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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

**Mutual friendship and cooperation between the two nations would be further strengthened**

**Lao-Myanmar Provincial Regional Border Committee needs to be formed**

**Senior General Than Shwe**

**We believe that Myanmar will be able to hold the upcoming elections successfully and we fully support the elections for their success**

**Mr Choummaly Sayasone**



*Senior General Than Shwe meets President of Lao PDR Mr Choummaly Sayasone at Ho Kham of Vientiane, Lao PDR.—MNA*

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct —Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and President of Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr Choummaly Sayasone

discussed matters related to mutual interests at Ho Kham of Vientiane, Lao PDR, at 2 pm on 1 October.

Together with the Senior General were Member of the State Peace and Development Council Thura U Shwe

Mann, Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence, Commander of Triangle Region Command Brig-Gen Than Tun Oo, min-

isters, deputy ministers and high-ranking officials.

The Laotian President was accompanied by Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Defence Lt-Gen Douangchay Phichit, Minister at the Prime

Minister's Office Mr. Phongsavath Bouphe, Minister of Public Health Dr Ponmek Daraloy, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry Mr Sitaheng Rasaphone, Minister of Industry and Commerce Dr Nam Viyaketh,

deputy ministers and high-ranking officials.

In his discussion, the Laotian President said: We are honoured and happy to welcome and receive the Myanmar goodwill delegation led by Your Excellency.

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## PERSPECTIVES

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## Give health educative talks down to rural areas

The State must have healthy, qualified human resources in its efforts for national development. So, the Ministry of Health is providing more health care services for the people to become healthy citizens.

In Ayeyawady Region, extended hospitals were recently opened in Pyapon, Labutta and Pyinsalu. People's hospital construction projects are being undertaken in Bogale and Mawlamyinegyun. A lot of hospitals, dispensaries and health centres have been built across the nation, including Ayeyawady Region to provide more health care for the people.

Not only treatment but also prevention is important in providing public health care. It is necessary for the public to have health knowledge. Particularly, health educative talks must be given to farmers to have awareness of the danger of pesticides used in agriculture and to take preventive measures for their cattle against infectious diseases.

For the health of the people in rural areas, including mothers and children, it is necessary to educate them to keep personal hygiene and keep their houses and environs clean and tidy. Round table reading sessions and talks must be organized for the rural people take measures such as drinking pure water, keeping the toilets clean and tidy, washing their hands with soap and systematic throwing away of leftovers.

The State has built infrastructures for providing public health care. So, each and every citizen will enjoy good health and longevity by giving community-based health educative talks down to the rural areas.

## Yangon Mayor opens concrete roads in Mingala Taungnyunt, Kyimyindine Tsp

YANGON, 3 Oct — Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor U Aung Thein Lin, together with Joint Secretary U Kyaw Soe and heads of departments, this morning attended the opening ceremony of 94<sup>th</sup> street in Kandawkalay South Ward, Mingala Taungnyunt Township in Yangon East District.

It was learnt that the newly-opened 94<sup>th</sup> street is 1243 ft long and 18 ft wide.

Likewise, the mayor and party formally opened 99<sup>th</sup> Street in Lotlatay Ward, Mingala Taungnyunt Township, Dhana concrete Street in Thayarkon Ward and Kyeiktan Street in Kyimyindine Township.—MNA

## All this needs to be known

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

## 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

## Myanmar delegation led by Foreign Minister attends United Nations General Assembly

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct — Myanmar delegation led by Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win arrived at New York of United States of America on 20 September, to attend 65<sup>th</sup> Session of United Nations General Assembly and related meetings.

The minister participated in the High Level Plenary Meeting on Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) held from 20 to 22 September and delivered a statement on 22 September apprising the meeting of the Myanmar's efforts in achieving the MDGs. He also attended the High-level side event on LDCs and MDGs and Ministerial-level Panel Discussion on Achieving MDGs through partnership organized by ASEAN plus Three countries on 21 September. On 22 September, the minister took part in the Asia Cooperation Dialogue (ACD) Foreign Ministers Breakfast Meeting and then attended the High-level Partnership Event on "AIDS plus MDGs" co-hosted by the Governments of the People's Republic of China, South Africa and Nigeria at 1.15 am local time on 22 September.

On 23 September, the minister attended the opening session of the General Debate of the 65<sup>th</sup> session of the General Assembly and the Informal ASEAN Ministerial Meeting (IAMM) where the ASEAN ministers exchanged views on issues related to ASEAN and United Nations. Minister U Nyan Win attended a luncheon hosted by the UN Secretary-General Mr. Ban Ki-moon in honour of the heads of delegation at the UN Headquarters.

On 24 September, the minister attended the breakfast hosted by US-ASEAN Business Council and US Chamber of Commerce in honour of the ASEAN leaders at Mandarin



Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win attends opening of the General Debate of the 65<sup>th</sup> session of the UN General Assembly and the Informal ASEAN Ministerial Meeting (IAMM).—MNA

Oriental Hotel in New York. Later in the afternoon, the minister, on behalf of the Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar, attended the 2<sup>nd</sup> ASEAN-US Leaders' Meeting held at Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York and made a statement sharing Myanmar's view on the ASEAN-US relations and on the progress of preparation for the holding of general elections in Myanmar. The Leaders' Meeting was attended by President Barack Obama of the United States and the Heads of State/Government of the ASEAN Member Countries and Secretary-General of ASEAN.

In the evening, Minister U Nyan Win also joined his counterparts in the ASEAN Foreign Ministers' Meeting with the UN Secretary-General Mr. Ban Ki-moon and President of the General Assembly Mr. Joseph Deiss. The minister then attended the reception hosted in honour of Indian Minister of External Affairs Mr. S.M. Krishna held at the Indian Mission and the reception hosted in honour of Mr. Mahinda Rajapaksa, President of Sri Lanka held at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel.

The leader of Myanmar delegation and Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win attended the general debate at the 65<sup>th</sup> Session of the UN General Assembly from 23

to 29 September and delivered a general statement at the Assembly on 28 September. In his address, the minister focused on the overriding international issues including the reform of the United Nations, Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), disarmament, transnational crimes/pandemic diseases, climate change and apprised the Assembly of the recent developments in Myanmar including the preparations for the holding of multiparty democracy general elections in Myanmar. (Full text of the statement already mentioned.)

On the sidelines of the General Assembly, the minister also attended the Ministerial Level Meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement on 27 September where the ministers held a debate on the half of a century achievements and common vision of the future of the Non-Aligned Movement as well as the annual Meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the Group of 77 and China on 28 September.

While in New York, the minister met with Madame Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of Bangladesh on 23 September. He also met separately with Assistant Secretary of State Mr. Kurt M. Campbell at the Waldorf

Astoria Hotel and with Mr. Vijay Nambiar, Under-Secretary-General, Chef de Cabinet and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Myanmar on 22 September. He also received Ms. Francis Zwenig, member of US-ASEAN Business Council at the Eastgate Hotel on 25 September and Ms. Radhika Coomaraswamy, Under-Secretary-General and Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Children and Armed Conflict at the Eastgate Tower Hotel on 29 September.

In the evening of 28 September, the minister visited Myanmar Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York and met with Permanent Representative of Myanmar to the United Nations U Than Swe and staff of the mission and families to give necessary guidance. On 30 September, the minister attended the coordination meeting among the Myanmar delegation members and gave guidance in preparation for the forthcoming meetings of the respective Main Committees of the General Assembly.

After participating in the assembly, Minister U Nyan Win left New York for Brussels of Belgium, to attend the 8<sup>th</sup> Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) Summit.—MNA



## US to warn Americans to be vigilant in Europe

WASHINGTON, 3 Oct—The Obama administration will warn US citizens to be vigilant as they travel in Europe, providing updated guidance prompted by al-Qaeda threats, American and European officials said on Saturday.

Such a move could have negative implications for European tourism, business and diplomacy if travelers fear there's a possibility of terror attacks.

The State Department will issue a "travel alert" for Europe on Sunday morning that advises Americans to stay vigilant on the continent because of threat information, senior US officials said. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity because a final decision has not been

announced.

"This travel alert is a cumulative result of information we have received over an extended period," one senior administration official said. "We are constantly monitoring a range of threat streams and have monitored this and others for some time."

State Department spokesman PJ Crowley declined to comment on the matter. But he said the administration remains focused on al-Qaeda threats to US interests and will take appropriate steps to protect Americans.

A European official briefed on the talks said the language in the US alert is expected to be vague. It won't address a specific country or specific landmarks, the official said.

Internet

## Pakistanis push trade, not just aid, after floods



In this undated, Pakistani worker Aqeel Ahmed examines fabric at a textile factory in Faisalabad, Pakistan. —INTERNET

FAISALABAD, 3 Oct—This eastern Pakistani city is known for the roar of its power looms and the buzz of its sewing machines. Now, following massive floods that devastated the cotton crop, another

noise is threatening to drown those out: the pleas of a struggling textile industry begging the US and Europe to open their markets further.

