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Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmone observed on grand scale across the country



Buddhist devotees visit Uppatasanti Pagoda on Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmone.— MNA

Four political objectives

- * Stability of the State, community peace and tranquillity, prevalence of law and order
- * National reconsolidation
- * Emergence of a new enduring State Constitution
- * Building of a new modern developed nation in accord with the new State Constitution

Four economic objectives

- * Development of agriculture as the base and all-round development of other sectors of the economy as well
- * Proper evolution of the market-oriented economic system
- * Development of the economy inviting participation in terms of technical know-how and investments from sources inside the country and abroad
- * The initiative to shape the national economy must be kept in the hands of the State and the national peoples

Four social objectives

- * Uplift of the morale and morality of the entire nation
- * Uplift of national prestige and integrity and preservation and safeguarding of cultural heritage and national character
- * Uplift of dynamism of patriotic spirit
- * Uplift of health, fitness and education standards of the entire nation

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov — Today is Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmone (Samañaphala Day), which is the eighth month of the twelve-month Myanmar calendar year.

Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmone is called Samañaphala Day based on the Buddha's deliverance of the discourse on the Samañaphala to King Azathat on that day. On fullmoon day of Tazaungmone, Buddhists hold Kathina robes offering ceremonies. So, the whole Nay Pyi Taw is

lively with ceremonies and festivities today.

The Tazaungdine Shwekyar robes offering ceremony and the successful concluding of Maha Pathana recitation ceremony for the jade Buddha images kept in the cave of the Uppatasanti Pagoda took place at 5.30 am today. Present on the occasion were Uppatasanti Pagoda Board of Trustees

Ovadhacariya Lew Puakmyaing Monastery Abbot Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Janinda and members of the Sangha, Nay Pyi Taw Command Commander Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye, Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Aung Ko, responsible persons and Wut associations.

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Buddhist devotees light candles at Uppatasanti Pagoda on Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmone.— MNA



15th Buddha Pujaniya organized at Sacred Tooth Relic Pagoda (Yangon)

YANGON, 21 Nov—The 15th Buddha Pujaniya, consecration, Shwekyar robes offering and rice offering ceremonies of Sacred Tooth Relic Pagoda (Yangon) took place at the pagoda, here, this morning, attended by Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of the Ministry of Defence.

First, members of the Sangha consecrated Buddha images in the Gandakuti Chamber and the pagoda.

Vice-Chairman of the State Sangha Maha Nayaka Committee Toungoo Sayadaw Agga Maha Pandita Agga Maha Saddhamma Jotikadhaja

Bhaddanta Pannavamsa administered the Nine Precepts. Next, members of the Sangha recited Parittas.

Vice-Chairman Sagaing Monastery Sayadaw Agga Maha Pandita Bhaddanta Dhammananda delivered a sermon, and Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe and the congregation shared merits gained.

Also present on the occasion were Chairman of Yangon Region Peace and Development Council Commander of Yangon Command Brig-Gen Tun Than, Minister for Religious Affairs Thura U Myint Maung,

Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor U Aung Thein Lin, the vice-mayor, departmental heads, members of the Pagoda Board of Trustees, religious associations, wellwishers and guests.

Together with the commander, the minister, the mayor and officials, Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe donated Shwekyar robes to the Buddha images.

After the ceremony, Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe and party together with wellwishers offered meals to members of the Sangha.—MNA

PERSPECTIVES

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Promote regional peace, stability and development of ACMECS member countries

The fourth Ayeyawady-Chaophraya-Mekong Economic Cooperation Strategy (ACMECS) Summit was held in Phnom Penh of Cambodia on 17 November.

The summit was attended by Prime Minister of Cambodia Samdech Hun Sen, Prime Minister of Lao People's Democratic Republic Mr Bouasone Bouphavanh, Prime Minister of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein, Prime Minister of Thailand Mr Abhisit Vejjajiva, Prime Minister of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam Mr Nguyen Tan Dung and ASEAN Secretary-General Dr Surin Pitsuwan.

In delivering a speech at the summit opening, Prime Minister U Thein Sein stressed the need to motivate the respective organs implementing the process of ACMECS through fulfilling their obligations, to speed up the establishment of ASEAN Community in 2015 and to provide assistance for both government and private sectors to be able to achieve success on common goals.

At the summit, the ACMECS Prime Ministers discussed importance of private sector participation in promoting the cooperation between the member countries, promotion of the role of the economic council and cooperation on the industrial and energy sectors.

They also exchanged views on enhancement of global tourism, environmental conservation, formation of cooperative task forces and ensuring trade and investment development.

The summit approved the ACMECS Phnom Penh Declaration and future programme (2010-2012). As ACMECS member countries share borders with each other, they will be able to further promote regional cooperation, stability and development through their good neighbourliness.

7th respect-paying of Chemistry major (1967-1973) on 26 Dec

YANGON, 21 Nov—The old students who graduated from University of Yangon Arts and Science with degree in Chemistry and Industrial Chemistry during the periods of 1967 and 1973, will pay respects to their teachers as seventh times.

The respect-paying of those will be held at Universities' Dhammayon from 9 am to noon on 26 December. The teachers and the students are to attend the ceremony without fail. Those wishing to make cash donation may contact U Maung Maung Gyi (1967) (ph-203074), Daw Aye Nyunt Kyi (1968) (ph-559980), Col Ko Ko Kyaw (Retd) (1969) (ph-501432), U Zaw Win (1970) (ph-590345), Daw San San Win (1971) (ph-298996), U Thein Shwe (1972) (ph-226245) and Daw Phyu Phyu Nyunt (1973) (ph-292953).

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Peoples' 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



Maj-Gen Tin Ngwe of Ministry of Defence offers Shwekyar robes to Buddha image at Sacred Tooth Relic Pagoda (Yangon). (News on page 1)

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1,495 lots of jade sold at Mid-year Myanmar Gems Emporium (2010)

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov—The 2010 Mid-year Myanmar Gems Emporium continued today at Mani Yadana Jade Hall near Myanmar Gems Museum here this morning. Local and foreign gem merchants purchased jade lots through tender system. A total of 1495 lots of jade were sold this evening. Secretary of the Central Committee Managing Director U Thein Swe of Myanmar Gems Enterprise and members supervised the event. Officials opened and inspected the sealed tenders of merchants. Today is fifth day of the



emporium and Jade Garden was packed with merchants.

The emporium

which is the first time in Nay Pyi Taw will go on till 29 November.

Gem merchants view jade lots.

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Local and foreign gem merchants put sealed tenders into tender boxes.—MNA



An Afghan National Army soldier (C) and US soldiers investigate the site of a blast in Laghman province, on 20 Nov, 2010. Two suicide bombers on bicycles killed six people and wounded 33 in Afghanistan's eastern Laghman Province on Saturday, provincial officials said.

XINHUA

Gunmen explode policeman house in N Iraq, woman killed

TIKRIT, 21 Nov—Gunmen on Saturday exploded the house of a policeman in a town in Salahudin Province, north of Baghdad, killing a woman and wounding a child, a provincial police source said. “A bomb planted in the house of a policeman in the town of Sherqat, some 290 km north of Baghdad, detonated in the morning, killing a woman and a child from his family,” the source told *Xinhua* on condition of anonymity.

The policeman himself was not at home when the bomb exploded, which also caused damages to nearby houses, the source said. In a separate incident, police bomb experts carried out a controlled explosion of a sticky bomb attached to the car of an Iraqi army officer in Sherqat, destroying the car with no human casualty, the source added. Militants frequently attack Iraqi security forces, their homes and families as part of the attempts to reassert the insurgent's control in some areas, said the source, adding that the two incidents are now under investigation.

Xinhua



An Iraqi Army soldier stands next to wreckage from a car bomb in the Shiite neighbourhood of Sadr City in Baghdad, Iraq recently. Rapid-fire bombings and mortar strikes in mostly Shiite neighbourhoods of Baghdad killed and wounded scores, calling into question the ability of Iraqi security forces to protect the capital.

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An Iraqi army soldier chases a youth from the site of a car bomb attack near a popular restaurant in Basra, Iraq's second-largest city, 340 miles (550 kilometres) southeast of Baghdad, Iraq, on 9 Nov, 2010. Car bombs struck three Shiite cities in southern Iraq on Monday, killing and wounding scores of people, police said.

INTERNET



Police rescue abducted oil worker in Nigeria

PORT-HARCOURT, 21 Nov—The police in southeast Nigeria's Rivers said it has rescued a senior staff of the Port Harcourt Refinery of the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC).

State police spokesperson Akin Fakorede told reporters in Port-Harcourt, the state capital, on Saturday that Sunday Fabiyi was rescued after a gun battle

between the police and the kidnappers.

He said the rescue mission was carried out at Eleme area of Port-Harcourt on Friday. Fakorede urged members of the public to continue to partner with the police through timely passage of meaningful information to the command.

He also advised the public to go about their legitimate businesses and assured them of their security.

Abduction is common in Nigeria. Over 300 foreigners have been seized in the Niger Delta since 2006. Almost all have been released unharmed after paying a ransom. —*Xinhua*

Clash leaves three dead in Northern Afghanistan

PUL-E-KHUMRI, 21 Nov—Gun battle between Taliban militants and police in Burka District of northern Baghlan Province left two policemen and one militant dead on Saturday, a local official said Sunday. “A group of Taliban militants and police skirmished in a village in Burka District on Saturday evening during which two police constables and a militant were killed,” district governor Sakhi Mohammad told *Xinhua*. Meanwhile, two suicide bombers carried out separate attack in the eastern Laghman province on Saturday, killing four and injured 33 civilians.

Xinhua

Al-Qaeda to attack German Parliament building

BERLIN, 21 Nov—German weekly *Der Spiegel* said on Saturday, al-Qaeda will launch an attack against German Parliament building next February and March according to recent calls to the German federal crime agency (BKA) from an informant.

