

**Man arrested for stealing BD9,000, vandalising vehicle**



The suspect is caught on camera  
**Mohammed Darwish**  
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A 43-year-old man is in custody after the Southern Governorate Police Directorate linked him to the vandalism of a vehicle in Sanad, where he allegedly smashed the glass and made off with BD9,000.

The suspect is also believed to have damaged other vehicles in the area.

The police acted quickly after receiving multiple reports, launching an investigation that led to the suspect's identification and arrest.

Authorities have indicated that he may be involved in similar thefts across other governorates.

The suspect will soon face the Public Prosecution.

**US forces strike IS group in Syria**

AFP | Washington

US forces have conducted air strikes against multiple Islamic State group sites in Syria, the military said yesterday.

US forces "conducted a series of airstrikes against multiple known ISIS camps in Syria in the early morning of Oct. 11," the US Central Command said in a statement on X.

"The strikes will disrupt the ability of ISIS to plan, organize, and conduct attacks against the United States, its allies and partners, and civilians throughout the region and beyond."

**Kyiv 'holding the line' in Kursk**

AFP | Kyiv

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky said yesterday that Moscow had attempted to push back Ukrainian positions in the Russian Kursk region but that Kyiv was "holding the line."

Ukraine has held on to swathes of Russia's attacks

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# Economic engine picks up steam

Gulf Railway project reaches final stages of awarding deal for operational plan study

**Preparations underway for Bahrain and Saudi Arabia causeway link**

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The ambitious Gulf Railway project, aiming to create a unified rail network spanning over 2,100 kilometers across the six Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states, is making significant strides, according to MEED magazine.

The project, expected to be operational by 2030, is currently in the final stages of awarding a contract for a comprehensive operational plan study.

This follows substantial progress on various segments of the project, including the completion of the UAE's section to the Saudi Arabian border, and the successful completion of the 200-kilometer Ras Al Khair-Dammam rail line in Saudi Arabia.

Preparations are also underway for the Bahrain-Saudi Arabia causeway link.

A joint venture between Etihad Rail and Oman Rail,

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The Gulf Railway project will enhance intra-GCC trade, create jobs, lower road maintenance costs, boost social ties, reduce traffic accidents, and minimize environmental impact.

the Hafeet Railway Company, is developing a network connecting Suhar and Abu Dhabi.

**Consultancy agreement**

Design and implementation documents for the first phase in Qatar are finalized, and a consultancy agreement for Kuwait's section is expected in 2024.



An artist's rendition of the railway

6 million

The railway network's projected number of passengers annually by 2030.

Border meeting points have been identified, and 13 technical annexes governing execu-

tion and operation have been approved.

A tender for an asset management system is also planned, alongside the ratification of a unified operational document.

The project is expected to significantly boost regional connectivity, trade, and economic integration.

**Passengers volume**

According to statements from GCC officials, the railway network is projected to carry 6

million passengers annually by 2030, rising to 8 million by 2045.

Freight volume is anticipated to increase from 201 million tonnes in 2030 to 271 million tonnes by 2045.

The project's benefits extend beyond economic gains, encompassing improved intra-GCC trade, job creation, reduced road maintenance costs, strengthened social ties, decreased traffic accidents, lower fuel consumption, and a reduced environmental impact.

Israel issues stern warning

## South Lebanon residents told 'not to return home'

AFP | Jerusalem

The Israeli military yesterday warned residents of south Lebanon "not to return" to their homes as troops continued fighting Hezbollah fighters in the area.

Israeli forces continue to "target Hezbollah posts in or near your villages", military spokesman Avichay Adraee said on X. "For your own protection, do not return to your homes until further notice. Do not go south; anyone who goes south may put his life at risk."

In a separate post, Adraee reiterated an earlier call for health workers and medical teams in southern Lebanon to avoid using ambulances, claiming they are being used by Hezbollah fighters.

"We call on medical teams to



Lebanese civil defence workers transport a body after it was unearthed from under the rubble at the site of an Israeli airstrike on the Mount Lebanon village of Maaysra, east of the coastal town of Byblos. (AFP)

avoid contact with Hezbollah members and not to cooperate

with them," he said. "The IDF (Israeli military)

affirms that the necessary actions will be taken against any

vehicle transporting armed individuals, regardless of its type."

Israel is engaged in a multi-front war as it continues to battle Palestinian fighters in Gaza.

In recent days, the military has launched an intense ground and air assault in northern Gaza, particularly in and around the city of Jabalia.

Yesterday, Adraee called on residents of the area around Sheikh Radwan, south of Jabalia refugee camp, to evacuate.

"The specified area, including the shelters within it, is considered a dangerous combat zone," Adraee said on X, ordering residents to move to the humanitarian zone in the southern part of the strip.

# Discover America Week 2024

## How American transportation innovation fuels growth and security

**H.E. US Ambassador  
Steven C. Bondy**  
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Discover America Week shines a spotlight each year on the commercial ties between Bahrain and the United States.

This year, we focus on the role American transportation innovation plays in promoting our economic growth and its impact on advancing supply chain resilience, mitigating climate change, and promoting national security.

Notably, 2024 marks the 20th anniversary of the signing of the US-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement (FTA), under which bilateral trade has nearly quadrupled.

The FTA facilitates the import of high-quality American vehicles, boats, aircraft, and related equipment while also enabling partnerships between American and Bahraini companies to promote economic development and improved trade and logistics systems.

The US Embassy is showcasing examples of American transportation in Bahrain, from cutting-edge sports cars and heavy-duty trucks to cargo ships and wide-body aircraft, as well as intelligent traffic manage-

ment systems, and the final frontier, space exploration.

Transportation makes us more mobile, interconnected, and productive in Bahrain, the United States, and around the world.

### Commitment to Bilateral Economic Partnership

Twenty years ago, Bahrain and the United States strengthened an already robust relationship by signing the Free Trade Agreement, the first such US agreement in the Gulf region.

Since it came into force in 2006, two-way trade in goods has expanded almost four times, from \$782 million in 2005 to the high-water mark of over \$3 billion in 2018.

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**Transportation makes us more mobile, interconnected, and productive in Bahrain, the United States, and around the world**

H.E. STEVEN C. BONDY, AMBASSADOR OF THE US TO THE KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN

Bilateral trade volume of goods in both 2022 and 2023 was \$2.85 billion, while trade in services adds another \$1 billion to our total commercial exchange each year.

Specifically in the transportation sector, over the last ten years, aircraft, automobiles, and related parts have made up about one-third of all US exports to Bahrain.

The US-Bahrain Comprehensive Security Integration and Prosperity Agreement (C-SIPA), signed in 2023, reaffirmed our long-standing strategic partnership.

Not focusing on defense and security alone, the agreement addresses trade and economic

affairs, and science, technology, and cybersecurity.

