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SUBSIDY ESCAPES KNIFING!

HRH Prime Minister puts off meat subsidy revocation till October

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Adding a 'twist in the tale' in the meat subsidy issue, Prime Minister HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa yesterday postponed the plan to scrap meat subsidies in Bahrain till next month. Earlier, it was announced that meat subsidies would be revoked from September 1.

Deputy Premier Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, who is also chairman of the Ministerial Committee for Financial Affairs and Spending Restraint, informed the joint Government-Parliamentary Subsidy Review Committee about the Premier's decision to delay the scheme by one month for review.

The panel will discuss all the plausible options along with representatives of Ministries and government departments, which are still supplying the committee with required data.

"The delay reflects HRH the Premier's keenness on consolidating cooperation with the Council of Representatives and Shura Council and discussing economic issues and citizens' standard of living," said the Deputy Premier as he attended a meeting of Government-Parliamentary Subsidy Review Committee yesterday morning.

The joint session focused on redirecting subsidies to benefit citizens, among other alternatives to address the potential financial repercussions resulting from the sharp decline of oil prices in world markets.

The Premier was reassured about the measures taken by Ministries and government departments to protect consumers and ensure free competition, once meat prices are deregulated.

The Deputy Premier underlined particularly plans to step up control mechanisms to protect the local

market from any detrimental social or economic malpractices.

He announced that the Central Informatics Organisation (CIO) would invite, within the coming days, people wishing to receive cash compensation to register online through the website or smartphone applications.

The database will enable the Ministries of finance and social development to fix the lists of eligible recipients and start cash compensation payouts in October. A total of 116,000 Bahraini families, who feature on the lists of the Social Development Ministry, and who receive aid under the Government-funded assistance programmes, will be exempted from registration as they will receive cash compensation through their bank accounts.

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US launches secret drone campaign to hunt Islamic State leaders

Washington

The CIA and U.S. special operations forces have launched a secret campaign to hunt terrorism suspects in Syria as part of a targeted killing program that is run separately from the broader U.S. military offensive against the Islamic State, U.S. officials said. The CIA and the U.S. Joint Special Operations Command are both flying armed drones over Syria in a collaboration responsible for several recent strikes against senior Islamic State operatives, the officials said. Among those killed was a British militant believed to be an architect of the terror group's effort to use social media to incite attacks in the United States, the officials said. The clandestine programme represents a significant escalation of the CIA's involvement in the war in Syria.

HRH PREMIER CALLS FOR BROAD ARAB TIES

PM holds meet with envoys of Saudi Arabia, UAE and Jordan

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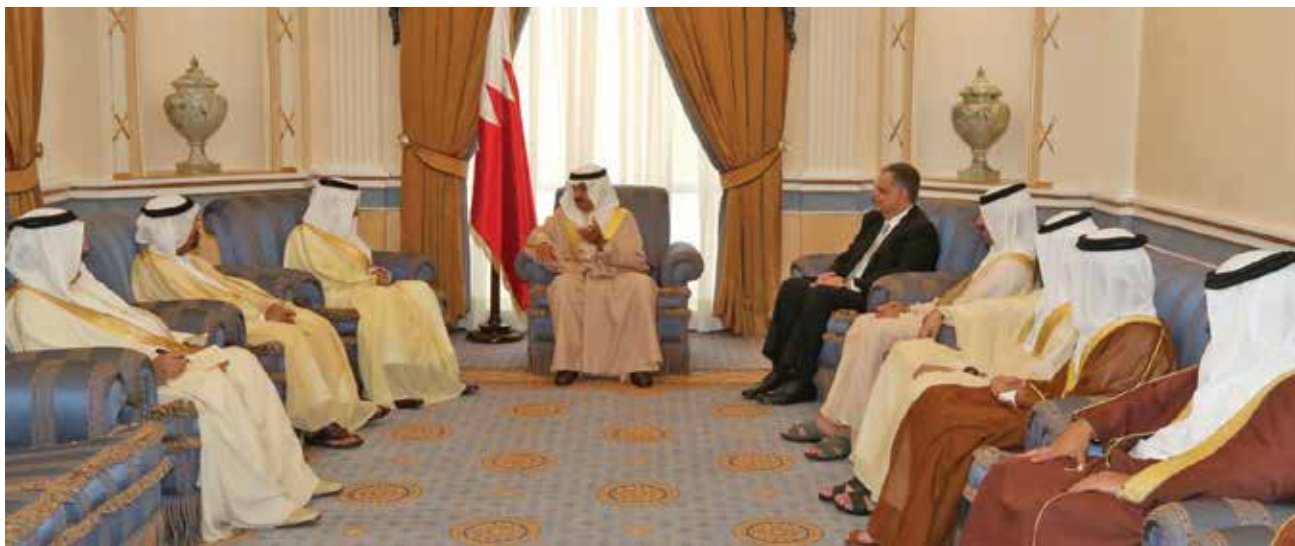
The current regional and global situation requires a more comprehensive Arab political, economic and security cooperation, said Prime Minister HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa.

"All joint steps should be taken from a shared responsibility perspective," he remarked in a meeting with the Ambassadors of Saudi Arabia, UAE and Jordan at Gudaibiya Palace here yesterday.

Stressing the need to intensify meetings between senior GCC officials, Prince Khalifa said that regular periodical meetings could no longer cope with the successive and rapidly unfolding developments in the region.

He called for the need to be vigilant and draw lessons from the situation the region has been going through.

"State of instability prevailing in some countries as a result of the plots



HRH Premier in conversation with the Ambassadors of Saudi Arabia, UAE and Jordan yesterday

orchestrated by the enemies of the nation. They may move to any other countries unless we take caution and adhere to comprehensive cooperation as a strategic option to thwart evil conspiracies staged against the Arab Nation," he elaborated.

Speaking to the

Ambassadors- Dr. Abdulla bin Abdul Malik Al Sheikh (Saudi Arabia), Abdul Ridha Abdulla Khoury (UAE) and Mohammed Ali Siraj (Jordan)-HRH Premier lauded the role played by Saudi Arabia, under the leadership of King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, in

steering joint GCC action towards more cohesion.

Commenting on the role of the UAE, he noted its good efforts and keenness on championing Arab causes and supporting GCC solidarity. He also appreciated the role played by Jordan in supporting

Arab issues and valued highly its honourable supportive stances towards the Kingdom of Bahrain.

HRH the Prime Minister also reviewed with the Ambassadors a number of issues and topics of mutual concern.

National Guard chief receives pilgrims

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National Guard Commander Lieutenant General Shaikh Mohammed bin Isa Al Khalifa received here yesterday the Head and the members of the Pilgrims Mission comprising National Guard officers and personnel, who came to greet him before their departure on pilgrimage.

The meeting was attended by National Guard Staff Director Major General

Shaikh Abdulaziz bin Saud Al Khalifa, National Guard Commander Office Director Brigadier Abdulrahman Rashid Al Sa'ad and Presidency Court Division President Colonel Mohammed Abdullah Rabia.

The National Guard Commander wished the mission every success in performing their Hajj rituals. He urged them to show the spirit of cooperation and tolerance with pilgrims from

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Arab and Islamic countries. He also commended the efforts of the Saudi government to provide all needed facilities

for the pilgrims. The Pilgrims Mission Head Dr. Shaikh Rashid bin Mohammed Al Hajiri thanked, on behalf of the mission members, the National Guard Commander for his growing care for the mission.

He also thanked the National Guard Staff Director for his continuous efforts to follow up on the needs of the mission to help them perform their Hajj rituals in optimum conditions.

'Saving water is our responsibility'

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Instead of indulging in blame games, every person in Bahrain should play a proactive role in conserving water resource of the Kingdom, said President of Environment Friends Society, Dr. Khawla Al Mohannadi.

Her comments came after World Resources Institute (WRI), a global research organisation that spans more than 50 countries, came up with alarming news that Bahrain tops the list of countries, which would face severe water problem in 2040.

WRI said that 14 of the 33 water stressed countries in 2040 are in the Middle East, including nine considered extremely highly stressed with a score of 5.0 out of 5.0: Bahrain, Kuwait, Palestine, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, Israel, Saudi Arabia, Oman and Lebanon.

Highlighting the need for conserving water resources, Dr. Khawla said that there



Dr. Khawla Al Mohannadi

should be a national effort to save this precious resource.

Prophet Muhammad also highlighted the value of water, saying, "Do not waste water even if you were at a running stream." But some people waste water even at the mosques during ablution. It is time to strictly follow the teaching of Prophet Muhammad for the sake of future generation, she explained.

"When we go to restaurants, we change the plates again and again. Changing plates increase the need for water. Actually, one plate, one fork and one spoon are enough for the whole meal. But we change plates just because somebody is there to clean them," she added.



National Guard Commander poses for a photograph along with the pilgrims

HUMAN FREEDOM: BAHRAIN TOPS GCC

Bahrain in third place among Arab countries: Study

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Bahrain is ranked first among the GCC countries in a newly released report on human freedom this year, a study revealed.

This was mentioned in the Human Freedom Index (HFI), which is co-published by the Fraser Institute, the Liberals Institute at the Friedrich Naumann Foundation and the Cato Institute.

HFI presented a broad measure of human freedom around the world.

According to the report, Bahrain came in the third place among Arab countries, after Jordan and Lebanon.

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The Arab countries that followed Bahrain were Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Morocco, Mauritania, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Algeria and Yemen, respectively. The top 10 jurisdictions include Hong Kong, Switzerland, Finland, Denmark, New Zealand, Canada, Australia and Ireland

Mauritania, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Algeria and Yemen, respectively.

The top 10 jurisdictions in order were Hong Kong, Switzerland, Finland, Denmark, New Zealand, Canada, Australia, Ireland, the United Kingdom, and Sweden. The bottom of the list included countries like Iran,

Zimbabwe and Venezuela. The HFI is the most comprehensive freedom index so far created for a globally meaningful set of countries.

It covers 152 countries for 2012, the most recent year for which sufficient data is available. The index ranks countries beginning in 2008, the earliest year for which a

robust enough index could be produced.

The findings in the report showed that freedom plays an important role in human well-being.

The findings in the study offer opportunities for further research into the complex ways in which freedom influences, and can be influenced by

HFI presented a broad measure of human freedom around the world

political regimes, economic development, and the whole range of indicators of human well-being.

First Gulf Pharma - Medical meet begins

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More than 400 doctors, pharmacists and specialists from Bahrain and abroad will attend the first Gulf Pharma-Medical Conference to discuss the means to tackle the risks of infectious diseases.

The two-day event, which begins from today at ART Rotana Hotel here, will be held under the theme "Making a Difference in Infectious Diseases."

The conference is being held under the auspices of Supreme Health Council (SHC) Chairman Lieutenant-General Dr. Shaikh Mohammed bin Abdulla Al Khalifa.

Health Ministry Internal Medical department Chief Dr. Jameela Al Salman, also head of the scientific committee, said key medical issues, especially antibiotic-resistant bacteria, would be addressed in the conference.

Speaking on the activities of the event, Bahrain Pharmacists Society, head of the conference organising committee Yasser Sakhir said, "More than 20



Dr. Jameela Al Salman

The two-day event will be held under the theme "Making a Difference in Infectious Diseases"

keynote speakers will address the participants and as many as 30 research papers will be presented during the two-day conference, which also features workshops and round-table discussions."



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Prime Minister HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa received royal family members and senior state officials at Gudaibiya Palace yesterday.



Deputy Premier Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa held a meeting with the US Ambassador to Bahrain, William Roebuck at Gudaibiya Palace yesterday.



Royal Guard Commander Brigadier HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa received yesterday British Military Attaché to Bahrain Lieutenant Colonel Andrew Price.



Commander-in-Chief of the Bahrain Defence Force Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa received Kuwaiti Ambassador to Bahrain Shaikh Azzam bin Mubarak Al Sabah, in the presence of Military Attaché at the Kuwaiti Embassy in Bahrain Major General Ali Suleiman Al Asaker yesterday.



Commander-in-Chief of the Bahrain Defence Force Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa received yesterday a delegation from the US Congress on the occasion of their visit to Bahrain.

'LOST PASSPORT' LEAVES MAN'S WEDDING IN LIMBO

Indian national stranded as lost passport misused by another man

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Manama

An Indian man's marriage ceremony is in doubt as his 'missing passport' put him in trouble. Indian national Jithesh Parambil James is desperate to go back to his hometown as he is due to get married next week.

However, he is unable to leave the country because of what he describes as 'complications' that arose after he lost his passport a few months ago. Although he got a new passport from the Indian Embassy, he said that he could not use it because another man had reportedly misused the missing passport.

"When I lost my passport, I did the required paperwork to get a new passport and the

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Indian Embassy issued me a new passport. Subsequently, when my employer tried to process my new passport for transferring my visa, he could not do it," said James.

