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**US man jailed 30 years for IS-inspired Capitol bomb plot**

**Washington**

US court dealt a 30-year jail sentence to Christopher Lee Cornell, of Green Township, Ohio, yesterday for planning to bomb the Capitol in Washington in the name of the Islamic State group.

# GCC in focus



The Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa, in session yesterday

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Manama**

The much-awaited 37th Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Summit, set to upgrade cooperation among the Arab nations and protect the hard-won GCC achievements, kicks off today with Bahrain playing the hosts.

His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa will be at the forefront in receiving the leaders of the Arabian Gulf Cooperation Council upon their arrival to the Kingdom today, according to a Royal Court statement issued yesterday.

Among the top delegates

for the summit include the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud and British Prime Minister, Theresa May, who is on her first visit to the Kingdom.

The Cabinet yesterday noted that King Salman's historic visit to Bahrain embodies the

solid long-standing relations between the two Kingdoms' leaderships and people. Prime Minister May is attending the 37th GCC Summit as a Guest of Honour, at the invitation of King Hamad.

Secretary-General of the Cabinet, Dr. Yaser bin Essa Al-Nasser also welcomed

the leaders, stating that the Summit is expected to come up with resolutions that will further boost the joint GCC action through more complementarity and rapprochement in the economic, political, social, military and security fields in order to achieve Gulf Unity.

## Kingdom to spearhead tourism development

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Considering tourism as a major growth engine of national economy, the Cabinet session held yesterday anchored on developing the tourism infrastructure in the Kingdom by increasing the number of tourist resorts and facilities.

Prime Minister HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa issued instructions to develop logistic services

that assist tourists and visitors, stressing the need to tighten control to eliminate any negative practices that may harm the tourism sector in the Kingdom.

In a related context, the session, chaired by the Premier at the Gudaibiya Palace yesterday agreed to allow the ownership of certain public transport activities by foreign investors.

According to a memorandum presented

by the Minister of Industry, Commerce and Tourism, foreign investors can own internal tourism transportation activities by 100 per cent, and by 49 pc in other public transport companies if there is a Bahraini partner who owns 51 pc.

On the other hand, the session also decided to limit the car rental activities to Bahrainis, while preventing foreigners from ownership in this sector.

### Major decisions

- \* Rehabilitation process of the Tubli Bay to speed up.
- \* Outstanding results of students in TIMSS exam hailed.
- \* Housing needs of the Nabeeh Saleh villagers to be fulfilled.
- \* Property in Umm Al-Hassam to be acquired and converted into car parking lots.
- \* Draft law on adjusting fees levied on Civil Aviation Affairs services approved
- \* Convention on the 'Suppression of Unlawful Acts Relating to International Civil Aviation' ratified
- \* Livelihoods of its merchants and staff of the Isa Town traditional market to be protected



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Theresa May

King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud

### Manama

The 37th Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) Summit which opens today in Bahrain will pave way for further boosting GCC unity and development march, said Saudi Ambassador to Bahrain, yesterday.

Dr. Abdulmalik bin Abdullah Al Al Shaikh also expressed confidence that the summit will produce tangible results in enhancing joint Arabian Work in areas including politics, defence, economic cooperation as

well as social and cultural aspects.

He also pointed out that security will be at the top of priorities in this summit in a move aimed at combating terrorism and extremism.

"In this regard, the Gulf countries have signed security agreements with many superpowers," he added.

"GCC leaders will also take resolutions that support previous resolutions to tackle the core challenges and risks," said the Ambassador.

The Summit will see



Shaikh Tamim

the Arab and Gulf leaders discussing regional and international issues, as well as joint efforts to fulfil Gulf cohesion and cooperation on



Shaikh Mohammed

the different levels.

Saudi Arabia's King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, who is on a regional tour, arrived in Qatar yesterday ahead of

the summit. After Qatar, he will travel on to Kuwait and Bahrain.

### Shaikh Sabah to head Kuwait's official delegation

The Amir Shaikh Sabah Al Ahmad Al Jaber Al Sabah will be leading Kuwait's official delegation to attend the 37th GCC Summit.

### Oman Deputy PM to head Sultanate's delegation

On behalf of His Majesty Sultan Qaboos bin Said, Omani Deputy Prime Minister for Cabinet Affairs, Sayyid Fahd bin Mahmoud Al Said will head the Sultanate's delegation to participate in the 37th GCC Summit in Bahrain.

The deputy prime minister will be accompanied by a delegation comprising Minister Responsible for Foreign Affairs Yousef bin Alawi bin Abdullah, Oil and Gas Minister Dr. Mohammed

bin Hamad Al Rumhi, and Agriculture and Fisheries Minister Dr. Fuad bin Jafar Al Sajwani. The delegation also includes several officials, according to *Oman News Agency* (ONA).

### Shaikh Mohammed to lead UAE delegation

The United Arab Emirates (UAE) Vice President, Prime Minister and Dubai Ruler Shaikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum will lead his country's delegation to the 37th GCC Summit.

The UAE news agency (WAM) said that Shaikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum would head today morning to the Kingdom of Bahrain to attend the two-day summit.

### Shaikh Tamim will lead Qatar's delegation

The Amir of Qatar Shaikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani will lead his country's delegation to the 37th GCC Summit. The *Qatar News Agency* (QNA) said that Shaikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani would head to Bahrain to attend the two-day summit.

"Since its first edition on May 25, 1981, GCC leaders have laid the foundation for collective work to ensure the interests of the GCC peoples. The new summit will boost GCC action and bring about more joint achievements that broaden joint cooperation and meet the aspirations of GCC peoples"

Abdullah bin Rashid Al Madailwi  
Omani Ambassador to Bahrain

"The Summit will succeed in coming up with fruitful results that will strengthen the pillars of cooperation among member states and make the GCC more ready for rapidly-unfolding regional developments"

Shaikh Azzam Mubarak Al Sabah  
Dean of the Diplomatic Corps and the Kuwaiti Ambassador to Bahrain

"I hope my visit will herald the start of a new chapter in relations between the United Kingdom and the Gulf — a true strategic partnership that enables us to together seize the opportunities ahead and ensure the security and prosperity of our people"

Theresa May  
British PM

## May seeks deeper ties

British Prime Minister Theresa May, visiting the Gulf for the first time since she came to office in July, will also attend the two-day GCC summit.

She will be the first UK prime minister and female politician to attend the six-nation Gulf Co-operation Council.

The prime minister will attend a dinner with the leaders of Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Bahrain, and Oman today evening, before addressing the plenary session on Wednesday morning.

She will announce a space technology tie-

up with Abu Dhabi and a new multiple five-year visa entry system for UK firms doing business in Saudi Arabia.

"There is so much we can do together - whether it is helping one another to prevent terrorist attacks, Gulf investment regenerating cities across the UK or British businesses helping Gulf countries to achieve their long-term vision of reform," May said.

"So I hope my visit will herald the start of a new chapter in relations between the United Kingdom and the Gulf."

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Minister of Foreign Affairs Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmed Al Khalifa

# 'Iranian boats smuggling weapons captured everyday'

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**Manama**

**I**ranian boats attempting to smuggle weapons to Houthi Rebels in Yemen are being captured on a daily basis by the Arab Coalition to restore legitimacy in the war-torn country, a senior official stated recently.

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmed Al Khalifa said this in a televised interview with *Al Arabiya* news channel that was aired yesterday.

"Iranian boats carrying weapons and explosives to Houthi rebels are captured every day by the Coalition's forces. Iran is supporting the rebels by supplying them with weapons," Shaikh Khalid revealed.

## A GCC-British summit attended by British Prime Minister Theresa May, will be held on the sidelines of the GCC summit

"We look for a peaceful solution for the Yemeni crisis that includes all parties. But we reject the Iranian

interference. Iran is working on destabilising the security of the GCC. GCC-Iranian relations are tensed because of

Tahran's continues inference in our internal affairs," he commented.

Speaking more on joint GCC future plans and strategies, the Minister confirmed that "no partial union will be discussed during 37th GCC Summit", which begins here today.

"The summit will come up with specific messages to any party that forms a threat to

GCC countries," he stated.

Shaikh Khalid also announced that "a GCC-British summit, that will attend British PM Theresa May, will also be held on the sidelines of the GCC summit.

The meetings will focus on joint work to combat terrorism and defence cooperation in GCC regional waters," the Minister added.

## Muharraq gears up to welcome National day



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**A**round 200,000 red and white flowers were planted in the Muharraq Governorate alone as part of the ongoing nationwide preparations to celebrate Bahrain National Day.

Muharraq Municipality announced that it had planted the petunia flowers to coincide with the colours of the Bahraini flag on the occasion of the 44th National Day and the 17th Anniversary of HM the King's Accession to the throne.

The municipality also confirmed the display of 10 water fountains at various public places like the Khalifa Al Kabeer Highway, Bahrain International Airport and Busaiteen.

"LED decorations are installed at several public parks including Khalifa bin Salman Park, Arad Fort Walkway and Al Ghous Walkway. Flags and other decorations are also put up on lamp posts, at local markets and the main streets of Muharraq Governorate," the municipality added.

Around 200,000 red and white flowers were planted in Muharraq on the occasion of the national celebrations

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# HRH Premier praises efforts of legislators

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**B**ahrain hosting major GCC, regional and international events represents an added value to economic, political and security cooperation to come up with visions serving regional stability and growth, according to Prime Minister HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa.

The Premier made the statements as he received at Gudaibiya Palace yesterday

Representatives Council Speaker Ahmed bin Ibrahim Al Mulla, Shura Council Chairman Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh, MPs and Shura Council members, in the presence of former Representatives Council Speaker Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Dhahrani.

The Prime Minister lauded harmony and cooperation between the executive and legislative branches, stating that it is based on patriotism,

common responsibility and public trust. He underlined keenness of the government to further bolster cooperation with the legislative branch so as to fast-track development at all levels.

He also commended the efforts of the legislators to achieve citizens' aspirations and cater for their needs, noting that all have a common responsibility towards the development of the nation.



Prime Minister HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa

## State-of-the-art media centre opened for summit



Minister of Information Affairs Ali bin Mohammed Al Rumaihi opening the media centre

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**A** state-of-the-art media centre has been opened yesterday in the Gulf Hotel Convention Centre, on the eve of the 37th GCC Summit.

Minister of Information Affairs Ali bin Mohammed Al Rumaihi inaugurated the media hub in the presence of GCC Assistant Secretary-General for Cultural and Media Affairs Khalid bin Salem bin Mohammed Al-Ghasani, heads of media delegations, GCC ambassadors and leading Gulf, Arab and international diplomatic, press and media personalities.

Addressing ceremony, he described the summit as a new catalyst to pursue the GCC march of comprehensive development and protect the identity, security and stability



The Minister meeting officials at the centre of its member states.

“More than 350 journalists representing 25 GCC, Arab and international news agencies and press and media establishments will cover the 37th summit”, he said while stressing the Ministry’s keenness on providing all

technical facilities and media services.

The centre features editorial units, telecommunications networks, radio and TV studios, video, editing and production rooms in addition to media stands showcasing GCC related publications.

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# Father fakes kidnapping of son for money

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## Manama

Police are investigating a father who allegedly staged his own son's kidnap in order to extract money, *DT News* has learnt.

