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Coast Guard urges seafarers to exercise caution

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The Coast Guard Command issued an advisory yesterday, calling on seafarers to prioritise safety in their maritime activities, citing chances for intermittent high-speed winds.

The Coast Guard stressed the need for heightened caution among seafaring individuals to ensure their safety.

Hamas says US strikes on Irag. Syria 'pour oil on fire'

Palestinian Territories

Hamas yesterday condemned overnight US strikes in Iraq and Syria, saying Washington had poured "oil on the fire" in the Middle East.

The US "bears responsibility for the consequences of this brutal aggression against both Iraq and Syria, which pour oil on the fire," the group said in a statement issued in English.

"We confirm that the region will not witness stability or peace except by stopping the Zionist (Israeli) aggression and the crimes of genocide and ethnic cleansing against our people in the Gaza Strip."

Model slammed for Instagram death hoax

New Delhi, India

n Indian model sparked Aan online backlash Saturday after revealing she had faked her death in an Instagram post as part of a cervical cancer awareness campaign.

Poonam Pandey "bravely fought the disease" and died, according to a statement published on her social media Friday, but the fake announcement was soon met with online criticism that included accusations it was a "deceptive

A flurry of obituaries from media outlets followed the original announcement and her Wikipedia page was also updated to reflect her apparent death, while Bollywood stars posted mournful tributes.

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HRH Prince Turki hails HM King Hamad's support for Palestinians

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is Royal Highness Prince Harris Boyar Friginico - Turki bin Faisal bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, Chairman of the Al-Quds Empowerment Fund's Board of Trustees, yesterday commended the efforts of His Majesty King Hamad Al Khalifa in supporting Palestinians amidst challenging humanitarian conditions.

In a meeting with Dr. Mustafa Al Sayed, Secretary-General of the Royal Humanitarian Foundation (RHF), Prince Turki praised the Kingdom's leaderfor their development and humanitarian initiatives benefiting the Palestinians.

Dr. Al Sayed conveyed greet- humanitarian mission. ings and appreciation from His



Dr. Mustafa Al Sayed and HRH Prince Turki

The meeting, held during the Fund.

Majesty King Hamad and other Board of Trustees gathering in ship, government, and citizens Bahraini dignitaries to Prince Kuwait, also addressed HRH Turki, expressing their wishes Prince Turki's upcoming visit for the success of the Al-Quds to Bahrain, focusing on briefing Empowerment Fund in its noble HM King Hamad about the goals between NGOs and governof the Al-Quds Empowerment ments to enhance the Fund's

Discussions centred on the Al-Quds Empowerment and Sustainability Programme, highlighting approved projects aimed at supporting and empowering Jerusalem. The Fund seeks to develop financial resources and create a financing mechanism to contribute to community development for Palestinians in Jerusalem through funding various programs and projects.

The Al-Quds Empowerment Fund's Board of Trustees comprises representatives from development organisations, chambers of commerce, and businessmen across Arab countries, fostering a partnership

Rafah on edg

Israel pounds Gaza as fears grow of push into Rafah

Blinken will travel to the Middle East yet again

Israel has lost 224 soldiers since starting its **Gaza ground operations**

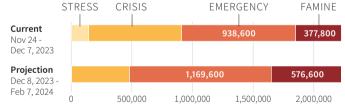
AFP | Palestinian Territories

rooted by the nearly four-month Gaza over the past 24 hours.

has been the focus of Israel's streets and in parks.

Risk of famine in Gaza

Gaza's 2.22 million inhabitants and their level of food insecurity, according to an IPC analysis published on Dec 21



srael pressed its blistering the Palestinian territory overa push into Rafah, the southern forces killed "dozens of terror- avoid parts of the city exposed

A barrage of air strikes and Gaza's 2.4 million people dis- row of body bags at the Najjar tank fire rocked Khan Yunis placed by the fierce fighting hospital in Rafah after Israeli overnight and through the day, have fled south to Rafah since strikes. Hamas remained dean AFP journalist said of the the outbreak of the war, with fiant, with an official from the main city in southern Gaza that their tents crammed along Palestinian Islamist group that

The health ministry in Ha- to 200,000 people now hosts in Khan Yunis. mas-run Gaza said more than more than half of Gaza's popu- US Secretary of State Antony

Civilians who fled to Rafah assault in the Gaza Strip night, mostly women and chil- have been pushed up against yesterday as fears grew over dren. The Israeli army said its the border with Egypt, trying to city teeming with civilians up- ists" in northern and central to the fighting in nearby Khan Yunis. AFPTV images showed of weeks" Hundreds of thousands of Palestinians gathered around a has ruled Gaza since 2007 say-The city that had been home ing it was "holding its ground"

100 people were killed across lation, the United Nations said. Blinken will travel to the Middle

East yet again in the coming days to press a new proposal involving the release of Israeli hostages in return for a pause in the fighting, the State Department said.

Blinken will visit Qatar and Egypt -- the mediators of the proposal -- as well as Israel, the occupied West Bank and Saudi Arabia starting Sunday, it added.

The trip -- his fifth since the war broke out -- comes after Qatar's foreign ministry spokesman Majed al-Ansari said there were hopes of "good news" about a fresh pause to the fighting "in the next couple



AUB's MyHassad returns with bigger, better rewards

UN Sec. Council to meet Monday on US strikes in Mideast **United Nations, United**

States

The UN Security Council will hold an emergency meeting Monday afternoon on the US strikes in Iraq and Syria, which it launched in retaliation for the death of three American soldiers, diplomatic sources told AFP.

The meeting, requested by permanent member Russia, will take place at 4:00 pm (2100 GMT) on Monday, diplomatic sources said, and would discuss the attacks launched by Washington against Iran-backed groups it has accused of attacking US troops in the region.

EU's top diplomat urges no Middle **East escalation** after US strikes

Brussels, Belgium

European Union foreign policy chief Josep Borrell vesterday called on all parties to avoid further escalation in the Middle East after US strikes on Iranlinked groups in Syria and

"Everybody should try to avoid that the situation becomes explosive," Borrell said at a meeting of EU foreign ministers in Brussels.

The United States launched air strikes against Iranian forces and allied militias in Iraq and Syria on Friday, with President Joe Biden vowing more to come in retaliation for a deadly drone attack on an American base in Jordan.

Menkaure Pyramid

Egypt orders review of pyramid restoration after outcry

AFP | Cairo, Egypt

Egypt's antiquities ministry said yesterday it was setting up a committee to review the restoration of Giza's Menkaure Pyramid after a public outcry over the project.

A week ago, the head of



Egypt's Supreme Council of An-sale reconstruction was under three Giza pyramids.

who voiced fears that a whole- ogist, to review the project.

tiquities, Mostafa Waziri, posted way. Trying to calm the debate, a Facebook video showing work- in a country where tourism acers setting blocks of granite on counts for 10 percent of GDP, the the base of the shortest of the ministry announced that it has set up a "scientific committee The footage sparked a storm chaired by... Zahi Hawass", a of criticism from Egyptologists well-known Egyptian archaeol-



Sylanka Celebrating 76 years of independence

Rebuild our nation

Ranil Wickremesinghe President **Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka**

s we com-A m e m o rated the 75th year of our nation's independence, we encountered the indignity of being labeled a financially bankrupt country. Upon the advent of the 76'n Independence Day, we have effectively navigated through



many challenges, steering the economy toward stability with the support of the global community.

Achievements were realized progressively, owing to the steadfast support of our citizens who encjured hardships in keeping with a comprehensive, long-term national rebuilding programme. Throughout this journey, challenges will gradually dissipate, life's burdens will lighten, the economy will fortify and Mother Sri Lanka will undergo a renaissance.

It is imperative that we obtain insights from past mistakes and avoid their repetition. With the current growth trajectory acknowledged globally, let us collectively resolve on this Independence Day to persist on this path and reinstate prosperity.

I invite all Sri Lankans, at home and abroad, to contribute their utmost energy to the noble mission of rebuilding our nation.

A new turning point

Dinesh Gunawardena (M.P) Prime Minister, Minister of State Administration, Home Affairs, Provincial Councils and Local Government **Democratic Socialist**

Republic of Sri Lanka Our ancestors created a proud history for us. As their children and grandchildren, we should bequeath

it meaningfully to

the next genera-

Today we celebrate the 76th year of independence of our nation, which has been nourished

by intellect and sacrifice of blood and sweat in the struggles faced from time to time due to foreign and imperialist invasions.

From the national liberation struggles of 1818 and 1848 and the revolutionary struggles spearheaded by religious and lay national leaders we gained independence in 1948. Let us remember them with pride at this moment.

Even after that independence, the people's movement of 1956, the full freedom obtained by the republic constitution of 1972, the war heroes who sacrificed their lives, eyes, flesh and blood to end the thirty-year-war should be gratefully remembered at this moment.

