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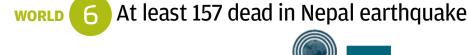
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Turkey recalls envoy to Israel, 'writes off' Netanyahu

Istanbul, Turkey

Turkey said years its it was recalling its urkey said yesterday ambassador to Israel and breaking off contacts with Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu in protest at the bloodshed in Gaza.

Ankara announced the decisions on the eve of what promises to be a difficult visit to Turkey by US Secretary of State Antony

The Turkish foreign ministry said ambassador Sakir Ozkan Torunlar was being recalled for consultations "in view of the unfolding humanitarian tragedy in Gaza caused by the continuing attacks by Israel against civilians, and Israel's refusal (to accept) a ceasefire".

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan separately told reporters that he held Netanyahu personally responsible for the growing civilian death toll in the Gaza Strip.

"Netanyahu is no longer someone we can talk to. We have written him off," Turkish media quoted Erdogan as saying.

Ministry of **Interior urges all** to enable alerts on vital apps

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The Ministry of Internal is urging both citizens **¬**he Ministry of Interior and residents to activate notifications on three essential apps: "BeAware," "Tawasul," and "eTraffic."

The official statement was issued through the ministry's "X" platform, emphasising that these apps will play a crucial role in relaying instructions related to civil defence.

In collaboration with local telecommunications companies, the Ministry of Interior has conducted trials by sending test messages and notifications via the "BeAware Society" application in multiple languages, enhancing communication in emergency situations.

The primary goal of these text messages is to establish a direct line of communication with citizens and residents during emergencies. ensuring swift and efficient dissemination of critical information.

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A man reacts as he carries a toddler into the Al-Shifa Hospital following the bombing by the Israeli military of a home in Gaza City's Mansura neighbourhood, in the eastern suburb of Shujaiya

Gaza battle rages as Blinken faces anger

Israel says it has struck 12,000 targets across the Palestinian territory since October 7

Hamas, says more than 9,480 Gazans, mostly women and children, have been killed

At least 15 people were killed when Israel struck Al-Fakhura school, operated by UNRWA

TDT | agencies

srael battled into the fifth week yesterday of its war to crush Hamas, showing no signs of letting up even as US Secretary of State Antony Blinken faced a rising tide of anger in meetings with Arab foreign ministers.

Blinken reaffirmed US support for "humanitarian pauses" in the fighting in Gaza to ensure desperate civilians get help a day after Israel's hawkish Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu gave the idea short shrift.

Speaking at a news conference in Amman about sparing civilians and speeding up aid deliveries, the US top diplomat



US Secretary of State Antony Blinken (R) and Jordanian Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Ayman Safadi hold a press conference

Will 'find and eliminate' Hamas Gaza chief, says Israel defence minister

efence Minister Yoav Galeliminate him," Gallant told a the army's top targets.

news conference.

"I tell the residents of Gaza lant vowed Saturday that - if you reach him before us, Israeli forces would "find and it will shorten the war." Israel eliminate" Yahya Sinwar, the said that Sinwar was a "dead head of Palestinian militant man walking," and that he and group Hamas in the Gaza Strip. the leader of the group's armed "We will find Sinwar and will wing, Mohammed Deif, were



Blinken is due to visit Turkey today and tomorrow, but the State Department has yet to confirm a meeting with Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, although members of his entourage expect it.

said: "The United States believes that all of these efforts will be facilitated by humanitarian

Jordanian Foreign Minister Ayman Safadi called for all sides to work together to "stop a catastrophe that will haunt the region for generations".

The Israeli army said its an ambulance convoy and a spread.

school-turned-refugee shelter in the besieged Palestinian en-

Blinken is due to make a two-day visit to Turkey from Sunday, during which he will "underscore the importance of protecting civilian lives in Israel and the Gaza Strip", the US State Department said.

Israeli army yesterday sent text messages to Gazans saying the territory's main north-south road would be open for three hours in the afternoon so people can evacuate.

A key focus of Blinken's visit to Israel on Friday was to convince Netanyahu to enact "humanitarian pauses".

Netanyahu said later, however, that he would not agree to a "temporary truce" with Hamas until the Islamist group releases more than 240 Israeli and foreign hostages it abducted during its October 7 attack.

Blinken began the day in Amman by holding talks with Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Mohammed bin Abdulrahman al-Thani of Qatar, a mediator in the conflict.

He also had meetings scheduled with the foreign ministers of Jordan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

The talks come amid mounttroops had launched an oper- ing Arab anger over the civilian ation in southern Gaza over- death toll from war, and increasnight, after deadly strikes hit ing fears that the conflict could



HM to patronise **Mara'ee 2023**

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The sixth edition of the Bahrain Animal Production Show (Mara'ee 2023) is set to commence on November 23, under the patronage of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

Wael bin Nasser Al Mubarak, the Minister of Municipalities Affairs and Agriculture, said the threeday event will welcome the public from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM at the Bahrain International Endurance Village.

This year's edition serves as a platform for professionals in the animal sector and farm owners to showcase the latest advancements and technologies, along with presenting the finest global breeds of animal produc-

The show will facilitate livestock and bird traders in displaying their products and livestock, and Mara'ee 2023 will also offer opportunities for marketing, advertising, and the exchange of experiences among exhibitors and producers.

Don't pause Mideast de-escalation over war: UAE official

Dubai, United Arab Emir-

Middle East powers should maintain their push to de-escalate the region through trade and economic ties despite the Israel-Hamas war, a senior United Arab Emirates official said yesterday.

According to UAE presidential adviser Anwar Gargash, countries should maintain that strategy even though the war is sending shockwaves.

"National actors are basically trying to use economics as a way to de-escalate tension," Gargash told the World Policy Conference in Abu Dhabi. "I think there is no reason why we should also veer away from that course of action."

Gargash said the war demonstrated that the UAE and others still had to "work together with other regional actors in order to ensure that regional stability is guaranteed". "But I think the other message is also (that) national plans have to move on. I don't think that national plans have to be on pause, because there will always be a major regional issue that will surprise us."

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Enhancing Dental Care in Bahrain

450 participants in Bahrain International Dental Conference and Exhibition

Dr Showaiter unveils primary Health care centers' commitment to top-notch dental treatments

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r. Lulwa Showaiter, CEO of Primary Health Care Centers, emphasized the commitment of primary health care centers to deliver top-notch oral and dental edition of the Bahrain International Dental Conference and

ing ceremony, she highlighted public awareness initiatives, their focus on regular exami- educational outreach on best noses and expert care. nations, raising awareness, ed- practices, and the delivery of



Participants during the conference

practices, and offering essential treatments. Dr. Showaiter underscored Speaking during the clos- dedication to regular check-ups,

treatments during the eighth ucating the public about best essential treatments. She also mended the tireless efforts of the services. stressed the ongoing importance qualified medical team, empha-

Further, Dr Showaiter com- position in the field of health chronic diseases. He empha- diseases.



Dr. Mohammed Shahda, of their referral system for spe-sizing their work in providing Chairman of the Conference into the event's visual identicialized dental cases, ensuring preventive, curative, and aware- and Exhibition, spoke about ty for the first time to promote that patients in need of specific ness services to all members of the event's timing amid rising awareness about the imporexpertise receive accurate diag-society, contributing to the King-healthcare costs, complexities, tance of gum health maintedom of Bahrain's competitive and the growing prevalence of nance and the prevention of gum

sized the crucial role of collaboration and communication among healthcare professionals, highlighting how such cooperation is essential to enhance the quality of healthcare services and ensure proper dental care delivery to patients.

Spanning three days, the Dental Conference aimed to establish an international platform for experts, doctors, and professionals to exchange knowledge and experiences. This edition marked a milestone, receiving accreditation for 20 continuing medical education hours from the NHRA. Notably, the organizers incorporated the colour pink

Large crowd of fans flock to BIC for WEC pit walk, autograph session





Fans have memorabilia signed by WEC drivers in the autograph session

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large crowd of fans attend-Aing this weekend's Bapco Energies 8 Hours of Bahrain at Bahrain International Circuit (BIC) enjoyed yesterday a World Endurance Championship (WEC) pit-lane walk and autograph session.

The race-goers got an upclose-and-personal look at the WEC teams and their cars in



The large crowd in the pit-lane walk

their respective garages and also got a chance to meet the championship's superstar drivers. They took pictures with them and had memorabilia

The pit walk and autograph session are always well attended by motorsport enthusiasts in major international events at BIC, and they are fan favourites as they bring them closer to the heart of the sport.

Police arrest man for stealing jewellery, cash from houses



Representative picture

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Aarrested by the Southern report about the burglaries. police on charges of stealing gold jewellery and money from both houses and gathered crutwo houses in the governorate. cial information that led to the

Police Directorate reported arrest of the suspect. that the individual is suspected of pilfering these valuables fully recovered the stolen and cash from homes located items from the suspect's posin different areas within the session. governorate.

ality is withheld, was arrested the case has been forwarded based on a complaint lodged by to the Public Prosecution for the victims.