News had spread across Bahrain about a three-year-old Pakistani boy who was 'kidnapped' from a car in Gufool on Monday afternoon. Well wishers shared the news through social media and the word spread across the Kingdom within a couple of hours with people expressing their eagerness to find the boy. He was later 'found' near a coffee shop in Juffair.

However police have now confirmed that his father was behind the whole drama and he had fabricated the story



Colonel Khalid Al Thawadi

due to 'financial reasons'.

He had cooked up a story of leaving his son unattended in a car at Gufool while he went to pay the bill at a barber shop. When he returned the boy was found to be missing and there was a ransom note on the car demanding BD5,000

for the child's release.

Later in the evening, the boy's mother told *DT News* that he was 'found in Juffair'.

"He was found next to a coffee shop in Juffair," she said. "We received a call from a lady who said she found him there. We had posted his photo on social media and it was shared widely. This lady spotted him and called the number from the social media post. We do not know anything else about it, we are just glad that he was found."

"Reports being circulated on social media by an Asian on the abduction of his son in Manama was followed up," tweeted the Interior Ministry.

"The child was found and he is safe and in good health. Investigation indicated that the case was a hoax, legal steps are to be taken."

## Heart of the Matter

Lamees Alhassar



### Lessons to learn in life

**T**hey say that it is pointless to argue with a fool, as he will reduce the conversation to his level and win because he has practice in that sort of a thing! Then there is that fable about a donkey who thought that the sound of its baying was the most beautiful sound that there ever was and everybody else sounded so ridiculous. When others protested that its own baying was the most horrendous sound ever the donkey refused to believe them. In exasperation someone took it to a cave where it was hoped the echo of its own baying would convince the donkey that it indeed sounded horrible.

But the donkey mistook the echo to be the sound its companion was making while speaking and found that to be horrible. This was because there was a slight time lag between when it bayed and the sound of echo coming back to him! No amount of convincing it that it was its own sound that it heard as an echo helped and the donkey became even more insufferable as it now had proof that others sounded much worse than its hoarse baying.

The same it is with trying to convince a fool that they are one. Instead they will turn on the Good Samaritan who was trying to drill some sense into them and make them feel sorry that they ever tried. Now you don't want to be associating with such a person for that will prove to be a soul destroying experience. Your best intentions will be misunderstood and none of your favors will be acknowledged. What's more there is nothing you will learn in their company. Instead you will spend half your time getting them out of sticky situations. It's not for nothing that they say, "Fools gladly rush in, where angels fear to tread."

The thing is that a person is a fool not when he or she does something wrong out of innocence or lack of knowledge, but out of conceit and a sense of innate superiority over everyone else. Such a person has a faulty moral compass and any amount of council or advice will be met with disdain. It is far better to advise those who benefit from it. Of course there is no question of learning something from a fool for they will surely put you on the path of self-destruction.

If one associates with a fool, some of their qualities are sure to rub off on you for it is inevitable that you will be impacted by anyone you spend a lot of time with. Not only will you imbibe inappropriate traits, others will take you to be the same kind of person as the fool, and you will become socially unpopular. It's not for nothing that they say that a man is known by the company he keeps. Likewise don't they always advise youngsters to choose one's friends carefully?

A fool will teach one to never take advice even if it is well intentioned. Instead they

will convince you that you are the wisest yourself and everyone else is a fool! A fool never likes to lose an argument, takes offence at real and perceived slights and is forever ready to start a quarrel. Now if one were to get influenced to start behaving like that, one would descend on a downward spiral leading very quickly to one's doom.

One would imagine that one rarely encounters fools of the intensely soul destroying types, but one actually comes across them in all walks of life. One sees a fool in the car driver who drives rashly putting himself and others at risk; in the office colleague who will back bite and lie behind your back, no matter how many times you ask him not to; the irksome relative who is always complaining and cribbing and making everyone's life miserable and in the cantankerous neighbor who gets into fights with everyone.

What one needs to do when confronted with such characters is to not let them dilute your focus and move you away from what is important in life. If somebody on the road is irritating you with their driving, try not to engage with them and focus on getting home to your family on time. If at office somebody is constantly trying to steal your thunder take steps to distance yourself from the person, so that they don't get the chance to do so.

In any case it is always a great idea to put as much distance between yourself and a fool as is possible. Moreover in times of crisis you would rather be in the company of a competent friend than a foolish one. The people who don't gladly suffer fools are right in taking that decision. It is far better to anticipate trouble and take steps to ward it off, than to first get into trouble and then find a way out.

For instance if you were to hire a driver to take you on a long road trip by car you would avoid hiring an alcoholic and rather go with sensible driver with a fine safety record. Similarly in the journey of life you would be well advised to associate with people who have a reputation of being sensible and intelligent rather than foolish and immature.

The former would help you acquire the necessary life skills that will help you in your life ahead while the latter could imperil your life with their ill conceived notions. One should avoid people who imagine that they are always right, always shirk responsibility and are quick to put blame on everybody but themselves, for these are your archetypal fools. These should be avoided like the plague for no matter how intelligent or articulate they may appear, they are up to no good and would cause immense harm to you.

## Speak out

Send your comments to  
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This is in response to *DT News* story "All I want is to return to my country" published on December 5, 2016. The story of Emmanuel is really heartbreaking. Considering the hardships he underwent, the government must take necessary steps to see that he gets back to his homeland. Officials must ensure that these sponsors stick to the rules while employing expats.

Dia Fernandez

## Stealing handbag; Jail terms reduced

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Manama

**T**wo men convicted of theft have had their jail terms slashed on appeal. The duo was charged for stealing the handbag of a British woman in Juffair on June 13 last year.

The suspects, aged 31 and 38, who were serving as security officers, reportedly attacked the victim from behind and snatched her bag that had BD10 in cash and an iPhone. Though the woman suffered bruises, she was the key to solving the case.

According to court files, her phone had an application installed to give away the location of the phone in case it went missing or was stolen. She



Representational image

used the application that led her to phone that was found on display at a mobile phone shop.

"When I met the owner of the shop, I requested from him the CPR copy of the person who sold the phone. I took it to the police," the woman stated.

The suspects were initially handed down five years in prison. However the High Criminal Appeals Court reduced it to three years.



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# Another Another frenzy

# HOAX



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## Social media hoax creates heavy rush at money exchange

### Manama

**D**enouncing the spate of false news spreading across social media platforms, UAE Exchange yesterday clarified that it is not accepting demonetised Indian currencies at any of its branches in the Gulf as claimed.

The Abu Dhabi-based financial service provider issued the statement after it was flooded with enquiries in this regard by members of Indian community here.

Messages circulated through *Whatsapp* and *Facebook* groups claimed

yesterday that Indians could exchange the demonetised notes at any of the UAE Exchange branches in the Gulf on December 12 and 13.

The Government of India on November 6, 2016 withdrew the legal tender status of ₹ 500 and ₹ 1,000 denominations of banknotes in a bid to tackle counterfeiting, nullify black money hoarded in cash and curb funding of terrorism with fake notes.

Following which, the Reserve Bank of India has also issued directions to non-resident Indians to deposit the specified bank notes in

**Old ₹ 500,  
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Exchange**

his/her non-resident ordinary savings account, which is a rupee denominated account. However, many Indians living abroad either do not have these accounts or the international branches of their

banks aren't accepting the old Indian currency notes.

The current frenzy also reveals that the RBI statements and clarifications have served little solace to the worried Indian communities here in Bahrain and all over the Gulf.

"We are receiving a lot of inbound calls seeking service assistance to exchange these notes. We would like to reassure you that we are closely monitoring the situation and are standing by to make necessary

arrangements as and when notified by Reserve Bank of India and/or Government of India for handling such notes outside India," the UAE Exchange statement reads.

"As of today, UAE Exchange branches worldwide are not accepting the demonetised currency notes of INR500 and INR1000 until further notice

"Should you come across messages received through any other platform, please disregard them as false information," the statement

confirmed.

The statement further says that all updates and communication on this matter will be issued through their official channels via *uaeexchange.com*, official *Facebook* and *Twitter* accounts, and press announcements. The statement also requests people to alert the company in case they come across any misleading messages by writing to *corporate.communications@uaeexchange.com*.

## What the RBI says?

**M**ost NRI's prefer to keep small amounts of Indian currency to meet their immediate expenses when they arrive in India. Here are some of the things you could do to change 500 and 1000 rupee notes:

### 1. Bring the cash to India

- Planning to travel to India before December 30, 2016? Then you can bring the cash with you and exchange it at any bank or post office in India.

- In addition, you have up to March 31, 2017 to exchange the money at specified RBI office by furnishing passport and visa details.

### 2. Send the money with someone you trust:

- You can also give the money to someone else you trust who is travelling to India.

- They could then exchange it on your behalf.

- For small amounts (less than Rs.25,000) it would probably not be an issue, but for amounts larger than that it is advisable that you provide an

authorising letter to exchange the bills on your behalf with other valid documents like PAN card, Aadhaar card, Passport copy, Visa copy etc.

- The limit on currency a traveller can bring into India without declaring is Rs.25,000.

### 3. If you already have cash in India:

- You may authorise in writing and enable another person in India to deposit the notes

- The person so authorised has to come to the bank branch with the old notes, the authorisation letter given by you and an identity proof

### 4. Deposit in your NRO account:

- This is an option only if you are travelling to India before December 30, 2016.

- Certified money exchanger was another option, but a majority of the commercial

exchange outlets have stopped accepting the old 500 and 1000 rupee Indian notes.

### What if none of these options are suitable?

If none of the above options are working, there may still be an option made available, states India's Ministry of Finance.

In a press release, the statement says, "For those who are incapable to exchange their 500 and 1000 Notes or deposit the same in their bank accounts on or before December 30, 2016, an opportunity will be given to them to do so at specified RBI offices on later dates along with required documentation as may be specified by the Reserve Bank of India." (*NRI Legal Services*)