It's a tough sell in the West, where the

economic slowdown has left governments skittish about concessions that could cost jobs or votes. The European Union has agreed to tariff cuts, but only temporary ones. The United States, where control of Congress is at stake in elections next month, is avoiding them altogether, touting instead its billions in taxpayer-funded humanitarian aid.

But Pakistan argues that trade, not aid, will deliver long-term economic stability and also help combat terrorism by giving poor youths an alternative to joining militant movements: money and jobs.—Internet

## 20 kidnapped in Mexican resort city of Acapulco

ACAPULCO, 3 Oct—Gunmen kidnapped 20 men who were traveling together in Mexico's Pacific coast resort city of Acapulco, authorities said Saturday. A shootout between drug gangs, meanwhile, left 14 people dead in remote town in the northern state of Durango, Mexican newspapers reported. The group of men in Acapulco was visiting from the western city of Morelia and looking for a place to stay when they were abducted Thursday, said Fernando Monreal, director of state investigative police in Guerrero state, where the resort city is located.

He said the kidnapping was reported by a man who had been with the group.

The man told police that he and another fellow traveler had left the others to go a store and when they returned their companions were



gone.

Witnesses said the men — who ranged in age from 17 to 47 — were kidnapped by an armed gang that drove them away in the four cars in which the group had been traveling. Police later found the cars abandoned near the kidnapping site.

Internet

## Roadside bomb kills seven Afghan civilians

KHOST, 3 Oct—A roadside bomb struck a civilian car in Paktika province, east of Afghanistan, leaving seven non-combatants dead, Mukhlis Afghan, the spokesman for the provincial administration said Sunday.

"The lethal device planted by Taleban rebels struck a civilian car in Yahyakhil district Saturday evening killing seven innocent civilians including three children," Afghan told Xinhua. Taleban militants have yet to make comment. Civilians are the main victims of conflicts in Afghanistan.

Internet



Policemen patrol Near the Eiffel Tower following a bomb alert in Paris. The United States is considering issuing an alert advising Americans traveling to Europe to be vigilant, a US official said after intelligence suggested an Al-Qaeda attack could be imminent.—INTERNET

## Trapped miners in Chile prepare to face the cameras

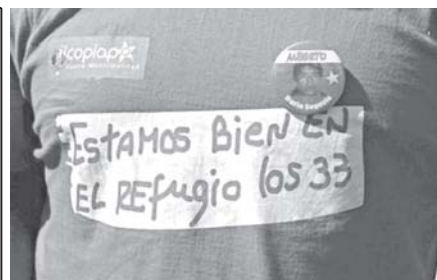
COPIAPO, 3 Oct—With their anticipated rescue just weeks away, the 33 miners trapped in a Chilean mine have begun training on how to speak to the public and to the media once they emerge from the Earth's depths.

Trainers began working with the men this week on "public speaking and public relations" sessions, said Alberto Iturra, the head of the psychologists' team that is tending to the miners who have been trapped since a shaft collapsed on 5 August.

The training aims "to teach them to express clearly their ideas and how to

Women walk at the place where 20 people where kidnapped the last Thursday in Acapulco on 2 October, 2010.

INTERNET



A relative of Dario Segovia, one of the 33 miners trapped in the San Jose mine, wears a shirt reading "We are well in the refuge, the 33" and a pin with his portrait, near Copiapo, 800 km (500 miles) north of Santiago, on 2 October. —INTERNET

handle situations so that the microphones and cameras do not turn out to be stressful for them, or become a problem that they do not know how to face."

Authorities expect some 700 journalists from around the world to arrive on scene to cover the rescue, including reporters for print, television and radio as well as videographers, sound technicians, photographers and support staff.

Internet

## Science

### China experts say panda suffocated to death in Japan

BEIJING, 3 Oct —Chinese experts sent to Japan to investigate the death of a giant panda on loan to a zoo have determined that the animal died of asphyxiation, state media reported Saturday.

Kou Kou died last month at the Oji zoo in the western port city of Kobe



*This picture, taken on June 2010 shows a 14-year-old male giant panda Kou Kou at the Oji Zoo in Kobe city, Hyogo prefecture, western Japan.*

INTERNET

after it had received an anaesthetic so that veterinarians could extract semen from the 14-year-old male panda to impregnate his partner, Tan Tan.

Experts found that Kou Kou had suffocated when "objects in its stomach went into its lungs, leading to asphyxiation," the official *Xinhua* news agency reported.

Earlier, reports suggested the experts believed that the death could have been caused by an overdose of sedatives and were questioning why Japanese veterinarians were extracting semen outside the animal's mating period.

A breeding agreement between Beijing and Tokyo includes the stipulation that Japan pay 500,000 dollars in compensation if a panda dies due to human error, state media reported previously.

*Xinhua* said Saturday that China and Japan would settle the matter in accordance with their cooperation agreement on panda research, without providing further details.

Internet

### Turkey to launch intelligence satellite in 2012

ISTANBUL, 3 Oct — Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan said on Saturday that Turkey would launch a national intelligence satellite in 2012.

The intelligence satellite named "Gokturk" was being built by Turkish engineers, the prime minister said during an amphibious ship launching ceremony in Tuzla, Istanbul.

The semi-official *Anatolia* news agency quoted him as saying: "Thus, we have ended our foreign dependence in the construction of particularly military ships."

According to an earlier report, Turkey will launch RASAT, the first observation satellite

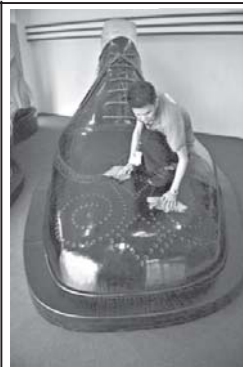
designed and produced by Turkish engineers, from Yasny Launch Base located in a southwestern Russian blast bordering Kazakhstan this year.

RASAT was produced by the Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey Space Technologies Research Institute and funded by the State

Planning Organization.

Erdogan said Turkish defense industry products could compete in international arena, and they used to meet only 25 percent of Turkish Armed Forces' need in 2001.

"However, our defense industry products met 46 percent of our need at the end of 2009," he added.—Internet



*A worker cleans a giant shoe replica displayed at a mall in Marikina City, Rizal province, east of Manila. They owned the world's largest shoes and had Imelda Marcos for a celebrity endorser, but today the Philippines' cobblers are in danger of being buried by an avalanche of cheap imports.—INTERNET*

## Technology

### TV industry show hails smartphone, Facebook era

PARIS, 3 Oct — Internet-based TV viewing, the arrival of Apple's iPad and the proliferation of smartphones are set to ring in a new era of connected entertainment, industry experts predict.

Thousands of TV execs are to flock to the French Riviera to brainstorm and snap up some of the hottest new programmes at this year's

influential MIPCOM 2010 audiovisual entertainment show that kicks off here Monday.

The four-day event will focus on re-defining the entertainment experience through fast-growing digital platforms such as social networks as well as smartphone-connected digital TV and apps and their effect on the industry.

"The business model for the web has not yet emerged even while the business model on TV is shifting dramatically," Gary Carter, chief operating officer at international production company FreemantleMedia said.

"The two big areas of exploration for FreemantleMedia in the last 12 months have been the use of our brands in social games and on

social networks," Carter noted.

Games such as FarmVille or Bejeweled, both of which are available as apps on Facebook and Apple's iPhone, are spreading like wildfire, Carter added.

Digital technologies are expected to steadily increase their impact on all segments of entertainment and media.

Internet

### Bentley reskins Continentals, works on convertibles

PARIS, 3 Oct — Bentley's sales have plummeted as its cars aged and the economy fell into recession.

The launch of the Mulsanne flagship this year is cause for optimism, as is the coming reskin of the Continental range, which was introduced in the United States in 2005.

Bentley will begin



*The new Mulsanne Bentley model is presented on the first day of the two press days of the Paris Auto Show.—INTERNET*

*A model displays a "Galapagos" electronic tablet from Japanese electronics maker Sharp in Tokyo, on 27 September, 2010.*  
XINHUA



rolling out the new versions of the Continental next year, starting with the GT coupe.

**Continental:** The reskinned GT coupe debuts at the Paris auto show this month and goes on sale early in 2011.

The GT's 6.0-liter W12 twin-turbocharged engine is reworked, with horsepower increased to

567 from 552. It is teamed with an updated six-speed automatic transmission and all-wheel-drive system. A new optional 4.0-liter V8 will be available in late 2011 on a new entry-level GT with a lower price.

The new GT is 143 pounds lighter than its predecessor, but exterior dimensions are the same.

Internet



*A customer checks an iPad at a store in Shanghai.—INTERNET*



## Health

### Black women can cut cancer risk

MIAMI, 3 Oct—Vigorous exercise appears to reduce the risk of breast cancer in older black women, a US study says.

The findings were presented this week at a conference of the American Association for Cancer Research in Miami, the *Los Angeles Times* reported.

The research team questioned 97 black women who had recently been diagnosed with breast cancer and 102 women without cancer. They said women who had done at least 2 hours per week of vigorous exercise in the past year appeared to have a risk of breast cancer 64 percent

less than those who had not, while women who engaged in moderate exercise had a 17 percent less risk.