These elements highlight our shared view that national security is inextricably linked with economic growth.

The agreement shines a light on ways our partnership can promote bilateral trade, strengthen global supply chains, and utilize trusted technology.

### Economic Growth Depends on Effective Transportation

I had the pleasure of visiting automotive showrooms in Bahrain that feature the best of American vehicles, from General Motors, Ford, and Stellantis.

These companies are constantly innovating to design and build the cars and trucks that connect us and safely move people and products across Bahrain every day to work, school, and recreation.

Bahrain's national airline, Gulf Air, bases its long-haul capacity on a foundation of superior Boeing 787 aircraft, expanding Bahrain's reach around the world.

American ships, shipping lines, and cruise vessels bring trade and tourism through Bahrain's seaport, helping to position Bahrain as a regional multimodal sea-air logistics hub,

and buttressing growth in the tourism sector.

As Bahrain advances its transportation systems and infrastructure, American engineers, suppliers, and contractors are ready to support key projects.

American companies already contribute to major road, airport, and infrastructure projects and we look forward to exploring technologies like intelligent transportation systems and smart cities to make traffic move faster and more efficiently.

American companies are proud to participate in the 2024 Bahrain International Air Show to help showcase their cut-

ting-edge products and services and to shine a spotlight on the Kingdom's leadership in the aviation sector.

### Island Country, Global Solutions

Innovation in transportation is central to addressing priorities like food and energy security, and greater economic integration.

As Bahrain refines mechanisms for cross-border logistics, Bahraini and American companies can help expedite the movement of goods and services into more markets.

Our close collaboration on customs systems and the technology that powers them, and our progress toward direct flights to and from the United States, promise even greater movement of people and goods between our two countries, facilitating business opportunities, expanded trade, and more personal interactions between our citizens.

We look forward to the next twenty years under the Free Trade Agreement and C-SIPA, and we will continue to partner with Bahrain in leveraging transportation as a key driver of economic growth.

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# Shura Council set to hold first procedural session today

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The Shura Council begins today a new chapter as it holds its first procedural session of the Third Convening Period, following a royal address by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

This gathering not only marks the continuation of legislative duties but also welcomes Dr Anwar Khalifa Al Sada as he takes the constitutional oath, adding a new perspective to the council.

The session will commence with the reading of the royal decree summoning both the Shura and Representatives Councils for the third regular convening period.

Subsequently, the council will address the decree appointing Dr Al Sada, who will take the oath during this first meeting.

After the royal address, the Chairman of the Shura Council is expected to deliver a speech to officially start the legislative session.

The council will then proceed to elect the first and second deputy chairpersons, in accordance with Article 6 of its internal regulations, which states that the Shura Council begins its first meeting at the start of each legislative term by electing the deputy chairpersons.

Under Article 16, the election of the deputy chairpersons will take place in the first session by



Shura Council

an absolute majority of those present.

If this majority is not reached, a re-election will follow between the two candidates with the most votes. In the event of a tie, other candidates who received the same number of votes will join the second election.

When several candidates achieve a relative majority, the council will select among them through a draw.

Nominations for the vice presidency must be submitted to the Chairman within the specified timeframe.

If only one candidate is put forward, the Chairman will declare them elected by acclamation.

# Stop the madness!

Urgent call for traffic cameras as 'red light runners' threaten public safety in Durrat Al Muharraq



Dash cam footage shows a vehicle coming into the path of another vehicle that is traveling forward at Durrat Al Muharraq upon getting a green signal

Mohammed Darwish  
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Drivers running red lights on Avenue 65 in Durrat Al Muharraq are raising concerns about public safety in the area.

Fadel Al Oud, a member of Muharraq Municipal Council, is urging the installation of traffic cameras, stressing the need for quick action at the busy Durrat Al Muharraq junction, where some drivers disregard traffic signals.

The absence of cameras has encouraged many to flout the law, endangering other motorists.

For the record, reckless drivers are responsible for dozens of traffic violations weekly, contributing to at least two accidents per month.

### Reckless

Al Oud pointed out that the municipal council had already advised placing cameras at the junction, calling the behaviour of these drivers reckless and a threat to public safety.

"Motorists are blatantly ignoring red lights, putting lives at risk with their disregard for the rules," Al Oud said.

During the most recent municipal meeting in Muharraq, Al



**We hope for a swift installation of traffic cameras to prevent any traffic accidents."**

FADEL AL OUD, A MEMBER OF MUHARRAQ MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

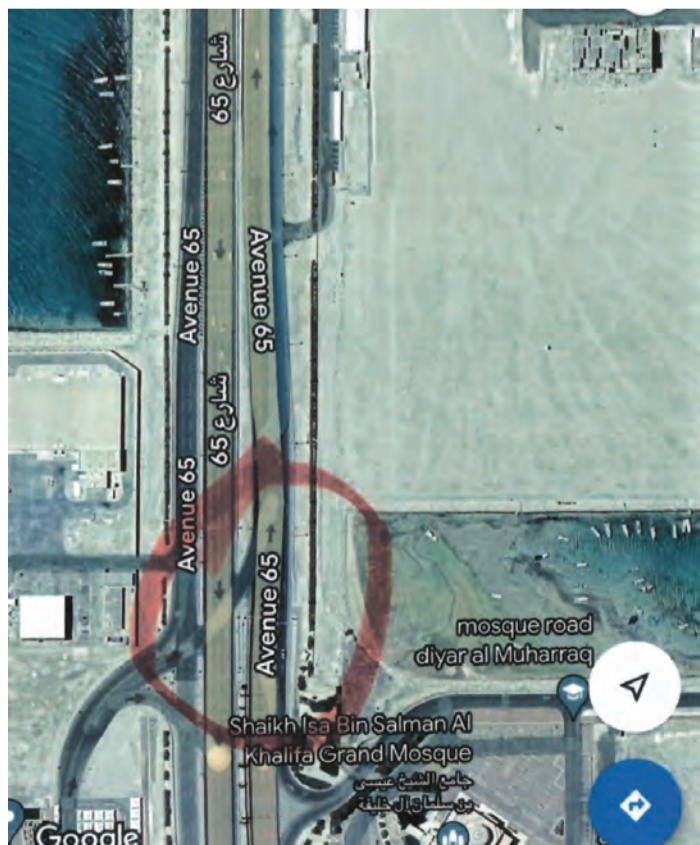
Oud stated, "The signal is dangerous because there are two closely spaced traffic signals, with one appearing just ahead of the other, which causes confusion for drivers. We contacted the General Directorate of Traffic, and they told us that they would install a camera on this road. We hope for a swift installation to prevent any traffic accidents."

### Monitoring systems

When contacted, the General Directorate of Traffic explained that current monitoring systems, such as speed and red-light cameras, were being prioritised in other locations.