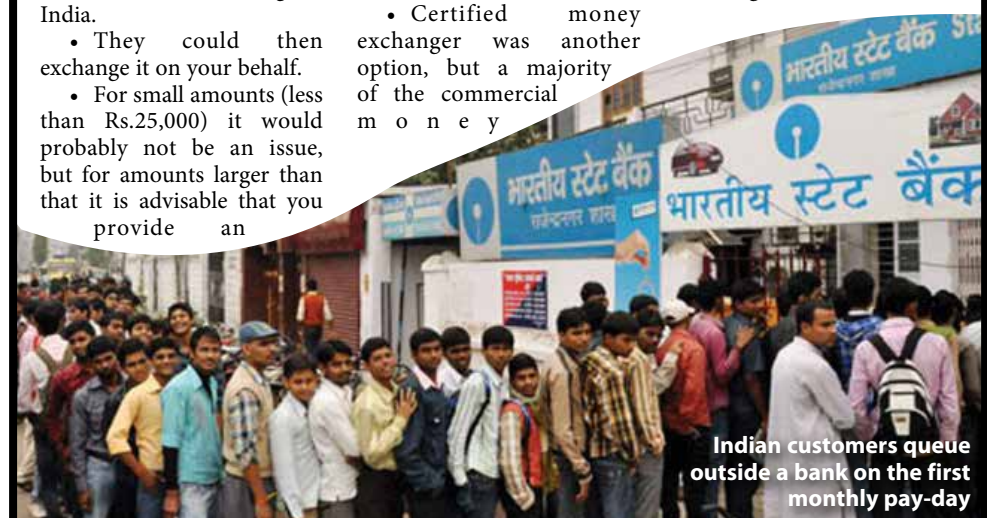
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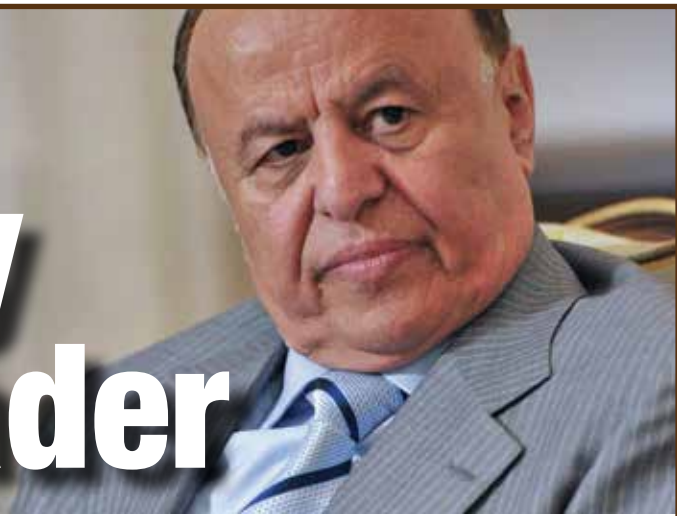
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Indian customers queue outside a bank on the first monthly pay-day

# Hadi would only give way to elected leader



**Aden Yemeni President**

Abdrabbo Mansour Hadi would cede power only to an "elected" leader, after rejecting a UN peace roadmap asking him to hand over to a deputy, an official said yesterday.

Hadi made his statement during talks last week in Aden with UN special envoy Ismail Ould Cheikh Ahmed, who has begun a new attempt to restart negotiations between the

government and Iran-backed rebels.

The official said the roadmap, whose content was not made public, requires Hadi to cede power to a vice president named in agreement with the rebels, a plan the president rejected.

Hadi referred to a former peace plan brokered by Gulf states, which stipulated that he would supervise the country's political transition.

"The roadmap has contradicted the Gulf initiative in terms of the president's powers," the official said, adding that Hadi should run Yemen during the transition and supervise national dialogue and elections.

"He would pass his powers to an elected president," the official said.

The Gulf initiative eased former president Ali Abdullah Saleh out of power in 2012

after 33 years in office following a year of nationwide protests. It also led to Hadi's election the same year.

But in a blow to the political transition, Saleh allied himself with Shia Huthi rebels who overran the capital in 2014 and expanded their control across Yemen, forcing Hadi to flee to Riyadh in March 2015.

A Saudi-led coalition intervened the same month in support of Hadi's government.

In his response to the UN mediator, Hadi demanded that Saleh and rebel chief Abdul Malik al-Huthi "abandon politics and be forced into a country of exile of their choice for 10 years".

More than 7,000 people have been killed and nearly 37,000 wounded since Yemen's conflict escalated after the Saudi-led military coalition intervened in March 2015. (AFP)

## Qatar Airways jet makes emergency landing

Lisbon

A Qatar Airways jet made an emergency landing at a Portuguese military base in the Azores islands Sunday after heavy turbulence injured passengers.

The Boeing 777, bound from Washington to Doha, was re-routed during a storm to the Azores, a Portuguese territory in the North Atlantic, and landed at the Lajes Air Base.

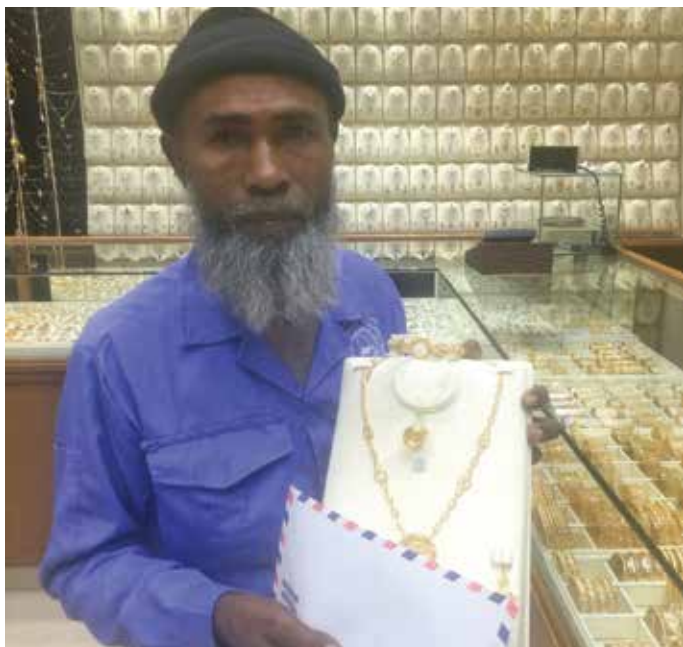
Officials and witnesses said the plane had dropped steeply in altitude, hurling several passengers out of their seats and causing one traveller to suffer heart trouble.

"All the passengers were taken to a hotel in the evening and are due to depart on Monday morning," said an airbase spokesman, adding that several people onboard had "suffered light injuries during the turbulence". (AFP)

## Social media users shower Saudi cleaner with gifts



Image circulated on social media showing a man looking at gold jewellery



The man after receiving the gift

When a cleaner in Saudi Arabia was mocked online for looking at gold jewellery through a window, Saudi Arabians rallied to find him and buy him a present.

One social media user captured this image of the cleaner, who can be seen looking through the window of a jewellers, and posted it on social media with the caption: "His limit is to look at rubbish hahaha."

But Saudis on Twitter disagreed

Upon seeing this image, many Saudis took to Twitter to not only vocalise their disagreement with the sentiment of the tweet, but to offer gifts to the man shown.

One social media user felt so strongly about the image that he requested help from those who could put him in touch with the worker so that he could buy him a particular present: a set of gold jewellery.

As this request was picked up and shared, the cleaner was located as working in a market in the Saudi city of Riyadh, and he has since been presented with the very items he had been pictured looking at.

Saudis may have just proven that social media can be a force for good. (Middle East Eye)

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# KFH-Bahrain names winner of US\$10,000



Khalid Rafea, Executive Manager & Head of Retail Banking Group at KFH-Bahrain

Wedad Ahmed BuZaid lucky winner for Grand Cash Prize from "Libshara" Saving Account

## Manama

**Kuwait Finance House - Bahrain (KFH-Bahrain)** yesterday announced Wedad Ahmed BuZaid as the lucky winner of US\$10,000 Grand Cash Prize from "Libshara" Saving Account for October 2016.

Expressing her joy, Wedad commented: "I thank Allah for winning this valuable Prize, It was a pleasant surprise."

She added: "I am happy to deal with KFH-Bahrain and I will continue banking with it."

In addition to Wedad, there were 67 cash winners with prizes ranging between US\$500 and US\$5000 and 10 other winners of FalconFlyer miles from Gulf Air.

Khalid Rafea, Executive Manager and Head of Retail Banking Group at KFH-Bahrain stated: "We would like to pass our best wishes to all new winners with "Libshara" Saving Investment Account specially Wedad BuZaid the grand prize winner".

He added: "This year the "Libshara" prizes are evermore exceptional and diversified.

**"I thank Allah for winning this valuable Prize, It was a pleasant surprise. I am happy to deal with KFH-Bahrain and I will continue banking with it"**

*Wedad Ahmed BuZaid*

The inclusion of new winner segments such as "Our Women", "Our Children", "Our Cards", and "Our Savers" grants us the opportunity to share the prizes with more winners."

"We are thrilled with our clients who continuously place their trust in us to fulfill their dreams to win one of the three lavish villas in Ishbiliya Village or one of three luxurious cars or six monthly salary for one year period and many monthly cash prizes which totals up to USD2.3 million".

The Draw for the "Libshara" Account was held recently at the Bank's main branch in Bahrain World Trade Center.

## Libshara account

**Kuwait Finance House - Bahrain's "Libshara" Savings Investment Account** is a Shari'a Compliant Savings Account that presents valuable prizes.

For every BD50 saved with KFH-Bahrain's "Libshara" Investment Savings Account clients are entitled to a raffle entry. 78 lucky winners will win instant Cash Prizes every month, totalling about US\$77,000 plus the Grand Draws on



Representative picture

3 luxury cars and 6 monthly salaries of BD500 for a one year period.

The "Libshara" Savings Investment Account is available to all citizens and residents in Bahrain who are 18 years and above or by a legal guardian on

each Quarter.

Eligible clients for entry into the grand prize draws will get the opportunity to win one of 3 luxurious villas at Ishbiliya village,

behalf of a minor. It also available for establishments and corporations. The account can be opened by Bahraini dinars or US Dollars.

## BBK announces the winner of Employee Recognition Programme



BBK has announced Ashraf Emam from Treasury and Investment and Mohamed A.Redha from Information Technology as the winners of its Gold Awards. Silver awards were won by Heyam Ateeq and Hawazn Al Sendi from operations, and Hisham Ahmed from Information Technology. The Gold and Silver Monthly Award winners were declared during its "Day of Appreciation" programme, held as part of Employee Recognition Programme for the month of November 2016 at BBK's headquarters in Manama. The awards were handed over to the winners by Reyadh Yousif Sater Chief Executive of BBK. Above, Reyadh Yousif Sater handing over the Gold awards



### Trump names Carson as housing secretary

US President-elect Donald Trump chose Ben Carson, the mild-mannered retired neurosurgeon who challenged him for the Republican nomination, to turn around troubled US inner cities as secretary of housing and urban development. Carson, an African American who is a religious conservative, cited his poor childhood in Detroit as a qualification for the job.



### US risks five-fold jump in rainfall: study

Large swathes of the United States could see a five-fold jump in the frequency of extreme downpours by century's end due to climate change, according to a study released. Moreover, the intensity of those bouts could increase by about 70 percent, researchers reported in the journal Nature Climate Change. That would mean that a storm dropping five centimetres (two inches) of water today would likely dump nine centimetres (3.5 inches) by 2100 if global warming continues unabated.



“The only thing worse than starting something and failing... is not starting something”

-Seth Godin

co-founder LinkedIn




# Review

## Venture Capital Report on Economic Development

Thomson Reuters released the findings of a Venture Capital Report on Economic Development in Bahrain

#### Findings

Bahrain and the GCC region have to adapt some aspects of the global venture capital role model and customize it to suit the region's needs.



#### Recommendations

- ▶ Introduce new crowd funding regulations,
- ▶ Ease the process of setting up legal entities for entrepreneurs,
- ▶ Expand the existing bankruptcy laws,
- ▶ Support venture capital industry by providing matching funds,
- ▶ Develop deal flow connection portals,
- ▶ Encourage connections between VC firms and local professionals.



*"In Bahrain start-ups will find a perfect testing ground for their ideas, with mature regulation and advice and support available from both public and private sector organisations. Not only that, but with our strategic location and advanced ICT infrastructure and policies, Bahrain can act as a launch pad for successful start-ups to grow and bring their ideas to the wider region."*

Khalid Al Rumaihi,  
Chief Executive of  
Bahrain Economic  
Development Board

The report was launched at the World Islamic Banking Conference in Bahrain. The study covers recommendations from leading market experts and exclusive interviews with market practitioners. It also outlines experiences of several countries with a focus on Shariah considerations related to venture capital.

