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Senior General Than Shwe sends message of felicitations to Turkish President

NAY PYI TAW, 29 Oct—Senior General Than Shwe, Chairman of the State Peace and Development Council of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Abdullah Gul, President of the Republic of Turkey, on the occasion of the anniversary of the Proclamation of the Republic of Turkey, which falls on 29 October 2010.—MNA

Prime Minister U Thein Sein felicitates Turkish counterpart

NAY PYI TAW, 29 Oct—U Thein Sein, Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar, has sent a message of felicitations to His Excellency Mr Recep Tayyip Erdogan, Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey, on the occasion of the anniversary of the Proclamation of the Republic of Turkey, which falls on 29 October 2010.—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

Registered political parties submit lists of party members to UEC

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Oct—The political parties are to submit lists of their party members organized in line with Article 13 (a) of Political Party Registration Rule to the Union Election Commission within 90 days from the date they have been granted permission to register.

With National Development and Peace Party submitting lists of its members to the UEC today, all the 37 political parties going to complete in the election have submitted lists of party members to the UEC within the prescribed date.

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True patriotism

- * It is very important for everyone of the nation regardless of the place he lives to have strong Union Spirit.
- * Only Union Spirit is the true patriotism all the nationalities will have to safeguard.

Gradual development of marine and air transport

Article: Maung Chit Kyi



Photo shows magnificent Mandalay International Airport.

I recently paid a visit to the only uncle on my mother side on a holiday. My uncle is by nature happy to receive his relatives in his home. He is in the habit of hoping the visits of relatives. When I got into his house, he was reading newspaper and watching TV. As he always reads newspaper and watches TV, he

has a vast amount of knowledge. I conversed with my uncle a lot in the living room. We discussed reading newspaper and watching TV.

I: What newspaper and TV news stories do you take interest in these days?

Uncle: The news is that Head of State inspects

development of ports and gives guidance and Myanmar transport sector. And the arrangements for upgrading of Yangon port to cope with 15,000 to 20,000-ton ships based on tides and 35000-ton ships.

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PERSPECTIVES

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Use democracy right by making correct choices

Myanmar had encountered a large variety of untold miseries for many periods in the course of its history, from which it learnt a lot of bitter lessons. Today, the people are, however, in a position to enjoy the taste of peace, stability and development at the unprecedented level.

As part of the drive for democratization, multiparty democracy general elections will be held soon in line with the constitution formulated in a democratic way. All possible arrangements have been made for ensuring free and fair elections. So, the people are anxious to vote in accordance with the Election Law.

To vote in an election is the right as well as a duty of every citizen. In the democratic system, rights and duties of a citizen go together. So, every citizen has to enjoy democracy rights and shoulder duties simultaneously.

Nevertheless, certain elements that cannot stand for democratization are abetting the people to boycott the election. The people are therefore not to allow themselves to be swayed by political tricks of the subversives. A citizen can prove his dutifulness by voting in the interest of the nation.

So, the people just need to cast vote in the forthcoming multiparty democracy general elections without any doubt. And they are responsible for electing the parties and candidates that are capable of boosting the practice of democracy and serving national interest.

Whether the nation becomes a democracy or not totally rests on the people, the decision makers. So, the people have to use their democracy right by making correct choices in the elections.

Disease preventive measures taken in storm-hit areas

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Oct—Preventive measures against epidemics are being taken constantly under the supervision of the National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee in the storm-hit areas in Rakhine State.

A medical team led by Director Professor Dr Soe Lwin Nyein of the infectious disease control department of the Ministry of Health took preventive measures against epidemics in Thawunseik, Kayingyimaw, Laungdaye, Taunggyiyin, Konbaung, Kyeegaungtaung and Daikpon villages in Myebon Township yesterday.

So far, there is no victim infected with cholera in the storm-affected areas.

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Oppose those relying on external elements, acting as stooges, holding negative views

- * 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

Commander, ministers supervise rehabilitation tasks in storm-ravaged regions

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Oct—As Rakhine State Peace and Development Council Chairman Western Command Commander Brig-Gen

storm victims. They then went to Ngayichaing Village and Khamaungdwe Village in Byinetheik Village-tract and provided storm



Commander Brig-Gen Soe Thein, Minister U Thein Swe and Minister U Maung Maung Swe provide relief aids, rice and tarpaulin sheets for storm victims in Pauktaw Township.—MNA

Soe Thein, Minister for Transport U Thein Swe, Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Maung Maung Swe and Deputy Minister for Home Affairs U Phone Swe are closely supervising rehabilitation works in storm-hit areas of Rakhine State, they inspected damage of Byinethaik Village in Pauktaw Township yesterday and provided storm victims with relief aids, rice and tarpaulin sheets.

They inspected storm damage in Phaduche Village and provided relief aids for

victims with rice, tarpaulin sheets, medicines, drinking water and cash assistance.

They met personnel

concerned at Pauktaw Township for reconstruction and rehabilitation work and went back to Sittway.

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Commander Brig-Gen Soe Thein, Minister U Thein Swe and Minister U Maung Maung Swe provide relief aids, rice and tarpaulin sheets for storm victims in Pauktaw Township.—MNA

MWJA CEC holds meeting (10/2010)

YANGON, 28 Oct — Myanmar Writers and Journalists Association held its CEC meeting (10/2010) on the second floor of Sarpay Beikman Building here yesterday morning with an address by Acting Chairman U Tin Hlaing (Ledwinthar Saw Chit) who acted as meeting chairman.

Secretary U Ko Ko (Ko Ko-Sethmu

Tekkatho) reported on implementation of the minutes of the previous meeting and leaders of work committees, on work progress.

Conducting educative talks on development of rural library and promotion of reading habit and writing course and organizing works to be carried out in states and regions were the center of attention of the meeting.

The meeting came to an end with concluding remarks by the meeting chairman.

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UK airline chief criticizes US security demands

LONDON, 28 Oct— The chairman of British Airways has criticized airport checks as “completely redundant” and said Britain should stop “kowtowing” to US demands for increased security, the *Financial Times* reported on Wednesday.

The newspaper quoted Martin Broughton as saying at the annual conference of the UK Airport Operators Association in London on Tuesday that no one wanted weak security.

Broughton said, however, the practice of forcing people to take off their shoes and have their laptops checked

separately in security lines should be ditched. “We all know there’s quite a number of elements in the security programme which are completely redundant,” he said. Broughton said there was no need to “kowtow to the Americans every time they wanted something done” to beef up security on US-bound flights, especially when this involved checks the United States did not impose on its own domestic routes.

“America does not do internally a lot of the things they demand that we do. We shouldn’t stand for that,” he said.

MNA/Reuters



File photo show an Afghan boy walks at the site of a blast at a polling station in Khost Province. INTERNET

FBI probes shootings at military sites near Washington

WASHINGTON, 28 Oct— The FBI said on Tuesday it had linked shootings at the Pentagon and a Marine Corps museum last week to a single weapon and was investigating whether a third incident at a military recruiting station was also connected.

No one was injured in the shootings. Investigators believe a high-powered rifle was used to fire up to seven shots at the Pentagon, shattering two windows, early last Tuesday. The FBI said it had linked that shooting to another at the National Museum of the Marine Corps two days previously.

The FBI said in a statement shots were also fired in the night from Monday to Tuesday at a Marine Corps recruiting station in a Virginia suburb outside Washington, DC, and ballistics testing was being carried out. “No further information, including a potential weapon used or the caliber of the ammunition, will be released at this time to preserve the integrity of investigative efforts,” the FBI said in the statement. The Pentagon was one of the targets of the 11 September, 2001 attacks, and in March of this year a lone gunman shot and wounded two security officers near a Pentagon entrance. The gunman was killed in the incident.

MNA/Reuters

Tropical Depression “Richard” fizzles out in Gulf

MEXICO CITY, 28 Oct— Tropical Depression Richard weakened to a low-pressure system in the Gulf of Mexico on Tuesday and was expected to dissipate by Thursday, the US National Hurricane Centre said.

The remains of Richard passed near Mexico’s main oil installations in the Bay of Campeche but had no impact on production, Mexico’s state oil monopoly Pemex said.

Some Pemex ports in the region as well as the Cayo Arcas offshore oil terminal were closed to small vessels as a precaution. Temporary closures of oil export terminals rarely have a significant impact on Mexican oil output.

Most models also showed the storm avoiding oil installations in the US Gulf of Mexico.

Richard made landfall as a Category 1 hurricane in Central America over the weekend, blowing roofs off houses in Belize, dumping rain in the Mexican resort of Cancun and forcing some Mayan villagers into shelters. But no injuries were reported.

The weakening depression had maximum sustained winds of 30 miles per hour (48 kph), was located 135 miles (217 kilometres) southwest of Campeche and moving northwest at 10 mph (16 kph), the Miami-based centre said. —MNA/Reuters

US says N-missiles go offline, hardware glitch cited

WASHINGTON, 28 Oct— President Barack Obama has been briefed about a suspected hardware glitch that took 50 of America’s 450 nuclear inter-continental missiles (ICBMs) off-line for about 45 minutes, US officials said on Tuesday.