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As the pi-

for bird lov-

the ground

Cops said they formed a team and opened an investi-34-year-old man has been gation soon after receiving a

Police said they inspected The Southern Governorate identification and subsequent

Law enforcement success-

All necessary legal proce-The suspect, whose nation-dures have been executed, and further legal proceedings.

This unique roundabout serves as a feathered Oasis!

Zahra Ayaz TDT | Manama

The term "extraordi-▲ nary" hardly seems an exaggeration when describing this remarkable roundabout located in Um Al Hassam, Bahrain.

For, unlike the typical traffic roundabouts, this one serves as an exclusive haven for the Kingdom's feathered inhabitants - pigeons.

Crafted with stone cobbles. this unique roundabout has become a daily congregation point for pigeons and a source of delight for bird enthusiasts.



Unsurpris- and plant seeds, despite official ingly, this warnings.

The community here generously shares leftover bread and a m i d s t seeds, serving as delightful treats bustling for the avian residents.

It thus stands as a shining example of the Kingdom's reverbecome ence for animals and its harmoa popular nious coexistence with

nature.

However, it's important to note that The Daily Tribune previously reported on a campaign geons flut- launched by officials from the ter and coo, Muharraq Municipality.

This initiative discourages the glistens with feeding of animals in the streets scattered seeds and public spaces due to comthoughtfully pro- plaints from several locals about vided by local eat- attracting pests and vermin.

Signs prohibiting such prac-Nearby residents tices have been posted by the eagerly join in by municipality, and fines of 300 BD sprinkling grains, are now imposed for non-comseeds, cereal crops, pliance.

Egyptian citizen's song highlights

heartbreaking situation in Gaza



TDT | Manama

n the midst of the ongoing crisis in Gaza, Egyptian citizens have found solace and expression through music. Amanda Abd El-Meguid, a clinical pharmacist by profession, recently

In an exclusive interviolence and war.

of the depths of my its grip." soul, shattered by the haunting images believes that music of innocent lives torn has the power to apart by the relentless captivate listeners violence and war," El- in ways that other Meguid said. "Witness- forms of commuing their suffering and nication may not. the immense injustice they faced moved me es that the uni-

El-Meguid's song of music can aims to evoke a pro- evoke strong found sense of empathy emotions, creand provoke a viscer- ate empathy, and

The song dedicated to Palestinians in Gaza was born out of the depths of my soul, shattered by the haunting images of innocent lives torn apart by the relentless violence and war

EL-MEGUID

penned a heartfelt song al response from listeners. By titled "Dreams turned to confronting the brutal realities dust," aiming to shed light faced by the people of Gaza, on the devastating reali- she hopes to inspire action and ties faced by Palestinians unite humanity in the face of suffering.

"Through this song, I hope to view with The Daily Trib- evoke a deep sense of empathy une, El-Meguid shared and provoke a visceral response, her motivation behind the forcing listeners to confront the song. She expressed deep brutal realities faced by the peosorrow and anguish after ple of Gaza and the urgent need witnessing the haunting for humanity to unite in the face images of innocent lives of suffering," El-Meguid added. torn apart by relentless "The feelings I aim to evoke include sadness, empathy, and a solidarity with Palestine "The song dedicat- call for action to end the cycle ed to Palestinians in of violence and protect the Gaza was born out innocent lives caught in

El-Meguid firmly

She emphasisversal language

foster a connection between the listener and the struggles faced by Palestinians in Gaza.

By raising awareness and sparking conversations, El-Meguid hopes to inspire action among those who may have Palestinian people. been previously unaware or indifferent to the situation.

others who choose to express their support through music, Palestinians in Gaza. El-Meguid remains resolute in 25 artists from all over Middle East her determination to stand in came together in one video

others like her are prepared to face any criticism or hate, believing that their songs can be a powerful tool to amplify the voices of the oppressed and advocate for justice.

In a similar vein, reports have emerged of 25 exceptionally talented artists from the Middle East and North Africa coming together to create "Rajieen," a powerful anthem transcending

The song embodies resilience and resistance in response to the ongoing crisis in Gaza and the unyielding struggle of the

As artistic expressions continue to emerge from Egypt and Acknowledging that there the wider region, it is clear that may be critics of her song and music has become a vital medium to shed light on the plight of



Discovering the treasures of Gudaibiya: A bargain hunter's paradise

TDT | Manama

 ${f B}$ ahrain boasts a wealth of exotic experiences, lively locales, and exciting events within its captivating landscape.

Still, if someone ask an expatriate to name a single place that one should not miss, while in the Kingdom.

He or she would say without a flinch. "Gudaibiya".

As for them, Gudaibiya is a hidden gem waiting to be explored. The indisputable fact is that long-term residents here often recommend this vibrant neighbourhood to newcomers seeking af-

midnight. fordable ways price or even lower. to kickstart their

life. Nestled along the streets of swers came. Gudaibiya, a plethora of shops beckon them, offering a diverse are sourced from individuals re- in this lively marketplace.

ic gadgets to furniture, and their jobs and are eager to part sance. everything in between for your with their belongings. everyday needs, this bustling market has it all.

Working hours start early morning. However, to experience its true colour, one should to friends, leaving their priced here continue to operate as usuvisit in the evening hours. The possessions behind. real buzz begins in the late afternoon and continues until

Shopkeepers here say they get them in the market for a reasoncustomers from near and far, all seeking quality items at half the

> But where do all these

> > After doing s o m e rounds,

goods come from?

Once expensive, but now budget-friendly, the offerings span a wide range, from kitchen utensils and stoves to bikes and various household appliances. Common saying is that shop-

able price.

pers willing to invest some time exploring Gudaibiya's shops can discover remarkable deals. Furthermore, the market is

turning to their home countries

household items back home or

find new life with the next ten-

ants, who may choose to resell

All these items, end up here in

Gudaibiya, looking for a new life.

well-known for its priced selection of second-hand branded items, which attract a dedicated following.

Several told us: "Goods collected from American sailors from the nearby Juffair, such as

textiles, suits, and shoes, tend to sell like hotcakes." Even items like

beds and linens, occasionally ob-Many of the items found here tained for free, find new owners

However, despite all these, From second-hand electron- or those who unexpectedly lost several others also find it a nui-

> People also complained that Some expatriates, who are despite warnings from municileaving in a hurry find it chalpal authorities to avoid obstructlenging to transport their ing public roads with merchandise displays, many shopkeepers al, creating a unique shopping These left-behind items often experience in Gudaibiya that's hard to resist.

The fact, however, is that for bachelors and budget-conscious individuals, the shops in Gudaibiya are a lifeline, offering affordable solutions to meet their daily needs and aspirations, making it an essential destination for those looking to make the most of their time in Bahrain.



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CAPTAINS CORNER

Exercise is for everybody



CAPTAIN MAHMOOD AL MAHMOOD

ow that the weather is getting noticeably cooler, we are seeing more and more people out walking in the walking paths that have been thoughtfully incorporated into our urban spaces by planners. These winter months till March are decidedly better to incorporate new exercise resolutions since the hot summer is waning at this time.

While I am happy to see people of all ages exercise, it is particularly good to note that women are now taking their health seriously. Once a taboo topic, outdoor exercise and organised physical activity classes

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for women have become quite accepted for women in Bahrain. Indeed, the Kingdom has a history of getting involved in women's athletic activities and has regularly fielded women's teams in local, regional and international competitions, performing to varying degrees of

success. Women have brought back medals and glory to Bahrain from the Olympics and the

Paralympics - Bahraini amputee and para-athlete, Shaikha Al Shaiba, who is a regular participant in the half-Ironman triathlons is a shining example.

Even if it is not for organised sports competitions, we owe it to our women to encourage and make available the facilities to help them exercise for good health. Not everybody wants to go to the gym to train but a well organised network of walking paths will always help even busy people to incorporate a daily 10,000 steps into their routine.

November is specially a good time to kickstart a new exercise resolution - after all, it is designated Diabetes Awareness Month in honour of the discovery of insulin's role in managing the condition and experts agree that just simple walking daily helps in controlling blood sugar and improve diabetic health. Bahrain has the unenviable reputation of being a Diabetes Hotspot in the GCC and obesity has reached epidemic proportions in our Kingdom. Let Bahraini women take up the task of seriously getting their families to embrace exercise as the route to good health and it will be their gift to our Kingdom!

(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)

Efforts underway to keep central markets cool

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¬he Capital Municipality is proactively implementing measures to optimize the performance of air conditioning units in central markets and key offices by establishing a weekly maintenance system.

This initiative covers the air conditioning systems in the Capital Municipality's main office, Tubli offices, Tubli store, Picture for representation only Sitra market, Jidhafs market,



The project aims at guar- ation of all air conditioning to their operational hours and and Manama Central Market. anteeing the efficient oper- units, with special attention the thorough cleaning of air

outlets in various markets and buildings under the Municipality's jurisdiction to prevent any leaks. Through a tender process, the Municipality said it's committed to maintaining these systems by generating weekly reports on their status, particularly to identify and prevent any potential gas leaks.

