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Powering progress

HRH CP, PM unveils Middle East's First Private LTE-Driven Smart Energy Hub

The Centre optimizes electricity and water networks with advanced systems

Solar panels meet 50% of the facility's energy needs

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ufficient energy to power all future developments-I that's the promise behind Bahrain's latest milestone.

This strategy has received a big boost yesterday, as HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, inaugurated the state-of-the-art Electricity and Water Control Centre, marking a pivotal step in the Kingdom's transformation into a smart network hub.

With this cutting-edge facility, Bahrain has become the first country in the Middle East to harness the power of Private LTE technology, setting a new standard for infrastructure innovation in the region.

The Centre's primary mission is to oversee and optimize Bahrain's entire electricity and water network using advanced control systems and innovative technologies.

"This is a strategic step toward enhancing the efficiency of the Kingdom's infrastructure and increasing its capacity to support future developments," HRH stated during the inauguration ceremony.

His Royal Highness emphasized the importance of technology-driven infrastructure in fostering sustainable economic growth, attracting investment, and advancing economic diversification.

A Technological Marvel

The new centre integrates an array of advanced systems to

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communication for critical applications in industries like manufacturing, utilities, and public safety.

The most important use



Team Bahrain consistently fulfils the Kingdom's aspirations with great ambition, determination,

excellence and creativity. Their determination has elevated the Kingdom's standing across various

HRH CP, PM

sectors, driving its comprehensive development, led by His Majesty the King.

These networks provide dedicated connectivity for Industrial IoT (IIoT) devices, ensuring seamless data transfer for automation, real-time monitoring, and operational efficiency in environments where public networks may fall short. With enhanced security, low latency, and robust coverage, private LTE networks are indispensable for mission-critical operations and ensuring uninterrupted, efficient workflows.

tricity and water infrastructure. stations. This includes:

Electricity Distribu-

manage the Kingdom's vast elec- tion Network: Over 10,400 sub-

stations and 1,906 kilometers of network spanning 618 kilome-

Sustainability Ini- nology, the facility enhances flexibility.

tiative: Solar panels installed the reliability, capacity, and around the building and park- efficiency of these networks. Water Networks: 46 ing areas meet nearly 50% of The technology enables re- Abdullah Al Khalifa, the Min-Electricity Trans- water transmission and distri- its energy needs, showcasing al-time monitoring and swift ister of Finance and National mission Network: 258 main bution stations with a pipeline Bahrain's commitment to clean responses to growing service Economy, Shaikh Salman bin demands, reducing maintenance Khalifa Al Khalifa, and several Leveraging Private LTE tech- costs and improving overall senior officials also attended the

Driving Development and Innovation

"This project is a cornerstone of the Kingdom's vision to attract investments and strengthen public-private partnerships," HRH added. The centre aligns with Bahrain's broader developmental agenda, reinforcing its position as a leader in sustainable and innovative infrastructure projects.

President of the Electricity and Water Authority (EWA), Kamal bin Ahmed Mohammed, noted that the Control Center's four advanced monitoring stations reflect Bahrain's adherence to international standards in infrastructure development. He highlighted Private LTE's role in bolstering the Kingdom's capacity to meet increasing electricity and water demands.

A Celebration of Progress

The inauguration coincided with Bahrain's National Days and the Silver Jubilee of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa's accession to the

HRH Prince Salman commended Team Bahrain for their excellence and creativity, saying, "Their determination has elevated the Kingdom's standing across various sectors, driving comprehensive development under the leadership of His Majesty the King."

This milestone underscores Bahrain's commitment to innovation and its role as a regional leader in modern infrastructure development, setting a benchmark for future advancements across the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC).

The Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Isa bin Salman Education Charitable Trust and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Labour Fund (Tamkeen), His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Deputy Prime Minister, Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, the Minister of Interior, General Shaikh Rashid bin inauguration.

Empowering productive families

Arab Ministers Meet in Bahrain to Turn Family Businesses into Economic Powerhouses

Mohammed Darwish TDT | Manama

ahrain welcomed ministers and officials from across the Arab world to discuss the role of productive families and entrepreneurship in advancing economic growth, as part of the 44th session of the Arab Ministers of Social Affairs Council.

Social Development Minister Osama Al Alawi opened the event by emphasising Bahrain's long-standing dedication to collaboration. He said: 'Bahrain is proud to bring together its Arab neighbours under the royal vision of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and the leadership of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

'Our efforts today build on national initiatives, such as the Arab Prize established by Her Royal Highness Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa, which began as a local programme and has since grown into a regional project. This event reinforces our belief that economies.



Haifa Abu Ghazala



Minister of Social Development Osama Dr Hashim Hussein





Dr Ismail Abdul Ghaffar



productive families can create 30 per cent in North America, trillion annually, employing 24 market-ready goods and con- and 16 per cent in the Asia-Pa- million people. With the right tive economy, where families use ings into income-generating how local creativity can drive tribute meaningfully to their cific region,' he explained. 'In framework, productive families local resources to craft products opportunities,' Dr Hussein said. sustainable economic growth Al Alawi proposed that the es are estimated to generate \$8 nesses, lifting entire communi- crafts and artisanal goods are ex- Secretary-General of the Arab cultural artefacts.



ties in the process.'

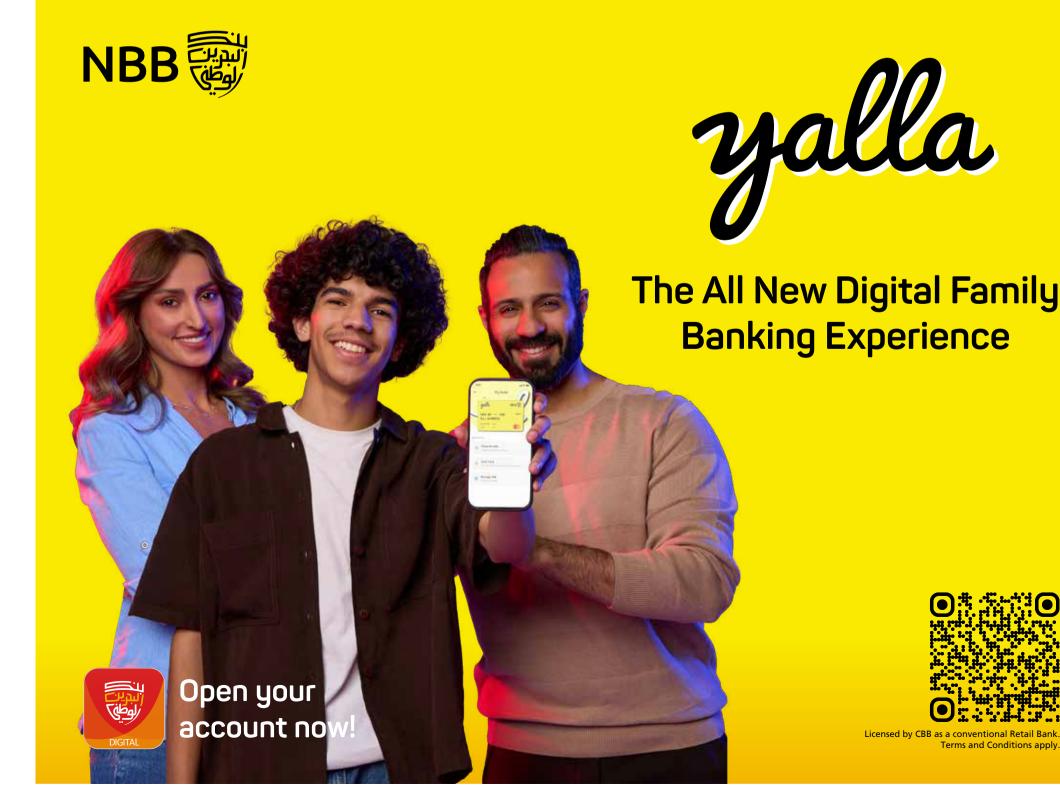
He also touched on the creathe Arab world, family business- can evolve into established busi- suited to modern tastes. 'Handi-

cellent examples of how families can transform their surround-

League, applauded Bahrain's leadership, as well as Egypt's efforts under President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, for driving progress in family entrepreneurship. 'These experiences provide a strong foundation for building a shared Arab vision. Partnerships with civil society, non-profits, and international agencies are key to supporting families on this journey,' she remarked.

Dr Ismail Abdel Ghafar, President of the Arab Academy for Science, Technology, and Maritime Transport, also praised Bahrain for its work in expanding opportunities for young entrepreneurs. 'This is more than just a local effort. Bahrain is helping turn family products into exports, backed by His Majesty King Hamad's direct support. Such initiatives give young people a real chance to create businesses that go beyond survival and lead to longterm success,' he told The Daily

The event concluded with an exhibition showcasing the craftsmanship of Bahrain's productive families. Organised by the Social Development Ministry, the display highlighted Haifa Abu Ghazaleh, Assistant through handmade goods and



Stop End-of-Service Benefit deductions for non-Bahrainis in private sector: MPs

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arliamentarians are reportedly pushing to suspend the system of deducting end-of-service benefits from non-Bahraini employees in the private sector.

Currently employers should contribute 4.2% of their em-Organisation (SIO).

MPs argue that the rule has caused significant disruption for employers, adding to their already considerable financial burdens, particularly small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and microbusinesses.

ployee's salary for the first three that lawmakers asserted in the Commerce and Industry.

