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 $\mathbf{B}^{ ext{ahrain expressed its sincere condolences to the}$ government and people of Egypt over the victims of the traffic collision on the Suez-Tor Sinai road, which resulted in the death and injury of a number of people.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs affirmed the sympathy of Bahrain with the government and people of Egypt in this painful tragedy, praying to Allah the Almighty to have mercy on the victims of the accident, wishing a speedy recovery for the injured.

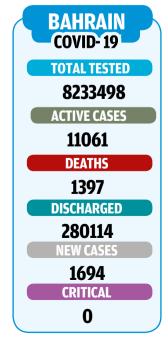
Protesters behind Lebanon blackout Beirut

The Lebanese population was subjected to collective punishment on Saturday night after protesters stormed a key power station and tampered with the electrical equipment, inflicting power cuts on the

whole country for hours. Protesters stormed the main power station in the Aramoun area, 22 km from Beirut, and tampered with its contents to secure electricity for their neighborhoods, causing a problem that affected all power generation plants.

They claimed that that there is discrimination in the distribution of electric-

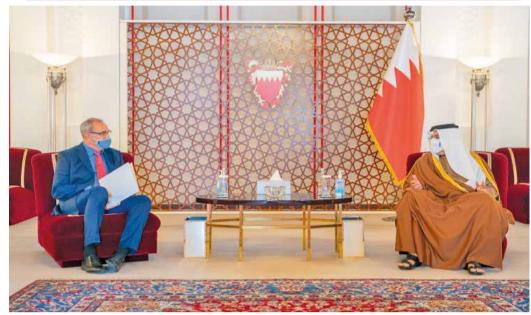
They said that "the electric current is available to areas under the authority of the Free Patriotic Movement, while it is totally absent from areas that are considered an incubator environment for the movement's opponents."



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HRH Prince Salman receives new Israel Ambassador



His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, yesterday received the newly appointed Ambassador of the State of Israel to the Kingdom of Bahrain, Eitan Na'eh, at Riffa Palace. HRH Prince Salman extended his congratulations to Ambassador Na'eh on his appointment and wished him success in performing his duties which will contribute to strengthening cooperation and achieving regional and global peace, development, and stability. During the meeting, issues of common interest, as well as regional and international developments, were discussed. Finance and National Economy Minister Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa also attended the meeting.

New 'deltacron' COVID-19 strain detected in Cyprus

Nicosia

new strain of COVID-19 Anew strain of the strain of t the delta and omicron variants, dubbed "deltacron," has been discovered in Cyprus.

Leondios Kostrikis, professor of biological sciences at the University of Cyprus and head of the Laboratory of Biotechnology and Molecular Virology described his findings in an interview with Sigma TV.

"There are currently omi- how damaging the "deltacron" cron and delta co-infections strain might be. and we found this strain that is a combination of these two," he said.

The new discovery was mutates and spreads. named "deltacron" after omicron-like genetic sig- from the IHU Mediterranee natures were found in the Infection published a study in delta genomes, Kostrikis December outlining the dis-

Around 25 cases of the new strain have been discovered, he said, but it is too early to say

Researchers around the world are discovering new strains as the COVID-19 virus

A study by French scientists covery of a new "IHU" variant.

'Severe consequences'

US sends stern warning to Iran if it carries out attacks against Americans

Washington to work with allies and partners to 'retaliate'

US nationals include any 52 people sanctioned by Tehran

Washington

the 52 people Tehran imposed in the Middle East, and as Ira- US National Security Adviser Sullivan sanctions on a day earlier.

spond to any attacks carried out around the world." by Iran," the White House said

in a statement, quoting National Security Adviser Jake Sullivan.

Iran on Saturday imposed sanctions on dozens more Americans, many of them from the US military, over the 2020 killing of Gen. Qassem Soleimani in a drone strike.

Sullivan said the US will protect and defend its citizens, including those currently serving the country and those who formerly served.

The US said yesterday that He added that the Iranian Iran will face "severe regime imposed the sanctions consequences" if it at- while its "proxy militias contacks any Americans, including tinue to attack American troops nian officials threaten to carry



and partners to deter and re- United States and elsewhere arm of the elite Revolutionary Trump. Guards, was killed in Iraq in a Those added to Iran's sanc- holding indirect talks in Vienna Soleimani, the commander of drone strike on Jan. 3, 2020, or-tions list included US General on salvaging a 2015 nuclear deal.

"We will work with our allies out terror operations inside the Iran's Quds Force, the overseas dered by then President Donald adviser Robert O'Brien.

The US will protect and defend its citizens, including those currently serving the country and those who formerly served

JAKE SULLIVAN, US NATIONAL SECURI-

Mark Milley, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and former White House national security

Iran and the US are currently

UN confidential report

Iran 'smuggling weapons' to Yemen and elsewhere

Washington

The United National thousands of weapons re-The United Nations found cently seized in the Arabian Sea likely came from a single port in Iran, evidence Tehran is exporting arms to Yemen and elsewhere, The Wall Street Journal

Yemen has been wracked by civil war since 2014, pitting Iranbacked Houthi militia against the internationally recognised government.

The UN imposed an arms embargo on the Houthis in 2015.



The Iranian ship where thousands of weapons were seized

Citing a confidential report board navigational instruments. by a UN Security Council panel the Journal said. of experts on Yemen, the Journal wrote that boats and land tion minister denied Iran was transport were used to smuggle smuggling weapons into Yemen, weapons made in Russia, China according to the Journal, and and Iran into Yemen.

launchers, machine guns and country. sniper rifles, which had been seized by the US Navy in recent war will have directly or indimonths. Boats used to trans- rectly killed 377,000 people by port the weapons had left from the end of the year. the southeastern Iranian port boat crew and data from the on-sistance.

The militia's deputy informa-Tehran said the weapons were The arms included rocket not sold or transported to the

The UN estimates Yemen's

More than 80 percent of the of Jask, the UN report found, population of around 30 milbased on interviews with the lion require humanitarian as-

Labour growth in upswing: Humaidan

Creation of jobs and employment of more citizens part of Kingdom's economic recovery plan

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ahrain is witnessing an increasing growth in various sectors, particularly involving the national work-

Labour and Social Development Minister Jamil bin Muhammad Ali Humaidan attributed this to the implementation of the government's economic recovery plan, which is aimed Humaidan with Al Shehabi at job creation, accelerating the and job stability.

This came as Humaidan, who yesterday. is also Labour Market Regulaof Directors chairman, met the is based requires strengthening ister, aspires to. Secretary General of the Gener- cooperation and coordination



al Federation of Bahrain Trade with various relevant authorities cussed the economic recovery

pace of employment of citizens, Unions, Abdul Qader Abdul to achieve the common national plan, the launch of the initiatives Karim Al Shehabi, in his office goals that the government, head- of the various sectors, particued by His Royal Highness Prince larly the industrial sector; and He noted that the most impor- Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the investment of the sector's tory Authority (LMRA) Board tant ground on which the plan Crown Prince and Prime Min- advancement plan to employ and coordination between the

During the meeting, they dis-sector.

The prospects for cooperation discussed.

The implementation of the government's economic recovery plan is aimed at job creation, accelerating the pace of employment of citizens, and job stability

JAMIL BIN MUHAMMAD ALI HUMAIDAN, LABOUR AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT
MINISTER

more citizens in this promising ministry and the trade unions tance of strengthening joint during the next phase were also

Humaidan underlined the Kingdom's achievements in maintaining the stability of national employment, as well as the success of the National Employment Programme second edition, stressing that this is a positive indicator despite the existence of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Al Shehabi praised the success of the Labour Ministry in implementing the National Employment Programme in its second edition, as well as the success of training plans to qualify citizens and integrate them into the labuor market.

He also stressed the imporcooperation between the two

Community partnership key to meet citizens' needs

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Southern Governor His Highness Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali bin Khalifa Al Khalifa has stressed the importance of reaching out to citizens and bolstering community partnership in line with the directives of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

He paid tribute to His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin citizens' needs and meet their Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown aspirations. Prince and Prime Minister, for

highlighted the prizes conernment as part of the 2021 tions, queries and complaints. Electronic Government Excellence Award.

the Minister of Interior Gen- as well as the email comeral Shaikh Rashid bin Abdul- plaints@southern.gov.bh. and la Al Khalifa to follow up on other online platforms.



Southern Governor

The Southern Governor spearheading the digitalisation underlined the importance of of all services and transactions. the online platforms which HH Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali were provided by the Southern Governorate for citizens to forferred on the Southern Gov- ward their demands, applica-

He cited in this regard the weekly virtual majlis, hosted He noted the directives of by the Southern Governorate

Deputy Prime Minister receives AP Speaker, Education Minister



Deputy Prime Minister and President of the Supreme Council for the Development of **Education and Training, His Highness Shaikh** Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa, received Speaker of the Arab Parliament (AP), Adel bin Abdulrahman Al Asoomi, and Education Minister, Dr Majid bin Ali Al Nuaimi. The Deputy Prime Minister was briefed on the conference that will be launched in Bahrain for education development in the Arab region under the theme "Bahrain is the gateway to education development in the Arab region." He expressed his appreciation for the efforts made by the AP Speaker and members in the service of Arab issues in general and education development in particular, which confirms their keenness to keep pace with global changes.