The official, speaking on condition of anonymity, told *Reuters* this appeared to be very similar to two previous incidents, both of which occurred more than a decade ago.

The latest incident took place on Saturday morning at FE Warren Air Force Base in Wyoming, one of three bases hosting the US arsenal of Minuteman III ICBMs. The other two are in the US states of North Dakota and

Montana. “We think it has happened before. How often or whether this is the biggest ever, I don’t know. That’s why we’re looking into it,” the official said.

No computer virus or outside actors were believed to be behind the glitch and the missiles could have been launched, if necessary, by activating back-up systems, the official added.

“We have no indication that this was intentional,” the official said, dismissing the chances it was the result of a cyber attack or sabotage.

“There’s no indication of anything like that.”

One of the five launch control centres responsible for the 50

missiles operated by the 319th Missile Squadron apparently tripped up communications signals between the missiles and the centres.

MNA/Reuters



A policeman inspects the site of a bomb attack in Tikrit, 150 km (95 miles) north of Baghdad recently.

INTERNET

An injured man receives medical treatment at a hospital in southern Pakistan’s Karachi recently.

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World War II bombs found on Galapagos Islands

QUITO, 28 Oct— Fishermen have found a dozen bombs believed to be from World War Two buried on the Galapagos Islands, a local government official said on Tuesday.

The bombs were found on Bartolome Island, one of the Galapagos group located about 600 miles (966 kilometres) off South America’s northwestern coast.

The islands are a province of Ecuador, which let the United States set up a military base on one, Baltra Island, during World War II due to its strategic location southwest of the Panama Canal.

Luis Martinez, chief of operations for Puerto Ayora on Santa Cruz Island, told *Reuters* that the bombs posed no danger to the public but that the Ecuadorean Navy had been informed as a precaution.

“This military equipment that was found dates from the Second World War and was buried. It was not in sight of the beaches, nor close to them,” Martinez said.

He said the authorities were considering making a more thorough search of the area on Bartolome Island in case there were any other wartime explosives to unearth.

MNA/Reuters



A picture shows a newly restored pavilion inside the former imperial citadel of Thang Long in Hanoi. The world culture body UNESCO on Friday confirmed the ancient citadel as a World Heritage site during a ceremony to begin celebrations marking the city's 1,000th anniversary. INTERNET

Wall St falls in stimulus rethink, materials weigh

NEW YORK, 28 Oct—Stocks fell on Wednesday as investors reined in expectations of how aggressively the US Federal Reserve may move to stimulate the economy.

The doubts strengthened the US dollar and pressured commodity prices, which in turn hit materials and energy stocks. Chevron Corp (CVX.N) and Exxon Mobil Corp (XOM.N)

were the biggest weights on the Dow, down 1.8 percent at \$83.59 and 1.7 percent at \$65.42, respectively.

Expectations of large-scale US Treasury bond purchases by the Fed have fueled market gains as investors bet more quantitative easing will invigorate an economic recovery and lift asset prices.

But the *Wall Street Journal* reported the central bank is likely next week to unveil a programme of purchases worth a few hundred billion dollars over several months, and wants to avoid a “shock and awe” approach.

The market has priced in expectations of an initial commitment to buy at least \$500 billion in Treasury debt over five months, said Jeffrey Friedman, senior market strategist at Lind-Waldock in Chicago, and a potentially different scenario came as a disappointment to the market.—Reuters

S Korea's economic growth slows sharply in 3Q

SEOUL, 28 Oct—South Korea's economic growth slowed sharply in the third quarter on weaker exports and manufacturing as prospects for the global recovery turn cloudy. The Bank of Korea said Wednesday that South Korea's gross domestic product expanded 0.7 percent in the three months through September, slowing from 1.4 percent in the previous quarter. It was the second straight quarter that growth slowed.

South Korea, Asia's fourth-largest economy, rebounded strongly from the worldwide downturn of 2008-2009, boosted by low interest rates,

government stimulus spending and a relatively weak currency that helped exports as overseas demand recovered.

But global growth is now waning after its initial rebound from the depths hit last year. The International Monetary Fund said this month that the world economy will slow to growth of 4.2 percent next year from an expected 4.8 percent this year. The 0.7 percent quarter-on-quarter growth translates into annualized growth of 3 percent, according to Oh Suk-tae, regional head of research in South Korea at Standard Chartered First Bank Korea.—Internet

Greek minister: No bailout repayment extension now

LIMASSOL, 28 Oct—Greece isn't looking to extend the repayment period of an emergency bailout loan, but that hasn't been ruled out, the nation's finance minister said Wednesday.

George Papaconstantinou said the Greek government is “simply concentrating” on fulfilling the conditions of the euro110 billion (\$153 billion) loan package provided by the European Union and the IMF, and that it is not “at the moment thinking or proposing something else” on the repayment period.

Papaconstantinou told the AP on the sidelines of an economic forum on the east Mediterranean island that a repayment extension “is not up to us.”

He said, “What is up to us is to do the best that we can to reduce the deficit and do the structural reforms.”

Papaconstantinou said Greece's 2009 budget deficit “will be above 15 percent” after final revisions by the EU's statistics agency Eurostat, “which will validate Greek numbers for 2009 once and for all.”

The figure confirms how poorly the 2009 budget has been managed and calculated, particularly by the previous conservative government. That administration had estimated the deficit at only 3.6 percent of GDP.

Internet



Airmen post a sign warning surfers of a recent shark attack Friday, on 22 Oct, 2010, at Vandenburg Air Force Base, Calif. INTERNET

P&G posts higher-than-expected quarterly profit

NEW YORK, 28 Oct—Procter & Gamble Co (PG.N) posted a higher-than-expected quarterly profit as new products and strength in emerging markets helped spur sales volume growth at the world's largest household products company.

Cost cuts also helped boost profits in a sluggish global economy that is pushing consumers to buy lower-priced products in some categories.

“The pricing is not becoming more benign in the industry,” said Sanford Bernstein analyst Ali Dibadj. “Competition is still high.”

P&G, which makes such popular items as Pampers diapers and Gillette razors, also said it expected full-year earnings per share of \$3.91 to \$4.01, excluding special items. Analysts on average had forecast \$3.97 per share, according to Thomson Reuters I/B/E/S.

The company warned that higher marketing spending and commodity costs would affect second-quarter profit.

Reuters

A Vietnamese girl searches for her handprint on the China-Vietnam handprint wall in Nanning, capital of south China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, 20 Oct, 2010. The handprint wall, with handprints of 5,600 young people from China and Vietnam, was inaugurated here Wednesday, which was a part of the activity marking the 60th anniversary of the establishment of the diplomatic relations between the two countries. XINHUA



Australia backlash against Singapore bourse merger

SYDNEY, 28 Oct—A planned multi-billion dollar merger of the Sydney and Singapore stock exchanges faced a fierce political backlash Tuesday, as a senior Treasury official warned the deal also posed “regulatory issues”.

Greens leader Bob Brown, a key ally of Australia's fragile ruling coalition, expressed strong opposition over Singapore's

“appalling” rights record, while a maverick cross-bencher said he didn't want to live in a country of “serfs”.

The vocal objections raised further questions over the 8.2 billion US dollar merger, which needs approval by both Singapore and Australia, where it must overcome a number of hurdles.

The move, scheduled to complete in mid-2011, aims to create the world's fifth biggest exchange with a market capitalisation of about 12.3 billion US dollars as a regional trading hub to rival Hong Kong.

The deal will be studied by Australia's securities, foreign investment and competition watchdogs, as well as the central bank, and must be approved by Treasurer Wayne Swan, who promised “extensive regulatory consideration”.

Internet



Flamingos from Cuba are seen at the Yangzhou zoo in Zhuyuan scenic spot, Yangzhou, east China's Jiangsu Province. Eleven flamingos from Cuba started to live in Yangzhou.

XINHUA

Pennsylvania halts new leases for gas drilling

PHILADELPHIA, 28 Oct—Pennsylvania Governor Ed Rendell on Tuesday halted further leasing of state land for natural gas drilling, citing the need to protect forests from the drilling boom and renewing his call for a drilling tax that failed to pass last week.

The governor put 1.5 million acres off limits to energy companies seeking to exploit the gas-

rich Marcellus Shale field, estimated to contain enough of the fuel to meet total US demand for up to 20 years.

Rendell signed an executive order imposing a "strategic moratorium" on future drilling operations on state lands.

Though it could be overturned after Rendell leaves office in January, he urged the gubernatorial candidates

running in the 2 November election to preserve it.

Such lands make up less than 10 percent of the total area of the Marcellus in Pennsylvania, estimated Terry Engelder, a geologist at Pennsylvania State University, and there are only about 20 Marcellus wells producing gas on state lands now.

Internet

NASA chief visits China manned space launch site

BEIJING, 28 Oct—The head of NASA visited China's manned space flight launch centre during a trip to the country to explore possibilities for cooperation, the US agency said Tuesday.