Running, aerobics and similar activities were classified as vigorous exercise, while walking was considered moderate.

Women who had been through menopause appeared to get the greatest benefit from exercise.

"People often want to know what they can do to reduce their risk of disease," said Vanessa Sheppard, an oncologist at the Georgetown Lombardi Comprehensive Cancer Centre in Washington and the lead author. "We have found that just 2 or more hours of vigorous activity per week can make a difference in one's risk of developing breast cancer."—*Internet*



*River Danube's historical Chain Bridge is lit in pink during the "Health Bridge" campaign to raise awareness for breast cancer in downtown Budapest, Hungary on 2 Oct, 2010.*  
INTERNET



*Nearly two thousand dedicated individuals from across the state participated in the inaugural California AIDS Walk this on 26 September.*

INTERNET

### Children's food full of empty calories

BETHESDA, 3 Oct—US researchers say the flow of empty calories into children's food needs to be reduced.

Researchers Jill Reedy and Susan Krebs-Smith of the National Cancer Institute in Bethesda, Md., examined the diets of children and teens ages 2-18 and found the main sources of calories were grain desserts, pizza and soda.

The researchers also find sugar-sweetened beverages such as soda and fruit drinks provided almost 10 percent of total calories consumed. Nearly 40 percent of total calories consumed were in the form of empty calories from solid fat and from added sugars.

Half of empty calories came from six foods — soda, fruit drinks, dairy desserts, grain desserts, pizza and whole milk.—*Internet*

### Good night's sleep key to long life

SAN DIEGO, 3 Oct — The secret to a long life may be getting a good night's sleep — less than 5 hours a night is not enough, but 8 hours may be too much, US researchers say.

Study leader Dr Daniel F Kripke, a professor emeritus of psychiatry at University of California, San Diego School of Medicine, revisited original research conducted from 1995 to 1999 as part of the Women's Health Initiative. Kripke and colleagues had tracked 459 women ages 50-81 living in San Diego to determine whether sleep duration could be associated with mortality. Fourteen years later, they checked on who was still alive.

Of the original participants, 444 were located and evaluated, while 86 women had died.—*Internet*

## Business

### Manufacturing strong in China in September

BEIJING, 2 Oct—China's manufacturing activity picked up steam in September with a business index rising to the highest level since May, the government said.

The China Daily reported Saturday the Purchasing Managers Index rose from 51.7 in August to 53.8 in September. Numbers above 50 indicate growth in the manufacturing sector.

In the manufacturing report, the new orders index jumped in September from 53.1 to 56.3. The export-order index rose slightly from 52.2 to 52.8.

The upturn came as the government has made efforts to slow down quickly escalating property prices and trim energy use.

Efforts to tighten restrictions on home loans and a suspension on loans for a third home have had little carryover effect into manufacturing, the newspaper said.—*Internet*



*A Chinese woman walks past a public service notice explaining how to spot a counterfeit US bank note at a bank in downtown Beijing on 20 Sept, 2010.*

INTERNET

### BofA joins others in foreclosure freeze

NEW YORK, 3 Oct — US banking giant Bank of America said it would join other lenders in freezing its foreclosure actions, amid growing concern over paperwork issues.

In Connecticut, Attorney General Richard Blumenthal asked the courts to impose a 60-day moratorium on all foreclosures, as Bank of America's announcement makes it the third large lender in the past two weeks, after GMAC Mortgage and JPMorgan Chase, to discontinue its pursuit of foreclosures.

Bank of America said

it would review its paperwork and, in time, resubmit its filings, The *New York Times* reported Saturday.

The bank did not say how long that would take. Like GMAC, Bank of America did not say how many foreclosure cases would be affected by the freeze.

JPMorgan Chase said it was reviewing 56,000 cases.

Blumenthal, who is running for a seat in the US Senate, said a foreclosure moratorium would "stop a foreclosure steamroller based on defective documents."

### Youth unemployment in Sweden highest in Nordic countries

STOCKHOLM, 3 Oct—The youth unemployment rate in Sweden stood at 29 percent in the first quarter of 2010, the highest among Nordic countries, according to the latest report from the Nordic Council of Ministers.

"Finland's unemployment rate stood at 27 percent, ranking the second among Nordic countries, followed by Iceland 16 percent, Denmark 13 percent and Norway 9 percent, the lowest in the region," local media cited the report as saying on Saturday.

The report, entitled "The Nordic Countries Efforts against Youth Unemployment," recommends that Nordic countries should coordinate job and education in order to create more jobs for the youth.—*MNA/Xinhua*



*A foreclosure sign is seen in front of a house on 16th Street NW in Washington on 22 August, 2010.*

INTERNET

Critics pointed out that banks are processing huge numbers of foreclosures, but doing so with an eye on their own budgets.

Economist Thomas Lawler of Lawler Economic & Housing Consulting, said, "The foreclosure crisis is now

almost three years old, and not having staffed up sufficiently to deal with the problems with inadequate staffing borders on criminal."

"I mean, jeppers, look at the unemployment rate. How hard would it be to hire more folks?" he said.

*Internet*

## Chin National Party presents it's policy, stance and work programmes

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct—Chairman U Zam Ciin Paul (a) U Zo Zam of the Chin National Party presented the party's policy, stance and work programmes on radio and TV on 3 October.

The translation of his presentation is as follows:-



I am U Zam Ciin Paul (a) U Zo Zam. I am the Chairman of Chin National Party. I would like to present policy, stance and work programmes of the Chin National Party.

### (1) Political policy

- (a) to protect rights and interest of Chin nationals
- (b) to ensure flourishing of democracy in the Union of Myanmar
- (c) to give top priority to fulfilling requirements of the regions that had lagged behind in development, not just to enjoying equal opportunity
- (d) to enable qualified Chin national (youths) to actively take part in the leading role of executive, legislative and judicial affairs of the Union of Myanmar

### (2) Economic policy

- (a) to construct water, electricity, road and bridge infrastructures for development of towns and villages with the help of technicians
- (b) to further develop border trade (especially, trade with India, Bangladesh, China and Thailand)
- (c) to realize free market for fair competitiveness of all people in the market and to prevent against monopolization of avaricious merchants
- (d) to encourage the private sector for enhancement of national economy and

boosting productivity in full swing

### General policies

- (1) to solve the unemployment problem for the youths and to establish cottage industries
- (2) to systematically apply technology with the assistance of technicians in agriculture, livestock breeding and other sectors
- (3) to establish resort centres based on ecotourism to be able to earn increased income for the state
- (4) to continue construction of the motor roads that were uncompleted in successive periods in the state for creation of new communication roads and the state government to construct inter-township motor roads to be used all the year round
- (5) to take preventive measures against deforestation and to undertake large and small hydropower, wind power generating works
- (6) Chin State government to set up the funds for further development of livestock breeding sector and to conduct research work
- (7) to establish private plantations in the forestry sector and the state government to produce valuable orchid species through tissue culture by conducting research
- (8) to set up a large number of community-based development works
- (9) to systematically produce traditional medicines by doing research on herbal and flowery plants grown in Chin hills
- (10) to build private hospitals and clinics for public health care services
- (11) to open orphanages and homes for the aged
- (12) to reassess pensions in line with current prices
- (13) to teach civics at basic primary schools
- (14) to systematically take measures of ecological awareness
- (15) to preserve the Chin National Day and uplift Chin traditional culture

Chin nationals have fine traditions in striving for emergence of the Union of Myanmar. We the Chin nationals sacrificed blood and sweat in safeguarding the Independence of the country. To honour the blood shed for the sake of the Union and Chin nationals, our party chose blood colour as the colour of the Chin National Party. We honour it as Chin blood for the Chin nationals who sacrificed lives for the sake of the nation and the nationals.



To really develop Chin nationals, you all are to choose the candidates who have strong nationalistic spirit. If you choose candidates empty rhetoric, you will make a great mistake. As all persons are writing their histories, you all have to carefully study the background histories of candidates.

Our Chin National Party does not follow the practice of doing good for once only. We construct the way of democracy for new generations. Our Chin nationals know how to construct the roads. Any road cannot be constructed through the strength of only one person. We would like to invite all healthy and fit Chin nationals to join hands with us in construction of the road.

Our Chin nationals value loyalty and we keep our promise without fail. We do not accept unfair and unjust activities and we are like Indian pied hornbill who never tolerate unjust acts. Thus, we have chosen Indian pied hornbill as the logo of our party.

Our Chin National Party gives top priority to the national interest instead of the party's. We set a target of prosperity for the Chin nationals. Chin nationals are leaders of our party as we establish the party to serve the interest of the Chin nationals. We pledge not to commit anything that the Chin nationals do not agree.

## APEC ministers stress SMEs as engine of growth, draw long-term direction through 2020

GIFU (JAPAN), 3 Oct—Ministers and senior officials in charge of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) from Pacific Rim economies on Sunday stressed that SMEs are a significant growth engine within the region while drawing long-term development direction through 2020.

