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Being individuals who are responsible and accountable to particular organizations, we should manage ourselves and our organizations well



President U Thein Sein addresses heads of Union level organizations and Union ministers.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—President U Thein Sein delivered an address at the ceremony to take heed of the speech of the President and make affirmation today.

The translation of the address delivered by President U Thein Sein is as follows:-

Now, new Union Ministers and deputy ministers made affirmation already. I felt pleased and honoured with the appointment of new Union Ministers and deputy ministers, and I would like to say firstly that our government heartily welcomed that.

We firmly believed that with the arrival of new colleagues in the government we would be able to carry out the tasks for national development more effectively. With this belief, new colleagues have been chosen systematically and assigned duties.

Such promotion to higher ranks is attributed only to your hard works and integrity, and with higher ranks, your responsibilities will be heavier. So, you must always try to be equipped with quality and ability so that you can carry out the tasks dutifully.

There are responsibilities each has to assume in addition to the State responsibilities and responsibilities of your ministry. It is important to a citizen to assume the State responsibilities dutifully. The main duty is to safeguard non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity and perpetuation of sovereignty.

The responsibilities of your ministry are responsibilities shared to ministries concerned in order to successful carry out the tasks of the Union Government. Here, each of you needs to understand the objectives, responsibilities and tasks of the government.

In assuming the State responsibilities and the responsibilities of the government in a practical way, you need to be well aware of the fact that you should not be radical. So, you need to be strongly committed to policies. Only right conviction can bring about right deed.

Nowadays, our government is trying its utmost to fulfill the daily requirements of the people while implementing the two common aspirations of the 60 million people. The main aspirations of the people are peace and

stability and national development, and their daily requirements are getting jobs, earning reasonable income, fulfillment of basis needs, education, health and water, electricity and better transportation.

Our government is paying serious attention to people's desires as it is implementing the aspirations of the people to the most possible extent. Every effort of the government is to ensure better living conditions, security and satisfaction of the people. As the objectives of the government are to fulfill people's desires, they are to be implemented on a people-centred basis.

Our government has gone through a series of reforms to keep pace with changes and developments. When in the service of the people, changes that respect and adore the people are required. In that regard, you need to understand the troubles and wishes of the people. Being civil servants among the people, you should take initiatives without awaiting directives of the superiors and criticisms of the media to shape an imposing government mechanism. I have taken Union ministers and deputy ministers into my confidence. The Union ministers and the deputy ministers need to share duties to various levels of subordinate government officials with trust in them. Explicit and stringent policies should be adopted. The reforms of the government need to penetrate into subordinates who are actually in touch with the people. This will remove the red tape that caused unnecessary disturbances and challenges for the administrative mechanism for ages.

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President U Thein Sein addresses heads of Union level organizations, members of Union Government Persons to be appointed as deputy ministers make affirmation before the President

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—A ceremony to take heed of the speech of President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein and make affirmation was held at the hall of the President Office here at 9.30 am today.

Present on the occasion were Vice-Presidents Dr Sai Mauk Kham and U Nyan Tun, the Chief Justice of the Union, the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services, the Chairman of Union Election Commission, the Deputy Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services, Union Ministers, the Auditor-General of the Union, the Chairman of Union Civil Services Board, deputy ministers and those who are to be appointed as deputy ministers.

Director-General U Min Zaw of the President Office acted as Master of Ceremonies and Director-General U Tin Myo Kyi of the Union Government Office acted as joint-Master of Ceremonies.

Firstly, those who are to be appointed as deputy ministers took position to make affirmation before the President.

Next, Union Minister at the President Office U Thein Nyunt led the making of affirmation and those who are

making affirmation stated "As I--- have been assigned as deputy minister, I shall safeguard the constitution and shall abide by the State laws; I shall be loyal to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the citizens; I shall constantly place in the fore non-disintegration of the Union, non-disintegration of national solidarity and perpetuation of sovereignty. Moreover, I make affirmation in all seriousness that I shall discharge the duties assigned to me straightforwardly."

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Noteworthy amounts of rainfall (10-9-2012)	
Mawlaik	(4.13) inches
Zaungtu	(3.55) inches
Falam	(3.19) inches
Bago	(2.52) inches
Maungtaw	(2.29) inches
Namsam	(1.77) inches

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Indian space scientists hold models of India's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) C-21 rocket to celebrate the success of India's 100th space mission in Sriharikota, south India, on 9 Sept, 2012.

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Serena Williams wins women's singles at US Open

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Union Border Affairs Minister, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Southeast Asia and Pacific Affairs of the US Department of State tour Maungtaw Township

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—Union Minister for Border Affairs Lt-Gen Thein Htay together with Deputy Assistant Secretary for Southeast Asia and Pacific Affairs of the US Department of State Mr Joseph Yun and US Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Derek Mitchell and party, UN agencies, representatives from INGOs arrived in Mawyawady village in Maungtaw Township to observe construction of temporary tents and houses yesterday morning.

They made an observation on distribution of food by the government and UN agencies, INGOs, national people and accommodation.

On arrival at Shweyinaye Village, Maungtaw Township, the Union minister explained the completion tasks of village houses. They comforted displaced persons, originally from Shweyinaye Village.

At Mawyawady Village, six houses and 122 temporary



Union Minister for Border Affairs Lt-Gen Thein Htay, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Southeast Asia and Pacific Affairs of the US Department of State Mr Joseph Yun and party meet local people accommodated at tents in Maungtaw Township.—MNA

camps were constructed. 122 households totaling 464 people were put up at Alalthakyaw relief camp, 38 houses and 79 temporary camps were constructed in Shweyinaye Village. 76 households totaling 266 people from 4 miles camp and

parahita relief camp in Maungdaw have been displaced to go back to their works.

The Union Minister and Mr Joseph Yun and party met Islamic families at Nyaungchaung Village and asked about the situation

that broke out in Rakhine State.

In the evening, the delegation led by the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Southeast Asia and Pacific Affairs of the US Department of State left Yangon by air.

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CSC issued to locals in Hpa-an through one stop service

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Khin Yi, Kayin State Chief Minister U Zaw Min and the State representatives, KNU group leader general secretary Nawsiphoe-yarsein and deputy leader Brig-Gen Sa Sharhtuwaw viewed progress of distribution of national census and national scrutiny cards with free of charge to some 600 people of the villages in Kawtyin Village-tract, being done by staff of the Immigration and National Registration Department under the ministry in collaboration with Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC), at U Khayma Monastery's Dhamayon in Kawtyin Village in Hpa-an Township in Kayin State on 4 September.

The KNU general secretary and officials concerned presented the



Union Minister for Immigration and Population U Khin Yi and party view free issuance of citizenship scrutiny cards to over 600 people in Kawtyin Village of Hpa-an Township.—MNA

national scrutiny cards to the people one after another.

After that, they encouraged the eye patients who were receiving medical treatment given by specialists of Kayin State Health Department and medical staff.

At present, issuing national scrutiny cards with one stop service to seven villages in Kayin State is being carried out in those

villages where no national scrutiny cards was issued because of absence of peace and stability in the past.

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A moderate earthquake jolts

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—A moderate earthquake of magnitude (5.3) Richter Scale with its epicenter outside Myanmar (near Andaman Islands, India), about (460) miles southwest of Kaba-Aye seismological observatory was recorded at (21) hrs (05) min (42) sec MST today, announced the Department of Meteorology and Hydrology.—MNA

District News

No smoking, no betel chewing zone for pilgrims

YANGON, 10 Sept—No smoking and no betel chewing zone has designated on the platform of Shwedagon Pagoda.

Staff members of the pagoda board of trustees warn the visitors not to smoke and not to chew betel with the use of loudspeakers. Educative talks are given to smokers and betel chewers. Moreover, logos on warnings are put up here and there around the platform.

The pilgrims and visitors on the platform of the pagoda are to perform meritorious deeds to abide by the disciplines and carry out sanitation of the pagoda.—Kyemon

Visitors interested in over 250 years old monastery



YEDASHE, 10 Sept—Not only local visitors but also tourists observe the ancient monastery of over 250 years old in Ounggon Village of Lewe Township. The monastery was built in 1121 Myanmar Era.

The edifice was built with 99 posts. Ceiling of the monastery were decorated with Myanmar handicrafts. Golden Parabeiks and ancient utensils are kept in the monastery. In addition, a large well can be seen in the precinct of the pagoda.

“The monastery was built in 1121 Myanmar Era in the early Konbaung period. It comprises five tiers of building. Archaeological officials visited there. Moreover, tourists from Israel, Germany, France and the US visited the monastery,” said Sayadaw U Paññasami.

Ounggon Village is located three miles north of Ela.

Kyemon

Yangon United FC emerges two successive years champion in MNL

YANGON, 10 Sept—Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe on 8 September afternoon enjoyed the competitions between Yangon United FC and Ayeyawady United FC in the 26th match of the Myanmar National League 2012 at Youth Training Centre in Thuwunna of Thingangyun Township.

After the final match, President of Myanmar Football Federation U Zaw Zaw presented the first prize to Yangon United FC and Chief Minister U Myint Swe, championship trophy and K 100 million to Yangon United FC.

Officials gave best coach award, best player award and second prize to the respective winners and winning team.

The Region Chief Minister attended the Carnatic Music Nite of India at the National Theatre on Myoma Kyaung Street in Dagon Township.—MNA



WORLD

Obama maintains post-US convention lead over Romney

WASHINGTON, 10 Sept — President Barack Obama remained ahead of Republican presidential challenger Mitt Romney in a *Reuters/Ipsos* released on Sunday, maintaining a boost in popularity that followed the Democratic National Convention. Of the 1,419 likely voters polled online over the previous four days, 47 percent said they would vote for Obama and 43 percent for Romney if the 6 November US election were held today.

The president's margin over Romney in the daily rolling poll was unchanged from Saturday's numbers, turning up the heat on Republican strategists who were hoping for a more muted post-convention "bounce" for Obama in the wake of Friday's release of weak employment numbers. "It means (Democrats) are on good footing going into the rest of the election," Ipsos pollster Julia Clark said.

Obama's lead already was more sustained than a smaller and shorter-lived

boost that Romney enjoyed after the Republican convention finished in Tampa, Florida on 30 August, Clark said.

The Democratic convention ran through on Thursday night in Charlotte, North Carolina. "The task is now to stay on the message as we're still quite a ways away from the election," Clark said, reiterating her prediction that the gap in poll numbers between Obama and Romney is likely to narrow and stay close up to 6 November.

Senior advisers to Romney rejected the idea that they would panic after several polls showed the former Massachusetts governor losing in key swing states, saying such results reflected the recent Democratic convention and not the ongoing tight race.

"An incumbent president who is below 50 percent in the polls is in a very bad place," one senior Romney adviser said. Another adviser said, "if we're at 47-45 (with Obama leading) going



US President Barack Obama shakes hands at a campaign event at the Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne, Florida on 9 Sept, 2012. — REUTERS

into the Thursday before the election, I'd be very comfortable we'd win."

What Romney advisers are banking on is Americans' feelings about Obama's handling of the US economy. "Mitt has improved his standing in battleground states and is positioned perfectly on the issue of the economy with swing voters, who are so down on President Obama's performance in office," the first senior adviser to Romney said.

Sunday's *Reuters/Ipsos* poll showed Romney leading in popularity among registered independent voters, with 35 percent of them saying

they would vote for him. Obama had 31 percent.

But asked which of the two "will protect American jobs," 32 percent of independent registered voters picked Obama, while 27 percent sided with Romney, according to Sunday's results. Among all the 1,660 registered voters surveyed, Obama scored 42 percent compared to Romney's 35 percent. Obama's ranking in that category has climbed steadily over the past two weeks of the daily poll, starting with 34 percent on 28 August, reaching 40 percent on 7 September and peaking on Sunday. — *Reuters*

Anniversary of 9/11 marked under cloud of health problems, funding fights

NEW YORK, 10 Sept — Eleven years after the 11 Sept, 2001, attacks, New Yorkers will mark the anniversary on Tuesday against a backdrop of health concerns for emergency workers and a feud over financing that has stopped construction of the \$1 billion Ground Zero museum. While notable progress on redevelopment of the World Trade Centre has been made since early disputes over financial, design and security issues, the project remains hobbled by political battles and billions of dollars in cost overruns.

A major sticking point is the museum at the heart of the World Trade Centre (WTC) site redevelopment. Construction has been suspended because of a feud over finances between the National 11 September Memorial and Museum foundation and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. When the foundation announced recently that for the first time, politicians would be excluded from having speaking roles in the 11 11



Family members of the victims of the World Trade Centre attacks look over one of the Twin Memorial pools at Ground Zero during ceremonies marking the 10th anniversary of the 9/11 attacks on the World Trade Centre, in New York, on 11 Sept, 2011. — REUTERS

11 September anniversary ceremonies, it was seen by many victims' families and others in the 9/11 community as a public reflection of these behind-the-scenes disputes. Overall site redevelopment costs have grown to nearly \$15 billion, up from \$11 billion in 2008, according to a recent project audit. But for many of the families of 9/11 victims and ailing Ground Zero workers, the redevelopment disputes are a disheartening sideshow to the rising loss of human lives. — *Reuters*

Noda and 3 others enter DPJ presidential race

TOKYO, 10 Sept — The election campaign for the leadership of Japan's Democratic Party later this month has gotten underway. Four candidates filed their nominations on Monday. Prime Minister Yoshihiko Noda, who is also the head of the Democratic Party, is running for his second term

in office.

The other candidates are former farm minister Hirotaka Akamatsu, former internal affairs minister Kazuhiro Haraguchi and another former farm minister Michihiko Kano. The candidates submitted a list of 20 or more lawmakers who endorse them. They will

explain their policies at a joint news conference in the afternoon. 336 Democrats in the Diet will vote on 21st September.