The 76th National Independence Day will be marked as a new turning point in the economy in anticipation of overcoming challenges and building a prosperous country. Let's all move forward together for the development and progress of the country while preserving

Embrace the unity

M.U.M. Ali Sabry, P.C., M.P. Minister of Foreign Affairs Independence Day Message

As we celebrate the 76th anniversary of our independence today, this milestone carries more significance than ever before.

Economic independence is integral to a nation's journey post-freedom. Given the deep economic crisis we were facing only a year ago, the current recovery and up-

surge in the economy seemed inconceivable It was a combination of good leadership and teamwork that has put us on this path to recovery. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and our diplomatic missions abroad have contributed to this process.

Sri Lanka is committed to democratic principles, human rights, and the rule of law.

We have increased global engagement through numerous bilateral visits and consultations, fostering enhanced political and economic relations. Sri Lanka also assumed leadership of the Indian. Ocean Rim Asso-

To achieve our true potential, we must resist divisive policies and embrace the unity within our diversity while we continue these difficult yet prudent economic policy reforms.

Wishing all Sri Lankans a happy independence day.

A landmark event

H.M.G.R.R.K. Wijeratne Mendis Ambassador of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to the Kingdom of Bahrain

It gives me great honour and pleasure to convey my warm greetings, and heartfelt felicitations to the Sri Lankan Community residing in the Kingdom of Bahrain, and friends, on this auspicious occasion of 76th Independence Day of Sri Lanka which falls today.

May I take this opportunity to express my sincere greetings and good wishes to His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, King of the Kingdom of Bahrain, His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa,

Crown Prince and Prime Minister, the Government and People of the Kingdom of Bahrain.

In bilateral sphere, Sri Lanka and the Kingdom of Bahrain have always enjoyed excellent relations based on mutual respect and shared values. I wish to see these ties expand into the areas of Trade, Tourism and Investment, Health and Education the mutual benefit

The Embassy of Sri Lanka in Bahrain has always taken an active role in our community's social and cultural life, through its various Public Diplomacy and Community Outreach Programs. "Abiman" Sri Lankan Cultural event has been organized to celebrate the 76th Independence Day of Sri Lanka on the 16th of February 2024 at Bahrain Cultural Hall. This will be a landmark event in further enriching people-to-people contacts between our two friendly countries. Finally, let me thank the Sri Lankan Associations and the Sri Lankan Community in Bahrain for their kind support and cooperation extended towards making the 76th Anniversary of Sri Lanka's Independence Day Celebrations a success.

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🔭 ri Lanka is strategically lo- tors, Sri Lanka has put in place deep water ports of Colombo Ocated at the crossroads of high-quality infrastructure to and Hambantota leverage on major shipping routes to South facilitate investment in areas of Sri Lanka's natural location ad-Asia, the Far East, and the con-specific interest. Connectivity vantage for sea cargo. tinents of Europe and Americontinues to ramp up via a ca. Home to one of the Top 25 Container Ports in the World, the country is a key port of call for shipping lines and airfreight services. Further, Sri Lanka's proximity to the Indian sub-continent positions the country as a gateway to a market of 1.9 billion people in South Asia alone. These factors combined, generate keen interest in Sri Lanka as a preferred investment destination in the region.

Sri Lanka is a vibrant stakeholder of the bustling Asian Economy, which is considered the epicenter of the world's growth over the next decade.

1st :Port in South Asia - Colombo Port (WB, S&P Mkt. Intelligence 2022). 1st: First South Asian country to trial 5G technology in 2022. BEST: Trans-shipment Hub in South Asia. 2nd: The safest cities for women traveling alone (Women Solo Travel Index - 2022). 17th: Top 20 Places to Travel 2022 (Readers' Choice).

Best-in-region: Physical and human capital infrastructure position Sri Lanka as a compelling investment destination.

With a range of emerging opportunities across selected secrapidly expandoriented special economic zone ing highway based on reclaimed land which is an extension of the country's Central Business District, symbolizes Sri Lanka's future orientation against a backdrop of industrial excellence fostered by the Board of Investment over the last four decades. Sri Lankan manufacturers are vital stakeholders in global supply chains ranging from aerospace to apparel, and provide the systems engineering for key e-commerce and commercial trading platforms. This is a country that is rich in talent and opportuni-

Massive turnout at final day of Hala Bira Fiesta

Zahra Ayaz TDT | Manama

The threeday Filipino Festival, "Hala Bira Fiesta," concluded yesterday with a resounding success as it attracted a massive crowd, particularly during the evening hours.











Held outdoors at Oasis Mall, this vibrant celebration of Filipino culture captivated attendees with its diverse offerings.

Visitors were treated to a plethora of small stalls showcasing the rich culinary heritage of the Philippines.

From delectable food items to trendy shoes, bags, and jewelry, the festival provided a unique shopping experience.

Additionally, a live performance stage and an art exhibition bazaar offered opportunities to immerse oneself in the vibrant creative scene of the Philippines.

Sports enthusiasts were not left behind, as the festival featured a thrilling 3x3 street basketball tournament, a chess competition that put participants' strategic prowess to the test, and an intense dart competition for those seeking precision and accuracy.

The atmosphere was further electrified by lively dance parades that showcased the infectious rhythm and grace of Filipino traditional dances.

Choir groups mesmerised the audience with their harmonious performances, and attendees were even given the chance to showcase their vocal talents through karaoke sessions.

Circle, Tap, Know

AI reinvents search in Samsung Galaxy S24



The Galaxy S24's "Live **Translate" removes** language barriers. This realtime translator. currently supporting 13 languages with 26 planned by yearend, bridges communication gaps seamlessly. But innovation doesn't stop there.

FADI ABU SHAMAT, HEAD OF MOBILE EXPERIENCE AT

Zahra Ayaz TDT| Manama

amsung Gulf Electronics has Sunveiled the Galaxy S24 Setuitive mobile experience.

"Galaxy AI represents years of investment and marks a rev- dividuals. olution in user productivity,"

life." Imagine circling an object year-end, bridges communicaon your screen and instantly tion gaps seamlessly. getting information - that's "Circle to Search," a collaborathere. The Galaxy S24 boasts ries, bringing a wave of inno- tion with Google. Need restau- an AI-powered battery manvation powered by its ground- rant reviews? Product details? agement system that analyzes breaking Galaxy AI. Forget te- Just circle and see! This AI gem dious searches and language even recognizes public figures, battery health for longer life. barriers - this phone is your giving you their bio with a simwindow to a smarter, more in- ple tap. Privacy is paramount, - pre-orders surged 42%, showassures Abu Shamat, as the casing the anticipation surfeature avoids identifying in- rounding this flagship series.

says Fadi Abu Shamat, Head of meetings? The Galaxy S24's features; it promises a smarter, Mobile eXperience at Samsung "Live Translate" removes lan- more personalized mobile ex-Gulf Electronics. "This series guage barriers. This real-time perience. Are you ready to step isn't just packed with tech; it's translator, currently supporting into the future?

designed to enhance your daily 13 languages with 26 planned by

But innovation doesn't stop your usage patterns, optimizing

The excitement is palpable With Galaxy AI at its core, the Travelling or multilingual Galaxy S24 doesn't just offer

Unpaid electricity bill sparks violent knife attack

24-year-old gets 3 years for stabbing roommate on face

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A²⁴-year-old man, an Asian national, has been sentenced to three years in prison for violently attacking his roommate over an unpaid electricity bill, resulting in permanent disability to the victim's face. The High Criminal Court, in its verdict, also mandated the deportation of the assailant upon completion of his imprisonment.

the shared payment of their apartment. electricity bill in their shared accommodation.



Representative picture

Both individuals jointly paid dishing a knife and striking the A medical committee ap- the electricity bill, but tensions victim's right cheek, causing pointed by the court deter- escalated when the victim re- him to lose consciousness. The mined that the victim suffered quested the accused to settle prosecution charged the aca 5% disability on his face as his outstanding portion to cused with assault causing boda consequence of the attack. prevent a disconnection. The ily harm without the intent to According to court records, accused, however, failed to cause the described injuries. Afthe altercation unfolded fol- comply, resulting in the elec- ter reviewing evidence and teslowing heated arguments over tricity being cut off in their timonies, the Court found the

accused guilty of compromising The dispute escalated into vi- the victim's physical safety and olence, with the accused bran-inflicting the specified injuries.