Source told the Daily Tribune with the Bahrain Chamber of already considerable financial

years to the Social Insurance that this deduction was imple- caused significant disruption (SMEs) and micro-businesses. mented without consultation for employers, adding to their

burdens, particularly small years and 8.4% for subsequent accompanying memorandum MPs argue that the rule has and medium-sized enterprises

Many SMEs are already strug-

gling under heavy financial obligations accumulated since the COVID-19 pandemic, with some cases even reaching the courts, they claim.

They stressed the urgent need for a joint committee comprising representatives from both the public and private sectors to address the concerns of business owners and facilitate solutions.

The MPs emphasised that the current situation, compounded by increasing government fees and levies imposed on small businesses, is placing an unsustainable burden on SMEs, pushing them into a cycle of mounting financial obligations.

6,900 housing services: Minister confirms eligible citizens will be contacted

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The Housing Ministry has teamed up with banks as part of the new initiative offering 6,900 housing services, providing essential financial support and ownership schemes to eligible citizens.

Housing and Urban Planning Minister, Amna bint Ahmed Al Rumaihi, confirmed that citizens will be contacted in phases to complete the necessary

As part of the programme, the ministry is also identifying completed or near-completed housing projects for allocation,



Housing and Urban Planning Minister, Amna bint Ahmed Al Rumaihi,



banks. The 2024 extension aims to support an additional 1.400 Bahrainis, aligning with the ambitious Government Action Plan 2023-2026.

Hamad.

strategy, driven by the vision meet citizens' needs.

ensuring a swift process for of His Royal Highness Prince those seeking assistance. This Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, move expands on the success- Crown Prince and Prime Minful 'Mazaya' scheme for 2024, ister, who has made housing a timed to coincide with Bahrain's central focus of the Kingdom's National Day and the 25th Ac- future. Minister Al Rumaihi excession Day of His Majesty King pressed her congratulations to the beneficiaries, reaffirming This initiative reflects Bah- the Ministry's commitment to rain's broader development fast-tracking service delivery to

Less bureaucracy, more homes

MPs call for easier building permits for small projects

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 M^{Ps} are calling for an exemption from engineering supervision for projects under 100 square metres, aiming to simplify the process of obtaining building permits for smallscale home improvements.

Ahmed Al Salloom, Zainab Ab- old. dulameer, Mohammed Musa, and Bader Al Tamimi, seeks to that the current procedures are



The proposal, put forward such as extensions or additions, dles and rising expenses, even es faced by citizens, is now by MPs Khalid Saleh Buanaq, that fall below the size thresh- for modest building works," he set to be reviewed further in

MP Khalid Buanag explained seeks to alleviate this burden.



Homeowners face unnecessary hurdles and rising expenses, even for modest **building works**

KHALID BUANAO

said, stressing that the proposal ongoing legislative discus-

ease the burden on homeown- overly complicated. "Home- randum highlights how existing amidst escalating construction ers undertaking small projects, owners face unnecessary hur- regulations impose additional costs.

costs on citizens, forcing them to pay for services that are not needed. "With construction costs sharply rising, homeowners are left to bear the financial strain of engineering office fees, even for simple projects," it stated.

The proposal, designed to address the real-life challengsions, with MPs hoping it will The accompanying memo- provide much-needed relief

Khatwa programme fraudsters to lose pensions: official

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 ${
m R}$ etirement pensions will be revoked for those found violating the Khatwa Programme for Home-based Projects, the Ministerial Committee for Legal and Legislative Affairs has warned.

This measure is aimed at addressing individuals who unlawfully added previous service periods under voluntary the misuse of pension and social insurance funds.

effect in January 2025.

In October, the committee legal.

The committee identified violations including forgery

Legal action has also been sectors are protected.

Khatwa Programme "Productive Home license" is considered one of the important programs that contribute to supporting the informal economy and works to provide advantages for registering productive families'

insurance, and at preventing taken against public sector employees who falsely supported participants' claims of The decision will come into home-based work under the programme.

The committee urged vireviewed 1,413 cases of pro- olators to contact the Social gramme participants who had Insurance Organisation to readded prior service periods, solve their cases, with further of which 1,094 were deemed details on the settlement process to be announced in due

Additionally, the governand collusion to unlawfully ment has allocated BHD 9.2 claim compensation, pensions, million to cover losses from or benefits. Offenders could forgery, ensuring the rights face penalties of up to 10 years of retirees and contributors in prison, as prescribed by law. in both the public and private

Viral video of public indecency: Court jails three

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viral video depicting acts **A**of public indecency led to legal action against three individuals.

The widely shared footage showed a woman dancing on the roof of a moving vehicle and engaging in behavior deemed offensive to public morals.

The Lower Criminal Court sentenced the first and secdinars was granted to the pas- guilty. sengers, effectively suspending their prison sentences.

tion charged the driver with responsible for failing to prefacilitating acts that violated vent the incident.

The widely shared footage showed a woman dancing on the roof of a moving vehicle and engaging in behavior deemed offensive to public morals.

ond defendants, the passen-public morals on a public road. gers, to two months in prison During the trial, the second each. The third defendant, the defendant confessed to the driver, was fined 100 Bahraini charges, while the first and dinars. Bail of 100 Bahraini third defendants pleaded not

The driver's lawyer argued that her client was unaware of According to lawyer Iman the passengers' actions. How-Hassan, the Public Prosecu- ever, the court found the driver

Call for debate on Government policies for Minors' Paperwork



AbdulAmeer





Jalal Kadhem











Basma Mubarak Jaleela Al Sayyed Maryam Al Saegh

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and review the government's comes before Parliament.

stance on addressing such

current policies, exchange ideas, hem lead the discussion when it issues.

The initiative aims to clarify recommends that MP Jalal Kad- to family-related or criminal

MPs also aim to assess the situations.

The proposed debate seeks government's efforts to ensure to examine the processes em- children can access essential The request, signed by MPs ployed by government depart- public services when paren-Eight MPs have formally re- Jalal Kadhem Mahfoodh, Jalee- ments to issue vital documents tal conflicts or the father's quested Parliament Speaker la Alawi Al Sayyed, Hanan Mo- such as passports, birth certifi- absence create barriers. Ad-Ahmed bin Salman Al Musallam hammed Ali Fardan, Basma cates, and ID cards, particular- ditionally, the discussion will to schedule a general debate on Mubarak, Zainab Abdulameer, ly in cases where the father is address mechanisms in place the government's handling of Maryam Al Saegh, Dr Maryam absent or legal disputes arise to safeguard children's rights official paperwork for minors. Al Dhaen, and Eman Shwaiter, between parents—whether due and welfare, emphasising the importance of prioritising their needs in such challenging

MPs call for permanent jobs over temporary contracts







Dr Maryam Al Dhaen, mp



Ghanim Al Bouainain, minister of parliamentary



Jalal Kadhem mp

Mohammed Darwish TDT | Manama

recommendations to the gov- on resources. ernment.

The investigation examined Make Bahrainis only choice six key areas, including the pro-Bahrainis and evaluated the meetings. re-hiring of temporary staff.

Minister dismisses accusations

calling for stricter oversight cations. Out of 69 requests, 65 outsourcing. and a sharper focus on hiring replies were submitted,' he said. Bouainain added that delays The Council of Representa- were largely down to procedurtives approved the final report all checks, pointing out that the tigation Committee on employ- three other parliamentary comment contracts, forwarding its mittees, placing added demands

Several MPs expressed concesses used by the Civil Service cerns about employment prac-Bureau and other state bodies tices. "Bahrainis must not for hiring workers through sup- just be the first choice—they ply contracts and administrative must be the only choice," said projects. It also reviewed the MP Mohammed Rifai, while extent to which these contracts criticising the absence of key aligned with policies to employ stakeholders during committee

Reduce temporary contracts

Ghanim Al Bouainain, Min- urged the government to re- employees.

ister of Parliamentary Affairs, duce its reliance on temporary lans to reform employ- rejected claims that the govern- contracts. 'These arrangements ment contracts and work- ment had not cooperated with are less efficient and more force supply in public the investigation. 'The govern- costly than permanent hires,' offices gained Parliament's ment responded to 94 per cent he said, while raising conbacking yesterday, with MPs of the committee's communicerns over unfair practices in

Job insecurity

Addressing Job Insecurity and Public Funds Waste, MP Jalal from the Parliamentary Inves- investigation coincided with Kadhem highlighted job insecurity as a significant issue. "Temporary contracts undermine the livelihoods of many citizens and waste public funds," he warned, urging more stringent controls on outsourcing firms.

The Need for a Balanced **Approach to Supply Contracts**

Dr. Maryam Al Dhaen recognised the pros and cons of supply contracts, stating, "They provide access to specialist skills but often leave workers with little job security." She called for a balanced approach that benefits MP Mohammed Janahi both the public sector and its

Bapco Energies takes full control of Banagas, ensuring job security and financial strength

Mohammed Darwish TDT |. Manama

 ${f B}$ apco Energies has fully acquired Banagas, previously partially owned by a foreign company and a Kuwaiti bank, announced Dr. Mohammed bin Daina, Minister of Oil and Environment.

"This strategic move ensures that key investments remain under Bahrain's control," Dr. Daina emphasized, while reassuring MPs that all Bahrainis on temporary contracts had been transitioned to permanent positions.

"We are restructuring companies to enhance efficiency and productivity," he added.

51 Bahraini Jobs Secured

In related news, Dr. Abdulrahman Jawahery, CEO of Bapco Refining, reassured MPs regarding job security for Bahraini staff at Awali Hospital.

