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New Iran president calls for 'improved' relations with West

AFP | Tehran

Tran's reformist candidate ▲ Masoud Pezeshkian, who advocates improved ties with the West, yesterday won a runoff presidential election against ultraconservative Saeed Jalili, the interior ministry said.

Gulf states including Saudi Arabia, which restored ties with Tehran last year following a years-long rift, congratulated Pezeshkian.

The election came against a backdrop of heightened regional tensions because of the Gaza war, a dispute with the West over Iran's nuclear programme, and domestic discontent over the state of Iran's sanctions-hit econ-

Pezeshkian received more than 16 million votes, around 54 percent, and Jalili more than 13 million, roughly 44 percent, out of about 30 million votes cast, electoral authority spokesman Mohsen Eslami said.

Turnout was 49.8 percent, Eslami added, up from a record low of about 40 percent in the first round.

Deadly strikes in Gaza ahead of more truce talks

AFP | Palestinian Territories

Tsrael carried out deadly Lairstrikes in Gaza yesterday, including one on a UN-run school that killed 16 people according to the Hamas-run authorities, and as violence also gripped its northern border with Leb-

The fighting raged as diplomatic efforts to halt the war, which enters its tenth month today, continued with Israel saying Friday it would send a delegation next week to continue talks with Qatari mediators.

Bangladesh floods

AFP | Kurigram, Bangladesh

The death toll from floods in Bangladesh this week has risen to eight, leaving more than two million affected after heavy rains caused major rivers to burst their banks, officials confirmed yesterday.

The South Asian nation of 170 million people, crisscrossed by hundreds of rivers, has seen more frequent floods in recent decades.

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HM King, HRH Prince Salman exchange greetings

🛑 New Hijri Year

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_is Majesty King Hamad bin HIS Majesty King ceived a cable of congratulations from His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, on the occasion of the new Hijri year 1446.

HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister extended deep- HM the King





HRH Prince Salman

est congratulations to HM the countries. King, wishing him good health

of thanks to HRH Prince Salman, to their countries and peoples. wishing him good health and well-being, and further progress bin Saleh Al Saleh and Counand prosperity to Bahrain and cil of Representatives Speaker

Highness also exchanged con- Hamad and HRH the Crown gratulatory cables with leaders Prince and Prime Minister, on of the GCC, Arab and Islamic the occasion.

HM King Hamad and HRH and happiness and further Prince Salman expressed most growth and prosperity to Bah- sincere congratulations on the rain as well as the Arab and Is- occasion, wishing them abundant health and happiness and HM the King sent a reply cable further growth and prosperity

Shura Council chairman Ali the Arab and Islamic nations. Ahmed bin Salman Al Musallam His Majesty and His Royal congratulated His Majesty King

Connecting nations, cutting travel time

GCC to launch \$15 billion high-speed regional railway by 2030

• 150 minutes from Kuwait to Riyadh, down from current 6.45 hours by car

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🖣 he Gulf Cooperation 🏭 Council (GCC) has anoperations by December 2030. countries.

This ambitious \$15 billion project, involving 33 stakehold- rapid movement of people, ers, aims to transform transpor- goods, and labour between tation and economic integration member states, the railway is across the Gulf states.

kilometers, the railway's first akin to the integrated economies phase in Kuwait covers 111 kilometers, with trains projected to achieve speeds between 200 anticipated to drive down pricand 250 km per hour. Travel es in the region by reducing the time from Kuwait to Riyadh, costs of transporting goods, food, spanning approximately 640 travel, and labour. kilometers, will be reduced to just 150 minutes, down from the current 6.45 hours by car.

will link Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, ing regional communication and Bahrain, Oatar, the United Arab reducing transportation times Emirates, and Oman, establishing a seamless transportation network across the region.

The railway's route will conacross the region.

Catalyst

The project aims nounced the launch of a to achieve the long-sought comgroundbreaking regional rail- mon Gulf market and accelerate way network, which will start economic unity among the GCC

By facilitating the easy and expected to enhance trade ex-Spanning an impressive 2,217 change and bilateral operations, of the European Union.

Furthermore, the project is

This improved economic efficiency is expected to enhance the Gulf countries' overall eco-The railway's strategic route nomic power, while also improvbetween major cities and ports.

Investment

Analysts believe the Gulf Railnect Kuwait to Saudi Arabia, way will not only spur economic dition to building the institutionthen onward to Bahrain, Qatar, growth but also attract signifi- al capabilities and skills required the United Arab Emirates, and cant investment to the region, to develop railway sustainability. finally Oman, creating a seam- positioning the GCC as an inteless transportation network grated, interconnected economic powerhouse on the global stage.

> The project is also expected to contribute significantly to the

of transportation and reducing transportation costs.

The project will also work to enhance and facilitate regional trade and support the national industries of the GCC countries.

It will also contribute to providing job opportunities for citizens of the GCC countries, in ad-

Causeway

The King Hamad Causeway project will connect the Kingdom of Bahrain with the King-Economists are heralding the economic growth, development dom of Saudi Arabia through the Gulf Railway as a catalyst for un- and prosperity of the region, di- construction of a bridge paralprecedented economic growth. versifying the available means lel to the King Fahd Causeway, per year by 2050.

which includes four vehicle lanes and two railway tracks.

International Passenger Station Dammam region in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

The King Hamad Causeway is a new artery linking the Kingof Saudi Arabia. Its idea began in 2014. It is 25 kilometres long and will be parallel to the King Fahd economic cooperation.

It is expected that the number of passengers using the GCC rail-

The railway station in the Dammam region will be linked The 57-kilometre railway line to all internal railway lines in the will connect the King Hamad Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, and the King Hamad International with the railway station in the Passenger Station will be linked to the network.

The Bahrain Metro, to be built locally, will connect to the passenger terminal at Bahrain dom of Bahrain and the Kingdom International Airport and the vital commercial and residential areas in the Kingdom.

Commercial operations will Causeway, aiming to enhance flourish. The King Hamad Causeway project will also add greater capacity by creating four vehicle lanes parallel to the curway will reach about 8 million rent road to avoid congestion on the bridge.



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Arab cinematic delight

Bahrain Film Festival receives 481 entries, set for November showcase

Event's fourth edition's theme: "We **Celebrate the Art** of Filmmaking"

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he fourth edition of the Bahrain Film Festival has concluded its call for entries, receiving a total of 481 films from 23 Arab countries.

The festival's official competition will feature entries across five main categories: short narrative films, short documentaries, animation films, Bahraini films, and student films.

The selection committee, chaired by renowned Bahraini writer and media personality part of the "Manama, Capital Dr. Perween Habib, commenced of Arab Media" event, organthe evaluation process yester-

ist Dr. Hakim Jumaa, Emirati Filmmaking." director Nawaf Al Janahi, and the French cultural attaché in draw significant partici-

Scheduled for November as filmmakers.



The festival has served as a platform for Bahraini talent and fostering artistic exchange among diverse nations and cultures.

ised by the Bahrain Film Club



Excitement builds up for the prestigious Bahrain Film Festival

Workshops and seminars

In addition to film screenin partnership with the Minis- ings, the fourth Bahrain Film Joining Dr. Habib on the pantry of Information, the fourth Festival will feature specialised el are Saudi director Reem Al iteration of the festival bears the workshops and seminars aimed Bayat, Saudi director and art- theme "We Celebrate the Art of at enriching the experience of young individuals interested in The event is expected to cinematic arts.

pation from Arab and Gulf its success over the past three showcased 117 short Arab films editions, serving as a plat- in competition.

form for Bahraini talent and fostering artistic exchange among diverse nations and cultures.

The previous edition of the festival, held under the patronage of H.E. Dr. Ramzan bin Abdullah Al-Noaimi, Minister of Information, and themed "Cel-The festival has maintained ebrating the Art of Filmmaking,"

Beach safety awareness campaign



The Muharrag Governorate Police Directorate and the Coast Guard have held a general safety awareness campaign at several public beaches. The campaign highlighted general safety conditions and the significance of not leaving children unattended.

Enhancing cloud computing

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Information & eGovernment Managing Director for Plan-Authority (iGA), has emphaning at KPC. The visit aimed sised ongoing collaborations to bolster cooperation in exwith government entities to changing expertise, leveraging expand IT investments in technology, and implementing cloud computing, aiming to innovative solutions such as advance the technology sector cloud computing to advance and integrate modern systems digital transformation across for enhanced public services. economic sectors. Al Qaed

from Kuwait to its headquarters in Muharrag.

He greeted the Kuwaiti del-His Excellency Mohammed egation led by Mr. Mohammed Ali Al Qaed, CEO of the Abdullah Al-Afasi, Deputy Al Qaed was speaking as he highlighted Kuwait's efforts in welcomed a delegation from global technological advance-Kuwait Petroleum Corpora- ment, aligning with Bahrain's tion (KPC) and its subsidiaries commitment to enhancing service quality and efficiency for individuals and institutions.

