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Kingdom pays respect to fallen serviceman First Lieutenant Hamad Khalifa al-Kubais

First Lieutenant Hamad Khalifa al-Kubais was the fourth soldier to succumb after an attack this week by Houthis

The martyr's body arrived on board a Royal Bahraini Air Force military plane at Isa Air Base

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ith heavy hearts, Bahrainis from all walks of life came together yesterday, united in grief, to bid farewell to their courageous soldier who made the ultimate sacrifice to safeguard the Kingdom.

First Lieutenant Hamad Khalifa al-Kubais was the fourth soldier to succumb after an attack this week on the Kingdom's contingent in the Saudi-led coalition battling Yemen's Houthis.

Leading the farewell ceremony from the forefront was Field Marshal Sheikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, the Commander-in-Chief of the Bahrain Defence Force. He received Al Kubaisi's body at Isa Air Base in the presence of Lieutenant General Abdullah bin Hassan Al Nuaimi, the Minister of Defence Affairs, and Lieutenant General Dhiab bin Sagr Al Nuaimi, the Chief of Staff.

The martyr's body arrived on board a Royal Bahraini Air Force military plane, and special military ceremonies were held to receive him, with several erous Houthi attack." senior officers of the Bahrain Defence Force in attendance. BDF Commander-in-Chief said, Family members and close rela- "These brave, heroic martyrs, tives of Al Kubaisi accompanied through their noble sacrifices, the procession.

announced that First Lieutenant main immortal and luminous in Hamad Khalifa al-Kubaisi had the glorious history of Bahrain." on Friday "succumbed to serious injuries as a result of the treach-

These brave, heroic martyrs. through their noble sacrifices. have attained the highest ranks of honor. Their names will remain immortal and luminous in the glorious history of Bahrain

BDF COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

In a statement yesterday, the have attained the highest ranks The Bahraini army had earlier of honor. Their names will re-

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Israel. Saudi moving towards deal: US

Washington, United States

Tsrael and Saudi Arabia are moving towards the outline of a historic US-brokered deal to normalize relations. "All sides have hammered out, I think, a basic framework for what, you know, what we might be able to drive at," National Security Council spokesman John Kirby said.

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Big boost to economy



LuLu Group yesterday opened its 10th Hypermarket in Bahrain in Gudaibiya further consolidating its presence in Bahrain. The 40,000 sq.ft. store was inaugurated by Deputy PM Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa in the presence of Yusuffali MA, the Chairman and Managing Director of the LuLu Group International and ministers, dignitaries and senior management of the LuLu Group. (Full story on page 5) Above, from right, Juzer Rupawala, the Director of LuLu Group International. Abdullah bin Adel Fakhro, the Minister of Industry & Commerce, Wael bin Nasser Al Mubarak, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Agriculture, Deputy Prime Minister Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, Yusuffali, and Vinod Jacob, Indian Ambassador to Bahrain





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BDF Commander-in-Chief offers condolences to fallen serviceman's family

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// We appreciate the men of the Bahrain Defence Force for coming together with their brothers to defend the southern border of Saudi Arabia within the coalition forces participating in Operations Restoring Hope."

This is the most significant Bahraini troop loss in the Yemen conflict since five soldiers were killed in 2015.

Bahrain has taken part in the military intervention spearheaded by Saudi Arabia since 2015 in support of the Yemeni government against the Iran-backed Huthi rebels.

Monday's drone strike was reported only hours after a statement by the Huthis decried "Saudi bombings" which they said wounded four people in their stronghold of Saada, near Yemen's northern border with Saudi Arabia. Bahrain had previously announced the deaths of three of its soldiers in Monday's attack near the Saudi border with Yemen.

Yesterday, the commander-in-chief prayed to Allah the Almighty to rest the soul of the fallen servicemen Hamad Al Kubaisi in eternal peace and bless his relatives with patience and fortitude and wished the injured a speedy recovery.

The Commander-in-Chief, Lieutenant-General His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, National Security Advisor and Royal Guard Commander, and Colonel His Highness Shaikh Khalid bin Ham-Special Force Commander then serviceman.







ad Al Khalifa, the Royal Guard attended the funeral of the fallen

The commander-in-chief ex- Majesty King Hamad bin Isa mander of the Armed Forces; tended the condolences of His Al Khalifa, the Supreme Com- His Royal Highness Prince



Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces, and Prime Minister; and Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa to the family of the fallen serviceman.



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For an enriching Umrah journey



rienced pilgrims shared valuable Bahraini residents, citizens talk to The insights on important considera-Daily Tribune on road Safety, essential These pilgrims' aims to shed supplies, and time management to perform Umrah safely

light on the crucial factors that individuals should bear in mind to ensure a safe and fulfilling Umrah experience. For those opting to travel by

car, it is essential to be well-prepared. Our experienced pilgrims ning out of fuel." unanimously advise filling up opportunity.

tions for fellow travellers.

This helps ensure a smooth jour-replenish themselves spiritually ney without the worry of run- and physically."

the petrol tank at every available idea to carry essential supplies washroom facilities may not allike tissues and soap. The petrol ways meet cleanliness expec-Syed Sara Fahim mentioned, stations along the route usually tations due to the continuous well-being of drivers is crucial punctually. Re-

around 35 to 40 kilometres apart. cold stores where travellers can

"Petrol stations are spaced out, have mosques, washrooms, and influx of pilgrims from different to prevent drowsiness and the sponsible and

countries. Despite daily cleaning potential dangers it poses on cautious behaviour on the road efforts by the government, mainthe road. Taking regular breaks is paramount to ensure the safetaining pristine conditions can and short naps can significant- ty of all travellers," she added. be challenging."

Riyadh to Makkah, there are the travel experience safer for specific challenges, especially everyone." related to road safety. One con-

ers should be extremely cautious on time. when using the middle lane and stay alert for truck activity."

Shahla Perween emphasised to emphasise the importance of managing fa-that recktigue during the approximately less driving However, she noted, "It's 15-hour journey from Bahrain should never She also advised, "It's a good important to be aware that the to Makkah, including rest and be prioritized meal breaks.

She said, "Ensuring the appointments

ly reduce the risks associated Regarding the highways from with driving while tired, making

"With the introduction of the cern raised by experienced trav- "Nusuk" app for Umrah pilgrims, ellers is the frequent disregard which includes an appointment of traffic rules by truck drivers. system, time management has Faraz Ahmed shared, "Trucks become more prominent, While help Umrah pilgrims perform often overtake cars, even though adherence to appointment tim-their rituals with information it's against the law. This increasings may vary, many individuals es the risk of accidents. So, driv-strive to reach their destination

> "However, it is essential over reaching

According to sources, the Saudi authorities have introduced robots to help pilgrims and visitors, which includes the dispensing of 'Zamzam' water bottles and assisting with cleaning up various areas.

The devices are also able to in several languages.

In conclusion, embarking on the sacred journey of Um-

> rah is a significant endeavour for Bahrain residents and Bahrainis. By considering these vital factors, individuals can enhance their safety and overall experience.

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Man caught burying drugs in Muharraq

High Criminal Court begins trial of 24-year-old accused of drug peddling and abuse

The suspect was allegedly using a vacant plot in Muharrag as a drop-off point

Defendant's confession exposes ties to heroin and methamphetamine trafficking

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♦he High Criminal Court has opened hearing in the case of a 24-year-old man who was arrested by the police for allegedly concealing drugs in an unoccupied plot in Muharraq.

According to the police, the suspect, hailing from an Asian country, was digging a hole to bury drugs in the vacant piece of land, which was under surveil- Picture for representation only lance for detecting suspicious activities, when arrested

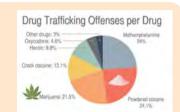
Officers said they made the arrest for he was engaged in a suspicious activity at the site.

"We rushed to the scene and apprehended him, where we also retrieved a bag containing Narcotics from him," an inves-





In the United States, there are six primary drugs that are most frequently involved in trafficking. In 2013, the distribution of drug trafficking offenses by drug type was as follows: Methamphetamine: 24%, powdered cocaine: 24.1%, Marijuana: 21.5%, Crack cocaine: 13.1%, Heroin: 9.8%, Oxycodone: 4.6% and Other drugs: 3 %



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POLICE OFFICER

tigating officer told the court. surveillance since receiving a tip-off that a vacant plot in Muharraq was being used as

Court records indicate that traffickers were disguising drugs as "dead mail" to make them untraceable, due to the use of erroneous or indecipherable ad-

a drop-off point for narcotics

Following further questioning, the defendant admitted to his it substances, a plastic spoon. involvement in the trafficking of three precision scales, three moboth heroin and methamphetamine within the Kingdom.