"I was informed that someone had used the passport that went missing. I heard that it might have been used to travel outside of Bahrain. This complicates matters and I don't know how long it might take for a solution," he rued. "My marriage is round the corner.

I need to go as soon as possible and my family is anxiously waiting for me," he added.

Social worker Basheer Ambalayi, who is helping James in the case, commented: "This is a complicated issue. Obviously, in the event of losing a passport, one has to contact the police station, Embassy and immigration office to complete the paperwork. I am not sure whether he has fulfilled the formalities correctly and on time."



Jithesh Parambil James

"We went to the immigration office today and reported what happened. They were cooperative and understanding. They agreed to look into this case and give us an answer tomorrow

"When I lost my passport, I did the required paperwork to get a new passport and the Indian Embassy issued me a new passport. Subsequently, when my employer tried to process my new passport for transferring my visa, he could not do it"

(Wednesday)," he added. Meanwhile, the incident has not been confirmed by the authorities. DT News has contacted the concerned department and a response is expected today.

Police band to perform in Italy



Mubarak Najem

Manama

Police Band will perform during the Bahrain Day event to be organised by the Bahrain Authority for Culture & Antiquities (BACA) in Italy in September as part of an international exhibition.

It will be part of the band's participation in regional and international events. Police Band Commander Major-General Mubarak Najem thanked Minister of Interior and BACA President Shaikha Mai bint Mohammed Al Khalifa for inviting the band to take part in the event.

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'BAHRAIN'S SECURITY ABOVE ALL OTHER CONSIDERATIONS'

Al Mulla addresses Speakers of World Parliaments at UN Headquarters

New York

Maintaining security and peace is the key in achieving economic development and growth, especially at a time when the world is moving through multiple crises, Bahrain asserted.

Addressing the Speakers of World Parliaments at United Nations Headquarters here yesterday, Speaker Ahmed Al Mulla stressed that maintaining security and safety of Bahrain's citizens should be above all other considerations.

"Bahrain has been targeted by foreign meddling aimed at jeopardizing national sovereignty and territorial integrity as well as undermining democratic march, development, security and stability," remarked Al Mulla, who headed the Bahraini

parliamentary delegation to the Fourth World Conference of Speakers of Parliaments meeting here. The global parliamentary summit is held every five years. The summit will conclude today.

Al Mulla reiterated Kingdom's absolute rejection of external meddling as rejected by all applicable international conventions under any pretext.

"Bahrain affirms the importance of mustering collective international efforts to confront global terrorism to ensure world peace, security and development. Terrorism does not respect any religions or geographic boundaries," he pointed out.

Citing measures taken by Bahrain to protect society from the plague of terrorism, Al Mulla highlighted the Kingdom's participation in international alliance



Speakers of world Parliaments at United Nations Headquarters

against Daesh terroristic group. He also highlighted Bahrain's participation in the Saudi-led Arab coalition supporting Yemen's legitimate government to restore security and stability.

Addressing the conference, UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon urged to help drive forward the new UN sustainable development agenda. "Ensure that civil society are equal partners in

building the future we want." "We are being challenged to strengthen our collective resolve to promote peace and security, sustainable development and human rights around the world,"

said Ban. "People will look to you to hold your governments accountable for achieving the goals, and to write the laws and invest in the programmes that will make them a reality," he commented.

BACA launches 7th annual Ta'a Al Shabab fest

Manama

The Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities launched its seventh annual Ta'a Al Shabab festival last night in the Bahrain Fort at 7pm.

The festival was launched in the presence of Shaikha Mai bint Mohammed Al Khalifa, President of Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities.

Shaikha Mai said, "We are still betting on young people and their dreams and their ability to influence the cultural events of Bahrain."

As soon as Shaikha Mai entered the cafe reception hall of the fort, traditional drummers and chanters joined the crowd and guided them to walk to the great site of Bahrain Fort.

The fort captivated its visitors with its colourful lights. Guests were seated to find four-staged performers placed in different parts of the fort view along with a traditional band.

With the formation of the creative opening ceremony thanks to Ali Miraza, guests were delighted by the poetic, musical performance and expression of "We Were Here".

The poetic performance conveyed nature elements of the sea, sand, trees and pearls to capture the past and the present of Bahrain.

The poets recited their verses as they claimed their roots from the ground they stood on, all the more exemplifying the connection of our presence in the fort to our ancestors.

This seventh season is themed



The colourful lights captivated the visitors

under Heritage as it complements the celebration of BACA's theme 'Our Heritage, Our Wealth' in order to carry the character through the vision and dreams of Bahraini youth combining elements of local traditions and modernity.

The festival combined traditional and modern tales of Bahrain Fort's history as they celebrated famous Bahraini poet Abdulrahman Rafea's legacy.

The programme will continue until September 30 under 6 main programmes this season, namely 'We all Read' which emphasizes active reading and pursuit of knowledge, 'Hafawa' which is a tribute to legacies of late intellectual luminaries from the Arab World, 'Tashkeel' which focuses on fine arts as a tool for communication and expression, 'Premiere' which focuses on the art of movie making and namely two

other new activities called 'Hayat' which is a health related programme and 'Harmony' which is dedicated for music enthusiasts.

The Life programme will give youth the chance to participate in "Move 2" in Seef Mall of Muharraq.

As for the Premiere programme, the first initiative is an event titled 'First Experience' which gives youth the chance to get to know the cinematic scene in Bahrain.

There is also another initiative of the Premiere programme called 'Cinema on the Road' which is a collection of short movies produced and directed by Ta'a Al Shabab members to be presented for passerby's.

BACA's Media Advisor, Elie Flouty, said this season's Ta'a Al Shabab offers 15 activities under the 6 programmes with poets and writers from several countries like Libya,

KSA and Sudan to be participating in different districts in Bahrain.

He said, "We launched the event in Qala'at Al Bahrain fort as it is one of the oldest sites that conveys the most relative presence to our theme. We have around 500 youth members participating and we want to let them feel the importance of culture in their lives as Her Highness would want them to live their culture through creativity."

On the side of the performance view, artist Zahera Abdulwahed who is part of Tashkeel programme was sketching a grand portrait of poet Abdulrahman Rafea. She said, "Ta'a Al Shabab programmes have offered us an opportunity to practice our skills and passion by showcasing our identity through our work and talent. This season has definitely launched itself with a stronger cultural presence and sentiment than before."



The festival combined traditional and modern tales of Bahrain Fort's history

MIFFED ASIAN MAID SETS SPONSOR'S HOUSE ABLAZE

Woman torches house in retaliation over mistreatment

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Prosecution witnesses will be heard on October 6 in the trial of an Asian maid accused of torching her Bahraini sponsor's home in retaliation over his mistreatment.

The woman is standing trial before the High Criminal Court on charges of putting lives of people in danger and causing damage to a private property.

It's claimed that the

defendant ignited her room in her sponsor's house at 6.45am before escaping and leaving the family to face their fate.

However, the sponsor's son spotted smokes billowing from the room and alerted his father who contacted police.

The fire was put out by the Civil Defence personnel. Later, after reviewing the CCTV cameras, the family found out that the maid was behind it. She appeared in the footage covering the lens of one of the cameras and later

she ran away.

The Asian woman landed in the police net after she had gone to the manpower office, which brought her to work in the Kingdom.

"I went to the manpower office, who supplied her to me and I informed them about what had happened.

They assured that I would be informed if she returned," the victim said in his statement. "And as promised, I was informed of her arrival," he added.

After reviewing the CCTV cameras, the family found out that the maid was behind the crime. She appeared in the footage covering the lens of one of the cameras before fleeing the scene

Recounting the items damaged in the fire, the victim revealed that an air-conditioning unit, a wardrobe, a bed and other

furniture turned to charcoal. She estimated the damage from the incident at BD1700.

The defendant, however, denied torching the place, but

confirmed escaping 'because of being a prey to continuous abuses from her sponsor,' according to her statement.

"He was always shouting at me and there were huge differences between us because I was asked to do a pile of work," she said.

"I had agreed with them to stay for one year, and then I was asked to work for another year or pay them BD900 because they claimed I had breached my contract," she added.

Saudi man faces forgery charges

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Prosecution witnesses will be heard on October 5 in the trial of a 49-year-old Gulf national accused of counterfeiting US dollar notes. The Saudi man was sent to police custody after trying to purchase a watch worth BD455 from a shop in a local mall by settling the bill with counterfeit US currency.

He reportedly told the salesman in the shop that he

didn't have Bahraini dinars, offering to pay via dollars. But the bills he handed in exchange to the watch were discovered to be forged when the salesman went to an exchange company near the shop to convert them to Bahraini dinars.

The defendant was caught later in the mall by the salesman. But he claimed that he had received the dollars from a bank in Saudi Arabia. He gave the watch back, but fled the scene when the

salesman requested for his ID. He was later captured at King Fahad Causeway. He

He was caught after trying to purchase a watch worth BD455 by settling the bill with counterfeit US currency

told prosecutors that he was en route to his country to bring a receipt that proved he had received \$21,000 from the bank in Saudi.

"I used the same money in Saudi and Oman as well as I transferred part of it to my son who is living in the US," the defendant stated in his statement to prosecutors.

The notes were examined and a counterfeit expert confirmed that the money was forged.

Two cops implicated in torture case

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The High Criminal Court yesterday announced the adding of two policemen to the defendants list in the trial of three police officers accused of torturing two inmates to extract confessions.

The defendants are said to have beaten up the duo, tied their wrists to stairs and lifted them up in order to compel them to confess.

The victims are in police custody after being implicated in connection with a drug abuse case, according to the statement. The adding of the new defendants came after the trio stated that they weren't alone involved in the incident and that other police officers are also involved.

The High Criminal Court yesterday adjourned their trial until October 5 to hear the defence witnesses.

Ministry staff held in drug case

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An employee of one of the Ministries in Bahrain appeared yesterday in the dock on charge of smuggling two kilograms of heroin.

Another man is being tried with him at the High Criminal Court, and both have entered

a not guilty plea. The duo reportedly tried to bring the heroin through hiding it in car radiators.

But their plan didn't go through as anti-drug squads raided their homes following a tip-off.

The defendants, however, denied attempting to sell the

drugs, stating that they were meant for their personal use.

Investigations found that the first defendant's wife is also implicated in consuming drugs. She is expected to be tried in the same case.

The defendants were ordered to remain in police custody.

Bahrain pavilion at Milan Expo

Milan

President of Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities (BACA) Shaikha Mai bint Mohammed Al Khalifa has confirmed that the Expo Milan, Italy, in which the Kingdom of Bahrain is participating, has allocated a national day for each participating country to exhibit its own special events that distinguish them from other countries.

BACA President said that

Expo Milan had named the fourth of September to be the national day for the Bahraini pavilion to present its special events.

The national anthem will be played in the presence of HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister.

Then Bahrain Police Musical Band will present a musical show, in addition

Mohammad bin Faris Band will take part in the event which will also comprise a Bahraini fashion show.

Shaikha Mai Al Khalifa stressed that the Bahraini pavilion was among top three notable participating pavilions. "It has attracted the attention of many foreign critics and journalists attended the Expo, which is seeing the participating of more than 145 countries," Shaikha Mai added.

Bahraini man missing, family files appeal



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Manama

The family members of a missing Bahraini man issued a plea yesterday, asking for information related to his 'bizarre' disappearance.

Aqeel Ahmed, aged 50, didn't return home after

hours passed since the end of his duty at Muharraq Post Office in the afternoon yesterday.

His family said that they had searched hospitals, police stations, bus stations but there was no trace of him.

"Aqeel used to go his work with his colleagues because he didn't have a license. But recently, he used the public transportation as his

colleagues are on annual leave," a family member said on condition of anonymity.

"But today (Tuesday) he didn't come back home even after his duty hours. We are very concerned about him as he is suffering from diabetes and blood pressure," the member said.

"He is living in the village of Daih, and we are expanding the search area," he added.

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'TURKEY VICTIM OF IS'

Dr. Yasin Aktay speaks to *DT News* on the sidelines of a meeting

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Turkey is the victim of IS and those who criticise Turkey for no reason must change their attitude and start seeing things as they are, AK Party Vice Chairman and In charge of Foreign Affairs Prof. Dr. Yasin Aktay said.

He spoke to *DT News* on the sidelines of a meeting with the delegation of Bahraini Journalists in Ankara.

He said that Turkey was passing through a transition period because of the snap elections and such criticisms during this time has become more annoying.

"Who planted the IS and who is behind this terrorist organisation?" he questioned.

He said that it was mysterious when nobody stopped the IS fighters when they entered Mosul and 25000 armed soldiers of Iraqi army fled from the scene.

"It is also a mystery why Daesh never attacked Syrian regime so far and vice versa," he stated.

It is also a fact that there has been no serious war between the two. They both are fighting all the other parties like opposition, all



Prof Dr. Yasin Aktay

the Arabs, and even the Free Syrian Army, but there is no conflict between the two, he said.