China launched its first manned space flight in 2003 and plans an unmanned moon landing in 2012, with a possible manned lunar mission to follow in 2017 — marking new milestones in its space programme while those in the US and elsewhere face tightened budgets.

NASA Administrator Charles Bolden Jr said he had a "very comprehensive" visit to facilities run by the manned space flight programme, including the Jiuquan Satellite Launch Centre in China's northwest, according to a NASA statement.

Bolden left Thursday after a six-day visit. China has not commented on the visit and it wasn't clear why Bolden's statement was not released until Tuesday.

Internet

Climate show forecasts frozen, ramshackle London

LONDON, 28 Oct—London's River Thames has frozen over, Buckingham Palace is surrounded by a shanty town and a flooded British capital is depicted as Venice with parliament rising from the waters in a new climate change show.

The "Postcards from the Future" exhibition is on at the Museum of London until March 6 next year. It includes 14 digitally transformed images of some of London's most famous landmarks to show the worst impacts of global warming, food scarcity and rising sea levels on Britain's capital.

Creators Robert Graves and Didier Madoc-Jones, from London-based digital illustration company GMJ, said they were inspired by climate change research and new environmental technologies to show different ways in which the British capital could adapt to a changing environment.

In one image, the dramatic pickle-shaped glass and steel office tower nicknamed the "Gherkin," is converted into a high-rise slum. In another, a mini ice age covers the capital and the Thames is frozen over, providing a natural skating rink.

Internet

Toll passes 270 in Indonesia tsunami disaster

PADANG, 28 Oct—The toll from a tsunami which smashed into Indonesia rose sharply past 270 on Wednesday as rescuers reached the remote islands hit hardest by the disaster and found scenes of devastation.

At least 10 villages were flattened when the tsunami triggered by a 7.7-magnitude offshore earthquake pounded the Mentawai islands late Monday off the west coast of Sumatra.

"We've recovered 272 bodies. At least 412 people are still missing," West Sumatra provincial disaster management

official Ade Edward told AFP.

Survivors said they had no warning that the three-metre (10-foot) wave was bearing down on the Mentawai, a popular destination for foreign surfers but otherwise a poor and neglected outpost in the vast Indonesian archipelago.

Borinte, 32, a farmer from Detumonga village on the coast of North Pagai island, said he managed to stay alive by clasp to a piece of wood. His wife and three children were killed.

Internet



People are seen smoking cigarettes at a designated smoking area in Tokyo. Japan on Friday imposed the biggest tax hike on cigarettes in its history, with some brands costing nearly 40 percent more in a country seen as a smoker's haven.

INTERNET

At least 230 ducks die in latest Syncrude incident

CALGARY, 28 Oct—About 230 ducks were euthanized after they landed on a toxic waste pond owned by Syncrude Canada Ltd, just three days after the oil sands producer was fined C\$3 million for a similar incident two years ago that killed 1,600 waterfowl.

Syncrude said the birds landed on its Mildred Lake tailings pond in the northern Alberta oil sands on Monday and many had to be euthanized after coming into contact with tar-like bitumen floating on the surface of the pond.

They were among an unknown number of birds that set down on tailings ponds at as many as three major oil sands mines. The Alberta government reported ducks also landed at facilities run by Suncor Energy Inc and Royal Dutch Shell. Syncrude, one of Canada's largest oil sands producers, said its bird deterrent system was operating, but the birds may have been forced down by a freezing-rain storm.

"They appeared to be exhausted and unable to fly," Syncrude said in a statement. "Birds that landed on roads and parking lots were approachable, strengthening the opinion that fatigue forced them to land."—Internet



A citizen buys vegetable at the New Green City Fair 2010, New York City's largest annual green event, held in Union Square Park, New York, the United States.

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Gradual development of marine and air transport

Article: *Maung Chit Kyi*



The aerial view of design of Nay Pyi Taw International Airport upon its completion.

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I: How many ports are there in Myanmar that can handle International ships?

Uncle: In Myanmar, there are nine seaports including Yangon Port. Before 1988, there were only 13 jetties at which international ships can moor. After 1988, there exist 16 Yangon jetties and six Thilawa jetties, totaling 22 jetties. There was no container yard before 1988. But for now, there are three container yards. So, altogether 22 ships can moor at 22 jetties simultaneously. Upon completion of Yangon port and Thilawa port, there will be 62 jetties at which 75 ships can moor simultaneously.

I: Myanma Five Star Lines is the one regarding marine transport. Tell me about it.

Uncle: Yes, Burma Five Stars Shipping Co., Ltd which was established on 5 February 1959, was named

Myanma Five Stars Line in the course of Tatmadaw Government. Then, the company started running services with five seagoing ships and two coastalgoing ships. After 1988, a total of 16 seagoing ships and nine coastalgoing ships ran. The ships are transporting about 15 tons of oversea goods, over 50,000 passengers on coastal schedules and over 0.1 million tons of goods annually.

I: Tell me about Inland Water Transport.

Uncle: With respect to IWT, before 1988, vessels had to run only on Myanmar's main rivers; Ayeyawady, Chindwin, Sittoung, Thanlwin, Kaladan, Gyaing and Atayan rivers. Then, there were 400 state-owned vessels. Especially, most of the schedules were on Ayeyawady delta and along the Ayeyawady River.

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Nay Pyi Taw International Airport project under construction

Sr	Particulars	Nos
1.	Nay Pyi Taw International Airport project (phase-1)	
	- Present runway and parallel runway	1
	- Express taxiway	4
	- Taxiway	4
	- Apron	1
	- Three-storey building	1
	- Boarding bridges	10
	- Control tower	1
	- Ground Service Equipments	1
	- Maintenance building Fuel farm	1
	- Water intake station	1
2.	Nay Pyi Taw International Airport project (phase-2)	
	- Apron	1
	- VIP apron	1
	- Boarding bridges	4
	- Flight catering building	1
	- Government complex building	1
	- Airport maintenance base building	1
3.	Nay Pyi Taw International Airport project (phase-3)	
	- Boarding bridges	17
	- Runway and dual parallel taxiway	1
	- Runway	1
	- Dual Parallel taxiway	1
	- Express taxiway	4
	- Taxiway	4
	- Cargo aircraft apron	1



Passenger vessels are running everyday for convenience of travellers.

Gradual development of marine and air transport

Article: *Maung Chit Kyi*



*A passenger vessel leaving Bhamo Port for Mandalay.
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Airports (above 10,000 feet runway)

Sr	Airport	Length	Remarks
1.	Yangon International Airport	11200x200	extended
2.	Mandalay International Airport	14000x200	opened
3.	Nay Pyi Taw Airport	12000x200	opened
4.	Anisakhan Airport	10000x200	extended
5.	Nanpaung Airport	11050x200	extended
6.	Homalin Airport	12000x 200	extended
7.	Namhsam Airport	12000x200	extended
8.	Dawei Airport	12000x100	under way
9.	Bokepyin Airport	10000x100	opened
10.	Kyaukhtu Airport	10000x100	opened
11.	Tounggo Airport	12000x200	extended

I: Tell me about the progress after 1988.
Uncle: Priority was given by the State to improvements of inland water transport sector after 1988. In addition, the State had to try so as to run vessels regularly. Now, there are about 600 vessels. So, 62 schedules are in operation. The number of passengers hits over 25 millions a year. Over four millions tons of goods were transported annually.

I: You know about it so much. Is there any progress in local air transport sector?

Uncle: Yes, there is. Before 1988, there were only 66 airports across the country. But, these airports could not provide services. There were many passengers only in Yangon-Sittway and Yangon-Mandalay flight schedules. Only Fokker ran in domestic schedules. Regarding foreign schedule, there was only Yangon-Bangkok schedule. So, arrival of foreign tourists was normal. After 1988, Tatmadaw Government built new airports and upgraded the old ones across the country. So, there are 69 airports in the country. What's more, Yangon International Airport and Mandalay International Airport were upgraded into International airports. Now, Nay Pyi Taw International Airport is under construction. To have improvement in local and foreign aviations, the necessary assistance was provided not only to State but also to private sectors. Now, private-owned air lines such as Air Bagan, Air Yangon and Air Mandalay run a number of domestic schedules in addition to state-owned Myanma Airways. Myanma Airways runs oversea schedules—Yangon-Bangkok, Yangon-Singapore, Yangon-Kula Lumpur and Yangon-Gara (India) daily. Air Bagan runs Yangon-Singapore and Yangon-Bangkok schedules and Air Mandalay, Yangon-Chiang Mai schedule. Plans are under way to extend the services. Flight ticket sale centers were crowded with passengers whenever I arrived there. The number of flights increases and so does the number of passengers. The government is striving in all aspects for greater improvement in the transport sector. Air and water transport is, therefore, improving significantly across the

nation, reflecting the genuine goodwill and benevolent attitude the government shows to the people in its effort to improve the living

conditions of the public with smooth transport and swift commodity flow.

