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Central Census Commission meets, census to be taken in four steps

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—The Ministry for Immigration and Population will act as the focal ministry of nationwide census compilation project in 2014, Patron of Central Census Commission Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham said at the commission meeting No (3/2012) at the ministry here this afternoon.

He said the census would be taken in four steps: preparation, data compilation, preparing statistics, and assessment and review. He went on to

say that only the cooperation of the focal ministry with other ministries, related organizations and civil societies would help accomplish the last three steps although the ministry alone could complete the preparation tasks.

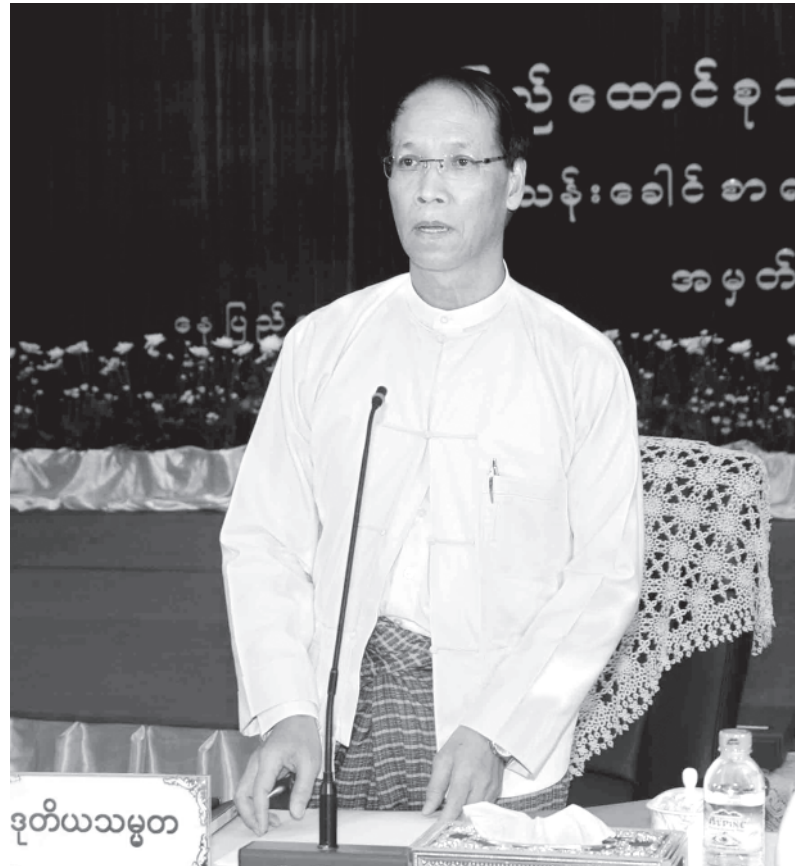
The meeting was also attended by the chairman, vice-chairmen, secretary and members of the commission, the chairman, secretary and members of central census committee, Union ministers, chairman of Hluttaw Social Development Committee,

deputy ministers, departmental heads, UNFPA resident representatives and officials.

Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham said the nationwide census compilation in Myanmar was carried out twice in 1973 and 1983. The need of experiences, funds, staff and equipments was challenging in the census compilation in 30 years after the last compilation, he predicted.

The preparation started since May, 2011, had been completed in 16 months, he said. Questionnaires and census laws should be prepared to be commensurate with the current age in compiling census in 2014 and supervisory committees might be formed, he said.

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Patron of Central Census Commission Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham makes a speech at the commission meeting No (3/2012). MNA

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Pakistan local authorities fight brain-eating parasite

ISLAMBAD, 10 Oct—Local authorities in Pakistan are taking emergency measures to protect residents from a water-borne, brain-eating amoeba that has killed 10 people in the last five months in the Karachi area, a doctor with the World Health Organization's Disease Early Warning System in Pakistan said Tuesday.

Shakeel Malik told *Kyodo News* that the victims, ranging in age between 4 and 45, died from a disease triggered by swimming or other activities that caused them to nasally inhale polluted water containing the single-celled microscopic creatures of the

species *Naegleria fowleri*. Malik said that after being inhaled through the nostrils, the amoeba immediately attacks the brain, causing a quick death.

Simply drinking water has not been demonstrated as a source of infection, according to the WHO.

The latest death occurred last week.

The health department of Sindh Province has directed the Karachi Water Board to increase chlorination of water. Similarly, the residents have been advised to use boiled or chlorinated water and cleanse overhead and underground water tanks.—*Kyodo News*

3000 complementary jerseys for spectators

YANGON, 10 Oct—Myanmar Football Federation hosts Suzuki Cup 2012 AFF Championship qualifier in Yangon from 5 to 13 October. Digicel will give 3000 complementary jerseys to the spectators who early bought tickets for the remaining matches. Myanmar is standing second at the standings after Timor

Leste with two wins on six points by winning a 1-0 victory over Brunei and a 2-1 win over Timor Teste with one match in hand. Myanmar will play against Cambodia on 11 October and Laos on 13 October.

The spectators not need to show IDs in buying tickets for the matches.

Kyemon

Red Cross members bound for Rakhine State honoured

BAGO, 10 Oct—A ceremony to honour members of Bago Region Red Cross Society who will participate in the public welfare tasks was held at Ye Yeiktha of

Bago Region on yesterday morning. Chairman of Bago Region Red Cross Supervisory Committee Head of Township Health Department Dr Nay Myo Ohn

Free health care provided to the aged

YANGON, 10 Oct—Administrator's office of Mahlwagon Htaykywe (A) Ward and Ward Maternal and Child Welfare Association give free health care services to

older persons every Saturday.

On 6 October, Daw Thaug Mya of Yangon Region Maternal and Child Welfare Supervisory Committee and party, members of district and township MCWAs donated medicines and foodstuffs to 88 older persons who were under medical treatment at the administrator's office.

Dr May Marlar of Central MMCWA and Chairperson of Yangon Region MCWSC Daw Aye Aye Kyi and party inspected the delivery room of Tamway Township MCWA.—*Myanma Alin*

and Commander of Bago Region Red Cross Brigade Commander of Region Police Force Police Col Mya Win made speeches.

Dr Nay Myo Ohn presented K 300,000 provided by Bago Region Government and Police Col Mya Win K 200,000 by Bago Region Police Force to Red Cross Staff Officer Grade I Daw Ni Ni Moe.

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NATO Secretary General Anders Fogh Rasmussen (2nd L, front) addresses the NATO Defence Ministers Meeting at its headquarters in Brussels, capital of Belgium, on 9 Oct, 2012.

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SpaceX rocket glitch puts satellite in wrong orbit



SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket launches from Space Launch Complex 40 at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Cape Canaveral, Florida in this 7 Oct, 2012. A prototype satellite was sent into the wrong orbit because of a problem.

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Government warned that investors could pull plug on green energy



The cruise liner Queen Mary 2 passes the Burbo Bank off-shore wind farm as it heads to Liverpool, northern England on 15 September, 2011.

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NATIONAL

Kelab Putera 1 Malaysia makes field trip to Rakhine State

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct— The Ministry of Border Affairs and Kelab Putera 1 Malaysia, a humanitarian social organization from Malaysia have undertaken rehabilitation tasks in coordination for two communities in Rakhine State regardless of race and religion. On 30 September, humanitarian aids—132 tons of potable water, 9 tons of tinned food, 18 tons of biscuits, 275 tons of kitchen utensils and toiletries, three tons of medicines and related materials, one ton of clothes, 50 tons of 5-kg rice bags, 10 tons of 2-kg sugar packages, totaling 498 tons arrived in Yangon, which were then transported to Rakhine State and arrived in Sittway on 8 October.

Deputy Minister for Border Affairs Maj-Gen Zaw Win together with 46-member group of Kelab Putera 1 Malaysia led by Sangha Raja of Malaysia Ven Datuk Kirinde

Dhammaratene Thero, Malaysian Ambassador to Myanmar Dr Ahmad Faisal Muhamad and Chairman of Kelab Putera 1 Malaysia Mr Datuk Abdul Azeez Abdul Rahim arrived in Sittway from Yangon.

In the evening seven invited Sayadaws from Myanmar side led by Abbot of Patheingyi Monastery from Patheingyi Baddhanta Pandita and five monks from Malaysian side led by Ven Datuk Kirinde Dhammaratene Thero met at Maha Waiyan Sasana Beikman in the precinct of Lawka Nanda Pagoda. The Deputy Home Affairs Minister, Malaysian Ambassador Dr Ahmad Faisal Muhamad, Chairman of Kelab Putera 1 Malaysia Mr Datuk Abdul Azeez Abdul Rahim.

A ceremony to provide aids to families in relief camps by Kelab Putera 1 Malaysia was held at the meeting hall in Rakhine State Hluttaw on 8 October.

The chair of Kelab Putera 1 Malaysia said the group was to provide humanitarian assistances and the people with various faiths are living in peace in Malaysia which is adopting 1 Malaysia Policy. The chair also said the donations were bound for all the victims of different religions and races.

The Malaysian ambassador said the group that visited Rakhine State was formed with the members of different religions and they would disseminate their optimistic views on what they witnessed in the area. The ambassador vowed for cooperation in long-term projects for socio-economic development in Rakhine State.

The deputy minister for Border Affairs said the Union government and the state government had planned to build 1584 make-shift tents and 770 (45 ft x 34 ft) 10-room tents and

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As of
18
October

Myanma Alin, the Mirror, the New Light of Myanmar

Myanma Alin, the Mirror, the New Light of Myanmar papers are published in colour daily

In Nay Pyi Taw and Mandalay

Myanma Alin and the Mirror papers will be published in colour at every other week

In Yangon

Publication of all newspapers in colour will be in mid-December.

There will be no change in prices. Agents are requested not to rise the original paper prices. Colour advertisements are invited.

278 tents have been built. More tents would be constructed. Humanitarian aids in health, education and sanitation would be provided. The most important to reconcile the two communities which

engaged in conflicts is trust. He tipped the mission for success in reconciliation of these two groups.

Kelab Putera 1 Malaysia viewed round Sittway and visited Yenwesu temporary relief

camp, Shwe Zedi relief camp, Mingan temporary relief camp, Thakkebyin temporary relief camp, Bawdupa temporary relief camp and Ohndawgyi temporary relief camp where they provided aids.—MNA

Coord meeting on drawing up budgets held

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct— In his speech at a coordination meeting on drawing up budgets for Union level organizations and the ministries for 2013-14 held at the auditorium of the Ministry of Finance and Revenue this morning, Deputy Minister Dr Lin Aung stressed the need for drawing budget in accord with financial rules and regulations, underscoring that the main aim of the ministry is to issue fair and accurate statistics and figures that shows national development.

For ensuring right and accurate State budget, more efforts are needed in collecting and examining figures not only by the Budget Department but also by all ministries.

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Governor of Central Bank of Myanmar Chairman of Myanmar Banks Association U Than Nyein speaking at 143th meeting of executive committee of Banks Supervisory Committee and MBA. (News reported).—MNA

Myanmar Railways deals with railroad sections

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct— Managing Director U Thein Swe of Myanmar Railways under the Ministry of Rail Transportation dealt with along Yangon circular railroad as well as the condition of railroad section between

Toegyaukalay Station and Yangon Station by train on 8 October.

He stressed the needs to not only beautify works among railway stations but maintain railroad sections.

He then met the upgrading circular railroad committee supervised by the general manager (Lower Myanmar) at the meeting hall of Yangon Station and fulfilled the needs.

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Myanmar Rice Mill and Farming Machinery Fair-2012 5-7 Dec

YANGON, 10 Oct— A Myanmar Rice Mill and Farming Machinery Fair-2012 will kick off at Myanmar Convention Centre (MCC) on Mindhamma Road in Yangon from 5 to 7 December.

The Ministry of Commerce conducts the fair with the help of departmental officials and organization members. It was learnt that the fair's purpose intends to renew Myanmar's rice in the international market, to double Myanmar's rice production and farm value-added products, to create job opportunities and to generate more earnings ensuring development of

rice mills in Myanmar and industrial development in rural areas.

Those interested companies may contact the Myanmar Agricultural Produce Trading General Manager Technological Branch (2), the International Trade Promoting (branch) of the Directorate of Trade under the Ministry of Commerce, the Myanmar Rice Dealers Federation and Myanmar Rice Industry Association and the exhibition department of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar Federation of Chambers of Commerce and Industry, not later than 7 November.

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WORLD

Vice presidential debate could be a tale of two Ryans

US



NATO Secretary General Anders Fogh Rasmussen (2nd L, front) addresses the NATO Defence Ministers Meeting at its headquarters in Brussels, capital of Belgium, on 9 Oct, 2012. — XINHUA

IMF seminars, speeches with monetary policymakers

Tokyo, 10 Oct — The following are highlights of International Monetary Fund seminars and speeches on Wednesday featuring global monetary policymakers.

Takehiko Nakao, Vice Minister of Finance for International Affairs

“There is a lot of focus on the European case and the fiscal cliff in the United States but Japan is in a sense a frontrunner in the fiscal problem because we had slow growth for 20 years. The lesson from Europe is that if there is a reversal in the market the effect can be damaging for the economy and even fiscal sustainability.”

Ignazio Visco, European Central Bank Governing Council Member and Bank of Italy Governor

“First, credibility. A risk we are seeing now of the collapse in the euro is only due to credibility of exercise. Without that, the euro area has much lower public debt than the United States and Japan.”

Janet Yellen, US Federal Reserve Vice Chairwoman

“Low short-term interest rates are essential to stimulate recovery in the US economy and bringing down unemployment. We do have weakness in the US economy and expectations that this will continue for some time, which justifies the Fed’s asset purchases and is a factor that keeps long-term interest rates low.”

“Eventually, we do expect the US economy to recover and that monetary policy will be normalized ... One concern I have is that interest rate risk may exist in bank balance sheets and that bank profits could be at risk if rates rise suddenly.”