"Daesh always attacks the enemies of Bashar Al Asad. From this you can guess who is behind Asad," said Dr

Turkish Armed Forces have developed a project entitled "Syrian Border Physical Security System"

Aktay, "At least we can say that they are not enemies of

Asad," he added. Turkey is not seeking any revolution anywhere in the world, not even in Syria. If Asad didn't make that massacre and crime against humanity we would not have opposed him, he stated.

Dr Aktay said that the problem of Foreign Terrorist Fighters (FTFs) is not restricted to Daesh only.

Turkey has brought the question of FTFs to the international community's attention since the Syrian civil war broke out in March 2011.

Although international media outlets tend to focus on the influx of FTFs seeking to join Daesh to Syria, the fact that thousands of others crossed into the country via Iran and Lebanon to join the regime forces and other groups has gone largely unnoticed.

The surge of terrorist organisations and the FTFs in the region is just one of the myriad of problems created by the political crisis experienced in the Middle East.

Every year, approximately 40 million tourists travel to Turkey. It is not only a



Prof Dr. Yasin Aktay speaking to the Bahrain media delegation at his office in Ankara

practical challenge, but also a violation of civil liberties to conduct surveillance on all foreign nationals legally entering Turkey, he said.

He said that in order to stop the influx of FTFs, European countries must take necessary security measures within their borders, at their airports and ports, and they should effectively share more information with the Turkish authorities.

However, upon persistent warnings from Turkey,

European governments have made a remarkable progress with regard to intelligence sharing. Turkish Armed Forces have developed a project entitled "Syrian Border Physical Security System" aimed at 7/24 surveillance on our border with Syria, preventing illegal border crossings and cross-border crimes, he said.

The project sees the construction of 151 kilometres of modular wall, 56 kilometres of reinforced

wire net and 15 kilometres of concrete based fence wire. 119 kilometres of the border will be illuminated for more effective patrolling activities, and 278 kilometres of border road will be renovated.

This project is part of the "Integrated National Border Security System" project conducted by the Turkish Ministry of the Interior, which will enable the 7/24 surveillance of all land borders of Turkey via drones and balloons.

Taking a tiny step for a giant leap

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A group of graduate teachers from University of Bahrain's Bahrain Teachers College stressed their keenness to implement educational skills they've received.

Their aim is to achieve a considerable leap in the field of education in the Kingdom and improve educational outcomes for students, pointing out that the educational system in college combines theory and practical application of materials.

One of the students, Fatima Rajab said the field contributes to the upbringing of many generations to come as she expressed her keenness to pass on her advanced educational skills to her students and improve the level of education.

She said that her experience at the BTC offered her great deal of professionalism needed by any teacher, adding that the college strengthened her knowledge, ability to analyse and criticise.

Another student, Ali Omar

expressed his pursuit for quality education stressing his commitment to provide and demonstrate significant positive change in the educational process of schools in the Kingdom, at the same time appreciating how the college shaped his personality as a teacher being able to manage, plan and implement projects by means of teaching and learning.

Noor Al Ghareeb, a graduate as an Arabic teacher confirmed her pursuit to promote generations to

their mother tongue, which represents their identity and belonging. She added that her experience in the college

Their aim is to achieve a considerable leap in the field of education in the Kingdom

enabled her to teach with elements of creativity and innovations.

Meanwhile, Ahmed Al Fareeh said he was pleased to start his career as a teacher in the start of the academic year, stressing his quest to contribute to develop generations based on valuable knowledge he had received during his studies at the BTC as it enabled him to diversify his teaching strategies and raise different challenges.

Abdullah Eid said being

a teacher gave him an opportunity to improve teaching and learning processes, pointing out his commitment to implement all of what he received, which provided him to achieve the highest quality education.

Another professor, Sideeqa Al Namliti talked about her significant experience as a teacher, noting that her access to competent work planning can provide learning and efficient opportunities for students.



Abdullah Eid



Ahmed Al Fareeh



Ali Omar



Fatima Rajab



Noor Al Ghareeb



Sideeqa Al Namliti

QURBANI AT ABATTOIRS IS HALAL, SAYS ACTIVIST

BLC allows slaughtering of Australian sheep only at abattoirs

Muhamamd Azam/DTNN
Manama

Slaughtering of the sheep for Qurbani in the absence of the Qurbani giver is fair in Islam and there is no problem in it, said Dawa Director Discover Islam Bahrain Shaikh Ahmed Khan.

His comments came following the Bahrain Livestock Company's (BLC) latest announcement that the Australian sheep will be slaughtered only at their slaughterhouse unlike the Somali sheep, which is available for the buyer to take home and slaughter it there.

Stating that it was only to do the Qurbani in an

organised way, he said generally, people used to tether the sheep very tightly with the rope and put them in their cars to carry home and then they put the animals in

animals, the BLC stopped the delivery of the live animals to the buyer. Shaikh Ahmed said that the BLC was allowing the delivery of the live animals to the owners of the farmhouses

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the bathrooms as they had no place to keep them. When the Animal Rights Groups raised the issue of cruelty to the

as they had a place to keep them. He said they had given 60 to 70 Muslim butchers to the abattoirs for this purpose



Shaikh Ahmad Khan

and they would slaughter the animals according to the teachings of Islam. "So there is no point worrying about this issue."

"The Qurbani is the command of Allah and if he asks for life they would do so happily," he commented.

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"The new generation must know about Qurbani and how would they know if their families keep on doing so in their home countries instead of before the eyes of their children here," he added.

Startup Bahrain forum held

Manama

Minister of Industry and Commerce Zayed bin Rashid Al Zayani participated in the Startup Bahrain Forum, which was held in Riyadat Complex.

industrial and services activities to facilitate the procedures and to remove all obstacles that hinder the march of economic projects at all levels, especially small and micro.

"The aim of these measures is

and services for investors," the minister added.

The minister also called youth to start business activities with confidence by saying they must continue attempts and break barriers of fear and frustration,

and Tamkeen and others." This was followed by an open discussion with entrepreneurs and the minister listened to the challenges faced by entrepreneurs in addition to the great development opportunities that will enhance the role of these companies in the local and neighbouring markets.

Founder of Startup Bahrain, Ahmed Sawafiri, said, "We are pleased with minister's presence in this meeting. We are sure that these meetings contribute significantly to take steps and actions to develop this vital sector in Bahrain." Startup Bahrain is Bahrain's first and only award-winning and independent digital publication for startups and entrepreneurship.

Thousands of readers rely on its interactive, educational, and inspirational content to help start and grow their businesses. Startup Bahrain organises meetings on a monthly basis.



Startup Bahrain Forum

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The minister briefed the audience about ministry's strategy and plans to develop emerging and small businesses due to its importance on the national economy.

Al Zayani said the Ministry of Industry and Commerce focuses on updating laws of commercial,

to maintain Bahrain's excellence and its attractive location for investors from all over the world. There is a direction to update the law of companies and commercial register in order to facilitate the procedures

adding many of successes stories precede failure.

The minister said, "There are a lot of programmes the ministry seeks to achieve in cooperation with relevant authorities such as Bahrain Development Bank



Minister meets entrepreneurs and owners of emerging companies

INJAZ Bahrain builds momentum

DT News Network

Manama

INJAZ Bahrain is looking to build on the momentum of a record-breaking 2014-15 academic year in terms of number of programmes delivered and students reached.

The organisation, which focuses on economic empowerment of the youth, received donations worth BD 57,300 in kind and money last year from its corporate partners: GPIC, Bank of Bahrain and Kuwait, Al Salam Bank, Banagas, Bapco, Ithmaar Bank, Gulf Air, Khaleeji Commercial Bank, National Bank of Bahrain, and Microsoft.

The support helped INJAZ Bahrain increase the number of total volunteers to 715 who were instrumental in reaching over 20,000 students in 149 primary, intermediate and secondary government and private schools, as well as 8 universities over the course of the academic calendar year.

Commenting on the achievements, Shaikh Hessa bint Khalifa Al Khalifa, Executive Director of INJAZ Bahrain, said: "As we approach INJAZ Bahrain's 10th anniversary celebration later this year, the organisation's position has never been stronger. The support we

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receive continues to underpin our continued success, and we look forward to another decade of preparing a new generation of young Bahrainis to thrive in a global economy and be active contributors to building the nation's future."

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16 DJs TO COME UNDER ONE ROOF



The Organiser of the Event- VJ MP3



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The best thing about being a DJ is making people happy. There is nothing like seeing people get up from a table to dance or the expression on their face when they hear a song they love. They also love to educate people on music they have never heard. For Bahrain, September 3 is a day of surprise as 16 DJs are going to showcase their unique



DJs who are going to perform at the DJ Festival

performance in a set of 30 minutes. The lineup includes Swif, DJ Sonia, DJ Salime, Tazlee, Ali Bakhtiar, DJ Mysterioo, DJ Fredz, Jackstreet, DJ Riddler, DJ Westside, DJ KatrinLove, Derek J, DJ Black, DJ Danzel and Detour. DJs from across Bahrain will come together for this eight-hour DJ festival. The festival is organised by VJ MP3, a renowned DJ in Bahrain.

DJ Tazlee who hails from Saudi is also taking part in the DJ Festival. "I assure that every set will be connected

to the next one with great surprises. They will have different kind of beats and styles too. When it is my turn, I will make everyone jump off the roof and feel the music from their hearts. I try to encourage and enjoy every single moment of live shows. This DJ Festival, I think, will be the greatest DJ event in Bahrain, and will be one of its kind, Mr. Tazlee told DT News.

The event is organised by Mohammed Almuharraqi, Bahraini International DJ and Producer, popularly known as VJ MP3. Born in

1993, VJ started DJing career when he was 13. He was rated as one of the Top DJs in Middle East. He has played all over the Middle East in the top clubs and festivals. He is the winner of Bahrain Top DJ 2012, 2nd Winner of Philips Middle East DJ Championship 2015, 3rd Winner of Pioneer Middle East DJ Championship 2012.

The DJ Festival, at the Royal Hall Adilya, will also showcase the performance of DJ Riddler. Born in Bahrain in the Arabian Gulf, DJ Riddler's passion for music led him to the local dance and music scene at a young age. At 18, he started mixing music and dreaming of becoming one of Bahrain's best DJs. Taking inspiration from influential DJs like Kid Capri, DJ Jazzy Jeff, DJ Scratch, and Biz Markie, in 2002 DJ Riddler started putting his self-taught skills on display in local clubs. Starting first in small clubs, as his experience and skills improved, he slowly took his skills to bigger, well-known local clubs, and has also played at a number of events outside Bahrain.



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GRAINS TO GET THEM GOING!



As the summer vacation comes to an end, children and parents alike will be facing the stress of moving into the new routine of waking in the wee hours of the morning and reaching the school gates on time. But between these two points, a very important, or probably the most important aspect is having a fulfilling breakfast that will keep the energy levels charged.

Breakfast is the most important meal of the day since it refuels the body with the needed energy after being deprived of food for about 10-12 hours of sleep. It also kick-starts the metabolism and



prepares children for their active day ahead. Research proves that having breakfast facilitates learning, increases alertness, efficiency, physical endurance and helps maintain a healthy body weight in school aged children. However, it is worth noting that the

quality of the breakfast you offer to your children is as important as its regularity. Breakfast must contain energy-giving carbohydrates, fiber, proteins, vitamins and minerals.

So what makes a delicious and healthy breakfast? For starters, many nutritionists have pointed towards a meal that is a good supply of wholegrain in addition to essential vitamins and minerals to kick start your child's school day. The thing is to be absolutely certain about your source of wholegrain-whether it's bread or cereals-so to know you're fueling your child with the right ingredients.

3 Big Q's to Ask About Wholegrain

Whole or refined grains? Grains like oats, wheat, rye, corn and rice contain essential nutrients required for a healthy diet. However they can be whole or refined. Always go for the whole grain option which contains all three parts of the grain, and is more nutritious as it provides the body with protein, fiber and essential vitamins and minerals that are lost when the grains are refined.

Why is wholegrain better for you? Health professionals have realised that wholegrain comes

with a long list of health benefits. It reduces the risk of diabetes, weight gain and also lowers cholesterol levels.

How can you tell if it is whole grain? Choosing whole grain can sometimes be misleading. The most reliable way of identifying a wholegrain product is to check the logo, labeling or nutritional information. You need to seek the word "whole" in the ingredient list: The higher the whole grain content, the earlier it will be stated on the list or look for the green wholegrain check mark which is indicative that the product is made with wholegrain.



A Take on Popular 'Back to School' Breakfast Choices

Nothing

No food in the tummy = no energy in the brain!

It's been proven that children who skip breakfast are twice as likely to be obese.