The project is open for public participation through tender board. The deadline for filing bids is set for the 19th of this month, and bids should be accompanied by a BD500 bond

Eateries and grocery stores on way in SMC



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benefit of patients, employ- plex's mission. ees, and doctors. According

is offering a 10-year lease for commercial areas. the operation of a café, a res-

taurant, and a grocery store. pected to fully equip and ef-

to the Government Hospitals possibility of subleasing the and cater to the needs of vis-Authority, SMC is seeking spaces to multiple tenants. itors to the medical complex. lessees for three commercial The objective of the tender is to secure competitive bids couraged to submit their In a recently issued tender for the development and utibids before the deadline of for prospective bidders, SMC lization of the designated December 20, 2023, along

The winning bidder is ex- for 190 days.

Salmaniya Medical Com- These spaces could also be ficiently manage these spacplex plans to repurpose utilized for other commeres in line with the specified some of its areas into eater- cial activities, provided they scope of work, terms, conies and grocery stores for the align with the medical com- ditions, and requirements. This initiative aims to ben-SMC also envisions the efit Government Hospitals

Interested parties are enwith a BD2,500 bond, valid



Founded in 1957 with an expansive bed capacity of around 1,200 beds, this facility stands as Kingdom's largest tertiary hospital. Offering secondary, tertiary, and emergency healthcare services, alongside specialised outpatient clinics, the hospital accommodates an average of 900-1,000 patients daily. With a dedicated team exceeding 2,000 professionals, including physicians, nurses, and support staff, it upholds its commitment to healthcare excellence.

Waterfront transformation project in Capital

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significant revitalisation Aeffort is on the horizon for the waterfront areas within the Capital Municipality. This ambitious project encompasses the demolition of existing structures and the creation of new amenities, which will include playgrounds and cycle tracks.

The Works Ministry has



Representative picture

taken the initiative to kick- scaping, boardwalks, runstart this project by releasing ning and cycle tracks, chil-

ing facilities, street lighting, and an irrigation system among others.

Participation in the tender is limited to Grade "AA" Building Contractors currently registered with the Ministry of Works.

Those interested in taking up this project should submit their bids before the deadline on December 10, 2023, along with a BD5000 bond that remains valid for 180 a tender, inviting potential dren's playgrounds, viewing days. The Works Ministry bidders to participate. The stands, administrative and is offering a 36-month conproject's scope is extensive security buildings, guard tract duration to complete and entails various compo- houses, electrical substa- the comprehensive transnents. Works include land- tions, public toilets, car park- formation of the waterfront.

Upgrade project announced for Wali Al Ahd to Mazarea **Highway section**



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Works Ministry said it has markings. initiated a project to enhance participate.

several works, including re- for 180 days.

constructing select segments of the road, milling the existing asphalt pavement to ad-The stretch between Wali dress cracks, removing and Al Ahd and Mazarea High-replacing damaged curbs way is slated for an upgrade and paving blocks, adjusting as part of the rehabilitation manhole covers as needed, of Zain Bin Omera Highway, filling in the verge, painting according to the Ministry of both new and existing curbs, and applying fresh road

Contractors interested in this section of the highway, undertaking this project are according to tender launched, encouraged to submit their inviting potential bidders to bids by the 15th of this month, accompanied by a BD1,000 The project encompasses bond, which will remain valid

Ministry of Foreign Affairs seeks Air Cargo services



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The Ministry of Foreign ▲ Affairs (MoFA) is in the process of securing air cargo services for diplomatic purposes. These services will be to participate. Interested parutilized for shipping goods ties are encouraged to submit from the ministry to Bahrain's their bids before the deadline overseas missions.

worldwide, Bahrain maintains strong international

In pursuit of these cargo services, MoFA has initiated a tender, inviting potential bidders of November 21, 2023, along With around 30 embassies with a BD500 bond, which will and 115 diplomatic missions remain valid for 180 days.

US to lower barriers on 'too big to fail' label on firms

AFP | Washington, United States

s regulators voted Friday to undo rollbacks under the Trump administration that made it tougher to place certain financial companies under heightened supervision -- if they posed stability

The decision came at a meeting of the Financial Stability Oversight Council (FSOC), a body created in the wake of the 2008 global financial crisis.

"Recent stresses in some financial sectors arising from the onset of the pandemic and the sudden failures of some regional threats," said Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen, who chairs the council, on Friday.



Recent stresses in some financial sectors arising from the onset of the pandemic and the sudden failures of some regional banks underscore the continuing need to remain vigilant to threat

TREASURY SECRETARY JANET YELLEN

Other FSOC members include ing need to remain vigilant to serve and Securities and Ex-released Friday. change Commission.

designating nonbank financial ner, the council added. companies, imposed by 2019 guidance, said the council.

would be subject to heightened government supervision.

designated in the past include omy." MetLife, Prudential Financial der the Obama administration.

Earlier rules called for the FSOC to undergo steps like a responding to emerging threats. cost-benefit analysis and assess

But such steps "unduly ham-

The latest move aims to "re- ability to respond to financial ing of the risks non-bank mortmove unwarranted hurdles" to stability risks in a timely man- gage lenders pose in particular.

The latest guidance rolls back the definition of what consti-This means the companies tutes a threat to US financial stability as well -- which under the 2019 rules required "severe Such firms that have been damage on the broader econ-

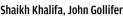
"The Council has determined and General Electric Capital un-that this definition was overly restrictive" it said, adding that this clashed with its purpose of

Massachusetts Democratic a company's likelihood of "ma-Senator Elizabeth Warren urged terial financial distress," before in a letter Thursday for the FSOC considering the firm for desig- to "fully exercise its designation authority"

Nonbanks have expanded banks underscore the continu- the chairs of the Federal Re- per" the council, said guidance quickly and provide some 60 percent of all consumer and They would also obstruct its business credit, she said, warn-

Bahrain Bourse to host "MEIRA" Annual Conference & Awards





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hosting the Middle East Inves- developments. tor Relations Association (MEI-Bahrain.

The conference features a more. diverse lineup of discussions and panels and will commence Al-Khalifa, CEO of Bahrain with a keynote speech by Abeer Bourse, said, "The 2023 MEI-Al Saad, Executive Director of RA Annual Conference and Financial Institutions Super- Awards hosted by Bahrain vision at the Central Bank of Bourse highlights the role cap-Bahrain. High-level Panels in- ital markets play in promoting clude local, regional and global best practices in IR, promoting experts within the industry sustainable development, and starting with a 'CEO Plena- encouraging further collaborary: Spotlight on GCC Market' tive regional efforts to enhance which will feature a group of and support ESG practices, all distinguished CEO panelists, of which are in line with the including Sh. Khalifa Bin Ebra- Kingdom's Financial Services him Al Khalifa, CEO - Bahrain Sector Development Strategy." Bourse, Mohammed Al-Rumaih, CEO - Saudi Exchange, commented: "The GCC capital Abdulla Alnuaimi, CEO - Abu markets are well-positioned Dhabi Securities Exchange, for growth and development, and AbdulAziz Al-Emadi, and we are honored to partner Acting CEO - Qatar Stock Ex- with Bahrain Bourse, a pioneer change. The panel will explore in IR and ESG."

the GCC market's structure, growth potential, regulatory Bahrain Bourse (BHB) has environment, and emerging announced that it will be trends, ESG landscape, and IR

The conference will also RA) Annual Conference and attract other speakers from Awards - MEIRA 2023: From AlRamz Capital, Aluminium ESG to Sustainable Capital Bahrain (Alba), Bank ABC, Bap-Markets in collaboration with co Energies, Emirates NBD, FTI the Central Bank of Bahrain. Consulting, First Abu Dhabi The conference is scheduled Bank, ISSB, Saudi Re, LSEG, to take place on November LUMI, MSCI, Oxford Busi-13, 2023, at The Ritz-Carlton, ness Group, S&P Global, SICO BSC (c), Wamid, and much

Shaikh Khalifa bin Ebrahim

John Gollifer, GM of MEIRA,

China investigates former top bank official

Beijing, China

Atop official at one of China's biggest stateowned banks is under investigation for suspected corruption, the ruling Communist Party announced Saturday.

The party's top anti-corruption watchdog said Zhang Hongli was "suspected of serious disciplinary and legal violations", an official byword for alleged graft. Zhang previously served as the vice chief of the Industrial and Commercial Bank of China (ICBC), one of the world's largest banks.

