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**Nigerian helicopter crash: Four killed**

At least four people were killed and six wounded when a helicopter plunged into a lagoon in Nigeria's commercial hub Lagos on Wednesday, emergency services said

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# REGALED WITH PHILANTHROPY

## RCO's second consignment of relief aid sent to Yemen

**DT News Network Manama**

A delegation led by Royal Charity Organisation (RCO) Secretary-General Dr. Mustafa Al Sayed left for Yemen yesterday to deliver the second consignment of relief assistance to the Yemeni people in Aden International Airport.

Al Sayed expressed gratitude and appreciation to His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, Honorary President of the Royal Charity Organisation, following his directives to provide relief assistance and alleviate the sufferings of the people of Yemen who are in difficult conditions.

Al Sayed commended the support provided by the government under the leadership of Prime Minister



RCO Secretary-General Dr. Mustafa Al Sayed inspects the consignment

HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa, supported by Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and

First Deputy Prime Minister HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa.

Al Sayed lauded the efforts

of Representative of HM the King for Charity Works and Youth Affairs and Chairman of the board of trustees of the

RCO HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa in leading the philanthropic work undertaken by the RCO to support the needy in Bahrain and abroad in implementation of the directives of King Hamad.

Yemeni Charge D'Affaires, Hassan Masaood, hailed the supportive stances of HM the King, HRH the Prime Minister and HRH the Crown Prince and the government for their support to the Yemeni people.

He added that Bahrain had always been at the forefront of countries, which perform charity deeds and extend helping hand. "It reflects the genuine humanitarian spirit of the Bahraini leadership and people, who have always taken leading initiatives in this domain," he added.

# Saudi Arabia arrests 34 in mosque blast

**Riyadh**

Saudi Arabia has arrested 34 suspects, who allegedly helped facilitate a suicide bomb attack on a mosque in the Abha region of the kingdom. About 30 of those detained are Saudi nationals while the other four are from Syria, Bahrain,

Yemen and Pakistan, *Al Hayat* newspaper reported, quoting sources from the Interior Ministry.

An Islamic State group suicide bomber last Thursday detonated an explosives-packed vest in a mosque inside a Saudi special forces

headquarters killing 15 people.

In the latest in a string of IS attacks in the kingdom, the Interior Ministry said the bomber struck during noon prayers in the city of Abha, in the southern province of Asir near the border with war-torn Yemen.

Twelve of those killed were members of a Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) unit, while the other three were workers at the compound, officials said. Seven other people were wounded.

"The terrorist attack struck worshippers during prayer,"

the spokesman said, giving an initial toll of 10 policemen and three workers killed and nine people wounded.

*El-Ikhbariya* state television later said that two policemen wounded in the "heinous" attack had died, bringing the death toll to 15.



### Huge explosion in Chinese port city Beijing

Hundreds of people have been injured by a massive explosion at an industrial port in Tianjin in north-east China, caused by a shipment of explosives that went up in flames.

The explosion happened just before midnight local time (5.00pm GMT), but has caused secondary explosions and fires in the surrounding area, Chinese state television reported on their online microblogging site. The Xinhua news agency said a deafening bang was heard as flames lit up the sky, sending dust dozens of metres into the air. Three or four hundred people arrived at the Tianjin harbour hospital after the blast, some in ambulances and some on their own, the Beijing News reported, quoting an unnamed medic.

# PREMIER ISSUES ORDER FOR GRANT TO RETIREES

**BD360 to be given to every pensioner whose pension is BD700 or less**



Prime Minister HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa

DT News Network Manama

**Prime Minister** HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa has ordered to pay out BD360 to every retiree whose pension is BD700 or less.

The grant, to be disbursed this month, is a token of appreciation for retirees for their long dedication in the service of the nation, and a proof of the bicameral National Assembly's interest in pensioners.

Following HRH Premier's order, the General Organisation for Social Insurance (GOSI) and the Military Pension Fund have identified the eligible retirees, and coordinated with the Ministry of Finance to finalise

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all procedures to pay out the grant in August.

Figures indicated that a total of 40,569 pensioners would benefit from the cash grant, with 16,770 from the private sector and 23,799 from the public one.

The General Organisation

for Social Insurance and the Military Pension Fund extended gratitude to the government, led by HRH the Prime Minister, and the legislative branch, represented by the Representatives and Shura Councils, for this kind gesture.



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# Youth harbingers of growth: Minister

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**Youth and Sports Affairs Minister** Hisham Mohamed Al Jowder yesterday said that the bright young people of Bahrain are the harbingers of growth, development, prosperity and advancement of the society in harmony with the reforms led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

The Minister said substantial development had been accomplished through the policies charted by Representative of HM the King for Charity Works, Youth Affairs, Chairman of the Supreme Council of Youth and Sports (SCYS) and President of Bahrain Olympic Committee (BOC) HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa for the welfare of youth.



Hisham Mohamed Al Jowder

**Commenting that youth constituted the majority of the Kingdom's population, the Youth and Sports Affairs Minister lauded youth as one of the key pillars of the auspicious reign of His Majesty the King**

Commenting that youth constituted the majority of the Kingdom's population, he lauded the remarkable place of youth as one of the key pillars of the auspicious reign of His Majesty the King.

Al Jowder said that the Royal directives to national youth to join the march of building constitute the guidelines for the Ministry of Youth and Sports Affairs and the General Organisation of Youth and Sports (GOYS) in the implementation of the strategies to engage youth in the community, civil institutions, national clubs, societies, centres, and professional associations. Besides, it includes voluntary contribution by youth during the elections of the Council of Representatives and municipal councils.

# MESSAGE TO YOUTH: SPREAD PEACE, SET AN EXAMPLE

On the occasion of International Youth Day

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Manama

On the occasion of International Youth Day, young leaders and social activists in the Kingdom have advised the youngsters to 'set an example' to neighbouring middle eastern nations promoting 'peace' in Bahrain and the Middle East .

They emphasized the role of Bahraini youth in the development and wellbeing of the nation and the region.

Speaking to *DT News*, Bahrain Youth Society Board Member Ahmed Buhasan said that the youth, being the future of Bahrain, have a responsibility of promoting peace and ensuring stability in the nation.

"Keeping in mind the events in the Middle East, our youth has the opportunity to set an example to others. They can achieve peace within Bahrain as well as help spread peace in the Middle East and the rest

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of the world. They should not be disheartened by the wars and fighting going on in the region. Instead, they should work towards the betterment of the world. They can spread the message of peace using social media," he said.

He added that young Bahrainis are on the right path and they can improve.

"They are doing well so far and they are aware of the role they need to play. They are using the social media in the right manner. They



Ahmed Buhasan

use it for business, socializing and on other positive aspects, but they can still do more. I believe they can make immense contributions for Bahrain and create a bright future for the Kingdom," he added.

Sharing a similar view, Social Activist and Bahrain Youth Society Board Member Mahmood AlBalooshy said that Bahraini youth should be true to their culture and religion.

"We are raised on a religion in which peace is a core value. So they should strive to make their environment, peaceful, safe and secure. All the unusual actions that happened in this region are extraneous and not from our religion or culture. However, we should stand up against these threats in every possible way and show the world the real truth about us," AlBalooshy said.

He advised youngsters to use social media wisely as it plays a vital role in spreading news and shaping opinions.

"I strongly believe that the Bahraini youth are at an advanced stage in both activeness and achievements. The international participation and achievements of Bahraini youth in many fields, indicates and measures the maturity of our youth toward developing our country and themselves," he added.

He also advised youth to come out of their comfort zone.

Social activist and Youth City Media Committee Head

proactive," he said.

Meanwhile, he added that Youth City 2030 had several special activities to mark the International Youth Day.

"We awarded the volunteers and all the those who worked for Youth City 2030 with

special prices and certificates. We have had lecture for the students on how they can improve themselves. We also had elections where the students were able to elect the leaders among themselves," he added.



Abdallah ElHamy



Mahmood AlBalooshy

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Deputy King HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa yesterday held his weekly Majlis at Riffa Palace

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# SUBSIDY ISSUE: PANEL SCRABBLES FOR FINE DATA

**Faces spate of queries on repercussions of subsidies cut**

Muhammad Azam/DTNN Manama

Due to lack of proper data, the Parliamentary committee is unable to take a final decision on the subsidies issue.

According to a reliable source, Parliamentary committee has been conducting frequent meetings on the issue and is quite serious to complete the report at the earliest. But they are unable to do so as they do not have the necessary information on the subject to make such an important decision, which is going to affect more than half-a-million expatriates in Bahrain.

budgets afterwards or will they be bound to push for the hike in wages? If they push for the raise, what impact it will leave on the competitiveness of the companies? Will the decision affect the Bahrainis as well, if yes, how much?

To these critical queries, the committee is not finding comprehensive data to arrive at a reasonable conclusion.

After the decision of the joint government - parliamentary committee that the subsidies support would remain for the Bahrainis only, the biggest question popped up: "How to redirect the benefits of the subsidies to

the Bahrainis only.

MP and Head of Public Utilities and Environment Committee Jamal Dawood had told *DT News* that their main focus was to ensure how the Bahrainis were least affected by the price hike after the lifting of subsidies.

According to the decision, first the subsidies on electricity and water will go and then will come the turn of meat while

the subsidies on petroleum commodities will be removed gradually.

The Chairman Parliamentary Committee on Financial and Economic Affairs Isa Al Kooheji had earlier told that sooner or later Bahrain was definitely going to be a subsidy free country and at one point of time there would be no subsidy in the Kingdom of Bahrain.



Picture for representational purpose only

**Jamal Dawood said that their main focus was to ensure how the Bahrainis were least affected by the price hike after the lifting of subsidies**

For instance, they do not have the means to know how the subsidies cut will affect the expatriates and the Bahrain economy in the long run. They face a few questions: Up to what level the consumer prices can get raise after the implementation of the decision? Will the working class be able to maintain their

the Bahrainis only?"

The Deputy Prime Minister, who headed the meeting, had then said that the government was not responsible for the non-Bahrainis and keeping in view the limited resources of the country they had decided to limit the subsidies to

## Bahrain free of coronavirus

Manama

The Health authorities yesterday declared Bahrain free of Middle East respiratory syndrome (MERS).

"A total of 1356 have been examined, but they all tested negative since the viral respiratory disease broke out", said Health Ministry Public Health director Dr. Mariam Al Hajeri.

She cited the case of Bahraini woman who recently came back after performing the Umrah and was suffering from acute respiratory problems. The young woman, who was first suspected of contracting



Dr. Mariam Al Hajeri

the virus, was examined by doctors who declared her free of the viral coronavirus disease (MERS).

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# DILMUNI COUPLE'S UNIQUE TRAVEL CONNECTS PEOPLE

Couple post experiences of adventurous journey on their website

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## Manama

The Dilmuni couple, who hit the headlines with their walking adventure in the Kingdom last February, have begun the work of publishing their adventure through their website, *dilmunicouple.com*.

Last February, Hussain Al Mosawi and Mariam Alarab walked for five-days in Bahrain, camping every night in different locations. Thus, they explored their own country, without the use of any mode of transport.

Later, they also began taking people on local tours around Bahrain. As an extended step of their walking mission, a few days ago, they began publishing their travel experiences on their website.

Their website not only contains their unique travel experiences, but also picturesque photos, which are worth thousands of words. Moreover, the photos showcase the nature's hidden treasures in Bahrain.

Their travel experience narrates



Dilmuni couple Hussain and Mariam

about the streets of Riffa, pathetic condition of mangrove forest near Sanad and many more interesting things.

On the purpose of posting their travel experience on website, they said, "We are pointing to a lot of

## Last February, Hussain Al Mosawi and Mariam Alarab walked for five days in Bahrain, camping every night in different locations

places and social aspects of Bahrain. We hope this is will give anyone an extra motivation to explore Bahrain."

It took almost five-months for them to post their experiences on their website. But they said that they had already documented their journey through writing, photos and videos.

"We are just putting everything together now and

publishing it," the adventurous couple said. Many people have been encouraging them with different messages from the beginning of their journey in Bahrain.

"Most of our followers are mainly on social media like Facebook, Instagram and Twitter. Since day one of the journey, we were updating

It took almost five months for the couple to post their travel experiences on their website

the social media. The interaction was beyond our expectations and we received a lot of positive support," the couple said.

Interestingly, they have even been invited by different restaurants through Instagram. The couple has received hundreds of messages like "What a great idea it was," "Great going!" etc. from their well-wishers. The couple is also planning to bring out a book on their travel experience. "We hope one day we will publish a book about our different travel stories and experiences."

Meanwhile, the Dilmuni couple is travelling around Middle East, exploring unbeaten paths.

## Dilmuni couple

Dilmun is a civilisation that lasted from 3200 to 330 BC in Bahrain. Dilmun had been described as the land of eternity and the land that the sun rises from. Hussain and Mariam like to be related to Dilmun. Therefore, they called themselves as Dilmuni couple.



A photo taken during their journey



Relaxing at the camp fire

## Five local spots to visit in Bahrain

**Emmawash Traditional Restaurant, Muqaba:** Their favourite place for an early traditional Bahraini breakfast. The customers have the option to have their breakfast on a dinning table or sitting on the floor.

**Jidhafs Market:** Here one can find fresh vegetables, fish, shrimps, dates and many other things like birds.

**Bani Jamrah Textile Factory :** The last and only authentic textile weaving factory left in Bahrain. One can learn about fading handicraft here.

**Al Nakheel Highway:** According to the couple, this road connects number of villages on the northern west coast of Bahrain. It's also a very good road for walking and cycling all the way to Bahrain fort.

**Al Malkiyah Beach:** Hussain and Mariam claim that it is Bahrain's most popular beach. During weekends it is very crowded. Fishermen have their own gathering place setting close to their boats.

# ASIAN LABOURER ACCUSED OF RAPE

## Accused of misbehaviour with 10-yr-old boy

DT News Network Manama

An Asian man appeared yesterday before the High Criminal Court over accusations of raping a 10-year-old boy. The labourer was put on trial after a Bahraini family reported about him to the police, claiming that the suspect

attempted to hug their son and asked him to lie down. He is said to have offered him 500 fils in an effort to 'win' his heart.

But the boy refused to take it and run away before informing his parents about what happened.

The pair encountered each other when the boy knocked

the door of the defendant's home after his ball fell on the rooftop. "He tried to embrace me and asked me to sleep on my tummy after he allowed me to enter his accommodation," the child told prosecutors.

He also said in his statement that the same man had earlier caressed his

buttocks during his visit to a neighbouring cold store. The Asian, however, denied the accusations, alleging that he gave him the money, so that he can buy a new ball for himself.

His trial was adjourned until September 15 for review after he entered a not guilty plea. He was ordered to be remanded in police custody.

# SIM chips forgery: Asian man in the dock

DT News Network Manama

Closing arguments will be submitted on August 17 in the trial of an Asian man accused of forgery. The defendant, who was working as a salesman in a mobile shop, reportedly took advantage of a coloured copy of an ID belonging to a stranger to issue 19 SIM chips to customers, according to court files.

It is claimed that the Asian national was in possession of the copy, which was of a Pakistani man's ID, and he had exploited it to sell the chips for several buyers in 2014.

He was arrested following a tip-off to the police. "I made the copy of the Pakistani man's ID upon his request when he visited me once. He said he would return to collect it but he didn't," the defendant said in his statement.

"After a few days, a Bahraini came to me and requested to buy chips to a telecommunications company in Bahrain but he claimed he didn't have an ID. Therefore I decided to issue the chips using the copy of the Pakistani man's ID," he explained.

"Several expats who arrived recently also came to me and I sold them chips using the same ID copy in a bid to make their life easier," he added.

The defendant claimed that he wasn't aware that what he was doing against the local regulations and he could be

### The Asian national was in possession of the ID copy of a Pakistani man. He had exploited it to sell the chips for several buyers in 2014

prosecuted because of it.

It's worth noting that several bombings took place in Bahrain during the past four years with the use of mobile phones as detonators.

The devices were operating by SIM chips issued using departed Asian men's ID.

# Security officer robs neighbour

DT News Network Manama

The High Criminal Court on Tuesday adjourned the trial of a security officer accused on grounds of robbery until October 4 for review. The suspect, a Bahraini citizen, reportedly snuck inside

the apartment of his female neighbour during her sleep and threatened her with a screw driver before stealing BD920, two cameras, a mobile phone and gold.

It's said that the Bahraini man was wearing a face mask during the robbery. "In my

sleep, I felt that someone was over me. He told he would kill me if I screamed," the woman said in her statement.

The suspect was captured immediately because the victim identified him after recognising his eyes and voice. "As soon as he left I screamed. I called up

the police and told them the robber was our neighbour as I knew how his eyes look like and also his tone," she added. The fingerprints lifted from the scene were found to be matching the defendant's. He has been charged on grounds of armed robbery.