However, they assured that Avenue 65 would be included in future plans as more systems become available.

Though Al Oud expressed appreciation for the Directorate's response, he renewed his call for immediate measures to prevent further danger at the junction.



More accidents loom on Avenue 65

# Restaurant owner jailed for drugs

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A well-known restaurant owner in his sixties has been sentenced to 10 years in prison for drug-related offenses.

The High Criminal Court found the owner and three accomplices guilty, imposing a ten-year prison sentence and a fine of BD5,000 on each, along with the confiscation of seized items.

In a surprising turn of events, the court acquitted the owner's seventy-year-old brother, who

was unknowingly implicated in the drug activities.

The brother had been asked by the owner to collect cash amounts periodically, unaware that the money was linked to drug sales.

Hamad Boushalibi, representing the acquitted brother, argued that his client had no knowledge of the source of the funds he received while work-

ing at the restaurant.

The court agreed, stating that the evidence presented lacked any indication that the brother possessed or was aware of the drugs involved.

The court found the restaurant owner, who is at large, and his three accomplices guilty, imposing a ten-year prison sentence and a fine of BD5,000 on each, along with the confiscation of seized items.

The High Appeals Court has scheduled a ruling for October 28 regarding the appeals of three of the convicted individuals.



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# Bahrainis evacuated from US hurricane danger zone

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The Bahraini Embassy in the US, in collaboration with its emergency and disaster response team, successfully evacuated a number of Bahraini citizens residing in areas affected by Hurricane Milton, which recently struck the southern

coast of Florida. The embassy confirmed that all Bahraini citizens in the affected areas are safe and in good health, with no reported injuries.

This swift action underscores the embassy's commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of Bahraini citizens abroad, providing essential support and

services. Hurricane Milton, accompanied by strong winds, heavy rain, and flash floods, hit Florida's coast just two weeks after another devastating hurricane, leaving the region particularly vulnerable.

The embassy responded promptly to evacuation orders issued by local Florida author-

ities. The Ambassador of the Kingdom of Bahrain to the US, H.E. Shaikh Abdullah bin Rashid Al Khalifa, immediately convened a meeting with the embassy's emergency and disaster response team, activating pre-planned measures.

The team swiftly identified Bahraini citizens in the hur-

ricane's path, coordinating an evacuation plan.

Contingency plans were also prepared in case of airport closures, including identifying safe temporary relocation areas.

The embassy and its consulates contacted Bahraini students and other citizens in Florida, facilitating the evacuation of

those who wished to relocate to safer areas in neighboring states.

Moreover, a comprehensive awareness campaign was launched on social media, disseminating emergency contact numbers and urging citizens to contact the embassy to ensure their safety and access necessary evacuation services.

# From scarcity to abundance

## Local fish markets see price and supply stabilization after summer surge

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Local fish markets have recently experienced a welcome stabilization in both prices and quantities, following a prolonged period of significantly inflated prices and unprecedented scarcity.

In a survey conducted by our sister newspaper Al Ayam last week, Abu Hamed, a vendor at the popular Damistan market, reported a high demand for imported fish such as sea bass, snapper, salmon, and kingfish due to their readily available supply.

He noted that while locally sourced fish like safi and Kurkufan are available in limited quantities, some days see a wider variety, including hamoor, sha'ari, and others.

Bahraini shrimp, he added, remains consistently popular.



Vendor Abu Hamed shows a kingfish

### Stable

Abu Hamed stated that prices are currently relatively stable after a sharp increase during the peak of last summer.

He cited the price of Bahraini safi fish as an example, noting

that smaller sizes currently range from BD2 to BD2.5 per kilogram, while medium-sized safi ranges from BD4 to BD6 per kilogram.

The market anticipates an increase in the supply of kingfish in the coming period.

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The seasonal ban on kingfish fishing, which began on August 15th, will end on October 15th, boosting the availability of this popular fish.

A seasonal ban on kingfish fishing, lasting from August 15th to October 15th, is expected to be lifted soon by the Supreme Council for the Environment, leading to a greater availability of this popular fish.

# Bahraini tenant wins case against landlord



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A Bahraini tenant has successfully recovered BD9,000 in a landmark court case after their landlord breached a rental agreement.

The case highlights the legal recourse available to tenants facing similar situations.

The tenant, represented by lawyer Aqeela Jassim, had paid BD9,000 as an advance payment for three commercial units still under construction.

The agreement, reached on

May 17, 2017, stipulated that the units would be ready within two months.

However, the landlord failed to deliver on this promise, instead leasing the same units to another party six months later.

Jassim explained that her client repeatedly urged the landlord to fulfill the agreement over a six-month period, but to no avail.

The landlord remained unresponsive and ultimately rented the premises to a third party in December.

# Filipino bowling for charity

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It's all systems go for the Pink Bowling-for-a-Cause, a charity event designed to support fellow Filipino fighting cancer on 25 October at the Funland Center.

Dinah Sta. Ana, president of PINAY Ikaw Na (PIN), the event's organiser, said: "Pink Bowling-for-a-Cause on its third year is not just a bowling tournament; it represents a collective effort to raise essential funds and awareness for cancer patients."

All proceeds from the event will be directed towards aiding patient with cancer, providing them with crucial resources

and care.

For more information or to register, please contact Dinah at 3979 7669 or Marijoy at 3999 8783.

In addition to the bowling tournament, attendees can enjoy a colorful day featuring Zumba, a sale of delicious Filipino food, and a raffle draw with exciting prizes.

Participants and supporters are encouraged to be a part of this significant event.

With this activity, each strike and spare will contribute to making a tangible difference in the lives of those affected by cancer, uniting the community in a shared mission to support and uplift.

# Scammers target Bahrainis with phishing tricks

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Scammers are increasingly targeting Bahrainis with phishing links masquerading as friendly messages, Colonel Ahmed Saad Al Rumaihi re-

vealed during an appearance on Amn FM.

As cybercriminals grow more cunning, Bahrain's Anti-Cyber Crime Directorate is collaborating with Interpol to remain vigilant, urging residents to scru-

tinise any suspicious text messages. Colonel Al Rumaihi, who heads the Anti-Cyber Crime Directorate at the General Directorate of Anti-Corruption and Economic and Electronic Security, discussed the escalat-

ing threat posed by emerging cybercrimes amid ongoing digital advancements.

The Directorate is raising awareness among citizens, residents, institutions, and schools about this issue.

# Kozhikode Pravasi Forum holds medical camp

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The Kozhikode District Pravasi Forum (KPF Bahrain), in collaboration with Al Hilal Hospital and Medical Center's Manama Central Branch, organized a Special Mega Medical Camp as part of World Mental Health Day celebrations.

The camp offered free blood tests for over 400 participants.