The magazine said a group of six people have been involved in the attacking plot. Two have been in Berlin for six to eight weeks, while the

rest four people, including a German, a Turk and a North African were on the way.

The report has not been confirmed by BKA, but it has been flying through local media, as the German government has raised its security checks across the country this week for receiving “concrete” information on terror attacks planned for the end of November.

“According to information from a foreign partner after the Yemen incident, we suspect a planned attack is to be launched at the end of November,” German Interior

Minister Thomas de Maiziere said on Wednesday in an urgently called press conference.

German Chancellor Angela Merkel was reported on Saturday to calm down the tight atmosphere of terrorist attacks across Germany at NATO summit in Lisbon, Portugal, saying “no terrorist threat will prevent people from living freely and without fear in Germany.”

But she also warned possible terrorist attacks in Germany as “the danger of terrorism does exist.”

Xinhua

Ten militants killed, 30 detained in S Afghanistan

TRINKOT, 21 Nov—Afghan security forces have killed 10 Taliban militants and detained 30 others in the southern Uruzgan Province, provincial police chief Juma Gul Humat said Sunday.

“Afghan police and army have so far killed 10 Taliban rebels and captured 30 others during a joint operation launched 10 days ago in several villages outside provincial capital Trinkot,” Humat told *Xinhua*.

He also said that a number of arms and ammunitions including Kalashnikov rifles had been seized from the militants' possessions.

The police chief also emphasized that it was a purely Afghan forces operation conducted without the involvement of NATO-led troops.

Humat said that the operation may continue for a few more days to wipe out militants from the area.

Taliban militants who are fighting Afghan and NATO-led troops in Afghanistan have yet to make comment.—*Xinhua*



A victim of a bomb attack is treated at a hospital in Baghdad recently.

A series of bombs rocked mainly Shi'ite areas of Baghdad, killing at least 40 people and wounding dozens two days after al Qaeda militants staged a bloodbath when they took hostages in a Christian church.

INTERNET

Science

Archeologists find 3,000-year-old fruit cellar

XI'AN, 21 Nov—Chinese archeologists have found an ancient fruit cellar containing well-preserved apricot and melon seeds from more than 3,000 years ago in today's Shaanxi Province.

The cellar was a rectangular pit about 105 cm long, 80 cm wide and 205 cm deep, said Dr Sun Zhouyong, a researcher with the Shaanxi Provincial Institute of Archeology. In each corner of the pit, Sun and his colleagues found a little round hole. "We assume the cellar had something like a shade that was fixed on the four holes but had decayed over the years."

Inside the cellar the researcher could see, even with naked eye, huge piles of nuts and seeds.

"We sorted them out with care, and found about 500 apricot nuts—108 of which were complete with carbonized pulp, at least 150 melon seeds and 10 plum seeds," said Sun. They also found millet and grass seeds. Sun and his colleagues sent three apricot nuts to Beta Analytic in Florida, the United States, last year for carbon 14 test to determine their age.

"The test results indicated they were about 3,000 years old, dating back to a period between 1380 BC and 1120 BC," said Sun. "Seemingly the fruits had been stored in an acidic and dry environment, so dehydration was extremely slow and the nuts were not carbonized even after so many centuries."

"Presumably, the aristocrats had stored fruits in their family cellar," said Sun. The cellar, with roughly 1.7 cubic meters of storage, could store up to 100 kilograms of fruits, he said.—*Internet*

New blood test may predict heart failure risk

WASHINGTON, 21 Nov—US researchers said on Monday they have developed a new blood test that may help predict the risk of heart failure in older adults who appear to be in good health.

The test is a more advanced version of one currently carried out in emergency rooms to determine if a patient having chest pain is suffering from a heart attack or something else.



Blood sample.
INTERNET

Researchers said the findings may help assess the risk of death for people over age 65 who show no symptoms of heart disease, a group that is particularly difficult to gauge and which sees 80 percent of new congestive heart failure cases.

The test measures the level of troponin T, which is a marker for the biological process of cell death that leads to heart failure, said the study published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association (JAMA)*.

The new test can detect troponin levels that are 10 times lower than previous tests but is not yet commercially available in the United States, where heart disease is the number one killer of men and women.—*Internet*

Peru, Yale reach agreement on artifacts



An aerial view shows the Inca citadel of Machu Picchu in Cuzco on 3 Nov, 2010.—XINHUA

LIMA, 21 Nov—Yale University has agreed to return to Peru thousands of relics taken from Machu Picchu nearly 100 years ago, Peruvian President Alan Garcia says.

Peru has contends approximately 46,000 items taken from the 15th century Inca citadel were loaned to the Ivy League school in 1911 and never returned, the BBC

reported Saturday. The two sides have been at odds over the artifacts more than seven years sued the US university in 2008.

Yale's promise to give back the pieces that include mummies, ceramics and gold and bronze artifacts follows a media campaign by Garcia and his government, the British network said.—*Xinhua*

Technology

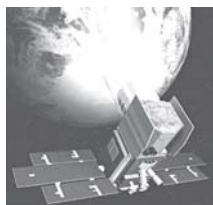
Thales gets green light for contract on weather satellites

PARIS, 21 Nov—European satellite maker Thales Alenia Space said Friday that it has gotten the green light from the European Space Agency for its project to build a system of third generation weather satellites.

The company said in a statement that it has signed a contract worth 1.3 billion euros (1.77 billion U.S. dollars) with Germany's OHB-System to build the Meteosat Third Generation (MTG) system.

"This programme, co-financed by the European Space Agency and the European meteorological organization Eumetsat, will guarantee access to space data until 2037," the company said.

The MTG is a six-satellite system for both climate and meteorological applications. It is composed of four



imaging satellites carrying imaging and lightning detection mission, and two other sounding satellites

providing infrared and ultraviolet capabilities.

The first to be launched would be an imaging satellite planned for 2017, and then followed by a sounding satellite in 2019, according to Thales Alenia Space, which is owned by French aerospace group Thales and Italy's Finmeccanica. *Xinhua*

Social media "one part" of Google strategy

SYDNEY, 21 Nov—Internet giant Google on Sunday said social media was "absolutely" part of its strategy and would be embedded in "many of our products" but played down its rivalry with networking icon Facebook.

Chief financial officer Patrick Pichette said Google was at the centre of an exploding digital economy where computer power was "relentlessly, dramatically increasing"

and innovation was crucial to survival.

"Search is clearly the core product of Google but many of our other products are having phenomenal trajectories," Pichette told Australian public television.

"The first driving principle of Google is in fact not money—the first driving principle of Google is understanding that the Internet is changing the world," he added.

Pichette said Amazon and Apple were "winning" in the new technology race and Microsoft was a "formidable" competitor, but played down media hype suggestions that Facebook was Google's next big rival.

"The digital world is exploding and it has so many chapters—it has cloud computing, it has mobile, it does have social, it has searches, it has so many elements.—*Xinhua*

Space tourism craft ready for more tests

LAS CRUCES, 21 Nov—SpaceShipTwo, the suborbital space tourist craft, is entering a period of aggressive US testing to prepare it for commercial operations, its backers say. At Spaceport America, a facility under construction in New Mexico as the home of Virgin Galactic, the spaceship is being prepared for more glide tests and the eventual fitting of its hybrid rocket motor.

Starting space tourism operations is a challenging endeavor, a Virgin Galactic executive said. "There are a lot of different pieces to it. Job number one is to continue progressing and to eventually finish the flight test program safely and build a set of vehicles that can be flown safely with precious cargo," CEO George Whitesides said.

Virgin Galactic plans to eventually operate five spaceships and two carrier aircraft. The fleet of ships will be built by The Spaceship Co, which started construction on 9 Nov on its facilities at Mojave Air and Space Port in California. Still ahead for Virgin Galactic is obtaining a commercial license from the Federal Aviation Administration's Office of Commercial Space Transportation.

Internet



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Health



Halaven™ (eribulin mesylate) Injection for the treatment of patients with metastatic breast cancer who have previously received at least two chemotherapeutic regimens for the treatment of metastatic disease.—XINHUA

Hong Kong reports one H5N1 avian flu case

HONG KONG, 21 Nov—A 59-year-old local woman was found to have contracted H5N1 avian flu virus after visiting the mainland last month, Hong Kong Secretary for Food and Health York Chow said Wednesday.

Speaking at a press briefing Wednesday evening, Chow said the patient went to the mainland on Oct. 23 where she visited places including Shanghai, Hangzhou and Nanjing. She developed flu symptoms such as cough

and fever on Nov. 2, one day after returning to Hong Kong, and was later admitted to Tun Mun Hospital.

Chow said since the patient, who is now in a serious condition, had been to wet markets in the mainland, he believed that the contraction was probably happened outside Hong Kong. But he did not rule out the possibility that it was a local case.

The Serious Response Level under the government's

Preparedness Plan for Influenza Pandemic is activated, said the city's health chief, adding that the government will submit the case to the World Health Organization and various departments will call on a conference on Nov. 18.

There was an outbreak of the disease in 1997 in Hong Kong in which six people died. About 1.5 million poultry were killed to prevent further spread of the disease.

Xinhua

Poorer girls more at risk for violence

CARDIFF, 21 Nov—The risk of violence to teenage girls is three times more sensitive to poverty than it is for boys, researchers in Wales said.

Researchers at the Violence and Society Research Group at Cardiff University studied nearly 700 teens ages 11-17 in South Wales who experienced injuries from violence.

Jonathan Shepherd, director of the Violence and Society Research Group, said the researchers matched the patients against the levels of deprivation in their home neighborhoods. The study, published in the *Emergency Medical Journal*, found assault injury rates were uniformly higher in the most deprived areas and overall, boys were more at risk of violence than

girls, but the risk of injury increased more rapidly for girls than boys as poverty grew worse.

"The study clearly shows that poverty raises the risk of violence dramatically more for girls than boys. There's no reason to believe this will not apply to all former industrial areas in Britain, Shepherd said in a statement.

