is also shortened for reducing the impact of the quake.

One of the biggest problems is that students can't use the main library until the end of the year due to the collapse of book stacks.

But the University said it had negotiated e-services for having access to one of the largest amount of online materials in the world.

Twelve academic publishers have granted special free access to e-publications so students can still get information electronically and by interloan.

Vice-chancellor of Canterbury University, Rod Carr, said steps had been taken to make sure students not miss out.

Xinhua

Six mln people participate in earthquake drill in Mexico City

MEXICO CITY, 21 Sept—About 6 million people participated on Monday in an earthquake drill in Mexico City after the 25th anniversary of the quake that killed thousands of people in the Mexican capital.

The drill began at 11:01 am local time (1601 GMT) with an alarm rang over the city. It covered 7,000 buildings including Torre del Caballito, a landmark building of Mexico City.

After the alarm, the people were directed to the safe areas. A police named Jose Carmona told Xinhua that they used about 9 minutes to evacuate the people in Torre Caballito. "The building has 31

floors, so 9 minutes is a reasonable time," he said.

According to Carmona, after the 1985 earthquake in Mexico City, the government established an earthquake prevention mechanism including at least two drills annually.

Jaime Cedillo a drill volunteer in Torre del Caballito, told Xinhua that "the earthquake in 1985 remains fresh in our memories, despite it has passed 25 years. We still have many things to learn."

A 8.1-magnitude earthquake struck Mexico City in 1985, killing at least 10,000 people and leaving a quarter of a million homeless.—Xinhua



Wang Laihua takes a look at his collections of moon cake molds in north China's Tianjin Municipality, on 19 Sept, 2010. Wang Laihua has collected nearly one thousand pieces of moon cake molds since 1996, which vary in sizes and patterns, witnessing the development of moon cake molds in the past years.

XINHUA

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NY adds subway cameras after Times Square bomb

NEW YORK, 21 Sept—New York City activated 500 new subway cameras in heavily traveled stations in response to security threats such as the attempted bombing of Times Square, Mayor Michael Bloomberg said on Monday.

The cameras at the Times Square, Penn Station and Grand Central subway stations marked an expansion of a previously announced programme that

aims to increase the number of security cameras in Manhattan to some 3,000 from 1,159.

Those cameras have been largely funded by a 120-million-US-dollar grant from the US Department of Homeland Security. In addition, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority has activated 1,400 cameras of its own in the past six months.—MNA/Reuters

Eight fighters killed in fresh Mogadishu clashes

MOGADISHU, 21 Sept—Somali government military commanders said on Monday that they killed eight rebel fighters in clashes in the Somali capital Mogadishu, local media reports said.

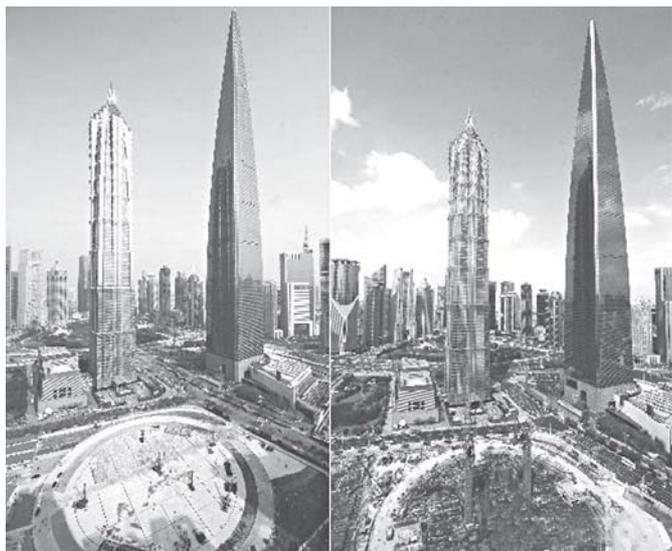
The fighting broke

out after fighters from Hezbul Islam Islamist group attacked positions of Somali government forces in the south of the coastal city.