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743,000 ID Card transactions in 2023

Launch of Remote Service Center and online service for Education Qualification update are among major digital initiatives

32 Identity and Civil Records eServices available

Launch of Remote **Service Center and** online service for **Education Qualification** update are among major digital initiatives

Services requiring in-person attendance accounted for less than 5% of all transactions

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Population Registry, Shaikh Sub- the Ministerial Committee for streamlining procedures, and ah bin Hamad Al Khalifa said Information and Communica- improving quality. The ongo-

Continued digital transformation of ID **Card services results**

> being completed electronically SHAIKH SUBAH AL KHALIFA



Shaikh Subah urged individuals, government entities, and business owners to utilize the range of ID Card and Civil Record eServices available on the National Portal Bahrain.bh and through self-service eKiosks to save time and effort and help expedite transactions.

ernment Authority (iGA) tal channels saw a significant in the ID Card services. This announced the comple- uptake among citizens and res- oversight has played a crucial tion of more than 743,000 ID idents during the year, in line role in leveraging technology Card transactions in 2023. Of with the iGA's commitment to to introduce of digital initithese, 705,000 were processed fulfilling the government's vi- atives and services that make electronically through the Na- sion and directives to enhance transactions easier and more tional Portal, bahrain.bh, smart user experience and satisfaction convenient. devices, and other digital chanthrough the continued integranels, making up 95% of the total. tion of innovative digital ser- this shift is in line with a grow-The number of eServices related vices. He noted the close follow ing digital culture among the to ID Card and Civil Records up by Gen. Shaikh Rashid bin public, which brings numercurrently stands at 32 eServices. Abdullah Al Khalifa, the Minis- ous benefits, saving citizens iGA Director of Identity and ter of Interior and Chairman of and residents time and effort,

he Information & eGov- services offered through digi- supported such transformation

Shaikh Subah explained that that ID Card and Civil Records tion Technology (MCICT) that ing digital transformation of ID

services aligns with the iGA's Remote Service Center comprehensive digital transformation strategy, including the issuances for non-Bahraini residents.

Faster, more efficient

Discussing notable achievements, Shaikh Subah said that fairs and Agriculture. efforts by the Directorate and uted to faster, more efficient, and higher quality processing of requests. These efforts involved enhancements to systems supporting ID Card and Civil Records services, such as improved data exchange between different entities and the implementation of an automated system for request processing. Investing in enhancing the administrative and technical skills of 27 Identity Directorate staff resulted in high satisfaction levels, as evident by feedback received through the National Suggestions and Complaints System (Tawasul) and other digital channels.

The total number of ID Card transactions, including issuance, renewals, and replacements, stood at 430,000 (both electronic and in-person). Additionally, there were 21,337 electronic transactions related to updating Civil Records data, 20,047 related to updating address information, 229,596 related to viewing and printing ID card details online, and 52,400 related to ID Card declarations. Self-service eKiosks transactions totaled 36,364.

Shaikh Subah highlighted sevimprovement of non-electronic eral significant developments, Other achievements included services in preparation for their including the inauguration of a the completion of a National digital transformation. Services Remote Service Center, eService Birth System, alongside the onrequiring in-person attendance to submit declarations on the line update for the Education accounted for less than 5% of portal, the launch of the Civall transactions, which mainly il Records update service, and records, adherence to the serinvolved fingerprint updates, an increase in the number of signature updates, and first-time self-service eKiosks. Addition- addition of QR codes to birth ally, a new system for address-Ministry of Municipalities Af-

scored the role played by the certification.

Taqyeem team in enhancing the quality and efficiency of service centers and eServices. Qualification service for civil vice level agreement (SLA), the certificates, and ongoing work es was implemented, providing on an Electronic Archive project residential Address certificate for birth and death records and through integration with the the Central Population Registry System (CRS2). Additionally, he highlighted the safety and se-The Director of ID and Pop- curity achievements of service other iGA employees contrib- ulation Registry also under- centers, including ISO quality



KHALEEJI /

Board of Directors Nomination Announcement

Khaleeji Bank B.S.C. ("Bank") would like to announce the opening of receiving nominations for the candidacy of Three (3) Board of Directors membership for a three years term (2024-2027) in accordance with Article (18) paragraph (c) of the Bank's Articles of Association. The ballot process will be conducted during the upcoming Annual General Meeting proposed to be held on 25th

Conditions for Nominations:

- The candidate must be fully qualified to act.
- The candidate must not have been convicted in a crime involving negligent or fraudulent bankruptcy, or a crime affecting honor or involving a breach of trust, or in a crime resulting from violating the law, unless the candidate was reinstated.
- The candidate must not be prohibited from assuming board membership of a joint stock company in accordance with the Law of Commercial Companies or any other law applicable in the Kingdom of
- . The candidate must fulfill the conditions stated in any regulation issued by the Central Bank of Bahrain in relation to independent members and non-executive and executive members (as applicable), without prejudice of the requirements of Article (65) of the Central Bank of Bahrain Law.
- The candidate must declare acceptance in writing, whereby such declaration should include any business that competes directly or indirectly with the Bank, and the names of the companies and entities where the candidate works or holds a board membership therein.
- · The candidate shall fulfill any other conditions which may be contained in the Bank's Document of Incorporation and Articles of Association.
- · With respect to the board's chairman or the deputy chairman positions, the candidate must not hold any of the aforementioned positions simultaneously with the position of CEO of the company or its equivalents.

Required Documents and Information:

- · Fill and complete the CBB's Application for Approved Person Status (Form 3) which can be downloaded from the following link:
- https://cbben.thomsonreuters.com/sites/default/files/net_file_store/Vol_2_Form_3_July_2022.pdf
- The candidate's or representative's CV.
- · Declaration of any business that competes directly or indirectly with the Bank.
- Names of companies and entities in which the candidate is working or holds a board membership
- Declaration of any post held by the candidate which requires partial or full dedication.
- Any other documents or information which the Bank may require.
- · Any other information specified in the Implementing Regulation

Those interested to nominate themselves or a representative for board membership for the period mentioned above are urged to deliver to the Bank with the information and documents stated in this advertisement by hand or courier to the Bank's address (GFH Tower, Bahrain Financial Harbor District, Fourth floor, PO Box 60002, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain), or via email (compliance@khaleeji.bank). Nomination for the candidacy of Board of Directors membership will remain open until 18th February

Names and relevant information of the candidates will be announced on Bahrain Bourse's and the Bank's website simultaneously with the publication of the Annual General Meeting agenda.

Please contact the Board Secretary on 17505541 / 17505442 or email (compliance@khaleeji.bank) in relation to any enquiry about this announcement.

The Declaration form and the Form 3 referred above are available of Khaleeji's website under Investor Relations section/AGM & EGM Tab www.khaleeji.bank/pages-sidebar-nav/agm-egm

Court overturns arbitration decision

Embassy granted Immunity in dispute over construction payment

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The High Commercial Court has overturned a decision referring a dispute between an engineering company and an embassy to arbitration based on diplomatic immunity. The company initiated legal action, seeking a payment of 80,000 Bahraini dinars for demolition and construction work on the ambassador's residence.

Emphasising the ratified Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations, the court highgranted to diplomatic envoys jurisdiction. in criminal and administrative



lighted the judicial immunity non-subjection to local court

The court's ruling clarified proceedings, except in specif- that the dispute falls within the ic circumstances. The embas- embassy's mission scope, and sy contended that diplomatic there is no evidence suggesting immunity shields them from the embassy waived the immuappearing in Bahrain's civil or nity for its envoys in contractual munity from civil lawsuits and tual agreement for dispute res- the embassy.

The court's ruling clarified that the dispute falls within the embassy's mission scope, and there is no evidence suggesting the embassy waived the immunity for its envoys in contractual matters.

olution through arbitration in Bahrain, complying with Bahraini law, such an arrangement does not constitute a waiver of the embassy's immunity. Consequently, no lawsuit related to the contract can be filed in Bahraini courts due to the dipcriminal courts, asserting im- matters. Despite the contrac- lomatic immunity enjoyed by

Dream Bigger, Win Bigger

AUB's MyHassad returns with bigger, better rewards and sharia compliance





In pictures, the award ceremony

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true bigger and better Ahmed. "Winning US\$2 million win and celebrate. prize scheme, now fully Shar- ing!" exclaimed Mr. Ahmed, ech- sires, crafting a scheme that everyone has a shot at the grand

was unveiled at a special event sad winners. This year's scheme, ways. Weekly prizes of BD 500

ia-compliant! The exciting news oing the joy of countless MyHas-rewards loyalty in meaningful prize of BD 500,000 in July! with their 2024 MyHassad with MyHassad is life-chang- AUB listened to customer de- customers BD 10,000 each, and in March and May.

hli United Bank (AUB) alongside the latest MyHassad running from February to July, are back, ensuring more winners treatment too, with two BD the AUB Mobile app or your is making dreams come millionaire, Mr. Hussain Hasan promises even more chances to experience the thrill of victory. 100,000 prizes reserved for nearest branch. Start saving, Monthly draws offer five lucky those saving BD 5,000 or more

Joining MyHassad is simple: sad 2024!

open a new account or deposit High depositors get special into your existing one through start dreaming, and start your chance to win big with MyHas-