In the days preceding, Democrats expected to run in national elections, local assembly members, and nearly 327,000 party members and supporters will also cast their ballots. This is the third time that general party members and supporters will take part in the leadership election. Their votes together account for about one-third of the total. The 4 candidates will try to attract these votes and those of undecided lawmakers in the 12 days leading up to the election. — *NHK*



JAPAN

Italy's Monti warns EU debt crisis eroding common values

SARAJEVO, 10 Sept — Europe's debt crisis is undermining the common values that once united the continent and the single currency risks opening up new rifts across the European Union, Italian Prime Minister Mario Monti said on Sunday. Calling for the 27-nation bloc to reclaim the values of tolerance, solidarity and the common good upon which he said it was built, Monti said Europe was in the grip of a crisis that went far beyond its economic problems.



Italy's Prime Minister Mario Monti speaks as he interviewed during the Ambrosetti workshop in Cernobbio, next to Como, on 8 Sept, 2012. — REUTERS

"This crisis is undermining the foundations of humanism around which Europe was born and developed," he told a conference of religious and political leaders in Bosnia. "The euro that was a unifying factor ... risked and is still risking maybe paradoxically to become a source of new divisions, of new rifts in Europe," he added. On Saturday, Monti called for a summit in Rome to discuss divisions fuelled by the euro zone debt crisis.

Such a summit should discuss the rise of anti-European populism, divisions between north and south, and nationalistic prejudices that have been fed by resentment against

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austerity measures during the almost three-year-old crisis, he said. Addressing the annual World Meeting for Peace, organized by the Community of Sant' Egidio in Sarajevo this year, Monti said on Sunday that the EU needed to focus on unity.

"It is particularly important when trying to fight the crisis to find the solution, to find the methodology that is uniting people, rather than dividing them," he said. The former European Commissioner heads a technocrat government in Italy that has imposed painful debt-reduction reforms. There are concerns inside and outside Italy that a new government to be elected in polls next spring could try to renege on some of those reforms however, given increasing public opposition to the economic pain.

Economic suffering across the bloc has seen voters pushed to the left and right and given rise to tensions between northern creditor states and Europe's southern flank, where the crisis first emerged.

— *Reuters*

EU to propose steps to keep ECB from dominating regulator

LONDON, 10 Sept — The European Union will propose a panel of experts to adjudicate banking rule breaches, as an extra layer of protection so that the European Central Bank cannot impose its will on the pan-EU banking regulator when the ECB takes over supervision of euro zone banks. Under a proposed banking union for the euro zone countries, the ECB is meant to take over primary supervisory power for the 6,000 banks in the 17 countries using the euro. But the 10 EU countries which do not use the single currency —

including Britain, the EU's biggest financial centre — fear that would allow the ECB to impose its will on the European Banking Authority, the regulator for the entire 27-member bloc.

The EBA decides rules for EU banks based on "qualified majority" voting, which depends on the size of member countries. It deals with rule breaches and action in emergency situations under a system that gives each country a single vote. A draft law that EU Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso will unveil on Wednesday, seen

by *Reuters*, says the ECB "will coordinate the position of euro area members of the EBA... in supervisory matters," suggesting euro zone states would vote as a bloc.

However, the EBA would employ a committee of impartial experts to rule on breaches of EU banking rules by any member state and on actions taken in emergency situations, and the EBA would have to hold a formal vote to overrule them. That "will ensure that euro area member states cannot have a blocking minority in case of actions taken against one of

them", the draft law said. It was not immediately clear whether the safeguards outlined in the draft law, if approved, would be enough to ease concerns in Britain that the euro zone countries would ride roughshod over the bloc's banking rules.

The draft reveals that the London-based EBA will remain a significant player after the supervisory shake up, easing concerns that the ECB would simply swallow up the watchdog, which would erode national and pan-EU supervisory powers.

— *Reuters*



A rocket carrying two foreign satellites blasts off from the launch pad in Sriharikota, south India, on 9 Sept, 2012. India Sunday successfully launched its 100th space mission with the Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) C-21 rocket, carrying a French satellite and a Japanese microsatellite. XINHUA

Ozone hole over Antarctica healing, says New Zealand scientist

WELLINGTON, 10 Sept—International efforts to curb emissions of ozone-depleting substances appear to be paying off as the hole of the ozone layer over the Antarctic slowly diminishes, a New Zealand scientist said on Monday.

However, it was too difficult to say when the ozone would return to natural levels because of the complexity of interactions between greenhouse gases and their impacts at different levels of the atmosphere, said Dr Adrian McDonald, of the physics and astronomy department at the University of Canterbury.

“Ozone levels above Antarctica are projected to return to 1980 levels

(previous to the ozone hole) after 2050. The Montreal Protocol means that emissions of ozone depleting substances (CFCs) have largely been banned worldwide,” McDonald said in a statement.

The thin layer of ozone about 25 kilometers up in the Earth’s stratosphere acts as a filter of ultraviolet radiation from the sun, and its depletion has led to health and environmental problems in Southern Hemisphere countries such as New Zealand.

CFCs, which were once widely used in common household items such as refrigerators and aerosol sprays, were blamed for the hole in the ozone layer, but

their uses were curbed under the Montreal Protocol which was agreed by the international community in 1987.

Most CFC emissions occurred in the Northern Hemisphere, but ozone depletion is a worldwide issue and global atmospheric air circulation has resulted in the worst hole in the ozone layer over Antarctica.

“The increasing ozone hole has until now acted to change the circulation of the southern hemisphere so that the strong winds linked to the jet streams have moved towards the pole,” said McDonald.

The southward shift of jet streams due to the ozone hole had been linked to a

range of climate trends at mid to high latitudes during summer, including warming over the Antarctic peninsula and cooling over the rest of Antarctica.

“Ironically, ozone depletion may have protected Antarctica from the worst of greenhouse gas-related warming. With the ozone recovery the future of Antarctic climate is less certain. Though the complex interactions in the atmosphere associated with climate change make this region particularly hard to predict. We have a lot of research to carry out so we can understand how ozone recovery will impact on the southern hemisphere,” he said.—Xinhua

Science

Amazon, in switch, will let Kindle users pay to opt out of ads

SANTA MONICA, 10 Sept—Amazon.com, in an apparent switch in its pricing policy, said over the weekend that it will allow purchasers of its new Kindle Fire tablets to pay \$15 extra to turn off advertisements that are built into the devices.

The change came barely a day after Amazon on Thursday unveiled larger Kindle Fire tablets, priced from \$159 to \$599, to

challenge Apple Inc’s dominant iPad on price and additional digital content.

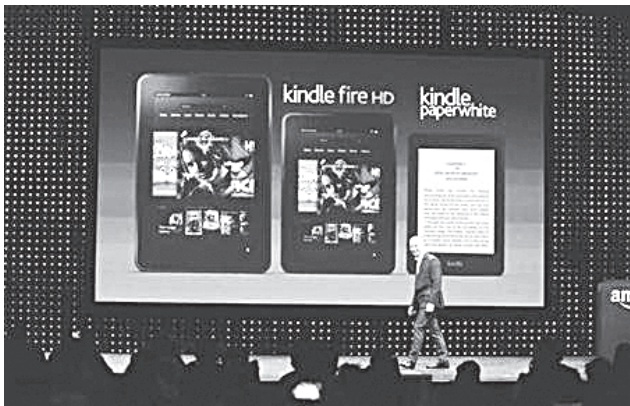
Amazon had said the tablets would come with ads known as “special offers” that appear when screens are locked and in the corner of the home screen, helping keep prices low. But criticism of the company mounted in online forums after reports that the company would not allow buyers to pay to block the ads

as it had done with earlier tablets.

By Saturday web sites engadget.com and cnet.com were reporting that Amazon had changed its policy.

In an email response to questions from Reuters, Amazon spokesman Kinley Pearsall said only: “With Kindle Fire and Kindle Fire HD there will be a special offers opt-out option for \$15. We know from our Kindle reader line that customers love our special offers and very few people choose to opt out. We’re happy to offer customers the choice.”

Amazon unveiled the new wireless tablets without having received approval for their sale from the Federal Communications Commission, which requires that products operate safely and won’t interfere with other signals. The company said it expects to receive the approval in time to meet its planned shipping date of 20 November.—Reuters



Amazon CEO Jeff Bezos walks off after unveiling the Kindle Paperwhite, Kindle Fire HD 8.9" and 7" during Amazon’s Kindle Fire event in Santa Monica, California on 6 Sept, 2012.—REUTERS

HP announces Windows 8 ready Envy, Pavilion and Spectre All-in-One PCs

SAN FRANCISCO, 10 Sept—HP has just previewed its upcoming Windows 8 devices in the form of the HP Spectre One, HP Envy 23, HP Envy 20 TouchSmart and the HP Pavilion 20 which are set to launch this fall. These devices boast multi-touch screens (excluding the Spectre One) and NFC capabilities as well.

The HP Spectre One leads the line-up with a 23.6-inch full HD non-touch display. But users can still experience multi-touch courtesy the bundled in wireless trackpad and a wireless keyboard as

well. The Spectre One claims to be the thinnest all-in-one from the company yet at merely 11.5mm thick.

The light-weight touchpad resembles the silver look of the desktop. Both the wireless touchpad and the keyboard do not require a proprietary dongle to pair with the PC, allowing the USB ports on the PC for other use.

Speaking of ports, the desktop includes two USB 2.0 ports, two USB 3.0 ports and an HDMI connector. Users equipped with an NFC-enabled smartphone will be able to transfer media,

contacts and other data on to the Spectre One by simply tapping the phone to the base of the computer. Users can also make use of a few company provided small NFC tags that can be configured to log in to Windows or direct you to a particular website.

The Spectre One will feature Intel’s latest Ivy Bridge processors and come with a 1GB Nvidia graphics card. HP will also be bundling Adobe Photoshop Elements and Premiere Elements. Configuration options include with as much as 2TB of storage and a solid-state drive for

Technology



Apple likely to refresh iPod line alongside new iPhone launch

SAN FRANCISCO, 10 Sept—That Apple is set to launch a new iPhone at an event in San Francisco on Wednesday is pretty much a given. There’s been plenty of speculation around what the new iPhone will look like, what it will be called, what new features it will bring, and pretty much everything else under the sun.

The focus is now shifting to what else Apple

could announce at the event apart from the new iPhone, and of course, unveiling iOS 6. While early rumours indicated that Apple may announce a smaller iPad alongside the new iPhone, the consensus now seems to be that Apple will likely until October to unveil the same.

September has traditionally been the month where new iPods have been announced, just in time for the holiday shopping

season. Last year, the iPhone event moved from June to September, and we saw the new iPhone debut alongside refreshed iPods, and Apple is expected to continue the ‘tradition’ this year.

As per a report in 9to5Mac, Apple will refresh the entire iPod line, aside from the iPod classic, which of course, hasn’t seen any love for around 3 years now. The tiny iPod shuffle is likely to stay at the same price point, and will likely come in 8 colours, up from the current 5. The nature of other changes aren’t clear. Similarly, the iPod nano will get the new colours as well, though if it’ll also get rumoured Wi-Fi support isn’t clear either.

The iPod touch, due to its similarity with the iPhone, offers the most interesting possibilities for a refresh. If the iPhone indeed gets a bigger screen, it is likely that the variants of the iPod touch will also get the same form-factor, down to the new dock connector, if any. One school of thought also indicates the smallest capacity iPod touch may retain the current generation specs, in order to keep the entry-level cost down.—Reuters



faster boot-up times. The machine, however, lacks a disc drive, a feature that is key to desktops. The Spectre One will be available in November and starts at \$1,299. Coming to the other announcements, The HP Envy 23 and Envy 20 Touchsmart will offer 23-inch and 20-inch HD touch screens respectively. They’re more compact in design in comparison to the Spectre One.

The two machines offer 3rd generation Intel processors and can be built

with up to 3TB of storage and solid-state drives. The HP Envy 23 Touchsmart is priced starting \$999, while the Envy 20 costs \$799 and up. Both are scheduled for an October release. Lastly, users also can opt for the more budget-friendly HP Pavilion 20. It sports a 20-inch HD non-touch display, with up to 2TB of storage and processor choices between Intel or AMD. It is priced at starting \$499 and will be available in October.—Reuters

Infant sleep training has no long term effects: study

HEALTH

NEW YORK, 10 Sept—Using behavioral training to help babies fall asleep doesn't seem to harm them emotionally or developmentally years later, but it doesn't benefit them long-term either, according to a new study.

Australian researchers, who published their findings in the journal *Pediatrics* on Monday, found that of 225 six-year-olds, those who participated in sleep training when they were babies were no different in terms of emotional health from those who did not.

The study is a follow-up to some of the researchers' earlier work - originally published in 2007 - that found babies and their parents benefited when the infants were taught to settle themselves through various behavioral techniques.

Parents and doctors, however, have expressed

concern that the techniques could harm the children's emotional development, and thus their later mental health and ability to handle stress. There were also concerns over whether the techniques would impact the children's relationships with their parents.

"We wanted to find out if the benefits were really long lasting and if there were any long term effects," said Anna Price, the study's lead author from The Royal Children's Hospital in Victoria, Australia.

Price and her colleagues turned to the same children and parents they followed for the 2007 study to answer those questions.

In the original study, 326 children who had trouble sleeping were randomly assigned to different groups for their parents to try various sleep-encouraging techniques with the help of nurses.

At the end of the study, researchers found the use of certain methods—such as "controlled comforting" and "camping out"—improved the children's sleep problems and helped mothers with depression.

Controlled comforting is when a parent periodically responds to their child's cries - instead of the frowned upon approach of letting the child "cry it out." Camping out, on the other hand, is when parents slowly ease out of a child's room, which eventually teaches the baby to sleep without a parent there. For the new study, the researchers were able to follow-up with 225 of the children from the original study. Of those, 122 had gone through the sleep training while the other 103 had not.

Overall, nine percent of the six year olds who went through training were having sleep problems compared to seven percent of those who did not go through training - a difference so small that statistically, it could be due to chance. The researchers also didn't find any differences when it came to the children's emotions, conduct or stress.—*Reuters*



Japan revised GDP for April-June period

TOKYO, 10 Sept—The latest figures indicate that Japan's economic recovery is losing steam.