## CONSOLIDATED INTERIM CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2015 (Reviewed)



### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2015 (In thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	30 June 2015 (reviewed)	31 December 2014 (audited)	30 June 2014 (reviewed)
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Cash and bank balances	207,116	192,703	273,379
Investments	525,998	525,998	406,773
Accrued income	139,148	88,023	150,459
Insurance receivables	113,177	119,012	105,678
Insurance deposits	39,332	42,578	44,351
Deferred policy acquisition costs	30,107	24,452	35,946
Reinsurers' share of technical provisions	80,548	72,048	71,824
Other assets	9,931	12,037	45,239
Property and equipment	22,319	27,462	27,267
	<b>1,166,227</b>	<b>1,104,313</b>	<b>1,160,916</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
Technical provisions	786,137	707,631	774,366
Insurance payables	30,919	41,768	35,851
Borrowings	10,000	10,000	10,000
Other liabilities	40,310	42,503	42,198
	<b>867,366</b>	<b>801,902</b>	<b>862,415</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Attributable to shareholders of Parent Company			
Share capital	220,000	220,000	220,000
Treasury stock	(14,793)	(14,793)	(14,793)
Reserves	40,975	39,857	43,410
Retained earnings	15,909	19,485	10,016
	<b>262,091</b>	<b>264,549</b>	<b>258,633</b>
Non-controlling interests	35,770	37,862	39,868
	<b>297,861</b>	<b>302,411</b>	<b>298,501</b>
	<b>1,166,227</b>	<b>1,104,313</b>	<b>1,160,916</b>

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2015 (In thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	For the three months ended 30 June 2015 (reviewed)	For the three months ended 30 June 2014 (reviewed)	For the financial year-to-date 30 June 2015 (reviewed)	For the financial year-to-date 30 June 2014 (reviewed)	For the year ended 31 December 2014 (audited)
Gross premiums written	20,065	29,451	186,109	236,815	315,300
Net earned premiums	62,437	69,977	116,847	134,185	256,433
Claims and related expenses	(43,527)	(45,621)	(78,464)	(90,841)	(171,399)
Policy acquisition costs	(14,680)	(21,449)	(28,600)	(38,421)	(68,956)
Investment income attributable to insurance funds	3,840	2,646	7,655	6,419	11,745
Operating expenses	(5,871)	(5,530)	(11,202)	(10,814)	(21,823)
<b>Underwriting result</b>	<b>2,199</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>6,236</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>6,000</b>
Investment income attributable to shareholders' funds	3,203	2,267	5,676	5,312	8,754
Operating expenses - non underwriting activities	(1,519)	(1,812)	(3,686)	(4,204)	(6,866)
Borrowing cost	(42)	(39)	(84)	(57)	(135)
Other income	1,083	620	2,473	2,239	5,378
Other expenses and provisions	(1,292)	(653)	(6,682)	(1,291)	(1,683)
<b>Profit for the period</b>	<b>3,632</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>3,933</b>	<b>2,527</b>	<b>11,446</b>
<b>Attributable to:</b>					
Non-controlling interests	937	(1,525)	(2,301)	(2,202)	(4,169)
Shareholders of Parent Company	2,695	1,931	6,234	4,729	15,615
	<b>3,632</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>3,933</b>	<b>2,527</b>	<b>11,446</b>
<b>Earnings per share attributable to shareholders (basic and diluted)</b>	<b>US\$ 0.01</b>	<b>0.01</b>	<b>0.03</b>	<b>0.02</b>	<b>0.08</b>

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2015 (In thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	For the three months ended 30 June 2015 (reviewed)	For the three months ended 30 June 2014 (reviewed)	For the financial year-to-date 30 June 2015 (reviewed)	For the financial year-to-date 30 June 2014 (reviewed)	For the year ended 31 December 2014 (audited)
Profit for the period	3,632	406	3,933	2,527	11,446
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>					
Items that will be reclassified to profit or loss:					
Changes on remeasurement of available for sale investments	(2,452)	1,674	1,266	4,171	(451)
Transfers for recognition of losses on disposal of available for sale investments	99	633	153	470	386
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss:					
Revaluation of property	-	-	-	-	(303)
Other comprehensive income for the period	(2,353)	2,307	1,419	4,641	(368)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>	<b>1,279</b>	<b>2,713</b>	<b>5,352</b>	<b>7,168</b>	<b>11,078</b>
<b>Attributable to:</b>					
Non-controlling interests	1,014	(1,504)	(2,092)	(2,241)	(4,247)
Shareholders of Parent Company	265	4,217	7,444	9,409	15,325
	<b>1,279</b>	<b>2,713</b>	<b>5,352</b>	<b>7,168</b>	<b>11,078</b>

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2015 (In thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	For the financial year-to-date 30 June 2015 (reviewed)	For the financial year-to-date 30 June 2014 (reviewed)	For the year ended 31 December 2014 (audited)
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Premiums received	159,163	143,787	286,157
Reinsurance premiums paid	(16,092)	(7,581)	(30,501)
Claims and acquisition costs paid	(137,030)	(132,918)	(260,058)
Reinsurance receipts in respect of claims	18,073	9,205	30,324
Investment income	147	350	3,313
Interest received	1,007	1,225	2,750
Dividend received	904	977	1,473
Operating expenses paid	(14,864)	(14,899)	(24,955)
Other income expenses, net	(6,204)	2,899	3,025
Insurance deposits received, net	3,824	2,320	3,261
Purchase of trading investments	(37,676)	(34,558)	(74,305)
Sale of trading investments	8,036	22,090	48,584
Directors' remunerations paid	(305)	-	-
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>(21,116)</b>	<b>(7,073)</b>	<b>(10,972)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Maturity sale of investments	203,528	81,140	267,889
Purchase of investments	(174,468)	(98,305)	(402,386)
Term deposit with bank	12,451	(3,475)	57,047
Interest received	4,847	3,182	6,353
Dividend received	-	-	44
Investment income	10,850	162	7,606
Collateralised cash deposits received, net	199	11,749	41,945
Purchase of property and equipment	(213)	(333)	(565)
Purchase of intangible assets	(30)	-	(56)
Disposal group held for sale	-	-	100
Investment in associate	-	-	(25)
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities</b>	<b>57,164</b>	<b>(5,880)</b>	<b>(22,048)</b>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
Borrowings	-	10,000	10,000
Interest on borrowings	(73)	(67)	(135)
Dividends paid	(9,114)	(9)	(8)
<b>Net cash (used in) provided by financing activities</b>	<b>(9,187)</b>	<b>9,924</b>	<b>9,859</b>
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>26,861</b>	<b>(3,019)</b>	<b>(23,161)</b>
Effect of exchange rate on cash and cash equivalents	3	(307)	(320)
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period</b>	<b>100,604</b>	<b>124,085</b>	<b>124,085</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents, end of period</b>	<b>127,468</b>	<b>120,759</b>	<b>100,604</b>
Term deposit with bank	79,648	152,620	92,099
<b>Cash and bank balances, end of period</b>	<b>207,116</b>	<b>273,379</b>	<b>192,703</b>

### CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2015 (In thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	Share capital	Treasury stock	Reserves	Retained earnings	Non-controlling interests	Total equity (reviewed)
<b>Balances at 31 December 2014</b>	220,000	(14,793)	39,857	19,485	37,862	302,411
Net profit (loss) for the period	-	-	-	6,234	(2,301)	3,933
Changes on remeasurement of available for sale investments	-	-	1,045	-	221	1,266
Transfers for recognition of losses (gains) on disposal of available for sale investments	-	-	165	-	(12)	153
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>	-	-	1,210	6,234	(2,092)	5,352
Dividend paid	-	-	-	(9,902)	-	(9,902)
Transfer of net depreciation on revalued property	-	-	(92)	92	-	-
<b>Balances at 30 June 2015</b>	<b>220,000</b>	<b>(14,793)</b>	<b>40,975</b>	<b>15,909</b>	<b>35,770</b>	<b>297,861</b>
<b>Balances at 31 December 2013</b>	220,000	(14,793)	38,844	5,173	42,109	291,333
Net profit (loss) for the year	-	-	-	15,615	(4,169)	11,446
Changes on remeasurement of available for sale investments	-	-	(393)	-	(58)	(451)
Transfers for recognition of losses (gains) on disposal of available for sale investments	-	-	406	-	(20)	386
Revaluation of property	-	-	(303)	-	-	(303)
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>	-	-	(290)	15,615	(4,247)	11,078
Transfer of net depreciation on revalued property	-	-	(220)	220	-	-
Transfer to non-distributable reserves	-	-	1,523	(1,523)	-	-
<b>Balances at 31 December 2014</b>	220,000	(14,793)	39,857	19,485	37,862	302,411
Parent company balances at 31 December 2014	220,000	(14,793)	39,845	19,497	-	264,549
<b>Balances at 31 December 2013</b>	220,000	(14,793)	38,844	5,173	42,109	291,333
Net profit (loss) for the period	-	-	-	4,729	(2,202)	2,527
Changes on remeasurement of available for sale investments	-	-	4,211	-	(40)	4,171
Transfers for recognition of losses on disposal of available for sale investments	-	-	469	-	1	470
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>	-	-	4,680	4,729	(2,241)	7,168
Transfer of net depreciation on revalued property	-	-	(114)	114	-	-
<b>Balances at 30 June 2014</b>	220,000	(14,793)	43,410	10,016	39,868	298,501

These consolidated interim condensed financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors on 12 August 2015 and signed on its behalf by:

Khalid J. Bin Kalban  
Chairman

Khalid A. Al Bustani  
Vice Chairman

Yassir Albaharna  
Chief Executive Officer

The above consolidated interim condensed financial statements have been extracted from the consolidated interim condensed financial statements reviewed by KPMG Fakhro. The reviewed consolidated interim condensed financial statements are available on Arig website www.arig.net

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# MINISTRY DETECTS STORM WATER COLLECTION SITES

Maintains four blocks in the southern governorate's first constituency

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Manama

The Ministry of Works, Municipalities Affairs & Urban Planning is detecting storm water collection sites in all areas of the Kingdom, especially at the Southern Governorate's first Constituency in Isa Town, maintaining internal roads and keeping the balance of the social system while implementing projects.

The Storm Water Collection Committee at the Ministry of Works, Municipalities Affairs & Urban Planning has detected 19 storm water collection locations at the Southern Governorate, eight of which have been handled, while one location is in the tender awarding process and 10 other locations are in the design phase.

The Ministry also handled a location along Road 201 close to Isa Town Club in Block 802, in addition to solving storm water flood issue in a location along Riyadh Avenue in Block 803, Road 422 in



One of the renovated roads.

Block 804, Road 420 opposite to Al Haneen Kindergarten in the same block, Road 512 nearby Baghdad Avenue in Block 805, Road 201 leading to Isa Town Club in Block 808 and Road 422 in Block 804.

The Roads Maintenance Programme in Isa Town has noticeably improved roads and infrastructure services in the area; after the Ministry has upgraded and renovated 4 blocks at the first

Constituency of the Southern Governorate, where Road 516 in Block 805 in Isa Town has been revamped.

The project comprises of constructing new pavements and parking spaces on the sides, paving the road with a new layer of asphalt and implementing channels for future use by Mohsin Haji Ali Group at BD3500.

The Ministry has also revamped Road 508 in Block

805 in Isa Town. The project consisted of constructing new pavements and parking spaces on both sides of the road, paving the road with a new layer of asphalt and implementing channels for future use by Al A'Ali & Al Sayyed Contracting at the cost of BD5000. The Ministry also revamped Road 424 in Block 804 in Isa Town and the environs; which comprised of constructing new pavements and parking spaces on the sides, paving the road with a new layer of asphalt and implementing channels for future use by Al Tadhamon Excavation Co. at BD4000, in addition to re-paving and revamping Road 814 in Block 808 and the environs.

Work consisted of implementing a new asphalt layer at BD7500. The tender was awarded to Bahrain Motors.

As for road construction projects implemented at the Southern Governorate's 1st Constituency in 2014, the Ministry revamped Block 810,



A view of the road included in the project

where the tender was awarded to Al Taweel Contracting. Also, the Ministry revamped different roads in Blocks 805, 804, 802 and 808.

Meanwhile, two road construction projects are planned for the future, including the road re-construction and revamp projects in Blocks 804 and 814. Work will comprise of removing the old paving and reclamation layers, levelling

works, protecting existing services, implementing ground channels for present and future use, implementing a storm water drainage network in low areas, lighting, constructing pedestrian pavements and parking spaces, paving works and signage.

A project to re-construct and revamp roads in Block 806 and 816 in Isa Town is also planned for the future.

## Training programme held



Local media workshop sessions in Youth City

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Manama

The General Organization for Youth and Sports organised training programmes and activities in cooperation with its Media centre in Youth City 2030, in order to attract a number of young people to emerge into the Media field of Bahrain.

The training programme offered children a chance to be trained at the hands of professionals in the media

field. In the introductory session, youth were taught various topics including definition of press and functions, types and elements of the press release and how to simplify news.

The trainees were expected to identify journalistic type of writing in order to engage young people in the future of media.

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Nedhal Al Atawi, and Nader Ameer and a number of experts. Hamad Abdullah said the programmes on leadership workshops provided experience in the media centre as they covered various aspects.

These media packages include several specialized programmes in the media and related sciences such as media presentation, design, printing, filming, photography, writing and scenario.

## Dr. Wahba Zuhayli passes away

DT News Network  
Manama

Dr. Wahba Zuhayli, one of the most prominent scholars of Islamic jurisprudence in the Arab and Muslim world in the modern era, passed away in Syria Saturday morning. He was 83.

He was a member of the Royal Society for Research on Islamic Civilization of the Aal al Bayt Foundation in Amman Jordan as well as many other worldwide Islamic legal bodies, including the Syrian Majlis al Ifta, Islamic Fiqh Academy in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia and the Islamic Fiqh Academies of the United States, India, and Sudan.

He was also an imam and preacher at the Othman Mosque in Damascus. Dr. Zuhayli wrote numerous extremely detailed works, mostly about Islamic law and legal theory. He was well acclaimed for devoting his life to scientific research in order to develop Islamic banking development. He was an example of sincerity in the Islamic faith.



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Chairman of Al Baraka Banking Group, Shaikh Saleh Abdullah Kamel, board of directors and members of the Shari'a Supervisory Board

expressed their condolences and sympathy to the Arab and Islamic financial Banks and families on the death of Dr. Zuhayli.



# BLC GETS A NEW GM

## Blair Brice has been appointed the GM of BLC

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The Board of Bahrain Livestock Company (BLC) has appointed Blair Brice as General Manager of the company.

Brice will be based in the BLC Manama Head Office, from where he will oversee the operations of BLC, including the feedlot, abattoir and sales team.

Brice has come from Perth, Western Australia, and will be joined in Bahrain by his wife Julia, and young daughter, Anastatia.

He has been recognised as a profit-driven business executive with extensive experience in developing and implementing supply and value chains, and high-performing sales and marketing organisations, especially in the agricultural and international meat trading industries.

He joins BLC at a time when a new policy on the meat subsidy is on

**Prior to joining BLC, Brice worked for an international meat trading and livestock export company**

the government's agenda. He hopes, with support of the Board of Directors and Management, to ensure the continuity of supply of the various high quality meats BLC has been delivering to the consumers in Bahrain, since 2000.

Prior to joining BLC, Brice worked for an international meat trading and livestock export company, where he was responsible for all facets and performance of a \$40 million meat trading operation, providing products to 15 countries across four continents, delivering high quality beef, sheep, lamb and

goat meat.

Before that, Brice worked for Meat and Livestock Australia for seven years in several roles, all of which had a common theme of industry and supply chain development, with a strong emphasis on Middle East markets.

Growing up in Western Australia, extended family of Brice ran a number of large family farms, where any opportunity was taken to spend as much time learning and working with livestock. He has had involvement in the grains, Merion stud, wool, and broad acre farming industries for most of his life.

Blair has a degree in Agribusiness from Curtin University of Technology, and an MBA from the University of Western Australia.



Blair Brice

## Independence Day 2015 flag hoisting ceremony

DT News Network  
Manama

On the occasion of the 69th Independence Day of India, a Flag hoisting ceremony will be held at 07.00am on Saturday, at the Embassy premises in Adliya (Building No. 182, Road 2608, Block 326, Adliya, Bahrain).

All Indian nationals, including families in the Kingdom of Bahrain are invited to attend the event and reach the venue by 06.45am.

## Short-circuit causes fire

DT News Network  
Manama

A blaze erupted yesterday at a pigeon cage set up on the rooftop of a Dair home. The fire, said to have been the result of a short circuit in the air conditioner unit installed inside the cage, killed tens of pigeons. An eyewitness confirmed that a Bahraini family living inside the house were evacuated. Mol has confirmed the accident on its Twitter account.