The Interior Ministry yesterday mourned the loss of retired Brigadier Nasser Mohammed Al Musallam, who

passed away at the age of 79 after dedicating 45 years of his

life to serving the country. Mr.

Al Musallam's career with the

ministry spanned from 1960 to

2005, marked by unwavering

with the General Directorate

dedication and hard work.

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MOI mourns loss of retired

Brigadier Nasser Al Musalla

ics Department, who had been assigned to monitor the vacant plot in Muharraq, testified that he had observed the suspect engaging in suspicious activities.

The officer stated, "He exhibited suspicious behaviour, constantly surveying his surroundings to ensure that he remained unnoticed, and suddenly sat down and started digging hastily."

"I took him into custody, and during the subsequent interrogation, he confessed to distributing narcotics through the deceptive method of 'dead mail."

"Furthermore," the officer The location had been under continued, "we discovered a white bag containing methamphetamine in his possession."

"Based on a warrant, we also search his home, leading to the discovery of additional contra-

"From there, we found a white bag containing methamphetamine, as well as another with heroin, concealed within a drawer in his room."

"In addition to these illicbile phones, six SIM cards, and a memory card were also seized During the court hearing, an during the search," the officer officer from the Anti-Narcot- disclosed to the court.

In 1992, he transitioned

Stealing from inmate: Convict faces extended prison terms

Court awards a convict 5 more years for stealing cell mate's ATM card

Theft involved stolen ATM card and phone credit within the correctional facility

Incident uncovered through security footage and investigation

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C tealing an inmate's ATM card and phone credit has landed a convict in hot water, where he will now have to spend another 5 years in jail for the new



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The incident leading to the Police said the suspect, af- credit amounting to BD 45. The case was reported from the Center stealing the ATM card from stolen ATM card was provided tre for Correction and Rehabil- his sleeping cellmate, walked by the centre to each of the initation, where both the suspect straight to the centre's store to mates for their families to transand the victim were cellmates. purchase cigarettes and phone fer money to cover their needs.

Police said the suspect, after making the purchases, also clandestinely discarded the card outside the building courtvard.

However, to his bad luck, another inmate found the card and duly returned it to the

The victim, who was surprised to find the card empty, then reported the incident, initiating an investigation.

Later, from the security footage, officers found the defendant throwing away the card after exiting the store.

When summoned, he admitted to using the victim's card.

He, however, justified his actions by claiming that the victim had stolen his personal belongings earlier.

The Public Prosecution charged the defendant with stealing the victim's electronic signature and PIN for theft.

Gulf national dies as car plunges into sea

ence, Coast Guard, and Gener- contributions.

He commenced his career al Directorate of Traffic.

of Training and Guard, subset o Mina Salman Port before

quently serving in roles within concluding his career at the

the Manama Police, National- General Directorate of Capital

ity, Passport, and Residence Governorate Police. Through-

Affairs, Muharraq Police, Genout his service, he earned nu-

eral Directorate of Criminal merous medals and awards in

Investigation and Forensic Sci-recognition of his outstanding



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30-year-old individual Gulf national. Alost his life when his car

firmed the incident via a state- circumstances.

ment on their Twitter handle, revealing that the victim was a

The precise cause of the plunged into the sea in a tragic accident remains unknown, accident in the Al Fateh area, and an ongoing investigation The Interior Minister con- is underway to determine the

Coast guards save two sailors from capsized boat near Al Malikiyah coast

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wo individuals narrowly Two individuals many escaped a life-threatening situation when their boat capsized near the coast of Al Malikiyah.

Prompt response from the Bahraini Coast Guard resulted in the timely rescue of the $two\,$ Representative picture sailors, aged 32 and 37, preventing them from drowning and



ensuring their safety. In a Twitter statement, the

mains undisclosed. An investigation is ongoing to uncover the details surrounding

the mishap.

The incident transpired while

CAPTAINS CORNER

Giving childhood back to our kids



CAPTAIN MAHMOOD AL MAHMOOD

he news that a mother dropped her child at a government school in Bahrain on a public holiday and drove off, not bothering to check if the child went into the school (the gates were locked), sent alarm bells ringing. I am sure parents and care-givers sent up a prayer that their similar carelessness stayed undiscovered. Because this is not an isolated case. Okay, perhaps not in front of a school but many adults mix up dates and times for extra classes and activities and kids are left standing in front of locked doors in karate uniform or special math tuition.

Call me old-fashioned, but I see this trend as an adult Of course, the parenting days when drawback. the whole In my boyfewer subbut we did ter-school extra tuithe rest of us were never compared to them derogatorily – after

hood, I ad- neighbourhood mit we had kept watch jects to mas- over kids and ter in school when these it largely activities were without af- part of our lives is long gone. tions. Only But for parents the most to replace among us these with took lessons a relentless in the arts or specific carousel of sports and classes is incorrect.

school, the parks were full of boys honing their football skills and the streets and homes were the stage for traditional games built around life events such as the start of a pearling voyage, the return of the pearlers, celebrations of pilgrims returning from Hajj, weddings etc.

Of course, the days when the whole neighbourhood kept watch over kids and when these activities were part of our lives is long gone. But for parents to replace these with a relentless carousel of classes is incorrect. Why are most parents doing this? Is it for the child's sake or to be able to boast to friends that their children play the piano or are top of the class in academics? Our children, over-stuffed with information are barely able to process all these extra skills.

Let us return our children their simple and innocent childhood days. Parents too must step back and take responsibility for some lessons - a family that learns together builds a bond over knowledge and a fund of happy memories that will enrich us all.

(Captain Mahmood Al Mahmood is the Editor-in-Chief of The Daily Tribune and the President of the Arab-African Unity Organisation for Relief, Human Rights and Counterterrorism)

Not attack, but exposing bugs: student tells court

The student was apprehended after a report from the National **Cyber Security Center**

He attempted to breach secret codes stored in the University's computer systems

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student facing legal action for breaching a Bahraini university's electronic systems has argued that the incident merely exposed security vulnerabilities within the institution's computer

In defence of these actions, the student's lawyer contended that the university should view this situation as an opportunity for growth and learning. While not condoning the emphasized the student's scientific capabilities and thirst for knowledge as factors that should be taken into consideration.

The defence lawyer also pointed out that the university lacked specific internal regulations prohibiting cybersecurity students from exploring and identifying security flaws. computer systems and bypass their nology lab on the day of the incident, the victim's electronic signature on According to the defence, there were no well-defined guidelines outlining the permissible boundaries of activities for students in the cybersecurity department.



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security software.

that the programme the student attempted to download was designed security programs.

Stole identity of a female student

Further inquiry traced the athended after the National Cyber unrelated to computer science. with her university ID. Security Centre received a report The student in question denied

leading to his apprehension.

The accused admitted to visiting

obtained a list containing the names and data of students and teachers.

tempted download to the personal lected the personal identification information technology laboratory The student was initially appredata of a student in a department number of a female student, along using the victim's electronic sig-

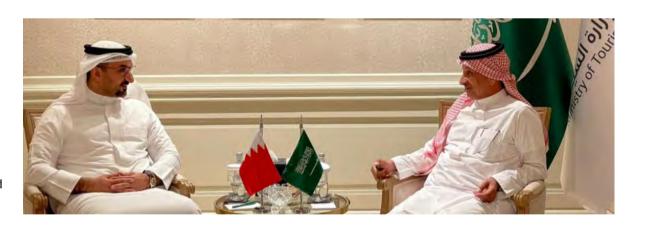
from a senior network specialist at any involvement, asserting a lack of account and re-entered the system devices, impersonating her identity. the university, indicating that an knowledge in using such technol- using her data. Subsequently, he

student's behaviour, the defence attempt to download malicious soft- ogies. However, during the inves- accessed a search engine and atware onto one of the computers in tigation, it was discovered that the tempted to download a programme the information technology lab had accused student, who was studying but was unable to open it after the been thwarted by the university's cybersecurity, had obtained her perdownload was complete. He jussonal login credentials through the tified the incident as a test of his Subsequent investigation revealed university's systems and computers, abilities and an exploration of his technical qualifications.

