

Myanmar hopes continuous support from dialogue partners as ASEAN chair

BANDAR SEARI BEGAWAN, 10 Oct— President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein attended the 16th ASEAN plus Three Summit, the 8th East Asia Summit, the 11th ASEAN-India Summit and 5th ASEAN-UN Summit held at International Convention Centre in Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam today.

In his speech at the 16th ASEAN plus Three Summit, the President called for further cooperation in financial matters, highlighting cooperation among ASEAN plus three countries is crucial for security and sustainable development of East Asia and Myanmar's willingness to take an active role in financial and monetary matters as relations between Myanmar and World Bank, International Monetary Fund and Asia

Development Bank have been normalized. He added Myanmar has potentials for implementation of the three special economic zones— Kyaukpyu, Thilawa and Dawei— in linking ASEAN countries with plus three countries. He called on plus three countries to actively participate in holding discussions for the establishment of regional comprehensive economic partnership.

He added that there has been a rising challenge to food security of the countries in the region as the world has experienced an unprecedented increase in population, underlying the importance of ASEAN Plus Three Emergency Rice Reserve, APTERR and successful realization of the program. He expressed thanks for support of ASEAN plus three nations in the matters of environmental conservation and risk management.



16th ASEAN plus Three Summit at International Convention Centre in Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei Darussalam in progress.—MNA

The President praised East Asia Forum (EAF), EAST Asia Vision Group (EAVG) and Network of

ASEAN Think-Thanks (NEAT) for their activities being implemented in the framework of ASEAN plus

three cooperation. He also spoke words of thanks for the support of ASEAN plus three countries to Myanmar's bid for the chairmanship of ASEAN in 2014, saying that Myanmar hopes

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UPWC, KIO build understanding, trust, reach agreement

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct— Union Peace-Making Work Committee and Kachin Independence Organization (KIO) signed an agreement on working together towards Nationwide Ceasefire Agreement and lay foundation for political dialogue.

The two sides held talks over progress in de-escalation of conflict since

the May-30 Agreement, matters on the NCA, political dialogue, troops of both sides, commitment to end all fighting, said U Aung Min, Vice-Chairman of the Union Peace-Making Work Committee.

A document signed today at Majwe Hall, Manaw Ground, Myitkyina, Kachin State, also includes estab-

lishment of a Joint Monitoring Committee in principle and development of a plan for resettlement of internally displaced peoples IDPs.

Afterwards, U Sumlut Gam of KIO also said the two sides could negotiate to reach agreement on most of topics at the negotiation table.

The two sides signed

the agreement in the presence of the observers of the peace talks and those present at the peace talks.

After the peace talks, press conference was held at the hall.

Also present were Union Ministers U Ohn Myint, U Win Tun and U Khin Maung Soe, Lt-Gen Myint Soe, the chief minister, representatives of Hluttaw, Commander Maj-Gen Tun Tun Naung, Commander Maj-Gen Aung Soe, Deputy Minister Maj-Gen Maung Maung Ohn, Deputy Attorney-General U Tun Tun Oo, region ministers, representatives of KNU, RCSS/SSA, UWSA, ABSDF, MNSP, PLNO, SSPP, PSLF/TNLA, CNF and NDAA, UN Special Envoy Mr. Vijay Nambiar and the Chinese Special Envoy and members, representatives of political parties in Myitkyina, representatives from Shan and Kachin cultural troupes and townselders.

In the evening, they had a dinner together at Majwe Hall.

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UPWC, KIO sign new agreement

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—The following is the full-context of the agreement signed between Union Peace-making Work Committee and Kachin Independence Organization (KIO) before the observers. The agreement between Union Peace-making Work Committee and KIO delegation

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1. The government peace negotiation team led by Vice-Chairman of Union Peace-making Work Committee Union Minister U Aung Min and KIO peace delegation headed by U Sumlut Gam held peace talks at Majwe Hall in Manaw Ground in Myitkyina, Kachin State from 8 to 10 October. Present at the peace talks as observers were Special Adviser to UNSG on Myanmar Mr Vijay Nambiar, Chinese Special Envoy on Asia Mr Wang Ying Fan, reps

from 10 ethnic armed groups, four Kachin Hluttaw representatives, representatives from official political parties in Kachin State such as Union Solidarity and Development Party, National League for Democracy, Unity and Democracy Party, National Democratic Force, Tailai (Shanni) National Development Party and Shan Nationalities Democratic Party, Kachin National Traditional Culture Central Committee and Kachin State Shan Ethnic Literature and Culture Committee, members of Peace-talk Creation Group and ten invited community elders.

2. The two sides agreed the following points in front of the observers with a view to laying down sound foundation for political dialogue for lasting peace.

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UPWC Vice-Chairman Union Minister U Aung Min shakes hands with U Sumlut Gam of KIO after exchanging notes.—MNA

Thriving maize plantation creates emerald land

Magyigon Village is located near Lewe Township. The is accessible village via the modern motorway and an old bridge.

Before arrival at the village, maize plantations can be seen. The local people are engaged in all agricultural tasks as well as livestock breeding ones. Over 200 households are focusing on agriculture.

They grow maize, cauliflower, caggabe and so on.

Of them, they rely on cultivation and production of Than Padamya maize strain. Its cultivation starts in July. After two months, the maize plantation will be thriving. When it turns 75 days, they plucked the maize to be sold. The



Thriving maize plantation seen in Magyigon Village.

thriving maize plantation can win the hearts of the growers' families.

They had experience of unhappiness in early years

of cultivation. Due to lack of agricultural experience, they faced loss and damages of plantations. Although the plants grew with fruits,

they could not featch good price. The growers must always nurture the plants, said farmer Ko Zaw Lwin of the village.

The farmes get water from Chaungmange Dam. They use water from it, said Ko Kyaw Nyunt of

Leak of gas pipe causes smoke

YANGON, 10 Oct—A bus of No 45th bus line caused suffocation with smoke due to leak of gas pipe on board.

At 1.30pm on 6 October, the bus leaked its gas pipe near Hledan Bus Stop.

“Suddenly, smoke covered the bus. Passengers run away they thought it broke out the fire. They immediately did not go out from the east door, so they shouted noisily,” recounted a passenger.

The leaked pipe was near the exhaust, so the bus was filled with smoke. There was no flame. Fortunately, water was ready to be used due to the fact that the bus stopped near the bus stop,” said a passenger.

Most of the passengers remarked that the buses should be kept safety for passengers due to using natural gas.

Kyemon-Ko Tun-IT



A traffic accident occurred between the vehicle from Mandalay and a motorcycle from PyinOoLwin at mile post 40/1 near PyinOoLwin Township on Mandalay-Lashio Highway at 1.30 pm on 6 October. Motorcyclist and a woman from the back seat were injured and the motorbike plunged into the road side.

KYEMON-581

Accident in Transportation

Bagan-Yangon train in derailment near Yangon

YANGON, 10 Oct— Bagan-Yangon 62-down train caused derailment between Shan Street Station and Pyay Road Station in Yangon at 12.35 pm on 8 October.

There was any injury in the incident. It caused at the guard coach. U Min Zaw, Deputy Supervisor of Railway Division 6 said that now officials are seeking the weak point whether it depends on coach or rail tracks.

“The train derailment did not cause any blockage. There are two railways as dual. The derailment happened on the down way, the trains can drive along

the up way regularly. The passengers from the express train were transported to Yangon Railways Station by circular train,” he said.

The train departed the Bagan Station at 5 pm on 7 October. I linked with two ordinary class coaches, one second class, one sleeper, one restaurant

Mawlamyine-Chaungzon Bridge to be built soon

MAWLAMYINE, 10 Oct—Permission has been sought for construction of Mawlamyine-Chaungzon (Bilukyun) Bridge.

Public Works of Ministry of Construction will take responsibility for construction of the bridge as of 2014-2015 fiscal year. The bridge will be of reinforced concrete type. It will be 4400 feet long and 45 feet high. The approach road on Mawlamyine bank will be 700 feet long and Chaungzon

bank 4000 feet long. After conducting feasibility study for the bridge, the site was chosen for construction of the bridge on Mupun ward jetty in Mawlamyine and on the bank of Kanyaw Village jetty in Chaungzon. Upon completion, the bridge will contribute to smooth transportation of the local people from Chaungzon Township of Mon State all the year round.

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Magyigon Village. In the cultivation season, they are busy with cultivation and water supply tasks.

They now grow maize, chilli, cauliflower and other vegetables on a commercial scale.

They are engaged in cultivation of season crops all the year round.

Now, they have agricultural experience to some extent. Their village

is near Nay Pyi Taw. Their businesses are gradually booming.

They possess mobile phones. The villagers are working together in unity. They coordinate works of economic, religious and social affairs one another.

The village can be dabled the Pleasant Village.

Kyemon-Kyaw Myint Than (Lanmadaw)

Business

Rare minerals found in Maungtau District

MAUNGTAU, 10 Oct— Rare minerals were found along Amawngu Beach and Alethankyaw Coast in Maungtau District of Rakhine State, and it plans to export the minerals.

Asreceiving the official mining permit, Gold Finder Co will commence its tasks soon, said Geneal Manager U Maung Maung of Gold Finder Co.

“The Union

government laid down three points. The State government replied that there it has no objection to the points and agreed it. The points were whether there is project area, farmland or security. So, we will launch the tasks soon,” he said.

Permission has been given to work 10 blocks of mining comprising 49 acres of land each as test plots in Angumaw beach

in Yathedaung Township and Alethankyaw beach in Maungtau Township.

The company will invite machinery and experts from abroad. The local people will be given priority for worksite. As power consumption will be heavy for smelting minerals, a plan is underway to build the plants in Yangon and Kyaukpyu and raw materials will be exported as first priority.

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town and 15 miles per hour inside the town.—Kyemon-Ko Thet (Botahtaung); Photo: Khin Maung Win (Kyemon)

Photo shows derailment of coach.



WORLD

World media leaders meet to discuss challenges

HANGZHOU, 10 Oct — Leaders from the world's most renowned media organizations on Thursday met in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, to discuss the challenges new media faces.

Executive President of the World Media Summit (WMS) and President of the Xinhua News Agency Li Congjun presided over the 2nd presidium meeting of the summit and deliv-

ered a key-note speech.

Leaders from Xinhua News Agency, News Corporation, The Associated Press (AP), Reuters, ITAR-TASS News Agency, Kyodo News, British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC), Turner Broadcasting System Inc., Google, AL Jazeera Media Network, The New York Times Company, NBC News, MIH Group, Kasturi&Sons Limited are at the meeting.

Leaders have agreed

that the WMS will create global prizes for journalism to recognize outstanding journalists around the world. The meeting also decided that The New York Times will host the third WMS in 2014, while Al Jazeera will host the fourth summit in 2016.

The first WMS, held in 2009, was co-launched by Xinhua and eight other media organizations including News Corporation, AP, Thomson Reuters, ITAR-



Members of the presidium pose for a photo before the 2nd Presidium Meeting of the World Media Summit (WMS) in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, on 10 Oct, 2013. —XINHUA

TASS, Kyodo News, BBC, Turner Broadcasting System Inc and Google Inc. The second summit was held in Moscow last year.—Xinhua

Republicans consider short-term US debt ceiling increase



US Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV) gathered with other Democratic Party senate members on the steps of the US Capitol in Washington, on 9 Oct, 2013.—REUTERS

WASHINGTON, 10 Oct — US House of Representatives Republicans are considering signing on to a short-term increase in the government's borrowing authority to buy time for negotiations on broader policy measures, according to a Republican leadership aide.