Industry Ministry and House of Representatives solidarity



Industry, Commerce and Tourism Minister Zayed bin Rashid Al Zayani yesterday received Representatives Council member Dr Sawsan Mohammed Kamal. They discussed important issues related to public affairs, and aspects of cooperation, coordination and joint work between the ministry and the House of Representatives, as well as the mechanisms to enhance this. Al Zayani commended the efforts of Dr Sawsan for everything that would enhance the march of progress and development, achieve the aspirations of citizens and raise the status of the Kingdom of Bahrain. He stressed the ministry's constant keenness on cooperation and joint work with the legislative authority to enhance the gains and achievements of the country

High-level Jordanian parliamentary delegation arrives in Bahrain



Representatives Council Speaker Fawzia bint Abdullah Zainal received yesterday Jordanian Speaker of the House of Representatives, Abdul Karim Doghmi, on arrival in the Kingdom of Bahrain heading a high-level parliamentary delegation as part of an official visit to the kingdom. The visit reflects strong and growing fraternal relations between both countries thanks to the support of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and Jordanian Monarch King Abdullah II Ibn Al Hussain. The Jordanian parliamentary delegation will hold an official discussion session tomorrow Monday at the Representatives Council premises to discuss ways of boosting bilateral parliamentary relations. The delegation will also hold meetings with senior officials in Bahrain.

SEA head honoured as CSR international ambassador



Sustainable Energy Authority (SEA) President Dr Abdulhussain bin Ali Mirza received a delegation from the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), led by its Advisory Board Chairman Professor Yusuf Abdul-Ghaffar. Dr Mirza was honoured to be an international ambassador in the International Ambassadors Programme for CSR, which includes a group of Arab and international figures influential in the areas of social responsibility and sustainable development. The delegation affirmed that Dr Mirza was honoured due to his keenness and interest in all initiatives aimed at serving the community, and his appreciation of the role of community institutions and organisations in advancing the development wheel in the Kingdom and enhancing their contributions at the regional and global levels.

10th Constituent Judicial Session for Military Prosecution officers kicks off



Defence Affairs Ministry Undersecretary Major General Shaikh Ahmed bin Mohammed Al Khalifa patronised the 10th **Constituent Judicial Session for Military Prosecution officers with** the participation of officers from the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries and the military and security bodies in the kingdom. The session is in line with the keenness of the Bahrain Defence Force (BDF) to cooperate with the military judicial entities of brotherly countries' armed forces, commending the efforts exerted by the military judiciary to hold regular judicial and legal courses. He expressed appreciation to the BDF Commander-in-Chief, Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, for his unlimited support for the military judiciary.

1,694 new COVID-19 cases and 853 additional recoveries

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es, the Ministry of Health an- from the respiratory ailment.

There were zero deaths, while and 29 are in stable condition.

853 additional recoveries were **Relaxed entry requirements** reported.

Travellers to Bahrain will only There were no critical patients need to take one PCR test on ar- yesterday and the cost of the PCR on the Nikkei COVID-19 Recovery 83 per cent of those eligible for a rival into the country.

Bahrain yesterday recorded The death toll stands at 1,397, The Kingdom relaxed its entry on arrival, followed by the fifth while there are 280,114 survivors requirements starting yesterday. and 10th days of their stay. The The Kingdom relaxed its entry on arrival, followed by the fifth antine for 10 days on arrival.

Previously, vaccinated arrivals The non-vaccinated and those demic in December 2021. were required to take PCR tests under 12 will still have to quar-

new changes came into effect the highest score ever recorded had been double vaccinated and test has been reduced to BD12. Index for its response to the pan-booster had received one.

Health Ministry Undersecretary Dr Waleed Khalifa Al Manea It came as Bahrain received said 94 per cent of those eligible

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Outrage over 'unloading veggies at open ground'

Staff Reporter TDT | Manama

 \mathbf{R} esidents of Sehla have expressed their anger over an open ground being used by a group of wholesale traders to unload vegetables before they are packed and sent to retail shops and outlets.

They asked why the authorities are turning a blind eye to the issue despite being brought to their attention many times. Speaking to The Daily Trib-

une, a resident in the area said tonnes of vegetables unloaded and stored in are una warehouse. How can loaded to the open ground, which is a grave violation of

day, the ground has become market. slushy after rains and "mud soaked vegetables were be- We don't know who is buying from the open ground".



A trailer truck is parked at the open ground in Sehla to unload vegetables

He said at least 20 trailer trucks transport vegetables to the place, from where it is packed and carried in light trucks and other vehicles to retail

Sources said generally trailer trucks car-

"Vegetables must be unload-rying vegetables from Saudi ed and stored in a warehouse. Arabia and Jordan direct-How can they do it in an open ly unload them at the Bahrain Central Market, from Another resident said, every where it goes to the retail

"This sounds like a mystery. ing transported to retail stores these vegetables from these people?" they said.

Bahrain welcomes Sudan talks

Vegetables must be

they do it in an open

ground?

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danese parties and stressed Assistance Mission in Sudan its support for reviving the (UNITAMS), to hold political political process in Sudan, consultations among all comwhich would achieve its ponents. security, peace, unity and

of Foreign Affairs noted the of its people for stability, peace constructive role of the United and development.

Nations in this regard and the Bahrain has welcomed the dialogue between the Su-Nations Integrated Transition

It affirmed Bahrain's solidarity and full support for Su-In a statement, the Ministry dan to achieve the aspirations

Bahrain to host MENA forum on 'women of technology' on Jan. 25-26

Technology in the Middle a mentoring session, and an East and North Africa" forum innovative session for women on January 25 and 26.

neurs will speak.

ganiser of the event, said that platform. the forum is being held with the participation of female how women are leading the leaders in the technology and labour market in the Middle business sector in the King- East and North Africa, and dom of Bahrain and the entire takes a future look at the en-Arab region.

tion in the forum is also open
It is also an opportunity

North Africa will present var- participants.

ious dialogue sessions during the forum, including a main The Kingdom of Bahrain session, panel discussions and will host the "Women of technical talks, in addition to entrepreneurs.

The event is expected to The forum also includes attract more than 400 par- interactive activities to motiticipants representing 20 vate participants during these countries from the Arab re- sessions. It will also feature gion, while more than 25 Arab a virtual exhibition that will women leaders and entrepre- be held parallel to the virtual forum to give sponsors Ahmed Attia Al Hujairi, an opportunity to showcase CEO of WorkSamat, the or- their services through this

The forum sheds light on trepreneurship landscape of They will discuss women's Arab women in the region, as leadership and innovations well as provides career guidin the various business and ance to build a successful catechnology sectors. Participa- reer in the technology sector.

to men who support women for women entrepreneurs and their successes in various to learn from women leaders in the technology and Al Hujairi explained that fe- business sector, and presmale technology leaders from ent their ideas and innovaall over the Middle East and tive projects to speakers and

Legislative employees are active despite pandemic

1,870 employees of Shura, Representatives Council and municipal councils participate in 74 specialised events during fifth legislative term

In line with royal directives to provide training programmes, studies and research related to constitutional and legal fields for different groups of people

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total of 1,870 employees of the Shura Council, Representatives Council and municipal councils have taken part in 74 specialised events - both in-person and virtual - during the fifth legislative term.

The Bahrain Institute for Political Development said that (COVID-19) pandemic, the fifth legislative term has witnessed a significant growth in the number, quality and volume of participation in specialised activities such as training courses and awareness programmes, as well as a series of discussions on various important topics.



ing for the legislative sector's

In 2020, five specialised proas training courses, workshops and lectures.

They also included Parliamentary Support Programme for the employees of the General Secretariat of the Shura Council, the Municipal Support Pro-The activities included 55 of Works, Municipalities Affairs

bers of the Shura Council and councils. the House of Representatives.

Last year, the institute imdespite the existing coronavirus grammes were organised such plemented five programmes, Programme for members of gramme for the employees of the Shura Council, Municipal municipal councils and Ministry Skills Programme for members tation in line with the precaumunicipal councils, and Parliamentary Support Programme Minister.

> The directives are in line with a royal decree providing train- mented six specialised proing programmes, studies and grammes for members of the research related to the consti- Shura and Representatives ferent groups of people, particuand the Capital Municipality.

workshops, 10 lectures, five dis- and Urban Planning, as well as a larly to members of the Shura cussion sessions, three training Municipal Skills Programme for and Representatives Councils sessions, and one special meet- municipal councils, and mem- as well as members of municipal

Cooperation

On this occasion, the institute which included Parliamentary affirmed the continuation of Skills Programme for members cooperation with the legislative of the House of Representatives, authority and municipal counsecondment programme for cils during the coming period, as Their Excellencies the Repre- a commitment to implementing sentatives, Parliamentary Skills the plans and programmes approved by the Board of Trustees, while adapting their implemenof the Capital Municipality and tionary measures against the COVID-19.

In 2018, the Parliamentafor Parliament secretariat em- ry Support Programme was ployees. The implementation launched. It included crisis of these activities comes from management workshop, parliathe directives of His Majesty mentary research preparation King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa skills workshop, skills interpretand His Royal Highness Prince ing legal texts workshop, and Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, how to deal with the internal the Crown Prince and Prime regulations of the House of Representatives.