(Translation:MT)

Progress of air and marine transport sector after 1988

Sr	Particular	unit	1988	2010	progress
1.	Air transport				
	Airport	no	66	69	3
	-Runway (above 10000 feet)	no	-	11	11
	-Runway (above 5000 feet)	no	21	27	6
2.	Water transport				
	Domestic ship				
	-Jetty	no	92	111	19
	-Dockyard	no	5	6	1
	-Route	no	53	62	9
	-Passengers	million	17.48	25.79	8.31
	-Total miles (passengers)	million	346.13	541.22	195.09
	-Tonnage of goods	million	1.89	3.60	1.71
	-Total miles (tonnage)	million	242.64	400.45	157.81
	Oversea ship				
	-Jetty	no	13	28	15
	-Ship (coastal, oversea)	no	14	25	11
	-Inland container ground and Container yard	no	-	3	3



The extended runway of Kengtung Airport.

Peaceful transition from military to democratic rule

Maung Sedana (B.A, B.Ed)

Ego is detrimental to religious faith, and sectarianism, to politics. If a person is under the influence of ego and sectarianism, it is virtually impossible for him to be able to release himself off such destructive factors. In addition, he cannot see reality or understand the concept that in a nation, the people get a government that they deserve. Sticking to sectarianism, he prioritizes what he wishes to be, instead of what he should be. Therefore, he deceives himself as well as others, like a fox whose tail is missing. Now, many pessimists inside and outside the nation are like that foxy, and are lost in the political trend.

Democratic rights

Multiparty democracy general elections are drawing near, to be exact on 7 November. So, those who will be involved in elections are starting to get excited about the elections. The elections will be the first one to be held with a new constitution over 50 years from 1960 to 2010. Eligible voters are also excited as they will soon experience democratic system.

In the forthcoming elections, every eligible voter can freely vote for the candidate he favours. Now, legal political parties are practicing the rights to canvass for votes in line with the law. That is the democratic right the people of Myanmar have waited for ages.

Elections in Myanmar

Of the elections held in Myanmar from the end of the World War II to 7 November 2010, the 1947 election, 1974 election and 2010 election are revolutionary elections to transform the nation from old to new system.

In 1947 elections, the entire people cast votes with a sense of independence. Successful completion of the elections led to the regaining of independence and emergence of parliamentary democracy.

Also in 1974 general elections, the entire people voted with a sense of socialism. Successful completion of the elections was followed by the Socialist Programme Party rule.

Had not the two elections been successful, the 1947 constitution and 1974 constitution would not have come into force. And parliamentary democracy period and the Socialist Programme Party period would never come into existence, either. The decision makers of those periods were the people who took part in 1947 elections and 1974 elections.

The elections due to be held on 7 November 2010 will be a watershed in Myanmar's political trend. If the election is successful due to massive

participation of the people with patriotic spirit, without doubt, Myanmar people will go through the democracy period with peace and national development. The upcoming election will be national democratic change.

Their views

Every country practises politics. In politics, there are common and different views. Due to the contradiction, politics is flourishing and developing step by step. Some are optimistic and some are pessimistic about the elections to transform Myanmar from old to democratic system.

In response to the questions raised by journalists at the 17th ASEAN conference and the 43rd ASEAN ministerial meeting held in Vietnam, the ASEAN secretary-general said that not only Thailand but also international community welcomed Myanmar's democratic transition; that election was a landmark and setting out a new journey; and that a good law could be made and national unity and security would be built in the parliament by holding elections in concert.

At the meeting, the Indonesian foreign minister replied to the question of a journalist, saying that Indonesia was optimistic about Myanmar elections; that Myanmar's democratic transition was similar to that of Indonesia; that in his view, democratic transition was not an easy issue for a nation; and that but for every Myanmar, democratic transition was a landmark, an opportunity for national reconciliation, and a step to a new system with a boost for nationalistic spirit and image.

In his address at the 65th UN General Assembly held in New York, the US, Minister for Foreign Affairs U Nyan Win said that he believed that Myanmar would be able to hold elections successfully according to the lessons from past multiparty general elections; and that whatever challenges Myanmar would face, Myanmar was already determined to successfully hold free and fair elections in the interest of the nation and the people.

Myanmar occupies a geographically strategic position for China, India, ASEAN and southern Asian countries. And they have commercial ties between them. Therefore, all those countries wish Myanmar a success in the elections.

Above-mentioned points are the stances of Myanmar and her friends nations on the elections.

Conditions of elections

The forthcoming election is the concern of the entire national people, not with a particular party. The election is a turning point in the history of Myanmar. The election commission and those in authority are therefore taking measures step

by step to ensure free and fair elections. In that case, electoral rolls have been issued. The 37 political parties are already canvassing for votes in accordance with the law to stand for election in 1163 constituencies to three huttaws. So, I am confident that the forthcoming elections will be successful. That will be a positive change in Myanmar.

Negative comment

However, certain internal and external elements are not happy with the signs of positive changes in Myanmar. Like wildcats that are always waiting for a forest fire, they are making unreasonable comments that there is no sign of political change as the election is particularly designed to extend the rule of the junta.

Wary people

Myanmar people are by nature not so gullible. They are capable enough to distinguish between good and bad.

General Aung San changed himself to U Aung San in 1947 elections, and General Ne Win, to U Ne Win in 1974 elections. Their position changes were followed by political reforms. Experienced leftists and rightists know well that there is great difference between politics in the military rule and that in civilian rule. But they are turning a blind eye to that point, which is a politically dishonest attitude. Such a political change is revolution, not evolution.

Three political systems and three constitutions

Amazingly, Myanmar has seen three political systems and three constitutions. The 1947 constitution was liberal multiparty system because it was drawn, based on rightist political system. The 1974 constitution was formulated, based on leftist political system. So, it prescribed one party system. The 2008 constitution is national multiparty system, in other words a genuine discipline-flourishing multiparty system.

First step to the goal

Indeed, the election is the first step to Myanmar's democratization. In general, there are a variety of challenges at the beginning of the democratization. So, it is required to understand the arrangements for holding an election in compliance with the aspiration of the people. If an organization or a person deals with a devastating blow to the elections due to the fact that they have lost the opportunity for political power, the troupe of political parties will get nowhere.

Forthcoming elections are not the ultimate goal of the nation, just the very first step to the goal. According to the constitution, elections are held once every five years. So, as long as those opportunities are in force, every citizen has the right to canvass for votes in the run-up to elections. Therefore, those who do not take part in the elections due to various reasons and losers in the elections do not need to be downhearted. What they need to do is that they try to win public support for the next election.

Democratic development

Holding elections once is not enough to achieve the democracy goal overnight. Even the
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If the election is held successfully, Myanmar will be transformed from old to new political system. Therefore, successful completion of elections means the victory of Myanmar people and the political end of internal and external pessimists. And if the forthcoming election is unsuccessful, subversives will celebrate a victory, and the entire Myanmar people will be in no position to achieve the democracy goal. So, I would say that voting is successful completion of elections and failure to vote is disruptive to elections.

Peaceful transition from military to democratic rule

Maung Sedana (B.A, B.Ed)

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US has to hold elections for 43 times: once every four years to achieve present democratic status. A five-year term of elections covers thesis, anti-thesis and synthesis. Every time after elections have been held, the democracy status rises one step. In this way, democracy develops little by little. That is peaceful way to democracy, and there is no shortcut.

Change in policy and politicians

In the international community, elections are held once every four or five years after constitutions concerned have become well settled. So, elections are held to bring major change in rulers (party and MPs).

The 1947, 1974 and 7-11-2010 elections are to build a new nation with a new constitution. The 1947 election and 1974 election revealed that changes in policy (system change). So, steps are to be taken in order of priority.

Myanmar people now cannot wait to exercise democracy. They are well convinced that only with elections will the nation pass the democratic period peacefully. The people cannot bear the thought that the goal of democracy will be diverted from its course if the election is not held successfully. They will achieve their goal and new system only if they cast votes for successful completion of the elections.

Now, it is high time the people worked together with a sense of nationalistic spirit for successfully holding elections. It is no longer opportune to demand or fight and hold a dialogue to address political issues with a political way. Elections will prove that political issues can be addressed only through political means.

Myanmar political situation after elections

Thus, forthcoming election is a golden opportunity for those who favour political reforms, those who favour democratic administration, those who wish to transform the nation's transitional period into democratic rule, and those who favour democratic transition.

After the State's seven-step Road Map is materialized, there will be a democracy government. By then, the three sovereign powers will be handed over in a peaceful way from the ruling Tatmadaw government to a democracy government. Then, the

military rule will be changed to democratic rule. Then, the Tatmadaw will continue to discharge its duties in line with the provisions stated in Chapter (VII) of the constitution.

In the time of the democratic government, the nation sees representatives elected by the public along with legislative hluttaws, which serve as democratic pillars for flourishing of democracy. A nation with legislative hluttaws is better than a nation without any hluttaws. To put it another way, legislative hluttaws indicate that democratic practice is in force.

According to provisions of Chapter (III, IV, V and VI), three sovereign powers are not entrusted to a particular party. So, in the time of the future democratic government, there will be no ruling party or organization or opposition party. So, three sovereign powers will be free from the direct influence of the ruling party or organization, and free executive, legislative and judicial sectors will come in force. Such a democratic system is in conformity with the system of "by the people for the people".