LIC (International) Rating of (B) Affirmed by AM Best

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The international agency, AM Best affirms The international rating the rating of one of the leading life insurance companies in Bahrain, Life Insurance Corporation (International) B.S.C. (c), an offshore subsidiary of the insurance behemoth, Life Insurance Corporation of India. LIC (international) has received a Financial Strength Rating of "B" (Fair) and Long Term Issuboth while retaining a stable

ed as Strong. However, volatili- and economic conditions. ty in company's capital adequaance Corporation of India (LIC in 9 months till Q3 of 2023. of India), and internal capital



Debashis Prasad Pattanaik

cy and its high level of sensitive years from 2018 to 2022, the my with its brand equity, provity to financial markets remain weighted average return on eq- en track record and avowed offsetting factors to its balance uity (ROE) of the company was customer service, and with its sheet strength. Moreover, AM -9.8%. The ROE is negatively new strategies and long-term Best expects the company's skewed by the significant loss vision is confident of charting prospective capital adequacy to incurred in 2022. However, the a higher growth path, going demonstrate greater resilience new strategies implemented by post the capital injection from the company for a turnaround its parent company, Life Insurhas led to achieving ROE of 5.7% al is poised to meet the cus-

LIC International's Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Debash- innovation, operational digital-Company's strategic ob- is Prasad Pattanaik said: "We ization, exploring newer busijective is oriented towards are delighted at the affirmaness opportunities and well-restrengthening the risk-adjusted tion of rating by AM Best, the searched insurance solutions: capitalization through less cap- International Rating Agency aiming to become the ultimate ital-intensive business, such as which serves as a testament 'life insurer of choice' for the unit-linked insurance products to strategic measures adopted insuring public."

er Credit Rating of "bb" (Fair), (ULIP). The rating indicates a by the company in improving fair ability of the Company to the capital adequacy. Compameet the ongoing insurance ob- ny is confident to post a pos-The rating reflects the ligations. However, financial itive operational result as at strength of LIC (international) strength is vulnerable to ad- Dec 2023, which will enable balance sheet which is evaluat- verse changes in underwriting the Company to enhance the discretionary bonus to its poli-During the period of five cyholders. Besides, the compa-

To conclude, LIC Internationtomer and other stakeholders' expectations through product

Bahrain Bourse and Bahrain Clear honours Long Serving Employees



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tive management.

During the ceremony, Shaikh Khalifa bin Ebrahim Al-Khalifa Al-Khalifa, CEO of Bahrain the years."

presented employees whom Bourse commented: "The suc-

have completed 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, cess of any organization is in its Bahrain Bourse (BHB), held a and 30 years of service at Bahhuman capital. We are proud to rain Bourse and Bahrain Clear recognize the efforts and dedemony" recently at Bahrain with their recognition trophies ication of our employees who Bourse's premises to honor the and cash awards in recognition have been working for Bahrain efforts of 10 long serving em- of their dedicated commitment. Bourse and Bahrain Clear for ployees who have been with The Service Award Ceremony, up to 30 years. With a history BHB for up to 30 years, with the which is held on an annual baspanning across more than 36 attendance of Shaikh Khalifa sis, is part of Bahrain Bourse's years, we are proud that our bin Ebrahim Al-Khalifa, CEO of efforts to reward its employees' employees' loyalty, integrity, Bahrain Bourse and the execudedication and appreciate their and enthusiasm has been a key continuous efforts and loyalty. enablement factor in Bahrain Shaikh Khalifa bin Ebrahim Bourse's growth journey over

US Fed 'not yet' at the point of rate cuts, official says Washington, United States

cutting interest rates, a sen- the US economy has shown cutting interest rates.

ior official said. The US central signs of surprising resilience, bank has been on a hiking spree even as the Fed's favored infla-The US Federal Reserve is since 2022, mining and then thom measure means from the right track in its inholding it at a 23-year high as journey downward toward two The US Federal Reserve is since 2022, lifting and then tion measure has continued its flation fight, but "not yet" at it aims to lower inflation toward percent -- fueling optimism it the point where it should begin two percent. In recent months, could be almost ready to start

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President Biden

indicates the strikes

are the beginning,

promising a continued

response at chosen

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quarrelsome sons, Caracalla and Geta

of the PLO



launches Facebook

dormitory room

News in brief

Sri Lanka minister arrested over fake drug scam

ustody yesterday over the purchase of fake nedicines for state hospitals when he was in charge of the health portfolio. Former health inister Keheliva Rambukwella was ordered to be were meant to be life-saving drugs. Police told the

to buy a stock of the antibody immunoglobulin, which is used on immune-

◆ A fire broke out overnight at a major Russian oil refinery in the southwestern Volgograd

region, authorities said yesterday, after a drone strike claimed by Ukraine. A Ukrainian defence source said that Kyiv's SBU security service had "organised" the attack, which came after months of Ukrainian drone attacks against Russia. "Last night, the air defence and electronic iamming repelled an attack by drones in the Volgograd region's Kalachyovsky and

Zakanalye districts," governor Andrei Bocharov said on Telegram.

'Catastrophic' Chile vildfires leave at least 19 dead



likely to climb as responders comb through burnt-out homes and the flames continue spread. President Gabriel Boric has decreed state of emergency "due to catastrophe" temperatures soaring to 40 degrees Celsius (104 degrees Fahrenheit) exacerbate the crisis.

coastline, where they have ravaged thousands of hectares of forest, cloaked coastal cities in a dense fog of gray smoke and forced people to flee their homes.

CURIOSER & CURIOSER



People walk past the K5 robot used by the New York City Police Department (NYPD) in the Times Square subway station in New York

AFP | New York

Times Square station.

goes, has been retired to a stor- "With major crimes down age lot, The New York Times and the mayor mandating reported Friday. Its short stint on the force cies, why are we spending

was reportedly marked by so much money on these frequent charging breaks, the gadgets? need to be chaperoned by hu- New York Mayor Eric Adman officers, and an inability ams -- himself a former police

to tackle stairs. "The Knightscope K-5 has the center of his crime-fightcompleted its pilot deploy- ing strategy, enthusiastically ment in the NYC subway sys- extolling the virtues of drones, tem," a police spokesman told facial recognition cameras and AFP of the device, which was robotics introduced to much fanfare in In April 2023 the New York

part-Smart Car in appearance, kitted out with cameras, a twowas equipped with several way communication system cameras as well as a help but- and lights to assist in emergenton for commuters at the city's cy situations.

busiest subway station that is also a major tourist hotspot.

"I said this was a trash can group Surveillance Technol-

budget cuts across city agen-

officer -- has put technology at

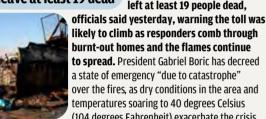
cabinet minister in

eld until February 15 pending investigations into a 44 million rupee (\$465,000) scam involving what court in Colombo the health ministry had intended

compromised patients. What the ministry paid for turned out to be mostly water.

Drone attack sets Russian refinery ablaze: governor

 Wildfires blazing across central and southern Chile have



The blazes are concentrated in the Valparaiso tourist region, along central Chile's

New York bins subway surveillance robot



The New York City subway on wheels, but it looks like the ▲ has pulled its controver- wheels aren't even working sial security robot out of ser- at this point," said Albert Fox vice after little more than five Cahn, the executive director months patrolling the busy of anti-spy-tech campaign K-5, as the robot's call sign ogy Oversight Project.

Police Department re-intro-The device, part-Star Wars, duced a \$74,000 robotic dog

US reprisals against Iran-linked groups anger Iraq and Syria

US launches airstrikes against Iran-backed groups as escalating tensions draw global condemnation

US targets over 85 sites linked to Iran's **Revolutionary Guard** Corps in Iraq and Syria

Biden warns of more action

AFP | Washington

he United States launched overnight air strikes against Iran-backed groups in Iraq and Syria, drawing more to come in retaliation for a deadly attack on US troops.

but did not strike inside Iranian stability of the whole region. territory, with both Washington National Security Council ties," he added.



ments yesterday, and promised US soldiers patrol an area with armoured personnel carriers (APC) in the town of Tal Hamis, southeast of the city of Qameshli in Syria's northeastern Hasakeh governorate (file photo)

day's drone attack on a US base in dad joined Tehran in accusing Iraq and four in Syria. Jordan on forces backed by Iran, Washington of undermining the "These targets were carefully

The United States blamed Sun- Gaza, both Damascus and Bagh- they sponsor", three of them in

selected to avoid civilian casual-

and Tehran seemingly keen to spokesman John Kirby said US But Iraqi government spokes- fear of more US strikes in the com- prior to the strikes," but his re- Damascus government. warplanes struck "more than 85 man Bassem al-Awadi said civil- ing hours. But with tensions in the re- targets at seven facilities utilised ians were among at least 16 people gion already running high in the by Iran's Islamic Revolutionary killed in the US strikes in western face of the Israel-Hamas war in Guard Corps and the groups that Iraq, while the Syrian army said US President Joe Biden under- international public opinion". the borders with Iraq and Jordan.

soldiers" were killed in the strikes in Syria.