Praise for preparations



His Excellency French Ambassador Eric Giraud-Telme warmly welcomed His Excellency Mr. Ali Mohammed Al Majid, Secretary General of the Bahrain Paralympic Committee, along with the Bahraini delegation set to participate in the 2024 Paralympic Games in France. Scheduled from August 28 to September 8, 2024, the games promise a global celebration of athletic prowess and inclusivity. During their meeting, Ambassador Giraud-Telme expressed admiration for the Bahrain Paralympic Committee's dedicated preparations for this prestigious event. He conveyed his best wishes to Bahrain's athletes, emphasizing the games' potential to foster unity amidst societal diversity through the universal language of sports.

Sweet success

Almond Festival wraps up with flourish in Kingdom

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¬he three-day Almond Festi-The three-day Annotal Control val successfully concluded yesterday at Budaiya Botanical

The festival saw a significant turnout of citizens, residents, and visitors from GCC countries, drawn by the cultural significance of Bahraini almonds within the Arabian Gulf region.

His Excellency Dr. Khaled Ahmed Hassan, Undersecretary of Agriculture and Animal Resources Affairs at the Ministry of Municipalities Affairs and Agriculture, officially opened the event on Friday.

Dr. Hassan emphasised the festival's role in promoting Bahraini products and supporting local farmers and food processing industries.

Expansion

Mr. Mohammed Mirza Hassan Al-Aribi, Assistant Undersecretary for Agricultural Afdebut, featuring diverse activ- initiatives. ities catering to all age groups and attracting a robust attendance on its opening day.

pact on encouraging farmers showcase their products and to enhance production and in- educates visitors about almond to complement the festival's troduce new almond varieties, cultivation techniques, varie- educational and promotional

stimulate agricultural diversity and productivity.

The Ministry, in collaboration with the National Initiative for Agricultural Sector Development and other stakeholders. fairs, highlighted the event's remains committed to fostering expansion from its successful local agriculture through such

Platform

The festival serves as a plat-He noted the festival's im- form for Bahraini farmers to aligning with its mission to ties, and processing industries, efforts,

underscoring the importance of agricultural preservation and sustainability.

Thirteen farmers, four productive families, and five nurseries took part in this year's festival, featuring displays of almond seedlings, various almond fruit varieties, processing industries, and engaging children's activities.

The Ministry plans to plant 1,000 almond seedlings across Bahrain's governorates



H.E. Dr. Khaled Ahmed Hassan visits the stalls

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- biopsy, Laparoscopic Hernia repair with mesh & Diagnostic Laparoscopy · Breast Surgery (including Lumpectomy & Mastectomy for Breast cancer)
- Pilonidal Sinus tract excision with Primary closure
- · Plasti Bell Circumcision in infants (within 4 months) for Tight phimosis
- · Child & Adult Circumcision



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Asians face trial for human trafficking

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The Public Prosecution has **L** announced the completion of its investigation into a human trafficking case and has referred the accused, all Asian nationals, to the Criminal Court.

The investigation was initiated following a report from the Anti-Human Trafficking Department alleging that the Human Trafficking's shelter. accused engaged in human The accused were interrogattrafficking by forcing victims ed, and police investigations into illegal activities and ex- were conducted, confirming ploiting them in acts contrary the veracity of the allegations. to public morals for financial The investigators' testimony

The Public Prosecutor stated ment pointed out. that upon receiving the report, they immediately launched an of the investigation and the investigation.

and, as part of our standard Public Prosecution ordered procedures in such cases, their referral to the Criminal placed them in the National Court. Committee for Combating



was also recorded," the state-

Following the completion establishment of sufficient ev-"We interviewed the victims idence against the accused, the

Lecture on cybersecurity



The Northern Governorate has held a lecture on cybersecurity as part of its summer programme. The activities are part of the Maan (together) programme against violence and addiction that is part of the National Plan to Promote the Spirit of Belonging to the Nation and Reinforce the Values of Nationalism. The Northern Governor, Ali Abdulhussain Al Asfoor. highlighted that holding such lectures aims to promote community partnership and social responsibility.

Car ride horror

Early morning friendly drive ends in brutal attack and permanent injury

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seemingly ordinary car ride between friends turned violent, leaving one man with a 3% permanent disability after a brutal assault by his companion.

According to the victim's account, the incident occurred at approximately 1:30am on the day of the attack.

"We were just driving along, and suddenly an argument broke out," recounted the vic-

Without warning, the 29-yearold defendant "punched me eve." multiple times in the nose, forcing me to pull over."

"He then grabbed me by the around 15 seconds," the victim es against him. described in horror. "He even



the car, and "several bystanders current condition. The attack did not stop there. had to intervene to separate us."

During the investigation by neck, twisted my right arm be- the Public Prosecution, the dehind me, and bit my left ear for fendant confessed to the charg-

A medical report confirmed pressed his finger into my left the victim's injury to his left ear, ities are taking this seriously," us," the victim lamented.

which has been classified as a The victim managed to escape 3% permanent disability in his scheduled a hearing for July 8th

Criminal record

cord reveals a history of similar even among friends. offenses.

He then grabbed me by the neck, twisted my right arm behind me, and bit my left ear for around 15 seconds. He even pressed his finger into my left eye

the victim stated.

The High Criminal Court has to address the case.

This incident serves as a stark reminder of the potential dan-The defendant's criminal regers of unchecked aggression,

"I never thought something "I'm just relieved the author- like this could happen between

Appeal hearing on nurse attacker postponed

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tenced to one year in prison and ordered to pay a temporary compensation of BD1,000 for attacking a nurse.

The defendant was found guilty of assault resulting in a 20% disability in the nurse's eye. The postponement was due to the absence of the defendant's lawyer.

The case involves a 30-yearagnosed with schizophrenia Psychiatric Hospital's medical did not intend to cause such attack.

committee.

Despite his mental health The High Appeals Court has condition, the committee deterpostponed the hearing in mined that there was no direct the case of a Bahraini man sen- causal link between his disor-

der and the assault, concluding that he was responsible for his actions. The Public

Prosecution charged the defendant with assaulting the

aforementioned injuries. The



harm.

Psychiatric Hospital, recountnurse while he was per- ed the incident. He stated that continued to assault him with old defendant who was di- forming his duties, causing the around 1:00 PM, he witnessed multiple punches, causing him the defendant running towards and substance abuse disorder, assault resulted in a 20% disa- him in the hospital corridor fendant continued to kick the according to a report by the bility, although the defendant and launching an unprovoked nurse while he was on his back

The defendant punched the The victim, a nurse at the nurse in the right eye, and despite attempts to restrain him, to fall to the ground. The deuntil hospital staff intervened.

On the road to success

Enhancing and building multi-level, traffic light-controlled intersections

Mohammed Darwish

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gress in its efforts to improve tion traffic signals. the road network and mitigate traffic congestion across the Kingdom.

Ministry detailed several key forts have seen a substantial inachievements and ongoing pro- crease in funding. jects aimed at enhancing traffic flow and road safety.

infrastructure upgrades car- - a 220% increase. ried out in recent years have intersections by 30%.

Building on this success, the each direction. Ministry is continuing its strat-

interchanges.

The Ministry confirmed that it has completed the replacement The Ministry of Works has of all roundabouts within the announced substantial procapital, Manama, with intersecof all roundabouts within the

Funding

Additionally, the road network In a recent statement, the expansion and development ef-

In 2023, the Ministry spent approximately BD33.7 million. According to the Ministry, up from BD14.8 million in 2022

increased the capacity of ma-takings are the development of Shaikh Isa bin Salman Highway. jor intersections by 40% and Al Fateh Highway, now completreduced waiting times at those ed, and the expansion of Janabiya Highways to three lanes in

egy to improve main intersec- burgeoning communities of Sal- yah Highway to Shaikh Isa bin tions, replace roundabouts with man City, Budaiya, and Janabi- Salman Highway, aiming to is implementing smart traffic tions, and construct multi-level enhancing safety for road users. tion and increase its capacity to consider converting congested the traffic signal system through streets.

Funding for road network expansion and development projects

The Ministry also reported on the expansion of the upper Jasra interchange, which has doubled the capacity of northbound traf-Among the prominent under- fic from Al Janabiyah Street to

Upper bridge

bridge is being constructed to This expansion will serve the allow for a left turn from Janabi- 57,000 vehicles per day.



Additionally, a new upper Multi-level intersections will enhance traffic flow, reduce congestion, and increase road capacity

Concurrently, the Ministry way systems.

streets within the city to one- the Split Cycle Offset Optimisation Technique (SCOOT) and the Efforts are also being made introduction of smart parking traffic light-controlled intersec- vah, facilitating traffic flow and further develop the Jasra Junc- solutions, including studies to to enhance the effectiveness of meters on major commercial

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Traffic stress relief

Three infrastructure projects in Riffa to increase road capacity by 50%



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aims to enhance traffic flow by and the third involves the develeasing movement for citizens roundabout at Hajiyat Road and and residents, according to the Jeddah Road. Ministry of Works.

50%, significantly alleviating pand Mahzoora Avenue from Road 3933, covering a distance raise the capacity from 800 vecongestion within the city.

its official website that the first project includes the development of Mahzoora Avenue, Avngoing development enue 37, and Hajiyat Road; the work in the Mahzoora second focuses on Mahzoora and Hajiyat areas of Riffa Avenue and Avenue 37 in Riffa;

The project to develop Mah-



Riffa roads are set to undergo major upgrade

traffic flow.