> The prosecution has charged him to breach secret codes stored in the university's information tech- with unauthorised utilisation of where he accessed a computer. He March 6 and 7, 2023, for an unlawful purpose.

This charge includes accessing Out of curiosity, he randomly se- the university's computer in the nature with the intent to upload a He then logged out of his own malicious programme to university

Abdulla bin Adel Fakhro, the Minister of **Industry and Commerce. Acting Minister** of Tourism, held a meeting with Ahmed bin Aqil Al-Khateeb, Saudi Minister of Tourism, on the sidelines of the 43rd session of World Tourism Day, which was held in Riyadh from September 27 to 28, under the theme of "Tourism and Green Investments". The ministers discussed ways to follow up on the outcomes of the memorandum of understanding (MoU) signed between the two countries, under which the two kingdoms will be promoted regionally and internationally as a single tourist destination.





Abdulla bin Faisal bin Jabr Al Dosari, Brussels-based Bahraini Ambassador to the Netherlands, and Head of the kingdom's Mission to the European Union, held talks with Marc Gerritsen, the Director of Middle East and North Africa Affairs at the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The ambassador, who is on an official working meeting to Amsterdam, praised the advanced level reached by the Bahraini-Dutch relations since their establishment about 50 years ago, affirming the kingdom's keenness to strengthen its ties with the Netherlands across various political, economic, social and cultural fields to achieve common interests. He wished the Netherlands and its people further progress and prosperity. Marc Gerritsen affirmed the solid ties between the two kingdoms, praising Bahrain's keenness to further develop its relations with his country in all fields of mutual interest.



Wael hin Nasser Al Muharak, the **Minister of Municipalities Affairs** and Agriculture, affirmed that Bahrain, through its plans and strategies related to agricultural development and achieving food security, will continue to enhance cooperation and consolidate partnership with the countries of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) to achieve development goals. Al Mubarak was speaking as he headed the kingdom's delegation to the meeting of the GCC **Municipalities Affairs Ministers** which convened in Muscat, Oman. The minister underlined that the meeting discussed topics of common interest.

Lulu Group to double Bahrain investments

LuLu Group to open three more hypermarkets over next 3 to 4 months in the Kingdom as part of a BD100m investment

- Deputy Prime Minister opens LuLu's 10th hypermarket in Bahrain in Gudaibiya
- To create over 1,000 iobs for Bahrainis, open three more hypermarkets
- Aims investment in food manufacturing and logistics

Ashen Tharaka TDT | Manama

the leading retail chain in the region, plans to nearly double its total investment in the Kingdom to over BD200 million by opening three more hypermarkets in the next three to four months as well as other projects.

This significant increase in investment is expected to provide a substantial boost to the Kingdom's economy and create over 1000 more jobs in the Kingdom, where the group Bahrainis.

Gudaibiya.

augurated by Deputy Prime Min- by the end of the year. ister Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla



uLu Group International, Cake cutting ceremony on the occasion of the inauguration of 10th hypermarket in Gudaibiya.



A Bahraini entrepreneur explains about the products on display

cob, the Indian Ambassador to Yesterday, LuLu Group Chair- Bahrain. The latest expansion group is opening the new hyper- Kingdom, where its investments lion investment in the Kingdom, alone. This is set to increase subas he announced the opening of stantially in the next quarter, as the group's 10th hypermarket in LuLu Group plans to open three confidence LuLu Group have will provide a boost to Bahraini

the Minister of Labour, Abdul- we anticipate the stores' opening address. lah bin Adel Fakhro, the Min- very soon." With the upcoming ister of Industry & Commerce, hypermarkets in Manama Cen- group's commitment to prior- both within Bahrain and in other several key offerings, including: tunities in various other sectors, Wael bin Nasser Al Mubarak, the tre, Avenue Mall, and Diyar Al itizing Bahraini products in its nations.

currently employees over 800 and Agriculture, and Vinod Ja- Lulu hypermarkets in Bahrain will reach 13.

Deputy Prime Minister Shaikh man and Managing Director further strengthens the presence Khalid bin Abdulla Al Khali-Yusuffali MA revealed that the of the UAE-based group in the fa, who patronized yesterday's opening ceremony, praised LuLu markets as part of a BD100 mil- exceeded BD130 million in 2019 Group for its strong support of Bahrain's economy.

"The new store signals the additional hypermarkets, there- in the vision of the leadership entrepreneurs.s."

Minister of Municipal Affairs Muharraq, the total number of stores, stating that this approach

30th September 2023



We are pleased to launch our LuLu Hypermarket in Gudaibiya. The store signals the LuLu Group's confidence in the vision of progress mapped by the leadership of Bahrain, its belief in the excellence of Bahrainis as our partners in success and keeps our expansion in line with the march of urban developments in Bahrain

10th branch in Gudaibiya

The 40,000 sq.ft. store was in- by creating more than 1000 jobs of Bahrain, and its belief in Yusuffali also expressed his The newly opened LuLu Hythe excellence of Bahrainis as appreciation for the Bahrain permarket in Gudaibiya, spanister Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla Yusuffali further said, "We partners in success in line with team, acknowledging their ning two levels, offers residents The LuLu Group harbours Al Khalifa, in the presence of have already commenced con-Bahrain's development march," achievement in winning the with convenient access to an ambitious plans for its future in Yusuffali MA, Jameel Humaidan, struction at three new sites, and Yusuffali said in his inaugural GCC-wide award for having the extensive array of high-quality Bahrain. In addition to its hyperhighest number of Bahraini emproducts and services. Within markets, the company is actively Yusuffali emphasised the ployees working for the Group, this facility, LuLu has introduced considering investment oppor-

tion with an updated se- and logistics.

- A global variety of fresh fruits and vegetables.
- Premium cuts of meat and seafood.
- A well-stocked department store.
- LuLu Connect, offering digital and electronics
- LuLu Fashion, a popular high-street fashion outlet.

This expansive hypermarket aims to cater to the diverse needs and preferences of its customers, ensuring a comprehensive shopping experience.

Big job boost

The company offers direct employment opportunities to more than 800 Bahraini individuals, and its supply chain contributes to the sustenance of thousands of other jobs. As a testament to its commitment to local employment, LuLu was honoured with the most prestigious award in the retail sector for employing the highest number of Bahraini nationals this year.

In addition to its contributions to the economy, LuLu Group also plays a vital role in enhancing Bahrain's social fabric. The company serves as a prominent sponsor of both sporting and cultural events, while also extending support to numerous charitable organisations. Furthermore, the Group stands as a staunch proponent of Bahraini products, collaborating closely with local farmers and producers to champion their offerings within its stores.

Food manufacturing, logistics

An enhanced grocery sec- including food manufacturing

Indian Institute of Technology Madras certification courses to be launched in Bahrain

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m \scriptscriptstyle CY}$ cindeez consultancy, has announced the signing of an Outreach Partner Agreement with the prestigious Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Madras Pravartak Foundation. This groundbreaking partnership paves the way for McINDEEZ Consultancy to offer a diverse range of certification programs in emerging fields such as Artificial Intelligence

campus. The event was graced Jaleel Abdulla.



IIT Madras Signing Ceremony

(AI), Data Science, Crypto Cur- by the Director of IIT Madras, rency, Cyber Security, Machine Prof. V Kamakodi, and the Dig- cant step toward democratizing The official signing ceremo- Consultancy were Chairman P academic prowess of IIT Ma- always been to empower indi- relevance, making graduates the event. ny took place at the IIT Madras Unnikrishnan and CEO Abdul dras and the strategic vision of viduals with the skills they need highly sought after in the job

This collaboration is a signifi-McINDEEZ Consultancy to cre- to succeed in the rapidly evolv- market".

to collaborate with McINDEEZ worldwide." Consultancy to make IIT Madras

ate a transformative learning inglandscape of technology and IIT Madras Certification pro-

business. This partnership with grammes will be offered through Prof. V Kamakodi, Director IIT Madras allows us to deliv- the ed-tech platform, www. of IIT Madras, expressed his er on that promise by offering mcindeezacademy.com. The enthusiasm about the partner- cutting-edge certification pro- portal will be launched in Bahship, stating: "We are delighted grams that are highly respected rain on October 2nd 2023, at an event to be held in Crowne Abdul Jaleel Abdulla, CEO of Plaza, Bahrain. This landmark Pravatak Foundation's top-tier McINDEEZ Consultancy com- event will be attended by the certification programs acces- mented that "Under this agree- Indian Ambassador, Vinod K sible to a global audience. This ment, McINDEEZ Consultancy Jacob, IIT Madras Pravartak partnership is aligned with our will facilitate enrollment, pro- CEO, Dr, Shankar Raman, Digicommitment to disseminating vide support services, and offer tal Skills Academy GM, Dr. Balknowledge and fostering inno- a seamless learning experience amurali and other officials from to students and professionals Ministries and corporate and P Unnikrishnan, Chairman of seeking to advance their careers. community leaders. There will Learning, Logistics and Supply ital Skills Academy Programme access to world-class education McINDEEZ Consultancy, shared The certification programmes, be a talk on "How Disruptive Chain, Banking and Finance, Coordinator, Prof. Magala Sun- in Bahrain and the wider Gulf his thoughts on the collabora- designed by IIT Madras, are Technology impacts Human der. Representing McINDEEZ region. It brings together the tion, saying, "Our mission has renowned for their rigor and Life" by Dr. Balamurali during

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Opening of the Congress of Vienna, redraws Europe's political map after the defeat of Napoléon Bonaparte

But so far the opposition has

Moscow has deployed peace-

keepers in the region that were

Pashinyan called Yerevan's cur-

the blame on Russia.