"The security of Iraq and the region will find itself on the brink of an abyss" because of the strikes, Awadi said.

said the strikes served to "inflame the conflict in the Middle East in an extremely dangerous way".

the overnight operation was "another strategic mistake by the US government, which will have no result other than intensifying

eastern Syria.

that "a number of civilians and

The Syrian foreign ministry

Iranian foreign ministry spokesman Nasser Kanani said

at least 18 pro-Iran fighters in tinue at times and places of our countries.

Flurry of attacks

Relations between the two governments have soured in recent months after Washington carried out previous air strikes against Iran-backed groups in Iraq in response to a flurry of attacks on

US-led troops since the Gaza war

The two governments opened talks on the future of the US-led troop presence late last month after repeated demands from Prime Minister Mohamed Shia al-Sudani for a timetable for their withdrawal.

began last October.

The United States has some 900 troops in Syria and 2,500 in Iraq as part of an international The Syrian Observatory for Hu-lined that the overnight strikes coalition against the Islamic State man Rights, a Britain-based war were only a beginning. "Our re- group, a jihadist organisation that monitor, said the strikes killed sponse began today. It will con- once controlled swathes of both

choosing," he said in a statement. Its troops in Iraq are deployed It said pro-Iran fighters were His National Security Coun- at the invitation of Baghdad, but evacuating positions in the east- cil spokesman said Washington those in Syria are deployed in ern province of Deir Ezzor for "did inform the Iraqi government areas outside the control of the

mark drew an angry denial from They operate out of bases in Baghdad, which called it and "un-the Kurdish-held northeast or in founded claim crafted to mislead a small pocket of territory along

Pakistan court finds ex-PM Khan's marriage illegal

Imran Khan has

been imprisoned

in Rawalpindi for

months, while his

wife surrendered this

week and is being

held at her home.

declared a "sub-jail"

on the outskirts of the

capital Islamabad

 $A^{ ext{Pakistan court yesterday}}$ ruled former prime minister Imran Khan's marriage to his third wife illegal under Islamic law and sentenced the pair to seven years each in jail, his party said.

It is the third verdict in a week to attack the former international cricket star's reputation, after he was given concurrent prison sentences of 10 years for leaking state secrets and 14 years for graft alongside his wife Bushra Bibi.

Khan, who was booted from last year office by a vote of no confidence in April 2022, insists nearly 200 offences he has since been charged with have been fabricated by the military-led establishment to stop him from contesting elections on February 8.

The latest conviction centres on an Islamic law known as "iddat", which dictates that a widowed or divorced woman must wait three months before remarrying, to leave no doubt about who the father is in the instance of a pregnancy. "A court has declared the

marriage of former prime minister Imran Khan & Busra Bibi illegal with 7 years imprisonment each," his Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) party said in a statement.

cal. All of this is happening for Bibi surrendered this week and the proper time before marpolitical goals," said Khan's law- is being held at her home, de- rying yer Gohar Ali Khan, adding that clared a "sub-jail", on the outthe conviction and jail terms skirts of the capital Islamabad. marriage was raised in Novemwould be challenged in court. "The charges of corruption" ber last year by Khawar Mane-

Imran Khan and his veiled wife Bushra Bibi signing court documents in Lahore tempt to raise moral questions on his character," lawyer Sabahat Rizvi, who was not involved in the case, said yesterday.

> cause they could not diminish his aura." Khan rose to power in 2018 with the backing of the military, but has been sidelined after losing their favour and waging a campaign of defiance

"They are targeting him be-

against them. The PTI has been severely hamstrung ahead of the vote, with scores of leaders jailed, supporters barred from holding rallies, and the party stripped of its talisman cricket bat symbol. Few journalists have been

given access to the court, but The Nation said yesterday the "This shameful case is illogi- Rawalpindi for months, while couple insisted they had waited

Khan has been imprisoned in and now these ones are an at- ka, Bibi's ex-husband.

a small number of big companies and countries hold the keys to its development. We need guide lines to ensure AI's development trajectory serves

over comments on North Korea

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C outh Korea summoned Rus-

Nuclear-armed North Korea has this year declared Seoul its "principal enemy", closed agencies dedicated to reunification and outreach, and threatened war over "even 0.001 millimetres" of territorial infringement.

with South Korea and Wash-

ington claiming the North has

The death toll from land-

⊥ slides and floods triggered

by torrential rain in the south-

ern Philippines in the past week

has risen to 14, official tallies

Rain has pounded parts of

Mindanao, the country's sec-

ond-largest island, on and off

for weeks and forced tens of

thousands of people into emer-

At least 10 people died in re-

cent days in the mountainous

showed yesterday.

gency shelters.

AFP | Manila

Moscow's foreign ministry spokeswoman Maria Zakharova said this week the heightened tension on the

Korean peninsula was "primarily due to the brazen policy of the **United States and its** allies, including the Japan", referring to South Korea by its official name

Death toll from Philippine landslides, floods rises to 14

gold mining province of Davao rain before," provincial in- New Bataan municipality and

de Oro as it endured relentless formation officer Fe Maestre another four people were killed

"I haven't experienced that Of the 10 deaths in Davao de Monkayo municipalities, disas-

kind of heavy and continuous Oro, three were recorded in ter officials said.

shipped weapons to Moscow

spokeswoman Maria Zakharova said this week the height-

Zakharova made the remarks when asked about South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol's recent description of North Korea as the only country in the world that has legislated the preemptive use of nuclear

in landslides in Maragusan and

Bomb explodes near Greek labour ministry, no casualties



A view outside the Labour Ministry building in Athens after a incendiary

AFP | Athens

explosive device went off over-Anight in front of the Greek labour ministry in central Athens without causing any casualties,

Greek daily Efimerida ton Syntakton about an impending blast, the The caller warned that an explosive device had been placed in

be detonated 40 minutes later. According to media reports, the man claimed to be a member of Revolutionary Class Self-Defence, a previously unknown organisa-

The area around the building was cordoned off by the police and the device exploded at 01:29 am (2329 GMT).



11 days, surviving on raincued, the Colombian navy said Friday.

The trio travelled about 600 kilometres (370 miles) on what was supposed to be a routine run from Veracruz, about 25 kilometres outside Panama City, to re-

6 in the afternoon. And then when everyone took off, after a certain distance, our engine stalled," said Blas leased to the media.

wind. It took 11 days," he Without supplies, they survived on rainwater and

The coconuts "came in 49ers in Las Vegas.

Knife attacker wounds three at major Paris train station

The detained man, a Malian national, went on a stabbing spree at around 8:00 am (0700 GMT) at the station, which op-

as those heading to Switzerland One person suffered serious ed, police said.

Three people were injured

had been arrested.



his attack," a police source said. the national anti-terrorist prosinjuries to the abdomen while "The suspect did not cry out "He presented the police an ecutor said it was observing protwo others were lightly wound- (any religious slogans) during Italian driving licence", which ceedings at this stage.

gave his date of birth as January Passers-by overpowered the man before railway police ar-

rived on the scene, the police

source said. "A thank you to those who overpowered the man who carried out this unbearable act," said Interior Minister Gerald

Darmanin on social media. The attackers' motives remained unclear. The Paris prosecutor's office launched an inquiry into the attack, while

Swift will be on time for Super Bowl, Japan embassy assures angsty public

The world's most famous ▲ Kansas City Chiefs fan will make it to see beau Travis Kelce play in the Super Bowl, even though she is performing in Tokvo the night before, Japan's US embassy said Friday.

Angsty fans have been speculating for days over how pop music icon Taylor Swift could do it all next weekend: perform a concert as part of her record-smashing Eras Tour in Tokyo, and hours later support star tight end Kelce as the Chiefs take on the San Francisco

songs in public statements.



Travis Kelce celebrates with Taylor Swift after a game file photo)

"Despite the 12-hour flight on the embassy's account on X, and 17-hour time difference, the formerly Twitter, read. But the Japanese embassy in Embassy can confidently Speak "We know that many people that is estimated to bring in al-Washington moved decisively Now to say that if she departs in Japan are excited to experimost \$2 billion, along with a to reassure the public, while re- Tokyo in the evening after her ence Taylor Swift's Eras Tour, so film of the musical cavalcade. vealing its staff are also fans who concert, she should comforta- we wanted to confirm that any- On Sunday she could break the

audiences and still make it to Las Vegas to support the Chiefs when they take the field for the Super Bowl wearing Red." The post was met with both

social media users. "Somewhere in Japan's U.S. embassy, there's a Swiftie working in comms who had the best day at the office they've ever

excitement and bemusement by

had," commented one. Swift's presence would pump up the volume on what is already one of the biggest annual

events on the US calendar. She has smashed industry records this year with her tour are not above punning on Swift bly arrive in Las Vegas before one concerned can be Fearless record for most Album of the the Super Bowl begins," a post in knowing that this talented Year wins at the Grammys.









us harm: We will respond.