**"Venture capital is an important element in job creation and contributes to the acceleration of innovation across regional economies"**

*"Venture capital is an important industry that needs to be nurtured in the MENA region. We believe that education can foster a real entrepreneurial mind-set. Universities can also help by introducing courses on entrepreneurship and increasing investment in research and development"*

Nadim Najjar,  
Managing Director, Middle East and  
North Africa, Thomson Reuters



# Tamkeen launches new 'Tamweel +' financing scheme



#### Manama

Tamkeen yesterday announced the launch of its new financing scheme "Tamweel +", which is a BD40 million sharia-compliant portfolio.

The scheme, according to Tamkeen, provides financing within a range of BD1 million to a maximum of BD2.5 million, with a repayment period of up to 10 years.

The portfolio is offered in partnership with Al Baraka Islamic Bank and Ithmaar Bank.

This was announced during its annual consultation forum held on the occasion of Tamkeen's 10th anniversary.

The forum on the topic "A Decade of Dedication for a Better Bahrain", discussed Tamkeen's achievements in the past 10 years, as well as the organisation's existing programmes and future plans.

Tamkeen Chief Executive, Dr. Ebrahim Mohammed Janahi, expressed delight at the success of the forum and



Dr. Ebrahim Mohammed Janahi


said: "Tamkeen's diversified solutions aim to support Bahrain's private sector, including individuals and enterprises, maximise benefits, and reach the largest number of customers."

According to the announcement, over the past decade, Tamkeen launched more than 200 initiatives to serve the private sector, from which over 100,000 individuals and over 38,000 enterprises have benefited to date.

Tamkeen's diversified initiatives include grants, finance solutions, and advisory services, all designed to develop the productivity of individuals and enterprises and enable them to compete locally and globally.

During the past 10 years, Tamkeen allocated 47% of its customer support to empower Bahraini women through training as well as entrepreneurship and business support schemes.

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**Small businesses generate 13 times more patents per employee than large patenting companies**



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DENMARK	0.0573	
EGYPT	0.0361	0.0434
EURO	0.4099	0.4078
HONGKONG	0.04983	0.04943
INDIA	0.00622	0.00565
INDONESIA	0.00003016	0.00002861
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QATAR	3.6420	3.6748	3.6095	3.2148
UAE	3.6730	3.7061	3.6402	3.2421
SAUDI	3.7500	3.7838	3.7166	3.3101

# KFH-Bahrain wins



Abdul Razak Jawahery, Executive Manager at KFH-Bahrain receiving the Awards in Dubai

# Top Award

**“Best Wealth Management” award in the ME from CPI Financial**

**Manama**  
**Kuwait Finance House – Bahrain (KFH-Bahrain)** announced yesterday it has won the “Best Wealth Management Bank in the Middle East” and

the “Best Corporate Bank in the Middle East” Awards from CPI Financial.

The awards were presented at the ‘Islamic Business and Finance’ Awards ceremony

held at Emirates Towers in Dubai.

Abdul Razak Jawahery, Executive Manager of Wealth Management at KFH-Bahrain, received the awards on behalf of the bank from Mohammed Juma - Vice Chairman of CPI Financial at the ceremony.

Upon receiving the Awards Abdul Razak Jawahery said: “We are particularly delighted that our Wealth Management team has been able to achieve the ‘Best Wealth Management Bank in the Middle East’ after only a year from launching the division that shows the successful performance to our

Clients.”

Commenting on the award, Jawahery said, “We are delighted to receive the ‘Corporate Bank Award in the Middle East’. We will continue to focus on our vision and implement our strategies while contributing towards the economic growth and sustainability of the Kingdom of Bahrain.”

CPI Financial is the leading publisher of financial magazines in the Middle East, namely, *Banker Middle East*, *Islamic Business & Finance*, *FinanceME*, *Banker Africa* and *WEALTH Arabia*.

**Abdul Razak Jawahery, Executive Manager of Wealth Management at KFH-Bahrain, accepted the award on behalf of the bank from Mohammed Juma - Vice Chairman of CPI Financial at the ceremony held in Dubai**

# Rotana announces key appointments in Bahrain

**Manama**  
**Rotana**, one of the leading hotel management companies in the Middle East, Africa, South Asia and Eastern Europe, yesterday announced key appointments in Bahrain.

Lilian Roger has been appointed as the new General Manager of ART Rotana Amwaj Islands, the luxury hotel located in the heart of Amwaj Islands, while Patrice Cornee has taken over as the General Manager of Downtown Rotana, the latest five-star property to be launched by the Group located in the heart of Bahrain’s capital, Manama.

“Bahrain’s hospitality sector is one of the most vibrant sectors and we are committed to playing a key role in supporting its overall development. The new appointments will further drive our strategic growth in the Kingdom,” said Area Vice President at Rotana, Mohammad Haj Hassan.

Backed by over 20 years of experience in the hospitality



Lilian Roger worked in various international hotel chains across three continents.

Commenting on his appointment, Lilian stated, “I look forward to working with the team to enhance that reputation and to continue our efforts in offering guests an enjoyable experience.”

Spanning over 20 years of experience in the hospitality industry and prior to joining



the Rotana Group, Patrice Cornee held senior positions in luxury five-star properties across the UK, USA, Korea, Hong Kong and most recently in the Gulf Region.

“We will focus on boosting our occupancy and visitor levels through ongoing enhancements in our facilities, outlets, and above all a commitment to service excellence,” said Patrice.

# Bahrain’s Smart Boating Centre to take part in Qatar Boat Show

**Manama**  
**Smart Boating Centre** yesterday announced its participation in Qatar International Boat Show 2016, which is taking place from 7 to 10 December.

Hasan Al Muhanna, Managing Director of Smart Boating commented, “The Qatar International Boat Show gives us the ideal platform for further growth.”

He added, “We intend to primarily introduce SeaDek and Campion Marine to the Qatari leisure market. Campion is a 40+ year old boat manufacturing company which currently holds the title for Canada’s largest independent boat builder. SeaDek is a non-skid marine traction surface that is manufactured in the United States from non-absorbent, closed cell EVA material specially formulated for marine applications.”



### Suzuki Ignis lands in UK

Unveiled at the 2016 Paris Auto Show earlier this year, the new Suzuki Ignis has just arrived in the UK.

In Europe's largest left-hand drive market, the five-seat small crossover carries a starting price of £9,999 (\$12,728) for the SZ3, which comes with 15-inch wheels, front electric windows, six airbags, DAB radio with Bluetooth and air conditioning. Power comes from a 90 PS (89 HP) naturally aspirated 1.2-liter four-cylinder petrol unit. (*Carscoops*)



### Apple Confirms Interest

For the first time, Apple has confirmed that it is indeed investing into autonomous driving systems in a letter to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). Written by Apple's director of product integrity, Steve Kenner, the letter doesn't specially reference a potential vehicle which the technology company may be developing and instead focuses on its interest in machine learning and automation and pinpoints transportation as a key area of interest. "Apple uses machine learning to make its products and services smarter, more intuitive, and more personal," the letter says. (*Carscoops*)



# Adventure Unleashed

## Jeep Compass closer to production

A compass helps guide you to navigate difficult or challenging expanses or territories.

Jeep hopes that euphemism is literal for its car of the same name as it begins manufacturing it in India very soon.

The 2017 new generation Jeep Compass will be made in Pernambuco (Brazil), Guangzhou (China), Toluca (Mexico) and Ranjangaon (India) for each of the regions those sites represent. And while the Toluca plant will also cater to the USA and Canada, Ranjangaon will export the Jeep Compass to all right-hand-drive markets around the world.

This tells two things: that the Indian-made Compass (while differing in variants or powertrains from those made at other plants) will be top notch on quality and build; and that it will drive in with localization levels upwards of 75-80% on day one.

The car is being called the baby-Grand Cherokee and the photos will tell you why. That is not surprising since design cues and the overall identity is more akin to that flagship SUV's - unlike the Renegade's - which is also a compact vehicle but draws its image more from the Wrangler side of the Jeep parivaar!

The Compass marries that with a sleeker face, and the design exudes sophistication rather

than ruggedness. The design development has been on since late 2013. The car is 4.4 metres long, making it bigger than the Renegade (4.2 metres). The car has a healthy 221mm ground clearance an approach angle of 30 degrees, and a departure angle of 34 degrees. That's pretty impressive too.

The new Compass' interior is also connected to Grand Cherokee's and so isn't necessarily young, fun or funky as in the Renegade. It does aim to pack in a fair amount of user friendly technology and connectivity options. The 7" information display will pack loads of car information, and also Apple CarPlay/Android Auto. The car also has a capless fuel system, keyless entry with passive go, a power tailgate, and a glass sunroof. A generous 438 litre cargo bay (1251 litres with rear seats folded) is another USP.

The car will have more than 70 safety and security features.

The engine portfolio is the 1.4 multi air turbo, 1.6 and 2.0 turbo diesel, 2.4 tigershark petrol, 2.0 tigershark flex fuel (ethanol), and transmissions include a 6-speed manual/auto, and a 9 speed auto. China will get a 7-speed dual clutch gearbox. The Compass will begin trial production soon, and is expected to hit the market around March 2017. (*NDTV*)





His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa received Kuwaiti Ambassador Shaikh Azzam Mubarak Al Sabah, who extended thanks and gratitude to HM the King for his condolences on the demise of his brother Shaikh Sabah Mubarak Al Sabah Al Nasser Al Sabah, at Safriya Palace yesterday



Deputy Prime Minister Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa yesterday received Al Khazen, the writer in the London-based "Al Hayat" newspaper who is currently visiting Bahrain. During the meeting, issues and developments in the Arab and international arenas were discussed.



Electricity and Water Affairs Minister Dr. Abdulhussain Mirza patronized the opening of the 17th World Renewable Energy Congress at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. More than 350 senior officials and specialists from within and outside Bahrain attended the event



Minister of Shura Council and Parliament Affairs Ghanim Al Buainain yesterday received the UN Resident Coordinator/UNDP Resident Representative, Ameen Al Sharqawi. Minister praised the UN Development Programme (UNDP)'s supporting the government efforts in all fields



Wife of His Majesty the King and Supreme Council for Women Chairwoman HRH Princess Sa-beeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa deputized SCW Deputy President Dr. Shaikha Mariam bint Hassan Al Khalifa to inaugurate the Bahraini Women's Book Fair which is organized by Isa Cultural Centre till December 12 as part of the kingdom's celebrations of the Bahraini Women's Day



Banagas held a special function for all female employees under the theme "Women in the Age of Dr. Shaikh Mohamed bin Khalifa Al-Khalifa, Chief Executive. The event attended by the President of Banagas Trade Union



ICAI President M. Devaraja Reddy congratulated Vivek Kapoor, Chairperson of BCICAI for successfully hosting the 8th Annual Conference of the Bahrain Chapter of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (BCICAI)



DHL Express has renewed its long-standing partnership with the Muharraq Club by signing an agreement during a small ceremony held at the DHL Regional Office Muharraq. The agreement was signed between Nour Suliman, CEO of DHL Express Middle East and North Africa and Shaikh Rashid bin Abdulrahman Al Khalifa, First Deputy President of Muharraq Club, in the presence of Ghazi Nass, representative of Muharraq Club, as well as several other board members and prominent players



The students of Ibn Al-Kayyim Education Institute on 04th December presented gifts to the staff members.