In a joint ministerial statement adopted Sunday after a two-day meeting in the central Japanese city of Gifu, the ministers and officials recognized that SMEs are a significant source of prosperity and employment, and a major contributor to innovation. The statement also noted that the Asia-Pacific region as a whole remained resilient during the global recession, and is expected to experience major growth going forward.

"We strongly believe that SMEs' continued growth and development is a key to realizing the APEC Growth Strategy," the participants of the meeting said in the statement. In the meeting, 20 of the 21-member APEC forum were divided into three groups, based on their GDP growth around the time of the recession, to discuss the impact of the financial crisis on SMEs.

China, as a representative of the economies less affected by the crisis, shared the experience on how government supports the SMEs through various ways such as creating various financing channels and providing information on market, employment etc.—Xinhua

## Chang'e-2 finishes first orbit correction

BEIJING, 3 Oct—Beijing Aerospace Command and Control Center has completed adjusting the orbit of China's latest lunar probe, the *Chang'e-2*. More adjustment is also expected on the probe's way to the moon.

The satellite was launched just before 7 pm Friday, inaugurating the second phase of a three-step moon mission, which will culminate in a soft landing on the moon. It's the first time a Chinese lunar probe has directly entered an earth-moon

transfer orbit without orbiting the earth first. The earth-moon transfer orbit is a complex curve. *Chang'e 2* may slightly change its orbit due to the influence of the atmosphere and cosmic environment. If the adjustment is not on time, the satellite could depart from its orbit and may not be able to land on the moon. So, adjustment of its orbit is vital.

Xie Jianfeng, Beijing Aerospace Control Centre, said, "From the statistics, we can see that the rocket has sent the

satellite into the planned orbit successfully. Everything is going well. We give the mission one hundred per cent marks. It will take 5 days to fly to the moon, so if we don't adjust its orbit on time, the slight aberration will be extended. "According to the monitoring plan, there are 3 adjustments during *Chang'e 2*'s journey to the moon. But their exact times depend on the satellite's practical flying conditions.

Xinhua

# Wunthanu NLD (Union of Myanmar) presents its policy, stance and work programmes

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct— *General Secretary of the Wunthanu NLD (Union of Myanmar) Daw Nan Shwe Kyar presented the party's policy, stance and work programmes on radio and TV on 3 October.*

*The translation of her presentation is as follows:—*



## Esteemed voters,

Wunthanu NLD is a political party with the basic aims of building a genuine democratic nation through peace, unity and national reconsolidation, based on present Myanmar historical changes.

In other words, Wunthanu NLD is formed with the aim of continuing to fulfill the people's desires such as human rights, democracy cause and national reconsolidation.

We will stand for the 2010 elections with the aim of having rights for the successful realization of the above-mentioned aims and for practically serving the public interest.

We will obey public decision. Because we believe that the right to serve the interests of the State and the people must be in the hands of public voters.

Therefore, for the public voters to make a right decision and choice, I will present the meaning of our seal and flag.

- \* In the party's flag, red colour in the background represents bravery and decisiveness.
- \* A big white star in the top right part represents the own light the party has.
- \* Mixing the green dancing peacock in the white circle in the centre of the flag with yellow and red colours represents worldly values such as cleanliness, bravery, freedom, unity and justice. The green dancing peacock is the symbol of peace.
- \* The 14 tail tips of the dancing peacock represent the strength and unity of the Union formed with 14 Regions and States.
- \* The logo of the party, in other words, the palace archway, the logo of the 2010 elections, represents the national political goal.

## The party's basic policy

Our policy is to focus on balanced development of economic and social sectors of the entire national people, based on national reconsolidation, unity and amity and emergence of multi-party democracy.

Our ultimate aims are to ensure peace and stability of the State, to build a modern, developed nation and to make a transition into constitutional government's administration.

## Policy on national interests

We focus on equitable development of economic and social conditions of the people according to the democratic rights. Our political and economic policies are as follows:

- Shaping a free, just and prestigious multi-party democracy
- Shaping an economy based on social market economy
- With independent and improved businesses such as productivity, trade, services and banks, businessmen will have the equal rights prescribed by the laws.
- Emphasis will be placed on development of small- and medium-scale businesses.

- Encouragement will be given to emergence of entrepreneurs for further development of the State economy.

## Foreign policy

Non-aligned neutral policy will be adopted and in the international relation arena, including neighbouring and regional countries, five Bundung principles of peaceful coexistence will be adopted.

Our Wunthanu NLD party will represent four classes namely workers, farmers, middle-class intellectuals and intelligentsia and progressive national capitalists.

With a view to developing the Myanmar human society, we will focus on turning out good leaders and workers for the future State by mobilizing and nurturing the youth of new generation.

## Workers' affairs

- We will take responsibility for workers to enjoy the rights they deserve.
- We will focus on fixing the minimum wages and salary that can guarantee social and life security and creating a sound working environment for workers.
- We will try to eliminate bribery and corruption and privileged bureaucracy.
- We will serve the best interest of working class and arrange for formation of working class organizations.

## Farmers' affairs

Every one engaging in farming must have the rights to own farmlands and inherit and transfer their property in accord with the law.

We will take responsibility to ensure that farmlands are not confiscated illegally for whatever reason.

Farmers will have the rights to work freely on their own farms and store and trade their crops freely.

There will be the rights to form agricultural workers' organizations freely so as to protect the interest of the agricultural workers.

## Youth affairs

We will train the youth of new generation to become good leaders, intellectuals and intelligentsia and good workers.

We will nurture the youth to have patriotic spirit and wide view of international issues

There will be the rights to form youth associations and organizations capable of addressing the youth issues.

## Women's affairs

Our party will enable women to enjoy equal rights prescribed in the constitution with men. We will encourage to turn out outstanding women leaders. We will try to shape a women force to be equipped with the strong sense of patriotism and conserving fine traditions of national culture in accord with national outlook. Especially, we will strive for the women not to fall prey to human trafficking by making more efforts on industrial production of national economy, thereby contributing towards better life of women.

We will give top priority to setting up of women association for ensuring life security of the women.

## Urban middle class, intellectuals and intelligentsia affairs

We will try to turn out intellectuals and intelligentsia with entrepreneurial skills, to guarantee intellectual property right on innovations of intellectuals and intelligentsia, to create a working environment that intellectuals and intelligentsia deserve and to encourage setting up organizations that will serve the interest of intellectuals and intelligentsia and middle class.

## Tatmadaw

Tatmadaw must be a sole patriotic force with fine

traditions that is mainly responsible for perpetuation of sovereignty, national defence and security.

## Service personnel affairs

We will try for service personnel to enjoy rights and privileges prescribed in the civil service law.

We will guarantee wage/salary and pension of service personnel to be in harmony with present expenses on their living.

## Public affairs

We will guarantee rights of citizens prescribed in the constitution and other existing laws.

We will keep commodity prices stable for ensuring public welfare and social security and we will make plans to take better care of the aged, disabled and helpless persons.

The Wunthanu NLD will emphasize on the motto: "No Man Above the Law" in combating corruption and immorality.

## Education

We will adopt free, compulsory basic education system and we will arrange for the people to study abroad from basic education to higher education level in order to have access to education of international standard in Knowledge Age.

Especially, we will give top priority to promotion of education of teachers and their abilities, thereby improving the education standard of the students.

## Health

We will focus on public health. We will enable the people to have access to free medical treatment across the nation including rural areas. Hospitals and clinics will be provided with adequate supply of medicine and medical equipment.

## Sports

In accord with the motto: "Start public health campaign at school", we will educate the people to know well about sports and physical education.

## Rural development

We will strive for better transport. We will encourage rural people to run farming in a managerial scale together with their agricultural tasks in order to improve their education, health and socio-economic standards.

## Political outlook and stance of the Wunthanu NLD party

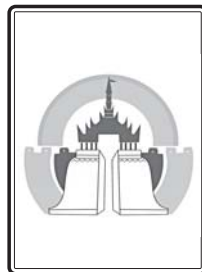
We will strive for emergence of an accredited political system in Myanmar.

We will try to win public support by showing the transparency of our party's aim, objective, policy and stance to the voters.

Aiming not to tarnish the image of democratization process in its young age, we will try to win benevolent public support through ways and means based on honesty.

We will stay away from the bullying tactics including wicked scheme and personal attacks as these acts will tarnish the image of pure politics and democratization process. With the aim of serving public interest in accord with the motto: "No Man Above the Law", the Wunthanu NLD will accept the decision of voters in upcoming 2010 elections.

I, Nan Shwe Kyar, wishes all voters physical and mental well-being.





## Mutual friendship and cooperation between...

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We are also very grateful to Your Excellency for your goodwill visit to Laos. The visit will promote the existing relationship between the leaders and the peoples of both countries as well as mutual understanding.