### International Investment Bank B.S.C. (c)

Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements – for the six months ended 30 June 2015



#### INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

At 30 June 2015 (Reviewed)

	(Reviewed) 30 June 2015 US\$ '000	(Audited) 31 December 2014 US\$ '000
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and balances with banks	14,314	3,560
Due from financial institutions	25,995	59,075
Receivables	1,988	2,609
Investments	40,878	50,554
Investment in ijarah assets, net of depreciation	212,591	75,612
Investment in real estate	5,412	5,412
Musharaka	25,144	25,144
Investment in associates	43,648	47,858
Other assets	3,680	1,405
Equipment and vehicles	186	194
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>373,836</b>	<b>271,423</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND OWNERS' EQUITY</b>		
Term finance	183,987	68,019
Wakala payable	30,555	30,000
Other liabilities	4,199	3,327
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>218,741</b>	<b>101,346</b>
<b>OWNERS' EQUITY</b>		
Share capital	109,996	109,996
Treasury shares	(6,798)	(6,798)
Share premium	51,240	51,240
Reserves	7,042	13,824
Accumulated deficit	(15,653)	(8,210)
<b>Total equity attributable to shareholders of the parent</b>	<b>145,827</b>	<b>160,052</b>
Non-controlling interest	9,268	10,025
<b>Total owners' equity</b>	<b>155,095</b>	<b>170,077</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND OWNERS' EQUITY</b>	<b>373,836</b>	<b>271,423</b>

#### INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

For the six month period ended 30 June 2015 (Reviewed)

	Three months ended		Six months ended	
	30 June 2015 US\$ '000	30 June 2014 US\$ '000	30 June 2015 US\$ '000	30 June 2014 US\$ '000
Net income on investment in ijarah assets	1,078	75	1,464	75
Income from investment in real estate, net	112	103	215	207
Income on due from financial institutions and receivables	56	129	130	222
Investment banking fees	12	223	25	499
Other income	2	1	2	1
Income from Musharaka financing	-	616	-	1,257
Gain on sale of investments, net	-	472	-	472
Income from investment carried at amortised cost	-	230	-	450
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>1,260</b>	<b>1,849</b>	<b>1,836</b>	<b>3,183</b>
<b>Expenses</b>				
Corporate expenses	470	458	993	962
General and administration expenses	452	422	827	774
Deal acquisition expenses	243	230	461	449
Selling expenses	253	150	524	318
Asset management expenses	131	115	278	226
Wakala profit expense	555	-	555	-
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>2,104</b>	<b>1,375</b>	<b>3,638</b>	<b>2,729</b>
<b>OPERATING (LOSS) / PROFIT</b>	<b>(844)</b>	<b>474</b>	<b>(1,802)</b>	<b>454</b>
Share of profit from associates	149	133	214	223
<b>NET (LOSS) / PROFIT BEFORE IMPAIRMENT, PROVISIONS AND FOREIGN EXCHANGE LOSS</b>	<b>(695)</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>(1,588)</b>	<b>677</b>
Provision against impairment on investments	(3,692)	(475)	(3,692)	(475)
Impairment loss on investments	-	-	(1,366)	-
Provision on receivables and prepayments	(621)	-	(621)	-
(Loss) / gain on foreign exchange	25	(97)	(52)	(102)
<b>NET (LOSS) / PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD</b>	<b>(4,983)</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>(7,319)</b>	<b>100</b>
Attributable to:				
Equity holders of the parent	(5,065)	(93)	(7,443)	(134)
Non-controlling interest	82	128	124	234
	<b>(4,983)</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>(7,319)</b>	<b>100</b>

#### INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six month period ended 30 June 2015 (Reviewed)

	Six months ended	
	30 June 2015 US\$ '000	30 June 2014 US\$ '000
<b>OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Net (loss) / profit for the period	(7,319)	100
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation	4,257	594
Share of profit from associates	(214)	(223)
Provision against impairment on investments	3,692	475
Impairment loss on investments	1,366	-
Provision on receivables and prepayments	621	-
Amortisation of deferred expense	681	-
Gain on sale of investments, net	-	472
Operating profit before changes in operating assets and liabilities	3,084	1,418
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:		
Receivables	621	(3,788)
Other assets	(3,048)	(1,249)
Other liabilities	872	128
<b>Net cash generated from / (used in) operating activities</b>	<b>1,529</b>	<b>(3,491)</b>
<b>INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>		
Purchase of equipment	(29)	(50)
Proceeds from disposal of investment	2,277	12,327
Net cash outflow on acquisition of subsidiary	(26,103)	(7,739)
<b>Net cash (used in) / from investing activities</b>	<b>(23,855)</b>	<b>4,538</b>
<b>(DECREASE) / INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<b>(22,326)</b>	<b>1,047</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	62,635	37,897
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE PERIOD</b>	<b>40,309</b>	<b>38,944</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents comprise:</b>		
Cash and balances with banks	14,314	14,208
Due from financial institutions with original maturities of 90 days or less	25,995	24,736
	<b>40,309</b>	<b>38,944</b>

#### INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six month period ended 30 June 2015 (Reviewed)

	Share capital US\$ '000	Treasury shares US\$ '000	Share premium US\$ '000	Reserves		Foreign currency translation reserve US\$ '000	Total reserves US\$ '000	Accumulated deficit US\$ '000	Non- controlling interest US\$ '000	Total US\$ '000
				Statutory reserve US\$ '000	Cumulative changes in fair value reserve US\$ '000					
Balance at 1 January 2015	109,996	(6,798)	51,240	6,980	9,780	(2,936)	13,824	(8,210)	10,025	170,077
Unrealised loss on re-measurement to fair value - net	-	-	-	-	(3,473)	27	(3,446)	-	-	(3,446)
Net (loss) / profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(7,443)	124	(7,319)
Non-controlling interest acquired - net	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(581)	(581)
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	-	-	-	-	-	(3,336)	(3,336)	-	(300)	(3,636)
<b>Balance at 30 June 2015</b>	<b>109,996</b>	<b>(6,798)</b>	<b>51,240</b>	<b>6,980</b>	<b>6,307</b>	<b>(6,245)</b>	<b>7,042</b>	<b>(15,653)</b>	<b>9,268</b>	<b>155,095</b>
Balance at 1 January 2014	109,996	(6,798)	72,050	6,980	3,729	(725)	9,984	(20,810)	7,260	171,682
Unrealised gain / (loss) on re-measurement to fair value - net	-	-	-	-	4,651	(37)	4,614	-	-	4,614
Net (loss) / profit for the period	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(134)	234	100
On disposal of shares of a subsidiary	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,782	2,782
Retained loss adjustment	-	-	(20,810)	-	-	-	-	20,810	-	-
Exchange differences on translation of foreign operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	57	57
<b>Balance at 30 June 2014</b>	<b>109,996</b>	<b>(6,798)</b>	<b>51,240</b>	<b>6,980</b>	<b>8,380</b>	<b>(762)</b>	<b>14,598</b>	<b>(134)</b>	<b>10,333</b>	<b>179,235</b>

The above statements have been extracted from the Interim Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements of International Investment Bank B.S.C.(c) for the six month period ended 30 June 2015, which were approved for issue by the Board of Directors on 27 July 2015 and reviewed by Ernst & Young, Kingdom of Bahrain, who issued an unqualified review report on 27 July 2015.

Saeed Abdul Jalil Al Fahim  
Chairman of the Board of Directors

Fared Badar  
Acting Chief Executive Officer and member of the Board of Directors

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# WOMAN BAGS \$500K PRIZE

Nooreya Sayed Mahdi Ali Sharaf wins the Al Hayrat mid-year prize



Reyadh Sater, Deputy Chief Executive of BBK presented the cheque of \$500,000 to Nooreya at a ceremony and reception held at Seef Mall

## DT News Network Manama

Nooreya Sayed Mahdi Ali Sharaf, a young Bahraini accountant at a local medical clinic won the Al Hayrat Half Million prize.

Al Hayrat is BBK's unique

savings account that presents exciting opportunities for customers to win prizes while they save.

Reyadh Sater, the Deputy Chief Executive of BBK presented the cheque of \$500,000 to Miss Nooreya at

a ceremony and reception held at Seef Mall yesterday.

BBK top management and members of the media attended the ceremony. The raffle draw for Al Hayrat's Mid-year cash prize of \$500,000 took place on July 29 under the supervision

The raffle draw for Al Hayrat's Mid-year cash prize of \$500,000 took place on July 29 under the supervision of Shafi Al Bulooshi of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, and members of the top management of the bank

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Miss Nooreya said she couldn't believe the news and thought it was just a prank. She said she never expected to win such an amazing prize.

When asked about her future plans, Miss Nooreya, said, "I have decided to use



Nooreya was presented with a cheque for \$500,000 by Reyadh Sater

this money to finally start my Photography business, which I am currently practicing from home. Al Hayrat has given me the chance to pursue my passion. It is like a dream come true!"

Speaking at the award ceremony, Sater said, "Miss Nooreya has been a good customer of BBK's, and we are very happy to present the cheque to our loyal customer. I would like to congratulate Miss Nooreya and her family on this amazing win. We have

structured Al Hayrat prizes in such a way that our customers have a chance to win cash prizes, which will truly make a difference to their lives and it's great to see this play out through Nooreya's plans to pursue her dreams".

There are many more exciting prizes to win in 2015, which will end in the Al Hayrat Instant Millionaire year-end prize of \$1,000,000 as well as other prizes such as the upcoming Quarter Million draw in October.

## Gulf Air welcomes Russian trade representatives to the Kingdom

### DT News Network Manama

Gulf Air welcomed a number of Russian travel trade representatives to Bahrain as part of a familiarization trip that gave them the opportunity to explore Bahrain and visit a number of its tourist attractions.

During the visit, leading Russian trade representatives, tour operators, luxury travel outlets and foreign independent travel agents reviewed a number of hotels and experienced various local attractions around the Kingdom.

Apart from that, the representatives also experienced Gulf Air's latest products, both in-flight and on-the-ground and visited the airline's headquarters to meet with the national carrier's executive management team to learn more about the Gulf Air offering.

Gulf Air launched a direct Moscow link in October 2014 and the route has seen steady growth.



Russian trade representatives in a meeting with Gulf Air officials at the airline's headquarters

In support of this, the airline recently entered into a Special Prorate Agreement (SPA) with Russian carrier S7 Airlines enabling Gulf Air passengers to take flights beyond Moscow to and from the Russian cities of St Petersburg, Kazan, Samara, Volgograd, Rostov, Nizhny Novgorod, Perm, Ufa, Sochi and Voronezh.

With a combined fare that is more attractive than those purchased separately, the SPA agreement allows passengers to purchase only one ticket, at a more competitive fare, for their entire journey instead of separate tickets for each individual carrier.

Gulf Air's direct three weekly flights to Moscow

Domodedovo Airport operate on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays.

Flights to and from Moscow can be booked online at [www.gulfair.com](http://www.gulfair.com), by calling the airline's 24 hour Worldwide Contact Centre on (+973) 17373737, or through any Gulf Air sales office and approved travel agencies.

## First Halal travel glossary launched

### Manama

CrescentRating, a global authority on Halal travel, has released a new glossary providing access to a wealth of terminology used in one of the fastest growing sectors globally.

The new guide promotes accurate and consistent use of terms in the Halal travel market. Over 150 terms and concepts have been entered and validated with regular updates planned as the market matures.

Users can obtain a quick list of terms through the glossary, which has been divided into sections for easy navigation. It has been published as a free downloadable e-book with plans to make it an online resource in the near future.

The need to understand these terms is becoming more important as the industry aims to capitalise on a sector projected to be worth \$200 billion by 2020.

CrescentRating says understanding these terms is imperative for all travel-related businesses looking to benefit from the growth of this market.

Fazal Bahardeen, CEO of CrescentRating, said: "Embracing the Halal travel phenomenon is now a key focus

of growth across the industry for both OIC and non-OIC destinations."

"With an increasing number of destinations and services looking to attract Muslim travellers, there is a need to better understand the terms used to describe the market needs and practices related to this segment."

The glossary includes terms that provide an overview of Halal travel and its core values. Each of these has been defined in the context of lifestyle and travel.

This e-book also covers faith-related terms used to describe the needs and practices of Muslim travellers. The first edition of the glossary is now available in English with plans to publish it in other languages in the future. The MasterCard-CrescentRating Global Muslim Travel Index (GMTI) 2015, revealed that in 2014, the Muslim travel market was worth \$145 billion with 108 million Muslim travellers representing 10 per cent of the entire travel economy.

This is forecast to grow to 150 million visitors by 2020 and 11pc of the market segment with a market value projected to grow to \$200 billion.

## The Beaut Look



### Blushed with a brush

From the first glance, person might think the world has run out of ideas when it comes to creating beauty tools. But this one actually serves a mighty purpose. These makeup brushes, from Artis Elite, look like toothbrushes, and that's totally on purpose. The oddball handles make it easy to apply makeup on your own face (standard brushes were designed for someone else to apply makeup on you). The bristles are plush, but not too soft that they shed, and work equally well on liquid and powder formulas.

### Sales promotions

Redtag is having a fantastic sales offer for you to take advantage of with your family. The leading brand invites you to enjoy 70% off on its selected items.

### CONGRATULATIONS WINNER

Electra Sequeira won 4 tickets to Adhari Park for the contest that ran in our Aug 6, 2015, issue. For more wins, check out this week's contest on page 12.

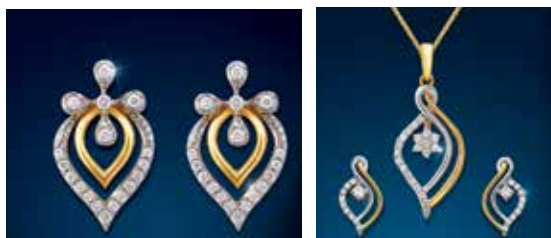
# And they said...

"I believe that all women are pretty without makeup but with the right makeup, they can be pretty powerful"

- Bobbi Brown



## WORLD'S FAVOURITE JEWELLER SPARKLES NEW COLLECTION



**D**iamonds are a girl's best friend and now women in Bahrain can rejoice, for something exciting is about to unveil. Globally renowned jewellery retail chain 'Joyalukkas' has announced their new fixed price diamond collections, starting from BD40. The official launch of Happy Diamonds will be held in Joyalukkas Showroom in Manama today at 5PM. Happy diamonds is a new concept with quality diamonds at a lower price range and each jewel is certified by the I.G.I. This brand will be available in all Joyalukkas outlets.



This concept will suit with any occasion and we are making this with utmost precision and care. It caters to all the jewellery lovers from different price points. Our objective is to satisfy each and every shopper at Joyalukkas and make them happy

-John Paul Joy Alukkas, Executive Director of Joyalukkas group.

### IT'S A RARE BEAUTY!

**D**iamonds are forever. How true that statement stands. Be it from any cultural background, ethnicity or belief, women are easily fascinated by these precious stones and this fascination could never fade away. This is one reason why every woman, no matter what economic class she comes from, must at least have one. It represents relationships, experiences and emotions in profound ways and till now, diamonds are still regarded as the epitome of expression.

These gorgeous gemstones are made of ordinary, everyday carbon but the method in which that carbon is transformed into a diamond is anything but ordinary.

Natural diamond formation takes thousands, even millions of years, and requires extremely high pressure and temperatures. The right environment is needed to turn them into objects of desire.



## BD 40 ONWARDS DIAMOND JEWELLERY

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# 'STARVING TO LOOK GOOD?'



## The skinny on fashion mania

Twenty years ago, the average fashion model weighted 8% less than the average woman. Today she weighs 23% less. The obsession we have with the perfect body image has started to tip towards a worrying scale. Now having a size-zero is considered as an exemplary physique and while in the world of fashion, this is a practiced norm, its toll on ordinary individuals is a cause of concern. And with many new stores and brands opening up that are only targeting plus size women, creating concrete lines that define a woman and her wear is becoming acceptable.

This is why when a woman of incredible stature and power spoke on the issue, there was a sense of relief felt by those who are getting sucked into a the chaos of what size looks best. Anna Wintour was portrayed as the strong and ferocious character in Lauren Weisberger's "The Devil Wears Prada" and rightly so, for anyone who knows *Vogue's* Editor-in-Chief, knows that she is a compulsive perfectionist. This is probably why her recent statements, made at the annual editorial meeting for Glamour magazine, comes as quite a surprise.



## "Imperfection is fine"

Anna said "Not to hyperventilate about perfection for imperfection is also fine." The diva who is known for being a timeless fashionista has allowed many to take a breather; her words echo that a perfect body image doesn't necessarily guarantee who will be going places. At least her stance has been reassuring to a young woman who has been battling this issue for years, "I have a love of beauty products and gorgeous attire. In fact I have been collecting impressive items and wear from popular brands, but due to being a little curvaceous and not the ideal skinny size, I feel insecure of getting all dolled up. It's the judgmental looks that I get from people when I go out which demoralizes me and shakes my confidence", says Sarah Ali.

Also chipping in her views is Bahrain's popular Fashion Blogger, Ashwathy Shyamkumar, who also stands against the belief that only small numbers on the weigh scale justifies big love for looking good. "People shouldn't let their imperfections stop them from expressing themselves. Style is a part of expressions and everyone should be entitled to dress the way they want without having to follow the usual norm", she urges.



Ashwathy Shyamkumar

Anna Wintour makes presence felt at a Fashion Show



Sarah

Monique

Adele

Latifah

Ferrera

## Celebs Flaunt Non- Size Zeros!

Hollywood is plagued with the need to have flawless bodies aka stick thin. While there is nothing wrong with being a size 0 or a size 2, there's also nothing wrong with being a size 10 or bigger. Women come in all shapes and sizes, and some celebrities are flaunting the fact that not everyone is meant to be super skinny!

# SMOKED OUT!



## THE PERFECTED SMOKEY EYE LOOK

**E**ver buy a beauty product and then realize you have no idea how to use it? A detailed look book included with the palette breaks down four ways to get Naked and smoky. Follow the step-by-step instructions to steal one of our looks (try the Iconic UD Smoky Eye, the Smoky Reality Star, the Smoky Cat or Everyday Smoky), or create your own. Top makeup artists also pitch in their best tips and tricks for smoky-eye success. And since high-quality brushes are essential, the palette comes with an exclusive double-ended brush. Use the Tapered Crease Brush to lay down shadow, define the crease or blend out color. To seamlessly fuse shadow and liner, use the Smoky Smudger Brush. Small enough for highlighting the brow bone or the corner of the eye, it's also ideal for smoking out the lower lash line.

**T**here's more to the perfect smoky eye than a heap of dark shadow. Urban Decay's Naked Smoky comes loaded with all the essentials for the perfect neutral smoky eye. Packed with the newest Naked palette with a dozen smoky neutral with nine never-before-seen shades and three exclusives.

Experiment with warm bronzes, dimensional grays, rich browns, gorgeous taupes and deep black. From mattes and satins to shades with sparkle, Naked Smoky has it all. A true range of shades and the perfect brushes comes with even detailed tutorials.



## HOW TO GET YOURS IN 5MINS!



Use a medium-size round brush to apply charcoal gray powder in an arch shape just above the crease of the lid. Then blend down to the lash line. 2. Trace the upper lash line with a soft black pencil, then gently smudge with your fingertip. 3. With a smaller, firm-bristle brush, press a gunmetal shade into the lower lash line. 4. Apply a pale silver powder to the inner corners of the eyes to lighten the overall effect. 5. Pile on mascara.