Officials at the Cabinet Office announced on Monday that Japan's economic growth in the April-June period has been revised downward to an annualized 0.7 percent from a preliminary reported 1.4 percent released last month.

In explaining the revision,

officials said that companies cut back on capital spending. Government outlays for medical services and other expenses also declined.

But the officials say government spending on public works projects following last year's March 11th disaster helped keep economic growth in positive territory, despite sluggish exports.—*NHK*

Japan's current account surplus falls in July

TOKYO, 10 Sept—Japan's current account surplus shrank in July for the 17th month in a row, due mainly to a decline in exports.

The Finance Ministry said on Monday that the current account surplus stood at 625 billion yen, or about 8 billion dollars. That's down by more than 40 percent compared to a year ago.

Japan's trade deficit in July was about 4.8 billion dollars. It was the first time in 2 months the trade balance was in the red. Debt crisis in

the Eurozone hurt Japanese exports to both Europe and China. But a steady flow of dividends and interest payments came in from abroad. Japan's income-account surplus was about 18 billion dollars, up more than 13 percent on a year-on-year basis.

The Finance Ministry says it will be keeping a close eye on economic developments abroad, such as any price rises in crude oil and other energy sources.

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Gym goes beware, killer steroids in supplements

HEALTH

KOCHI/NEW DELHI, 10 Sept—A growing number of fitness gyms are selling and encouraging the use of body-building steroids. A family lost its young son Rijo to these drugs.

"My son was very healthy and he used to go to the gym to maintain himself. His gym instructor lured him to take supplementary powders and six months later we lost our son after he got a sudden stroke," said Rijo's father George, who is still trying to come to terms with the death of his 29-year-old son.

Rijo George's mother bursts into tears when she recollects her only son's tragic end. He has left behind a young wife and their one and half-year-old son.

Hailing from a Kochi suburb in Kerala, Rijo was initiated into the world of body building by the instructor of his new neighbourhood gym. He told his family that the instructor asked him to take supplementary powders to bulk up. Six months later, Rijo was rushed to the hospital and was declared dead on arrival.

Rijo's post-mortem report says that he died of



occlusive coronary artery disease. The surgeon told his family that excess amount of fat was found to be deposited in the valves and that the supplementary powders that he used to take for body building could be the reason.

Recently the drug controllers' department confiscated consignments of imported veterinary steroids from Malappuram district. It

included a steroid called Boldenone, which is given to racing horses. Steroids used for increasing broiler chicken body mass, and testosterone capsules were also found.

Waking up to the reality of widespread abuse, the drug controllers' department is planning a crackdown on gyms.

MR Pradeep, Assistant Drug Controller, Kochi, said, "The gym instructors are misusing steroids that are specific for certain body conditions. They are not experts, just by word of mouth the information spreads, and these drugs are used unethically." It is time to bring in regulations and standardise the fitness industry before more Rijos fall prey to this obsession with perfection.

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BUSINESS

China's factory growth down in August

HONG KONG, 10 Sept—Growth in China's factory production has shrunk in August for the 3rd month in a row amid the global economic slowdown.

The country's National Bureau of Statistics reported on Sunday that industrial output last month had increased by 8.9 percent year-on-year. But the figure is

down from the 9.1 percent marked in July.

The weak sentiment is attributed to sluggish exports amid the prolonged credit crisis in Europe. Poor domestic demand was another factor.

Retail sales rose 13.2 percent in August, an increase of 0.1 percentage points from the previous month. But this is still smaller than last year's

figures.

Chinese President Hu Jintao admitted that his country's growth has been under downward pressure. He made the comment in Vladivostok where he was attending the APEC summit.

But he said his government will support the economy by expanding public spending.—*NHK*

Car sales fall 19 pct in August, first in 10 months

NEW DELHI, 10 Sept—Car sales in India fell for the first time in 10 months in August, and motorcycle sales fell for the first time since January 2009, an industry body said, underlining fears of sluggish economic growth in Asia's third-largest economy.

Many automakers have been forced into production cuts and temporary shutdowns over the past three months as vehicle demand stalls in a key market for firms trying to offset declining growth in established markets.

"Now we are entering a desperate zone," said Sugato Sen, senior director of the Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM). "If the negative trends continue in September as well, we will

have to revise our targets downwards."

India's car industry, a star performer in the country's economic rise, has struggled since the start of the decade as previously rapid GDP growth slowed, and the RBI raised interest rates to fight inflation.

Automakers sold 118,142 cars in August, down

18.6 percent from a year ago, according to data released on Monday by SIAM.

The group has already cut its fiscal year growth estimate to 9-11 percent from its previous projection of 10-12 percent.

Falling demand for cars was compounded by a factory shutdown at market leader Maruti Suzuki (MRTI.NS)

that cost the company \$250 million in lost output, and slashed its August sales by 41 percent.

"Even if Maruti had full production, sales would have been down," Sen told reporters in New Delhi.

Sales of motorcycles, which are family vehicles for millions in India, fell 8.5 percent year-on-year to 766,127 vehicles, in an indicator of weak rural demand, which has been hit in recent months by below-average monsoon rains.

Hero MotoCorp (HROM.NS), the world's largest manufacturer of two-wheeled vehicles, has reduced production due to the slowdown in demand, its managing director said last week. Hero's sales fell 11.9 percent in August.—*Reuters*



INTERNATIONAL NEWS

IRAQ

Iraq blasts kill 100 as fugitive VP gets death sentence



Iraq's fugitive Vice President Tareq al-Hashemi (3rd R) gestures as he leaves a meeting with Turkey's Foreign Minister Ahmet Davutoglu in Ankara on 9 Sept, 2012. Hashemi was sentenced to death, ending one of the bloodiest days of the year with more than 100 killed across the country.— REUTERS

BAGHDAD, 10 Sept — A series of bombs ripped through mainly Shi'ite Baghdad districts on Sunday after Iraq's fugitive Vice President Tareq al-Hashemi was sentenced to death, ending one of the bloodiest days of the year with more than 100 killed across the country.

The violence and the sentence for Hashemi, a senior Sunni politician, threatened to stoke sectarian tensions in Iraq where a Shi'ite-led government is battling political instability and a Sunni Islamist insurgency nine months after US troops left.

Hashemi, a fierce critic of Shi'ite Prime Minister Nuri al-Maliki, fled Iraq after the authorities issued a warrant for his arrest in December, a move that risked collapsing a fragile power-sharing

agreement among Shi'ite, Sunni and Kurdish blocs. After Sunday's court ruling, car bombs tore through six districts around Baghdad, hitting a restaurant and a cafe. Another bomb went off in a busy commercial area, killing more than 50 people following bombs in other



Iraqi security personnel inspect the site of a car bomb attack in Basra, 420 km (261 miles) southeast of Baghdad on 9 Sept, 2012.— REUTERS

cities nationwide. "I heard women screaming, I saw people running in all directions, chairs scattered in the street. My windows were blown out, my mother and two kids were injured too," said Alla Majid, still shaking after a blast in Baghdad's Sadr City.

Hashemi, who is unlikely to return to Iraq from Turkey, had accused Maliki's government of controlling the judiciary and of orchestrating a crackdown on Sunni opponents. He had refused to appear in a court he dismissed as biased.

He and his son-in-law were both found guilty in absentia of murdering a female lawyer and security official, Abdul-Sattar al-Birqdar, a judiciary spokesman said. "This is a political decision. All our respect to the Iraqi judicial system, but this was political," said lawmaker

Harvest Festival held in Vienna

VIENNA, 10 Sept — The "Harvest Festival in Vienna" was held on the past weekend at the Heroes Square in central Vienna. About 300 farms participated in this year's harvest festival, displaying their own agricultural products and local products.

The "Harvest Festival in Vienna" is considered as one of the biggest annual parties of Vienna, comprising of country music, folk dances, and different kinds of delicious food.

It is estimated that this

year's two-day harvest festival attracted more than 300,000 visitors.

This year's harvest festival had its topic of "food is home". Farmers from all over Austria have brought the results of their hard works. At the year's celebration, they brought homemade bacon, cheese, jam, wine, bread, dessert, as well as fresh fruit and vegetables. They also cooked a variety of delicious local food at the scene, enabling the visitors to taste the special local food just at

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the Heroes Square.

Vice Chancellor and Foreign Minister Michael Spindelegger, Agriculture Minister Niki Berlakovich and Financial Minister Maria Fekter participated in this year's harvest festival.

They appealed the Austrians to consume domestic agricultural products, in order to promote the sound development of national agriculture, to protect farmer's income and to stabilize their employment.— Xinhua

Power failure darkens extensive area across Cuba CUBA

HAVANA, 10 Sept — A large swath of Cuba was plunged into darkness on Sunday night in a widespread power failure, the cause of which was not disclosed. Electricity went out from the city of Ciego de Avila in southeastern Cuba all the way to Havana, 250 miles to the northwest, and beyond to the westernmost province of Pinar del Rio.

Phone calls around the island indicated power was returning in many areas, but not yet in the Cuban capital, which is the Communist country's biggest city with 2.2 million people. There were unconfirmed reports that the outage was caused by the failure of a generating plant in Cienfuegos on Cuba's southern coast. In Havana, street and traffic lights were out across the city, causing police officials to call in off-duty officers to direct traffic.

Weather on the island was clear and calm. No one at the state-owned electrical company could immediately be reached to explain the outage.—Xinhua

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UK survivor of France shooting out of coma: prosecutor

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Jaber al-Jaberi, a member of Hashemi's Sunni-backed Iraqiya party.

Hours before the sentence was announced, a wave of bombings and shootings had already killed at least 58 people and a car bomb had exploded outside a French consular office in Nassiriya in southern Iraq. Since the last US troops left, Maliki's Shi'ite-led government has been politically deadlocked and insurgents have continued to strike, hoping to ignite the kind of sectarian tensions that drove Iraq close to civil war in 2006-2007.

The most serious of the attacks happened near the city of Amara, 300 km (185 miles) south of the capital, when two car bombs exploded outside a Shi'ite shrine and a market place, killing at least 24 people, officials said.

Reuters

PARIS, 10 Sept — The seven-year-old British girl who survived a gun attack in the French Alps last week that saw her father and mother shot dead in their car is out of a coma and will be questioned by police as soon as she is able, the French prosecutor said on Sunday.

French and British police continued their search of the family home in Surrey near London of Saad al-Hilli, the Iraqi-born British driver who was shot twice in the head along with his wife, an older woman and a passing cyclist on Wednesday.

"She (Zainab) has come out of her artificial coma and she is now sedated," State Prosecutor Eric Maillaud told Reuters. "She is better

and her condition is improving little by little. She will be able to be questioned, but in what time frame?"

"We'll need a green light from the doctors." He said an uncle and aunt of Zainab, who had suffered serious skull fractures in the attack, were by her side at the hospital in Grenoble. Police hope she will eventually provide more information on the shootings.

Maillaud added her youngest sister, four-year-old Zeena, who survived unscathed after the shootings on a remote forest road near the village of Chevaline, had now returned to Britain. French police returned to the scene of the crime on Sunday and widened the area of investigation, Maillaud said.

Reuters

Amid fraud fears, Somalia to elect new president

MOGADISHU, 10 Sept — Members of parliament in Somalia will vote for a new president on Monday in the first vote of its kind in decades amid fears that the historic election will be rigged and do little to alter the political landscape. Billed as a milestone in the war-ravaged country's quest to end two decades of violence, graft and infighting, a newly elected parliament will convene at the police academy in Mogadishu to vote for the next head of state by secret

ballot.

More than two dozen candidates are vying for the position, including the current president and prime minister, as well as prominent Somalis who have returned from overseas. If no one candidate secures a two-thirds majority in the first round, and a simple majority in the second the election would go to a third round. There has been no effective central government control over most of the country since the outbreak of civil war in

SOMALIA

1991 and Monday's vote is seen as a culmination of a regionally brokered and UN-backed roadmap to end that conflict, during which tens of thousands were killed and many more fled.

The vote is the first to take place in Somalia in decades and has been made possible by African Union, Kenyan and Ethiopian troops who have pushed al-Qaeda-linked militants out of more and more areas. As a result, many Somalis have felt it is safe enough to return to rebuild their country. But the reform process has been marred by corruption allegations and has suffered numerous setbacks. Some presidential contenders and Somalis have criticized the election process saying it will merely bring in a new government that will look much like previous ones.

Reuters



A government soldier walks past a woman holding a campaign poster of Somalia's President Sheikh Sharif Ahmed in Mogadishu, on 9 Sept, 2012.— REUTERS

News in Brief

Mythun breeding encouraged

Deputy Minister for Livestock and Fisheries U Khin Maung Aye looked into breeding of mythun farm in Haka on 6 September. He instructed officials to raise breeding strains of mythuns and hold mythun breeding development workshop in Chin State.

Urbanization Plan (Project) organized

Urbanization Plan (Project) Workshop took place at city hall in Monywa on 8 September. Participants discussed sanitation of Kanthaya Lake in Monywa and construction of container jetty at the port of Gwaygyi Ward in Monywa.

Development undertakings inspected

Kayin State Chief Minister U Zaw Min oversaw development tasks in Myawady on 5 September. He presented prizes to winners in 19th Performing Arts Competitions at Hpa-an University on 6 September. He viewed re-cultivation of crops in Hpa-an.

International Literacy Day ceremonies observed

2012 International Literacy Day was observed at Chanayethazan Basic Education High School No. 14 on 8 September. Similar ceremonies were held at Patheingyi BEHS No. 1, City Halls in Myittha and Loikaw, Mawlamyine BEHS No. 6, city hall in Dawei and Bago BEHS No. 1.

MGF holds AGM

Myanmar Gymnastics Federation held annual general meeting for 2011-2012 fiscal year. The executive committee submitted reports to the meeting. Wellwishers donated cash to the fund of the federation for securing achievement in XXVII SEA Games.

Relief aids, supplies donated to flood victims

Speaker of Ayeyawady Region Hluttaw U Hsan Hsint, wife Daw Khin Ma Lay and Region Minister for Development Affairs U Kyaw Win Naing donated bags of rice, purified drinking water, instant noodle, exercise books, clothes, aluminium pots and stationery to flood victims of Thabaung Township.