How long the increase might suffice — a few weeks or a few months — was unclear. But agreement by Republicans and Democrats to raise the debt ceiling would at least stave off a possible default after 17 October, when Treasury Secretary Jack Lew has determined the

government will no longer be able to borrow.

President Barack Obama has said he would accept a debt ceiling increase of limited duration as long as no strings were attached, except perhaps a non-binding agreement to discuss policy issues.

It was unclear Wednesday night how far Republicans might be prepared to go to meet Obama's conditions. Republicans in the House have been demanding a variety of conditions — including changes to Obama's healthcare law — in return for cooperating on the debt ceiling and on a funding measure that might reopen the government, which has been partially shut down since 1 October.

In recent days, however, Republican emphasis has shifted more toward deficit reduction measures and less to Obamacare, the health care law.—Reuters

Li raises seven-pronged proposal on promoting China-ASEAN cooperation

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 10 Oct — Chinese Premier Li Keqiang put forward a seven-point proposal on further broadening and deepening cooperation between his country and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

The China-ASEAN relations have grown to maturity and the bilateral cooperation has got on the fast track, Li said at the 16th China-ASEAN leaders' meeting in the Bruneian capital.

He pointed out that the basis for advancing cooperation is to strengthen strategic trust and consolidate good-neighbourliness, and the key to deepening cooperation is to focus on economic development and expand mutual benefit.

China and the 10-member bloc should seize opportunities and push forward their broad, deep, high-level and all-dimensional cooperation, said the Chinese



Chinese Premier Li Keqiang (front) attends the 16th China-ASEAN leaders' meeting in Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei, on 9 Oct, 2013.—XINHUA

premier, who also raised a seven-pronged proposal on the framework of bilateral cooperation in the coming 10 years.

First, the two sides should discuss the sign-

ing of a treaty on good-neighbourliness, friendship and cooperation to provide legal and institutional safeguards for bilateral strategic cooperation to move further forward, he said.—Xinhua

N Korea ready to suspend nuclear, missile tests if 6-way talks resume

WASHINGTON, 10 Oct — North Korea has expressed an intention to suspend testing of nuclear devices and long-range missiles if six-nation talks on its denuclearization resume, a former US State Department official said on Wednesday.

Ri Yong Ho, North Korea's vice foreign minister, presented the country's position in a meeting in Berlin last month, according to Joel Wit, who formerly handled North Korean issues in the State Department and attended the meeting. In the meeting with Stephen Bosworth, a former US special representative for North Korean policy, Ri confirmed that the multilateral talks could take up the dismantlement of its nuclear weapons, according to Wit.

Ri served as North Korea's chief delegate to the

long-stalled six-nation talks hosted by China that also involve Japan, South Korea and Russia. Wit said he has notified the State Department of Pyongyang's position.

The North Korean official expressed reluctance to freeze the launch of rockets, which many other countries regard as a cover for testing ballistic missile launches.

The North Korean side repeated its call for an unconditional resumption of the six-nation talks, which last convened in 2008, in the meeting in Berlin.

The United States urged North Korea to take action and convince countries concerned that Pyongyang is still committed to past agreements reached in the multilateral dialogue to dismantle its nuclear programmes.—Kyodo News

Mursi faces trial as US reviews aid to Egypt

CAIRO, 10 Oct — Egypt's ousted President Mohamed Mursi will stand trial on 4 November on charges of inciting the killing of protesters, a prospect sure to raise concern in Washington, already con-

sidering cutting aid as a way to urge Cairo to restore democracy. Mursi has been held in a secret location since his overthrow on 3 July. If he is brought before the court, it would be the Islamist leader's first public

appearance since then.

The trial could further inflame tensions between the Muslim Brotherhood and the army-backed government and deepen the political instability that has decimated tourism and investment in the most populous Arab state. The upheaval worries Cairo's Western allies, who were hoping the uprising that ended Hosni Mubarak's 30-year rule would turn the region's biggest country into a democratic success story.

The United States and European Union had wanted an inclusive political process in Egypt, which has a peace treaty with Israel and controls the Suez Canal waterway between Europe and Asia. Mursi, Egypt's



The remnants of a poster of ousted Egyptian President Mohamed Mursi are seen at a petrol station in Cairo on 28 Aug, 2013.—REUTERS

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Canada's Rogers Communications suffers countrywide wireless outage

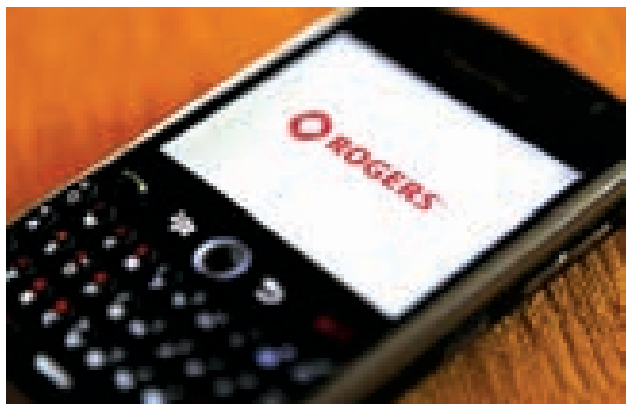
BANGALORE, 10 Oct—Rogers Communications Inc, Canada's largest wireless phone company, said it is experiencing a wireless outage affecting voice and some messaging services across the country.

Rogers, also a major cable-TV operator, said data services are not affected. The company said

it is investigating the root cause of the outage and that services are gradually resuming.

"We are still experiencing service interruptions in some areas and we encourage customers to use a wireline telephone if they need to reach emergency services," Rogers said.

Reuters



A BlackBerry smartphone on the Rogers wireless network is seen in Montreal, on 26 Oct, 2010.—REUTERS

WMO releases new update of El Nino/La Nina

BEIJING, 10 Oct—WMO has released new El Nino/La Nina update which introduced the current situation and outlook of El Nino/La Nina.

According to the update, neutral conditions (neither El Nino nor La Nina) continue in the tropical Pacific. Model forecasts and expert opinion suggest that neutral conditions are likely to be maintained through the boreal autumn of 2013 and winter 2013-14. Two or more consecutive years of neutral conditions have been observed in the past and the situation is not unusual. National Meteorological and Hydrological Services and other agencies will continue to monitor the conditions over the Pacific and provide outlooks to assess the most likely state of the climate through the remainder of 2013 and into early 2014.

Since the boreal spring of 2012, El Nino-Southern Oscillation (ENSO) indicators in the tropical Pacific (e.g., tropical Pacific sea surface temperatures, sea level pressure, cloudiness and trade winds) have generally been at neutral

levels, indicating that neither El Nino nor La Nina conditions have been present. Since May 2013, sea surface temperatures have been well below average in the far eastern tropical Pacific, only recently returning toward normal. However, these cold sea surface temperatures have been positioned too far to the east to be considered indicative of a basin-wide La Nina episode, even though they caused some minor impacts over local climate conditions in western parts of South America.

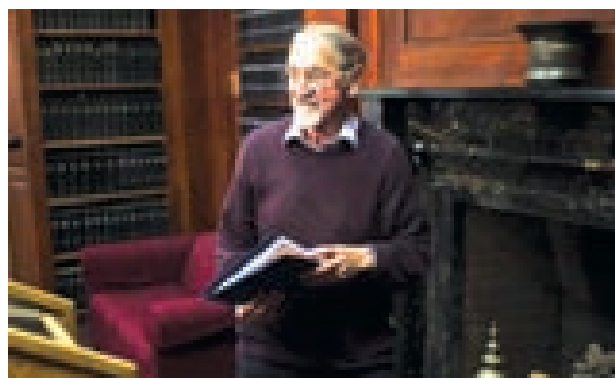
The latest outlooks from international climate models and expert opinion suggest that sea surface temperatures and atmospheric anomalies associated with El Nino or La Nina are most likely to remain neutral through the end of 2013 and into early 2014. Less than one-fifth of the models surveyed predict weak La Nina conditions to develop during the October to December period, and likewise less than one-fifth predict weak El Nino development during that period and into the first quarter of 2014.

Xinhua

Scientists who took chemistry into cyberspace win Nobel Prize

STOCKHOLM, 10 Oct—Three US scientists won the Nobel chemistry prize on Wednesday for pioneering work on computer programs that simulate complex chemical processes and have revolutionized research in areas from drugs to solar energy. The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, awarding the prize of 8 million crowns (\$1.25 million) to Martin Karplus, Michael Levitt and Arieh Warshel, said their work had effectively taken chemistry into cyberspace. Long gone were the days of modeling reactions using plastic balls and sticks.

"Today the computer is just as important a tool for chemists as the test tube," the academy said in a statement. "Computer models mirroring real life have become crucial for most advances made in chemistry today." Chemical reactions occur at lightning speed as electrons jump between atomic nuclei, making it



Martin Karplus speaks to the Press after winning the 2013 Nobel Prize for chemistry in Cambridge, Massachusetts, on 9 Oct, 2013.—REUTERS

virtually impossible to map every separate step in chemical processes involving large molecules like proteins. Powerful computer models, first developed by the three scientists in the 1970s, offer a new window onto such reactions and have become a mainstay for researchers in thousands of academic and industrial laboratories around the world.

In drug design, for example, scientists can now use computers to calculate

how an experimental medicine will react with a particular target protein in the body by working out the interplay of atoms. "The field of computational modeling has revolutionized how we design new medicines by allowing us to accurately predict the behavior of proteins," said Dominic Tildesley, president-elect of Britain's Royal Society of Chemistry. Today, all pharmaceutical companies use computational chemistry to screen experimental

compounds for potential as medicines before further testing them on animals or people.

The ability to model chemical reactions has also grown as computers have become more powerful, while progress in biotechnology has produced ever more complex large molecules for use in treating diseases like cancer and rheumatoid arthritis. "It has revolutionized chemistry," Kersti Hermansson, professor in organic chemistry at Uppsala University, said of the computer modeling. "When you solve equations on the computer, you obtain information that is at such detail it is almost impossible to get it from any other method."

"You can really follow like a movie, in time and in space. This is fantastic detail..." Karplus, a US and Austrian citizen, carries out research at the University of Strasbourg and Harvard University.—Reuters

Lenovo tops PC makers, industry sales decline in quarter

NEW YORK, 10 Oct—Lenovo Group held on to its position as the world's No 1 personal computer maker in the latest quarter despite a drastic dip in its core Chinese market, according to figures published by tech research firm Gartner on Wednesday. Overall, the latest numbers showed an 8.6 percent decline in PC sales in the third quarter, confirming a worldwide trend towards tablets that has benefited Apple Inc and Google Inc but hurt traditional PC stalwarts Microsoft Corp and Intel Corp.

Worldwide PC shipments totaled 80.3 million in the latest three month period, the lowest level since 2008, Gartner said, despite the 'back to school' season when sales traditionally spike. Europe, Middle East and Africa was the worst hit region, with a 13.7 percent decline in PC sales, followed by Asia Pacific with an 11.2 percent decline. The US market increased 3.5 percent, helped by low inventories being re-stocked and the popularity of models featuring the latest Intel chips, Gartner said.



Customers talk to a salesperson about a new laptop at a Lenovo shop in Shanghai on 17 Feb, 2011.—REUTERS

"Consumers' shift from PCs to tablets for daily content consumption continued to decrease the installed base of PCs both in mature as well as in emerging markets," said Mikako Kitagawa, principal analyst at Gartner. "A greater availability of inexpensive Android tablets at-

tracted first-time consumers in emerging markets, and as supplementary devices in mature markets." Strong sales in the United States and Europe helped Chinese PC maker Lenovo hold onto the top spot among manufacturers, offsetting the decline in Asia.

