

NEWSIN brief

Kim murder suspects appear in Malaysia court

Two women accused of assassinating the half-brother of North Korea's leader appeared in a Malaysian court yesterday ahead of a murder trial that could see them hanged.

UN chief names German to head UNDP

UN chief Antonio Guterres has named a German with extensive experience at the world organization, Achim Steiner, as the new administrator of the UN Development Programme (UNDP).

Egypt church suicide bomber identified

Egypt's interior ministry said on Wednesday it had identified the suicide bomber behind a deadly attack at the weekend outside a church in the coastal city of Alexandria.

22 dead in blaze at Senegal retreat

A fire tore through makeshift straw shelters at a Muslim religious retreat in Senegal, killing at least 22 people and triggering a stampede, firefighters and local media said yesterday.



Children take part in celebrations marking Thingyan, a water festival which brings in the country's new year, in Yangon, Myanmar. Four southeast Asian nations of Myanmar, Thailand, Cambodia and Laos started the Buddhist new year yesterday.

INDIA BY-POLL RESULTS Ruling BJP makes impressive gains

Aside from a resounding victory in Delhi, the Bharatiya Janta Party (BJP) also made impressive gains in Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Assam and Rajasthan as the results of Sunday's by-election came in yesterday.

China warns against force

Satellite photos show Pyongyang set for sixth nuclear test as it prepares for 105th birthday anniversary of Kim Il-Sung

Military force cannot resolve tension over North Korea, China said yesterday, while an influential Chinese newspaper urged the North to halt its nuclear programme in exchange for Chinese protection.



North Korean leader Kim Jong Un waves to people during an opening ceremony of a newly constructed complex in Pyongyang yesterday.

While US President Donald Trump has put North Korea on notice that he would not tolerate any provocation, US officials have said his administration was focusing its strategy on tougher economic sanctions.

Malala, 19, becomes honorary Canadian

Nobel laureate urges Trudeau to press for girls' education

Nobel Peace laureate Malala Yousafzai became only the sixth person to receive honorary Canadian citizenship Wednesday, as she called on the country to be bold in advocating for girls' education.



Wearing a bright orange hijab, the traditional Muslim veil, and a green dress, the Pakistani activist was welcomed to the seat of Canada's democracy by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau.

MIGRANT CRISIS 97 missing after boat sinks off Libyan coast

At least 97 migrants went missing after their boat sank yesterday off the Libyan coast, a navy spokesman said. Survivors said those missing include 15 women and five children.

WARNING FROM BEIJING Duterte cancels visit to disputed island

Philippines' President Rodrigo Duterte has cancelled a planned visit to an island the Philippines claims in the disputed South China Sea, after Beijing warned him against the visit.

The brash Philippine leader last week announced his plan to raise the Philippine flag in the island of Thitu and fortify it with barracks, setting off alarm bells.



Thailand bars online contact with critics

Amnesty slams the move

Amnesty International has slammed an unprecedented ban by Thailand's junta on using the internet to communicate with three trenchant critics of the monarchy, saying authorities had hit new lows in curbing free speech.

Boy, 8, on joy ride for a cheeseburger

An eight-year-old American boy drove his father's van to a McDonald's because he just had to have a cheeseburger.

The Ohio boy said he learned to drive by watching YouTube videos, the Weirton Daily Times reported on Sunday evening's adventure.

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Duterte said Beijing warned him that "there will likely be trouble" if every head of state of contending parties will go to the disputed islands and plant flags.

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