"Our forces killed eight of the misguided youths who attacked our defensive positions and

the restive fled and we still remain in our position," Abdelkadir Hussein Milheh, senior Somali military commander, told local Shabelle radio in Mogadishu.

Xinhua



Combo Photo shows the site of Shanghai Tower before construction on 27 Nov, 2008 (L), and under construction on 20 Sept, 2010 (R), in Shanghai, east China. The ground for the highest building in design in Chinese mainland, the 632-metre high, 128-storey skyscraper dubbed Shanghai Tower was broken recently. The building will be completed and put into use in 2014.

XINHUA

Study links childhood obesity to adenovirus 36

BEIJING, 21 Sept— There exists a possible link between virus and childhood obesity, said a new study in the online journal *Pediatrics* on Monday.

The results come against the childhood obesity talks that generally focus on food intake, exercise or genetics. The study shows that youngsters who were infected by adenovirus 36 were an average of 22.5 kg heavier than children

who hadn't been exposed to the virus.

Adenovirus 36 causes the common cold and slight gastrointestinal upset.

Among 124 children aged 8 to 18 in the study, nearly 80 percent of those who had been exposed to the virus were obese, said researcher Dr Jeffrey B Schwimmer, associate professor of clinical pediatrics at the University of California, San Diego.

First identified in the 1980s, the virus may affect obesity by infecting "pre-fat" cells — cells that have the ability to store fat in the body and cause them to mature more quickly, Schwimmer said.

It may also inhibit the cells' ability to break down fat, so fat cells become greater in both number and size.

During the past three decades, the prevalence of obesity among young people has tripled, reaching 17 percent in the US, according to data from the Centres for Disease Control and Prevention.

Xinhua

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School van plunges into river in NW Pakistan

ISLAMABAD, 21 Sept— Casualties are feared Tuesday as a school van carrying 30 children plunged into the Jhelum river near Garhi Dupatta in Pakistan-controlled Kashmir, local sources said.

Xinhua

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Plane lands on busy highway northeast of Atlanta

ATLANTA, 21 Sept— Authorities say a small plane made a smooth emergency landing without hitting any cars on a busy stretch of Interstate 85 in northeast Atlanta just as the city's evening rush hour began.

Television shots showed traffic snarled for miles as the Piper Saratoga blocked at least four lanes of traffic about 5 pm Monday. It was hauled away a couple hours later.

Federal Aviation Administration spokeswoman Kathleen Bergen said no injuries were reported.

The plane landed on a southbound stretch of the interstate a few miles from Peachtree DeKalb Airport, where it was headed.

The pilot, identified as Matt Conway by WSB-TV, told the station that mechanical problems forced him to land.

Internet



A small plane sits on the road after making an emergency landing on Interstate 85 near Shallowford Road in Atlanta, on 20 Sept, 2010. No injuries were reported and the plane's pilot emerged unscathed after the gutsy maneuver.

INTERNET



A pair of NASA's Space Exploration Vehicles (SEV) maneuver in the northern Arizona desert on the last day of NASA's two-week field testing of new aerospace technology at Black Point Lava Flow north of Flagstaff, Arizona.—INTERNET

Major fire under train track in New York's Harlem

NEW YORK, 21 Sept— A fire burning under the 138th street Lift Bridge by the East River in New York has caused the suspension of Metro-North train service in and out of Manhattan, according to Metro-North authorities.

Metro-North officials said that no trains were involved in the fire.

There are currently large plumes of smoke rising into the sky and affecting the surrounding area.

Sofar, no injuries have been reported, according to Metro-North.

Xinhua

16 drown in Hindu festival in India

NEW DELHI, 21 Sept— Sixteen people died by drowning in a Hindu festival celebrating birth anniversary of elephant god Ganes in the southern Indian state of Andhra Pradesh Monday, reported the *Indo-Asian News Service* Tuesday.