Reuters

GE partners with AT&T, Cisco, Intel for 'Industrial Internet'



A faded, painted logo sits over the entrance to a General Electric Co facility in Medford, Massachusetts in this 17 July, 2009 file photo.

REUTERS

BANGALORE, 10 Oct—General Electric Co announced partnerships with AT&T Inc, Cisco Systems Inc and Intel Corp to expand its 'Industrial Internet' service that allows

its customers to analyze data and predict outcomes. The service helps customers analyze industrial 'big data'—data so large that it is difficult to process using traditional database and

software. This would help customers minimize downtime, increase productivity, lower fuel costs and reduce emissions.

By connecting machines to the network and the cloud, workers can track, monitor, and operate GE's machinery wirelessly from anywhere through secure and machine-to-machine communications, GE Software's Corporate Officer Bill Ruh said. GE has existing partnerships with Amazon's Amazon Web Services, Accenture Plc,

and Pivotal to support the service.

GE said the ten "predictivity" products it launched last year have contributed revenue of \$290 million so far this year. The company said it has 14 new customers for the 14 products launched on Wednesday. According to technology research group Wikibon, industrial data is expected to grow at two times the rate of any other big data segment over the next decade.

Reuters

BUSINESS & HEALTH

IMF warns major transitions in global financial system

WASHINGTON, 10 Oct — The global financial system faces several major transitions accompanied by substantial risks, the International Monetary Fund (IMF) said on Wednesday.

“The first one is the transition in the United States from a prolonged period of monetary accommodation towards a normalization of monetary conditions,” Jose Vinals, head of the IMF’s Monetary and Capital Markets Department, said at a Press conference to unveil its Global Financial Stability Report.

“This process will be unprecedented and complex ... Containing longer-term interest rates and market volatility has already proven to be a substantial challenge, as shown by the sharp rise in bond yields and volatility since May,” the IMF’s financial counsellor said.

US Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke laid out a tentative tapering plan to exit quantitative easing (QE) three months ago and caused investors to withdraw money from emerging markets and restructure their portfolios,



stoking volatility in currency, bond and equity markets around the globe.

Given the prospect of higher interest rates and greater volatility, investors will naturally adjust their portfolios by reducing their fixed income holdings. The

IMF’s Global Financial Stability Report estimates that a 100 basis point increase in interest rates from current levels could generate 2.3 trillion US dollars losses on global bond portfolios “Engineering a smooth transition to monetary normali-

zation will require a clear and well-timed communication strategy by the Federal Reserve to minimize interest rate volatility, as well as effective execution in line with economic developments,” Vinals said.

Xinhua

UN sued in US court over Haiti’s cholera epidemic



A Haitian girl with cholera symptoms is doused with water at an improvised clinic run by Doctors Without Borders in Port-au-Prince on 20 Nov, 2010. — REUTERS

UNITED NATIONS, 10 Oct — Human rights lawyers filed a class-action lawsuit against the United Nations on Wednesday to seek compensation for Haitian victims of a cholera epidemic they blame on UN peacekeepers. The decision to file the suit in New York comes after the United Nations said earlier this year that it would not pay hundreds of millions of dollars in compensation claimed by cholera victims in impoverished Haiti. The cholera epidemic there has killed more than 8,300 people and sickened more than 650,000 since October 2010.

“Haiti today has the worst cholera epidemic in the world,” said Miami attorney Ira Kurzban, who announced the lawsuit at a joint news conference with the human rights groups Bureau des Avocats Internationaux (BAI) and the Institute for Justice and Democracy in Haiti (IJDH). “Before these events, Haiti did not know of cholera for 100

years. Cholera was brought to Haiti by UN troops,” Kurzban said. The IJDH said the plaintiffs are asking the court to certify the case as a class action, which would allow the victims to represent and obtain relief for the hundreds of thousands Haitians and Haitian-Americans affected by the epidemic.

The lawyers filed the suit in the US District Court in New York’s Southern District, seeking \$2.2 billion for the Haitian government to eradicate cholera along with unspecified damages for as many as 679,000 victims for personal injury, wrongful death, emotional distress, and loss of use of property and natural resources. The lawsuit filed on behalf of Haitians and Haitian-Americans maintains that the cholera was introduced by UN troops brought to Haiti from Nepal, “a country in which cholera is endemic and where a surge in infections had just been reported.”—Reuters

Gilead drug works against leukemia, trial stopped early

NEW YORK, 10 Oct — A pivotal trial of Gilead Sciences Inc’s drug idelalisib has been stopped early after independent monitors determined that the drug was shown to be effective against Leukemia, sending shares of the company up more than 3 percent. The Phase 3 trial compared treatment with idelalisib and another drug, Rituxan, to treatment with Rituxan alone in patients with chronic lymphocytic leukemia who were not eligible for treatment with chemotherapy.

Idelalisib is part of a new class of medications designed to selectively block a type of protein known to promote tumour growth in certain types of blood cancer. Gilead said an interim analysis by the Data Monitoring Committee overseeing the trial found that the drug had a significant impact on the length of time patients survived without their disease getting worse. “This was a modest upside surprise to us in both timing and result,” ISI Group analyst

Mark Schoenebaum said in a research note.

He said Wall Street analysts, on average, expect the drug to have sales of \$100 million in 2015, \$450 million in 2016 and \$800 million in 2017. “We believe that consensus numbers will likely go up in the near term,” Schoenebaum said. Gilead said it is discussing the trial results, and a potential regulatory filing, with the US Food and Drug Administration.

Reuters

‘Look ma, no hands’ on the car steering wheel still some way off

DETROIT, 10 Oct — When General Motors Co Vice Chairman Steve Girsky slid into a Cadillac SRX luxury crossover vehicle specially equipped to drive itself, his reaction echoed that of many consumers as more self-driving technologies are rolled out. “It’s a little unsettling at first when you take your hands off the wheel and then it’s one of these ‘Oh wow’ moments,” Girsky said in a 27 September interview about the vehicle he test drove over a year ago. While consumers may envision a George Jetson-like future where cars steer themselves as “drivers” read iPads, that reality is still years away for mass production cars.

What most automakers and suppliers see near term is cars equipped with “driver assistance” features that help in unsafe condi-

tions, prevent accidents and take a lot of the stress out of driving. These features will be stepping stones towards a fully-driverless car. One of the first situations mass-production cars can handle without a driver is bumper-to-bumper traffic. Some cars are already equipped to steer themselves into a parking space. Others warn

drivers if they are over the speed limit and brake the vehicle automatically to avoid a collision.

Companies are spending hundreds of millions of dollars to keep up with consumers’ demand for such technology. Get it right and car buyers will pay thousands of dollars for the added features, analysts

said. “If automakers build it and can explain the value proposition, consumers will come,” said Gary Silberg, national auto industry leader for consulting firm KPMG, which released a study Thursday about consumer attitudes toward self-driving cars. KPMG found most Americans surveyed were receptive to the idea of a driverless car.

The results raised red flags for the auto industry as consumers ranked Google, which has a self-driving car programme, and Apple as brands they would trust most for such vehicles. While that raises the question whether tech companies could become industry rivals, Girsky and other executives said automakers were just as likely to partner with tech companies as compete with them.

Reuters



General Motors Vice Chairman, interim President of GM Europe and Chairman of the Opel Supervisory Board Steve Girsky waves as he sits inside an Opel Adam car during the start of the car production in Eisenach on 10 Jan, 2013. — REUTERS

Toilet glitch forces JAL to turn around Dreamliner flight

TOKYO, 10 Oct — Japan Airlines Co (9201.T) was forced to turn around its Tokyo-bound flight from Moscow on Thursday due to a problem in the Boeing (BA.N) 787 jet’s lavatory, a spokesman for the Japanese carrier said.

The incident on the 787 Dreamliner follows a spate of problems since its first flight in December 2009, including a battery fire that temporarily forced the grounding world-wide of Boeing’s high-profile fleet. JAL spokesman Takuya Shimoguchi said the toilet malfunction on the flight from Moscow was likely caused by an electronic glitch. The airline was working on repairs on the ground, he added.

The flight, carrying 141 passengers, departed Moscow on Wednesday evening and returned after about five hours, he said. Shares in JAL, which made headlines this week by signing with Boeing rival Airbus (EAD.PA) for the next generation of long-haul jets, were up 2.1 percent on Thursday morning, outperforming the broader market.

Reuters

Heavy rain causes flood to market, offices, about 500 houses in Singu

SINGU, 10 Oct—Due to heavy rain on 5 October night, clinic, some departmental offices and about 500 houses in Letpanhla, Nyaungwun, Ywathitgyi and Gyobin villages in Singu Township were flooded in 3-6 feet deep water.

The low-lying areas of the township face inundation yearly. The market and houses in Letpanhla Village were flooded second time this year. The rural dispensary, Public Works office, the timber extraction office, eight staff quarters, village administrative office and about 500 houses in Yonbin Ward, Aungmingala Ward and YadanaU Ward were inundated in the heavy rain.

Information on loss and damages is not immediately available.

“In last three years, Hsinthay Creek and Thebyu Creek did not harm the houses and market. Since then the creeks become silted. Private breeders dug the fish ponds and blocked

the water course. So, the water course of the creek changed thereby getting the market, offices and residences flooded,” said a local.

Head of Township

General Administration Department U Aung Kyaw Than and officials inspected the flooded areas and provided necessary assistance to the needy persons.—MMAL-433



A road inundated in Singu.

Lamp-posts along Strand road in Mawlamyinegyun illuminated

MAWLAMYINEGYUN, 10 Oct—Under the arrangements of Township General Administration Department, Township Development Supportive Committee and Township Development Affairs Committee jointly implemented the electrification along the strand road in Mawlamyinegyun as of 4 October.

A total of 25 lamp-posts were erected along 1600 feet long road for supply of electricity from 15th street Bo Te Chun oil jetty to Patheinthu hovercraft jetty.

Thanksto electrification, the local people can go to jetties and the vessels can dock the jetties safely at night.

MMAL-Mawgyun-Myint Aung

Prizes presented to winners in Performing Arts Competitions in Muse

MUSE, 10 Oct—The prize presentation for the 20th Myanmar National Races' Performing Arts Competition of Muse District was held at the town hall in Muse of Shan State on 4 October morning.

At first, Deputy Commissioner U Kaung San Oo of Muse District formally opened the competition.

The contestants from Muse, Namkham and Kutkai townships from Muse District took part in the competitions.

In the afternoon, Commander of Muse District Police Force Lt-Col Min Min Oo, Township Administrator U Ko Ko Zaw and officials presented prizes to the winners.

MMAL-Thein Zaw (Shweli Oo)

Accident

Two boats crush leaves one dead

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—According to the information that two watercrafts collided headed on at the confluence of Uru Creek and Chindwin River in Homalin Township of Sagaing Region on 3 October, the police from Homalin Myoma Police Station together with witnesses rushed to the scene.

In the incident, Nguwah passenger boat

driven by Maung Cho, 37 of Kattha Village in Homalin Township heading for Homalin from Naungpoaung hit Hsan Myint Aung cargo speed boat steered by Kyaw Thu, 35 of Aingtaung Village in Homalin Township leading to Monywa from Homalin.

Nguwah boat capsized in the incident due to broken bow. In the case, U Shay Latt, 60 of Naungpoaung Village fell into the water.