China's President Xi Jinping has waged a sweeping campaign on deep-seated official corruption since coming to power a decade



Mona Al-Moayyed, the CEO of Yousef Khalil Al-Moayyed Company, received the prestigious "Best Businesswomen in the Middle East" award at the second annual summit for women leaders in Dubai. The award ceremony, held in conjunction with the annual summit, recognized outstanding women leaders from diverse sectors. Al-Moayyed actively engaged in the summit's activities by presenting a discussion on "The Significance of Achieving Work-Life Balance in Personal and **Professional Success.**'

Zain Group releases 2023 Thought Leadership report

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Zain Group anpublication of its latest annual Thought Leadership Report entitled, 'Building Inclusive Societies Through Connectivity'. The report was



had on society.

highlights the various Report is inspiring by the story stakeholders.' phases of connectivity it tells of Zain's journey over that Zain has operated its 40 years of dedication, com- cieties Through Connectivity' over four decades, and mitment, and forging the road report charts the key milestones the profound impact ahead on a path to providing and achievements along Zain's this connectivity has state-of-the-art communica- long journey to providing mean-Bader Al-Kharafi, kets ensuring that its products number of communities, and Zain Vice-Chairman and services are inclusive, scala- categorizes the developments

2023 in Dubai, UAE and "Our 2023 Thought Leadership needs and expectations of our

Zain's 'Building Inclusive Sotions services across Zain mar- ingful connectivity to a growing launched during GITEX Global and Group CEO commented, ble and address the connectivity under seven main areas:

NBB backs Bahrain Paralympic team

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The National Bally of Bally (NBB) recently supported **¬**he National Bank of Bahrain the Bahrain Paralympic Team participating at the Hangzhou 2022 Asian Para Games.

The 4th edition of the Asian Games were initially scheduled to take place last year, but were postponed and held from 22nd to 28th October 2023 in Hang-

zhou. China. The sponsorship was in partnership with the Bahrain



Paralympic Committee, which works to stimulate social transformation in the Kingdom and empower individuals with impairments to participate in sports at all levels.

The Bahraini athletes competed in a range of Para sports including discus throw, taekwondo, 100m and 400m races, shot put games and more, alongside 3000 participants from around the Asian continent.

BisB signs cooperation agreement with STC



The deal signing TDT | Manama

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Qatar signs 27-year gas supply deal with Sinopec

for 27 years, the Gulf emirate's project. state-owned energy company deal with the Chinese firm.

the deal, QatarEnergy said, an-territory.

nouncing another agreement granting the Chinese oil giant atar has agreed to supply for a further share of Qatar's Sinopec with natural gas North Field gas expansion

The expansion, which broke said yesterday, its second such ground last month, contains the world's biggest natu-Doha will supply three mil- ral gas reserves and extends lion tonnes of gas a year under under the Gulf into Iranian

News in brief

Three dead after plane crashes in Australia bushfire fight

killed after a light aircraft crashed in remote northern Australia yesterday while helping in the battle against bushfires, emergency services said. The plane went down near the outback town of McKinlay, more than 1,600 kilometres (1,000 miles) northwest of Queensland's state capital Brisbane. It

was being used for fire mapping, authorities

said, as more than a dozen fires continue

Three people were

to burn across the state. "Terribly sad that three brave souls working to help their fellow Australians have lost their lives in Queensland," Prime Minister Anthony Albanese posted on X.

Striking Bangladesh **Bangladesh garment workers** garment workers clashed clash with police as factories reopen with police yesterday near the capital as factories reopened in defiance of a protest campaign demanding a neartripling of wages. Bangladesh's 3,500 garment factories account for around 85 percent of the South Asian country's \$55 billion annual exports,

supplying many of the world's top names in fashion including Levi's, Zara and H&M. But conditions are dire for many of the sector's four million workers, the vast majority of whom are

women whose monthly wages start at 8,300 taka (\$75)...

Guinean ex-dictator Camara recaptured after jailbreak: Army



Camara has been recaptured and returned to prison the army and his lawyer said yesterday after an apparent jailbreak led by a heavilyarmed commando. "Captain Moussa Dadis Camara has been found safe and sound and taken back to prison," an army spokesperson said, without specifying the circumstances of the capture.

Guinean former

dictator Moussa Dadis

CURIOSER & CURIOSER

'Friends' star Matthew Perry laid to rest in Los Angeles: media

AFP | Los Angeles

merican actor Matthew APerry of the hit sitcom "Friends" was laid to rest at a Los Angeles cemetery on Friday during a private funeral attended by family and co-stars, US media reported.

The 54-year-old, known for "Friends," which aired from Lisa Kudrow. 1994-2004, was found dead on October 28.

Studios," People reported, cit- ment shortly after his death. around two hours.

Forest Lawn Memorial Park. did not respond to AFP's request for confirmation.

Several other US media outlets, including celebrity news ton, Courteney Cox, David anxiety medication.



Matthew Perry

his role as Chandler Bing in Schwimmer, Matt LeBlanc and

"We are all so utterly devastated by the loss of Matthew. "The service was held at We were more than just cast Forest Lawn Memorial Park in mates. We are a family," his Los Angeles near Warner Bros. five co-stars said in a state-

ing an unidentified source. It Perry's mother, father and said the funeral service lasted stepfather also attended, according to the media reports.

The cause of Perry's death a cemetery in the Hollywood is not yet known. An initial Hills popular with celebrities, post-mortem examination was inconclusive and the results of toxicology tests have not yet been released.

TMZ cited sources saying website TMZ, also reported that no illicit drugs were found that Perry was laid to rest at at his home, although several a low-key funeral attended medications were discovered by castmates Jennifer Anis- including antidepressants and



People stand in line to pay tribute to actor Matthew Perry outside the apartment building which was used as the exterior shot in the TV show "Friends" in New York

Hamas health ministry says 15 killed at Gaza UN school in Israeli strike

AFP | Gaza

The health ministry in Hamas-run Gaza said at least 15 people were killed yesterday when a UN school sheltering thousands of displaced Palestinians was hit by an Israeli strike.

"The massacre at the Al-Fakhura school committed by the occupation (Israel) this morning left 15 martyrs and 70 wounded," ministry spokesman Ashraf al-Qudra told a press conference.

The United Nations agency for Palestinian refugees said its school is being used as a "shelter



Palestinian search through the rubble of a collapsed building looking for victims and survivors following a strike by the Israeli military on Khan Yunis

for displaced families".

"At least one strike hit the school yard where there were tents for displaced families. Another strike hit inside the school where women were baking bread," UNRWA said.

There was no immediate comment from the Israeli military about hitting the school in Jabalia refugee camp, and AFP was unable to independently confirm the toll.

On Thursday, UNRWA said four of its schools in the Gaza Strip housing people displaced by the war had been damaged by bombings.

Blinken to visit Turkey after Israel, Jordan: statement

AFP | Amman

S Secretary of State Antony Us secretary of State Jurkey for two days from Sunday as part of a Middle East tour amid the Hamas-Israel war, the State Department said.

Blinken was meeting with Arab counterparts in the Jordanian capital Amman yesterday after visiting Israel the day before.

But he left Israel empty-handed on Friday after urging its leaders to do more to protect civilians in the Gaza Strip during Israel's war to destroy Hamas.

In Turkey, Blinken would "underscore the importance of Philippe Lazzarini in Amman



US Secretary of State Antony Blinken (R) walks next to UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) Commissioner-General

protecting civilian lives in Israel and the Gaza Strip", the US State Department said in a statement yesterday.

He would also discuss "our shared commitment to facilitating the increased, sustained delivery of life-saving humanitarian assistance to civilians in Gaza" as well as ensuring Palestinians are not forcibly displaced outside of Gaza".

He would also discuss ways to "stem violence, calm rhetoric, reduce regional tensions" as well as working towards a "durable and sustainable peace in the Middle East, to include the establishment of a Palestin-

UN rights chief slams hatred surge sparked by Gaza war

AFP | Geneva

The UN human rights chief yesterday strongly denounced the both online and offline. "sharp rise in hatred globally" since the war between Hamas and Israel began on October 7.

Volker Turk said he was "disgusted" Jews," Turk said. by the surge in cases of anti-Semitism, Islamophobia and other hate-speech, in hate speech, violence and discrimi-

shockwaves across every region, de- Jews and Muslims that they don't feel humanising both Palestinians and safe, and it saddens me," he added.

"We have witnessed a sharp spike nation, deepening social fractures and "The impact of this crisis... has sent polarisation... I have heard from both



At least 157 dead in Nepa

A 5.6-magnitude earthquake devastates remote areas, causing loss of

The quake hit isolated western districts, jolting households awake and flattening mud houses

AFP | Jajarkot

t least 157 people were killed in an overnight earthquake that struck a remote pocket of Nepal, officials said vesterday, as security forces rushed to assist with rescue efforts.

The force of the 5.6-magnitude tremor jolted households awake and flattened mud houses in communities across isolated western ything left. There are no houses districts of the Himalayan repub-

when the houses came down. It vivors from the wreckage of felt like a big explosion," Shiva collapsed homes and buildings, Prasad Sharma, 65, told AFP from as others crouched outside for outside the destroyed remnants of safety. his home in Jajarkot, the district hit worst by the quake.

die," he added. "No one has an- the epicentre.



of Jajarkot district

left to stay in".

The quake was felt as far away as India's capital New Delhi, near-"I thought we were going to ly 500 kilometres (310 miles) from increase.

reached 157 -- 105 in Jajarkot some bodies might still be found Locals frantically dug through and 52 in Rukum," national po- under the rubble." "There was a very big noise rubble in the dark to pull sur- lice spokesman Kuber Kathayat told AFP.

