



**Earthquake death toll tops 33,000**  
 Antakya, Turkey

Rescuers pulled more survivors from the rubble yesterday, nearly a week after one of the worst earthquakes to hit Turkey and Syria, as Turkish authorities sought to maintain order across the disaster zone and began legal action over building collapses.

With chances of finding more survivors growing more remote, the toll in both countries from Monday's earthquake and major aftershocks rose above 33,000 and looked set to keep growing. It was the deadliest quake in Turkey since 1939.

Displaced residents in the Turkish city of Kahramanmaraş, near the epicentre, said they had set up tents as close as they could to their damaged or destroyed homes in an effort to prevent them from being looted.

**Royal Guard search and rescue mission**  
 Ankara

The Royal Guard's search and rescue taskforce continues its humanitarian mission "Sawaed Al-Ghaith" in Turkey.

It is under the supervision of Major General His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the National Security Advisor, Royal Guard Commander.

The mission aims to cushion the impact of the earthquake which rocked Turkey and Syria recently.

The team, which is working round the clock, is dealing with the rubble very professionally out of keenness to apply the highest standards of safety while unearthing survivors and the victims caught under the rubble in the devastated areas.

**Bahrainis are back home from Turkey**  
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A second group of Bahraini citizens have returned to Bahrain from the cities of Urfa and Hata in Turkey.

The Embassy of Bahrain in Ankara stepped in to fly them back home.

# Ready to extend a 'helping hand'

HM King Hamad praises Bahrain's humanitarian relief mission in quake-hit Turkey and Syria



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HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa commended the Royal Humanitarian Foundation's humanitarian mission to provide assistance and support to the people in Syrian and Turkey who were affected by the earthquakes.

HM the King expressed deep thanks and gratitude to all the people in Bahrain who supported and participated in the national campaign to help the victims. He stressed that this reflected the values of solidarity, mutual support, and cooperation with all that characterise the Bahraini society.

His Majesty was speaking as he received yesterday His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin



HM the King receives HRH Prince Salman

Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

HM King Hamad hailed the participation of the Bahrain Defence Force (BDF) in the humanitarian relief mission in Turkey through the Royal Guard search and rescue team and their endeavours to ease the

suffering of the victims and HH Shaikh Nasser's supervision and follow-up.

He lauded the RHF's role and stressed that the initiative reflects Bahrain's humanitarian presence and readiness to extend a helping hand and assistance to all countries under

various circumstances.

The meeting, at the Sakhr Palace, was attended by HM the King's Personal Representative HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Khalifa, HM the King's Representative for Humanitarian Work and Youth Affairs, National Security Adviser and

Commander of the Royal Guard HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Royal Court Minister Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, and Minister of Foreign Affairs Dr Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani.

National matters, mainly moving forward to achieve the goals of the Kingdom's progress, were reviewed.

HM the King praised HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister's achievements for the nation and dedicated endeavours to consolidate Bahrain's status and competitiveness in a way that contributes to fulfilling the people's aspirations for further progress and prosperity.

HM King Hamad stressed that Bahraini citizens remain at the core of all development plans.

## HRH Prince Salman: Kingdom invests in Bahraini citizens

● His Royal Highness inaugurates Citi Bahrain Global Technology Hub new offices

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His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, has emphasised that investing in Bahraini citizens and providing promising opportunities is an essential pillar of the Kingdom's ongoing comprehensive development.

HRH Prince Salman was speaking as he inaugurated yesterday the new offices of Citi Bahrain Global Technology Hub in Manama.

Finance and National Economy Minister Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, Central Bank of Bahrain Governor Rasheed Mohamed Al Maraj and a num-



HRH Prince Salman with Shaikh Salman, Governor Al Maraj and senior officials

ber of senior officials were also present.

His Royal Highness stressed the importance of enhancing the private sector's role as a strategic partner to increase its contribution to the Kingdom's

development goals, led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

He highlighted the role of financial and banking institutions in supporting the economic sector and positioning Bahrain as

an attractive business and investment destination.

HRH Prince Salman outlined how the Kingdom's advanced and innovative digital infrastructure supports financial and banking services technologies

regionally and globally.

His Royal Highness emphasised the role financial and banking institutions play in creating job opportunities for Bahrainis and highlighted the capabilities of Bahraini professionals in the sector.

He noted that the Kingdom's economic diversification efforts continue to advance by developing various plans and strategies for all sectors, and attracting investments, which contribute to the creation of new job opportunities for Bahraini citizens in accordance with the goals of the Economic Recovery Plan and Bahrain's Economic Vision 2030.

Citi Bahrain's CEO, Michel Sawaya, expressed his appreciation to HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister for his commitment and support to the Kingdom's banking and financial sector, which has contributed greatly to the sector's development.

# HM King commends Bahrain-IISS cooperation

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa praised the level of fruitful and close cooperation between Bahrain and the International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS).

HM the King also lauded IISS' continuous success in preparing and organising the annual Manama Dialogue, which is one of the most important regional and international forums dealing with various political and economic affairs and security challenges. The Dialogue serves security and stability issues and regional and global peace.

HM the King noted the prominent position and global reputation achieved by the Manama Dialogue as well as the wide international participation it generates.



HM the King, in the presence of HRH Prince Salman, receives Dr Chipman and Sir Beckett

His Majesty was speaking as he received outgoing IISS

Director General and CEO Dr John Chipman, in the presence of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

HM King Hamad and HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister also received Bahrain-based IISS-Middle East Executive Director Lieutenant General (Retired) Sir Tom Beckett.

HM the King praised Dr Chipman's good efforts during his tenure at the Institute, which had a positive impact in organising conferences and seminars that received special attention and appreciation due to the importance of its topics and issues, wishing him success.

He hailed Sir Beckett's efforts in advancing the role of the IISS in conducting studies and research and organising conferences dealing with the most important regional and international issues.

# 'Main driver' of progress

HRH Prince Salman highlights private sector and Bahraini citizens' key roles



HRH Prince Salman chairs the Bahrain EDB board meeting

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His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, emphasised the private sector's role as a main driver of the Kingdom's comprehensive development, led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

HRH Prince Salman was speaking as he chaired yesterday the Economic Development Board (EDB) board meeting at

its headquarters in Bahrain Bay. Also Chairman of the EDB, His Royal Highness noted the role played by the Bahraini citizens in supporting the Kingdom's national interests, by diligently prioritising far-reaching development goals and initiatives that benefit and support their present and future.

He said that the Kingdom's economic diversification strategy continues to advance, through the investment in available commodities and the adoption of effective legislations and policies, supporting direct investment and providing quality job opportunities for Bahraini citizens, in line with the Kingdom's Economic Recovery Plan.

The EDB's achievements in 2022, its goals for 2023, and progress on the Kingdom's economic competitiveness and developments, in line with the Bahrain Economic Vision 2030, were reviewed.

HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister highlighted the importance of increasing efforts

in further developing key priority sectors to meet the aspirations of Bahraini citizens.

The EDB Chief Executive Khalid Humaidan presented the board with its performance and achievements for the year 2022.

The EDB succeeded in attracting investments for 89 projects exceeding BD415 million (\$1.1 billion), which will contribute to creating more than 6,000 quality job opportunities for Bahraini citizens, over the next three years.

The Personal Representative

of His Majesty the King, HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the Representative of HM the King for Humanitarian Works and Youth Affairs, His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Deputy Prime Minister, HE Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, the Minister of Finance and National Economy, HE Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, as well as a number of senior officials and EDB Board members, also attended the meeting.

## Turkish Embassy stops accepting donations

Julia Cassano  
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The Turkey Embassy in Bahrain announced yesterday that they will stop receiving donations of food and clothes due to the extraordinary number of items donated, thanks to the Bahraini citizens and residents.

They released an official statement on their social media pages, saying: "For the time being, we won't be able to accept any further donations of goods, other than specific items suitable for winter conditions. The aid materials listed below are primarily needed including, winter tents, blankets, heaters, generators, and sleeping bags."

As thousands are left displaced and homeless, families are in dire need to keep warm in freezing temperatures which makes items listed above crucial for their survival.

## Bahrain, Pakistan to boost military cooperation

● Bilateral ties praised

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Bahrain and Pakistan are committed to bolstering military cooperation.

This came as National Guard President General His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa received Adjutant General at the Pakistani Army Lieutenant General Muhammad Asim Malik.

The meeting discussed topics of common interest. National Guard President praised the continuous prosperity of the Bahraini-Pakistani relations, including exchanging expertise, and implementing joint exercises.

The Pakistani General expressed his appreciation to National Guard President for his interest in developing bilateral cooperation.

# Five Bahraini women secure high spots in latest Forbes list



Suzy Salman Kanoo

Julia Cassano  
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Five Bahraini women secured high positions in the latest Forbes Middle East's annual list which details the region's most powerful businesswomen.

The list features the region's most innovative and victorious female leaders, including 104 women from 27 different sectors, representing 27 national-



Dalal Al Qais

ities.