"We've transitioned 51 Bahrainis to permanent contracts, maintaining their pensions, social insurance, and benefits," he said. "These contracts are fixed, ensuring long-term stability and fairness."



Abdulrahman Jawaheri, Bapco energies ceo

ed Bapco's \$11 billion investment in refining infrastructure, noting that the company's focus on managing one of the region's largest refineries led to the restructuring of operations, including the transfer of the hospital and fuel station services to specialized management.

Smooth Transitions and Financial Stability

staff transfers to Awali Hospital and Tazweed for fuel sta- added. tion operations were smooth, with no disruption to services nounced plans to increase or employee benefits.

Jawahery confirmed that from 60% to 90% by 2027, Bapco operates with no debts tapping into the nation's full Dr. Jawahery also highlight- tied to its daily activities. "The talent pool.



Mohammed bin Daina. Oil and environment minister

company only has a loan related to the \$7 billion investment in the new refinery, of which \$510 million has been repaid, leaving \$3.5 billion, which is being paid down as scheduled," he explained.

He further reassured that Bapco is in a strong financial position and capable of fulfilling its obligations independently. "This investment will bring long-term econom-He assured MPs that the ic benefits, securing a solid future for the company," he

Dr. Jawahery also an-Bahraini employment, with On financial matters, Dr. a goal to raise Bahrainisation

The Bahrain Defense Force (BDF) held a graduation ceremony for sixth batch course for female civilian volunteers for the Reserve Force of the Bahrain Defense Force (BDF), comprising relatives of military and civilian personnel, both active and retired, from the BDF and the National Guard. Major General Shaikh Ali bin Rashid Al Khalifa, Assistant Chief of Staff for Human Resources, was present. The female graduates expressed their pride in the knowledge and military training they received during this course. which contributed to their military qualification and the refinement of their



Court ends family feud, names children as owners of property

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lengthy legal dispute over A family property ended with the children of the deceased property owner recognised as the rightful owners. The case, involving a claim by the deceased's uncles, centred on the validity of a sales contract and outstanding financial obligations related to the property.

lawsuit to validate a prelimigazette, as mandated by law to protect property rights.

The uncles contested the property was mortgaged to a original judgment.



Lawyer Huda Al Aswad

The children, represented by contract, claiming the property partment to register the proplawyer Huda Al Aswad, filed a was purchased in their father's erty and issue a title deed to name with the understanding them. The uncles' claims were nary sales agreement between that ownership would transfer rejected, and they were ordered their father and a company. to them upon full payment of to pay court fees, expenses, and This required the publication of the installments. However, they legal costs. Despite appealing property details in the official failed to provide proof of these the decision, the uncles failed payments.

bank and that the children were the only legally responsible parties for paying the outstanding amounts, as established in a previous court ruling. The uncles then filed a counter-suit, seeking to register the property in their names based on a fictitious contract.

The High Civil Court ruled in favour of the children, validating the sales contract and ordering the Land Survey Deto substantiate their claims, and Al Aswad argued that the the Court of Appeals upheld the



The Bahrain Nursing and Midwifery Society, in cooperation with the Royal University for Women, organized a forum on the occasion of the celebration of Bahraini Women's Day entitled (The Role of Nursing and Midwifery in the Development of Health Services in the Kingdom of Bahrain), taking the slogan of the Supreme Council for Women for this year (Women are a worthy partner in building the country) . The forum conducted on December 18, 2024, at the Royal University for Women in Riffa. Dr. Jameela Jassim Mukhaimer, President of the Bahrain Nursing and Midwifery Society, opened the symposium.

Alba partners with Comvision to Transform Inventory Management

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luminium Bahrain (Alba), the world's largest aluminium smelter on one site, has recently announced a strategic partnership with Comvision (India) Private Limited. This collaboration aims to enhance Alba's inventory management and tracking systems through the implementation of cutting-edge technology.

Alba's CEO Ali Al Baqali and Comvision's MD and CEO Harjinder Kaur Talwar signed the supply and services agreement, under which Comvision will develop an innovative RFIDbased inventory management system tailored to Alba's specific needs. This system will provide



The deal signing

Bahrain, optimising operations and Marketing Agreement to 'Albavision' will be marketed on Sunday 08 December 2024, Project Manager, Kabir Talwar,

real-time visibility and tracking and reducing costs. Moreover, further enhance the inventory and licensed by Comvision, with the signing ceremony was atof inventory across all shipping Alba and Comvision have en- management solution. The joint- Alba receiving a share of the tended by Alba's Executive Manyards including different sites in tered into a Joint Development ly developed product labelled revenue from these sales. Held agement Team and Comvision's

and Founder & CEO of the Bahrain Businesswomen's Society, Ahlam Janahi.

Ali Al Baqali, CEO of Alba, commented, "This solution will not only streamline our operations but also provide valuable insights to optimise our supply chain. We also look forward to collaborating with Comvision to develop 'Albavision', the first of its kind tracking software, and offer innovative solutions to our

Harjinder Kaur Talwar, MD & CEO of Comvision India, added, "Through its unique R&D capabilities, Comvision will develop a first-of-its-kind inventory tracking software, facilitating process automation and enabling real-time visibility and monitoring of inventory movement across various stages of production.

Huawei unveils T.H.E. GOLD Talent programme

At ICT Competition regional final in Riyadh

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Huawei has announced the launch of its groundbreaking "T.H.E. GOLD Talent" programme in collaboration with the UNESCO Institute for Information Technologies in Education (IITE), which aims to transform higher education and foster the digital intelligence talent pool across the Middle East and Central Asia region to cope with requirements of the

Revealed on the sidelines of the 2024-2025 Middle East and Central Asia (ME&CA) ICT Competition final, the initiative marks the beginning of Huawei's second decade of commit-



gion, demonstrating the col- program. This program is an lective commitment towards evolution of our current talent to explore Thousands of miles, nurturing ICT talent in the cultivation efforts, tailored to collaborate with Hundreds of

meet the requirements of the universities, and Empower an Steven Yi, President of Hua- AI Era. Through this program, intelligent future, while Gearment to ICT talent development. wei Middle East & Central Huawei reaffirms its commit- ing up together for countries The unveiling ceremony was Asia, highlighted the innovament to open collaboration, to Own their future through attended by executives from tive nature of the project, stat- working to optimize the re- Huawei's Leading platform for Huawei, IITE, leading univer- ing: "We are proud to officially gion's promising ICT talent pool the intelligent Development of sities, and partners in the re- launch the 'T.H.E. Gold Talent' in line with national plans and intelligent talents.

The "T.H.E. GOLD Talent" program represents a significant leap forward in Huawei's ongoing mission to empower nations' visions through sustainable ICT talent growth. The program aims to close the loop in talent cultivation by offering jobs and internships to all industrial stakeholders, not just Huawei. It also targets more proactive collaboration and offers parallel HR programs to unleash the talent's value.

T.H.E. GOLD Talent is developed from a concept that aims

Tender Board opens bids for 12 projects

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The Bahrain Tender Board opened bids for 12 tenders from various government and service entities. A total of 61 bids were received from local, regional, and international companies, with the lowest bid road works, and the confor one of the tenders amount- struction of a new fire school ing to approximately BD 10.5 million.

The Ministry of Works submitted by Bokhowa Tradtopped the list of entities with ing Group W.L.L. at BD 479,164. two major tenders. The first tems and repairs to the main tenders for supplying electricompeted, with the lowest bid from Central Energy and Opsubmitted by Intercol Elec- erations Systems at BD 174,824. 764,500.

The second tender involved bid submitted by Future Rethe construction of facilities sources Trading W.L.L. at BD for the Rashid Equestrian and 49,500. Horseracing Club (Phase 2), which attracted four bidders. der for managing, designing, The lowest bid was submit- and producing the Bahrain ted by Kingdom Asphalt Co. Pavilion at the 2025 Gulfood W.L.L. at BD 7,594,963.

ders. The first was to cover was submitted by Advertising the hotel accommodation & Publicity for Arabia Design requirements for the airline, at BD 19,800. with two companies competing. The lowest bid was sub- Ministry of Interior received mitted by Ramada Hotel and a tender for the maintenance Suites Amwaj at BD 1,236,516. of air conditioning systems in The second tender was for the government buildings, with supply of economy-class blan- four companies competing. kets, which saw participation The lowest bid was submitted from 16 companies, with the by Bahrain Electrical and Melowest bid submitted by Xia-chanical Services at BD 17,820. men Kairunair Commodity Co. Ltd. at BD 272,086.

an walkways at the refinery, pany at BD 96,466. with three companies bidding. The lowest bid was submitted Regulatory Authority also reby Gulf Fencing and Special- ceived a tender for front-end ist Surfacing Est. W.L.L. at BD IT development services, with



building, which attracted nine

bidders. The lowest bid was

The Central Stores Departwas for the replacement of ment of the Electricity and central air conditioning sys- Water Authority received two fence at Isa Cultural Centre in cal equipment and sulfuric Al Juffair. Only two companies acid. The first saw a single bid tro Mechanical Services at BD The second tender attracted two bidders, with the lowest

Tamkeen was awarded a ten-Exhibition, with seven compa-Gulf Air received two ten- nies competing. The lowest bid

The Customs Affairs of the

Bapco Energies received a tender for a framework agree-Bapco Refinery also received ment for managed IT services. two tenders. The first was for with four companies competdesigning, supplying, and in- ing. The lowest bid was substalling canopies for pedestri- mitted by Diyar United Com-

The Telecommunications seven companies competing. The second tender involved The lowest bid was submitted site preparation, excavation, by Silah Gulf at BD 43,996.