Expansion

This expansion will increase the road's capacity from 3,200 work for rainwater will be convehicles per hour to 4,800 ve- structed, and pedestrian pavehicles per hour, a 50% increase. ments will be provided.

The Mahzoora Avenue and Avenue 37 development pro- yat Road and the roundabout at ject in Riffa includes expanding Hajiyat Road and Jeddah Road Mahzoora Avenue from the in- aims to enhance both roads and increasing street capacity and opment of Hajiyat Road and the tersection with Hajiyat Road to create a new roundabout, inthe National Charter Highway.

The project involves adding a These projects are expect- zoora Avenue, Avenue 37, and third lane to Mahzoora Avenue ed to increase road capacity by Hajiyat Avenue 939 seeks to ex- between Estiglal Highway and Jeddah Road intersection will two lanes to three lanes, extend- of 970 meters, and developing hicles per hour to 1,500 vehicles The Ministry explained on ing from Road 3933 to Umm the intersection, as well as the per hour.

Al Naasan Avenue, to improve segment between Road 3701 and

Drainage network

Additionally, a drainage net-

The project to develop Hajicreasing the intersection's cawhich will improve traffic flow. pacity by approximately 600 vehicles per hour.

The new roundabout at the

Bahrainis hold successful medical mission in Nepal



Members of the Bahrain's medical team

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medical team, supported Aby the Ministry of Youth livering personalised health Affairs and the Bahrain Youth advice. Hostels Association, has suc-

sawi and including Dr. Aisha while educational efforts ad-Al-Maqhawi, Dr. Janan Ibra- dressed smoking and alcohol him, Dr. Sadeeqa Hashim, Dr. risks among adolescents and Aisha Darwish, Dr. Marvam community members through Al-Rashed, and nurse Fatima Nepali-language leaflets. Makahla, alongside volunteers from the Sahabat Amal team, to three schools, where clinics the group provided critical healthcare services.

The team established a field teachers and students. medical camp in remote Nepalese villages, treating over 500 citizens.

nosing ailments, providing proper waste disposal to enmedications, and conducting hance community health and preventive screenings such as well-being.

blood sugar and blood pres-

Translators assisted in de-

Focused on oral and dental cessfully returned from Nepal. health, the team offered exam-Led by Dr. Hassan Al-Mou- inations and treatment plans,

> Medical support extended were set up and CPR workshops were conducted for

Emphasising personal hygiene and environmental cleanliness, the mission un-Services included diag- derscored the importance of

BCICAI for Viksit Bharat 2047



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nder the partonage of ICAI, members of Bahrain Chaptheir Run and Fitness activities yesterday at Water Garden City, Manama to the vision of the PM of India Shri Narendra Modi to make Bharat developed nation by 2047, its 100th Year of Independence.

The event was well received among the audience with more than 20 plus members and their families participating in Participants at the event the morning run inspite of the inclement weather conditions commendable.



als in the Kingdom of Bahrain, of the Institute of Chartered sonally.

The Bahrain Chapter of ICAI with over 450 members. It pro- Accountants of India (ICAI) to which made the run ever more is the largest body of profession-vides a forum for the members develop professionally and per-

Filipinos attend business talks

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A group of Filipinos seeking ternacional, 2007 face-to-face discussion with Engineering Consultancy, Dibusiness mentor Dr. Ilene nah Sta. Ana, Elpidio Quitevis Valian A. Agana, the head of Jr., and Cecil Ancheta. Government and Public Relations of the Filipino Business and deeper understanding Council-Bahrain (FCBC), dur- of staying atop the latest ining a mentoring session held dustry trends and the best at Lilou Cafe, Adliya, on June practices for building busi-

by Whendy Crisostomo, owner success.

of Whendy's Production Ingroup of Filipinos seeking ternational, Ramon Anghel,

They sought a clear vision ness connections, aiming to The meeting was attended boost their entrepreneurial

Summer camp successful



The Royal Police Academy has successfully concluded its fifteenth annual summer camp programs, aimed at fostering national pride and citizenship values under the initiative "Our Bahrain". Organised in collaboration with the Labour Fund, Tamkeen, the camps provided students with enriching experiences including field visits, workshops, and lectures. Throughout the camps, participants engaged in diverse themes such as leadership skills development, enhancement of national values, and promoting teamwork and community cooperation. The culminating day featured a visit to the "Jannah Lost Dilmun" water park, offering students a day of swimming, games, and various water activities designed to cultivate communication skills and foster social interaction. These activities not only brought joy to the participants but also strengthened team spirit and enhanced their interpersonal skills, contributing positively to their behavior and societal

Environmental initiative



The Northern Municipality, in collaboration with the Northern Municipal Council, commenced the fifteenth edition of its environmental initiative. Ashura We Rise. under the theme "Cleanliness, Awareness, and Behavior." The inauguration ceremony, held in the presence of Dr. Shaber Al-Wadaei, Chairman of the Northern Region Council, Engineer Lamia Al-Fadala, Director General of the Northern Region Municipality, Abdul Majeed Al-Sheikh Mansour Al-Sitri from the Jaafari Endowments Board of Directors, and the Operations Manager of Orbasir Cleaning Company, celebrated the community's commitment to environmental stewardship. During the event, the municipality recognized the winners of the Ashura Nartage 14 competition.

NBB Group hosts Gartner training session on AI



NBB Group recently organised a training session for NBB and BisB's Board of Directors and Executive Management on Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Generative AI (GenAI) adoption in banking. Led by specialists from Gartner, the interactive session assessed the Group's AI adoption against industry benchmarks and discussed the utilisation of AI and GenAI to enhance the customer centricity and productivity across NBB Group. NBB Group's focus on AI and GenAI reflects its dedication to remaining at the forefront of banking innovation. It also aligns with the Kingdom's Vision 2030 for harnessing the potential of emerging technologies to drive economic development

Algeria and Italy sign \$455m agriculture deal

AFP | Algiers

lgeria and Italy yesterday Asigned a 420-million-euro deal (\$455 million) for an agricultural project in the North African country, the Algerian agriculture ministry said in a statement.

The scheme, which Italian officials called their country's largest agricultural investment covers 36,000 hectares (89,000 ment ceremony. acres) in Algeria's Timimoune

It will produce wheat, lentils



Farmers plow a land plot at a vineyard in Souidania town, 15 Km west of the Algerian capital

in the southern Mediterranean, officials said during the agree- establish a vast cow-breeding

It is also expected to create powdered milk. 6,700 jobs, they said.

rian non-hydrocarbon exports, est dairy producer Baladna to Algerian officials said.

facility for the production of

Yesterday's agreement was The deal came months af- part of Algeria's strategy to exand beans, among other foods, ter Algeria signed a \$3.5 billion pand production areas in its dein the hopes of increasing Alge- agreement with Qatar's larg- sert south to 500,000 hectares,

Deadline nears for Boeing decision on proposed MAX agreement

- DOJ proposes guilty plea for fraud, additional penalties over 737 MAX crashes
- Boeing accused of violating 2021 deferred prosecution agreement
- Proposed \$243 million penalty and external monitor

AFP | New York

More than five years after two fatal 737 MAX crashes, Boeing faces a fresh legal reckoning now that prosecutors have concluded the company flouted an earlier settlement addressing the disasters.

The aviation giant had been on a Friday night deadline to accept or reject a Department of Justice proposal that would require it to plead guilty to fraud during the certification of MAX airplanes, sources told

There had been no public comment either way by the evening, and a lawyer for the families of the 737 crash victims, Robert Clifford, told AFP ferred prosecution agreement

Boeing's latest legal predicament was triggered by a DOJ by the DOJ to families of MAX eral Aviation Administration determination in mid-May that crash victims, Boeing would during the certification of the the company ignored a 2021 depay an additional \$243 million MAX.



Boeing 737 MAX aircraft are assembled at the Boeing Renton Factory in Renton, Washington

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The DOJ has said it will notify a US court on how it will proceed no later than July 7, with the agency expected to announce steps to prosecute Boeing should the company reject the settlement

that he believed the deadline (DPA) by not meeting requirewould be extended over the ments to improve its compliweekend if Boeing asked for ance and ethics program after the end of the Trump administhe MAX crashes.

penalty and agree to have an external monitor, said Tracy Brammeier, an attorney at Clifford Law who represents families of MAX victims.

"The guilty plea is significant. No one wants to be a convicted or admitted felon," said Brammeier, who nonetheless described family members as dissatisfied with the proposal.

The DOJ has said it will notify a US court on how it will proceed no later than July 7, with the agency expected to announce steps to prosecute Boeing should the company reject the settlement.

Boeing, which has previously said it honored the terms of the DPA, declined comment.

The original DPA was announced in January 2021 near tration over charges that Boeing Under a proposal presented knowingly defrauded the Fed-

Cybercrime groups restructuring after major takedowns: experts

Experts warn of new tactics, including potential physical threats, as ransomware groups rebuild

- LockBit and other major networks disrupted by law enforcement
- New groups emerging with potentially more violent tactics
- Ransomware attacks expected to rebound quickly

AFP | Paris

ybercrime gangs are lookoperations this year made a huge dent in their activities, experts have told AFP.

operations taking out some of services like hospitals. prominent groups including

LockBit was one of the major that allows criminals to lock vic- of malicious bots in May led to a



A woman walks past a display at a tech fair on cyber security during the CyberSec 2024 in Taipei

for its return.