Frosted Cereals

Some frosted cereals have been proven to contain up to 37% sugar. High sugar foods give you a sudden rush of energy, which is broken down very quickly during digestion causing sleepiness and a rumbling stomach early on in the day.

Up to 37% sugar!

The Food Standards Agency considers sugar content above 15% to be high*



Porridge

Brighten up the bowl with fruit or even a few swirls of honey.

Rich in fibre, high in protein and packed with essential nutrients porridge is a great start to a morning for a natural and sustained release of energy.



Banana, Yoghurt & Nuts

A fruit/yoghurt combination is one of the most sustainable low-fat options on the breakfast menu. Mix and match your fruits to keep it fresh and exciting for your kids. Why not make the topping in to a smiley face? Get creative!



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Q&A WITH RBH

Dr.Nada Jawahery-Chief Dietician answers our readers' questions pertaining to a wholesome lifestyle

Celia J: What are some of the best ways to avoid foodborne illness?

Dr.Nada: Three of the best ways to avoid foodborne illness is to choose a restaurant that has an open view kitchen. People can see how the food is prepared and how often the cooks are washing their hands. Choose burgers that are well done. Raw meat can carry harmful bacteria. If the meat is not stored properly, the bacteria can grow and lead to food borne illness. Avoid eating raw salads. Raw vegetables that are not washed well can carry dirt and pathogens that are harmful.

Riffat Shakeel: I have recently noticed that my daughter has these flushed cheeks and redness on her

lips too, I first thought that it was just dryness but even after applying some cream, it doesn't go away. I have started to wonder that maybe it is a food allergy. Any way to determine if it is in fact a food allergy and exactly to what it pertains?

Dr.Nada: A food borne illness can cause skin reactions. One way to determine if the cause is food related is to find out what was eaten 24 hours before the skin reaction occurred and to notice if there was any new food that was consumed than the usual foods. And sometimes, food allergies can develop from foods that were already tolerated well before. If this is the case, an elimination diet can be followed to determine the culprit food. There is also a blood test that is conducted at the Royal Bahrain

Hospital that can help detect allergies to foods.

Hashim Aqeel : I was reading in last week's edition of Health-Talk about the Mediterranean diet and since I'm allergic to fish, which is mentioned to be eaten twice a week, is it okay to eat chicken instead of that and still reap the benefits of the diet?

Dr.Nada: It is true that the Mediterranean diet includes fish as a source of protein. Fish is also a source of healthy fats. Chicken can be a rich protein substitute for fish, but it's also a good source of the health promoting fats. To obtain these healthy fats from other sources, consume chicken with olives, walnuts, avocados, almonds, sesame seeds, pumpkin seeds or flaxseeds.

If you have any queries and questions regarding a healthy diet or pertaining to your well-being, send them to mehr@dt.bh and a specialist will provide insightful feedback to your doubts.

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3 STEPS TO CHANGE

With Kelly

Kelly Armatage is the inventor of A.S.K. - A Serenity Kit. This Therapist in a KIT is a 3 step subconscious re-wiring technique that creates major change. See www.aserenitykit.com

Each week, Kelly will show us the "3 Steps To Change" on a specific life subject.



3 STEPS TO CHANGE - FINANCIAL DEBT

1. NO TO OLD HABITS

In order to change money debt, it is through the strong intention to change your old financial habits to new, abundant and healthy ones. Worry, stress and guilt regarding money has to be removed, so that poor financial behaviours are also removed. Focus on a) removing the debt and b) creating financial windfalls is now the new order of every day.

2. REMAIN FREE

If you were to read books like "Think Rich and Grow Rich", you will observe that those that have financial wealth are free, flowing and connected around money. They have non-limiting thoughts and actions regarding money. It is important to practise this in your thoughts, emotions and behaviours. Listening to financial meditations, financial audiobooks and researching the mindsets of those that are wealthy is going to pay off for you - a) in feeling better about your situation and b) in future wealth attraction.

3. STAY FOCUSED

As you stay focused, disciplined and willing to achieve your goal of debt removal, it has to occur. Looking for ways to increase your income, and paying off your loans and cards over a certain time frame will ensure that your financial debt dissolves. A 100% focus and a 100% faith is what is going to get you there. Truly believe deep down in your soul that your debt will soon be a thing of the past and the universe will co-operate to bring you situations, opportunities, people and events to make this your reality.

If there is a specific state/subject that you would like Kelly to highlight send it to mehr@dt.bh

WELCOMING TO COMPREHENSIVE UROLOGICAL CARE

Royal Bahrain Hospital (RBH) has welcomed Dr. Mohammed Rafie, Consultant Urology, Uro-oncology & Andrology, as a member of its professional medical team at the hospital's Urology Department, recently.

Dr. Rafie's expertise includes the treatment of all kidney disorders, as well as medical & surgical treatment of stone disease in addition to the treatment of Erectile Dysfunction. He also has a special interest in the treatment of Urological cancers and Prostate disorders. Moreover, Dr. Rafie's expertise extends to the treatment of urinary incontinence, in addition to infertility



Dr. Rafie

treatments and genito-urinary infections.

"I am glad to welcome Dr. Rafie to RBH's family. I am confident he will be a valuable addition to our Urology department and will greatly contribute to the hospital's distinctive medical standards," said Mr. Jacob Thomas, Director at RBH.

Dr. Rafie is available at RBH's Urology Department every Sunday, Monday and Wednesday from 4:00 pm

to 8:00 pm. For more information, call 17246888.

Contest

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

- ◆1- Name one 'Back to School Breakfast' options you prefer?
- ◆2- What is the name of the doctor that has recently joined RBH's Urology Department?

Send your answers to mehr@dt.bh by Sept 8, 2015.
Winners will be contacted.

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A NEW TAKE ON HEALTHY COOKING

It's not the person but the passion that can bring out a good dish on the table. Cooking and getting the taste buds tickled with new and exciting recipes is a challenge, one which can be mastered by a person of any gender, as long as they know the difference between delectable food and just food.

"Men's Kitchen" is not your ordinary cooking show. It is an Arabic educational cooking programme, hosted by young

Bahraini men, that gives a fun twist to your typical cooking presentation. The show is presented by Hamad Abdulla and directed by the talented Anas Janahi and produced by Shabaka TV. While it aims to promote the idea of having male cooks in the kitchen, it is also encouraging Arab males to break the barrier and the stereotype of having just females in the kitchen and showcase how they can make the most out of this habit.

Seeing as people adopting the healthy lifestyle in Bahrain is low, these young food enthusiasts are challenging the norm that people in Bahrain, in order to adapt a healthy living, have to opt for expensive and inconvenient eating habits.

We will be presenting their amazingly healthy recipes, easy enough to be made at home and by anyone, even men in aprons!

A SNACK FOR ALL THE RIGHT REASONS

SPINACH DIP

Want a snack but keep the weight check in tact? At Men's Kitchen, the boys have come up with a healthy dip that makes a great accompaniment with snacks such as chips or if you want to go in an even healthier route, you can use sliced fresh vegetables, such as carrot sticks, celery stalks, green peppers, avocado and cucumbers as a healthy alternative to potato chips for the dipping sauce. Whole-wheat crackers or pita chips are fiber-rich complements to the dip as well.

Not all dipping sauces are healthy; however this dip is

nutritious and satisfying to your taste buds. Spinach Dip is one of the easiest snacks you can make in minutes. It's the kind of food you would like to prepare for parties or even when you're all alone at home and need to fix a quick snack. It's the kind of food that will, not only leave you feeling satisfied but won't make way for a single speck of guilt feeling!

As mentioned, not all dipping sauces are healthy even spinach dip, if it's prepared with whole sour cream, mayonnaise or fatty oils because of the fat content and high calorie count. Using a dip base of low fat or fat-free ingredients and fresh spinach gives you a nutritious spinach dip without compromising taste to serve as an appetizer or snack.

Spinach contains lots of nutrition that is good for your body. A cup of spinach contains around 7 calories and no fat. Therefore by using fresh spinach for your dip, it will provide you with around 167 milligrams of potassium which helps



regulate your heartbeat and almost 1 milligram of iron for transporting oxygen through the blood. Other benefits of spinach are it contains vitamin A which is healthy for your

eyes. It also contains a good amount of vitamin K which your body benefits from in order to prevent blood clotting and prevent hip fractures, according to nutritionists.

WHOLESOME VISTA -

with Weam Zabar (Certified Yoga Instructor and Reiki Level 4 Healer and the founder of Namaste Bahrain)



THE RIPPLE EFFECT

We often think of our actions with the perspective that they have an immediate effect. That is true, our actions have immediate influences. However, the good and bad news is that they also have long term effects that go beyond our imagination. Allow me to explain this through slightly exaggerated examples.

When I was in Sri Shakti Amma's ashram, I was introduced to their "Green Shakti" programme. Green Shakti empowers over 1638 farmers who plant saplings in their villages. Each farmer is given 500 fruit bearing plants, leading to the planting of 6m saplings within just one year. The effect of this program is not only immediate in relieving those farmers of poverty; it also has a compounded effect on the environment, and on the generations to come of these families (through better education and life choices).

An opposite example is one I encountered this morning. During the morning rush hour, many cars took the emergency lane in an attempt to skip traffic and cut off cars. What they had not anticipated though, is that an ambulance in an immediate need to get to a patient was blocked because of this. It got me thinking, what if the patient waiting dies because he had not received help fast enough? What if this person was a father/mother and the children end up committing crime because they had not received the guidance children need from their parents?

I invite you to look at the effects of your actions beyond the immediate moment. Always act with love.

KINDNESS CREATES RIPPLES

Scan the QR Code to see a beautiful ad by welfare organizations that has gained popularity for showcasing how kindness once bestowed on someone has such a strong impact, that it creates a ripple effect, passed onto generations



Scan the QR code to see the recipe in preparation

WHAT YOU NEED

- Olive oil
- 1 medium onion
- 3 Garlic
- 500 gram Philadelphia cream cheese
- 400 gram frozen spinach
- A little water
- Parmesan cheese
- Salt

HOW YOU WILL MAKE IT:

1. Take a medium pan and put it on medium heat.
2. Pour some olive oil.
3. Chop up 1 medium onion, 3 garlic and sauté it in the olive oil.
4. Add 500 grams of Philadelphia cheese to the pan.
5. Add some water to liquefy the mixture.
6. Add 400 grams of frozen spinach and mix it well.
7. Grate some parmesan cheese on top.
8. Add some salt (Optional).
9. Pour the spinach dip in a bread bowl and add more cheese on top.
10. Serve it with potato chips or vegetable sticks.

CELEBS

If you don't get out of the box you've been raised in, you won't understand how much bigger the world is.

- Angelina Jolie



STARRY BIRTHDAY



Salma Hayek is an actress, director and producer of Mexican and Lebanese descent who was nominated for an Academy Award for her role in *Frida*. She appeared in *Wild Wild West* with Will Smith.

September 2, 1966

Salma Hayek

YAHOO CEO SAYS SHE'S EXPECTING TWINS

San Francisco

Marissa Mayer, chief executive officer of Yahoo! Inc., said she is pregnant with identical twin girls that are due in December.

The 40-year-old plans to take limited time away from her role and work throughout the pregnancy as she did with the birth of her son, according to a post on her blog. The news has been shared with the board and Yahoo's executive team, she said.

"Moving forward, there will be a lot to do for both my family and for Yahoo," Mayer wrote. "Both will require hard work and thoughtful prioritization."

Mayer's pregnancy comes as the Sunnyvale, California-based portal prepares to spin off its stake in Alibaba Group Holding Ltd. to investors. Yahoo expects the deal to be completed in the fourth quarter.



PAMELA ANDERSON'S DOG 'COMMITTED SUICIDE'

Los Angeles

Actress Pamela Anderson believes her pet dog Jo-Jo "committed suicide" because he didn't like her former husband Rick Salomon.

The 47-year-old was left devastated when Jo-Jo passed away a few months ago and believes her former spouse, whom she divorced in April this year, is to be blamed, reports *femalefirst.co.uk*.

Anderson told *The Sunday Times's* Style magazine: "My dog Jo-Jo passed away not long ago.

"I think he committed suicide because he didn't like my husband. He just looked at me one day and said, 'I don't know what you're doing, but I can't do this anymore. I'm out.'"





Lil Blu Birdy



AshleyTisdaleFrench (@ashleytisdale)
I get to play his sister and he gets to play my brother. How lucky am I?? @MPG @NBCTruthBeTold

Iggy Azalea (@IGGYAZALEA)

I still dont know what was real or fake yesterday while watching the VMAs, All i know is, i was entertained. Isnt that what counts? haha.



Priyanka Chopra (@priyankachopra)

Back to set!! Hellooooo Monday... Lazy Sunday is over but my mind refuses to listen!!! #montrealdiariesyou have to manage...!