From oppressive to control tool

It was said in the past that a government was a tool with which a social class oppressed another social class. It is because three sovereign powers were exercised wrongly. Exclusive delegation of three sovereign powers serves interests of the ruling party, but has adverse affects to the people. Such a government is an oppressive tool. Inclusive delegation of three sovereign powers enhances the public interest. Such a government is a control tool. A government like an oppressive tool is a dictator government, and a government like a control tool is a democratic government.

The forthcoming election is different from leftwing and rightwing elections that are held in the world and past elections of Myanmar. In reality, the forthcoming election will be the first-ever election in the world that transforms exclusive delegation of three sovereign powers into a control tool in the interest of the people.

Therefore, there will not be any particular person, party or organization in Myanmar that has exclusive access to three sovereign powers,

because there will be a new system of distributing three sovereign powers.

The national government is a control tool, not an oppressive tool. Such a government really stands by the public interest according the inclusive delegation of three sovereign powers, so it is a people's government or democratic government.

When a national government emerges from elections, the nation will be able to enjoy economic development, State stability and improvement of international relations all the more.

Voting and national cause

If the election is held successfully, Myanmar will be transformed from old to new political system. Therefore, successful completion of elections means the victory of Myanmar people and the political end of internal and external pessimists. And if the forthcoming election is unsuccessful, subversives will celebrate a victory, and the entire Myanmar people will be in no position to achieve the democracy goal. So, I would say that voting is successful completion of elections and failure to vote is disruptive to elections.

Deliberate failure to vote in the election due to being deceived into believing words of destructive elements, boycott against the election, and dissuading the people from voting are against democracy. Such acts are merely intended to disrupt the elections and make the people more distant from democracy. If so, anarchy will reign supreme and opportunists will rear their ugly heads across the nation.

So, the people should vote in elections without fail to elect reliable candidates as voting is somewhat serving national interest.

In conclusion, I would say voting means successful completion of elections, transition to a new system, democratization, and transition from military rule to democratic rule in a peaceful way.

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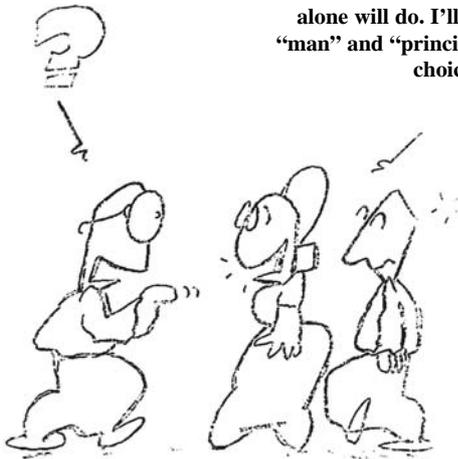
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Vying for beauty

- * Drawing nearer the elections
Preparations underway
All marching in unity
Democracy their road
- * A party's reputation
Vision to serve people
Fulfilling public aspiration
Foundation of mission
- * Soul of the nation
Perpetuation of sovereignty
Choosing public representatives
Through process of voting
- * Interferences we are warding off
Upholding Three Main National Causes
Having the clear vision
Nation vying for beauty
Democracy the essence

Ponnawady Tint Hnaung (Trns)

What will you choose when you vote, "man" or "principle"?



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Information Minister attends prize presentation ceremony of MWJA



Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan presents award to five-distinction winner Ma Kay Kay Thwe Hsan.—MNA

YANGON, 28 Oct —The 5th prize-giving ceremony of Myanmar Writers and Journalists Associations was held in conjunction with membership application presentation ceremony at the meeting hall of MWJA in Sarpay Beikman Building in Kyauktada Township here on 25 October, attended by Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan.

Also present were departmental heads of the ministry and officials, the acting chairman of MWJA and CEC members, wellwishers, outstanding students and guests.

First, MWJA Acting Chairman U Tin Hlaing (Ledwinthar Saw Chit) extended greetings and Secre-

tary U Ko Ko (Ko Ko Sethmu Tekkatho) explained purpose of holding the ceremony.

Next, the minister presented medals and cash awards to distinction-winning students.

The minister accepted 4800 copies of 12 books written by Writer Ahtin Kaya presented by U Maung Myo (Maung Myo-Kyaungngakaung) and presented the certificate of honour to him.

The books valued at K 4.8 million were for rural libraries.

Trainees of Journalism Course (1/2010) organized by the MWJA presented a projector, that worth K 650000, to the MWJA.

Then cash donation ceremony followed. The MWJA acting chairman accepted K 245,000 donated by

MWJA Joint-Secretary (2) Dr Tha Tun Oo, K 1 million by CEC member U Maung Maung Aye (Maung Haymar), K 1 million by Information Personnel Daw Nann Kalyar Win (Ngwe Thawda) and K 450,000 by CEC member U Maung Myo (Maung Myo-Kyaungngakaung) and presented certificates of honour to them.

The acting chairman accepted 102 membership applications presented by representatives.

On behalf of the outstanding students, five-distinction winner Ma Kay Kay Thwe Hsan spoke words of thanks.

After the ceremony, Minister U Kyaw Hsan cordially greeted those present and posed for a documentary photo together with them.

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Minister for Information U Kyaw Hsan accepts a projector and gifts presented by trainees from Journalism Course No. (1/2010) for MWJA.

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Free health care given to residents of Sangyoung Tsp

YANGON, 28 Oct—Deputy Minister for Health Dr Paing Soe inspected free health care given to local people by a team of specialists in Sangyoung Township, Yangon Region, yesterday.

The team comprising specialists from Yangon West General Hospital, Yangon Eye

Hospital, Yangon Ear, Nose and Throat Hospital and Yangon General Hospital gave treatment to 740 local people and helped perform operations on 35 of the patients in Yangon General Hospital.

Pathologists from the National Health Laboratory gave medical check-up to local people. The

Department of Medical Research (Lower Myanmar) vaccinated them against hepatitis B.

Similarly, a medical team from the traditional medical department of Yangon Region and dental surgeons from Sangyoung Township health centre gave free treatments.—MNA

Soft Guide Computer introduces horoscope software

YANGON, 28 Oct—Member companies of Myanmar Computer Entrepreneurs Association displayed booths at the get-together of entrepreneurs of Myanmar Info-Tech and Public Access Centre at Myanmar Info-Tech in Hline Township here on 21 October.

Soft Guide Computer introduced horoscope software in cooperation with Public

Access Centres.

The horoscopes produced by the programme of Soft Guide Computer, which started writing astrology programmes since 1987, are 80 per cent accurate as the company developed the software with detailed analysis of ancient astrological papers.

The Public Access Centres may email name, birth date, birth hour and birth place of those who

want to get the horoscope to softguide.atn@gmail.com and give printout of the result to the customer when the Soft Guide sends it through mail. The PACs may earn 30 per cent of the honorarium for it.

For more details, one may contact the Soft Guide Computer at No (52), 19th St, Latha Township, Yangon, (Ph: 229264, 382180).

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Fuji Xerox copiers on display at Myanmar ICT Exhibition 2010



NAY PYI TAW, 29 Oct—Fuji Xerox copiers marketed by Concordia Int'l Co Ltd are on display at Tatmadaw Convention Centre on U Wisara Road Yangon as Myanmar ICT Exhibition 2010 kicks off today there.

The exhibition will be held for three days till 31st October.

As a special sales promotion programme, Concordia is offering 15 % discount for colour laser printer model docu print C 1110 B and 30 % discount for model docu print C 525 and toner cartridges.

The contact addresses are 3rd Floor and 5th

Floor, Shwegon Plaza, Bahan Township, Ph: 01-73009221, Fax: 951544199 in Yangon, and No.5, Ground Floor, SY Building, 30th Street, between 77th Street and

78th Street, Chanayethazan Township, Ph: 095067172 in Mandalay and No. 144, Thiri Yadana Market, Ph: 0949200948 in Nay Pyi Taw.—MNA

The best time to plant a tree was 20 years ago. The second best time is now.

Instructions to be followed in voting process

1. Try to know your serial number of ballot list in order to cast vote without any delay.
2. Voting process can be quick by giving your serial number of ballot list to the ballot list inspector.
3. Put a tick in the box next to the candidate and the symbol you want to choose on your ballot paper.
4. Do not sketch or write anything on your ballot paper, except putting a tick.
5. Do not sketch anything impossible to decide whether it is a tick or cross on your ballot paper.
6. Make sure that your ballot paper is not torn.
7. Put the ballot paper you have put a tick on into the ballot box concerned.

Notable points to avert having votes cancelled

Election Rule 66 (c) states that the following types of ballot papers shall be cancelled.