> Another 199 were injured in the quake, he added.

Home ministry spokesman Narayan Prasad Bhattarai said the makes it difficult for information toll was unlikely to significantly

"We are now in touch with all Bhattarai told AFP.



geological faultline where the Indian tectonic plate pushes up into the Eurasian plate, forming the Himalayas, and earthquakes are a regular occurrence

"The toll from the quake has areas," he told AFP. "It is possible

Security forces were deployed on foot and in helicopters to assist with search and rescue opera-

"The remoteness of the districts to get through," Karnali Province police spokesman Gopal Chandra

Adolf Hitler informs his military leaders in a secret meeting of his intentions of going to war

Britain and France land airborne forces at Port Said in Egypt, escalating the Suez Crisis

Thousands march in London pro-Palestinian rally



Demonstrators take part in a protest inside Charing Cross station in London

¬housands of pro-Palestini- yesterday. **L** an protesters gathered in bombardments by Israel after the hatred. deadly Hamas attack on its territory on October 7.

port of Palestinians since the at- between Israel and Hamas. tack by Hamas last month.

Square in central London, pro- ning protests for November 11, testers waved Palestinian flags a day of remembrance for soland held placards calling for an diers killed in the two world immediate ceasefire.

bundle of fabric, representing a disrespectful". dead baby killed during the Israeli bombing campaign.

the stream of upsetting images for," he said. coming from Gaza.

ceasefire," she said.

"We spend the whole week consuming the news and this is very draining, so this is our only form

estimate that around 30,000 at-

tended the rally in central London

The force said it had arrested London yesterday to call for a 11 people, including one for disceasefire in Gaza amid ongoing playing a placard that could incite

Pro-Palestinian groups say they are planning to march in Britain's It was the fourth consecutive capital yesterday November 11, week that the British capital was Armistice Day, to demand an imthe venue for a large rally in sup- mediate ceasefire in the conflict

On Friday British Prime Min-At the rally, held in Trafalgar ister Rishi Sunak said that planwars and subsequent conflicts, One group of protesters held a would be "provocative and

There was a clear and present risk that the Cenotaph and other Sama Dababneh, 26, a Jordanian war memorials could be desecratbusiness consultant who came ed in a protest, something which to the rally with her Palestinian would "be an affront to the British friends, said they were tired of public and the values we stand

Dababneh said she would be "We came here to support the one of those protesting on Armi-

"I am coming for sure," she said. "What is happening in Palestine shows that we didn't learn anything from what happened

London's Metropolitan Police before."

Ukraine's Zelensky denies war with Russia at 'stalemate'

AFP | Kyiv

President Volodymyr Zelensky denied yesterday that Ukraine's war with Russia had reached a "stalemate", pushing back at suggestions Western leaders were lobbying for peace

The sprawling frontline between the two warring sides has barely moved in almost a year, with one senior Ukrainian official warning this week that the conflict was deadlocked.

"Time has passed, people are tired... But this is not a stalemate," Zelensky told a press conference in Kyiv with EU Commission chief Ursula von

The Ukrainian leader also rejected the idea Western countries were putting pressure on him to enter negotiations with Russia, amid reports US and EU officials had spoken to Kyiv about what such talks would entail.

with Russia, talk to it, and give the conflict. it something," he said.

to gain ground in its counter- Ukraine, and said that this was defeat Russia.



Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelensky (L) greets EU Commission President Ursula von der Leyen (R) at the railway station in Kyiv

Time has passed, people are tired... But this is not a stalemate

VOLODYMYR ZELENSKY

offensive, Zelensky has rou-"No one among our partners tinely met Western leaders in is pressuring us to sit down a bid to stave off fatigue with

Zelensky said the war be-With the war now in its 20th tween Israel and Hamas had month and Ukraine struggling also drawn attention away from

"Russia's goal".

"Of course, it's clear that the war in the Middle East, this conflict, is taking away the focus," Zelensky said.

"We have already been in very difficult situations when there was almost no focus on Ukraine," he said, but added: "I am absolutely sure we will overcome this challenge."

Ukraine's backers, including the United States, have maintained they are ready to support Kyiv with military and financial support for as long as it takes to

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appeals for a humani-

tarian ceasefire and the immediate release of all

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Floods in Ethiopia kill over 20, displace thousands

AFP | Nairobi

ore than 20 people have died and over 12,000 others have been forced out of their homes in Ethiopia's Somali region due to flash flooding triggered by torrential rains, the regional government said yesterday.

Bridges and roads have been destroyed by the downpour, making it difficult to reach affected households, the Somali property also reported. Regional State Communication damage to livestock, crops and than 12,000 families have been elsewhere.



Rescuers search for people trapped during a flood

"More than 20 people have Bureau said in a statement, with died in the flood so far... more of the world and heavy rains

displaced," the statement said. "Rising rainfall and forecasts show that the risk of flooding remains high."

The UN's humanitarian agency, OCHA, said last month that eastern Africa would likely encounter heavier than normal rains over the October-December period because of the El Nino phenomenon.

El Nino is a naturally occurring pattern associated with increased heat worldwide, as well as drought in some parts

Russian bombs have destroyed so many schools. But the children of Ukraine must keep learning. The EU has donated 371 buses to bring Ukrainian children to schools further away, safely. @ZelenskaUA

@vonderleyen

MBA_AlThani_ and I discussed the critical need to protect civilians and increase humanitarian aid for Palestinians. I expressed my gratitude for Qatar's work to secure the exit of U.S. citizens and foreign nationals from Gaza and release of hostages held by Hamas.

@SecBlinken

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earthquake

life and extensive damage

"Some roads had been blocked he added. by damage, but we are trying to

raced for treatment to a hospital occurrence. in Nepalgunj, a small city near the Indian border.

ing," Kamala Oli, a woman cra-struck Nepal, destroying more dling her infant child at a hospital than half a million homes. treating survivors, told AFP.

house. Only two of us lived," she million children without classadded, without giving further de-rooms.

Kamal Dahal arrived at the site Kathmandu Valley's UNESCO of the quake yesterday after ex- World Heritage sites -- that had pressing his "deep sorrow over drawn visitors from around the the human and physical damage". world were destroyed in a major

"The government is serious blow to tourism. about providing relief to victims

Minister Narendra Modi said he trict, near Jajarkot. was "deeply saddened" by the

to extend all possible assistance," Survey said.

Nepal lies on a major geological reach the area through alternate faultline where the Indian tectonic plate pushes up into the Eura-Dozens of survivors with frac-sian plate, forming the Himalayas, tures and head injuries were and earthquakes are a regular

Nearly 9,000 people died and more than 22,000 were injured in "It came when we were sleep- 2015 when a 7.8-magnitude quake

It damaged or destroyed nearly "There were three of us in the 8,000 schools, leaving almost one

Hundreds of monuments and Nepali Prime Minister Pushpa royal palaces -- including the

Six people also died in Novemand treating the injured," he said. ber last year when a 5.6-magni-Neighbouring India's Prime tude earthquake struck Doti dis-

Friday's quake was followed several hours later by an after-"India stands in solidarity with shock in the same area with a the people of Nepal and is ready 4.0 magnitude, the US Geological

Sudan shelling kills 15, RSF claims gains in Darfur

AFP | Wad Madani

t least 15 civilians in Khar-Atoum were killed yesterday "when shells fell on their homes", a medical source said, as paramilitary fighters battling Sudan's army claimed gains in Darfur.

The victims' bodies were taken to Al-Nau hospital in Omdurman, a district of greater Khartoum, the medical source told AFP, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Fighting since April between the forces of army chief Abdel Fattah al-Burhan and his former deputy Mohamed Hamdan Daglo, who commands the the Armed Conflict Location & advancing on army bases in Rapid Support Forces (RSF), has raged in heavily populated

rival generals has crippled essential services in Sudan and region of Darfur.

have been killed, according to raged unabated.



A walks past a devastated market area in al-Fasher, the capital of Sudan's North Darfur state

Event Data Project.

The struggle between the 6 million people to flee, both within and outside Sudan.

Representatives of the warrazed entire neighbourhoods of ring sides are currently in the the capital and the vast western Saudi city of Jeddah for negotiations mediated by Saudi ed" an army base in El Geneina, In nearly seven months of Arabia and the United States, the capital of West Darfur state war, more than 10,400 people but the fighting back home has

a conservative estimate from For weeks, the RSF has been horrors.

Darfur, a region already scarred The United Nations says the by decades of conflict and violence has forced more than atrocities committed against civilians by armed groups including the RSF's predecessor, the Janjaweed militia.