Christian Noyer, European Central Bank Policymaker and Bank of France Governor

“The project of a banking union is so important in the euro zone because if we want to break the link between sovereign (risk) and the banks, we need to transform the banking system into a euro-zone banking system. “We of course need a unified banking system ... we need to have the capacity to step in without the involvement of individual member states.”

David Lipton, First Deputy Managing Director, International Monetary Fund

“It’s important that Europe as a whole ... that there be regional efforts to support the recapitalization of banks. “Monetary policy and other efforts to support euro-zone growth are important so that necessary fiscal adjustments are made.” — Reuters

China calls for unified standards on combating terrorism

UNGA

UNITED NATIONS, 10 Oct — Unified standards should be upheld in combating international terrorism, China’s Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations Wang Min said here on Tuesday. Wang’s remarks came as he addressed the 67th session of the UN General Assembly on the theme of “Measures to Eliminate International Terrorism.” He noted that double standards must be rejected in the effort to combat terrorism. “Adopting inconsistent positions on the basis of one’s own interest will serve only to shield or connive with terrorism, defeating the purpose of counter-terrorism and undermining international cooperation in that regard.”

Wang said that the symptoms and the root causes of terrorism should be addressed simultaneously. “Measures to combat terrorism should focus on promoting development, eliminating polarization and social injustice, and appropriately resolving regional conflicts,” he said. “Relying solely on military and law enforcement measures may very well prove to be counter-productive.” In addition, the UN should play a leading role in strengthening international cooperation on counter-terrorism, Wang said.

“China supports the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy which serves as the guidelines for the international cooperation on counter-terrorism,” he said. The Chinese UN envoy pointed out that the international community should further advocate dialogue and exchange among various civilizations, religions and ethnicities with the aim to promote mutual respect, understanding and tolerance. Furthermore, counter-terrorism activities must comply with the UN Charter and the international law, respect the sovereignty of individual states, their independence and territorial integrity, Wang said. — Reuters

ST PETERSBURG, (Florida), 10 Oct — Republican Congressman Paul Ryan is a changed man. Presidential candidate Mitt Romney’s running mate made a name for himself as a bold fiscal crusader, willing to make big, unpopular cuts to entitlements to get US finances in order. But since Romney tapped him in August to join his campaign, the vice presidential candidate has become more prudent, avoiding detailed discussion of his budget plan and earning the nickname “mini-Mitt” for displaying a cautious streak like his boss.

For Vice President Joe Biden, a major question heading into his debate with Ryan in Kentucky on Thursday is “a choice of which Ryan we’re going to see,” a Biden adviser said. Instead of promoting his own budget plan, which includes caps on future Medicare spending, Ryan is talking up Romney’s

more voter-friendly version, which has no spending limits, at campaign events. “The vice president has been studying up on (Ryan’s) real positions and is prepared to call him out on his actual positions,” said the adviser, who warned that “maybe there will be some dishonesty,” from the Republican.

The stakes are high for Biden, who is charged with righting a listing ship after President Barack Obama’s disastrous first debate against Romney in Denver last week, which lost him the momentum in polls ahead of the 6 November election.

Democrats have targeted Ryan’s budget, a severe series of spending cuts, as proof that he would hurt seniors and the middle class. One top Republican strategist said the best way for Biden to battle his opponent is to tease out the “wonky” Ryan, the congressman who loves

mind-numbing fiscal details. “If I was prepping against Ryan, I would be looking for issues that Romney and Ryan disagree on and try and pull out Ryan the wonk, as opposed to Ryan the running mate,” the strategist said.

That would turn off television viewers not used to detailed policy arguments, and could give Biden a chance to paint the Republican team as holding different positions

on Medicare. The Romney campaign has worked overtime to emphasize that House Budget Committee chairman Ryan has fallen in line with the presidential candidate on fiscal issues. “You have to remember this is a Romney-Ryan ticket, and there’s one presidential candidate, there’s one person at the top of the ticket,” Romney spokesman Kevin Madden told reporters on Tuesday.

Reuters



Vice President Joe Biden (R) speaking in Charlotte, North Carolina on 6 Sept, 2012, and Republican vice-presidential nominee Paul Ryan, speaking in Tampa, Florida, on 29 Aug, 2012, are shown in this combination photo. — REUTERS

Top China delegate pulls out of IMF meet amid islands row

China

TOKYO, 10 Oct — The International Monetary Fund said on Wednesday that China’s central bank governor will not lead the Chinese delegation at the IMF’s semi-annual meeting this week, in what appeared to be a snub to host Japan. Zhou Xiaochuan’s failure to attend the meeting follows a deterioration in relations between China and



China’s Central Bank Governor Zhou Xiaochuan listens to a question at a news conference during the ongoing National People’s Congress (NPC), China’s parliament, in Beijing on 12 March, 2012. — REUTERS

Japan over their competing claims to sovereignty of some islands in the East China Sea.

The row has been marked by violent protests and calls for boycotts of Japanese products in China. Japanese car makers, including Toyota Motor, later reported a tumble in auto sales in the world’s biggest car market. “We were informed two days ago that Governor Zhou’s schedule might require him to cancel his lecture in Tokyo,” an IMF spokeswoman said. “It has now been confirmed that his deputy Yi Gang will represent him.” Zhou had been set to deliver what amounted to a closing

keynote lecture on Sunday. A Japanese government official said Zhou’s absence would be “regrettable”.

The IMF comments confirm a report on Tuesday by Chinese state news agency Xinhua that China’s delegation will not be led by its most senior finance officials. According to Chinese protocol, only the most senior officials usually lead such trips. China’s delegation will be led by Yi Gang, vice head of the People’s Bank of China, and Vice Finance Minister Zhu Guangyao, Xinhua said.

The disputed group of islands, called Senkaku in

Japan and Diaoyu in China, are located near rich fishing grounds and potentially huge oil and gas reserves. Taiwan also asserts its sovereignty over the uninhabited islets.

Japan is scheduled to host the IMF and World Bank annual meetings for the first time in nearly half a century. About 20,000 people are expected to attend the event, making it one of the world’s largest international conferences. “If he (Zhou) is not coming, it is regrettable that a representative of the Chinese authorities does not participate in this important international meeting in Tokyo. — Reuters

NATO makes plans to back Turkey over Syria spillover

Middle East

HACIPASA, (Turkey), 10 Oct — NATO said it had drawn up plans to defend Turkey if necessary should the war in Syria spill over their border again as dozens of people were killed across the Arab nation on Tuesday. Fighting between Syrian rebels and government forces could be heard from this

Turkish border town following on from several days of clashes in the past week. One Syrian villager said a rebel push on the town of Azmarin was expected soon.

In Damascus, rebel suicide bombers struck at an Air Force Intelligence compound used as an interrogation centre —

the latest attack to bring the conflict close to President Bashar al-Assad’s power base. “Assad... is only able to stand up with crutches,” Turkish Prime Minister Tayyip Erdogan told a meeting of his ruling AK Party. “He will be finished when the crutches fall away.” Erdogan, reacting to six consecutive days when shells fired from Syrian soil have landed on Turkish territory, has warned Ankara will not shrink from war if forced to act.

But his government has also stressed it would be reluctant to mount any big operation on Syrian soil and then only with international support. It was not clear whether the shells hitting Turkish territory were aimed to strike there or were due to Syrian troops overshooting as they attacked rebels to their north. — Reuters



A Turkish armored personnel carrier drives out of a military border post on the Turkish-Syrian border near the village of Hacipasa in Hatay Province, southern Turkey on 9 Oct, 2012. — REUTERS

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Science SpaceX rocket glitch puts satellite in wrong orbit EU antitrust chief hopes to settle

Apple case soon

Tech



The SpaceX Falcon 9 rocket launches from Space Launch Complex 40 at the Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Cape Canaveral, Florida in this 7 Oct, 2012, file photo. A prototype communications satellite flying as a secondary payload aboard a Space Exploration Technologies Falcon 9 rocket was sent into the wrong orbit because of a problem during launch on Sunday evening, officials said on 9 Oct, 2012. —REUTERS

CAPE CANAVERAL, FLA., 10 Oct — A prototype communications satellite flying as a secondary payload aboard a Space Exploration Technologies Falcon 9 rocket was sent into the wrong orbit because of a problem during launch on Sunday evening, officials said on Tuesday.

One of the nine Merlin engines powering the Falcon 9 rocket shut down early, though the other engines

burned longer to make up for the loss of thrust, saving the primary mission of delivering a Dragon cargo capsule to the International Space Station for NASA.

The rocket blasted off at 8:35 pm EDT Sunday (0035 GMT Monday) from Cape Canaveral Air Force Station in Florida, restoring a US supply line to the \$100 billion orbital outpost, a project of 15 nations, following the end of the shuttle programme last

year.

The Dragon freighter is due to arrive at the space station, which flies about 250 miles above Earth, on Wednesday.

Space Exploration Technologies said its rocket, which was created by Internet entrepreneur Elon Musk and his team at SpaceX, as the company is known, could lose two engines and still make its intended orbit.

“Like the Saturn 5 (moon rocket) and modern airliners, Falcon 9 is designed to handle an engine-out situation and still complete its mission. No other rocket currently flying has this ability,” privately owned SpaceX said in a statement.

But that flexibility didn’t help satellite communications provider Orbcomm, which owned a prototype OG2 communications satellite flying aboard the Falcon 9.

The satellite was deposited in a lower-than-intended orbit, Orbcomm said in a statement.

The company declined to release details, but Jonathan’s Space Report, a website that tracks space

launches, says Orbcomm expected its satellite to be placed into an elliptical orbit with a low point of 217 miles and a high point of 466 miles from Earth. That would later become a circular orbit at 466 miles from Earth.

Instead, it ended up in an orbit that ranges from 126 miles to 200 miles. Orbcomm said an analysis has begun to determine if the satellite can use its onboard propulsion system to boost its orbit.

“Orbcomm will not be able to get to its operational 750 x 750 kilometre orbit, but there’s a chance they’ll get a few month’s of system tests out of it,” concludes Jonathan McDowell, a Harvard University astrophysicist who publishes the Space Report. The company still plans to launch 17 more OG2 satellites on two Falcon 9 rockets in 2013 and 2014.

Those spacecraft will be primary payloads and delivered directly into their operational orbits, Orbcomm said. SpaceX declined to release financial details of its contract with Orbcomm, and Orbcomm did not respond to requests for comment. —Reuters

Facebook pitches new \$20 million ‘Sponsored Stories’ settlement

Tech

SAN FRANCISCO, 10 Oct — Facebook Inc has proposed a revised \$20 million settlement in a class action lawsuit accusing it of violating the rights of users through its “Sponsored Stories” advertising feature after a US judge rejected an earlier accord.

The new settlement agreement, filed Saturday in US District Court in San Francisco, drops provisions setting aside up to \$10 million for plaintiffs lawyers’ fees and allows users to apply for a cash payment of up to \$10 each.

US District Judge Richard Seeborg rejected an initial settlement proposal on 17 August after questioning why the agreement provided no cash for Facebook users. The initial agreement provided no money to class members and instead set aside \$10 million to be given to charities involved in Internet privacy issues.

The new agreement, which is also subject to Seeborg’s approval, allows for some of the funds to go to charity, but only if there is any left after users’ claims, attorneys fees and other expenses are met. But given



A senior citizen student stares at a computer screen during a class to teach seniors how to use Facebook at a branch of the New York Public Library in New York on 13 Aug, 2012. —REUTERS

the size of the class, the charities might still get some cash. The agreement provides that, if it is not economically feasible to pay all the users a cut, the court may designate the entire fund as going to the charities.

The proposed settlement covers nearly 125 million people, court documents show. The \$20 million equates to less than 2 cents per class member.

“We believe the revised settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate and responds to the issues raised previously by the court,” Andrew Noyes, a Facebook spokesman, said on Monday. Richard Arnes, a

lawyer for the plaintiffs, did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Filed in 2011, the lawsuit alleged that the social networking site’s “Sponsored Stories” feature violated California law by publicizing users’ “likes” of advertisers without any compensation or a way to opt-out. As part of both settlement proposals, Facebook also agreed to give users more control over how their names and likenesses are used.

Facebook’s revised agreement also provides new terms on targeting children. —Reuters

China rejects US accusations against telecoms firms

Tech

BEIJING, 10 Oct — China rejected on Tuesday as “groundless” US accusations that two top Chinese telecoms equipment makers posed a security risk. The US House of Representatives’ Intelligence Committee urged American companies on Monday to stop doing business with Huawei Technologies Co Ltd and ZTE Corp. Warning that China could use equipment made by the companies to spy on certain communications and threaten vital systems through computerized links.

“This report by the relevant committee of the US Congress, based on subjective suspicions, no solid foundation and on the grounds of national security, has made groundless accusations against China,”



Samsung head quarters

Shen Danyang, a spokesman for China’s Commerce Ministry, said in a statement on the ministry’s website.

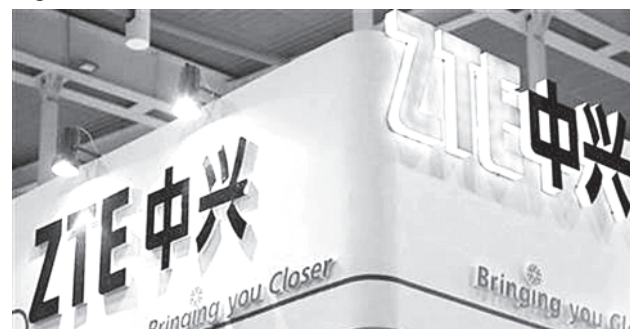
The US recommendation would exclude Chinese businesses from carrying out their normal operations in the United States and participating in fair competition, Shen said.

“The Chinese side expresses its serious concern

and strong opposition,” he said.

The urging by the US congressional committee comes at a very sensitive time for US-China relations, ahead of the US presidential and congressional elections and a transition of power to a new leadership in China. It has raised fears of retaliation by China.