Being individuals who are responsible....

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Being a huge mission, it will not be achieved overnight or by individual's effort. Effort of the government alone is not enough. The entire people should do their bit in the process harmoniously. To enlist the strength of the people, the government should be trustworthy by the people. We, the whole government, have committed to working heart and soul to fulfill hopes and aspirations of the people.

So, we the government will have to make all-out efforts to materialize good governance and clean government. Each of us is responsible to make the government better and clean. Individuality will not count. Being individuals who

are responsible and accountable to particular organizations, we should manage ourselves and our organizations well. We should first build up ourselves and then our organizations as our leadership influence our subordinates. I would like to warn you that we are responsible for views and comments of the people towards our ministries or organizations.

I would like to conclude my address with the call for adhering to the constitution, upholding Our Three Main National Causes. Existing laws, rules, orders, directives and procedures must be abided by to avoid repeating mistakes. Understanding the policies of the State, objectives of the government and duties of the ministry, duties must be discharged honestly and earnestly. I will be held responsible for honest mistakes and fix them. But, everyone is urged not to be corrupted.



Photo shows the persons to be appointed as Deputy Ministers making affirmation in the presence of the President.

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President U Thein Sein addresses heads...

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Afterwards, President U Thein Sein delivered an address. (The speech of the President is reported separately.) Next, the Master of Ceremonies asked to put on record the speech of the President, and it was announced that the speech of the President has been put on record with the permission of the President.

Afterwards, the Master of Ceremonies announced the

successful completion of the affirmation, which brought the ceremony to a close. This was followed by documentary photo sessions of the President and the Vice-Presidents, the President, the Vice-Presidents and Union Ministers and the President, the Vice-Presidents and Deputy Ministers.

In the evening, President U Thein Sein hosted a dinner to those present on the occasion including national races affairs ministers from regions and states at dining room. During the dinner, artistes from the Fine Arts Department of the Culture Ministry presented entertainment.

After the dinner, President U Thein Sein cordially greeted those present on the occasion.—MNA



Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe and wife being welcomed by Ambassador of Republic of Indonesia to Myanmar Mr Sebastianus Sumarsono at the reception to mark 67th Anniversary Independence Day of Indonesia at Sedona Hotel in Yangon on 10 September.—MNA

Union Health Minister back from Indonesia

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept— A Myanmar delegation led by Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin attended the 30th meeting of Ministers of Health of the countries of South-East Asian Region and 65th session of the World Health Organization Regional Committee from South-East Asian held in Yogyakarta of Indonesia from 4 to 7 September.

At the opening ceremony, Indonesian Vice-President Yogyakarta Mayor Director-General of the WHO Dr Margaret Chan

and WHO Regional Director Dr Samlee Plianbangchang made speeches.

Indonesian Health Minister Dr Nafsian Mboi acted as a chair of the 30th meeting of Ministers of Health of countries of South-East Asian Region held on 4 September. The Union Minister exchanged views on cooperation in antibiotic programmes, health care services for old aged, diseases propagation and prevention measures, covering for health care

services, experiences and success being implemented in Myanmar with his counterparts.

The health ministers from WHO South-East Asian Region agreed with Yogyakarta Declaration for upgrading of health care services for old aged.

The 65th session of the World Health Organization Regional Committee from South-East Asian was acted as chair by Indonesian Health Minister Dr Nafsian Mboi and co-chair Maldivian Health Minister Dr Ahmed Jamsheed Mohamed held from 5 to 7 September.

At the meeting, report presenting for 2012-2013 financial year, reforms for WHO and training for health staff were discussed by the attendees.—MNA

Performing Arts Competitions wraps up in Ayeyawady Region

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept— 19th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions of

Ayeyawady Region concluded at the city hall in Patheingyi on 6 September evening.

The region Chief Minister awarded winners in the competitions.

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PERSPECTIVES

Tuesday, 11 September, 2012

International level education

Employment of modern science and technology in various fields and production of highly competent intellectuals and technical know-how is the top priority for effective facilitation of national development. Another priority is to build a continuous learning society enabling every citizen to have access to basic literacy through collaborative efforts.

We are sure a large number of intellectuals and intelligentsia, competent human resources are needed in converting the Republic of the Union of Myanmar into a modern developed nation. The human resources development of the entire nation including the younger generation who will assume the responsibility of future nation is fundamental requirement and thus the education standard of the country must be promoted to international level.

In this regard, Conference on Development Policy Options with Special Reference to Education and Health was organized last February in Nay Pyi Taw in cooperation with UN agencies. Moreover, the drafting of Comprehensive Education Sector Review (CESR) has started. Cohesive efforts would be put into weak spots in cooperation with the UN agencies, international organizations and educational donors.

As for strengthening the foundation of educational structure, text books have been distributed to all primary students free of charge as of 2011-2012 academic year and the free distribution also includes the exercise books. Consequently, the basic education sector has seen mobile schools opening for the sake of children of displaced families. Education opportunities for children with disabilities equal to the ordinary ones have been created.

Changes are tangible in both formal and non-formal education arenas. The education is not only a matter of classrooms but an importance of the development of one's own environment, region and country.

Certainly we would need a considerable number of intellectuals and intelligentsia in building a modern developed nation. Therefore, the education standard of the country must be promoted to international level.



UEC Chairman receives US Ambassador, New Mission Director of USAID

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—Chairman of Union Election Commission U Tin Aye met a delegation led by US Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Derek Mitchell and New Mission Director Mr. Chris Milligan of USAID at the Office of Union Election Commission, here, at 1:30 pm today.

Also present on the occasion were commission members U Myint Naing, U Aung Myint, U Win Kyi, U Nyunt Tin, U Win Ko and officials concerned from the office.

At the call, they had a cordial discussion on cooperation in free and fair election process in Myanmar and promoting



educative works on elections in cooperation with international organizations.

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Union Foreign Affairs Minister receives foreign guests

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin received a delegation led by Mr. Joseph Yun, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs of the United States at his office here this noon. During the meeting, they cordially discussed matters related to promotion of bilateral relations and cooperation between Myanmar and the United States of America.

The Union minister also received H.E. Mr. Hagay Moshe Behar, Ambassador of State of Israel to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, at his office this afternoon. They discussed matters relating to further enhancing bilateral relations and cooperation between Myanmar and the State of Israel.

He received H.E. Ms.



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Robina Patricia Marks, Ambassador of the Republic of South Africa to the Republic of the Union of

Myanmar, at his office this afternoon. They discussed Myanmar and the Republic matters relating to further of South Africa.

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Dy Cooperative Minister visits cooperative institutions in Sagaing Region

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—Deputy Minister for Cooperatives U Than Tun on 6 September met personnel and officials of Cooperative Department and Cooperative Syndicates from Sagaing Region, Monywa, Pale, Yinmabin and Salingyi Townships at Monywa Township Cooperative Syndicate Office.

He visited Weaving High School of Small Scale Industries Department in Monywa and gave

instructions to officials.

On 7 September, the deputy minister and departmental officials made field trips to Salingyi, Yinmabin and Pale townships in groups and undertook formation of cooperative societies.

Next day, he met the principal, faculty members and staff at Sagaing University of Cooperatives and urged them to turn out outstanding leaders in cooperative field.

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Cargo train derails between Kadu and Mawhan stations in Mohnyin

MOHNYIN, 10 Sept—No. 934-down cargo train that left Myitkyina derailed between mile posts 625/10 and 625/12 of Kadu and Mawhan stations in Mohnyin Township at 7.20 pm yesterday.

Three wagons derailed in the incident but no passenger was injured. However, over 10 passenger trains rolling up and down routes daily are to stop at nearest railway stations for at least one day and wait for completion of repairing works on the railroad.

On 7 September, bridge No. 555 between Kadu and Mawhan stations was damaged due to mine blast of KIA. Thus, the up and down passengers waited a day for completion of repairing works.

Except cargo trains and local trains, a total of 15 passenger trains are rolling on Mandalay-Myitkyina railroad daily.

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Union Border Affairs Minister, OIC delegation, General Secretary of Indonesian Red Cross Society visit Sittway

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept— Union Minister for Border Affairs Lt-Gen Thein Htay together with Rakhine State Chief Minister U Hla Maung Tin met a delegation of Organization of Islamic Cooperation led by Ambassador Mr Ufuk Gokcen, OIC Permanent Observer to the UN in New York and a led by General Secretary of Indonesian Red Cross Society Mr Budi Atmadi Adiputo at Rakhine State Government's Office yesterday afternoon.

They had a cordial discussion on real situation that broke out in Rakhine State, cooperation of Government and UN agencies and INGO, relief and rehabilitation tasks, ongoing tasks and sustainable development.

The Union Minister and the OIC delegation met



Union Minister Lt-Gen Thein Htay and Ambassador Mr Ufuk Gokcen at relief camp in Danyawadi football ground.—MNA

displaced persons at Bawdupha Village relief camp, Sittway Township and asked about their accommodation, health and

education.

Likewise, they comforted displaced person dwelling at Danyawadi football ground relief camp.

They inspected fire-ravaged places in Sittway and development of Kaladan River project by car.

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Union Minister attends coordination meeting for development of Shan State

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept— A coordination meeting for development of Shan State was held at City Hall in Taunggyi at 1 pm on 8 September, attended by Union Minister at the President Office U Tin Naing Thein, State Chief Minister U Sao Aung Myat and state planning committee members, state Hluttaw speaker and Hluttaw representatives and delegates from social and economic organizations.

Speaking at the meeting, the Union Minister said that respective Union ministries

have been holding discussions in region/state by making field trips to draw National Development Plan for development of socioeconomic of the people by gathering policy and work plans to be submitted to National Planning Commission, he added.

State Chief Minister U Sao Aung Myat and chairman of Danu self-administrated zone and state ministers and state Hluttaw representatives, officials and entrepreneurs presented use of ground resources, potable water distribution for urban area,

market conditions of agriculture products to the union minister. The Union Minister and party attended coordination meeting for Pa-O self-administrated zone held at Hopong General Administration Department yesterday.

Chairman of Pa-O Self-Administrated Zone U Khun San Lwin discussed matters related to measures for regional development, implementation tasks, foreign aids for development of infrastructural buildings and to create job opportunities.

The Union Minister heard reports presented by those attendees concerning regional development tasks, agriculture, breeding and rural development and poverty alleviation tasks.

The Union Minister and party inspected potable water distribution in Taunggyi and then went to Ayethaya Industrial Zone and Shan Yoma Breeding Zone where he met with entrepreneurs and called for development of industrial and breeding zones.—MNA

World First Aid Day 2012 observed in Yangon

YANGON, 9 Sept— Yangon Region observed World First Aid Day 2012 at University of Nursing in Lanmadaw Township, attended by Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe and wife Daw Khin Thein Htay, chairperson and members of Region Red Cross Supervisory Committee, departmental personnel, social organizations and guests.

Speaking on the occasion, Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe called for acceleration of philanthropic actions of Myanmar Red Cross Society in line with this year's theme of International First Aid Day 'First Aid for Vulnerable People'.

The region chief minister and personnel awarded those who devoted their efforts for social welfare

works and prize winners in commemorative skill demonstration contest.

He then attended the opening of the 19th Yangon Region Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition at No. 2 Latha Township Basic Education High School. Speaking on the occasion, he called for preservation of culture with nationalistic fervour.—MNA

Workshop on development of livestock, fisheries held in Chin State

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept— A workshop on development for livestock and fisheries sector plus cooperatives sector to ensure further socio-economic development of Chin State was held at the town hall of Haka on 7 September morning.

At the workshop, Chin State Chief Minister U Hong

Ngai made a speech saying that the economy of Chin State totally hinges on agriculture and livestock; that the success of livestock will contribute to improvement of socio-economic status of rural people and export of meat to India, Mandalay, Nay Pyi Taw and Yangon. Internal

and international organizations are committed to long-term loans and it is required to introduce business that brings immediate profits. He also pledged to provide capital and technology for development of cooperative sector.

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National Sports

Singaporean footballers arrive in Myanmar

YANGON, 10 Sept—The Singaporean National Football Team comprising first lineup and famous players to play against Myanmar National Team in tune-up match arrived here recently.

The team consists of 20 players and manager and backroom staff.

Myanmar and Singapore will play in the tune-up match on 11 September at Youth Training Centre in Thuwunna and it will be broadcast live through for Sports and Channel 7.

Tickets are fixed at K 2000 per head for grand stand and K 1000 per ordinary stand.

Players of the Myanmar National Team are under training since 9 September.

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MFF organizes U-12 Digicel Cup 2012

YANGON, 10 Sept—MFF U-12 Digicel Cup 2012 (Lower Myanmar), jointly organized by Myanmar Football Federation and Basic Education Departments of Ministry of Education with sponsorship of Digicel, was held at Aung San Stadium from 10 to 17 September.

Group A comprises Bago (East) Region, Horizon, Taninthayi Region, Rakhine and Kayin States. Group B consists of Yangon Region, ILBC, Bago (West) Region, Mon State and Ayeyawady Region.

Opening ceremony of the Cup (Lower Myanmar) will take place at Aung Stadium at 8 am on 10 September and the Cup (Upper Myanmar) at Bahtoo Stadium on 12 September.

For the Cup (Upper Myanmar), Group A includes Shan (North), Chin, Shan (East), Magway and Mandalay. Group B is constituted with Nay Pyi Taw, Shan (South), Kayah, Sagaing and Kachin.

On completion, two selected teams from Upper and Lower Myanmar will play the match of MFF Digicel Cup 2012 (Central Level) in Yangon.

Former player of Liverpool John Barnes and former players of Real Madrid will provide brilliant football skills to 50 selected players and coaches.

MFF plans to secure the opportunities to take part in the U-17 World Cup.