Additionally, those who attended the camp will receive specialist doctor consultations and eye check-ups over the next 10 days.

The Mega Medical Camp was inaugurated by Bahrain Ker-



Officials of Kozhikode District Pravasi Forum (KPF Bahrain), Al Hilal Hospital and Medical Center's Manama Central Branch, along with notable guests

aleeya Samajam President Mr. P.V. Radhakrishna Pillai.

### Guests

Other notable guests included

Mr. Francis Kaitharath, Chairman of iMac Bahrain Media City, and Dr. P.V. Cherian, President of Cancer Care Group, a prominent doctor, and social activist.

The event was presided over by KPF President Mr. Jamal Kuttikkattil, with General Secretary Mr. Harish P.K. delivering the welcome address and Convener

Mr. Savinesh expressing the vote of thanks.

KPF Treasurer Mr. Shaji Puthukudi, Patrons Mr. Sudheer Thirunilath and Mr.

U.K. Balan, and prominent cine-serial artist Ms. Sreelaya Robin also addressed the gathering.

### Memento

Al Hilal Hospital's Marketing Head, Mr. Unnikrishnan, received a memento on behalf of the hospital from KPF.

KPF's Executive Committee, Charity Wing, and Women's Wing members contributed to the camp's success, with assistance from Al Hilal's doctors and paramedical staff.

The Women's Wing Convener, Mrs. Rama Santhosh, coordinated the proceedings.

# Gold sparkles like never before

Prices soar to record highs, experts say poised to increase further

● **Price Surge:** Gold prices are expected to reach an unprecedented BD 37 per gram for 21-karat gold

● Experts attribute the price spike to escalating global political tensions, a strong correlation with the US dollar, and regional instability

● Despite rising prices, gold remains a safe haven, with young consumers purchasing gold bars for investment

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Owning gold is a prestige for many, just like owning the iPhones. So, no matter what the prices



Representative picture

are people will queue up to buy them.

However, the recent surge in the prices of yellow metals, experts say, is capable of wrecking havoc on the dreams of com-

monman.

This warning follows the record high for 24-karat gold in Bahrain, which hit BD 28.260 per gram on Friday.

They say they prices of the

yellow metal is all set to hit BD 37 per gram for 21-karat gold, which will be a truly unprecedented surge.

Echoing this sentiment, Local gold traders also indicate that there is no sign of a downturn in the near future, as this surge follows months of steadily rising prices.

They, however, still emphasize that gold remains a safe haven for investors, although minor daily fluctuations are to be expected.

Ahmed Emad, owner of Al Omdah Jewelry, attributed the price spike to escalating global political tensions and uncertainties. He highlighted gold's strong correlation with the US dollar, noting that recent price increases have exceeded 25%. He provided specific prices: 21-karat gold at BD 28.468 per gram, 22-karat at BD 29.609, and 18-karat at BD 24.239. The price of gold per ounce reached \$2,659.60, marking a significant increase from \$2,492 last month, representing a jump of approximately 6.71%.

Several gold shop owners confirmed that the current geopolitical climate and regional instability are significant factors contributing to the volatility and rising prices of gold.

Salam Al Nateai, owner of Al Hadab Jewelry, echoed this sentiment, stating that regional instability is the primary driver behind sustained price increases. He connected the gold price hikes to global stock market performance, largely influenced by major world powers. Al Nateai also noted a trend among young consumers purchasing gold bars (priced between BD 200 and BD 300) for investment purposes, spurred by the prolonged high prices.

Abdulkareem Al Shahabi, owner of Al Murtaja Jewelry, also predicted continued price increases, expecting 21-karat gold to reach BD 37 per gram. He observed that the geopolitical situation has led to a significant decline in gold sales, with recent trends showing minimal purchases of smaller, less expensive items.



A single ounce of gold can be hammered into a sheet that covers over 300 square feet. This means it can be stretched into thin wires or sheets without breaking, making it an ideal material for various applications, including electronics, jewelry, and even in some medical devices. Its malleability is one of the reasons why gold has been valued for thousands of years!

## Zain Bahrain introduces Wiyana Entertainment

● Wiyana Entertainment provides complimentary streaming subscriptions to Shahid and TOD for customers.

● Eligible customers can get up to 12 months of free subscription

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Zain Bahrain, a leading telecommunications provider in the Kingdom, announced an exciting enhancement to its popular Wiyana postpaid plans. The new Wiyana Entertainment offers customers complimentary subscriptions to premium streaming platforms, Shahid and TOD, depending on their plan which will enhance their digital experience.

Wiyana Entertainment underscores Zain Bahrain's commitment that "Wiyana, you always get more!" Depending on their chosen plan, customers can enjoy up to 12 months of free access to one or both streaming platforms TOD and Shahid, saving up to BD130 of subscription fees. Shahid is the world's leading Arabic streaming platform by MBC group, offering the largest Arabic content library along with Western, Turkish, Korean, and



Bollywood titles. TOD is also a comprehensive platform that provides an extensive selection of entertainment options, including live coverage of major leagues, tournaments, and championships including English Premier League, La Liga Spanish League, Champions League and more.

The Wiyana postpaid plans offer a wide range of benefits, ensuring that Zain Bahrain customers receive exceptional value. Subscribers can enjoy up to 100GB of data, free data roaming across the GCC and globally, free voice roaming in the GCC, unlimited social media usage, unlimited calls to Zain, and up to 1500 local minutes. Additionally, customers can take advantage of "buy 1 get 1 free" deals and discounts from over 60 merchants. The Wiyana Entertainment exclusive benefit is available across a range of plans including home broadband, mobile broadband, Family, Alzain, and Fiber, allowing

customers to enjoy seamless entertainment.

Ammar Al Ketbi, Zain Bahrain Chief Consumer Marketing & Sales Officer commented: "We are thrilled to introduce this innovative upgrade to our postpaid and broadband plans. By integrating premium streaming subscriptions with its plans, Zain Bahrain is providing its customers a unique digital experience. This initiative reflects Zain Bahrain's core belief that with Zain, you will always get more."

Eligible customers will receive an SMS with instructions on how to activate their subscription through the Zain Application. New Customers can also enjoy the service by subscribing to Wiyana Postpaid Plans through WhatsApp or Zain direct tele sales. Customers can also subscribe by visiting Zain Bahrain, mobile App or visiting any of Zain Bahrain retail stores.

## BENEFIT honoured with WITSA 2024 Global Innovation & Tech Excellence Award



The award ceremony

● BENEFIT has been honoured with the Chairman's Award, the highest honor within the awards programme

TDT | Manama

BENEFIT, the Kingdom's innovator and leading company in Fintech and electronic financial transactions service, said it has been awarded the esteemed WITSA 2024 Global Innovation & Tech Excellence Award.