- (1) A ballot paper that does not have the seal of the commission
- (2) A ballot paper that does not have the signature of the returning officer
- (3) A ballot paper with more than one tick to favour more than one candidate
- (4) A ballot paper with no tick
- (5) A ballot paper with an unclear tick
- (6) A ballot paper the returning officer decides to be a fake one
- (7) A ballot paper with a mark designed to hint
- (8) A torn-up ballot paper

To amplify the provisions on cancelled votes for the knowledge of voters,

- (1) A voter must put a tick in the square box shown against the name of the candidate he favours.
- (2) If a voter puts at least two ticks or crosses in square boxes shown against candidates, the ballot paper is cancelled.
- (3) A vote with no tick is cancelled.
- (4) If a ballot paper carries only one mark in a box, but the mark is not clear enough to decide whether it is a tick or cross, it is cancelled.
- (5) However, if a vote is cast with one tick to favour only one candidate, it can be deemed to be a firm vote even if the tick is in the square box, or it passes through the line of the square box, or it is put diagonally or horizontally, or it has a bent line at its end or not.

To decide whether a ballot paper is valid or invalid is up to the returning officer. Candidates to hluttaws, their election representatives, and the representatives of a polling station are allowed to check the cancelled votes. The reason why a vote is cancelled will be put on record with the designated form.

Relief aids airlifted to storm-ravaged regions

YANGON, 28 Oct — Under the leadership of National Disaster Preparedness Central Committee, Relief and Resettlement Department of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement is providing relief aids to victims of storm-hit regions in Rakhine State.

Two Tatmadaw aircraft from Mingalandon Air Base transported 7846 kilos of relief aids including



Tatmadawmen loading up the plane with relief aids to be supplied to the storm-hit regions in Rakhine State.

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1800 blankets, two generators, 620 rain-coats and 7927 kilos including 449 packages of tarpaulin, 100 sheets of

tarpaulin and 100 package of tarpaulin to storm-hit regions this morning.

Relief aids

weighing 9493 kilos of blankets, clothes, medicines, dry noodle and potable water bottles were sent to storm-

stricken regions by Tatmadaw aircrafts two times on 24 October.

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Cash provided for storm victims

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Oct — Wellwishers are contributing cash and kind to victims of storm-affected townships in Rakhine State.

Vice-chairperson Dr Daw Wai Wai Tha of Myanmar Maternal and Child Welfare Association, Secretary Daw Thazin Nwe, Joint-Secretary (1) Dr Daw May Malar and responsible persons

presented K 3 million for storm victims through Deputy Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Kyaw Myint and officials at May Khalar Hall of the ministry here this afternoon.

The deputy minister presented certificates of honour to wellwishers and spoke words of thanks.

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City Baby Club at China Town

YANGON, 28 Oct—City Mart Holding Co Ltd opened City Baby Club at China Town Point Centre, at the corner of Phoneyi Street and Maha Bandoola Street, Lanmadaw Township here on 23 October.

City Baby Club is a one-stop sales corner for pregnant women and babies providing a wide range of nutraceuticals, clothes, IQ-developing toys and hygienic products.

Worldwide famous brands like Fisher Price, V tech, Lucky Baby, Hasbro, Happy Land, Je suis content, Mooich, Ovo, Marbel kids, Kids planet, Coogie, Thott, Les enphants, Disney, Barbie, Nanette, Carter's, Little Koala, Mall kid, Tolly Joy, Johnson & Johnson, Pureen, Anakku, Baby Mild, Pigeon, Huggies, Pampers, Soft love and Mamy Poko are available at the sales centre. It is offering discount price, gift coupons and a baby wear sport shirt to whoever purchases more than K 50000 between 23 October and 7 November.—MNA

Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win inspects regional development tasks in Mawlamyine

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Oct — Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Chairman of Mon State Peace and Development Council Commander of South-East Command Brig-Gen Tun Nay Lin and officials, met military officers, Tatmadawmen and their families at Mawlamyine Station

Hall on 26 October. They inspected the progress in construction of new operation theatre in Mawlamyine General Hospital and heard reports on progress of construction and future plans. Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win then left necessary instructions. Maj-Gen Thet Naing Win and party

also inspected construction of Pariatti Dhamma Beikman, development, downtown roads, Strand Road and beautifying tasks in Mawlamyine.

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Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut on inspection tour of Taunggyi District

NAY PYI TAW, 28 Oct — Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut of the Ministry of Defence, accompanied by Chairman of Shan State Peace and Development Council Commander of

medicine store of Hopong People's Hospital on 27 October.

He presented foodstuff and cash assistance to patients and medicines to officials of

section and operation theatre, X-ray room and medicine store of Pinlaung People's Hospital and presented foodstuff and cash assistance to patients and medicines to the



Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut at Nagar Cement Factory Project (Tikyit).—MNA



Eastern Command Brig-Gen Hsan Oo and officials, inspected Taunggyi-Hopong Road section, sanitation and beautifying tasks in Hopong and operation theatre, X-ray room and

the hospital. Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut and party viewed Taunggyi-Aungban-Pinlaung Road section and Nagar Cement Factory Project (Tikyit). They also inspected Pinlaung road

hospital. Maj-Gen Aung Than Htut and party oversaw the construction of Leinli Bridge implemented by the Public Works. MNA

A&I Minister meets foreign guest, Vietnamese Ambassador

YANGON, 28 Oct — Minister for Agriculture and Irrigation U Htay Oo received Head of Saemaul Undong Education Training Centre Mr. Seongil Ann of the Republic of Korea at the hall of Irrigation Department here at 9 am today. The meeting focused on boosting agricultural production

and matters related to rural development.

Similarly, Minister U Htay Oo met Vietnamese Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Chu Cong Phung at 10.30 am at the same venue. They held discussions on agricultural cooperation between the two countries and investment matters. MNA



Minister U Htay Oo receives Vietnamese Ambassador Mr. Chu Cong Phung.—MNA

Giri victims provided with cash and kind

YANGON, 28 Oct — Well wishers donated cash and kind for storm victims in Rakhine State through Ministry of Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement yesterday at Fire Services Department (Headquarters) in Mayangon Township here.

On behalf of Minister for SWRR U Maung Maung Swe, Director-General U Soe Aung of Relief and Resettlement Department accepted the donations. Secretary General U Htay

Oo and CEC Member U Aung Thein Lin of Union Solidarity and Development Party (Headquarters), Rakhine national candidate Dr Tun Zan Aung from Yangon Region, and Head of Party Headquarters Thura U Myint Oo presented K 10 million for the storm victims.

Under the supervision of Yangon Region Peace and Development Council, Secretary of Yangon Region PDC U Khin Maung Tun on behalf of

the people in the region donated foods, clothes, medicines and fishing-nets worth over K 80,884,406 for the donors.

Dr U Win Myint, on behalf of Engine oil Entrepreneurs Association donated K 5 million, Ma Htoo Dali Ko Ko and Ma Aye Wady Ko Ko K 1 million and 50 bags of rice, Capt Than Htut Win (Retd) and wife Daw Nan Mary Sein K 1 million, local NGO Natural Disaster Emergency Response

Group 100 bags of rice for the storm victims.

Similarly, Minister for Transport U Thein Swe and wife Daw Mya Theingi, Deputy Minister U Nyan Tun Aung and wife Daw Wai Wai and departments under the ministry donated 500 bags of rice, Nay Pyi Taw Robe Gallery 200 sets of yellow robes, U In Soe of International School of Myanmar and wife 210 bags of rice, and 575 viss

of oil, U Kyauk Sein and wife Daw Inpo 100 bags of rice, Dr Tin Tun Oo of Swesone Media Group and wife Dr Khin Moe Moe K 1 million, U Kyu and family (wheat dealing) K 2 million, Project Manager U Aung Tun of Tdh-L Foundation 100 bags of rice, Managing Director Mr KB Ahmed of Mohona Holding Co Ltd of Bangladesh US\$ 1000 for the storm victims today. —MNA



Secretary General U Htay Oo and CEC Member U Aung Thein Lin of USDP (Headquarters), Rakhine national candidate Dr Tun Zan Aung from Yangon Region and Head of Party Headquarters Thura U Myint Oo present donation for Giri victims.—MNA

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Giants, Rangers ready for World Series clash

SAN FRANCISCO, 28 Oct—Ticket scalpers seek up to 6,000 dollars for *World Series* seats as first-title hopefuls San Francisco and Texas prepare for Wednesday's start of *Major League Baseball's* championship showdown.

The Giants have not won the crown since 1954, four years before moving from New York to San Francisco, while the Rangers are in the first *World Series* in their half-century history and had not won a playoff series before this month.

"You dream to be in this position," Rangers

manager Ron Washington said. "This is what it's all about. It just means everything to me and to my players. They play with a deep feeling of passion."

The 106th edition of the best-of-seven final matches two clubs who have excited supporters thanks to some unique customs such as the Rangers' claw and antlers motions and San Francisco's long-haired and bearded star pitchers.

Internet

A worker removes rubble strewn about the sidewalk from the upper portions of a 1920s-era building, on Tuesday.—INTERNET

Chiclone' buffets Illinois; tornado watch issued

CHICAGO, 28 Oct—A storm drawing comparisons to a hurricane muscled across the Midwest on Tuesday, snapping trees and power lines, delaying flights at one of nation's busiest airports and soaking commuters who clogged to work under crumpled

umbrellas. The storm — quickly nicknamed a "chiclone" and "windpocalypse" — swept an area that stretched from the Dakotas to the eastern Great Lakes. Severe thunderstorm warnings blanketed much of the Midwest and tornado

watches were issued from Arkansas to Ohio.