"The facts linking deprived neighborhoods to violence are complex and include social cohesion, substance abuse and family stress. It is not clear why the risk to girls should be so much more sensitive to deprivation but the reason may be linked to the different ways girls of different backgrounds resolve disputes."

Internet

Back, foot pain, knee osteoarthritis link

BOSTON, 21 Nov—Those with knee osteoarthritis are also likely to suffer foot, elbow and low back pain, US researchers say.

Researchers at Harvard Medical School, New England Baptist Hospital and Spaulding Rehabilitation Hospital—all in Boston—not only associated knee osteo-

arthritis with low back pain but with pain in the foot and elbow on the same side as the affected knee.

The study, published in *Arthritis Care & Research*, found 57.4 percent of knee osteoarthritis patients reported pain in their lower back—the higher the knee pain scores, the more likely, the low back pain. Low back

pain was associated with foot pain and elbow pain as well. "Our findings show that pain in the low back, foot and elbow may be associated with greater knee pain, confirming that symptomatic knee osteoarthritis rarely occurs in isolation," study leader Dr Pradeep Suri of Harvard said in a statement.

Internet

Business

Hotels in sales-tax free NH target shoppers

CONCORD, 21 Nov—Hotels and inns in sales tax-free New Hampshire are trying to lure Black Friday shoppers with stay-and-shop packages that come with tempting free gifts or services:

A free purse stuffed with energy bars and coupons to outlet stores. Gift wrapping accompanied by hors d'oeuvres. Shuttle service to the mall.

There have been few takers so far. But that's not so unusual.

"The same thing happened last year; it was last-minute, it was all the day before," said Donnie Sullivan, manager of the Country Inn & Suites in Bedford. The hotel is offering a two-night stay starting at \$145 for two, with a \$50 gift card to a local restaurant and a shuttle service to the Mall of New Hampshire in Manchester. Last year, "we had to find a bigger shuttle," he said.



In this on 19 Nov, 2010 photo, Marilyn Gordon sets up Christmas decorations at the Candlelight Inn in Bradford, NH. XINHUA

Hotel and inn managers say such last-minute bookings in New Hampshire, one of five states without a sales tax, have become common as travelers remain cautious about their budgets and watch for good weather.—Internet

Irish economist says Ireland is not second Greece

DUBLIN, 21 Nov—Ireland does not face a similar crisis like Greece although the Irish debt crisis cast a shadow over the eurozone in six months, Irish economist Cathal Brugha said on Saturday.

As yields on Irish 10-year bonds have reached 9 percent, the highest level since the euro came into being in 1990, there are deep worries that Ireland may follow the suit of Greece and another round of sovereign debt crisis may be looming, dragging in other eurozone countries such as Spain and Portugal.

Brugha, professor of University College of Dublin (UCD) School of Business, told *Xinhua* that compared with Greece, Ireland has one of Europe's strongest export sectors. And Greece is very much dependent on tourism and shipping whereas Ireland has a vibrant hi-tech service focused economy.

Brugha said: "When cut-backs were necessary because of difficulties in the size of the public sector that was not supported by taxation revenue this led to public political unrest in Greece, but not in Ireland."

He also called for greater reform in the public sector in Greece and other Mediterranean countries, saying that for instance, the retirement age in Ireland is 65, but typically as low as 55 in some of the other countries.

On the cause of such crisis in the eurozone, Brugha said with the formation of the European Union (EU), European countries pooled their sovereignty and their currencies, but they did not coordinated their economic, monetary and fiscal policies.—Xinhua



A woman walks past the Bank of Ireland in Dublin, Ireland, 20 Nov, 2010. XINHUA

Full-fledged budget announced in Nepal

KATHMANDU, 21 Nov—Nepali Finance Minister Surendra Pandey announced the full-fledged budget for the current fiscal year 2010/11 on Saturday.

The allocated budget for this year is around 337.9 billion Nepali rupees (4.62 billion U.S. dollars).

The budget was announced through the ordinance, which was introduced by President Ram Baran Yadav Saturday morning.

After the melodrama by the Unified Communist Party of Nepal lawmakers wherein Finance Minister Surendra Pandey was prevented from presenting the current fiscal year budget, the government had closed the House session on Friday midnight and decided to bring the budget through an ordinance.

A quarrel had broken out between the lawmakers of the UCPN-M and the Finance Minister Surendra Pandey on the issue of the budget at the meeting of the Legislature Parliament Friday night and earlier Saturday morning.—Xinhua

550 stranded tourists safely brought to Nepali capital

KATHMANDU, 21 Nov—Around 550 tourists stranded in Lukla, the only airport for Mt Qomolangma (also called Everest) region in Solukhumbu district due to adverse weather there over the past one week were flown to Kathmandu on Saturday. “Helicopters and planes of private airlines and Nepal Army (NA) flew around 550 stranded tourists to Kathmandu today,” said Chief District Officer

(CDO) of Solukhumbu Yadav Subedi, quoted by *Sunday’s Republica* daily. “There are still around 500 more stranded here in Lukla,” Subedi said.

Altogether 184 out of the 550 tourists rescued Saturday were brought to Kathmandu by NA. A rescue team was formed as per the request of the Civil Aviation Authority of Nepal and the directives of the Defence Ministry to bring tourists to

Kathmandu charging them appropriate fares, a statement issued by the Directorate of Public Relations of Nepal Army said.

The team gave priority to sick, elderly and those tourists whose visas were expiring soon while bringing them to Kathmandu, the statement said. The tourists were taken to Lamidanda from Lukla on choppers while planes and choppers were used to bring them to Kathmandu. “Eight of the rescued were Nepali nationals while the rest were foreigners,” the statement added.

MNA/Xinhua



People in costumes of Yao ethnic group pose on stage for a beauty contest during this year’s Pan Wang Festival in Shaoguan, south China’s Guangdong Province, 20 Nov, 2010.

XINHUA

Chinese culture irrigates tree of mutual understanding

MOSCOW, 21 Nov—Wearing Cheongsams and holding Chinese traditional folding fans, a group of blond young ladies in up-do hair style were performing Chinese dances with splendid music on the stage.

Rapturous applause from the audience poured over them - the students of Moscow 1948 middle school, famous for its Chinese education.

The school is not the only one that is running Chinese courses. Now more than 40 universities and some 20 middle and primary schools list Chinese as their first foreign language.

The year 2010, “Year of Chinese Language” in Russia has expanded cultural exchanges between China and Russia, leaving both countries’ people numerous cherished memories.—Xinhua



People stands in front of a fitting equipment during the 5th China International Cultural and Creative Industry Expo (ICCIE) in Beijing, capital of China, on 19 Nov, 2010. The expo, displaying a large number of cultural and creative exhibits, was opened to the public for free.—XINHUA



Models of Motorola Korea Inc pose for photos with the company’s new smart phone ‘Motorola DEFY’ during a news conference at Shilla Hotel in Seoul, capital of South Korea on 16 Nov, 2010. The Motorola DEFY goes on sale in Nov. in South Korea.—XINHUA

Drug gunmen kill teen, wound 11-year-old in France

MARSEILLE, 21 Nov—Men armed with AK 47 assault rifles have killed a 16-year-old boy and wounded an 11-year-old in two separate drive-by shootings in Marseille, with police saying the incidents were likely drug-related.

France’s second largest city has been hit by a wave of narcotics crimes and the latest murder puts the number killed in drugs-related attacks to 18 this year.

The shootings took place late on Friday in the port city’s poor northern suburb of Le Clos de la Rose when gunmen in two cars opened fire with Kalashnikovs on the 16-year-old, who later died in hospital, authorities said.

The gunmen then opened fire on the 11-year-old boy at the entrance to an apartment building, in the company of his 14-year-old sister,

who escaped unharmed. Doctors said the boy’s condition was serious but he was not in immediate danger.

MNA/Reuters



A auto made by Nissan is displayed at the 53rd San Francisco International Auto Show in San Francisco, the United States, on 20 Nov, 2010.

INTERNET

Mine flood traps three workers in south China

NANNING, 21 Nov—Three workers were trapped by flood while prospecting for an iron mine in south China’s Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region Saturday night, the local safety watchdog said Sunday.

The accident happened at 8:50 pm in a village in Yunbiao Township, Hengxian County, the work safety bureau in the regional capital Nanning said in a press release. Of the five people working underground, two escaped without injuries, it said.

Neither of the two survivors was immediately available for an interview.

Rescue work continued Sunday, and the cause of the accident was under investigation.

A work safety bureau official said the prospecting operation was legal and had been authorized. The area was believed to have rich iron, copper and gold reserves, he said.—Xinhua

Fire still burning at China chemical plant after blast kills three

YUSHE, 21 Nov—Sporadic flames were still burning Sunday morning at a chemical plant in north China’s Shanxi Province where an explosion killed three workers and injured dozens Saturday night, local officials said.

The blast happened at 7:10 pm Saturday at Yushe Chemical Industry Co Ltd in Yushe County of Jinzhong City. Three workers died at the scene and two were seriously injured, the local government said in a press release.

Another 37 workers were hospitalized with slight injuries, it said. The blast broke almost all the window panes in buildings within 100 meters from the site. At least five fire engines were mobilized to put out the flames that engulfed several workshops. A local publicity official said no pollution had been observed.

“The provincial environment bureau has found no harmful substance in the air and the factory has not discharged any waste water after the blast,” said Wang Hongchang, publicity official at the Yushe county committee of the Chinese Communist Party, at a press conference early Sunday. The cause of the accident is still under investigation. Yushe Chemical Industry Co. Ltd, with 2,700 employees, produces PVC, sodium hydroxide and other chemicals.—Xinhua

Construction Minister looks into tarmacking of new PyinOoLwin-Mogok Road



Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint inspects earthwork on new PyinOoLwin-Mogok Road with the use of heavy machinery.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov— Minister for Construction U Khin Maung Myint, together with departmental heads, on 19 November oversaw maintenance of roads and bridge along Kyaukme-Monglon Road by car.