In 2019, the institute impletutional and legal fields for dif- Councils, municipal councils



Despite the existing coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the fifth legislative term has witnessed a significant growth in the number, quality and volume of participation in specialised activities such as training courses and awareness programmes, as well as a series of discussions on various important topics.

Bahraini man in the dock for human trafficking

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The High Criminal Court accused of holding an Asian woman and trafficking her.

The Bahraini man denied the hours. accusations levelled against ries from him, and she resort- her.

ed to suing him on different grounds.

Investigations discovered that f I will be hearing today the the man was implicated in indefense of a 42-year-old man citing maids to flee from their sponsors by offering them better salaries and lower working



She was saved after she man-According to court files, aged to contact a friend, who terminate their contracts after him, stating that the case file the Bahraini man locked up also happened to be a maid, and facing financial struggles, indiagainst him is malicious as the the 22-year-old man in a flat she informed her sponsor. The cating that he kept the woman woman demands unpaid sala- and he physically assaulted latter went to the police station with him because he was in her and informed cops who rushed debt.

to the victim and rescued her.

The man was discovered to be already implicated in cases of indecent acts. He, however, denied any wrongdoing stating that he had several women working for him as cleaners.

He revealed that he had to

Verdict set for Industry Ministry employee accused of corruption

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The High Criminal Court will violation after he was caught announce on Wednesday selling counterfeited products. ployee accused of corruption.

violation after he was caught bribes to remove violations.

trader. According to court files, communications. It was estab- with the help of clearance the trader found himself facing lished that they were receiving agent, were demanding bribes

The Financial Crimes and violations. the verdict against a public em- A clearance agent approached Money Laundering Chief Proshim and offered to remove the ecutor said earlier that the vestigated the case, hearing The employee is serving violation with the help of the pair landed in the police net witnesses and examining text at the Ministry of Industry, Industry Ministry employee in after a tip-off sent from the messages traded between the Commerce and Tourism and return for cash money. How- Anti-Corruption Department pair. It was established that the his misconduct was exposed ever, the trader informed the to the Public Prosecution re- pair committed the wrongdoing, after his illegal services were police who seized the phones vealing that business owners as a result of which they were offered to an imitated products of the pair and examined their reported that the employee, detained.

in return for removing the

The Public Prosecution in-

Be aware of scammers' 'social engineering skills'

Cybersecurity expert attributes rise in online fund transfer scams to lack of alertness from users

BENEFIT and BenefitPay systems are very secure: Beshara

Reminder, don't share secret information with strangers

Beware of fake advertisements on buying and selling websites

Staff Reporter TDT | Manama

cammers are deploying the best social engineering skills to commit cybercrime and everyone using a digital wallet must be aware of Management at The BENEFIT

bersecurity expert said BENEFIT ers. and BenefitPay systems are very



team," Beshara said.

with The Daily Tribune, the cy- of alertness from the part of us-

"The BENEFIT Company has been issuing frequent awareness ulent links randomly to people the OTP (One-Time Password), prize from a bank and needs to "Our security system adheres campaigns on its own and in colto international standards and laboration with the banking and local security standards like PCI- financial sector, Bahrain TV, Ra-DSS and PCI-TSP. In addition to dio Bahrain as well as the Genthat, BENEFIT has a team of ex- eral Directorate of Anti-Corrup-

pertise and we are investing in tion, Economic and Electronic action from the part of hackers, fraudsters or share passwords this, said Ali Beshara, the Head knowledge updates and build- Security and participated in naof Information Security and Risk ing the technical capacity of the tional awareness campaigns and collaborated with the Central mation, which is supposed to EFIT nor banks will call you together lost nearly BD1,500 to He attributed the rise in on- Bank of Bahrain, the Ministry of In an exclusive conversation line fund transfer scams to lack Interior and Bahrain Association shared, from their victims. for Banks, in light of rising cases involving the hijacking of user hacker gets the password of frauds like calls claiming that police department, pleading for accounts after sending fraudthrough SMS," he said.

> this kind of cybercrime involves transfer." 'social engineering' - a term Beshara stressed that users money changers applications. ity of falling victims to online used by information security are almost totally protected if Also, one should beware of fake fraudsters.

Our security system adheres to international standards and local security standards like **PCI-DSS** and **PCI-TSP**. In addition to that, BENEFIT has a team of expertise and we are investing in knowledge updates and building the technical capacity of the team

ALI BESHARA, HEAD OF INFORMATION SECURITY AND RISK MANAGEMENT AT THE BENEFIT COMPANY

engineering skills to get infor-

"It is in these situations, the

which is sent to the user in case



professionals to describe the they don't click on links sent by who deploy their highest social with strangers.

He added that "neither BENbe kept secret, private and never and ask for password or OTP by phone".

the BenefitPay application and the potential victim has won a an intense probe into the matter. update their CPR with BENEFIT many a time, has carried out Beshara also pointed out that of device change and money or another company. There have campaigns and circulated mesbeen similar attempts to hijack sages alerting over the possibil-

advertisements on buying and selling websites," he explained.

He said the bottom-line statement is "Don't share your secret information with strangers and think before you act".

Users of the BenefitPay app can find security tips on Instagram @alibeshara and on the BENEFIT Company account @ benefit.bh.

Of late, more victims of online payment transfer scams have taken to the social media platforms to air their woes. And, it is learnt that fraudsters have been targeting victims by making calls or sending SMSs.

The Daily Tribune carried a report about fraudsters targeting the online banking and financial transaction network in the Kingdom.

The published article carried the plight of one Bangladeshi national, one Pakistani national and an Indian businessman, who the scammers.

Most of the victims have "There are other types of launched a complaint with the

The Central Bank of Bahrain,

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Ignoring \$39 billion government debt!

Dear Sir,

I refer to the article of The Daily Tribune, "VAT increase will support Bahrain government wellfare measures." 6th January, 2022, wherein Ms. Janahi believes increased taxes will help the poor. She is wrong and ignores the government debt of \$39 billion!

The interest on the debt is a massive burden for all in Bahrain, and the government shouldn't be involved in welfare which traditionally, for thousands of years is the realm of society, the mosque, the church, the temples.

We need to eliminate the debt which currently is over 100% of Gross National Product, but the Bahrain economy cannot sustain this debt without the annual aid from our Muslim brothers in the GCC. Also, we need to focus our borrowing on true Islamic finance, which does not permit "closure or negative action," against the borrower, which the current Western banking does in a very destructive manner.

It is strange that people work hard for their money, yet, know so little about it. If people understood what the US dollar is, and is not, there would be revolution in America.

Yours faithfully, Karim Mansouri

Stop targeting us!

 \mathbf{I} ndia Government has shocked all expatriates by announcing a seven-day home quarantine mandatory for all international arrivals. The government cites rise in Omicron numof a flyover in kerala bers as the reason behind this move.



But I would like to ask whether the expatriates are behind the spread of Omicron across the country. Reports from India say that the country would immediately require 60,000 new beds to tackle this new wave of pandemic.

The government should first put an end to political gatherings if they want to control the spread of Omicron. I don't know why they are primarily targeting the expatriates, who only think of their home country's welfare. We are coming to our home country after receiving two vaccines and a booster dose. First vaccinate all school teachers. Many unvaccinated teachers across the State of Kerala, who are taking classes, are risking the innocent children with possibility of infection. All politicians in India hardly give any value to the expatriates as they don't have voting rights. Stop treating us as secondary citizens. It is because of us Indian states like Kerala have overcome an economic collapse. One more point: Who will be held accountable if a passenger suffers from nasal damage after being subjected to frequent Covid tests?

A desperate overseas Indian

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December 2021 'fifth warmest' in Bahrain since 1902

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ast month goes on technique the fifth warmest Decemast month goes on record as ber ever experienced in Bahrain

This was according to the Ministry of Transportation and Telecommunications' Meteorological Directorate's monthly weather summary.

It indicated that the mean temperature of the month was 21.3°C which is 1.6°C above the and this goes on record as the fifth-highest mean temperature temperature for December was The mean minimum temperfor December since 1902. The 26.3°C recorded in 2001. ature of the month was 18.7°C recorded in 2001.

est mean monthly maximum Circuit (BIC).



long-term normal for December People still enjoyed the weather last month despite getting a little warmer

ature for December was 22.5°C corded during the month was term normal and this goes on 27.9°C which occurred on the record as the fourth-highest long-term mean total precipi-The mean maximum temper- 2nd December at Bahrain In- mean minimum temperature tation for December is 15.2 mm ature of the month was 23.9°C ternational Airport (BIA) but for December since 1946. Note and the highest monthly rainfall which is 1.0°C above the long- recorded 28.8°C on the 21st De- that the highest mean month- recorded during December at term normal. Note that the high- cember at Bahrain International ly minimum temperature for BIA was 119.6 mm which oc-

December was 19.6°C recorded curred in 2006.

in 2001.

The lowest temperature recorded was 15.5°C on the 28th December at BIA but recorded 13.1°C on the 5th December at Durrat Al Bahrain.