Nominated for this award by the Bahrain Technology Companies Society (BTECH), BENEFIT has been honoured with the Chairman's Award, the highest honour within the awards programme. Personally conferred by WITSA Chairman Dr. Sean Seah, this accolade highlights the company's pioneering achievements and continuous innovation in setting

new benchmarks for Fintech excellence.

The award ceremony took place on October, during the 28th World Congress on Innovation and Technology (WCIT 2024) in Yerevan, Armenia. This global event, themed "The Power of Mind: AI Beyond Limits, Within Ethics," convened visionaries, policymakers, and industry experts from across the world. WCIT 2024 served as a premier gathering to explore the latest breakthroughs in technology, particularly in artificial intelligence, while fostering critical discussions on innovation within ethical frameworks.

"We are honoured to receive this award, which stands as a testament to the transformative role BENEFIT plays in Bahrain's Fintech ecosystem," said Abdulwahed AlJanahi, CEO of BENEFIT.

In her comments, Hanan Abdulla Hasan, Manager, PR and Communications, expressed, "Receiving the WITSA 2024

Global Innovation & Tech Excellence Award is a remarkable achievement for us at BENEFIT. This accolade not only highlights our accomplishments but also reaffirms our pivotal role in advancing Bahrain's Fintech sector."

Founded in 1978, WITSA (World Innovation, Technology, and Services Alliance) is an alliance of leading tech industry associations from over 80 countries and economies.

BENEFIT's latest accolade builds on a series of milestones that reinforce its position at the forefront of the digital payments landscape in Bahrain. Recently, the company received the Fintech Award at the Bahrain Digital Content Awards for its BenefitPay application.

Furthermore, for the third consecutive year, BENEFIT has been recognized among Bahrain's top 50 companies in Al Bilad's 2024 edition of the 'Top 50 Most Powerful Bahraini Companies' list.

## TikTok slashes hundreds of jobs in AI shift

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Social media platform TikTok said it will slash hundreds of jobs, with a significant num-

ber of employees in Malaysia expected to be affected, as the company shifts to AI-assisted content moderation.

TikTok, owned by Chi-

na-based ByteDance, said Friday it would cut several hundred jobs around the world, without providing a breakdown by country.



News in brief

The powerful sister of North Korean leader Kim Jong Un warned Saturday that Seoul would face a "horrible disaster" if unmanned drones reached Pyongyang again, a day after accusing the South of launching such aircraft at the capital.



N. Korean leader's powerful sister warns of 'horrible' response to drones

North Korea on Friday said the South had sent drones carrying propaganda leaflets into Pyongyang's airspace on October 3, and then again on Wednesday and Thursday this week.

An extra 600 Kenyan police officers set to join a UN-backed mission to try to quell rampant gang violence in Haiti will be ready for deployment in early November, Kenya's police chief said Saturday.

Kenya says extra police ready for Haiti in early Nov

Democratic White House candidate Kamala Harris is in "excellent health" and fit for the presidency, according to a medical report published by the White House Saturday.

Harris seeks to play health card against Trump



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SPOTLIGHT

Deaths of US Navy SEALs 'preventable,' investigation finds

Washington, United States

The deaths of two US Navy SEALs during an operation earlier this year to seize Iranian weapons bound for Yemen's Houthi rebels were "preventable," an investigation into the incident found.



The review concluded that the drawings of chief special warfare operator Christopher Chambers and navy special warfare operator first class Nathan Gage Ingram could have been prevented.

Encumbered by the weight of each individual's gear, neither their physical capability nor emergency supplemental flotation devices, if activated, were sufficient to keep them at the surface," according to the Navy investigation, which said the incident was "marked by systematic issues" and was "preventable."

It found that the SEALs were "not well-practiced in using their emergency gear," with some operators saying they had only used their flotation systems once, and others not at all.

And it noted that the SEALs had not conducted buoyancy tests in theater, where condi-

UN warns against 'catastrophic' regional conflict

AFP | Beirut, Lebanon

UN peacekeepers in Lebanon warned yesterday against a "catastrophic" regional conflict as Israeli forces battled Hezbollah and Hamas on two fronts, on the holiest day of the Jewish calendar.

Israel has faced a fierce diplomatic backlash over incidents in south Lebanon that saw five Blue Helmets wounded.

Yesterday, the Lebanese health ministry said Israeli air strikes on two villages located near the capital Beirut killed nine people.

Israel had earlier told residents of south Lebanon not to return home, as its troops fought Hezbollah militants in a war that has killed more than 1,200 people since September 23, and forced more than a million others to flee their homes.

"For your own protection, do not return to your homes until further notice... Do not go south; anyone who goes south may put his life at risk," Israeli military spokesman Avichay Adrae posted on X.

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Around Israel, markets were closed and public transport halted



People inspect the damage at the site of an Israeli airstrike on the Mount Lebanon village of Maaysra, east of the coastal town of Byblos

as observant Jews fasted and prayed on Yom Kippur.

After the holiday, attention is likely to turn again to Israel's expected retaliation against Iran, which launched around 200 missiles at Israel on October 1.

'Deliberately targeted'

On Friday, Israel faced criticism from the UN, its Western allies and others over what it said was a "hit" on a UN peacekeeping position in Lebanon.

Two Sri Lankan peacekeepers were hurt in the second such incident in two days, UNIFIL said Friday. Israel's military said soldiers had responded to "an immediate threat" around 50 metres (yards) from the UNIFIL base in Naqura, and has

pledged to carry out a "thorough review". The Irish military's chief of staff, Sean Clancy, said it was "not an accidental act", and French President Emmanuel Macron said he believed the peacekeepers had been "deliberately targeted".

UN peacekeepers to remain in Lebanon: spokesman

AFP | Baabda, Lebanon

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Ukraine, Russia say foiled dozens of drone attacks

AFP | Kyiv, Ukraine

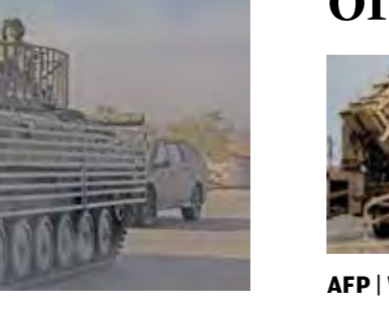
Russia and Ukraine traded drone attacks overnight, with Russian officials saying on Saturday that Ukrainian strikes had killed one person in the Belgorod border region.

Russia said it had downed 47 Ukrainian drones overnight, while Ukraine reported it neutralised 24 drones fired by Moscow.

The Ukrainian air force said many missiles were fired from Belgorod, without specifying the number or type.

It said Russia had fired 28 drones at Ukraine, of which 24 were destroyed in the Sumy, Poltava, Dnipropetrovsk, Mykolaiv and Kherson regions.