The minister inspected construction site of bridge near Legyi Village by No. 83/7 mile post on new PyinOoLwin-Mogok Road and left necessary instructions.

At the briefing hall near Doe-pin Village, the

minister heard reports presented by in-charge of new PyinOoLwin-Mogok Road site Chief Engineer U Myint Aung on progress of placing concrete and gravel, and fulfilled the needs.

It was learnt that the new 34 feet wide PyinOoLwin-Mogok Road is being paved by a special road group from Public Works under the Ministry of Construction, a district group and 10 companies totaling 12 groups.

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Alumni of Institute of Economics to meet on 19 Dec

YANGON, 21 Nov — Alumni of the 1983 batch of the Institute of Economics has planned to hold a get-together on 19 December.

Win Tun Aung, Ph: 09-5000405; Than Min Aung, Ph: 09-8025161; Tin Tin Soe, Ph: 538343, Thet Thet Win (Pauk Pauk), Ph: 663422, Mi Mar, Ph: 09-5187192; Kay Thi Tun, Ph: 09-5010060, Than Than Nu, Ph: 299351; Soe Sint Win, Ph: 09-5190917; Nay Myo Zaw Nyunt, Ph: 09-5116186; Thein Zaw, Ph: 09-5127313; Thet

Nay Lin Htwe, Ph: 09-5139150; Nwe Nwe Win, Ph: 73027340 and Thet Thet Shwe, Ph: 09-5117683.

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Executive member U Bar Bar Cho of Myanmar Timber Entrepreneurs Association being seen at Yangon International Airport before departure for Nanning of China to attend 2010 China-ASEAN International Wood Culture Forum on 19 November.—MNA

Invitations to get-together

YANGON, 21 Nov— Basic Education High School No. 1 (St. Mary) will pay respects to the teachers who taught the pupils during the period from 1970 to 1985 at Ayekari Hall of the school in Pabedan Township on 5 December morning.

For further information, contact Daw Ni Ni Mar, Daw Si Si Mar (Tel: 243740) and 384580), Daw Sanda Aye, Daw Thet Thet Oo (Tel: 095156306), Daw Hla Hla Kyi (Tel: 095158317), Daw Khin Marlar (Tel: 570965) (Gandamar Store), Daw

Tin Tin Oo (Tel: 095006478), Daw Phyu Phyu (Tel: 725586), Daw Khin Lay Win (Tel: 095066981), Daw Myint Myint Lwin (Tel: 228566) and (099925791) and Daw Khin Mar Si (Tel: 371958 and 73002218).

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Two roads, three tube-wells inaugurated in Dagon Myothit (South)

YANGON, 21 Nov — Chairman of Yangon City Development Committee Mayor U Aung Thein Lin inaugurated two upgraded roads and three tube-wells in Dagon Myothit (South) Township today.

The upgraded concrete road in Ward 140 is 5100 ft long and 18 ft wide and the road in Shantegyi South Ward is 1280 ft long and 11 ft wide. Both were upgraded by the YCDC.

The mayor also inspected two roads which are being upgraded by the YCDC.

He turned on one of the three two-inch diameter tube-wells each of which can pump 1200 gallons of water to supply 400 house holds in Shandegyi Ward.

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Aung Htet Myat sells Yangon tyres



YANGON, 21 Nov— Company is selling import-substitute nylon tyres as a new year promotion programme. The company produces tyres from Yangon Tyre Factory with the use of Japanese technology by using China (Taipei)-made machines. Car owners and drivers prefer it because of being low prices, long-term use and full guarantee.

For more information, contact (1) show room of Yangon Tyre Factory, No.47, Bayintnaung Road, Hline Township (ph-682368, 681571 and 09-8030486); (2) Ayekadepa Tyres Shop, Bayintnaung market (ph-680616 and 682564); (3) Light House Enterprises Ltd, 118/B, Bayintnaung Road, Mayangon Township (ph-680943, 682891, 686741 and 686742) in Yangon and B.S Tyres Shop, No.205/A, 27th street and between 81st x 82nd streets, Chanayethazan Township (ph-02-35088 and 23230) in Mandalay.

In addition, it is available at tyres shop in states and regions across the country.—MNA

Myanmar women leave for Malaysia

YANGON, 21 Nov— A 14-member team of Myanmar Women Entrepreneurs' Association left here by air this evening to attend the 15th World General

Assembly of Youth to be held in Malacca of Malaysia from 22 to 26 November.

The team was seen off at Yangon International Airport by

Founder of MWEA and Adviser Daw Yi Yi Myint, Adviser Daw Khin Khin Swe, Vice-Chairperson Daw Nu Nu Yi and Secretary Daw Hla Wady.—NLM



A 14-member team of Myanmar Women Entrepreneurs' Association seen off at Yangon International Airport by responsible persons of MWEA.—NLM

Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmone...

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As today was the public holiday, the pagoda was heavily packed with the staff working in Nay Pyi Taw and their families as well as people from wards and villages of the townships in Nay Pyi Taw and from other regions.

flowers, water and lights and did meritorious deeds. Moreover, the pagodas in Pyinmana were visited by lots of pilgrims.

In the evening, the 9000 lights offering ceremony was held at the Uppatasanti Pagoda and hot-air balloons were

The 26th Matho Thingan weaving and offering ceremony was held in conjunction with the Tazaungdine light festival at the Shwedagon Pagoda in Yangon yesterday evening. At 1 am today, the prize-presentation ceremony for Matho Thingan weaving contest took place at the pagoda. At 5 am, the pagoda was offered with meals, fruits, flowers, water, lights and scents.

Similarly, Kathina robes offering ceremony and the 5000 lights offering ceremony were held at the Sule Pagoda. The 28th Matho Thingan weaving contest and offering ceremony took place at the Botahtaung Kyaikdayat Pagoda.

At Sacred Tooth Relic Pagoda (Yangon), religious associations recited religious verses and lit candles at the pagoda last night, and offered Matho Thingan to the Buddha Image at the pagoda today. Buddhist devotees donated provisions to the Members of the Sangha this evening.

Similarly, Matho Thingan weaving competitions were held at Thiri Mingala Kaba Aye Pagoda, Shwephonepwin Pagoda in Pazundaung Township, Kyaikkasan Pagoda and Kyaikkhauk Pagoda in Thanlyin



Shwedagon Pagoda being packed with Buddhist devotees on Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmone.—MNA

Likewise, the white elephant shed in the princint of the pagoda was crowded with visitors.

Similarly, Dhatusaya Pagoda was packed with visitors who offered

released.

The government offices and buildings, markets and other facilities in the whole Nay Pyi Taw were illuminated at night.



Visitors release hot-air balloons at the ground near Uppatasanti Pagoda on Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmone.—MNA



Uppatasanti Pagoda being packed with Buddhist devotees on Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmone.

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Township yesterday evening and Matho Thingan were offered to Buddha Images at the pagodas this early morning.

At Lawka Chantha Abhaya Labha Muni

Buddha Image and Kyaikwaing Pagoda, religious associations recited religious verses and Buddhist devotees lit candles to pay homage to the pagodas. Matho Thingan

weaving competitions, ceremonies to recite religious verses and to donate food to visitors were held at stupas and pagodas across the country today.—MNA



Damsels light oil lamps at Botahtaung Pagoda on Fullmoon Day of Tazaungmone.

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SWRR Minister inspects Technology and Research Building of Fire Brigade

YANGON, 21 Nov — Minister for Social Welfare, Relief and Resettlement U Maung Maung Swe, together with Director-General U Tin Moe of Fire Services Department and officials, inspected construction of Technology and Research Building of Fire Brigade in Myenigon in Sangyoung Township

here this morning.

The Engineer-in-Charge reported the minister on the progress in construction of the building. Minister U Maung Maung Swe called for meeting set standards, using materials of good quality and completing on schedule. He then attended to the needs.—MNA

STI to organize Marketing Management Seminar

YANGON, 21 Nov — STI Education will organize Marketing Management Seminar at Myanmar Info-Tech on 28 November.

The seminar will focus on various marketing systems and policies.

For entry ticket, one may

contact STI Education at Campus (4), Room (7), Myanmar Info-Tech, Hline Campus in Hline Township and No(377), Shwebontha Street (Upper Block), Pabedan Township (Ph: 250056, 700273, 507152, 507048, 507151).

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Commander of Nay Pyi Taw Command Brig-Gen Maung Maung Aye offers Shwekyar robe to Maha Manimaya Jade Buddha Image.

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Awards presented to winners in Aerobics Contest in Mawlamyine

YANGON, 21 Nov— The prize presentation for the Mon State Inter-Township Women's Aerobics Contest 2010 was held at the gymnasium in Mawlamyine on 19 November.

Chairperson Daw Mya Mya Thein of Mon State Women's Sports Association made a speech and presented the first prize to Thaton Township, the second to Mudon

Township and the third to Thanbyuzayat Township.

Officials gave the first prize to Mawlamyine Township, the second to Mudon Township and the third to Thaton Township in the junior event, awards to the winners in the individual event, and prizes to other winners in the three-member team event and the nine-member team event.

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Matho Thingan weaving competitions in progress at Kyaikkasan Pagoda.

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Nyaungdon achieving...

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Executive Officer U Aung Kyaw Soe said, "Our committee is undertaking 31 points of development tasks, 16 points of keeping towns and villages neat and tidy and five rural development tasks in line with the motto: 'Towns and villages must be modern and developed soonest' adopted by the Ministry for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and Development Affairs."

fairs."

He conducted us around the town. Nyaungdon has been gaining development after 1988. We saw preparation for repaving Bogyoke Road. Assistant Engineer explained, "This road is 4830 feet long, 16 feet wide and three inches thick."

We drove along local roads namely Yinmakaung, Bogyoke, Lanmadaw, Thunphayagyi and Azarni Roads.

