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HM King, HRH Prince Salman support for charity work hailed

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister's constant support for the Royal Humanitarian Foundation's charity work has been praised.

HM the King's Personal Representative for Humanitarian Work and Youth Affairs, His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, highlighted the royal leadership's unwavering care for orphans, widows



HM the King



HRH Prince Salman

and all social sectors to provide decent life for all.

HM the King is the Honorary President of the RHF.

HH Shaikh Nasser was speaking as he chaired yesterday the meeting of the RHF's Board of Trustees at his office.

RHF Secretary General, Dr Mustafa Al Sayed Al Ameen, hailed His Majesty's unwavering support for the RHF's work and HH Shaikh Nasser's constant follow-up and creative leadership.

He also updated the meeting on the strategic and investment

projects implemented by the RHF in Bahrain and abroad, as well as its efforts to deliver support and services to orphans, widows and all needy sectors in the kingdom.

Members of the RHF's board praised the royal directives and the constant support enjoyed by the RHF from HM the King and the government.

They commended HH Shaikh Nasser's major role in developing the RHF's services, in line with the aspirations of HM the King.

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LMRA takes action against unlicensed establishment

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The Labour Market Regulatory Authority (LMRA) has identified an unlicensed establishment that acted as an employment (manpower) office.

The establishment has been facilitating the entry of expats into Bahrain, while promising false high-paying jobs, in turn rendering them vulnerable to exploitation.

The LMRA made the action in cooperation with the General Directorate of Criminal Investigation and Forensic Science of the Ministry of Interior.

The unlicensed establishment has posted several false job opportunities on various social media platforms then facilitated expats' entry into the Kingdom in return for money.

It was traced and the LMRA has taken the necessary action, prior to referring them to the Public Prosecution for further legal actions.

The LMRA urged the public to cooperate with government entities by refraining from dealing with unlicensed employment offices.

Reduce tensions, talk about peace

UAE president pushes for dialogue to end Ukraine crisis during meeting with Putin

Dubai

The UAE President Shaikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan highlighted the need for dialogue between all parties to the Ukraine crisis during a visit to St Petersburg, Russia yesterday.

During a meeting with Putin, Shaikh Mohamed said his country seeks to contribute to strengthening the foundations of peace and stability in the world, and is working to reduce tensions and find diplomatic solutions to crises.

He called for the continuation of serious consultations to resolve the Ukraine crisis through dialogue, negotiation, and diplomacy to reach a political settlement.

The two presidents also reviewed a number of regional

and international issues and developments of common concern during discussions.

The UAE's foreign ministry said on Monday that the president's visit to Russia aims to help reach "effective political solutions" to the Ukrainian crisis.

The Gulf country "seeks to achieve positive results to reduce military escalation,

reduce humanitarian repercussions, and reach a political settlement to achieve

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UAE PRESIDENT SHAIKH MOHAMED BIN ZAYED AL NAHYAN



UAE President Shaikh Mohamed and President Putin hold talks in Saint Petersburg, Russia

global peace and security," the ministry said.

Meanwhile, Putin said Emi-

rati-Russian ties are an important factor of regional and global stability.

"Despite all the difficulties that exist in the international relations today, ties between Rus-

sia and the United Arab Emirates are an important factor of stability in the region and the entire world," Russia's president said at the start of his talks with Shaikh Mohamed.

Thumbs up for US proposal

Lebanon-Israel maritime border demarcation 'deal'

Beirut

Lebanon and Israel yesterday approved the final version of a US proposal for the maritime border demarcation between the two countries.

The Lebanese presidency said it "considers the final version of this offer satisfactory to Lebanon, especially as it meets the Lebanese demands that have

quired effort and long hours of difficult and complex negotiations." It added: "The presidency believes that the final formula preserves Lebanon's rights to its natural wealth, at an important time for the Lebanese."

Israeli Prime Minister Yair Lapid said: "Lebanon and Israel have reached a historic agreement regarding the demar-

would meet today to ratify the agreement. "The agreement will enhance Israel's security, inject billions into the Israeli economy, and ensure the stability of our northern borders," he said.

Lebanon's Deputy Parliament Speaker Elias Bou Saab, who handled the negotiations with US mediator Amos Hochstein, said the agreement "will secure economic stability in the

ment, which was verbally agreed upon, gives Lebanon the 860 sq. km area delineated by Line 23 — an issue that has been disputed for a decade — as well as revenues from the section that crosses Line 23 from the Qana field to Israel's exclusive economic zone.

Lebanon has abandoned its demand to hold on to Line 29, which would have given it most

King Charles' coronation set for May 6, 2023
London

The coronation of British King Charles III will take place on May 6 next year, Buckingham Palace announced yesterday.

The coronation ceremony will be held at Westminster Abbey in London and conducted by the Archbishop





HM the King

HRH Prince Salman

Bahrain congratulates Spain on National Day

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, sent cables of congratulations to His Majesty Felipe VI of Spain, on his country's National Day.

HM King Hamad and HRH Prince Salman wished King Felipe health and happiness for the people of Spain further

progress and prosperity.

HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister sent a similar cable to Prime Minister Pedro Sanchez.

HM the King sent a cable of congratulations to President Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo of Equatorial Guinea, on his country's Independence Day.

His Majesty wished good health and happiness to President Mbasogo on the national occasion.

Bahrain-Angola financial and economic cooperation



Finance and National Economy Minister Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa received the newly appointed Ambassador of Angola, residing in Abu Dhabi Almino Malungu. The Minister congratulated the Ambassador on his new post, wishing him success on his diplomatic duties and that he will enhance the cooperation between the two countries. They discussed ways to promote cooperation in the financial and economic fields and other topics of interest.

Industrial and commercial ties



Industry and Commerce Minister Zayed Rashid Al Zayani received Ambassador of Angola residing in Abu Dhabi, Almino Malungu. The meeting reviewed topics of common interest. The Minister reviewed the bilateral relations and developments at all levels. He noted the importance of developing relations in the industrial and commercial fields. The Ambassador praised the Ministry's efforts towards strengthening cooperation between the two countries in all fields and serve interest.

Bahrain-Algeria relations



Advisor to His Majesty the King for Media Affairs Nabeel bin Yacoub Al Hamer received Algerian Ambassador to Bahrain Abdelhamid Ahmed Khoja. Al Hamer praised the deep Bahraini-Algerian relations at all levels, including the media field. He praised the Ambassador's efforts to develop cooperation and wished him success in his diplomatic duties. The Ambassador expressed his pride in the distinguished relations between Bahrain and Algeria and his keenness to support and strengthen them in various fields.

Royal trust on RHF humanitarian work

HH Shaikh Nasser hails HM King and HRH Prince Salman support for foundation's initiatives

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The Royal Humanitarian Foundation (RHF) has extended thanks and appreciation to His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa for his constant support for humanitarian work and unwavering care for orphans, widows and all social sectors in order to provide decent life for all.

His Majesty is the Honorary President of the RHF.

HM the King's Personal Representative for Humanitarian Work and Youth Affairs, His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, praised HM the King's kind gestures towards brotherly and friendly countries and peoples.

It reflects the fundamental stances of the Kingdom's leadership, government and people towards various countries, within HM's efforts to consolidate global solidarity, based on the fraternal and humanitarian bonds between Bahrain and various peoples of the world, HH Shaikh Nasser noted.

He also extended deepest thanks and gratitude to HM King Hamad following the issuance of a Royal Order on restructuring the RHF's Board of Trustees, under HH Shaikh Nasser's chairmanship.

Royal expectations

HH Shaikh Nasser pledged that everyone shall do their utmost to live up to the royal expectations, and achieve HM the King's visions on ensuring the welfare of the Bahraini people, alleviating the living burdens of families and developing the performance of the RHF.

He also commended the constant support of the government, led by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, to the RHF.

HH Shaikh Nasser was speaking while chairing at HH's Office yesterday the meeting of the RHF's Board of Trustees.

RHF Secretary-General, Dr



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Mustafa Al Sayed Al Ameen, lauded HM the King's unwavering support for the RHF's work, praising HH Shaikh Nasser's constant follow-up and creative leadership.

He also updated the meeting on the strategic and investment projects implemented by the RHF in Bahrain and abroad, as well as its efforts to deliver support and services to orphans,



HH Shaikh Nasser chairs RHF's board meeting

widows and all needy sectors in the kingdom.

Members of the RHF's board praised the royal directives and the constant support enjoyed by the RHF from HM the King and the government.