The mean relative humidity for December was 66% whereas the mean maximum relative humidity was 80% and the mean minimum relative humidity was 51%. The maximum relative humidity was 93% recorded on the December 1 and the minimum relative humidity was 27% recorded on December

A total of 10.9 mm of preciphighest mean monthly temper- The highest temperature re- which is 1.9°C above the long- itation was reported in December 2021 at BIA. Note that the

Ithmaar Bank announces Thimaar millionaire

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Tthmaar Bank, a Bahrain-based Lislamic retail bank, presented \$1 million grand prize to Bahraini mother of two, Fatema Al

She won the Thimaar prize Abdul Hakeem Al Mutawa draw for the month of Decem-

the Ministry of Industry, Comternal auditors. "On behalf of all of us at Ithmaar Bank, we con-Chief Executive Officer, Abdul Hakeem Al Mutawa.



'We are pleased to be able The draw was held remotely to bring so much joy to so at the bank's headquarters in many families in Bahrain. The change lives."

"The main reasons why I The branch staff are very kind, Ithmaar Bank offers the highest com/thimaar

assistance." said Al Alawi.

from the Deputy Chief Execu- in the Kingdom. tive Officer of the bank, I felt so expect it at all," said Al Alawi. posit only."

Seef Tower and supervised by Thimaar scheme is not only de- the many blessings of Allah. I prizes were awarded, the most signed to encourage responsible will invest the prize amount for offered by any bank in Bahrain. merce and Tourism (MOICT), as financial behavior by making the future of my daughters, and Customers were able to win \$1 well as external auditors BDO saving more rewarding, but the I thank Ithmaar Bank for giving million grand prize, six quar-Bahrain and the Bank's own in- prizes also have the potential to me this great chance to win this terly prizes worth \$100,000 prize of Thimaar."

Al Mutawa said: "At Ithmaar cash prizes.

helpful, attentive and are always number of prizes of any simiavailable when I require any lar scheme in Bahrain, making Thimaar account one of the "When I received the call most rewarding saving schemes

"This helps provide additiongreat with his welcoming and al incentives for savers. Addipassing the wonderful news. tionally, these potentially life This phone call came as a pleas- changing prizes can be won ant surprise to me as I didn't with a minimum of BD30 de-

"Alhamdulillah, this is one of During 2021, a total of 2,271 each, along with many more

gratulate Fatema and her fam- bank with Ithmaar Bank for the Bank, we remain committed to Customers can view the winily," said Ithmaar Bank Deputy past 15 years is its courteous improving our services and re-ners list by visiting the bank's and friendly customer service. warding our loyal customers. website at: www.ithmaarbank.

Workforce & management synergy helped GPIC move forward amid COVID crisis: GPIC Chairman

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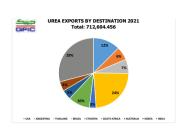
lose cooperation between the workforce and management proved significant in enabling GPIC to overcome the challenges posed by the COVID-19 crisis in 2021, said GPIC Chairman Dr Al Sharyan.

The pandemic, he said, failed to produce any significant challenges to GPIC, thanks to an effective response in mitigating the infections among the work-

"GPIC continued implementing flexible policies and procedures to ensure the sustainable operations, whilst putting the safety of its workforce as their number one priority."

He also commended the awareness of the employees and Directors in enforcing strict measures to protect the employees and their families from Coronavirus.

"This ensured that the operations were unaffected, especially considering the importance of





Plant Operations achieved a growth of 9% in product export compared to the export plans of 2021, representing an increase of 1%

the Petrochemical and Agri-Nutrient Industry and its connection to food security."

The Chairman also said that despite the challenges, the company continued to win many prestigious awards, including the MRM Business Award and the MRM Business Innovation

GPIC also maintained its record of no lost-time accidents since 2002 by achieving more than 35 million hours of no losttime accidents.

Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Prime Minister and His Highthe company and the entire in- uled for 2021 into 2022."

Operational milestones

The President of GPIC, Yasser 2021, representing an increase vious record of 941 production added.



 $Dr\ Al\ Sharyan\ thanked\ His\ \ \textbf{GPIC}\ \textbf{board}\ \textbf{and}\ \textbf{Executive}\ \textbf{Management}\ \textbf{members}\ \textbf{during}\ \textbf{a}\ \textbf{photocall}$

Prince Salman bin Hamad Al a 7.7% increase in production Turnaround expenditure. Khalifa, the Crown Prince and compared to the production budget for 2021. "This repre-Company, for their support to Turnaround originally sched-

Al Khalifa, His Royal Highness Alabbasi, said GPIC witnessed of 1%, which excludes the Major days achieved in 2012.

days achieved in 2012,

The Urea plant completed power in 2021. Plant Operations achieved a 1,070 days of continuous daily

On environmental care, Alab-The Ammonia plant complet- basi said the company reduced ed 1,068 days of continuous daily the daily gas consumption by ness, Shaikh Nasser bin Ham-sents an increase of 1.1% and production on March 30, 2021, a shutting down the Carbon Dioxad Al Khalifa, the Chairman of excludes the expenditure saved new record surpassing the pre- ide Recovery Unit (CDR) steam the National Oil & Gas Holding due to postponing the Major vious record of 950 production boiler and utilised the conserved natural gas to generate more

> "This resulted in reducing growth of 9% in product export production on March 30, 2021, a the total cost of energy as well compared to the export plans of new record surpassing the pre- as GPIC's carbon footprint," he

Tamcon awards Architectural and Engineering **Consultancy for Waterfront Villas**

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amcon Contracting Compa-1 ny, a leading Bahrain-based grade AA civil and building construction company, announced it had awarded an architectural and design consultancy agreement to Mohammed Al Gharib Architects and Engineers for works associated with 18 waterfront villas in Durrat

The design works are the first stage of the new development within the Durrat Marina masterplan, for a strip of 18 waterfront residential villas.

llabbasi, said, "Durrat Mari- highly sought-after investment project."



Tamcon CEO with Mohammed Al Gharib Architects CEO

Mohammed Al Gahrib will residential opportunities with external investors." be delivering a range of archi- a range of commercial, and leitectural, structural, and elec- sure facilities. We are pleased Owner and CEO of Mohammed tromechanical designs for the to be a part of the new phase of Al Gharib Architects and Engivillas on plots of approximately residential units being designed neers, said, "We are delighted CEO of Tamcon, Abdulla Al dent that these villas will be a waterfront villa development

na already combines luxurious opportunity for both local and

Mohammed Al Gahrib, the and developed and are confi- to partner with Tamcon on this

Alba's ESG Roadmap ... on Track, says Chairman Shaikh Daij



Shaikh Daij during the opening of Alba's Spent Pot Lining (SPL) Treatment Plant in December 2021.

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Alba is getting closer to realise the full potential of ESG goals, said Chairman of Alba's Board of Directors, Shaikh Daij Bin Salman Bin Daij Al Khalifa.

"Especially when it comes to

ters with an annual capacity to cement industries. treat 30.000 to 35.000 tonnes

Waste Management, with the as the technology provider interests to reduce and recycle Spent Pot Lining (SPL) Treat- for this facility. Now that SPL waste but also in transforming ment Plant in full operational Treatment Plant is in opera- SPL into a value-added prodswing to produce HiCal," added tions, Alba will ensure to fully uct and creating sustainable Shaikh Daij, during the opening destruct the hazardous waste value in a circular economy. of the Spent Pot Lining Treat- present in SPL, generated from Our ESG roadmap, to be pubment Plant in early December smelting operations, following lished in February 2022, will which the final product could further address Alba's needs

the Australian-based Regain ment as well as stakeholders' reach net zero by 2060."

Built over 26,000 square mebe used in the construction and and must-do-initiatives in its pursuit to embrace our nation's Adding further, Shaikh Daij Environmental & Carbon reof SPL, Alba's SPL Treatment said: "This Project represents a duction's objectives under the Plant is the first-of-its kind in tangible and a real progress, not leadership of HRH the Crown the Region. Alba has relied on only in addressing our commit- Prince and Prime Minister to

BCICAI Seminar on India's Economic Performance vs. Market Performance



Participants during the virtual seminar

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Bahrain Chapter of the In-market.
Stitute of the Chartered Amey Market Performance.

Ameya Prabhu, the Found-Accountants of India (BCICAI) er and Managing Director of Santhosh Vargheese, welcomed held a technical session on In- NAFA Capital Advisors, spoke the audience and stressed the dia's Economic Performance vs on the various elements of the need to understand the impor-

The event focused on the Foreign Remittances, citing impact of the new Omi- the historical listing compacron COVID-19 variant on the nies like as Nykaa, Zomato, e

The Chairperson of BCICAI, market and the importance of tance of changing times.



Export Bahrain, announced partnering with Ramez Hypermarkets, the retail division of Ramez International Group, to provide a platform for 'Made in Bahrain' products at local and international branches of Ramez Hypermarket. The partnership is in line with Export Bahrain's vision to encourage exports and recognize Bahrain-based brands in markets across the GCC region and further across the world. Export Bahrain Acting Chief Executive, Safa Sharif AbdulKhaliq, and Chief Executive Officer of Ramez International Group, Mohammed Ramez Alawadhi, were present.