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BDF Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa received the German Ambassador Alfred Simms- Protz yesterday. Director of the BDF General Commander, Major-General Hassan Mohammed Sa'ad, Assistant Chief of Staff for Supply and Catering Rear Admiral Youssef Ahmed Malallah and Director of Military Cooperation, Rear Admiral Mohamed Hashim also attended



BDF Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa yesterday received the South Korean Ambassador Park Ho, who was accompanied by a military delegation, led by Director of Defence Acquisition in the Korean Armed Forces, Colonel Han Jang Gun. BDF Chief reviewed with the delegation areas of joint cooperation and coordination



On the eve of the 37th GCC Summit, the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) foreign ministers held their 141st complementary meeting at the Four Seasons Hotel Bahrain yesterday. Foreign Minister Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmed bin Mohammed Al-Khalifa chaired the session



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members of management and vice Presi-



The CEO of the Bahrain Tourism and Exhibitions Authority (BTEA), Shaikh Khalid bin Humood Al Khalifa, received yesterday the Bahrain Information and eGovernment Authority CEO, Mohammed Ali Al Qaed to discuss the upcoming tourism survey



The Philippine Embassy commemorated the 153rd Birth Anniversary of the Philippines' national hero Andres Bonifacio on 30 November 2016 at the Embassy in the presence of Ambassador Alfonso Aver. The event was attended by Embassy personnel, its attached agencies, and wards at the Embassy shelter. The film "Andres Bonifacio" was also shown to wards at the shelter after the flag raising



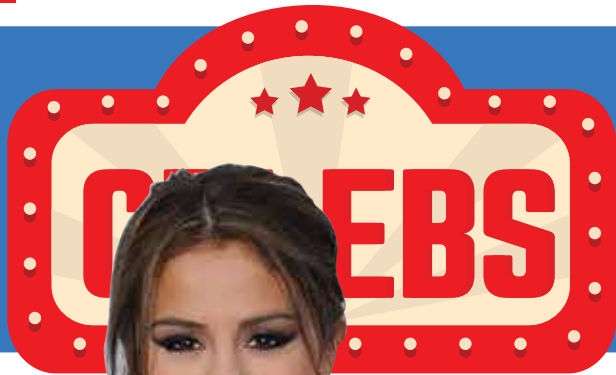
Al Hytham Islamic School, Bahrain visited Al Amal Special Educa-  
n December 2016 on the occasion of World Disability Day. Stu-  
to the disabled students



Golden Tulip Hotel held Christmas celebration for kids and Christmas Tree Lighting with Santa Claus on Sunday



Golden Tulip Hotel held Christmas celebration for kids and Christmas Tree Lighting with Santa Claus on Sunday



Leslie Grossman @MissLeslieG  
No matter how bad your day at work is  
remember you are not an employee at Farah  
Abraham's frozen yogurt shop



## Gomez flaunts new haircut

Los Angeles  
Singer Selena Gomez recently  
flaunted her new layered and  
medium-length hair.

All eyes were on the "Hands to  
myself" hitmaker who was clad in an  
all-black ensemble, reports *aceshowbiz.com*.

Gomez was seen wearing a black  
choker top paired with matching  
trousers during her outing on December  
3. Sporting smokey eye make-up and a  
pale pink lipstick, the "Same old love"  
songstress completed her look with a  
hand bag and strappy heels.

The night before, she stepped out in  
blue pyjamas while grabbing dinner  
with a friend at Mexican restaurant  
El Cholo in Santa Monica. (IANS)

## TRAILER OF 'THE MUMMY' REMAKE OUT

Los Angeles  
The first full trailer for "The Mummy"  
remake, starring actors Tom Cruise  
and Sofia Boutella, is out.

The trailer, which was released on  
YouTube yesterday, opens with an  
expedition led by Cruise's character Nick  
Morton in "the unforgiving desert" to  
obtain the tomb of the ancient princess,  
reports *aceshowbiz.com*.

Boutella is essaying the role of  
Ahmanet, the mummified princess.

One scene shows a flock of crows  
suddenly attacking the group along with  
the tomb in a chopper. Following the  
crash, Ahmanet is awakened.

Actor Russell Crowe's character Dr.  
Henry Jekyll exclaims: "Please meet  
princess Ahmanet. She will claim what  
she has been denied." (IANS)



## Jonah Hill involved in car crash

Los Angeles  
Actor Jonah Hill was involved in  
a car crash.

Hill was travelling with a friend  
on December 3 when the luxury  
car he was in collided with another  
sedan. It's unclear what caused the  
wreck, but both vehicles were towed  
away, reports *tmz.com*.

He took an Uber and left the scene  
without any medical attention.  
(IANS)



## My wife is my hero: David Arquette

Los Angeles  
Filmmaker-actor David Arquette says his wife  
Christina McLarty is his hero.

The "Scream" star has praised McLarty for being  
such a good mother to their two-year-old son Charlie  
despite being pregnant with their second baby,  
reports *people.com*.

"She's doing good. It's not easy, it's so hard. I  
think the second pregnancy is a little harder than the  
first. She's got morning sickness on this one. Being  
pregnant and watching a little rascal that's firmly in  
his terrible twos is pretty difficult. She a trooper, she's  
doing great. She's my hero," Arquette said.

The 45-year-old, who also has 12-year-old daughter  
Coco with his ex-wife Courtney Cox, is proud of  
Charlie's preparations to become a big brother. (IANS)





## 'Fantastic Beasts' tops foreign box office

JK Rowling's 'Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them' starring Eddie Redmayne topped the foreign box office this weekend, grossing a whopping 60.4 million dollars.

The 'Harry Potter' spin off is on approximately 23,000 screens in 67 markets making a worldwide total stand at a sizable 607.9 million dollars.

The movie did particularly well in China, grossing 15.5 million dollars, and pushing its total in the Middle Kingdom to 72.5 million dollars after two weeks. It also got a boost from Japan, where it made 6 million dollars.

In second place, Japan's 'Your Name' aka 'Kimi No Wa' picked up 40.9 million dollars thanks largely to a monster opening in China. The fantasy anime topped charts in the country while making 243.1 million dollars worldwide. (TOI)



## I am not handsome enough for Bond

Actor Matt Smith said he has the face to play a James Bond villain, but is not 'handsome enough' to portray the suave spy.

The former 'Doctor Who' star said he could never be a serious contender to play the iconic British spy - but he would be right for one of the villains in the franchise.

"Oh God, I don't think I'm handsome enough... I'm more of a Bond villain," he said.

Playing 'The Doctor' is just as iconic a role, and the 34-year-old star is accepting of the fact it's what he will always be recognised for. It's always about The Doctor [when I get recognised]. I don't get anything else and I've always known that's how it will be for the foreseeable future because of the cultural devotion - I've made my peace with that from the start.

'Maybe it will be something else in 20 years - if I'm lucky. I'm lucky to be associated with that show in the first place.' (TOI)

## Graham needed affirmation after being dumped

Los Angeles

American model Ashley Graham's first boyfriend dumped her because he thought she would get as fat as his mother.

The 28-year-old says she was left feeling insecure and embarked on a number of casual relationships after the man broke up with her when she was just 16, reports *femalefirst.co.uk*.

"He's like, 'First, you won't have sex with me. And second, I'm afraid you're going to be as fat as my mum'. Never in my life had I felt more ugly, insecure and unworthy," Graham told Britain's *Cosmopolitan* magazine.

"That was the beginning of how I would relate and interact with my own body. I started seeking affirmation from boys because of one man's words," she added.

When she was 17, Graham moved to New York and felt like she dated half the city. (IANS)



## Dylan sends speech for Nobel ceremony

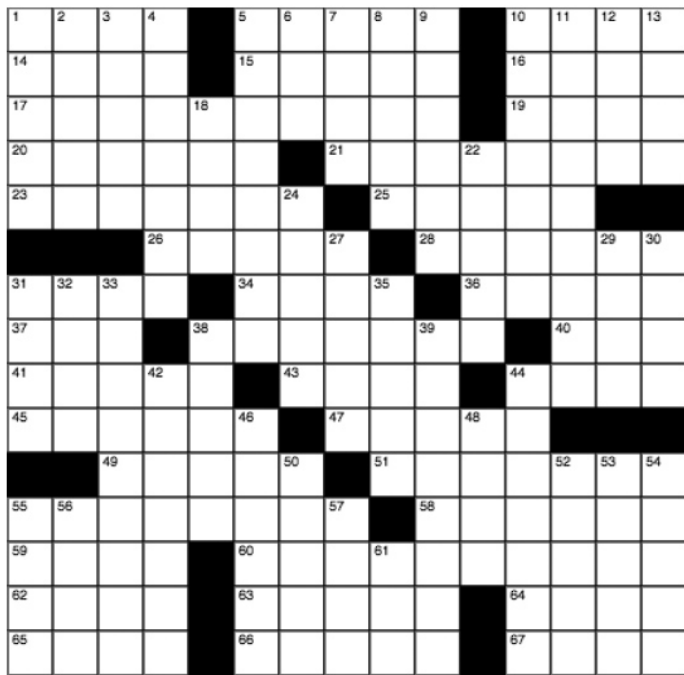
Stockholm

Music icon Bob Dylan won't be at the Nobel prize ceremony this week to accept his award, but he has sent along a speech to be read aloud, the Nobel foundation said yesterday.

The 75-year-old, whose lyrics have influenced generations of fans, has had a subdued response to the honour, remaining silent for weeks following the news in October he had won the prize for literature.

"This year's Laureate in Literature, Bob Dylan, will not be participating in the Nobel Week but he has provided a speech which will be read at the banquet," the foundation said in a statement. (AFP)

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## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



### Across

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## Your star today

(Mar 21st - Apr 20th)



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(Apr 21st - May 21st)



Bring things back into balance. You've probably been so focused on yourself that you've completely forgotten about others. It's time to fill in the rest of the equation and take into account what other people feel. Balance is crucial in every part of your life so that you maintain a healthy viewpoint. A clear mind allows you to see the truth.

(May 22nd - Jun 21st)



This is a good day to look at the big picture and discuss your ideas with others. As you walk down the street, make sure you pay attention to what's going on around you. If you continue to be preoccupied by one issue, you may never see some of the other important pieces of the greater whole even though they're obvious to everyone else.

(June 22nd - July 23rd)



You will be in an excellent mood, and find your positive attitude amplified as you come into contact with more and more people. The one thing to watch out for today is laziness. There may be a great deal of it going around, especially in your camp. Don't waste the good energy of the day sitting around and doing nothing - even though it's quite tempting.

(July 24th - Aug 23rd)



Speak your mind clearly. Other people aren't mind readers like you are. If you keep waiting for someone to figure out what you're thinking, it will be a long time before the truth comes out. Give people a break and let them know what's going on inside your head. Communication is important, and today it begins with you.