One incident took place in

Krishna District of the state when six people drowned while immersing an idol of the elephant god in a lake, while 10 others died in similar accidents in other districts of the state.

The festival is celebrated each September across India for luck and prosperity.

Xinhua

Workers get mild radiation at S African nuclear power plant

JOHANNESBURG, 21 Sept— South Africa's state-owned power utility Eskom announced on Monday that 91 workers were contaminated with a small amount of radiation while doing maintenance work at the Koeberg nuclear power plant near Cape Town.

Xinhua

A dancer performs at an event held by the Republic of Korea Pavilion to celebrate the upcoming Mid-Autumn Festival.

INTERNET



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Stressed drivers 'risk mental health'

LONDON, 21 Sept — Motorists face hidden long-term mental health problems, research has suggested. Dr David Lewis, the psychologist credited with coining the phrase 'road rage', warned stresses such as congestion and delays can raise blood pressure and lead to more serious issues further down the line.
However, travelling by bus could reduce mental stress by up to a third and produce long-term health benefits, he said.

Internet

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The previous UK age record for an Arctic tern was 29 years, 10 months and 11 days.—INTERNET

Bird sets record as UK's oldest Arctic tern

LONDON, 21 Sept—A sea-bird has officially become the UK's oldest recorded Arctic Tern.
It was ringed as a chick on the Farn Islands on 28 June, 1980, making it at least 30 years, two months and 23 days old. The birds typically live 13 years.
This bird's record-breaking status was confirmed after it was recaptured this summer on the islands, located a few miles off the Northumberland coast.
Arctic terns' 44,000-mile (70,000km) pole-to-pole migration is the longest known annual journey of any animal.—Internet

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Consignees of cargo carried on MV BUNGA MAS 12 VOY NO (122N) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 21.9.2010 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.
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No claims against this vessel will be admitted after the Claims Day.

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Ban Ki-moon says UN millennium goals 'can be met'

LONDON, 21 Sept—The Millennium Development

Goals can still be met if enough work is done, the UN secretary general has said. Ban Ki-moon urged world leaders meeting in New York to stick to the task despite the global downturn, insisting they could be achieved by 2015.
But French President Nicolas Sarkozy said new funds had to be found to meet the goals - suggesting a tax be imposed on financial transactions.
More than 140 leaders are meeting to review progress toward the targets.

Created in 2000, the eight goals aim to reduce poverty and hunger and improve health standards around the world.
The UN itself concedes that it will be difficult, if not impossible, to meet some of the targets.
In his opening speech to delegates, Mr Ban insisted the goals had led to "more development success stories than ever before", and had had a "transformative impact".
Internet

Crews quell fire at London tower block

LONDON, 21 Sept—Dozens of firefighters were called to a blaze at a tower block in south-east London early on Tuesday.
A number of people were evacuated from the block as the fire engulfed flats on the seventh and eighth floors of Pitman House, in Tanners Hill, Deptford. The London Fire Brigade said the fire at the 15-storey building was eventually brought under control and there were no reports of casualties.
Ten fire engines and 50 firefighters were sent to the incident.—Internet

Wearing glasses ages people by at least three years, a poll suggests.—INTERNET



Wearing glasses 'makes you older'

LONDON, 21 Sept — Wearing glasses ages people by at least three years, a poll said. Those who wear glasses are perceived to be older and tend to be regarded as "geeky" compared with people who do not wear glasses. On average,

glasses-wearers were put at 3.3 years older than they actually were in the study, while those aged 45 and over were thought to be five years older.
The research was based on a survey of 4,000 people, who were split into two groups. The first group

was given 10 pictures of people with glasses and asked to guess their ages and discuss their personal attributes. The second group was given 10 pictures of the same people without glasses and asked the same questions.
Internet



A contestant shows his cake with a similar appearance of Chinese Pavilion in World Expo Shanghai, at a cake decorating competition during the 5th China Suzhou Food Festival in Suzhou, east China's Jiangsu Province, on 20 Sept, 2010. The five-day food festival kicked off on Monday, in which many activities would be held, such as cooking competition, cake decorating competition, snacks exhibition and so on.