Securing 16th on the list and 1st in the Kingdom, is YK Almoayyed & Sons, Mona Yousuf Almoayyed, who has been with the company for 20 years. YK Almoayyed & Sons is a diversified family business in the Kingdom, and the group represents over 300 international brands, including Nissan, Ford, Sony, Nikon, and Toshiba.

Following is Najla Al Shirawi,



Mona Yousuf Almoayyed

placing 69th, who has been with SICO for more than 20 years and was appointed the CEO position in 2014. Additionally, she is a board member at several organisations and committees, including the Bahrain Economic Development Board.

Dalal Al Qais, placing 83rd, (Bahrain Development Bank), who was appointed as CEO at Bahrain Development Bank in 2021, was previously the Chief



Najla Al Shirawi

Retail Banking officer at Bahrain Islamic Bank and held various leading roles at Standard Chartered Bank and United Bank.

Narjes Farookh Jamal, placing 90th, joined the Bahrain Bourse in 1998, and heads the digital transformation, responsible for embedding ESG practices and building partnerships with GCC exchanges.

Suzy Salman Kanoo, placing 92nd (Khalil bin Ebrahim Ka-



Narjes Farookh Jamal

noo Company), leads Khalil bin Ebrahim Kanoo Company and IMTA. She is also a member of the YPO topCEO network, and in 2021, she published a book titled "Hear Us Speak: Letters from Arab Women".

Behind the ranking on the Forbes list of the world's most powerful women include impact that the leader has had on the region and the market that she serves.

# Indian Embassy urges flexi visa holders to update legal status



The Indian Ambassador with the LMRA and ICRF officials, and the Indian community

Zahra Ayaz  
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All flexi visa holders and undocumented employees are advised by the Indian Embassy to confirm their status and sign up for the Labour Registration Program by March 4.

An event was held by the Indian Embassy in collaboration with the Labour Market Regulatory Authority and the Indian Community Relief Fund (ICRF) on Saturday to create awareness about the new rules and regulations and the flexibilities that LMRA is offering to all expat

workers in Bahrain.

Following the LMRA's previously announced labour market reforms, which have eliminated flexi permits, the new program will remedy a worker's legal status.

Indian Ambassador Piyush Srivastava attended the event along with officials from the LMRA and ICRF.

"It's a very important event for our community members. The event comes following recent labour reform measures and programs undertaken by the government of Bahrain, particularly changing the flexi visa program to the new system," Mr



Indian Ambassador Srivastava speaks at the event

Srivastava said.

"It is no surprise that the Indi-



**"The embassy works in close coordination with the LMRA, which has been extremely supportive in helping resolve labour issues."**

- PIVUSH SRIVASTAVA, INDIAN AMBASSADOR

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An LMRA representative described the procedures focusing on the latest regulations and obligations of the workers.

"Registered workers will be given a work permit card containing a QR code that includes workers' update data," he said.

The program's goals are to defend workers' rights, oppose illegal labour market practices, register employees to guarantee their legal status is correct, and provide them with access

to medical insurance and wage protection.

The advantages of the Registered Worker permit include allowing expats to have multiple employers, full or part-time work, freedom to travel and return as long as the residence permit is valid and one or two year renewable residency.

The LMRA highlighted that all workers need to verify and register by visiting its website ([www.lmra.bh](http://www.lmra.bh)) and using the 'Eligibility Verification Services', or by sending SMS that includes the work's personal number to 33150150, or by contacting the LMRA call centre on 17103103.

## Court affirms six-month prison term for doctor

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The Court of Cassation upheld the six-month prison sentence of a private hospital doctor for causing the death of a fetus and endangering the life of the mother by failing to take standard medical procedures.

The doctor examined the pregnant victim at the ER despite not specialising in OB-Gyn and did not check the fetus' condition.

The pregnant victim went to a private hospital due to experiencing some pain. She was received by the defendant at the ER, despite the latter not being specialised in OB-Gyn.

The defendant misdiagnosed



the victim with infection and prescribed the necessary medication without checking the fetus' condition via ultrasound.

As a consequence, the victim haemorrhaged after leaving the hospital, resulting in the loss of the baby. She was taken to Salmaniya Hospital where she underwent life-saving surgery following severe blood

loss.

This could have been prevented had the victim been properly diagnosed or referred to an OB-Gyn doctor.

The medical report revealed that the defendant, due to incompetence, neglected to examine the patient with ultrasound leading to a life-endangering misdiagnosis.

She was accordingly referred to Public Prosecution and charged with having compromised the victim's physical well-being by failing to take the necessary measures, thereby causing medical complications that resulted in fetal death and deterioration of the victim's health.

## Life sentence upheld for drug smuggler

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The Supreme Criminal Court of Appeal upheld the life sentence, fine of BD10,000, and deportation of an Asian man for attempting to smuggle 92 heroin capsules from his home country.

Public Prosecution charged the defendant with unlawful obtainment and possession of heroin and psychotropic substances with the intent of trafficking.

The customs officer on duty at Bahrain International Airport suspected the arriving defendant, who was transferred to the red lane.



**The defendant was charged with unlawful obtainment and possession of heroin and psychotropic substances with the intent of trafficking.**

Upon careful inspection, nothing was found on his person, but under the x-ray machine, it was found that his bowels contained substances suspected of being narcotics.

The defendant was handed to the Anti-Narcotics Directorate where he confessed his guilt. He was transferred to Salmaniya Hospital where he discharged 90 capsules stuffed with heroin.

Investigations indicated that the defendant worked within a drug trafficking network and was aware of the nature of the contraband, which weighed nearly a kilogram.



### REMINDER NOTICE BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINATION

This is a kind reminder from Bahrain Telecommunications Company B.S.C. ("the Company") regarding the opening of nomination for the membership of the Board of Directors of the Company for the next three years to fill two vacant seats for the upcoming term 2023-2026.

The Company hereby invites those interested in nominating themselves for membership of the Board of Directors to fill in the Nomination application form which can be downloaded from the Company's website [www.beyon.com/board-elections/](http://www.beyon.com/board-elections/)

The form, accompanied by the required documents shall be submitted to [GBS@beyon.com](mailto:GBS@beyon.com) no later than **Monday 20th February 2023 at 13:00 pm.**

Elections for the Board membership will take place during the Annual General Assembly Meeting due to be held on Wednesday 29th March 2023.



# Finance Minister hails Bahrain-UAE longstanding ties

Dubai

Finance and National Economy Minister Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa hailed longstanding historic relations and solid cooperation binding the Kingdom of Bahrain and the UAE, led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and UAE President HH Shaikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan.

This came as he met, in the presence of Central Bank of Bah-



Shaikh Salman meets the UAE Minister of State for Financial Affairs

rain (CBB) Governor Rasheed Mohammed Al Maraj, UAE Minister of State for Financial Affairs Mohamed bin Hadi Al Hussaini.

The meeting was on the sidelines of the Seventh Annual Forum of Public Finance in the Arab Countries, which is held in Dubai.

Shaikh Salman stressed the importance of building on cooperation between the two countries in order to achieve common goals and interests.

During the meeting, he commended the UAE's hosting of the Seventh Annual Forum of Public Finance in the Arab Countries and the World Government Summit.

The two sides reviewed close fraternal relations between the Kingdom of Bahrain and the UAE, and ways to enhance financial and economic cooperation for the benefit and development of the two brotherly countries and peoples.

# Donations pour in for quake-hit Syria

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After years of war and turmoil in Syria that has left millions displaced, the country now faces another crisis leaving thousands of people dead and trapped under buildings, where international aid has been slow to arrive.

Survivors of the 7.8 magnitude earthquake face freezing temperatures and horrific conditions after thousands have lost their homes, leaving survivors to camp in makeshift shelters on the streets.

If aid does not move quickly enough to provide relief and necessary items to those affected, many could be faced with a secondary disaster, resulting in more harm.

During a visit to the Turkish-Syrian border, UN Emergency Relief Coordinator Martin Griffiths said that the Syrian people have a right to feel abandoned as they look for international help that hasn't arrived.

Relief efforts are complicated by years of a civil war that has deepened the divide, wreaked havoc amongst the population, and destroyed critical infrastructure.

Speaking to The Daily Tribune, Syrian Ambassador to the Kingdom of Bahrain Mohammed Ali Ibrahim said: "Sadly,



A show of support for the Syrian people



the most affected areas in Syria are located in Hama, Idlib, Aleppo, and Antakya."

He stated that Syria faced vulnerable times before the earthquake occurred, and now after the earthquake, it worsens its situation, and deepens the insecurity of Syria.

He called for international aid and modern equipment to rebuild the affected areas, as well as to provide rescue workers with the adequate instru-

ments to move rubble and those trapped beneath safely.

"Syria requires aid operations, equipment, and medical aid to provide relief to the country, which is already difficult as the country is in a vulnerable position with its economy currently," he said.

The Embassy requests baby products, canned foods, blankets, tents, clothes suitable for winter conditions, diapers, hygiene products, mattresses,

sleeping bags, flashlights, and thermos bottles.