They commended HH Shaikh Nasser's major role in developing the RHF's services, in line with the aspirations of HM the King.

Contributions

HH Shaikh Nasser congratulated the board members on the precious royal trust bestowed upon them by appointing them as members of the RHF's Board of Trustees, commending the efforts of their predecessors and their contributions to implementing HM the King's directives to deliver humanitarian

work in Bahrain and abroad, as well as develop the RHF's work.

He expressed his confidence in the ability of the members of the new board to bring about more achievements, provide assistance to various sectors of society, and project the kingdom's humanitarian image and humanitarian stances to all.

HH Shaikh Nasser directed to continue implementing HM the King's directives to carry out humanitarian work with creativity and provide distinguished and comprehensive care for orphans, widows and all deserving groups in the kingdom, in addition to contributing to alleviating the suffering of peoples in brotherly and friendly countries, based on the human duty that our true teachings of the Islamic religion.

Letter-writing contest winners



The winners of the 'My Favorite Teacher' letter writing contest are awarded with cash award worth \$600 and trophies at a ceremony held at the Laurels Centre for Global Education. Above, Abdul Jaleel Abdulla, the Director of Laurels, Dr Ashraf Labana, Principal of Alia National School, along with the winners from New Millennium School, Alia National School, Sacred Heart School, Indian School, Al Mahad Day Boarding School and the Asian School.

Focus on plans, projects in boosting diplomatic training



Dr Al Zayani at the board of trustees meeting

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The Board of Trustees of the Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa Academy for Diplomatic Studies (MBMA) discussed its most plans and projects in the field of diplomatic training.

Foreign Affairs Minister Dr Abdullah bin Rashid Al Zayani, the academy's chairman, presided over its board of trustees' third meeting for the year 2022.

The Minister praised the academy's outstanding efforts in creating and implementing various programs and events targeting Bahraini diplomats in the professional and academic aspects of various diplo-

matic, consular, administrative and legal affairs, in support of the Kingdom's foreign policy objectives.

The academy's goals of the previous period were reviewed, in addition to training statistics of all MoFA employees since the beginning of the year.

The meeting also reviewed the training plan for the third and fourth quarters of this year, as well as various aspects of international cooperation between the academy and other training and professional bodies.

MBMA board of trustees' members expressed their appreciation for the academy's efforts and active role in further training and skills development of the ministry's employees.

'Appeals being filed' after rejection of candidatures

561 candidates have filed nominations for 40 parliament and 30 municipal council seats

Staff Reporter

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Many poll hopefuls filed their appeals yesterday after their nominations were rejected by the electoral committee.

This follows the committee rejecting many candidatures over criminal accusations, address issues, absence of name in the voters' list as well as lack of Arabic proficiency.

Among the prominent citizens whose candidatures were rejected was Hassan Rajab and Hamid Samir, who filed the nomination to represent the Second Electoral Constituency of the Capital Governorate.

Former lawmaker Ali Shamout's candidature was as well rejected. Saeed Al Sammak, who filed the nomination to represent the Sixth Electoral Constituency in the Capital Governorate, also had his candidature rejected while Isa Rabie's (Eighth Electoral Constituency) nomination was subjected to rejection by the electoral authorities.

It is learnt that eight electoral appeals were filed in the Capital Governorate while seven appeals were filed in the Southern Governorate.

Meanwhile, candidate Murad Ali Murad lodged a complaint against the candidature of Adel Al Asoomi, alleging that there is a discrepancy with regard to the residential address he has produced before the electoral committee.

Speaking to members of the media earlier, Issa Sami Al Man-



Fatima Habil, Head of electoral supervisory centre for the Southern Governorate, speaks to the media

nai, the Undersecretary for Justice and Islamic Affairs within the Ministry of Justice, Islamic Affairs and Endowments, said potential candidates can file appeals through the national portal bahrain.bh.

"The electronic appeals service that can be found in the electoral website will be available round the clock during this specific period and the ministry has issued a set of guidelines for the process."

According to the law, any potential candidate has the right to appeal the decision by the electoral supervisory committee before higher judicial authorities and a decision will be taken by the higher judicial authority within seven days of filing the appeal.

In the meanwhile, close to 300 observers belonging to civil societies and non-governmental organisations will be taking up the electoral role to function as poll monitors.

According to Legislation and Legal Opinion Commission President and Election Executive Director Nawaf Abdullah Hamza, the authorities will be striving to ensure the commitment to uphold citizens' constitutional rights of choosing their representatives throughout the two decades since the launch of the first legislative term in 2002.

He has stressed that the electoral process will be monitored and supervised by the judiciary throughout all its stages, to ensure transparency and the integrity of the elections. And that the higher committee will continue to cooperate with independent civil societies to monitor the electoral process.

Among the 561 candidates contesting in 40 parliamentary and 30 municipal council seats, 107 are women, creating a milestone in the empowerment of women within the democratic process.

The candidate lists will be

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displayed until today and the potential candidates can challenge the supervisory committees' decisions till evening.

The committees must issue their final decisions by October 15, which can be challenged in court no later than October 18, and the court rulings must be issued by October 25.

The final list of candidates will be announced on October 26. The Kingdom will head to the polls on November 12 with a run-off fixed on November 19.

COURT STORY

Court orders local company to pay BD22,400 to employee

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The Supreme Labour Court obligated the owner of a Single Person Company (SPC) to pay more than BD22,000 to a worker for over two years' worth of labour arrears.

The lawyer of the plaintiff stated that her client joined an SPC under title of Business Manager for a salary of BD800.

"The employer failed to pay him for 28 months of service, totalling BD22,400 - despite acknowledging the amount owed to the plaintiff and giving him an official statement thereof," the lawyer said.

"My client gave the employer long periods of time to pay his salaries, patiently awaiting delays in fulfilling contractual obligations while sincerely performing his professional duties. He resorted to amicable means of settling the claim through the Individual Labour Dispute Resolution Authority at the Ministry of Labour. However, all conciliation efforts ended in failure due to unresponsiveness of the other party," the lawyer explained.

The plaintiff was forced to file a lawsuit demanding pay-



ment of delayed wages from January 2019 to June 2021, in addition to compensation of the legally prescribed percentage for pending arrears as a trading company.

This is in addition to paying the plaintiff's annual leave allowance for four years of service from 2018 to 2021, as well as handing him a certificate of end of service.

Given the plaintiff's legal standing, the court ruled in his favour, obliging the defendant to pay the plaintiff's labour arrears with an annual interest rate of 6% for delayed payment during the first six months.

This percentage increases by 1% for each month of delay thereafter without exceeding 12%, from the date of entitlement until full payment.

RCSI degree for Dr Al Ansari

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The Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI) has bestowed the degree of Adjunct Professor on Chief Executive of Government Hospitals Dr Ahmed Mohammed

Al Ansari.

The degree is a tribute for Dr Al Ansari's professional and academic contributions throughout his career and his close cooperation with RCSI through the compilation of numerous researches and studies.

'Credibility and professionalism' in media

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There is a need to promote the role of the media in serving the nation and raising public awareness by providing media materials characterised by credibility and professionalism.

This was emphasised by Information Minister Dr Ramzan bin Abdullah Alnoaimi during a meeting with the ministry's affiliates who are participating in the "Outside the Box" creativity initiative.

Dr Alnoaimi affirmed that developing the visual content on all platforms of the ministry constitutes a priority to provide a media service that is consistent with the international fast-paced developments in this field.

He commended the directives



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DR RAMZAN BIN ABDULLAH ALNOAIMI, INFORMATION MINISTER

and unlimited support of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, to the media field, describing it as a strong incentive for more creativity and innovation.

The Minister expressed most sincere thanks and appreciation to the participants in the initiative for their visions

and ideas, stressing keenness of the ministry to support all its creative employees and competencies.

Dr Alnoaimi pointed out that the initiative, since its announcement last September until the submission deadline, has received 192 ideas submitted by 92 employees in various media fields. He noted that those ideas will be studied and evaluated in order to carry them out gradu-

ally in the future.

A committee will be formed for the evaluation and will comprise in its membership an elite of national experts from the media field.

He also noted that the ministry is currently working on the creation of "the media creative ideas bank", in line with its goals set within the "creators lab", to form a national creativity stockpile of visual ideas.

Praise for community initiatives to support diabetic children

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Supreme Council of Health (SCH) President Lieutenant-General Dr Shaikh Mohammed bin Abdullah Al Khalifa has praised the role of governmental and private institutions in

supporting humanitarian and charitable works as well as government efforts in providing assistance to patients.