Kyemon

Workshop on Monsoon Onset Monitoring and Its Social and Ecosystem Impacts commences



YANGON, 10 Sept—The sixth Workshop on Monsoon Onset Monitoring and Its Social and Ecosystem Impacts, organized by Department of Meteorology and Hydrology and Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission-IOC/WESTPAC was held at

Chatrium Hotel, here, this morning, with an address by Head of Regional Office Mr Wenxi Zhu of IOC/WESTPAC.

Director-General of DMH Dr Harin Naing Tiyan and MOMSEI Project Chairman Dr Sormkial Khokia Hiwong extended greetings.

The workshop plans to discuss progress of MOMSEI Project, tasks undertaken in 2011-2012, Asian monsoon and oceanography research and future plans in detail.

The workshop continues tomorrow.

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

AFGHANISTAN

Eight militants killed in operations in Afghanistan

KABUL, 10 Sept—At least eight Taliban militants were killed and five others detained in nine cleanup operations carried out by the Afghan police, army and the NATO-led coalition forces within the past 24 hours, the country's Interior Ministry said on Monday morning.

"A total of five armed Taliban insurgents were also injured during the above operations launched in Kabul, Kandahar, Logar, Paktia, Herat, Helmand and Nimroz provinces, within the past 24 hours," the ministry said in a statement providing daily operational updates to the media.

They also found and seized weapons, the statement said, without saying if there were any casualties on the side of security forces.

The Taliban insurgents, who have been waging an insurgency of more than one

decade, have yet to make comments.

The Afghan security forces and some 130,000 NATO-led coalition troops have intensified cleanup operations against insurgents recently. Records kept by *Xinhua*, based on figures released by the Interior Ministry, reveal that around 210 insurgents have been killed, 15 wounded and over 85 others detained since 1 Sept by the joint forces across the insurgency-hit country.

However, the insurgents in retaliation responded by carrying out suicide attacks and roadside bombings especially in southern and eastern parts of the country. Two civilians were killed and 19 others wounded in a series of bomb attacks in eastern Paktia and western Farah province on Sunday.

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People watch a giant puppet parade in Antwerp, Belgium, on 8 Sept, 2012. The city held a street parade with about 300 giant puppets on Saturday, trying to break the previous Guinness World Records. — XINHUA

Al Jazeera TV cyber-attacked over Syria

CYBER ATTACK

DOHA, 10 Sept — Al Jazeera Television says its mobile service has been hacked. A group supporting Syrian President Bashar al-Assad has claimed responsibility, saying reports by the Qatar-based television network favour the rebels. Al Jazeera says false texts on the royal family were hacked into its mobile service on Sunday. The network says some of its websites also came under cyber attack last week.

The pro-government group says Qatar is Syria's national enemy because it's

seeking the ouster of its president. Last month, Saudi Arabia's leading oil firm Saudi Aramco also came under cyber attack, affecting 30 thousand computers. A statement critical of Saudi diplomacy was posted on the Internet.

Both cyber attacks are under investigation. But the credibility of the claims of responsibility has yet to be confirmed. With the conflict in Syria intensifying and involving neighboring nations, cyber space is also proving to be a viable battle ground. — *NHK*

Series of attacks kill 52 people in Iraq

IRAQ

BAGHDAD, 10 Sept — A series of bombs and gunfire attacks across Iraq on Sunday killed some 52 Iraqis and wounded more than 200 others, in what appeared to be an attempt by insurgent groups to destabilize the country and undermine confidence in the Iraqi government. The deadliest attack in the day occurred near the city of Amara, some 365 km south of Baghdad, when two car bombs exploded at a marketplace near the shrine of Shiite Imam Ali al-Sharqi in the town that holds the name of the Imam, killing 18 people and wounding some 70 others.

Earlier in the morning,

a suicide car bomber struck a crowd of security recruits at the compound of Iraq's Northern Oil Company (NOC) near the city of Kirkuk, killing up to eight recruits and wounding 30 others. The victims were signing up to be security members at the Iraqi Facilities Protection Service (FPS), which is an Iraqi paramilitary force tasked with site protection of Iraqi government facilities. NOC is a state-owned company which is responsible for oil exports from northern Iraq.

Also in Kirkuk, a car bomb and a roadside bomb went off in succession before midday near Kirkuk University and a marketplace in central the city, killing seven people and wounding some 50 others. The ethnically mix province of Kirkuk and its capital Kirkuk City, some 250 km north of

Baghdad, are part of the disputed areas between the Kurds and both Arabs and Turkmen. In southern Iraq, two roadside bombs went off almost simultaneously close to the French consular in Nassriyah in a main street in the central part of the city Nassriyah, some 375 km south of Baghdad, killing four people and wounding six.

Separately, a car bomb went off at a busy marketplace in the al-Qiblah district in the central part of the city of Basra, some 550 km south of Baghdad, killing at least two people and wounding eight others. In northern Iraq, a booby-trapped car parked outside the office of the Iraqi Turkman Front in the town of Tal Afar, some 70 km west of Nineveh's provincial capital city of Mosul, killing two people and wounding seven.

Xinhua

Israeli airplanes strike in Gaza after rocket fire

GAZA, 10 Sept — Israeli airplanes struck a training site for Islamic Hamas movement in eastern Gaza City early Monday, apparently in response to rockets militates fired from the territory into Israel in the morning.

An Israeli Apache helicopter fired one missile towards the site that was

empty at the time, witnesses said. There have been no reports of injuries, but the witnesses said fire broke out at the place.

Hamas, which controls Gaza, was expecting an Israeli military retaliation on the firing of three Grad rockets from the coastal enclave towards southern Israel on

INTERNATIONAL NEWS IN BRIEF

Flood alert in Srinagar, people asked to shift to safer places

SRINAGAR, 10 Sept — Authorities here today asked people living along the banks of River Jhelum to shift to safer places as a flood alarm was sounded in the city due to rising water level in the river following incessant rains.

River Jhelum is flowing above 16 feet in Ram Munshi Bagh area prompting the flood alarm, officials in the disaster management cell said. — *PTI*

Two killed, three injured as public toilet collapses

THANE, 10 Sept — Two persons were killed and three others injured when a public toilet collapsed in Saira Nagar locality in Bhiwandi this morning, police said. The Shanti Nagar police, under whose jurisdiction the incident took place, said the mishap occurred around 11 am.

The deceased, who were trapped under the debris as the toilet caved in, were identified as Mahavir Kesarwani (55) and Mazhar Mohamad Alam (22), police said. — *PTI*

Merchant vessel catches fire off Mumbai coast

MUMBAI, 10 Sept — A major fire broke out in an Antigua and Barbuda-flagged merchant vessel off Mumbai coast this afternoon, Coast Guard officials said.

The ship, MV Amsterdam Bridge, had reached just four nautical miles from Prongs Reef Lighthouse in south Mumbai and was carrying hazardous cargo, sources said.

According to the sources, the operations room of the Coast Guard received a fire call at 5.15 PM from the captain of the cargo vessel. — *PTI*

Police officer shot at in Navi Mumbai

MUMBAI, 10 Sept — A police sub-inspector attached to the Talaja jail in Navi Mumbai near here, was shot at by two unknown gunmen this evening, police said.

"The officer has been identified as Bhaskar Satre, who is attached to the Talaja jail. We have launched a manhunt to nab the accused," said a police officer.

The incident took place around 6 pm near the Rapid Action Force camp in Talaja, they said. — *PTI*



Image provided by Venezuela's Presidency shows Venezuelan President and presidential candidate Hugo Chavez (C) greets his supporters during a campaign rally at Charallave city, State of Miranda, Venezuela, on 9 Sept, 2012. — XINHUA

ISRAEL

Salafist groups claimed responsibility for firing the rockets as they have done over the past days. The Salafists criticize Hamas for observing a shaky ceasefire with Israel and Hamas has been rounding up dozens of fighters affiliated with the Salafist groups.

Al-Qaeda-linked

Xinhua



Policemen stand next to a burnt bus in Acapulco, Guerrero, Mexico, on 9 Sept, 2012. According to local press, the vehicle was on fire with a person inside, allegedly the driver. XINHUA

Seven missing tourists, including three French, one Russian, found in SE China

FUZHOU, 9 Sept — Seven people, including three French and one Russian, were found after losing contacts for more than a day at a mountainous tourist site in southeast China's Fujian Province, local firefighters said on Sunday.

The seven were in good condition when being found at 7:30 pm on Sunday at the Shibachongxi mountain valley with dozens of rivers and streams, the fire brigade in the city of Fuzhou said in a statement. A man surnamed Ye reported the case to police after the seven tourists could not be reached for more than a day, it said. When starting the walking tour at about 9 am on Saturday, Ye and the seven arranged to meet at the exit of the tourist site in Fuzhou's Fuqing county five hours later at 2 pm, but the seven didn't show up. Of the tour group, three are Chinese, three are French men and the rest is a Russian woman. They worked in Shanghai and spent the weekends travelling Fuzhou. — *Xinhua*

REGIONAL

Hu's APEC attendance helps boost integrity, innovation, development, prosperity **CHINA**

VLADIVOSTOK, 10 Sept— Chinese President Hu Jintao's attendance at APEC's 20th informal economic leaders' meeting has achieved a complete success by helping strengthen regional economic integrity, technological innovation, development and prosperity, Foreign Minister Yang Jiechi said on Sunday.

The world economy was recovering slowly and there were still some destabilizing factors and uncertainties, Yang, who had accompanied

Hu during the trip, said.

Asia Pacific, on the whole, maintained sound momentum of growth, but the region should not overlook the impact brought about by the grave challenges facing the global economy, he added. Yang said that under the theme of "Integrate to Grow, Innovate to Prosper," President Hu discussed with leaders of other APEC members trade and investment liberalization, regional economic integration, food security as well as

cooperation in fostering innovative growth.

During the event, President Hu delivered keynote speeches, fully expounding on China's positions and proposals. Besides, he extensively contacted economic leaders and people from all walks of life, exchanging in-depth views on regional situation, as well as cooperation and future development within the framework of APEC.

Xinhua



Indian space scientists hold models of India's Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) C-21 rocket to celebrate the success of India's 100th space mission in Sriharikota, south India, on 9 Sept, 2012. India on Sunday successfully launched its 100th space mission with the Polar Satellite Launch Vehicle (PSLV) C-21 rocket, carrying a French satellite and a Japanese microsatellite. — XINHUA

Eurozone crisis threatens booming bond markets in East Asia: ADB

MANILA, 10 Sept — Bond markets in emerging East Asia expanded by 8.6 percent on year to 5.9 trillion US dollars in January to June on the back of a double-digit growth in the region's corporate bond markets, according to a report released by Manila-based Asian Development Bank (ADB).

In the latest edition of the Asia Bond Monitor, the ADB revealed that as of end-June, there were 2 trillion US dollars in corporate bonds or 15.2 percent higher than a year earlier. The government bond market grew by only 5.5 percent on year to 3.9 trillion US dollars.

"Corporate bond growth continues to outpace government bonds as lower yields and tighter bank lending ahead of new bank regulations in many markets encourage firms to raise funds from local markets," the report read.

Xinhua

S Korea

S Korea unveils measures to boost domestic demand

SEOUL, 10 Sept — South Korea on Monday unveiled comprehensive measures to boost domestic demand as the domestic economy was faltering due to sluggish exports stemming from the prolonged European fiscal crisis and the consequent global economic slowdown.

"Uncertainties over the global economy widened amid emerging political instability in Europe from the second quarter. The government made efforts to fine-tune the existing stimulus measures, but the protracted European fiscal crisis and the global economic slump caused the delayed recovery of our economy," Finance Minister Bahk Jae-

wan said in a meeting for revitalizing the economy.

The delayed domestic recovery arising mainly from worsening external conditions raised the need to vitalize housing transactions, private consumption and corporate investment, the minister said. South Korea's real gross domestic production (GDP) growth was revised down to 0.3 percent from a preliminary figure of 0.4 percent in the second quarter on an on-quarter basis. Exports slowed down on worsening external conditions, leading to the weakening of domestic demand.

In a bid to boost the flagging real estate market, the

finance ministry planned to exempt the capital gains tax over the next five years for those who buy unsold housing within this year as part of efforts to boost the flagging real estate market. The housing acquisition tax will also be halved to 1.2 percent by the year-end. The nation's housing transactions slowed to an average of 401,000 for the first seven months, down 30.2 percent from the same period of last year. The figure was the lowest since the data started being compiled in 2006.

Xinhua

3rd East Asia Ministerial Conference on sanitation begins in Bali **ASIA**

BALI, 10 Sept—Fourteen governments from East Asia and the Pacific kicked off the 3rd East Ministerial Conference on Sanitation and Hygiene in Bali on Monday in a bid to achieve the ultimate goal of universal sanitation access in the region.

Over 250 participants will take part in the conference, from government ministers and officials, partner organizations to media and academia from China, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Papua New Guinea, Singapore, Thailand, the Philippines, Timor Leste and Vietnam. Indonesian Health Minister Nafsiah Mboi opened the conference at the Nusa Dua tourist resort hotel in Bali.

Quoting the UNICEF/WHO Joint Monitoring Programme report that the region as a whole has reached the sanitation Millennium Development Goal (MDG) as of 2012, World Bank Water and Sanitation Programme principal regional team leader Al mud Weitz said in her opening remarks that reaching the MDG is a very important stepping stone towards the ultimate goal of universal sanitation access. —Xinhua



Chinese President Hu Jintao attends the second-phase meeting of the 20th APEC Economic Leaders' Meeting in Vladivostok, east Russia, on 9 Sept, 2012. XINHUA

Fukushima plant clean-up efforts face challenges **Japan**

TOKYO, 10 Sept—Efforts to deal with problems at the Fukushima Daiichi nuclear power plant in northeastern Japan still face many challenges more than a year after the meltdown. Tuesday will mark one and a half years since the earthquake and tsunami that caused the accident. But the leaking of tainted water and other troubles still plague the clean-up efforts.

Experts say one of the pressing challenges is how to ensure the reliability of emergency facilities built to cool the troubled reactors. In the aftermath of the 11th March, 2011 disaster that crippled the plant, its operator, Tokyo Electric Power Company, hastily built a system to treat highly contaminated waste

water and circulate it as coolant for the reactors. The government announced last December that the reactors had been brought to a state of cold shutdown.