"We are now in coordination with the Royal Humanitarian Foundation (RHF), which will send first aid shipments to affected areas in Syria. RHF is giving its best efforts to deliver crucial supplies to victims of the earthquake, as soon as possible."

Understanding the gravity of the situation, all nationalities gathered at the Syrian Embassy to display their empathy towards victims of the earthquake. Hundreds from all around the country flocked to the Embassy dropping off blankets, clothes, food, and baby products to offer their support to the Syrian people.

Volunteers were seen loading trucks filled with donations to be delivered to Syria in the coming days, offering relief to the situation.

## CPISP promoting 2024 scholarship program in public, private schools

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The Crown Prince's International Scholarship Program (CPISP) has launched a series of informative presentations across public and private schools to detail the opportunities of its 2024 scholarship program.

The CPISP representatives highlighted that the application period for its 2024 scholarship program will run from March 1 - 16, inviting students to submit their applications on the program's website ([www.cpisp.bh](http://www.cpisp.bh)).

Applicants who meet the program's criteria will receive an invitation by email for a series of tests to assess their English proficiency and critical reasoning abilities. The assessments are organised by the CPISP in cooperation with the Bahrain Institute of Banking and Finance (BIBF).

The CPISP criteria requires

applicants to have Bahraini citizenship, to be enrolled in the 11th grade (or equivalent), and to graduate from secondary school in 2024. In addition, applicants are required to have an accumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 97% or above.

During the scholarship's last stage known as "Candidacy Program", a minimum of 60 applicants will be selected based on the results of their qualifying tests and GPA. Of these 60 applicants, a minimum of 40 will come from public schools and 20 will come from private schools. This stage will involve training as well as preparatory courses for the IELTS and SAT exams. After this process, the final 10 scholarship recipients will be selected.

Scholarships will be allocated to three males and three females from public schools, and two males and two females from private schools.

## Workshop on SDGs review begins

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The first consultative workshop highlighting Bahrain's Second National Voluntary Review for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) opened yesterday.

Sustainable Development Minister Noor bint Ali Al Khalifa opened the workshop, in the presence of Foreign Ministry Undersecretary for Political Affairs Dr Shaikh Abdullah bin Ahmed Al Khalifa and UN

Resident Coordinator in Bahrain Khaled El Mekwad.

The second national review will be presented during the high-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, which will be held in New York City in July under the theme "Accelerating Recovery from COVID-19 Pandemic and Full Implementation of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals".

The workshop targets the public sector.

## Consolidating research efforts



Interior Minister, General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, received yesterday the outgoing International Institute for Strategic Studies (IISS) Director-General and CEO, Dr John Chipman. Executive Director of IISS-Middle East, Lieutenant General (Retired) Sir Tom Beckett, and Deputy Public Security Chief, Major-General Dr Shaikh Hamad bin Mohammed Al Khalifa, were present. The Interior Minister expressed thanks and appreciation to Dr Chipman for the efforts he had exerted throughout his tenure, citing his contributions to consolidating research efforts and strengthening the kingdom's role and status regarding the organisation of strategic international conferences, such as the annual "Manama Dialogue", wishing him further success.

## Al Sairafi hails tourism achievements



Tourism Minister chairs the BTEA board meeting

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Tourism Minister Fatima bint Jaffer Al Sairafi has stressed success in exceeding the goals which were set within the 2022 strategy.

She stressed the importance of harnessing all efforts to achieve more tourism successes during the next stage to reach the goals of the economic recovery plan.

The minister made the statement as she chaired yesterday the board meeting of the Bahrain Tourism and Exhibitions Authority (BTEA).

The 2022 tourism indicators exceeded the targeted performance results set in the tourism strategy 2022-2026.

Tourism revenues topped BD1.5 billion in 2022, an increase of 50% compared to the target figure for the same year,

which stood at BD1 billion.

According to the 2022 statistics, the number of visitors arriving for tourism purposes reached 9.9 million, up by 19% over the target number of 8.3 million visitors.

The average daily expenditure of tourists exceeded the target number by 10%, with a record of BD76 per visitor, compared to a target average expenditure of BD69.

# Bank ABC profit surges 54% to US\$154 million

● Total Operating Income crossed the historic US\$1 billion mark in 2022

● Operating expenses was higher by 21% mainly due to full year costs of BBE during 2022 (2021 included five months of BBE costs) and costs returning to pre-pandemic levels in core markets



Saddek Omar El Kaber, Bank ABC's Group Chairman

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Bank ABC (Arab Banking Corporation) yesterday announced 2022 results, reporting a total operating income that crossed the US\$1 billion for the first time in the Bank's history, with solid core business growth across the franchise, aided by higher interest rates prevalent during the year. The strong revenues, the bank said, contributed delivering a robust overall performance during 2022, with a headline net profit attributable to the shareholders of the parent of US\$154 million, up 54% on 2021.

Bank ABC's Group Chairman, Saddek Omar El Kaber, com-



Bank ABC Head Office in Bahrain

mented, "On the back of this solid performance, we are setting bold aspirations for 2023, cautious of the expected economic headwinds such as tightening financial conditions, ongoing

war in Europe and persistent inflationary conditions. We are confident of capitalising our strengths and leveraging our investments to continue to accelerate profitable growth during 2023."

## Q4 Results

Fourth quarter consolidated net profit attributable to the shareholders of the parent was US\$40 m, up 100% from US\$20 m reported for the same period last year.

Earnings per share was US\$0.01, comparable to US\$0.01 in the same period in the previous year. Total comprehensive income attributable to the shareholders of the parent was US\$11 m, 15% lower, compared to US\$13 m reported for the same period last year.

## FY22 results

Full year consolidated net profit attributable to the shareholders of the parent was US\$154 m, 54% higher from US\$100 m reported for the same period last year.

Earnings per share was US\$0.05, compared to US\$0.03 in the previous year.

Total comprehensive income attributable to the shareholders of the parent was a loss of US\$98 m compared to total comprehensive income of US\$105 m reported last year.

## Zain Bahrain signs new deal with Bahrain Chamber



From right, Zain Bahrain Managing Director, Mohammed Zainalabedin & Chief Executive Officer of the Bahrain Chamber Dr Abdullah Al-Sada

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Zain Bahrain, has recently signed an agreement with Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI), to provide their staff and sub-leasing partners with mobile services at their premises.

The signing took place at BCCI premises between Zain Bahrain Managing Director, Mohammed Zainalabedin, and BCCI Chief Executive Officer, Dr Abdulla Alsada in the presence of members of the executive management of both entities.

Zain Bahrain Managing Director, Mohammed Zainalabe-

din, said, "Zain Bahrain continues expanding its network services and supporting enterprises to capture their full potential with its easy-to-deploy solutions. Our top priority is always providing the best customer experience with the latest innovative solutions."

For his part, the Chief Executive Officer of the Bahrain Chamber, Dr Abdullah Al-Sada, expressed pride in signing the agreement with Zain, which comes in line with the Chamber's objectives pertaining to empowering the advancement of the private sector by offering advanced digital services that meet their needs and aspirations.

## Laila Abdullatif wins \$1,200,000 Tejoori Al Islami 2022 Grand prize



Laila Abdullatif wins a monthly salary of \$100,000 for a full year

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Bahrain Islamic Bank (BisB) announced Laila Abdullatif as the 2022 Tejoori Al Islami grand prize winner of \$1,200,000, corresponding to a monthly salary of \$100,000 for a full year.

The grand prize was awarded at a ceremony that hosted Ms. Laila's family in the presence of Yaser Alsharifi, Chief Executive Officer of BisB, in addition to several staff members.

Alsharifi said: "Following the success of the 2022 Tejoori Al Islami scheme, we assure our valued customers that the new year will bring them more surprises and rewards through a new scheme of Tejoori prizes for 2023, which will be announced soon."

It is worth noting that every BD 50 invested in a Tejoori account through the BisB mobile app, BenefitPay, ATM deposit machines, or the Bank's website allows customers to enter the draw for Tejoori prizes.

# ASRY achieves accreditation as an International Calibration Laboratory

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The Arab Shipbuilding and Repair Yard Company (ASRY) has recently been awarded the International Calibration Laboratory Accreditation Certificate from the GCC Accreditation Center in Saudi Arabia.

The certificate recognises that ASRY adheres to the International Standard ISO/IEC 17025:2017 for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories.

The Managing Director, Mazen Mohammed Matar, commented: "We are pleased to receive the international ISO 17025:2017 accreditation as it is a recognition of ASRY's efforts in meeting the international stand-



ards for best practices, standing as a testament to the dedication of our employees."



With this accreditation, ASRY is now equipped to conduct testing, measurement,

and calibration services that meet internationally recognised standards.

## Gulf Air Concludes Team Building Exercise



Gulf Air recently concluded its Team Building exercise, where the airline's more than 150 employees engaged in a number of activities aimed at cultivating team-spirit relations among each other. Commenting, Gulf Air Chief Executive Officer, Captain Waleed Al Alawi said, "Such exercises foster great team spirit between employees and help them to engage themselves in fun and challenging activities, while bonding and networking with each other."