BisB unveils 4th promotional interactive Tejoori Al Islami Stand 2024 at City Centre Bahrain

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m B}$ ahrain Islamic Bank (BisB), has announced the launch of its fourth Tejoori Al Islami promotional and interactive stand. This campaign aims to reward the bank's customers with numerous instant prizes, running from December 23 to December 28 at City Centre Bahrain, Entrance C, Ground

Tejoori Al Islami interactive BD1,000, iPhone 16 devices, and stand visitors will have the opportunity to open a new Tejoori the \$1,000,000 grand prize. Al Islami account digitally, easiwin instant cash prizes of up to maintain their deposits in the January 2025.



Faisal Al Abdulla

many more, qualifying them for

account holders can increase BisB, stated: "We invite every-



the year to qualify for the grand prize of \$1,000,000."

Tejoori Al Islami account has who have not won in the past Mr. Faisal Al Abdulla, Acting offered three impressive quar- year or more. ly, and quickly. Current Tejoori Head of Branches and Sales at terly prizes: \$100,000 in the first quarter, \$200,000 in the Islamic Bank's ongoing comtheir balance through the BisB one to visit the Tejoori Al Islami second quarter, and \$300,000 mitment to creating rewarding mobile app or with the assis- stand at City Centre Bahrain in the third quarter. Now, as investment opportunities and tance of the BisB team avail- during the campaign period to the year concludes, the journey recognizing the diverse needs able at the stand. Additional- open and grow their investment reaches its pinnacle with the of its customers, ensuring that ly, visitors can participate in in a Tejoori account. We also highly anticipated grand prize every investment with Tejoori exciting games for a chance to encourage our customers to of \$1,000,000, to be awarded in Al Islami is a step toward un-

In addition to these extraordinary prizes, Tejoori Al Islami continues to reward its customers with exclusive monthly prizes tailored to various segments:

Tejoori Premium and Premium Lite for premium cus-

Tejoori for Her, designed exclusively for women. Tejoori Youth, crafted Tejoori Account until the end of for customers under 25 years

Tejoori First Time Throughout the year, the Winner, dedicated to customers

These prizes reflect Bahrain paralleled rewards.

TWO THINGS ARE INFINITE: THE UNIVERSE AND HUMAN STUPIDITY; AND I'M NOT **SURE ABOUT THE UNIVERSE** ALBERT EINSTEIN

TODAY

The first Christmas according to calendar-maker and Eastern Roman monk Dionysius Exiguus

Pope Leo III crowns Charles the Great (Charlemagne), Roman Emperor



William the Conqueror is crowned King of England at Westminster Abbey, completing the Norman conquest of England Celsius introduces Centigrade

temperature scale

News in brief

♦ Iran's top council responsible for safeguarding the internet voted yesterday to lift a ban on the popular messaging application WhatsApp, which has been subject to restrictions for over two years, state media reported. "The ban on WhatsApp and Google Play was removed by unanimous vote of the members of the Supreme Council of Cyberspace," the official IRNA news agency said. "Today, we took the first step towards lifting internet restrictions with unanimity and consensus," Minister of Communications Sattar Hashemi said on X.

Iran cyberspace council votes to lift ban on WhatsApp:

It was not immediately clear when the decision would come into force. The move has sparked a debate in Iran, with critics of the restrictions arguing the controls were costly for the country. "The restrictions have achieved nothing but anger and added costs to people's lives," presidential advisor Ali Rabiei said on X on

Christmas Eve

◆ American Airlines resumed flights yesterday after a technical issue forced the world's largest carrier to ground all its US flights for an hour during the busy year-end travel period, officials said. "American Airlines reported a technical issue this morning and requested a nationwide ground stop. The ground stop has now been lifted," Bridgett Frey, assistant

administrator for communications at the Federal Aviation Administration, said in a statement. The flight halt between 1150 GMT and 1250 GMT came on Christmas Eve, a day of exceedingly heavy air travel in the United States and elsewhere. The FAA and American Airlines had yet to describe the nature of the technical issue and why it led to a nationwide ground halt.

• **Syria's new authorities** announced yesterday that they had reached an agreement with the country's rebel groups on

their dissolution and integration into the regular authorities say defence forces. Photos published by the state-run SANA news agency showed the country's new leader, armed groups have Ahmed al-Sharaa, surrounded by the heads of several agreed to disband armed factions -- but not representatives of the Kurdish-led forces in Syria's northeast. The meeting "ended in an agreement on the dissolution of all the

groups and their integration under the supervision of the ministry of defence", said a statement carried by SANA and the authorities' Telegram account. On

Sunday, Sharaa had said the new authorities would "absolutely not allow there to be weapons in the country outside state control". That also applied to the Kurdish-led Syrian Democratic Forces, he said. Thirteen years of civil war in Syria has left more than half a million people dead and fragmented the country into zones of influence controlled by different armed groups backed by regional and

SPOTLIGHT

NASA probe makes closest ever pass by the Sun



an artist's conception of NASA's Parker Solar Probe

Washington, United States

with its heat shield exposed perihelion. to scorching temperatures of "This is one example of more than 1,700 degrees Fahr- NASA's bold missions, doing enheit (930 degrees Celsius). something that no one else has

the spaceship is on a sev- longstanding questions about en-year mission to deepen our universe," Arik Posner, scientific understanding of Parker Solar Probe program our star and help forecast scientist said in a statement space-weather events that can on Monday. affect life on Earth.

Tuesday's historic fly-by that first status update from should have occurred at pre- the spacecraft and start recisely 6:53am (1153 GMT), alceiving the science data in the though mission scientists will coming weeks." have to wait until Friday for So effective is the heat confirmation as they lose con-shield, that the probe's intertact with the craft for several nal instruments remain near days due to its proximity to room temperature -- around

Earth and the Sun is the equiv- the corona.

ican football field, the space-

Launched in August 2018, ever done before to answer

85F (29C) -- as it explores the If the distance between Sun's outer atmosphere, called

Bethlehem marks sombre Christmas

AFP | Bethlehem, Palestinian

undreds of people gathundreds of people gamered at the Church of the Nativity in the holy city of Bethlehem yesterdayto mark another solemn Christmas overshadowed by the war i

Missing for a second consecutive year were the festive decorations, and the crowd paled in comparison to the throngs of tourists and pilgrims of Christmases past -- a reflection of the sombre mood as the war between Israel and Palestinian militants in the Gaza Strip

At Manger Square, the heart of the Palestinian city dominated by the revered church that marks the site where Christians believe Jesus Christ was born, a group of scouts held a small parade that broke the morning's silence.

laugh," read a sign carried by one told AFP. of them, as his friends whistled

ry -- erupted after Hamas's attack strictly religious nature than the rael's fight against the "forces of two weeks after Islamist-led re-

The attack, the deadliest in held. Israel's history, resulted in the Despite the gloomy mood, some siliently, consistently, forcefully al-Assad.

Israel's retaliatory war in territories -- are finding refuge Gaza has left 45,338 people in prayer. dead, according to the health ministry in the Hamas-run territory, figures the UN considers

Traditionally in Bethlehem, a grand Christmas tree would light up Manger Square, but local authorities opted against elaborate celebrations for a second year. "This year we limited our joy,"

As we head into 2025, the tech landscape in the MENA region

overall continues to evolve rapid-

ly, presenting both opportunities

In this environment, building

a business that not only survives

but thrives on a global scale de-

mands much more than just an

and challenges for startups.

Ukrainians wearing traditional clothes take part in a Christmas Eve procession in Lviv "Our children want to play and Bethlehem mayor Anton Salman

famed midnight mass, will still be In a message to Christians all of a Christmas tree. Bank by a swath of Israeli territo- the festivities will be of a more thanked them for supporting Is- ylabiyah in central Syria just over million pilgrims to Rome. on Israel on October 7 last year. festive celebrations the city once evil".

deaths of 1,208 people, according Christians in the Holy Land -- as Israel defends our civilisation to an AFP tally of official Israeli who number about 185,000 in Isagainst barbarism," he said. rael and 47,000 in the Palestinian

KNOW WHAT

Christians in Syria

An interesting fact about Christmas is that the tradition of decorating Christmas trees dates back to 16th-century Germany, where devout Christians brought decorated trees into their homes. The modern Christmas tree gained popularity in the 19th century when Queen Victoria and Prince Albert, who was of German descent, were depicted celebrating Christmas with a decorated tree in Windsor Castle. This image was widely published and helped establish the Christmas tree as a global

holiday symbol.

"Christmas is a feast of faith... hundreds of people took to the

who gave his name as Georges told AFP he was protesting "injustice against Christians".

"If we're not allowed to live our Christian faith in our country, as we used to, then we don't belong here anymore," he

A religious leader from Syria's victorious Islamist group Hayat Tahrir al-Sham (HTS) addressed residents, maintaining that those who torched the tree were "not Syrian" and promising they would be punished.

Syria's new rulers have vowed to protect the country's religious minorities, including Christians. But some Syrian Christians, including secular longtime opponents to Assad's rule, fear the new leadership's Sunni Islamist ideology will mean their community's

political aspirations and those of other minorities will not be taken nto account in the transition.