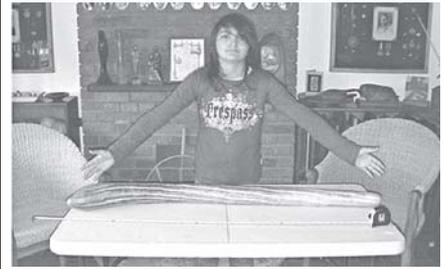
Children's pocket money falls to 7-year low

British children's weekly pocket money has fallen to a seven-year low, in a sign parents are still cutting back on non-essential spending even as the country emerges from recession, a survey showed Monday.

Halifax, part of Lloyds Banking Group, said average pocket money fell to 5.89 pounds (\$9.23) a week in 2010 from 6.24 pounds in 2009. The new figure is the lowest weekly sum since 2003 when parents paid an average of 5.79 pounds.

Children's pocket money has fallen despite a small rise in their parents' wages over the past year. Average weekly pay in Britain in the three months to July was 431 pounds excluding bonuses, 1.8 percent more than a year earlier.

Parents paid daughters less pocket money than sons, in a parallel to the gender gap in the earnings of grownups.



The giant cucumber is at least 47 inches (119cm) in a straight line from top to bottom.

Hitler's car gift to Nepal king to be used again

A car said to have been a gift from Adolf Hitler to a Nepali king will be repaired and used to drive visitors around the grounds of a palace museum, a government official said. The 1939 Mercedes Benz was presented by the Nazi leader to King Tribhuvan, grandfather of Nepal's last King Gyanendra, deposed two years ago.

It has been stored at an old palace garage for more than five years, after being abandoned by an engineering college that had been using it for classes.

News Album

Jimmy, chimpanzee paints on a cardboard at a zoo in Niteroi, Brazil, on 20 Sept, 2010. The monkey's paintings have been catching everyone's attention at a Brazilian zoo, and an exhibition for Jimmy the chimp is already in the works.



Jimmy the painting chimp draws hordes to Rio zoo

A retired circus chimpanzee is the Cezanne of simians, drawing crowds to a Brazilian zoo to watch him paint. The 26-year-old chimp called Jimmy has been producing surprisingly lovely paintings each day for three weeks at the Niteroi Zoo.

Trainer Roched Seba said on Monday Jimmy doesn't like the toys and other diversions that other chimps enjoy. So three weeks ago, Seba introduced him to painting after reading about animals in zoos elsewhere that enjoyed a little canvas time.

Temperamental as great artists can be, Jimmy at times declines to paint if his cage is surrounded by too many gawkers.

But for at least 30 minutes a day, he carefully dips his brush into plastic paint containers and uses broad, bold strokes to create his art.

Tbilisians sweep top three places in 2010 Miss Georgia contest

BATUMI, 21 Sept—Contestants from Tbilisi on Monday swept the top three places of the 2010 version of the Miss Georgia beauty contest, with 20-year-old Dea Arakishvili taking the crown.

Eka Ruztskaya, 24, and Nata Bakhtadze, 19, finished as the second and third runners-up.

The South Caucasus country started its annual beauty pageant in 2003 and is aiming high at international beauty contests. Local pundits claimed that the high aim was probably behind the choice of Tbilisians for this year's top finishes among the 23 finalists in Monday's finale.

The Tbilisian contestants speak better English than the provincial contestants, though the country has started a drive to popularize English in the country. The government of Georgia has started to invite up to 1,000 native English speakers to teach English in the regions of the country, especially in the western regions where tourism is key to local development.—Xinhua



Dea Arakishvili from Tbilisi waves to people after claiming the Miss Georgia title at the 2010 Miss Georgia Contest held in Batumi, Georgia, on 20 Sept, 2010.—XINHUA

Paris Hilton pleads guilty to cocaine possession

BEIJING, 21 Sept—Hollywood socialite Paris Hilton pleaded guilty to cocaine possession and obstructing an officer in a Las Vegas court on Monday, according to media reports.