Ransomware attacks using in France. LockBit and other software have

Victims have paid hundreds LockBit, a loose network of of millions of dollars to gangs, largely Russian-speaking cyber usually in untraceable cryptocurrencies.

The disruption of LockBit in developers of malicious software February and another network

ing to rebuild with new tims out of their networks, steal "cleaning up" of the ransomware tactics after global police their data and demand a ransom scene, said Nicolas Raiga-Clemenceau of the XMCO consultancy like the addresses of senior ex- scape, saying a bunch of new

But he said "a number of new The gangs have had a bad year led to major disruption of gov- groups" had since appeared and anywhere in your negotiations, so far, with law enforcement ernments, businesses and public started to organise themselves.

Allan Liska of US cybersecurity firm Recorded Future agreed and said there were worrying in the real world to hurt you or trends emerging with some of hurt your family.' the new groups.

'Violence as service'

And so if you're not getting anywhere in your negotiations, that's something you can threaten. We're going to do something in the real world to hurt you or hurt your family

ALLAN LISKA OF US CYBERSECURITY FIRM

peared to be considering threats of physical violence rather than just online intimidation, he said.

Liska pointed out that gangs would already have stolen a bunch of personal information, ecutives.

"And so if you're not getting that's something you can threaten," he said.

"We're going to do something

He called this "violence as a

Some of the newer gangs ap-still assessing the new land-would be, he added.



Some new cybercrime groups are considering "violence as a service," potentially threatening physical harm to executives or their families using stolen personal information to pressure ransom payments

groups had emerged.

"There's about a dozen of them that have popped up since the LockBit takedown, which is a higher number than we've ever seen in that short period of time," he said.

They had all launched extortion websites that showed lists of victims, but it was unclear Liska and other experts are how effective the new groups

LockBit's operations were taken down by law enforcement in February.

The gang had targeted over 2,000 victims and received more than \$120 million in ransom payments since it formed four years ago, according to US authorities.

Those targeted have included Britain's Royal Mail postal service, US aircraft manufacturer Boeing and a Canadian children's hospital.

The US authorities said hundreds of encryption keys had been recovered and given to victims, and the network's services had effectively been taken over.

But the software is still out there.

A gang attacked a government data centre in Indonesia last month using LockBit, asking for \$8 million in ransom.

And experts interviewed by AFP agreed that ransomware attacks were likely to rebound quickly -- possibly in the next few months.

"It's going to bounce back,"

said Liska. "Right now there's just so much money in ransomware that people don't want to stop."

Toe Biden vowed to stay in

J the White House race and

blamed his dismal debate per-

formance on "feeling terrible"

due to a cold, as he sought to

save his reelection campaign

with a make-or-break TV in-

As rebellion brews among

some nervous Democratic vot-

ers, lawmakers and donors, the

one-to-one with the ABC net-

work was hyped as the most

consequential of the 81-year-

"I was sick, I was feeling ter-

dent said in an excerpt of his

first TV interview since the de-

bate with Donald Trump.

had a really bad cold."

old's long career.

terview.

troops clash at the Marco Polo Bridge, beginning the Second Sino-Japanese War Coordinated terrorist bomb blasts

strike London's public transport

system during the morning rush

hour killing 52 and injuring 700

News in brief

Slovak PM makes first public ppearance since assassination attempt

in public on Friday for the first time since a May assassination attempt, railing in a speech against progressive ideologies and backing Hungarian leader Viktor Orban's visit to Moscow. Fico. who is recovering after being shot four times at close range in mid-May, made his

appearance at an evening ceremony marking Saints Cyril and Methodius Day, a public holiday in Slovakia. He spoke standing at a podium at a castle ruins dating back

over 11 centuries. ◆ Brazilian officials apologized Friday after

action against diplomats' kids police officers were filmed in an armed confrontation with the children of ambassadors from Canada, Gabon and **Burkina Faso.** Surveillance footage from the incident Thursday night in Rio de Janeiro showed police exiting a vehicle and rushing with

guns drawn toward a group of four teens. Two of the teens are then put up against a wall and frisked before being released by police, who departed minutes later. The minors, who live in the country's capital Brasilia, were on vacation in Rio's affluent Ipanema neighborhood when the

African leaders urge UN to

prioritise tree planting drive the United Nations to prioritise a decade of planting trees to combat climate change, according to a declaration released at the end of a summit in the Republic of Congo. The declaration said the leaders had urged "the adoption of a resolution by the 79th General Assembly of the United Nations to officially endorse" the plan ahead

Brazil issues apology for police

confrontation occurred.

◆ Six African leaders called for

of the annual gathering in New York in September. Congo's capital Brazzaville hosted days of talks this week that brought together experts, representatives of indigenous populations and technical and financial partners. Six leaders attended the summit, which is part of an "African and global decade of afforestation and reforestation" launched by Congolese President Denis Sassou Nguesso at COP27

SPOTLIGHT

Justin Bieber heads wedding gala thrown by Asia's richest man



anadian pop star Justin among the celebrity guests in

brations thrown for the son the performance. of Asia's richest man Mukesh Anant Ambani and Merchant have already staged two Bieber, who shot to promi- elaborate and star-studded nence as a teenage heartthrob, parties ahead of this month's

India for the marriage festiv- state.

Mumbai airport Friday morn- er Katy Perry performed at a ing wearing an oversized pink masquerade ball at a French T-shirt and a bucket hat.

Footage of his concert in the The Backstreet Boys, US rapfinancial hub that night shared per Pitbull and Italian tenor on social media showed him Andrea Bocelli also provided performing his 2015 hit "Sor- entertainment. ry" in front of hundreds of VIP Anant's billionaire tycoon

Eight dead, two million affected by Bangladesh floods



People push a handcart carrying supplies through the flood at Fenchuganj in

AFP | Dhaka

cials confirmed yesterday.

of 170 million people, criss- arate flood-related incidents crossed by hundreds of rivers, around the country, officials has seen more frequent floods told AFP earlier this week. in recent decades.

Himalayan mountains. killed when a boat capsized in "More than two million peo-

how to swim. They drowned," said.

he said.

Bishwadeb Roy, a police The death toll from floods chief in Kurigram, told AFP **L** in Bangladesh this week that three others had been has risen to eight, leaving more killed in two separate electhan two million affected after trocution incidents after their heavy rains caused major riv- boats became entangled with ers to burst their banks, offi- live electricity wires in flood water.

The South Asian nation Another three died in sep-The government said it has

Climate change has made opened hundreds of shelters rainfall more erratic and melt- for people displaced by the ing glaciers upstream in the waters and sent food and relief to hard-hit districts in the Two teenage boys were country's north region.

flood waters in Shahjadur, the ple have been affected by the northern rural town's police floods. Seventeen of the counchief Sabuj Rana told AFP. try's 64 districts have been "There were nine people in affected," Kamrul Hasan, the the small boat. Seven swam to secretary of the country's dissafety. Two boys did not know aster management ministry,

New UK PM Starmer scraps Rwanda migrant plan

New UK PM prioritizes growth, appoints diverse cabinet on first day in office

Rwanda migrant scheme declared "dead and buried"

Rachel Reeves becomes first woman finance minister

Cabinet includes experts from nonpolitical backgrounds

AFP | London

Tewly elected UK prime smiles minister Keir Starmer yes- around terday began his first full the cabday in charge declaring the ousted inet ta-Tories' plan to deport migrants to ble. Rwanda "dead and buried" and At a pledging growth as his govern- n e w s ment's "number one mission". confer-

The Labour leader on Friday ence afwon a landslide election victo- terwards ry bringing to a close 14 years of he said he Conservative rule. He said he was "restless for proceeding change" and that his party had with former

Starmer started the day with ter Rishi Sunak's controversial a first meeting of his cabinet in- scheme to tackle rising small boat cluding Britain's first arrivals on England's southern woman finance coast by deporting migrants to minister Rachel

our work,"

he told

his top

team to

applause

Reeves and new "The Rwanda scheme was dead and buried before it started... I'm foreign minister not prepared to continue with David Lammy. gimmicks that don't act as a deter-"We have a rent," he told reporters at his 10 huge amount of work to do, so now we get on with

would not be received a "mandate to do politics Conservative prime minis-

was dead and buried act as a deterrent

KEIR STARMER

Notable lower-ranking appoint-S t a r m - ments included Patrick Vallance, er spent his chief scientific government advisfirst hours er during the Covid-19 pandemin Downing ic, who has been made a science Street on minister.

Friday ap- James Timpson, whose shoe pointing repair company employs ex-ofhis min- fenders, was also made a prisons isterial minister.

hours isters were people "associated after se- with change" and illustrated his curing determination to deliver concrete his cen- improvements to people's lives. tre-left Work on "driving growth" had

party's already begun, he said, adding

The Rwanda scheme before it started... I'm

team, Starmer said both new min-

return to power that he had told his ministers "exwith a whop- actly what I expect of them in ping 174-seat terms of standards, delivery, and majority in the UK the trust that the country has put in them".