Passengers from both boats salvaged him and rushed to Homalin Hospital. But, he died on the way to the hospital.

Homalin Myoma Police Station opened files of lawsuit against Maung Cho and Kyaw Thu over the reckless driving under the law.

MMAL-Ko Ye

World First-Aid Day observed in Shwegu

SHWEGU, 10 Oct—Shwegu Township Health Department of Bhamo District held the ceremony to mark the World First-Aid Day.

On the occasion, Township Administrator U Nyi Nyi delivered a speech, Commanding Officer of Township Red Cross Battalion Commander

of Township Police Force Police Major Aye Maung and Chairman of Township Red Cross Society Dr Thura Zaw explained the aim of the ceremony.

Red Cross member Ma Kay Zin gave talks on matters related to the Red Cross Brigade and read the message.—MMAL-Laban Aung (Kachin Land)

Miss Universe Myanmar 2013 Moe Set Waing wins K 10 million

She is taking health and physical exercises and learning knowledge. The Myanmar Miss Universe will leave here on 16 October for Moscow of Russia.

She will try to her best for presenting wonderful matters of Myanmar to candidates of other countries. At present, she will not accept the telecasting of commercials, focus on competitions.

Moe Set Waing won K 10 million for the Miss Universe Myanmar 2013 from Hello Madam Media Group, K 1 million for Miss Famous, K 600,000 for Miss Health Skin and cosmetics.

Likewise, first runner-up Aye Chan Moe won K 5 million in the contest.

Maung Maung Myint Swe; Photo Tin Soe (Myanma Alinn)

World Teachers' Day observed in Padaung



Respect paying ceremony to teachers in progress in Padaung Township.

PADAUNG, 10 Oct—The World Teachers' Day was observed at Basic Education High School in Okshitpin of Padaung Township in Bago Region on 5 October morning.

The attendees paid respects and gave gifts to

over thirty teachers of above 73 years old.

The ceremony was attended by the education officers, school heads, ward/village administrators, teachers, students and parents.

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Beauty



Photo shows Aye Chan Moe and Moe Set Waing.

NATIONAL

Myanmar hopes continuous support from dialogue ...

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to gain further support when Myanmar chaired ASEAN.

Also present at the Summit were heads of ASEAN state/government, Chinese Premier Mr. Li Keqiang, Japanese Prime Minister Mr. Shinzo Abe, President of the Republic of Korea Ms. Park Geun-hy and the ASEAN Secretary-General.

In his speech at the 8th East Asia Summit, the President emphasized the importance of the summit as a forum to hold comprehensive discussions on politi-

cal, security and economic matters which are strategically important for the countries in the region. He stressed the need for timely establishment of ASEAN Economic Community by 2015.

Myanmar is ready to cooperate with development partnership for successful realization of electricity-generating projects and electrification process as energy sufficiency is set as a national priority, he added. Cooperation of international community in the development of ag-

riculture sector in which Myanmar needs agricultural methods which suit climate change is also necessary. He thanked member countries for their support to Myanmar's reform processes and democratization, expressing his hope that there will be multisectoral cooperation with member countries of East Asia Summit when Myanmar took ASEAN chairmanship.

In his address at the ASEAN-India Summit attended by ASEAN leaders and Indian Prime Minister Mr. Manmohan Singh, the President said he was very pleased to see ASEAN and India turned their relations into strategic dialogue part-

nership at the Summit to mark the 20th anniversary of ASEAN-India dialogue partnership in New Delhi. He added ASEAN-India Trade in Service and Investment Agreement will be signed earlier and welcomed the trade target of US 100 billion between ASEAN and India by 2015.

It is expected to start the highway project that will connect India to Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam and Thailand via Myanmar as soon as possible. Kaladan Multi-Model Transit Transport Project will contribute not only to smooth and secure trade and transport but also to better communications among regional coun-

tries.

The establishment of ASEAN-India Centre would spur the improvement of sectors in trade, investment and tourism sectors. He thanked India for its continuous support to Initiative for ASEAN Integration, IAI as well as Myanmar's reform processes.

At the 5th ASEAN-UN Summit attended by heads of state/government of ASEAN countries and UN Secretary-General Mr. Ban Ki-moon, the President thanked the UN for its humanitarian assistance to Myanmar in the aftermath of severe cyclonic storm, Nargis and its resumption of Normal Country

Programme of the UNDP 2013-2015 to Myanmar.

He added cooperation with the United Nations is an important foundation of Myanmar's foreign policy. 2014 nationwide census-taking program is a significant cooperation between Myanmar and the UN. He expressed his belief that indeed cooperation in the areas of food and energy security, peace and stability, climate change and risk management between ASEAN and UN agencies successful realization of ASEAN Community would contribute towards better ASEAN-UN partnership.

MNA

Vice-President U Nyan Tun arrives in Kuala Lumpur



Vice-President U Nyan Tun being welcomed by officials at Kuala Lumpur International Airport.—MNA

KUALA LUMPUR, 10 Oct—At the invitation of Malaysian government, a delegation led by Vice-

President U Nyan Tun left here by air this afternoon to attend the Fourth Global Entrepreneurship Summit-

GES 2013 to be held in Malaysia on 11-12 October.

The Vice-President and party were seen off at

Yangon International Airport by Yangon Region Chief Minister U Myint Swe, the charge d' affaires ai of Malaysian Embassy to Myanmar and officials concerned.

They were welcomed by Mr. Hohd Aini Atan, Deputy Chief of the protocol department of Malaysia, the charge d' affaires ai of Myanmar Embassy and embassy staff and families at Kuala Lumpur International Airport at 4.30 pm local standard time.

Then, they proceeded to Prince Hotel in a motorcade. The Vice-President was accompanied by Deputy Ministers U Thant Kyaw and Dr Pwint Hsan and officials concerned.—MNA

Myanmar, Lithuania established diplomatic ties

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—The Republic of the Union of Myanmar and the Republic of Lithuania, desirous of establishing friendly relations and mutually beneficial cooperation on the basis of the principles of the Charter of the United Nations and the norms of International Law in accordance with the Vienna Conventions on Diplomatic Relations and on Consular Relations, established diplomatic relations at Ambassadorial level with effect from 8 October 2013.

The Joint Communique on the establishment of diplomatic relations was signed by the Permanent Representative of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar to the United Nations and the Permanent Representatives of the Republic of the Lithuania to the United Nations in New York on 8 October 2013.

Myanmar has been making efforts to expand diplomatic relations with countries all over the world, and the Republic of Lithuania has become the 115th country with which Myanmar has established diplomatic relations.—MNA

UPWC, KIO sign new ...

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The seven-point agreement is as follows—

- (a) The two sides agreed to continue according to the following preliminary procedure as the government has invited KIO to join nationwide ceasefire signing to enter into political dialogue.
- (1) The Union government shall send and discuss the plans
- (2) The government agreed to hold Ethnic Armed Groups Conference as demanded by KIO delegation
- (b) The two sides acknowledged the de-escalation of the conflict since May 28-30 talks and attributed it to regular interaction between the technical teams and enhanced communication between troops from

both sides and agreed to continue coordinating to avoid recurrence of clashes;

- (c) The two sides agreed that the technical teams of two sides and departments concerned shall continue coordinating on adopting of basic principles and a plan for return and resettlement of IDPs; the two sides also agreed to undertake in coordination with each other the pilot project in four villages;
- (d) The two sides agreed to form Joint Monitoring Committee based on an organizational structure that can cover all conflict regions to de-escalate the military tensions and avoid recurrence of clashes; the technical teams of two sides shall

take further actions to adopt operational plan based on Joint Monitoring Committee Structure (Attached-1) and terms of reference—five basic principles and 18 rules (Attachment-2);

- (e) The two sides agreed to reopen through coordination as quickly as possible the public and arterial roads in Kachin State closed because of conflict;
- (f) KIO agreed to organize public consultation through prior coordination with authorities concerned;
- (g) The two sides agree that the technical teams shall coordinate on future work programmes and coordinate on soonest holding of next peace talks.—MNA

Pyidaungsu Hluttaw Speaker attends closing of 129th IPU Assembly



Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann attends closing of 129th IPU Assembly.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw and Pyithu Hluttaw Thura U Shwe Mann attended the third day session of the 129th Assembly of Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) in Geneva of Switzerland yesterday morning.

This afternoon, Presi-

dent of IPU Mr Abdulwahad Radi delivered an address at the closing ceremony.

In the morning, the Speaker of Pyidaungsu Hluttaw met Speaker of Sabha Ms Meria Kumar of India at CICG Hall and Senior Director Mr Sushent Palakurthi Rao of Geneva-

based World Economic Forum and party.

At the invitation of Speaker of the Council of States of Switzerland Mr Filippo Lombardi, the Pyidaungsu Hluttaw left Geneva at 6 pm and arrived at Bern in Switzerland at 8 pm.—MNA

PERSPECTIVES

Friday, 11 October, 2013

What Myanmar's changing face earns

After years of economic sanctions, Myanmar has returned to the global stage with a series of political reforms. Myanmar has now become the darling of the world in international relations. The world powers have treated her with respect, providing economic and social aids. It is a pride for its citizens. With better international relations, the country has seen emerging economic opportunities.

China, Japan, the US and South Korea are the global technological and economic powers. President U Thein Sein met ASEAN leaders and leaders of these powers on the sidelines of ASEAN Summit in Brunei Darussalam. They discussed matters related to Myanmar and the world at ASEAN-Japan, ASEAN-Korea, ASEAN-China and ASEAN-US Summits. The meetings focused on the emerging economic opportunities of Myanmar. Myanmar will take ASEAN Chairmanship in 2014. It would create a great environment to develop closer connectivity, especially economic and trade opportunities. The country will also see larger amount of foreign investments.

The warmer international relations will bring good to the people. Increase in exports, new job opportunities, and greater number of social, cultural and economic exchanges are the profits. It would also create socio-economic status of the people.

While the government is working for changing the face of the country, the internal peace is a necessity. Stability is the dignity of the nation. It boosts the country's reputation. In time of closer ties with world powers, the entire people should respect law and help ensure the stability.

Auxiliary firefighters from Nay Pyi Taw Council area undergoing training

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct— Auxiliary firemen from Nay Pyi Taw Council Area have received firefighting training in Pyinmana.

The training was opened at Pyinmana Township Fire Station on 7 October with an address by Director of the Fire Services Department U Thant Kyaw

Kyaw.

Auxiliary firefighters from Pyinmana, Lewe, Tatkon, Zeyathiri, Pobbathiri, Ottarathira, Zabuthiri and Dakkhinathiri townships are attending the four-week training course which runs up to 1st November.

Min Min Latt
(Mann Tekkatho)



President U Thein Sein meets Thai PM, US Secretary...

(from page 16) and exchanged views on bilateral relations and friendship and taking ASEAN Chairmanship by Myanmar.

At 6.10 am local time, President U Thein Sein met with New Zealand Prime Minister Mr John Key.

During the meeting, they discussed matters on promoting relations between governments, parliaments and peoples of the two countries, prospects for investment in agriculture, livestock breed-

ing, mining and energy sectors by New Zealand companies, sending agriculturalists to New Zealand, English proficiency courses for teachers and becoming a member of East Asia Summit.

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President U Thein Sein shakes hands with US

Secretary of State

Mr. John Kerry.—MNA



President U Thein Sein holds talks with New Zealand Prime Minister Mr John Key.