Hilton, 29, admitted that cocaine found in her purse after a traffic stop last month was hers and that she lied about it.

"I said that the purse wasn't mine to the officer, your honor," she said to the judge.

The celebrity heiress must complete a



Paris Hilton. INTERNET

drug abuse programme, pay a 2,000 US dollar fine and serve 200 hours of community service.

Besides, she was also given a one-year suspended sentence and warned that any new arrests in Las Vegas would result in her going to jail.

The plea agreement does not require Hilton to be assigned a probation officer, meaning she won't have to report to anyone.

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British model Naomi Campbell arrives at the memorial service for Alexander McQueen at St Paul's Cathedral, in London on 20 Sept, 2010. XINHUA



Singer GiGi Leung performs at a concert in the Sports Center in Chengdu, capital of southwest China's Sichuan Province on 20 September, 2010.—XINHUA

Michael Douglas attends NYC 'Wall Street' premiere

NEW YORK, 21 Sept—Michael Douglas has channeled the confidence of ruthless corporate raider Gordon Gekko while walking the red carpet at the New York City premiere of his latest film, "Wall Street: Money Never Sleeps."

The Academy Award-winning actor recently announced he's being treated for throat cancer. He posed for photos on Monday night with co-stars including Shia LaBeouf (SHY'-uh luh-BUF') and Carey Mulligan and director Oliver Stone. He didn't give interviews.

LaBeouf calls the 65-year-old Douglas a "wolf." He notes Douglas showed no signs of weakness while making the "Wall Street" sequel, which opens on Friday.—Internet

Wenger charged over Sunderland spat

LONDON, 21 Sept — Arsenal boss Arsene Wenger has been hit with an improper conduct charge following his spat with a match official at the end of his team's draw with Sunderland, the Football Association confirmed on Monday.

Wenger faces an 8,000 pound fine and a one-match touchline ban if he accepts the charge under the FA's fast-track disciplinary process.

It follows an incident at the Stadium of Light on Saturday when a furious



Arsenal boss Arsene Wenger, seen here on 15 September, has been hit with an improper conduct charge.

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Wenger remonstrated with fourth official Martin Atkinson after Sunderland had equalised in the fifth minute of injury time.—*Internet*

Edel interviewed by police over fraud claims



Paris Saint-Germain's goalkeeper Apoula Edima Edel, seen here in May 2010, was interviewed by police.

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PARIS, 21 Sept — Paris Saint-Germain goalkeeper Apoula Edel was on Monday interviewed by police as part of an investigation into claims he lied about his age and real identity.

Police sources revealed that Edel was questioned as a witness following a complaint made by his former coach

and agent Nicolas Philibert, who alleges that he is owed 30,000 euros in unpaid debts.

Edel was quizzed at a police station in Poissy in the Paris suburbs and left late on Monday afternoon without speaking to reporters.

The goalkeeper first hit the headlines last year when Philibert, who says he coached the player in Cameroon, claimed Edel was 29 rather than 24 and was actually called Ambroise Beyamena.

French sport weekly Le 10 Sport on Friday published documents accusing Edel of lying about his age and identity, which were handed to the authorities by Philibert.

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Lacklustre Bremen aim to hit back against Hanover

BERLIN, 21 Sept — Werder Bremen coach Thomas Schaaf will demand both a win and a huge improvement from his lacklustre side at Hanover on Tuesday in the Bundesliga after their weekend slump to Mainz.

Bremen suffered a 2-0 defeat to new Bundesliga leaders Mainz on Saturday on the back of last week's 2-all draw with Tottenham Hotspur in the Champions League and have just four league points from four games.