We're going to pray and ask God streets in Christian areas of Syr-Pope Francis will mark Christ-Prayers, including the church's to end our suffering," Salman said. ia's capital to protest the burning mas Eve on Tuesday with a special ceremony launching Jubilee The fighting in Gaza -- which is held in the presence of the Catho- over the world, Israeli Prime The incident took place in the 2025, a year of Catholic celebraseparated from the occupied West lic Church's Latin Patriarch, but Minister Benjamin Netanyahu Christian-majority town of Suqations set to draw more than 30

The motto of the Jubilee is "Pilbels spearheaded an offensive grims of Hope", and the Argentine "You've stood by our side re- that ousted president Bashar pontiff is expected to repeat his calls for peace in a world riven According to the Syrian Ob- by conflict, particularly in the servatory for Human Rights war Middle East.

monitor, the fighters who set fire He drew an angry response from Israel at the weekend for Elsewhere in the Middle East, A demonstrator in Damascus condemning the "cruelty" of Israel's strikes in Gaza that killed children. Organised by the Church every 25 years, the Jubilee is intended as a period of reflection and penance.

Among the groups registered on the official site is Italian LG-BTQ group La Tenda di Gionata, reflecting the pope's call for the Church to be open to all.

Trump blasts Biden over death sentence commutations

Washington, United States

Donald Trumphit out Tuesday at Joe Biden for commuting the sentences of al-most every American federal prisoner on death row, as the president-elect prepared to replace the Democrat in the

President Biden, in his final month in office, announced sure to act further before leav Monday he was converting the ing the White House on Janudeath sentences of 37 of the ary 20, amid signals from Re-40 inmates awaiting federal publican Trump that he would execution to life without the resume the practice. possibility of parole.

convicted of murdering fellow Boston Marathon bombers. prisoners, four for murders a gunman who murdered 11 committed during bank rob- Jewish worshippers in 2018 beries and one who killed a and a white supremacist who prison guard.

"Joe Biden just commuted dead in 2015. the Death Sentence on 37 of "Make no mistake: I conthe worst killers in our Coundemn these murderers, grieve try," Trump posted on Truth for the victims of their des-Social, his social media plat- picable acts, and ache for all

each, you won't believe that he loss," Biden said Monday. did this," he added. "Makes no "But guided by my con-

Three men were excluded

They included nine people from the move: one of the 2013 shot nine Black churchgoers

the families who have suffered "When you hear the acts of unimaginable and irreparable

sense. Relatives and friends are science and my experience... I further devastated. They can't am more convinced than ever believe this is happening!" that we must stop the use of Biden had imposed a mor- the death penalty at the federal atorium on the federal death level. In good conscience, I penalty but was under pres- cannot stand back and let

Russia says cargo ship sinks in Mediterranean after blast



the Russian cargo ship Ursa Major is pictured during a monitoring operation conducted by the Portuguese Navy along the Continental Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) off the coast of Portugal

AFP | Moscow, Russia

Two crew members are ship sent a distress call Mon-**I** missing after a Russian day morning when it was off state-owned cargo ship sank the coast of southeastern Spain in international waters in the in bad weather, reporting that Mediterranean after an explo- the ship was listing and a lifesion on board, Russia's foreign boat had been launched. ministry said on Telegram on Spain sent out a helicopter Tuesday.

the 16 Russian crew members, rescue operation since the ship 14 had been rescued and taken was between Spanish and Alto the Spanish port of Cartage-gerian waters, after which the na and two were missing. Ursa Major sunk overnight.

and rescue boats and took the

The Ursa Major sank "af- survivors to port, where they ter an explosion in the engine were helped by the Red Cross, room", the ministry's crisis the service said.

A Russian warship then ar-The ministry said that out of rived and took charge of the

Spain's sea rescue service

said in a statement that the

11 killed in blast at Turkey explosives plant

AFP | Istanbul, Turkey





 $R^{ ext{emembering the}}_{ ext{legendary Moham-}}$ med Rafi Sahab on his 100th birth anniversary. He was a musical genius whose cultural influence and impact transcends generations. Rafi Sahab's songs are admired for their ability to capture different emotions and sentiments. His versatility was extensive as well. May his music keep adding joy in the lives of

@narendramodi



hristmas offers an opportunity for compassion, reflection and solidarity - in our communities and around the world. My warmest wishes to everyone celebrating.

@antonioguterres

This holiday season, of the brave first responders and frontline workers who keep our communities and families safe. Our nation is stronger because of them.

@JoeBiden



The power of the un-■ elected Federal bureaucracy has grown to become an unconstitutional "FOURTH BRANCH" of government! Especially with the creation of their own internal court system, it has become the most powerful branch of government. We must fix

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BY INVITATION

Bahrain Must Invest in Better AQI

KOTA SRIRAJ

he air quality index (AQI) has become the gold standard across the world for measuring ambient pollution levels of our cities. Worsening AQI levels not only mean deteriorating environmental conditions but also point towards life threatening toxic health risks due to polluted air. As per World Health Organisation estimates, nearly 80 per cent of the global urban population are exposed to toxic air quality standards. Bahrain too has been at the receiving end of bad AQI levels

As per World

Organisation

80 per cent of

Health

thanks to air pollution resulting from vehicular and industrial emissions besides dust from desert winds. According to data from AQI.In, Manama witnesses PM10 levels that hover between a moderestimates, nearly ate 90 to an unhealthy 170. However, Bahrain's proactive efforts have helped keep air pollution in check and ensured that the AQI levels do not reach unmanageable levels.

air quality levels across

the global urban population are exposed to A major effort by the Kingdom in this direction toxic air quality was the announcement of long-term goal of reaching standards. net-zero by 2060. This set the narrative of Bahrain's Bahrain too journey towards ensurhas been at the ing a healthy state of environment. Complementreceiving end of ing this long-term goal, several near-term targets bad AQI levels were also announced for 2035, including a 30% thanks to air reduction in greenhouse gas emissions. Additionpollution resulting ally, the adoption of the from vehicular United Nations Framework Convention on Cliand industrial mate Change (UNFCC), undertaking clean transemissions besides portation projects such as Bahrain Metro and the dust from desert development of a unique Green Building Code have ensured that Bahrain has a firm grip on maintaining

the country. As Bahrain progresses further there is an express need to ensure that the growth and development do not come at the cost of healthy air quality. In this regard it is essential to focus on the potential national pollution hot spots. Vehicular pollution is one the active pollution source. Bahrain has 4,210 km of paved roads and given the massive highway infrastructure Bahrain must concentrate on airborne pollutants created by vehicles. To achieve this Bahrain can adopt innovative technological solutions and pollution vacu-

uming pods is one of them. These Air Suction Pods pull in any pollution created by vehicles and in the process can remove 99 per cent of pollution created by vehicles sitting at traffic signals, intersections, and traffic jams. This technology involves installing a series of partially submerged pods in the centre of a road that is a known hot spot of air pollution. These pods are connected to under the road network of pipes that send the polluted air into a roadside cleaning unit. The cleaning unit treats the air by 99 percent by removing particulate matter (PM) such as nitrogen oxide, carbon monoxide, hydrocarbons, and ozone.

Construction sector too is a major source pollution and a cause for deteriorating air quality levels. It is estimated that in any urban scenario construction activities contribute nearly 23 per cent to the pollution levels. On site installation of intelligent and large-scale air filtration systems at all major construction sites can make a major positive difference in the AQI levels of Bahrain. These Artificial Intelligence (AI) based filtration systems at the construction sites can be programmed to intuitively detect spikes in pollution levels and not only increase filtration performance but also send notifications to construction project team leaders to dial down the building activity. These interventions can effectively keep construction related pollution under check and ensure healthy AQI levels for Bahrain.

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alent to the length of an Amer-Nasa's pioneering Parker craft should have been about four Probe made history four yards (meters) from the Tuesday, flying closer to the end zone at the moment of Sun than any other spacecraft closest approach – known as

innovative idea. "We can't wait to receive



Rashit Makhat, Director and global success.

the UAE tech venture company, deeply: Don't just know your cusments. But in order to scale success- and keeps them engaged.

fully, he says startups must adopt 2. Focus on niche markets and nition. ing impact, and he outlines six key for market share and investor at- global data shows 75% of tech and adaptable.

Unlocking global success: Six key steps for startups in 2025

for tech startups, which secured values, and spending limits. Use specific needs can build a loyal investors and customers.

retains them, ensuring a skilled economic downturns or regulatoworkforce to navigate challenges. ry changes ensures resilience and

to the tree were foreigners.

\$258 million in funding in No- this knowledge to send out mes- customer base, helping startups Limited resources can be a bar- motivated and focused.

Startups can overcome this by influenced by political, economic, fostering a culture of innovation and social factors, demands flexand collaboration, offering equity ibility. Startups should monitor or stock options, and investing in industry trends and consumer employee development. This not demands to refine strategies. only attracts top talent but also Having a contingency plan for

4. Stay agile and invest in tech-positions startups for long-term ers should concentrate on niche ly, and staying ahead of trends is 6. Set small goals: Startups co-founder of Scalo Technologies, 1. Understand your market markets or unique customer seg-crucial. Startups should invest in should break their big vision tools and systems that provide a down into smaller, achievable sees the region as a dynamic hub tomers - understand their habits, Tailored offerings that address competitive edge, attracting both goals, track progress regularly and use these milestones to stay

sages that make sense to them, stand out in crowded markets, rier, but partnerships with ac- "Overall, be passionate about paving the way for global recog- celerators, research institutions, your mission" says Makhat. and tech communities can help. "Love what you do. This shows proven strategies that fuel growth, differentiation: With the regional 3. Build a strong, adaptive team: Encouraging a culture of contining your work, attracting others attract investment, and build last- ecosystem maturing, competition Talent is critical for growth, yet uous learning keeps teams agile to support and believe in your

companies struggle to find the 5. Plan for the Unexpected: The regional market's dynamic nature,

shards of glass and metal scattered outside the plant north Apowerful blast ripped of the city of Balikesir, where through an explosives ambulances stood by."There plant in northwestern Turkey are unfortunately 11 deaths... on Tuesday, killing 11 people eight women and three men. and injuring seven others, of- And we have seven injured," ficials said, downgrading their Turkey's Interior Minister Ali original toll.Footage showed Yerlikaya said at the scene.