This came as Dr Shaikh Mohammed, also president of Bahrain Diabetes Society (BDS),

presented insulin pumps to a number of children in Salmaniya Medical Complex (SMC), Bahrain Defence Force (BDF) Hospital and King Hamad University Hospital (KHUH).

The pumps were donated by

Good Word Society, Kaaf Humanitarian and STC.

Dr Shaikh Mohammed stressed the importance of cooperation and support for the BDS so that it fulfils its role through its programs that aim to care for

all diabetic patients and particularly provide insulin pumps for children.

He expressed his appreciation for the government and private hospitals' role in providing the best health services to all pa-

tients.

Public Health Assistant Undersecretary and BDS Vice President Dr Mariam Al Hajri expressed her appreciation to the Royal Humanitarian Foundation (RHF).



3,752 face legal action for driving on hard shoulders

Since the beginning of the school year, the General Traffic Department has stopped 95 vehicles for the same violation

● **Directorate urges drivers to follow rules and regulations for own safety**

Zahra Ayaz
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More than 3,700 drivers are set to face legal action after taking their vehicles on hard shoulders, which is only meant for emergency use.

As per the traffic directorate, cases have been filed against 3,752 drivers. The directorate has always been urging the drivers to follow the rules and regulations for their own safety.

As part of its role in implementing the law, the General Traffic Department had conducted field and media awareness campaigns to show the seriousness of this violation and its impact on traffic safety rates.

Keeping citizens' safety in mind, the presence of traffic patrols has increased in various streets where the rate of violations has increased, with the goal of limiting them.

Some drivers find it very convenient driving on the hard shoulder. Little do they realise – or choose not to accept – that under the law it is a violation, say sources.

“Motorists find the hard shoulder the easiest way to race ahead on the road. It saves time, say these reckless drivers.”

According to police officials, the hard shoulder is considered a blind area and drivers should not be driving on them whatever the reason is. Driving on hard shoulders can also lead to fatal accidents.

The Daily Tribune has published many reports on the Kingdom's traffic jam crisis. Despite best efforts to address the traffic woes that erupted following the reopening of schools in the Kingdom, tailbacks are a common scene and commuters are reportedly having difficulties in moving from one point to the other across the nation.

School day timings and bus departures were rescheduled a few weeks ago by the authorities as part of easing the traffic jams, which had become notorious.

The move aimed at ensuring the interests of students, parents and commuters by imple-



Driving on hard shoulders is a serious violation of traffic rules

menting mechanisms to facilitate an easy flow of traffic across the Kingdom's road networks.

As per the Education Ministry's decision, the school day now begins at 7:05 am at all public educational institutions and end at 12:35 pm at primary schools (including those of the Religious and Jaffari institutes), 1:30 pm at intermediate schools, 1:45 and 2:15 pm at secondary schools and the Religious and Jaffari institutes (for both the intermediate and secondary levels).

Regarding technical schools, the school day timings remain unchanged, from 7:05 am to 1:45 for morning period students,

and from 2:00 pm to 7:30 pm for the evening period students.

Earlier, the Ministry of Interior confirmed that efforts are being intensified to ensure the smooth flow of traffic across the country.

The Community Service Police in all four governorates and the General Traffic Department have increased their presence in the vicinity of schools and kindergartens to ensure safe passage for students and teachers.

The traffic chaos began after more than 147,000 students returned to 210 government schools following a long gap of almost three years.

Al Zayani hails Alba 'influential part' in major industrial growth



Al Zayani with Shaikh Daij

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Industry and Commerce Minister Zayed bin Rashid Al Zayani has commended the influential part played by the Bahrain Aluminium Company (Alba) in boosting growth in the industrial sector, and increasing the demand for Bahraini aluminum globally.

Al Zayani highlighted the major contributions of national companies to the economy as he visited yesterday Alba, in the presence of its Chairman, Shaikh Daij bin Salman bin Daij Al Khalifa, and Chief Executive Officer, Ali Al Baqali.

The Minister stressed the government's commitment to continue supporting national companies to achieve the national economic development objectives.

During the visit, Al Zayani inspected the sixth smelting line expansion project and was briefed on the progress of operations. He also toured the rest of the factory and listened to an explanation of all stages of manufacturing and production processes.

Shaikh Daij noted that this visit reflects the government's care to the industrial sector, in general, and to the aluminum one, in particular.

The Chairman affirmed that Alba constantly seeks to explore further expansion projects, upgrades and new facilities for the company's operations, thus enhancing its competitiveness in the global aluminum industry and achieving the objectives of Bahrain's Economic Vision 2030.

Padulang Bisdak 2022 successful

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Filipinos gathered to celebrate Padulang Bisdak 2022, an annual sports festival held at A' Ali Sports Club from 8am to 5pm on 7 October.

Philippine Embassy Charge de Affaires Anne Jalondono Louis graced the opening ceremony of the event as she tossed the ball of a basketball game between Blue and Green Teams.

According to Rachel Ann “Potpot” Ortega, PRO of Global Bisdak Bahrain, the festival aims to promote solidarity through sports, saying: “After more than two years, we don't have any major events or activities because of the pandemic. Members were really excited for this sports' day as we finally gathered again.”

The Yellow Team emerged as the overall champion as it



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dominated scores in basketball, volleyball, badminton and table tennis.

GFH acquires second US Medical Clinics Portfolio valued at \$400m

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GFH Financial Group has announced increasing its exposure to the medical office/clinics sector through a second US Medical Clinics Portfolio in a transaction valued at \$400 million.

The income-yielding portfolio is comprised of 11 geographically diversified assets spread across four US states – California, Texas, Maryland and Louisiana.

Covering an area exceeding 1 million square feet, the Portfolio is anchored by investment-grade credit tenancy through Baylor Scott & White (Moody's Aa3), Texas A&M Health Science Center (Fitch: AAA), Texas Tech University (Fitch AA+), Memorial Hermann (S&P: A+) and Tidal Health (Moody's: Aa3). The assets also offer unique specializations within their respective

submarkets, positioning them for high occupancy and rent growth.

Supporting the investment, the medical clinics sector has been strong performing and proven to be highly resilient to economic downturns, with 99% rent collection during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Furthermore, the medical clinics occupancy reflected the strong demand for the sector in the first half of 2022 according to Colliers reaffirming its resiliency.

The sector also continues to benefit from population growth and the aging of the US population accompanied by a steady increase in healthcare expenditure, which accounted for 19% of the US GDP in 2021 as well as the continued increase in demand for outpatient services that are provided in the medical clinic



Mr Nael Mustafa ... support for the healthcare sector is among GFH Financial Group's priorities

sector.

The investment capitalises on the joint venture partnership with Big Sky Medical (Big Sky), a highly reputed and experienced asset management platform focusing on medical assets with a proven track record of acquiring and managing healthcare properties.

The principals of Big Sky

Medical have invested in nearly 6m square feet comprising approximately 100 medical assets across 19 states with an overall current portfolio value of \$2 billion.

GFH aligns interests with Big Sky medical as both share the same focus of investing in and aggregating assets in the high-demand and downturn-re-

sistant medical sector.

GFH's partnership with Big Sky has already resulted in a number of acquisitions totaling approximately \$500mn in the past six months alone. This transaction is the third in a series of joint acquisitions.

Commenting, Mr Nael Mustafa, Co-Chief Investment Officer – Real Estate at GFH, said,

“We are pleased to announce the acquisition of this prime, income-yielding medical clinic portfolio as part of GFH's ongoing expansion in the medical office building sector in fast-growing cities across the US. We believe strongly in the long-term fundamentals in the healthcare sector and the dynamics that are supporting an increase in demand for high-quality medical office space. This includes aging populations and growth in out-patient care which continues to make the sector highly recession-resilient and unimpacted by economic cycles. We look forward to working with our partner Big Sky Medical to maximise the value of these assets.”

To date, GFH has built a portfolio of assets in the US medical office building sector valued at \$1 billion.

Silah Gulf represents Bahrain's digiverse at GITEX Global 2022

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Silah Gulf, multi-award-winning customer-experience business process outsourcing (BPO) provider, will demonstrate its advanced customer service and AI solutions at the GITEX GLOBAL Technology Expo in Dubai this week. The world's largest, most inclusive tech and startup event, now known as GITEX GLOBAL, hosts 5,000 companies across a two million square feet exhibition space between October 10 and 14.