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Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham receives US ambassador

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct— Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham received US Ambassador to Myanmar Mr. Derek Mitchell at Credentials Hall of Presidential Palace, here, this evening.

It was also attended by Union Ministers U Tin Naing Thein and U Khin Yi, Deputy Ministers Brig-Gen Kyaw Zan Myint and U Phone Swe and officials.

At the call, they discussed procedures for stability and development of Rakhine State, settlement of problems for peaceful coexistence between the two communities and support from international communities.

Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham on his part said that arrangements are being made to scrutinize illegal migrants to be able to address compatibility between the two communities in Rakhine State conflict resolution procedures, saying it needs as-



Vice-President Dr Sai Mauk Kham poses for documentary photo with US Ambassador Mr. Derek Mitchell at Presidential Palace.—MNA

sistance of third party to that end.

The US ambassador disclosed that he wishes to include a deadline in the procedures and more efforts for press release. He also pledged that he will strive for more participation of international organizations.

MNA

Tender winners announced for 10 onshore blocks

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct— The Ministry of Energy today announced tender winners for the Myanmar Onshore Blocks Second Bidding Round 2013 to be carried out as JV on 18 onshore blocks. It was attended by the chairman of the spokesperson and information team of the ministry, the director-general of Energy Planning Department, managing directors and officials.—MNA

Press meet on opening and closing ceremonies of SEA Games, conveyance of torch on 12 Oct

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—A press meet will be held for entertainment programmes of opening and closing ceremonies of the XXVII SEA Games and conveyance of torch at the National Indoor Stadium-1 in Thuwunna, Yangon, at 3 pm on 12 October.

Reporters from media may attend the press meet organized by Ministry of Culture.—MNA

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President U Thein Sein attends ...

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other countries as the ASEAN chairman and to maintain the ASEAN Centrality as well, he added.

He said that he was pleased with the accepting of the ASEAN Chairmanship from Brunei that was able to serve as role model in the march towards the ASEAN Community. Myanmar will take concrete steps to carry out the remaining tasks of the ASEAN Community Roadmap together with ASEAN member countries while striving for the emergence of a follow-up task further strengthening the ASEAN

Community, he noted.

To ensure a peaceful and prosperous community and for the community to flourish all the member countries need to be united. Towards this end, Moving Forward in Unity, To a Peaceful and Prosperous Community was chosen as the motto of the ASEAN Chairman for 2014, he said. The ASEAN has constantly shown the unity and will continue to maintain the fine tradition. And Myanmar attached great importance to the chairmanship as it is the first time for it after it has become ASEAN members and pledged to successfully

discharge that duty, he said.

He continued that he thanked the Excellency and his people for treating Myanmar people as families since Myanmar has become ASEAN members as well as ASEAN and its partner countries that assisted in Myanmar's nation-building endeavours. He said Myanmar as a responsible member nation will be working hard for success of the ASEAN and expressed his belief that he will be able to successfully take the chairmanship with the help of member countries.

Afterwards, videos on ASEAN cooperation of Myanmar that will take the chairmanship was shown.

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President U Thein Sein addressing closing ceremony of 23rd ASEAN Summit and related Summits.—MNA

Daw Khin Khin Win observes Royal Regalia Building in Bandar Seri Begawan of Brunei



Daw Khin Khin Win, wife of President U Thein Sein, visits Royal Regalia Building in Bandar Seri Begawan of Brunei.—MNA

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—Daw Khin Khin Win, wife of President U Thein Sein, visited the Royal Regalia Building in Bandar Seri Begawan of Brunei this morning. She looked round royal artifacts booth used in Brunei king's coronation in 1968,

royal booth, coronation silver jubilee booth and booth of history and development of Brunei displayed in the building.

She then went to Agro-technology Park where she grew a Medisca Almond sapling and observed growing of vegetable, orchid and

flowering plants through modern technology in the greenhouse.

In the evening, Daw Khin Khin Win together with the wife of Brunei Prime Minister, met with the spouse of Brunei king at Brunei Royal Palace.

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Seventh day session of Pyithu Hluttaw

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able to fulfill oil and gas requirements. Plans are underway to cooperate with internationally experienced companies for exploration and production of oil and gas in some onshore and offshore blocks by inviting international tenders, the Union minister said.

The ministry has been generating 3614.9 megawatts from 20 hydropower plants, 10 gas power plants

and one coal-fired power plant. In mining sector, the Ministry of Mines is promoting the role of private sector for effective implementation of the tasks, he said.

The Ministry of Industry is striving for emergence of Energy Efficiency and Conservation Law. The Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation is generating small-scale hydropower through canals of irrigation projects, the Union minister said.

Actions alone cannot eliminate ...

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concerned will follow them willingly. Discrimination against students who cannot afford tuition fees should not be allowed in the today's classrooms. Education Min-

istry is responsible to manage the academic system. Such kind of unwanted situation can be addressed by taking effective measures in the academic sector.

“The Speaker gave

The Ministry of Energy has formed information team to release the news. The questions relating to the ministry sent to Public Service Capacity Assessment Committee are replied in real time, he added.

At today's meeting, Pyithu Hluttaw reported Bill on Myanmar Special Economic Zone sent back by Amyotha Hluttaw with its amendment.

The meeting ended at 11:20 am and the 8th day session continues tomorrow.—MNA

an answer which is agreed with my question. I have not fully satisfied with the reply of the ministry. I hope the ministry will be able to meet the public desire. The ministry should reconsider the ineffective order seriously,” U Nu expressed his view during an interview with him.—MNA

Yangon International Trade Exhibition kicks off

YANGON, 10 Oct—The Yangon International Trade Exhibition 2013, organized by Dagon Exhibition Ltd, was opened at Tatmadaw Convention Hall in Dagon Township today, attended by Chief Minister of Yangon Region U Myint Swe.

Chief Minister U Myint Swe, Region Minister for Planning and Economic U Than Myint, Managing Director U Aung San of First National Insurance Public Co Ltd and Director U Aung Aung of Dagon Exhibition Ltd formally opened the ex-

hibition.

The exhibition displays home decorations, construction materials, modern furniture, kitchen utensils, paints, industrial equipment, electric and electronic equipment, mobile phone, computer and accessories, stationery, medicines, cosmetics, textile and fashion wares, foodstuffs, health services, education service training schools, business and monetary services, car showroom, fuel and lubricant, tyre, car audio and accessories, engines, airlines and travel services, employment agencies and insurance services. Moreover, economists will give talks on economic opportunities.

The exhibition will last up to 13 October.

NLM

1010 doctors cancelled from black list

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct—The Union government is placing emphasis on political and economic reforms while realizing the democracy in line with the Constitution.

Some companies and individuals from various arenas were put into the black list in the past due to various reasons so as to safeguard the national in-

terest of the State. As restrictions are being relieved in line with the changes of the system, the cancellation of black lists is posted at the President Office Website.

Now, a total of 1010 doctors were cancelled of the black list from the Ministry of Health, and their list is posted at the President Office Website.

MNA

Opening of Yangon International Trade Exhibition 2013 in progress.

MNA



Mini book corners updated with new publications



People enjoying reading of publications at mini book corner in Dawei.

DAWEI, 10 Oct—Dawei District Information and Public Relations Department has opened public libraries for raising reading habit of the people.

Moreover, the district office opened mini book cor-

ners for enabling the people to have reading opportunities at any time.

The District IPRD has opened wall mini book corners at busy places and public sites. In addition, with the assistance of seven wellwish-

ers, the mini book corners stretch its arms to the rural areas. Staff of the district office updated 12 kinds of new applications at the mini book corners on 2 October.

Kyemon-Dawei District IPRD

Voluntary Works

Red Cross members leave for Rakhine State

MAWLAMYINE, 10 Oct—Rakhine State faces not only impacts of natural disasters but also miseries of recent conflicts. Therefore, members of Red Cross are to take care of victims in line with the disciplines and oaths. The Red Cross members must not involve in the any affairs of national and religion, focusing on relief works with genuine

goodwill, said Chief Minister U Ohn Myint in meet with the members of Red Cross Brigade at Aung San Hall of Mon State Government Office on 4 October.

Mon State Minister for Development Affairs Dr Toe Toe Aung handed over K2.5 million provided by State Government and Commander of Mon State Police Force Police Col

Myo Swe Win, K 200,000 for the Red Cross members bound for Rakhine State to Staff Officer Grade I U Kyaw Myint of the State Red Cross Brigade.

They left for Yangon on 6 October and will discharge duties at the relief works in the recently conflict-hit areas of Rakhine State for one month.

Kyemon-694

Crime

Illegal timber without owner seized in Moeso timber extraction area in Gangaw

GANGAW, 10 Oct—Gangaw Township Forest Department is taking action against those who committed illegal timber extraction and transportation and giving educative talks on the illegal timber traffickers.

A team comprising Assistant Director U Kyaw Min Thein of Gangaw District Forest Department, Staff Officer U Than Kyaw of Gangaw Township Forest Department and Senior Forester U Than Htay seized 24 pieces of ironwood sawn timber weighing 5.10 tons and four logs of ironwood weighing 2.34 tons on 3 October, one log

of ironwood weighing 0.19 ton, one piece of gim-kino sawn timber weighing 0.18 ton, one log of gim-kino log weighing 0.49 ton, 54 pieces of sawn gim-kino timber weighing 1.82 tons on 4 October and nine pieces of ironwood sawn timber weighing 1.81 tons and three logs of teak weighing 0.81 ton in Moeso timber extraction area.

Arrangements are being made to hand over the seized timbers to Myanmar Timber Enterprise as quickly as possible, said Staff Officer U Than Kyaw of Township Forest Department.—*Kyemon-465*

Bus with break failure hits wall on opposition way

YANGON, 10 Oct—A bus from Than Myan Thu bus line driven by U Aung Myint, son of U Maung Nyunt of No. 1010, Aungtheikdi Street in Phawgan Ward in Insein Township heading

for north from south along Strand Road run into the wall of Queen Star restaurant on the opposite way of road in front of Hsinmin Market in Hsinmin Ward of Ahlon Township due to



Accident

break failure at 9.30 am on 9 October.

In the incident, a 14-foot pavement and 14 feet wide wall of the restaurant were damaged. The windscreen, banper and left tyre were damaged at the bus. There was no injury at passengers, driver and bus conductor.

Ahlon Township Traffic Police Force takes action against the driver.

Kyemon-Tin Maung Oo (Ahlon)

Comedians friendly football match for the first time on 22 Oct

YANGON, 10 Oct—Comedians from Yangon and Mandalay will meet in the friendly football match at Aung San Stadium on 22 October, said Chairman of Mandalay Comedian Philanthropic Association Comedian U Chit Sayar.

The football friendly will be the introduction between the comedian associations of Mandalay and Yangon.

Yangon comedians association will cost the transport and accommodation charges of those from Mandalay. Vocalist Lily Naing Kyaw will sponsor

the sports suits of comedians. The association was formed with the aim of providing assistance to health and basic needs of older comedians and education of their children, said veteran comedian U Htin Paw.

Kyemon-Ba Oo (Mann)

Site donated for construction of sub-power station in Mottama

PAUNG, 10 Oct—Township Bus Line Supervisory Committee of Paung Township in Mon State donated to Mon State Electricity Supply Enterprise to build a 33/11 KV 5 MVA sub-power station.

The ceremony was held at the office of Paung Township General Administration Department on 5 October so as to supply electricity to

Mottama and its surrounding villages.

The agreement was signed between the donor and receiver at the ceremony.