Reuters



ZTE company logos are seen at an international software and information services exhibition in Nanjing, Jiangsu Province on 6 Sept, 2012. —REUTERS

Samsung cuts deal for Spotify on its TV sets in Europe

Tech

NEW YORK, 10 Oct — Samsung Electronics Co said on Wednesday it will become the first TV manufacturer to bring music streaming service Spotify to Internet-connected television sets, with the launch of a new application later this year.

Privately held Spotify offers on-demand access to a library of more than 18 million songs, and will be available for TV in Europe as a result of this partnership, Samsung said. — Reuters



Customers gather outside an Apple store before the release of iPhone 5 in Munich early 21 Sept, 2012. —REUTERS

BUSINESS & HEALTH

Portable device points to better lung

Health

transplants

LONDON, 10 Oct—Scientists have successfully tested a portable device to prepare lungs for transplant, potentially boosting the number of organs available and reducing the risk the operation will fail.

The Organ Care System, which has been tested on 12 patients in Germany and Spain, allows donor lungs to be prepared and preserved for transplant at body temperature, keeping them in better condition than the usual practice of cooling them down, according to results of a study published in the *Lancet*.

Gregor Warnecke at the Hanover Medical School in Germany told *Reuters* the

device could significantly increase the number of lungs available for transplant.

Around 330 lung transplants are performed each year in Germany, for instance, but at the same time there are almost 1,200 liver transplants, which means in excess of 800 lungs that, for a variety of reasons, are not used.

“This is the potential that we intend to look out for in future using the OCS,” Warnecke said. “Even if we do not believe that all these 800 donors per year in Germany really could be used as lung donors, certainly a significant proportion could be harvested, connected to the

OCS, and evaluated for potential transplantability.”

Donor lungs are usually flushed, and preserved at cold temperatures before they are transplanted. Cooling reduces decomposition of lung tissue but can degrade the organ in other ways and makes for a longer transplant operation.

The process of normothermic perfusion—where donor lungs are kept around normal body temperature and flushed with a mixture of anti-rejection drugs, vitamins and hormones—keeps the organs in better condition and can actually improve their quality.

Reuters

More evidence flu shot is safe for the

egg-allergic: study

Health

MONTREAL, 10 Oct—With flu season approaching, a Canadian study offers more reassurance that children with egg allergies can be safely vaccinated against the

367 had mild “allergy-like” symptoms, such as itchy skin or hives, within a day of being vaccinated.

“The risk of anaphylaxis appears sufficiently low for

are likely to outweigh any risks,” said Lynda Schneider, director of the allergy programme at Boston Children’s Hospital, in an email.—*Reuters*



A child reacts as he receives the H1N1 swine flu vaccine in a nasal spray at Dodge Park Elementary School in Landover, Maryland, 9 Oct, 2009.—*REUTERS*

virus.

Because the flu vaccine is grown in chicken eggs, there have traditionally been concerns about the safety of flu shots for people with egg allergies, most of whom are young children. But today’s vaccine has only tiny traces of egg protein, and studies have been showing that children with egg allergies can be vaccinated without any serious reaction.

The researchers, whose findings appeared in *The Journal of Allergy and Clinical Immunology*, followed 367 egg-allergic people, mostly children, who got the flu shot over five years. Almost one-third of them had a history of anaphylaxis after eating eggs—that is, serious allergy symptoms such as trouble breathing or a drop in blood pressure. None of the patients, however, had a serious reaction to the flu vaccine, and only 13 of the

patients with egg allergy to be vaccinated like all other individuals, without requiring administration by an allergist,” wrote lead researcher Anne Des Roches, of Hôpital Sainte-Justine in Montreal, and colleagues.

Des Roches and her colleagues also reviewed 26 past studies that involved close to 4,000 egg-allergic people who got the flu shot. None of those patients developed a serious allergic reaction.

About 1.5 percent of US children have an egg allergy, according to the American College of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology. It’s thought that many of them have never gotten the flu shot over worries about an allergic reaction. “I think parents of children with egg allergy should be reassured about the safety of the influenza vaccine for their child, and understand that the benefits

Exclusive: Bain plans IPO for Bright

Horizons

Business

NEW YORK, 10 Oct—Private equity firm Bain Capital LLC is planning an initial public offering for Bright Horizons Family

proposed stock offering of Bright Horizons that could come later this year, the people said on Tuesday.

Goldman Sachs Group



Traders work on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange at the opening of the trading session in New York 5 Oct, 2012.—*REUTERS*

Solutions, a child care and early education provider it took private for \$1.3 billion in 2008, according to three people familiar with the matter.

Bain, co-founded by US presidential candidate Mitt Romney, has selected underwriters to handle a

(GS) and JPMorgan Chase (JPM) are among the underwriters of the IPO, one of the people said.

They asked not to be named because the matter is not public. Bain, Bright Horizons and Goldman Sachs were not immediately available for comment.

JPMorgan declined to comment.

Founded in 1986, Bright Horizons provides employer-sponsored child care and early education programmes, and manages child care centers for companies, hospitals, universities and government agencies.

The Watertown, Massachusetts-based company, which has operations in North America, Europe and India, also offers college counseling and other services for working families.

In 2011, First Lady Michelle Obama praised Bright Horizons and its role in society, saying in a joint statement with the company that “child care facilities and home-based providers can be a real building block for an entire generation of healthy kids.”

The private equity industry’s investment practices have come under intense scrutiny during the US presidential elections.

Reuters

Chinese investment in US create more than 10,000 American jobs: study

Business

NEW YORK, 10 Oct — Increasing Chinese investment in the United States has created more than 10,000 jobs for Americans, according to a study report released by the Asia Society on Tuesday.

The report, *An American Open Door? Maximizing the Benefits of Chinese Direct Investment*, says that Chinese direct investment in the United States is now more than doubling annually, hitting over five billion US dollars in 2010 alone.

The report is the result of a study undertaken by the Asia Society and the Kissinger Institute on China

and the United States in May 2011, allegedly “the most comprehensive study to date” of its kind.

“Chinese direct investment in the United States is soaring, both in value and number of deals. Businesses from China have established operations and created jobs in at least 35 of the 50 US states and across dozens of industries in both manufacturing and services,” says the report.

“And this is just the beginning. If China follows the pattern of other emerging nations, more than 1 trillion dollars in direct Chinese investment will flow worldwide by 2020, a

significant share of which will be destined for advanced markets such as the United States,” the report continues.

The authors of the report, Daniel H Rosen and Thilo Hanemann of The Rhodium Group, however, warn that political interference threatens to divert legitimate and potentially beneficial investment deals, despite what they called “an overall effective US screening policy for inward investment.”

The US government has repeatedly blocked major Chinese investments on the grounds of national security.

Xinhua

Wall Street falls in tech-led sell-off, Alcoa up late

Business

NEW YORK, 10 Oct—US stocks fell on Tuesday, led by losses in technology after brokerage downgrades of Intel and other major companies as worries increased about thirdquarter US earnings.

Shares of Intel, the world’s largest semiconductor maker, lost 2.7 percent to \$21.90 after negative reports by at least two brokerages. Robert W. Baird & Co cut its price target on the stock to \$26 from \$32, citing weak demand for notebooks.

The news triggered

selling of large-cap technology shares, including Oracle and Apple. Microsoft shares lost 1.7 percent to \$29.28 and ranked as the biggest drag on both the Nasdaq and the S&P 500.

“It’s a good bet that companies aren’t significantly expanding their tech projects at this point,” said Kim Forrest, senior equity research analyst at Fort Pitt Capital Group in Pittsburgh. Analysts expect quarterly earnings for S&P 500 companies to decline about 2.3 percent from the year-ago period, according to

Thomson Reuters data.

At the close, the S&P 500 was 7.9 percent below its all-time closing high of 1,565.15, reached five years ago on this date.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 110.12 points, or 0.81 percent, to 13,473.53 at the close. The S&P 500 lost 14.40 points, or 0.99 percent, to 1,441.48. The Nasdaq Composite dropped 47.33 points, or 1.52 percent, to close at 3,065.02.

Reuters

Gold price opens lower in Hong

Kong Business

HONG KONG, 10 Oct—The gold price in Hong Kong went down 110 HK dollars to open at 16,330 HK dollars per tael on Wednesday, according to the Chinese Gold and Silver Exchange Society.

The price is equivalent to 1,768.05 US dollars a troy ounce, down 11.91 US dollars at the latest exchange rate of 1 US dollar against 7.753 HK dollars.

Xinhua



A cigarette pack warning unveiled by the European Health and Consumer Protection Commissioner in 2004. *REUTERS*

WORLD

US sues Wells Fargo in mortgage fraud case **US**

WASHINGTON, 10 Oct — The US government filed a civil mortgage fraud lawsuit on Tuesday against Wells Fargo & Co, the latest legal volley against big banks for their lending during the housing boom. The complaint, brought by the US Attorney in Manhattan, seeks damages and civil penalties from Wells Fargo for more than 10 years of alleged misconduct related to government-insured Federal Housing Administration loans. The lawsuit alleges the FHA paid hundreds of millions of dollars on insurance claims on thousands of defaulted mortgages as a result of false certifications by Wells Fargo,

the fourth-biggest US bank as measured by assets.

“As the complaint alleges, yet another major bank has engaged in a longstanding and reckless trifecta of deficient training, deficient underwriting and deficient disclosure, all while relying on the convenient backstop of government insurance,” said Manhattan US Attorney Preet Bharara. Wells, the largest US mortgage lender, denied the allegations and said in a statement it believes it acted in good faith and in compliance with FHA and US Department of Housing and Urban Development rules. The bank said many of the allegations have been

previously addressed with HUD and added that its FHA delinquency rates have been



A Wells Fargo sign is seen outside a banking branch in New York in this 13 July, 2012, file photo.

REUTERS

as low as half the industry average.

In a regulatory filing in August, the bank said it was being investigated for

possible violations of laws and regulations relating to mortgage origination practices, including FHA loans.— Reuters

Battered India insurers need more than foreign funds**India**

and it may not be enough. India's insurance business was full of promise when it was thrown open to competition in 2000, but has instead been brought to its knees by losses, regulatory change, uncertainty and a sharp slowdown in economic growth. Many firms are fed up and looking for the exit.

“What is required is some stability in the regulatory regime, for companies to really focus on business rather than deal with the onslaught of regulatory change,” said Rajesh Sud, CEO of Max Life, owned by Max India and Japan's MS&AD Insurance Group. Last week, the government sought to remove a key barrier to bringing in much-needed capital by

proposing to raise the cap on foreign ownership of insurance firms to 49 percent from 26 percent. But the measure, part of a series of sweeping economic reforms, requires parliamentary approval, which will not be easy given that the ruling coalition is technically in a minority and other recent reforms have inflamed populist opposition.

Workers at former state monopoly Life Insurance Corp of India, which has a 70 percent market share and about 1.3 million agents — as many as those employed by the 23 private sector firms — have held street protests against the proposal. The life insurance industry, which makes up about three-

quarters of the sector, has lost a combined \$4 billion in the past decade and was battered by a 2010 clampdown on the sale of lucrative equity-linked products. Life insurance companies say a revival will depend on faster approval for new products and regulatory changes to allow banks to sell products of more than one insurer to cut distribution costs.— Reuters



An employee of the life insurance company ICICI Prudential speaks on a phone in the company's office, in Mumbai on 19 June, 2007.

REUTERS

MUMBAI/HONG KONG, 10 Oct — India's proposal to allow more foreign investment in its \$41 billion insurance business provides a lifeline for an industry starved of capital and squeezed by regulation — but it may not pass parliament

EADS, BAE fight lengthening odds to save merger

PARIS, 10 Oct — EADS and BAE Systems are bracing for one last effort to breathe life into a troubled \$45 billion aerospace merger as doubts grow over German backing for the deal. The European companies have until 1600 GMT later on Wednesday to declare their intentions and either scrap their merger or ask UK regulators for more time or finalize their plans to create the world's largest aerospace and arms group. “We will keep going until 5 (o'clock pm London time),” a person involved in the negotiations said.

Several sources close to the negotiations said German Chancellor Angela Merkel had opposed the proposal to combine Airbus passenger airplanes with UK defense contractor BAE. “Merkel is against the deal but has not given reasons,” a source involved in the negotiations said. A spokesman for the German government declined comment. The setback scuppered plans for a statement before Europe's stock markets open in which the groups had been expected to report progress and ask for time to complete the deal. Brinkmanship is common in European negotiations and Franco-German-led EADS was itself only created after talks about its structure actually collapsed only to be resurrected weeks later.— Reuters



A BAE Systems sign is seen outside the company's Warton site near Preston, northern England, in this file picture taken on 1 Oct, 2009.—REUTERS

Taleban shoot Pakistani schoolgirl campaigning for peace**Pakistan**

PESHAWAR, 10 Oct — Taleban gunmen in Pakistan shot and seriously wounded on Tuesday a 14-year-old schoolgirl who rose to fame for speaking out against the militants, authorities said. Malala Yousufzai was shot in the head and neck when gunmen fired on her school bus in the Swat valley, northwest of the capital, Islamabad. Two other girls were also wounded, police said. Yousufzai became famous for speaking out against the Pakistani Taleban

at a time when even the government seemed to be appealing the hardline Islamists. The government agreed to a ceasefire with the Taleban in Swat in early 2009, effectively recognizing insurgent control of the valley whose lakes and mountains had long been a tourist attraction. The Taleban set up courts, executed residents and closed girls' schools, including the one that Yousufzai attended. A documentary team filmed her weeping as she explained her

ambition to be a doctor. “My friend came to me and said, ‘for God's sake, answer me honestly, is our school going to be attacked by the Taleban?’” Yousufzai, then 11, wrote in a blog published by the BBC.

“During the morning assembly we were told not to wear colourful clothes as the Taleban would object.” The army launched an offensive and retook control of Swat later that year, and Yousufzai later received the country's highest civilian award. She was also nominated for international awards for child activists. Since then, she has received numerous threats. On Tuesday, gunmen arrived at her school and asked for her by name, witnesses told police. Yousufzai was shot when she came out of class and went to a bus. Taleban spokesman Ehsanullah Ehsan said his group was behind the shooting. “She was pro-West, she was speaking against Taleban and she was calling President Obama her ideal leader,” Ehsan said by telephone from an undisclosed location.