QUOTE OF THE DAY

SPREAD LOVE EVERYWHERE YOU GO. LET NO ONE EVER COME TO YOU WITHOUT LEAVING HAPPIER  
MOTHER TERESA

News in brief

◆ **NATO Secretary-General**

Jens Stoltenberg will end his term as planned in October, a spokesperson for the alliance said, after a newspaper reported a further extension was in the works. "The mandate of Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg has been extended three times, and he has served for a total of almost nine years," NATO spokesperson Oana Lungescu said late on Saturday. "The Secretary-General's term comes to an end in October of this year and he has no intention to seek another extension of his mandate." Earlier, Welt am Sonntag reported Stoltenberg's term was to be extended again as the alliance sought to maintain stability during the war in Ukraine. Stoltenberg, an economist by training and a former leader of Norway's Labour Party, had his NATO term extended last year. He was prime minister of Norway from 2000-01 and 2005-13 before becoming NATO chief the following year. He has also been finance minister and energy minister. Welt said alliance members wanted to give Stoltenberg the opportunity to chair the organisation's 75th anniversary summit in Washington in April 2024. He would also be in a position to become president of the World Bank when David Malpass steps down around the same time, it said.



**NATO's Stoltenberg will not seek another extension of his term, spokesperson says**

**Cyprus votes for new president in tight run-off election**

◆ **Cyprus went** to the polls yesterday for a tight presidential runoff between two career diplomats seeking the top post in the small EU member state on the divided Mediterranean island. Polling stations close at 6:00 pm (1600 GMT) in the race to succeed two-term conservative President Nicos Anastasiades as head of state and government. Former foreign minister Nikos Christodoulides, 49, faces 66-year-old fellow diplomat Andreas Mavroyiannis after last Sunday's inconclusive first round.

◆ **Israeli forces** killed a Palestinian teenager Sunday in the occupied West Bank, the Palestinian health ministry said, with the army reporting they came under fire during a raid. The ministry reported 14-year-old Qusai Radwan Waked died "as a result of being seriously wounded in the abdomen by live fire from the occupation (Israel)" in Jenin, a city in the northern West Bank.

**Israeli forces kill Palestinian boy in West Bank: ministry**

**CURIOSER & CURIOSER**

**At Mexico's Chichen Itza site, researchers discover ancient 'elite' residences**



Workers of Mexico's National Institute of Anthropology and History (INAH) work in the restoration of Chichen Viejo during a media tour at the archaeological site of Chichen Itza, in Piste, Mexico

Reuters | Piste, Mexico

Archaeologists have revealed a group of structures discovered at the famed Mayan Chichen Itza archaeological site in Mexico's Yucatan peninsula, believed to have been part of a housing complex inhabited by the elite of the sacred city founded in the 5th Century AD.

Archaeologist Francisco Perez Ruiz said there were no known residential groups in Chichen Itza, meaning the housing complex would represent "the first residential group where a ruler lived with his entire family."

The area, known as Chichen Viejo, is expected to be integrated in the near future into the visitor area of the Chichen Itza archaeological site, a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

The newly discovered complex includes the entrance arch, the House of the Snails,

the House of the Moon, and the so-called Palace of the Phalluses.

Researchers from the National Institute of Anthropology and History (INAH) hope that this area and those yet to be uncovered can provide information on what life was like for the people who inhabited the city.

"There must be more residential groups that have not been explored yet. The study of these peripheral groups, around the central part, could tell us about other families, other groups that made up this great city," said archaeologist Jose Osorio Leon.

The area has been under exploration since 1998.

Around 2 million people visit Chichen Itza site in southeast Mexico each year, according to official data.

It was founded as a Mayan pilgrimage center by the Itza, or "water sorcerers."

**Teams are searching for Yukon UFO debris, Trudeau says**

Reuters | Ottawa/Washington

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said yesterday that investigators are hunting for wreckage of the mysterious flying object shot down by a US fighter jet over Yukon territory the day before.

"Recovery teams are on the ground, looking to find and analyze the object," Trudeau told reporters before departing for a previously scheduled fund-raising event in Yukon.

Trudeau's comments came as US Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer told broadcaster ABC that US officials believe the object destroyed over Canada on Saturday - as well as another flying object shot down near Deadhorse, Alaska on Friday - were both balloons.

He offered few other details, saying only that the objects were much smaller than the first balloon that drifted over US airspace and was shot down over South Carolina last Saturday.

Schumer said American officials were "focused like a laser" on figuring out what the



Canada's Prime Minister Justin Trudeau

objects were and what if any threat they posed.

"You can be sure that if any American interests or people are at risk, they'll take appropriate action."

Republican lawmaker Mike Turner, who serves on the US House Armed Services Committee, suggested that President Joe Biden's administration might be overcompensating for what he described as its previously lax monitoring of American airspace.

"They do appear somewhat trigger-happy," Turner told CNN on Sunday.

"I would prefer them to be trigger happy than to be permissive."

**BBC chair made 'errors of judgement' over Boris Johnson loan: lawmakers**

Reuters | London

BBC Chair Richard Sharp made "significant errors of judgement" in failing to declare his involvement in facilitating a loan for then-Prime Minister Boris Johnson shortly before he was appointed to the role, a committee of lawmakers said yesterday.

Sharp, a former Goldman Sachs banker, has said he introduced Sam Blyth, an old friend who wanted to help Johnson, to a government official in late 2020, but his involvement went no further.

Blyth, who is a distant cousin of Johnson, went on to lend the former prime minister up to 800,000 pounds (\$964,640), a media report has said.

Sharp has said, and reiterated to the committee when he appeared before it on Tuesday, that he was not involved in making a loan or in arranging a guarantee or any financing.

He said after seeking an introduction for Blyth, he had agreed with a senior govern-

ment official to have nothing more to do with the matter to avoid any conflict of interest.

The cross-party parliamentary committee said Sharp's decision not to tell it or the appointment panel about the matter during the appointment process was a breach of the standards expected of individuals applying for such public appointments.

"Such a significant error of judgment meant we were not in the full possession of the facts when we were required to rule on his suitability for the role of BBC Chair," acting committee Chair Damian Green said.

Sharp should consider the impact his omissions would have on trust in him, the BBC and the public appointments process, the committee's report said.

The chair of the broadcaster, which is funded by a licence fee paid by TV-watching households, is appointed on the recommendation of the government.

A spokesperson for Sharp said: "Mr Sharp appreciates that there was information that the committee felt that it should have been made aware of in his pre-appointment hearing. He regrets this and apologises."

Sharp also apologised again to the broadcaster's staff for the distraction caused to the BBC.

The opposition Labour Party said Sharp's position was "increasingly untenable".

Britain's public appointments watchdog is also reviewing Sharp's appointment.

Government minister Andrew Mitchell told the BBC on Sunday: "We need this inquiry to take place but then I think it will be a matter largely for the board of the BBC to make a recommendation to government."



Former British Prime Minister Boris Johnson

**Turkish soldier mounts excavation**

Antakya, Turkey

A Turkish soldier climbed into the bucket of an excavator on Saturday to search an earthquake-damaged home in Antakya for a cell phone belonging to a 75-year-old woman who feared her son was dead after five days without contact.

The woman, who gave her name as Mama Busra, had asked aid workers to find her phone and was waiting to call her son in a nearby park where tents were set



A satellite image shows collapsed buildings and traffic after an earthquake in Antakya, Turkey, February 9, 2023

**Children among the destroyed buildings**

● **The girl, named Cudi, had been buried for 147 hours**

● **A man and his five-year-old daughter Emira were also recovered alive**

Reuters

A father and daughter, a toddler and a 10-year-old girl were among survivors pulled from the ruins of collapsed buildings in the southern Turkish province of Hatay yesterday.

Monday's earthquake flattened swathes of towns and cities in parts of Turkey and Syria, killing at least 28,000 people. As rescue efforts enter their sixth day, time for crews to reach trapped victims alive under the rubble is running out, but emergency crews are still finding survivors.

Video released by the Istanbul Municipality showed rescuers in Hatay pulling a 10-year-old girl through a hole in the floor of a



A child is rescued from the rubble after 150 hours in Hatay, Turkey

damaged building before carrying her out on a stretcher.

The girl, named Cudi, had been

**Turkish police detain property developer as he tries to flee country**

The Daily Mail

Turkish police detained a property developer as he tried to flee the country after his apartment block collapsed during the earthquake.

131 arrest warrants have been issued amid claims that property developers ignored regulations and allowed shoddy construction to encourage a building boom.

Video footage shows the arrest of Mehmet Yasar Coskun at Istanbul Airport on Friday as he tried to leave the country for Montenegro.

Coskun is the contractor of the Ronasans Residence block which collapsed in Antakya.

The video also shows another man, Mehmet Ertan Akay - the property developer of the Ay e Mehmet Polat apartment complex which collapsed in the city of Gaziantep - being detained on Saturday.