Senior General Than Shwe in his discussion said: We came here on a goodwill visit with the belief that it would further strengthen the mutual friendship and cooperation between the two nations. We honour Lao People's Democratic Republic for its successfully holding the XXV SEA Games as a host country in 2009. Myanmar has proposed to host the SEA Games and is making preparations. I have been here for three times, and I am very glad to learn that Laos has developed more year by year. Particularly, it is an honour for us to visit here at the 450th founding anniversary of the capital of Vientiane.



*Senior General Than Shwe and Laotian President Mr Choummaly Sayasone attend signing ceremony between the two countries.—MNA*

It is heartening to see that in the bilateral relationship, the two countries are fully cooperating with each other by rendering mutual assistance as that relationship has been based on mutual amity and friendship, good neighbourliness and mutual understanding since the establishment of the diplomatic ties between the two nations. Moreover, for promotion of bilateral relationship, arrangements are being made by establishing joint com-

mission and holding talks on policies between the foreign affairs ministries of the two countries. It is necessary to form Myanmar-Laos regional border committee in order to address border issues on a timely basis.

Next, the Laotian President said: We hope that the visit of the Laotian Prime Minister to Myanmar last June will promote the existing bilateral friendship and good neighbourly relationship. We also believe that Myanmar will be able

to hold the elections successfully on 7 November 2010 for building up a modern and developed democratic nation in accord with the seven-step Road Map. We will fully support the elections for their success. The leaders of the two countries exchanged views on domestic issues of the two countries, regional issues, international relations, cooperation in the regional and international arenas, prospects for increasing bilateral economic cooperation,

Myanmar-Laos-Vietnam road construction project, cooperation in construction of Mekong friendship bridge, issues for peace and stability of border regions and control and prevention of narcotic drugs.

After the discussions, Senior General Than Shwe and President Mr Choummaly Sayasone attended a ceremony to sign bilateral agreements.

Myanmar Ambassador to LPDR U Nyunt Hlaing and Deputy

Minister of Foreign Affairs of LPDR Mr Hiem Phommachanh signed a memorandum of understanding between the Government of the Lao PDR and the Government of the Union of Myanmar on the Lao-Myanmar Provincial Regional Border Committee and exchanged the documents.

Later, Senior General Than Shwe and entourage and the Laotian President and party had a documentary photo taken in front of Ho Kham.

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*Senior General Than Shwe and party pose for a documentary photo together with Laotian President Mr Choummaly Sayasone and party.—MNA*



## Senior General Than Shwe, wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing accorded welcome from Laotian President



Senior General Than Shwe and Laotian President Mr Choummaly Sayasone take salute of Guard of Honour.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct —President of Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr Choummaly Sayasone held a welcoming ceremony for Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing at Ho Kham of Vientiane at 2 pm on 1 October.

On arrival at Ho Kham, Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing were welcomed by President of Lao PDR Mr Choummaly Sayasone and wife. Next, two Laotian young ladies presented bouquets to the Senior General and wife.

Senior General Than Shwe and Laotian President Mr Choummaly Sayasone

took the salute of the Guard of Honour from the dais. Meanwhile, the State band played the national anthems of the two countries.

Then, Senior General Than Shwe and Laotian President Mr Choummaly Sayasone inspected the Guard of Honour.

The Laotian President presented Vice-President Mr Bounnhang Vorachith, Deputy Prime Ministers Mr Asang Laoly and Mr Somsavat Lengsavad, members of Laos National Assembly and high-ranking officials to Senior General Than Shwe.

Senior General Than Shwe presented the Myanmar delegation members to the Laotian President.

Together with the

**Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing being welcomed by Laotian President Mr. Choummaly Sayasone and wife at Ho Kham of Vientiane.**

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Senior General and wife at the welcoming ceremony were Member of the State Peace and Development Council Thura U Shwe Mann and

wife Daw Khin Lay Thet, Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw

Khin Saw Hnin, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence, Commander of Triangle Region Command Brig-Gen Than Tun Oo,

ministers, deputy ministers, high-ranking officials, the Myanmar Ambassador to LPDR and the military attaché.

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Senior General Than Shwe and Laotian President Mr. Choummaly Sayasone inspect Guard of Honour.—MNA

## Senior General Than Shwe receives Prime Minister of Lao PDR Mr Bouasone Bouphavanh

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct.—Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe received Prime Minister of the Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr Bouasone Bouphavanh at Don Chan Palace Hotel in Vientiane at 4.10 pm on 1 October.

Also present at the call were Member of the State Peace and Development Council Thura U Shwe Mann, Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence, Commander of Triangle Region Command Brig-Gen Than Tun Oo, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs U Maung Myint, Myanmar Ambassador to the Lao PDR U Nyunt Hlaing and the Director-General of the State Peace and Development Council Office.

The Laotian Prime Minister was accompanied by Minister at the Prime Minister's Office Mr Cheuang Sombounkhan, Minister at the President's



*Senior General Than Shwe receives Prime Minister of the Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr Bouasone Bouphavanh at Don Chan Palace Hotel in Vientiane City.—MNA*

Office Mr Phong Savath Bopha, Laotian Ambassador Mr Kouily A Souphakhet and Director-General Mr Phouangkeo Langsy of the Asia-Pacific and African Department.

Speaking on the occasion, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe said that he thanked for warm welcome extended to the Myanmar goodwill visit

and himself. The goodwill visit will help further strengthen the bilateral relations between the two countries.

The Senior General added that he had a discussion on ways and means for development of the two countries while meeting with the President of the Lao PDR. It is important to cooperate in economic and social sectors between the two countries. He thanked

the Lao PDR for its reciprocal support in the regional and international community, he added.

In his address, Prime Minister of the Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr Bouasone Bouphavanh expressed thanks for granting a call on the Senior General. He said he firmly believes that the goodwill visit to Lao PDR will strengthen friendly ties and coopera-

tion between the two countries.

He said that the Lao Government, the Lao people and himself are pleased with the programme of Myanmar to hold the multiparty general election on 7 November 2010. The Lao Government will support the undertakings of the Myanmar for the above-mentioned matter. He thanked Myanmar for its all-round assistance for Lao

PDR.

Next, Senior General Than Shwe and Laotian Prime Minister cordially exchanged views on cooperation in economic and social sectors between the two countries, construction of the Myanmar-Laos-Vietnam motor road, jointly building of the Myanmar-Laos Mekong River Friendship Bridge and anti-narcotic drives between the two countries.—MNA

### Senior General Than Shwe...

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Secretary-1 of the State Peace and Development Council Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence

and wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla, Commander of Triangle Region Command Brig-Gen Than Tun Oo, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Minister for

Hotels and Tourism U Soe Naing, Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint, Minister for Transport U Thein Swe, Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint and departmental heads—also arrived back on the same flight.—MNA



### CSSTB Chairman pays study visit to India

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct.—A Myanmar delegation led by Chairman of Civil Service Selection and Training Board U Kyaw Thu arrived back in Myanmar this evening after paying a study visit to Training Institutions for Senior Civil Service Officials and Foreign Service Institute of India at the invitation of the Indian Government.

Accompanied by Myanmar Ambassador U Kyi Thein, CSSTB

Chairman U Kyaw Thu met Director Dr Rakesh Hooja and Professor Vinod Kumar Sharma at Indian Institute of Public Administration (IIPA) in New Delhi on 27 September. They discussed matters of further enhancing bilateral relations and cooperation between CSSTB and IIPA.

On 28 September, he met Secretary Mr Shantarnu Consul of the Department of Personal and Training and Professor DP Agrawal of Chair-

man of the Union Public Service Commission separately and had discussions on further enhancement of relationship and cooperation between CSSTB and UPSC.

He then visited Foreign Service Institute-FSI under the supervision of Ministry of External Affairs.

On 29 and 30 September, he visited La Bahadur Shastri National Academy of Administration in Mussoorie.

Members of the delegation Director U Kyaw Soe of CSSTB and Deputy Director Daw Aye Aye Thwin also arrived back in Myanmar on the same flight.

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*CSSTB Chairman U Kyaw Thu greets Secretary Mr Shantarnu Consul of Department of Personal and Training of Indian Ministry of Home Affairs.—MNA*



## Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing arrive in Vientiane of Lao PDR

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct — At the invitation of President of the Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr. Choummaly Sayasone, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing, accompanied by delegation members, left here for Lao PDR by special flight of Myanmar Airways International to pay a State visit at 10 am on 1 October.

SPDC Member Thura U Shwe Mann and wife Daw Khin Lay Thet, SPDC Secretary-1 Thiha Thura U Tin Aung Myint Oo and wife Daw Khin Saw Hnin, Lt-Gen Min Aung Hlaing of the Ministry of Defence and wife Daw Kyu Kyu Hla, Commander of Triangle Region Command Brig-Gen Than Tun Oo, Minister for National Planning and Economic Development U Soe Tha, Minister for Hotels and Tourism U Soe Naing, Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint, Minister for Transport U Thein Swe, Minister for Health Dr Kyaw Myint, deputy ministers and departmental officials also boarded the same flight as delegation members. The special flight arrived at Wattay International Airport in Vientiane of Lao PDR at 11.55 am local time.