1867 Karl Marx publishes "Das Kapi-

tal" in Berlin, a description of the duces the Model T capitalist system, its instability car (costs \$825) and tendency to self-destruction

News in brief

Malaysia blames Indonesian fires for haze, poor air quality



which is often caused by blazes lit to clear agricultural land. Malaysia's Department of Environment director-general Wan Abdul Latiff Wan Jaffar said the fires were worsening air pollution on the country's west coast and in Sarawak on the

Malaysian part of Borneo island. Brazil's President Luiz Inacio Lula 'stable' after hip Lula da Silva is in "stable" condition replacement: doctors

a day after undergoing hip surgery, and began physical therapy yesterday morning, **his doctors announced.** The 77-year-old leader widely known as Lula "spent the night in a stable state, walked in the morning and began physical therapy" in his hospital

room in Brasilia, a medical bulletin said. Doctors said Friday that the hip replacement surgery had gone off "without complications" and that Lula could probably leave the hospital no later than Tuesday. ♦ A Rome-bound aircraft



departed yesterday from Libya's capital, restarting flights to Italy after a nearly decade-long suspension due to an EU ban, authorities in Tripoli said. The European Union in 2014 halted

Mitiga airport. It was operated by Libya-based Medsky Airways, which offers a twice-weekly direct connection to the Italian capital. Restarting flights is "part of intensive government efforts to lift the European ban on Libyan civil aviation", said Libya's UN-recognised government on Facebook.

CURIOSER & CURIOSER

Paw patrol: Philippine security guards adopt stray cats



Conan the cat reacting to a camera as security guards (background) stand in **AFP** | Manila

Ayellow security vest strolls point Conan as Mingming's nonchalantly past security replacement.

Conan, a six-month-old "He takes away my stress." stray, joined the security team Photos of Conan wearing his of the Worldwide Corporate vest emblazoned with "secu-Center in the capital Manila rity" and lying on a desk next several months ago.

security guards across the city, Facebook. where thousands of cats live He is among more than a

tendency to sleep on the job to roam. -- their cuteness and company Employees pitch in to buy have endeared them to bored food for them. security guards working 12- Despite living his best life, hour shifts.

Conan was rescued when helping his human colleagues he was a few weeks old by a perform their security duties, housekeeper who found him such as searching bags of shopwailing in the building's car pers and workers as they enter

ease, not in the line of duty. of passers-by.

Grieving guards wanting another furry friend to liven ↑ cat wearing a black-and- up their shifts decided to ap-

guards lined outside a Philip- "If Conan isn't around then pine office building waiting to I'm not motivated," security receive instructions for their guard Aljon Aquino, 30, told

to a life-size cardboard pic-He is one of the lucky mog-ture of Mingming have been gies unofficially adopted by shared thousands of times on

dozen strays living in the com-While the cats lack the secu- mercial and corporate buildrity skills of dogs -- and have a ing, where they are allowed

Conan shows little interest in the building.

He accidentally landed the Instead, he prefers to sleep, role of security cat after his laze in front of the nearby Starpredecessor, Mingming, died bucks or chase balls across the -- reportedly from gum dis- tiled floor, much to the delight

Almost all ethnic Armenians flee Nagorno-Karabakh

Nearly the entire population of Nagorno-Karabakh has fled after Azerbaijan seized back control of the breakaway territory

 Armenia says 100,437 people have fled

he flood of refugees from Nagorno-Karabakh dwindled to a trickle yesterday as Armenia said nearly the entire population of the breakaway territory had already fled after Azerbaijan seized back control. An AFP journalist at the Kornidzor crossing into Armenia saw only several ambulances arrive as border guards said they were

waiting for a final few buses. hundreds of exhausted refugees various Armenian cities waited amongst their baggage in den exodus that has rewritten the the breakaway region saw its decment to offer accommodation. the disputed region.

takeover of the ethnic Armenian people from an estimated poputients had died during or shortly heavily militarised border.



In the nearest town of Goris, Armenian refugees wait in a square of Goris city centre before being evacuated in

ni rule end in sudden defeat.

the lone mountain road out of the

Artak Beglaryan, a former separatist official, said "the last groups" of Nagorno-Karabakh esidents were on their way to Armenia yesterdav.

"At most a few hundred perons remain, most of whom are ficials, emergency services emoyees, volunteers, some persons th special needs," he wrote on

Armenia -- a country of 2.8 milon -- faces a major challenge using the sudden influx of refagees and authorities said 35,000 were now in temporary accom-

Azerbaijan claims soldier shot

the central square for the govern- centuries-old ethnic makeup of ades-long fight against Azerbaija- Caucasus neighbours, Azer said one of its soldiers was killed reality". Azerbaijan's lightning military Armenia said yesterday 100,437 Yerevan said 14 bedridden paby an Armenian sniper on their enclave last week sparked a sud- lation of 120,000 had fled since after having been evacuated along. Armenia quickly denied the ac- foes are common.

With tensions high between the es had opened fire on Azerbaijani longstanding Armenian ally Rus-Exchanges of fire along the bor-

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der between the two Caucasus "re-integration" talks with sep-

But so far the two sides have time detained some senior figures will become. People must unite over Nagorno-Karabakh from military command. spilling over into a broader con- Former separatist foreign min- failed to muster major crowds to

have decisively ended the bloody by Baku struggle over the region's status that has dragged on since the collapse of the Soviet Union.

part of Azerbaijan by the end of revan's main square yesterday.

cusation, saying the claim its forc- jan was able to finally win while aggression. on Ukraine.

Azerbaijan is now holding tryan, told AFP.

prevented the recent flare-up from its former government and and tell Pashinyan to step down."

ister David Babayan, who an- stage a concerted bid to oust him Azerbaijan's 24-hour offensive nounced earlier he would sur- from power. to retake the enclave appears to render, was the latest arrested Pashinyan has tried to deflect

Pressure on Pashinyan Some 3,000 opponents of Ar- meant to police a truce ending a The separatists agreed on menian Prime Minister Nikol 2020 war in which Baku clawed Thursday to dissolve their gov- Pashinyan resumed anti-govern- back some of the lands it lost to ernment and become a formal ment protests with a rally on Ye- the separatists in the 1990s.

Pashinyan's critics -- who had rent alliances "ineffective" and The decision marked the end paused demonstrations to focus urged parliament in next week's of one of the world's longest and on helping refugees -- accuse him session to ratify a document that seemingly most intractable "fro- of abandoning the separatist re- would make Armenia a memzen conflicts" -- one that Azerbaigion in the face of Azerbaijan's ber of the International Criminal "We've lost Karabakh, now

The ICC has issued an interna-38-year-old linguist Maria Asa- President Vladimir Putin. The Kremlin said it would treat

"The longer Pashinyan stays Armenia's ICC membership as an aratist leaders while at the same in power, the worse the situation "extremely hostile" step.

Russia may annex more Ukrainian regions, **Medvedev says**

AFP | Moscow

Dussia's former lead-Moscow may annex more Ukrainian territories as its

Moscow held elections in the four regions this month but does not fully control any of them and is currently battling a Ukrainian counteroffensive to take them

eration will continue until the complete destruction of the Nazi regime in Kyiv," said Medvedev, who now serves as deputy chair of Russia's Security Council.