Turkish Vice President Fuat Oktay said overnight that 131 suspects had been identified



Mehmet Yasar Coskun

as responsible for the collapse of buildings in the 10 provinces affected by last Monday's tremors. 'Detention orders have been issued for 113 of them,' he said in a briefing at the disaster management coordination centre in Ankara.

'We will follow this up meticulously until the necessary judicial process is concluded,

**YOU KNOW WHAT**

Experts warn new buildings due to endem...

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1st British East India Company voyage departs from London, lead by John Lancaster

1942

Hitler's Operation Sealion, the invasion of England, is cancelled



1945  
Allied planes begin bombing Dresden, Germany; a firestorm results and over 22,000 die

1945

1945  
USSR captures Budapest, after a 49-day battle with Nazi Germany in which 159,000 die

## Efforts to find distressed mother's missing phone

Efforts for those left homeless by last week's devastating earthquake.

Responding to her plea, Murathan Adil, a special ops soldier who had come to the southern city from Ankara to help with rescues, was raised to the second-floor balcony of the remains of her building.

On a narrow street turned into a cul-de-sac by the quake's destruction, the building's basement had collapsed, its facade had partially caved in, windows were smashed and cracks exposed.

Once Adil reached the balcony, another rescue worker inside handed him a red bag containing Mama Busra's belongings, including her phone, before the excavator lowered him back down.

Pausing briefly to help load bodies dug from neighbouring buildings onto a hearse, Adil headed to the park where Mama Busra waited anxiously.

The phone's battery had died before she could call her son. But

another person in the small building in the park heard the name of her son and said he knew him, and that he was alive and well.

The person dialed the son's number on his phone. He answered - and Mama Busra broke into tears hearing her son's voice for the first time since the earthquake struck five days earlier.

"It's like you gave me the world," Mama Busra said of the moment she heard her son's voice.

## Rescuees pulled from rubble in Turkey's Hatay



Hours in the aftermath of an earthquake

buried for 147 hours, the Istanbul Municipality said.

Also in Hatay, rescuers pulled

a small child from the rubble of a collapsed building. A video released by the Turkish health ministry showed the child lying silently on a stretcher, bruised and covered in dust, as rescuers carried her to safety.

In central Hatay, a man and his five-year-old daughter Emira were also recovered alive from a destroyed building.

Video released by the Kocaeli Municipality on Sunday showed rescuers talking to Emira and her father while they were still trapped under debris.

"Hello beautiful girl, we are here to take you out," one of the rescuers said.

Around 180 km (110 miles) to the north of Hatay, in the city of Kahramanmaraş, 27-year-old Muhammed Habib recited the Koran to rescuers during a 10-hour operation to extricate him.

Video posted on social media showed Habib pumping his fist in the air, yelling "God is greatest", to the cheers of rescuers below as he was finally winched out by machinery.

## Turkey-Armenia border gate opens for first time in decades to allow aid

Reuters | Istanbul

A border gate between long-feuding Turkey and Armenia has been opened for the first time in 35 years to allow aid for victims of the devastating earthquakes in southern Turkey, state-owned Anadolu news agency and a diplomat said.

Turkey's special envoy for Armenia, Serdar Kilic, tweeted photos of trucks passing through the Alican checkpoint at the Turkish side of the Aras river separating the two countries.

"I will always remember the generous aid sent by the people of Armenia to help alleviate the sufferings of our people in the earthquake stricken region in Turkey," Kilic said, thanking Armenian officials.

Anadolu said the crossing was last used to send aid from the Turkish Red Crescent to earthquake-hit Armenia in 1988.

## City country



is the contractor of the Besans Residence block which collapsed in Antakya

pecially for buildings that suffered heavy damage and buildings that caused deaths and injuries.

Turkish police have already taken at least 12 people into custody - with the unrest disrupting rescue efforts in some areas.

turned for years that many people in Turkey were unsafe due to corruption and government policies.

## UK arms could be made in Ukraine under licence, Telegraph says

Reuters | London

British arms and military vehicles could be manufactured in Ukraine under licence, easing the country's dependence on supplies of arms from Western allies, the Telegraph newspaper reported yesterday.

The Telegraph said British defence industry executives had travelled to Kyiv to discuss plans to set up joint ventures to manufacture weapons and vehicles locally.

Manufacturers from other European countries were also in discussions with Ukraine, it said, citing one executive saying there was a race to put Britain "at the front of the queue".

Ukraine's President Volodymyr Zelenskyy travelled to London and Paris on Wednesday to appeal for more Western arms to repeal the Russian invasion, including modern fighter jets and heavy long range weapons.

British Prime Minister Rishi Sunak told him that "nothing is off the table" when it comes to supplying Ukraine with jets to fight Russia, after he announced a plan to start training Ukrainian pilots to fly NATO-standard fighter jets.



Ukrainian servicemen attend a joint drill of armed forces, national guard and Security Service of Ukraine (SBU) near the border with Belarus

Western countries, however, have so far stopped short of providing jets or weapons that can strike deep inside Russia.

In response, news agency TASS cited Russia's embassy to Britain as warning that any delivery of British fighter jets to Ukraine would have serious military and political ramifications.

Any joint venture between a defence manufacturer and Ukraine would likely need British government sign-off, and such a move would further antagonise Moscow, the Telegraph said.



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TWEETS

01



Had a key meeting with @jpmorgan senior members, took part in the investment summit online. We discussed the creation of a platform for involving private capital to rebuild Ukraine. Post-war long-term growth steps were discussed. We agreed on cooperation.

02



Delighted to be in Dausa, Rajasthan where key connectivity projects are being launched. These will greatly benefit citizens by reducing travel time.

@narendramodi

03



Children simply have no role in conflict. We will continue doing everything we can to protect them from the madness of wars that have nothing to do with them.

@antonioguterres

04



Falcon 9 launches 55 Starlink satellites to orbit

@elonmusk



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## LEGAL VIEWPOINT

# Insider trading a criminal offence



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The Stock Market Laws prohibit insider trading and, based on this, disclosure or usage of insider information is punishable by law. The disclosure and or usage of insider information by the top management of a company or by any person having access to such information by virtue of his official post (ex-officio) is legally, commercially and ethically not acceptable under any circumstances.

Furthermore, it is important to mention that unauthorized disclosure of classified or confidential information, unless allowed by law, opens the door for civil litigation in addition to criminal proceedings against violators. Legally speaking, insider trading is an illegal act worldwide and there is lot of legal literature and continuous litigation in this respect.

I recall a recent American case wherein the CEO of an investment bank was charged, in a criminal complaint filed in a US Federal Court, with conspiracy and insider trading for allegedly passing on confidential classified information to a lady. This official was charged, in a criminal complaint filed in a Federal Criminal Court, as explained, with conspiracy against his company and committing securities fraud for allegedly passing on confidential insider information. This official, by virtue of his post, came to know that some banking mergers were in the pipeline. He knew this confidential information because his investment bank has been consulted to assist and to finalize the process.

This classified information should have been kept in close and strict confidence. However, the official did not respect his position and the trust conferred on him and broke the secrecy rules for personal interest. By doing this, he exposed himself to legal action. The lady to whom he passed on the classified information was, also, charged in the complaint.

Based on the insider information and tips given to her by this senior official, the lady bought the shares of the companies targeted for potential takeovers by clients, just prior to the announcements of the planned mergers by several banks. By doing this, the lady took the advantage of benefiting from the classified information passed to her. Her benefit was at the cost of other innocent competitors, because all potential buyers should have the same level of access to the required information.

This lady, and her accomplice, made illegal profits that they could not have made without the information divulged by the official. The lady also tipped off another man who allegedly made illegal profits based on the information passed on to him for no legal cause and at the cost of other potential buyers. In fact, insider information, once broken travels fast from one person to another and many people may benefit from such information. This makes the law more tough and firm in facing insiders who break the secrecy cycle.

In another case, the Chairman disclosed certain information regarding an initial public offering (IPO) by his company which was expected to generate a lot of money for the firm. In response to his unauthorized revelations, the company cancelled the IPO and took the Chairman to the court. Above cases, among others, show how insider information and insider trading affects business in general and the internal affairs of each company in particular.

According to the law, insider trading in stocks is totally prohibited as illegal act and criminal proceedings as well as civil can be taken against any person breaching the law. In this connection, it would be interesting to mention that the authorities, in some countries, announced that their stock market is suffering from insider trading activities and such illegal activities are very dangerous for the future and they are making the trading environment completely unhealthy. In a bid to control insider trading, as illegal activity, the authorities therein, are now preparing draft laws to counter insider trading activities and to penalize those who break the rules and disclose insider information. All stock markets are required to issue tough rules and regulations to counter and criminalize insider trading activities. This is a very important point for developing healthy markets and for the protection of potential investors in these markets.

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# celebs



## Cate Blanchett's husband said her career wouldn't last

**Celebretainment** | Los Angeles

**C**ate Blanchett's husband warned her her career would only last five years.

The 'Tar' actress - who has four children with spouse Andrew Upton - admitted the theatre director advised her to "enjoy" her moment in the spotlight when she first found

Cate Blanchett

fame because it was so hard for women to have longevity in the industry.