Reuters



Hospital staff assist Malala Yousufzai, a 14-year-old schoolgirl who was wounded in a gun attack, at Saidu Sharif Teaching Hospital in the Swat Valley region in northwest Pakistan on 9 Oct, 2012.—REUTERS

Reuters

Mexican Navy kills drug baron, but body**Mexico****taken by armed men**

MEXICO CITY, 10 Oct — The Mexican Navy has killed one of the most wanted drug cartel leaders in a clash in northern Mexico's Coahuila state, but his body was later taken from a funeral home, Mexican authorities said on Tuesday.

The body, according to Mexican authorities, corresponds to Heriberto Lazcano, alias “El Lazca”, head of the Los Zetas Cartel. It was in a funeral home where he had been tested before forensic identification.

Early on Monday, a group of armed men raided the funeral home and took the corpse, the Coahuila state's attorney general Homero Ramos said Tuesday. The Mexican Navy, which conducted the operation against Los Zetas leader, said

fingerprints and photographs had been used to identify the body as Lazcano's before it was lost. In a message to Press, Ramos said Lazcano and another man were killed on Sunday in the ballpark of the town of Progreso, as a result of a clash between them and the marine.

Several hours earlier, Mexican Navy had confirmed that one of the two criminals killed in confrontation in Coahuila is Lazcano, the founding leader of the criminal organization “Los Zetas”.

In a statement, the Navy reported that “after performing a search on the fingerprint database of fingerprints of the thumb, index and middle taken from the right hand of one of the criminals killed”, it is confirmed that the

fingerprints belong to Heriberto Lazcano.

The Navy said the analysis of photographic images of criminal shot show that the facial features match those of Lazcano. Meanwhile, Mexican President Felipe Calderon on Tuesday also confirmed that Lazcano was killed because he resisted the authority during a military operation. At the opening of a prison in central Mexican city of Guanajuato, Calderon expressed his appreciation to the Navy because the available information has shown “clearly” that Lazcano was “killed while resisting the authority as a result of an operation” conducted in the town of Progreso, in northeastern Mexico.

Reuters

WORLD

Indian drug firm Piramal Health set to unveil patented drug in Europe **INDIA**

KOLKATA, 10 Oct—After 10 years of trials, Indian drug company, Piramal Healthcare is ready to roll out its first patented product in Europe next month, a company official said on Wednesday. Having sold its generic drugs business to Abbott, Piramal is now focused on discovering products with a patent of at least 10 to 15 years, said Swati Piramal, Vice-Chairperson.

The company has around 20 molecules under development; the first one crossed the finish line in April when it bagged the European drug regulator's nod. "We are hopeful of launching in India in the next few months," said Swati Piramal.

This orthopaedic product is used to regenerate

damaged cartilage in the knee joint. The substance is injected into the hole in the cartilage; this aids stem cells from the bone to grow and close the hole in a few months. Previously, the cartilage had to be cut off, grown outside in a petri dish and then put back into the joint. The product has been developed in Piramal's labs in Montreal and Toronto. It will be produced in Piramal's facilities in Canada. (Piramal has an API facility in Toronto and bio-orthopaedic unit in Montreal.)

Piramal will market the product in 22 countries in Europe. The 23rd country will be India, followed by Canada, Australia, South Korea and Brazil.—Xinhua



Two girls walk on the piano-style stairs at the Wulin Plaza in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on 9 Oct, 2012. The stairs are able to make relevant sounds when people foot on the "key" of its steps.—XINHUA

Bolivia unveils winners of Chinese satellite scholarship programme **BOLIVIA**

LAPAZ, 10 Oct—Bolivia Tuesday announced the winners of a Chinese scholarship programme which trains Bolivian experts for operating the *Tupac Katari* satellite, slated for launching at the end of 2013. The 64 experts, including six women, were screened carefully to ensure eligibility for the scholarship, Bolivian Space Agency (BSA) Director Ivan Zambrana said. "The winners have been chosen through a transparent and fair process. They are world-class Bolivian professionals," said Zambrana. The one-year training programme, which kicks off at the end of October, includes control of satellite operations from ground stations, project

design and satellite systems, and teleport for data networks. The *Tupac Katari* satellite, named after an 18th century indigenous hero who fought Bolivia's Spanish colonizers, will help facilitate the country's integration into the world, said Bolivian President Evo Morales during the presentation ceremony.

The BSA signed a deal with the China Great Wall Industrial Cooperation, a subsidiary of the China Aerospace Science and Technology Corporation, in December 2010, to launch Bolivia's first communications satellite into the orbit by the end of 2013 or the beginning of 2014.

Xinhua

California gas prices stabilize, seen heading downward **US**

LOS ANGELES, 10 Oct—California's record-high gas prices held steady on Tuesday and were expected to begin dropping later in the week, but a rise in wholesale prices suggested the decline could be more moderate than market analysts had previously anticipated. The average price of a gallon of regular gas in the state was up three-tenths of a cent on Tuesday to \$4.671,

which marked the lowest one-day increase since prices began to spike at the beginning of last week, said Marie Montgomery Nordhues, spokeswoman for the Automobile Club of Southern California. Nevertheless, prices remained higher than \$5 a gallon at many gas stations in the state. "The consensus seems to be they're probably peaking and hopefully will be

heading in the other direction real soon," Nordhues said. Retail prices surged by more than 50 cents a gallon last week and wholesale prices rose by almost a dollar a gallon after a series of refinery mishaps pinched supplies. Trading market sources said a possible "short squeeze" that came about when a big refiner was forced to buy fuel on the spot market may also have been a factor.

The price spike ended after California Governor Jerry Brown on Sunday ordered that service stations be allowed to begin stocking cheaper and more plentiful "winter-blend" fuel three weeks ahead of schedule. Wholesale prices dropped by 60 cents a gallon Monday and analysts said a sharp fall in retail prices would follow within about a week barring further market disruptions.

Reuters



Gas prices are displayed at a Chevron gas station in Los Angeles, California on 9 Oct, 2012.—REUTERS

Latin America leads hunger reduction over past two decades **LATIN AMERICA**

SANTIAGO, 10 Oct—The Latin America and Caribbean region has made the biggest progress in the world in hunger reduction over the past 20 years, according to a report released on Tuesday by the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO). In Latin America, better wages and more public spendings have helped to alleviate hunger, though the region has one of the worst income disparities in the world, said the report entitled "the State of Food Insecurity in the World 2012."

Hunger affected 14.6 percent of the population in the region from 1990 to 1992, or 65 million people, while in the 2010-2012 period, hunger affected only 8.3 percent of the population, or 49 million people, according to the report. The figure is an important step toward fulfilling the World Food Summit's goals and the first of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) of eradicating extreme poverty and hunger, the report said. The region registered economic growth above that of the developed countries during the recent economic crisis, allowing it to reduce hunger, though at a slower rate than in the past, it said.

"The Latin American countries, more than any other regions, reduced both proportion and the number of people affected by malnutrition over that period," the report said, while noting that the reduction rate has slowed down from an annual rate of 1.9 percent in the 2002-2005 period to 0.9 percent in the 2006-2009 period.—Xinhua

Huawei faces exclusion from planned Canada government network **CANADA**

OTTAWA 10 Oct—The Canadian government hinted strongly on Tuesday it would exclude Chinese telecom equipment giant Huawei Technologies Co Ltd from helping to build a secure government communications network because of possible security risks.

Ottawa has invoked a national security exception to allow it to discriminate, without violating international trade obligations, against companies it deems to be too risky to be involved in putting together the network for carrying government phone calls, emails and data center services.

"The government's going to be choosing carefully in the construction of this network, and it has invoked the national security exception for the building of this network," Andrew MacDougall, spokesman for Conservative Prime Minister Stephen Harper, told a news conference. "I'll leave it to you if you think ... Huawei should be a part of a Canadian government security system," MacDougall said.

Mac-Dougall was speaking in reaction to a report on Monday from the US House of Representatives' Intelligence Committee, which urged US firms to stop doing business with Huawei and another Chinese company, ZTE Corp.

It warned that China could use their network equipment for cyber-espionage. CBC television

reported that the committee chairman, Rep. Mike Rogers, is also urging Canadian companies not to do business with Huawei. Huawei has a thriving business in Canada.

It won a contract in 2008 to build telecommunications networks for domestic operators Telus Corp and BCE Inc's Bell Canada, and it has even received a C\$6.5 million (\$6.6 million) grant from the Province of Ontario towards

security exception for the government network, Canada has not gone as far as Australia, which has barred Huawei from taking part in contracts to build the government's \$38 billion national broadband network.

Bradley suggested the Australian decision was taken for other reasons. "Australia has made pretty clear direction that they are trying to cozy up to



A man walks past a Huawei company logo outside the entrance of a Huawei office in Wuhan, Hubei Province on 9 Oct, 2012.—XINHUA

a C\$67 million investment by Huawei in research and development." The national security exception only applies to foreign companies," said Huawei Technologies Canada Co Ltd spokesman Scott Bradley.

Huawei is fully incorporated in Canada, and operates as a subsidiary Canadian company. This alone effectively enables us to bid on any potential procurement opportunities." In invoking the

the United States right now in terms of their trade relationship," he said, adding that Australia has also agreed to have 2,500 US troops stationed there.

David Skillicorn, Internet security expert at Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario, said he supports the US recommendation not to deal with Huawei and said Ottawa should revisit its decision to let it operate in Canada.

Xinhua

PERSPECTIVES

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Development dilemma

Following political developments that overwhelm the world and the people of the country itself, Myanmar is pursuing economic development with four policies in the second tier of the reform strategy announced by the President about four months ago.

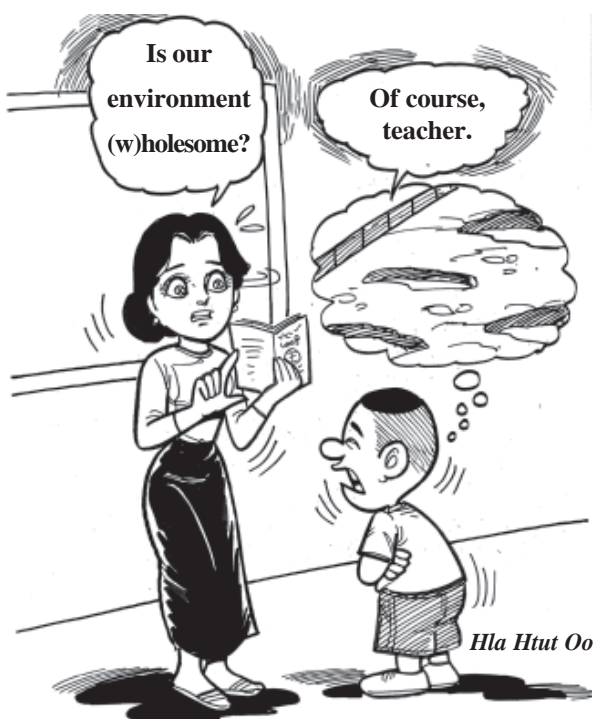
The four guiding principles for Myanmar Comprehensive Development Vision target agricultural development, equitable economic development among regions and states, inclusive growth and statistical development as the country is seeking for high growth rate.

The government has been establishing more and more regional industrial zones in each corner of the country to provide locals with job opportunities and ensure balanced development. But some economists argue that the quest for balanced economic growth would have adverse effect on rapidity of the development, saying it would escalate poverty rather than catalyzing distribution of wealth.

They come up with the two-polar approach for economic development of the resource rich economy, with Yangon and Mandalay as economic centres, and then distributing the development to various peripheries. These economists argue that forced inclusive growth is costly in the country like Myanmar with poor transport infrastructures.

But, establishment of Kyaukpyu, Thilawa and Dawei Special Economic Zones could be seen as separate case of taking geographical advantages rather than forced balanced growth.

Another thing we need to consider in initiating economic reforms of our country, apart from economic theories, is the social impact on citizens of all races. Myanmar is home to more than 100 ethnic races dispersing in all parts of the country. The ethnic races in naturally unfavourable areas are being caught in the poverty trap. The economic development need to profit these national brethren significantly and help them out. If there is a trade-off between balanced and rapid growth, we need to seek a balance in itself.



Hla Htut Oo

NATIONAL



Patron of Central Census Commission Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham viewing GIS system.—MNA

Central Census Commission meets...

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The Vice-President continued to say that the related works might be completed with the strength of organizations and the people and the complete census released in the first half of 2015. The central commission meeting was aimed at reviewing and preparing for challenges.

Chairman of the Central Census Commission Union Minister U Khin Yi reported on progress of sector-wise works in compiling

population and housing census, census compilation in 1973 and 1983, de facto data compilation, recruiting and training accountants and auditors, dates for compilation of census, pilot census compilation in 2013, needs and supports of the government departments.

Secretary of the commission Director-General of Population Department U Myint Kyaing reported on formation of committees, future programmes and needs.

UNFPA Resident Representative Mr Mohamed Abdel Ahad presented matters related to technical assistances by UNFPA.

Members of the Central Census Commission participated in discussions. The Vice-President attended to the needs and called for completion of works on schedule.

The Vice-President and party viewed demonstration of GIS mapping and raised questions which were answered by the Union minister and officials.—MNA



UNFPA Resident Representative Mr Mohamed Abdel Ahad makes clarification.

MNA

Union Labour Minister meets ITUC General Secretary



NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct— Union Minister for Labour U Maung Myint met General Secretary of International Trade Union Confederation Ms. Sharan Burrow and members Mr. Jeffery Vogt and Ms. Alison Tate at the meeting hall of Mount Pleasant Hotel here yesterday morning.

They held discussions on encouraging good practices for formation of labour organizations and employers associations in Myanmar in line with the laws, for ensuring rights to protect the interest of workers and for creating stability in industrial relations and opening of ITUC Office (Branch) in Myanmar.