In the southern region of Zaporizhzhia, Russian bombardments wounded four people, the head of the regional



Ukrainian servicemen ride a tank on a road in the Donetsk region

administration said. The Russian defence ministry said the 47 Ukrainian drones taken down overnight included 17 in the southeastern Russian region of Krasnodar, 16 over the Azov Sea and 12 over the border region of Kursk. A separate Ukrainian drone attack killed one person in the village of Ustinka in the Belgorod region, the regional govern-

US approves \$1.2 bn sale of munitions to UAE



AFP | Washington, United States

The United States on Friday announced the approval of a \$1.2 billion sale to the United Arab Emirates of precision munitions for multiple launch rocket systems.

The proposed sale of the GMLRS rockets and ATACMS missiles "will support the foreign policy and national security objectives of the United States by helping to improve the security of an important

regional partner," the Defense Security Cooperation Agency (DSCA) said in a statement. It will "improve the United Arab Emirates' capability to meet current and future threats by modernizing its armed forces," the statement added. The State Department approved the possible sale of the munitions to the UAE, and the DSCA on Friday provided the required notification to Congress, which still needs to sign off on the transaction.

US forces strike Islamic State group in Syria

AFP | Washington, United States

US forces have conducted air strikes against multiple Islamic State group sites in Syria, the military said yesterday.

US forces "conducted a series of air strikes against multiple known ISIS camps in Syria in the early morning of Oct. 11," the US Central Command said in a statement on X, using an acronym for the Islamist militant group.

"The strikes will disrupt the ability of ISIS to plan, organize, and conduct attacks against the United States, its allies and partners, and civilians throughout the region and beyond."

The US military has around 900 troops in Syria as part of the international coalition against the Islamic State (IS) group.

The coalition was established in 2014 to help combat the armed group, which had taken over vast swaths of Iraq and Syria.

Anti-IS coalition forces have been



Representative picture

targeted dozens of times with drones and rocket fire in both Iraq and Syria, as violence related to the Israel-Hamas war in Gaza since last year has drawn in militants across the Middle East, including Iran-backed Hezbollah in Lebanon.

US forces have carried out multiple retaliatory strikes against militant factions in both Iraq and Syria.

In September, US forces conducted two separate strikes in Syria, killing 37 "terrorist operatives" including members of IS and Al-Qaeda affiliate Hurras al-Din.

TOP 4 TWEETS

01



The people of Myanmar need peace. But violence is growing and 7 years after the forced mass displacement of the Rohingya, durable solutions seem a distant reality. We need to go on working with @ASEAN through our Special Envoys to promote an inclusive Myanmar-led process that brings an end to the suffering of all the people of Myanmar. The fighting must stop now.

@antonioгутерres

02



Took part in the Vijaya Dashami programme in Delhi. Our capital is known for its wonderful Ramlila traditions. They are vibrant celebrations of faith, culture and traditions.

@narendramodi

03



As a Jewish community around the world observe Yom Kippur, I send my best wishes for an easy and meaningful fast. G'mar Chatimah Tovah.

@SecBlinken

04



As a proud father of a teenage daughter, Blen, I'm deeply grateful for the strides science has made to protect her and millions of other girls from a really deadly disease - #CervicalCancer. Thanks to safe and effective #HPV vaccines, this is a worry that can be eliminated from parents' minds.

@DrTredos

Disclaimer: (Views expressed by columnists are personal and need not necessarily reflect our editorial stance)

CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Patient safety is in our hands



CAPTAIN MAHMOOD AL MAHMOOD

I did not know that there was a World Patient Safety & Quality Day until the occasion. Sure, you and I walk into a doctor's clinic or a healthcare hub expecting our ailment to be treated successfully - but since hospitals and clinics are by their nature, breeding ground for cross-infection, it makes sense that all stakeholders should be alert to the danger of patients picking up infections since they have compromised immune systems. For instance, in ICUs, patients have a 5 to 10 times higher risk of acquiring an HAI - healthcare associated infection - which may arise from the administration of medical devices like catheters, ventilators etc.

The theme this year was "Improving Diagnosis for Patient Safety," emphasized the critical role of accurate and timely diagnosis in enhancing patient safety. Medical technology is an evolving science which changes literally every day and diagnostic tools are the arsenal which doctors use to unravel the mysteries of the afflictions of patients. A good hospital does not stint in its investment in equipment or training of doctors and in Bahrain the NHRA encourages even smaller clinics to use the vast resources of the major hospitals so that patients get the correct and timely treatment. We also have strong and sensible guidelines that prevent visitors from crowding the wards and tiring out patients, stop children from being brought as visitors and exposed to infections.

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(Captain Mahmood Al Mahmood is the Editor-in-Chief of The Daily Tribune and the President of the Arab-African Unity Organisation for Relief, Human Rights and Counterterrorism)

# CAMPUS

## Injaz Bahrain advances Financial Literacy at BIS

TDI | Manama

Injaz Bahrain recently conducted a series of impactful workshops at Bhavans-Bahrain Indian School (BIS), focusing on fostering financial literacy among 4th and 5th-grade students.

The 4th-grade students took part in an engaging session that introduced key concepts such as smart investing, financial planning, the importance of saving, and an understanding of essential financial terms like profit, revenue, and expenses.

Meanwhile, 5th-grade students participated in a dynamic training session led by experienced professionals from Injaz Bahrain. The workshop emphasized creativity and collaboration, with students engaging in interactive games that underscored the value of teamwork and innovation in developing entrepreneurial ideas.

The day's activities culminated in presentations by student teams, showcasing their innovative ideas and solutions. These presentations not only demonstrated the students' grasp of the concepts learned but also sparked enthusiasm and camaraderie among participants.



"We are grateful for the opportunity to partner with Injaz Bahrain in nurturing the finan-

cial literacy and entrepreneurial skills of our students. These workshops are a significant step

in equipping them for future challenges," said Director Mr. Himanshu Verma and Mrs. Ritu

Verma. Principal Mr. Saji Jacob expressed his appreciation to the resource persons from Injaz

Bahrain for their invaluable contribution to the students' learning experience.

## BIS celebrates Dussehra with cultural activities and festivities



TDI | Manama

Bhavans-Bahrain Indian School (BIS) celebrated Dussehra with a vibrant array of activities that engaged stu-

dents across all grades, fostering cultural appreciation and community spirit.

The festivities began with a special assembly by Kindergarten students, featuring

a lively dance and a skit that conveyed the festival's message of good triumphing over evil, setting a joyful tone for the day.

Grades 1 and 2 participated in

activities promoting teamwork and creativity, while Grades 3 and 4 decorated diyas, symbolizing light and hope. Students from Grades 5 to 8 made Diwali cards, showcasing their crea-

tivity and festive cheer. High school students (Grades 9-12) crafted bookmarks, reinforcing the themes of knowledge and enlightenment.