Reflecting on how things have progressed for women, she told OK! magazine: "Well, the landscape has certainly changed.

"You know, in the dawn of time when I entered the film industry, which is a very long time ago, I remember my husband saying to me in an incredibly supportive way, 'Enjoy it babe, you've got five years, if you're lucky.' And that was true for women.

"I think there are a lot of people who have been changing that landscape, not

only female, but trailblazing actors who have pushed the boundaries."

The 53-year-old star acknowledged she is in a privileged position in certain environments" but doesn't feel particularly powerful.

Asked if she feels powerful, she said: "No I don't. I mean you get certain environments, you know, I'm a white woman who is financially secure, who has gone through primary, secondary and tertiary education, who is in a non-abusive relationship and who is in work and has good health.

"So yes, on that level, I am incredibly

powerful." Meanwhile, Cate recently blasted the "patriarchal pyramid" and thinks the "televised horse race" of award ceremonies should come to an end in favour of celebrating the "amazing work" of women everywhere.

She said: "I would love it if we would just change this whole f\*\*\*\*\* structure. It's like what is this patriarchal pyramid where someone stands up here.

"Why don't we just say there was a whole raft of female performances that are in concert and in dialogue with one another?"

## Robert Pattinson 'terrified' of deep fakes

**Celebretainment** | Los Angeles

**R**obert Pattinson finds deep fake videos of himself "terrifying".

The 'Batman' actor is unnerved by the fact even people close to him have been taken in by "weird dancing videos on TikTok" that have used artificial intelligence to put his face onto someone else's body and he joked they are so convincing, he could end up without a job.

He told ES Magazine: "It's terrifying. The amount of people who know me quite well and will still be like, 'Why are you doing these weird dancing videos on TikTok?'"

"It's really bizarre. You just realise that we're two years away from it being indistinguishable from reality - and what on Earth am I going to do as a job then?"

The 36-year-old star isn't a big fan of dancing in public but thought he had "broken [his] curse" after strutting his stuff in

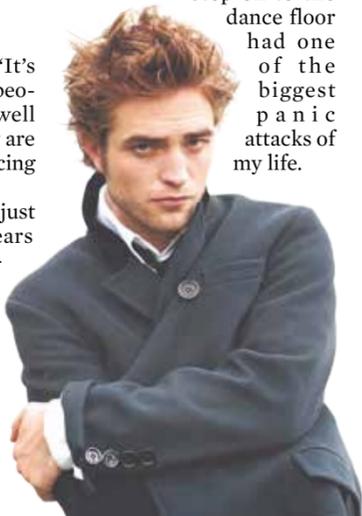
Robert Pattinson

his latest Dior Homme advert - only to find he had a panic attack as soon as he attempted to bust a move at a party.

He said: "I thought I'd broken my curse when I did that scene [it involves Pattinson performing an exuberant, freewheeling shimmy]. But then I went to a party a few weeks later - thinking I'm like Billy Elliot and as soon as I took one step on to the dance floor had one of the biggest panic attacks of my life.

**It's really bizarre. You just realise that we're two years away from it being indistinguishable from reality - and what on Earth am I going to do as a job then?**

ROBERT PATTINSON



## Anna Kendrick says actors are treated like 'insane divas'

**Celebretainment** | Los Angeles

**A**nnie Kendrick worries all actors are treated like "insane divas" so she took a very different approach when directing her first film.

The 'Up In The Air' star steps behind the lens for the first time to helm 'The Dating Game' for Netflix and she's revealed other members of the crew were worried by her direct style because she refused to treat the castmembers like "delicate little eggshells".

In a chat with Collider.com, she explained: "I think a lot of the producers were surprised by the amount of stuff that I was doing with the actors in the film, where I think a lot of filmmakers, I don't know whether it was in a program they went to or whatever, but I think there's a lot of bad rumours going around about what you can and can't say to actors.

Anna Kendrick



## Emma Roberts hopes her son hasn't inherited one particular trait from her

**Celebretainment** | Los Angeles

**E**milia Roberts is worried her son will be a sleepwalker.

The 31-year-old actress admitted both she and her mother are prone to nocturnal wandering so she's concerned two-year-old Rhodes - who she has with former partner Garrett Hedlund - will have inherited the trait.

Speaking on 'The Kelly Clarkson Show', she said: "I had a little bit of sleepwalking. I hope it's not hereditary because my mom also sleepwalked.

"One time I was sleepwalking and she was sleepwalking and we actually ran into each other. We were both so freaked out.

Emma Roberts

"I hope my son's not a sleepwalker. He's two and we're lucky he hasn't figured out he can climb out of the crib. He totally is capable but he hasn't, which I thought was very sweet of him."

Though Rhodes is "happy to stay in the crib" at the moment, the 'Maybe I Do' star is preparing for the day he will "climb out".

Emma Roberts

ed: "I just hope he doesn't sleepwalk on top of that."

Until that time, the mischievous toddler is already keeping his mother on her toes because he knows "how to open doorknobs and turn on and off lights." Emma quipped: "It's like there's a ghost in my house sometimes, doors are open, lights are on, and I'm like what happened?"



## Katie Holmes almost quit acting at 17

**Celebretainment** | Los Angeles

**K**atie Holmes almost quit acting at the age of 17 when work dried up after her first film role.

The 'Daw-

son's Creek' star landed her first gig acting in Ang Lee's 1997 film 'The Ice Storm' but after wrapping filming she struggled to land any more jobs - and Katie admits she thought her career was over after just one movie.

During an appearance

on 'The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon', she explained: "Well, I was 17, and I remember we came to New York, my mom and I, and we shot it, and I thought, 'Oh, this is what I want to do.

Katie Holmes



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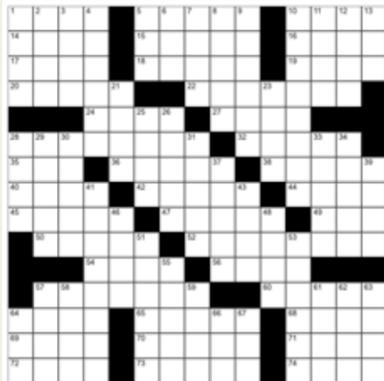
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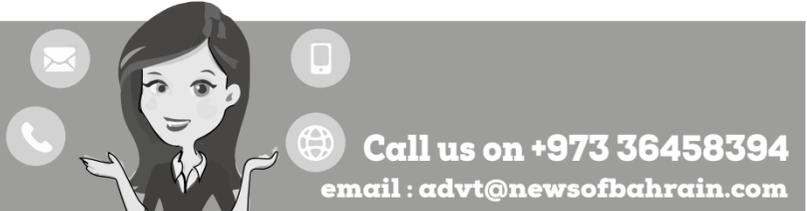
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Yesterday's solution

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## Australian cricketers blasted over 'humiliation' by India



The players greet each other at the end of the match  
AFP | Sydney

Australia's rout by India in the first Test at Nagpur was slammed as a "humiliation" and an "embarrassment" yesterday, with calls for changes ahead of the second Test. The world number one side were crushed by an innings and 132 runs inside three days on a bone-dry pitch on Saturday, outclassed by spin twins Ravichandran Ashwin and Ravindra Jadeja. Australia's second innings' 91 was its lowest-ever total in India. "Pat Cummins' side has been humiliated in the first Nagpur Test match," The Australian broadsheet wrote. "There's no blaming the wicket when the opposition post 400, but there's potential to blame the state of mind the Australians approached the game in." It said questions must be asked about the decision to drop Travis Head, one of their standout players during the home summer, and over how much longer veteran opener David Warner can remain in Test cricket after failing again. The Sydney Morning Herald said Australia had been dealt "a brutal reality check in their quest for world domination by

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India's spin masters", while Sydney's Daily Telegraph urged change. "The axing of Travis Head looked silly on day one and positively stupid on day three after Australia's dreadful performance," said the Telegraph. "He must return. But Travis Head alone would not have raised the Titanic." Former captain Allan Border said the team should be "embarrassed" and would be left with "so many scars". "I hope our players are embarrassed by that performance. It's just poor all around. It's hard to believe it's happened so quickly," he told Fox Sports. "It seems like we overthought this particular tour and who should be there, who shouldn't be there. We've started as badly as we possibly could. Hopefully that's rock bottom." Mark Waugh, a selector during Australia's 2017 campaign in India, also said Head and allrounder Cameron Green, if fit, should be recalled for the second Test in Delhi. "There have been too many bruises from this game to move forward (with the current side)," he said. "If Cameron Green is fit, he has to come in and Head has to come back in."

**YOU KNOW WHAT**  
Australia's paltry second innings total of 91 was its lowest on Indian soil

## Bahrain vs Philippines in 10th Goodwill Basketball Game 2023

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Preparations are underway for the 10th Bahrain-Philippines Goodwill Basketball Game 2023, which will be held on February 16 at 7:30pm at the Khalifa Sports City Stadium in Isa Town.