Chris Brown (@chrisbrown)

Life is a popularity contest. Wouldn't you rather fail knowing you tried or win knowing u didn't? Are u strong enough to believe in yourself?



Amy Jackson (@iamAmyJackson)

Thank you for having me as your showstopper.. Absolutely loved your show, felt like a Princess!!



Justin Bieber (@justinbieber)

Last night was crazy. Love u guys #VMAs



DAVID BECKHAM DEDICATES NEW TATTOO TO SON

Los Angeles

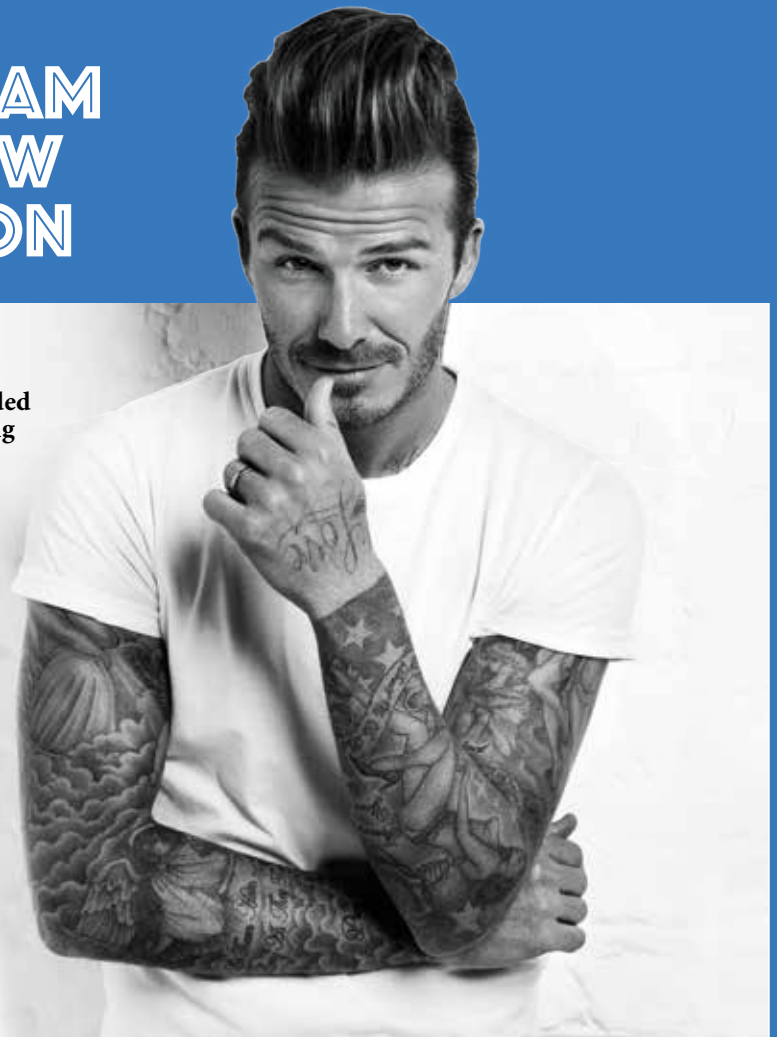
Soccer star David Beckham has added another tattoo to his ever-growing collection, dedicating it to his eldest son, Brooklyn.

Beckham, 40, who has numerous body inks has etched "Buster" on his neck, a moniker that he gave to Brooklyn, reported *Ace Showbiz*.

The father of four unveiled that body art on his *Instagram*. "I've always called Brooklyn (Buster) since the day he was born.... Love you Bust @brooklynbeckham," he wrote.

In the past, the former football star dedicated the famous "99" to wife Victoria Adams to mark the year they got married.

Last month he got "Pretty Lady" inked for his daughter Harper. Last week, the proud father posted an affectionate message for Brooklyn, along with a sweet father-son shot.



DEPP HEADS TO VENICE

Venice

Johnny Depp tops the cast of stars headed to Venice this week for what is shaping up as something of a watershed edition of the world's oldest film festival.

Amid the usual mix of big-budget Hollywood productions and more cerebral offerings from international auteurs, this year's event breaks new ground with the first major feature film to be produced in-house by Netflix among 21 works competing for the festival's top prize, the Golden Lion.

Four years after it started acquiring its own original television content with Kevin Spacey's acclaimed *House of Cards*, the US streaming giant is hoping for a similar publicity, credibility and subscriber-generating hit with *Beasts of No Nation*, a child soldier drama featuring Britain's Idris Elba as a warlord called 'Commandant' and an otherwise largely unknown cast.

The Cary Fukunaga-directed film, based on a novel by Nigerian writer Uzodinma Iweala, will be released to cinemas on the same day in October as it is made available for Netflix's 65 million subscribers around the world to stream into their homes.

JENNIFER LOPEZ RELIES ON DATABASE TO PICK OUTFITS

New York

Singer-actress Jennifer Lopez reportedly has a high-tech system to remember everything she wears so she does not repeat her outfits.

Lopez, 46, uses a database to help her pick her outfits, reported *the New York Daily News*.

"She had her feet up at a meeting, and someone noticed that she had a bar code on her shoe and asked her if she borrowed them.

"Jennifer laughed and said no, that she has her own internal bar code system on all of her closets to digitally keep track of what she wore and when she wore it, so that she isn't caught wearing the same thing twice," a source said.

The database also has a picture of the clothes or shoes and has details about the size, colour and the date when she was last seen wearing it as well as its location to monitor which outfits are kept in her New York home and which ones are kept in her Los Angeles abode.

And to keep everything in control, the singer has hired someone to look after her wardrobe full-time.

"She has a full-time staffer in charge of just her clothing. She takes her fashion very seriously," the source said.





Energy Minister Dr. Abdulhussain Mirza yesterday received MP Adel Abdul Rahman Alasumi and reviewed services offered in his constituency. The MP highlighted a number of requirements in his area and urged the authority to work towards fulfilling those.



Gulf Air in collaboration with the airline's Saudi Arabia General Sales Agent Group opened a new, dedicated sales office in Al Madina Al Munawarah – The official opening ceremony was attended by Gulf Air Country Manager Zubair Ahmed Muhammed, Al Tayyar Travel and Tourism Group's Executive Director for the region Saeed Alfreeh and a number of representatives from both companies. Zubair Ahmed Muhammed and Saeed Alfreeh are seen at the official opening ceremony held yesterday.



Bin Hindi Group in partnership with Tamkeen organised a Career Progression Plan for its employees in which 12 employees of Bin Hindi Informatics Retails participated. The programme designed to help Bin Hindi's employees achieve higher productivity and efficiency was conducted by professional trainers from IMPACT Training Institute. Above, Muneer Alabbasi, Bin Hindi Group HR & Admin Manager, second from right, Ali Turk from Impact, fourth from right, Hirshin Manchanda, Bin Hindi HR Assistant Manager, first from the right with the BHI employees.



Azadea Group organised a Charity Event yesterday at Red Crescent Society.



In a bid to familiarise children with their parents workplace and to help them make career choice as they mature, Gulf International Bank (GIB) organised a visit for 75 children, aged 2 to 12 years, to its headquarters in Al Dowali building. The move was also part of GIB's new Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Programme 'WAGIB'. An arts and crafts gathering was also held on the occasion, where children had the opportunity to paint on traditional clay money boxes.



Secretary-General of the Council of Representatives, Abdullah bin Khalaf Al-Jarrah, yesterday presented a book on the latest developments in technology and business expert and researcher Dr. Jassim Haji, the Bahraini technology and business expert and researcher, with a number of articles and publications. Yasser Al Shirawi, Assistant Secretary General for the Council of Representatives, and Yasser Al Shirawi, Assistant Secretary General for the Council of Representatives, were also present.



...t, Al Tayyar Travel and Tourism serving the western province. ...er to Al Madina Al Munawarah Vice President of the Western ...ies. Above, Zubair Ahmed Mu-d in Madina.



ty.



Al Dosari received in his office ...er, where Dr. Haji discussed his ...or Financial and Human Affairs



As part of Bapco Modernisation programme (BMP), 34 employee of Bapco were selected by Technip to participate in a three-month Bapco-Technip on-the-job training programme in Italy. Selected employees were given a farewell on Sunday in the presence of Chief Executive Dr. Pete Bartlett, Chairman Shaikh Mohamed bin Khalifa and other senior officials.



Kerala Muslim Cultural Centre (KMCC) Bahrain Jid Ali area committee will celebrate its 10th anniversary with programmes spanning a year, announced the organisers at a press conference held at KMCC office in Manama. Eminent scholar Simsarul Haq Hudavi's speech will be held on September 4 at 8.30pm at Indian School Bahrain Jashanmal auditorium in Isa Town.



VKL Kerala XI emerged Plate Winners in the ACC Invitational Sixes T20 Cricket Tournament organised by Awali Cricket Club.

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

- Guess the film
- Name the actors
- What is the male lead's pen name?

Send your entries to facebook@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: What happens in Vegas
Actors: Ashton Kutcher and Cameron Diaz
The lead characters win: \$3million dollars

Irum Mirxa

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 with subject as 'Caption Contest'



BEST FROM THE LOT. YOU COULD BE NEXT



Oh gosh the water is dark! Are you sure its safe? !!!

Jane Delima

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

1. Have you heard about corduroy pillows? They're making headlines.



2. What do Alexander the Great and Winnie the Pooh have in common? Same middle name.



YOUR STAR TODAY



ARIES
20th March - 20th April

You may experience increased physical and mental activity today. Perhaps you will have to do a lot of reading or writing very quickly, or run more errands than you have time for. This can prove frustrating, but if you plan carefully, you should be able to get it all done on schedule. Get busy and go to it!



TAURUS
20th April - 20th May

You might discover a hidden talent for writing, you may find that the depths to your skills are greater than even you expected. You might have to execute some paperwork regarding money, but you'll probably get this done efficiently. At some point during the day you're likely to get a little frazzled, but this will pass.



GEMINI
20th May - 20th June

You might be feeling a little on edge today, though you're not be quite sure why. You may start at unexpected noises, or think you see or hear things that aren't there. The best way to exorcise this jumpiness is to get out and get some exercise, or at least take a walk. In the evening: Read a book that engrosses you.



CANCER
20th June - 20th July

The question "Am I losing my memory?" may come up constantly today. You might have the strange feeling that there was something you had to do, but can't remember what. Your imagination could come up with a lot of ideas for stories, poems, etc. Write them down as soon as they come. You'll want to remember them!



LEO
20th July - 20th Aug

Today you might have to do a lot of communicating with friends. Perhaps phone calls need to be made, and you might want to catch up on your correspondence. You may be on the verge of attaining a goal. This could involve a lot of time in the car or on the phone, but stick with it. You'll be glad you did!



VIRGO
20th Aug - 20th Sept

A prominent male author whose work you enjoy might come out with a new book. On a more mundane level, your day could well necessitate spending a lot of time in the car, or on the phone - when you'd probably rather be reading! Be sure to schedule time in the evening to relax.



LIBRA
20th Sep - 20th Oct

Good news regarding writing, speaking, and/or publishing could come your way today. You might find yourself feeling bored with your life and surroundings, and then suddenly have the urge to get away for a while. This isn't a bad idea. You've been working hard at everything you do, and a little break is probably in order.



SCORPIO
20th Oct - 20th Nov

Paperwork regarding a bonus or settlement might need to be executed today - and it'll probably be too boring for words. Sudden revelations, or flights of fancy might come that provide fodder for creative activities, particularly writing or speaking. You should write these ideas down, you'll want to recall every detail.



SAGITTARIUS
20th Nov - 20th Dec

Strained nerves and trepidation about unpleasant tasks could have you a bit on edge today, and likely to take your stresses out on those closest to you. Release your stress through exercise, or through writing. Communicate your feelings to your friends and assure them you're not upset with them.



CAPRICORN
20th Dec - 20th Jan

You might feel too overworked for words today. Your physical energy could be lagging, and you may even feel a bit feverish. Most likely you should take time out from your busy life and relax. Spend the afternoon at the cinema. Treat yourself to dinner out; buy yourself a present. Tomorrow you should be yourself again.