As part of efforts

to undertake the urbanization works, the committee is repaving 510 feet long and 16 feet wide Lanmadaw Road with three inches thick asphalt layer between 5th and 8th streets, and 1280 feet long and 12 feet wide Tawkyayung Road with three inches thick asphalt layer.

We proceeded to rural roads of the township. During the visit, we saw construction of Nyaungdon-Wehtauk Road.

Junior Engineer U San Yu Hlaing said, "The committee has planned to

construct two rural roads in 2010-2011 financial year. Those facilities will be 4130 feet long Pesikyun Road and 3450 feet long Nyaungdon-Wehtauk Road. At present, we are undertaking maintenance of 1000 feet long and 10 feet wide Zeebyugyun-Thazin Yegyaw Road, 5250 feet long and 10 feet wide Phaungyoechaung-Uto Road for enabling the rural areas to gain easy access to urban areas."

On arrival at the transformer, we got off from the car. Executive Officer



Photo shows direction signboard and beauty of landscaping at the entrance to Nyaungdon.

U Aung Kyaw Soe said, "It is a 315 KVA transformer installed on 22 October 2010. Thanks to the Ministry for Progress of Border Areas and National Races and the Ministry of Electric Power No. 2, electricity can be supplied to the people more than the past."

We saw electricians at finishing works on the lamp-posts.

During the visits to the town, we witnessed

landscaping works, and placing of pavements along both sides of roads by workers from Township DAC.

Nyaungdon is marching on the track of development. After completion of noting down progress of urban and rural areas, we headed for paddy fields in Nyaungdon Township.

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A roundabout at Nyaungdon.

Duke cancer researcher quits as papers questioned

DURHAM, 21 Nov—A Duke University cancer scientist resigned Friday amid concerns about his research that arose after the university started probing whether he'd lied on a grant application.

School spokeswoman Debbe Geiger also said another researcher at the school is asking the journal *Nature Medicine* to retract a paper he published with Anil Potti, the scientist who's stepping down.

Potti's collaborator Joseph Nevins said some of the tests in the research they produced for that paper can not be duplicated.

Other papers sub-mitted by Potti are also being reviewed, and three clinical trials based on his research have been closed, Geiger said. A phone message left at a listing for Potti was not immediately returned Friday.

Potti was an associate professor of medicine at Duke who has been under investigation by the school since this

summer, when his claim on a federal grant application to be a Rhodes Scholar was scrutinized. Geiger didn't immediately return a call seeking further information on what the school found out about the Rhodes Scholar claim.

Potti's research was questioned by statisticians at the University of Texas' MD Anderson Cancer Centre, who were troubled by methods used in a study that described gene patterns that might help predict a breast cancer patient's response to chemotherapy. The December 2007 study also was questioned by 15 European scientists involved in the research, who expressed "grave concerns about the validity of their report" to the National Cancer Institute. Potti has received a five-year, \$729,000 grant from the American Cancer Society, but that award was suspended during the investigation into his work.

Xinhua

People visit the 8th China International Aviation and Aerospace Exhibition in Zhuhai City, south China's Guangdong Province, on 19 Nov, 2010. The airshow opened to the public for three days since Friday.

XINHUA



Pilots avoid patdown, X-ray screening

WASHINGTON, 21 Nov—US security officials said Friday airline pilots will not be subject to advanced X-ray screening or patdowns.

Transportation Security Administration head John Pistole issued a statement saying pilots in uniform on airline business may pass through airport security as long as they present two forms of photo identification, which will be cross-checked against a flight crew database, *ABC News* reported.

"Allowing these uniformed pilots, whose identity has been verified, to go through expedited screening at the checkpoint just makes for smart security and an efficient use of our resources," Pistole said.

Unions representing pilots had urged members to avoid X-ray screening stations that generate full-body images, and pilots had said the screening made it difficult for them to work because it was so traumatic, *ABC* reported.

Rep John Mica, R-Fla — the ranking member of the House Transportation

and Infrastructure Committee — wrote a letter, along with Rep Tom Petri, R-Wis, to Pistole complaining that the new screening procedures are "not achieving the proper balance between

aviation security and the privacy rights of United States citizens."

"The level of public angst is a clear indication that the TSA has missed the mark," the letter said.

Xinhua



Hot air balloons participate in the Hot Air Balloons Festival in Leon, Mexico, on 19 Nov, 2010.—XINHUA

Helix says FDA puts its cancer drug on clinical hold

BANGALORE, 20 Nov—Canadian biopharmaceutical company Helix BioPharma Corp said its experimental cancer treatment was placed on clinical hold by US regulators, seeking additional information about the product's durability.

Aurora, Ontario-based Helix said it got a verbal notice from US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for its mid/late stage trial on its preventative cancer drug, Topical Interferon Alpha-2b.

The clinical hold was not due to issues related to the planned trial design or its clinical and preclinical findings, the company said in a statement. Helix said it was working to address the FDA's requests, including data on product stability over a longer period, which might take a minimum of three months to generate.

Topical Interferon Alpha-2b is a prospective non-invasive treatment for women with potentially precancerous, low-grade cervical lesions. Shares of the company, which have risen 8 percent in the last three months, closed at C\$2.60 on Friday on the Toronto Stock Exchange.—*Reuters*

Economists peg Michigan comeback as slow

LANSING, 20 Nov—University of Michigan economists said the state is poised for a slow comeback through 2012.

It may, however, be too slow a recovery for some, university economist George Fulton said.

"Many residents," he said, "will feel the recovery has yet to arrive." An annual report on the state's economy released this week said Michigan would add 24,500 jobs next year and 63,100 in 2012, the *Detroit Free Press* reported Saturday. That would keep the state's unemployment rate at 12.4 percent in 2011 and 11.5 percent in 2012—a high rate, but better than the current 13.4 percent unemployment rate. After losing 843,000 jobs in the past 10 years, "The heartbeat of the Michigan economy seems to be getting a little stronger," Fulton said.

Internet

Shanghai's wine hotspots

The House of Roosevelt



SHANGHAI, 21 Nov—All red wines at this Bund eatery are currently being sold at a 50 percent discount as part of a special promotion.

The House of Roosevelt is a nine-storey building originally constructed in 1920 and sells quality wines at prices that even give Carrefour a run for its money.

But the restaurant's biggest selling point is its expansive cellar. The owners claim it is the largest commercial cellar of its kind in the city, guarded by 24-hour security and frequented on a regular basis by local celebrities.

Watson's Wine Cellar, Xintiandi

Watson's Wine Cellar is the latest destination for the city's wine lovers.

The building is a restored, traditional shikumen



house, highlighting a fusion of classic and modern architectural styles. Watson's Wine Cellar opened its first store in Hong Kong in 1998 and is now the largest specialist wine retailer there, with over 20 stores. All Watson wine consultants undergo the Wine & Spirit Education Trust (WSET) wine training.—*Xinhua*

Radioactive material found in downtown Tbilisi

TBILISI, 21 Nov—Local police have seized an unidentified amount of radioactive material caesium-137 from downtown Tbilisi, according to local media reports on Saturday.

Police seized on Friday last week the material from an apartment where a family, identified as the Kisishvili, resides. Several people from the residence have been detained. The police have not made any statement regarding the seizure of caesium-137 and the detention of the people charged with illegally storing the radioactive material. But local media reported that the police had been interrogating Mr Jemal Kisishvili and Mrs Kisishvili.

Caesium-137 is a radioactive material which is used to treat cancers and to treat some food with irradiation. But the material can also be used to make the "dirty bomb".

Police records showed that previous seizure of caesium-137 had been made in Georgia, between 1997 and 2007. Caesium-137 is a radioactive isotope of caesium which is formed mainly through nuclear fission.

MNA/Xinhua



People perform lion dance in front of an Airbus A380 landed in the Airport of Tianjin, north China, on 19 Nov, 2010. It was the first time an A380 visited Tianjin.—XINHUA



A citizen looks at ink and wash paintings in the Museum of History in Taipei, southeast China's Taiwan on 19 Nov, 2010. An ink and wash painting exhibition showcasing paintings of Chinese neoteric and modern master painters was opened in the museum on Friday.—XINHUA

Dismembered girl's stepmom in bigamy probe

SAWMILLS, 21 Nov—Police in North Carolina said the stepmother of a 10-year-old girl found dismembered is under investigation for possible bigamy charges.

Elisa Baker, of Sawmills, who is in jail on a felony obstruction-of-justice count and other charges, is being investigated for bigamy after investigators uncovered evidence while probing the death of her

stepdaughter, Zahra Baker, ABC News reported Friday.

"It's something that we found out during the course of this investigation," a police official said. Police said the bigamy probe is not related to Zahra's death.

Elisa Baker was arrested after she allegedly admitted to writing a \$1 million ransom note found 9 Oct, the day the girl's family

reported her missing. No one outside of the family reported seeing Zahra after 25 September.

Police said Baker, who is married to Adam Baker, the girl's father, appears to still be married to her previous husband, who lives across the street from the Bakers.

Internet



A newly purchased Windows Phone 7 is shown by a customer at the grand opening of a Microsoft Store, on 18 Nov, 2010, in Bellevue, Wash. The store is the seventh Microsoft Store to open in the US, but the event garnered extra attention due to Microsoft's nearby headquarters in Redmond, Wash.—INTERNET

Strangers rally after bridal shop fire

CHICAGO, 21 Nov—A fire that destroyed everything in a Chicago bridal shop led to an outpouring of goodwill and kindness from strangers donating gowns, customers say. Oak Lawn Fire Chief George Sheets said the 3 pm Wednesday blaze gutting Eva's Bridals in Oak Park also damaged a Radio Shack and lingerie shop sharing the same strip mall, the *Chicago Tribune* reported. Panic, like the fire, spread through members of bridal parties who had ordered dresses, the newspaper said Thursday.