The Pinoy Bahrain Basketball League (PBBL) officers, led by Daryll Soriano, paid a courtesy call to Charge d' Affaires, a.i. Anne Jalando-on Louis, at the Philippine Embassy to give her a briefing about the upcoming event.

The Bahrain National Basketball Team and the PBA All-Star Legends of the Philippines will square off in this game.

As part of the celebration of the 45th year since the estab-



CDA Anne Jalando-on Louis, second from left, with Daryll Soriano, PBBL, Head of Organizing Committee, far left; Rose Rafer, PBBL Public Relations, and Arjay Jacinto, Sports Coordinator

lishment of diplomatic relations Bahrain this year, Soriano said between the Philippines and that the PBBL is honoured to

organise this historic basketball event of the year for the Filipino community in Bahrain. The event will highlight the friendship and cooperation between the two nations.

The PBA All-Star Legends, according to Soriano, are made up of a select group of well-known basketball players from the Philippines, including Marc "Pinoy Sakuragi" Pingris, JJ "The Fast" Helderbrand, Cyrus "Skylus" Baguio, Alan "The Triggerman" Caidic, Rico "Amazing" Mairhofer, Roger Yap Jr, EJ "The Gentle Giant" Feihl, John "Big John" Ferriols, Sunday "Special" Salvacion and Gherome Ejercito. For inquiries, please check out their Facebook account "PBBL."

## Broad hails McCullum's England impact ahead of first New Zealand Test

AFP | London

Veteran England seamer Stuart Broad says coach Brendon McCullum's focus on fun has not just revitalised the team's Test fortunes but could grow global interest in the game.

Broad is set to return for the two-Test series against New Zealand starting in Mount Maunganui on Thursday, having missed the 3-0 series win in Pakistan in December following the birth of his daughter.

The 36-year-old said returning to the England set-up under former Black Caps captain McCullum had been a pleasure.

Riding high on the back of nine wins from 10 Tests overseen by the attack-minded coach, England's players have spent much of their two weeks of preparation focusing on team bonding, including countless rounds of golf.

"It's been one of the best, most enjoyable starts to a tour that I've ever had in my time," Broad told journalists.

"I think Baz (McCullum) has got a great mentality for the group, and life really.

"In this environment, I don't think I've ever heard stats or numbers mentioned once. It's all about going with the feel of the game and taking the positive option at all times."

Broad said McCullum's approach contrasted with the successful regime under Andy Flower, when England climbed to the top of the world Test



England coach Brendon McCullum listens as Stuart Broad (R) makes a point as the bowlers have a group chat during nets (file photo)

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rankings after winning the 2010-11 Ashes series in Australia.

"We got to number one through discipline, through organisation and knowing exactly what our roles were," Broad said.

"Andrew Strauss was captain, he wanted everyone to go at under three (runs) an over and

bat a long time. All our batters averaged over 40.

"So different styles do work ... but there's no doubt this has been the most fun environment that I've been a part of and I think it's because that is almost Baz's number one priority."

Broad believed other nations will seriously consider copying England's buccaneering approach, which he said would be great for the game at a time when Twenty20 leagues threaten to steal players and eyeballs away from Test cricket.

"Baz knows that Test cricket and the world game is under a bit of pressure. It's much easier to go and play for a T20 franchise, where there's no pressure on you to play particularly.

"But if you can create an environment that's hugely rewarding, then it really does make Test cricket the pinnacle."

## Herrada leads Tour of Oman after second stage win



Jesus Herrada  
Reuters | London

Spain's Jesus Herrada won the second stage of the Tour of Oman yesterday to take the overall lead of the five day race on a steep final climb.

This was the Cofidis rider's 19th career win, a haul that includes two stage successes on the Vuelta a Espana.

The 123 riders set out from Muscat on a 174km ride taking 4hrs 21min 07sec before Herrada proved strongest in the 2.5 kilometre uphill finish to Quarayyat, making his move around 300m from the line to beat Belgian Maxim Van Gils and Italy's Diego Ulissi.

"Herrada had great legs and took a good win and we are both looking forward to racing like that again tomorrow," Ulissi said.

In the general classification Herrada holds a 4sec cushion over Van Gils going into Monday's 152km ride from Al Khobar to Jabal Haat up an 8.5 percent slope of almost 5km.

# Muharraq secure semi-final spot in volleyball league

Golden Square line-up complete as Muharraq join Al Najma, Dar Kulaib and Al Ahli in Isa bin Rashid Bahrain Volleyball League

● **Muharraq fight back after narrowly giving up first set in win over Nabih Saleh**

● **Al Ahli rally from a set down to defeat Al Nasser and end their semi-final hopes**

TDT | Manama

Muharraq claimed the fourth and final spot in the Golden Square semi-finals of the 2022/2023 Isa bin Rashid Bahrain Volleyball League last night.

Muharraq secured their berth following a hard-earned 3-1 (25-27, 25-16, 25-21, 25-21) victory over Nabih Saleh and after Al Ahli's come-from-behind 3-2 (23-25, 26-24, 25-21, 20-25, 15-11) victory over Al Nasser.

Both games were part of the last match week in the league's

round-of-six playoffs.

Muharraq and Nasser were the last two teams in contention for the final berth in the Golden Square, where they were looking to join already qualified Al Najma, Dar Kulaib and Ahli.

The six-team playoffs are being played in double round-robin format. The top four move on to the semis. This stage concludes tomorrow with a clash of the titans—a non-bearing game between Najma and Dar Kulaib, who are already assured of the top two spots. They both currently top the round-of-six standings, with Najma boasting an 8-1 win-loss record, followed by Dar Kulaib with a 7-2 mark.

Ahli are third after improving to 7-3 to wrap up this stage, while Muharraq improved to 4-6, followed by Nasser who dropped to 3-7. Nabih Saleh rounded out the table with a winless record after 10 games.

The Golden Square semi-finals have yet to be scheduled by the Bahrain Volleyball Association but will likely get underway



Al Ahli's Jerome Cross attacks Al Nasser at the net during their match last night

next week.

In Muharraq's triumph, they did well to bounce back after narrowly losing the first set with a dominant second. They kept it up in set three but had to battle hard in the fourth, with Nabih Saleh looking to extend the contest.

But Muharraq were able to break an 18-all deadlock with five straight points that made it 23-18. Nabih Saleh could not recover and Muharraq sealed their place in the Golden Square. Meanwhile, in Ahli's win last night, after taking the first set,



Muharraq's Nigerian professional Samuel Anthony Ogwuche, no. 19, looks to block the attack of Nabih Saleh's Saleh Jaffar Sadiq

Nasser could have gone 2-0 up into the third but Nasser were able to force the tie-break. There, an Ahli double block put them ahead 11-8, and although Nasser stayed close at 11-13, Ahli made no mistake in closing the match out.

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## Brentford equaliser at Arsenal not properly checked by VAR officials

AFP | London

The body responsible for refereeing in the Premier League admitted yesterday that Brentford's equalising goal in a 1-1 draw at Premier League leaders Arsenal was not properly checked for offside by the VAR officials.

The Gunners dropped what could be two huge points in the title race when Ivan Toney headed in after a scramble inside the Arsenal area.

A lengthy VAR check took place after the goal to examine whether Ethan Pinnock was offside and interfering with play earlier in the move.

But VAR officials then missed the fact Christian Norgaard was in an offside position when he hooked the ball across for Toney to equalise.



Brentford's Ivan Toney battle for the ball in the air with Arsenal's Thomas Partey

Brentford's goal was not the only controversy of a bad Saturday for officiating in the Premier League.

Brighton had a goal wrongly

ruled out in their 1-1 draw with Crystal Palace.

Pervis Estupinan's strike was disallowed after a VAR review deemed the Ecuadorian to be

offside.

However, the lines drawn by the VAR official to determine the offside used the wrong Palace defender with Marc Guehi stood behind James Tomkins.



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## Southampton axe boss Jones after three months



Southampton coach Nathan Jones reacts during a match (file photo)

AFP | London

Southampton sacked boss Nathan Jones yesterday after only three months in charge of the Premier League's bottom club.

Jones endured a torrid time after taking over at Southampton in November following the dismissal of Ralph Hasenhuttl.

The 49-year-old Welshman struggled to win over Southampton fans, who were unconvinced by his lack of Premier League experience.

The final straw for the Southampton board came on Saturday when Jones' side lost 2-1 at home to 10-man Wolves.

"Southampton Football Club can confirm it has parted company with Men's First Team Manager Nathan Jones," a Southampton statement said.

"First Team Coaches Chris Cohen and Alan Sheehan have also left the club. First Team Lead Coach Ruben Selles will take charge of training and prepare the team ahead of next weekend's game against Chelsea."

Southampton's defeat left



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them bottom of the table and four points from safety.

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However, his Southampton reign lasted just 14 games in all competitions, of which he won five and lost nine.

## Manchester City's achievements cannot be taken away says Guardiola

Reuters | London

Manchester City manager Pep Guardiola has said no one can take away the club's achievements even if the ongoing Premier League investigation into their financial affairs was to see the reigning English champions stripped of their titles.