AQUARIUS
20th Jan - 20th Feb

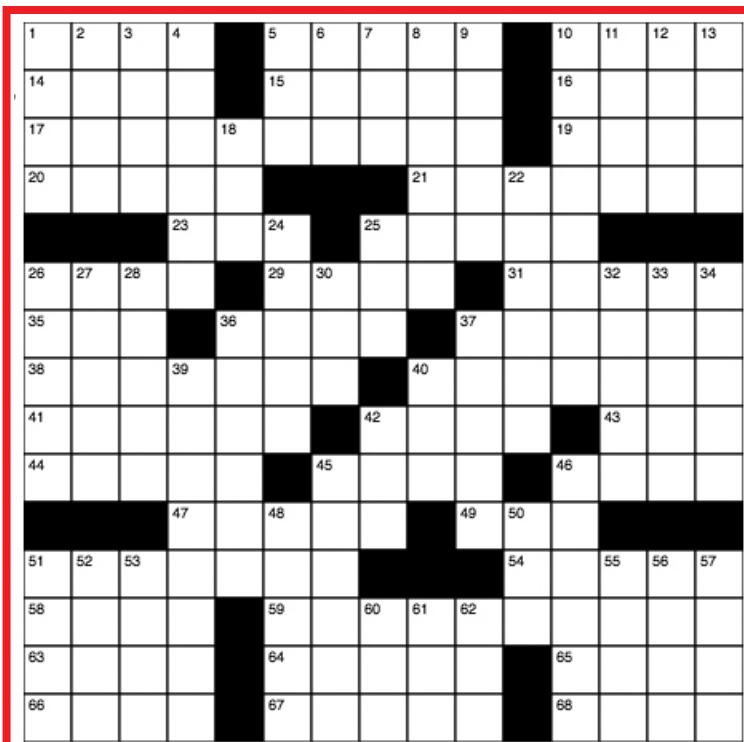
Today you're apt to be feeling especially romantic. Novels, movies, and poetry centering on love will be especially appealing. If you're currently single, consider planning a special evening with your partner. Plan an enjoyable evening, whatever your circumstances. Who knows - you could meet someone new and exciting!



PISCES
20th Feb - 20th Mar

A rush of activity in the home is probably going to involve preparations for a journey or event of some kind. Your mind might seem to be going in several different directions, and this could prove a bit disconcerting. Try to take breaks and remain centered. You won't accomplish anything if you work yourself into a panic.

CROSSWORD



Across

1- Boyfriend; 5- Echolocation; 10- Gymnast Korbut; 14- Work without ___; 15- Lovers' lane?; 16- Contender; 17- Mecca, to Muhammad; 19- Singer James; 20- French farewell; 21- Stuff oneself; 23- ER staffers; 25- 2, 4, 6, 8, etc.; 26- School orgs.; 29- Singer Lovett; 31- Columbus's birthplace; 35- Flub; 36- Composition in verse; 37- Become extinct; 38- Sunset; 40- Morning; 41- Egyptian god of the underworld; 42- Hook's mate; 43- Ave. crosses; 44- Dutch painter Jan; 45- Sometimes you feel like ___; 46- Fluid-filled sac; 47- Dictation taker; 49- Sun. speech; 51- Locks; 54- Floating platforms; 58- Sitarist Shankar; 59- Wound; 63- Alaska's first governor; 64- Patriot Allen; 65- This, in Tijuana; 66- Tooth; 67- Gaucho's rope; 68- Demonstrate;

Down

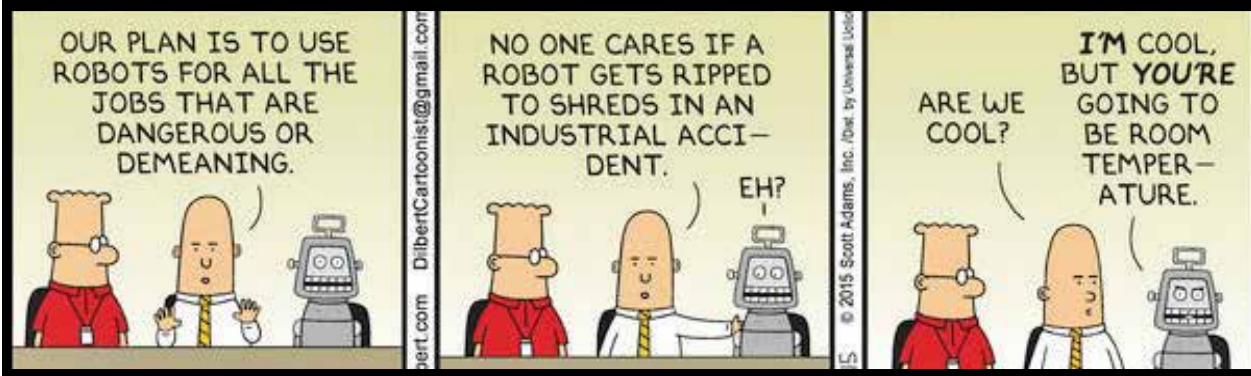
1- Ali ___ & the 40 thieves; 2- Oklahoma city; 3- Ethereal; Prefix; 4- Speaks; 5- Plant juice; 6- Vinegar's partner; 7- Code-breaking org.; 8- Recess; 9- Actor Christopher; 10- Supervisor; 11- Lo-cal; 12- "___ grip!"; 13- I smell ___; 18- Attila, e.g.; 22- Car heart; 24- Reduces speed; 25- Freddie Krueger roamed ___ Street in the movies; 26- Mexican money; 27- Confidence; 28- Army leader?; 30- Craving; 32- Boisterous; 33- Boots; 34- This is only ___; 36- Indicates a direction; 37- Songs for two; 39- Salad sauce; 40- The Mustangs' sch.; 42- ___-Cone; 45- Having a handle; 46- Boxes; 48- Sniggler; 50- Division of geologic time; 51- Not kosher; 52- Hindu music; 53- Author Hunter; 55- Aquatic vertebrate; 56- Dorothy's dog; 57- Winter fall; 60- When doubled, a dance; 61- Use, consume; 62- Genetic material;

Yesterday's solution

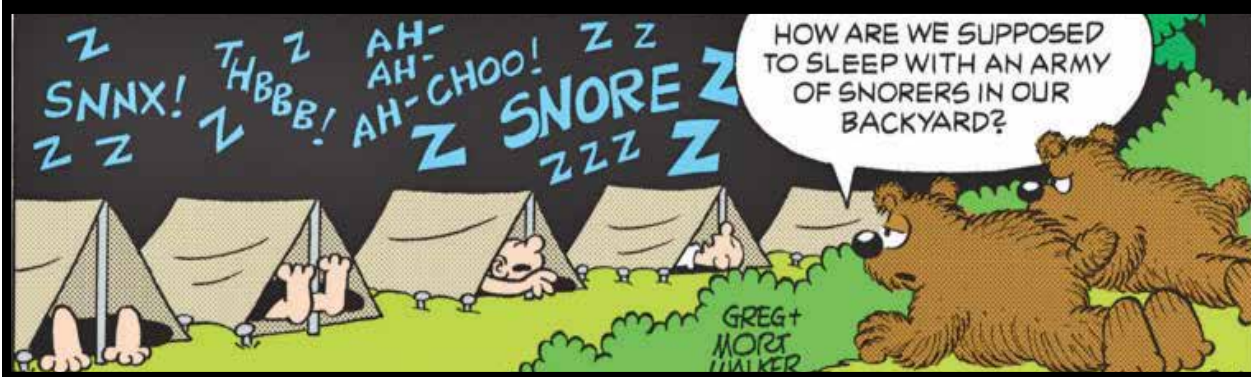


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How to play:

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

Yesterday's solution

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5	8	4	6	1	7	2	3	9
1	2	7	3	5	9	6	8	4
9	6	3	2	8	4	7	5	1

Top tweets



If you could determine your age based on your mind and soul how old would you be?
@FarahAlAnsari



Those resorting to violence under banner of peace living in no #peace with their selves. There shouldn't be any war for peace, because it trigger more wars.
@SalmanRAIAbbasi



Kanye West would make a horrible president, all he would do is interrupt other politicians & get mad at photographers.
@imran_al_aradi



It was never a mistake if you learnt from it.
@noon_alniswa

DISABLED? BUT THEY HAVE THEIR OWN WAY

THE ministry should come up with a design

Dear editor
It was a pleasant, encouraging and satisfying news to read that Um Al Hassam Elementary School for boys and Al Mustaqbal Primary School for girls will be provided with new classrooms for autistic students in the coming academic year. It will become on par with the developed countries and a good merit for the Economic Vision 2030.

The world has changed in every field and the disabled individuals can no longer be regarded as disabled in future if they are provided with their needs and trained by the government. I have one Korean friend who was adopted by an American couple from one orphanage in Korea. When her adopted mother passed away, she lived alone in one apartment and worked for an agency that provided services to the developmentally disabled individuals. She was designated as legally blind, as she doesn't have eye balls but only slit eyes with low vision.. (Allah forbids!) She went around town using a public transport and a white cane. She earned for herself, volunteered for the disabled,

Sunday, August 30, 2015

MORE CLASSROOMS FOR SPECIAL KIDS

Autistic students to get two more classrooms this year

DT News Network
Ministry of Education, Dr. Majid Al Musaidi stated that the Al Hassam Elementary School for boys and Al Mustaqbal Primary School for girls will have two new classrooms for autistic students in the coming academic year.



The classes for autistic students are designed with a sound-proof material to keep distractions away

This is part of the ministry's steps to integrate students with disabilities to learn in public schools. This move brings the number of classes for autistic students to 10.

Dr. Majid Al Musaidi

material to keep distractions specific facilities for each

corner, which aims to develop the students' senses through training. It also has a computer class with a smart blackboard. The ministry will upgrade the skills of supervisors by offering a series of training programmes for them, some of which are required by the Arabian Gulf University, along with a number of cooperation

with a good knowledge of IT, lived independently and didn't rely on disability benefits as her salary exceeded a maximum allowance for it. She loved to tell me that, "When I'm at home, I watch TV". Her name is Jennifer, I dearly called her Jenni. I reciprocated her words that "When I'm at home, I listen to the music". She knew that I'm profoundly deaf! She and I worked for our fellow disabled individuals and we fondly exchanged

our experiences and views and we found out that those individuals own their unique talents. One autistic individual was very artistic, she made cards and sold them, another was able to work on the computer and was fluent in American Sign language. Jenni, though with a difficulty with vision was able to lead her own life. And for me as long as I have a pen and a sheet of paper, I regard myself as normal. We don't need sympathy but only wanted to be treated as a living creature. As the world in every aspect has changed, every abled body should change their attitude towards the disabled and it is long over-due and it's awesome as the indoctrination starts from the primary level. Not only the students with autism feel the change but the teacher and the abled student will also feel the new environment. But it was for a good cause.

May Allah bless everybody with everything that they long for. Ameen.
May May Nu

With reference to the news Hue and cry over faulty road design at Budaiya, road humps if designed properly should not create any problem but the problem on Bahrain's roads is that we either have too many humps or we don't have any! Another problem is that most of the time the humps are designed that with time they become invisible during the night and to make the matter worse there are no signs that warn the drivers that humps are ahead of them! My personal opinion is that the ministry should come up with a design or an idea that they make the humps with such colors that they are clearly visible from a distance since many drivers in this part of the world don't pay attention to the signs that there are humps ahead and they should reduce speed!

Ali Redha Kazerooni

The Pet Project Pet birds can still get hurt

DT News Network

Far too many avian household accidents are the result of human forgetfulness or negligence, but even under the best supervision and care, pet birds can still get hurt.

Flying accidents and accidents related to flying probably rank highest in the type of accident sustained by pet birds: flying into walls, mirrors, windows and ceiling fans, landing on

hot pots with boiling food, toilet bowls, bath tubs etc.

When an emergency situation happens, try to keep calm and treat your bird as much as you till it gets better or till it gets to the vet. Birds can sense when we are upset and this will cause even more stress for an injured bird. Keep your bird calm by talking to them softly and by having other family members and pets leave the room.

Examine your bird and look for source of bleeding. For skin wounds, use cotton balls, gauze or Q-Tips

to gently wash the area with 3% hydrogen peroxide or make a solution that resembles weak tea using Bentadine and sterile water.

Stop skin bleeding by applying direct pressure with gauze pad or paper towel. If pressure isn't enough, use a coagulant. Dip a moist Q-Tip into cornstarch, flour or Kwik Stop then apply the dry powder to wound. Kwik-Stop, available at pet shops and vets, is a styptic product that contains Benzocaine, an anesthetic to stop pain and stinging.



Missing Pets



MOCHA - Male Shitzu (light brown w some black areas), 2 yrs, wearing thin dark blue collar, tends to have random back kicks in series of 2-3 kicks on both feet, gate left open by workers, 6/8/15. 36603069



FELIX - Male Parrot, Barbar (near Al Osra Roundabout, 30/7/15. REWARD. 36046026



TIGER - Female, 4 mos, wearing pink collar, may have been stolen, old Hidd (near police station and cemetery), 9/8/15, REWARD. 35016129



BUBBA - Male, 1.5 yrs, black with three white patches on his underside (two under his arms and one triangular patch just below his tummy), neutered, not wearing collar, Abul Fatih compound in North Sehla, 11/5/15. 33381123



NAME WITHHELD - Black/brown female Doberman/Rottweiler mix w docked tail, 9 yrs and on medication, Saar area. 39989972 or 33344335



NADIA - Female Husky w short tail, one black and one blue eye, blue collar, owner fell and she ran away, Hidd (near seaside in new area behind Lulu Hyper Market), 18/8/15. 39694419



"The real test of good manners is to be able to put up with bad manners pleasantly."
-Kahlil Gibran

CHILDREN AND THEIR PERCEPTION OF EDUCATION



Suad Alhalwachi
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It is intriguing how children perceive education and schooling, and at first I was just dialoguing with children on what they think about their schools, they tell me what they think and much of what they said is contrary to what we follow in our lives. These talks led me to do a study on this interesting phenomena of how the children revolt the way they are being taught.