While the reactors' temperatures and pressures have since remained generally stable, troubles have plagued the cooling water circulation system. So far, 56 instances of tainted water leaks have been reported. Facilities to decontaminate water have stopped 12 times due to leaks and power supply problems. On 30th August, coolant water being poured into the 3 crippled reactors temporarily fell below the necessary levels. Troubles have also increased with equipment and facilities that were installed before the accident. —NHK



Officers and soldiers of PLA Chengdu Military Area Command unload quake-relief materials at an airport in the quake-hit Zhaotong, southwest China's Yunnan Province, on 9 Sept, 2012. Multiple earthquakes struck Yiliang County and neighbouring areas in southwest China's Yunnan Province on Friday, killing at least 81 people. —XINHUA

Chemical MNC sees India as key to export growth in South Asia

INDIA

KOLKATA, 10 Sept — BASF, the multinational chemical company, sees significant growth for India operations with the opening up of exports to Pakistan, a top company official said on Monday. BASF India which reported sales of over 75 billion rupees (1364 million US dollars) in 2011 has a 200-acre manufacturing facility in Mangalore in India's southern state of Karnataka. According to Prasad Chandran, chairman and managing director of BASF India, the opening up of export opportunities to Pakistan strengthens its export opportunity in entire South Asia. The German multinational, with global sales of over 73.4 billion Euros last year, sees significant growth opportunity for its performance chemicals business, which contributes 15.7 billion euros.


This range includes products catering to leather and textiles. While not sharing specific numbers, the company is a major player in the leather industry, he said. Alexander Wartini, vice-president of Global Business Management of Leather Chemicals, said with the trend of manufacturing shifting to Asia from Europe firmly entrenched, India has carved for itself a niche as an exporter of value-added leather products, as compared with China, which targets volumes.

Exports of leather and leather products from India crossed 200 billion rupees (3,636 million US dollars) and BASF sees the opportunities increasing further as policy-makers have identified leather as a focus sector for its employment generating capacity. —Xinhua



People in traditional dress play a dance during a ritual of the Amis ethnic group, praying for good harvest, at a square in Xinbei City, southeast China's Taiwan, on 9 Sept, 2012. — XINHUA

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The Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Union Civil Service Board
Vacancy Announcement
Announcement No. 15 / 2012
4th Waning of Wagaung 1374 ME
(5 September 2012)

1. The Central Bank of Myanmar under the Ministry of Finance and Revenue has issued an announcement of vacancies for the following positions-

Sr.No	Position	Vacancy	Educational Qualification
(a)	Staff Officer	2	M.A(English)
		2	LL.M
		2	M.Act
		8	M.Com /M.Econ(Economics)/ M.Econ(Statistics)/MBA/MPA/ MPS/M.Dev.S
(b)	Research Officer	4	M.Com /M.Econ(Economics)/ M.Econ(Statistics)

2. The applicants -
 (a) must be citizens of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar.
 (b) must not be over 35 years of age (40 years if service personnel) on 1 October 2012.
 (c) must be physically fit and possess well intact limbs, must be in good health and capable of serving the duty at any assigned place.

3. Applications must be sent to Office No. (17) of the Union Civil Service Board, Nay Pyi Taw in person, or by expedited Mail Service, or by registered letter not later than 1 October 2012.

4. The applicant who wants to apply more than one position has to pay examination fee separately and submit the application form for respective positions.

5. With regards to filling in the application form, documents to be attached, mode of payment of Ks.500/ for examination fee, subjects to be studied for written examinations and personal interview, candidates applying for the vacant positions will have to follow the instructions manifested in the Guide Booklet published under Letter No. 1/ Selection (Main)/ 2012, dated 2 January 2012.

6. For service personnel, his or her original application altogether with the recommendation of the ministry concerned and a passport photo of the applicant must be sent to Office No. (17) of the Union Civil Service Board in Nay Pyi Taw through the Head of Department by 1 October 2012. An extra copy of the application together with photo must also be attached.

7. Written examinations will be held in Nay Pyi Taw. Candidates will be examined in Myanmar and General Knowledge examination papers on 3 November 2012 (Saturday) and English examination paper on 4 November 2012 (Sunday).

8. Identity cards for candidates sitting for the examination will be issued at Office No. (17) of the Union Civil Service Board in Nay Pyi Taw commencing 1 November 2012.

9. For more information, applicants may contact Office No. (17) of the Union Civil Service Board in person or by phone (067 - 409052, 067 - 409430).

10. This announcement and the guide booklet for applicants may be browsed on Websites: ucsb.imis.com.mm and www.ucsb.gov.mm.

China's jet set grounded by lack of pilots, paperwork

HONG KONG, 10 Sept — Bombardier Inc, the world's No 3 aircraft maker, thinks Chinese executive jet buyers will take delivery of 2,400 new planes in the next 20 years. All China needs now is pilots to fly them, mechanics to fix them, and airports to land them. With fewer than 200 private jets for a population of 1.3 billion people, China's growth

potential is huge. But reams of red tape, snarled-up air space and a shortage of trained pilots suggest it won't live up to the promise any time soon.

The private jet potential has caught the attention of some big-name investors. Warren Buffett's NetJets made the world's largest order of executive jets in June in a deal worth \$9.6 billion, months after it announced a China

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venture with private equity firm Hony Capital. China is forecast to take delivery of about 100 business jets this year. Before they can fly, buyers need to secure an Air Operator's Certificate from the country's aviation regulator or a management company that has already been granted one. Then the jet owner has to wait for an import license.

"The process you have to go through to get the importation approval has to be signed off by nine departments," said Jeffrey Lowe, general manager of Asian Sky Group, a business aviation consulting firm. Private jet ownership was illegal in China until 2003, and the aviation regulator has been slow to process paperwork for new operators.

Reuters



A visitor walks down the stairs of a Challenger 300 aircraft during the Shanghai International Business Aviation Show at Hongqiao International Airport in Shanghai in this 13 April, 2011. — REUTERS

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MV EISHUN VOY NO (93)

Consignees of cargo carried on MV EISHUN VOY NO (93) are hereby notified that the vessel will be arriving on 11.9.2012 and cargo will be discharged into the premises of M.I.T.T where it will lie at the consignee's risk and expenses and subject to the byelaws and conditions of the Port of Yangon.

Damaged cargo will be surveyed daily from 8 am to 11:20 am and 12 noon to 4 pm to Claims Day now declared as the third day after final discharge of cargo from the Vessel.

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China's icebreaker Xuelong, or "Snow Dragon", sails through the Bering Strait, on 9 Sept, 2012. A Chinese expedition team left the Arctic Circle after fulfilling a scientific exploration of the Arctic Ocean on Saturday night. — XINHUA

Homeless in Miami find new outlet, feeding the well-heeled

MIAMI, 10 Sept — As part of an innovative effort to tackle Miami's problem with homelessness, Xavier Wright has traded the streets of downtown for a live-in community farm project in south Florida that grows produce for an upscale restaurant. Wright, 25, said it's his first steady job in two years. "I love this. I love being outside, I love working with my hands," said Wright, wearing a straw hat to shield himself from Florida's relentless summer sun. Verde Gardens, a \$17.2 million, 145-unit complex built for Miami's formerly homeless, boasts a 22-acre (9-hectare) organic farm planted with a

variety of fruits and vegetables from potatoes to bananas and pigeon peas.

Wright, who previously served in the US Marine Corps in Iraq, had resided in a homeless shelter with his 6-year-old autistic son before moving to Verde Gardens. The farm is tapping into a rising trend in the restaurant industry to use locally grown seasonal products. Norman Van Aken, a nationally acclaimed chef, has been buying produce from the farm for about six months for his newest eco-friendly restaurant, Tuyo, which sits atop the newly created Miami Culinary Institute in downtown Miami. With breathtaking views of

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MOR expects 75 m passengers during upcoming holidays

BEIJING, 10 Sept — About 75.4 million Chinese are expected to hit the rails during the upcoming Mid-Autumn Festival and National Day holidays this year, the Ministry of Railways said on Sunday.

The number of passengers travelling during the holiday season, which lasts from 29 September to 7 October, will increase 5 percent from a year earlier to reach 75.4 million, an average of 6.86 million people per day, according to a statement on the ministry's website.

The holiday season travel peak will arrive on 1 October, a day on which 9 million people are expected to take trains, up by 320,000 from one year earlier, the statement said. — Xinhua

the city and Biscayne Bay, Tuyo serves a well-heeled crowd, including classical music aficionados who come by after attending performances at the city's opera house and concert hall a few blocks away.

"This should be able to be done in many other places, it's sustainable, it's local and it's organic," Van Aken said as he examined a delivery of Verde Gardens Seminole pumpkins in the kitchen at Tuyo, where they'll be turned into an estofado, a creamy pumpkin soup served with bits of braised chicken, ribbons of ham, corn and topped with fresh shaved truffles. — Reuters

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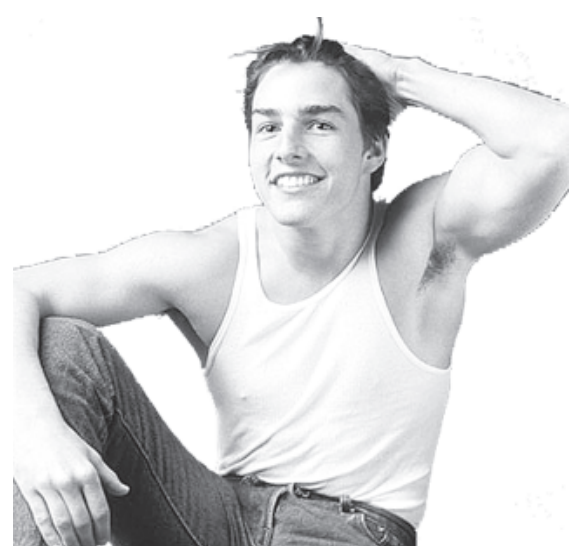
Emma Watson wants a varied life

LONDON, 10 Sept—Actress Emma Watson says she does not want to only focus on acting as she wants the chance to pursue other things in her life.

The 22-year-old beauty, who is set to return to Brown University in America in January to complete her degree, said she feels happiest when pursuing something creative but also wants the chance to live her own life, reported Contactmusic.

“I’d like to be considered a good, versatile actress. I feel happiest when doing something creative—writing, painting, acting or dancing, so I think I’ll always complement the acting with something else. If you act all the time, you’re spending your life living other people’s lives.

“Really I’d quite like it if things calm down a bit and I think that will happen naturally,” she said. Watson, who shot to fame when she was cast as Hermione Granger in the Harry Potter film series aged just nine, will next be seen in *The Perks of Being a Wallflower* and she fell in love with the script as soon as she read it. “It’s not some wild break away from Harry Potter because I don’t really want to get away from Harry Potter, never seen it as a shackle.”—PTI



Tom Cruise movie sparks gun panic in UK neighbourhood

LONDON, 10 Sept—Filming of Tom Cruise’s latest movie *All You Need is Kill* sparked terror among residents of Hertfordshire recently after sound of gunfire from the studio rang out across the neighbourhood. Frightened residents in the Hertfordshire village of Abbots Langley called police on Thursday night to report gun shots being fired, prompting officers to launch an investigation, reported Sun online.

They soon discovered the gunfire had been coming from the nearby Leavesden Studios, where Cruise has been filming his new movie with actress Emily Blunt. A representative for the studios then confirmed the shots were part of rehearsals for the movie. “At around 9pm on Thursday, police received two reports of the sound of distant gunfire from members of the public in the Abbots Langley and north Watford areas,” a police spokesman said.

“Officers contacted security at Leavesden Studios who confirmed that rehearsals involving the use of firearms had been taking place there during the evening,” he added. Cruise, 50, has delved straight into work commitments since splitting up from wife Katie Holmes in June.

He finished sci-fi film *Oblivion* in California, before heading to Europe for *All You Need Is Kill*.—PTI

We’re totally fine, says Kristen Stewart about Robert Pattinson Cheryl Cole returns to the X-Factor

We’re totally fine, says Kristen Stewart about Robert Pattinson

LONDON, 10 Sept—Actress Kristen Stewart hasn’t spoken about her relationship with estranged boyfriend Robert Pattinson since she was photographed cheating on him with married director Rupert Sanders.

But while attending the Toronto Film Festival, when Stewart was asked about making a public appearances with Pattinson in November for promoting *The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 2* she said, “We’re going to be fine.”

It is not clear about the status of their relationship, although they have moved out of the house they shared together in Los Angeles and have both been keeping low profiles, reported *Daily Mail*.

Stewart, who attended the festival to promote her new movie *On The Road*, said she never considered skipping the festival despite reports suggesting otherwise.

“We have been waiting for this thing to be unleashed for so long. It was sort of one of those situations where you just have to put yourself in your body and go appreciate the moment,” she said.—PTI

LONDON, 10 Sept—Music mogul Simon Cowell has welcomed back *Girls Aloud* singer Cheryl Cole as a judge on the UK version of *X Factor*.

The 29-year-old, who was axed from the US version show previously, will help fellow judge Gary Barlow mentor acts in later rounds, reported Sun Online.