MNA

Humanitarian aids handed over in Rakhine State

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct— One of Malaysian social organizations, Kelab Putura 1 Malaysia, handed over humanitarian aids for locals to the Rakhine State government, at the meeting

hall of the government office on 8 October morning.

After Rakhine State Chief Minister U Hla Maung Tin had delivered a speech citing that greening of the Rakhine

State and work activities of the state, he accepted foodstuff, clothes and cosmetics and medicines handed over by an official of Kelab Putura 1 Malaysia social organizations. The Chief Minister and the donors viewed progress of reconstruction of houses at

the temporary relief camp near Sittway Airport, and provided victims at the relief camp of Shwezedi Monastery and Mingan relief camp with assistance thereafter.

MNA

NATIONAL

Regional development tasks and health care services for Chin State gear up

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct — Union Minister at President Office U Hla Tun, Union Minister for Livestock and Fisheries U Ohn Myint and Union Minister for Health Dr Pe Thet Khin and Chin State Chief Minister U Hong Ngai inspected patient ward, operation theatre, X-ray room, labour room and child ward at 200-bed People's Hospital in Falam, Chin State on 8 October.

In the evening, Union ministers U Hla Tun and U Ohn Myint met with breeders from Haka Township and gave instructions on requirements for development of livestock breeding sector.

The following day, the Union ministers visited Training School for Development of Nationalities Youth of Border Region in Haka, inspected the chosen site for construction of two-storey building for operation theater and labor room at Haka People's Hospital, and attended the coordination meeting on development of livestock and fisheries, health and education sectors of Chin State and rural region

development tasks.

In his speech, Union Minister U Ohn Myint pointed out development of agriculture and livestock breeding sector for achieving poverty alleviation and generating in per capita income, underscoring use of scientific methods in mythum breeding and investment and market share for development of breeding sector. He called on breeders to strive for establishment of meat-processing factories for export.

In his address, Union Minister Dr Pe Thet Khin said plans were underway to open specialist units in 100-bed and 50-bed hospitals. He called for ensuring healthy lifestyle to be free from non-communicable diseases that are very common today. Distribution of five vaccines including hepatitis-B vaccine would be carried out soon. More health staff were appointed across the nation including fur-flung areas, he added.

Next, Breeder U Yam Kyone reported on collaborative efforts between the Union

government and state government for development of livestock breeding sector. U Robin of Thantlang Constituency No (2), on matters to be carried out by the government for development of livestock and fisheries, education, health and transportation sectors.



Then, Union Minister U Hla Tun said that he would like to see Chin State more developed. Only when peace and economic growth, will a certain region be developed. Peace will prevail across the nation as all-out efforts are being made for eternal peace. He said that experts who can disseminate scientific

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The duty of all basic education schools

Ministry of Education



methods to breeders had been brought. It is required to extend the cultivation of elephant yam and mulberry apart from tea. Tourism will be allowed in the region soon. He called on local businessmen to make necessary arrangements for tourism sector. He stressed the need for goodwill to be put on ensuring sustainable

development of Chin State till posterity by local people including Chin State government. Also present at the coordination meeting were state ministers, Hluttaw representatives, departmental heads and officials, townsenders and local breeders. Next, the Union

ministers inspected tea plantation and mythum farm of Falam Township Agriculture Department on Haka-Falam road and cordially greeted locals. Then, the Union ministers looked into Haka-Falam road section and development of villages along the road. MNA

Illegal goods and animal products seized in Tamu



TAMU, 10 Oct — An express driven by U Than Win Ko, son of U Win Myint that will leave Tamu for Monywa at 8 am on 4 October was searched by in-charge of custom squad U Nyan Thein at Tamu border trade station in Tamu District.

They seized six kinds of unregistered medicines made in India in 2425 bottles and 22 pieces of ivory weighing 22.27 viss, eight bags of pangolin weighing 68 viss, 3.9 viss of bones assumed as bone of tiger worth K 33,858,260.

Action is taken against driver Than Win under the law.

Myanma Alin

CASH DONATED: Daw Yin Yin Kyi and family of Kaba Aye Pagoda Road in Yankin Township in memory of late Col Soe Myint Win donated K 200,000 to Hninzigon Home for the Aged recently. Vice-Chairman of executive board U Aung Than accepts the donation.—NLM

Microfinance services of Central Cooperative Union marks 5th Anniversary

YANGON, 10 Oct — A ceremony to mark the 5th anniversary of microfinance services of Central Cooperative Union Limited was held at Saya San Plaza here this morning with an address by Chairman of Central Cooperative Union Limited U Khin Maung Aye.

The chairman and officials presented prizes to cooperative societies and branches that are dealing with monetary matters in Yangon, Ayeyawady, Sagaing, Bago, Magway and Mandalay Regions and Shan State, township cooperative department which gave a helping hand in rural development and poverty alleviation tasks and cooperative societies who are dealing with agricultural production.

Professor Dr Aung Tun Thet, Retired Professor Daw Yi Yi Myint, the chairman and advisor U Tun Hlaing gave talks on microfinance services.—MNA



News in Brief

Fertilizer broadcast in paddy field

Union Minister for Commerce U Win Myint viewed broadcasting of fertilizer at five-acre farmland of Ayeyamin paddy strain in Ngatan Village of Taze Township on 7 October and donated anti-snake venom to the local people.

Outstanding students honoured in Hpa-an

A ceremony to honour outstanding students who passed the matriculation examination 2012 with flying colours was held at Zwegabin Hall in Hpa-an of Kayin State on 30 September. Chief Minister of the state U Zaw Min and officials presented prizes to distinction winning students.

Cooperatives College (Thanlyin) to be upgraded

Cooperative Degree College (Thanlyin) will be opened as University of Cooperative in November, said Union Minister for Cooperatives U Kyaw Hsan in the meeting with departmental personnel, faculty members and staff at the hall of the university in Thanlyin on 8 October morning.

Inter-Ministry Men's Volleyball Tournament commences

Union Minister for Sports U Tint Hsan attended opening of Nay Pyi Taw Inter-Ministry Men's Volleyball Tournament at Paunglaung Gymnasium on 9 October. Altogether 28 volleyball teams are participating in the tournament.

WORLD

Government warned that investors could pull plug on green energy **UK**

LONDON, 10 Oct — A group of seven multinational companies has told the British government that they could halt their investment in the UK green energy sector if state support for renewable energy wanes.

Britain is the world's biggest offshore wind market in terms of capacity and has attracted interest from global players in the sector. But recent disputes within the coalition government over support for the sector has caused them concern about the risk of a political U-turn against green energy.

The seven big investors, including wind turbine producers Vestas and Gamesa, told the Secretary of State for Energy in a letter seen by *Reuters* that they could take their money elsewhere if they feel that the

risk of the government turning its back on renewable energy is too great. "Historically the UK has benefited from being known as a country with low political risk for energy sector investments.

Undermining that reputation would have damaging consequences for the scale of future investments in the UK energy sector," the companies said in the letter, a copy of which was also sent to Prime Minister David Cameron and finance minister George Osborne.

The group, which also includes Alstom, Doosan, Areva, Siemens and Mitsubishi Power Systems Europe, said that such investments depended on a stable policy framework because large-scale energy

projects take a long time to build.

Osborne on Monday gave a boost to Britain's shale gas industry by offering hope of tax relief on such wells, a move that environmental groups say goes against the government's promise to be the greenest ever. Wind turbine manufacturers GE Energy and Vestas have already backtracked on setting up production facilities in Britain, showing that appetite for UK-based manufacturing was lower than the government expected.

Britain has one of Europe's most ambitious wind power development targets, with a projected annual capacity growth rate of 13 percent until 2020, requiring huge investment for new plants.—*Reuters*



The cruise liner *Queen Mary 2* passes the *Burbo Bank* off-shore wind farm as it heads to Liverpool, northern England on 15 Sept, 2011. —REUTERS

Russia intervenes to stabilize food prices **Russia**

MOSCOW, 10 Oct — Russia decided to take intervention measures in the domestic grain market to stabilize surging food prices, Deputy Prime Minister Arkady Dvorkovich said on Monday.

During a government meeting with Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev, Dvorkovich said 110,000 tons of grain would be sold weekly in a number of Russian regions.

The first batch of grain would be sold on 23 October in Siberia, the Urals and the Far East region, with the price 10-15 percent lower than market prices, Dvorkovich said.

The fourth grade grain would be sold at 7,200 rubles (232 US dollars) per ton and the third grade at 7,600 rubles (245 dollars), he added.

The government vowed to reach two goals with intervention measures: to prevent a sharp price rise for domestic consumers, to weaken export incentives so as to regain balance of supply and demand in the grain

market, Dvorkovich said. Medvedev announced the decision on commodity intervention last week and urged the government to sell grain from the pervious harvest reserves intervention fund, the *Kremlin Press service* reported.

Admitting Russian farmers failed to reach the estimated harvest this year due to drought in summer, Medvedev said "additional supply of grain" was needed to balance the situation in several regions.

Local experts estimate the drought would cost Russia's agricultural business some 33 billion rubles (1 billion dollars) this year.

Though the government previously lowered its grain export forecast, experts said the bad weather was unlikely to trigger an export embargo similar to that of 2010, as grain output and reserves were enough to offset the damage. Russian Grain Union President Arkady Zlochevsky said in August that food prices in the country

might rise 5 percent to 10 percent this autumn due to surging grain prices.

Russia lowered its harvest forecast this year from 80-85 million tons to no more than 75 million tons.

The harvest could exceed 70 million tons this year, as a total of 68 million tons have already been secured, Dvorkovich said.

Xinhua



Three Afghan drug smugglers are handcuffed next to their drugs after being captured by Afghan policemen in Helmand Province, south Afghanistan on 8 Oct, 2012. Afghan National Police (ANP) seized about 700kg of opium in the country's southern Province of Helmand on Sunday, the provincial police chief said on Monday. —XINHUA



Visitors look at photos at an exhibition of World Press Photo 2012 in south China's Hong Kong, on 8 Oct, 2012. The exhibition, as part of the 2012 Hong Kong International Photo Festival, will be held here from 7 to 21 October. World Press Photo (WPP) is one of the world's most prestigious Press photo contests. The 167 award-winning journalistic images of World Press Photo 2012 will be exhibited in about 100 countries and regions including Hong Kong. —XINHUA

Afghan conflict getting worse for civilian **Afghanistan**

KABUL, 10 Oct — The Afghan conflicts continue to get worse for civilians, who often are the victims of the protracted war, and the trend is worrying, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) announced on Monday. "Since I arrived here in 2006, local armed groups have proliferated, civilians have been caught not just one but multiple front lines, and it is become increasingly difficult for ordinary Afghans to obtain health care," Reto Stocker, the ICRC's outgoing Head of Delegation in Afghanistan, told reporters here. He noted that in

addition to the armed conflict, civilian suffering is also increased by other factors. "Hardship arising from the economic situation, or from severe weather or natural disaster, has become more widespread, and hope for the future has been steadily declining."

However, he said that despite these challenges, there has also been some progress. "Compared with previous decades, the plight of civilians is being made known more forcefully by the media and civil society."

Over the years, the ICRC has been able to raise its concerns more directly and candidly with the various

parties of the conflict. The parties have shown a greater willingness to listen to them and to follow certain recommendations they have made concerning the conduct of hostilities and detention-related matters. That cannot be said about every war zone in the world today, he noted.

A total of 1,145 Afghan civilians were killed and 1,954 injured in conflicts in the first six months of 2012, according to a UN report released in capital Kabul on 8 Aug. Nearly half of the civilian deaths were caused by the Improvised Explosive Device (IED) attacks and suicide bombings.—*Xinhua*

Argentina slams Britain's maneuvers off disputed islets **Argentina**

PUNTA DEL ESTE (Uruguay), 10 Oct — Argentine Defence Minister Arturo Puricelli on Monday denounced British military maneuvers near the disputed Malvinas Islands, called the Falklands by the British.

Addressing fellow ministers attending the 10th Conference of Defence Ministers of the Americas, being held in Punta del Este, Uruguay, Puricelli warned that British "military

exercises will begin that include the use of missiles, despite the prohibition of not just Argentine maritime space, but the American continent's."

Puricelli said he regretted the military moves, especially as member countries of the conference have "agreed to continue developing measures to promote trust and security as a means to contribute to safeguarding the peace."

Last week, Argentina lodged a formal complaint with the British government against the military exercises, and the British responded by saying they were "routine exercises."

Due to a lack of consensus, the Malvinas issue was not included in the main agenda of the conference at the resort of Punta del Este, 140 kilometres east of the capital Montevideo.—*Xinhua*

700 kg of opium seized in **Afghanistan**

LASHKAR GAH, (Afghanistan), 10 Oct — Afghan National Police (ANP) seized about 700 kg of opium in the country's southern Province of Helmand on Sunday, the provincial police chief said on Monday. "Based on tips, the ANP forces launched an operation and seized 700 kg of opium in Khanshin District and detained three suspected men besides confiscating three vehicles and a motorcycle," police chief, Abdul Nabi Ilham, told reporters in a Press briefing here.

The offenders were intended to ship the opium to the areas near the border with Pakistan, he said.

Notorious for growing poppy and militancy, the Helmand Province, 555 km south of Afghan capital of Kabul, has been regarded as Taliban hotbed in the militancy-hit country. The country produces about 90 percent of the world's opium, the raw element for making heroin.

According to officials, more than 6,400 tons of opium were produced in Afghanistan last year.—*Xinhua*

REGIONAL

Boeing on course to achieve 787 production target

Aviation

NAGOYA, 10 Oct — Boeing Co is on course to achieve a difficult production target for its fuel-efficient 787 Dreamliner jets, an executive said on Wednesday, after the company fell behind its initial delivery schedule due to development delays. “We made mistakes along the way. We are currently on path to achieve 10” a month, Jeffrey Luckey, vice president in charge supply management for the 787, said on the sidelines of the Japan Aerospace International Exhibition in Nagoya.