"I know there could be worse things, but you spend your whole life waiting for this day," said Jeanna Piunti, 38, who lost her Maggie Sottero gown with a tank-style top in the fire. "I'm nine days away, and this happens. This is a major catastrophe for a wedding." There was an outpouring of donations from other bridal stores and strangers donating dresses to Eva's customers, and within 24 hours all but two brides-to-be had replacement dresses, *The SouthtownStar* of Chicago reported.—Internet

China's welfare lottery sales grow 26 pct on-year to 80 bln yuan

BEIJING, 21 Nov—Sales of Chinese welfare lottery tickets this year have set a record.

According to the Welfare Lottery Distribution and Management Center (WLDMC), sales of the tickets until 9 November increased 26 percent year on year to 80 billion yuan (11.9 billion US dollars).

Computerized sales rose 11.26 percent year on year to 60.7 billion yuan while spot sales grew nearly 50 percent year on year to 11.6 billion yuan.

Online sales totaled nearly 7.7 billion yuan.

After paying out winnings, the lottery raised more than 25 billion yuan for public welfare, also a record-breaking amount.

The public welfare fund is used to build and expand welfare facilities, including homes for the elderly in rural areas, shelters for homeless minors and schools for orphans, according to the WLDMC.

China's welfare lottery started in 1987, when the Civil Affairs Ministry was authorized by the State Council, China's Cabinet, to raise welfare funds through lottery sales.

Xinhua



Citizens look at exhibits in Zhejiang Museum in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on 19 Nov, 2010. A painting and calligraphy exhibition was opened in the museum on Friday.

XINHUA

Paradise open to returned pandas

BEIJING, 21 Nov—It was foggy and cold on Friday morning at the Bifengxia Base of the China Conservation and Research Centre for the Giant Panda in Ya'an, Sichuan Province.

But the 100 people attending the ceremony marking the completion of the "paradise for overseas returned pandas" and the debut of 16 panda cubs born this year were in a festive mood. They cheered when the ceremony began at 10 am and the 16 panda cubs

accompanied by their keepers arrived.

Held by their keepers, the cubs whose average age was less than 6 months had a group photo taken with representatives from the embassies of Thailand, Singapore, the United States, Austria, Japan and Australia as well as those from the Kobe City Oji Zoo in Japan, Schoenbrunn Zoo in Austria and Adelaide Zoo in Australia.

As the centre has overcome three hurdles hindering the expansion of the captive panda population—it is difficult for pandas to become rutish, then pregnant and for their newborn to survive—it has witnessed the birth of 175 cubs in the past two decades, according to the centre's Deputy Chief Li Desheng. He said 154 of them survived and the centre is home to 165 captive pandas.—Internet



A panda keeper holds a young panda at the Bifengxia Base of the China Conservation and Research Centre for the Giant Panda in Ya'an, Sichuan Province, on Friday during the debut of all 16 panda cubs born at the centre this year.—INTERNET

Girl, 8, hit by lifeguard truck

HUNTINGTON BEACH, 21 Nov—An 8-year-old California girl filed a claim against her city alleging she was hit by a lifeguard truck while lying on the beach.

A claim filed on behalf of Miranda Sosa, 8, of Huntington Beach, alleges she was struck by the front left tire of a lifeguard truck while she was lying on the sand at 3:50 pm 13 June, the *Huntington Beach Independent* reported Friday.

The claim, a precursor to a lawsuit, states the girl suffered scratches and bruising to her face, pain in her neck and left arm, headaches and loss of vision in her left eye.

The girl is seeking an unspecified amount exceeding \$10,000.

Internet

306 citizens honoured for contribution to HK

HONG KONG, 21 Nov — Hong Kong's Chief Executive Donald Tsang presented honours and awards to 286 recipients out of the total 306 honoured citizens at the 2010 Honors and Awards Ceremony held at Government House on Saturday.

Seven persons, including Financial Secretary of the Hong Kong government John Tsang, philanthropist Stanley Ho, and Charles Kao, received the Grand Bauhinia Medal, the highest award under the Hong Kong's honors and awards system to recognize one's life-long contribution to the well-being of the city.

Meanwhile, the Gold Medals for Bravery were given to late Wong Fuk-wing, who sacrificed his life in saving victims of the Qinghai earthquake, and late Yeung Chun-kit, a senior fireman losing his life during a rescue and firefighting operation.

Apart from that, 12 recipients were rewarded the Gold Bauhinia Star, 23 the Silver Bauhinia Star, 10 the Distinguished Service Medal for Disciplined Services and the Independent Commission Against Corruption, and 42 the Bronze Bauhinia Star.

Xinhua



A Chevrolet Volt electric vehicle sits plugged into a charging station in front of General Motors world headquarters with a banner announcing GM's return to the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) in Detroit, Michigan on 18 Nov, 2010.—INTERNET

12th grade reading ability down from 1992

WASHINGTON, 21 Nov — US 12th graders improved their reading and math skills but don't read as well as their counterparts did in 1992, an educational appraisal indicated on Thursday. Students scored an average of 288 out of 500 points in reading comprehension, two points better than in 2005 level but four points below the 1992 average of 292, the 2009 National Assessment of Educational Progress said.

Thirty-eight percent of 12th graders scored at or above "proficient" in reading and 26 percent scored that well in math, said the report, known as the Nation's Report Card. "Today's report suggests that high school seniors' achievement in reading and math isn't rising fast enough to prepare them to succeed in college and careers," US Education Secretary Arne Duncan said in a statement.

White and Asian and Pacific Islander students made gains in reading since 2005 but no racial, ethnic or gender group has shown significant changes in scores since 1992. Asian students scored an average of 298 points in reading in 2009, higher than any other group. Students attending suburban schools scored higher on average than those attending schools elsewhere.

West Virginia showed the lowest overall scores for math and reading among 11 pilot states that volunteered in a pilot program to show results by state although black students in West Virginia scored higher than black students in any other state. Reading scores in seven pilot states Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and South Dakota were higher than the national average.

Internet



Long-beaked echidna (*Tachyglossus bridgii*), Papua New Guinea. *Attenborough's long-beaked echidna—one of the most primitive mammals on the planet, this species lays eggs like a reptile. Known only from the Cyclops Mountains of Papua (Indonesia), it was presumed extinct until ZSL researchers uncovered evidence of its continued existence in 2007.*

INTERNET



People wait in line to enter a job fair in Los Angeles in October, 2010. Some two million unemployed Americans may see their benefits run out in the coming weeks after the House of Representatives failed to vote to extend them through February.—INTERNET

Amgen bone drug OK'd for use in cancer patients

WASHINGTON, 21 Nov — Biotech drugmaker Amgen says federal health regulators approved its bone-strengthening drug for preventing fractures and skeletal problems in patients with advanced cancer.

The Food and Drug Administration cleared the company's drug denosumab for patients with solid tumors. The FDA approved the drug based on three studies that showed it worked at least as well as Novartis' Zometa in preventing bone-related complications. Amgen already sells the drug under the name Prolia, but as a treatment for osteoporosis caused by menopause.

The company will market the drug for its new use as Xgeva. More than 50 percent of cancer patients experience complications when cancer spreads to their bones, according to the company. Doctors will administer Xgeva to patients in once-a-month injections.—Internet

Ohio town grieves after three missing are found

MOUNT VERNON, 21 Nov — After more than a week of searching and hoping, members of a tiny central Ohio town have started grieving after learning that the bodies of three missing people had been found stuffed into garbage bags and hidden in a hollow tree.

The discovery came at a wildlife area on Thursday, four days after authorities found a 13-year-old girl who had gone missing with them bound and gagged, but alive, in a nearby home.

Knox County Sheriff David Barber says investigators were led to the bodies by an unemployed tree-trimmer accused of kidnapping the girl and keeping her for nearly four days in the basement

'Ball bearings' used for Stonehenge

LONDON, 21 Nov — Neolithic engineers may have used ball bearings in the construction of Stonehenge, it has been claimed. The same technique that allows vehicles and machinery to run smoothly could have been used to transport the monument's massive standing stones more than 4,000 years ago, according to a new theory. Scientists showed how balls

placed in grooved wooden tracks would have allowed the easy movement of stones weighing many tons.

No-one has yet successfully explained how the heavy slabs used to build Stonehenge were shifted from their quarries to Salisbury Plain in Wiltshire. Some, the "bluestones", weighed four tons each and were brought a distance of 150 miles from Pembrokeshire, Wales. Attempts to re-enact transporting the blocks on wooden rollers or floating them on the sea have not proved convincing.

The hard surfaces and trenches needed when using rollers would also have left their mark on the landscape, but are missing. Experts hit on the new idea after examining mysterious stone balls found near Stonehenge-like monuments in Scotland. About the size of a cricket ball, they are precisely fashioned to be within a millimetre of the same size. This suggests they were meant to be used together in some way rather than individually.—Internet



It has been claimed that neolithic engineers may have used ball bearings to build Stonehenge.

INTERNET



A sheriff's deputy guards one of the entrances to Kokosing Lake where three bodies were found on 18 Nov, 2010, in Fredericktown, Ohio.

INTERNET

Colombia says apparently kills senior rebel

BOGOTA, 21 Nov — Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos said on Saturday that security forces apparently killed a senior commander of the leftist FARC guerrillas who is wanted by the United States.

Santos said preliminary information indicated that Colombian forces in an attack on Saturday killed Fabian Ramirez, second in command of the southern block of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia. "The information that the defence minister has given me which has come from the area is that they've found four or five bodies and apparently this bandit was killed," Santos said during a weekly address.

"I say apparently because it's not confirmed, but they found his two pistols, his bags, wrist clasps and his computers." Ramirez was close to the FARC's upper command.

MNA/Reuters

Man charged with eat and run at top restaurants

An unemployed man has been charged with wining and dining at a series of London's top restaurants, running up massive bills and then disappearing without paying, police said on Wednesday.