GITEX GLOBAL unifies the world's most influential ecosystems advancing business, economy, society and culture through



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the sheer power of innovation. It facilitates a platform for the most transformative technologies that are shaking up ecosystems worldwide. New launches and cutting-edge developments include 5G, Artificial Intelligence, Cloud & Edge, Cybersecurity, Fintech, Blockchain, Data Analytics and Smart Cities.

With its significant CX experience in the region, Silah Gulf's CX journey as well as its efforts in training and career development find resonance in the vibrant global community network of technical minds, skills and talent. Silah Gulf's focus will be on highlighting its cloud-based

solutions, while also showcasing products like Artificial Intelligence, Automation, Cloud Computing, CRM Solutions, as well as Robotics, Security, Software and Virtualization.

The organization's continually evolving CX solutions have demonstrated the potential to transform and upgrade efficiency of core operational processes, not only improving productivity and end-user experience for their clients, but also strengthening the overall business performance.

Mr. Feras Ahmed, CEO of Silah Gulf noted that Bahrain's steady participation every year reflects

the importance the Kingdom places on the ICT sector and on showcasing its most recent initiatives in digital transformation.

"ICT continues to be a key focus of the government's Economic Vision 2030 and it demonstrates that emphasis through sustained efforts to highlight the strength and innovation of Bahrain's ICT sector. Our participation also demonstrates Silah Gulf's experience as Bahrain's top supplier of business and technology outsourcing services. Our efforts will also promote Bahrain as a viable business outsourcing destination and competitive solutions provider."

Bahraini startups strike deals @ GITEX

● The week kicked off with the signing of an agreement by Bahraini startup VirtuThinko

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Bahrain's delegation to GITEX 2022 officially kicked off their participation in the exhibition on Monday in Dubai.

The Labour Fund (Tamkeen) sponsored the Bahrain Pavilion and supported the participation of 30 Bahraini SMEs and Startups from the information technology and telecommunications (ICT) sector. The delegation includes a number of partners from Bahrain's ecosystem such as the Information and eGovernment Authority, the Economic Development Board, Bahrain Development Bank and Hope Fund. Bahrain's participation is being organized in collaboration with Bahrain Technology Companies Society (BTECH).

The week kicked off with the signing of an agreement by Bahraini startup VirtuThinko W.L.L. agreement on their first day participating in GITEX with the Boston-based American company HYCU, which specializes



Bahrain's delegation to GITEX 2022

in cloud data protection with the purpose of providing their services in the region.

Additionally, the Bahraini digital transformation solutions provider exhibiting in the Bahrain Pavilion, Atyaf eSolutions announced a partnership with Codebase Technologies, a world-leading provider of Open API Banking solutions to create an innovative and first-of-its-kind 3-in-1 marketplace enablement platform, Dinarii.

Bahrain's Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates, Shaikh Khalid bin Abdullah bin Ali Al

Khalifa, visited the Bahrain Pavilion and its exhibitors as part of the Pavilion's opening, where he was received by the Acting Chief Executive of the Labour Fund (Tamkeen) Maha Mofeez, members of the delegation, and participating Bahraini SMEs who showcased their innovative products and services.

Shaikh Khalid expressed his appreciation for Bahrain's unique presence in GITEX and the innovative concepts presented by Bahraini entrepreneurs from the Kingdom's ICT sector with technology that matches

leading global trends and advancements. He also praised Tamkeen's role in providing the support required for Bahrain's participation in the exhibition, alongside their quality support programs that are designed to empower the private sector, up-skill the national workforce, and enhance the competitiveness of Bahraini talent in the labour market.

"We are proud of the strong Bahraini presence in GITEX, and we are committed to supporting it year on year. We look forward to Bahraini companies reaping the benefits of their participation in this global tech event through building international partnerships, establishing strong commercial ties with decision makers in leading global companies, gaining access to regional and international opportunities, and developing concepts that can cater to different markets"

Maha Mofeez, Acting Chief Executive of the Labour Fund



In pictures, the deal signing

"Tamkeen" said: "Through this participation we aim to provide Bahraini entrepreneurs and enterprises with opportunities to connect with potential clients, forge partnerships, learn the challenges and opportunities available through digital transformation, showcase their latest products and service to exhibition visitors, and make business deals that can enhance the exchange of knowledge of exhibition participants from across the world."

According to a statement by the Dubai World Trade Centre, GITEX will host over 250 participants from government organizations that are leading strategic

digital projects and fostering partnerships between the private and public sectors. Furthermore, there will be over 1,000 startups seeking fruitful opportunities in the North Star Dubai event, while GITEX 3.0 will bring companies and the sector's most influential leaders together under one roof to drive change and development in business, community, culture through an immersive Metaverse journey.

Exhibitors will showcase the latest in relation to the metaverse, Artificial Intelligence, Web 3.0, Blockchain, 6G network, cloud computing, Fin-Tech, big data and more.

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This year's GITEX is launching with an unprecedented capacity that exceeds the previous versions in size. The exhibition will span 26 halls with a total space of 2 million square feet, an equivalent of 33 football fields. The event will host 5,000 companies from across the globe and is expecting 100K visitors from 170 countries.

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A.M. Best affirms credit rating of A- (Excellent) with stable outlook of GIG Bahrain

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A.M. Best International affirmed the financial strength rating A- (Excellent) and the long-term issuer credit rating of "A-" of Bahrain Kuwait Insurance Company (GIG Bahrain), and the outlook for both ratings is stable.

The ratings reflect GIG Bahrain's balance sheet strength, which AM Best categorizes as very strong, as well as its strong operating performance, neutral business profile and appropriate enterprise risk management.



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DR ABDULLA SULTAN

The ratings also factor in the financial strength of GIG Bahrain's parent company, Gulf Insurance Group K.S.C.P., due to its strategic importance to the group.

Dr Abdulla Sultan, CEO of GIG Bahrain stated that the management is pleased with the A- Credit Rating given to the company and its subsidiary. The rating reflects the financial strength of the company and its ability to meet its short and long-term obligations.

He added that the company has performed exceptionally well in recent times and is

working on various strategic initiatives within the digital arena which is a key focus area. "More and more, our clients are becoming mindful to the importance of the insurance company's credit rating, especially when it comes to entrusting them with their high valued assets."

It may be noted that GIG Bahrain and its subsidiary GIG Bahrain-Takaful are the only local Bahraini insurance companies to be rated A-.

GIG Bahrain is a subsidiary of Gulf Insurance Group (GIG) which is the largest insurance

Group in Kuwait in terms of written and retained premiums, with operations in the life and non-life as well as Takaful insurance. Gulf Insurance has become one of the largest insurance networks in the Middle East and North Africa with companies in Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Egypt, Algeria, Iraq, Emirates, Turkey, and Kuwait.

KIPCO - Kuwait Projects Company - is Gulf Insurance Group's largest shareholder, followed by the Canadian-based Fairfax Financial Holding Ltd.



Eats & Treats

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An Eggstra Special Day

World Egg Day is held annually on the second Friday of October and this year it falls on Oct 14

Today we celebrate a food item that is no stranger to people around the world. The humble egg is one of the most versatile ingredients for thousands of years. It is said that geniuses like Albert Einstein had eggs regularly for breakfast. It is unsurprising considering the fact that eggs are known to promote good health. Eggs contain the highest quality food protein known. It is second only to mother's milk for human nutrition. They contain lutein which prevents age related cataracts and muscle degeneration. If this is not enough reason to get eggcited about eggs, then did you know that a single egg contains over 80% of the recommended dietary vitamin D that is required by the body?

A common misconception which causes people to stay away from eggs is that eggs contain cholesterol which is bad for heart health, however, the American Heart Foundation recommends up to one egg a day for most people, fewer for people with high blood cholesterol, especially those with diabetes or who are at risk for heart failure and up to two eggs a day for older people with normal cholesterol levels who eat a healthy diet.

The Guinness World Record for omelet making is held by Howard Helmer, who made 427 omelets in 30 minutes. But you don't have to break a record with the number of eggs that you eat. One egg a day is safe and in fact beneficial. And better still, try out this delicious Scotch Egg recipe and enjoy them as a well-rounded meal (no pun intended).



Scotch eggs are boiled eggs that are wrapped in minced meat, coated in breadcrumbs and baked or deep-fried. This two-hundred-year-old dish was originally prepared using fish paste. They did not roll them in breadcrumbs. It is believed that the dish originated from the Mughlai dish Nargisi Kofta which is an exotic combination of boiled eggs wrapped with

mutton mince and braised in rich and spicy yoghurt gravy. Scotch eggs can be served with salad, fries, mustard, mashed potato and/or barbeque sauce. Do try out this easy to follow recipe at home.

