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GLOBAL

UNITED NATIONS - The United Nations agency tasked with promoting industrial development has published the first in a series of books focusing on "green" economic growth, which entails a low-carbon, resource-efficient approach to sustainable development, while combating climate change and conserving biodiversity.

EDUCATION is a fundamental factor in achieving success and growth in different aspects of life. Education equips people with the knowledge to achieve all of the Millennium Development Goals by providing the skills to increase income, create employment opportunities, reduce hunger and poverty and enhance socio-economic development.

HEALTH - Millions of people worldwide may be at risk of early death from diabetes and related cardiovascular illnesses because of poor diagnosis and ineffective treatment, a new study shows.

MALNUTRITION - Researchers say political instability, poverty, inequality, climate and environmental change, and inadequate and poorly administered food security are some of the reasons leading to nutritional crises around the world.

AFRICA

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC - After decades of political violence, displacement and insecurity caused by clashes between rebel groups and government forces, as well as armed bandits, thousands of people in Central African Republic (CAR) are vulnerable to disease and have little access to health services, aid agencies say.

KENYA - University lecturers have asked the government to allocate more funds to agricultural research to end food shortages. The dons said research must be the bedrock of agriculture if the country is to boost productivity, enhance food security, and create jobs.

LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN

BRAZIL - The peace imposed on the more than 200,000 people living in a favelas in Rio de Janeiro by Brazil's military police is helping to pave the way for the recognition of basic human rights.

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