City have been charged with over 100 breaches of the Premier League's financial regulations from 2009 to 2018 and could face the prospect of losing the three Premier League titles they won during the period and expulsion from the league.

City issued a statement on Monday saying: "The club welcomes the review of this matter by an independent commission, to impartially consider the comprehensive body of irrefutable



Pep Guardiola manager of Manchester City with Riyad Mahrez and Jack Grealish during a match (file photo)

evidence that exists in support of its position."

Former Barcelona and Bayern Munich manager Guardiola said no matter what the outcome of the Premier League investiga-

tion is, City's trophy-winning run would always be worthy of recognition.

"At the end, always we leave thinking what other people think about us. Forget about it.

**"The Premier League will decide but I know what we won, and the way we won it, with the effort we put in. For something that happened in 2009 or 2010, I don't how long ago it was, it is not going to change one second. They belong to us. Absolutely, they belong to us. Regardless of the sentence, they belong to us"**

PEP GUARDIOLA

Think what we have done. No one can remove it," Guardiola was quoted as saying by British media on Saturday.

# It's F2, F3 testing week!

Bahrain International Circuit all geared up to host three full days of F2 and F3 pre-season tests

● Sessions to be held along BIC's 5.412-kilometre Grand Prix track

● F2, F3 to alternate track time during all three days of test sessions

TDI | Manama

Bahrain International Circuit (BIC) is set to host three full days of pre-season testing this week in the FIA Formula 2 Championship and the FIA Formula 3 Championship.

Formula 1's two chief feeder series, featuring motor racing's stars of the future, will be hitting the tarmac from tomorrow to Thursday for the joint-sessions.

They will be warming up the track at "The Home of Motorsport in the Middle East" in preparation for the start of their respective 2023 seasons, taking place as part of the stellar support programme at this year's F1 Gulf Air Bahrain Grand Prix from 3 to 5 March.

The tests will be held along BIC's 5.412-kilometre Grand Prix circuit.

On each of the three days, F2 and F3



F2 pre-season testing at BIC from last year (File photo)

will be alternating track time. F3 will be the first to go testing in the morning from 9am to 11.30am, and then again in the afternoon from 2.30pm to 5pm. F2's schedule on track will be from 11.45am to 2.15pm and then again from 5.15pm to 7.45pm on all the days.

This week's action is crucial for the F2 and F3 teams and ace pilots, as it will be the only on-track running they have ahead of their upcoming campaigns.

F2 is the last rung on the ladder to F1, with many drivers who have graduated from F2 now starring in the top flight. Among them are Charles Leclerc of Ferrari, George Russell of Mercedes, Lando Norris of McLaren, Alexander Albon of Williams, Yuki Tsunoda of AlphaTauri and Zhou Guanyu of Alfa Romeo, along with the incoming Oscar Piastri of McLaren and Nyck De Vries of AlphaTauri.



**F2 and F3 are Formula 1's two chief feeder series, featuring motor racing's stars of the future. They will be hitting the tarmac at BIC from tomorrow to Thursday for the joint-sessions**

All 11 F2 teams, each fielding two cars, will be at the tests, including defending champions MP Motorsport, Carlin, ART Grand Prix, Prema Racing, Hitech Grand Prix, Dams, Virtuosi Racing, PHM Racing by Charouz, Trident, Van Amersfoort Racing and Campos Racing.

Meanwhile, F3 is also a one-make category that is the official third rung of the "Road to F1".

The series' 10 teams make for a 30-car grid, and they will all be at BIC this week. The field includes reigning teams' champions Prema Racing, who

will be going up against Trident, ART Grand Prix, MP Motorsport, Hitech Grand Prix, Van Amersfoort Racing, Carlin, Campos Racing, Jenzer Motorsport and PHM Racing by Charouz.

F2 and F3 will each hold two races during the Bahrain Grand Prix weekend, along with practices and qualifying. Both series' Sprint Races will take place on the Saturday with the Feature Races to follow on Sunday, while practice and qualifying are scheduled for Friday.

The 2023 F2 season is set to feature 14 rounds, flagging off in Bahrain and concluding in November in Abu Dhabi, while the 2023 F3 championship consists of 10 rounds, beginning at BIC and ending in September in Monza.

A number of the F2 and F3 talents are currently junior drivers with F1 teams, and they will be able to showcase their skills in front of a global audience that includes the F1 community they will be hoping to impress.

At the Bahrain Grand Prix, F2 and F3 are to be joined on the support programme by the Porsche Sprint Challenge Middle East.

For more information on the sporting and entertainment spectacle, or to buy tickets or hospitality options, visit [bahraingp.com](http://bahraingp.com) or call the BIC Hotline on +973-17450000.

## Rashford strikes again as Man Utd late show sinks Leeds

AFP | London

Marcus Rashford extended his hot streak with the late goal that inspired Manchester United's 2-0 win against old rivals Leeds yesterday.

After Rashford scored to spark United's comeback from two goals down in Wednesday's 2-2 draw with Leeds, Rashford tormented the Yorkshire club once again.

Rashford netted with 10 minutes left at Elland Road to make it four successive Premier League games with a goal for the England forward, who has scored in eight of his last nine appearances in the competition.

Following Alejandro Garnacho's frustrated reaction to being substituted on Wednesday, the Argentine teenager made amends as he came off the bench to seal United's hard-fought victory five minutes after Rashford's goal.

United's win was just their



Marcus Rashford of Manchester United scores the team's first goal

second in their last five league games, although they have now lost just once in their last 17 matches in all competitions.

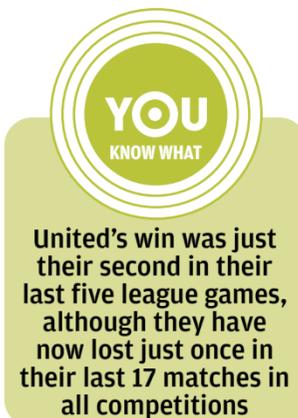
Erik ten Hag's side moved up to second place, although Manchester City would go back above them if they beat Aston Villa later yesterday.

More importantly, United are seven points clear of fifth placed Tottenham in the race to qualify

for the Champions League via a top four finish.

The clash was marred by offensive taunts from the stands, with Leeds fans singing about the 1958 Munich air crash that killed several United players and their rivals in the away end responding by chanting about the deaths of two Leeds fans in Istanbul in 2000.

Fourth bottom Leeds are



**United's win was just their second in their last five league games, although they have now lost just once in their last 17 matches in all competitions**

without a win in their last nine league games and would drop into the relegation zone if Everton beat Liverpool on Monday.

Since sacking Jesse Marsch on Monday, Leeds have seen their move for Rayo Vallecano boss Andoni Iraola blocked by his club, while Feyenoord's Arne Slot and West Brom's Carlos Corberan ruled themselves out of contention.

## Stage set for HM the King's Cup semis



Riffa's Ali Haram, left, and Muharraq's Abdulwahab Al Malood battle during their quarter-final match last week

● **Manama take on Al Hala tonight, Riffa play Al Ahli tomorrow**

TDI | Manama

The semi-finals of this year's His Majesty the King's Cup football tournament are scheduled to take place today and tomorrow.

This evening, the first final four clash will be between Manama and Al Hala. It is scheduled for a 6.30pm kick-off and it will be played at the Shaikh Ali bin Mohammed Al Khalifa Stadium at Muharraq Club in Arad.

Meanwhile, tomorrow defending league champions Riffa will take on Al Ahli, also

starting at 6.30pm at the Khalifa Sports City Stadium in Isa Town.

All four teams advanced to the semis with penalty shootout victories in their respective quarter-final games. Manama defeated Sitra 5-4 after extra time ended with the two teams tied at 1-1, while Hala beat Hidd 4-2 with their game also ending 1-1 after extra time. Ahli defeated Al Najma with a similar 4-2 score line on penalties after the two teams were deadlocked at 1-1 after extra time, and then Riffa beat Muharraq 3-0 in a shootout after the game was goalless.

Both of last year's finalists, namely holders Al Khaldiya and East Riffa, have already been eliminated from the tournament.

## Marini tops final day Malaysia MotoGP test

AFP | Kuala Lumpur

Luca Marini of Italy was the fastest rider as the MotoGP pre-season test concluded at the Sepang circuit in Malaysia yesterday, clocking in ahead of reigning world champion Francesco Bagnaia.

The 25-year-old Marini recorded the quickest lap over three days of testing in wet conditions with a time of 1min 57.889sec.

Maverick Vinales came in third riding for Aprilia, while Enea Bastianini took fourth and Saturday's fastest rider Jorge Martin came in fifth.

VR46 Racing's Marini, who also topped the winter test timesheets in Valencia last



Luca Marini of Italy and Mooney VR46 Racing Team rides during the Sepang MotoGP Official Test

November, said being the quickest rider was the perfect way to start the season.

"It was a fantastic test. The programme we made was amazing, and I'm happy we

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tried everything we needed to try. We improved the bike and it all worked out well. A perfect test in my opinion," he said.