Britain's PM Keir Starmer during a press conference

not prepared to continue with gimmicks that don't

gave meandering answers in the clip, which appeared unlikely to reassure Democrats. The Trump campaign offered

a lightning-quick mocking reaction, posting on X that "Biden sounds great!" The sit-down -- which was

pull out of the race.

rible... We were trying to figure US President Joe Biden walks to speak with the press before boarding Air Force out what's wrong," the presi- One prior to departure from Dane County Regional Airport in Madison



'I was feeling terrible' in debate,

Biden says in TV interview

"They did a test to see wheth-I was sick, I was feeling er or not I had some infection, terrible... We were you know, a virus. I didn't. I just trying to figure out Biden sounded raspy and what's wrong. They did a test to see whether or not I had some infection, you know, a irus. I didn't. I just had

a really bad cold

due to be aired in full later Frigestion he may withdraw and, a widening deficit in Trump's day, came after Biden's debate just hours before the ABC in- favor, and at least three Demin Atlanta triggered panic with- terview, released an aggressive ocrats in Congress have called in his party and calls for him to campaign travel schedule for on Biden to step aside, as have the rest of July

technology development capa-

"General Atomics is pleased

to unveil our partnership with

114ai," said General Atomics

Global chief executive Dr Vivek

Lall. "We are looking forward to

increased cooperation on Nex-

tGen AI technologies that we

have been working on with the

team at 114ai for the last few

This collaboration between

president delivered an energetic stump speech, unequivocally declaring, "I'm staying in the race. I'll beat Donald Trump."

As supporters cheered, he went on the attack against his "Let's focus on what really

matters," Biden said, reading from teleprompters. "We're running against the biggest liar and the biggest threat... to our democracy in American history -- that's not hyperbole."

Post-debate polls have shown several major newspapers and The Biden campaign has Appearing at a campaign ral- a raft of Democratic-supporting pushed back hard on any sug- ly in Madison, Wisconsin, the political commentators.

want to move us forward. My lifetime has taught me to embrace freedom and democracy, respect everyone, give everyone a shot, and give hate no safe @POTUS

know the American sto

ry. Again and again, I've

seen the contest between

those who want to take

us back and those who

ongratulations to Sir →Patrick Vallance on his appointment as the UK's Minister for Science. I look forward to working with you, my friend.

@DrTedros



The Lac Mégantic trag-**L** edy was the deadliest railway accident in Canadian history. Eleven years later, we remember the 47 lives lost, the lives that were changed overnight, and the incredible courage and resilience of this

@JustinTrudeau

Bieber entertained some attendance on Friday. of India's biggest celebrities Indian media reports said in the latest instalment of Bieber was rumoured to have months-long wedding cele- been paid up to \$10 million for

is among several global celeb- main event, including a threerities who have jetted into day gala in February in Guiarat ities of Ambani's younger son There, Rihanna performed Anant and fiancee Radhika her first concert since last year's Super Bowl for guests He and Merchant, both 29, including Facebook founder

were childhood friends and Mark Zuckerberg, and former are set to marry in a three-day US president Donald Trump's Hindu ceremony beginning daughter Ivanka. In June, the couple em-Bieber, who flew in from Los barked on a four-day Medi-Angeles, was pictured at the terranean cruise, where sing-

chateau in Cannes.

Khan and former India crick-

et captain M.S. Dhoni were

father is no stranger to throw-Bollywood star Salman ing a costly wedding.

Dam breach triggers floods in central China

Thinese officials raced to stem floods caused by a dam breach in central China, state media reported, as the Asian nation grapples with a

State news agency Xinhua said the breach occurred on Friday afternoon in part of an embankment on the shore of Dongting Lake in central China's Hunan province. No casualties were immedi-

summer of extreme weather.

ately reported but the 226-menearly 6,000 people to evacuate from nearby areas, according to ing farmland and lapping at the on all roads leading in and out state broadcaster CCTV.



tre (740-foot) breach forced Aerial view of flooded buildings and streets after heavy rains in Yueyang, in central China's Hunan province

rooftops of village homes.

of Hunan's Huarong county --

It published footage showing The country's road monitor- home to around half a million lake water flowing through a ing centre said yesterday traf- people -- "due to flood prevenyawning gap in a dyke, inundat- fic controls had been imposed tion needs".

Venezuela probes claim of plot to 'destabilize' government

AFP | Caracas

Tenezuela's attorney gen-V eral opened a probe Friday into claims by Colombian paramilitaries that they were approached to "destabilize" President Nicolas Maduro's government ahead of the July 28 election.

The group Conquering Self-Defense Forces of the Sierra Nevada, or ACSN, said they were contacted to "destabilize the government of the Republic



Venezuelan soldiers on top of an armoured vehicle attend a military parade Maduro, (and) take action if on the social media platform X

asked "to damage the electricity the streets".

In a video published on social he is re-elected by infiltrating that he had ordered a probe "to media, the ACSN said it had been protests and creating chaos in investigate and punish (those responsible for) the new threats infrastructure, act against the In response, Attorney Gen- of magnicide against the head presidential candidate Nicolas eral Tarek William Saab said of state".

spread in July 4 weekend heat wave

California fires



AFP | Mariposa

alifornia firefighters battled Umultiple blazes in record heat Friday, with a new fire breaking out near the famous Yosemite National Park even as a larger inferno further north came under control. Temperatures up to 117 degrees

Fahrenheit (47 degrees Celsius)

were recorded in the western US

state Friday, as the region's latest heat wave nears its peak. "Dangerous heat is likely to become more widespread in the West today and Saturday... Temperatures will be 15-30 degrees above average for much of the West Coast today,"

warned the National Weather Ser-

"Widespread temperature records are expected to be tied or broken," the NWS said.

The excessive heat comes on the July 4 weekend, when millions of Americans celebrate the anniversary of their nation's independence with displays of fireworks that can spark blazes in hot, dry conditions. A fast-moving fire erupted just

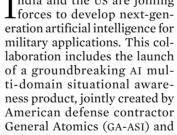
outside Yosemite National Park

late Thursday, causing large parts

of the former Gold Rush town of

Mariposa to be evacuated

Tndia and the US are joining



Indian firm 114AI. The new product is designed to support joint all-domain command and control, providing military operators with a nology will be a game-changer intends to share its expertise ster India's domestic military fare is conducted.

 $B^{
m eryl}$ weakened to a tropical storm Friday after hitting

Mexico as a Category 2 hurri-

cane, with fierce winds causing

material damage but no inju-

ries along the touristic Yucatan

Now headed for the Gulf of

Mexico. Bervl is expected to

intensify as it moves toward

northeastern Mexico and the

US state of Texas by the end of

the weekend, according to the

After tearing through the Car-

ibbean and coastal Venezuela

Miami-based National Hurri-

cane Center (NHC).

Peninsula.



The structure of a gas station damaged by strong wind gusts caused by the

passage of Hurricane Beryl is seen in Puerto Aventuras, Quintana Roo State,

leaving seven people dead, the kilometers (108 miles) per hour. according to Mexico's civil pro-

storm hit southeast Mexico ear- It flattened trees and lamp- tection authority.

India and US Team Up on Cutting-Edge AI for Military UAVs

situations. According to GA-ASI, for military operations. the capabilities demonstrated by This partnership goes beyond itary systems with 114AI. This project has the potential to revthe 114AI team suggest this tech- just the finished product. GA-ASI knowledge transfer will bol- olutionize the way modern war-

and knowledge of complex mil- expertise of both nations, this

the US and India marks a significant step forward in the development of AI for military applications. By combining the

months."

Beryl heads for Texas after causing damage, no deaths in Mexico least three municipalities in the southeastern Quintana Roo

> ricane to a tropical storm. "On the initial reports, there appears to be no loss of life, and that is what matters most to us," President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador said in his daily press

state as Beryl moved deeper in-

land and weakened from a hur-

Mexico's emergency authorities later told reporters there were no injuries or deaths, nor damage to critical infrastructure such as roads and the water system.

Electricity had been 70 percent restored and would be fully recovered by Sunday, civil protection chief Laura Velazquez ly Friday with winds of up to 175 posts and ripped off roof tiles, Electricity was lost in at said.

Canadian archdiocese to pay \$104m to sex abuse victims

AFP | Montreal

The Catholic Church is

⊥ to pay 104 million Ca-

nadian dollars (\$76 million)

to hundreds of victims of

sexual abuse from eastern

Canada, according to a

In 2020 the Archdiocese

of St John was found liable

for one of Canada's largest

child sex abuse scandals, at

Mount Cashel Orphanage, a

now-defunct boy's orphan-

age in Newfoundland and

The court found sexual

abuse was perpetrated by

priests and other church

officials at the orphanage

starting in 1940 and con-

tinued over the course of

A total of 292 victims

will receive payouts rang-

ing from 55,000 to 850,000

Canadian dollars, according

to the report seen by AFP.

Labrador province.

several decades.

statement released Friday



The Mount Cashel orphanage





→ President Ghazouani on his re-election and to the people of Mauritania for making their voices heard at the ballot box. We look forward to continuing our work together to advance our shared priorities.

@SecBlinken

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signed up for a lim-Las Vegas.