QUOTE **OF THE** DAY

"THE HUMAN RACE HAS ONE **REALLY EFFECTIVE WEAPON, AND** THAT IS LAUGHTER"

MARK TWAIN

News in brief

• Former Malaysian prime minister Mahathir Mohamad, 96, successfully underwent an "elective medical procedure" and is expected to be discharged in a few days, the National Heart Institute said yesterday. The procedure was uneventful and went as planned," the institute said in a statement. Mahathir was admitted into the institute on Friday, the second time in as many months that he has been hospitalised. Mahathir, who has a history of heart problems, was admitted on

Dec. 16 before being discharged a week later.



Mahathir successfully underwent medical procedure

♦ Israeli foodtech startup Remilk has raised \$120 million to **scale up production** of an animal-free protein that can be used in vegan dairy products like cheeses, yogurt and ice cream, the company said. Remilk

Israel's **Remilk raises** \$120 million for animal-free dairy

developed a yeast-based fermentation process to generate proteins that it said taste and function the same as proteins in cow milk. They are free of lactose, cholesterol, and growth hormones, and the process reduces the environmental impact of dairy farming, it said. The funding round was led by NY-based Hanaco Ventures.

♦ Uttar Pradesh, India's most populous state and a key battleground for Prime Minister Narendra Modi and opposition groups, will hold elections in seven phases starting from Feb. 10, Chief Election Commissioner Sushil Chandra said on Saturday. The outcome of the election in the northern state, currently ruled by Modi's Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), will be seen a barometer for national elections due in 2024. Voting will be finalised

on March 7, with results expected from March 10, the Commission

Elections in India's most populous state to start in Feb. 10



China's

detected

announced polling dates for five states at a time when the country is facing a soaring number of coronavirus infections.

♦ The northern coastal city of Tianjin began testing its population of around 14

million yesterday after at least two local cases of the

highly-transmissible Omicron variant were detected, state media reported. Residents in four districts would be tested



said late on Saturday. So far no full lockdown order has been given. The Tianjin outbreak poses risks to Beijing and the upcoming Winter Olympics, because of the large number of commuters working and living in the two cities, the state-owned Global Times said, citing an unnamed immunologist.

not to leave town for unnecessary reasons, the government

Kazakhstan says situation stab president firmly in charge after

- 5,800 people had been arrested in connection with the unrest
- Internet remained heavily restricted, with access only available to the presidential website
- Magnum, the biggest supermarket chain, said of the 68 stores in Almaty, 15 had been completely looted

Reuters | Almaty

the country after the deadliest outbreak of violence in 30 years of independence, and troops from a Russian-led military alliance were guarding "strategic facilities".

Security and intelligence officials briefed President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev that they were continuing "clean-up" actions in what he has called a huge counter-terrorism operation across the oil-producing former Soviet republic that borders Russia and China.

Dozens of people have been killed, thousands detained and public buildings torched over the past week, prompting Tokayev to issue shoot-to-kill orders to end unrest he has blamed on bandits



A Kazakh law enforcement officer stands guard near a burnt truck while checking vehicles in a street following mass protests triggered by fuel price increase in Almaty, Kazakhstan

and terrorists.

'azakhstan authorities said Russia-led Collective Security the Ukraine crisis. yesterday they had stabi- Treaty Organisation (CSTO) sent

high tension in Russia-US rela- keeping contingent of the CSTO At Tokayev's invitation, the tions ahead of talks this week on member states," the presidential

"A number of strategic facilities the security briefing chaired by lised the situation across troops to restore order, an inter- have been transferred under the Tokayev. vention that comes at a time of protection of the united peace-

It did not identify the facilities. Last week, Russia's space agency said security had been strengthened around Kazakhstan's Baikonur Cosmodrome, used by Russia for space launches. The

office said in a statement detailing

at the Chevron-operated Tengiz oil field. "The situation has been stabilized in all regions of the country," it said, adding law enforcement agencies had seized back control of administrative buildings and

protests disrupted production

What began a week ago with demonstrations against a fuel price rise exploded into a wider protest against Tokayev's government and the man he replaced

But by then the baby was no-

Ahmadi said he searched des-

perately for his son inside the air-

port and was told by officials that he had likely been taken out of the

country separately and could be reunited with them later.

The rest of the family was evac-

uated - eventually ending up at a

military base in Texas. For months

they had no idea where their son

On the same day Ahmadi and his family were separated

from their baby, Safi had slipped through the Kabul airport gates

after giving a ride to his broth-

er's family who were also set to

Safi said he found Sohail alone

evacuate.

where to be found.

vital services were being restored.



A man walks past the office building of the Nur Otan ruling party, which was damaged during mass protests triggered by fuel price increase, in Almaty, Kazakhstan

COVID-1:9 Countries worst affected

	Country	Total cases	Total deaths
1	USA	60,954,028	859,046
2	India	35,528,004	483,790
3	Brazil	22,499,525	619,981
4	UK	14,333,794	150,057
5	France	11,815,121	125,348
6	Russia	10,650,849	316,163
7	Turkey	9,916,725	83,529
8	Germany	7,510,185	114,674
9	Italy	7,281,297	138,881
10	Spain	7,164,906	89,934
11	Argentina	6,237,525	117,465
12	Iran	6,206,405	131,878
13	Colombia	5,300,032	130,288
14	Indonesia	4 266 195	144 129

Middle East

Global tally 306,304,874

Deaths

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Recovered:

259,111,400

New cases

+382,263 New deaths

+1,609

Figures as of closing

Country	Total cases	new cases	Total deaths	New Deaths	Total recovered	Active cases
Egypt	391,945		21,938		326,265	43,742
Saudi Arabia	578,753	+3,460	8,893	+1	546,614	23,246
UAE	785,625	+2,759	2,174	+1	753,033	30,418
Kuwait	430,920		2,471		413,309	15,140
Oman	307,722	+373	4,118	+1	300,964	2,640
Qatar	266,962		618		247,553	18,791

Baby lost in chaos of Afghanistan airlift found, return **Reuters** | Kabul, Afghanistan

n infant boy handed in des-Aperation to a soldier across an airport wall in the chaos of ghanistan has been found and was reunited with his relatives in Kabul on Saturday.

The baby, Sohail Ahmadi, was just two months old when he went missing on Aug. 19 as thousands of people rushed to leave Afghanistan as it fell to the Taliban.

where a 29-year-old taxi driver guard at the US embassy - and named Hamid Safi had found him his wife Suraya feared their son in the airport and took him home would get crushed in the crowd to raise as his own.

of negotiations and pleas, and States. ultimately a brief detention by still in Kabul.

to have him reunited with his par- would soon make it the remaining



Hamid Safi, a 29-year-old taxi driver who had found baby Sohail Ahmadi in the airport, cries as he hands over Sohail to his grandfather Mohammad Qasem Razawi in Kabul, Afghanistan

uated months ago to the United to reclaim him.

Mirza Ali Ahmadi - the boy's faas they neared the airport gates After more than seven weeks en route to a flight to the United

Ahmadi told Reuters in ear-Taliban police, Safi finally hand- ly November in his desperation ed the child back to his jubilant that day, he handed Sohail over grandfather and other relatives the airport wall to a uniformed soldier who he believed to be They said they would now seek an American, fully expecting he

ents and siblings who were evac- 5 meters (15 feet) to the entrance and crying on the ground. After he

Just at that moment, Taliban During the tumultuous Afghan forces pushed the crowd back and evacuation over the summer, it would be another half an hour before Ahmadi, his wife and their Tthe baby was located in Kabul ther who had worked as a security four other children were able to get inside.

During the tumultuous Afghan evacuation over the summer, Mirza Ali Ahmadi - the boy's father who had worked as a security guard at the US embassy - and his wife Suraya feared their son would get crushed in the crowd as they neared the airport gates en route to a flight to the United States.

Baby Sohail Ahmadi is carried by a relative

Catholic Order of the Golden Fleece Stephen III of Moldavia defeats founded in Bruges in celebration of the Ottoman Empire at the Battle the prosperous and wealthy domains of Vaslui

First tea from leaves of indigenous plants of Assam, India arrives in the United



Assembly meets for 1st time in London

ilised,

as president of the resource-rich former Soviet republic, Nursultan Nazarbavev.

It has opened a rift in the ruling elite, with Tokayev fighting to consolidate his authority after sacking key officials and removing Nazarbayev from a powerful role as head of the Security

The former intelligence chief and two-time prime minister Karim Massimov, seen as close to Nazarbayev, has been arrested on suspicion of treason but authorities have not disclosed any details of the allegations against him.

State television took the unusual step at the top of its hourly news bulletin of underlining that Tokayev was "the highest official of the state, the chairman of the Security Council. In this capacity he takes decisions independent-



The violence has dealt a blow to Kazakhstan's image as a tightly controlled and stable country, which it has used to attract hundreds of billions of dollars of Western investment in its oil and minerals industries.

ned to family

said he unsuccessfully tried to locate the baby's parents inside, he decided to take the infant home to his wife and children. Safi has three daughters of his own and said his mother's greatest wish before she died was for him to have a son.

In that moment he decided: "I am keeping this baby. If his family is found, I will give him to them. If not, I will raise him myself," he told Reuters in an interview in late November.