I has the power to Atransform society in so many ways, but only



¬oday, I was back in South Carolina to meet with local faith leaders and listen to their experiences. They know how to uplift people and inspire hope, and our nation is grateful for their leadership.



 $\mathbf{M}^{\mathrm{ost}}$ people in America don't know that the census is based on a simple headcount of people (including illegals) *not* just citizens. This shifts political power and money to states and Congressional districts with the highest number of il-

Disclaimer: (Views expressed by columnists are personal and need not necessarily reflect our editorial stances)

Seoul summons Russian ambassador

Sia's ambassador yesterday to protest against "rude and ignorant" remarks after Moscow's foreign ministry blamed Seoul for rising tensions on the

Russia has recently formed

closer ties with Pyongyang,

Republic of Korea and

Residents push a makeshift raft loaded with a motorcycle through floodwaters

for use in its war with Ukraine. Moscow's foreign ministry

ened tension on the Korean peninsula was "primarily due to the brazen policy of the United States and its allies, including the Republic of Korea and Japan", referring to South Korea by its official name

police said yesterday. The explosion, which caused material damage, was preceded by an anonymous telephone call to the

police said. front of the ministry which would

Public broadcaster ERT said the device had been placed in a bag left outside the gates of a bank near the

Panamanians lost at sea count their lucky coconuts



Three Panamanians who drifted in the Pacific for water and coconuts that floated by, have been res-

fuel a fishing boat. "We gave it gas around 5,

Olivardia, 30, in a video re-"From then on, our journev started with the north

coconuts

the current, we grabbed them, broke them and ate them," said Rey Arturo Torres, 27, who was also stranded on the boat alongside Jose Olivardia, 21.

L yesterday in a knife attack at Paris's Gare de Lyon railway station, a major travel hub, police said, adding that a suspect erates domestic trains as well French forensic and judicial police work after a knife attack

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campus

India fest organised at NMS Bahrain





New Millennium School, Bahrain ushered in the 75th Republic Day celebration of India with their theme-based event, titled "India comes to NMS @ 75", organised in the school campus on 23rd January. The activity was planned to kindle the feeling of oneness and help the little ones of the kindergarten section to recognize and connect to the culture and traditions of the different states of India. While addressing the students Principal Arun Kuumar Sharma expressed his deepest appreciation to the students, parents and teachers for organizing such an extravagant spectacle. Chairman Dr Ravi Pillai and Managing Director Geetha Pillai applauded the efforts put in school in fostering the values of nationalism in young minds and nurturing them as responsible global citizens of the future

Healthcare heroes in the making



Tamkeen and RCSI partner to empower Bahraini talent

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dynamic collaboration marked Athe recent visit of Maha Abdul Hameed Mofeez, Chief Executive of the Labour Fund (Tamkeen), to RCSI Medical University of Bahrain.

healthcare sector.

lighting the University's unwavering the healthcare industry. commitment to this potent partner-

mission," he emphasized. "Through staff to pursue continuous learning and integration of more women into the workforce."

Professor Stephen Atkin, Head of School of Postgraduate Studies and Research, Professor Kathryn Strachan, Head of School Nursing and Joined by a delegation from Tam- Midwifery, and Fatema Frutan, HR keen, Mofeez cemented a shared vi- Partner for Learning and Developsion for empowering Bahraini talent ment, embarked on fruitful discusand propelling them to leadership sions with Mofeez and the Tamkeen roles within the Kingdom's vital team. The agenda unfolded avenues for collaboration across diverse areas, Professor Sameer Otoom, President including university programs, joint of RCSI Medical University of Bah-projects, and, crucially, the strategic only advance the University's mission rain, welcomed the delegation, high- development of Bahraini talent within

ship. "Equipping students with the futertial of this partnership, Mofeez dom's economic sustainability.

ture-proof skills and knowledge they pledged Tamkeen's unwavering need to excel in the evolving health- support for nurturing Bahraini talcare landscape is at the heart of our ent across various fields, including healthcare. "Our programs and of-Tamkeen's exceptional programs, we ferings are meticulously designed can not only bolster the development to upskill and reskill our local workof our students but also empower our force, enhancing their competitiveness and driving positive economic impact," she stated, recognizing the profound synergy between Tamkeen and RCSI Medical University of Bahrain in achieving this shared

This dynamic partnership transcends collaboration, blossoming into a powerful catalyst for positive change. Through Tamkeen's dedicated support, RCSI Medical University of Bahrain can cultivate a thriving landscape of skilled and empowered Bahraini professionals, poised to not but also significantly contribute to the local healthcare sector, the broader Acknowledging the immense po- community, and ultimately, the King-

New Millennium School clinch winner's crown in chess championship



The New Millennium School, Bahrain bagged the 'Best School Trophy' in the Inter-School Chess Competition organized by Beacon Private School on 30th January. Around 88 students from eighteen different schools in the Kingdom had participated in the competition. The NMS team displayed an exemplary performance all through the competition bagging all the top three positions. Chairman Ravi Pillai, Managing Director Geetha Pillai and Principal Arun Kuumar Sharma congratulated the parents, students and the coaches for their laudable performance

JEO Capital Management acquires Beacon Private School and appoints SEK Education Group as operator

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JEO Capital Management re-cently hosted a special ceremony to celebrate its partnership with SEK Education Group, a prestigious international educational institution, which will result in the management of Beacon Private School by the SEK Education Group.

and the Kingdom of Bahrain.



The ceremony took place at distinguished guests, includ- media. the campus of Beacon Private ing Nieves Segovia, President School, located in Hidd, Mu- of SEK Education Group and ous segments, highlighting the harraq, under the patronage of Lulwa Ghassan Al Muhanna, significance of this partnership, the ever-increasing coopera-Miguel José Moro Aguilar, the Director of Directorate of Li- which will further bolster the tion and the significant value it Ambassador of Spain to Kuwait censing Department at the Min-prominent status of Beacon Pri-brings to the relations between

It was attended by several representatives from the local

The ceremony included variistry of Education, as well as vate School as a leading private both countries.

educational institution in the

Furthermore, this partnership aligns with the Kingdom's educational goals, supported by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, King of the Kingdom of Bahrain, and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

The Spanish Ambassador conveyed his delight regarding this partnership, emphasising

NMS student excels in **CBSE** maths challenge

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Tew Millennium School's Grade X student Andrew Ivan has as earned a place among the top one hundred students in the second round of CBSE Aryabhata Ganit Challenge 2023-24, organised by the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), New

Millennium School.



Andrew Ivan

His dedication, hard work, best wishes and congratulated and outstanding mathemati- Andrew for the meritorious cal skills have set him apart, success. The Principal Arun reflecting positively on the Kuumar Sharma felicitated quality of education at New Andrew for his outstanding achievement, and also appre-School Chairman Ravi Pil- ciated the role played by his lai and Managing Director parents and teachers in nur-Geetha Pillai extended their turing his academic pursuits.

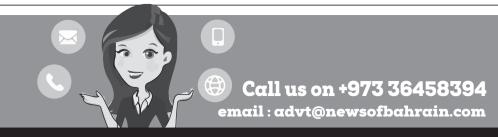
Al Noor International School honours young athletes



The Annual Athletic Meet Prize Distribution Ceremony of Al Noor International School, CBSE Section was held on 25th January. Present at the occasion were the school Chairman Ali Hasan, the school Director Dr Muhammad Mashood, the school Principal Abdul Hakeem Al Shayer, members of the QA department and the Head Teachers of the various sections. A splendid display of Martial Arts and drill by the students of grade 4 to 8 was the highlight of the programme. Medals were given to the winners by the School Chairman Ali Hassan, Director Dr Muhammad Mashood and Principal Abdul Hakeem Al Shayer. The winners of the Khalifa Bin Hamad Chess Tournament, Bahrain Athlete Private School Tournament and the CBSE Cluster Meet were also felicitated at the event. Individual Championships as well as House championships were also awarded in the function. DIAMOND house bagged the Championship trophy while RUBY house took the runners up trophy



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Williamson lifts Pelicans over Spurs, Magic shock Timberwolves



Atlanta point guard Trae Young drives against Kevin Durant and Grayson Allen

7 ion Williamson drove for Lthe game-winning layup in the waning seconds Friday, lifting the New Orleans Pelicans to a 114-113 NBA victory over the San Antonio Spurs.

Williamson finished with came a day after he failed 33 points and eight rebounds. 28.5 seconds remaining pulled the Pelicans within one and with 3.8 seconds left, he powered through the Spurs defense for the game-winner.

points for San Antonio but the Hawks in a 129-120 victory missed a three-pointer at the over the Phoenix Suns. final buzzer.