The 56-year-old November. singer has been absent from the stage for four years as

stiff-person

Jeremy went on about how

was no breathing happening.

It's hard to use your stomach

muscles when you have 14 bro-

time - I just needed to get air.

I was going through the check-

list of my body, figuring it the

"The first five minutes

were about how I'm going to

breathe... I started getting re-

ally tired. My heart rate's going

lower, lower, lower. Huooo-

hohh, huooohohh, just this

exhaustive breathing for 45

there was almost peace. The

EMTs arrived and I

thought, I have to

I'm cooked. I'm

not getting up.

gonna walk back

"But with the exhaustion

"I don't know this at the

ken ribs and a popped lung.

Jeremy Renner felt his skull crack

Jeremy Renner felt his skull he battled to survive: "There crack during his nightmar-was no breathing happening.

f*** out.

minutes.

in hellish snowplough accident

Bang Showbiz | Los Angeles

ish snowplough accident.

'The Hurt Locker' actor,

53, had his chest and legs

pulverised by his tank-style,

14,300lb Pistenbully Snowcat

as he tried to stop it hurtling

into his nephew on New Year's

Day, 2023, in Reno, Nevada,

and he has now detailed the

most graphic details yet of the

near-fatal crush – including

how his left eye bulged out

of its socket as he fought for

He told Men's Health: "(The

Snowcat) undulates, because

there's four sections of tires

with these metal tracks - it

pulls it like a tank. I remember

pressing on me – it's exactly

like you think it would feel.

"I remember my head crack- give my body up

"An immovable object and These aren't just

a crushing force, and some- cramps. I'm not

ing on the thing and it just to them, because

every undulation.

thing's gotta give.'

breath.

report suggests she is hoping to of time. eline Dion has make a big return later this year reportedly with a series of concerts at the toperform for over an hour ... She Resorts World Theatre in Sin City never gave up and has been workited run of shows in around the time the Formula 1 ing in secret for months on her first" to allow her to get back to Grand Prix is being held there in vocal strength and control.

she battled announcement is imminent.

"Celine has signed off on singing content with." syndrome again to audiences in November. - a progres- She has worked incredibly hard ing organised by promoter AEG health.

affects her muscles - but a new can sing well and for some period

"She believes that she is ready

"It started out as small sessions kept to 70-minute sets. A source told the US Sun: "Celine with her musicians at her home is coming back to perform. It is and has now grown into being able rehearsing with a band of musihush hush at the moment, but an to sing a number of songs in a row cians for the last eight months to a standard she feels excited and while she's also been working with

sive neurological disorder that to get back to a place where she and there are said to be plans in place to push them back to a later date in 2025 if Celine suffers a health setback.

> The report suggests the singer will start with a "short run at performing with the shows being

She's believed to have been voice therapists to help get her The concerts are reportedly be-famous voice back after years of ill

Don't play with my money, warns Cardi B



Cardi B

Bang Showbiz | Los Angeles

₹ardi B has warned her C production team not to "play with [her] money".

The 31-year-old rap star slammed her team following a technical mishap during her performance at the BET Experience event in Los Angeles on Friday, and Cardi has now taken to social media to double down on her criticism.

Cardi - who was vocally critical of the team during her performance - said on X: "let me tell you about yesterday!! I spent 100k on pyro that we couldn't use because the production team failed to have the fire marshall go over safety with my team which is sooo simple to do.. spent days in rehersal learning choreography just so for them to have the wrong mix and we had to swap it out .. booked four fans so they could be turned on during Bartier Cardi and that never happened.. you wanna know why? Because they didn't bother to show up to rehearsal while hundred thousands of dollars was put into this show. Don't play with

my money in this economy honey [laughing emoji] (sic)"

I was made to be a mom, says Khloe Kardashian

Bang Showbiz | Los Angeles

hloe Kardashian feels she was "made to be a mom".

The 40-year-old star - who has daughter True, five, and son Tatum, 23 months, with her ex-boyfriend Tristan Thompson - has rubbished suggestions that she's "too mommy".

Khloe said on 'The Kardashians': "For some reason, I keep getting dissected and scrutinized for being 'too mommy.' Like you spend too much time with your kids, you never want to be social, you don't have any friends - but for me, I genuinely feel like I was made to be a mom and there's no other place I would rather be than here with my kids.

"But there's gonna be a time that my kids are gonna want to choose their friends over me. And right now, when I have the opportunity and the privilege of having dinner with my kids every night, I'm going to take advantage

Khloe is determined to support her children through the landmark moments in their lives. She said: "In 15 years, my kids are never going to be like, 'I really wish you worked more. I really remember

that time that you were at work late.' They're going to be like, 'Why the

weren't you there?" Meanwhile, Khloe is set to host a video podcast series on X.

The reality star has joined forces with the platform to create a 26-episode series that will blend Khloe's "boundary-pushing sense of humour with her signature relatability to tackle dilemmas ranging from the everyday to the ever

Khloe recently told The Hollywood Reporter: "I have a genuine curiosity about so many topics and I try to see the positive in everything. I can't wait to explore, listen, and learn through this exciting journey. Thank you X for taking this ride

Khloe Kardashian

Justin Timberlake to open sports bar in Scotland

Bang Showbiz | Los **Angeles**

ustin Timberlake venue. is to open a sports bar in Scotland.

The 43-vear-old was arrested on suspicion vation area". of driving while intoxicatness partner Tiger Woods after according to the BBC. being granted planning permis-

sion to convert an old cinema in St up to 45 new jobs and give the Andrews into a new entertainment local economy a major boost.

Fife Council gave the go-ahead to property company Nexus Luxthe project on the understanding it ury Collection which has Timwill "protect and enhance the charberlake and Woods as sharepop superstar - who acter and appearance of the conser-

The New Picture House Cinema ed in New York last month - in St Andrews will be converted into the historic architecture and is moving ahead with plans a luxury bar with sports simulators, design of the theatre and conto launch a second branch of duckpin bowling and darts while it tinue its tradition of showcas-T-Squared Social with his busi- will also keep two cinema screens,

The new bar is expected to create ity [to the site]."

Christopher Anand - CEO of holders - said of the St Andrews project: "We are taking great care to preserve and celebrate ing great films ... [The project will bring] new life and longev-

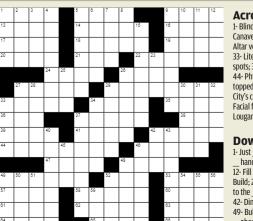
Justin Timberlake

"But thank God my skull down the drivedidn't fully give. And then it way to see kept going. Undulate, undu- my famlate, undulate, undulate. "Cheekbone broke, eye socket broke, and then from the crushing of getting run over by the machine, I remember my my eve head cracking bulged on the thing and out. it just pressing on could me - it's exactly see my like you think it left eyewould feel ball with JEREMY RENNER my right eyeball. I was screaming for a Jeremy Renner

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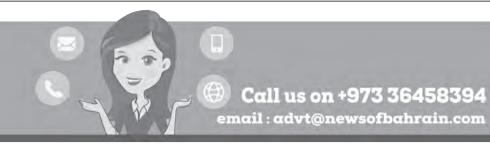


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Nasser Mohammed - Bahraini journalist's Olympic legacy

TDT | Manama

Renowned Bahraini jour-nalist Nasser Mohammed has attended the Olympics an impressive six times, making him one of the most experienced sports reporters in the region.

Nasser Mohammed's extensive Olympic coverage of the games, providing inspans numerous editions depth and firsthand reporting spirit of the Olympics.



Nasser Mohammed

ment of the world's premier sporting event to audiences back home.

Beyond his reporting, Nasser Mohammed boasts a remarkable collection of Olympic memorabilia. This personal museum at his home features a variety of historical artifacts from the games, preserving the rich history and

Refaat's battle ends tragically

Hussain Almaskati TDT | Manama

fter months of struggle, AModern Sport Club officially announced the death of Egyptian player Ahmed Refaat at the age of 31 yesterday.

In a heartfelt statement, Modern Sport said: "With great patience and sadness, and with more faith in God's will, Modern Sport Club an- perienced on March 11, 2024." nounces the death of Ahmed Refaat, player of the first team est condolences to the playand the Egyptian national team, following a severe de- ball fans, praying for patience confirmed that a chest CT terioration in his health.

He was transferred to the lowing the health crisis he ex- Ittihad Alexandria on March leading to his passing.



Ahmed Refaat

The club extended its deeper's family and Egyptian foot-

11. Medical staff revealed that he suffered cardiac arrest for an hour and a half due to severe arrhythmia.

Doctors performed CPR for an hour and a half in the emergency room. Once his circulation was stabilized, he was moved to the intensive care unit. He was later transferred from Zamzam Hospital in Alexandria to another hospital in Cairo as his condition stabilized.

Dr. Mostafa Hafez, the hospital's deputy director, and solace for his loved ones. scan improved, and Refaat Refaat, formerly of Future regained near-normal memhospital where he passed Club, collapsed just before ory function. Unfortunately, away after a long battle fol- the end of a match against Al his condition deteriorated,

Girmay wins again as Tour de France remembers WWII hero De Gaulle

AFP | Colombey-Les-Deux-Églises

ritrean sprinter Biniam Eritrean spinica. of the Tour de France on Saturday at a finish line in the village where former French president Charles de Gaulle

lived and is buried. Girmay became the first black African to win a stage on the Tour de France on stage 3.