Ingredients:

Plain flour to dust
7 whole eggs
1 onion, chopped
1 garlic clove, crushed
1 small red chilli, deseeded
2 tbsp chopped herbs
500gms beef mince (or lamb or veal mince)
Breadcrumbs to coat
Oil to fry

Method:

Place the plain flour on a plate. Place 6 eggs in a saucepan of cold water. Slowly bring to the boil. Boil eggs for 12 minutes. Drain and set aside to cool completely. Peel and dust the eggs in a little flour so the surface is dry.

Process the onion, garlic, chilli and herbs in a food processor. Add the mince and process until it is chopped even finer and the ingredients are well combined. Add the remaining egg and process until the mixture comes together.

Divide the mixture into 6 even portions. Mould a portion in the cup of your hand. Place a hard-boiled egg into the "cup" and shape the meat around to enclose. Roll it to smooth the surface. Roll in breadcrumbs and set aside. Repeat with the other eggs.

Line a plate with a paper towel. When you have assembled all of the Scotch eggs, deep fry them a few at a time in deep oil over a medium heat for around 10 minutes, making sure they are evenly browned all over. Drain on the lined plate.

Eggs In Bellpeppers



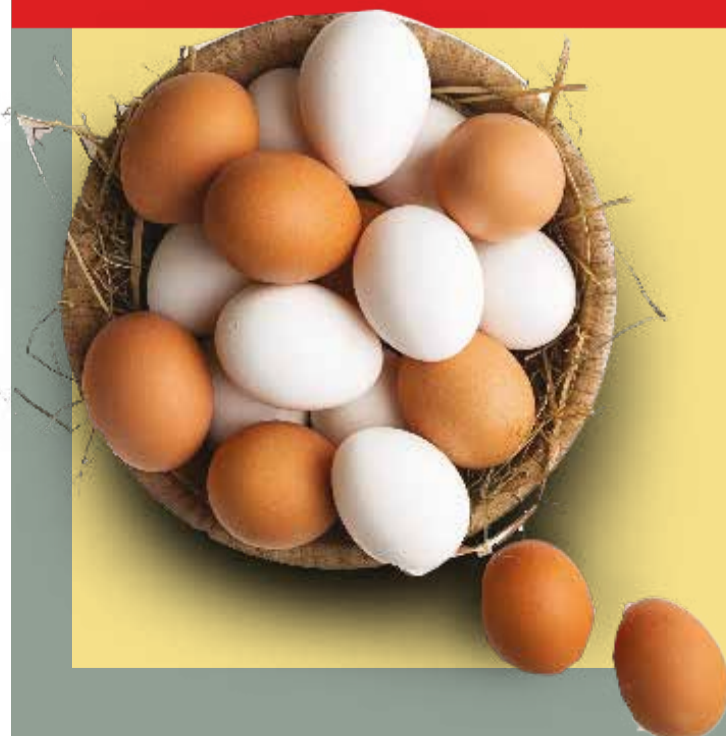
Ingredients

- 3 Bell peppers, various colors if desired
- 6 Eggs
- Deli turkey meat, chopped
- Cheddar cheese, shredded
- Chives, chopped
- Bacon, cooked and crumbles
- Cherry tomatoes, chopped
- Corn, organic, frozen: thawed, or fresh
- Red onion, diced
- Sea salt and fresh ground black pepper, to your taste
- Olives, chopped
- Feta cheese, crumbled
- Cooking spray

Method:

- Preheat the oven to 375 degrees f.
- Cut the bell pepper in half vertically right through the middle of the stem as shown and through to the bottom of the pepper.
- Cut out the seeds and place the peppers on the prepared baking tray.
- Lightly spray with cooking spray and season with salt and pepper, then roast for 10 minutes.
- Once the peppers are done roasting, take them out of the oven and very gently crack an egg into each one.
- Add your favorite topping combo to each, such as :
 - ⊙ Tomato, onions, olives
 - ⊙ Feta cheese, deli meat, cheddar
 - ⊙ Chives, bacon, jalapeño and corn.
- Return to the preheated oven and bake for about 12 minutes, or until egg whites are completely set.
- Season with sea salt and pepper and enjoy hot!

INTERESTING EGG FACTS



1. Yellow and orange pigmented grain feeds determine the color of the egg yolk.
2. Eggshell color does not determine the flavor or nutritional value of eggs.
3. The eggs from younger chickens have thicker shells while older chickens lay eggs with thinner shells.
4. The white stringy thing that you see attached to the egg shell is called chalazae. They are membranes that attach the yolk to the end of the shell. Chalazae are edible and their prominence is good indicator that the eggs are fresh.
5. The best freshness test for eggs is buoyancy. The freshest eggs will sink to the bottom of a glass of water while stale eggs float.

A Brunch in all its Grandeur

Presentation is the key and the Four Seasons has unlocked and uplifted the whole experience with its attention to detail

The weather is getting great in Bahrain! Pleasant, sunny afternoons decorated by gentle breeze would certainly generate a yearning to head out for some delicious creations. And a hungry belly would add on to it a 'must factor' enjoy a delectable Friday brunch at the Four Seasons Hotel.

The regality begins as you stroll down the spiral stairway leading to the Bahrain Bay Kitchen. This is where the glamorous festivities make their appearance. Bold trumpet tunes and familiar songs played by the live entertainers set the vibe for a long afternoon. As I was seated, a friendly duo made their way to my table. I was offered water and bubbly. A glance around the venue is all it took to draw me to the fabulous buffet. The layout is uncomplicated and there is ample space to move around between counters. Although the restaurant was fully booked, every counter was easily accessible and there was no rush to get what was required. The place is cool and comfortable. The team's incredible eye for detail has always grabbed my attention. Presentation is the key and the Four Seasons has unlocked and uplifted the whole experience with its attention to detail.

I began my brunch experience with a wild mushroom soup, which was prepared with a delectable combination of fresh mushrooms that provided a strong, earthy mushroom flavor. Bits of mushroom were added for texture and the thickness of the soup was just right. I headed for the seafood counter where a variety of seafood was served. This counter is a haven for seafood lovers to enjoy unlimited portions of oysters, mussels, lobsters and shrimp. I

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was particularly drawn towards the beautifully prepared sushi that was meticulously arranged. They had a ceviche counter too. I plated up some blanched shrimps and lobster, tempura shrimp, crispy crab roll and California maki that were fresh and delicious. When you visit the Four Seasons, you do not want to miss the soft and scrumptious bao and steamed dumplings. They are so good!

Mesmerizing medleys of colors were evident in the selection of salads that were on display. A vibrant mix mezza was available but the hummus with a surprising hint of basil needs a special mention. The rocca salad with citrus looked fresh and inviting as did the colorful quinoa salad. The hearty lentil salad and fattoush looked delicious too.

A live noodle station was a particular favorite among the guests as the chef was dishing out tasty hand pulled noodles that were tossed with a selection of sauces and a variety of fresh ingredients such as mushrooms, prawns, chicken, beef and crunchy vegetables. The dish was entirely customizable as

guests could select the sauces, protein and type of noodles. I opted for udon noodles, oyster sauce and a combination of vegetables and thinly sliced beef. The chewy udon noodles absorbed the aromatic oyster sauce perfectly. Crunchy vegetables such as carrots, cabbage and scallions added to the freshness and texture of the dish and the tender beef tied everything together into a perfect bite.

Several artisan bread were displayed along with a large variety of cheese and crackers but I was saving room for the carving station. So, I headed right to it. I began with a generous slice of rump, a sliver of brisket, roast chicken, short ribs and BBQ sauce. The rump was very tender and paired perfectly with the roast potatoes. The BBQ sauce was probably the best I have had thus far and served as the ideal accompaniment to the brisket and roast chicken. The short ribs were unbelievably tender, juicy and scrumptious with an extraordinary glaze. This dish deserved an applause. I tried the seabass with lemon butter



sauce and it was faultless. The fish was well seasoned, tender and flakey while the sauce was well balanced.

They had a selection of vegetarian and non-vegetarian dishes at the Indian counter. The chicken tikka was particularly impressive. It was juicy, well marinated and delightful. I wanted to try out the lamb biryani and gobi manchurian but this is where I made a conscious decision to do justice to the extravagant dessert display.