## Allured - Beauty Bits & Care



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## GETTING THE CLAYED TREATMENT

**I**f you have oily or acne-prone skin, clay masks are a must-have. They soak up all traces of dirt and grease. One I have tried recently is Lancôme Empreinte, a thin layer is enough to cover the whole face and should only be left for 10 minutes. I personally leave it for 15-20 minutes because of its amazing smell, what I also love about this product is that it does not dry immediately. Instead, it gets absorbed in the skin and dries up slowly. What I do is wash it off before it dries up entirely and starts to crack, as the tightness might cause the skin to dry up.



Clay masks have lots of benefits for the skin; they absorb waste, harmful toxins, oil and dirt from the skin. Girls can get caught up with the latest beauty products, including heavy facial creams, serums and make up. Our skin sometimes needs a break; clay masks used once a week will help do the job. What clay mask also does, is that it rejuvenates the skin due to its high mineral content, moisturizes it and at the same time treats acne.

After conducting some research on the benefits of clay masks I have found that Lancôme Empreinte has been used on a 13 year old girl with extremely bad acne, due to a hormonal imbalance. After using the mask once a week for a period of one month she has noticed a dramatic change in her skin, claiming that it is now more radiant, smoother with lesser breakouts.

I would highly recommend trying Lancôme Empreinte, it can be found in Faces, it comes in a 100 ml tube and costs BD20.

## Contest

Simply answer the following questions and take loved ones for 3 hours of unlimited time play at the park.

- ◆ 1- What date will the official launch of Happy Diamonds take place in Joyalukkas Showroom in Manama?
- ◆ 2- What product was reviewed in this week's Allured - Beauty Bits & Care this week?

**SEND YOUR ANSWERS TO MEHR@DT.BH BY  
AUG 19, 2015. WINNERS WILL BE CONTACTED.**

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WORTH BD25  
EACH, FOR  
ADHARI PARK.**



# CELEBS

I think the secret to happiness is having a Teflon soul. Whatever comes your way, you either let it slide or you cook with it

-Diane Lane



## DiCaprio to work with Scorsese

Los Angeles

**L**eonardo DiCaprio and Martin Scorsese will again work together on a film adaptation of Erik Larson's book *The Devil In The White City: Murder, Magic and Madness At The Fair That Changed America*.

Paramount has sealed a deal with DiCaprio starring in the lead role with Scorsese directing. Both will produce alongside Jennifer Davisson and Stacey Sher. Billy Ray will write the script.

DiCaprio will play H. H. Holmes, a 19th century serial killer believed to have murdered anywhere between 27 to 200 people while Chicago was hosting the World's Fair of 1893.

DiCaprio and Scorsese last worked together on *The Wolf of Wall Street*, for which both earned Oscar nominations; it also proved Scorsese's biggest hit yet.



## I'm a good role model for feminists: Amy Schumer

Los Angeles

**A**ctress and stand-up comedian Amy Schumer thinks she's a suitable poster girl for women.

Schumer, who stars alongside Bill Hader in romantic comedy film *Trainwreck*, says although she never intended to become a role model for the feminist movement, she's happy to accept the responsibility.

"I didn't set out to become a role model but I accept it and I'm thrilled about it and I think these women are in good hands because I know my intentions," Schumer said.

"I do think that I'm a good role model, believe it or not. I'm grateful for the opportunity," she added.



## Grande, Alvarez 'officially a couple'

Los Angeles

**S**inger Ariana Grande is reportedly dating her back-up dancer Ricky Alvarez and the two couldn't be happier than ever.

The 22-year-old has been rumoured to be romancing Alvarez ever since the infamous *doughnut video* at Wolfie Donuts in California which saw the pair lick a selection of baked goods without buying them before sharing a kiss as they played a game of Truth or Dare.

Grande's friends have put an end to the speculation and confirmed she and Alvarez are seeing each other.

"The duo have been friends for some time now but have only recently been linked romantically," the source was quoted as saying.

## Alia Bhatt compared with Kareena

Mumbai

**W**ith the release of the trailer of the much-anticipated film *Shaandaar*, the rocking chemistry between Shahid Kapoor and Alia Bhatt has already become the talk of the town.

At the trailer launch of their movie *Shaandaar*, Shahid was asked about the similarities between the two women, since he has worked with both of them.

"First of all, it's a big compliment for Alia that she's compared with Kareena, since she's an extremely established actress and has done some notable work."

"I don't see any similarity between the two, since I feel Alia is an original actress and so is Kareena," Shahid said.



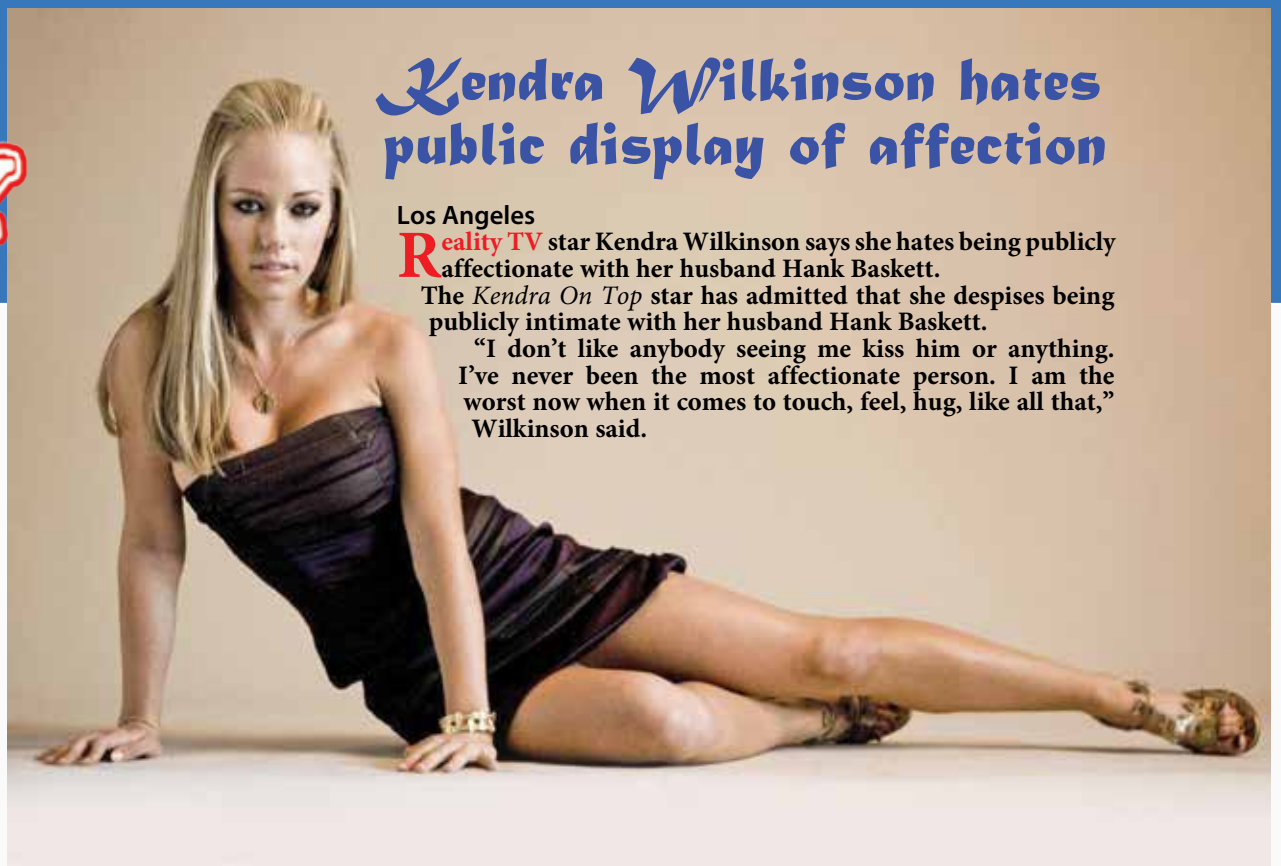
# STARRY BIRTHDAY



Leading Bollywood actress who earned her 9th Filmfare Best Actress Award nomination for her role in the 1997 film *Judaii*. In 1998, she won a Filmfare Special Award for her role in *Nagina* and *Mr. India*. She made her comeback with 'English Vinglish' in 2012.

August 13, 1963

**Sridevi Kapoor**



## Kendra Wilkinson hates public display of affection

Los Angeles

**R**eality TV star Kendra Wilkinson says she hates being publicly affectionate with her husband Hank Baskett.

The *Kendra On Top* star has admitted that she despises being publicly intimate with her husband Hank Baskett.

"I don't like anybody seeing me kiss him or anything. I've never been the most affectionate person. I am the worst now when it comes to touch, feel, hug, like all that," Wilkinson said.

## Katy Perry hints at Christmas album

Los Angeles

**S**inger Katy Perry has hinted that she is working on a holiday album. Perry hinted about the album in a video, which she shared on photo-sharing website Instagram.

The brief clip gives a glimpse at four men wearing masks and bright-coloured sweaters sitting next to a decorated Christmas tree, in what looks like a studio. "When your derp squad writes a Christmas song in August," read the caption.

Perry is no stranger to singing holiday-themed tunes. She had earlier wowed her fans with a live rendition of *White Christmas* at a hotel.

She also once sang an acoustic version of *Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas*.



## Keys used to dress as tomboy

Los Angeles

**S**inger Alicia Keys says she dressed like a tomboy in baggy jeans to avoid being catcalled by men as a young girl.

The *Empire State of Mind* hitmaker reportedly admitted that as a young girl, she would prefer to dress in baggy jeans than a skirt to avoid men from approaching her while she was out and about in New York, as their "animal instinct" scared her.

"I definitely started hiding when I got old enough to walk down my NY streets alone. I started to notice a drastic difference in how men would relate to me if I had on jeans, or if I had on a skirt, or if my hair was done pretty. I could tell the difference, I could feel the animal instinct in them and it scared me," Keys wrote in a blog post.



## Is Rob Kardashian ignoring family?

Los Angeles

**T**V personality Rob Kardashian is reportedly ignoring his family, having refused to attend Kylie Jenner's birthday party over the weekend.

The 28-year-old was notably absent from his stepsister's birthday celebrations, with a source revealing he is ignoring the family.

"Rob refused to do anything for Kylie's birthday. He is invited to everything and he refuses to come to anything," a source said.

"He's just ignoring everyone. His mom, his sisters. He just doesn't care," the source added.

The source also noted that his sister Khloe Kardashian, with whom he lives, is finding it hard to get him out of the house.



Minister of Labour Jameel Humaidan honoured a number of employees who had contributed to the success of events organised by the ministry at the national level, especially the eighth annual ceremony to honour the outstanding institutions in training and development of human resources.



Thai Embassy in Bahrain yesterday held a reception to celebrate the eighty-third birthday of Her Majesty Queen Sirikit of Thailand. Well-wishers including members of the diplomatic corps and the Thai community were present.



National Fire and Safety Managing Director VK Rajasekharan Pillai who returned after receiving the Akshaya Pusthaka Nidhi National award in India, was welcomed at the Bahrain International Airport by Kerala Social and Cultural Association (NSS), well-wishers and friends. Jwala Bahrain Patron M.P Raghu presented a bouquet to Mr. Pillai.



More than 2000 visitors attended the Asian Week event for children aged 2 to 16 in the Nakheel Garden near the Bahrain Summer Festival.





...en yesterday announced the graduation of 19 participants in its hospitality-training programme in a ceremony held at Sofitel Hotel. This is the third group to graduate from the programme, which was ...ed in May 2015. Amal Al Kooheji, Operations Chief Executive at Tamkeen and Sami Bukhalid, General Manager of Sofitel spoke on the occasion.



...unity in Bahrain attended the reception. Thai Ambassador Vichai Varasirikul hailed the solid Bahraini-Thai relations and the official visit of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa to Thailand two years ago.



Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam (BKS) will celebrate Onam with a month-long cultural programmes starting August 14. This was announced by BKS President Varghese Karakkal at a press conference held at the BKS headquarters in Segaya.

entertainment activities for ...itra Mall held as part of

## Reel Veil



Some films stand out for directorial prowess. Some remain afresh in our memory for their punch dialogues. There're also films which are a visual treat. Movies come in two genres; commercial and artistic. Let alone the genre, a movie should be evocative or entertaining. We're certain you have a long list of such movies which you would want to see again and again. *DT News* reproduces a scene a day from a popular movie with a few questions. Relapse into flashback mode and answer!

### Today's questions

- Name the film
- Name the actors
- What health condition does the female lead have?

Send your entries to [facebook@dt.bh](https://www.facebook.com/dt.bh) with your profile picture. If you are the first to come up with the right answers, your picture will appear in these columns.

### You got it right!



Film- highway  
Actors- Randeep Hooda and Alia Bhatt  
Lead character suffering from - Stockholm syndrome  
- Abhiruchi Pankaj Jain

## CAP THE SNAP

Head this challenge. Can you think of an apt caption for this? Something funny, intelligent and out-of-the-box! If you make a winning entry, your photo along with the caption will be featured in *DT News*. So grab a pen, think hard, write to us and see yourself in this space soon! Don't forget to attach your picture. Send entries to: [facebook@dt.bh](https://www.facebook.com/dt.bh) with subject as 'Caption Contest'



### BEST FROM THE LOT. YOU COULD BE NEXT



Now we rule. Humans go into the aquarium.... Hahaha... Bow before us

- Shamila Ismath

### HA HA...HEE HEE...HO HO...!

A man got hit in the head with a can of Coke, but he was alright because it was a soft drink.



Q: Did your hear about the man with a broken left arm and broken left leg?  
A: Don't worry he's "ALRIGHT" now!



A recent worldwide survey showed that out of 2,146,703,436 people, 94% were too lazy to actually read that number.

## YOUR STAR TODAY



**ARIES**  
20th March - 20th April

You may be feeling a bit sluggish today. Your warrior instinct would rather just stay home on the couch than get up and fight. This is fine. More than likely, you may simply need a break from your quest for world domination. Remember that a good leader also takes the time to rethink.



**TAURUS**  
20th April - 20th May

Your sensitivity is quite strong today, and you will find that your perception of any situation is right on target with the truth of the matter. Keep in mind that in order to be successful, you won't need to strong-arm anyone into doing what you want him or her to do. You will be able to accomplish by tuning in nature.



**GEMINI**  
20th May - 20th June

You may be feeling a bit confused today, and it may seem as if the wind has suddenly been taken out of your sails. Don't get discouraged by the slow weightiness of the day. Take this opportunity to relax and recharge your battery.



**CANCER**  
20th June - 20th July

Today is an excellent day for you, and you will find that you are a welcomed addition to any crowd. Your delightful nature is at its most active. You have the unique capability of being aggressive about getting what you want without disturbing the flow of the energy around you.



**LEO**  
20th July - 20th Aug

The world is probably not going to revolve around you today, so get used to it. Even though this may not be the news you want to hear, it is probably the news you need to hear most. Use your incredible passion to nurture others. Think less about yourself and more about the people around you.



**VIRGO**  
20th Aug - 20th Sept

Initiate a deep and meaningful conversation with someone you have lost touch with over the years. It could be that a long and ugly point of contention is on the brink of resolution. All you need to do now is to make the first move. Find a connection with someone that you didn't know was there before.



**LIBRA**  
20th Sep - 20th Oct

Your transmission may be stuck in reverse today, but this doesn't mean that you can't be productive. You may just need to change your approach. Make a careful assessment of the situation before you proceed. It may be that someone is openly trying to cross you. Be smart about your rebuttal.



**SCORPIO**  
20th Oct - 20th Nov

Things should go well for you today, and you will find that there is an added serenity in the air that will help calm your nerves. There is no need to make things more complicated than necessary. The answers to things are actually quite simple. More than likely, everything you want is right at your fingertips.



**SAGITTARIUS**  
20th Nov - 20th Dec

It may seem as if someone has dumped a huge bucket of water over your head today. Keep in mind that this is only temporary, and that your internal flame will be rekindled soon. For now, however, you may want to take this time to slow down and relax.



**CAPRICORN**  
20th Dec - 20th Jan

Tension may be running high today as things come to a great emotional climax. It may seem as if everyone is out to get you, but more than likely, this paranoia is simply a figment of your imagination. Don't get carried away with crazy scenarios that have no basis in reality.



**AQUARIUS**  
20th Jan - 20th Feb

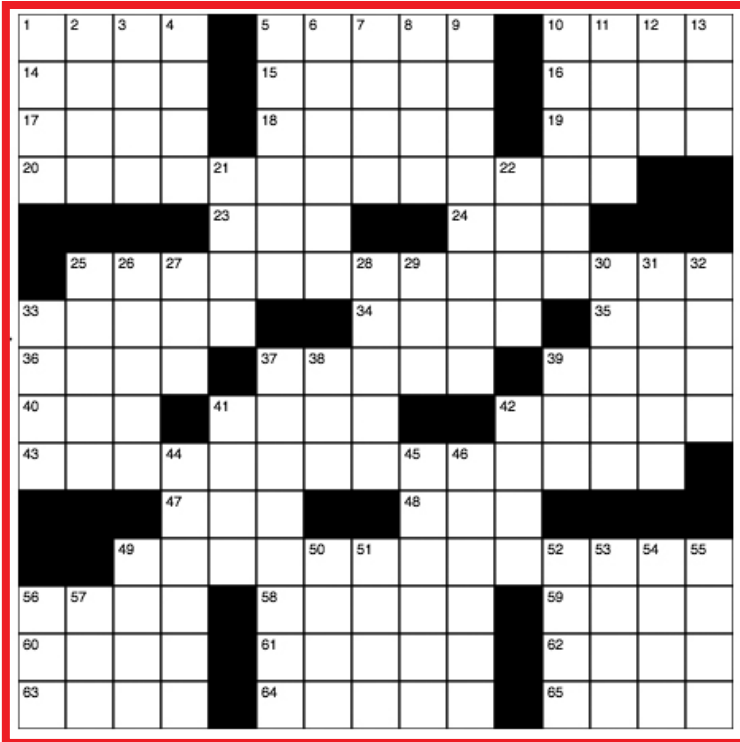
More than likely, you will be caught up in a wildly intense emotional drama if you aren't careful. Try to stay calm and collected. Find a quiet place where you can relax and be alone. Your energy is there, but it may be a bit more reserved and subtle on a day like this. Be the stable oasis in the raging sea.