Yesterday, the paramilitary force announced it had "liberatwhere a communications blackout has raised fears of fresh

The Indian Club Bahrain set to host International Series Badminton Tournament 2023



The Bahrain International Series Badminton Tournament 2023 organized by The Indian Club in association with The Bahrain Badminton and Squash Federation, and approved by BWF Badminton Asia, will be held from November 14th to 19th. The tournament has attracted record entries of more than 200 internationally-ranked players from 26 different countries, making it the largest international series badminton tournament held in Bahrain. The tournament will feature all major categories – men's singles, women's singles, women's doubles, women's doubles and mixed doubles. The total prize money for the tournament is USD5,000. Matches will commence at 9am everyday on the Indian Club's two international standard courts and continue until 9pm. Grand Finals Day is set for November 19th, Sunday. For more details contact, the club's general secretary Anil Kumar R over phone at 39623936 or the badminton secretary Arunachalam T at the phone number 35007544, or the tournament director CM Junith at 66359777.

CFA Society Bahrain and Hope Talents to collaborate

CFA Society Bahrain, an association of local investment professionals consisting of portfolio managers, investment advisors, educators, and other financial professionals, and Hope Talents, the talent management arm of Hope Fund, have signed a partnership agreement to support the next generation of working professionals by providing them with personal and career development opportunities. The partnership agreement was signed by Zeeba Askar, president of CFA Society Bahrain, and Latifa Mohamed, general manager of Hope Talents, in the presence of officials from both organizations. Hope Talents identifies, upskills, and recognizes high-potential national talents in their journey toward professional development and achievement, officials said.



PWA Refreshment Drive





The Pakistani Women's Association (PWA) along with members of its youth program distributed thermos bottles and biryani meals to 80 workers on a construction site and 30 more thermos bottles to roadside workers. "We are extremely proud of everyone who comes together in making a difference," said president Shahmeen Islam. She expressed appreciation to Mast Mahol for sponsoring 40 Biryani meals and Paak Pakwaan for another 40 meals.

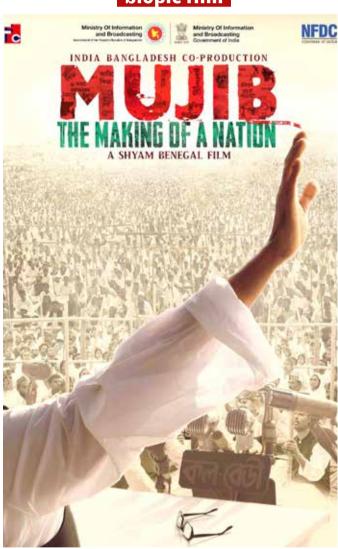
Foundation stone laid for new Bangladeshi school





The foundation stone for constructing a new Bangladeshi school at A'ali was laid on October 27th, Friday. The chief guest of the function was Imran Ahmad, Minister of Expatriates' Welfare and Overseas Employment with the Bangladesh government. In the ceremony organized by the Embassy of Bangladesh, an agreement was signed with Almoayyed and Paruco Contracting for construction of the school. Various authorities from the Bahrain government and officials of the Bangladesh embassy were present.

Special screening for Bangladeshi



A special screening of 'Mujib: The Making of a Nation', a biopic of the Father of the Nation of Bangladesh, is being organized by the Embassy of Bangladesh at Hall 5 of Epix Cinema in Dana Mall, Sanabis on November 9th at 7pm. Admission is free and seats can be booked by contacting the embassy at the phone number 34213203.

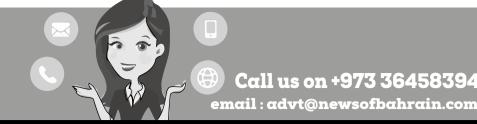
Youth Conference Held

Ihjas Aslam, Second Secretary at the Embassy of India, Bahrain, delivered the keynote address at the model United Nations conference held at the New Indian School, Bahrain titled 'NewMUN'. Held over the course of two days and seven council sessions, the conference encouraged students in cultivating critical thinking and diplomatic skill to solve problems.





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Luisa, Georgii claim ITF singles titles



Winners with officials after the awarding

The pairs of Simona Cucu-Aleksandra Rozkalne and Emre Atlamis-Doruk Calikoglu win doubles titles

 Georgii Arakelian, Doruk Calikoglu both come away with gold and silver medals from **Bahrain ITF event**

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uisa Fusil and Georgii Arakelian were vesterday crowned singles champions in the third Bahrain ITF Juniors 2023 tournament, which presented their respective trocame to a close at the Bahrain Tennis Federation (BTF) hard courts in Isa Town.

Luisa, from Slovenia, claimed the girls' singles nament was the first of three crown after defeating Sude Ul-straight ITF events being hostueren of Turkey 7-6 (1), 6-1 in ed by the Kingdom in succestheir final match, while third-sion. The second, which beseed Georgii won his title after gins tomorrow, is also a J30 battling back from a set down event, while the third, a J60 to beat Doruk Calikoglu of competition, will begin on 13 Turkey 3-6, 6-1, 6-3.

Meanwhile, the competition's doubles titles were also

The third-seeded duo of Romanian Simona Cucu and Latvian Aleksandra Rozkalne won the girls' championship, and the Turkish pair of Emre Atlamis and Doruk captured the boys' title.

Simona and Aleksandra upset Alina Sogomonyan and Esila Toklu of Turkey 6-3, 6-3, while Emre and Doruk overcame second seeds Georgii and Daniil Karpukhin 6-4,

Both Georgii and Doruk were the only two players to end the competition with two medals.

Following all the finals, the winners and runners-up were phies and medals in an awarding ceremony attended by BTF officials.

The just-concluded tour-November.



Turkey's Doruk Calikoglu in action during his singles final yesterday

Abdullah Ali wins Nasser bin Hamad Amateur Cycling Tour



Action from stage four

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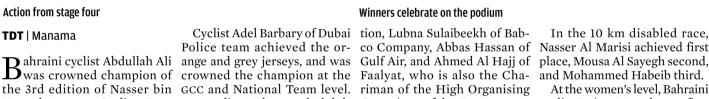
Hamad Amateur Cycling Tour yesterday after being officially awarded the yellow and red jerseys for the best time and highest points.

Mohammed Ageel was handed the blue jersey for under hammed Khatim was given the a distance of 80 kilometres. green jersey for over 40 years

UAE cyclist Mohammed Abdul- Committee of the Tour. lah Al Hammadi of Al Wathbah for over 40 years old.

23 years old, and cyclist Mo- took place yesterday, covering

tarian Works and Youth Affairs. of the Bahrain Cycling Federa- Xstream Sport team came third. Kamal third.



Abdullah Ali of Bahrain Giteam won the purple jersey for ants triumphed in the fourth under 23 years old, and cyclist stage among Bahrainis, while Vladimir bagged the pink jersey Hassan Aqeel of Bahrain Amateurs came second, and his The fourth and final stage brother from the same team, Mohammed Ageel, came third.

At the GCC and National Team The winners were honoured level, Moroccan cyclist Said

In the 10 km disabled race, place, Mousa Al Sayegh second, and Mohammed Habeib third.

At the women's level, Bahraini cyclist Fatima Murad came first in the Bahraini women's race, Zakia Al Sadah second, and May Al Hajji third.

Chinese cyclist Lin won first place at the race dedicated for GCC National Team and resident women's cyclists, followed by American cyclist Casey Pittman and British cyclist Emma Baker old in the event organised under in the presence of Dr. Abdul- Aboluchi of the Turk team won in second and third respectively. the patronage of His Highness rahman Sadiq Askar, CEO of the fourth stage, while UAE's In the individual race for Bah-Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al the General Sports Authority, cyclist Said Khair of Dubai Po-rainis, Mohammed Mubarak Khalifa, Representative of His Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad bin lice team finished second, and achieved first place, Essa Saleh Majesty the King for Humani- Ahmed Al Khalifa, President Syrian cyclist Mazen Hussain of second and Sayed Ahmed Al

Holders Al Hala advance in HM the King's Cup

Tolders Al Hala, Al Ettihad

Busaiteen marched on with a 3-0 win over Bouri.

qualify for the next stage.

and Busaiteen all advanced tinue their title defence and take the runners-up. last night to the round of 16 of on defending league champithe 2023/2024 His Majesty the ons Al Khaldiya, Ettihad face esty the King's Cup, Hala were King's Cup football tournament. Al Shabab, and Busaiteen take crowned champions after a Hala made it through with a on Sitra. The remaining games heart-stopping 6-5 victory over 3-0 win over Tadhamun, Etti- in the opening round of the Al Ahli in a hugely thrilling penhad advanced with a 5-4 win on single-elimination tournament alty shootout in the final. penalties against Al Naima after see Um Al Hassam go against the match remained goalless Budaiya, Al Ettifaq face Etehad amazing 10 spot kicks per squad. at the end of regular time, and Al Reef, and Bahrain Club play The match had ended goalless Galali.

The victorious trio joined richest football competition in utes of extra-time.

East Riffa and A'ali as teams to the Kingdom, with the winners taking home BD100,000 in prize In the round of 16, Hala con-money and BD50,000 going to

In the 2022/2023 His Maj-

The decider extended to an after 90 minutes and the score The HM the King's Cup is the remained nil-nil after 30 min-



Action from Busaiteen's match with

Muharraq claim resounding win over Al Najma

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uharraq posted a convincing 93-78 their week three game of the 2023/2024 Zain Bahrain Basketball League.