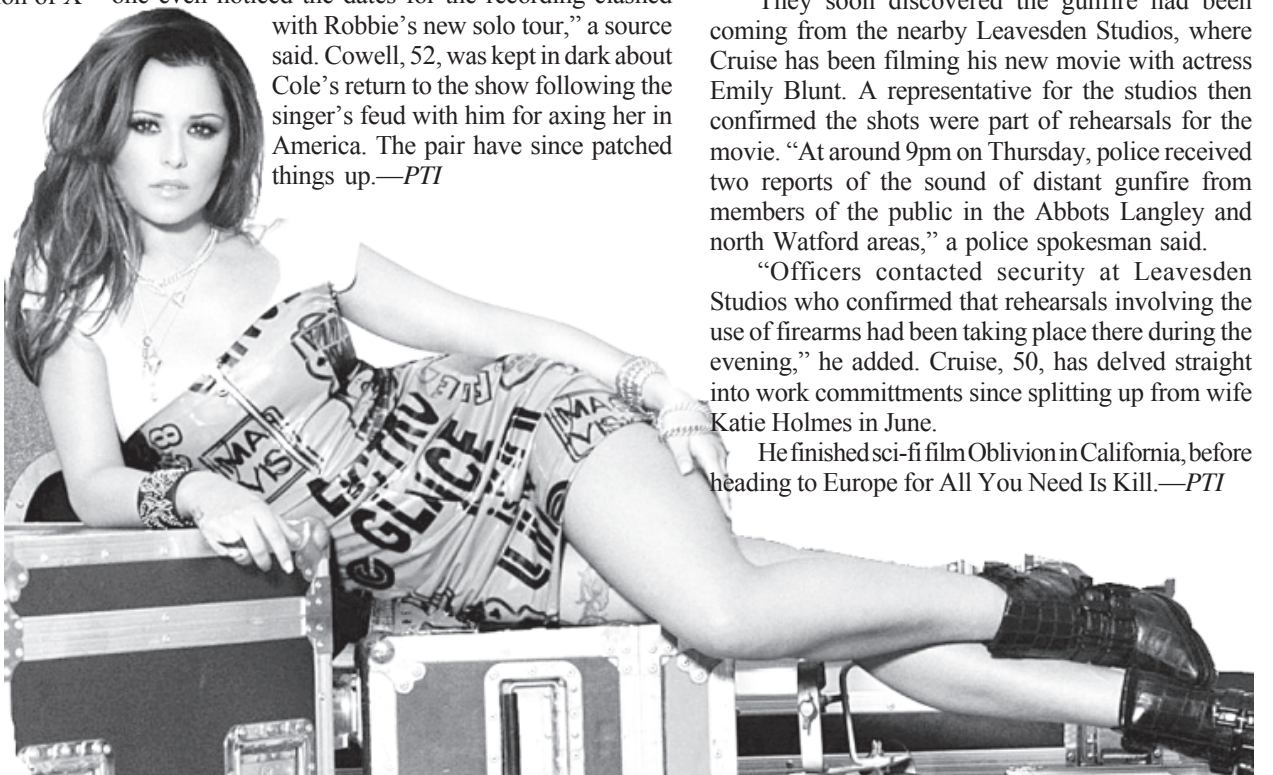
“Welcome back Cheryl,” Cowell tweeted.

Her entry to the show was kept under the wraps by Barlow, who orchestrated the plan of having Cole on the show.

“Only Gary’s intimate inner circle know.

The 29-year-old, who was axed from the US version show previously, will help fellow judge Gary Barlow mentor acts in later rounds.

He hasn’t even discussed it with Simon or ITV bosses. It’s been seriously top secret stuff. “They’re all under the impression it’s going to be Robbie (Williams). No one even noticed the dates for the recording clashed with Robbie’s new solo tour,” a source said. Cowell, 52, was kept in dark about Cole’s return to the show following the singer’s feud with him for axing her in America. The pair have since patched things up.—PTI



Mariah Carey honoured with top trophy at BMI Urban Awards

LOS ANGELES, 10 Sept—US pop singer and songwriter Mariah Carey was honoured with BMI Icon, the publishing association’s top accolade, at the annual Urban Awards held at the Saban Theatre in Beverly Hills overnight, BMI announced on Saturday.

The Princess of Pop received the trophy in recognition of “her prolifically successful and influential songwriting career,” said BMI.

The top honour is usually given to a songwriter who has had a “unique and indelible influence on generations of music makers,” and past recipients include The Jacksons, Snoop Dogg, James Brown, The Bee Gees and Dolly Parton, according to the organization.

Canadian rapper Drake and his US counterpart Lil Wayne shared the Songwriter of the Year, another

prestigious honour handed out at the annual ceremony that marks the creative teams behind the past year’s most-performed R&B, rap, pop and hip-hop songs in BMI’s deep repertoire.

The two popular songwriters each have seven songs that rank among the year’s most-performed. This is Drake’s second consecutive win in the category. The Song of the Year went to Nicki Minaj, Ester Dean

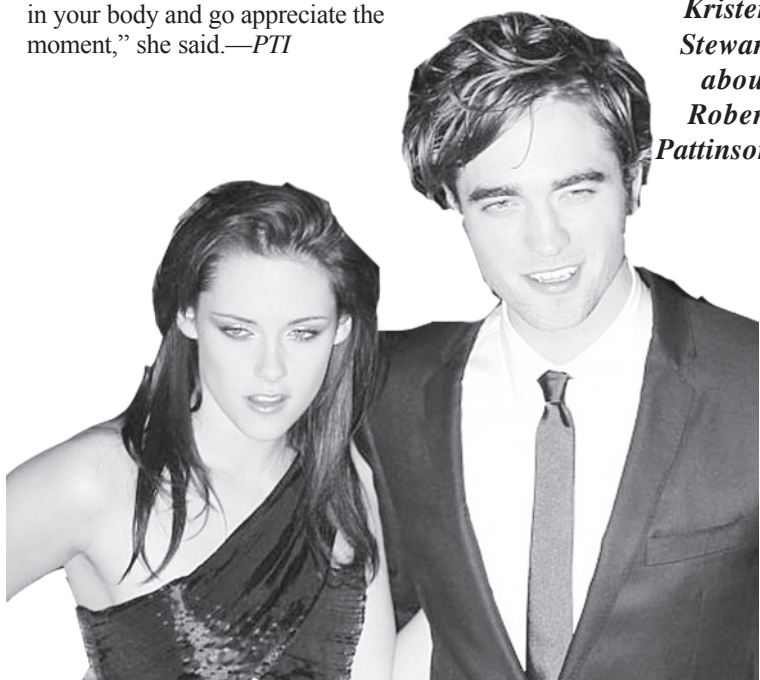
and Kane Beatz, who wrote “Super Bass.”

Songwriter and producer Pop Wansel earned the Producer of the Year crystal.

Top Producers went to Warren “Oak” Felder, Jim Jonsin, R. Kelly, Lexus “Lex Luger” Lewis, Polow Da Don, Troy Taylor, Kanye West, and Tyler “T-Minus” Williams. EMI Music Publishing grabbed the Publisher of the Year crown as it has 17 songs that rank among the most-performed.

Xinhua

Mariah Carey is awarded the BMI Icon Award at the BMI Urban Awards held at Saban Theatre on 7th September, 2012 in Beverly Hills, California.



We’re totally fine, says Kristen Stewart about Robert Pattinson

International Sports

TENNIS



NEW YORK, 10 Sept—American Serena Williams won the last four games to beat top ranked Victoria Azarenka of Belarus 6-2, 2-6 and 7-5 to take her fourth US Open title and 15th Grand Slam title overall here on Sunday.

Serena had a 9-1 record against Azarenka prior to the final and she hadn't dropped a set in the tournament, losing only 19 games through six matches before Sunday.

"Serena deserves the win. She showed how true of a champion she is," said Azarenka, "I definitely gave it all today. I will have no regrets."

However, Azarenka hadn't dropped a three-set match all season until Sunday, going 12-0 in matches that went the distance, including victories over defending US Open

Serena Williams wins women's singles at US Open

champion Sam Stosur in the quarterfinals and 2006 champion Maria Sharapova in the semifinals.

And Azarenka was even two points away from the championship victory at 30-30 with Williams serving, but couldn't convert. And when she served for the victory at 5-4, she made three errors in the game to show the jitters

that are understandable as this was only her second career Grand Slam final.

Serena, who turns 31 on Sept. 26, is the first 30-year-old woman to win the US Open since Martina Navratilova in 1987. She won her very first major championship at age 17 at the 1999 US Open.

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Victoria Azarenka (L) of Belarus and Serena Williams of the US pose with their trophies after their women's singles finals match at the US Open tennis tournament in New York on 9 September, 2012.

REUTERS

Messi-management foremost in Peruvian minds

BUENOS AIRES, 10 Sept—Peru's mission to stall Lionel Messi and the Argentine juggernaut at home in their World Cup qualifier on Tuesday may see the team seek inspiration from a famous victory over their South American rivals in Lima 27 years ago.

In 1985, Luis Reyna's tight marking of Diego Maradona was key to an upset 1-0 win over Argentina, and Peru will ponder a similar stopping job against another diminutive and sublimely gifted forward in Messi at the Estadio Nacional in Lima (0125 GMT Wednesday).

Peru look set to give defensive midfielder Edwin Retamoso the daunting task of tracking Messi. "If the Prof (coach Sergio Markarian) gives me the chance, I won't let him down," Retamoso was quoted by Argentine media as saying.

Argentina, with three wins in a row in the qualifiers after Friday's 3-1 home victory over Paraguay when Messi took his tally to 10 goals in six games, lead the South American group with 13 points from six matches.

Peru, looking to reach the finals for the first time since 1982, are seventh with six points.

"We told the players that if we beat Venezuela we'd reduce the pressure and now we make a new start fighting for what we really want," Peru's Uruguayan coach Markarian told reporters.

Peru ended a run of four defeats with a 2-1 home win over Venezuela on Friday, recovering from a goal down to score twice through winger Jefferson Farfan.

Striker Paolo Guerrero, who like Farfan has three goals so far in the qualifiers, is doubtful with a foot injury.

SOCCER



Argentina's Lionel Messi handles the ball during their World Cup's 2014 qualifying soccer match against Paraguay in Cordoba on 7 Sept, 2012.

REUTERS

Holding midfielder Javier Mascherano comes back from suspension for Argentina while his understudy Rodrigo Brana serves a ban after a second booking against Paraguay.—Reuters

BOXING

OAKLAND, 10 Sept—Undefeated American Andre Ward dominated challenger Chad Dawson in Oakland, California on Saturday, knocking him down three times and stopping him in the tenth round to retain his WBA and WBC super middleweight titles.

"He's a hell of a fighter," said Dawson, a light-heavyweight champion who moved down in weight to challenge Ward. "He's a great champion. He's the best."

Dawson, boasting a 31-2 record (17 KOs), started brightly, keeping Ward off balance with a strong southpaw right jab in the first round, and then scoring with counter left hooks as Ward looked to press the action in the second. By the third, however, Ward (26-0, 14 KOs) was timing his opponent with

Ward stops Dawson to retain titles

sharp left jabs and hooks, using swift footwork to throw Dawson off.

A short hook near the end of the third dropped Dawson, and another one knocked him down again at the start of the fourth.

Ward pressed the advantage in that round, nearly putting Dawson down again and pursuing him across the ring.

The challenger survived, however, and for the next several rounds some of the steam evaporated from the contest, as Dawson appeared content to keep Ward at bay with jabs and by tying him up when the two men were close.

Ward was relentless, however, and a sharp right hand in the ninth round buckled Dawson's knees again.

In the tenth, a three-

punch combination had Dawson wobbling on his legs and a follow-up barrage knocked him to his knees.

Although Dawson beat the count, he signaled to referee Steve Smoger that he

had had enough. It was Ward's first stoppage win in three years, and the champion said the quality of his opponent had caused him to raise his game.

Reuters



Andre Ward stopped Chad Dawson in the 10th round on Saturday to remain unbeaten and retain his World Boxing Association and World Boxing Council super middleweight world titles.

Games has put disabled sport firmly on map, says Coe

LONDON, 10 Sept—The huge popularity of Paralympic Games over the past 11 days shows that disabled sport is fast becoming recognised as elite competition, London Games chairman Sebastian Coe said on Sunday.

An unprecedented 2.7 million tickets were snapped up for nearly 45 million pounds, exceeding 2012 organisers' original target of 35 million.

"The research that is beginning to come through is showing that over 70 percent of people now regard the Paralympic Games and the Paralympians as elite athletes," the twice Olympic gold medallist told a news conference before the closing ceremony.

"I think we've genuinely created a platform for their talents and disability sport. Two thirds of the population followed the Games on television, three quarters followed on any platform, so print, TV radio, online."

More than four billion people are estimated to have watched the London Games on television compared to 1.9 billion eight years ago in Athens.

"Three quarters of viewers are clear that what they've seen has exceeded their expectations," added Coe.

Reuters

GOLF

Dominant McIlroy takes game to new level with BMW win

CARMEL, 10 Sept—Like Tiger Woods, Jack Nicklaus and other golfing greats before him, Rory McIlroy has raised his game to a level where he fully expects to be lifting a trophy at the end of the week.

For the second time in seven days, and third in four starts, the mop-haired Northern Irishman stole the show, his victory on Sunday at the BMW Championship coming on the heels of his Deutsche Bank Championship triumph last Monday.

McIlroy has produced a dominating stretch of golf not seen on the PGA Tour since 2009, when Woods was the last to claim back-to-back titles winning at the Buick Open and WGC Bridgestone Invitational.

"I've always had an appreciation for what Tiger did over the years—winning seven, eight, nine times in a season for I don't know how long, 10 years," McIlroy told reporters following his two shot victory over Lee

Westwood and Phil Mickelson.

"It's the more you put yourself in this position and the more you win and the more you pick up trophies, it becomes normal and it feels like this is what you're supposed to do.

"I'm sure that's how he felt when he was on that run and how he still feels. He still won three times this year.

"I don't think I'm quite there yet but I'm getting to that stage where I'm thinking,

"this is what I should be doing. I should be lifting a trophy at the end of the week."

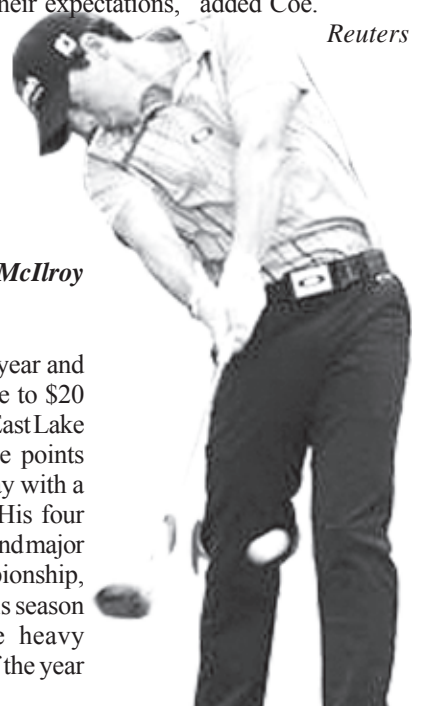
It would not be going out on a limb to predict there will be many more titles in the 23-year-old's future. In fact, there could be more silverware coming his way before the end of the month.