"One win on the Tour is amazing but to win a second me, I feel just amazing," said the smiley Girmay.

in the general standings while Lie was third. defending champion Jonas Vingegaard is third.

The final sprint was raced Saturday.

Eritrean Biniam Girmay crosses the finish line on a stage like this, that suits up an incline that favoured the more slightly built Intermarche rider Girmay.

Girmay is the first rider to win two stages so far Abrahamsen of Uno-X raced Girmay's second stage win with rival sprinters Dylan ahead of the peloton for most after his historic triumph at Groenewegen and Mark Turin on Monday extended Cavendish having won prehis lead atop the best sprinter vious sprint stages but who standings in the green jersey. were outside the top 10

"We had a good plan," said

sprinters even though Jasper "I stayed near the front on Overnight leader Tadej Po- Philipsen, the 2023 green jer- the way up the hill and it was gacar retained his 33-second sey, came second while Bel- easy because I followed two lead over Remco Evenepoel gian 22-year-old Arnaud de Cofidis riders up the hill. It

was like teamwork.' Norwegian rider Jonas of the afternoon staying ahead for 170km and extending his lead in the king of the mountains polka dot jersey race for

at least two more stages.

Nagelsmann laments late penalty decision as hosts Germany exit Euros

AFP | Stuttgart

ermany coach Julian UNagelsmann lamented the decision to deny his side a late penalty in Friday's 2-1 Euro 2024 loss to Spain, saying "the referee blew in favour of Spain a little".

With the hosts on the attack in extra time and the scores locked at 1-1, Jamal Musiala's shot at goal connected with the outstretched arm of to celebrate after the incident

The German players, along not overturn his decision. with the home fans, appeared



Julian Nagelsmann

Spain's Marc Cucurella, who but referee Anthony Taylor was standing inside the box. waved it away and VAR did

The decision came mo-

ments before Spain's Mikel Merino jumped high to head in a chip from Dani Olmo, which won the game and sent his country through to the semi-finals.

Germany were the beneficiaries of a handball decision in their 2-0 last 16 win over Denmark, with the defender's hand much closer to his body and the ball not headed towards the goal.

"It wasn't deserved today and the referee blew in favour of Spain a little," said Nagelsmann.

"It was a clear penalty."

Russell takes 'mega' pole as Mercedes **lockout British Grand Prix front row**

Mercedes secures one-two as British drivers dominate Silverstone qualifying

Russell takes pole, Hamilton second, Norris third

Verstappen qualifies fourth with damaged Red Bull

Perez spins out in Q1, fueling speculation about his future

AFP | Silverstone

eorge Russell beat Lewis Stroll of Hamilton to secure pole A s t o n as their Mercedes team Martin, reeled off a front row lockout in Alex Albon yesterday's tense qualifying ses- of Williams sion for Sunday's British Grand and two-time

wild ovation by the crowd who in the second saw a third Briton Lando Norris Aston Martin. of McLaren take third to deliver the first one-two-three by Brit-ted that he had ish drivers at their home race. made a mistake

top in qualifying at any race which led to him since the 1968 South African aborting it, while

Russell grabbed pole in one it was a "huge" minute and 25.819 seconds to reward for the beat seven-time champion Ham-team for their ilton by 0.171 seconds in the final work to recover minute as the track improved, competitive form

the trio leaving series leader and threetime champion Max Verstappen to

qualify fourth in

his slightly damaged Red Bull. Oscar Piastri was fifth in the second McLaren ahead of Nico Hulkenberg of Haas, Ferrari's Carlos Sainz, Lance

champion Fer-The two Britons were given a nando Alonso

It was the first British triple on his final lap, Hamilton said

Norris admit-

and congratulated Russell.

Russell said that it was down to the Silverstone fans who had braved miserable weather to see a British triumph.

"What a crowd and what energy!" he said over the team radio.

Later the winner in Austria last time out added: "What a feeling, at the start of this year I don't think we could of even dreamt of being on pole here, one-two for me and Lewis, and Lando it's just mega.

Luckless Perez

After a morning of blustery winds and tent rain, not

the session began in watery sunshine.

The luck-Copse and out of the the teams' title. session in his Red

Mercedes' British driver George Russell reacts after the qualifying session



This marks the first time three British drivers have taken the top three places in qualifying at their home Grand Prix, and the first British triple top in qualifying at any race since the 1968 South African **Grand Prix**

heavy intermit- the team was the subject of much speculation beforehand to mention and this intensified with this lata lively ru- est misfortune. It was his third mour mill, Q1 exit of the season after similar in Monaco and Canada.

Perez had contributed only 15 points for Red Bull from the last five races – they totalled 116 thanks to Verstappen – and this less Sergio Perez, prompted McLaren boss Zak into the gravel at was enabling McLaren to bid for

The Q1 session was red-

Mercedes' British driver George Russell reacts after the qualifying session

er's Valtteri Bottas going top by of Sainz and Hamilton. five seconds before others on slicks clocked improved 'slick' times as rain approached.

In the midst of this, Verstapered, falling to an endangered 15th before responding in a frantic finale which saw Bottas, Kevin Magnussen of Haas, Alalong with Sargeant, RB's Yuki pine's Esteban Ocon and Pierre Tsunoda, Zhou Guanyu of Sau-Gasly eliminated along with ber and Daniel Ricciardo in the

The Williams cars led the way on softs, spun off Brown to suggest his fallibility into Q2, Logan Sargeant under were first out for Q3, as the sun pressure to keep his seat, with struggled to shine, but it was the all on slicks. On his first run, British trio again, Russell, Norris Verstappen, carrying damage, and Hamilton who topped the flagged for nine minutes before was only seventh as Norris and first flying runs ahead of Piastri His future with the action resumed with Saub- then Alonso set the pace ahead and Verstappen.

In drying conditions, Sainz, Piastri Hulkenberg, Russell and Norris went top as everyone improved, Verstappen falling pen went off at Copse, but recov- to 11th from where he rescued himself to go sixth.

A late surge by Stroll saw Leclerc drop to 11th and miss Q3

Albon, Verstappen and Piastri

France beat Portugal on penalties to reach Euro semis

Theo Hernandez's winning kick sends France to semi-finals after goalless draw

France wins 5-3 in penalty shootout

Mbappe subbed off before penalties

AFP | Hamburg

Theo Hernandez scored the winning kick as Kylian Mbappe's France edged a tense Euro 2024 quarter-final clash with Portu-kick against the post. gal 5-3 on penalties after a goalless 120 minutes on Friday in what will likely be remembered lost the 2022 World Cup final on don't give up," said France as Cristiano Ronaldo's last-ever penalties to Argentina and went coach Didier Deschamps.

This victory marks France's first successful penalty shootout in a major tournament in Germany since losing to Italy in the 2006 World Cup final, breaking a streak of shootout losses

match at the tournament. France were successful with time.

all their penalties as they advance to a last-four showdown with Spain, while Portugal's Joao Felix was the only player to miss, sending his team's third

It was overdue success in a ers. Even if we are not doshoot-out for France after they

out of the last Euros three years Switzerland in the last 16.

They also lost on penalties in game coming up." the last major tournament in Germany, going down to Italy in the final of the 2006 World Cup.

Mbappe, who missed the crucial kick against the Swiss, was already off the pitch by the time this shoot-out came around, having been replaced by Bradley Barcola midway through extra

Barcola, Ousmane Dembele, Youssouf Fofana and Jules Kounde also scored from the spot for

"I am proud of my playing everything perfectly we

Theo Hernandez shoots to score his penalty

"Once again we are in the ago in the same way, against semi-finals. I will savour this a little even if we have another

> Mbappe endured a frustrating evening as he continues to search for his best form in the competition but appears inhibited while wearing a mask to protect the nose he broke against Austria in France's opening game.

least he will get another chance to star in the semi-final, while Ronaldo, at 39, appears to have played at a Euros for the last time.

Murray's Wimbledon career over as Raducanu pulls out of mixed

AFP | London

ndy Murray's iconic Wim-Andy Muliay & Rolling With a whimper yesterday when his mixed doubles partner Emma Raducanu pulled out of the event, denying the former champion one last appearance at the All England Club.

Murray was due to have a final Wimbledon swansong with fellow Briton Raducanu after losing in the men's doubles with



Emma Raducanu

which start on July 26.

Murray, a two-time Wimbledon champion, and Raducanu, mixed doubles tonight," she said who won the US Open in 2021, were scheduled to play Zhang Shuai and Marcelo Arevalo in ally looking forward to playing the fourth match on Court One with Andy but got to take care." yesterday.

But Raducanu withdrew several hours before the match in a more match on the Wimbledon bid to ensure she did not aggra- grass vate a wrist problem.

The 37-year-old is set to retire with some stiffness in my right Raducanu had pulled out as "ashis brother Jamie on Thursday. following the Paris Olympics, wrist, so therefore I have de-tonishing".

cided to make the very tough decision to withdraw from the in a statement.