Flights were delayed at O'Hare International Airport, a major hub for American and United airlines.

Sustained winds of 35 to 40 mph and gusts up to 60 mph were expected throughout the afternoon, the National Weather Service said.

Internet

NBA moving NBA draft from NYC to Newark

NEWARK, 28 Oct—A person familiar with the plans says the *NBA draft* is moving from New York City to Newark.

The person requested anonymity because the league had yet to announce that the annual draft of college players will be held at the Prudential Centre in Newark in June.

Commissioner *David Stern* is expected to make the announcement on Wednesday night before the New Jersey Nets' season opener against the Detroit Pistons. The Nets will play their home games at the Prudential Centre for the next two years before a planned move to Brooklyn, NY.

The draft had been held in New York City since 2001.

Internet

Three young men arrested in deadly LA school bus crash

LOS ANGELES, 28 Oct—Susana Romero was sitting at the back of the bus, as she usually does when she's ferried back and forth from Roosevelt High School to the annex classrooms the school uses.

On Monday, the routine trip turned into a nightmare when a black BMW apparently ran a red light and struck and killed a pedestrian before slamming into the bus, flipping it onto its side in the middle of the street.

Three young men in the BMW are suspected of

fleeing on foot from the busy intersection in Boyle Heights, east of downtown Los Angeles. Two of them — the 17-year-old driver and a 14-year-old passenger — were caught by a construction worker, who held them until police arrived, California Highway Patrol spokesman Miguel Luevano said.

The third male in the car, whose age was not clear, fled in a different direction and was later arrested when he turned up at a hospital, Luevano said.

Internet



3 boys face charges in Calif school bus crash. INTERNET

Armstrong to finish international career

Down Under

ADELAIDE, 28 Oct—Seven-time Tour de France winner *Lance Armstrong* will compete in Australia's Tour Down Under in January in what

will be his final professional race outside his native United States.

The 39-year-old will ride in the UCI ProTour race from 16 to 23 Janu-

ary for the third and final time, race director Mike Turtur said.

"I'm excited to be competing in my last professional ride outside the US at the Tour Down Under," Armstrong said in a statement.

"It will be my third time to the event and I'm sure I will enjoy it as much as I have the first two times."

Armstrong, who fought a successful battle with testicular cancer and was given the all clear in 1996, finished 23rd in his final Tour de France in July and is not expected to make another comeback.—Internet

Ex-Oilers owner gets home detention for perjury

RIVERSIDE, 28 Oct—Former Edmonton Oilers owner Peter Pocklington has been sentenced to six months of *home detention* for making false statements in his Southern California bankruptcy case.

Pocklington also was sentenced to two years of probation on Wednesday in Riverside. He pleaded guilty to perjury in May and could have received a maximum 10-year prison term.

Pocklington was arrested last year at his Palm Desert home. Prosecutors say he concealed assets during bankruptcy proceedings in which he

claimed to have about \$3,000 but owed more than \$19 million.

Pocklington acquired the Oilers in the late 1970s and stunned fans when he eventually traded Wayne Gretzky to the Los Angeles Kings in 1988.

He sold the club in 1998. The Oilers won five Stanley Cup titles during his ownership.—Internet

Hollywood actor fears he's on a 'death list' of stars

VANCOUVER, 28 Oct—Randy Quaid, the American actor famous for playing characters as diverse as the trailer-trash scrounger in the National Lampoon series to his nation's saviour in Independence Day, is at the centre of a real-life drama more bizarre than anything the movies ever cooked up for him. He and his wife are claiming asylum in Canada because, in her words, they fear they are on a Hollywood "death list".

The couple were arrested in Vancouver after police responded to a call and found there were warrants out for them in California. The couple told the immigration adjudicator that they are being persecuted in the United States. Evi Quaid begged a Canadian immigration adjudicator not to force them to return,

saying that friends, such as the actors David Carradine and Heath Ledger, had been "murdered" under mysterious circumstances and she was worried something would happen to her husband next.

Internet



Randy Quaid, (background), and his wife, Evi, (left), are escorted from an immigration and refugee board hearing in Vancouver on Friday.—INTERNET

Boxer Vargas to get star on Las Vegas sidewalk

LAS VEGAS, 28 Oct—In a town central to boxing lore, *Fernando Vargas* is expected to become the first fighter with a star on the *Las Vegas Walk of Stars*.

Las Vegas Walk of Stars spokesman Pablo Castro Zavala says the

32-year-old retired fighter will receive a star on the walk on 9 Dec.

Zavala says a ceremony is planned at the Encore Las Vegas hotel-casino. The star will be placed that day somewhere on the Las Vegas Strip alongside the likes

of Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and Emilio and Gloria Estefan.

Vargas is retired, with a 26-5 record and 22 knockouts. His last professional fight was in 2007, when he lost to Ricardo Mayorga in a majority decision.—Internet

S P O R T S

Magath furious with Schalke's party boys

GELSENKIRCHEN, 28 Oct — Under-fire Schalke 04 coach Felix Magath is threatening to heavily fine a key group of players - including captain Manuel Neuer - for partying hard two days before a German Cup game.



Under-fire Schalke 04 coach Felix Magath.

INTERNET

Schalke have been poor this season and are 16th in the Bundesliga with just six points from nine games and face second division FSV Frankfurt in the German Cup on Tuesday.

The Royal Blues were held to a goalless draw in the Bundesliga by

Eintracht Frankfurt on Saturday. But Magath is furious after learning a large group of senior players including Dutch striker Klaas-Jan Huntelaar, US player Jermaine Jones and Germany goalkeeper Neuer had partied until 4 am on Sunday morning.

INTERNET

Big-spending Man City vow to comply with UEFA rules

LONDON, 28 Oct — Manchester City have vowed to comply with UEFA's new financial fair-play rules despite lavish investment of more than 500 million dollars in only two years, it was



Manchester City have vowed to comply with UEFA's new financial fair-play rules despite lavish investment.

INTERNET

reported on Tuesday. City officials said the club have no intention of breaking regulations set to be introduced next season, which will bar any club from making an aggregate loss of more than 45 million euros over the three seasons from 2011-2012.

Failure to comply with the rules could see clubs excluded from UEFA competitions such as the Champions League and Europa League.

Earlier this month City announced losses of 121 million pounds for the 12 months up to May 31 2010, up from 92.5 million pounds the previous year.—INTERNET

Monaco seek French League Cup boost

PARIS, 28 Oct — Ailing French football giants Monaco's last trophy was the 2003 League Cup and their coach Guy Lacombe will be hoping that they retain their interest in this season's competition when they host Lorient on Tuesday in their last 16 clash.



Monaco's coach Guy Lacombe reacts during the French L1 football match Monaco vs Valenciennes.—INTERNET

The club from the principality are on a dreadful run of form and the players confidence is draining away, with just one win in their last 10 league matches, have failed to

score in their last six and crowds which were always low historically are plumbing new depths.

INTERNET

FIFA reveals Ballon d'Or list

PARIS, 28 Oct — World governing body FIFA on Tuesday released a short-list of 23 players who will contest the inaugural 2010 FIFA Ballon d'Or with seven members of Spain's victorious World Cup winning squad included.

Next after that came Germany with five players in the running for the world player of the year award, while four players from European Champions League winners Inter Milan are listed.

Last year the trophy went to Barcelona's Argentinian striker Lionel Messi and he is again in the hunt for this year's award.

The revamped award is a combination of the FIFA World Player of the

Year award and the France Football Ballon d'Or trophy which have been run separately until now.

The winner will be revealed at the first FIFA Ballon d'Or gala in Zurich on 10 January .

INTERNET



Spain's midfielder Xabi Alonso controls the ball during his Euro 2012 group 1 qualifying match.—INTERNET

Torres ready to fire again says Reina

LONDON, 28 Oct — Liverpool goalkeeper Jose Reina believes Fernando Torres could be ready to relaunch his season after breaking his goalscoring drought against Blackburn.



Fernando Torres.

INTERNET

Torres has struggled to rediscover his best form this season, cutting a disillusioned figure up front for Liverpool as the club slumped to their worst start to a season for more than 50 years.

However with the saga of the club's ownership settled, Reina believes Torres is ready to play his part in an Anfield revival which got underway with Sunday's 2-1 victory over Rovers.

"All strikers are about scoring goals, scoring winning goals, and I think he can build on that strike from now on," said Reina, referring to Torres' winner, only his second of the season.—INTERNET

Wozniacki top seed for WTA Championships

DOHA, 28 Oct — Caroline Wozniacki will become one of the more unlikely year-end world number ones if she wins two matches at the WTA championships which start here on Tuesday.

Little considered only 18 months ago and from a nation of only five million people, Wozniacki has climbed steadily to a position from which she should earn the 2010 ac-

colade during the women's season-end tournament.