Safi told Reuters that he took him to the doctor for a check-up after he was found and quickly incorporated the child into his family. They called the baby Mohammad Abed and posted pictures of all the children together on his Facebook page.



as they leave the house of Hamid Safi

New Dutch finance minister Kaag tests positive for COVID-19 day before inauguration

of Philip the Good, Duke of Burgundy



Sigrid Kaag, Dutch minister for foreign trade and development cooperation

Reuters | Amsterdam

The Netherlands' new finance minister Sigrid Kaag will miss the ceremonial inauguration of the new Dutch government on Monday as she has tested positive for the coronavirus.

"I have tested positive for corona. It will be a slightly different start then I had hoped for", Kaag tweeted on Sunday.

"My installation will take place digitally. Luckily I feel

Prime Minister Mark Rutte's fourth consecutive government is set to be installed by Dutch King Willem-Alexander on Monday, almost 10 months after the last election and a year since his previous administration stepped down.

Although the government coalition consists of the same four parties that have been in charge since 2017, it took a record of almost 300 days to bring them back together after the inconclusive March 17 elections made parties more reluctant than ever to compromise.

Their installation comes amid a sharp rise in coronavirus infections due to the Omicron variant, despite a broad lockdown that has kept most public places closed since mid-December.

Former United Nations diplomat Kaag served as foreign minister in the previous government and is the leader of the second-largest party in the coalition, pro-EU D66.

Besides missing the meeting with the king, she will also be absent from the traditional photograph of the new cabinet taken on the steps of the royal palace.

Seven dead, 3 missing after rock face collapse at Brazilian waterfall

Reuters | Brasilia

t least seven people died At least seven poor jured when a wall of rock collapsed on top of motor boats below a waterfall in southeastern Brazil on Saturday, the fire department said.

A tower of rocks suddenly broke away from the canyon wall and came crashing down on several leisure boats, sending out a huge wave over the lake at Capitolio, in Minas Ge-

Videos posted on social media showed tourists shouting as the column of rock crashed into

The people hurt in the ac-



Firefighters of Minas Gerais state search for victms after a wall of rock collapsed on top of motor boats below a waterfall in Capitolio, in Minas Gerais

The region has been under way, r

the water, smashing two boats. cident had broken bones and heavy rainfall for two weeks, Authorities said three peo- one was in serious condition which could have loosened the ple were still missing after oth- in hospital with head and fa- rock face. On Saturday, a dike ers feared lost were located by cial injuries. Some 23 others overflowed at an iron ore mine telephone. Divers searched the were treated for light injuries, 300 kilometers to the east, cutting off a major federal high-

No concessions: Russia takes hard line before vital talks with US

- Minister says diplomacy could fail after one session
- US official says won't discuss limits on deployments
- West threatening sanctions if Russia invades Ukraine

Reuters | Moscow

Russia said yesterday it Russia's Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Ryabkov sits into a car aft cessions under US pressure at talks this week on the Ukraine State Victoria Nuland in Moscow, crisis and its demands for Western security guarantees, and single meeting. that there was a risk they might end quickly.

prospects for negotiations that was quoted as saying. Washington hopes will avert decades ago.

Talks are due in Geneva, was entirely possible that diplo- ations. macy could end abruptly after a



Sergei Ryabkov sits into a car after talks with U.S. Under Secretary of

is an entirely possible scenar- of pushing a false narrative. The hard line from Mos- io and the Americans... should "That's like the fox saying it had cow underscored the fragile have no illusions about this," he to attack the hen house because

the danger of a new Russian any concessions under pressure ing before," he said last week. invasion of Ukraine, at the tens- and in the course of threats that est point in US-Russia relations are constantly being formed by ture, Russia sent troops into since the Cold War ended three the Western participants of the upcoming talks."

Interfax news agency quot- former Soviet republic was hit Brussels and Vienna but the ed Ryabkov, who will lead the by a wave of unrest. Its foreign state-owned RIA news agency Russian delegation in Geneva, ministry reacted furiously on quoted Deputy Foreign Minis- as saying Moscow was not opter Sergei Ryabkov as saying it timistic going into the negoti-

The comments from Ryabkov, cult to get them to leave"

who has compared the situation to the 1962 Cuban missile crisis when the world stood on the brink of nuclear war, were consistent with the uncompromising line that Russia has been signalling for weeks.

Tens of thousands of Russian troops are gathered within reach of the border with Ukraine in preparation for what Washington and Kyiv say could be an invasion, eight years after Russia seized the Crimea peninsula from Ukraine.

Russia denies invasion plans and says it is responding to what it calls aggressive and provocative behaviour from the NATO military alliance and Ukraine. its former Soviet neighbour which has tilted towards the West and aspires to join NATO.

US Secretary of State Antony "I can't rule out anything, this Blinken has accused Russia its occupants somehow pose a "Naturally, we will not make threat. We've seen this gaslight-

Further complicating the picneighbouring Kazakhstan last week after the oil-producing Saturday to a jibe by Blinken that "once Russians are in your house, it's sometimes very diffi-

Stay away in event of accident with Olympics vehicle, Beijing police warn

Reuters | China, Shenzhen

People should stay away from the special vehicles used to ferry people to and from the Winter Olympic venues in the event of a traffic incident, Beijing's traffic management authority warned on Sunday.



Personnel involved in the should avoid contact with peo-

and wait for professionals to

Winter Olympics will be kept ple outside it, the Beijing Traffic said they had begun the "closed highly transmissable Omicron.

Management Bureau said in a loop" operation, in which parpost on its Twitter-like Weibo ticipants can only leave if they are exiting the country or un-If there is an accident with dergo quarantine, to prevent one of the vehicles, people a COVID-19 outbreak among should maintain a safe distance, Games participants from leakavoid contact with those inside ing into China's general public.

The 2022 Games, which open in a "closed loop" operation and arrive at the scene, the post said. on Feb. 4, are set to take place On Wednesday organisers as the world grapples with the



TWEETS



reetings to everyone, Gespecially the Indian diaspora on Pravasi Bharatiya Diwas. Our diaspora has distinguished itself all over the world and has excelled in different spheres. At the same time, they have remained connected to their roots. We are proud of their accomplish-

@narendramodi



ur fragile planet is hanging by a thread. Every fraction of a degree warming matters. We need maximum ambition – from all countries on all fronts – to keep the 1.5 degree warming goal of the #ParisAgreeement alive. It's time to go into emergency mode.

@antonioguterres



We built the Muse-um of the Future as a global hub for scientists, thinkers and innovators - it is the ideal headquarters to develop the potential of our region's finest minds. We will act as an incubator and accelerator for fostering Arab and global talent..

@HHShkMohd

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Tarry Reid and I Harry Kera and grew up on different sides of the country, but we came from the same place where certain values run deep. Loyalty. Faith. Resolve. Service. He was a dear friend, a great American, and a giant of our history. May he rest in peace.

@JoeBiden

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Tom Holland failed to pitch young James Bond film

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The search for the next **▲** James Bond following Daniel Craig's exit after 'No Time pitch did not entirely bomb. Acto Die' would begin later this cording to the actor, his interest year, but it turns out actor Tom in doing an origin story for a Holland already tried to pitch where 007 should go next.

According to Variety, while speaking to a magazine ahead of the release of Sony's video game adaptation of 'Uncharted', Holland revealed he pitched the studio on a James Bond origin story movie in which the world's most famous spy would be a young man just starting out in the world of high-stakes espionage. "I had a meet-

ing, after or during 'Spider-Man 2' ['Spider-Man: Far From Home'], with Sony to pitch this idea of a young Bond film that I'd come up with," Holland said.

He continued, "It was the origin story of James Bond. It didn't really make sense. It didn't work. It was

the dream of a young kid, and I don't think the Bond estate [was] particularly interested."

Holland's failed James Bond

popular franchise character is part of what nudged Sony in the direction of adapting the blockbuster video game series 'Unchart-As Holland ex-

plained, "The idea of a voung Bond film sparked this idea, in turn, that you could do a Nathan Drake story as an origin story, rather than as an addition to the games. And that opened a conversation.

> stars as 'Sully' Sulli- Home'. **Tom Holland**



Holland's failed James Bond pitch did not entirely bomb. According to the actor, his interest in doing an origin story for a popular franchise character is part of what nudged Sony in the direction of adapting the blockbuster video game series 'Uncharted'

van in 'Uncharted', directed by Ruben Fleischer. The film also stars Sophia Ali, Tati Gabrielle, Holland and Antonio Banderas.

With its February 18 re-Nathan lease date in the US, the film Drake marks Sony's first tentpole oppo- of the new year and a reunsite Mark ion with Holland after the re-Wahlberg cord-breaking box office sucas Victor cess of 'Spider-Man: No Way



ANI | Washington

Hollywood star Leonardo Di-Caprio now has his own type the logging concession that had

at the Royal Botanic Gardens, journal PeerJ. Kew recently discovered a new type of tree, and decided to name name of "Uvariopsis dicaprio" is it after Leonardo, who has been a small and tropical, evergreen a long time advocate for environment-related problems.

"This threatened and spectac-trunk. ular tree is named for the American actor and conservationist ardo's tree comes at a time when Leonardo DiCaprio, who, through the actor tried to address enviseveral months in 2020, lobbied ronmental problems with fiction extensively on social media to drama 'Don't Look Up'.

draw attention to threats for the been announced at Ebo earlier According to People, scientists that year," scientists wrote in

The Leo tree - with the official tree that showcases glossy vellow flowers growing from its

The official naming of Leon-

Cher says she will never go grey

IANS | Los Angeles

Cinger Cher has opened Oup about her changing locks over the years, having switched up her signature black hair to go blonde and even red over the years, but she doesn't plan on ever stopping with the dye.