"I do not remember a

game where we were so bad," admitted Schaaf,



Werder Bremen's Petri Pasanen controls the ball during their Champions League match against Tottenham.

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S P O R T S

Mourinho closes door on Portugal coaching job

MADRID, 21 Sept — Jose Mourinho has closed the door on any possibility that he will take temporary charge of the Portuguese national team for two Euro 2012 qualifiers next month, saying the "issue is closed".

"Being Portuguese I am always available to talk about the team, (but) as a coach the issue is closed and I don't want to talk about it any more," he told a news conference on Monday.

Coach-less Portugal have made a poor start to their Euro 2012 qualifying bid, drawing 4-4 with Cyprus and losing 1-0 to Norway.

Portugal had asked if Mourinho could take the reins for the next two qualifiers, following the dismissal of previous coach Carlos Queiroz, only for his club Real Madrid to block the move.

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Jose Mourinho, seen here on 15 September, has closed the door on any possibility that he will take temporary charge.—INTERNET

Serbia face France in Belgrade

PARIS, 21 Sept — Belgrade will host this year's Davis Cup final between Serbia and France, the International Tennis Federation announced on Monday.



Janko Tipsarevic of Serbia celebrates his team's victory over the Czech Republic in the Davis Cup.—INTERNET

The December 3-5 match-up pits first-time finalists Serbia against nine-time champions France, who last appeared at this stage of the competition back in 2002.

Serbia reached the final for the first time in their 16-year history in the competition after coming from behind to defeat Czech Republic 3-2 in their semi-final in Belgrade at the weekend. Serbia are bidding to become only the 13th Davis Cup champion nation after a spectacular run to the 2010 final.

The country only made their World Group debut in 2008, winning their first World Group tie earlier this year.—*Internet*

Messi ruled out for next two Barca matches

MADRID, 21 Sept — Barcelona's Argentine star Lionel Messi will miss at least the next two matches after injuring his ankle at the weekend, the club said on Monday.

Barcelona revealed that tests carried out on Monday confirmed that the forward suffered ligament damage to his right ankle in his side's 2-1 win at Atletico Madrid on Sunday, in which he scored the opening goal.

Messi will now miss the Spanish champions' next two league games, against Sporting Gijon on Wednesday and Athletic Bilbao on Saturday.

Barca did not indicate when the player might return, saying only that it "depends on how the in-



Barcelona's Argentinian forward Lionel Messi gestures in pain during a Spanish League football match.—INTERNET

jury evolves".

Messi, 23, was stretchered off in the final minute of the match following a robust tackle from Czech defender Tomasz Ujfalusi, who was sent off for the challenge.

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Floyd Landis slams world road championships organisers

SYDNEY, 21 Sept — Disgraced American cyclist Floyd Landis has slammed world road championships organisers in Australia after they withdrew their support for a conference he is listed to attend.

Landis was stripped of his 2006 Tour de France



Disgraced American cyclist Floyd Landis (pictured in May) has slammed world road championships organizers.—INTERNET

title for doping and earlier this year admitted using performance-enhancing drugs.

However, he was scheduled to speak at the "New Pathways For Pro Cycling" conference which takes place in Geelong, south of Melbourne, later this month on the eve of the world titles in the same town.

The meeting originally had the support of the world championships organisers but a spokesman for the championships confirmed at the weekend that it had withdrawn its backing, saying they did not want to give Landis a "soapbox".—*Internet*

Zenit remain top after Grozny stalemate

MOSCOW, 21 Sept — Russian Premier League leaders Zenit St Petersburg remained top of the table on Monday despite being held to a goalless draw at Grozny.

Zenit, with two games in hand, are now on 47 points from 19 matches, four points ahead of second-placed reigning champions Rubin Kazan, who scraped to a hard-fought 1-0 win at Makhachkala.

CSKA Moscow, who

grabbed a 1-0 win over underdogs Novosibirsk, sit third on 39 points also with two games in hand.