Muharraq were up 67-60 at the end of by as many as 16 points late on.

Julius Coles Jr scored 29 points while contests. Tyler Wilkerson added 28 while taking

player in double figures.

For Najma, Elijah Robinson scored victory over Al Najma last night in 26 to go with nine rebounds and eight assists. Joshua Caldwell chipped in with 16 in the defeat.

With the result, Muharraq claimed the third quarter, and they extended their their second victory in as many outlead in the fourth when they went ahead ings while Najma suffered their first loss after winning their opening two

League action continues tonight with down 12 rebounds. Skipper Bader Ab- defending champions Manama playing dulla Malabes added 14, including three Isa Town at 5.30pm, followed t 7.30pm three-pointers, as Muharraq's only other by Al Hala playing Samaheej.



Al Najma's Elijah Robinson goes for a lay-up as Muharraq's Bader Abdulla Malabes looks on

HH Shaikh Isa bin Faisal clinches Local Endurance Race title

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crowned the champion of the Local Endurance Race in the second round of the season as Team Victorious dominated the podium.

Team Victorious also won the Best Horse Condition award in the event which was attended by His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Representative of His Majesty the King for Humanitarian Works and Youth Affairs and Honourary President of the Bahrain Royal Equestrian and Endurance Federation (BREEF).

The event was organised by BREEF and held in the presence of HH Shaikh Faisal bin

Rashid Al Khalifa, Vice Chairman of the Supreme Council H Shaikh Isa bin Faisal for Environment, Vice Chairbin Rashid Al Khalifa was man of the Rashid Equestrian and Horseracing Club, and member of the Supreme

> Council for Youth and Sports. His Highness Shaikh Nasser congratulated HH Shaikh



HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa with a winner

lead and winning top positions. to attract more participants. His Highness emphasised

that the extensive participation the podium of the 120km race as and Public Relations Committee

bin Faisal bin Rashid Al Khal- witnessed in the races is indicifa, rider of Team Victorious, ative of the goals achieved by on being crowned champi- BREEF thanks to their keenness on of the 120 km local race, in creating the ideal atmosphere



Winners celebrate with their trophies

HH Shaikh Isa bin Faisal's team- at BREEF. mates Mohammed Khalid Al Ru-Isa finished third.

by Ghalib Al Alawi, Secretary Khalifa, Captain of Al Fursan of BREEF, Dr. Khaled Ahmed team. The award was bagged by Hassan, Assistant Secretary of Al Ruwaie. the Federation and Manager of the Royal Endurance Team, and Safinat Stables finished first in Tawfiq Al Salehi, Director of the international race, followed His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin by Nasser Khalifa of N13 Stables praising the team for their for all stables and riders in order Hamad Al Khalifa Media Of- who came second. fice and Information Centre and Team Victorious dominated Head of the Media, Marketing lah came third.

Team Victorious won the Best waie came second and Salman Horse Condition Award which is patronised by Her Highness The winners were crowned Shaikha Noora bint Hamad Al

Rider Sarhan Al Anzi of Al

Al Anzi's teammate Isa Abdul-

Anann, Battyeford Boy lift Arabian Horse Equestrian Services Cups

Port Douglas wins **Palace Enterprises Cup for** owner Ali Jaafar Darwish

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nann and Battyeford Boy lifted the Atwo Arabian Horse Equestrian Services Cups yesterday at Rashid Equestrian and Horseracing Club (REHC) in prize.

Anann won in the eighth and final race of the day, held over a six-furlong straight with a BD3,000 total prize.

It was a fine win for the three-yearold filly, owned by Al Afoo Racing and trained by Mohammed Hasan, while saddled yesterday by Lee Newman. Turna came second for Zainab Adel Abduljalil, Ramzi Al Baqlawa and Anas Al Siyabi; while Kaasib was third for Al Mohamediya Racing, Ali Abdulmajeed and Jason Watson.

The other Arabian Horse Equestrian Services Cup was claimed in race six, held over eight furlongs with a BD2,000

dulla Al Gaoud, trainer Abdulla Kuwaiti Racing, Jaber Ramadhan and Soufiane Race seven was for the Palace Entertwo for Victorious; and Krayan 1840 and jockey Abdulrahim Jasim. The Saadi, while Suspect Package took third prises Cup-a 10-furlong event with a came away with the race one win for



Winners from yesterday's events

Battyeford Boy won for owner Ab- Al Mukhtar Star, representing Al Afoo Vanhonsebrouck. five-year-old gelding finished ahead of for Victorious, AM Smith and Franky BD3,000 prize, which was claimed by owners Al Roudha.

Port Douglas for Ali Jaafar Darwish and Jaffar Darwish, ridden by Marcialis Jaures. Law of One was the runner-up for Al Afoo Racing, Mohammed Hasan and Soufiane Saadi, while Miss Yvonne took third place for the Mohamediya-Abdulmajeed-Jason Watson

In yesterday's other events, Battle of Talas won race five for owners Al Adiyat Racing; Boudica took race four, also for Adiyat; Khawafy triumphed for Feras Sami Hashem Al Meshgab in race three; Coiled and Ready clinched race

Zaman ton keeps Pakistan alive

Zaman's unbeaten 126 saves Pakistan from World Cup elimination in a match affected by rain

New Zealand had set a massive target of 402 runs initially

AFP | Bengaluru

washbuckling opener Fakhar Zaman cracked a • blistering century to save Pakistan from World Cup elimination in a rain-affected and dramatic 21-run victory over New Zealand at Bengaluru yesterday.

The 33-year-old left-hander smashed 11 sixes and eight boundaries in his unbeaten 81ball 126 as rain forced a premature end to the match with Pakistan 200-1 after 25.3 overs, chasing a revised DLS target of 342 in 41 overs.

"We know that every game is do or die for us," said Zaman.

Rachin Ravindra hit his third century of the tournament while help New Zealand pile up 401-6 in their 50 overs.

get initially, Zaman lifted Pa- nal spots. kistan to 160-1 after 21.3 overs to rain led to a revised target for Pakistan.



Pskistan's Fakhar Zaman plays a shot

kept up the tempo, hitting three sixes off spinner Ish Sodhi's 25th over as Pakistan went past the four sixes and as many bounda-

Pakistan had needed to over-Kane Williamson scored 95 to in 35.3 overs if they were to get Cup, with a six and a single off beyond New Zealand's better Mitchell Santner. net run-rate which could prove Set a mammoth 402-run tar- crucial in the battle for semi-fi-

However, Abdullah Shafique before a 90-minute stoppage due fell for four in the second over. from as many games with their Azam (66) added 194 for the Kolkata on November 11.

After the resumption, Zaman unbroken second-wicket stand.

Zaman took the attack to the New Zealand bowlers, smashing ries in his 39-ball fifty.

He completed his 11th ODI haul the original target of 402 hundred, and first in a World

His century came off 63 balls with nine sixes and six bound-

Pakistan now have eight points Zaman and skipper Babar last match against England in

Pakistan 200 for 1 (Zaman 126*, Babar 66*, Southee 1-27) beat New Zealand 401 for 6 Rayindra 105. Williamson 95, Wasim 3-60) by 21 runs on DLS

but in some matches we were after they were put in to bat. not up to the mark," said Azam.

positively."

They not only need to win that win. South Africa became the knock was spiced with two sixes but also hope New Zealand lose second team alongside India to and 10 boundaries. to Sri Lanka on November 9 in make the semi-finals.

Bengaluru or the match is hit Earlier, it was Ravindra and Williamson who set the plat-"We were trying to give 100% form for New Zealand's total

Ravindra continued his su-"If we win our next match, perb form with a 94-ball 108 well let's see... we will try to play with 15 boundaries and a six and was matched stroke for stroke As a consequence of Pakistan's by Williamson whose 79-ball

All-round Zampa helps Australia knock out England and close in on semis

AFP | Ahmedabad

C pinner Adam Zampa starred With bat and ball as Australia knocked defending champions England out of the World Cup with a 33-run win yesterday.

Chasing 287 for victory in Ahmedabad, England folded for 253 in 48.1 overs despite a valiant 64 from Ben Stokes to slump to their sixth defeat in ures of 3-21 with his leg-spin seven matches and stay bottom of the 10-team table.

tralia edged closer to securing 63-run fifth-wicket stand bea semi-final berth alongside tween Stokes and Moeen Ali, India and South Africa -- both who hit 42.

Scorecard

Australia 286 (Labuschagne 71. Green 47, Woakes 4-54) beat England 253 (Stokes 64, Malan 50, Zampa 3-21) by 33 runs

already qualified for the last four -- with their fifth straight win.

Zampa returned figto puncture England's hopes that were raised by a couple Five-time champions Aus- of partnerships including a

"We put on a really competitive total, but it was going to be

tough to defend," said Zampa. 'The ground felt really dewey, really wet. So length con-

> trol, attacking the stumps, trying to guess what the batsman was going to

do was really impor-

Zampa, who had earlier hit 29 with the bat, dismissed Stokes when the English star mistimed a paddle to be caught at short fine-leg and departed with a shake of his head.