Directors Mr. Himanshu Ver-

ma and Mrs. Ritu Verma praised the efforts of the students and staff. Principal Mr. Saji Jacob extended warm wishes, emphasizing the festival's significance and values.

## Pakistan Urdu School



The Pakistan Urdu School-Bahrain held its 5th Graduation Ceremony on October 5, 2024, at the Haji Asghar Ali Auditorium on the school campus. The event was graced by the presence of Dr. Lulwa Ghassan Alhmuhanha, Director of the Directorate of Licensing and Follow-up of Private Education, Ms. Betsy Mathieson, Founder and Chairperson of "This is Bahrain Society," and Mr. Anel Zafar, Deputy Head of Mission at the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan in Bahrain. Also in attendance were Mr. Saleem Asghar Ali, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Mr. Noor Abid, Chairman of the Board of Directors. The graduates were celebrated for their hard work and dedication in front of parents and distinguished guests.



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# Pogacar emulates icon Coppi with fourth straight Il Lombardia win

AFP | Como, Italy

Tadej Pogacar won Il Lombardia for the fourth time in as many years on Saturday to equal a record streak of victories set by cycling great Fausto Coppi over seven decades ago.

World champion Pogacar capped an astonishing year in which he also claimed a Tour de France and Giro d'Italia double and then adding the world title by matching Coppi, who won five times in total, including four victories between 1946 and 1949 at the last "Monument" (ultra-long one day races) of the season.

Pogacar made his move on the decisive Colma di Sorma-



UAE Team Emirates team's Slovenian rider Tadej Pogacar cycles in a lone breakaway in the final ascent of San Fermo Della Battaglia during the 118th edition of the Giro di Lombardia (Tour of Lombardy), a 252km cycling race from Bergamo to Como

no climb, over 40 kilometres from the end of the 255km "Race of the Falling Leaves" whose course had been modified following heavy rain and landslides in northern Italy.

After being guided through the race by his strong UAE support team Pogacar surged to his second victory in as many races since donning the rainbow jersey in Zurich a fortnight ago

with a trademark solo attack.

"It was a big day for us, a long race, a hard race and it was all dependent on our team so we did super good job and I'm super happy to win with the team,"

said Pogacar.

"We planned it like this... I knew that if I had a decent gap there, I can come to the finish." The 26-year-old finished over 10 minutes ahead

Olympic champion Remco Evenepoel who returned to the site of his horror crash from four years ago which left him with a fractured hip when he plunged into a ravine.

Pogacar was already the first ever cyclist to win the triple crown of the Tour, Giro and worlds with at least one Monument victory in the same season.

And Saturday's triumph, his 25th in 2024, gives the Slovene star a good claim to have had the greatest ever season in the history of road cycling.

Pogacar began his campaign in Italy eight months ago by storming to the Strade Bianche with an 81km charge and topped that by nearly 20km on his way to world championship glory in Switzerland.

Between those two wins, Pogacar claimed a second Liege-Bastogne-Liege and six stages in each of his victories at the Tour and Giro, while also winning the Tour of Catalonia, the Montreal Grand Prix and last weekend's Giro dell'Emilia.

Those triumphs have made him the heir not just to seven-time Grand Tour champion Coppi but also Eddy Merckx, the greatest to ever sit on a bike.

No-one since Merckx's heyday of the 1970s has expressed the sort of dominance Pogacar has over the rest of the field this year.



Pogacar has only been beaten twice this year, at Milan-San Remo where he finished third, while his seventh place at the Quebec Grand Prix was his worst finish of the season.

## New Zealand stay in Women's T20 last-four race with win over Sri Lanka

Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

New Zealand eased past winless Sri Lanka in Sharjah yesterday to keep alive their hopes of reaching the semi-finals of the Women's T20 World Cup. Set a target of 115, New Zealand cruised to victory.

Georgia Plimmer, a 20-year-old opener, hit 53 before captain Sophie Devine smashed the only six of the match to take her team to 118 for two with 15 balls left.

New Zealand stayed third in Group A behind Australia, who have won all their games, and In-

dia, who have a superior run rate despite New Zealand's late surge on Saturday. Devine said the White Ferns did not discuss run rate before starting their chase.

"We know that winning the game was the most important thing," she said. Australia and India meet in their last group game on Sunday.

New Zealand face Pakistan on Monday. "We see how results play out tomorrow and we have our final game against Pakistan and by that point we'll know exactly where we stand and what's going to be required," said Devine. Sri Lan-

ka, who came into the tournament as Asian champions but then lost their first three games, opted to bat. Captain Chamari Athapaththu opened and made the top score of 35 as her team passed 100 for the first time in the tournament, reaching 115 for five wickets.

Neither captain was happy after the Sri Lankan innings.

"We improved a little bit today but we needed another 20-25 runs," said Athapaththu. "I don't think we've bowled as well as we know we can," said Devine. New Zealand started carefully. Opener Suzie

Bates hit one four in her 17. Despite scoring at almost a run a ball, Plimmer hit only four fours and had to run for most of her 53 on a day when temperatures hit 39 degrees Celsius.

AFP | Shanghai, China

Novak Djokovic battled through "an incredible fight" with Taylor Fritz on Saturday, shrugging off physical discomfort to win 6-4, 7-6 (8/6) and set up a blockbuster Shanghai Masters final with world number one Jannik Sinner.

Earlier the Italian beat Tomas Machac 6-4, 7-5, ensuring in the process that he will finish the year at the top of the rankings.

"I won't be a favourite on the court, but hopefully I'll be able to come out physically fresh enough to challenge him for what may be a long match," said Djokovic of Sunday's final.

Sinner said playing Djokovic would make the final "even more special".

"It's going to be a very tough one, it's one of the biggest challenges we have in our sport," he said.

### Fighting spirit

Djokovic has now beaten the United States' Fritz at each of their 10 encounters. The Serb broke the 26-year-old US Open finalist in the fifth game to win the first set in 38 minutes.

But the second set lasted twice as long, and was a much more tense affair, as the players sent each other scrambling across the court in a series of thrilling rallies.

The 24-time Grand Slam champion called it an "incredible fight".

"He could have easily

won the second set... In the tiebreak it was really anyone's game, (but) I feel like I was never giving up," Djokovic said.

In the second set, after an almost 13-minute fifth game eventually held by Fritz, Djokovic bent over in exhaustion, breathing heavily. The world number seven missed a good chance in the eighth game when he failed to convert a break point, with Djokovic recovering to hold.

"I just never really came up with what I needed to come up with in a lot of big moments and the big points," said the American.

Djokovic came from 3-5 down in the tiebreak to level and then win after three unforced errors from Fritz.