"I'm disappointed as I was re-

Murray was reportedly disappointed to be denied one

Writing on X, Murray's moth-"Unfortunately I woke up er Judy described the news that

World Cup winners India slump to Zimbabwe loss in first T20



Zimbabwe's Clive Madande ducks under a bouncer from India's Mukesh Kumar

AFP | Harare

🗖 ndia captain Shubman Gill said his much-changed team let themselves down in the field and with the bat when they crashed to a shock 13-run defeat to Zimbabwe vesterday field. Everyone looked a bit in their first T20 international since winning the World Cup match presentation. just a week ago.

for nine after being sent in to bat at the Harare Sports Club, with leg-spin and googly bowler Ravi Bishnoi taking a career-best four for 13.

ful team that did not include ures. any of the side that won the 102 in reply.

we let ourselves down in the on 47.

Scorecard

Zimbabwe 115 for 9 (Madande 29*. Bishnoi 4-13) beat India 102 (Gill 31, Chatara 3-16, Raza 3-25) by 13 runs

rusty," said Gill at the post-

"We spoke about taking time The hosts struggled to 115 and enjoying our batting but it didn't pan out that way."

India lost their first four wickets for 22 runs inside the first four overs, with new caps Abhishek Sharma (0) and Ri-But India, fielding a youth- yan Parag (2) among the fail-

It became 43 for five when World Cup in Barbados last Dhruv Jarel was caught at cov-Saturday, were bowled out for er and India's hopes effectively ended when Gill was sixth out, The loss ended a streak of 12 bowled by opposite number successive T20I wins by India. Sikander Raza hitting across "We bowled pretty well but the line for 31 with the total

Bahrain prepares for Paris Olympics

Bahrain Olympic Committee details preparation, expectations for 14 athletes in various sports

BOC expresses readiness and optimism for Paris 2024

Officials praise extensive training and support from federations

French Ambassador highlights Paris's readiness and inclusivity

Hussain Almaskati TDT | Manama

s Bahrain prepares to par-As Balliani prepares to Find Games in Paris, scheduled from July 26 to August 11, the Bahrain Olympic Committee held a press conference to discuss the nation's preparation and expec-

Shaikh Isa bin Ali Al Khalifa, President of the Bahrain Olympic Committee, opened the conference by expressing his gratitude and excitement. "I would like to thank everyone present today, and I am sure that Paris will organize a beautiful Olympics. We are very honored to participate," he stated, highlighting the pride and anticipation surrounding Bahrain's involvement.

Rigorous preparations

Fares AlKooheji, Secretary General of the Bahrain Olympic Committee, detailed the exten- rain's qualification in wrestling traordinary by His Majesty, King grams. Hamad, after the creation of the



Eric Giraud-Telme, Shaikh Isa bin Ali Al Khalifa and Faris Al Kooheji at the press

We have a very good technical team, and the federations have done a very good job to secure excellent training camps. Now, it is up to the athletes to execute championships during the Olympic Games, which involves a lot of mental stress with the world watching, but I am very confident that our 14 players will perform well

FARIS AL KOOHEJI

sive efforts that have gone into and judo under the leadership preparing the athletes for the of His Highness Sheikh Khalid Olympics. "The work that has is a testament to the country's been put in place has been ex- robust sports development pro-

Supreme Council for Youth & confidence in the athletes' per-Sports. His Royal Highness Shai- formance, attributing it to their across various sports. In athletkh Salman has put Bahrain on rigorous training and the supthe international map of sports, port from the federations. "We the 5,000m and 10,000m events, and His Highness Shaikh Nasser, have a very good technical team, Oluwakemi Adekoya will comwho has led the Olympic Com- and the federations have done a pete in the 400m hurdles, Salwa mittee for 10 years, has provided very good job to secure excellent Eid will participate in the 400m the correct infrastructure that is training camps. Now, it is up to race, Nelly Jepkosgei will run in bearing fruit today," AlKooheji the athletes to execute cham- the 800m, Winfred Yavi will take said. He emphasized that Bah- pionships during the Olympic on the 3,000m steeplechase, and

Games, which involves a lot of mental stress with the world watching, but I am very confident that our 14 players will perform well," he said.

The French Ambassador to and expressed his excitement the 1924 Olympic Games held in Paris, exactly one century ago, it is an honor to host the Olympics breadths of France with a total ulate the Olympic Committee the way. More than 1.5 million on the flawless preparation of these athletes, which has paid celebration," he shared. off with the excellent qualifying results. Bahrain has performed exceptionally in international competitions, rising to the top of the rankings", he stated. He praised Bahrain's athletes and their preparations, expressing confidence in their ability to shine on the global stage.

Bahrain's Olympic delegation AlKooheji also expressed for Paris 2024 features a talented group of athletes competing ics, Birhanu Balew will race in

the marathon will see Eunice Chumba, Tejitu Daba, and Rose Chelimo representing Bahrain. In swimming, Amani Al-Obaidli will compete in the 100m backstroke, while Saud Ghali will swim in the 200m breaststroke. In weightlifting, Gor Minasyan will compete in the over 120kg category, and Lizman Montano will compete in the under 102kg category. Wrestling will feature Ahmed Tajeddin in the under 97kg category, and judo will see Eskirbe competing in the under 81kg category.

Historic Significance

The Ambassador also highlighted the extensive preparaand the welcoming atmosphere awaiting the athletes and visbig kickoff of the games. Crowds seille on May 8, the flame has people have joined in this great in place."

He further emphasized the inclusivity and sustainability of



For the first time in Olympic history, the Paris 2024 Games will have an exact 50-50 split between male and female athletes, marking a milestone in gender equality in sports



Some of Bahrain's athletes

and delegations. Of these 10,500 95% of sports facilities already

Message of encouragement

tions in France for the Olympics, the games, stating, "This may for the Bahraini athletes. "I look noting the historic significance be France's games, but they are forward to bringing France and overall the world's games. We Bahrain together in the field of are more than ready to welcome sport. I would like to express itors. "In France, everyone is the 13 million visitors to Paris once again my joy for the qualifiready and looking forward to the as well as the 10,500 athletes cation of the Bahraini athletes, to whom I wish outstanding results Bahrain attended the conference of spectators are gathering at athletes, exactly half will be men in Paris in a few weeks' time. You the torch every day. Since the and the other half women. For embody the bold determination for the upcoming games. "After arrival of the torch in Mar- the first time in history, the of your country. We're proud games will be gender balanced. of you, and the entire French been traveling the lengths and The games are 100% accessible Embassy in Bahrain is behind to people with disabilities and you. I wish you all a warm welonce again. Allow me to congrat- of 10,000 torch bearers along environmentally friendly, with come to Paris, where you will take part in the world's biggest sporting event. Paris is ready; we're waiting for you," he said, encapsulating the spirit of inter-The Ambassador concluded national unity and competition with words of encouragement that defines the Olympic Games.



Attendees during the meeting

England beat Switzerland on penalties to keep Euro 2024 dream alive

England beats Switzerland 5-3 on penalties after 1-1 draw

Pickford saves crucial penalty from Akanji

 Saka scores equalizer, converts in shootout

AFP | Düsseldorf

England's quest for a first major tournament win in 58 years remained alive after another late fightback before beating Switzerland 5-3 on pen- Switzerland's first spot-kick alties to book their place in the from Manuel Akanji. Euro 2024 semi-finals.



English players celebrate at the end of the penalty shootout

Cole Palmer, Jude Bellingham, After the 120 minutes finished Bukayo Saka, Ivan Toney and level at 1-1, goalkeeper Jordan Trent Alexander-Arnold con-Pickford was the Three Lions' verted their penalties to send hero in the shoot-out as he saved England into a semi-final meet-

ing with Turkey or the Netherlands in Dortmund on Wednes-

After needing Bellingham's 95th-minute equaliser before going on to beat Slovakia in extra system. time in the last 16, England were

again staring at defeat with 10 minutes to go.

A dreary encounter for the first 75 minutes came to life after Breel Embolo put Switzerland Saka's fine strike from outside

the box levelled with England's first shot on target five minutes Manchester City defender

Akanji was then the unfortunate penalty villain as Switzerland's horrible record in major tournament quarter-finals goes on.

They have now lost five without ever reaching a semi-final.

By contrast, England march on despite another in a string of underwhelming performances from Gareth Southgate's men.

In his 100th match in charge of his country, Southgate again resisted calls for mass changes in personnel but did alter his

Ezri Konsa made his first ever



This victory marks England's second consecutive late comeback in the tournament, following Jude Bellingham's 95th-minute equalizer against Slovakia in the round of 16

competitive international start in place of the suspended Marc Guehi as England switched to a back three.

However, contrary to expectation, Saka remained on the right decision by Southgate.

The Arsenal winger was by far the biggest threat of a first half in which neither side managed a shot on target. Saka was skipping beyond

Michel Aebischer at will and created the best chance of the first period when Kobbie Mainoo saw an effort deflected behind just before the half-time whistle.

The game continued at the same laboured pace from both sides into the second half.

Embolo finally managed the first shot on goal when his weak effort was easily handled by Jordan Pickford.

Southgate has been repeatedly criticised for being too slow to influence games with his substitutions.

Despite having one of the most richly-talented squads at the tournament, it took until in what proved to be an inspired they fell behind for Southgate to shake things up.