**PISCES**  
20th Feb - 20th Mar

You will find great strength in your inner reserves today, so don't hesitate to let your deepest thoughts shine through. Keep your antenna up all day, for you will find that there is an added bit of electricity in the air that is keeping people's emotions at a peak level. Rational thinking is overrated.

# CROSSWORD



## Across

1- No ifs, \_\_\_\_; 5- Bookstore section; 10- Top-notch; 14- Chimney residue; 15- All together; 16- It transforms carbon dioxide into oxygen; 17- "East of Eden" director Kazan; 18- Attack on all sides; 19- Cowardly Lion portrayer; 20- Pertaining to a congress; 23- It's bottled in Cannes; 24- Hi-\_\_; 25- Planes, trains, and automobiles, e.g.; 33- Sex researcher Hite; 34- "The Clan of the Cave Bear" author; 35- Rocker Ocasek; 36- Liberal \_\_\_\_; 37- Despised; 39- Room in a casa; 40- And not; 41- Uncouth; 42- Provide food for; 43- Forewritten; 47- \_\_\_\_ glance; 48- Hosp. workers; 49- Portly; 56- Believe; 58- \_\_\_\_ France; 59- Estimator's phrase; 60- Arch type; 61- Twilled fabric; 62- Lecherous look; 63- Small horse; 64- Reliable; 65- "Betsy's Wedding" star;

## Down

1- Wait \_\_\_\_; 2- \_\_\_\_ contendere; 3- Slay; 4- Adult male deer; 5- \_\_\_\_ corpus; 6- Exhausts; 7- Rock clinging plant; 8- Dedicated to the \_\_\_\_ Love; 9- Answered sharply; 10- Finally; 11- Spoken; 12- O.T. book; 13- Always; 21- Actress Russo; 22- Oscar winner Patricia; 25- Pulsate; 26- Back in; 27- \_\_\_\_ longa, vita brevis; 28- Like Cheerios; 29- Regret; 30- Hopping mad; 31- Greased; 32- Tenn. neighbor; 33- Capital of Yemen; 37- Student of human affairs; 38- Summer drink; 39- \_\_\_\_ Clemente; 41- Nerve network; 42- Mozart's "\_\_\_\_ fan tutte"; 44- Depression between hills; 45- Tramp; 46- Truly; 49- Hammer part; 50- Robert of "The Sopranos"; 51- Actress Garr; 52- Vincent Lopez's theme song; 53- Baseball's Hershey; 54- Pre-owned; 55- Marsh bird; 56- Beau Brummell; 57- Swelled head;

## Yesterday's solution



# LIFE IS LIKE THAT ONLY

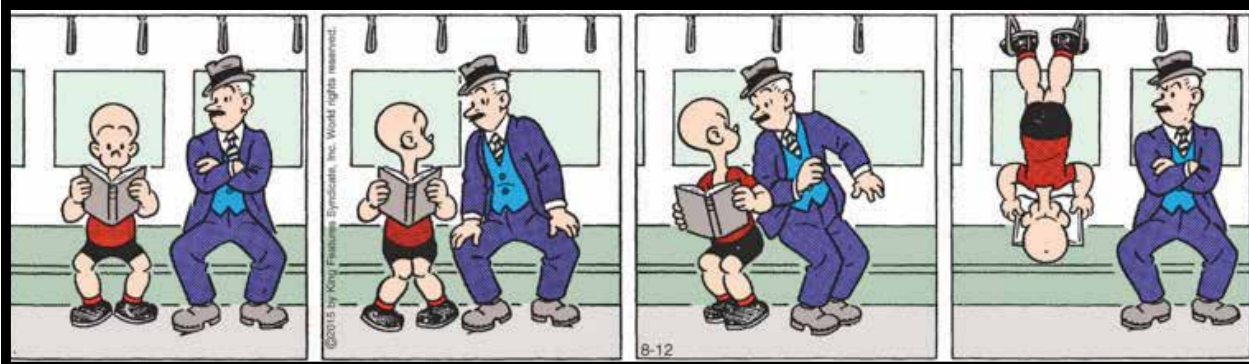
## DILBERT



## BEETLE BAILEY



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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

## Yesterday's solution

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 **Top tweets**



**An Indian becomes the CEO of a US company and everyone's back to the 'brain drain' debate.**  
@tweetingash



**I could say mean things about you to get back for what you did. Then I remember that'd make me like you. And I never wanna be like you.**  
@SilverKick



**Never lie to someone because every lie brings you one step closer to goodbye.**  
@Greepaly



**You guys. Finally listened to a Bahraini band that's been popping up lately, and the vocalist is so so off-key... All the time... It's so bad...**  
@nunudeen

# CONGRATS ALZAIN TAREQ!

Dear editor

**T**his success is rare ! Alzain Tareq's parents, her peers, her rivals in her own country, Bahrain, already knew her athletic skills in her butterfly swimming. But she had awed the other 64 competitors was a wonder. And when her success story has appeared on the front page of DTNews it was an honour to her family, and when it was telecasted on BBC news it was an honour that she had brought pride to her country-Bahrain.

We became proud of her, joyfully and collectively applauded her, passionately adored her, truly appreciated her motivation, enthusiasm, and dedication and we fondly look forward to her bright future, and fervently pray for her perpetual success.

Many swimmers and coaches consider butterfly swimming as the hardest of other styles of swimming. It is a swimming stroke swum on the breast with both arms moving simultaneously accompanied by a butterfly kick while other styles like breaststroke, front crawl, or backstroke can be easily swum by the beginners. It is a more difficult stroke that acquires a good knowledge of technique. The world swimming



champion Michael Phelps was able to manage this skill and now this little girl had shown her capability to the world.

Even US star Missy Franklin who won six world gold was fascinated by her success. Her praise on Alzain about her cuteness and tininess would surely

warm her heart and we recognised her as a strong, brave and determined ten years old girl who was never fazed to compete with those who were older than her.

BBC news also praised her that "Regardless of how 2015 unfolds, it is safe to say the name Alzain Tareq

will remain atop the record books for quite some time", It is a priceless compliment that she is able to cherish blissfully as long as she may live.

Swim, Alzain, Swim!  
May Allah bless this little girl, Alzain Tareq. Ameen.

**May May Nu**



## Inner pain no more

**W**hen you feel things have become 'crazy' in your life and you really lost the contact with your inner being, then it is the right time for you to rethink why you are allowing yourself to experience inner pain? Physical pain is something different and we have medicines to help us deal with this. What about the pain inside?

Maybe you forget that you have choices in life and become victim therefore you are experiencing inner pain. When you begin to see your choices, you are no longer a victim and this means that things no longer have to continue as they have always been. In all situations there is that moment of choice you can allow yourself to be tolerant or you can get angry and upset. If you are in a situation in which you feel that others are taking advantage of you rethink, ask yourself: What is this situation teaching me? Aware and move on, you will see what you are expected to learn from this situation, then things will change, they will no longer be the same as they were yesterday.

Come back to your original state of being, of love, and give yourself the possibility of experiencing thoughts in which there is peace within self, then share this with others through your smile.

**Ali Al-Aradi**  
HRD Lecturer

## Men occupying ladies seat

Dear Editor

**I**would like to draw your attention to some complaints about the red bus which is running in Bahrain for the public. The Red Bus is new, there's no dirt, seats are good and half of the seats are for men and half for ladies and the side for wheelchair persons too. But the first half is for ladies but some men sit over there; maybe because

they want to get out of the bus fast or they are in some emergency. But whenever a lady gets into the bus the men don't even bother to get up and give a seat to her. This is not just an isolated incident. I have noticed it even yesterday. When I was travelling in a bus a lady came in and at the back of my seat two men were sitting not even bothering to get up.

Earlier when the Cars were in service, the bus driver used to say if they see some thing like this. But these drivers don't say anything. And there are CCTV cameras too in the bus but does it even work or is it for show? If it is working then why don't they watch the footage and take a stand. I hope that some measures would be taken in this regard. Thanks

**Shamila Ismath**



## CLOSING THE GAP BETWEEN K12 AND HIGHER EDUCATION



**Suad Alhalwachi**  
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**W**hat am I talking about? This is part of a research paper that I am working on. I feel that our children deserve better schooling to be able to compete with their western counterparts.

**From my research, I found that there is a gap in our education, the real question is why do we have a gap in our education and what are these gaps:**

- Tertiary learning skills
- Language skills
- Math, science and languages top up.
- Lack of research abilities,
- Lack of communication skills,
- Lack of writing skills,
- Low participation in the community,

- No volunteering abilities and if wanted then the community doesn't offer it, no trips abroad to fulfill educational skills,
- No special involvement in the community and no hope for those that get grades below than required
- Most importantly our kids have no idea what to study when they get into university.
- Some universities want SAT scores which our kids do not secure or if done, their grades are lower than required.
- Also we mustn't forget that 80% of our kids study in public schools where lower than needed English skills are attained, so getting a high score in TOEFL or IELTS is not something that they can brag about.
- Taking all this into consideration it becomes explicitly clean that these kids have to go to a small and nurturing place that will build the previously mentioned traits to enable them to go to university while possessing the pre-requisites that will

make them succeed.  
**What is happening because of the Gap**

- Students lose a year to do English language
  - Students lose a further year to do university preparation
  - USA/Canada system is a little bit different but still students require English language and SAT preparation.
- On the other hand Expenditure on Education in The GCC is increasing:
- The GCC states continue to show high interest in education.
  - The GCC states spend relatively high amounts on education, usually 4-5% of their GDPs, on average approximately 20 per cent of public spending goes to education.
  - The GCC is expected to experience a recurring spend of \$150 billion in its education sector over the next few years.
  - Educational demands continue to grow in the GCC and would play an

- integral role in the economy.
- With \$150 billion spent on education, why are our students lacking the basics?
  - What are we teaching them?
  - What are we investing on?

**Are the students the problem?**

- Or, maybe our students are not motivated enough to attain the skills required by universities and work?
- Or are they not made to understand the repercussions of not doing well at schools?
- Are the parents not doing their job?
- What is the real problem?

**How about our teachers?**

- Do we train teachers on the best methodologies needed for the 21st century?
- Who goes for teachers college? Research shows that only those who are not accepted in medicine or engineering opt for teaching.

- Do we re-train annually so the teachers learn new inventions/ methodologies in teaching?

**What is the government doing?**

- Is there enough monitoring in schools?
- Is public- private partnership imposed in schools?
- Why public schools lack in language and STEM.
- The most pestering question is where is the funding going?

**Let's go back to basics and see what is needed**

- Many studies have been focusing on the 21st century requirements
- These requirements are basically based on problems faced by most of the countries around the world.
- 21st century Skills are categorized as foundational literacy, competencies and character qualities.

( To continue on Sunday)

## Places for Students' Summer Escapade!



**Ali Al-Aradi**  
HRD Lecturer

**T**he summer break is a good opportunity to know more about Kingdom of Bahrain, you can do various educational visits to enjoy the site and in the same time learn some new things. Given below are some places you may like to visit this summer:

**Bahrain National Museum:** Since it opened its doors in 1988, this modern structure has been a showcase of 6000 years of civilisation on this tiny Arabian Gulf Island. Much of the museum is dominated by the ancient Dilmun civilisation which had ties with Mesopotamia. The rest of the museum focuses on Bahrain since the arrival of Islam and until the discovery of oil. Although many of the items on display in the museum are quite intriguing and admirable, the section on local Bahraini culture completely freaked me

out. This was mainly due to the funny-looking human figures used in the displays.

The National Museum is a very well laid out and thoughtful look at the history of Bahrain from the time of Dilmun up to the present day. I spent about 3 hours there going from exhibit to exhibit. It has a fascinating display showing reassembled burial mounds from the A'ali burial mound complex. You get a lot more out of seeing their version than by traipsing around in the burial mound areas.

**Beit Al-Quran Museum:** A rather elegant museum, Beit Al-Quran was recently built in the traditional Bahraini religious architecture to house an amazing and extremely rare collection of ancient Qurans (Islam's holy book) dating as far back as the



7th century AD. Throughout Islamic history, Qurans became a form of artistic expression with beautiful calligraphy and colourful drawings. The museum is very nicely laid

out and takes the visitor through the development of the Quran, its art, and Arabic calligraphy over time and across the various dominant Islamic empires. The museum is somewhat small and can be seen in less than an hour, but it is very educational and well worth a visit.

**The Grand Mosque:** Officially called Al-Fateh Mosque, the Grand Mosque of Bahrain is the largest on the island. It is a modern (1990s) construction in a traditional Islamic style. The mosque is open to non-Muslims, but not during prayer time. It is Bahrain's largest religious building; a local guide explained the dome on top as the world's largest fibreglass dome. This mosque can accommodate 7000 worshippers at a time. The side buildings house the Religious Institute for Islamic Affairs, and an Islamic high school; and big Islamic library.

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I am and remain confident that we will succeed in reaching a deal and loan support (from the European Stability Mechanism)... that will end economic uncertainty  
- Greek Prime Minister Alexis Tsipras



Ask anyone who knows anything about Greece's finances and they will tell you this deal is not going to work

-former finance minister Yanis Varoufakis

■ No active oil rigs in Bahrain

# MIDDLE EAST OIL-RIGS BREAK GLOBAL TREND



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The number of oil rigs has come down drastically since 2012, according to the data released by US based oil-services group Baker Hughes. The number of oil rigs in US has come down to 866 from a count of 1945 in July 2012. But, Middle East rig-count hasn't changed much and is at 391 in July this year compared to 401 rigs in July 2012.

According to Financial times, "Rigs are used to drill wells, from where the oil is extracted. After the drilling is completed, a rig will be moved off site and the well topped by a wellhead. So, rig count reflects exploration and development

of oil and gas wells rather than actual production."

Whether oil price will rise after the fall in the number of oil rigs is now a debated topic, especially with the emergence of new technologies that might employ better methods than the traditional ones for oil exploration. Recent oil-production data shows improvement in oil production figures, despite the fall in the number of rigs.

Baker Hughes data says that there are no active oil rigs in Bahrain, at present.

Many analysts still consider the fall in oil rigs as a good leading indicator for oil price recovery, and cite the earlier recoveries in oil prices, which were preceded by a sharp fall in the number of oil rigs.

## RIG COUNT IN JULY

Data Source: Baker Hughes, Edited by DT News

	Latin America	Europe	Africa	Middle East	Asia Pacific	Canada	US	Total World
Jul, 2015	313	108	94	391	212	183	866	2167
Jul, 2014	407	153	137	432	253	350	1876	3608
Jul, 2013	418	139	128	379	241	291	1766	3362
Jul, 2012	415	110	105	401	233	307	1945	3516
Jul, 2011	438	120	61	287	244	347	1900	3397
Jul, 2010	387	98	79	273	272	350	1573	3032
Jul, 2009	351	73	57	249	244	175	931	2080
Jul, 2008	379	107	63	280	263	412	1932	3436
Jul, 2007	360	79	60	275	244	349	1777	3144
Jul, 2006	323	71	59	242	226	553	1681	3155

## RIG COUNT IN 2015, MAJOR NATIONS IN MIDDLE EAST

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul
<b>Middle East</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>391</b>
BAHRAIN	4	3	3	3	0	1	-
EGYPT	51	43	41	40	36	41	42
IRAQ	60	57	54	53	54	53	44
KUWAIT	48	51	53	50	48	50	44
OMAN	61	63	61	64	70	71	67
QATAR	9	10	8	12	7	6	7
SAUDI ARABIA	119	124	125	126	124	121	123
SYRIA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UAE - ABU DHABI	35	36	36	36	37	39	38
UAE - DUBAI	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
YEMEN	3	2	1	1	-	-	-
JORDAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Data Source: Baker Hughes, Edited by DT News

## Nurol REIT ventures into the GCC Markets

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Nurol Holding, Turkish industrial conglomerate celebrating its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year, is launching Nurol REIT in the GCC region.

The company release said that it has been carrying out operations in Turkey and overseas, with almost 40 subsidiary, affiliation, branch and project partnership and is inviting GCC investors to Istanbul, Turkey, to choose from their wide array of properties.

Nurol has presence in the Gulf region with Nurol Construction and Trading Company in Abu Dhabi since 2003. Nurol REIT's portfolio includes diverse projects in various cities across Turkey, such as Nurol Plaza, Nurol Residence, Karum Business and Shopping Center, OASIS Shopping, and Culture and Entertainment Centre. It holds an "A class" contracting licence and has displayed an exemplary record of growth and concluded more than US\$1 Billion worth of projects, the announcement added.

## S&P praises Chinese yuan devaluation

New York

Credit rating agency Standard & Poor's praised China's devaluation of its currency and said the move did not threaten a currency war. "China's surprise move to allow for more exchange rate flexibility makes good economic sense and is not the start of a currency war or an attempt to jump-start growth," S&P said.

# Al Bilad, Al Namal ink hanging restaurant deal

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Al Bilad Real Estate Investment Company and Al Namal Contracting Company signed a contract on Sunday for the construction of the first phase of hanging restaurants and villas located in Water Garden City Project (Marina).