1er Dmitry Medvedev suggested yesterday that regions of Ukraine, as he marked one year since the Kremlin claimed four

"The special military op-

"Victory will be ours. And there will be more new regions within Russia," he

'West should listen more and lecture less'

Global South perspectives challenge western order in Russia-Ukraine War

Talks highlighted the contrast between the comfortable lives of UK citizens and the hardships faced by many in the Global South

Lamented the paralysis of the United **Nations Security Council**

TDT | Manama

In a thought-provoking and Leye-opening discussion convened by the Universal Peace P. Unnikrishnan speaks at the event via video link South Perspectives on the Rus- listens to the Global South.

Lack of understanding

of Universal Peace Federation law violations. A recurring theme emerged unless this practice changes, the He emphasised the far-reach-respect their choices.



Federation UK, experts gath- throughout the evening: the Global West may lose its grip on power blocks. ered to examine the 'Global West often lectures rather than international affairs.

Muhammad Hussein, Staff like those in the Sahel face. In- by nations of the Global South. availability, disproportionately Writer and Political Analyst for stead, they offer condescend- Middle powers like Saudi Ara- affecting poorer countries with the Middle East Monitor, were ing advice, such as promising bia, India, and Turkey play a rising prices and increased povpresent at the Universal Peace to build roads only if the nation crucial role in this balancing act. erty levels. Federation-UK's headquarters conducts free and fair elections. The rise of these middle Unnikrishnan urged the West in London. Meanwhile, P. Un- Hawksley also lamented the powers challenges the Western to respect the decisions of Globnikrishnan, Chairman of the paralysis of the United Nations global order and the expansion al South nations as they grap-Bahrain Daily Tribune, joined Security Council in respond- of BRIC nations and the mul- ple with economic difficulties. the discussion remotely.

UK, started the discussion by highlighting a significant issue— He forewarned the emer-benderical by the forewarned the emer-gence of a rival system to the war the lack of understanding in Global West's rules-based order P. Unnikrishnan reiterated make decisions that serve the the 'West' regarding the per- due to its lecturing approach. In Hawksley's call for the West best interest of their citizens spectives of 'the Global South.' closing, he left a sad thought: to listen more and lecture less. and country, and others should

sia-Ukraine War and Conse- Humphrey Hawksley elo- The nation-state

quent Geopolitical Tensions.' quently conveyed the contrast Muhammad Hussein offered that China stockpiled critical The conversation centred between the comfortable lives of insights into the century-old resources before the conflict, around whether the rules-based UK citizens, living in an orderly, concept of the nation-state possibly indicating prior knowlorder, championed by the 'Glob- well-governed society, and the initiated by the West. Histori- edge of the invasion. He also al West' since World War II, is hardships faced by many in the cally, when the borders of nanoted the explosion of the Nord on the brink of obsolescence, Global South. He acknowledged tion-states were threatened, the Stream gas pipeline, which echoing the sentiments of Hum- his hesitance to speak, as his West intervened forcefully to could have benefited the Unitprivilege might undermine his protect them. However, Russia's ed States in its gas exports to The panel comprised distin- credibility as a representative attempts to alter boundaries Europe. guished figures in the world of of the Global South. Hawks- by integrating Ukrainian ter- His empathy for the Global media and international rela- ley emphasised that the 'Global ritories challenge this norm. South's struggling nations in tions. Humphrey Hawksley, a West,' with whom he interacts Hussein emphasised that Russia this evolving world was unmisformer BBC World Correspond- daily as a journalist, tends to isn't a saviour but rather anoth- takable. The war has disruptent and renowned author, and ignore pressing issues countries er superpower to be navigated ed trade patterns and resource

ing to the Russian-Ukrainian ti-aligned world. Hussein pre- Collaboration and diplomacy, Moderator Keith Best, Chair failed to address international but the outcome remains un- that Nations from the Global certain.

Nations from the Global

South mustn't be coerced into choosing sides in this conflict: instead, they must be free to make decisions that serve the best interest of their citizens and country, and others should respect their choices

P. UNNIKRISHNAN

ing changes brought about by the conflict, dividing the world into two ideologically separated

Unnikrishnan questioned who benefited from the war, pointing to reports suggesting

war and listed several instances dicted that by 2030, a new ge- he stressed, are essential in where the rules-based order opolitical order would emerge, navigating this crisis. He said South mustn't be coerced into choosing sides in this conflict; instead, they must be free to

Former gang leader charged with rapper Tupac Shakur's 1996 murder



A wall dedicated to the memory of US rapper Tupac Shakur, who was murdered in 1996, is seen in Los Angeles (file photo)

AFP | Los Angeles

Aquarter of a century after Tu-pac Shakur was gunned down in a gang feud in Las Vegas, a man was charged Friday with his murder, a killing that came to symbolize the violence of gangsta rap as it

surged into the mainstream. Duane "Keffe D" Davis, 60, had long acknowledged his involvement in the slaying, boasting he was the "on-site commander" in the effort to kill Shakur and Death Records, an outfit associated at the Row Records boss Marion "Suge" time with Los Angeles street gang Knight in revenge for his nephew's Mob Piru, which had a long-stand-

Davis' early morning arrest Friton Crips. day followed 27 years of investi- DiGiacomo said on the day of gations by police, who had been the murder, Shakur and Death frustrated by an apparent lack of Row Records co-founder Knight useable evidence, and came two were in Las Vegas to watch Mike months after they raided his home Tyson fight. in Henderson, just outside Las In a hotel elevator lobby they "The presumption is great that Anderson, the nephew of Davis.

he is responsible for the murder "(Davis) formulated a plan to of a deadly weapon," prosecutor DiGiacomo said. Nevada.

gunned down in Las Vegas on Sep- their intended victims. tember 7, 1996. He was just 25. The two rap moguls were spot-

hits such as "California Love," "Changes," and "Dear Mama," was already a huge star in the world of rap when he was gunned down in Las Vegas on September 7,

Shakur, the best-sell-

ing hip-hop artist behind

ing beef with the Southside Comp-

set upon Crips member Orlando

of Tupac Shakur, and he will be exact revenge upon Mr Knight found guilty of murder with use and Mr Shakur" for this beating, Marc DiGiacomo told a court in "He acquired a 40-caliber Glock firearm from a drug associate.

Shakur, the best-selling hip-hop "He gets into (a light-colorartist behind hits such as "Califor- ed) Cadillac and he provides the nia Love," "Changes," and "Dear 40-caliber Glock firearm to one Mama," was already a huge star of the two individuals in the back in the world of rap when he was seat," and the group set off to find

He was signed to Death Row ted in a car on a Las Vegas street.

US government hours from shutdown, as lawmakers scrabble for solutions

With the US government just hours from shutting down yesterday, Republican Speaker Kevin McCarthy pitched a last-gasp stopgap measure to avoid a closure that would throw into doubt everything from access to national parks to Washington's massive support for Ukraine.

The freeze of all but critical government services, set to start after midnight yesterday ers fail to reach a deal, would Washington, DC be the first since 2019 -- im- vote yesterday on a fresh meas- would need to pass and overmediately delaying salaries for ure that would keep the govern- come hardline Republican millions of federal employees ment open for another 45 days opposition in the House, the and military personnel.

Congress has been unable to without any aid for Ukraine -- a to remove the speaker from his break the deadlock, largely due point of major contention for post. to a small group of hard-line Democrats. posals that would at least keep yesterday.

 $(0400~\mathrm{GMT}~\mathrm{Sunday})~\mathrm{if}~\mathrm{lawmak}$ Pizza is delivered as the House votes on a continuing resolution in the House in

at current spending levels, but right-wingers have threatened

Republicans in the House of "I am asking Republicans and move (me) because I want to be Representatives pushing back Democrats alike. Put your parthe adult in the room, go ahead against temporary funding pro- tisanship away," McCarthy said and try," McCarthy said, as he

Speaker McCarthy called a nificant Democratic support it Joe Biden.

"If somebody wants to realso sought to shift any blame If the bill receives the sig- for a shutdown on President

Pope appoints 21 new cardinals to fill highest ranks of Church

Dope Francis yesterday elevated 21 clergymen from distant corners of the world to the rank of cardinal, saying diversity was indipensable to the future of the Catholic Church.

Under sunny skies and with a crowd that filled half of Vatican City's grandiose, colonnaded St Peter's Square, the 86-year-old pope welcomed the new, so--- one of whom could one day consistory to create 21 new cardinals become the successor to the under a canopy before the gath- gentine Jesuit.