16 points and 14 rebounds for an All-Star nod. San Antonio, whose 18 turno-Pelicans'.

"I live for stuff like this," Williamson, the top pick in the 2019 draft, said after the teams

from the two-time All-Star win.



I live for stuff like this. Playing in games like this is a lot of fun

ZION WILLIAMSON

to gain a nod for this year's connecting on 12 of his 21 shots All-Star game when the 14 from the field. His dunk with reserves for the mid-season showcase were announced on Thursday.

Atlanta's Trae Young, also snubbed in the All-Star selections, scored 32 points and Devin Vassell scored 28 handed out 15 assists to lead

Young came into the contest Sensational Spurs rookie averaging 27 points and 10.9 Victor Wembanyama added assists per game but didn't get

His response was his 76th vers were twice as many as the career game with at least 30 points and 10 assists -- tied for the fifth-most such games in NBA history.

He connected on seven of traded the lead five times in 11 from three-point range and the fourth quarter. "Playing in came up with three steals for games like this is a lot of fun." good measure as the Hawks The dominant performance notched their third straight

Jaiswal's 209, Bumrah's six wickets put India on top in England Test

AFP | Visakhapatnam

Opener Yashasvi Jaiswal's 209 and six wickets by pace bowler Jasprit Bumrah put India firmly in command of the second Test against England yesterday's day two.

Bumrah returned figures of 6-45 and wrist spinner Kuldeep Yadav took three wickets to bowl out England for 253 as the tourists conceded a first-innings lead of 143 in Visakhapatnam.

England lost wickets at regular intervals and, despite a quick start courtesy of Zak Crawley's 76, their innings ended in the third session after skipper Ben Stokes' 47.

"Bumrah bowled unbelievably well," Crawley said.

"I felt it was a better wicket than last week to bat on it be a very special knock," he said. they started the day on 336-6. at that point and there wasn't 'well bowled'."

Crawley also praised Jaiswal 13, were batting. for his "unbelievable innings".



Yashasvi Jaiswal celebrates his double century

India were 28-0 at stumps in much turn, but you got to hold their second innings to extend Duckett for 21 off Kuldeep at slip for five with his reverse your hand up sometimes and say the lead to 171. Jaiswal, on 15, but fellow opener Crawley, on swing and then brought the

Jaiswal set up India's domi- with 11 fours and two sixes.

"Really big fan of the way he nance with his first Test double goes about it, he's really aggres- century to steer the hosts to 396 running catch by Shreyas Iyer sive and it's obviously going to all out in the first session after and India capitalised on the er-

In reply, England lost Ben and skipper Rohit Sharma, on his 26th birthday, kept up the house down when he bowled charge in his 78-ball blitz laced

I was not thinking of

bowling a magical delivery. And that moment I thought the yorker was the best delivery to bowl. It was a good execution and I was very happy

JASPRIT BUMRAH

Crawley attacked with three straight fours off Bumrah in a demonstration of England's fearless "Bazball" style of play and raised his fifty with a six.

But he mistimed off Axar Patel's left-arm spin for a brilliant

Bumrah got Joe Root caught first-Test hero Ollie Pope for 23 with a trademark yorker.

Dominant India take 2-0 lead over Pakistan in Davis Cup

AFP | Islamabad

Tndia won both Davis Cup Lsingles matches against Pakistan in Islamabad yesterday, dominating the first matches between the arch-rivals in Pakistan for 60 years.

India were forced to send a squad to Pakistan for the first time since 1964 after the International Tennis Federation rejected their request to shift the tie to a neutral venue on security grounds.

The last Davis Cup tie between the two countries was played in Kazakhstan in 2019, with India enjoying a 7-0 record ties. against Pakistan in all Davis Cup



India's Ramkumar Ramanathan in action

Sports matches between Paki- of decades of hostility.

stan and India are rare, because

In the Group 1 play-off firstround tie, India's singles expert Ramkumar Ramanathan beat Pakistan's veteran Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi 6-7, 7-6, 6-0 in two

Qureshi, 43, injured his hamstring in the second set and could not put up a fight in the

India's Sriram Balaji had the better of Aqeel Khan by 7-5, 6-3 in an hour and 15 minutes.

The doubles and reverse singles will be played on Sunday.

Result: Ramkumar Ramanathan (India) beat Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi (Pakistan) 6-7, 7-6, 6-0 Sriram Balaji (India) beat Aqeel Khan 7-5, 6-3

Bahrain squad named for qualifiers preps

Seventeen of Kingdom's top basketball talents called up by national team head coach Ricard Casas

Squad to be led by Maitham Jameel, Mustafa Hussain, **Wayne Chism**

National team begin preparations on court at Zain Basketball Arena

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ahrain head coach Ricard Casas has named 17 players on his initial squad that have begun their preparations for the FIBA Asia Cup 2025 Qualifiers.

The Bahrainis will be playing their first two games in qualification later this month. Competing in Group F, the nationals will first host the UAE at home on February 23, before taking on Lebanon on February 26 in

The national team roster includes Ali Hussain, Ali Jaber, only play for the first time in ruary of 2025. Mohammed Ameer, Maithaim November later this year. Jameel, Subah Hussain, Ali Hussain and Wayne Chism.



Star guard Maitham Jameel in action in training

There are 24 participating na-Ageel, Ali Shukrallah, Moham- tionals teams divided into six Ahmed, Basel Adel, Mustafa Games are being played over final four places. three windows, the first being Bahrain's qualifying group held this month, the next in No- Australia, South Korea and

med Juma'a, Alwatheq Ali, groups of four nations each for group qualify for the FIBA Asia Group E are Iran, Kazakhstan, Abdulgader Saleh Thani, Ab- this first stage of qualification. Cup 2025 while the six third- India and Qatar. bas Jameel, Murtadha Salman, These squads will vie for just 16 placed teams will play another Mohammed Buallay, Noman places at the final tournament, qualifying tournament for the tinent's premier basketball tour-

also includes Syria, whom they vember, and then again in Feb- Indonesia. Group B features



Bahrain have appeared nine times in past editions of the FIBA Asia Cup, with their best finish being 10th in the 1997 event. In the previous edition held in 2022 in Jakarta, the Bahrainis put in a fine showing,

losing all three of their games but nearly upsetting continental giants China and South Korea

Chinese-Taipei, Hong Kong, the Philippines and New Zealand; while Group C comprises China, Guam, Japan and Mongolia. In Group D are Iraq, Jordan, The top two teams of each Palestine and Saudi Arabia; and

The FIBA Asia Cup is the con-Group A includes Thailand, FIBA Asia as well as from FIBA Um Al Hassam.



Head coach Ricard Casas gives instructions during practice

Oceania. Australia are the twotime defending champions.

Bahrain are looking to qualify for the event for the 10th time.

Bahrain Basketball Associa-

Prior to the qualifiers, the nationals are scheduled to also play in the Oatar International Basketball Championship, taking place February 15 to 18 at Lusail tion national teams committee Sports Arena in Doha. Bahrain chairman Mohammed Al Ajmi are one of six national teams met with the national team during the event, the others being ing their first training session hosts Qatar, Egypt, Saudi Aranament, including teams from held at Zain Basketball Arena in bia, Jordan and Central African

Bahrain's Ahli fall in West Asian volleyball opener

Kingdom's representatives fall to Qatar's Al Arabi in a tough three-set sweep

Bahrainis looking to bounce back tonight against home side Sohar SC at 7pm

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Bahrain's Al Ahli Club suffered a tough 0-3 (22-25, 211-25, 23-25) loss to Al Arabi SC of Qatar last night in their opening match of the second West Asian Men's Clubs Volleyball Championship, which got underway in Muscat.

from across the region taking Kuwait. part, following the last-minute lone representatives.

of Kuwait. Group A features to name a few. Al Rayyan SC of Qatar, Al Ib-



Al Ahli's Ali Ebrahim hits a spike against Al Arabi during their game last night

withdrawal of Khaibal SC of with a side that features Ali round against Kuwait SC on Yemen. Ahli are the Kingdom's Ebrahim, Nasser Anan, Mo- Tuesday at 11am. All times are hammed Anan, Sayed Moham-They are in Group B for med Al Abrar, Mahmoud Abthe preliminary round along dulhussain, Mohammed Habib, the top four from each group with Arabi, Sohar SC of Hassan Shakhouri, Mahmood move on to the quarter-finals, Oman, Shabab Al Hussain Alafia, and Montenegro pro- scheduled for February 9. That of Jordan, and Al Kuwait SC fessional Marko Vukasinovic, will then set the stage for the

The tournament is scheduled tisam of Saudi Arabia, Seeb back tonight when they face to continue until February 12, Club of Oman, Baniyas SC home side Sohar at 7pm. Towith just 10 top volleyball teams of the UAE and Qadsia SC of morrow, they take on Shabab Al Hussain, also at 7pm, before Ahli are in the tournament completing their preliminary Bahrain.