(Aug 24th - Sep 23rd)



Try to see the positive in people. Relax and don't get so worked up over your internal drama. You're the one responsible for creating this turmoil. Find comfort in a creative project. Do something that you love to do that makes you truly happy. There's an expansive feeling in the air that's likely to amplify whatever mood you project.

(Sep 24th - Oct 23rd)



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(Oct 24th - Nov 22nd)



You should find that the adventurous side of you has the support of your emotions. These two parts of your spirit are working in harmony to help you stretch beyond your limits. Push into new realms and ask questions when you don't understand something. This is the only way you will learn, develop, and grow mentally and emotionally. Don't assume learning stops when you leave school.

(Nov 23rd - Dec 21st)



Dress in your very best today. Feel free to kick up your heels and take on the town. This is a great time to go out with friends, socialize, and have a fabulous time. Put your worries aside and join a group for some lighthearted fun and merriment. Keep a smile on your face and you will find that you can walk through any door you choose.

(Dec 22nd - Jan 20th)



You will find that the more peaceful and understanding you are today, the better off you will be in general. Doors will open and people will welcome you with great fanfare. Be the diplomat instead of the warrior. Focus on the positive aspects of the equation instead of the negative. Luck will come your way when you have this attitude wherever you go.

(Jan 21st - Feb 19th)



Make sure you leave things in better condition than you found them. This is a good time to tidy your personal space and the environment. This is also a great time to do some shopping for yourself. Just be careful that you don't spend too much money. When beautiful things catch your eye, it might be hard for you to resist them, regardless of how much they cost.

(Feb 20th - Mar 20th)



This is one of those days in which it's easier to be yourself. Don't feel like you need to change your personality to fit a situation. You naturally add an important dynamic to the group. Your detached, unbiased, and knowledgeable view of the situation will be an important asset to today's events. People would do well to listen to you, so be bold when expressing yourself.



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**Date:** Today 6 pm – 8 pm  
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## LIGHTING OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE

**Date:** Today at 4pm  
**Venue:** The Diplomat Radisson Blu

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## MATERIAL GESTURE BY ANNE HOLTROP

**Date:** 7 Dec at 7pm

## HIGHLIGHT

### PEARL NIGHT

**Date:** Wednesday and Friday  
**Venue:** Golden Tulip Bahrain Hotel,

Bahrain from the past was counting on the pearls until day has the famous pearls. Golden Tulip Bahrain is obliged to give an opportunity to try your luck on our Seafood night on Wednesday and on Friday Brunch to acquire a real pearl. Last week few guests from Saudi Aramco achieved real pearls on our Seafood Night and they were blissful. Golden Tulip Bahrain Hotel welcomes you to win a chance to try your luck.



**Venue:** Bahrain Fort Museum

Material Gesture, by Anne Holtrop, award winning Dutch architect & designer of the Bahrain pavilion at the Milan Expo 2015. There is something magical about the architecture of Anne Holtrop. Magical because what we see is not exactly what it appears to be, or what we think is there is not really there or simply has another form.

### FORT CAMP

**Date:** 8 - 9 December 2016, 4:00 - 9:00pm

**Venue:** Bahrain Fort Site Museum

As part of the celebrations for the Bahrain National Day, Bahrain Fort Site Museum is organising a camp that includes many activities and workshops for adults and kids. Free admission.

### CONCERT BY MOHAMMED ABDU

**Date:** 8 December 2016, 8:00pm

**Venue:** Bahrain National Theatre

Mohammed Abdu is a true living legend of Arabic music. Gifted with a distinctly powerful yet sweet voice from and incredible oud-playing ability, Abdu's talents were clear from an early age and was soon discovered while still a teenager in the early 1960's after singing on the local radio. Five decades on, "The Artist of the Arabs" as he is widely known is still going strong. The concert will feature some of the artist's

most beloved songs which he released over his illustrious career, from early classics to more modern hits spanning the golden era of Arabic music of the 20th century to today.

### PATRIOTIC POEMS

**Date:** 8 December 2016, 8:00pm

**Venue:** Bahrain Fort Site Museum

Open invitation. As part of the celebrations for the Bahrain National Day, Bahrain Fort Site Museum is organising Poetry night with Ahmed Albado, Munira Alsubaie and Mohammed Al mudhi.

### CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING

**Date:** December 8th 2016 at 5.30pm

**Venue:** Downtown Rotana

With the much-anticipated festive season soon approaching, Downtown Rotana, the stylish luxury hotel located in the heart of Bahrain's capital, is gearing up to host its first Christmas Tree Lighting on Thursday, December 8th 2016, and has put together an exciting agenda that promises an unforgettable evening for guests and visitors of all ages.

The biggest attraction will be an enormous gingerbread house that will stand tall at the main hotel lobby. Expected to reach 4 metres in height and 6 metres in width, created using over 380kg of gingerbread

dough, the hotel aims to take the lead for building one of the largest gingerbread houses in the Kingdom of Bahrain.

The evening will also include an appearance by Santa where children will get the opportunity to meet him and receive token gifts, and will conclude with the customary lighting of the Christmas Tree which traditionally marks the official start of the festive season. A key highlight of the evening will be the choir which will consist of people of different ages, as well as Downtown Rotana's choir which will consist of 19 of staff members.

Speaking on the event, Mr. Patrice Cornee, General Manager of Downtown Rotana said: "This year we will be celebrating Downtown Rotana's first festive season and inaugural Christmas Tree Lighting; we want it to be memorable. We have put together an exciting program for the evening and we hope our guests are mesmerized. The festive season is a very important time for the hotel, we are anticipating many guests coming into town and we want them to feel like they are at home away from home."

Downtown Rotana's Christmas Tree Lighting will take place at the hotel lobby on December 8th 2016 at 5.30pm; festive canapés and beverages being served throughout.

### HERITAGE TALE IN THE FORT TENT

**Date:** 8 - 9 December 2016, 5:30pm

**Venue:** Bahrain Fort Museum, fort Camp

"Who ate alfalfa?" storytelling of a heritage tale that will teach the kids lessons of morals and wisdoms. The characters of the tale will be present! Free admission. 6-11 years.

### NOVOTEL FAMILY DAY

**Date:** 9 Dec at 1pm

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### CAFE MAMBO IBIZA

**Date:** 9 Dec at 2 pm to 10 Dec at 5 pm

**Venue:** Skybar Hotel Diva

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## MARK YOUR Calendar



### WALKING TOUR OF MANAMA SOUQ

**Date:** 7 Dec at 9am

**Venue:** Manama

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### ARTIE'S FESTIVAL

**Date:** 9 December 2016, 7:00pm

**Venue:** Bahrain National Theatre

This is an intimate music concert featuring celebrated international musicians from the Artie's Chamber Orchestra.

Established by cellist Herrmann Gauthier in 2008, the bi-annual festival, in collaboration with the National Centre for the Performing Arts in India, maintains a philosophy of performing special large-scale orchestra arrangements by a small chamber orchestra in a relaxed and friendly way that promotes intercultural dialogue.

To date, the Artie's Chamber Orchestra has played more than 100 musical works worldwide. A special selection of some of the greatest masterpieces by artists such as Wagner, Mendelssohn, and Mozart will be played in Bahrain under the patronage of the Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities, and sponsored by BNP Paribas.

## HIGHLIGHT

### SO FRENCH

**Date:** January 18-23

**Venue:** Manama

The fourth edition of French week will be held from 18th to 23rd January 2017 under the patronage of His Majesty's Personal Representative HH Shaikh Abdulla bin Hamad Al Khalifa.

The weeklong celebration will be titled "So French" and will embrace the familiar as well as the less familiar aspects of French culture. "So French" week will be organised in collaboration with key institutional partners Alliance Française, Atout France, The French Chamber of Commerce & Industry in Bahrain and the Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities, as well as specialist professionals from the French



business community in Bahrain. "So French" will highlight four main areas; technology, lifestyle, tourism and infrastructure through a range of events and activities". Celebrated musician Yasmine Hamadan will be performing at the Cultural Hall on the 20th January, while a mesmerising photographic exhibition titled "Imagine France" will take place at the Bahrain Financial Harbour. A full events calendar will be announced in the coming weeks, with a growing number of events and promotions taking place. Emphasizing the retail side of So French week, food, fashion and cosmetics retailers along with the hospitality sector are encouraged to take part by contacting the organizing team through their website [www.sofrench.me](http://www.sofrench.me)

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# In Aleppo, dreaming of home but finding only rubble

Kefa Jawish (R) and her husband Tajeddin Ahmed check their house for the first time in four years in Aleppo's northeastern Haydariya neighbourhood



## Aleppo

**K**afa Jawish hadn't slept in days, daydreaming of seeing her home in east Aleppo for the first time in four years, but when she arrived she found little more than rubble.

The 36-year-old was among hundreds of Syrians returning to east Aleppo in recent days after the army recaptured large swathes of the city from rebels and encouraged residents to visit neighbourhoods and homes they left years earlier.

She could barely contain her excitement as she sat on a government bus heading to her neighbourhood of Haydariya in northeast Aleppo, recaptured by the army earlier in the week.

"I left my house four years ago and I'm just so happy to be going to see it, I haven't slept for three days because I'm so excited," she said as the bus wound its way from western

Aleppo.

"I want to ululate with happiness when I see my house safe and sound," she said, dressed warmly in a black coat and headscarf that framed her smiling face.

Stuffed into a bus crowded with other passengers, she and her husband Tajeddin Ahmed discussed their plans to return home, after years living in the Syriac Quarter in central Aleppo.

"I'm going to go back to living in my house no matter what condition it's in," she said firmly.

"We're tired of paying rent, we miss our house and our families and our neighbours."

The couple fled Haydariya in July 2012, when rebels entered the city, leaving at dawn one morning without any of their belongings and moving into the ancient Syriac Quarter.

More than half of Syria's

population has been displaced internally or abroad by the conflict that began with anti-government protests in March 2011 before spiralling into a war that has killed over 300,000 people.

## Shocking destruction

"I want to go back to the house that I lived in with my family and go back to living together safely and happily," said Ahmed, 45.

"I'm really hoping we'll find the house in good shape."

His phone rang as they talked: an old neighbour who couldn't leave work asked Ahmed to check on his house too.

As the bus set out, Jawish expressed hope that her neighbourhood might be relatively untouched, reasoning it was far from the frontlines that saw the worst fighting.

East Aleppo has seen some

of the worst violence of the war, and has been pounded by the army since it began an operation to recapture the city in mid-November.

As the bus edged closer to Haydariya, Jawish's smile dropped away, and she and Ahmed fell silent.

Along the road, buildings were partially or fully collapsed, windows long blown out and furnishings destroyed or looted.

The route itself was cratered in places, and the bus bounced as Ahmed stared grimly out of the window, murmuring prayers.

Jawish tried to pick out places that held memories, spotting an area she used to picnic with her husband.

Growing impatient with the bus's slow, careful progress, she tried in vain to convince her husband to get out and walk the rest of the way so she could get to her house quicker.

But when they finally arrived, she burst into tears at the sight of their building, parts of the length of one side of it completely gone, leaving the inside exposed to the elements.

## Old life 'a memory'

Most of the windows were blown out, along with their frames, the front door was missing and a stack of broken tiles was piled up in the doorway.

Unable to enter the damaged building, the couple stood on tiptoes to peer in through a ground floor window at their old apartment.