Blake Lively sues Justin Baldoni for sexual harassment

Bang Showbiz | Los Angeles

Blake Lively is suing Justin Baldoni for sexual harass-

The 37-year-old actress starred alongside Justin, 40, in the romantic drama film 'It Ends with Us' earlier this year, and she's now launched a lawsuit against tended by various people conher former co-star, who also directed the movie.

In the lawsuit, which has been obtained by PEOPLE, the actress in the lawsuit called for "no more paign in a bid to "destroy" her alleges that her co-star's behaviour caused her "severe emotion- the scope of the script BL ap-

The lawsuit claims that Blake project." - who played Justin's on-screen love interest - attended a meeting to address her allegations and or images of women to Blake, tory tactics to harm people who her demands for working on the no more mention of Baldoni's speak up about misconduct and

Blake Lively's husband, Ryan Reynolds, attended a meeting with project members to address her allegations against Justin Baldoni

nected to the project, as well as But the actress has alleged that Ryan Reynolds, Blake's husband.

adding of sex scenes ... outside reputation. proved when signing onto the New York Times newspaper,

"no more showing nude videos curtain on these sinister retaliaalleged previous 'pornography helps protect others who may be The meeting was actually at- addiction', no more discussions targeted."

about sexual conquests in front of Blake and others, no further mentions of cast and crew's genitalia, no more inquiries about Blake's weight, and no further mention of Blake's dead father".

According to the lawsuit, Sony Pictures - the company responsible for distributing the film - approved Blake's requests. Justin subsequently engaged in One of the demands mentioned a "social manipulation" cam-

In a statement given to the Blake said: "I hope that my le-What's more, Blake demanded gal action helps pull back the

Blake Lively



I haven't used cash in years, says Iggy Azalea

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ggy Azalea hasn't carried any cash in "years".

The 34-year-old rap star - who released her debut album, 'The New Classic', back in 2014 - has revealed that she never carries cash and she hasn't used it in years.

The 'Fancy' hitmaker told Us Weekly: "I don't ever carry cash. I haven't carried any cash Iggy replied: "Stay true to

in literally years." Iggy moved from Australia to the US at the age of 16 in order to pursue a career in music. And now, Iggy feels "sentimental" when she goes to visit any of her friends, explaining that she keeps holds of her plane tickets so she can reminisce about the experience.

S h e said: "I went to go and visit someone the first time and that meant something to me [so] I kept the ticket.'

Iggy has turned her focus towards her business ventures in recent years.

And the chart-topping star previously revealed some of the keys to her business successes.

Iggy - who has invest-

Iggy Azalea

ments in the tech and telecommunications sectors - told Inc. magazine: "Growing as an artist and entrepreneur is always challenging and can be scary, but it's also such a necessary part of life."

Iggy believes it's ultimately important to view challenges as "opportunities".

Asked what advice she'd offer to aspiring entrepreneurs, your vision, and don't be

afraid to think outside the box. Embrace challenges and view them as opportunities.'

Iggy believes she's always had an entrepreneurial approach to

h e blonde beauty who released her last album, 'The End of an Era', in 2021 - reflected: "I think I've always been an entre-

preneur at heart - even in my music ca-

Pamela Anderson: I'm not ashamed of my life choices

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ashamed of the choices" she's made in her life.

The 57-year-old actress became an international sex symbol in the early 90s, when she joined the cast of 'Baywatch', and Pamela has now insisted that she doesn't have any reason to feel "ashamed"

Pamela Anderson

made, even though maybe in hind-Damela Anderson is "not sight I would've done things differ-she's had a "beautiful, messy life". ently. But you need life experience to know that you would've done that "life experience" informed her per-

> Pamela was actually able to lean on her own life experiences for her showgirl in the film - told Entertainstarring role in 'The Last Showgirl', ment Weekly: "Having a beautiful, the Gia Coppola-directed drama film. messy life is something incredible to

to bring a lot of my own personal back on my life and think, I could experience, my long life of dealing have done this differently, but you with beauty and glamour and aging need the life experience to be able to She told Variety: "I'm and reassessing life choices. I got to look back and say those things.

not ashamed of the choices that I bring my whole life into this role." In November, Pamela observed that

> The actress also claimed that her formance in 'The Last Showgirl'.

Pamela - who plays a seasoned The actress explained: "I was able draw from, and sometimes I'll look

Billie Eilish's 'body problems' developed at age 10

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illie Eilish's "body problems" began my body problems started. Billie Ellish's body probability when she was just 10 years old.

in her career for her penchant for baggy nine, and I was just declothes and she explained she opted for veloping really early. I the loose-fitting garments as a way to feel wasn't slim. Also, I was more "comfortable" after growing unhap- in ballet, and that's this py with her shape at a young age when whole world of body she struggled to fit into clothes from her problems. favourite brand Brandy Melville, who famously only produce garments in one size. these baggy clothes, and

She told Complex magazine: "What's it was my style, but at the really interesting is that when I was a same time, it was how I little girl, I loved big dresses. All I wore could feel comfortable in was fairy dresses and skirts. I never wore my body and not feel tied to pants or shorts when I was a little kid. But how my body looks. I didn't when I got to be about 11, I got obsessed want my body to be part of with this brand called Brandy Melville. my outfit. I wanted my outfit And they only sold clothes in one size.

"I was chubbier and I was obsessed happens to be inside it."

with these clothes, but I'd buy a shirt and it wouldn't fit me. That's when

"I was around the age of The 22-year-old singer was known early 10 or 11. I got boobs at like

"I was wearing all to be my outfit, and my body

Billie Eilish



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Tilary Duff has developed

The 37-year-old actress she just goes along for welcomed her fourth the ride." child, a daughter named Townes, in May, and Hi- she's adopted a more lary thinks she's the "chill- relaxed approach to est" of all of her children.

The 'How I Met Your giving birth to Father' star - who also Townes. has Banks, six, and Mae, three, with husband Matthew Koma, as well as Luca, 12, with Mike Comrie - told finally, on the PEOPLE: "She's a really good baby. She just started sleeping makes life a through the night, which is lot more tol-

incredible. She just is the chill- erable right now." est one.

"I don't know if it took me havto motherhood in recent if I'm more chill. I can't figure out which one it is, but

> Hilary noted that motherhood since

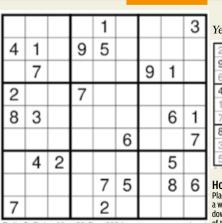
She said: "There's just a coolness to me, fourth kid that Hilary Duff

Hilary always wanted to become a mom - but the actress $oldsymbol{\Pi}$ a more relaxed approach $oldsymbol{ ext{ing}}$ four kids to get a chill one, or $oldsymbol{ ext{initially}}$ found it to be an "isolating" experience.

The blonde beauty - who has been married to Matthew since 2019 - previously said on 'The Motherly Podcast': "I'd say it was a little isolating

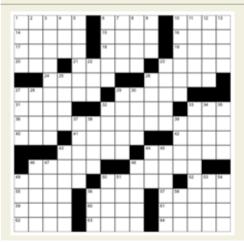
in the beginning because I didn't have any friends that had babies yet. But I had been working for such a long time that it felt like a natural step for me and I always knew I wanted to be a mom.

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Yesterday's solution

How to play Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each 9-box square contains all

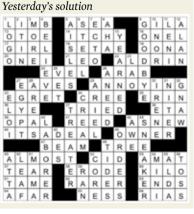


CROSSWORD

1- Speed demon; 6- Bassoon relative; 10- Hell __ no fury...; 14- Miss by __; 15- Salamander; 16- Yellow spread; 17- Toe or finger; 18- One of the Baldwin brothers; 19- Takes home; 20-Large body of water; 21- Trojan War epic; 23- Embankment; 24- Less common; 26- Medicine measures; 27- Staggered; 29- Unmoving; 31- Legendary singer James; 32- Ripped off; 33- Back in time; 36- In spite of; 40- Single unit; 41- Wynonna's mom; 42- Banned apple spray; 43- Move effortlessly; 44- Executor's concern; 46- Clogs, e.g.; 48- Kyoto's country; 49- Hilton competitor; 50- Aristotle's teacher; 52- General on Chinese menus; 55- Technical sch.; 56- Talon; 57-Doorkeeper; 59- Lavish affection (on); 60- Sneaky guy?; 61- Divert; 62- Utopia; 63- In the sack;

Across

1- X-ray units; 2- French friend; 3- Fag; 4- Quarterback Manning; 5- Go to bed; 6- TV studio sign; 7- Actor Lugosi; 8- Was in the red; 9- And so on: Abbr.; 10- Not disposed to cheat; 11- Advil rival; 12- French beans?; 13- Stockings; 22- Went first; 23- Sophia of the screen; 25- What there oughta be; 26- Oscar __ Renta; 27- City in Western Nevada; 28- Collar type; 29- Reply to "Who's there?": 30- Don't look at me!: 32- Not barefoot: 33- An urban shade tree: 34- Little pest: 35- Meanie; 37- Bay; 38- Mai __; 39- Statistics, collection of facts; 43- Obtained; 44- Devour 45- One's husband or wife: 46- Church council: 47- Speed: 48- Having mandibles: 49- Conceal 50- Commoner; 51- After the bell; 53- Faxed; 54- Scraps; 56- No. cruncher; 58- Na Na;



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India's Ehtesham Ansari pushes for rematch with Agib Awan, cites injured arm and leg



Action from the bout

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One of the top Flyweights from India Ehtesham Ansari made his BRAVE CF debut at BRAVE CF 92 in Bahrain when he took on Pakistan's Aqib Awan in Aqib during an exchange in the downs at BRAVE CF 92 marked a high-stakes India vs Pakistan fight, hinting at his desire for the second instalment of the showdown.