Boeing now makes three and a half of the new carbon-composite jets a month. It plans to raise output to five a month by the end of the year and then to 10 a month by the end of 2013. The company now has 325 suppliers building parts for the 787 in 5,000 factories worldwide, Luckey said. Japanese companies including Fuji Heavy Industries Ltd and Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Ltd are building the wings and other sections of Boeing’s latest passenger jet equal to more than a third of the plane. It is the first time the US company has asked foreign firms to build the wings for one of its jets.

Final assembly of the Dreamliner is done in the United States at Boeing plants in South Carolina and Washington. Japan's All Nippon Airways was the launch customer for the 787, having so far ordered 66 jets, which it has put at the center of its fleet planning.— Reuters



The Boeing logo is seen on a Boeing 787 Dreamliner airplane in Long Beach, California on 14 March, 2012.— REUTERS



Rescuers attempt to stop a man from committing suicide on a bridge in Wuhan, Hubei Province, on 8 Oct, 2012. The man was rescued after he climbed onto the top of a bridge, attempting to jump off, over the Yangtze River and threatened his own life if his economic dispute could not be resolved.

REUTERS

Chinese Internet choked by “fake broadband” providers

China

BEIJING, 10 Oct — Increasing numbers of internet users in China shelling out for faster broadband are complaining that they’re not getting what they paid for. Over half of Chinese Internet users are hindered by “fake broadband”, or slower download speed than advertised by internet providers.

According to a 2012 report by Data Centre of China Internet, a professional Internet survey organization and data platform, most users signed up for 2 and 4 megabyte bandwidth services (256kb/s and 512kb/s) in fact only clock at 142.2kb/s and 232.7kb/s respectively.

The root of the “fake broadband” phenomenon is the existing telecom oligopoly in China, which ultimately needs to be broken up in order to make progress, said the *Beijing News*. Increasing numbers of internet users in China shelling out for faster broadband are complaining that they’re not getting what they paid for. Over half of Chinese Internet users are hindered by “fake broadband”, or slower download speed than advertised by internet providers.

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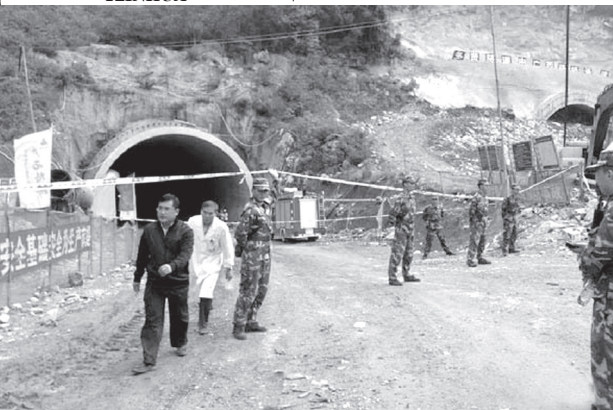
An amphibious vehicle from the US Marines crosses a river during the RP-US Amphibious Landing Exercise (PHIBLEX) 2013 in Crow Valley in Tarlac, the Philippines, on 9 Oct, 2012. The RP-US PHIBLEX 2013 aims to enhance the interoperability of the participating forces on humanitarian assistance and disaster response capability.

XINHUA



Photo taken with a mobile phone on 10 Oct, 2012 shows rescuers working at the accident site after an expressway tunnel collapsed at the section of Najia Township in Debao County, along the expressway between Baise City and Jingxi County in southwest China’s Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region.

XINHUA



Six buried in tunnel collapse in S China

China

NANNING, 10 Oct — Six people were killed, one was injured and one escaped in an expressway tunnel collapse early Wednesday in south China’s Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region, sources with the rescue command centre said.

The accident occurred around 4 am at the section of Najia Township, Debao County, along the expressway between Baise City and Jingxi County, which was under construction.

A total of seven people were working within the tunnel when the accident occurred. One escaped and six others were buried, including five who died and one who was injured, said Xie Deqiang, Communist Party chief of Debao County. The injured has been sent to a nearby hospital, according to the sources. An investigation into the cause of the accident is under way.

Xinhua

India testfires Mars mission engine

India

NEW DELHI, 10 Oct— India has testfired its Mars mission engine for the first time, local media reported on Tuesday.

The Mars mission engine, known as the liquid apogee motor (LAM), was fired for about 670 seconds at the Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)’s Liquid Propulsion Systems Centre at Mahendra Giri in southern state of Tamil Nadu on Monday, *The Times of India* newspaper quoted an ISRO official as saying.”

The test was successful and will go on for about 45 days,” the state-owned ISRO’s chief spokesperson Devi Prasad Karnik said.

LAM plays a key role in orbit-raising manoeuvres. The current mission profile of the mission envisages the orbiter operating in the Earth-bound orbit six times as its altitude is raised, before it sets off on its 300-day journey to Mars, the newspaper said. India’s Mars mission is scheduled for the end of October or beginning of November next year.

Xinhua

New Zealand, Chinese scientists look to improve grain yields with seed development

Agriculture

WELLINGTON, 10 Oct — New Zealand and Chinese scientists have begun a joint study into how to improve seeds so that farmers can produce more and bigger grains to help feed the world’s growing population. University of Canterbury Professor Paula Jameson and senior research fellow Dr Jiancheng Song, of Yantai University, in east China’s Shandong Province, had

published a paper finding the wheat genes that could be prime targets for increasing grain size and grain number, said a statement from the University of Canterbury on Tuesday.

“The beauty of wheat is that there are so many different varieties in the world. Now we have worked out what genes are important for changing hormone levels to increase grain size and number, we

can use traditional breeding techniques to find the varieties of wheat that already have this feature,” Jameson said in the statement. Both Canterbury and Shandong had similar temperate climates, which would allow the wheat work to continue in China, where wheat was a main food crop and it was easier to obtain research funding for the work, she said.

Research would also

continue at the University of Canterbury because the research group had been applying the knowledge to seed production. New Zealand was the eighth biggest exporter of vegetable seeds in the world, and the New Zealand seed industry was primarily based in the Canterbury region with exports of about 150 million NZ dollars (123.18 million US dollars) a year.

Reuters

Cost of solar power can now match conventional electricity in Singapore

Singapore

SINGAPORE, 10 Oct— The cost of installing and maintaining solar panels in Singapore is now on a par with that of using conventional electricity, a milestone known as grid parity, local media reported on Wednesday. Scholars said this means that an alternative form of energy could become viable without subsidies, which Singapore does not provide, the *Straits Times* reported. Singapore’s electricity tariffs are among the highest in the region, helping it achieve grid parity earlier than other countries, said Thomas Reindl, director of solar energy systems at the Solar Energy Research Institute of Singapore.

The cost of solar panels has been falling in recent years. In the past year or so, the cost of installed solar power in Singapore has roughly halved from 4 Singapore dollars (3.2 U.S. dollars) per watt to 2 Singapore dollars (1.6 US dollars) per watt. Installed solar capacity here has gone up to match, from 361.9 kilowatt peak, a measure of power output, at the end of 2008 to 5, 546 kwp at the end of last year, most of it non-residential.—Reuters

BUSINESS & ADVERTISEMENT

"DURGA PUJA (2012) INVITATION"

THE SARADIYA DURGA PUJA (Sandhi Mai Daw Puzaw Pwe) will be celebrated from Saturday, the 20th October 2012 to Wednesday, the 24th October 2012 at Hindu temple Sri Sri Durga Bari No.307, Bo Aung Kyaw Street, Kyauktada Township, Yangon.

All are cordially invited to attend the Durga Puja Celebration with family and friends.
Durga Puja Celebration Committee 2012.

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BoE's King says must face up to monetary policy's limits **UK**

LONDON, 10 Oct — "entirely sanguine" about Monetary policy cannot prop up Britain's economy forever, and export-driven growth will be hard to achieve at a time when much of the rest of the world is pursuing the same strategy, BoE Governor Mervyn King said on Tuesday. The Bank has bought almost 375 billion pounds (\$600 billion) of government bonds to support the UK economy after the worst financial crisis since the 1930s, and King said there was no immediate barrier to stop it doing more.

But ultimately policymakers could not be

using loose monetary to bring forward economic demand indefinitely, King said in a question and answer session after a speech at the London School of Economics. "There is no technical limit on the asset purchases... (but) I think there is a deeper question about whether there are limits to what monetary policy as such can do." King added that the immediate consequence of this for Bank policy was not clear, and most economists expect the central bank to approve more stimulus at November's meeting.

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Governor of the Bank of England Mervyn King speaks at a business conference in London on 26 July, 2012.— REUTERS

In the past, King has said Britain's economy faces a slow readjustment to a more export-oriented economy - even if loose monetary policy can ease some of the pain — and on Tuesday he said this was made harder by the fact that other countries were trying to do the same. King travels to the International Monetary Fund's annual meeting in Tokyo on Wednesday, and he said that he wanted to bring up the issue of global imbalances between countries with trade surpluses and deficits when he was there.

Reuters

A security guard looks out from the front doors of pharmaceutical compounding company New England Compounding Centre (NECC), a producer of the steroid methylprednisolone acetate, in Framingham, Massachusetts on 8 Oct, 2012.— REUTERS

**US meningitis deaths rise, prompting call for tighter drug rules****US**

NASHVILLE, 10 Oct — A rare US outbreak of fungal meningitis linked to steroid injections has claimed four more lives with Florida the latest state to report at least one death linked to the illness in a widening health scare, authorities said on Tuesday. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention confirmed that two more people had died from meningitis in Tennessee, and one more in Michigan after receiving steroid injections. Officials in Florida meanwhile said late Tuesday that a 70-year-old man died in July as a result of the same outbreak, the first in that state, bringing the number of deaths nationwide to 12.

The widening outbreak has alarmed US health officials and focused attention on regulation of pharmaceutical compounding companies such as the one that produced the drugs, the New England Compounding Centre Inc in Framingham, Massachusetts. Some leading Democratic members of Congress proposed tighter regulation on compounding companies on Tuesday. In Michigan and Tennessee, the two states hit hardest by the outbreak, family and friends mourned the loss of victims.— Reuters

Shares fall, dollar rises, amid earnings gloom **Asia**

SINGAPORE, 10 Oct — Asian shares fell on Wednesday, with Japan's stocks sliding more than 1.5 percent to a two-month low, and the safe-haven dollar firmed on concerns that the corporate results season will reveal weaker earnings in the face of flagging global economic growth. Equity markets have been rallying since hitting their 2012 low in early June, with action from major central banks to support fragile economies giving a renewed lift last month, but caution has set in as the third quarter results season begins.

"History is not on the side of those who expect the market to continue to prosper once the earnings cycle has turned," said John Higgins, senior markets economist at Capital Economics, in a note.



Traders work at their desks at Frankfurt's stock exchange on 8 Aug, 2011.— REUTERS

The euro slipped, with a rise in Spanish bond yields as Madrid keeps markets guessing over whether it will request an international bailout and violent protests greeting German Chancellor Angela Merkel on a visit to Greece underlining how far the region's debt crisis is from resolution. Growth-sensitive commodities such as oil and copper and currencies like

the Australian dollar were under pressure, while the retreat from riskier assets boosted safe-haven government debt, with Japanese government bonds (JGB) following US Treasuries higher. Japan's Nikkei share average fell 1.9 percent, while MSCI's broadest index of Asia Pacific shares outside Japan fell 0.5 percent.

Reuters

Hunger, malnutrition down 40 pct in Brazil: **FAO**

RIO DE JANEIRO, 10 Oct — The number of Brazilians suffering from hunger or malnutrition fell 40.4 percent in the past two decades, said a report released on Tuesday by UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO). According to the report, the share of the Brazilian population suffering from hunger or malnutrition has decreased from 14.9 percent in 1990-92 to 6.9 percent in 2010-12, totalling now 13 million out of the entire population of 196 million.

FAO attributed the significant decrease to Brazil's social programmes, including the wealth transfer programme Bolsa Familia, which provides poor families with a monthly stipend, with both a fixed part and a variable part subject to adjustment when families have more children. The report praised the programme especially as it puts money directly into the hands of the women to empower them and raise their status within the house.

It added that Bolsa Familia "increased the labour participation of women by 16 percent." FAO also lauded efforts to reduce malnutrition in Belo Horizonte, Brazil's third largest city, where government programmes managed to reduce child mortality by 60 percent and "substantially influenced Brazil's national Zero Hunger Policy, using only around 2 percent of the city's annual budget."

According to FAO, Latin America and the Caribbean in general registered progress in reducing hunger and malnutrition. The number of hungry or undernourished people in the region fell from 65 million in 1990-92 to 49 million in 2010-12.— Xinhua

ENTERTAINMENT

Rihanna, Nicki Minaj lead American Music Awards nominations



Rihanna

LOS ANGELES, 10 Oct— R&B star Rihanna and rapper Nicki Minaj led nominations

for the American Music Awards with four apiece on Tuesday, edging out stiff competition from pop sensations Justin Bieber and One Direction.

Rihanna, 24, was nominated in the top

rockers Maroon 5 and Canadian rapper Drake.

She also won nods for female soul/R&B artist and album for "Talk That Talk," and will battle Minaj, 29, in the female pop/rock artist category.

Minaj scored two nods for her album "Pink Friday: Roman Reloaded" in both the pop/rock and rap/hip hop categories this year, as well as a nomination for favorite rap artist, alongside Drake and American newcomer Tyga.

Minaj has been making headlines after joining the "American Idol" judging panel, where she was caught feuding on camera with fellow judge Mariah Carey in early audition rounds.

"Boyfriend" singer Bieber, 18, landed three nominations this year, tying with British boy band One Direction, Maroon 5, Drake and R&B star Usher.

Following in the footsteps of the Grammy Awards earlier this year, which hosted a tribute to

electronic dance music, the American Music Awards introduced a new category in that genre, with David Guetta, Calvin Harris and Skrillex competing for the trophy.

Last year's big winners, Adele and Taylor Swift, who both scored three awards each, received one nomination each this year. Swift scored a nod for female country artist alongside Carrie Underwood and Miranda Lambert, while Adele was nominated in the favorite adult contemporary artist category alongside Kelly Clarkson and Train.