Mon State Minister for Electricity and Industry U Nai Lawi Aung explained that the sub-power station to be built on the plot of the land will supply sufficient supply of electricity to the

local people and it will be contribution to the rural development.

Next, the chairman of the Township Bus Line Supervisory Committee handed over the documents related to the land plot to Mon State Electrical Engineer U Aung Kyaw Hein who spoke words of thanks.

Kyemon-Thet Oo (Thaton)



The land plot donation for construction of sub-power station in progress.

Population, census-taking talked

NYAUNGLEBIN, 10 Oct—Head of Township Information and Public Relations Department Daw Ni Ni Win gave talks on participation of people in taking national census to be held in March 2014 and Daw Moe Sanda Win of the department prevention against trafficking in persons.

Next, staff of the department displayed publications as public service media to the people.

Kyemon-Khin Maung Lwin

REGIONAL

Cooperation highlighted at 16th ASEAN Plus Three Summit



Leaders of the East Asia Summit pose for a group photo with their spouses before a gala dinner held by Brunei Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah in Bandar Seri Begawan, Brunei, on 9 Oct, 2013. Chinese Premier Li Keqiang was present at the dinner here on Wednesday.—XINHUA

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 10 Oct—The 16th Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Plus Three Summit (APT) opened here on Thursday with the leaders pledging to further enhance their cooperation in a wide range of areas so as to contribute to an East Asia Community.

Bruneian Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah, who now chairs the 10-nation bloc, said in his opening remarks that the APT countries aim

to ensure economic recovery, financial stability and to deepen links amongst the countries in order to strengthen regional cooperation towards building an East Asia Community.

He highlighted measures by the countries to strengthen regional surveillance mechanism and financial safety net, saying it will contribute to enhancing financial stability, ensuring sustainable economic growth and further deepening

the integration of the East Asia region.

Hassanal, meanwhile, called for further cooperation between the APT countries, in enhancing regional supply chain with the focus on development of small and medium enterprises in the region, encouraging all relevant stakeholders' involvement and fully utilizing existing means to support the efforts.

He also called a timely and successful conclusion

of negotiations on the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) on the socio-cultural aspect, adding the countries should strengthen people-to-people ties through education, exchanges and tourism.

Hassanal said all sides have to address challenges and step up efforts in key areas of common interest such as health-related issues, including emerging infectious disease and pandemic preparedness and response.

Collaborations on the APT emergency rice preserve, energy security and disaster management and connectivity should also be improved, according to the sultan, who added the APT should utilize the East Asia Forum and the network of East Asia think tanks for a better cooperation.

In an address to the summit, Chinese Premier Li Keqiang spoke highly of the ASEAN Plus Three cooperation, saying it has played an important role in stabilizing the region's economy and made significant contribution to the economic growth of East Asia and the world at large. He said the countries should remain committed to maintaining peace and stability in the region, firmly adhere to the principles of mutually beneficial cooperation and common development, and give top priority to economic development and people's well-being, so as to ensure the East Asia cooperation will stay on the track of sound growth.

South Korean President Park Geun-hye said at the summit that she hopes the

APT will serve as an opportunity to make the vision of mechanism more concrete and actionable.

She said South Korea will take an active part in the process of building a peaceful and prosperous East Asian Community, adding it is critically important for all sides to translate specific plans into actions.

Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe reiterated his goal of creating an open, vigorous East Asia rich in innovation, saying innovative and concrete results have been achieved.

He added that the APT is an important regional cooperation framework, along with Japan-China-ROK trilateral cooperation and the East Asia Summit, and hopes for further development of regional cooperation. Inaugurated in 1997, the APT comprises all 10 ASEAN member states and China, South Korea and Japan with its main focus on economic cooperation. As of now, the APT has become the major pillar of East Asia cooperation.

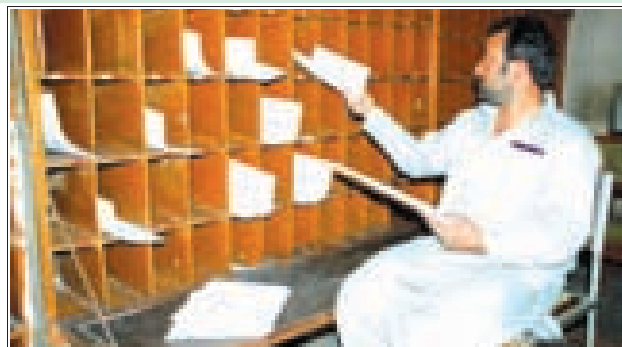
Xinhua

Floods kill 104, affect 1.5 million people in Cambodia

PHNOM PENH, 10 Oct—Floods from Mekong River and heavy rainfall have killed at least 104 people and affected about 1.5 million people in Cambodia in the last three weeks, a senior disaster control official said on Wednesday. "The latest figures showed that the floods have killed 104 people and affected around 1.5 million people in 20 flood-hit provinces," Nhim Vanda, vice president of the National Committee for Disaster Management (NCDM), told Xinhua over telephone.

He said that local authorities have been continuing to evacuate affected people to higher grounds as emergency reliefs from donors and the Cambodian Red Cross have been distributing to affected families.

Besides, some 250,000 hectares of rice paddy are inundated, he said, adding that more than 100 km of national roads and over 300 km of gravel roads have been damaged.—Xinhua



A man sorts out mails at a post office in southwest Pakistan's Quetta on the World Post Day, on 9 Oct, 2013.

World Post Day is celebrated each year on 9 Oct, the anniversary of the establishment of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) in 1874 in the Swiss capital, Berne. It was declared World Post Day by the UPU Congress held in Tokyo, Japan, in 1969.—XINHUA

Wave of violence hits S Thailand

BANGKOK, 10 Oct—Multiple bombing, arson and gun attacks in the deep Southern Thailand on Wednesday left a female teacher and two rangers dead in one of the biggest coordinated waves of suspected insurgent violence in years.

Government sources said the attacks in Narathiwat, Yala, Pattani and Songkhla were intended to mark the founding anniversaries of the Barisan Revolusi Nasional (BRN) and Pattani United Liberation Organization (PULO) rebel groups.

More than 40 attacks

were reported across 17 districts of these four provinces.

Eleven attacks—six bombings, four arson incidents, and one tanker theft—were reported in five districts of Narathiwat, Pol Maj Gen Patthanawuth Angkhanawin, chief of the Narathiwat provincial police said. In Yala, 11 ATM bomb attacks in Muang, Yaha and Bannang Sata districts were reported. Suspected insurgents stole an empty tanker usually used for carrying water from Narathiwat's Rueso District and filled it with fuel.—Xinhua

Fresh vegetables keep Mos Burger a popular chain

TOKYO, 10 Oct—Hideyuki Sato, 38, who has loved trees and flowers since his childhood, believes his current job is the most suitable one for him.

As chief leader of the agribusiness group at Mos Food Services Inc, the operator of Mos Burger hamburger restaurants, Sato procures vegetables to be used for hamburgers directly from farmers across Japan.

Unlike many other fast food chains that prepare hamburgers beforehand, Mos Food Services starts making a hamburger with fresh vegetables after it receives an order.

The company, which runs about 1,400 shops across the country, sticks to a policy of not using vegetables that are produced abroad or preserved for long periods in refrigerators as it believes its customers favor its food because of freshness.

Sato and his colleagues go to see contract farmers many times a year to keep themselves updated on how they are growing vegetables and confirm

Photo taken on 6 Sept, 2013, shows Hideyuki Sato, chief leader of the agribusiness group at Tokyo-based Mos Food Services Inc, the operator of Mos Burger hamburger restaurants. Sato procures vegetables to be used for hamburgers directly from farmers across Japan.



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whether they are not using any excessive amounts of pesticides or chemical fertilizers.

"We always take care so customers can eat our food without any worries," Sato said.

Mos Burger restaurants are open at all times of the year and need to prepare fresh vegetables such as tomatoes, lettuce and onions, each day.

The Tokyo-based company has thus contracted with some 3,000 farmers from Hokkaido to Okinawa

Prefecture, making it possible to use vegetables from northern Japan during the summer, while procuring those from southern Japan during the winter.

"I travel around to see those farmers in more than half a year, and don't spend much time at home," he said. Sato, from Koshigaya, Saitama Prefecture, enjoyed climbing mountains with his father in his childhood and developed a liking for trees, plants and flowers in due course.

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Rescuers are seen at the site of a road accident at the Wuguan section of National Highway 312 in Danfeng County, northwest China's Shaanxi Province, on 8 Oct, 2013. 26 people were injured, among whom nine were badly injured, after a passenger bus overturned here on Tuesday morning. — XINHUA

Jihadists claim attack on Cairo's satellite dish

CAIRO, 10 Oct—A jihadist group dubbed "al-Furqan" on Tuesday claimed responsibility for an attack on a state satellite station in Cairo, a statement on the group's official website said.

On Monday, masked gunmen fired rocket-propelled grenade (RPG) at the main premises of the communication satellite dish in Maadi District, injuring one person. One of the dishes used for international phone calls was damaged as the rockets left a 25-centimetre breach in a satellite dish. But the communications were not affected.

In a video posted on-

line, the group said it hit the "infidel mouthpiece" of Egypt's military-installed authorities. "Your brothers in al-Furqan announce the targeting of the headquarters of communication, the tongue of the pharaohs, with two RPGs so that the media of the infidels know we are coming," the group said.

The group called for Jihad (holy war) to either meet victory of martyrdom.

The YouTube video shows masked men dressed in black getting ready to fire the RPGs during the night, but the authenticity of the video could not be verified.

Series of attacks on

Monday by unknown perpetrators targeting security headquarters and army patrol along with hitting the satellite in the capital and Sinai came one day after Egypt marked the 40th anniversary of on 6 Oct, 1973 war. Egyptians flooded the main squares for celebrations, and to renew their authorization for the army against terrorism.

Over the past three months, after the armed forces toppled Islamist President Mohamed Morsi, Egypt has witnessed a series of gunmen assaults on government institutions, especially police stations and army checkpoints.

Xinhua



Visitors view exhibits in a Yixing purple clay teapot show in Taipei, southeast China's Taipei, on 8 Oct, 2013. A total of 260 sets of first-rate Yixing teapots were exhibited in Taipei on Tuesday, attracting many visitors. XINHUA

1.2 tons of cocaine seized in Dominican Republic

SANTO DOMINGO, 10 Oct—Authorities in the southern Dominican Republic seized more than a ton of cocaine and arrested three suspects, including two foreigners, on Tuesday. Miguel Medina, spokesman for the National Directorate for Drug Control (DNCD), told a Press conference that the operation took place offshore early Tuesday, some 65 km southwest of the capital Santo Domingo.

The cache of drugs, a total of 1,200 kg packed into 1,060 packets, was hidden inside a boat intercepted by the DNCD with the help of boats from the Dominican navy and air force, and the US Drug Enforcement Agency and the US Coast Guard, he said. "It was necessary to neutralize the boat by shooting several times at the motors, since the vessel's occupants tried to resist capture," Medina said.

He did not reveal the suspects' identities, except that the two non-nationals were a Colombian and a Venezuelan.

The Dominican Republic is used as a shipping point for drugs heading from South America to Europe and the United States.

According to official figures, more than five tons of cocaine have been seized in the country so far this year.—Xinhua

Canadian library waives fines on overdue materials to encourage returns

VANCOUVER, 10 Oct—Canada's Vancouver Public Library (VPL) announced on Tuesday it will waive fines on long overdue materials during its Welcome Back Week in a bid to re-engage patrons who may be reluctant to return to the library owing to accumulated overdue fines.