Myanmar Ambassador to Lao PDR U Nyunt Hlaing and Director-General Mr Chanthavy Bodhisane of Protocol Department of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Lao PDR welcomed Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing on board the plane.

Minister at President's Office Mr. Phongsavath Bouppha, Deputy Head at the office Mr. Cherying Vang, Deputy Mayor Mr. Bounchanh Sinthavong, Laotian



*Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing being welcomed at Wattay International Airport in Vientiane, Lao PDR.—MNA*

Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Kouily A Souphakhat and wife and Director-General of Asia-Pacific and Africa Department Mr. Phouangkeo Langsy welcomed the delegation.

After two Myanmar children had presented bouquets to Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing, Myanmar Ambassador U Nyunt Hlaing

and wife Daw Nan Aye San, Military Attaché Col Win Hlaing and wife Daw Mya Mya Win and staff at Myanmar Embassy and Military Attaché Office welcomed them.

The delegation led by Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing proceeded to Don Chan Palace Hotel in Vientiane.—MNA

## Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing attend dinner hasted by Laotian President and wife



*Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing attending dinner hosted by President of the Lao PDR Mr. Choummaly Sayasone and wife Madame Keosaychay Sayasone at Conference Hall km (6) in Vientiane of Lao PDR.—MNA*

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct — President of the Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr. Choummaly Sayasone and wife Madame Keosaychay Sayasone hosted a dinner in honour of Myanmar delegation led by Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing at Conference Hall Kan (6) in Vientiane at 7 pm on 1 October.

The dinner was attended by members of

Myanmar delegation, Myanmar Ambassador to Lao PDR U Nyunt Hlaing and high ranking officials along with Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing; and Laotian Prime Minister Bouasone Boupphanh, the deputy prime minister, Minister of National Defence Lt-Gen Douangchay Phichit and high level officials along with the Laotian President and first lady.

The Senior General and Laotian President pro-

posed a toast to each other.

Laotian cultural troupe performed songs, Myanmar-Lao dances and traditional dances before and during the dinner.

After the performance of the cultural troupes, Myanmar delegation members and the Laotian President and party had documentary photos taken together with the troupe members.

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## Arrest made in quadruple slaying

BOSTON, 3 Oct — A man suspected in a quadruple killing in Boston was arrested in New Hampshire, police said on Saturday. Kimani Washington, 35, of Boston was taken into custody Friday when about two dozen police officers stormed a Manchester, NH, apartment where he had been hiding. *The Boston Globe* reported.

Boston police said they would bring Washington back to Massachusetts to face two counts of

unlawful possession of a firearm, possession of ammunition and marijuana, and one count of receiving a stolen motor vehicle.

Washington was not charged with the Tuesday shootings on a Boston street that left four people dead and a fifth wounded, the *Globe* said.

"We've reached a critical stage in this investigation," Suffolk District Attorney Daniel F Conley said.

Internet



Photo taken on 2 Oct, 2010 shows *Vase de Fleurs* by Pierre-Auguste Renoir with an estimate of 3.2-3.8 million HK dollars during the media preview in Hong Kong, south China. The Seoul Auction will hold its Modern & Contemporary Art sale at Grand Hyatt Hong Kong on 4 Oct, 2010. A total of 60 works with a total estimate of 100 million HK dollars (12.8 million US dollars), will be offered.—XINHUA

## Daylight saving time shift increases accidents, health risks

SYDNEY, 3 Oct — Daylight saving time switch can trigger an increase in workplace accidents and heart attacks, Australian experts warned on Friday. Four Australian states and one territory including South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria, New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory, will begin their daylight saving time for 2010-11 summer on Sunday, 3 Oct, 2010. The clocks will be moved forward an hour at 2 am on Sunday in those states and territory.

Expert Greg Murray from Melbourne's Swinburne University of Technology said the change can introduce some short-term risks and challenges. "On top of the chronic sleep deprivation that many people suffer, this additional loss of sleep appears to cause decreased alertness, concentration and mental performance," Murray said. He said it could take days and weeks for a person's sleep-wake rhythm to adjust fully to daylight saving.—Xinhua



Models present creations during a fashion show in south Pakistan's Karachi, on 2 Oct, 2010.—XINHUA

## Toxic chemicals multiply after Gulf leak

CORVALLES, 3 Oct — The BP oil disaster sent carcinogenic chemical levels soaring in the Gulf of Mexico, researchers said.

Kim Anderson, an environmental toxicology professor at Oregon State University, told the *Los Angeles Times* she found a 40-fold increase in polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons off the Louisiana coast from May to June.

"It's an incredibly huge jump in concentration in a natural environment," she said.

Anderson's team started testing weeks after the April 20 well blowout, taking water samples at four locations near the shore. Results from early August, after the well was capped and stopped leaking, continued to show elevated levels.

Internet

## Three grenades explode near US Consulate

MONTERREY, 3 Oct — Three grenades were set off near the US Consulate in Monterrey, Mexico, one of them only 44 yards away, a staffer said. Justin Davis, a duty officer at the consulate in Mexico's third-largest metropolitan area, told CNN the first explosion was heard about 8 pm Friday. There were two more blasts within an hour.

Davis said the explosions did some damage to nearby cars, but there were no reports of any US citizens being injured or suffering property loss. The consulate is in a neighborhood filled with government buildings, the *El Norte* newspaper said. One grenade went off near the courthouse, injuring a night

watchman who was hit by shrapnel, while another was set off near a prison.

Davis said none of the grenades appeared to be aimed at the consulate, which remains open. He said US officials are cooperating with Mexican investigators. "We're on guard," he said. "We're prepared and we're ready to address any issues that we need to." Monterrey is about 100 miles from the Texas border.—Internet

## Three rescued from foundering tug

GLENCOE, 3 Oct — A tugboat and two barges ran aground in shoals in Lake Michigan on Saturday, necessitating the rescue of three people aboard, the US Coast Guard said.

The tugboat Kristin J got hung up near Glencoe, Ill., about 12:30 am but didn't send out a distress call until about 9 am when it began taking on water, the Coast Guard said in a release on its Web site. A Coast Guard helicopter crew removed the three people from the stranded vessel about 11:30 am. No injuries were reported.—Internet



Two women carry their babies to a carnival for pregnant women in Moscow on 1 Oct, 2010. Moscow held a three-day carnival for pregnant women, during which pregnant participants could have their belly painted.—XINHUA

## Firefighters' station hit by blaze

ISLE OF MULL, 3 Oct — Firefighters have had to tackle a blaze in the roof of their own station. The fire was discovered at 6.30pm on Friday by one of the crew commanders based TM at the station.

It was extinguished by 9.30pm by retained firefighters based at the Tobermory Community Fire Station on the Isle of Mull. Strathclyde Fire and Rescue Service said part of the lecture room, used for training, had been damaged by the blaze.

A small part of the roof was also broken through by firefighters cutting out smouldering timber. Paul Connelly, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue's area commander for Argyll and Bute, said:

"I'd like to congratulate the Tobermory firefighters for the speedy and efficient way in which they dealt with the fire. I'd like to repeat an earlier reminder from Strathclyde Fire and Rescue that this is a warning to all of us that fire can start anywhere.

"We are only too happy to provide free fire safety advice to prevent the kind of incident that we ourselves experienced at Tobermory." After the fire was found, arrangements were "quickly made" to

move the fire appliance from the neighbouring Craignure Volunteer fire station, to Tobermory to provide fire cover for the town, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue Service said.

Internet

Firefighters based at the Tobermory Community Fire Station on the Isle of Mull had to tackle a blaze at their own station.

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## International philatelic exhibition held in Lisbon

LISBON, 3 Oct — An international philatelic exhibition opened on Friday at the FIL Exhibition Centre in Lisbon as part of a series of events to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the founding of the republic.

Silva, president of the Portuguese Republic, attended the opening ceremony and visited the exhibition with keen interest. More than one million stamps will be on display. They are from philatelic associations, postal operators and traders from 77 countries, some of which so valuable that the security will be strengthened during the days of the exposition.

During the exhibition, there are many activities to be held to public, such as producing stamps with your own picture and taking home, or using them to send correspondence.—Xinhua



## World's oldest known twins turn 100 in Belgium



**Marie Hendrix (R) and Gabrielle Vaudremer, 100-year-old Belgian twins, drink champagne as they celebrate their birthday at the Senior Assist elderly home in Spa. Marie and Gabrielle were born in 1910 and are the world's oldest pair of twin sisters, according to the Guinness World Records.**

Belgian sisters Gabrielle Vaudremer and Marie Hendrix turned 100 years old on Saturday, celebrating with champagne, cake and a song from their family to claim the title of the world's oldest known twins.

The pair received a shawl from the municipality and flowers from the Chateau Sous-Bois retirement home where they live as they marked their birthday with around 200 people, including 28 relatives, a retirement home manager said.

"They drank champagne and they ate cream cake," regional manager Damien Berteau told *AFP* by telephone from the retirement home in Spa,

eastern Belgium. "They were very happy."

The family made a speech recounting the life of Gabrielle Vaudremer as a hat seller who was passionate about her craft and the "strict but fair" teacher Marie Hendrix, who uses her married name, Berteau said.