"We were so optimistic, I thought I was going to ululate when we arrived, but now we've found it like this, uninhabitable," she said tearfully.

"We spent years working to make a home, buying things for it, bit by bit, until we had a washing machine and a fridge, and now there's nothing in it

and the house is destroyed. Oh God."

She described the concerts that once took place at their house, with people playing the lute and singing.

"When I look at the house I remember all those beautiful moments."

Ahmed appeared stunned as he looked on, repeating over and over: "Thank God for our health and wellbeing."

"We sacrificed so much to make this house our home, how will we start over again?" Jawish asked.

"I know that our relatives will all be in the same situation as us, who will help us?"

The couple left to walk through the neighbourhood, checking on the homes of their neighbours, all similarly damaged and gutted.

Their old life, Jawish said, "has become just a memory". (AFP)



Smoke rises from the al-Ethaa government held neighbourhood in eastern Aleppo during clashes

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Don't you think its unfair to protest against Bahrain introducing income tax?

Yes  No  Can't Say



I think he's a total traitor and I would deal with him harshly.

**Donald Trump**  
US president-elect on Snowden

**Rest in sight**

**11 dead, 75 injured in Pakistan hotel fire**



A pre-dawn inferno at a four-star hotel in Pakistan's Karachi killed 11 people Monday and wounded 75, police said.

**Philippine VP to lead opposition to Duterte policies**

Philippine Vice President Leni Robredo vowed to spearhead national opposition to extrajudicial killings and other flashpoint issues surrounding President Rodrigo Duterte.

**6.0-magnitude quake hits eastern Indonesia**

A strong 6.0-magnitude earthquake struck off the coast of eastern Indonesia on Monday, US seismologists said, but no tsunami warning was issued.

**Man fires rifle inside Washington 'pizzagate'**

A man has been arrested after firing an assault rifle inside a popular pizzeria in Washington that was the target of a fake news story during the presidential election campaign.

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# Russia, US to hold talks on rebel pullout from Aleppo



Russia's Foreign Affairs Minister Sergei Lavrov

The forces of Bashar al-Assad and their allies are continuing to advance on Aleppo's rebel-held districts, after taking control of some 60 percent of the city so far, said Syrian Observatory of Human Rights.

Moscow

Russian and US experts will meet in the coming days to determine the routes and timing for a total rebel withdrawal from eastern Aleppo, Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov said yesterday.

"During the Russian-American consultations the concrete route and timeframe for the withdrawal of all fighters from eastern Aleppo will be agreed upon," the Russian diplomat said, indicating that the talks in Geneva would likely start on Tuesday or Wednesday.

"As soon as these routes and timeframes are agreed on, a ceasefire can come into effect," Lavrov said.

The discussions would be based on proposals made by US Secretary of State John Kerry in Rome on Friday, he said.

Russia's top diplomat also denounced a proposed UN resolution demanding a temporary ceasefire in Aleppo, calling it a "provocative step".

The UN Security Council

## Second Russia jet crashes in failed landing

Moscow

Russia's defence ministry said yesterday a Sukhoi jet fell into the sea after a malfunction as it tried to land on the Admiral Kuznetsov aircraft carrier following a bombing raid in Syria.

It was the second such crash involving Russia's lone carrier in a month. "After carrying out its military assignment in Syrian airspace, a Su-33 fighter rolled beyond the deck of the Admiral Kuznetsov aircraft carrier during landing due to breakage of the arresting cable," said a defence ministry statement quoted by Russian news agencies.

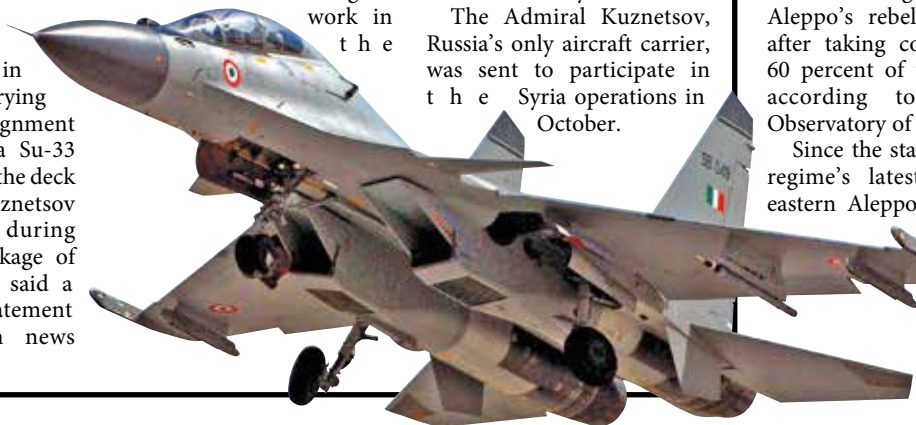
The pilot ejected from the plane and reached the ship safely, it said, without specifying when the incident happened although reports mentioned Saturday.

It said the carrier's planes were continuing to work in

Mediterranean with flights "continuing in accordance with the tasks."

A MiG-29K crashed in the middle of last month due to a "technical fault", going down a few kilometres from the carrier off the Syrian coast.

The Admiral Kuznetsov, Russia's only aircraft carrier, was sent to participate in the Syria operations in October.



will vote on the resolution, drafted by Egypt, New Zealand and Spain, that calls for a truce of at least seven days.

"Taking into account all aspects and the current development of the situation, the draft resolution -- coming

against the backdrop of the Russian-American initiative -- is, for the most part, a provocative

step that undermines Russian-American efforts," Lavrov told a press conference.

Despite concessions by those who drafted the text -- an early version demanded a 10-day truce -- it looks likely Moscow will use its veto to torpedo the measure.

The forces of Syrian leader Bashar al-Assad and their allies are continuing to advance on Aleppo's rebel-held districts, after taking control of some 60 percent of the city so far, according to the Syrian Observatory of Human Rights.

Since the start of the Syrian regime's latest offensive in eastern Aleppo on November

15, at least 311 civilians have been killed, 42 of them children, the Britain-based monitor says.

At the same time, rebel fire has killed nearly 70 people in the city's government-held west. (AFP)

# India's filmstar politician Jayalalithaa dies

Chennai

Jayalalithaa Jayaram, the chief minister of south India's Tamil Nadu state and one of the country's most popular political leaders, died after a prolonged illness, hospital authorities announced late night yesterday.

"It is with indescribable grief, we announce the sad demise of our esteemed honourable chief minister of Tamil Nadu ... at 11:30pm (local time) today (December 5)," Chennai's Apollo Hospital said in a statement released to the media. Doctors had been treating the 68-year-old former film star, who enjoys an almost god-like status in Tamil Nadu.

Hundreds of devotees have kept a round-the-clock vigil outside the private hospital



This file photo taken on May 23, 2016 shows Jayalalithaa Jayaram, leader of All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam (AIADMK)

in the state capital Chennai since she was first admitted in September suffering from a fever. Their numbers have swelled since her condition worsened on Sunday.

Prime Minister Narendra

Modi offered his condolences over her demise.

"I will always cherish the innumerable occasions when I had the opportunity to interact with Jayalalithaa ji (honorific). May her soul rest in peace,"

Modi said on Twitter.

Her political party, AIADMK, on Twitter said: "our beloved leader, the Iron lady of India...Amma, is no more." To millions of her followers, the chief minister was known simply as "Amma" (mother).

The southern state had been tense since Sunday after reports that her health had worsened and she had been put on life support. Earlier on Monday, scuffles broke out outside the hospital as many from the thousands of her supporters who had gathered outside tried to break through the police barricades.

The police and security presence had been beefed up across the state, fearing chaos from the chief minister's angry and emotional followers.

Jayalalithaa had earned the loyalty of many voters in the state with a series of highly populist schemes, including "Amma canteens" that provided lunch for just three rupees (five cents).

She was also one of the country's most polarising politicians, accused of being dictatorial and was even jailed for corruption.

Several of her supporters resorted to self-harm when she was briefly jailed in 2014 on charges of corruption.

Her conviction, later overturned on appeal, sparked mass protests and even some reported suicides. Thousands of directors, actors and producers in the Tamil film industry went on hunger strike to demand her release. (AFP)

# Philippines crowned champions

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The Filipino Community Volleyball Team in the Kingdom were declared the Champions of the first ASEAN Volleyball Tournament held at the Muharraq Gym.

The Philippine team won both men and women's championships, while the second and third places went to the teams of Thailand and Indonesia respectively.

A total of one hundred eight players from the ASEAN Communities of Brunei Darussalam, Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and the Philippines in Bahrain participated.

This event, organised by the Malaysian Embassy, aimed to foster unity and camaraderie



Team Philippines receiving awards from Dr. Shaikh Abdullah and Vice Consul Joaquin Ricardo R. Aragon

among the ASEAN communities in Bahrain. It is part of the series of "ASEAN Games 2016."

Foreign Ministry Undersecretary for International Affairs Dr. Shaikh Abdullah bin Ahmed bin Abdullah Al Khalifa attended the event as the tournament's guest of honour.

Foreign Ministry Assistant Undersecretary for the GCC and Western Countries Affairs Dr. Dhafer Al-Omran and Assistant Undersecretary for Arab and Afro-Asian Affairs and Organisations Dr. Shaikha Rana bint Isa Al Khalifa also attended the awarding ceremony.



Team Philippines with Dr. Shaikh Abdullah bin Ahmed bin Abdullah Al Khalifa (standing, 6th from left), Dr. Dhafer Al Omran (5th from left) and Dr. Shaikha Rana bint Isa Al Khalifa (7th from left), and the ASEAN Heads of Missions



## Fire Link crush Young Blasters by 93 runs

Manama

Fire Link crushed Young Blaster by 93 in the latest matches of the Young Blaster sponsored BCL Golden League T-20 at the Busaiteen Grounds in Muharraq. Batting first, Fire Link managed to score 189 for 20 in its 20 overs thanks to a fine century by Asitha (108 off 63 deliveries, 10x4, 5x6) with good support from Neeshan (34). In reply, Young Blaster were restricted to 96 for eight in 20 overs with the main scorers being Siddarth (23) and Waleed (20).

## Barca dismiss Neymar injury fears

Barcelona

Barcelona striker Neymar is suffering from muscle fatigue but no serious injury after Saturday's 1-1 draw with arch rivals Real Madrid, the club said yesterday. The Brazil star was substituted just before Sergio Ramos's dramatic late equaliser in El Clasico.

## Morgan returns to captain One Day team

London

Eoin Morgan returns to captain England in both the One Day International and Twenty20 series with India after opting out of the Bangladesh part of the tour over security fears. Morgan has been joined in both the squads by Alex Hales who also sat out the Bangladesh tour for similar reasons.

# Bahrain's Terenzo Bozzone strikes gold in Busselton

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Terenzo Bozzone of the Bahrain Endurance Elite 13 squad has finally struck gold taking his first Ironman title and smashing the men's course record in Busselton, Western Australia.

Bozzone finished with a sub-8 hour finish in 7 hours 51 minutes and 25 seconds and was more than four minutes clear of the previous record set last year at this race and the 12th-fastest Ironman-distance finish time in history.

"I can't believe it. I started my Ironman career

in 2009 and I've finally got to the top of the podium. This is unreal. It's been an awesome adventure," said Bozzone.