Latvian Janis Nords, 27, is accused of carrying out the scam on three occasions between 14 October and 15 November.

He is accused of running off after amassing a 349-pound (\$555) bill at the Glass House restaurant in Richmond, southwest London, and a 965-pound bill at the Connaught Hotel in central London.

The largest unpaid bill was at L'Oranger French restaurant in central London where he is accused of failing to pay for 1,021 pounds worth of food and drink.

Nords was due to appear in court later on Wednesday.



Villagers in mask perform programmes featuring intangible cultural heritage characters during a tourism festival that kicked off in Shanglin County, southwest China's Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, on 20 Nov, 2010.—XINHUA

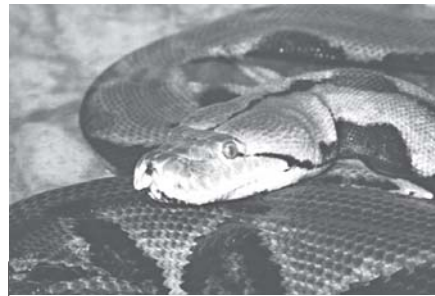
Ohio zoo acquires daughter of late longest snake

An Ohio zoo says a new resident has big snakeskin shoes to fill.

Weeks after announcing the death of the longest snake in captivity, the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium said Wednesday it has acquired the python's smaller daughter.

The 24-foot, 18-year-old snake named Fluffy died 27 Oct of an apparent tumor. The zoo's new snake is 12 years old, and 6 feet shorter than her mother.

The zoo says in a statement that the daughter arrived Tuesday from the same private breeder who sold Fluffy to the zoo in 2007.



This undated photo provided by the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium shows a newly acquired python that arrived on 16 Nov, 2010 at the zoo in Columbus, Ohio.

Fluffy was about the length of a moving van and had held the Guinness World Record as the longest snake living in captivity. She also drew large crowds.

The zoo says it plans to ask the public to help name the new snake.

News Album

A journalist smells a 200-year-old champagne in Mariehamn, Finland. Wine experts have popped the corks of two bottles of champagne recently salvaged from the bottom of the Baltic Sea, where they had lain in a sunken ship for nearly two centuries.



Ky men sentenced in bizarre beard-eating case

Two central Kentucky men were sentenced to probation in connection with a bizarre case in which a third man said he was forced to eat his beard after an argument. The Lexington Herald-Leader reported 47-year-old Troy Holt and 51-year-old James Hill were sentenced Tuesday in Anderson Circuit Court.

Harvey Westmoreland and of Lawrenceburg had said Holt cut off his beard and forced him to eat it while Hill allegedly held a sickle blade to Westmoreland and his brother during the May incident. Holt could not say why he made Westmoreland eat his beard other than that things "got out of control" after some heavy drinking.

EU demands Italy repay Elton John concert costs

BRUSSELS, 21 Nov—The European Union said Friday it has ordered Italy to repay almost \$1 million in EU money that was used to pay Elton John for a concert in Naples last year.

Italy used (EURO) 720,000 (\$983,000) in EU money — typically used for investment projects in

poorer EU countries—for the British singer's performance fee.

The European Commission said that was inappropriate.

National authorities have much leeway in using EU funding. But to qualify for EU money, cultural projects must be long-term events such as art exhibits, building

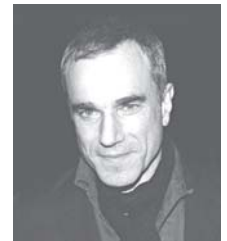


Elton John

Daniel Day-Lewis in ill to prepare for 'Lincoln'

SPRINGFIELD, 21 Nov—Academy Award-winning actor Daniel Day-Lewis is preparing for his role as Abraham Lincoln by visiting the state where the former president began his political career.

Dreams Works Studios says Day-Lewis will star in the Steven Spielberg-directed film "Lincoln." The movie is



Actor Daniel Day-Lewis

based on the book "Team of Rivals" by Doris Kearns Goodwin, who joined Day-Lewis on his tour in Illinois.

The State Journal-Register reports the actor toured several historic sites Friday in Springfield, including the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, the Lincoln Home and the Old State Capitol, where Lincoln served as a legislator.

Filming is expected to begin next fall, and the movie is to be released in late 2012.

Internet



Faye Wong performs at her concert in Shanghai, east China, on 19 Nov, 2010. XINHUA

'Deathly Hallows' charms fans with \$61M in one day

LOS ANGELES, 21 Nov—Harry Potter is on the way to his biggest magic act yet. "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 1" conjured up \$61.2 million domestically in its first day, positioning it for the best opening weekend ever for the series about the young wizard.

Friday's haul puts "Deathly Hallows" on track to shoot past the franchise's previous high, a \$102.7 million opening weekend for "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire" in 2005.

"Deathly Hallows" lands at No 5 on the box-office charts for biggest opening day, behind "The Twilight Saga: New Moon" at \$72.7 million, "The Twilight Saga: Eclipse" at \$68.5 million, "The



Actor Daniel Radcliffe attends the premiere of 'Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows Part 1' at Alice Tully Hall on 15 Nov, 2010 in New York.—INTERNET

"Dark Knight" at \$67.2 million and "Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen" at \$62 million.—Internet

cultural centers or restoring old buildings.

A "one-off rock concert" does not qualify, said EU spokesman Ton van Lierop. "So we have asked Italy for our money back." John performed at the Piedigrotta festival in the heart of Naples in October 2009. The concert was broadcast live on state TV and drew 100,000 spectators.

Dario Scalabrini, the festival's artistic director, said the event was meant to promote the Naples area and the concert did just that.—Internet



Canadian songwriter and multi-grammy winner David Foster arrives with Yolanda Hadid at an exclusive Toronto estate for a fund raising event hosted by the David Foster Foundation on 19 November, 2010. XINHUA

Maradona backs Mourinho for Euro glory with Real

MADRID, 21 Nov — Former Argentina coach Diego Maradona on Friday backed Jose Mourinho to end Real Madrid's recent Champions League hoodoo and become the first coach to win the competition with three different clubs. "He will give Real Madrid the Champions League title," said Maradona after attending a training session at the club's Valdebebas complex just outside the Spanish capital.

"You have to give Mourinho time so that the players can understand what he wants. That's what happened at Inter and the Italians won the European Cup after a more than 50-year gap. "If they wait for Mourinho, I am convinced he will give Real Madrid

the Champions League in a short space of time," Maradona told Real's website. Mourinho won his first European title with Porto in his native Portugal in 2004 before moving to Chelsea, where, while unable to succeed in Europe nonetheless delivered back-to-back English Premier League titles the Londoners' first in half a century.

Internet



Argentina's coach Diego Maradona

Benitez under pressure to rouse faltering Inter

ROME, 21 Nov — Rafael Benitez has two matches to save his Inter Milan career, if Italian press reports are to be believed. Inter travel to Chievo on Sunday languishing in fifth place in Serie A and six points off leaders and bitter city rivals AC Milan.

The champions have also been ravaged by injuries this season and lost three more players during the Milan derby last weekend, leaving them looking short throughout the team. Diego Milito and Joel Obi both limped out of the 1-0 defeat, while Marco Materazzi was stretched off with concussion.

With Walter Samuel out for the season, the likes of Thiago Motta, Sulley Muntari and McDonald Mariga also out and Julio Cesar, Esteban Cambiasso and Goran Pandev only just



Inter Milan players celebrate with coach Rafael Benitez after scoring against Lecce during their Italian serie A football match on 10 Nov, 2010. — INTERNET

coming back to fitness, Benitez's options are limited. Italian press reports have claimed that the Spaniard has that match and Wednesday's home Champions League clash against Holland's FC Twente to save his job as coach. — Internet

FC Dallas' Ferreira voted MVP of MLS

TORONTO, 21 Nov — David Ferreira of FC Dallas has been voted the Most Valuable Player of Major League Soccer. The Colombian playmaker beat out Edson Buddle of the Los Angeles Galaxy and Chris

Wondolowski of the San Jose Earthquakes.

Ferreira played all but one minute this season, running the team as an attacking midfielder. He finished with eight goals and 13 assists.

The MVP award is voted on by players, coaches, general managers and media. Ferreira drew 20 percent of the votes.

Internet



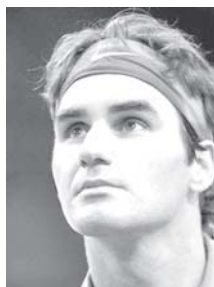
FC Dallas midfielder/forward David Ferreira (10) of Colombia, participates in drills during MLS Cup soccer practice on 18 Nov, 2010, in Frisco, Texas. — INTERNET

Tennis ace Federer says hard to regain top spot

LONDON, 21 Nov — Roger Federer admits he faces a long struggle to regain the world number one spot from Rafael Nadal. Federer goes into the ATP World Tour Finals, which begin in London on Sunday, in the unusual position of not being the sport's premi-

nent force after a relatively unsuccessful year by his high standards.

Although the Swiss star started the season by winning the Australian Open, he lost his grip on the Wimbledon and French Open titles he won in 2009 and failed to return to the US Open final. Even victory in the annual end-of-season showdown between the world's top eight players won't change that as world number two Federer is nearly 4,000 points behind Nadal in the rankings. — Internet



S P O R T S

Busch wins NASCAR Trucks finale at Homestead

HOMESTEAD, 21 Nov — As Todd Bodine got another chance to celebrate his NASCAR Camping World Trucks series title, Kyle Busch was hoping he could translate his victory in the less-publicized owners' points championship into sponsorship for next season.

Busch made a mad

dash back from a crash to win the season finale Friday night at Homestead-Miami Speedway, taking his series-high eighth victory of the season in only 16 starts — and winning the owners' title for the first-year team that the Sprint Cup star owns himself.

And Busch didn't waste any time trying to turn that success into a plea to potential sponsors, even making an appeal during a television interview in Victory Lane.