Relatives then broke into a folk song from the city of Liege, their hometown.

The Guinness World Records lists 98-year-old French sisters as the oldest twins in the world.

Records are only recognised by Guinness upon request, but the Belgian twins have not applied with the organisation to officially enter their record and they do not seem interested in doing so, Berteau said.

"They are humble people. They are not seeking excessive media exposure," he said.



**This photo released by the Suffolk County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals shows a three foot-long alligator that was seized from a Wading River Liquor store.**

## Pet alligator seized from liquor store in NY

A pet alligator has been seized from a liquor store on New York's Long Island.

The Suffolk County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals says the 3-foot-long, illegally kept alligator was removed Wednesday from Alpine Wines and Liquors in Wading River.

Authorities say two employees of the store were issued tickets for possession of an illegal animal. The American alligator will be sent to a sanctuary out of state.

The store's proprietor told *Newsday* that an employee had asked her to take care of it while he was apartment hunting and that she believed the animal was a monitor lizard, not an alligator.

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## Man beats odds to win lottery twice

For a Missouri man, luck comes in pairs.

Against odds of 1 in 1.36 million Ernest Pullen clinched his first million-dollar win in June when he scratched off the "100 Million Dollar Blockbuster" prize on a lottery ticket. The 57-year-old Bonne Terre, Mo man did it again this month, against even bigger odds, and doubled that prize by winning \$2 million on a "Mega MONOPOLY" scratchers ticket he purchased on 17 September, according to officials with the Missouri Lottery.

"That was his second time winning," said Misty Eye, store manager of the Miller's Quick Shop that sold Pullen the prize-winner. "He acted like it was no big deal." Pullen could not be reached for comment, but lottery officials said he told them he had had a dream that he won the lottery and considers himself "a lucky guy."

## 'Titanic' to return to the big screen, in 3D



**Director James Cameron attends the Real Life Pandoras On Earth Press Conference at The Paley Centre for Media on April 2010 in New York City.**

INTERNET

LOS ANGELES, 3 Oct—James Cameron's blockbuster "Titanic," the second-biggest earner in film history, will be released in 3D in 2012, a year that will also see a 3D re-release of "Star Wars," The Hollywood Reporter said

Friday.

The Hollywood Reporter said film studios Paramount Pictures, 20th Century Fox and Lightstorm Entertainment were planning on re-releasing "Titanic" in April 2012, 100 years after the mammoth passenger steamship plunged into the icy waters of the Atlantic Ocean.

That could put it out in theaters around the same time George Lucas's "Star Wars: Episode I — The Phantom Menace" is due out in 3D, the first in a planned series to do so.

The company in charge of converting Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet's tragic love story into 3D has not yet been chosen, but the cost is estimated at 10 to 15 million dollars, according to The Hollywood Reporter.

Internet

## TV viewing may be hazardous to health

PROVIDENCE, 3 Oct—Watching too many medical dramas and too much medical news on television may reduce one's satisfaction in life, US researchers say.

Yinjiao Ye, assistant professor of communications studies at the University of Rhode Island, say millions watch medical shows such as "Grey's Anatomy," "House" and "ER," and evidence shows this type of medical programming disseminates health knowledge and changes health attitudes. The researchers surveyed 274 students in the College of Communications at the University of Alabama about their TV viewing and life satisfaction, but they were not told the purpose of the survey.—*Internet*

## India's biggest budget movie hits screens

CHENNAI, 3 Oct—Three years after his last blockbuster, bus conductor turned Indian film megastar Rajinikanth returned to the silver screen Friday with a movie expected to break all box-office records.

The 60-year-old's latest film, the Tamil-language "Endhiran", has a budget of 1.65 billion rupees (35



**Fans tie a sweet lemon garland onto a cut out of Tamil film actor Rajinikanth on the release of his latest film "Endhiran" (Robot) in Chennai on 1 October.**

INTERNET

## Eminem seen as top contender in Grammy race

NEW YORK, 3 Oct—The nominees for the 53rd annual Grammy Awards won't officially be revealed until 1 December. But with the eligibility period having closed on September 30, the contenders are now clear, with early favourites and intriguing storylines already emerging.

According to Billboard's survey of record executives and industry observers, the 2011 Grammys will likely field its strongest and most competitive collection of record and song of the year nominees in recent memory.

While this may lead to a Grammy night filled with memorable, over-the-top performances, it's bittersweet news for the industry, as it mirrors the shift in the marketplace away from albums and toward the less profitable commodity of singles.

Many experts project Eminem as this year's potential across-the-board winner, as his album sales remained strong in 2010.

Internet

million dollars) according to the movie's official website, making it the most expensive Indian film ever made.

The science fiction fantasy thriller, which will be screened in nearly 2,000 theatres worldwide, had its first screening in India as early as 5 am, with some fans queuing through the night for tickets.

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## Manchester City 2-1 Newcastle United



**Carlos Tevez scores the first goal from the penalty spot.**  
INTERNET

MANCHESTER, 3 Oct — Manchester City saw off Newcastle United at the City of Manchester Stadium.

Adam Johnson was City's instant hero as he scored the winner.

Johnson had only been on the field for three minutes when he nipped

into the Magpies' box and belted a precise shot into the far corner.

It settled a thrilling encounter, which began with a suspected broken leg for Hatem Ben Arfa before the outstanding Jonas Gutierrez levelled.

INTERNET

## Lyon edge out of danger, St Etienne hold Marseille

PARIS, 3 Oct — Fallen French giants Lyon put last week's Rhone Derby de-



**Nancy's forward Youssouf Hadji (R) fights for the ball with Lyon's midfielder Maxime Gonalons (L) during their French L1 football match in Tomblaine.**—INTERNET

feat behind them and edged out of the relegation zone after prevailing in a five-goal thriller against Nancy on Saturday. Lyon are flying high in Europe after a midweek defeat of Hapoel Tel Aviv in Israel left them top of their Champions League group and on target to make the knockout stages.

But it has been a markedly different story on the home front, with Claude Puel's side in the uncusomary position of having only two teams below them hitting the road to Nancy.—INTERNET

## Chelsea 2-0 Arsenal

LONDON, 3 Oct — Chelsea moved four points clear at the top of the Barclays Premier League after this win over Arsenal.

A goal in each half from Didier Drogba and Alex earned them a vital victory over their rivals at Stamford Bridge.

Drogba backheeled Ashley Cole's low cross

into the net at the near post five minutes before the break for his 13th goal against Arsene Wenger's side in 11 starts.

Defender Alex then settled the contest with a powerful 30-yard free-kick in the 85th minute to hand the Gunners their second successive league defeat.

INTERNET



**Didier Drogba scores the first goal for Chelsea.**  
INTERNET

## 'Productive' Van der Vaart delights Spurs' manager

LONDON, 3 Oct — Harry Redknapp believes there is more to come from Rafael van der Vaart after the Dutchman scored both of Tottenham Hotspur's goals in their 2-1 home



**Tottenham Hotspur's midfielder Rafael Van der Vaart.**  
INTERNET

victory over Aston Villa. Van der Vaart has now scored four goals in his last four games and is already looking a bargain after his eight million pounds (13 million dollars) move from Spanish giants Real Madrid on transfer deadline day.

Against Villa, van der Vaart brought Spurs back into the game on the stroke of half time at White Hart Lane here on Saturday. He then secured the points 16 minutes from time after being brought in from the right wing to operate in a more central role in the second half.

INTERNET

## Liverpool 1-2 Blackpool



**Charlie Adam put Blackpool in front from the penalty spot.**  
INTERNET

LONDON, 3 Oct — Skipper Charlie Adam inspired Blackpool to a

brilliant win against Liverpool at Anfield.

Adam's penalty and Luke Varney's perfectly-timed run and finish did the damage in the first half.

And although Sotirios Kyrgiakos' header pulled one back, Liverpool will spend the next fortnight rooted in the bottom three because of the forthcoming international break.

INTERNET

## Unbeaten Valencia surge four clear with Bilbao win

MADRID, 3 Oct — Valencia bounced back from their Champions League loss to Manchester United with a 2-1 home victory over Athletic Bilbao on Saturday to move four points clear at the Spanish first division summit. A third goal of the season from striker Aritz Aduriz on 10 minutes and a late strike from substitute Vicente made it 16 points from 18 for unbeaten Va-

lencia who lead Villarreal and champions Barcelona.

It is too early to know if Valencia, league champions in 2002 and 2004 under Rafael Benitez, are genuine title contenders to Real and Barca who finished 28 points ahead of third-placed Valencia last season.

Barcelona host Real Mallorca on Sunday while Real Madrid, who have yet to be defeated, entertain strugglers Deportivo La Coruna on the same day looking to close a five-point gap on Valencia. Valencia fell victim to a late goal in Wednesday's 1-0 Champions League home defeat to Manchester United but responded with a narrow win over Bilbao to continue their fine start.