The project includes 16

upscale restaurants; each restaurant consists of three floors in order to add privacy and space for the operators of these restaurants.

The area of each restaurant is about 100 square meters and the project includes villas overlooking Marina, each villa consists of two floors as well as common facilities with areas

ranging from 300 to 100 meters.

Ziad Abdul Latif Janahi, Director-General, has signed on behalf of Al Bilad Real Estate Investment Company, while Dr. Varghese Kurian, Chairman, has signed on behalf of Al Namal Contracting Company.

Latif Janahi, said that the beginning of the new phase of the project will lead to

increasing confidence in the real estate projects, and enhance confidence in Bahrain's real estate sector.

He also expressed his confidence in Al Namal Contracting Company and its performance.

For his part, Dr. Varghese Kurian expressed his happiness with signing the contract with

Al Bilad and with executing this important phase of Water Garden City. He emphasized the company's ability to accomplish what was entrusted to it under the contract on time, and said "We are looking forward to further cooperation in future projects with Al Bilad".

It is worth mentioning that Water Garden City is

located in the Seef District, the waterfront to the north side of City Centre. The project was designed by HOK while the infrastructure was designed by Icom Inc. (Formerly, Scott Wilson). Gulf Engineering House has also designed the upper restaurants and villas per the general specifications of the project.

# Saudi Arabia issues bonds worth \$5 bn

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Saudi Arabia has issued bonds worth 20 billion riyals (\$5.33bn), and plans to raise billions more to maintain its spending plans, according to a report.

The bonds were sold to local banks and institutions in three tranches of five-, seven- and

10-year maturities, the official Saudi Press Agency, or SPA, said Tuesday, citing the Saudi finance ministry. Saudi Arabia issued development bonds worth 15bn riyals in June as well, its first sovereign issuance since 2007. More multibillion debt sales could follow in the coming months, the Marketwatch said quoting SPA.

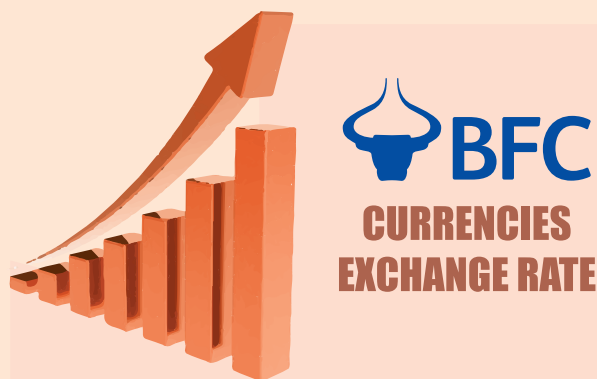
Saudi Arabia's debt issuance comes as the kingdom and the other oil-exporting economies of the Persian Gulf are contending with the fallout of lower oil prices that have sunk below \$50, roughly half of what they were at a year ago. Oil revenue makes up for most of the budget income of these countries, or close to 90 per

cent in the case of Saudi Arabia.

The International Monetary Fund recently said Saudi Arabia is likely to run a fiscal deficit of about 20pc of its gross domestic product, or about \$150bn, this year. Economic growth, meanwhile, will hover around 3.5pc this year but weaken in 2016, the IMF said.



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## Q2 profit at US\$7.6m

# GFH REPORTS \$13.6M PROFIT

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GFH Financial Group "GFH", yesterday announced its financial results for the first half of 2015 ended June 30, 2015 reporting sound performance and profitability.

For the first six months of 2015, the Group reported a net profit of US\$13.6 million compared with US\$14.8m during the prior year period.

Net profit for the second quarter of 2015 was US\$7.6m versus US\$12.4m reported in the second quarter of 2014. Last year's results included a one-off income of US\$33m as a result of a recovery. Excluding this one-off gain, net profit for the first six months of 2015 increased to US\$13.6m compared to a loss of US\$18.2m for the prior year period.

On a quarterly basis, when normalized, net profit rose by US\$7.6m from a loss of US\$20.6m in the second quarter of 2014. Contributing to results for the current quarter was income generated from the placement of a new investment in Dubai, coupled with improved performance from the Group's subsidiary, Khaleeji Commercial Bank. Total income for the first half of 2015 was US\$55.6m compared

with US\$60.5m for the same period of 2014. Operating expenses for the period were US\$39.6m compared with US\$35.3m last year.

Commenting on the half year 2015 results, Hisham Alrayes, CEO of GFH Financial Group, said, "In the first half of the year, we continued to successfully execute our strategy investing in new cash yielding opportunities in defensive sectors that have sound growth potential. Key among these was a new investment in a British curriculum private school in Dubai in June 2015, which has contributed to our second quarter results. This followed

our May 2014 acquisition of a 1300 pupil, American curriculum K-12 private school also located in the UAE."

"During the first six months of the year, we also realized the benefits from other investments made in the last eighteen months. This includes dividends paid to our investors on the Diversified US residential portfolio and Philadelphia Private School in Dubai. We have also distributed partial exits from our India project. We shall continue to grow our income yielding investment portfolio, maximize returns from our existing assets and progress our development projects."

**In the first half of the year, we continued to successfully execute our strategy investing in new cash yielding opportunities in defensive sectors that have sound growth potential. Key among these was a new investment in a British curriculum private school in Dubai in June 2015**

## Inflation drops in India

New Delhi

India's inflation rate fell lower than analysts' expectations while factory output inched higher, official data showed yesterday, adding pressure on the central bank to further cut interest rates.

Consumer prices cooled to 3.78 per cent in July from a year earlier, according to the statistics ministry, lower than the 4.4pc predicted by a Bloomberg survey.

According to the data, industrial production grew 3.8pc in June, the highest in four months, and higher than Bloomberg's prediction of 3.5pc.

The latest inflation figure was down from 5.40pc recorded in June, while factory output rose from May's 2.7pc -- signalling a boost in Asia's third largest economy.

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) kept interest rates unchanged earlier this month, resisting pressure for a fourth cut of the year and saying the country's economic recovery was "still work in progress".

But Finance Minister Arun Jaitley cheered Wednesday's data on Twitter, saying it showed "that the economy is firmly on the growth path".

RBI governor Raghuram Rajan has made keeping inflation below six per cent a target, but has already cut interest rates three times this year in a bid to inject life into the economy, which at 7.5pc growth outperformed China's for the first three months of 2015.

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UAE	3.6730	3.6161	3.7308	2.9504
SAUDI	3.7500	3.6919	3.8090	3.0123

# Airbus to develop Ariane 6 by 2020

Paris

The European Space Agency announced yesterday that it has tapped Airbus Safran Launchers to build a new generation of rocket launcher by 2020 in a deal worth 2.4 billion euros (\$2.7bn).

The Ariane 6 satellite-carrying rocket launcher is due to take its maiden voyage in 2020, and is an update to the company's Ariane 5 which first

launched in 1998.

The new system is expected to launch 12 rockets per year to an altitude of 36,000 kilometres (22,000 miles) and has partners from 12 European countries.

Alain Charmeau, president of Airbus Safran Launchers, said the contract showed the partners were determined to create "a launcher just as reliable, more competitive and adapted to the evolution of



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the space market that is in the midst of transformation."

The decision to roll out the project was taken at a ministerial meeting in

December in Luxembourg, with Europe keen to remain competitive with America's SpaceX.

The contracts signed on Wednesday "cover all development work on Ariane 6 and its launch base," ESA said in a statement, including 680 million euros for preliminary development up to mid-2016.

Overall, Ariane 6 is expected to cost three billion euros.



# ARIG RAISES HALF-YEAR PROFIT

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**I**mproved underwriting performance and higher investment returns supported a 32 per cent increase in the Arig Group's half-year net profit of US\$6.2 million (half-year 2014: US\$ 4.7m).

Earnings from the conventional reinsurance book contributed with a net income of US\$9.2m (half-year 2014: US\$7.4m), whereas Takaful Re, the Group's Islamic subsidiary, produced a loss of US\$2.7m over the period (half-year 2014: a loss of US\$2.6m). Results include exchange rate effects and an impairment provision of US\$4.9m taken over the office property held by Takaful Re.

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The Group's net result for the second quarter alone was US\$2.7m (Q2 2014: US\$1.9m).

Gross premiums written during the first half-year decreased by 21pc to US\$186.1m for the Group (half-

year 2014: US\$236.8m), reflecting Arig's selective underwriting policy in a soft market environment, shifts in its Lloyd's portfolio and exchange rate effects.

The Group's combined ratio was

90.2pc after the second quarter (half-year 2014: 90.8pc).

Yassir Albaharna, CEO of Arig, commented: "Arig significantly improved its half-year result despite losses from the Nepal earthquake and the Far East, an increase in our technical provisions and a one-off impairment taken on our subsidiary's property holding. I am pleased to say that the Group continues to operate on very solid financials."

Arig's shareholders' equity stood at US\$262.1m on June 30, 2015 (end of 2014: US\$264.5m) after the distribution of dividend US\$0.05 per share. Book value per share was US\$1.32 at the end of the second financial quarter 2015 (end of 2014: US\$1.34).



Yassir Albaharna

■ Commercial and Industrial Transportation service provider

# FIRST MOTORS: THE ONE STOP TRANSPORTATION SOLUTION

DT News Network

Manama

**F**irst Motors, the exclusive dealer of Hyundai vehicles in Bahrain, reiterates their commitment of meeting the needs and requirements of every commercial enterprise by providing flexible and customised transportation solutions with their impressive range of commercial vehicles.

First Motors range of Commercial Vehicles include heavy, medium and light weight vehicles available in different sizes and offers the market various models including Hyundai Mighty Trucks, Hyundai Heavy Duty Trucks, Hyundai Special vehicles and Hyundai Buses. They combine dynamism and performance with comfort, safety and dependability to offer the perfect vehicle for the transportation business. These vehicles serve all conveyance purposes including transportation of materials, manpower and food.

Serving customers looking for higher levels of utility with comfort and safety, the Hyundai Commercial Vehicles include the Hyundai HD series, the perfect vehicles to meet the demands of the trucking business. It also includes the

Hyundai buses comprising the Hyundai H1 9 seater Wagon having greater storage capacity for luggage and other goods, the 30 seater Hyundai County Mini Bus and the 46 seater



Hyundai A e r o City. Other Commercial Vehicles from Hyundai are the Heavy Duty Trucks, the ideal vehicles for material distribution, long distance haulage and construction work. In the name of Special Vehicles, Hyundai provides transport operators and businesses with a range of service vehicles including Car Carrier Trucks, Ambulances, Aircraft refuelers and Fire Fighting Trucks.

Speaking about the Commercial Vehicles, Raed Mu'ti, the General Manager

of First Motors, said: "We are doing our best to meet the needs of customers in the currently evolving commercial vehicle market. With our range of Commercial Vehicles we want to bring to the

attention of all business owners the operational efficiency of our vehicles in this segment. First Motors has always been committed to providing the best quality products and services to customers. Like always even with our complete range of commercial vehicles we aim to help business owners improve their commercial commutation needs by making available to them vehicles they can depend on year in and year out. Each vehicle is individually tested and the technology that goes into making these strong vehicles have proven

their worth on the toughest of roads even in the most extreme conditions to meet the various performance requirements."

"At first Motors we work towards the satisfaction of our clients as well, hence the vehicles are also priced very reasonably keeping in mind both

business owners will appreciate the quality, efficiency and durability of all the vehicles as well as the service we provide.

Vehicles in the Hyundai Commercial Vehicles series cater to every business requirement in terms of power, safety and reliability because we see this as a way to contribute to the economy of the Kingdom of Bahrain and we are optimistic about the success of our line up of vehicles that cater to the growing business needs and demands as we provide to customers an undisputable range of vehicles in every category. We aim to redefine the commercial vehicles industry by providing customers with

compelling options followed by higher earning potential,' he added.

The Commercial Vehicles range offered by First Motors have proven to be the best business partners by fostering entrepreneurs, self-employed and other businesses to grow with their extensive product expertise and in-depth knowledge of the market and by providing transportation solutions that make operations easier and smoother.

First Motors, part of Al Zayani Investments group, is fully committed to demonstrating to the Bahrain market that Hyundai is the brand that represents unique value for money without compromise.

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## Lose weight while you snack

Eating a snack or two between meals can curb hunger so that you don't inhale the dining room table when you finally sit down to supper. Snacking can also help you get in all the nutrients you need. On the flipside, grazing all day, particularly on foods of little nutritional value may result in eating too much and packing on extra pounds. These 6 snacks are smart choices that can help you lose weight.

### 1. Almonds

One study found that people who chewed almonds thoroughly (up to 40 chews) felt full longer than those who chewed the same amount of nuts fewer times.



### 4. Grapes

Toss grapes in the freezer for an easy snack. Because they're sweet and you savour them individually and slowly, you'll get a lot of satisfaction for just a handful of calories.



### 2. Grapefruit

Grapefruit's "diet food" rep might be justified: one study found that when people simply ate grapefruit with each meal, they lost up to 3 1/2 pounds over three months. Grapefruit may help manage appetite by lowering insulin levels, say researchers.



### 5. Chocolate

Include a treat every day. Believe it or not, giving yourself little treats may be the secret to losing weight—for good. Aiming to be "too good" sets you up to fail. If you like a glass of wine with dinner, make room for it. Prefer dessert? Skip the drink and go for a low-calorie chocolate treat instead.



### 3. Chickpeas

Keep chickpeas in the pantry. They have a meaty texture and a nutty flavour along with plenty of satiating fibre and a little protein—perfect when you're watching your weight. Try roasting them for a crunchy snack.



### 6. Popcorn

Popcorn is high in fibre, low in fat and delivers some protein. A 1-ounce serving (about 3 cups) of air-popped popcorn has 4 grams of fibre, almost 4 grams of protein, just over 1 gram of fat and clocks in at 110 calories. This combination makes it a snack with staying power.



## Recipe → Fudgy Brownies

### Ingredients

- 4.5 ounces all-purpose flour (1 cup)
- 1/2 cup unsweetened cocoa
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/3 cup butter
- 2 ounces dark chocolate, chopped
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 1/4 cup 1 per cent low-fat milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 2 large egg yolks
- 1 large egg
- Cooking spray

### Preparation

1. Preheat oven to 350°.
2. Weigh or lightly spoon flour into a dry measuring cup; level with a knife. Combine flour, cocoa, and salt in a medium bowl; stir with a whisk.
3. Place butter and chocolate in a medium microwave-safe bowl, and microwave at



HIGH for 45 seconds, stirring every 15 seconds. Stir until smooth, and set aside. Cool slightly. Add 1 cup sugar, milk, 1 teaspoon vanilla extract, egg yolks, and egg; stir with a whisk to combine. Add butter mixture to flour mixture, stirring just until combined. Pour batter into an 8-inch square metal baking pan coated with cooking spray. Bake at 350° for 20 minutes or until a wooden pick inserted in centre comes out almost clean.



# HACKERS TARGET GAS PUMPS IN US

## Washington

Hackers from Syria and Iran are on the prowl to hold a neighbourhood or city's gasoline supply up for ransom, or, worse, cause it to spill and explode, with Washington being high on the target list, according to a new report.

The report, issued over the weekend by a group of digital security sleuths, found that a number of groups, including the notorious Syrian

Electronic Army — known for hacking news groups — are looking for soft targets they can take control of easily through the Internet, and use to cause a variety of mayhem.

The report shows that retail gasoline stations offer such opportunities, with recent targets showing up in the nation's capital.

The cyber security company Trend Micro compiled its attempts to lure

would-be hackers out into the open with digital honeypots, or in this case "GasPots," to see how bad actors conduct "reconnaissance" and sabotage over the web.

It turns out that the GasPots attracted the largest number of attempted hacks in the United States, including at a GasPot set up in Washington.

The GasPots mimic the electronic control servers that retail gasoline networks use to monitor their tank levels,



They can hold a neighbourhood or city's gasoline supply up for ransom, or, worse, cause it to spill and explode

as well as control pressure settings and gas pumps.

Trend Micro said these automatic tank-gauging

systems are easy targets. Most retail stations, or their networks, do not use any security software or protocols in using them, according to the white paper.

More serious attacks were perpetrated against GasPots in the US Allegedly the Syrian Electronic Army used one such spot in a more serious denial-of-service attack, which hackers use to bring down servers and networks. (Washington Examiner)

## Showing rift between the two terrorist groups

# TALIBAN DENOUNCES 'IS' EXECUTION VIDEO

## Kabul

The Taliban have condemned a "horrific" video that appears to show fighters from the Islamic State group blowing up bound and blindfolded Afghan prisoners with explosives, spotlighting the growing rivalry between the militant networks.

IS insurgents have been making gradual inroads into Afghanistan, challenging the Taliban on their home turf at a time when an increasingly bitter power transition is roiling the Afghan militant movement.

The Taliban have themselves often been accused of savagery during their 14-year insurgency against the US-backed Afghan government but they were blunt in their condemnation of the new IS video.

"A horrific video... (shows) kidnapers who associate themselves with Daesh (IS) brutally martyring several white-bearded tribal elders and villagers with explosives,"



A screengrab from the IS execution video

the Taliban said in a statement Tuesday. The video, more than four minutes long, appeared on jihadi social media forums on Sunday and contained commentary in Arabic and Pashto.

Apparently shot in Afghanistan's restive east against the backdrop of hilly

grasslands enveloped with fog, it describes the prisoners as "apostates" aligned with the Taliban or the Afghan government. But the Taliban described them as "innocent civilians".

"This un-Islamic act... can never be justified," their statement said. "This offence

and other such brutal actions by a few irresponsible ignorant individuals under the guise of Islam and Muslims are intolerable."