The New Zealand native has had four silver podium finishes over the past years.

In the lead-up to the Ironman World Championship training with defending champ Jan Frodeno, the former Ironman 70.3 world champion had held his own.

However, the disappointing fact that he did not finish Ironman in Kona due to his legs swelling, Bozzone set his sights on Ironman Western

Australia to redeem himself.

Training partner Nick Kastelein came first out of the water and the two men set the tempo early on the bike leg. It was Bozzone who made the first move to get away.

By the time he hit the bike-to-run transition he had a nine-minute lead over the rest of the field.

While, Andy Potts chipped away on the run to take second over Kastelein, Bozzone's win was never in doubt.

"I just felt good today; it's an amazing feeling to get my first Ironman win," concluded Bozzone.



Bozzone

## Shaikh Khalid sponsors National Day Festival

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The BDSF (Bahrain Disabled Sports Federation) will organise a National Day Festival for People with Disabilities Sports from this Friday until Sunday with the support from Bahrain Petroleum Company (BAPCO) under the patronage of HH Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa, First Deputy President of the Supreme Council for Youth and Sports, President of Bahrain Athletics Association and Honorary President of the BDSF.

This festival coincides with the National Day celebrations and opens a way for athletes to enjoy competing. Sports include wheelchair basketball, sitting volleyball, Boccia, Badminton, and Paralympics mind games.

# BTA Junior Tennis tournament ends

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Abdulla Nass defeated Erwin Godinho 4-1 games in the final of the 12 years and under Bahrain Tennis Academy (BTA) Junior Tennis Tournament, which was concluded at the Dilmun Sports Club in Saar.

In the third place match, Tristan Manners was a 4-2 winner over Owen Verbeek, while earlier in the semi-finals Abdulla narrowly beat Owen 4-3 and Erwin was a 4-3 winner over Tristan.

In the 10 years and under

category, Tristan Manners clinched the title with a 4-1 win over Essa Al Qattan, while third place went to Faris Al Toobli winning 4-2 against Rohan Mukherjee.

In the semi-finals, Tristan Manners defeat Faris 4-3 and Essa Al Qattan beat Rohan 4-1.

The 14 years and under event was played in the round-robin format with Freddie Salmon victorious by 4-0 over Anshuman Sonawane 4-0 and third place was won by Owen Verbeek with a 4-3 win over Abdulla Nass 4-3.



From left, tournament finalists, Owen, Abdulla, Erwin and Tristan with tournament director Dan Barrie

# Ironman Athletes to arrive in Bahrain

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Manama

**I**nternational athletes are arriving to the Kingdom ahead of the long awaited Ironman 70.3 Middle East Championship which is taking place on Saturday under the patronage of Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa.

HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, representative of His Majesty the King for Charity Works and Youth Affairs, Chairman of the Supreme Council for Youth and Sports, President of Bahrain Olympic Committee, has issued instructions to intensify and make the best of preparations in order to host the event in the best possible manner.

Shaikh Nasser stressed upon the importance of promoting Bahrain

through this event, and growing interest in this sport at global level and promoting Bahrain's rich culture and history.

"Bahrain wholeheartedly welcomes champions who will be competing in this event and has become a fertile ground for hosting internationally-acclaimed sporting events," said Shaikh Nasser, who thanked the organising committee and the Ministry of Information for their tremendous work to make the event a remarkable success.

Shaikh Nasser previewed the Bahraini participants, expressing confidence at their abilities to compete for the top spots.

"We hope to see our Bahraini athletes perform well against a pool of international champions after witnessing great excitement and serious preparations from them for this event," Shaikh Nasser added.



Shaikh Nasser



"The referees, I don't talk about. It is better that way. We are the best team with ball possession and with most red cards"

-Manchester City manager Pep Guardiola

## REST IN SIGHT

**Sudamericana title given to plane crash team**

**Asuncion**

South American football confederation CONMEBOL agreed yesterday to award the Copa Sudamericana to Brazilian club Chapecoense, whose team was wiped out in a plane crash while heading to the final.

**Ex-world kickboxing champion Dridi shot dead**

**Montpellier**

Former world kickboxing champion Mohamed Dridi, who once described how the sport had saved him from a life of crime, has been shot dead, prosecutors in Montpellier said yesterday.

**Storms halt Vendee third Josse**

**Paris**

Sebastian Josse has been forced to halt his Vendee Globe challenge after suffering major damage to his yacht Edmond de Rothschild in heavy seas off the coast of Australia.

**Notts Forest owner quits Kuwait federation**

**Kuwait City**

Fawaz al-Hassawi, the owner of English Championship side Nottingham Forest, has resigned from his post as head of Kuwait's temporary football association.

**Eriksson to lead Shenzhen FC**

**Shenzhen**

Former England coach Sven-Goran Eriksson yesterday took charge of second-division Chinese club Shenzhen FC, leaving the top tier of China football for the challenge of lifting a team out of relegation.

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## Everton hit by Bolasie knee injury

**Moscow**

**E**verton's stuttering Premier League campaign suffered a blow yesterday as they revealed exciting wing Yannick Bolasie is to undergo surgery on a serious knee injury.

The 27-year-old Democratic Republic of Congo international -- whom Everton signed for £25million from rivals Crystal Palace in the close season -- limped off in the 68th minute of the 1-1 draw with Manchester United on Sunday.

## Blatter loses appeal against ban

**Lausanne**

**S**port's highest court yesterday rejected the appeal of former FIFA president Sepp Blatter against a six year ban signalling the end of his efforts to clear his name.

The 80-year-old former football powerbroker was ousted over a two million Swiss franc (\$2 million/1.8 million euro) payment to UEFA boss Michel Platini which the Court of Arbitration for Sport called an "undue gift" that could not be justified.

Blatter called the verdict

"incomprehensible" but also acknowledged that he has come to the end of the road in his fight to clear his name.

"I will not be appealing in a Swiss court," he said, turning his back on what would have been his last legal recourse.

Earlier, however, he maintained that guilt had not been proven.

"It is difficult to follow it, because the principle of jurisdiction -- culpability has to be proven by prosecution -- was not applied," Blatter said in a statement.



Sepp Blatter

widely condemned by critics during his 18 years as head of the world football body.

The payment made to Platini in 2011 for work carried out a decade earlier without any contract led to the downfall of both men. Platini had been expected to take over from Blatter, but has also seen multiple appeals rejected by tribunals and courts.

Blatter could face more trouble as he remains under investigation by Swiss prosecutors over the payment. (AFP)

## Ibrahimovic denies kicking Seamus Coleman

**London**

**Z**latan Ibrahimovic has insisted he had no intention of kicking Everton full-back Seamus Coleman in the head during the 1-1 draw at Goodison Park on Sunday.

The 35-year-old Swede had given his side the lead with a lobbed finish but could have left them a man short had referee Michael Oliver seen the incident.

Losing out on a 50:50 with Coleman, Ibrahimovic proceeded to chase down the Irishman before the tussle saw them both fall awkwardly the ground.

It was what followed that enraged the Toffees players, however, as the forward's heel down came down onto Coleman's face, leaving him writhing in pain.

With the prospect of a retrospective ban looming, Ibrahimovic has pleaded his innocence, claiming the Everton player would have



Manchester United's Zlatan Ibrahimovic (up) catches Everton's Seamus Coleman

known if he'd really meant it.

'It was a physical game, they played hard,' he told MUTV.

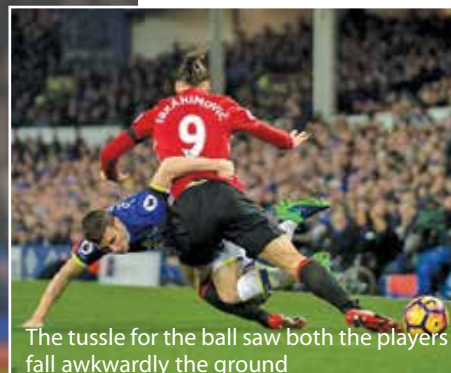
'I heard one of the commentators say I kicked someone in the head on

purpose, but it was a 50-50 duel and he pulled me down.

'Trust me, if I want to kick someone in the head, I know how to kick someone in the head and make him fall asleep.

That is the only thing I have to say.'

Everton snatched a point at the death as Leighton Baines scored from the penalty spot after United substitute



The tussle for the ball saw both the players fall awkwardly the ground

Marouane Fellaini conceded a penalty, cancelling out the No 9's brilliant opener.

'I got a fantastic ball from (Anthony) Martial, and I saw the goalkeeper coming out, so I tried to time it right,' Ibrahimovic added, reflecting on his goal.

'I scored today but it only gave us one point. I would prefer to win and not to score, that is my way of thinking.' (mailonline)



# French GP RETURNS



Christian Estrosi

## Paris

The French Grand Prix is returning to the Formula One calendar in 2018 after a decade-long absence at Le Castellet's Paul Ricard circuit near Marseille, organisers announced on Monday.

"The French Grand Prix is making its comeback," Christian Estrosi, president of the Provence-Alpes-Cotes d'Azur region told a press conference in Paris.

Estrosi made the announcement at the Automobile Club de France which helped stage the first ever grand prix in 1906.

French driver Romain Grosjean was one of the first to welcome the news.

"Really super happy for all the French fans who will have their Grand Prix and who can come and support us" the Haas team driver posted on *Twitter*.

Felipe Massa in a Ferrari

won the last F1 race staged in France in 2008 at Magny-Cours, when a major budget deficit was shouldered by the French state and local authorities.

The Paul Ricard venue has held 14 F1 races in all between 1971 and 1990 when French four-time champion Alain Prost was victorious.

"We lost this GP in 1990, it's returning now to Provence and that's only right for our region," Estrosi observed.

Since 2002 the track's shareholders have invested 80 million euros (\$85.6mn) to bring it up to scratch.

"It's a venue that is both recognised and appreciated," Estrosi declared.

He said the cost of staging the race had been estimated in an independent audit at 30 million euros - 14 million coming from local authorities and the balance from direct revenue. (AFP)

This file photo taken on May 14, 2008 shows McLaren Mercedes' British driver Lewis Hamilton driving at the Paul Ricard racetrack in Le Castellet, southern France

## Aguero's four-match ban confirmed

### London

Sergio Aguero's four-match suspension has been confirmed by the Football Association following his dismissal in Manchester City's loss to Chelsea.

City striker Aguero was shown a red card for a dangerous two-footed foul on Chelsea defender David Luiz, which led to a bust-up between players and coaches

from both teams in the final moments of Saturday's Premier League clash at Eastlands.

The Argentina international, who has scored 16 goals this season, will now miss league fixtures against Leicester, Watford, Arsenal and Hull.

Aguero has already missed three games through suspension this term for

elbowing West Ham's Winston Reid and his latest absence is a major blow to City's title challenge.

Fernandinho was also sent off for shoving Cesc Fabregas during the incident, with City's Brazilian midfielder banned for three matches, as indicated on the disciplinary pages of the FA website on Monday.

Chelsea won the game 3-1 to move three points clear at the top, but both clubs may face FA disciplinary action for a failure to control their players.

Fabregas' role in Fernandinho's dismissal could also be scrutinised after it appeared he struck the City star in the face, prompting the Brazil international's furious reaction. (AFP)



Sergio Aguero