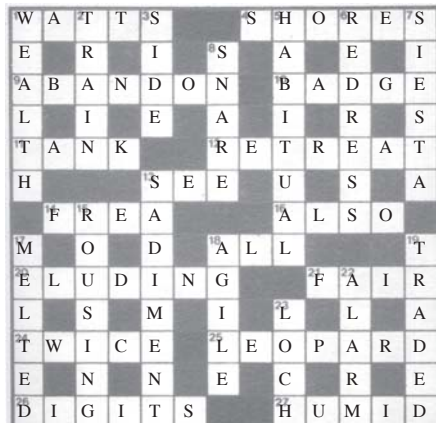
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**Valencia's midfielder Vicente Rodriguez celebrates his goal during their Spanish League football match against Athletic Bilbao at Mestalla stadium in Valencia.**—INTERNET

## S P O R T S

### Answers to yesterday's Crosswords Puzzle



## Wozniacki enjoys successful season, eyes WTA No1 spot

TOKYO, 3 Oct — Caroline Wozniacki says she is happy to be playing her best tennis — and with the five titles she has scooped so far this season — but the world number one ranking she could score next week would be a dream come true.

**Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark sends a kiss to the crowd after their women's singles semi-final match against Victoria Azarenka of Belarus at the Pan Pacific Open tennis tournament in Tokyo.**

INTERNET

"The number one ranking is something that has always been a goal for me," said Wozniacki, who stormed back from a set down to beat Elena Dementieva of Russia 1-6, 6-2, 6-3 to win the Pan Pacific Open in Tokyo on Saturday.

INTERNET



## Dario Franchitti captures third IndyCar title

HOMESTEAD, 3 Oct — Dario Franchitti won his third IndyCar championship on Saturday, wearing down points leader Will Power and then smartly avoiding disaster in the season finale at Homestead. Franchitti dominated early then played it safe late after Power went to the garage following a scrape with the wall as he scrambled to keep pace.

The 37-year-old Scotsman finished eighth behind winner Scott Dixon to edge Power by five points and become the first IndyCar driver to repeat

as series champion since Sam Hornish Jr in 2001 and 2002

INTERNET



**Dario Franchitti, right, of Scotland, prepares for the race at the IndyCar Series' Indy 300 auto race at Homestead-Miami Speedway in Homestead, Fla., on 2 Oct, 2010.**—INTERNET



## Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



## WEATHER

Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2010

**Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T.** During the past 24 hours, weather has been partly cloudy in Kachin, Chin and Kayah States and Sagaing Region, rain or thundershowers have been widespread in Taninthayi Region, fairly widespread in Bago Region, scattered in Rakhine State, Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions and isolated in the remaining States and Regions. Thenoteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded was Thandwe (2.64) inches, Manaung (2.56) inches, Pyapon (1.57) inches, Mogok (1.42) inches, Cocogyun(0.91) inch, and Shwegyin(0.87) inches.

## Nay Pyi Taw Weather

Maximum temperature on 2-10-2010 was 98°F. Minimum temperature on 3-10-2010 was 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 3-10-2010 was (85%). Rainfall on 3-10-2010 was (Nil).

## Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 2-10-2010 was 97°F. Minimum temperature on 3-10-2010 was 77°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 3-10-2010 was (71%). Total sunshine hours on 2-10-2010 was (4.9) hours.

Rainfall on 3-10-2010 was (Tr) at Mingaladon, (Nil)

at Kaba-Aye and (Tr) at Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (70.08) inches at Mingaladon, (81.61) inches at Kaba-Aye and (92.09) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (6) mph from Northeast at (12:30) hours MST on 2-10-2010.

**Bay Inference:** Weather is partly cloudy in the North and West Bay and partly cloudy to cloudy in the Andaman Sea and elsewhere in the Bay of Bengal.

**Forecast valid until afternoon of the 4<sup>th</sup> October 2010:** Weather will be partly cloudy in Lower sagaing and Magway Regions, rain or thundershowers will be isolated in Kachin, Chin and Kayah States and Upper Sagaing Region, scattered in Shan State, Mandalay, Bago and Yangon Regions and fairly widespread in the remaining States and Regions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

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

**Outlook for subsequent two days:** Continuation of rain or thundershowers in the Lower Myanmar.

**Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 4-10-2010:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

**Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 4-10-2010:** Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

## Russian forces kill five in N Caucasus

Moscow, 3 Oct—Russian counterterrorist forces killed as many as five people as they besieged two housing blocks in the restive southern region of Dagestan on Saturday, state-run news agencies reported.

Two women were among the dead, news agencies reported, citing the National Antiterrorism Committee. Two Passers-by were wounded, *Interfax* said.

On Wednesday, 15 fighters were killed in clashes, including one woman, agencies reported.

A decade after separatists were driven from power in the second of two wars in Chachnya, the North Caucasus is plagued by near daily clashes between law-enforcement agencies and rebels.

MNA/Reuters



*Carrefour, the world's second-biggest retailer behind US colossus Wal-Mart, is looking to offload its 43 Thai, 23 Malaysian and two Singaporean supermarkets in a sale some estimates suggest could net a billion dollars.*

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### MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (4-10-2010)(Monday)

#### Transmissions

Local - (09:00am ~ 11:00am) MST  
 Oversea Transmission - (4-10-10 09:30 am ~ 5-10-10 09:30 am) MST

#### Times

#### Local Transmission

- \* Opening
- \* News
- \* Myanmar Tradition of Lotus Flower
- \* News
- \* Progressive Myanmar Ports and Terminal
- \* News
- \* Music Gallery
- \* News
- \* Ever Blooming Flower

#### Oversea Transmission

- \* Opening
- \* News
- \* Myanmar Tradition of Lotus Flower
- \* News
- \* Progressive Myanmar Ports and Terminal
- \* News
- \* Music Gallery
- \* News
- \* Ever Blooming Flower
- \* News
- \* On the LEDO Road (Part II)
- \* News
- \* "Secret Places for Yummy Foods" Pyay-Daw Oo (Rice Salad)
- \* News
- \* VCD Centre
- \* News
- \* To the World Biggest Reclining Buddha Image
- \* Serene and Happy Rural Life in Myanmar
- \* Myanmar Movie "Sweet Revenge"



**Monday, 4 October**  
**View on today**

#### 7:00 am

1. Paritta By Venerable Min Gun Sayadaw

#### 7:25 am

2. To Be Healthy Exercise

#### 7:30 am

3. Morning News

#### 7:40 am

4. Dhamma Puja Song

#### 7:50 am

5. Nince & Sweet Song

#### 8:00 am

6. Cute Little Dancers

#### 8:15 am

7. Myanmar Traditional Culture Performing Arts Competitions

#### 8:25 am

8. Documentary

#### 8:30 am

9. Dance Of National Races

#### 8:40 am

10. International News

#### 8:45 am

11. Musical Programme

#### 4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

#### 4:10 pm

2. Dance Variety

#### 4:20 pm

3. Myanmar Traditional Culture Performing Arts Competition

#### 4:30 pm

4. Musical Programme (The Radio Myanmar Modern Music Troupe)

#### 4:40 pm

5. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures)- Third Year (History)

#### 4:55 pm

6. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

#### 5:00 pm

7. Musical Programme

#### 5:15 pm

8. Myanmar Language

#### 5:30 pm

9. Myanmar Idol

#### 6:00 pm

10. Evening News

#### 6:15 pm

11. Weather Report

#### 6:20 pm

12. Sing & Enjoy

#### 7:00 pm

13. TV Drama Series

#### 8:00 pm

14. News

15. Talk of the Political Parties

16. International News

17. Weather Report

18. TV Drama Series

19. Fine Arts Square

- ★ 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

## Senior General Than Shwe, wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing arrive back from Lao PDR



*State Peace and Development Council Chairman Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing being welcomed back at Nay Pyi Taw Airport by Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and wife Daw Mya Mya San.—MNA*

NAY PYI TAW, 3 Oct—Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing arrived back here by special aircraft at 4.55 pm today after paying a State visit to the Lao People's Democratic Republic at the invitation of President of Lao PDR Mr Choummaly Sayasone.

Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar Senior General Than Shwe and wife Daw Kyaing Kyaing were welcomed back at Nay Pyi Taw Airport by Vice-Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council Vice-Senior General Maung Aye and wife Daw Mya Mya San, Prime Minister U Thein Sein and wife Daw Khin Khin Win, Member of the State Peace and Development Council U Tin Aye and wife Daw Kyi Kyi Ohn, Commander-in-Chief (Navy) Vice-Admiral Nyan Tun and wife, Commander-in-Chief (Air) Lt-Gen Myat Hein and wife, senior military officers of the Ministry of Defence and wives, the Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command and wife, Minister for Home Affairs U Maung Oo, Minister for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs Mayor of Nay Pyi Taw U Thein Nyunt, departmental officials and officials of the Lao Embassy.

Members of the goodwill delegation—Member of the State Peace and Development Council Thura U Shwe Mann and wife Daw Khin Lay Thet, (See page 10)

**Chin National Party, Wunthanu NLD (Union of Myanmar) present their policies, stance and work programmes**

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