The Taliban are blamed for the vast majority of civilian casualties in Afghanistan as the country battles a growing wave of insurgent attacks

## IS insurgents have been making gradual inroads into Afghanistan, challenging the Taliban on their home turf

following the announcement of the death of longtime Taliban leader Mullah Omar.

Even before news of his death the group suffered a string of defections to IS, with some insurgents voicing disaffection with the man described as a "ghost leader" -- he had not been seen in public since the Taliban were toppled from power in 2001.

The announcement of Omar's death, observers say, could be a very effective recruitment tool for IS, potentially helping it lure more Taliban turncoats in a region where it is still struggling to gain ground.

## IS claims beheading Croatian hostage

### Cairo

The Islamic State group said yesterday it has beheaded a Croatian hostage, and released a picture of a body after what would be the first such killing of a Westerner in Egypt.

Croatian Prime Minister told reporters he could not "confirm with 100 percent certainty" that Tomislav Salopek, who worked for French company CGG, had been murdered. "But what we see does not look good," he said.

Salopek was abducted last month west of Cairo. The jihadists had issued a 48-hour deadline that expired on Friday threatening to kill him if Muslim women prisoners were not freed from Egyptian jails.

The authenticity of the picture could not be immediately verified.

Salopek's abduction and purported killing were unprecedented in Egypt, which is battling an IS insurgency in the eastern Sinai Peninsula.

The picture was posted on IS-affiliated Twitter accounts with the caption: "Execution of prisoner from Croatia -- which has participated in war on Islamic State -- after deadline ended."

# McD apologises for 'don't feed the homeless' note



A McDonald's Big Mac, their signature sandwich is held up near the golden arches at a McDonald's outlet

## Marseille

McDonald's France was forced to apologise yesterday following the emergence of an internal note reportedly ordering staff not to hand out food to "tramps" at a restaurant on the swish Cote d'Azur.

The note was revealed on Twitter by consumer group "60 Million Consumers". "Following an incident on July 25, it is formally forbidden to give food to tramps," says the note, which is signed by "the management".

"As a reminder, staff meals must be eaten on the premises. Staff meals are a personal benefit and should only benefit the staff member in question," the note continued. "McDonald's is not here to feed

## They cited an incident in which employee meals were given out for homeless

all the hungry people in the country!" concluded the note.

The association cited on its website a McDonald's employee who said he had given some of his food to homeless people outside the restaurant last month.

"The smile of the people to whom I gave my meal was priceless," the consumer group quoted the staff member as saying.

The fast-food chain responded in a statement: "After a serious incident

with homeless people on the evening of July 25 in front of the McDonald's in Hyeres, the restaurant sent out a note to prevent these incidents and to ensure its clients' safety."

"The procedure and the wording was clumsy and the management swiftly withdrew the note. McDonald's contacted the restaurant to apologise to anyone who might have been shocked by this note and to recall that the chain is there to serve any client, without distinction," the firm added.

## Hitlist of Bangladesh bloggers out

# THE 'POISON-PEN LETTERS'

Dhaka

Bangladesh police were yesterday investigating apparent death threats against six secular writers, days after the murder of a fourth blogger in six months.

The six, who include poets, bloggers and a journalist, all live in the southern city of Barisal and went to police after their photographs appeared late Tuesday on a new Facebook page registered under the name Ansar-BD.

"There are three anti-Islamic poets and three organisers of bloggers. They are the enemy of Islam. We should do whatever it takes," read the post.

Police said they did not know who was behind the threat but were taking it seriously, and the country's elite security force was investigating. "We've increased surveillance and patrols near their homes and workplaces," Barisal city police chief Shakhawat Hossain said.

The apparent hit list was published less than a week after blogger Niloy Chakrabarti was hacked to death at his home in the capital Dhaka by an unknown attacker.

He was the fourth atheist blogger to have been killed since



Bangladeshi secular activists take part in a procession to protest against the killing of blogger Niloy Chakrabarti

February when Bangladeshi-born US citizen Avijit Roy, a writer and moderator of a blog site, was hacked to death in Dhaka.

The Bangladesh branch of Al Qaeda in the Indian Subcontinent, Ansar Al Islam, claimed the murder of Chakrabarti and warned of more to come, according to monitoring group SITE.

Another Islamist militant group, Ansarullah Bangla Team, took responsibility for several killings of secular bloggers and was outlawed by Bangladesh in May.

Journalist Nazrul Biswas was among those threatened. He

said he was not against Islam and refused to be intimidated.

The list was published as New York-based rights group Human Rights Watch urged Bangladesh authorities to unequivocally declare their commitment to free speech instead of proposing self-censorship.

"It's shocking that Bangladesh authorities not only failed to protect the bloggers despite complaints to the police about threats against them, but instead are proposing self-censorship," said Brad Adams, Asia director at HRW. up to 14 years in jail for hurting religious sentiments.

## THE WALLS HAVE EYES: KABUL'S GRAFFITI



Under a soldier's watchful gaze, a group of artists paint a blast wall outside Kabul's presidential palace with a huge pair of eyes in bright, almost psychedelic colours. Alongside the eyes, a slogan reads, "Corruption cannot be hidden from God or from the people". The project is not some guerilla graffiti campaign but comes with the blessing of Afghan President Ashraf Ghani -- bringing colour to the sometimes drab Kabul streets while pushing an anti-corruption message in a country where graft is rife.

## India seeks \$100m from Nestle

New Delhi

India's government is seeking damages of nearly \$100 million from Nestle for "unfair trade practices" after the food safety watchdog banned its hugely popular Maggi noodles brand.

The government said yesterday that it had filed a suit with the country's top consumer court for 6,400 million rupees (\$98.6 million) in damages from the Indian arm of the Swiss food giant.

India's food safety watchdog in June banned Nestle from making or selling noodles in the country after tests by

some states found lead levels exceeded statutory limits.

Nestle has withdrawn the product in India but continues to sell it elsewhere, and has always denied the charge. "We filed the complaint with the National Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission (NCDRC) yesterday and have sought around 6,400 million rupees in damages," G, Gurcharan, Additional Secretary at the Ministry of Consumer Affairs said.

"Our complaint is over their unfair trade practices and the court will now issue them notices to hear their response,"



The Maggi noodles

Gurcharan added.

A Nestle India spokesman said that the company had not yet received official notice about the complaint with the NCDRC, a semi-judicial body that has the power to fine companies.

## Pakistan foils Independence Day bomb plot

Islamabad

Pakistani security forces said yesterday that they had foiled a plot to bomb Independence Day celebrations in Karachi after arresting a Taliban gang in the city.

Militants had been planning to detonate a van loaded with explosives in the country's largest city during Friday's celebrations marking independence from

Britain in 1947, a statement from the military said.

"In an intelligence-based operation security forces have... foiled a terrorist bid planned to sabotage 14 August celebrations in Karachi," the statement said. The military released photos showing four men detained in the operation along with the van, a motorbike and bomb-making equipment.

Police and government paramilitary forces have been mounting an operation against militants and criminals in Karachi since September 2013.

The city of 20 million people, Pakistan's economic capital, has been racked in recent years by criminal, ethnic, political and religious violence.

In June last year the military

launched a major operation against Taliban strongholds in Pakistan's tribal northwest aimed at ending the bloody insurgency that has plagued the country for more than a decade.

The offensive intensified after December last year when Taliban militants attacked a school in Peshawar and killed over 150 people -- mostly children.

## Six injured in US military chopper accident

Tokyo

Six people were injured when a US military helicopter failed to land properly on an American ship during an exercise off Japan's Okinawa Island on yesterday, the US military said.

A US Army H-60 helicopter was "damaged during a hard deck landing" aboard the vehicle cargo ship USNS Red Cloud 20 miles (32 kilometres) east of the island, US Forces Japan said in a statement. "The helicopter was conducting a local training mission," the brief statement said, adding that the cause of the accident is under investigation.

## He's 'all ears' Australian artist to connect 'ear' on arm to web



Sydney

An Australian artist and academic plans to connect an ear which he has been growing for years on his arm to the Internet so people can hear and track his movements.

The project by a professor from Curtin University in Western Australia, known as Stelarc, is his latest in a series of artworks exploring the boundaries of blending robotics, prosthetics and the human body.

"Increasingly now, people

are becoming Internet portals of experience... imagine if I could hear with the ears of someone in New York, imagine if I at the same time, could see with the eyes of someone in London," he told the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

A miniature microphone with wireless Internet connection will be inserted into the "ear", while people will be able to track it through a GPS device placed on the body part.

"There won't be an on-off switch," he said of the microphone. If I'm not in a wi-fi hotspot or I

switch off my home modem, then perhaps I'll be offline, but the idea actually is to try to keep the ear online all the time."

Stelarc, the director of Alternate Anatomies Lab at Curtin, has previously created an exoskeleton, inserted a sculpture into his stomach and used a third, robotic, arm for writing.

He said the idea of having an ear implanted and grown on his arm first emerged in 1996. "In previous performances I've used a third hand, an extended arm, a six-

legged robot. Having an extra ear was sort of a natural progression," Stelarc told commercial broadcaster Channel Nine Wednesday.

Stelarc said the ear was "partly surgically constructed and partly cell-grown".

"A biopolymer scaffold was inserted into my arm, skin was suctioned over it and then over a period of six months that encourages your cells to grow into the scaffold. It grows its own blood supply so this ear becomes not only fixed, but a part of your body," he said.

# DT NEWS

## Show Time

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### MISSION IMPOSSIBLE

(Action / Adventure / Thriller)  
Starring: Tom Cruise, Rebecca Ferguson, Jeremy Renner  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 11:00, 13:30, 16:00, 18:30, 21:00, 23:30  
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Daily At: 10.45 Am + 11.15 Am + 1.30 + 2.00 + 4.15 + 4.45 + 7.00 + 7.30 + 9.45 + 10.15 Pm + (12.30 Mn + 1.00 Am Thurs/Fri)  
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**SEEF (I):** Daily At: 10.30 Am + 1.00 + 3.45 + 6.30 + 9.15 Pm + 12.00 Mn  
**SAAR:** Daily At: 12.15 + 3.00 + 5.45 + 8.30 Pm + (11.15 Pm Thurs/Fri)  
**AL JAZIRA:** Daily At: 2.00 + 4.45 + 6.30 + 9.15 Pm + (12.00 Mn Thurs/Fri)



**BROTHERS (PG-15) (HINDI/ ACTION/DRAMA) NEW**  
Starring: Akshay Kumar, Jackie Shroff, Sidharth Malhotra  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 10:30, 13:30, 16:30, 19:30, 22:30, 01:15  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 12.00 + 3.00 + 6.00 + 9.00 Pm + 12.00 Mn + (12.30 Mn Thurs/Fri)  
**SEEF (II):** Daily At: (1.00 Am Thurs/Fri)  
**SEEF (I):** Daily At: 11.45 Am + 2.45 + 5.45 + 8.45 + 11.45 Pm  
**AWAL:** Daily At: 12.00 + 3.00 + 6.00 + 9.00 Pm + (12.00 Mn Thurs/Fri)

### VACATION

(Adventure / Comedy)  
Starring: Ed Helms, Christina Applegate, Skyler Gisondo  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 10:45, 14:30, 18:15, 22:00  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 11.45 Am + 2.00 + 4.15 + 6.30 + 8.45 + 11.00 Pm + (1.00 Am Thurs/Fri)  
**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 12.30 + 2.45 + 5.00 + 7.15 + 9.30 + 11.45 Pm + (1.00 Am Thurs/Fri)  
**SAAR:** Daily At: 12.00 + 2.15 + 4.30 + 6.45 + 9.00 Pm + (11.15 Pm Thurs/Fri)

### INTO THE GRIZZLY MAZE

(Action/Adventure/Horror/Suspense)  
Starring: Billy Bob Thornton, James Marsden, Piper Perabo  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 12:45, 16:30, 20:15, 00:00

### INSIDE OUT - 3D (Animation / Adventure / Comedy)

Starring: Amy Poehler, Bill Hader, Lewis Black  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 10:30, 14:30, 18:30, 22:30  
**INSIDE OUT - 2D**  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 12:30, 16:30, 20:30, 00:30  
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**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 11.15 Am + 1.30 + 3.45 + 6.00 + 8.15 + 10.30 Pm  
**SAAR:** Daily At: 12.00 + 2.00 + 4.00 + 6.00 Pm

### FANTASTIC FOUR

(Action / Adventure / Sci-Fi)  
Starring: Miles Teller, Kate Mara, Michael B. Jordan  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 11:00, 13:00, 15:00, 17:00, 19:00, 21:00, 23:00, 01:00  
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**AL JAZIRA:** Daily At: 2.00 + 4.15 + 7.30 + 9.45 Pm + (12.00 Mn Thurs/Fri)

### MR. HOLMES

(Crime / Drama / Mystery)  
Starring: Ian McKellen, Laura Linney, Hiroyuki Sanada  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 10:45, 12:45, 14:45, 16:45, 18:45, 20:45, 22:45, 00:45  
**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 1.00 + 5.00 + 9.00 Pm

### BAJRANGI BHAJJAN

(Hindi / Drama)  
Starring: Salman Khan, Kareena Kapoor, Harshaali Malhotra  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 11:00, 17:00, 23:00  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 11.30 Am + 2.30 + 5.30 + 8.30 + 11.30 Pm  
**SAAR:** Daily At: 8.00 Pm + (11.00 Pm Thurs/Fri)

### BAAHUBALI

(Hindi / Action / Romance)  
Starring: Tamannaah Bhatia, Rana Daggubati, Anushka Shetty  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 14:00, 20:00

**VAALU (Tamil / Action / Comedy)**  
Starring: Silambarasan, Hansika Motwani, Santhanam  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 11:00, 16:45, 22:30  
**Seef (I):** Daily At: 11.30 Am + 2.30

+ 5.30 + 8.30 + 11.30 Pm  
**AL HAMRA:** Daily At: 12.00 + 6.00 Pm

### LOVE 24/7

(Malayalam / Drama)  
Starring: Dileep, Nikhila  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 14:00, 19:45, 01:15  
**AL HAMRA:** Daily At: 3.00 + 9.00 Pm + (12.00 Mn Thurs/Fri)

### HAYATY MEBAHDELA

(Arabic / Comedy)  
Starring: Mohamed Saad, Hassan Hosny, Nicole Saba, Samy Maghawry  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 10:30, 12:45, 15:00, 17:15, 19:30, 21:45, 00:00  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 12.15 + 2.30 + 4.45 + 7.00 + 9.15 + 11.30 Pm  
**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 11.30 Am + 1.45 + 4.00 + 6.15 + 8.30 + 10.45 Pm

### MINIONS (Animations / Comedy / Family)

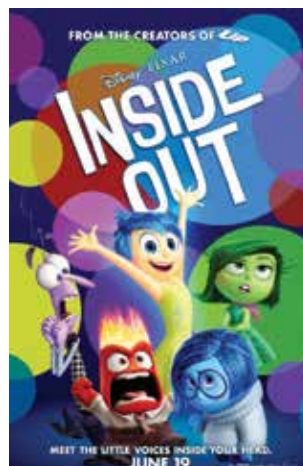
Starring: Sandra Bullock, Jon Hamm, Michael Keaton  
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**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 10.30 Am + 12.30 + 2.30 + 4.30 + 6.30 + 8.30 + 10.30 Pm

### SHADD AGZAA

(Arabic / Thriller / Drama / Action)  
Starring: Mohamed Ramadan, Donia Samir Ghanem, Yasser Galal  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 11:00, 13:00, 15:00, 17:00, 19:00, 21:00, 23:00, 01:00  
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**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 11.45 Am + 2.00 + 4.15 + 6.30 + 8.45 + 11.00 Pm + (1.00 Am Thurs/Fri)

### TERMINATOR GENISYS

(Action / Sci-Fi)  
Starring: Arnold Schwarzenegger, Jason Clarke, Emilia Clarke  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 11:00, 13:30, 16:00, 18:30, 21:00, 23:30  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 1.45 + 6.45 + 11.45 Pm  
**SEEF (I):** Daily At: 12.30 + 6.00 + 11.30 Pm



### THE GIFT (Mystery / Thriller)

Starring: Jason Bateman, Rebecca Hall, Joel Edgerton  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 13:00, 17:45, 22:30, 00:45  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 11.30 Am + 1.45 + 4.00 + 6.15 + 8.30 + 10.45 Pm



### JURASSIC WORLD (Action / Adventure / Sci-Fi)

Starring: Chris Pratt, Bryce Dallas Howard, Ty Simpkins  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 10:30, 15:15, 20:00  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 11.15 Am + 4.15 + 9.15 Pm  
**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 12.30 + 5.00 + 9.30 Pm

### ANT MAN

(Action / Adventure / Sci-Fi)  
Starring: Paul Rudd, Michael Douglas, Corey Stoll  
**DANA CINEMA:** Timings: 10:30, 12:45, 15:00, 17:15, 19:30, 21:45, 00:00  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 10.30 Am + 1.00 + 3.30 + 6.00 + 8.30 + 11.00 Pm  
Daily At (3D): 10.30 Am + 3.00 + 7.30 Pm + 12.00 Mn  
**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 11.00 Am + 1.30 + 4.00 + 6.30 + 9.00 + 11.30 Pm

### SPY (15+) (Comedy/Action)

\* Melissa McCarthy, Jason Statham, Jude Law  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 10.30 Am + 1.00 + 3.30 + 6.00 + 8.30 + 11.00 Pm

### SAN ANDREAS (Pg-15) (Action/Thriller)

\* Dwayne Johnson, Alexandra Daddario, Carla Gugino  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 10.45 Am + 1.15 + 3.45 + 6.15 + 8.45 + 11.15 Pm

### PIXELS (Pg-15) (Action/Comedy/Sci-Fiction)

\* Adam Sandler, Kevin James, Michelle Monaghan  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 2.30 + 7.00 + 11.30 Pm

### PAPERTOWNS (Pg-15) (Comedy/Thriller/Romantic)

\* Cara Delevingne, Nat Wolff, Halston Sage  
**CINECO (20):** Daily At: 12.15 + 4.45 + 9.15 Pm

### AWOL-72 (15+) (Action/Thriller) New

\* Luke Goss, Rza, Bokeem Woodbine  
**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 10.30 Am + 3.00 + 7.30 Pm + 12.00 Mn

### ROSEWOOD LANE

(15+) (Thriller) New  
\* Rose McGowan, Ray Wise, Lin Shaye  
**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 11.00 Am + 3.00 + 7.00 + 11.00 Pm

### GRIZZLY (15+) (Drama/Thriller/Crime) New

\* James Marsden, Piper Perabo, Billy Bob Thornton  
**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 10.45 Am + 3.00 + 7.15 + 11.30 Pm

### DEKH MAGAR PYAAR SAY (Pg-13) (Pakistan/Comedy/Romantic) New

\* Humaima Malick, Sikander Rizvi  
**SEEF (II):** Daily At: 12.45 + 5.00 + 9.15 Pm

### DRISHYAM

(Pg-15) (Hindi/Thriller/Crime)  
\* Ajay Devgn, Shriya Saran, Tabu  
**Seef (I):** Daily At: 3.00 + 8.30 Pm



# SOUTHPAW MOVIE REVIEW



**S**outhpaw is a lethal concoction of drama and pugilistic action. The film's bland scripting put its lead character through a circle of physical and emotional suffering. Jake Gyllenhaal skilfully moulds himself into the character of Billy Hope whose dwindling career in boxing is revived after life forces him to stand up for his daughter. Billy's character is quite that of a man child, who runs by the decisions taken either by his wife Maurie or his manager.