McIlroy will head to Atlanta in two weeks for the season-ending Tour Championship, leading the FedEx Cup standings.

He has already won more

than \$7 million this year and could push that close to \$20 million with a win at East Lake Golf Club where the points leader will walk away with a \$10 million bonus. His four wins, including a second major at the PGA Championship, top the PGA Tour this season and make him the heavy favorite for player of the year honors.—Reuters

Rory McIlroy



Focus Myanmar TV Programme

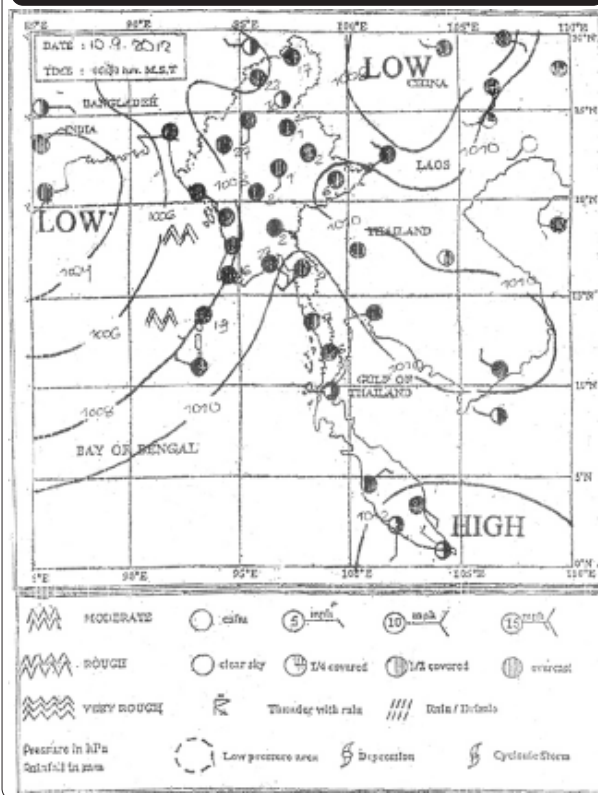
MYANMAR INTERNATIONAL

- (11-9-12 09:30 am ~ 12-9-12 09:30 am) MST
- * News
 - * INDIA SHOW
 - * News
 - * A Day Out with Sarah (Episode-6)
 - * News
 - * Collective Charitable Deed in Significant Month, Waso
 - * News
 - * 16th Concluding Ceremony of the University of Arts and Culture (Yangon)
 - * News
 - * Myanmar Martial Art (Episode-1) (Bando)
 - * Happy Mum & Healthy Baby Photo Contest
 - * News
 - * Record Album
 - * News
 - * Japanese Film Festival
 - * News
 - * Road to 27th SEA GAMES (Taekwondo)
 - * Myanmar Movie "Dream House"

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- (11-9-2012) (Tuesday)
- 7:00 am**
1. Paritta By Hilly Region Missionary Sayadaw
- 7:25 am**
2. To Be Healthy Exercise
- 7:40 am**
3. Nice & Sweet Song
- 7:55 am**
4. Songs Of Yester Years
- 8:15 am**
5. Dance Of National Races
- 8:25 am**
6. Selected Songs For 19th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competitions (2012) (Oldies & Mono Classical) (Basic Education Level) (Women)
- 4:00 pm**
7. Martial Song
- 4:30 pm**
8. The Mirror Images of The Musical Oldies
- 4:40 pm**
9. University of Distance Education (TV Lectures) -Second Year (Maths)
- 4:55 pm**
10. Songs For Upholding National Spirit
- 5:10 pm**
11. Teleplay (Health)
- 5:40 pm**
12. Sweet Melody
- 6:35 pm**
13. Sing A Song
- 7:05 pm**
14. TV Drama Series
- 8:00 pm**
15. News
16. Bakery World
17. TV Drama Series
18. India Drama Series

Weather Map of Myanmar and Neighbouring Areas



Weather forecast for 11th September, 2012

Sr. No.	Regions/States	Temperature (°C/°F)		For Tomorrow	
		Maximum	Minimum	Forecast	Percent
1	Kachin	30/86	23/73	Widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	(100%)
2	Kayah	27/81	20/68	Scattered rain or thundershowers	(100%)
3	Kayin	39/84	21/70	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	(100%)
4	Chin	18/64	15/59	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	(100%)
5	Upper Sagaing	28/82	23/73	Widespread rain or thundershowers (IH)	(100%)
6	Lower Sagaing	30/86	25/73	Scattered rain or thundershowers	(100%)
7	Taninthayi	30/86	23/73	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	(100%)
8	Bago	28/82	23/73	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	(100%)
9	Magway	29/84	23/73	Scattered rain or thundershower	(100%)
10	Mandalay	31/88	25/77	Scattered rain or thundershower	(100%)
11	Mon	30/86	23/73	Widespread rain or thundershowers	(100%)
12	Yangon	31/88	21/70	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	(100%)
13	Rakhine	30/86	22/72	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	(100%)
14	Southern Shan	22/72	18/64	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	(100%)
15	Northern Shan	30/86	20/68	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	(100%)
16	Eastern Shan	29/84	21/70	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	(100%)
17	Ayeyawady	33/91	24/75	Fairly widespread rain or thundershowers	(100%)
18	Neighbouring Nay Pyi Taw	33/91	23/73	Isolated rain or thundershowers	(100%)
19	Neighbouring Yangon	31/88	21/70	Some rain or thundershowers	(100%)
20	Neighbouring Mandalay	31/88	25/77	Isolated rain or thundershowers	(100%)

Summary of observations at 09:30 hr MST on today: During the past 24 hours, rain or thundershowers have been scattered in Lower Sagaing Region, Kayah an Kayin States, fairly widespread in Mandalay, Magway, Ayeyawady and Taninthayi Regions, Shan, Rakhine and Mon States and widespread in the remaining Regions and States with isolated heavy falls in Upper Sagaing and Bago Regions, Chin State. The noteworthy amount of rainfall recorded were Mawlaik (4.13) inches, Zaungtu (3.55) inches, Falam (3.19) inches, Bago (2.52) inches, Maungdaw (2.29) inches and Namsam (1.77) inches.

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

State of the Sea: Sea will be moderate in Myanmar waters.

Outlook for subsequent two days: Moderate monsoon.

Inspired Mickelson charges into lead with Singh Golf

CARMEL, 10 Sept—Phil Mickelson staged an inspired charge to grab the BMW championship spotlight and a share of the third round lead with a faltering Vijay Singh on Saturday.

With Tiger Woods and Rory McIlroy hogging the headlines through the opening two rounds, it was Mickelson's turn to take centre stage, marching to a career high with 10 birdies in an eight-under-64 to join Singh on 16-under.

"I got it going with the putter," Mickelson told reporters. "It was very similar to yesterday's round, I played really well and had a lot of good opportunities.

"But yesterday when the ball was getting to the lip and turning away, today they

seemed to fall in." Singh, chasing his first PGA Tour win in four years along with a ticket to the season-ending Tour Championship, had grimly held on to top spot alone for much of the day but wobbled badly coming home.

The big Fijian, who needs to finish fourth or better on Sunday to clinch a FedExCup berth, mixed two birdies with three bogeys over his final five holes, including one at the last, to settle for a three-under-69.

"I've got a good chance tomorrow to do it," said Singh, who has 34 career PGA Tour wins but has not been in the winner's circle since 2008. "Today's round could have really gotten away from me but I really dug deep and really



Phil Mickelson of the US.

focused hard." With only 30 of the 70 golfers teeing off at Crooked Stick Golf Club this week able to qualify for the September 20-23 Tour Championship and a shot at the \$10 million bonus, there was no shortage of players making big moves.

Briton Lee Westwood, who has never qualified for the Tour Championship, helped his chances with a

four-under 68 to enter Sunday's final round alongside world number one McIlroy (69), one stroke adrift of the leaders.

"I'm only one back," said McIlroy, who has won two of his last three starts. "It wasn't the greatest ball striking round that I have ever had but somehow managed to scrape it around in 69 and still in with a chance."—Reuters

District News

Commodities, passengers of Lwejel easy access to Bhamo



Photo shows a commodity station in Lwejel that flows personal goods and foodstuff from China into mother land of Myanmar.—MYANMA ALIN

LWEJEL, 10 Sept—At Lwejel commodity station in Kachin State, vans carry six passengers each in the car and commodities on the roof.

Two passengers sit on front seats. Fares for transport are collected at K 15000 per passenger. Four passengers on the rear seats are collected at K 10000 per passenger.

Five to 10 vans leave Lwejel in early morning and they arrive in Bhamo in the evening.—Myanma Alin

Congo close in on African Nations Cup qualification African Nations Cup Qualifier

CAPE TOWN, 10 Sept—A second-half goal spree ensured a comfortable 4-0 win for the Democratic Republic of Congo against Equatorial Guinea in their African Nations Cup qualifier on Sunday and earned them an almost certain place in next year's finals.

The victory in Kinshasa left the Congolese with a virtually insurmountable lead, with Anderlecht striker Dieumeri Mbokani scoring twice and Deo Kanda and Issama Mpeko adding the others after a goalless first half.

It was the biggest win of

the 15 final-round, first-leg qualifiers played across the continent at the weekend, and should send the Congolese, winners in 1968 and 1974, back to the finals after missing the last three tournaments.

Algeria enjoyed a 1-0 away win against Libya, played in neutral Casablanca, after substitute El Arbi Hillel Soudani scored two minutes from time, giving the visitors a massive advantage for the return leg. Algeria's pressure paid off with a cleverly worked goal for the Portugal-based striker, who has now netted five in his seven international appearances.

a surprise 2-0 home win over Morocco side to give themselves a good chance of making the finals.

The home side had been given little chance when the draw was made, but goals from Miro and Domingues ensured a defensible lead for next month's return match.

The result put further pressure on Morocco's Belgian coach Eric Gerets, already feeling the ire of the local media and fans after a disappointing start to 2014 World Cup qualification.

Zimbabwe, another neighbour of 2013 hosts South Africa, exceeded expectations by beating Angola 3-1, while Ibrahim Yattara scored the only goal as Guinea struggled to beat visiting Niger.—Reuters



Anderlecht's Dieumeri Mbokani celebrates after scoring against AEL Limassol during their Champions League play-off second leg soccer match at the Constant Vanden Stock stadium in Anderlecht on 28 August, 2012.

REUTERS

President U Thein Sein accepts Credentials of newly-accredited Israeli Ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—H.E. Mr. Hagay Moshe Behar, the newly-accredited Ambassador of the State of Israel to the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, presented his credentials to U Thein Sein, President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, at Presidential Palace, here, at 10:30 am today.

Present on the occasion were Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister at President Office U Thein Nyunt and Acting Director-General U Tha Aung Nyun of the Protocol Department.—MNA

President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein and party together with Israeli Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Hagay Moshe Behar pose for a documentary photo.—MNA



President U Thein Sein receives South African Ambassador to Myanmar Ms. Robina Patricia Marks at the Presidential Palace in Nay Pyi Taw.—MNA

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Present on the occasion together with President U Thein Sein were Union Minister for Foreign Affairs U Wunna Maung Lwin, Union Minister at President Office U Thein Nyunt and Acting Director-General U Tha Aung Nyun of the Protocol Department.

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Present on the occasion

Slight earthquake hits outside Myanmar

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—A slight earthquake of magnitude 4.9 Richter Scale with its epicenter outside of Myanmar (near Andaman Island, India), about 310 miles southwest of Kaba-Aye seismological observatory was recorded at 12 hrs 49 min 50 sec M.S.T today, Department of Meteorology and Hydrology announced.

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Seized uncensored VCD, DVDs destroyed

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Sept—A total of 6204 CDs comprising 502 uncensored foreign drama VCDs and 2351 DVDs, 3245 pirate CDs on Myanmar songs and dramas and 106 porn CDs were seized from townships of Nay Pyi Taw Council Area and have been adopted verdicts at respective courts.

At 11 am on 7 September, uncensored and pirate CDs were destroyed on the road in the compound of Development Affairs Committee near Mingala Shankan of Pynmana with the use of a roller under supervision of Nay Pyi Taw Council member U Myo Nyunt, Chairman of Nay Pyi Taw Media Scrutiny and Supervisory Committee U Aung Khin, Secretary U Maung Maung Ngwe and officials.

Myanma Alin



World Cup in Brazil would be extra special for Spain

MADRID, 10 Sept—The chance to feature at the 2014 World Cup in Brazil is an extra motivation for Spain's veteran players, said coach Vicente del Bosque on the eve of their first qualifying match in Georgia.

Spain's haul of two European Championship titles and one World Cup trophy in the last four years means they have eclipsed Brazil as the team to beat but the South Americans still hold a special place in the heart of most footballers. "It's a great incentive to be there (Brazil)," Del Bosque told a news conference on Monday. "I have complete confidence in all the players, the new and the old. For the veterans around the 30 mark I am sure it will be a motivation to

make the finals." Barcelona playmaker Xavi, 32, was one of the footballers Del Bosque was referring to. "The World Cup is a wonderful event and the next one is in a country with a great football tradition," said Xavi.—Reuters



Gym goes beware, killer steroids in supplements



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People watch a giant puppet parade in Antwerp, Belgium, on 8 Sept, 2012. The city held a street parade with about 300 giant puppets on Saturday, trying to break the previous Guinness World Records.

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Officers and soldiers of PLA Chengdu Military Area Command unload quake-relief materials at an airport in the quake-hit Zhaotong, southwest China's Yunnan Province on 9 September 2012. PAGE 11