She told People magazine: "(Going grey) is fine for other girls. I'm just not doing it!" The 'Believe' hit-

maker reflected on her own outlook on makeup, and told critics to "get a life", reports femalefirst.com.

She added: "It's all about have a picture taken of me. having fun. I just think that people who worry about the I liked all (my looks), really.

way someone puts on their makeup should get a life." While she's

spent decades being photographed by fans and the paparazzi, she admitted it's nice being able to look back at how her style has changed.

Cher said: "I can't believe I did so much. actually.



It's all about having fun. I just think that people who worry about the way someone puts on their makeup should get a life

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There are few people that have had pictures taken their entire life... I don't think there was a moment that I stepped outside of my house where I didn't

"It comes in handy now. But And I made some (decisions) that were ridiculous, but I don't care."

Meanwhile, she noted how she was mocked when she first started pairing up with beau-

ty and fragrance brands, but now she feels vindicat-

She said: "I paid a big price for doing (the infomercials). I took so much heat from that, really ... (now) things have changed completely. You keep going and that's the challenge.

Cher

Kristin Davis: Ageing in the public eye is extremely stressful

IANS | Los Angeles

ctress Kristin Davis has in-A ctress Kristin Davis has inlough to age while being a public figure, because she's conI'm healthy, I'm strong, I've first.co.uk. getting older and embracing the stantly compared to her young- got this little three-year-old



brings, but finds it particularly was from a regular life, I would

stressful to be aging and to be on television, where every days on set, and although she compared to your much, much, bit of my physical being is tries to ignore the comments much younger self.



If I was from a regular life, I would feel fine; I would feel great! I'm healthy, I'm strong, I've got this little three-year-old son, and I carry him around and it's all good - but, no, I'm on television, where every bit of my physical being is analysed

KRISTIN DAVIS

tough to age while being a pub-feel fine; I would feel great! son, and I carry him around She said: "It can be extremely and it's all good - but, no, I'm analysed.

"That part was always very days". stressful and difficult for me, be- She said: "I have bad days; I

'Oh, I looked great then', like Joan Crawford. you never think that at one does."

commentary along least in this industry.' with her 'Sex and the ing the reprisal of their standards.

Kristin Davis

roles in the spin-off series, 'And Just Like That', reports female-

Leonardo

The actress said paparazzi are constantly angling for unflattering shots of the trio during long she receives, she still has "bad

cause, as much as I can look have days where I literally want back on my life and think, to put my face in a bowl of ice

"There's going to be bad picthe time. I guess no tures, and they're going to talk about them, and they're going Davis has recent- to discuss your hair, your face, ly found herself at your this and your that and the centre of ageist that's just how it is I guess a at

The actress also acknowl-City' co-stars Sarah edged ageism isn't an isolated Jessica Parker and issue, as all women have long Cynthia Nixon follow- been held to impossible beauty

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England dig in to salvage heartpumping draw in 4th Ashes Test



James Anderson and Stuart Broad walk off after the match ended in a draw

AFP | London

Battle-weary England dug deep for a gripping draw with just one wicket left to deny dominant Australia a 4-0 series lead in the fourth Ashes Test in Sydney yesterday.

Number 11 batsman James Anderson doggedly played out a tense 102nd and final over from leg-spinner Steve Smith in deteriorating evening light as England ended on 270 for nine chasing a 388run target in a heart-pumping

It all came down to the last six balls at the Sydney Cricket Ground with eight fielders crowding around the bat as Anderson fended off Smith's the beleaguered tourists a mopart-time leg-spin.

win the day-long battle and 3-0 inside 12 days. pull off a thrilling victory celebrations.

But Anderson and long-time But once both departed after pace partner Stuart Broad tea, the Australians were replayed out the remaining two lentless in taking the struggle



It was the third time in the past 12 months that Australia's attack has failed to bowl out a team on the final day, having twice squandered winning positions against India last season, and again here in Sydney on Sunday

rale-boosting fighting draw Australia had looked set to after losing the Ashes series

Ben Stokes with a gutsy 60, when they claimed the ninth his second half-century of the wicket of Jack Leach, caught match, and first-innings cenin the slips by David Warner turion Jonny Bairstow's 41 off Smith for 26 to mass team held up the Australian victory

nail-bitingly tense overs to give down to the final over.

Tottenham and Liverpool survive FA Cup scares

Lucas Moura and Harry Kane help Tottenham rally and sink Morecambe

Liverpool survive early scare to cruise to FA Cup win over Shrewsbury

AFP | London

ottenham avoided an embarrassing FA Cup exit at the hands of third-tier Morecambe yesterday as Liverpool were forced to come from behind to beat lowly Shrews-

West Ham beat Leeds 2-0 in the day's only third-round match featuring two Premier League teams while Wolves saw league system -- dominated the period following a positive test off Championship side Sheffield United 3-0.

goals from Harry Winks and O'Connor converted from close substitutes Lucas Moura and range. Harry Kane to spare their blushes and beat League One club Morecambe 3-1.

Chelsea in the first leg of their keeper Trevor Carson out and League Cup semi-final in mid-sailed into the far corner. week, with Kane given his first rest under Antonio Conte.

Robinson was absent for the Spurs would progress. game against the club where he began his playing career after testing positive for coronavirus.



Liverpool's Roberto Firmino, center, scores his side's third goal

opening half an hour but the for Covid-19. visitors went ahead in the 33rd

fluke -- midfielder Winks over- the bench. Tottenham made eight chang- hit a free-kick from the left-

Moura put Spurs ahead in the 85th minute after rounding the Cup of Nations. Morecambe boss Stephen goalkeeper and Kane made sure

Klopp returns

Liverpool boss Jurgen Klopp Spurs -- 59 places higher than was back in the dugout at An- from close range following a scored his second to make it 4-1 their opponents in the English field after finishing his isolation Nathanael Ogbeta cross.

Spurs needed a late flurry of minute when captain Anthony team players in their team to face League One side Shrewsbury at home after a Covid-af-The home were level in the fected build-up to the match, Conor Bradley's low cross from 74th minute but they needed a with more academy players on the right with one foot in a

The Merseyside club have slotting home with the other. es from the side that lost to hand side but it caught goal- also had to deal with injuries and are without Mohamed Salah, Sadio Mane and Naby Keita, Ebanks-Landell handled in an all of whom are at the Africa

Shrewsbury weathered almost half an hour of Liverpool first real attack of any threat, minutes from time with a closewhen Daniel Udoh fired home range backheel and Fabinho



Kaide Gordon, one of four teenagers handed a start in a vouthful Liverpool lineup, became the second-youngest scorer in the club's history - at 17 years and 96

Shrewsbury's lead just seven Liverpool named five youth minutes before Kaide Gordon scored his first goal for the club at the Kop end.

The 17-year-old controlled crowded penalty area before

Just before half-time Liverpool were ahead when Ethan aerial challenge with Virgil van Dijk and Fabinho scored the penalty.

Substitute Roberto Firmino possession but struck with their increased Liverpool's lead 12 with the last kick of the game.

Nadal beats Cressy to claim Melbourne title

Halep sends **Australian Open** warning with first title in 16 months

Reuters | Melbourne

Top seed Rafael Nadal beat ime Cressy 7-6(6) 6-3 to win the Melbourne Summer Set 1 ATP 250 event and build up momentum heading into the Australian Open. The Spaniard, playing his

first competitive tournament

since August, was largely untroubled as he wrapped up the win in an hour 48 minutes. Cressy was put under serious pressure by Nadal from the off, having to defend three break points in his first service game, but there was little to separate

set, which required a tiebreak. Nadal stepped on the gas set point at 5-6 down and then earning a set point of his own he converted to take the first set 7-6(6).

the two for the rest of the first

ly shut down a potential come- career." back with a break of his own to bring the set back on serve.

The Spaniard then broke again to lead 5-3 and held serve world number one Simona ciding set and break twice, beto claim the title.

"I'm coming back from some Kudermetova 6-2 6-3 at the emphatic ace.



Rafael Nadal of Spain celebrates with the trophy after his victory in Melbourne

Exactly where I would like to be is being 100 percent healthy from last year, playing until the end of the season. and with not having come back after five, six months away from competition

RAFAEL NADAL

late in the tiebreak, saving a challenging moments and injuries, so it means a lot to be held to love to secure the win. here," the 20-times Grand Slam with a forehand winner, which champion said, before praising mova battled through injury his opponent.

Cressy responded by break- it's a great start to the season. ond WTA title in the Melbourne ing first in the second set to take I wish you all the very best for Summer Set 2. a 2-1 lead, but Nadal immediate- the rest of the season and your

Halep beats Kudermetova

Earlier yesterday, former Halep stormed past Veronika fore sealing the win with an

Melbourne Summer Set 1 final to claim her 23rd career title.

Kudermetova began the contest strongly, breaking Halep's serve to take a 2-1 lead in the first set, but the two-times Grand Slam champion broke right back in the next game and then twice more to clinch the first set 6-2.