First I analysed the way people learn, the techniques, and the styles:

- Techniques that help connect what you are Learning to your Personal Goals
- Structuring information to make learning faster
- Strengthen Knowledge and Skills, which in turn over come Obstacles
- Improve survival skills and can be implemented in personal and career aspects

Also there are techniques to effectively and efficiently communicate with people and help them learn are:

- Sensory-Intuitive: Providing hard facts and general concepts
- Visual-Verbal: Incorporating visual and verbal cues
- Active-Reflective: Experimental learning with time to evaluate and analyze
- Sequential-Global: Giving the big picture, showing details in a structured way

However, each person in this world has a way of learning, this can be Auditory, or visual, kinesthetic or by reading and writing. So many students can be in one of these styles and we need to figure out a way to facilitate their learning process.

The research methodology:

Based on the discussions with the students, and the knowledge of the various learning techniques and the learning styles, the following happened:

A survey of 16 questions was carried out online, using www.surveymonkey.com

Social media is used like Facebook and twitter to collect some answers to the same questions.



The results obtained were compared with what the theorists of the 'Learning Techniques and the learning styles had said to begin with.

This research confirms many other researches that are carried out in many top universities around the world about "Children creating knowledge". Our groups of children had no idea what adults are doing, however their answers to the 16 questions and their suggestions proved that we do need to make changes to our school systems.

Also I was considering the

liberality of education and the elevation of spoon-feeding if we do not hear the views of those involved, Thus suggesting that we bring their views to the forefront to help educators and investors to establish the right school communities.

The survey was sent to 125 people, all of whom answered most of the questions; A panel comprising of children from the age group of 8 to 17 was chosen, to show how the learning technique is best applicable in this age group.

The Best School

Suggested

All 125 have provided suggestions on what they think a good school should be, but this one topped it all:

"One where there are plenty of outdoor sports activities, more interesting lessons been taught and the way it's taught, more classes to be creative and more variety of food. The choice to use modern technology (laptops) to take notes instead of books, sitting outside in the fresh air or in a more colorful and attractive looking classrooms; the freedom to

have their say in terms of less work and more play, choice on subjects they want to learn and the way the management runs the school." This is basically relevant to kinesthetic styles, which are rarely used except in the sports subject!

What follows are some of the other great suggestions:

"I would provide two languages of the students choice. Also, I would have a wider choice of lunches rather than just one. I would have some lessons outside and some inside."

"I would make the lessons fun and interesting so the pupils want to learn. Lessons would be more practical and students would not be in the classroom all the time."

"I would have less writing in books and more discussing and hands on experience with the topics."

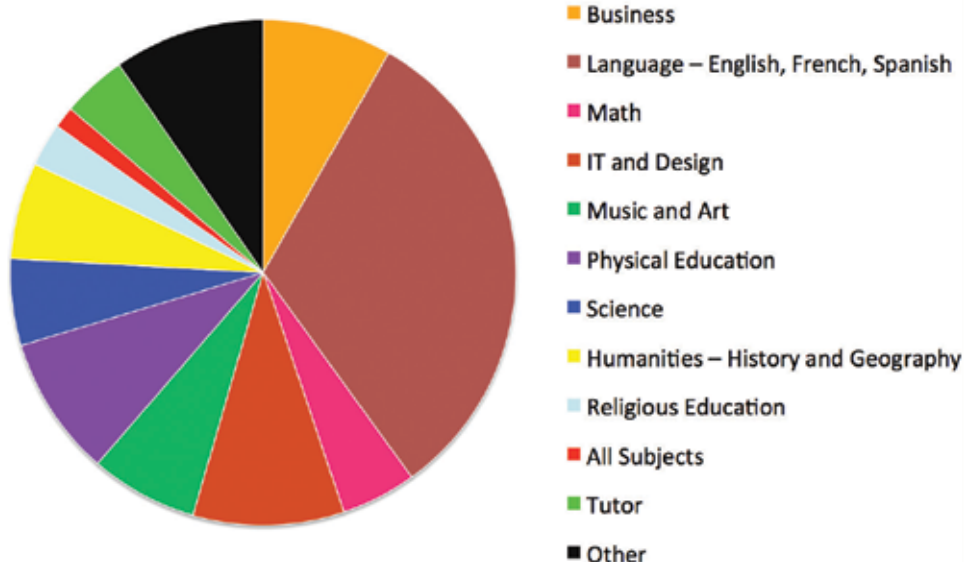
"I would have all lessons taught in a fun way using practical examples and hands on experiments"

"I would hire teachers to not only teach students, but enlighten them on morals and ethics in order to be good citizens of the world."

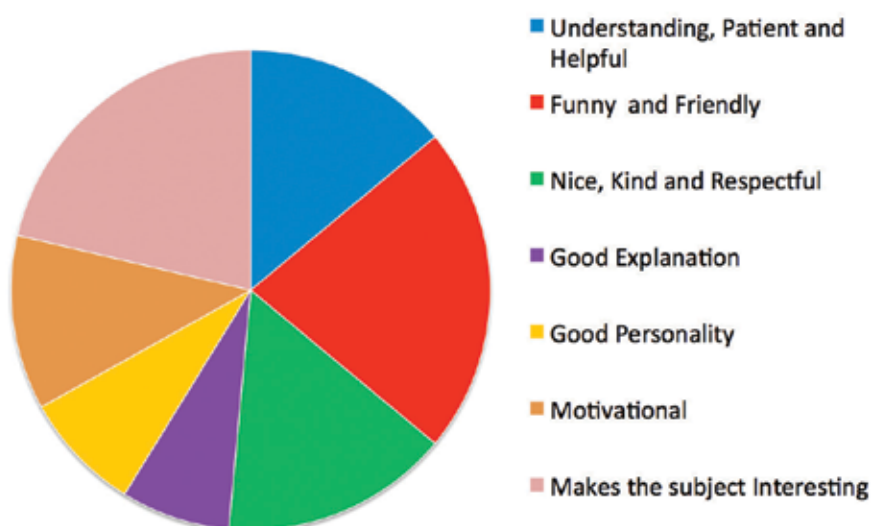
Also if you notice most of the suggestions refer to the New Zealand and the Waldorf system of education, which we had discussed in the earlier articles.

If anyone is interested in receiving the results of the research please contact me.

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Why do you like that teacher?



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Since this is a unique time in Yahoo's transformation, I plan to approach my pregnancy as I did with my son three years ago, taking limited time away and working throughout
-Yahoo chief executive Marissa Mayer



Overall, we expect global growth to remain moderate and likely weaker than we anticipated last July. China's economy was slowing, although not sharply or unexpectedly
-IMF Managing Director Christine Lagarde

Markets extend losses

CHINA FALTERS AGAIN

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Global stock markets plunged further yesterday as more gloomy evidence emerged of China's economic slowdown, leading to heavy sell-offs from Hong Kong to New York.

Markets in the middle east also followed the suit with data showing factory activity in China hitting a three-year low, fuelling concern over the health of the world's number two economy.

Saudi Arabia's main stock index fell 1.1 per cent with all sectors in the red. Bahrain index remained flat at 1,299 points.

Tokyo stocks tumbled almost four per cent as China woes spread, with Europe's main markets following in its



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wake losing around three per cent in mid-afternoon deals. China's statistics bureau said its Purchasing Managers' Index of manufacturing activity came in at 49.7 last month, its lowest since August 2012. A reading below the 50-point mark indicates contraction.

The data sent Wall Street to

a sharply lower open with the Dow Jones Industrial Average down 2.84pc at the closing bell, while the S&P 500 lost 2.96pc and the Nasdaq Composite gave up 2.94pc.

Christine Lagarde, head of the International Monetary Fund, also added to the gloom when she warned that global

growth this year would be "likely weaker" than previously anticipated, less than two months after the IMF cut its global forecast for 2015 to 3.3pc.

The Shanghai stock market ended down 1.23pc on Tuesday, having tumbled by more than four pc at one point.

Tokyo slumped 3.84pc, with a stronger yen hitting exporters, while Sydney fell 2.12pc and Hong Kong finished 2.24pc lower.

China is also the second-biggest market for Saudi's exports and a hard landing for its economy would have a big impact on Saudi Arabia.

Dubai's benchmark dropped 2.1pc in another broad sell-off which affected all sectors. Abu Dhabi's bourse fell 2.6pc.

Qatar's index was down

1.3pc. Ezzan Holding and Commercial Bank of Qatar dropped 2.6pc each on profit-taking after surging in the run-up to the rebalancing of MSCI's emerging markets index, which increased the two stocks' weightings at the end of Monday.

Egyptian stocks were down 0.7pc after a 2.8pc jump the previous day triggered by the discovery of a potentially huge gas field off the country's Mediterranean coast.

Ezz Steel, which analysts say could be one of the biggest beneficiaries if new gas supplies boost domestic power generation, continued to rise, adding 3.7pc on top of Monday's 10pc gain.

Kuwait slipped 0.4pc to 5,798 points, Oman lost 1.1pc to 5,805 points.

BCCI opens web for biz summit

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Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI) has launched a website for First Annual Global Employers' Summit 2015 to be held in Bahrain from October 6 to 7. BCCI is an organiser of the summit alongside International Organisation of Employers. The event will be held under the patronage of Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister, HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa.

The website www.employerssummit.com also allows online registration. First Vice-Chairman of the Chamber and head of supervisory committee of the event Othman Alrayes urged businessmen to register and take part in the major event.

Bank ABC, HSBC close loan for Yapi

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Turkey's Yapi Kredi Leasing has successfully closed a US\$106 million syndicated loan arranged by Bahrain-based Bank ABC and HSBC. The two-year syndicated loan will be used by Yapi Kredi Leasing for general corporate and financing purposes. Bank ABC is acting as the Agent. Other participants include First Gulf Bank PJSC, GarantiBank International N.V, BBK B.S.C., United Arab Bank P.J.S.C. and HBL Istanbul.

Canada officially falls into recession

Ottawa

Canada fell into recession in the first half of the year, posting its weakest results since the 2008 global financial crisis, government data confirmed yesterday.

The grim numbers were also bad news for Conservative Prime Minister Stephen Harper, just weeks before elections.

The Canadian economy contracted 0.5 per cent in the second quarter after retreating 0.8pc in the previous three months, according to Statistics Canada.

By comparison, the US

economy grew 3.7pc in the first quarter.

Canada, the world's fifth-largest oil producer, has been hit hard by the plunge in world oil prices from above \$100 last year to about \$52 now.

On the political campaign trail, where economic management has become a defining issue, the figures were expected to put Harper on the defensive, while bolstering opposition calls for a change of administration.

This is Canada's second recession in six years and it is the only G7 nation in economic retreat.

According to Statistics Canada, lower business investment was the main contributor to the decline, with outlays falling in machinery and equipment, communications and audio and video equipment, furniture, fixtures and prefabricated structures, and intellectual property products.

The mining, quarrying and oil and gas extraction sector posted a "notable decrease," for a second consecutive quarter, said the government statistical agency.

New housing construction also fell, but this was mitigated



This is Canada's second recession in six years

by an increase in renovations and strong resale activity.

Household consumption also rose. Canadians bought more cars and trucks, insurance and financial services, as

well as food, beverages and accommodation services.

Overall, exports edged up 0.1pc after decreasing 0.3pc in the first quarter. Imports declined 0.4pc.

Art of Learning



Kids at the venue

It's back to school time with Seefari adventures

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After weeks of school holidays and playing, it's Back to School time for children in Bahrain. As the new school year begins with a whole new excitement, Seef Mall adds to the joy with Seefari adventures - an ultimate experience offering a range of themed activities and crafts.

True to its theme, Seefari adventures offers a world of imagination for kids aged 5 to 12 years with Seef Mall transformed into an adventurous safari area with lush greenery and wildlife animal murals. Organised in the West Wing of Seef Mall until September 26. Seefari adventures feature a line-up of entertaining activities created in the wildlife and surroundings

of the safari which have been translated well into art & craft activities and obstacle courses for kids with fun gifts up for grabs. These feature the Seefari challenge where kids will need to look for animals cut-outs across the mall based on the clues provided. Kids with correct answers will win special Back to School giveaways.

Children can also indulge

themselves by having their faces painted with their favourite animals and play popular games like 'pin the tail' and putting jigsaw pieces together. These activities will be open to kids on weekdays, Sunday to Wednesday from 4 pm to 8 pm and during the weekends, Thursday - Saturday from 10 am to 10 pm.