Terek Grozny and Zenit were both ultra-cautious in the opening half trying to avoid any possibility of a threat to their net, serving up a dose of dull football for the local supporters.

After the interval the hosts upped the tempo and created a set of serious threats late on but failed

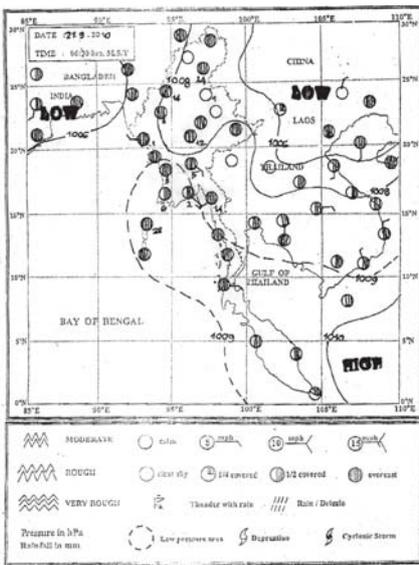
to break the deadlock, leaving Zenit still the only unbeaten team in the league.

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Zenit St Petersburg striker Aleksandr Kerzhakov celebrating a goal on 16 September.—INTERNET

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Tuesday, 21st September, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kayah State and Taninthayi Region, rain or thundershowers have been isolated in Shan and Chin States, Mandalay and Magway Regions, scattered in Bago Region, fairly widespread in Kachin, Rakhine and Mon States, Sagaing, Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions and widespread in the remaining States and Regions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Nyaunglebin (2.60) inches, Paung (2.13) inches, Kyaikmaraw (1.33) inches, Chaungzon (1.14) inches, Cocogyun (1.10) inches, An (1.06) inches, Pyapon (1.02) inches and Meiktila (0.47) inch.

Nay Pyi Taw Weather

Maximum temperature on 20-9-2010 was 91°F. Minimum temperature on 21-9-2010 was 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 21-9-2010 was (84%). Rainfall on 21-9-2010 was (Nil).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 20-9-2010 was 88°F. Minimum temperature on 21-9-2010 was 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 21-9-2010 was (84%). Total sunshine hours on 20-9-2010 was (3.4) hours.

Rainfall on 21-9-2010 was (0.98) inch at Mingaladon, (0.08) inch at Kaba-Aye and (0.19) inch at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (69.17) inches at Mingaladon, (80.47) inches at Kaba-Aye and (86.02) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from South at (16:30) hours MST on 20-9-2010.

Bay Inference: Weather is partly cloudy in the North Bay and monsoon is weak in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

Forecast valid until afternoon of the 22nd September 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kayah State and Magway Region, scattered in Kachin, Shan, Chin and Kayin States, lower Sagaing, Mandalay, Bago and Taninthayi Regions and fairly widespread in the remaining States and Regions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of thunder conditions in the Southern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 22-9-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 22-9-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 22-9-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

UN chief sees MDGs achievable, calls on world leaders to keep promise

UNITED NATIONS, 21 Sept—UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said here Monday that the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) “are achievable” by its deadline of 2015, calling on world leaders to exercising political leadership and keep their promise to translate the eight MDGs targets into a reality. The secretary-general made the statement as he opened a high-level meeting on the MDGs, which opened here to get a better idea of where the world is standing — the gaps and gains in the world efforts to reach the MDGs targets and what works and what doesn’t in the process.

The MDGs, endorsed by world leaders in September 2000, set out eight targets which range from halving extreme poverty to halting the spread of HIV/AIDS and providing universal primary education, all by the target date of 2015.—Xinhua



A white national orchid. Scientists from around the world gathered in Costa Rica this month to exchange ideas on ways to preserve the orchid, among the world’s most popular flowers.