Ehtesham was stopped by opponent. Agib in the third round via After the fight, Ehtesham was but unfortunately, the injury take place in India in 2025.

indicating an injury, which like- at his full potential. ly had an impact on his perfor-

story, Ehtesham has shared a at BRAVE CF 85 in Pakistan. picture of himself dropping

ground and pound and the 92 riding a six-fight winning 85 in Pakistan earlier this year, Indian's lack of defence from streak, with two of those wins and with the second chapter the bottom position during the coming in Central Asia. He had finishing sequence left fans cu- also trained extensively in Dagrious about his performance. estan to prepare for the bout third instalment, scheduled to

seen holding his arm and leg, prevented him from performing

For Aqib, the victory marked a strong comeback from the And now, in an Instagram quick knockout loss he suffered

The India vs. Pakistan showa rematch with his Pakistani three-part series by BRAVE Combat Federation. The first Ehtesham entered BRAVE CF edition took place at BRAVE CF concluded at a neutral venue in Bahrain, the stage is set for the

Tennis power couple de Minaur and Boulter get engaged

AFP | Sydney

Tennis glamour couple Alex de Minaur and Katie Boulter have announced their engagement ahead of the start of the 2025 season this week.

The Australian world number nine and Britain's top women's player have been dating for several years with their news sparking congratulations from across the tennis world.

"We've been keeping a small secret," the pair jointly said on Instagram late Monday, with Boulter showing off her

Among the well-wishers Alex de Minaur and Katie Boulter were women's stars Paula Badosa and Madison Keys while 28, both enjoyed breakthrough 23 de Minaur's fellow Australian seasons in 2024. Thanasi Kokkinakis quipped: "It's about damn time."

De Minaur, 25 and Boulter, Boulter reached a career-high week.



They both start their 2025 The Australian broke into the campaigns at the mixed-teams top 10 for the first time while United Cup in Sydney this

Embiid ejected in Sixers' win over Spurs, Magic beat Boston

Dhiladelphia's Joel Embiid was ejected after confronting a female referee in the 76ers' 111-106 victory over San Antonio in a wild Monday of NBA

An expected big-man showdown between Cameroonian Embiid and France's Victor Wembanyama ended late in the first half, leaving Tyrese Maxey to produce 32 points, 10 rebounds and eight assists in sparking the win.

"It's big time," Maxey said of getting the win for Embiid. "We're learning to play without him... We've got to change the game, come a little faster, play a little harder and gain rebounds."

after the game and hugged Max- ing 9-3 win to deliver the home for a long time."



Philadelphia's Joel Embiid, left, argues a foul call by referee Jenna Schroeder before he was ejected

ey after the guard's late surge triumph. with a steal, dunk, 3-pointer

"It's love, man," Maxey said. Embiid came onto the court and free throw in a game-end- "That has been my big brother

Postecoglou eyes Spurs reinforcement

Spurs aim to strengthen squad amidst injuries, cup commitments, and inconsistent league form

Spurs have suffered from injuries and suspensions

Postecoglou aims to strengthen "a couple of areas"

Postecoglou emphasizes "methodical and prudent" approach

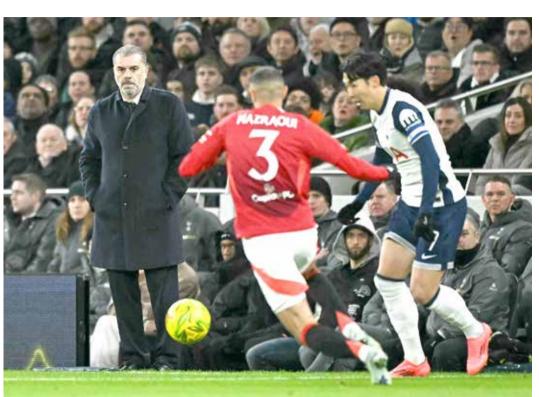
AFP | London

nge Postecoglou expects Tottenham Hotspur to bolster their squad during the January transfer window.

Spurs have been hit by injuries and suspensions during the past month, with Postecoglou refusing to rein in his attacking approach as the London club have dropped down the Premier League table during a run of inconsistent results.

A thrilling 4-3 win over Man- month. chester United in the League followed by an embarrassing 6-3 match press conference. loss at home to Liverpool in the league on Sunday.

ing Day match at Nottingham still a little bit short in a cou- any stage. Forest, Spurs manager Pos- ple of areas and we need to tecoglou said he was aiming reinforce."



Tottenham Hotspur's Head Coach Ange Postecoglou watches the players from the touchline

to bring in new recruits next 'Prudent'

Cup quarter-finals last week was been planning," he told a pre-

The 59-year-old Australian wait and see. "Like I said a while ago, we've added: "I think the fact that, obviously, we're still in the Carabao and bring in anybody that you (League) Cup semi-final, still got don't think will help our cause "A lot of it was going to be Europe, FA Cup, we're in all the in the back half of the year, but around where we're at around competitions, it's not like our I think we've already shown we But ahead of Thursday's Box- this time. Fair to say we're schedule's going to ease up at are pretty methodical and pru-

> 'So, I think it makes sense. We will try and reinforce. Where their last five Premier League asking them to.

and what number we'll have to

"You don't just want to panic dent about our work."

Like I said a while ago. we've been planning. A lot of it was going to be around where we're at around this time. Fair to say we're still a little bit short in a couple of areas and we need to reinforce

ANGE POSTECOGLOU

matches and lie 11th in the table heading into Christmas.

However, they have also been coping with cup commitments and a lengthy injury list that includes Guglielmo Vicario, Cristian Romero and Micky van de

Postecoglou had sympathy for the players picking up the slack in their absence as they try to implement his aggressive style.

"I can't be critical of this group of players at the moment in any used to during his football casense," he said.

"I think it would be unfair for anyone to because what they're that I'm on my own," he said. doing is they're giving absolute maximum effort.

"That's backed up by the physical parameters you put against boys, so it's important they are what they're doing. They're try- around family at this time. I will Tottenham have lost three of ing to do it in the way that I'm



Despite inconsistent results, Postecoglou said he "can't be crit-ical of this group of players" because they are giving "absolute maximum effort"

"So how can I be critical of that? I think that would be hypocritical of me. The players are doing their part.

"They're doing it to the maximum of their ability and it's a credit to them."

Postecoglou, meanwhile, was preparing for another solitary Christmas Day, something the former Celtic boss has become

"It's a family tradition mate "The family is in a warmer climate in Australia.

"We have a couple of young give them a call in the morning and then get on about my day."

Man Utd boss Amorim vows to stay on course despite Rashford row

Ruben Amorim has insisted he knows what he's doing as the Manchester United manager looks to revive the fallen English giants amid a row over the future of **Snapdrago** Marcus Rashford. Amorim has had a rollercoaster ride the sacked Erik Trafford.

comeback win Trafford. over local rivals Man-3-0 loss at home to Bournemouth last midweek interview. weekend following a **Marcus Rashford**



When I feel that it's the right moment I will change something. Until then I will continue to think what is the best for the team

RUBEN AMORIM

since succeeding feat by Tottenham.

joyed a late increasingly likely to leave Old I know.

chester City only national fuelled speculation about know what I'm doing." to then slump to a his own future by saying he was "ready for a new challenge" in a es" of people surrounding Rash-

midweek 4-3 League of the Boxing Day match away to Neville said the forward leaving Cup quarter-final de- Wolves, said nothing had changed felt like an "inevitable ending".

from his point of view.

"Normal situation," he said. "When I feel that it's the right moment I will change something. Until then I will continue to think what is the best for the team.

"I speak with him (Rashford) every day. Not about the interview, about the performance."

Amorim added Rashford "wants to play, he is trying" but "it's my decision, only my decision".

"I spoke with a lot of players --Rashford was omitted from individually, during training -- so ten Hag at Old all three of those games, with I'm trying to do things... I am doing the 27-year-old, a product of the things my way," the Portuguese United en- United youth system, now looking boss said. "And it's the only way

> "If I don't do that I will lose my-The struggling England inter- self and I will not lose myself. I

> Amorim questioned the "choicford after omitting him from the But Amorim, speaking ahead Bournemouth match, when Gary

India consider second spinner for Boxing Day Test



India's Washington Sundar celebrates with his teammates Rohit Sharma (R) and Ravindra Jadeja (C) after taking a wicket (file photo)

AFP | Melbourne

Tndia captain Rohit Sharma Lwas coy yesterday on how his team will line up for the Boxing Day Test against Australia, with the option of a second spinner on the table.