The closely-watched new artist category will be a battle between R&B singer J Cole, indie-pop ban fun., Australian singer-songwriter Gotye, Canadian pop singer Carly Rae Jepsen and One Direction.

The AMA winners are determined by fans through online voting, which starts on Tuesday.

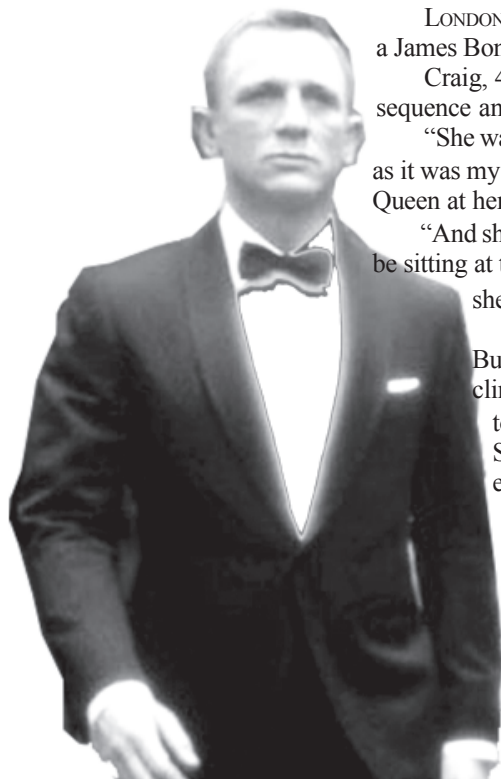
The American Music Awards will be celebrating



Nicki Minaj

its 40th anniversary this year judge Christina Aguilera, and the ceremony and who announced the performance show will be broadcast live from Los Angeles on 18 November. announced for the live show. Reuters

Daniel Craig was grumpy before filming James Bond Olympic act



LONDON, 10 Oct—Actor Daniel Craig says he was feeling grumpy on the day he filmed a James Bond sketch with Queen Elizabeth II for the Olympics Opening Ceremony.

Craig, 44, said he used a day off from shooting new 007 movie Skyfall to film the sequence and as a result he was not on top form, reported Daily Star.

"She was fun, incredibly game. We had a short space of time and I was a bit grumpy as it was my day off and suddenly I am at the Palace with the Queen at her private chamber.

"And she improvises a little bit. She was supposed to be sitting at the desk and she asked if she could write, so she pretended to write," he said.

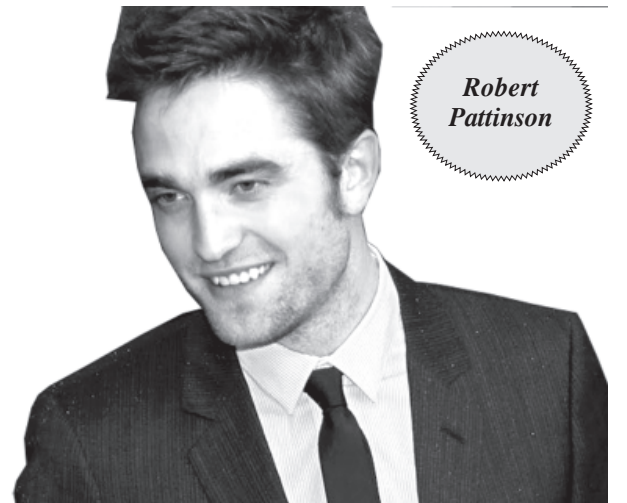
The actor was filmed in character visiting Buckingham Palace to meet with the royal before climbing into a helicopter together and appearing to parachute into London's Olympic Stadium during the sporting extravaganza in July.

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Daniel Craig was filmed in character visiting Buckingham Palace to meet with the royal before climbing into a helicopter together.—REUTERS



Robert Pattinson finds girls hard to understand



Robert Pattinson

LOS ANGELES, 10 Oct—The British actor—who is believed to have reconciled with Kristen Stewart following her admission she cheated on him — thinks it would be much easier to be a parent to a son rather than a daughter as males are so less complicated.

Asked if he would prefer to have a son or daughter, he said: "I think that I'd have a better understanding with a boy. Girls are hard to understand. The instruction manual that comes with them is 800 pages long and written in Chinese! "And if you know how to read it, you realise that you're still missing 32 more chapters that are essential and you have to improvise. Whereas with a boy, it's easy. Sports, TV, a video game, some Coke and he's happy."

While Robert is thankful to have landed the role of vampire Edward Cullen in the Twilight Saga movie series, he hates how much of his freedom he has had to give up and claims he won't worry if he has no more film success. He told France's Star Club magazine: "In the end, this role helped me improve my everyday life and my lifestyle. On the other hand, I lost what I cherished the most: my freedom. Some told me that it's the price for success. I'm sorry to disagree but I feel like it's a price too high to pay.

"It's strange, I felt like releasing a big 'phew' of relief [now filming is over] but at the same time I felt sad. For now, I know that I'm successful. Will it last? I have no idea, but if tomorrow I encounter movie failures, I won't cry about it."

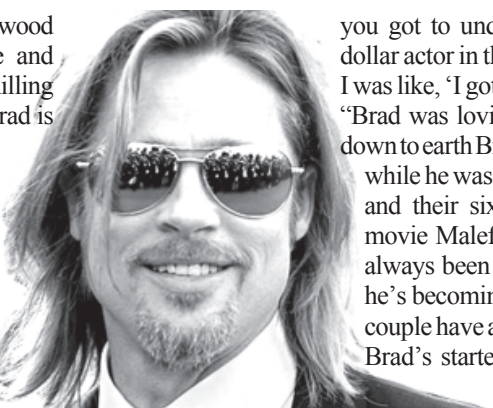
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Meet Brad Pitt, the "super cool, super chill" guy

LOS ANGELES, 10 Oct—Although the Hollywood hunk is engaged to actress Angelina Jolie and commands up to \$20 million a movie, his Killing Them Softly co-star Scoot McNairy insists Brad is just a normal guy.

He told E! News: "He's a guy's guy. When you look up in the dictionary the word guy, you see a picture of Brad. He's just super cool, super chill, super normal and super down-to-earth."

Scott revealed he was castigated by executives on the set of the movie when he drove a stunt car he and Brad were in at high speed but Brad wasn't fazed by the incident. The Argo actor explained: "I peeled out with Brad in it. They were like, 'Hey, Scoot,



Brad Pitt

you got to understand, you got a 20-million-dollar actor in the car. Don't ever do that again." I was like, 'I got this, I got this. I'm from Texas.' "Brad was loving it." It was recently revealed down to earth Brad became obsessed by cleaning while he was in UK with his fiancée Angelina and their six kids as she filmed her latest movie Maleficent. A source said: "Brad has always been an attentive father, but recently he's becoming more domesticated, too. "The couple have a lot of help around the home, but Brad's started getting quite into sorting out the washing and doing the ironing himself."

PTI

SPORTS

Nadal holds out slim hope for return this season

NEW YORK, 10 Oct—Rafa Nadal has no timeline for his return to competitive tennis but on Tuesday the world number four did not completely rule out the possibility of returning from injury in time for next month's Davis Cup and ATP World Tour finals.

Nadal has not played since suffering a shock second-round Wimbledon defeat to Czech Lukas Rosol in June and has yet to return to the practise court, but the 26-year-old Spaniard left the door open for a comeback before the end of the season.

He conceded, however, that the chances of appearing

at the ATP World Tour final in 26 days or helping Spain against the Czech Republic in the Nov. 16-18 Davis Cup final were remote.

"Impossible, no. But difficult, yes," Nadal said during a conference call to promote his participation in an exhibition match against Juan Martin del Potro in March.

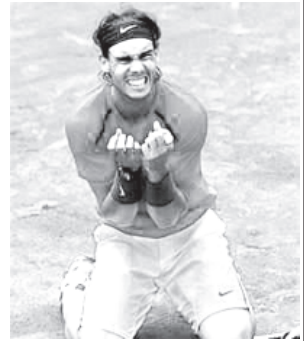
"I want to go day-by-day, I go every day to the gym, the swimming pool to continue with my recovery. I am trying not to think that far." The winner of 11 grand slam titles, including a record seven French Opens, Nadal missed the London Olympics

and US Open as he fights to undo some of the damage inflicted on his fragile knees from years of competing on hard courts.

Nadal spends his days in the gym, swimming and undergoing therapy treatments but, while he acknowledged feeling some improvements, he is not ready to hit the practise court.

"It has been very, very tough for me because I feel that my knee didn't improve in the right way ... but the last couple of weeks the improvement in my knee is something that I can really feel," said Nadal. "That helps me to keep working hard doing

Tennis



Rafa Nadal

every day what I have do. "I am working to try to comeback to practise on the tennis court in a not very long period of time."

Progress has been frustratingly slow but Nadal maintained he is not going to rush his return.

Reuters

Liverpool to pay Addicks extra if Shelvey makes England debut Soccer

LONDON, 10 Oct—Charlton could be set for a welcome cash boost if Jonjo Shelvey makes his full England debut later this week. The former Addicks youngster joined Liverpool in 2010 for an initial up front fee of £1.7m, although there were several add ons to that deal, including an additional payment should the midfielder go on to represent his country at full international level. Shelvey burst on to the scene with Charlton when he was selected for the first team at the age of just 16 years and 19 days in 2008.

He was still only 18 when he was sold to Liverpool by Phil Parkinson but having already represented England at U16, U17 and U19 level by the time of his departure, it is no surprise the terms of his transfer factored in any possible future U21 and full England honours.

Now the Championship side are on the brink of getting their hands on more of Liverpool's money after Roy Hodgson called up Shelvey for the World Cup qualifiers against San Marino and Poland, giving Charlton supporters an extra added interest for this particular international break. —Reuters



Jonjo Shelvey

Tsonga to warm up for Australian Open at Hopman Cup

MUMBAI, 10 Oct—Jo-Wilfried Tsonga will make his Hopman Cup debut in Perth at the end of the year in what organisers boast will be the strongest ever field assembled for the mixed international tournament.

The Frenchman, who reached the Australian Open final in 2008, will join world number two Novak Djokovic, Venus Williams and Ana Ivanovic for the tournament at the new Perth Arena from 29 December to 5 January.

"It's really good



because I will arrive really early to Australia (and) I will be able to play three matches to prepare for the Australian Open," the world number six, who will partner Mathilde Johansson, said in a release from the organizers.

"I heard that they built a new arena similar to Rod Laver Arena, so it's going to be just perfect for me to play, it's going to be fun."

The Serbian pair of Djokovic and Ivanovic are

Jo-Wilfried Tsonga

the top seeds, ahead of the US team comprising multiple grand slam winner Williams and John Isner.

"I've played Hopman Cup three times in the last five years and I love the competition there; I love the atmosphere," three-time Australian Open champion Djokovic said.

"I've reached the finals on two previous occasions so I sincerely hope that now this time, with Ana, we can actually win a trophy."

Reuters

Palace man hails star tracked by Arsenal & Spurs as Championship's best

LONDON, 10 Oct—Crystal Palace defender Damien Delaney believes Eagles team-mate Wilfried Zaha is the best player in the Championship.

19-year-old winger Zaha has been in unstoppable form for Dougie Freedman's side this season, netting four goals in their last two games.

The England Under-21 international's eye-catching performances have seen him linked with Premier League

the weekend — hailed the starlet as the hottest property in the division.

When asked if Zaha was the best in the Championship, the centre back said: "At the moment, yes, without question."

As well as his explosive talent, Delaney has been impressed by the youngster's attitude and work rate. "He's a good lad, he's got a good head on his shoulders and what I like most

pressure and he's back helping out the right back.

"And that's a rare thing to have. Sometimes players who are that talented will just stand on the half way line and wait to be given the ball.

"But credit to him he's got a great work rate and I think he can go as far as he wants in the game. I think he's that special." —Reuters



Crystal Palace's Wilfried Zaha (left) in action against Burnley. REUTERS

giants Arsenal, Tottenham, Liverpool and Newcastle.

And Delaney — speaking after Zaha's brace in the 4-3 win over Burnley at

about him is that he works hard for the team," he said.

"There was a couple times in the first half [against Burnley] when we were under



World number one Rory McIlroy and 14-times major winner Tiger Woods.

McIlroy and Woods lose on first day of World Golf Final Golf

BELEK, Turkey, 10 Oct— World number one Rory McIlroy and 14-times major winner Tiger Woods slumped to opening-day defeats at the inaugural World Golf Final in Turkey on Tuesday. Northern Irishman McIlroy was beaten

by American Matt Kuchar in the invitational eight-man matchplay event while Group One rival Woods lost to 2011 US Masters champion Charl Schwartzel of South Africa.

In Group Two, England's Lee Westwood defeated US Open winner Webb Simpson and Englishman Justin Rose beat American Hunter Mahan.

The two top in each group go through to the semi-finals of the \$5.3 million tournament. —Reuters

Yorkshire beat Uva Next by 5 wickets in CLT20 qualifier

JOHANNESBURG, 10 Oct— Yorkshire produced a clinically all-round performance to defeat Uva Next by five wickets in the Champions League Twenty20's opening qualifying match here on Tuesday.

Chasing 151 for victory, English side Yorkshire completed the task with three balls to spare at the New Wanderers Stadium. David Miller (39 not out) and Adil Rashid (36 not out) were the top scorers for the winners.

Opener Phil Jaques gave the chase right impetus after the early departure of skipper Andre Gale and Joe Root.

But after racing his way to 32 off 21 balls, Jaques offered a return catch to Dilshan Munaweera.

Miller, who came back after retiring hurt, along with Rashid, then finished the job for Yorkshire, giving them hope of qualifying for the main tournament that kicks off on Saturday. Miller struck four fours and a six during his 29-ball knock while Rashid found the fence two times and cleared it once during his 30-ball innings.

Opting to bat, a disciplined bowling effort earlier helped Yorkshire restrict Uva Next to 150 for seven.