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MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (22-9-2010)(Wednesday)

Transmissions	Times
Local	(09:00am ~ 11:00am)MST
Oversea Transmission	(22-9-10 09:30 am ~ 23-9-10 09:30 am) MST

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Bakery & Catering Centre for the Foodies
- * News
- * Music Gallery
- * Muse 105-mile Border Trade Zone
- * News
- * Thiri Zeya Buhmi Bagan Golden Palace and Museum of King Anawrahta
- * Goodbye! And have a safe journey back home
- * News
- * Being Young (Youth and Fashion)

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- * News
- * Being Young (Youth and Fashion)
- * MI People’s Celebrities
- “Soe Myat Nandar”
- * News
- * Origin of the Smart Persons (MHR) (Part-I)
- * News
- * Origin of the Smart Persons (MHR) (Part-II)
- * Songs for you
- * News
- * Shrinking Footprints
- * Myanmar Orchestra: A Blend of Arts!
- * Myanmar Movie
- “The Magician’s Flower”

Iraq finds hundreds of missing artefacts

BAGHDAD, 21 Sept—The Iraqi National Museum has found more than 600 missing artefacts stashed away in a storeroom of the Prime Minister’s office, two years after the US Government returned them to Iraq, officials said on Monday.

Most of the artefacts were among some 15,000 relics looted during the chaos that followed the 2003 US-led invasion that ousted dictator Saddam Hussein.

The 638 pieces were recovered, handed over to the Premier’s office, and promptly lost again, officials said.

“We found these artefacts in one of the storerooms of the Prime Minister’s office along with some kitchen appliances. When we opened the boxes we found them,” Qahtan al-Jibouri, Iraq’s Minister of Tourism and Antiquities, said.

Iraq, regarded by some historians as the cradle of civilization, lost part of its national heritage to widespread looting that became a powerful symbol of the breakdown of order following the 2003 invasion.

Two weeks ago, Iraqi officials announced they had recovered more than 500 other artefacts, including the headless statue of Sumerian king Entemena and a chrome-plated AK-47 that belonged to Saddam.

MNA/Reuters



Michelle Lee poses for photo with Sina Weibo mascot during Sina Weibo Anniversary Celebration in Hong Kong, south China, on 20 Sept, 2010. Michelle also announced that she had been four-month pregnancy. Sina Weibo Monday presented the “Sina Weibo Star-Users Awards” to celebrities and organizations who made the best use of Sina Weibo to exert a positive influence on the network and the society at large.

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Drive Safely

- ★ 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

A visit to Mawlamyine Industrial Zone

Our Myanmar Alin news crew, in order to write bylines about development of Mon State, paid a visit to Mawlamyine. Economy of Mawlamyine is moving forward at tremendous speed, following the opening of Thanlwin Bridge (Mawlamyine). With

the emergence of the bridge, national races in the area can make the journey to every corner of the country by land. Opening of Mawlamyine Industrial Zone has also geared up for the economic growth of Mawlamyine. So, our first outing while in Mawlamyine was to observe Mawlamyine

Byline: Myo Min Thein (Mayangon);
Photos: Reporter Lay Nwe (Mingaladon)

Industrial Zone. After going through Athtaran Suspension Bridge, we arrived at the industrial zone on Mawlamyine-

Zathabyin Road about 800 yards from the bridge. The earlier location of the industrial zone was at (See page 9)



Athtaran Bridge reliable for swift commodity flow.

New school building opened in Maleto village

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Sept—New school building was opened at Maleto Village Basic Education High School (Branch) in Maubin Township of Ayeyawady Region on 13 September.

Director-General UKyaw Thu of No (1) Basic Education Department, Deputy Director-General (Engineer) U Myint Oo of Development Affairs Department and Member U Tun Lwin of School Board of Trustee formally opened the two-storey RC building.

The director-general made a speech at the ceremony to hand over the new facility to the Ministry of Education. The deputy director-general and the School BOT member handed over the documents related to the school building to Maubin District Education Officer U Soe Myint Than.

Headmistress of the school Daw Khin San May spoke words of thanks.

The guests then viewed the new school building.—MNA

Noteworthy amounts of rainfall (21-9-2010)

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