The one-time initiative is the first of its kind offered by VPL, the third largest public library system in Canada that serves nearly 350,000 active card holders

at 21 branches across the city of Vancouver.

"We know that some people simply stay away from the library when they have long overdue books," said the library's board chair, Catherine Evans.

"We miss those patrons, and we've launched our Welcome Back Week to encourage them to come back—without worrying about fines for those items that may have built up over months or years." According to the library, Welcome

Back Week will run from 21-27 October. During that time patrons can return their long overdue materials — those that are more than six weeks overdue — in person, to any branch, without having to pay the associated charges.

The library's policy stated that the maximum fines for overdue materials could range from 5 to 25 Canadian dollars, and it said it has already heard about items that may be decades overdue.—Xinhua

ENTERTAINMENT

Jennifer Ehle to star in Fifty Shades of Grey movie adaptation

LOS ANGELES, 10 Oct—Actress Jennifer Ehle has been roped in to play Anastasia Steele's mother in the big screen adaptation of the erotic novel *Fifty Shades of Grey*.

The 43-year-old actress is well known for her BAFTA winning role as Elizabeth Bennet in the successful 1995 miniseries *Pride and Prejudice*.

Ehle will play Carla, who is the mother of Anastasia Steele, the college student who falls for 27-year-old billionaire Christian Grey. Dakota Johnson is starring as Steele and Charlie Hunnam will play Grey, *the Hollywood Reporter* said.

Universal and Focus Features' forthcoming adaptation, based on EL James' racy and extremely popular novel, is being directed by Sam Taylor-Johnson and produced by Michael De Luca and Dana Brunetti alongside author James.

Ehle, who most recently shot the upcoming *Robocop* film, has previously appeared in *Zero Dark Thirty* and *Contagion*.

She was also tapped for a role in upcoming heist movie *The Forger*.—Reuters



Jennifer Ehle in a still from *Zero Dark Thirty*.

Julian Assange biopic *The Fifth Estate* to close Mumbai film festival

MUMBAI, 10 Oct—Director Bill Condon's *The Fifth Estate*, about WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange, will close the 15th Mumbai Film Festival.

Condon's film, starring British actor Benedict Cumberbatch as Assange, made its world premiere as the opening film at the Toronto International Film Festival.

Co-produced by Dream-

Works and Participant Media, the story narrates how Assange and his colleague Daniel Domscheit-Berg (Daniel Bruhl) team up to become underground watchdogs of the privileged and powerful and create a platform that allows whistleblowers to anonymously leak covert data. The film has been slammed by WikiLeaks who claim that it carries several inaccuracies including

its portrayal of Assange.

Mumbai film festival, organized by the Mumbai Academy of Moving Image, has a lineup of over 200 movies from 65 countries this year besides launching new initiatives as part of the Mumbai Film Mart.

The festival will be held from 17-24 October. Lee Daniel's *The Butler* is the opening film.

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The Fifth Estate made its world premiere as the opening film at the Toronto International Film Festival.

Shraddha Kapoor excited about working with Mohit Suri in *The Villain*



Shraddha

MUMBAI, 10 Oct—After working with Mohit Suri in *Aashiqui 2*, actress Shraddha Kapoor is working with the director in his next film, titled *The Villain* and is excited about it. The *Villain*, an Ekta Kapoor production, also features Siddharth Malhotra and

Riteish Deshmukh.

"I am very happy that I am going to work with Mohit Suri again right after *Aashiqui 2*. So I am very excited about that," Shraddha told reporters here on Monday during the unveiling of new collection of Titan Raga watches.

Aashiqui 2, a sequel to the 1990 hit *Aashiqui* featured Shraddha opposite Aditya Roy Kapur and was a superhit. It not only earned great reviews and entered Rs 100 crore club but also revived Shraddha's career.

Shraddha has no complaints now.

"(I have) no complaints (now) and I feel very grateful. It is a good time (for me) so no complaints at all," Shraddha, who began her career with a flop *Teen Patti* in 2010, said.

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Reality TV stars Kris and Bruce Jenner say they have separated

Kris Jenner's office did not immediately respond to a message seeking comment.

Kris Jenner, 57, whose Fox TV talk show "Kris" is awaiting word on its renewal after a six-week trial

run in the summer, is the mother of Kourtney, Kim and Khloe Kardashian, the three sisters who lead the *E!* reality series "Keeping Up with the Kardashians," and also star in spin-off shows.

Bruce Jenner, 63, won the gold medal in the decathlon at the 1976 Summer Olympics in Montreal.

Kris Jenner was previously married to the late Robert Kardashian, a defence attorney for O.J. Simpson during the former football player's sensational 1995 murder trial.

Reuters



Television personality Kris Jenner

Miley Cyrus working on *Bangerz* follow up

LOS ANGELES, 10 Oct—Pop star Miley Cyrus is already planning the follow up to her latest album *Bangerz*, which has only just been released.

The We Can't Stop singer's latest album has only just come out, but she is already thinking about how to follow it up and writing new songs, reported *Ace Showbiz*.

"Everyone thinks I'm crazy but that's just because I have so much to say. I'm already at a different time than I was when I finished the record. Because I'm working so much I'm so disconnected, I feel like, from life. But then I wonder if it's me that's disconnected," a source said.

"Because when I go home I see non-productive people I'm like, 'What are you doing?' I need something to work for, and I think when you have the drive that's why I've been able to be successful so that's literally all I think about. But that's fun for me. That makes me happy," she added.

The *Wrecking Ball* star is also looking forward to



Miley is looking forward to going on tour and seeing how people react to her new songs live.

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SPORTS

FA chairman wants change to rules after Torres escape



Chelsea's Fernando Torres

Spurs and Chelsea at White Hart Lane on September 28 but could not be punished retrospectively as the officials had seen part of the incident.

But Dyke, making the keynote speech at the Leaders in Football business conference at Stamford Bridge said the decision "can't be right" and he would be taking steps to change the rules.

"When the FA's disciplinary department find themselves in a position that they don't have the authority to take action for what was an obvious scratch on the face, that just can't be right," he said.

"What this means is that despite the rules being changed in the summer to allow action to be taken in incidents not properly seen by the officials, they clearly weren't changed enough.

"When millions of fans watching on television around the world can see an incident like this and the FA does not take action, it is understandably baffling to everyone and has to be addressed.

LONDON, 10 Oct—Chelsea's Fernando Torres should not have escaped punishment for scratching Tottenham's Jan Vertonghen around the face and the FA's disciplinary rules should be tightened up, chairman Greg Dyke said on Wednesday.

The Spanish striker was caught on camera gouging his fingernails into Belgian defender's face and neck during the Premier League match between

"As chairman of the FA, I just don't like being in a position where I can't explain why no action has been taken in cases which seem pretty obvious."

Torres escaped punishment for his facial assault on the Belgian but was given a yellow card for a trip on the defender that preceded the altercation and was later sent off after picking up a second yellow for another challenge on Vertonghen.

Dyke told *Reuters* later: "Frankly, it makes us look old fashioned and out of touch not to act on this kind of thing, and I want to get it changed as soon as it is possible to do so."

Torres was handed a one-match ban for his dismissal against Spurs but avoided a lengthier sanction when the FA met to review the incident a few days after the match. The Spanish international will, however, spend a little longer on the sidelines after picking up an injury in Chelsea's Champions League match at Steaua Bucharest last week.—*Reuters*

US say rules need to change before any new World Cup bid



US forward Landon Donovan (10) is mobbed by teammates after scoring against Guatemala on a penalty kick in the second half during their friendly soccer match in San Diego, California on 5 July, 2013.—*REUTERS*

LONDON, 10 Oct—The United States would not bid again to host soccer's World Cup unless the rules were changed to clarify how the tournament is awarded, the head of the US Soccer Federation said on Wednesday.

The Americans, who hosted the tournament in 1994, were one of the four countries who lost out to tiny Qatar in the contest to stage the 2022 finals and there had been speculation that they would bid again for the next tournament, underlining the country's status as a growing influence in the game.

However, USSF president Sunil Gulati, who is also on the FIFA executive committee, said: "The rules need to change, the procedures need to be very different from they are now."

Gulati said the Americans would not bid if the main aim was, for example, to take the sport to new markets as in the case of Qatar. He also said there needed to be clarity on the rotation policy between different parts of the world.

"The rules need to be clearer, tighter. The process need to be better," he told

the Leaders in Football Conference. Should the US go ahead with a bid for the 2026 World Cup, Mexican League President Decio De Maria said his country could play a role. "Do it with some Mexican cities there," he said in a panel discussion with Gulati.

FIFA is reviewing whether to move the 2022 tournament to winter from its normal June-July slot because of the unforgiving heat in Qatar's summer.

The governing body has been criticized for failing to take the heat into account when the tournament was awarded, raising broader concerns about a lack of transparency in the bidding process.

Officials involved in England's failed bid for 2018 were also frustrated that they went through the whole bidding process only to be told after Russia got the nod that FIFA had wanted to take the tournament to a new region.

FIFA has said already said decisions on future World Cup hosts will be made by its full 200-plus national associations, rather than relying on the executive committee.—*Reuters*

Korean Choi eyes Asian Tour record

SINGAPORE, 10 Oct—South Korea's KJ Choi is aiming to become the first player to win the same Asian Tour event for three straight years when he tees off at this week's CJ Invitational.

"I'm eyeing a third win in this event but obviously it won't be easy. No player has done it on the Asian Tour before and I hope to be the first," the 43-year-old, who hosts the \$750,000 event in the city of Yeosu, said in an Asian Tour statement on Wednesday.

"But I'll also be happy if a younger player wins this event as well."

Choi fired a final round four-under-par 67 at the Haesley Nine Bridges Golf Club course last year to win the event by two shots from

compatriots Jang Dong-kyu and Bae Sang-moon, matching his margin of victory in the inaugural event in 2011.

An eight-times winner on the US PGA Tour, Choi is yet to claim a title this year but said he was in good form ahead of his own event. "I did not win this year but I made all the cuts in all the major tournaments so that's a positive sign for me," Choi said.

"I finished higher on the US PGA Tour rankings compared to last year so that's

another success for me." Swede Rikard Karlberg

believes Choi's reign will end this week with the Asian Tour field catching up on the world number 119's home advantage. "KJ has shown us how strong and solid his game is. He has lectured us like

small boys in this tournament but I think the players now are getting better and better and they are more used to the golf course," the twice Asian Tour winner said. "I think we will see another winner this year."—*Reuters*



K.J. Choi of South Korea



US long-distance swimmer Diana Nyad takes a breath during her 48-hour continuous swim at Herald Square in New York on 8 Oct, 2013.—*REUTERS*

Diana Nyad plunges into 48-hour charity swim in NYC

NEW YORK, 10 Oct—A month after a record-setting swim from Cuba to Florida, Diana Nyad has moved on from the real sharks of the Florida Straits to the metaphorical ones of New York City.

Nyad, who last month covered the 110 miles of open ocean in 53 hours on Tuesday set off on a 48-hour swim to nowhere in a pool in New York's Herald Square, in a charity event to raise money to help the 25,000 people who are still displaced from their homes a year after Superstorm Sandy hammered the New York

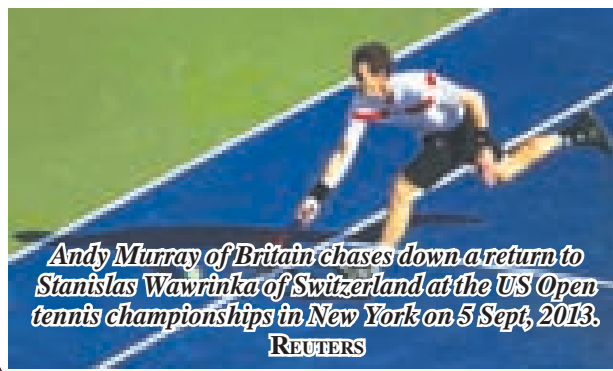
and New Jersey coastlines.