After a bloody match, Maurie is the first to sense that Billy is losing his edge. But, as fate would have it, an accident kills her leaving Billy emotionally derailed, in debt and left to

re-build his life from scratch. It's a predictable story which relies solely on the performance of its lead man.

Director Antoine Fuqua extracts a dazzling act from Jake who is supported by a neatly-scripted story which might miss the streak of genius but is earnestly heart-felt. There is no melodrama which drives home the film's punches swifter. The thing with these sport movies is that impact works better than nuances. Not that it is any less fun watching Jake's Billy master his defence strokes, but it is the film's sentimentality that scores over its well-choreographed punches.

Jake is winsome in the physically demanding role. He

has the perfectly-sculpted abs, the correct postures, seething with anger in his brawls and filled with love as he carefully caresses his daughter's tresses. With his flawed diction and pitch-perfect demeanour, Southpaw is a Jake-show all along as he takes us through the agonizing discipline of boxer's routine.

With a heartening story in tow, the film transforms a regular tale of suffering, loss and redemption extraordinarily. Though laden with cliches, it is consistently hard-hitting and never loses plot. The right blend of heart and skill works in suffusing an operatic feel to the movie, which is an absolute knockout.

## India - Sri Lanka First Test

# ASHWIN HUNTS DOWN LANKANS



Ashwin appeals

## Galle, Sri Lanka

Off-spinner Ravichandran Ashwin grabbed six wickets as India bowled out Sri Lanka for 183 but then stumbled briefly in reply in a rousing start to the first Test yesterday.

Twelve wickets fell on the opening day and India were themselves reduced to 28-2 before they recovered to post 128 without further loss by stumps at the Galle International Stadium.

Opener Shikhar Dhawan was unbeaten on 53 and skipper Virat Kohli was on 45 during a third-wicket stand of 100, leaving India just 56 runs away from the lead.

Dharmika Prasad trapped Lokesh Rahul leg-before for seven and Rohit Sharma fell in similar fashion to Angelo Mathews for nine, but Dhawan and Kohli stepped in to deny Sri Lanka further success.

Ashwin, playing a Test match on Sri Lankan soil for

the first time, finished with six for 46 – his 11th five-wicket haul – as the home team were bowled out in 49.4 overs after they won the toss and elected to bat.

Leg-spinner Amit Mishra, one of the three spinners in the Indian team on an unusually dry pitch, took two wickets off successive balls to hasten the end.

Ashwin said the two early wickets taken by seamers Ishant Sharma and Varun

Aaron, which reduced Sri Lanka to 15-2, made his work easier.

“Once the seamers did their job, it was very simple after that,” he said. “I just wanted to get into my stride pretty strongly and start with a good rhythm.”

**'Tacky wicket'**

Ashwin said he expected the pitch to play slower as the game progressed, making it tough for both batsmen and bowlers.

“The wicket was really tacky in the morning and the ball was just deviating enough,” he said. “But as the game goes on, it is going to get really slow. One will have to work harder to get wickets.”

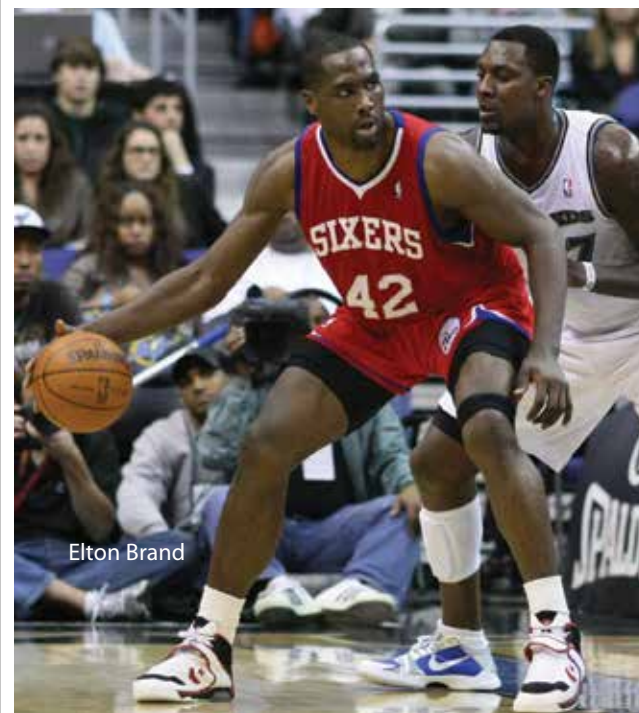
“From that aspect, we need to bat really well and see where we go from here.”

Mathews brought up his half-century with a six over long-on against veteran spinner Harbhajan Singh. He also hit six fours.

Chandimal said the early moisture in the wicket made batting difficult, but acknowledged that the Indians bowled well.

“It was not easy to bat in the morning and India used the conditions well to make it tough for us,” he said. “The pitch eased out later in the day,” he added.

## NBA veteran Brand retires after 16 seasons



Elton Brand

## New York

Elton Brand, the top pick of the 1999 NBA Draft, announced his retirement Tuesday after 16 seasons, which included two All-Star nods.

The 36-year-old centre and power forward was taken first by the Chicago Bulls and earned NBA Rookie of the Year honours for the squad, but was traded to the Los Angeles Clippers after two seasons in the league.

Brand became a tough inside player in seven seasons with the Clippers, twice being named to NBA All-Star Games, but he missed most of the 2007-08 season with a ruptured left

Achilles tendon and was sent to Philadelphia, where he spent four seasons.

He went on to play one season with Dallas and two more in Atlanta, but saw only limited action for the Hawks, who had the best record in the Eastern Conference but lost to Cleveland in the Eastern Conference playoff finals.

Brand averaged 16.1 points, 8.6 rebounds, 2.1 assists and 1.7 blocked shots a game over 1,041 NBA appearances. In the playoffs, Brand averaged 12.6 points, 6.3 rebounds and 1.6 blocked shots and assists over 40 playoff games, 30 of them as a starter.

### Champions League play-off draw



Final: San Siro, Milan

1st leg: Aug 18/19, 2nd leg: Aug 25/26

## CHAMPIONS ROUTE

Astana KAZ APOEL Nicosia CYP

Skenderbeu ALB D. Zagreb CRO

Celtic SCO Malmö SWE

Basel SUI Maccabi Tel-Aviv ISR

BATE Borisov BLR Partizan SRB

## LEAGUE ROUTE\*

Lazio ITA Leverkusen GER

Man Utd ENG Club Brugge BEL

Sporting POR CSKA Moscow RUS

Rapid Vienna AUT Shakhtar UKR

Valencia ESP Monaco FRA

## Group stage draw: Aug 27

Matchdays: Sep 15/16, Sep 29/30,

Oct 20/21, Nov 3/4, 24/25, Dec 8/9

\*Highest-ranked teams after automatic qualifiers

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## Victorious Pumas change seven for Boks rematch

## Buenos Aires

Argentina have made seven changes to the team that humiliated South Africa last weekend for a Test rematch in Buenos Aires Saturday.

Apart from the personnel alterations, coach Daniel Hourcade has made two positional switches as the Pumas seek to build on a stunning 37-25 win over the Springboks in Durban.

It was the first triumph for Argentina over South Africa after 19 failed attempts since the countries first met in 1993 in Buenos Aires.

And it was the first Rugby Championship away victory for the South Americans after 10 losses in Australia, New Zealand and South Africa over four seasons.

Out of the Durban starting backline go right winger Horacio Agulla, centres

### Sanchez will be monitored with the Rugby World Cup a month away

Marcelo Bosch and injured Jeronimo De la Fuente and scrumhalf Tomas Cubelli.

They are replaced by Santiago Cordero, Matias Moroni, Nicolas Sanchez and Martin Landajo for the match at the 50,000-capacity Estadio Jose Amalfitani in a western suburb of the Argentine capital.

Veteran Hernandez, who was outstanding at fly-half last weekend, retreats to inside centre to accommodate Sanchez in the pivotal role.

Sanchez disappointed in Rugby Championship losses to New Zealand and Australia last month and his form will

be closely monitored with the 2015 Rugby World Cup kick-off just over a month away.

Among the forwards, lock Guido Petti Pagadizabal, flanker Pablo Matera and No. 8 Leonardo Senatore step down.

Into their places come Benjamin Macome, Tomas Lezana and France-based 64-Test veteran Jean Martin Fernandez Lobbe. Juan Manuel Leguizamon, another long-serving warrior in the Pumas pack, moves from the flank to No. 8 in a positional alteration.

While Hourcade is rotating with the World Cup in mind, he retained props Marcos Ayerza and Nahuel Tetaz Chaparro and hooker-cum-skipper Agustin Creevy, who tormented South Africa last weekend. The passionate Pumas dominated the scrums and breakdowns as South Africa suffered their most



Sanchez

humiliating Test loss since a 49-0 meltdown in Australia nine years ago.

It is the final Test warm-

up for both countries before naming 31-man World Cup squads with Argentina due to reveal theirs Sunday.

# MOURINHO'S SCAPEGOATS

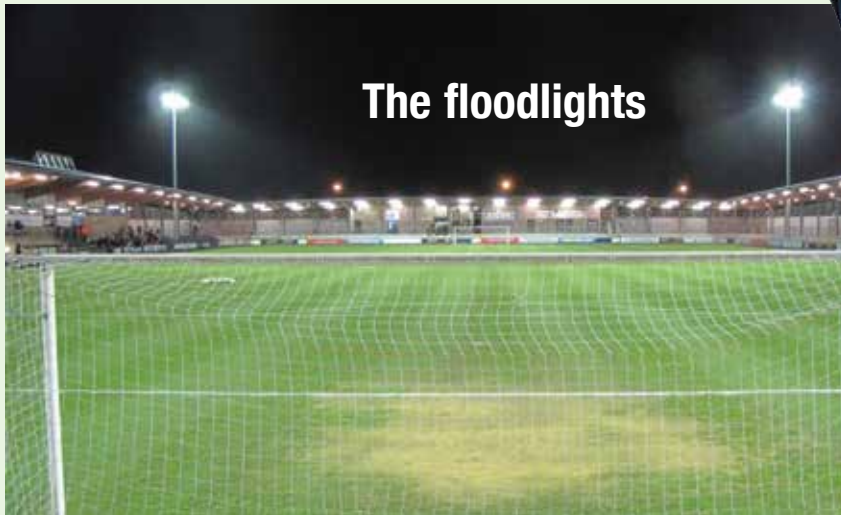
The thing to remember with Jose Mourinho is that if his team doesn't win, it was someone else's fault. The brilliant Portuguese deserves his place in the hall of fame as one of the greatest managers of all time; diverting attention away from any under-performances with the sleight of hand and skill of a master magician, one of his more devious and entertaining traits. But how does he do this? Let us show you some of Jose's very best and most common excuses for when his team doesn't win a game...

## The doctor



A new season, a new scapegoat. Chelsea's weak performance in their surprise draw with Swansea last weekend was hidden beneath a screen of smoke created by Mourinho when he strongly criticised Eva Carneiro's desire to attend to an injured player, as is one of the central duties in her role as doctor. "My medical department left me with eight fit outfield players in a counter attack after a set piece and we were worried we didn't have enough players left," said Mourinho

## The floodlights



In a difficult win over QPR in Oct 2014, Mourinho blamed the floodlights not being switched on early enough as one of the main reasons his team took so long to score: "I think the man responsible for the lights was in the same mood as the crowd, because everybody was sleeping. He took 20 minutes to understand that it was dark."

## The fans



Mourinho moaned when "only 300" Real Madrid fans made the journey for a match in Rayo Vallecano and was heavily critical of the Bernabeu home crowd. Diverting attention away from his players and creating another talking point out of thin air, after a 2-2 draw with Borussia Dortmund in 2012 he said, "If, like me you have been here for two and a half years, you are used to the cold atmosphere here".

Real Madrid fans aren't alone either - following a tough fought 2-1 victory over QPR last October, Mourinho told talkSPORT, "At this moment it's difficult for us to play at home though, because playing here is like playing in an empty stadium. I was today looking around and it was empty, but not in terms of people because it was obviously full. That's what is frustrating."

## The board

Throughout Mourinho's career he has had digs at boardroom members who have failed to sign players he alleges to have requested. At the end of Mourinho's first season at Chelsea he hit out at the club for their unwillingness to buy a striker - despite winning the Premier League - using an egg and omelette analogy to express his displeasure. "It depends on the quality of the eggs. In the supermarket you have class one, two or class three eggs and some are more expensive than others and some give you better omelettes. So when the class one eggs are in Waitrose and you cannot go there, you have a problem."

While in charge of Inter Milan in 2010, Mourinho accused his former employers Real Madrid of leaving him short upfront, despite Kaka, Cristiano Ronaldo, Karim Benzema and Gonzalo Higuain all being available: "At Madrid I wanted another striker, Higuain and Benzema are not enough."



## The pitch

Real Madrid had a slow start to the 2010/11 La Liga season and began to receive criticism for their lack of cohesion and negative tactics. After a 3-0 win over Espanyol a diversion explanation was offered: "The play was not good but I'm satisfied. The team was tired, we were up against a rival with nothing to lose and we were playing on a potato field." Real quickly had the Bernabeu playing surface replaced





## ATP Montreal Masters

# DJOKER TRUMPS BELLUCCI

**Montreal, Canada**

**T**op-ranked Novak Djokovic began his preparation for the US Open by defeating Thomaz Bellucci 6-3, 7-6 (7/4) late day before yesterday, advancing to the third round of the ATP Montreal Masters.

But there was no luck with the weather for Andy Murray, with the British second seed forced off court at 4-4 against Spain's Tommy Robredo when rain struck less than an hour before midnight, postponing the finish of the contest until later in the morning.

Serbian top seed Djokovic made his first appearance since winning Wimbledon

more than a month ago. He also created a bit of personal history with his 250th win at the Masters 1000 level.

Djokovic is riding a win streak in the elite series, winning the last five he has contested dating to Paris Bercy last November. He remains undefeated in his last 27 matches at the Masters.

Djokovic will now wait for a winner from American Jack Sock and 14th seed Grigor Dimitrov. Sock beat Adrian Mannarino 6-2, 2-6, 7-6 (7/5) while Dimitrov eliminated Alexandr Dolgoplov 6-4, 7-5.

"It was a very intense match for both players," Djokovic said of his fourth win over Bellucci

and his first on hardcourt in the series. "There was a lot of tension and a very high quality."

"I managed to stay cool and mentally tough in the right moment. That's what I take out of this match - the ability to play my best and stay calm in the right moments and overcome this tough challenge."

Ivo Karlovic beat eighth seed Milos Raonic 7-6 (7/1), 7-6 (7/1), after the Canadian saved three match points before losing for his earliest exit in Montreal since 2010. The winner's 22 aces sent him past 10,000 for his career.

In the first round, holder Jo-Wilfried Tsonga, the French 10th seed, opened his campaign

with a defeat of Borna Coric 6-4, 6-4 while Czech Lukas Rosol upset South African 12th seed Kevin Anderson 7-6 (7/2), 7-6 (7-4).

Belgian 13th seed David Goffin put out American Steve Johnson 6-2, 6-2. John Isner, the number 16 and a finalist last week in Washington, struggled past Germany's Benjamin Becker 6-4, 6-7 (6/8), 6-3.

Australian Nick Kyrgios began his hardcourt run with a 6-3, 4-6, 6-4 victory over Fernando Verdasco under the watchful eye of new mentor Lleyton Hewitt.

Kyrgios, the world number 41, is working alongside Australia's

double grand slam winner in an informal capacity, with the 34-year-old elder statesman of

the current Aussie game happy to help out the 20-year-old youngster.



## NEW MOVIES OF THE WEEK

CITY CENTRE
SEEF
SAAR
AL JAZIRA

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# FANTASTIC

**BROTHERS**

**VACATION**

**Vaalu**