"The College of Cardinals is Peter's Basilica.



called "Princes of the Church" Newly elevated cardinals are congratulated by fellow cardinals at the end of a

dinals, who include diplomats, called to resemble a sympho"Diversity is necessary; it is close advisers and administrany orchestra, representing the indispensable. However, each tors, is closely watched as an harmony and synodality of the sound must contribute to the indication of the priorities and Church," said Francis, seated common design," said the Arposition of the Church.



L lum is universal. The Refugee Convention is a life-saving instrument that ensures millions of people fleeing conflict & persecution can access this human right.

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investments in America's future, funding Head Start programs that support our kids' education. During a shutdown, up to 10.000 children could lose access to Head Start. By failing to act, House Republicans are failing

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y irresponsible for House Republicans to choose to shut down the government. We reached a bipartisan agreement this summer – and now it's time for them to honor the deal.



Byou're halfway there. - T. Roosevelt @DrTedros

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Indian Embassy holds monthly Open House





The Indian Embassy held its monthly open house, chaired by Ambassador H.E. Vinod Kurian Jacob. More than 50 Indians participated in the event conducted in the English, Hindi, Tamil, and Malayalam languages. The ambassador expressed content at the resolution of several housemaid cases in September and thanked local authorities and Indian associations for their support. The event successfully addressed grievances and issues of the Indian community, with some resolved and others to be addressed at a later time.

PLC Bahrain holds talk show on employment







The Pravasi Legal Cell (PLC) Bahrain Chapter held the second edition of "CONNECTING PEOPLE," a talk show on employment-related issues. The event, attended by Indian Ambassador HE Vinod K. Jacob, Bahrain MP Dr. Hassan Eid Bokkammas, and Labour Ministry's Guidance and Awareness Head Hussain Al Hussaini, featured a comprehensive question and answer session with legal experts. The event was also attended by PLC Bahrain Chapter President Sudheer Thirunilath. A health awareness talk was delivered by KIMS Health Bahrain Internal Medicine Specialist Dr. Hajira Begum

Top Pakistani student honoured by ambassador





Pakistani Ambassador H.E. **Muhammad Ayub honoured** Adeena Asim with a certificate of appreciation for securing second position throughout the GCC region in the SSC-II Examination 2023 conducted by the Federal **Board of Intermediate and** Secondary Education, Islamabad. A ceremony was held on Pakistan Embassy premises, attended by parents, teachers, and Pakistan Urdu School officials. Principal Justen John thanked the ambassador for honouring his school's student for her outstanding achievement.

BKS Onam concludes with 'pulikali'





A traditional pulikali (tiger dance) marked the end of this year's Onam celebrations organised by Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam (BK). More than 150 participants, including children, were decorated in tiger costumes and ornaments. Kerala's former culture minister, K. C. Joseph was the chief guest at the event.

BMBF concludes annual summer programme



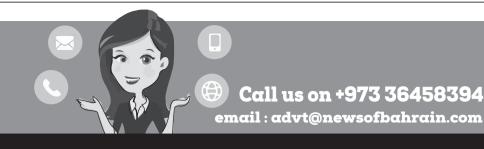






Bahrain Malayalee Business Forum (BMBF) concluded its annual summer awareness programme, Food and Drink Distribution, at a work site in Tubli. This year, they have organised 29 distribution programmes that cater to many in the working class. Basheer Ambalayi, General Secretary of BMBF, welcomed the gathering that attended. The second deputy speaker, MP Ahmed Abdulwahid Qarata, was the chief guest. Various social workers also attended the event

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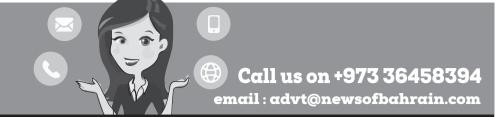
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Leverkusen defeat Mainz to go top in Germany



Leverkusen's players celebrate during the match

AFP | Berlin

 ${f B}$ ayer Leverkusen went one point clear at the top of the Bundesliga after a 3-0 win at struggling Mainz although Bayern Munich could regain pole position later yesterday.

Leverkusen, who dropped their only points in the league this season in a 2-2 draw at Bayern, took the lead after 18 heim thanks to a second-half minutes as wing-back Jeremie goal from Jan-Niklas Beste. Frimpong forced Mainz defender Sepp van den Berg into an own goal.

Dead-ball specialist Alejandro Grimaldo doubled Leverwinger Jonas Hofmann scored a third to round out the win.

Hofmann, who moved to three assists in the Bundesliga for his new club.

pats you on the shoulder and tells you how nice the football looks," said Hofmann.

Hofmann toasted his team's but said "it's important to stay humble."

and are bottom of the table striker Serhou Guirassy, who after six matches.

1-0 away at promoted Heiden- on the scoresheet.



It's a lot of fun. **Everyone pats you** on the shoulder and tells you how nice the football looks

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Beste's free-kick deflected into the net midway through the second half, consigning Champions League participants Union to their fifth conkusen's lead with a pinpoint secutive defeat in all compefree-kick before Germany titions for the first time since 2004.

"There are going to be phases like this. It's up to us to get Leverkusen in the summer out of it," said Union captain having spent seven years at Christopher Trimmel, who Borussia Moenchengladbach, was with the side since before now has three league goals and their promotion to the first division in 2019.

Surprise package Stuttgart "It's a lot of fun. Everyone continued their remarkable rise this season, winning 2-0 at Cologne thanks to a brace from Deniz Undav.

Stuttgart, who needed to "extreme potential" after win a relegation playoff against Leverkusen's best start to a Hamburg last season to stay in league season in their history, the top division, are now second after six matches.

The game did however mark Mainz have just one point the first time this season that had a remarkable 10 goals from Union Berlin's poor start to five league matches heading the season continued, losing into the fixture, failed to get

Man City shocked by Wolves, Man Utd beaten by Crystal Palace

AFP | London

anchester City's perfect start to the Premier League season came undone in a shock 2-1 loss to Wolves, as Manchester United slumped to a 1-0 home defeat to Crystal Palace yesterday.

Arsenal closed to within a point of the lead by cruising to a 4-0 win at Bournemouth, while Aston Villa thrashed Brighton 6-1 to move into the top four. City had won the opening six

games of their title defence as they aim to become the first side to ever claim four consecutive English top-flight titles.

By contrast, Wolves had taken just four points from their first six games but stunned the champions at Molineux.

Ruben Dias' own goal put the home side in front, but City responded after the break through Julian Alvarez's free-kick.

Wolves, though, were a constant threat on the counter-attack and got their reward when sides at Old Trafford. Hwang Hee-chan swept home utes from time.

"We have to do more but do more," said City boss Pep suffered from a familiar lack duties. Guardiola, who watched the of cutting edge up front as they game from the stands due to laboured to get back into the suspension.

"When we win and lose we do it together. Today we were not didn't play our best game," said at our best."



Manchester City's Nathan Ake shoots the ball but it's stopped by Wolverhampton Wanderers' Portuguese goalkeeper Jose Sa

City's defeat means Liverpool can go top should they end Tot- clinical. It's about decision maktenham's unbeaten Premier League start under Ange Postecoglou in the 1615GMT kick off.

United have now lost four of their opening seven league games of the season to pile more pressure on Erik ten Hag.

Joachim Andersen's stunning victory at Bournemouth. first-half volley separated the

in midweek.

But with Palace restored to

"The final part of the game we Ten Hag.

"You have to be sharp and

Defeat sees United slip to 10th in the table.

Arsenal up to second

Arsenal moved up to second as Mikel Arteta's men eased to

Bukayo Saka had been an injury doubt, but headed into an United had won a League Cup empty net to open the scoring trick in Villa's stunning demoliat the second attempt 25 min- meeting between the sides 3-0 on his 87th consecutive Premier tion of Brighton. League appearance.

Martin Odegaard has shared responsibility from the spot with Saka this season and the nal's second before the break.

not at our best **PEP GUARDIOLA** stood aside to give Kai Havertz the confidence boost of his first goal for the club when the Gun-

We have to do more but

even when we win we

have to do more. When

we win and lose we do it

together. Today we were

spot-kick on 53 minutes. Ben White rounded off the scoring in stoppage time.

ners were awarded a second

Newcastle's recovery from a slow start to the season continues as the Magpies overcame Burnley 2-0.