The challenges are different in the 120-foot-long (37-meter) two-lane pool set up by sponsor Procter & Gamble for her attempt near a busy Manhattan intersection.

"In Cuba there was this huge emotional pressure," Nyad told *Reuters*. "That was about setting a record. That was about ego. This is about other people."

Nyad's swim will attempt to raise money for disaster-relief organization AmeriCares by encouraging people to make online donations. *Reuters*

Murray pulls out of ATP World Finals



Andy Murray of Britain chases down a return to Stanislas Wawrinka of Switzerland at the US Open tennis championships in New York on 5 Sept, 2013. *REUTERS*

LONDON, 10 Oct—Wimbledon champion Andy Murray has withdrawn from next month's World Tour Finals in London as he continues his recovery from back surgery.

"I'm really disappointed not to be playing this year. I love playing in front of my home crowd, it's a great atmosphere," the British world number

three said in a statement on Wednesday. Murray had surgery last month to clear up a long-standing back problem. Rafael Nadal, Novak Djokovic and David Ferrer have already secured spots at the season-ending event, which is fought out between the top eight qualified players. The tournament runs from 4-11 November.—*Reuters*

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Somalia looks to rickety port to rebuild threatened state



A Somali man carries a bag of cement on his head, after it was unloaded from a ship, at Mogadishu's main port on 15 April, 2013.—REUTERS

MOGADISHU, 10 Oct—The dock workers at Mogadishu's port have to carry cargo on their backs to clear berths for the ships waiting out at sea. The dilapidated facility has no functioning cranes and the vessels must use their own gear to unload once they make it in.

Yet the port is one of the Somali government's main sources of revenue, despite minimal investment over the years. "It's the biggest asset the Somali government has," said Abdirashid Hashi, a former cabinet minister.

The sorry state of affairs shows the challenges Somalia faces as it tries to rebuild crumbling institutions and stabilize a nation under threat from an Islamist insurgency. Government efforts to improve the port

go to the heart of its desire to ease its reliance on foreign aid and generate more revenues to finance a security force capable of beating back al Shabaab militants.

"The more resources we have, the more institutions can function, and we can actually fight al Shabaab and the Islamist threat ourselves," Abdirahman Omar Osman, an adviser to the Somali presidency, told Reuters.

That threat was made clear again last month by the al Shabaab attack on a mall in Nairobi, Kenya, an incident which bore out international fears that chaotic Somalia provides a launch pad for militant Islam. Foreign governments and agencies have poured in aid to help rebuild Somalia after 20 years of war,

while security still largely depends on African peace-keeping troops who drove al Shabaab from the capital two years ago.

Donors want to see the federal government start to impose order with its own soldiers and introduce a new regime of financial management that will wean it off the donations.

The UN Monitoring Group on Somalia said in a report in July that the central bank received about \$2.7 million each month from the port, but the monitors estimate at least a third of all revenue is unaccounted for. The government has questioned some of the report's findings, saying they have "no basis in fact" but Osman conceded there are concerns with processing of port revenues.

Osman said income from the port in August was the highest in 20 years, heading towards \$5 million. But that still finances only a modest part of the government's budget that is meant to run security forces, pay civil service salaries, and fund other institutions across a nation of 10 million people. Diplomats estimate total aid to Somalia, which includes substantial military assistance, at "several hundred million dollars".—Reuters

Djokovic canters as Federer makes winning return

BEIJING, 10 Oct—Top seed Novak Djokovic launched his Shanghai Open title defence in fine style, breezing past Spain's Marcel Granollers 6-2, 6-0 on Wednesday.

Later Roger Federer, playing his first singles match since a fourth-round exit at the US Open, made a brisk return to winning ways, beating Andreas Seppi 6-4, 6-3.

Djokovic, who lost his world number one ranking to Rafa Nadal on Monday, needed treatment on his right foot during the second set of his match but it did not stop him from breaking his opponent three times to win at a canter.

"There's several tournaments left for me, this included, where I will try to go as far as I can... eventually have an opportunity to get back to No 1 (but) it doesn't depend only (on)

me, it depends (on) Nadal," said the Serb, who beat Nadal on Sunday in the China Open for his fourth title of the year.

"Now to build that confidence, try to (be more) aggressive on the court and get my game back to where it should be, that's the primary focus."

Federer, who is drawn to meet Djokovic in the quarter-finals, looked rusty at the start conceding a break in the fifth game against Seppi, who not beaten him in nine meetings.

But the Swiss, who is trying to garner enough points to book his place for next month's ATP World finale in London, got the break back in the next game to level the match at 3-3 and broke the Italian's serve once more to take out the first set.

The second set was

far more comfortable for the 17-times grand slam winner, who teamed up with little-known Chinese Zhang Ze for doubles action on Monday, as he held on to an early break without facing any problems on his serve.

Sixth seed Juan Martin del Potro overcame a slow start to beat German

Philipp Kohlschreiber 3-6, 6-3, 7-6(4).

Kohlschreiber, ranked number 23 in the world, served 22 aces and hit 50 winners against a sluggish del Potro. But the Argentine, who said he had been feeling ill, fought back to get an early break in the second set and get a grip on the match.—Reuters



Novak Djokovic of Serbia reacts after winning a point during his men's singles tennis match against Marcel Granollers of Spain at the Shanghai Masters tennis tournament in Shanghai on 9 Oct, 2013.

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Typhoon Fitow brings heavy downpours to E.China

BEIJING, 10 Oct—Torrential rains brought by typhoon Fitow have been lashing the city of Yuyao in east China's Zhejiang Province, inundating roads, houses and causing breaches at river dikes. 70 percent of the downtown area has been submerged. By Tuesday, Fitow had affected some 800,000 people in Yuyao.

Yuyao is being overwhelmed with a record amount of rain.

No one would have imagined that a Typhoon landing in Fujian province would plunge the city into chaos. From Saturday to Tuesday, the city saw an average of 717 millimeters of rainfall. And the water level at the Yaoji-

ang River has exceeded 5.3 meters. The rain and rising river level has set new records. 70% of the city's downtown core has been inundated, with the deepest point reaching 3 metres. Traffic is all but paralysed.

Life for hundreds of thousands has been turned upside down.

"I'm going back to the countryside. There is no water and power here." Local resident said.

"Both my home and my car have been submerged." Local resident said. There has been a stampede to buy up food and water, leaving local supermarkets with almost nothing. "All the roads are cut off. I can't buy anything." Local resident said.—Xinhua

President U Thein Sein attends closing of 23rd ASEAN Summit, handover of ASEAN Chairmanship to Myanmar

BANDAR SERI BEGAWAN, 10 Oct — President U Thein Sein attended the closing of the 23rd ASEAN Summit and the handover of the ASEAN Chairmanship to Myanmar held at the International Convention Centre in Bandar Seri Begawan

of Brunei at 4.30 pm LST today.

Also present on the occasion were heads of ASEAN State/Government, ministers, invited guests and the ASEAN Secretary-General.

At the ceremony, the King of Brunei Darus-

salam made a speech and handed over the ASEAN Chairmanship to President U Thein Sein.

Speaking on the occasion, President U Thein Sein praised His Excellency the King, the Brunei government and its people for its successful steering

of the ASEAN during the period of 2013. Brunei has been able to do its best for the People-Centred ASEAN which is part of the ASEAN efforts. In the international arena also, it has been able to further cement friendly ties with
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President U Thein Sein takes ASEAN Chairmanship handed over by Brunei King Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkhiah Muizzaddin Waddaulah.—MNA

President U Thein Sein meets Thai PM, US Secretary of State, Brunei King, New Zealand PM



President U Thein Sein shakes hands with Brunei King Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkhiah Muizzaddin Waddaulah.—MNA

BANDAR SERIBEGAWAN, 10 Oct— President of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar U Thein Sein and

Prime Minister of Thailand Ms Ying Luck Shinawatra held talks today over implementation of Dawei Deep

Seaport project and Dawei Special Economic Zone, construction of India-Myanmar-Thai Highway and promoting border trade.

At the meeting in Bandar Seri Begawan, they discussed measures to be taken by both countries for the Dawei Deep Seaport and the special economic zone, India-Myanmar-Thailand Highway and promoting border trade to normal trade at Myawady and Tachilek.

President U Thein Sein also met with US Secretary of State Mr John Kerry at the International Convention Centre in Bandar Seri Begawan.

They discussed matters on promoting bilateral relations. The US Secretary of State recognized the progress of reforms in Myanmar and offered cooperation between the two countries on tackling challenges of Myanmar and on economic development and rural development.

They also exchanged

views on ASEAN-US relations.

At 4 pm local time, President U Thein Sein met with Brunei King Sultan Haji Hassanal Bolkhiah Muizzaddin Waddaulah

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President U Thein Sein hold talks with Thai Prime Minister Ms. Ying Luck Shinawatra.—MNA

Actions alone cannot eliminate private tuitions of teachers: Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker

Seventh day session of Pyithu Hluttaw continues

NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct— Seventh day session of Pyithu Hluttaw continued today. Union Minister for Energy U Zeyar Aung replied to the questions raised by MP U Thein Lwin of Chauk Constituency. MP U Thein Lwin raised **question to make public the work progress of the government against the proposal that urges the government to more effectively implement the energy sector of Myanmar, and whether or not suitable programmes**

to get the people know efforts for energy sector development carried out by respective ministries in real time.

Regarding the first question, the Union minister replied that Myanmar's energy sector comprises oil and gas, electricity, coal, solar wind, small hydropower, bio-fuel, bio-gas, geothermal energy and nuclear power. National Energy Management Committee and Energy Development Committee were formed on 9 January 2013

for energy sector development in Myanmar, he said. Sector-wise tasks are undertaking to assist in drawing national energy policy and laws and rules by forming energy working committees, he added.

With regard to the second question, the Union minister said that the ministry has been carrying out the tasks for exploration of oil and gas and exploration through unconventional method in the oilfields to be
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NAY PYI TAW, 10 Oct— An order of prohibiting basic education teachers from giving private tuitions had already been issued by the Ministry of Education and punitive actions ranging from giving a warning to terminating some teachers who are seeking high earnings from their private tuitions are being taken if the investigations revealed they violated the order, Deputy Minister for Education Dr San Lwin responded to the question raised by U Nu of Yangon Region Constituency No (10).

He added that no plan

of sharing tuition fees on an appropriate basis is allowed to teachers to give tuitions to their students at schools, but supplementary classes are being provided free to students for ensuring improvement of their academic performance.

Private schools were allowed to establish starting since 2012-2013 academic year in accord with the law and bylaws and the recommendations of Region/State Education Officers. Now, the process of conducting Comprehensive Education Sector Review (CESR) is taking place and future

plans based on the findings will be submitted to the government and the parliament, he replied.

Regarding the answer of the deputy minister, the Amyotha Hluttaw Speaker said actions alone cannot eliminate the tuitions being given by teachers. The drive to eliminate the tuition remains ineffective due to inadequate school lessons. Students from private schools take no tuition as they have received adequate academic activities at their classrooms. Orders should be lawful and practical so that those
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