Temperatures are forecast to reach 40 degrees Celsius (104 Fahrenheit) on Thursday, and the Melbourne Cricket Ground curator said during the week expected to keep his place. he expected the pitch to offer plenty for the fast bowlers.

But Rohit left the door open to a second spinner.

make the best possible XI in mented Australia almost sinthese conditions, we will do gle-handedly, with the other that -- whether that is playing quicks not offering as much an extra spinner or not," he menace.

er Ravichandran Ashwin an- Harshit Rana in Brisbane and nouncing his immediate re- is set to play again along with tirement from international Mohammed Siraj and Nitish cricket after the third Test in Kumar Reddy should the sec-Brisbane, Ravindra Jadeja is ond spin option not be taken.

Whatever we have to do to make the best possible XI in these conditions, we will do that -- whether that is playing an extra spinner or not

ROHIT SHARMA

Washington Sundar is the other spin option.

India has been carried this series by pace spearhead Jas-"Whatever we have to do to prit Bumrah, who has tor-

Speedster Akash Deep re-With off-spinning allround- placed the underperforming

Teen Konstas to open for Australia in Boxing Day India Test

AFP | Melbourne

Cam Konstas will open the Dbatting for Australia in the fourth Test against India, coach Andrew McDonald said yesterday, while voicing confidence leading batsman Travis Head will be fit to play.

Konstas was called up after selectors dumped Nathan McSweeney after just three Tests, with the 19-year-old tasked with fending off Indian pace spearhead Jasprit Bumrah alongside an under-performing Usman Khawaja.



Australia's Sam Konstas (C) bats in the nets at the Melbourne Cricket Ground

relaxed".

We have said from the get-go. leading into this summer, that with an expected 90,000 fans at we wouldn't shy away and age the Melbourne Cricket Ground was no barrier.

of shots and an ability to put heit) on Thursday. pressure back on his opponents and he gets his opportunity.

"Really excited for him --Boxing Day, the biggest stage." Konstas will become Aus- in the same Sheffield Shield tralia's youngest Test debu- match.

"He'll play Boxing Day," Mc- tant since current skipper Pat Donald told reporters, referring Cummins took the field against to the teenager as "composed. South Africa at Johannesburg in 2011

It could be a baptism of fire, and temperatures forecast to "What he's shown is an array reach 40 Celsius (104 Fahren-

> Konstas thrust himself into the frame after becoming the youngest player since Ricky Ponting to score two centuries

BIC launches F1 Testing tickets

Bahrain International Circuit announces ticket sales for 2025 F1 Pre-Season Testing

F1 pre-season testing to take place at BIC from February 26-28, 2025

Tickets available for adults and kids, with hospitality packages also offered

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ahrain International Circuit (BIC), announced the launch of ticket sales for Formula 1 Pre-Season Testing

The tests are scheduled to take place 26 to 28 February next year, and it will feature all 10 F1 teams as they step up their final preparations for the start of the 2025 FIA Formula 1 World Championship.

Tickets cost BD10 for adults 28 February.

There is also free access on cluded Early Bird promotion. selection throughout the day. This means that fans who have



Action from previous race at BIC

and BD5 for kids per day for the ber will have access to the two and fans will also get to do a pit portunity for fans to witness two days open to fans on 27 and amazing F1 events with just the single ticket.

both days of testing for all who hospitality packages during test- USD1,200 (including 10 per cent The season then kicks off just had purchased their tickets to ing, featuring the best views of the Formula 1 Bahrain Grand the action along with incredible, Prix 2025 in BIC's recently confive-star cuisine and beverage

The hospitality lounge is lo-

BIC is also offering exclusive the hospitality packages cost time in the new calendar year. VAT) per person, per day.

Incredible opportunity

After the hugely exciting finpurchased tickets by 7 Decem- cated right above the F1 pit lane, tests will be an incredible op- fore returning to Bahrain for es, as well as the circuit's main rates.

the teams' new cars in action all Available on both open days, together on track for the first 16 March.

Fans who purchased tickets to the 2025 F1 **Bahrain Grand Prix** during the Early Bird promotion get free access to both public testing days

the fourth event of the 24-round championship - the F1 Bahrain have been broken in each of the Grand Prix – scheduled for 11 to 13 April. It will be the first race son's event at BIC attracting an of the season to take place in the all-time high of 37,000 specta-Middle East.

This will be the fifth consechosting the F1 pre-season tests, which was another record. which were first held in Sakhir in 2009 and then again in 2014. They have since been held at BIC each year since 2021.

straight.

Tickets to the F1 Bahrain Grand Prix 2025 are also available online and by calling the BIC Hotline. Seats can be purchased to BIC's Main Grandstand, Turn One Grandstand, Beyon Grandstand, University Grandstand, and Victory Grandstand.

Ticket prices are amongst the most affordable in the world for such seats, giving race-goers the best value for money to be a part of one of the most sought-after events in all of F1.

Fans are urged to secure their seats at the earliest following the tremendous popularity of Bahrain's F1 race with fans around the world. Attendance records past few seasons, with last seators on race day and 100,000 over the weekend, 11,000 of utive year that the Kingdom is whom were international fans,

Travel packages are also available for Bahrain's F1 weekend, curated in collaboration with Gulf Air Holidays and Bahrain All those coming to BIC on Tourism and Exhibitions Autwo weeks after testing with the testing's two open days will be thority. These packages offer Australian Grand Prix from 14 to able to watch the F1 teams and a range of options, including drivers in action from the Main return flights, hotel accommo-The action will continue with Grandstand, which overlooks dations, grand prix tickets, and ish to this past F1 season, the races in China and Japan be- the F1 pit lane and team garag- transfers - all at competitive

Date for India-Pakistan Champions Trophy match announced

AFP | Dubai

Bitter rivals Pakistan and India will square off in the Champions Trophy in Dubai on February 23 as the International Cricket Council (ICC) announced the schedule vesterday.

The tournament runs from February 19 to March 9 and will be split between host country Pakistan and neutral venue Du-

India refused to travel to Pakistan due to security fears and political tension.

"The eight-team tournament will feature 15 matches, and will be played across Pakistan and in Dubai," announced the ICC.

defending champions Pakistan, host all the matches. India, New Zealand and Bang-



Rival fans arrive at Eisenhower Park ahead of the India - Pakistan T20 Cricke World Cup match in Nassau, New York (file photo)

divided into two Groups with Board (PCB) intially adamant it until 2027.

The final announcement reached a compromise as Paki- the following day.

came after a month long stand- stan will play at a neutral venue The competing teams are off with the Pakistan Cricket in any event hosted by India

Pakistan, who won the title in But after the Board of Con- 2017, will open the event with a India's qualification. ladesh in Group A while Group trol for Cricket in India (BCCI) match against New Zealand in B comprises South Africa, Aus-refused to change its stance the Karachi on February 19 while tralia, Afghanistan and England. PCB finally agreed, though they India play Bangladesh in Dubai



final will be held in **Lahore if India does** not qualify, but will be moved to Dubai if India reaches the final

The first semi-final will be held in Dubai on March 4 while Lahore will stage the second the next day.

But there are two venues announced for the final, subject to

"Lahore will also host the final on 9 March, unless India qualify, in which case it will be played in Dubai," said the ICC.

Mice add to Manchester United's woes - report



A view shows of the Old Trafford stadium in Manchester

AFP | Manchester

s if faltering results on the Afield and a leaking roof is taken." were not enough to be dealing with, Manchester United are tackling an infestation of mice at Old Trafford, according to a newspaper report.

The Daily Mail said the issue had seen the club's food hygiene rating drop to two stars ensure it complies with the out of a possible five.

United are currently considering whether to redevelop Old Trafford or build a brand new stadium.

"Manchester United implements a robust pest-control system throughout Old Trafford," a spokesperson said.

"Multiple weekly checks are made in all catering areas and food is stored, prepared and served.

do occur at the stadium, immediate and appropriate action A Trafford Council spokes-

"If incidences of this nature

person said: "Our environmental health officers gave a food hygiene rating of two following a routine visit. "We are now working close-

ly with Manchester United to rating and carries out the necessary improvements.'

United, who sacked manager Erik ten Hag earlier this season, suffered a 3-0 defeat at home to Bournemouth on Sunday -- a reverse that left the former Premier League kings a lowly 13th in the table.

During new boss Ruben Amorim's post-match press stringent measures are taken conference, a leak from the to ensure levels of hygiene and ceiling of the media confercleanliness are high wherever ence room at Old Trafford resulted in water dripping onto the front row of journalists.

Nuno tells Forest to prepare for the unexpected against Spurs

AFP | London

Tottingham Forest boss warned his side to be ready for ing three straight wins. anything when they welcome on Thursday.

entertaining side in the Premier League, having scored 39 goals to happen in the game. -- more than any other team -- but, as a 6-3 loss to leaders also conceding goals. We ana- own ground and he could use against Spurs

Liverpool last weekend proved, lysed yesterday, it was different they are vulnerable defensively. in terms of goals and situations.

Forest go into the game in an Nuno Espirito Santo has impressive fourth place follow-

Tottenham to the City Ground unhappy spell at Spurs in 2021, we are facing a very good said the present Tottenham side

Spurs are arguably the most were extremely unpredictable.

in the league so far this season (Spurs) players, a lot of goals, Brentford from scoring on their Saturday's defensive line-up

"The result was a little bit unexpected but what we are preparing is a new game, new Nuno, who had a short and situations will happen and

Nuno deployed a back three "You never know what's going of Morato, Murillo and Nikola Milenkovic as Forest became "What we can see is good the first club this season to stop