Internet



Kyle Busch holds up his trophy after winning the Ford 200 race, on 19 Nov, 2010, at Homestead-Miami Speedway in Homestead, Fla. — INTERNET

Swiss opponent Roger Federer, admits he faces a long struggle to regain the world number one spot from Rafael Nadal.

INTERNET

Schweinsteiger rallies Bayern troops for Leverkusen

BERLIN, 21 Nov — Bayern Munich's Bastian Schweinsteiger has urged his side to grab all three points in a "crucial" away match at Leverkusen that could see the Bavarians relaunch their bid to defend the Bundesliga title.

Second-placed Lever-



Bayern Munich's French midfielder Franck Ribery

kusen host Bayern on Saturday with Bayern sixth in the table, but still 12 points behind leaders Borussia Dortmund.

With five games left until the German league's four-week winter break, Schweinsteiger is aware the clock is ticking and says he wants to take a maximum 15 points from those remaining games. "We want three points to close the gap," said the 26-year-old, who played in Germany's goalless draw with Sweden in Gothenburg on Wednesday.

"It's up to us how the championship ends."

Internet

Tighter defence keeps Celtic on Rangers' tails

GLASGOW, 21 Nov — The record for the defence makes encouraging reading for Celtic as they host Dundee United in their Scottish Premier League clash at Parkhead.

The Hoops have lost just nine goals in 13 league games so far this season and have kept clean sheets in three of their last four matches.

It's a vast improvement from the beginning of the season when Celtic went five games without keeping a clean sheet and has coincided with a new central defence partnership of Daniel Majstorovic and Thomas Rogne.

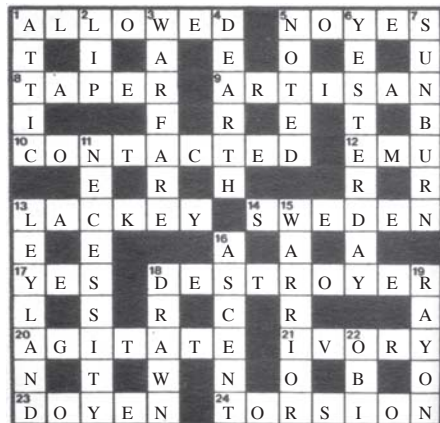
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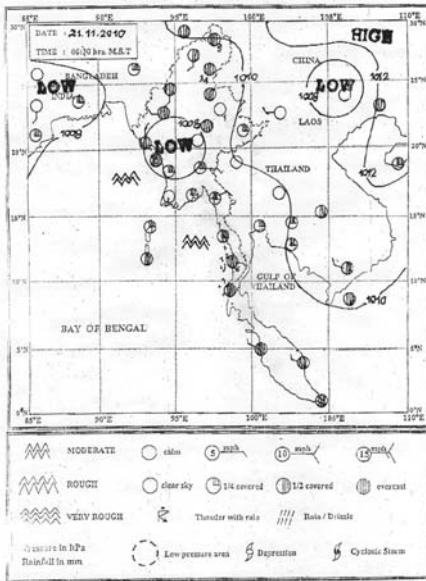
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INTERNET

Answers to yesterday's Crosswords Puzzle



Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



WEATHER

Sunday, 21st November, 2010

Summary of observations recorded at 09:30 hr. M.S.T. During the past 24 hours, rain has been widespread in Kachin State, isolated in Shan, Chin and Rakhine States, Sagaing, Mandalay, Yangon and Taninthayi Regions and weather has been partly cloudy in the remaining States and Regions. Night temperatures were (3°C) to (4°C) above November average temperatures in Kachin, Shan and Mon States, upper Sagaing, Mandalay, Bago, Yangon and Ayeyawady Regions and about November average temperatures in the remaining States and Regions. The significant night temperatures were Haka (8°C) and Mindat (9°C). The noteworthy amounts of rainfall recorded were Myitkyina (1.34) inches, Maungdaw (0.43) inch and Bhamo (0.39) inch.

Nay Pyi Taw

Maximum temperature on 20-11-2010 was 94°F. Minimum temperature on 21-11-2010 was 70°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 21-11-2010 was (77%). Rainfall on 21-11-2010 was (Nil).

Yangon (Kaba-Aye)

Maximum temperature on 20-11-2010 was 93°F. Minimum temperature on 21-11-2010 was 73°F. Relative humidity at (09:30) hours MST on 21-11-2010 was (59%). Total sunshine hours on 20-11-2010 was (8.6) hours.

Rainfall on 21-11-2010 was (Nil) at Mingaladon, Kaba-Aye and Central Yangon. Total rainfall since 1-1-2010 was (82.76) inches at Mingaladon, (96.34) inches at Kaba-Aye and (108.62) inches at Central Yangon. Maximum wind speed at Yangon (Kaba-Aye) was (4) mph from Southwest at (18:30) hours MST on 20-11-2010.

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

Forecast valid until evening of the 22nd November 2010: Rain are likely to be scattered in Kachin State, isolated in Chin, Shan and Rakhine States, Sagaing, Yangon and Taninthayi Regions, weather will be partly cloudy in Mon and Kayin States, Bago and Ayeyawady Regions, generally fair in the remaining States and Regions. Degree of certainty is (60%).

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

Outlook for subsequent two days: Likelihood of rain in the extreme Northern Myanmar areas.

Forecast for Nay Pyi Taw and neighbouring area for 22-11-2010: Generally fair weather.

Forecast for Yangon and neighbouring area for 22-11-2010: Partly cloudy.

Forecast for Mandalay and neighbouring area for 22-11-2010: Generally fair weather.

Jefferson leads LSU past Ole Miss, 43-36

BATON ROUGE, 21 Nov—The best passing performance of Jordan Jefferson's career helped fifth-ranked LSU survive another scare by old nemesis Houston Nutt.

Jefferson passed for a career-high 254 yards, threw for one touchdown and ran for another, and LSU beat rival Mississippi for the first time in three meetings 43-36 on Saturday.

LSU (10-1, 6-1 SEC) trailed 36-35 with 4:57 left when Patrick Peterson returned a kickoff 34 yards to midfield, setting up a game-winning drive that ended with Stevan Ridley's third touchdown rushing.

Ole Miss still had 44 seconds to come back, which did not seem all that unlikely the way the fourth quarter was going. But LSU's defense held firm and Peterson, who was likely playing his final game in Tiger Stadium, intercepted Jeremiah Masoli's desperation pass as time ran out.—Internet



LSU running back Stevan Ridley (34) rushes for a 24-yard gain for a first down in the first quarter of an NCAA college football game against Mississippi in Baton Rouge, La., Saturday, on 20 Nov, 2010.—INTERNET

MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL
Programme Schedule
(22-11-2010)(Monday)

Transmissions

Times

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

Local Transmission

- * Opening
- * News
- * Trish Gallery's Art Atmosphere
- * A Mirror reflecting Rakhine Architecture (Shitthaung Stupa)
- * News
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- * Working & Living in Myanmar (Tourism)
- * Let's grow orange commercially
- * News
- * Welcome to Ndwe Hsaung Beach Resort
- * Music Gallery
- * News
- * Ananda Guphaya
- * News
- * Historical Kyaukse and its Environs
- * Alaungdaw Kathapa National Garden
- * Myanmar Movie "Misdeeds"
- * Dream of a farmer



Monday,
22 November
View on today

7:00 am

1. Paritta By Venerable Min Gun Sayadaw
2. Uppatathandi 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. Dance Of National Races

8:10 am

6. Myanmar

Traditional Cultural
Performing Arts
Competition

8:20 am

7. Cute Little Dancers

8:30 am

8. Teleplay (Health)

8:40 am

9. International News

8:45 am

10. Musical Programme

4:00 pm

1. Martial Song

4:10 pm

2. Dance Variety

4:20 pm

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

4:35 pm

4. University Of Distance Education (TV Lectures) -First Year (Myanmar)

4:50 pm

5. Songs For Upholding National Spirit

4:55 pm

6. Musical Programme

5:10 pm

7. Myanmar Language

5:35 pm

8. Myanmar Idol

6:00 pm

9. Evening News

6:15 pm

10. Weather Report

6:20 pm

11. Sing & Enjoy

7:00 pm

12. TV Drama Series

8:00 pm

13. News

14. International News

15. Weather Report

16. TV Drama Series

17. 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

Nyaungdon achieving cumulative development



Neat and tidy scene in Nyaungdon.

Article & Photos: Tin Win Lay (Kyimyindine)

A signboard bearing Welcome to Nyaungdon of golden colour can be obviously seen in the background of green tiles. The entrance to the town is decorated with a fine landscape.

The word "Welcome" is depicted with landscaping on the bank of lake in the background of a pagoda.

Beyond the beautiful scenes, we the news crew of Myanma Alin Daily together with Secretary of Township Peace and Development Council U Ko Ko Maung and Head of Township Irrigation Department U Hla Win arrived at Nyaungdon Township Development Affairs Committee Office by jeep.

Executive Officer U Aung Kyaw Soe, Assistant Engineer U Aung Kyaw Oo and Junior Engineer U San Yu Hlaing explained efforts being made for equitable development between urban and rural areas.

(See page 9)

The significant night temperatures (21-11-2010)

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| Haka | (8° C) |
| Mindat | (9° C) |

Talks given on eradication of CD piracy

NAY PYI TAW, 21 Nov — Officials from Video Censorship Central Committee of the Ministry of Information and Myanmar Motion Picture Asiayon's Video Basic

Group (Central) gave educative talks on using censored discs to eradicate pirated discs to video entrepreneurs in Bago and Tounghoo on 19 and 20 November.

Secretary of the committee U Aung Soe Min and Chairman of the group U Khin Htay gave talks and answered the queries raised by the video en-

trepreneurs.

The talks were attended by departmental officials, officials from MMPA, Region and Township Video Basic Groups and video entrepreneurs.

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