The dessert station was so appealing. I was impressed by the variety of showstopper desserts that were on display. Executive Pastry Chef Emad Hasan explained about the various desserts with a broad smile as he cut me a generous slice of chocolate cake with chocolate ganache. Each dessert was meticulously prepared with the utmost attention. I gazed with anticipation at the single portions of crème brulee, peach mille-feuille, gorgeous berry tarts, saffron rice pudding,

chocolate mousse, sticky toffee pudding, red velvet cake and Arabic sweets such as baklava, maamoul and mini kunafas. I realized at this point that I needed to make a choice although I would have loved to try each one of these delights.

So, in addition to the chocolate cake, I plated up a praline dessert and a slice of Japanese cheesecake. The chocolate cake was one of the most delicious and indulgent cakes with multiple layers of moist, ultra-chocolatey cake layers and rich, thick layers of chocolate ganache. The praline dessert had a light and smooth praline hazelnut mousse. Japanese cheesecake was light and airy with a mildly tangy lemon curd. Look out for their saffron rice pudding, which is my favorite. They also had chocolate fountains with mini cakes and fruits which was great for kids and adults alike. Do not skip dessert at this brunch or you will regret it because each dessert is a masterpiece filled with flavor. I finished off my meal with a dulce

de leche ice cream and a hot cup of green tea.

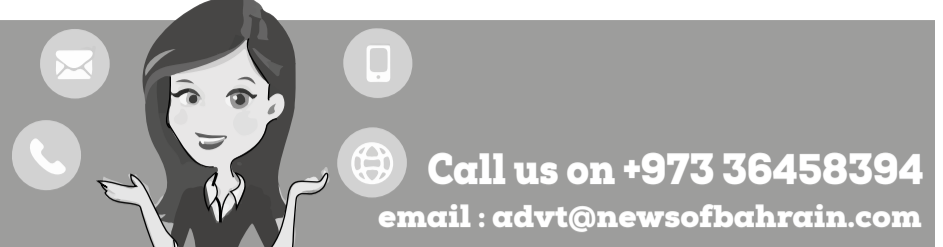
This brunch encourages families to get together. They have a whole section for kids with tasty food options such as mac and cheese, broccoli, mini sliders as well as some spring rolls and fries. A popcorn station and ice cream counter is also available.

Whether you choose to enjoy your meal indoors or outdoors, this brunch is a sheer delight. The team is energetic, friendly and attentive and they will ensure that your experience is one to cherish until your next visit.

Booking a table in advance is highly recommended, as the Friday brunch at the Four Seasons is in huge demand. The brunch is priced at BD 35 including soft drinks and BD 48 for the extended beverage package. Contact 17115500 for reservations or send an email to diningreservations.bahrain@fourseasons.com



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1492

Christopher Columbus's expedition makes landfall on a Caribbean island he names San Salvador (likely Watling Island, Bahamas). The explorer believes he has reached East Asia (OS 21 Oct)

1864

War of the Triple Alliance begins with Brazilian troops under the command of Gen. João Propício Mena Barreto invading Uruguay



1900

The first modern submarine is commissioned by the U.S. Navy as the USS Holland, named for its designer John Philip Holland

1999

The Day of Six Billion: the proclaimed 6 billionth living human in the world is born

THE DAILY tribune

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2022

News in brief

North Korean leader

Kim Jong Un has attended the opening ceremony of a new massive greenhouse farm built on a former air base where the country had test-fired missiles until last year, state media said yesterday. The launch on Monday of the Ryonpho Greenhouse Farm, located in the eastern county of Hamju, was to mark the anniversary of the founding of the ruling Workers' Party, a major holiday in North Korea. Kim attended the event after guiding nuclear tactical exercises targeting South Korea over the past two weeks, which state media said were designed to counter recent joint naval drills by South Korean and U.S. forces involving an aircraft carrier. The North's ruling party unveiled the project to transform the Ryonpho air base into a "highly automated farm" and a model for rural civilisation, calling it a "top priority task" to help achieve its goal of improving people's lives set at its key policy meeting last December.



North Korea's Kim touts new large greenhouse farm built on ex-missile test site

Hong Kong leader says "no legal basis" to act on Russian superyacht



Hong Kong leader John Lee said yesterday there was "no legal basis" for the city to act on Western sanctions,

when asked about a Russian yacht berthed in the financial centre that belongs to a sanctioned Russian oligarch. Hong Kong's leader John Lee, however, who himself has been sanctioned by the United States for his role in clamping down on local freedoms, said Hong Kong wouldn't act on unilateral sanctions imposed on Mordashov by individual jurisdictions. "We cannot do anything that has no legal basis," Lee told reporters. Instead, Lee said Hong Kong would only abide by United Nations sanctions. "We will comply with United Nations sanctions, that is our system, that is our rule of law.

Canada said

yesterday it will send 40 more combat engineers to help support Polish efforts to train Ukrainian forces, as part of its commitment to increasing military aid for Ukraine. "Today, I am announcing that in the coming weeks, Canada will deploy approximately forty combat engineers to Poland to help Polish Forces train Ukrainian sappers on engineer reconnaissance, explosives, mining and de-mining," Canada's defence minister, Anita Anand, told a news conference in Warsaw.



Canada to send 40 combat engineers to Poland to train Ukraine soldiers - minister

Ukraine to ask G7 for air defence weapons



QUOTE OF THE DAY

SUCCESS IS WALKING FROM FAILURE TO FAILURE WITH NO LOSS OF ENTHUSIASM
WINSTON CHURCHILL

G7 leaders to discuss Ukraine later on Tuesday

Expected to review Kyiv's request for air defence systems

May also warn Belarus against closer involvement

Russia says it will respond to greater Western aid

Reuters | Kyiv

President Volodymyr Zelenskyy will ask the leaders of the G7 group of nations to urgently supply Ukraine with air defence weapons, after Russia rained down cruise missiles on cities across the country. New missile strikes killed at least one person in the southeastern town of Zaporizhzhia and left part of the Western city of Lviv without power, officials said, after Ukraine woke up to the wailing of air raid sirens for a second day.

Other parts of the country remained blacked out after the cruise missile attacks on Monday which officials said killed 19 people in the biggest air raids

since the start of the war.

Russian President Vladimir Putin, under domestic pressure to ramp up the conflict as his forces have lost ground since the start of September, said he ordered the strikes as revenge for an explosion that damaged Russia's bridge to annexed Crimea.

Kyiv and its allies condemned Monday's attacks, which mainly hit civil infrastructure such as power stations. Missiles also landed in parks, tourist sites and busy rush hour streets.

US President Joe Biden and other G7 leaders will convene virtually later on Tuesday to discuss what more they can do to support Ukraine and to listen to Zelenskyy, who has called air defence systems his "number 1 priority". Biden has already promised more air defences. The broad avenues of the capital Kyiv were largely deserted after air raid sirens resounded as the morning rush hour was beginning - the same time that Russian missiles struck on Monday. Residents took cover again deep in the underground Metro, where trains were still running.

Russia said it continued to launch long-range air strikes on Ukraine's energy and military infrastructure on Tuesday, although the attacks did not seem as intense as the day before.

Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba said the main targets were energy facilities.

BELARUS FEARS

G7 leaders are also expected to issue a warning to Belarus, Moscow's closest ally, after Minsk said on Monday it was deploying soldiers with Russian forces near Ukraine in response to what it called a threat from Kyiv and its Western allies.

Belarus, whose troops have not yet crossed into Ukraine, could face more sanctions if it gets more involved in the Ukraine conflict, French Foreign Affairs Minister Catherine Colonna told French radio. Russia had violated the rules of war with Monday's attacks, she added.

Kremlin: US air defence supplies will extend conflict

Reuters | Moscow

A Kremlin spokesman said on Tuesday that US promises to supply advanced air defence systems to Ukraine will only extend the conflict and inflict more pain for Ukraine.

The spokesman, Dmitry Peskov, also said that the deliveries would not change Moscow's goals in its military operation in Ukraine.

COVID-19: Countries worst affected

Country	Total cases	Total deaths	Global tally
1 USA	98,572,011	1,087,976	627,199,067
2 India	44,616,394	528,822	
3 France	35,875,626	155,535	Deaths
4 Brazil	34,766,204	686,928	6,562,560
5 Germany	34,121,168	150,720	
6 S. Korea	24,995,246	28,708	Recovered:
7 UK	23,735,273	190,888	606,924,868
8 Italy	22,830,825	177,570	
9 Japan	21,564,995	45,538	

Country	Total cases	new cases	Total deaths	New Deaths	Total recovered	Active cases
Egypt	515,645		24,613		442,182	48,850
Saudi Arabia	818,033	+195	9,372	+3	804,812	3,849
UAE	1,031,500	+321	2,346		1,010,541	18,613
Kuwait	660,667		2,564		657,113	990
Oman	398,424		4,260		384,669	9,495
Qatar	459,122	+731	682		455,429	3,011

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NY flower show celebrates 'remarkable women'

Reuters

Thousands of flowers in brilliant hues of pink, purple, blue, orange and yellow greeted visitors at Manhattan's Hudson Yards in New York City for the Fleurs de Villes FEMMES floral show.

