



Australia unprepared for climate change threats: former security officials

Former national security officials warned on Tuesday that Australia is unprepared for the cascading and existential impacts of climate change.

The Melbourne-based Australian Security Leaders Climate Group, a coalition of former national security officials, said in a report that the Australian federal government must radically overhaul how it prepares for climate threats.

The report warned that climate change is certain to cause natural disasters to increase in frequency and intensity, which are likely to overwhelm the government's ability to help communities survive and recover.

"Today, unimaginable new climate extremes confront us: record-breaking droughts and floods, cruel heatwaves, unstoppable bushfires, broken infrastructure, and coastal inundation. Worse is to come," the report said. "Responding adequately to the climate threat is fundamental to the survival of the nation."

The group made 13 recommendations to increase action on climate change and ensure Australia is better prepared.

It called on the

government to make faster cuts to Australia's carbon emissions, to bolster support to countries across the region and to establish a new climate threat intelligence unit within the Office of National Intelligence so that global warming risks are factored into security decisions.

The report cited previous climate science that found large parts of northern Australia could become uninhabitable within 30-40 years, threatening military bases, communities and the economy.

250,000 stimulant tablets seized in eastern Myanmar

Myanmar police seized 250,000 stimulant tablets in eastern Myanmar's Shan State, according to the Central Committee for Drug Abuse Control (CCDAC) on Tuesday.

Acting on a tip-off, the joint anti-narcotics task force inspected a motorcycle in Yatsauk Township of Shan State on October 7 and confiscated 150,000 stimulant tablets.

On the same day, they inspected another motorcycle in Mong Hsat township of Shan State and seized an additional 100,000 stimulant tablets, the committee said.

The total street value

of the seized drugs is 115 million kyats (about 54,761 US dollars), it added.

Three suspects involved in the cases have been charged under the country's laws, and a further investigation was underway, it said.

Middle East conflict may disturb Indonesia's tourism: minister

Indonesian Minister of Tourism and Creative Economy Sandiaga Uno has said that the ongoing conflicts in the Middle East would pose negative impacts on foreign tourist visits in Indonesia as the unstable geopolitical situation would delay flights.

The Indonesian government has hoped to see at least 14.3 million foreign tourist

arrivals by 2024. Data from Statistics Indonesia showed that as of August, the country has recorded 9.09 million foreign tourist visits.

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Autumn's Rhyme (and another poem)

By / Dodo

The sky is so blue, perfect for climbing mountains

Pull down the white clouds atop the peak, make a dress

Autumn wind like long hair

Graceful turns

You will be the most beautiful scenery Why not have an accidental encounter A cup of milk tea, or a cup of black tea Recite poetry, chat leisurely

You're not the mid-autumn moon, no need for sorrow or joy

I'm not the flower in the water, just be yourself

Having seen through half a life of vanity Just be, the rhyme of this autumn

Spending the Mid-Autumn Festival with Ailian

Ailian is beautiful A fairy not of this world No makeup, naturally elegant Liking Ailian Spending the Mid-Autumn Festival with Ailian Clear clouds and roads Ailian is waiting for you Drink wine, appreciate the moon Talk only about poetry, painting, and calligraphy Like Ailian, a pure life Lazy stretching, Relaxed, elegant Reeds are the guests, wild ducks dance Have a different Mid-Autumn Festival

秋的韵脚(外一首)

文/朵朵

天空很蓝,适合爬山 把山顶上的白云扯下来,做件裙衫 秋风如长发 飘逸的转身 你会是最美的风景 不如来一场偶遇 一杯奶茶,或一杯红茶 吟诗,闲叙 你不是中秋月,不必悲欢 我不是水中花,做自己就好 看尽浮华半生 只做,属于这个秋天的韵脚

和阿莲一起过中秋