The 37-year-old, who has been wearing a brace on his

right knee and has been having trouble with his left one too, had to take a medical time-out for his left leg towards the end of the second set.

However, he said after the match none of the issues were serious.

After physio, "I could move freely and run and sprint, which is good news", he said.

"I guess at this age you kind of have to expect that each match something different happens physically."

## Egypt captain Salah released from international duty

Liverpool, United Kingdom

Egypt captain Mohamed Salah will not play in next week's Africa Cup of Nations qualifier in Mauritania, club side Liverpool confirmed on Saturday.

The 32-year-old has "been released early from international duty amid the ongoing October break," Liverpool said.

## Djokovic to face Sinner in blockbuster Shanghai Masters final

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# Samson ton powers India to T20 series sweep after record total

AFP | Hyderabad, India

Opener Sanju Samson's blistering century helped world champions India hammer Bangladesh in the final T20 yesterday to sweep the series 3-0 after they posted the format's highest total by a Test-playing nation of 297-6.

The hosts went past Afghanistan's 278-3 against Ireland in 2019. The Indian total is the second highest in all T20 internationals after Nepal's 314-3 against Mongolia at last year's Asian Games in China.

Samson hit 111 of 47 balls -- his first T20 international ton -- studded with 11 fours and eight sixes after India elected to bat first in Hyderabad.

In reply, Bangladesh managed 164-7 to go down by 133 runs in what was former skipper Mahmudullah Riyad's last T20 for the nation.

Mahmudullah made eight before he fell to speedster Mayank Yadav and walked off with a smile and pat on the back by India skipper Suryakumar Yadav.

Najmul Hossain Shanto's Bangladesh, who came on the India tour at the back of a two-Test sweep in Pakistan, were



India's Sanju Samson plays a shot during the third and final Twenty20 international cricket match between India and Bangladesh at the Rajiv Gandhi International Stadium in Hyderabad

outplayed by the hosts as they lost the earlier Test series 2-0.

Samson, a wicketkeeper-batsman, stood out as he hammered leg-spinner Rishad Hossain for five straight sixes in an over en

route to his ton in 40 balls. He put on 173 runs for the sec-

ond wicket with Suryakumar, who hit 75 off 35 balls but his knock was overshadowed by his partner's blitz and the mammoth total.

Samson finally fell to Mustafizur Rahman and walked back to a standing ovation by the weekend crowd.

Suryakumar fell in the next over by Mahmudullah, who announced his retirement from the format ahead of the second match.

But there was more punishment in store for Bangladesh as new batters Hardik Pandya, who struck 47 off 18 balls and Riyan Parag, who made a 13-ball 34, kept up the charge with regular boundaries.

India surpassed their previous best total of 260-5 against Sri Lanka in 2017 as they scored at nearly 15 runs an over.

Bangladesh were never in the chase but wicketkeeper-batsman Litton Das, who hit 42, and Towhid Hridoy, unbeaten on 63, attempted to put up a fight.

Leg-spinner Ravi Bishnoi took three wickets including Litton and Najmul in his four overs.

India's Test team, led by Rohit Sharma, will now host New Zealand in a three-match series starting next week with the opener in Bengaluru.

## South Africa boost T20 World Cup semi-final hopes with Bangladesh win

Dubai, United Arab Emirates

South Africa cruised to a seven-wicket win over Bangladesh to edge closer to the Women's T20 World Cup semi-finals on Saturday although their tournament destiny lies in the hands of England and West Indies.

After limiting Bangladesh to just 106-3 in 20 overs, South Africa reached their target with 16 balls to spare.

With three wins and one defeat, they sit top of Group B with six points.

However, 2009 champions England, with two wins so far and with two games still to play, are likely to secure one of the semi-final spots.

That would leave South Africa and West Indies vying for the last place.

West Indies, the 2016 champions, have four points but a better net run-rate than South Africa although the Caribbean side have to face England in their concluding pool game on Tuesday.

Player of the match Tazmin Brits steered 2023 runners-up

South Africa to victory on Saturday with a steady 42 off 41 balls, an innings which featured five fours.

Anneke Bosch made a run-a-ball 25 before Marizanne Kapp (13 not out) and Chloe Tryon (14 not out) saw their side home.

"The way we started with the ball was amazing. Would have loved to chase it down faster and that was a message that went out, but we didn't get there," said South Africa captain Laura Wolvaardt who bemoaned her side conceding 13 extras when

Bangladesh batted.

Bangladesh had won the toss and chose to bat but lost opener Dilara Akter off the second ball for nought.

The Asian side struggled to make any headway against the South African attack.

Sobhana Mostary top-scored but her 38 took 43 balls with skipper Nigar Sultana making an undefeated 32 from 38 deliveries.

Kapp claimed 1-10 from her four overs of medium pace while Nonkululeko Mlaba finished with 1-11.

## Viana to succeed Begiristain as Man City director of football

London, United Kingdom

Txiki Begiristain will step down as Manchester City director of football at the end of the season with Sporting Lisbon's Hugo Viana replacing Pep Guardiola's trusted advisor, the Premier League champions said Saturday.

"Following a trophy-laden 12 years at the Etihad Stadium, Txiki will leave his current post following the club's involvement in this summer's

FIFA Club World Cup and will be succeeded by Hugo Viana of Sporting CP," the club said.

"Viana will begin his full-time role in the summer of 2025, but will collaborate with Txiki in the preceding months to ensure a smooth transition.

"We look forward to paying tribute to Txiki's outstanding contribution to Manchester City at the end of the season."

Begiristain joined City in 2012 after working in the same role at Barcelona.

# Bahrain's Padel Team Continues Preparations for International School Sports Games (Bahrain 2024)

TDT | Manama

Bahrain's school padel team is intensifying preparations for the upcoming International School Sports Games (Bahrain 2024). Training began earlier this year in collaboration with Padel Plus Academy and under the sponsorship of GIG. 16 players are divided into six youth teams and two women's teams, and the team represents Bahrain's rising padel talents.

Ali Ibrahim Sharif, Board Member of the Bahrain Padel Federation and Head of the



Youth and Academy Committee, expressed pride in the team's progress. "We aim to discover a new generation of players in this sport, and this tournament will offer them a valuable opportunity to shine on the international stage," Sharif noted that competing against global teams would positively impact the players' skills and strengthen Bahrain's position in the sport.

He added, "We are fully committed to providing our players the best preparation and support, with a comprehensive training programme that

includes intense sessions and friendly matches with local and international teams. We look forward to achieving top results that will make Bahrain proud."

Sharif further highlighted the significance of player participation: "This event is a wonderful opportunity to broaden the players' horizons and foster a healthy competitive spirit. We are optimistic that the results will be commendable, and we hope the players will benefit immensely from this experience."