Steven Patterson and Moin Ashraf picked up two wickets apiece while there was one each for Ryan Sidebottom, Azeem Rafiq and Rashid.

Thilina Kandamby top-scored for Uva with an unbeaten 29 even as his other batters failed to convert the starts into big scores. Kandambi aside, three other batsmen got to the 20s, while Andrew McDonald made 17.

For Yorkshire conditions here were pretty similar to the ones they are used to at home. Cloudy skies, following rain earlier in the day, and a green pitch made it an all-too familiar



territory for the English side.

It prompted Gale to have a bowl and though Yorkshire were far from their best, they did not let Uva run away with the game.

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Focus Myanmar TV Programme

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- * Singing Ceremony for Myanmar Hospitality & Tourism Conference 2013
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* One Stop Treatment Medical Team
* News
* Cultural Stage
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* News
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2. To Be Healthy Exercise
7:50 am
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4. Health Programme
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5. Dance Variety
8:15 am
6. Road to 27th SEA GAMES (Badminton)
4:00 pm
7. Martial Song
4:20 pm
8. Cute Little Dancers
4:40 pm
9. Songs for Upholding National Spirit
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10. Science and Environment

4:55 pm
11. Selected Songs for 19th Myanmar Traditional Cultural Performing Arts Competition (2012) (Oldies & Mono Classical) (Amateur (Second) Division) (Level Women)
5:15 pm
12. India Drama Series
5:45 pm
13. AFF Cup 2012 Group Stage Football (Live)
8:00 pm
14. News
15. 19th Myanmar Traditional Performing Arts Competition (2012)
16. Documentary
17. TV Drama Series

UK must cut debt or face obscurity—Cameron



Britain's Prime Minister David Cameron arrives at the Conservative Party conference in Birmingham, central England on 7 Oct, 2012.
REUTERS

BIRMINGHAM, 10 Oct — Britain must cut its budget deficit and fix its economy or face long-term decline, Conservative Prime Minister David Cameron will say on Wednesday, seeking to convince voters that his austerity plan is the only way forward. Cameron's Conservatives, who lead a coalition government with the Lib Dems, lag a revived Labour opposition in opinion polls and face criticism for steering Britain back into recession and failing to hit

their deficit reduction targets. Labour accuse the government of contributing to the recession by cutting spending too fast, but the coalition argues its dedication to austerity has kept borrowing costs low and saved Britain from the claws of the Europe's debt crisis. Cameron will bring Britain's political conference season to a close with a personal speech to his party that aides say will give an honest assessment of the economic challenges ahead

and draw clear dividing lines with Labour." Unless we act, unless we take difficult, painful decisions, unless we show determination and imagination, Britain may not be in the future what it has been in the past," Cameron will tell the Conservatives in the central English city of Birmingham. "Because the truth is this: we are in a global race today and that means an hour of reckoning for countries like ours. Sink or swim. Do or decline." Cameron will say Labour's call for a slower pace of deficit reduction would "hurt the economy". "The risk is that the people we borrow money from would start to question our ability and resolve to pay off our debts," he will say, according to extracts of his speech released in advance by his office. The International Monetary Fund cut its growth forecasts for Britain on Monday and said

the coalition may have to defer some cuts if the economy weakened further, casting a shadow over a conference that Cameron had hoped to use to rally his party. Chancellor George Osborne has already been forced to water down his plans to all but erase a record budget deficit by the 2015 election because of a weak economy, stretching the period of austerity to seven years from five years. Osborne is expected to either have to announce deeper cuts or further extend the timeline of spending cuts on December 5 when he updates official economic and borrowing forecasts. Credit ratings agencies have given triple-A rated Britain the benefit of the doubt so far, largely because the government has stuck with strong rhetoric on its determination to cut the deficit even if it has missed its austerity targets.— Reuters

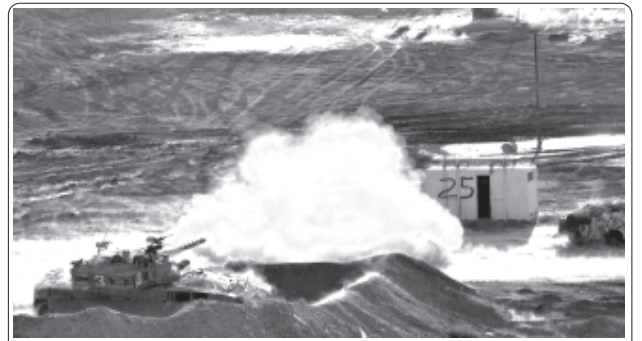
Foreign executives arrested in Cuba in 2011 await charges

HAVANA, 10 Oct — Executives of three foreign businesses shut in 2011 ostensibly for corrupt practices have been held by Cuban authorities for a year or more and still have not been charged with a crime, sources with knowledge of the cases said this week. Their ongoing legal limbo has put a behind—he—scenes strain on Cuba's relations with their home countries — Canada and Britain — where the legal process protects suspects from lengthy incarceration without charges, western diplomats told Reuters.

Police closed the Havana offices of the British investment and trading firm Coral Capital Group Ltd last October and arrested chief executive Amado Fakhre, a Lebanese-born British citizen. A month earlier authorities shut down one of the most important Western trading companies in Cuba, Canada-based Tokmakjian Group, after doing the same in July 2011 to another Canadian trading firm, Tri-Star Caribbean. Cuban authorities say the cases, which are part of a larger crackdown on corruption on

the communist island, are being handled within the letter of Cuban law. The local legal process does call for defendants to be informed of why they were arrested and sets out time limits for charges to be filed, but they can be waved indefinitely in "exceptional circumstances." Cy Tokmakjian, head of the Tokmakjian Group, and Sarkis Yacoubian, head of Tri-Star, were arrested and confined to comfortable safe houses when their businesses were closed, but earlier this year both were

transferred to La Condesa, a prison for foreigners just outside Havana. Coral Capital's Fakhre was recently transferred to a military hospital when he fell ill after months in prison. His company's chief operating officer, British citizen Stephen Purvis, was arrested in April and is in the Villa Marista prison run by state security, sources said. A number of other foreigners and Cubans who worked for the companies remain free, but cannot leave the island because they are considered witnesses in the cases.—Reuters



A building is destroyed by Israeli tank during a combined forces combat demonstration at Shizafon Armor Corps Training Base, South Israel, on 9 Oct, 2012. The Israel Defence Forces (IDF) held a combined forces demonstration showing the capabilities of IDF ground forces, the Armored Corps and the Combat Engineering in a battalion-led battle against a simulated enemy in an urban setting at the IDF's Shizafon Base on Tuesday. — XINHUA

Cruise ship with meningitis outbreak docks in Spain

MADRID, 10 Oct — The cruise-ship Orchesta arrived in the Spanish port of Valencia on Tuesday after four cases of bacterial meningitis had been reported among members of its crew. The ship, which has 2,800 passengers onboard arrived after sailing from the Italian port of Livorno. The four infected crew members, two of whom are said to be in a serious condition, are in hospital, while the passengers and remaining crew have all been prescribed antibiotics as a precautionary measure. The company MSC, which runs the ship has assured passengers that there is no risk

to their health given that those infected were not in contact with passengers and added that nobody else has shown any symptoms of the potentially fatal disease."No passenger and no member of the crew has shown and symptoms of meningitis," said the statement published by MSC. The Orchestra is now expected to continue with its itinerary, calling in at Ibiza, Tuniz, Catalia and Naples. The warning of the disease was raised around mid-day on Monday, while the majority of the holidaymakers onboard were visiting Livorno.— Xinhua

Travel under false name to be crime in Australia

CANBERRA, 10 Oct — Traveling by air under a false name in Australia will be a crime in a legislative package "to ensure that Commonwealth criminal law remains up to date and effective", Attorney-General Nicola Roxon introduced the measure in parliament on Wednesday. Organized criminals usually traveled under fictitious names. Roxon indicated. This bill will make it a crime to use a false identity to book a flight over the internet or to take a commercial flight. The measure expands laws against identity theft by making it a crime to use a carriage service like the internet or a mobile phone to obtain identity information with the intention of committing another offense, according to the introduction.— Xinhua



People look at the remains of a Sudanese military plane after it crashed at the North Korodofan State border near the capital Khartoum on 8 Oct, 2012. The Antonov 12 transport plane, carrying personnel and equipment to the strife-torn Darfur region crashed near Khartoum on Sunday killing 15 people on board, the army said. — REUTERS

Myanmar to cooperate with ICRC, France in health, rural development, environmental conservation and region-wise development sectors

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—Union Minister for Border Affairs Lt-Gen Thein Htay exchanged views on cooperation in health assistance programme in Kachin, Kayin and Rakhine States, cooperation with Myanmar Red Cross Society, providing medicines, surgical instruments, opening of health care courses and upgrading of hospitals, with ICRC delegation, at the minister's office here this afternoon.

After that, the Union Minister had a cordial discussion with French Ambassador to Myanmar Mr Thierry Mathou on implementation of regional development in Kachin, Rakhine (North) and Chin States,

basic health care service in "Wa" Self-Administrated Division, relief, resettlement and rehabilitation in Rakhine State, resettlement of displaced families from Thailand, rural development, holding of workshops and technical cooperation in environmental conservation, disaster management and capacity building and more international aids for displaced families.

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Union Minister for Border Affairs Lt-Gen Thein Htay receives ICRC delegation.—MNA



Inter-Ministry Men's Volleyball Tournament 2012 continues

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—The 6th Nay Pyi Taw Inter-Ministry Men's Volleyball Tournament 2012 continued for the second day at the Paunglaung Gymnasium in Pinyinmana, here, at 8 am today.

In the today's matches, the Ministry of Construction,

the Ministry of Education, the Ministry of Science and Technology, the Ministry of Finance and Revenue, the Ministry of Industry and the Supreme Court won over opponents with 3-0 result each. The Ministry of Border Affairs, the Ministry of Labour, the Ministry of Sports, the Ministry of Defence, the Ministry of Information and the Ministry of Home Affairs trounced their rival teams with 3-0 result each.

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Fire preventive measures talked

YANGON, 10 Oct—A fire drill and talks on fire preventive measures was held at Mingala Mon Market of Yangon South District Development Committees' Markets of Markets Department under Yangon City Development Committee this morning.

Head of District Markets Department U Thant Zin Tun talks about fire preventive measures and Adviser Ye Thura U Than Hlaing safety of danger about fire.

Head of Tamway Township Fire Services Department Ye Thurein Htay Win explained prevention against danger of fire and demonstrated fire fighting with the use of fire extinguishers.—Myanma Alin

Traditional medicine kits distributed

MYANAUNG, 10 Oct—A ceremony to distribute emergency-used Myanmar traditional medicine kits was held at the hall of Township General Administration Department in Myanaung on 24 September.

At first, Acting Township Administrator U Kyaw Kyaw Oo made a speech, and Head of Township Traditional Medicine Clinic Daw Than Than Swe explained the purpose of distributing the kits and use of potent traditional medicine therapies.

Later, the Acting Township Administrator and the head of Township Traditional Medicine Clinic presented the kits to 49 village-tracts.—Myanma Alin

Bolt still flirting with more events



SYDNEY, 10 Oct—repertoire after retaining his World's fastest man Usain Bolt is still toying with the notion of adding the 400 metres or long jump to his 100 and 200 Olympic titles. The 26-year-old, who also helped defend Jamaica's 4x100 relay crown in London,

said on Wednesday he could opt to branch out at the 2016 Olympic in Rio de Janeiro.

"It's just to find something else now to strive towards," Bolt told reporters at a sponsor's event in Tokyo. "There's a few things I've thought about.

"I could try another event, maybe the long jump or the 400 metres," added Bolt, who came onto stage dancing to loud reggae music.

"There's a few things I could try in sports I could work towards, so we'll see what I decide at the start of the season."

The 100 and 200 metres

world record holder had previously said he would be concentrating on completing a 'three-peat' in his own events but appears to have had a rethink.

Bolt said he wanted to keep pushing himself towards fresh challenges after becoming the first man to retain both the 100 and 200 Olympic titles earlier this year.

"It's a great thing to achieve the goals that you always wanted," he said, perched precariously on a stool, wearing a yellow tracksuit and a baseball cap backwards.

Reuters

Bay bulletin

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—According to the observations at 12 hrs MST today, yesterday's the low pressure area over Northwest Bay and adjoining West Central Bay now lies over Northwest Bay of Bengal.

It is likely to intensify further into a depression.

Under its influence, widespread rain or thundershowers with isolated heavy falls are likely in Sagaing, Mandalay and Magway Regions, Chin and Rakhine States within next 48 hours commencing this noon.

Occasional squalls with rough sea will be experienced off and along Rakhine coast. Surface wind speed in squalls may reach 40 mph, the Meteorology and Hydrology Department announced.—MNA

Tyson gets Australia visa for speaking event: promoters



SYDNEY, 10 Oct—Former heavyweight boxing champion Mike Tyson has been granted a visa to enter Australia for a series of motivational talks next month, organisers said on Wednesday.

"We are thrilled and are very grateful to the Australian government for granting Mike Tyson a visa and allowing him to visit Australia for the very first time" Max Markson, CEO of tour promoter Markson Sparks said in a statement.

Tyson's speaking engagements in Australia were supposed to include a similar visit to New Zealand, though his visa was revoked by the country's Associate Immigration Minister Kate Wilkinson after it had been approved.

Tyson, who served three years of a six-year U.S. jail sentence for rape, needed dispensation under New Zealand immigration laws because of his conviction.

However, a youth-related charity trust which originally backed his visit to appear at the Auckland event, billed as "Day of the Champions", said it no longer wanted to have anything to do with Tyson's visit due to his conviction.

Tyson's promoters applied for a new visa for New Zealand after a second community group said it would support his application in exchange for him talking to at-risk youth.

"We hope we will also receive good news about Tyson's visit to New Zealand and are now patiently waiting on their response," Markson added on Wednesday.

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Union Labour Minister meets ITUC General Secretary



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