Toyota Gazoo Racing victorious!

Japanese manufacturers claim sensational one-two in Bapco Energies 8 Hours of Bahrain at Bahrain International Circuit

Team WRT's Andrade-Kubica-Deletraz win in LMP2 class, clinch teams' and drivers' championship double

Iron Dames become first-ever all-female crew to win FIA **World Endurance** Championship race in **LMGTE Am category**

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World Endurance Champion- since its inception. ship (WEC) last night with a sensational one-two in a hugely this season's FIA Endurance Trothrilling Bapco Energies 8 Hours phy for LMP2 Teams, as well as of Bahrain at Bahrain Internathe FIA Endurance Trophy for tional Circuit (BIC) in Sakhir.

Toyota's #8 crew of Sebastien bica and Deletraz. Buemi, Brendon Hartley and Ryo Hirakawa not only shone Dames completed the roster of brightest under lights in their race winners in Bahrain, tak-GR010 Hybrid to take the im- ing the triumph in the Le Mans pressive victory at "The Home of Grand Touring Endurance Am Motorsport in the Middle East". (LMGTE Am) class. Sarah Bovy They also secured this year's started things off for their squad FIA Hypercar World Endurance before handing over the driving Drivers Championship title, duties to teammates Rahel Frey adding to their FIA Hypercar and Michelle Gatting, who took World Endurance Manufactur- them home to the finish for their ers' Championship to complete maiden WEC victory. The LMGTE a fantastic double.

Toyota teammates Kamui in the series. Kobayashi, Mike Conway and

the track at the very first corner. They recovered magnificently to join Buemi, Hartley and Hirakawa on the podium, but lost out on the Hypercar drivers' title race.

Last night's result marked the sixth win in seven WEC races in 2023 for Toyota Gazoo Racing. It was the second triumph for the Buemi, Hartley, Hirakawa triumvirate, having also taken first place in Portugal.

Ferrari AF Corse's #50 crew of Antonio Fuoco, Miguel Molina and Nicklas Nielsen took the final podium step amongst the WEC's Hypercars in third.

Winning the Le Mans Prototype 2 (LMP2) category were Team WRT's #41 trio of Rui Andrade, Robert Kubica and Louis oyota Gazoo Racing Deletraz. It was the final race in capped an outstanding the WEC for the LMP2s, which 2023 season in the FIA has been a mainstay in the series

WRT's triumph secured them LMP2 Drivers for Andrade, Ku-

The #85 all-female squad Iron Am was also holding its last race

The winners per category Jose Maria Lopez in their #7 were awarded their respective



Toyota Gazoo Racing's #8 crew of, from left, Ryo Hirakawa, Brendon Hartley and Sebastien Buemi celebrate their race win and title triumph



The Toyota Hybrids lead the 36-car WEC field into the first turn after the start of yesterday's race

ecutive Officer Mark J Thomas, BIC Chairman Arif Rahimi, and Bahrain Motor Federation Chief Marshal Hasan Ghuloom.

Hybrid finished as runners-up, trophies in the podium ceremo- Hours of Bahrain was the 12th title-chasing #7 Hybrid of Toyovercoming an opening-lap in- nies at the end of all the action. time the WEC raced in Sakhir, ota caused it to lose its position cident that saw them spin off Handing over the trophies were and the fifth time the event took amongst the leaders.

Bapco Energies Group Chief Explace in its current eight-hour

Right after lights-out, the first-corner incident that saw the #2 Cadillac Racing Cadil-Yesterday's Bapco Energies 8 lac V-Series.R Hybrid clip the

Buemi was in the car for the pole-sitters in Toyota's #8 GR010 Hybrid, and after getting away at the rip-roaring rolling start was able to build a good lead for his crew over the opening two hours. They gradually added to their advantage throughout the course of the race, and eventually took the chequered the Iron Dames took over as flag, waved by Richard Mille, at the end of the eight hours with 249 laps completed. They were the retirement of stablemates classified a lap ahead of their #7 teammates, while Ferrari's #50 on to take an historic victory crew were more than a minuteand-a-half behind.

In the LMP2 class, Vector Sport's #10 Oreca 07-Gibson D'Station Racing of Casper Steenjoyed the early lead, and Iron venson, Liam Talbot and To-Lynx in their #60 Porsche 911 monobu Fujii in their Aston RSR-19 were ahead in the LMGTE



Toyota's #8 crew of Sebastien Buemi, **Brendon Hartley and** Ryo Hirakawa claimed the race win last night in Bahrain and thus secured the FIA Hypercar World Endurance **Drivers Championship** title

tunes of others and charged to the front amongst the LMP2 runners. They won in class with 238 laps completed, while joining them on the LMP2 podium were their WRT teammates Robin Frijns, Sean Gelael and Ferdinand Habsburg-Lothringen in their #31 Oreca 07-Gibson. Third were the #28 JOTA of David Heinemeier-Hansson, Pietro Fittipaldi and Oliver Rasmussen.

In the LMGTE Am category, frontrunners in class heading into the last two hours following Iron Lynx. The Iron Dames went with 232 laps completed in their Porsche 911 RSR-19.

Second in class were the #777 Martin Vantage AMR, while the #98 trio of Ian James, Daniel Towards the end, Team WRT Mancinelli and Alex Riberas made the most of the misfor- took third in their Vantage AMR.

De Haan wins Porsche Carrera Cup ME race

 Bahraini stars Shaikh Jaber bin Ali Al Khalifa and Shaikh Salman bin Isa Al Khalifa both clinch podium in class

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utchman Robert De Haan wrapped up a sensational opening round in the 2023/2024 Porsche Carrera Cup Middle East vesterday with a fine victory in race two at Bahrain International Circuit (BIC), held in support of this weekend's Bapco Energies 8 Hours of Bahrain.

De Haan triumphed after starting second on the grid, took Oeverhaus from Germany with a 1.262-second gap.

driver made up for an unlucky in class, respectively. result in the weekend's first race haus, competing for DHL Team, and Shaikh Salman bin Isa Al Prix from 7 to 9 March.



Shaikh Salman bin Isa Al Khalifa competes amongst other competitors in yesterday's Porsche Carrera Cup race

inherited the victory.

Oeverhaus's countryman Gorga on the podium. Janne Stiak of JS Racing came third yesterday to complete the tion for the second of six rounds overall and Pro class podiums this season, again at BIC, on 15 3.767s behind.

the lead on lap five and went Kuwait took the win in the on 20 and 21 January, and the on to capture the chequered ProAm category after finishing fourth meeting a week later in flag ahead of pole-sitter Theo fourth overall, with Canadian Abu Dhabi on 27 and 28 Janu-Bashar Mardini of Team BMR ary as the first events of 2024. and Saud Al Saud of Saudi Rac-The Central Europe Racing ing classified second and third then be held in support of

on Friday, when he had crossed RISE Motorsport completed a next year's F1 Gulf Air Bahrain the finish line in first place but double this weekend amongst Grand Prix weekend from 29 was later given a five-second the PCCME's Am competitors. February to 2 March. That will time penalty for a false start, Bahrain stars Shaikh Jaber bin pave the way for the season-fidropping him to third. Oever- Ali Al Khalifa of One% team nale at the Saudi Arabian Grand

Khalifa of Team Bahrain joined

The PCCME will be back in acand 16 December. Round three Ahmad Al Shehab of Team will then take place in Dubai

The final two rounds will Formula 1. The penultimate Italian Sebastian Gorga of event will take place during

BIC to host official FIA WEC Rookie Test today

Seven-time MotoGP world champion Valentino Rossi to headline roster of more than 30 drivers taking part

Eighteen-car lineup including nine Hypercars, five LMP2s and four LMGTE Ams to hit the tarmac in two sessions

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7orld Endurance Championship (WEC) action continues at Bahrain International Circuit (BIC) today with Test, taking place the very next day following the season-ending Bapco Energies 8 Hours of

The test is an annual event featuring some of the series' leading names and up-andcoming talents in motorsport.

There are a total of 18 cars set to take part in Sunday's pro- that will be a part of Sunday's Hypercars.



Valentino Rossi on the grid ahead of yesterday's Bapco Energies 8 Hours of

be held behind closed doors.

The field includes nine Hypercars, five LMP2s and four mula 1 test and reserve drivers LMGTE Ams, while there will Stoffel Vandoorne and Pietro be more than 30 drivers taking Fittipaldi, and former driver star drivers along with other part in the sessions, each having of Bahraini-British motor racvarying periods testing in their ing team 2 Seas Motorsport, respective cars.

gramme, which will feature a FIA WEC Rookie Test is sevtwo-hour morning session fol- en-time MotoGP world champithe official FIA WEC Rookie lowed by an afternoon running on Valentino Rossi, who will be of three hours. The tests are to in the cockpit of an LMP2 Oreca 07-Gibson with Team WRT.

Other top names are For-Ben Barnicoat, to name a few. Amongst the leading names They will all be testing in WEC