Miguel Almiron fired into the top corner to open the scoring and Alexander Isak's penalty secured the points 14 minutes from time.

Ollie Watkins bagged a hat-

Two goals from the England Saka could have had more had striker and a Pervis Estupinan even when we win we have to full strength, the Red Devils he not then handed over penalty own goal put Villa 3-0 up inside 26 minutes.

Ansu Fati reduced the deficit with his first Brighton goal.

But the day belonged to Wat-Norwegian slotted home Arse- kins and he became the first Villa player in 47 years to score Both Saka and Odegaard then two hat-tricks in one season.

Starc takes hat-trick as rain spoils Australia-Netherlands warm-up

AFP | Thiruvananthapuram

Rain yesterday forced the World Cup warm-up match between Australia and the Netherlands to be called off after Mitchell Starc claimed a hattrick in a stellar all-round show.

Chasing 167 in a reduced 23-overs-a-side match, the Netherlands were 84-6 in 14.2 overs when rain had the final say in Thiruvananthapuram.

Steve Smith top-scored with a 42-ball 55 in Australia's 166-7 after the match started five hours late. None of the World Cup warm-ups are official



Steven Smith plays a shot

Starc rattled the Dutch with with the final two balls of the other wicket on his first ball of his left-arm pace as he struck opening over and then got an- the second over.

The fast bowler trapped Max O'Dowd lbw for a duck and then bowled Wesley Barresi and Bas de Leede, and the Dutch kept slipping away despite Colin Ackermann's 31 not out.

Australia won the toss and batted first but former captain Smith lost opening partner Josh Inglis for a duck. However he hit back with four fours and three sixes despite the opposition bowlers picking up regular wickets.

Alex Carey made 28, Cameron Green hit 34 and then Starc finished off the innings with his unbeaten 22-ball 24.

Logan van Beek, Roelof van der Merwe and De Leede took two wickets each.

Bahrain through to Asiad play-offs

Senior men's basketball team squeeze into knockout stages of 19th Asian Games

Wayne Chism posts 25-15 double-double to spearhead Bahrainis over Thailand

Nationals to face off with South Korea in play-offs, winners through to quarters

TDT | Manama

ahrain's senior men's national basketball team yesterday sneaked into the play-offs of the men's basketball tournament at the 19th Asian Games in Hangzhou, Chi-

The Bahrainis secured their place following a 76-62 win over Thailand in their concluding put them through to the knock-Group C assignment of the pre- outs. liminary round. The result was



Only the top three teams from each of the four preliminary round groups advance to the knockouts in the Hangzhou Asiad men's basketball tournament. The top-ranked sides go directly to the quarter-finals, while the second and thirdplaced teams qualify

for the play-offs



19th Asian Games Hangzhou 2022

FINAL GROUP C STANDINGS

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*Jordan	3	3	0	83	6				
**Philippines	3	2	1	18	5				
**Bahrain	3	1	2	-38	4				
Thailand	3	0	3	-63	0				
(*Direct to quarter-finals, **advance to play-offs)									

row at 3pm, Bahrain time. The after stage one in the men's winners will march through to trap qualification. The second Kamshybek the quarter-finals the following

In Bahrain's win yesterday, they used a fine third quarter top six in each going through. They next take on South Korea to turn a 31-34 deficit at the half

canto, leading by as many as 14 points en route to the final whistle

Wayne Chism had a monster effort of 25 points and 15 rebounds to spearhead the Bahrainis in the win. Mustafa Hussain added 19, including four three-pointers, while Ali Aqeel and Ali Jaber chipped in with nine points apiece.

Tyler Lamb was the top scorer for the Thais with 18 points. Elsewhere for Bahrain yes-

terday at the Hangzhou Asiad, Marwa Buarki was ranked 11th after the first stage of the women's trap qualification, and Saeed Kadhem was 35th phase for both competitions will Kunkabayev be held today, to be followed by of Kazakhstan in

In men's boxing, Bahrain's judges scored 29-28 in their first and only triumph in in their play-off match-up, with to a 51-48 lead after three. They Danis Latypov bowed out of favour of Kunkabayev,

this stage, but it was enough to that game scheduled for tomor- then widened the gap in the final medal contention after losing to with Latypov only win-Bahrain's Ali Aqeel goes for a lay-up as he looks to avoid a block by Thailand big man Chanatip Jakrawan



ning the bout's third and final

Medvedev overcomes 'fluffy grapefruits' to reach China Open quarter-finals

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World number three Daniil Medvedev progressed to the quarter-finals of the China Open with a hard-fought win over Australia's Alex de Minaur in Beijing yesterday.

The Russian navigated an awkward first set before triumphing 7-6 (7/3), 6-3 and will face Ugo Humbert of France in the next round.

Medvedev led 5-2 in the first set but errors crept in and he needed a tie-break to see off a stirring comeback from the 12th-ranked de Minaur.

He found his range in the second set, securing an early break before taking his second match point with a fierce volley.

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shots with them, they go very ner," he said, adding that the I'm happy about."



Russia's Daniil Medvedev serves to Australia's Alex De Minaur

Medvedev told AFP that issues like a grapefruit," the 27-year- likely.

"As soon as you play some most impossible to hit a win- I managed to do it well so this,

"With these balls, you have to "We're basically playing be 100 percent on every point, 30-shot rallies because it's aluntil the last point of the match. umphed 6-7 (4/7), 7-6 (7/4), 6-3

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some shots with them, they go very big, much (fluffier)... it becomes like a grapefruit. We're basically playing 30shot rallies because it's almost impossible to hit a winner

DANIIL MEDVEDEV

Humbert scored a surprise 5-7, 6-3, 7-6 (7/3) victory over Medvedev's compatriot and world number six Andrey Ru-

Earlier, Nicolas Jarry battled big, much (fluffier)... it becomes problem made injuries more to a marathon victory to set up a potential quarter-final with Alexander Zverev.

The unseeded Chilean triover Italy's Matteo Arnaldi in a three-hour match.

PSG held by Ligue 1

strugglers Clermont

Kylian Mbappe in action for Paris Saint-Germain against Clermont

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Paris Saint-Germain surprise leaders Brest.

Warmed up for a trip Clermont had beaten yesterday.

PSG coach Luis Enrique his starting line-up despite them off the bottom of the tabeen an injury doubt during Lyon, who play on Sunday. the week, but he endured a Mory Diaw and was booked for diving late on.

on impressive wins against at Newcastle in mind. Borussia Dortmund and Marseille in their last two outings, involved, setting off on a lightbut this result confirms they ning break down the left early

their first seven league games by Diaw.

and sit provisionally second in the table, a point behind

Clermont had beaten the Pato England to face Newcas- risians away in their final game tle United in the Champions of last season but came into League by drawing 0-0 away this match bottom of the table to Ligue 1 strugglers Clermont and with just one point so far in this campaign.

They are still winless, but selected Kylian Mbappe in the unexpected point lifts the France superstar having ble on goal difference from

Mbappe had been a doubt in frustrating afternoon against the build-up to the game after in-form Clermont goalkeeper coming off with an ankle injury against Marseille last weekend, but Luis Enrique resisted The reigning French chamany temptation to rest his star pions had been hoping to build player with Wednesday's game

PSG's top scorer was heavily are far from the finished article on and providing a low pass for Ousmane Dembele, whose PSG have won just three of first-time shot was well saved

Pole-position 'Martinator' cuts MotoGP gap with sprint win

Jorge Martin cut the gap with championship leader Francesco Bagnaia to just eight points at the Japan MotoGP vesterday with his third straight sprint victory.

After cutting the gap to 13 points last weekend in India. the Spaniard from Ducati satellite team Pramac also secured pole position for Sunday with a record lap at Motegi.

"I felt super strong for today's race," the smiling 25-year-old, nicknamed "Martinator", said after the sprint victory ahead of Brad Binder (KTM) in second and Bagnaia (Ducati) in



Prima Pramac Racing rider Jorge Martin of Spain (R) leads Red Bull KTM Factory Racing rider Brad Binder of South Africa (L) during the sprint race

base... Tomorrow I can be hav- tomorrow," Martin said. ing more calm. With more laps,

"I think we found a great yeah, let's go for another victory

Defending world champion we need to manage the tyres. Bagnaia, 26, will be second on the riders line up on the grid I feel really happy overall and the grid on Sunday, when he on Sunday.

could in theory be replaced at the top of the standings with just six more races to go after

"We have to be happy with what we had, so the position is ok. Jorge is in his best moment," said the Italian, now on 299 points compared with Martin's 291.