INTERNET



Mowbray takes over at Middlebrough

LONDON, 28 Oct — English Championship side Middlesbrough announced on Tuesday that former skipper Tony Mowbray will take over as club manager replacing Gordon Strachan who resigned last week.

Mowbray, who was born in nearby Saltburn, captained the northeastern club during a successful nine-year spell between 1982-1991.

Formerly in charge of West Brom and Hibs, Mowbray had a disastrous spell as coach of Glasgow giants Celtic which lasted



Tony Mowbray, pictured at Celtic Park, Glasgow, last October while he was Celtic manager.

INTERNET

only nine months until March. It was Strachan he took over from in that job also.

He will be officially unveiled at a press conference called for later Tuesday.—INTERNET

Indian firm Venky's plan Blackburn takeover

LONDON, 28 Oct— Blackburn Rovers are in takeover talks with Indian company Venky's and hope to complete a sale next month, the English Premier League side confirmed on Tuesday.

Blackburn chairman



Blackburn Rovers manager Sam Allardyce, pictured after the team won at Burnley in March, 2010.—INTERNET

John Williams said in a statement on the club's website that a series of meetings between officials from Rovers and Venky's had already taken place as well as an "extensive" due diligence process.

"Both parties are hopeful that the transaction will be completed in November," Williams confirmed.

Venky's chairperson Anuradha Desai said in the statement the company was looking forward to becoming the first Indian owners of a Premier League team.—INTERNET

Tottenham sign South Africa's Khumalo

LONDON, 28 Oct — Tottenham have signed an agreement with South African international defender Bongani Khumalo which will see the player move to Spurs in the January transfer window, the club announced on Tuesday.

Tottenham said the SuperSport United player had signed a pre-contract agreement which would be confirmed subject to a work permit being approved.

The 23-year-old impressed Spurs boss Harry Redknapp during a trial in



South African defender Bongani Khumalo, pictured (right) scoring the opener in the 2-1 World Cup victory.—INTERNET

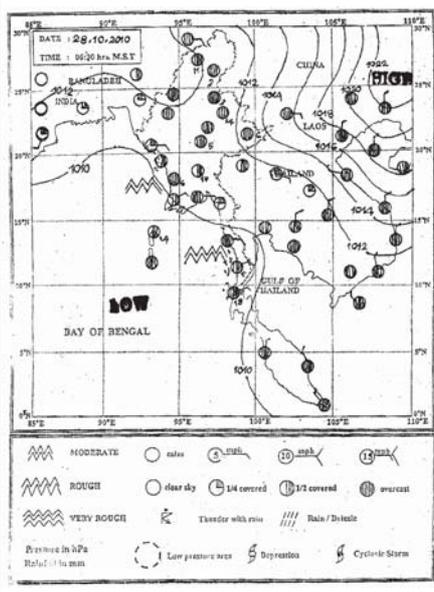
September, which took place after Khumalo starred in all three of South Africa's matches at the World Cup.

"He's not expensive. We had him over on trial and we like him," Redknapp said last month. "He's got potential and we've got a tie-up with the club SuperSport so we've taken him on.

INTERNET

Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark returns a shot against Vera Zvonareva of Russia in Beijing on 11 October.—INTERNET

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Thursday, 28th October, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been widespread in lower Sagaing Region, fairly widespread in Kachin, Shan States and upper Sagaing Region, scattered in Mon State, Mandalay, Bago, Yangon and Taninthayi Regions, isolated in Chin, Rakhine and Kayah States and Magway Region with isolated heavy falls in lower Sagaing Region and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Regions. The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Kanbalu (2.95) inches, Kyeikmaraw (2.44) inches, Katha (1.34) inches, Naungcho (1.29) inches and Mogok (1.14) inches.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 27-10-2010 was 90°F. Minimum temperature on 28-10-2010 was 72°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 28-10-2010 was (84%). Rainfall on 28-10-2010 was (Nil).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 27-10-2010 was 93°F. Minimum temperature on 28-10-2010 was 75°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 28-10-2010 was (79%). Total sunshine hours on 27-10-2010 was (8.8) hours.

Rainfall on 28-10-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon.

Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (82.20) inches at Mingaladon, (96.06) inches at Kaba-Aye and (108.27) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (7) mph from Southwest at (18:30) hours MST on 27-10-2010.

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

Forecast valid until afternoon of the 29th October 2010: Rain or thundershowers will be fairly widespread in Kachin and Shan States, Sagaing and Taninthayi Regions, scattered in Mandalay, Bago and Yangon Regions and isolated in the remaining States and Regions. Degree of certainty is (80%).

State of the sea: Strong Easterly wind with Moderate to rough seas are likely at times Gulf of Mottama, off and along Mon-Taninthayi Coast. Surface wind speed in strong wind may reach (35) mph. Seas will be moderate elsewhere in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of continuation of rain or thundershowers in the upper Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 29-10-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 29-10-2010: Isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (80%).

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 29-10-2010: Likelihood of isolated rain or thundershowers. Degree of certainty is (60%).

China to launch manned space lab around 2020

BEIJING, 28 Oct — China said on Wednesday it would launch a space lab to be manned for long stretches within about 10 years, a move it believes would bring it closer to the United States and Russia as powers capable of reaching the moon.

The official Xinhua news agency, quoting an unidentified space official, said a trial space lab would be launched before 2016 to test equipment and techniques.

But it was not clear if that lab would be manned for long periods. The

space station programme will use existing technology, including the Shenzhou space vehicle and the Long March 2F launch rocket, Xinhua said.

The agency gave no details of the size of the planned labs.

Establishing a manned space lab will "promote our country's scientific and technological progress and innovation, enhance overall national strength and make an important contribution to raising national prestige", the official said.

MNA/Reuters

James Bond's Aston Martin car sells for \$4.6m

LONDON, 28 Oct — An American businessman bought James Bond's 1964 Aston Martin DB5 for 2.9 million pounds (4.59 million US dollars) at a London auction on Wednesday.

The car driven by Sean Connery in his portrayal of the suave but lethal British secret agent in the "Goldfinger" and "Thunderball" Bond films sold for less than its 3.5 million pound pre-sale estimate to businessman Harry Yeaggy, auctioneers RM Auctions said in a statement after

the sale. "This is a car that I've always wanted, after all it is the most famous car in the world," Yeaggy said in the statement. "My plan is to display it in my private car museum in Ohio just as it is."

Yeaggy is only the second ex-factory owner of the distinctive silver-coloured car. Seller Jerry Lee, an American radio broadcaster based in Philadelphia, PA, purchased the car direct from the Aston Martin Lagonda factory for 12,000 US dollars in 1969.

MNA/Reuters

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL Programme Schedule (29-10-2010)(Friday)

Transmissions

Local - (09:00am ~ 11:00am) MST
Oversea Transmission - (29-10-10 09:30 am ~ 30-10-10 09:30 am) MST

Times

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Exceptional Monywa & Excellent Resort
- * News
- * Unique Biodiversity of Indawgyi Lake
- * Global Hand Washing Day
- * News
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- * She and her Work of Art

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- * News
- * (Being Young) Youth and Music
- * News
- * Yangon International Airport
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Fashionable and Beautiful Silk Fabric
- * Current Affairs "Nine Art Exhibition"
- * Traditional Banana Shrine Art
- * News
- * Traditional Art of Making Goldware
- * Exquisite Silver Jewellery
- * Myanmar Movies "The Director"

Myanmar



Friday, 29 October
View on today

7:00 am

1. Paritta By Hilly Region Missionary Sayadaw Uppatthandi Paritta

7:30 am

2. Morning News

7:40 am

3. Dhamma Puja Song

7:50 am

4. Nice & Sweet Song

8:00 am

5. Myanmar Traditional Culture Performing Arts Competitions

8:15 am

6. The Mirror Images Of The Musical Oldies

8:30 am

7. Teleplay(Traffic)

8:40 am

8. International News

8:45 am

9. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Song Of National Races

4:20 pm

3. Songs Of Yester Years

4:30 pm

4. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures)

4:45 pm

5. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

4:50 pm

6. Myanmar Language

5:05 pm

7. Musical Programme

5:15 pm

8. "How to Cast Vote" (Myanmar Motion Picture Asiayone)

5:30 pm

9. Yoetha Phyu Sin Kalaydoeathwin

6:00 pm

10. Evening News

6:15 pm

11. Weather Report

6:20 pm

12. Internet Garden

7:00 pm

13. Demo Birthday (Myanmar Motion Picture Asiayone)

8:00 pm

14. News

15. Talk of the Political Parties (Repeat)

16. International News

17. Weather Report

18. Demo Birthday (Myanmar Motion Picture Asiayone)

19. Documentary

20. Just For Laughs (Gags Asia)

21. TV Drama Series

22. Song Lover

- ★ 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



Kandaunt Dam helping farmers in Pale Township in Sagaing Region to practise multiple-cropping pattern.

ARTICLE

The forthcoming election is different from leftwing and rightwing elections that are held in the world and past elections of Myanmar. In reality, the forthcoming election will be the first-ever election in the world that transforms exclusive delegation of three sovereign powers into a control tool in the interest of the people.

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