At the end of the group stage, semi-finals the next day, and Ahli will be looking to bounce then the final on February 11.

Mathews, Chandimal tons put Sri Lanka in control of Afghan Test

AFP | Colombo

Dinesh Chandimal and An-Colombo. leave Sri Lanka in firm con-back on the final ball for 141 and for 32 years.

off Test against Afghanistan in still at the crease.

gelo Mathews put on a Sri Lanka were leading by 212 up a century in a partnership record 232-run fourth-wick- runs with four wickets in hand that broke a record at the Sinhaet partnership yesterday to at stumps, with Mathews sent lese Sports Club that had stood

trol on day two of their one- Sadeera Samarawickrama (21)

Chandimal (107) also notched



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Frittelli powers ahead!

South African golfer moves out in front as final round beckons at Bahrain Championship presented by Bapco Energies

- Dylan Frittelli reaches 12-under par to take two-shot lead into today's final round
- Ockie Strydom in second two strokes behind, Jesper **Svensson third three** shots from leader
- Seven golfers tied for fourth to complete top 10, five shots behind number one

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vlan Frittelli moved through the gears at the Royal Golf Club yesterday to reach 12 under par and open up a two-shot lead heading into today's final round of the Bahrain Championship presented by Bapco Energies, as he hunts down a third DP World Tour title.

The South African started gey. But his round sprung to life ally hard today. with three consecutive birdies three-under 69.



Dylan Frittelli plays his third shot on the 18th hole during vesterday's action

Leaderboard After Day Three			
POS	PLAYER	R3	TOTAL
1	Dylan Frittelli (South Africa)	69	-12
2	Ockie Strydom (South Africa)	69	-10
3	Jesper Svensson (Sweden)	72	-9
T4	Frederic Lacroix (France)	69	-7
T4	Sebastian Garcia (Spain)	70	-7
T4	Sam Bairstow (England)	70	-7
T4	Scott Jamieson (Scotland)	71	-7
T4	Niklas Norgaard (Denmark)	71	-7
T4	Zander Lombard (South Africa)	71	-7
T4	Joel Girrbach (Switzerland)	74	-7

adding an extra layer of diffi- had entered the third round in pretty well today." culty-and went one-over-par a share of the lead with Jesper for the day when he found the Svensson and Joel Girrbach. "It's Sunday, Frittelli revealed that he rough with his tee shot on hole a pity about the two bogeys I four and ended up with a bo- made out there but I fought re-

"I was struggling the first sevfrom the eighth. He went on to en holes to make a putt and then pick up further shots on 14 and finally got one to go in on eight finding the rough with his sec- and 10 was a pretty easy putt ond shot at the last to sign for as well. But it was not easy out

slowly—with strong winds again well," said the 33-year-old, who shape, and I seemed to execute

With more wind forecast for will implement the same strategy that has served him well over the last two days.

Aggressive

"The main thing is just to be just golf. 16 before giving one back after and then nine was an easy birdie aggressive," he said. "It's easy to get conservative when the bag which I put in this week. wind is blowing and lay up and The old one wasn't working! But so I'm pleased with it." there, it probably looked easy on hit some soft shots but I'm just I've got some confidence with "I'm happy, it was another TV but there was lots cross wind, going to try and make as many this one and it's rolling nice-

It was not easy out there, it probably looked easy on TV but there was lots cross wind, down wind and I really had to trust my numbers, trust my shot shape, and I seemed to execute pretty well today

DYLAN FRITTELLI

two and if I'm two shots clear, try to make it three. That's the goal and my mind set tomorrow."

Countryman Ockie Strydom, also searching for a third win on the DP World Tour, lies in second place at 10 under after a solid three-under 69-his round also fuelled by a run of three birdies on the bounce from holes 11 to 13 as his new putter caught fire.

"I'm pleased with a 69, it was a test out there today," said the 39-year-old, who won last season's Singapore Classic. "The wind was a little bit less than yesterday but that actually made it a bit tougher as yesterday you could feel which way it was going but it was swirling a little

"But 69, I'll take that any day. I didn't actually look at the scores, just played my game and didn't get bothered by anything. To be honest if the scores are a little bit worse than yesterday, that's

"I've got a new putter in the



Ockie Strydom on the 10th green during yesterday's third round



Away from the course, Royal Golf Club chairman Captain Waleed Al Alawi presented the DP World Tour a painting by local Bahraini artist Hussain Al Noaimi, who is displaying and selling his artwork in the Village Square at his Sound of Colour kiosk during the tournament. There was more fun and games in the village yesterday, with the Kids' Zone being well utilised and live music from Ouadraphonix. All are welcome to today's final day. Above, Captain Al Alawi, right, presents DP World Tour chief executive Keith Pelley with the painting

Sweden's Svensson kept himself in the hunt with a level par Frenchman Frederic Lacroix the tough day in the wind today down wind and I really had to birdies as I can tomorrow and if ly—I'm starting it on line and 72 to sit alone in third place at pick of the bunch on day three and I seemed to handle it pretty trust my numbers, trust my shot I'm one shot clear, try to make it judging the pace to perfection nine under, while a group of with a three-under 69.

seven players are two shots further back at seven under, with

Thunder Moor lifts House ME Cup in feature at REHC

Al Mohamediya Racing, jockey Neii Callan triumph with **Knight of Honour,** Atlal, Vegas Jack

Musannan 1881 wins Fatees Al Hajeri Cup in day's first race for owners Al Khaldiya

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House ME Cup in the final card at Rashid Equestrian and jeed and Neil Callan. Horseracing Club (REHC) in

Competing for owner Mrs Boughey, jockey Gerald Mosse horseracing season at REHC. steered four-year-old Thunder



Winners receive their trophy during yesterday's events

Mahmood Jawad and Adnan

Seven House ME Cups in all wish and Husain Makki. were up for grabs in vesterday's action, which marked the Cups, Shgardi won in race sev-Maria Gill and trainer George 20th meeting of the national

Moor to the win over five fur- BD3,000 in winnings and held longs. They came away with over 14 furlongs, Knight of five (2,000m, BD2,000) for Mothe lion's share of the BD3,000 Honour emerged triumphant hammed Khalid Abdulrahim, total prize up for grabs, the Inveigle finished in second mediya-Abdulmajeed-Callan Faisal; Atlal took the trophy in for Al Khaldiya, Fawzi Nass and place for Sayed Jawad Marzooq, connections.

Nhunder Moor won the Jaffar; while The Thin Blue AlMohamediya, Fawzi Nass and jeed-Callan triumvirate; Vegas Line took third for Al Moha- Marcialis Jaures; while third event of yesterday's eight-race mediya Racing, Ali Abdulma- was Port Douglas, representing BD2,000) for Al Mohamediya, Ali Jaafar Darwish, Jaffar Dar-

> For the other House ME en (1,000m, BD2,000 prizes) for Al Afoo Racing, Moham-In the sixth race, offering med Hasan and Ebrahim Nader; Mowja triumphed in race Al Hajeri Cup. Competing over competing for the Al Moha- Haider Ebrahim and Abdulla race four (1,600m, BD2,000) for Stephane Ladjadj.

Vega Sicilia came second for the Al Mohamediya-Abdulma-Jack took race three (1,600m, Nass and Callan; and California took the cup in race two for Abdulla Sami Nass, Fawzi Nass and Stephane Ladjadj.

In yesterday's opening race of the day, Musannan 1881 took first place to hoist the Fatees seven furlongs with a BD1,500 four-year-old colt triumphed

Hamilton's 'childhood dream' fuelled shock Ferrari switch

AFP | Rome

ewis Hamilton said his "childhood dream" to race for Ferrari fuelled his bombshell decision to agree to join the team next year. Hamilton, a seven-time For-

mula One world champion, will leave Mercedes at the end of the 2024 season in a stunning switch to Ferrari.

The 39-year-old had signed Lewis Hamilton a new two-year deal with Mercedes worth £100 million (\$126 million) in August.

But Hamilton this week activated a break clause to seal after achieving things with his move to the Italian team after admitting the prospect have dreamed of as a kid, that of "driving in Ferrari red" was I now have the chance to fultoo hard to turn down.

"It's been a crazy few days Driving in Ferrari red. which have been filled with a whole range of emotions," Hamilton said in a statement posted on his social media

"But as you all now know, after an incredible 11 years at world titles during a sev-Mercedes-AMG PETRONAS F1 en-year period between 2014 Team, the time has come for and 2020.



me to start a new chapter in my life and I will be joining Scuderia Ferrari in 2025.

"I feel incredibly fortunate, Mercedes that I could only fil another childhood dream.

"Mercedes has been a huge part of my life since I was 13 vears old, so this decision has been the hardest I've ever had

Hamilton won six of his