"But we have to remain calm and work for tomorrow. That will be another story," Bagnaia

South Africa's Binder is fourth

in the overall table on 201 points behind Marco Bezzecchi on 252 and will be fourth when under their new manager.

Bahrain bag five more medals

Kemi Adekoya, Birhanu Balew capture gold to continue Kingdom's impressive run in athletics at Hangzhou Asian Games

Gold won by Kemi Adekoya in women's 400m, Birhanu Balew in men's 10,000m

Salwa Eid Naser comes away with silver medal in women's 400m

Bronze clinched by Hajar Alkhaldi in women's 100m, **Abbas Yusuf Abbas** in men's 400m

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ahrain added five medzhou, China, including two gold narrowest of margins. captured by Kemi Adekoya and Birhanu Balew.

women's 400 metres, where she was joined on the podium by fellow-Bahraini Salwa Eid Naser, who won silver; while Balew third Asian Games gold medal, captured his gold medal in the men's 10,000m.

The Kingdom's star-studded

athletics team also came away with two bronze medals yesterday through Hajar Alkhaldi in the women's 100m and Abbas Yusuf Abbas in the men's 400m.

Bahrain's five-medal haul on the second day of competition on the track and in the field brought their tally to six so far at the Hangzhou Asiad, including three gold, one silver and two bronze. That put them in 14th place on the official medal standings based on gold medals, and 18th based on total.

The elite Bahraini athletes are back in action today for another chance to add to their achieve-

In the women's 400m final,



Kemi Adekoya, centre, with Salwa Eid Naser, left, and Vallabouy Shereen Samson celebrate with their women's 400m medals

Kemi and Salwa had brilliant Incheon, South Korea. starts and maintained their strong pace down the final bend. Both Bahraini runners were then side by side heading down Asian Games in Hang- managed to edge Salwa by the

Kemi won in a time of 50.66 seconds while Salwa was second Kemi was triumphant in the in 50.92s. Vallabouy Shereen Samson of Malaysia claimed the bronze medal in 52.58s.

Kemi came away with her adding to her wins in the same event as well as in the women's 400m hurdles at the 2014 Asi-

"I'm really happy to repeat what I know how to do best," said Kemi after her run.

She will now be looking to add als yesterday at the 19th the home straight, and Kemi to her Hagnzhou medal count when she competes in the women's 400m hurdles, the women's 4x400m relay and the mixed 4x400m relay.

For Salwa, who was coming off an injury leading up to this year's Asiad, her runner-up finish yesterday earned her a second silver and fourth medal overall in the Asian Games. In the 2018 edition in Jakarta, she won silver in the women's 4x400m relay, while

also taking gold in the women's 400m and women's 4x100m



captured his gold medal

had also won the 5,000m gold gapore claimed silver in 11.27s. round heat after completing the Birhanu Balew celebrates as he crosses the finish line for gold



Hajar Alkhaldi celebrates on her podium with Bahrain Olympic Committee secretary general Faris Al Kooheji, third from left, Bahrain's Chef de Mission Ahmed Abdulghaffar, second from right, and athletics officials

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in 2018.

Balew will be hoping to comdouble in Hangzhou when he medal in 45.57s. races to defend his title in the 5,000m final on Wednesday.

final yesterday, but he was disqualified for jostling/obstruc-

Hotly contested

In the women's 100m title race, Hajar claimed her bronze medal in a hotly contested sprint with the tightest of finishes.

10,000m final, Balew 11.35s, pipping Thailand's Su-day to earn his place in the medpanich Poolkerd by just six-thouafter completing the race sandths of a second to claim the distance in 28 minutes 13.62 final podium place. Manqi Ge of terday, Bahrain's Zouhair Aouad seconds. It was the second Asi- China won gold in 11.23s, while qualified for the men's 1,500m ad medal of his career. Balew Veronica Shanti Pereira of Sin-final. He ranked third in his first-

Bahrain's Edidiong Odiong was sixth in the race in 11.54s.

Hajar claimed her second Asiad medal, adding to her women's final is scheduled for a 3.30pm 4x100m gold in 2018. She will be looking for a repeat success this year when she races alongside Edidiong, who will be back the women's 100m hurdles first on track today in the women's 200m first-round heats.

In the men's 400m final yesterday, Abbas claimed his bronze after finishing his sprint in straight, but he could not mainfront to win in 45.55s. Japan's plete a fantastic long-distance Kentaro Sato captured the silver

the men's 4x400m relay and join she competes Bahraini Dawit Fikadu was Kemi and Salwa in the mixed in her final also competing in the 10,000m 4x400m relay over the coming

Meanwhile, Bahrain's Saeed time, along Alkhaldi, the younger brother with felof Hajar, had a valiant effort in low-Bahraini the men's 100m final yesterday. Marta He finished fifth with a new personal best time of 10.15s, which beat his previous fastest mark of 10.19s, which he set in the Hajar had a finishing time of semi-finals held earlier in the

Elsewhere on the track yes-

Abbas Yusuf Abbas with his bronze medal

distance in a time of 3:56.15, which was eighth-best amongst the 12 athletes to advance. The start today, Bahrain time.

Bahraini sprinter Aminat Jamal could not advance past round. She finished seventh in her heat in a time of 13.44 seconds.

For other Bahraini athletes going for gold today, Abdelrah-45.65s. The Bahraini was lead- man Mahmoud will compete in ing midway through the home the men's shot put final starting from 2pm, Bahrain time, tain his stride over the closing John Koech will go for gold in metres, when Saudi Arabia's the men's 3,000m steeplechase Yousef Masrahi powered to the medal race at 2.15pm, and recently crowned world champion Winfred Yavi will look to add a women's 1,500m Asiad Abbas will also be running in gold to her global title when



Bahrainis through to handball semi-finals

Kingdom's senior men's national team outclass Iran for second straight win in main round

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19th Asian Games in Hangzhou,

The Kingdom's senior national from Iran 29-20 for their second straight win in Group One of the competition's main round. That, coupled with Kuwait's dramatic, last-second 25-24 victory over South Korea in yesterday's other

GROUP ONE STANDINGS

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	Р	W	D	L	+/-	Pts	
Bahrain	2	2	0	0	12	4	
Kuwait	2	2	0	0	3	4	
South Korea	2	0	0	2	-4	0	
Iran	2	0	0	2	-11	0	

Bahrainis' and Kuwaitis' places in the final four.

Bahrain secured their berth in the semi-finals of the men's hand-after four contests, which include Bahrain also remained unbeaten premacy. ball tournament yesterday at the their two preliminary round fix-

The nationals improved to four points on the Group One table with team outclassed their counterparts vesterday's result. They complete bib Nasser goal tied the proceedings their main round campaign today against Kuwait in a game scheduled for a 1pm start, Bahrain time.

Group One winners and set up the head into the interval up 12-7. pairings in the last four. Only the top

will be played on Tuesday. The gold double-digit advantage on a Qassim and bronze medal matches are set for Thursday.

Qatar and Japan had also already secured their places in the semi-fi- of the way. nals vesterday with wins over China and Kazakhstan, respectively, in Group Two. The Qataris and Japanese face off today for group su-

Bahrain finished their first half looked back. After falling behind 5-6 with just over 10 minutes to play before the break, a Mohammed Haand then two straight from Mohammed Habib Ahmed gave them an 8-6 lead. They scored another four dulhussain registered 11 saves in The match will determine the goals while conceding just one to

The Bahrainis then gradually

groups advance to the semis, which minutes. They enjoyed their first Qambar conversion that made it 21-11 12 minutes in. The Iranians got no closer than eight goals the rest

Ahmed finished as the national team's leading scorer with seven goals, while skipper Hussain Al Sayyad added six. Nasser, Qambar and Mahdi Saad fired in three goals apiece, while Ali Eid and Hasagainst Iran strong and never san Al Samaheeji had two goals

Rounding out the Bahrain scorers with a goal apiece were Mohammed Rabea, Mohammed Abdulredha and Ali Mirza.

Star goalkeeper Mohammed Abthe contest.

Afshin Sadeghi Askari paced Iran in the loss with five goals, while Modivisional clash, ensured both the two teams in each of this stage's two widened the gap over the final 30 hmmadmahdi Behnamnia had four.



Bahrain skipper Hussain Al Sayyad tries to make a play against Iran yesterday