"We're so thrilled to be back here for our third show at Hudson Yards. And we're bringing our FEMME show, which is a celebration of remarkable women," said Tina Barkley, co-founder of Fleurs de Villes. "So you'll see everyone from the queen to J. Lo to Bella Abzug to Serena Williams to Billie Holiday, Chita Rivera."

Barkley said the floral talent

that goes into each display of these iconic women mannequins dressed in flowers has been designed and built by a local New York florist.

Sixteen mannequins standing over 10 feet tall are covered in hydrangeas, baby's breath, violets and more.

Owner of Polycarp Flowers and

floral designer Daica Skrobala said over 700 flowers were used to adorn her Fanny Brice flower installation.

The free show runs through Oct. 16.



TOP 4 TWEETS



I am extremely concerned by the continued exclusion of girls from school in Afghanistan. This is deeply damaging to girls themselves & to a country that desperately needs their energy & contributions. This #DayOfTheGirl, I once again urge the Taliban to let girls learn.

@antonioguterres



My doctor friends tell me that in order to cure a patient they need to focus on surgery, medicines and care. We adopted the same methods for Gujarat's healthcare system.

@narendramodi

03



Republicans want a national ban on abortion—but if you give me two more Democratic senators and Democrats keep the House, I promise you we will codify Roe v. Wade.

@JoeBiden



Assassination of Julius Caesar, 15 March, 44 BCE (colourised).



@elonmusk

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Sakhir Rotax MAX Challenge finale set

Bahrain International Karting Circuit to host final two rounds of hotly contested championship on Friday and Saturday in Sakhir

● **Levin Barbier, Isa Almoayed, Luca Kane Houghton and Lewis Smith on pole in respective championship races**

TDT | Manama

The 2022/2023 Sakhir Rotax MAX Challenge (SRMC) wraps up this weekend at Bahrain International Karting Circuit (BIKC) in Sakhir with its final two rounds taking place on back-to-back days Friday and Saturday.

The Kingdom's vibrant karting community will once again descend on the world-class grassroots motor racing facility of Bahrain International Circuit (BIC), with all still to play for in this SRMC campaign and the newest champions set to be



Action from a previous round (File photo)

crowned.

Competition will be held in five categories, including the Micro MAX, Mini MAX, Junior MAX, Senior MAX and Senior Masters MAX.

Both meetings feature identi-

cal timetables, with Qualifying Practice kicking off the on-track action at 2.50pm. The Pre-Finals will then be held from 3.54 pm and then the Finals from 5.05pm.

The Micro and Mini classes will be taking to the track to-

gether for each session, while the Juniors will be running alone. The Seniors and the Senior Masters will also hit the tarmac at the same time for all the sessions.

The karting action will be tak-

ing place along BIKC's 1.414-kilometer CIK-FIA Track. It will be followed by the podium ceremonies, set for an estimated 5.35pm start.

The SRMC is a top-class local series that will see the competitors line up on the grid in their very own Rotax-powered karts. This campaign marks its second season as it builds on the momentum gained by the opening championship.

Following a hugely exciting opening two rounds, Levin Barbier, Isa Almoayed, Luca Kane Houghton and Lewis Smith are on pole in their respective championship races.

Barbier has 69 points atop the Micro MAX class, followed by Ali Almoayed with 50 and Mohammed Waleed with 24.

Isa Almoayed leads a very tight battle in the Mini MAX category with 62 points, just a single point ahead of Shaikh Ahmed bin Saqer Al Khalifa. Rashid Ka-

noo is also not far behind with 53 points in third place.

Houghton tops the Junior MAX class with 68 points—10 ahead of Gracie Rose Grantham and 18 from Mohammed Alhasan. Smith is in first place in the Senior MAX category with 68 points, trailed by Oliver Kruglov with 54 and Tijl Joep Huisman on 39.

After the completion of this weekend's racing, the SRMC will then set the stage for the Bahrain Rotax MAX Challenge (BRMC), which will flag off just a few weeks after in November with the first of eight fantastic rounds.

The racing is being organised by BIKC in cooperation with BIC and the Bahrain Motor Federation.

More information on the BRMC can be found on bahraingp.com, by calling BIKC on +973-17451745 or on the social media channels of BIKC and BIC.



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Allen smacks six sixes as New Zealand power past Pakistan



New Zealand's Finn Allen plays a shot
AFP | Christchurch

Finn Allen showed his form ahead of the Twenty20 World Cup by top-scoring for New Zealand with a disciplined batting display in their nine-wicket romp over Pakistan in Christchurch yesterday in the tri-series.

Allen blasted six sixes in his 62 off 42 balls as the Black Caps chased down their target of 131 with ease at Hagley Oval.

The victory leaves the hosts and Pakistan each with two wins and one defeat before the Black Caps next face Bangladesh on Wednesday, also in Christchurch.

The three nations are using the week-long tournament to fine tune for the T20 World Cup in Australia which begins later this month.

An improved bowling performance saw Pakistan restricted to 130 for seven in their 20 overs before Allen and Devon Conway's rapid opening partnership of 117 set up a comfortable victory.

After Allen was stumped by Mohammad Rizwan, captain Kane Williamson saw New Zealand home with three overs and five balls to spare.

"It was an improvement again from the last game," said Williamson, referring to New Zealand's eight-wicket win over Bangladesh on Sunday.

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KANE WILLIAMSON

"Finn really broke the back of the chase by being super aggressive and Devon complemented him nicely."

Following his unbeaten 70 against Bangladesh, Conway struck five fours in compiling 49 not out off 46 balls.

"We need to discuss our mistakes ahead of the next match," said Pakistan captain Babar Azam, whose side play Bangladesh on Thursday.

"We had a bad day, we just weren't up to the mark with our batting."

New Zealand bowler Michael Bracewell was named man-of-the-match after removing prolific opening pair Rizwan, for 16, and captain Babar Azam, for 21, in his superb two for 11 from four overs.

"I was a bit fortunate in that first over with a couple of short, wide ones which went straight to fielders," said Bracewell.

Kuldeep shines as India crush South Africa to clinch ODI series

● **Kuldeep Yadav leads spinners' show as South Africa fall for 99**

AFP | New Delhi

Spinner Kuldeep Yadav's 4-18 shone during a superb Indian bowling attack that clinched their one-day series against South Africa with a crushing seven-wicket win yesterday.

The hosts skittled South Africa for 99 in 27.1 overs in the third-match decider, after electing to bowl on a pitch dampened by days of rain in New Delhi.

Shubman Gill made 49 as India chased down their target in 19.1 overs, winning the series 2-1 with a second-string side after Rohit Sharma and team departed for the Twenty20 World Cup in Australia.

Kuldeep, a left-arm wrist spinner, came into the attack with South Africa five down and wiped off the tail, striking twice on successive balls before ending the innings with the wicket of Marco Jansen.

Once a regular in the Twenty20 side, Kuldeep was not picked for the World Cup starting October 16, but the 27-year-old said he was "not disappointed".

"I am not disappointed at all. I am concentrating on my process and looking to get better with every match," the man of the match told reporters.

"The players who have been selected are the best and my best wishes are with them."

Spinner Washington Sundar, who bowled the first over and returned with two wickets, helped set up the second



India's Sanju Samson embraces teammate Kuldeep Yadav, as South Africa's Bjorn Fortuin walks back

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SOUTH AFRICAN COACH MARK BOUCHER

straight win for the hosts.

Sundar was handed the new ball and the lanky off-spinner struck in his second over to send back Quinton de Kock, caught at short third man for six.

Pace bowler Mohammed Siraj rattled the top order with the wickets of Janneman Malan, for 15, and Reeza Hendricks, for three, to put South Africa on the back foot.

'Fatigued' South Africa

The Proteas slipped further to 43-4 after Aiden Markram's departure as the batsman fell

caught behind off left-arm spinner Shahbaz Ahmed for nine.