The second set unfolded in similar fashion, with Kudermetova taking the lead and Halep rallying to level the set at 2-2. Halep broke a few games later to make it 5-3 and then

American Amanda Anisito beat Aliaksandra Sasnovich "Congratulations Maxime, 7-5 1-6 6-4 and claim her sec-

Anisimova, who took a medical timeout for treatment on her left thigh in the second set, showed great resolve to fight back from 3-0 down in the de-

Barty sends Australian Open warning with **Rybakina demolition**



Ashleigh Barty

AFP | Adelaide

World number one Ashleigh Barty showed why she is the Australian Open favourite when she demolished Kazakhstan's Elena Rybakina in the final of the Adelaide International yesterday.

Barty took just 64 minutes to see off the seventh seeded Rybakina 6-3, 6-2 and claim the 14th singles title of her career.

The 25-year-old Australian has been in superb form this week and has had to beat a host of top players in a stacked top half of the

She received a first round bye, but then faced Coco Gauff (world number 22), Sofia Kenin (12) and Iga Swiatek (9) on her way to the decider.

"We've obviously had a brilliant week, been able to work progressively through each match," Barty said.

BRAVE International Combat Week 2022 to be launched in special press conference



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In association with IMMAF, LKHK Sports, BRAVE CF, and Bahrain MMA Federation, a IMMAF president, the CEO of new venture will be incorpo- KHK Sports and president of rated into the 2022 edition of BRAVE CF, Mohammed Shahid, BRAVE International Combat and president of the Bahrain

The biggest combat sports Qamber. festival in Asia will take place in the Kingdom of Bahrain, new format that promises to the upcoming BRAVE Combring in a new era for combat bat Federation event that is a

noon, in a special press con- page @bravemmaf.

ference to be held at the Wyndham Garden Manama Hotel. in the heart of Bahrain, with the presence of Kerrith Brown, MMA Federation, Mohamed

They will present the new format for the BRAVE Interthis March, with a brand national Combat Week and sports. It will be live streamed staple of the BICW in recent on BRAVE CF's YouTube years, as well as details of the channel starting at 4:00 PM MMA Super Cup. The trio will also be available for questions The 2022 BICW will be of- that can be put forth by media ficially launched today after- through BRAVE CF's Twitter

HH Shaikh Nasser hails '2 Seas **Motorsport'** team's victory



HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al

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m M}}$ the King's Representative for Humanitarian Work and Youth Affairs, His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, has expressed deep pride in the success of "2 Seas Motorsport" team, captained by His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Abdulla bin Hamad Al Khalifa, in clinching the title of the Gulf 12 Hours, held at Yas Marina Circuit in Abu

"We are very proud of this achievement," HH Shaikh Nasser posted on his Instagram account.

HH Shaikh Nasser indicated that the victory adds to Bahrain's rich record of accomplishments at international sports gatherings, adding that it will be a catalyst for the team to continue its successes in the coming period.

Loeb records stunning Dakar stage win to keep alive BRX victory hopes

Sebastien Loeb takes Dakar seventh stage to cut into Nasser Al-Attivah's advantage

Loeb claimed his second stage victory of the 2022 Dakar Rally

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ebastien Loeb recorded a spectacular Dakar Rally stage win for Bahrain Raid Xtreme to keep alive his hopes of a first triumph in the event.

The nine-times World Rally Champion in the BRX Prodrive Hunter won the 402-km seventh stage from Riyadh to Al Dawadimi by a stunning 5 mins 26secs from Nasser Al Attivah to reclaim second place overall.

The result reduced the Qatari's outright lead to 44 mins 59 secs, and while the gap is still considerable, Loeb and that the battle for victory could go all the in Riyadh. way to Friday's finish in Jeddah, which is five stages and 1.567 km away.

BRX win in seven stages, and their second of the rally, on a day when team-mates Orlando Terranova and Dani Oliveras in another Prodrive Hunter set the 11th fastest time to rise again to sixth place in even quicker." the standings.



Sebastien Loeb drives his BRX Prodrive Hunter during the seventh stage

Loeb, whose car's spare wheel hatch flew open on the stage, said: "Only half The French duo notched up the third of the rally is done but we tried to push been another victory for the team with today even though we were a little un- Sebastien and Fabian to make win numlucky towards the end of the stage with a ber three, so that's great to see in the eyes problem when the car stopped. We were of everyone at BRX when we arrived at very slow at the end and could have gone the bivouac."

Fabian Lurquin have served a reminder Dakar resumed following the rest day dust with stones, cutting corners, driving all over the road. So for us the navigation was not easy at all.

"However it's brilliant that there has

Roma finished the stage to say: "Not ning the previous stage, said: "I think that another five minutes taken out of Nasser. Completing a rewarding day for BRX, a bad day at all, but what was difficult it was the hardest day for opening the It's still a long way to go, but we keep Nani Roma and Alex Haro recorded the was passing one of the buggies, as then stage. The piste and the tracks were not trying every kilometre to take a little bit,



Sebastien Loeb



Only half of the rally is done but we tried to push today even though we were a little unlucky towards the end of the stage with a problem when the car stopped. We were very slow at the end and could have gone even quicker

SEBASTIEN LOEB

directions so in all I think we did a good job but we need to work on improving finding our way again when we make a mistake. That's a challenge for us."

Gus Beteli, the BRX Team Principal, Terranova, who started first after win-said: "A great win for Seb and Fabian with ninth best time on the stage as the 44th he passed us back and kicked up a load of visible with stones and a lot of changes of so not a bad day at all after the rest day.'

Ettihad open Silver League with big win

Brian Bridgeforth and Ahmed Ghanim combine for 52 points to spearhead Al Ettihad in 51-point victory over Isa Town

Nuwaidrat eke out narrow seven-point win over Sitra for second straight triumph in this stage of competition

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l Ettihad opened their cam-Apaign in the Silver League of the 2021/2022 Zain Bahrain Basketball League with a lopsided 121-70 victory over Isa Town last night at Zain Basketball Arena in Um Al Hassam.

Ettihad were in control of the game from the opening tip. They took a 27-16 lead at the end of the first period and extended their advantage to 61-36 at the break. They maintained their high scoring in the second half, final two quarters, and enjoyed their biggest lead of 54 points late in the contest.

Ghanim combined for 52 bench to score 13. points to spearhead the winners. Bridgeforth top scored 16 rebounds while blocking ed 18. four blocked shots. Ghanim



scoring 30 points in each of the Al Ettihad's Brian Bridgeforth goes for a two-handed slam dunk during their game against Isa Town

and five assists. Mohamed Gha-Brian Bridgeforth and Ahmed Hashem Alwadaie came off the other Silver League game.

with 24 points and 10 rebounds sure-packed free-throws with 15. They suffered their first loss with 27 markers and grabbed in the loss. Mansoor Jaber add- just under a minute remaining to go with a win in their opening

Meanwhile, Nuwaidrat edged zwan chipped in with 15 while past Sitra 78-71 in vesterday's

Hassan Abbas and Hu-Hussain Mahdi led Isa Town sain Hasan buried four presto help stretch Nuwaidrat's lead Isa Town suffered their sec- after Sitra cut it down to three. added 25 with nine rebounds ond successive loss of this stage. Sitra tried valiantly to narrow scheduled to resume on Friday.



ished with 21 points to lead Nuwaidrat against Sitra while Hasan Abbas added 20. They buried an impressive eight three-pointers between them, with Hasan alone firing in five

the gap but Nuwaidrat did well to keep it a multi-possession

Hasan finished with 21 points while Abbas scored 20. They buried eight three-pointers between them, with Hasan alone firing in five. Anthony Walker was held to just nine points before fouling out but he had 15 rebounds and four blocks.

Marcel Jones scored 35 for Sitra, which included five triples. Husain Safar was their only other player in double figures with

Action in the Silver League is

Canada sweep past Spain to win maiden ATP Cup title

AFP | Sydney

₹anadian Felix Auger-Ali-✓ assime stormed through a gripping clash with Spanish star Roberto Bautista Agut for a massive victory that earned his country a maiden ATP Cup title yesterday.

Their Sydney showdown followed Denis Shapovalov ending Pablo Carreno Busta's winning start to the season $6\text{--}4,\,6\text{--}3$ to set the scene for a $\,$ Canada's Denis Shapovalov in action crunch second singles rubber. during his final singles match

World number 11 Auger-Aliassime beat third-ranked Alexander Zverev during the tournament and again showed his class to down 19th-ranked Bautista Agut 7-6 (7/3), 6-3 and seal the tournament for

The Novak Djokovic-led Serbia won the inaugural edition of the teams event in 2020, when the Rafael Nadal-led Spain also had to settle for second, with Daniil Medvedev's Russia earning the title last year.

"The emotions are unbelievable, there is no better feeling than winning, we left everything out there," said Auger-Aliassime.

"We lost our first four of course myself. matches in this competition, but never stopped believing.

"We trust each other, Denis and I and everyone on the team, and I think that is very in the final after stunning deimportant. I'm super thrilled for everyone on the team, and Saturday.





Canada, the first team in the ATP Cup's threeyear history to have lost a tie en route to the final, were swept by the United States in their group opener and also lost their first match against Britain

"Spain is always difficult, they've been the best nation in the world for some time."

Canada earned their place fending champions Russia on