Heinrich Klaasen, who top-scored with 34, attempted to rebuild with David Miller, who was making his captaincy debut with regular skipper Temba Bavuma and Keshav Maharaj both unwell.

But Sundar bowled the left-handed Miller for seven and the rest of the batting quickly caved in.

Shahbaz, who made his ODI debut in the previous match, bowled Klaasen before -- in between the change of batsmen -- a dog walked on the field, providing some light relief to the crowd.

It was South Africa's fourth-lowest total in 50-over matches, after their 69 all out in Sydney and then twice being bowled out for 83.

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Another series defeat was not the only setback for South Africa. It remained at risk of failing to automatically qualify for the 2023 Cricket World Cup. The Proteas were still 11th in the standings, far below the West Indies in eighth, the cutoff point. South Africa could end up having to add to its schedule the World Cup qualifiers in June

Boucher said.

"No excuses for that though. It's quite difficult because we don't have the depth that India has in their cricket. We are also under pressure to win every game in the one-dayers to qualify (directly) for the World Cup."

The defeat leaves South Africa on the brink of missing a direct qualification for next year's ODI World Cup in India.

They languish at 11th in the Super League table. Only the top eight teams (seven and hosts India) earn direct qualification to the 2023 tournament.

India had little trouble in reply, despite skipper Shikhar Dhawan getting run out on eight and Ishan Kishan falling for 10 off left-arm spinner Bjorn Fortuin.

Liverpool's injured Diaz set to be sidelined until late December

Reuters | London

Liverpool forward Luis Diaz is expected to be out of action until late December after picking up a knee injury in the first half of Sunday's 3-2 Premier League defeat at leaders Arsenal, British media reported.



Luis Diaz receives medical attention

The 25-year-old Colombia international does not need surgery but will likely miss 10 matches in Liverpool's packed schedule ahead of the World Cup, which starts on Nov. 20.

The Reds will hope to have Diaz back for their visit to Aston Villa on Dec. 26 in their first

match after the World Cup, which Colombia have not qualified for. Liverpool's England defender Trent Alexander-Arnold also sustained ankle damage in Sunday's match and manager Juergen Klopp said after the match that both injuries did not look good.

HH Shaikh Nasser expresses confidence in endurance team's ability to excel in Fontainebleau

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Captained by HM the King's Representative for Humanitarian Work and Youth Affairs, HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Royal Endurance Team, will participate in the 160-km, 127-km and 120-km races of the International Endurance Race of Fontainebleau in France.

HH Shaikh Nasser will compete in the 160-km races and the other jockeys of the Royal Endurance Team will participate in the other two races.

HH Shaikh Nasser affirmed that the team's participation in the International Endurance Race of Fontainebleau in France will be a renewed opportunity to promote the kingdom and shed light on its wide-ranging achievements, especially in sports, noting that youth riders will represent the kingdom in the event to encourage them and enable them to gain experience.

HH Shaikh Nasser expressed his confidence in the ability of the riders of the Royal Endurance Team to attain positive results, wishing them every success.

His Highness stated that the Royal Endurance Team's participation follows its recent successes in major European races in which HH had claimed four consecutive titles, including those of the Royal Windsor Horse Show, the Montal-



HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa celebrates after winning at Samorin International Endurance Championship in Slovakia (file photo)

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cino international endurance championship in Italy, the World Endurance Champion-

at Šamorín, Slovakia, and FEI World Endurance Championship for eight-year-old horses in Spain.

HH Shaikh Nasser asserted that the Royal Endurance Team's achievements over the past period are the fruitful outcome of the unwavering support of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad commends sponsors' support to Bahrain 1 Racing

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Personal Representative of His Majesty the King, HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the owner of Bahrain 1 Racing, has praised the honorable results brought about by the team thanks to the support of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Khalifa also commended the support accorded by the team sponsors, stressing their role in achieving the best results and clinching leading places in the Pro Mod Series. He was speaking as he received today Board Chairman of Alumin Bahrain (Alba) Shaikh Duaij bin Salman bin Duaij Al Khalifa, Board Chairman of Bahrain Telecommunications Company (Batelco) Shaikh Abdullah bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, Chief Executive of the Strategic Accounts at the National Bank of Bahrain (NBB) Abdulaziz Al-Ahmed, and NBB Head of Corporate Communications Hisham Abul Fateh.

HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Khalifa commended the sponsorship of Alba, Batelco and NBB and its positive impact on the team's performance. He affirmed the international reputation of Bahrain 1 Racing team and its standing as a



HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad with a sponsor

strong competitor in the motorsport world. He lauded the continuous efforts of the team members which confirm the successful strategy to clinch the top places in the drag racing championships.

HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Khalifa and the audience discussed the strategy of Bahrain 1 Racing to participate in the upcoming local and international competitions and maintain Bahrain's good reputation in the motorsport field. He commended the sponsors' keenness to continue supporting the sport sector and upholding the kingdom's image

worldwide. HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Khalifa presented commemorative gifts to the sponsoring companies, a trophy of one of the Pro Mod Series championships, a thanked them for their unflinching support to the team.

For their part, the audience thanked HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Khalifa for his efforts and directives to dedicate all capabilities to Bahrain 1 Racing, commending his personal follow-up and support to motorsport races which are growing in popularity in Bahrain and beyond.

Muharraaq, Najma through to King's Cup quarters

Muharraaq defeat Busaiteen 2-0 to advance while Najma edge past Budaiya 3-1 in penalty shootout to qualify for last eight

● **Mario Fontanella and Hisham Aluqbi on target for Muharraaq in win**

● **Alan Damian Gimenez scores shootout-clinching penalty for Najma**

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Muharraaq and Al Najma last night marched through to the quarter-finals of this year's His Majesty the King's Cup football tournament.

Muharraaq booked their tickets following a 2-0 win over Busaiteen, while Najma ousted Budaiya 3-1 in a penalty shootout after regular time ended goalless.

Muharraaq and Najma are the third and fourth teams to make it to the round of eight.

With the results, Muharraaq set up a mammoth clash with league champions Riffa in their quarter-final meeting. Riffa had



Action from Muharraaq's win over Busaiteen last night

earlier advanced with a win against Al Ettifaq.

Najma, meanwhile, will play Al Ahli in the ensuing phase. Ahli ousted Al Shabab in their

round of 16 clash.

In their win last night, Muharraaq opened the scoring in the 43rd minute when Italia Mario Fontanella tapped the ball into

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With yesterday's results, Muharraaq have set up a mammoth clash with league champions Riffa in the quarter-finals, while Najma will play Al Ahli

an empty net.

He was on the receiving end of a fine cross supplied by Brazilian teammate Fabio Gama Dos Santos from the right of the penalty box. Fontanella's opener was enough to give his team the advantage heading into the break.

Muharraaq then doubled their advantage in the 76th minute with a rocket free-kick from distance by Hisham Aluqbi. He hit a low effort, which bounced off the pitch close to goal and above

the opposing keeper. That sealed the win and their place in the next stage.

In Najma's triumph, neither side could find the target over 90 minutes, which sent the match directly into penalties.

Najma's Mohammed Jameel kicked things off for his team with a goal, and then Murilo De Souza Felisberto's effort was saved by Najma goalkeeper Ahmed Abdulrasool.

That set the tone for the shootout, as both Najma and Budaiya missed their following spot kicks. Walter Marques Guimaraes Neto was then able to level the proceedings for Budaiya, but they could not keep up and Najma sealed their win with goals from Redha Marhoon and Alan Damian Gimenez.

The round of 16 continues tonight with Manama and Bahrain Club locking horns and Sitra taking on HM the King's Cup holders Al Khaldiya.

Then, tomorrow, the round of 16 wraps up with Al Hala facing Tadhamon and Hidd playing against East Riffa.

England's Curran appeals for third umpire help on obstruction



England's Sam Curran during nets
Reuters | London

England all-rounder Sam Curran says third umpires should be able to rule on players obstructing the field rather than require players to appeal, as debate continued yesterday over Matthew Wade's clash with Mark Wood in a T20 World Cup warm-up.

Wade stuck an arm out to impede Wood as the England paceman ran down the pitch to attempt a catch in Perth on Sunday, sparking criticism of the Australian wicketkeeper-batsman from fans and media pundits.

England captain Jos Buttler declined to appeal for obstructing the field, however, saying later that he did not see the incident clearly and also wanted to avoid controversy at the start of the series.

Curran said his captain had "probably" made the right call under the circumstances but felt similar decisions in future might be better taken out of players' hands.