Kids will also be treated to classic cartoon films

like The Lion King and The Land Before Time to name a few and educational videos. The Animal theatre will be open on weekdays, Sunday to Wednesday from 4 pm - 8 pm and during the weekends, Thursday - Saturday from 10 am to 10 pm. And if this is not enough, kids will have a chance to attend interactive storytelling sessions on the jungle life.

BCCI participating in the Gulf-Jordanian Economic Forum



Othman Alrayes

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A high level delegation from Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI) presided over by First Vice-Chairman Othman Alrayes is participating in the Gulf-Jordanian Economic Forum scheduled from

September 2 to 3 in the Capital city of Jordan.

The forum which aims to deepen business relations, trade, and investments between the Gulf States and Jordan will also emphasise issues of mutual interest including the role of the youth in developing their

economies and the role of women entrepreneurs. The Chamber is to participate with two work papers, one on bridging Gulf and Jordanian businesswomen and deepening their relation, which is to be delivered by board member Afnan Al Zayani; and another on

funding micro small and medium enterprises to be delivered by the Counsellor of the Enterprise Initiative Centre Hussain Janahi.

In this regard Alrayes said "This forum constitutes an opportunity to step up the business relation between Jordan and the GCC countries

and probe economic and business cooperation."

He added, "This is also an opportunity to promote the summit to be hosted in Bahrain in October and organised jointly by Bahrain Chamber and the International Organisation of Employers."



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THAI BAHT	95.7854	92.5069
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Five-day trip

WITNESS ENGLISH LEAGUE WITH BBK!

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BBK, Bahrain's pioneer in retail and commercial banking, has launched its e-channels campaign "Witness the English League legends directly from the stadium with BBK's e-channels!"

The move is in line with the bank's strategic commitment to create more convenient ways to connect with the Bank and a comprehensive electronic banking experience for its clients.

By using any of BBK's e-channels, clients have the chance to fly to London, to the home of Chelsea FC, the "Stamford Bridge" stadium. Three lucky winners will each win two airline tickets, hotel accommodation for two and two tickets for the sixth of February 2016 football match between Chelsea FC vs. Manchester United FC. This campaign will run from the first of September 2015 until the 30th of November 2015 and



Winner of the campaign will be announced in December

the winners will be announced in December 2015.

Commenting on the move,

Mohammed Malik, BBK's GM of Retail Banking said: "While banking electronically,

this campaign provides the client with an additional added value as it offers the chance to win a five-day-trip to London to attend a Premier League football match between Chelsea FC vs. Manchester United FC. This campaign goes hand in hand with the Bank's continuous efforts to motivate clients to opt for using the latest technologies that are simplified yet provide a secure online banking experience."

Any transaction made on the following e-channels: Internet Banking, Mobile Banking, SMS Banking, Telebanking - will give the client one entry to the draw for the three Five-day-packages to London that includes two airline tickets, hotel accommodations for two and two tickets.

The more the transactions on BBK's e-channels, the more chances the user will have for the draw to win this amazing trip to London to attend one of the best football matches in the world!

VIVA, Azadea to expand benefits

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VIVA Bahrain signed an agreement with Azadea Group, one of the leading fashion and lifestyle retail companies in the region, overseeing operations in more than 14 countries, to further expand the range of benefits and privileges offered to VIVA Elite members.

With this introduction, VIVA Elite members can now enjoy discounts at Azadea's premier fashion retail shops including Boggi Milano and Salsa, along with refined restaurants Kosebasi, The Butcher Shop & Grill and



Ralph Hayek, Operations Manager Azadea and Andrew Hanna Columbus Café.

Andrew Hanna, VIVA's Chief Commercial Officer, commented: "We are pleased to have Azadea joining the exclusive line up of VIVA Elite partners. This addition introduces fashion and lifestyle

retail for the first time into the benefits our Elite customers can enjoy and we trust this will add value to their overall experience."

Pierre Fourie, Country Manager of Bahrain at Azadea Group said: "This partnership

with VIVA is a true reflection of what we, at Azadea, are here for: to provide customers and people with an entertaining and exciting way of life." He also added: "We always strive to drive this mission to various levels, whilst creating value."

VIVA Elite customers will also benefit from complementary access to the finest lounges at international airports around the world with Bahrain Concierge and can also pursue their passion for golf by taking advantage of special rates and privileges offered at the Royal Golf Club to play on the Montgomerie-designed Championship course.

GULF INTERBANK RATES

COUNTRY	1 US DLR	1 UK STG	1 SFR	100 YEN
BAHRAIN	0.3770	0.5813	0.3905	0.3119
KUWAIT	0.2855	34.5055	0.2957	0.2362
OMAN	0.3849	0.3716	0.3987	0.3185
QATAR	3.6420	3.5160	3.7725	3.0134
UAE	3.6730	3.5459	3.8046	3.0391
SAUDI	3.7500	3.6203	3.8844	3.1028

Men with suspected Iran links

KUWAIT CHARGES 24 WITH PLOTTING ATTACKS

Kuwait City

Kuwait yesterday charged 24 people suspected of links to Iran and Shia militia group Hezbollah with plotting attacks against the Gulf state, a statement by the public prosecutor said.

The men were charged with "spying for the Islamic republic of Iran and Hezbollah to carry out aggressive acts against the State of Kuwait" by smuggling in and assembling explosives, as well as possessing firearms and ammunition, the statement said.

They were also charged with "carrying out acts that would undermine the unity and territorial integrity" of Kuwait, and of possessing eavesdropping devices, it said.

Two other men were also



Kuwaiti police standing next to seized weapons

charged in the same case, one with possessing illegal weapons and another with failing to inform authorities about the arms. One of the suspects is Iranian and the rest are Kuwaiti

nationals. Three who remain at large were charged in absentia.

Prosecutors said the suspects were linked with a "terror cell" the interior ministry said it had busted last month while seizing

large amounts of weapons, ammunition and explosives.

Officials said at the time that three men had been arrested and confessed to joining an illegal group that local media reported was Hezbollah. Media had reported that more arrests followed and the prosecutor said 22 of the suspects charged on Tuesday had received explosives and weapon training to "achieve illegal goals".

A number of suspects were accused of being members of Hezbollah which "aims to demolish the social and economic foundations of the country", the prosecutor's statement said.

On Sunday, the head of parliament's foreign relations panel, MP Hamad Al Harashani, described Iran

as the "true enemy" of Sunni-ruled Gulf Arab states and said it sought "to spread chaos" in the region.

This was not the first Iran-linked espionage ring to be spoken of in Kuwait. In May 2013, the supreme court upheld life terms for two Iranians, a Kuwaiti and a stateless man on charges of forming a ring to spy for Tehran.

The convicts, who worked for the army, were accused of spying for Iran and passing information on Kuwaiti and US military forces in the emirate to the Islamic republic's elite Revolutionary Guards. Iran dismissed the accusation.

The lower court yesterday set September 15 as the date when it will issue its verdict on 29 suspects in that case.

Hurricane hits West African archipelago

Bissau

The West African archipelago of Cape Verde was pounded by powerful winds and heavy rain on Monday in a rare hurricane strike, local officials said.

Named Fred, the storm packed winds of up to 140 kilometres per hour (85 miles per hour), according to Cape Verde's interior ministry and the US National Hurricane Centre (NHC).

Winds uprooted trees on several islands, telecommunications and electricity were affected in some regions and the national airline cancelled flights, but there were no reports of any casualties, according to emergency services on Cape Verde reached from Bissau, the capital of Guinea Bissau.

The storm "made landfall at 8am, 35 kilometres south of Rabil," a town on the northern island of Boa Vista, said Idilton Briton, a senior official at Cape Verde's civil defence.

Hackers raid Apple accounts via jail-broken iPhones

San Francisco

Hackers targeting jail-broken iPhones have raided more than 225,000 Apple accounts, using them for app-buying sprees or to hold phones for ransom, researchers said yesterday.

Jail-broken means modified to run apps not sanctioned by Apple. "We believe this to be the largest known Apple account theft caused by malware," computer security firm Palo Alto Networks said in a blog post.

An attack using malicious



code dubbed "KeyRaider" was discovered by WeipTech, an amateur technical group from Weiphone, described as one of the largest Apple fan websites in China, according to Palo Alto Networks.

In July, WeipTech members began investigating reports that some people's Apple accounts were used to make unauthorised purchases or application installations. WeipTech worked with Palo Alto Networks to uncover KeyRaider.

Nepal police firing kills 5 protesters

Kathmandu

Five demonstrators died yesterday after being shot by police in Nepal as anger deepened over the country's draft constitution. Police shot dead four people from the Madhesi ethnic minority in separate incidents in the south of the country.

Three were killed Tuesday after defying a curfew imposed in the town of Birgunj, 90 kilometres (55 miles) south of Kathmandu. A fourth died in hospital Tuesday in Birgunj after being hit the day before.

Another man was killed in the nearby town of Kalaiya when officers fired into a crowd trying to set fire to a



Nepalese police arrest a Hindu activist during the protest

police station, said national police spokesman Kamal Singh Bam.

Anger has been building for weeks in southern Nepal after lawmakers -- spurred by April's devastating earthquake

to resolve political differences -- struck a breakthrough deal on a new constitution, which has angered minority communities.

"Security forces opened fire at the protesters after

they forced their way into a restricted area," said Bam, speaking of Tuesday's clashes in Birgunj.

"Three people were shot dead and at least 20 others including police were injured during the clashes," Bam said.

News of the deaths comes a week after violent clashes in southwestern Nepal in which eight police officers and an 18-month-old boy were killed, prompting the government to deploy troops.

The constitution was meant to cement peace after a 10-year insurgency led by former Maoist rebels ended in 2006, and to draw a line under centuries of inequality.

Lizard-ry

Hackers crack UK national crime agency website

London

A group of hackers yesterday claimed they had downed the website of Britain's lead law enforcement agency after it arrested six people over similar attacks.

The National Crime Agency (NCA) website was offline for around an hour after suffering a Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) attack, claimed by hacking group Lizard Squad.

On its Twitter page, the group posted the message: "Stressed out? <http://www.nationalcrimeagency.gov.uk/>

#offline", superimposed with the NCA logo.

A DDoS attack cripples the target website by barraging it with automated requests from many different sources, making it almost impossible to prevent. The NCA called the attack a "temporary inconvenience" and denied it was a security breach. "The NCA is an attractive target," it said in a statement.

"DDoS is a blunt form of



The Twitter avatar of the Lizard Squad

attack which takes volume not skill. It isn't a security breach and it doesn't affect our

operational capability." Given the cost of trying to repel such attacks, the agency claimed that its current measures were "proportionate".

"We have a duty to balance the value of keeping our website accessible with the cost of doing so, especially in the face of a threat which can scale up endlessly," it added.

The attack came four days after the NCA arrested six hackers, accusing them

of buying code from Lizard Squad that enables DDoS attacks. The code is believed to be behind attacks on the Microsoft and Sony games networks last year.

Following Friday's arrests, Lizard Squad warned it would respond, tweeting: "Due to the recent raids, we're going to start operations back up again. Expect more soon."

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Thai attack

MAIN SUSPECT NABBED

Bangkok
A foreign man described as a "main suspect" in the deadly Bangkok bombing was arrested yesterday, with Thai police calling him an important figure in the network that staged the attack.

shrine, which killed 20 people, mostly ethnic Chinese tourists. Police also said arrest warrants have been issued for three fresh suspects still at large, two of whose names, appear foreign. Prime Minister Prayut Chan-O-Cha said the

Asked whether he is thought to be the person who planted the bomb at the Erawan shrine in Bangkok's busy Chidlom shopping district, he replied, "We are interrogating. He is a main suspect and a foreigner."

National police spokesman Prawut Thavornsiri said investigators believe the suspect is "an important person in the network" behind the bombing, Thailand's worst single mass-casualty attack.

The man speaks English, Prawut said, adding he appeared "similar" to a prime suspect captured on security camera footage leaving a bag at the scene moments before the blast. The man was detained around noon trying to cross into Cambodia from the Thai countryside, away from towns

or roads. Fresh arrest warrants are also out for three new suspects for possessing bomb-making material, Prawut said, holding up an iPad with sketches of the men.

One was unnamed but the

other two were identified as Ahmet Bozaglan and Ali Jolan, although Prawut did not give their nationalities. The motive for the shrine attack remains shrouded in mystery.



The sketches of the three suspects Ali Jolan, and Ahmet Bozaglan and an unnamed foreigner released by Thai police

The man detained near the border with Cambodia is the second foreigner held over the August 17 blast at a religious

unidentified foreigner was picked up in Sa Kaeo province on the Thai side of the Cambodian border.



Thai police escort a suspect (C) after he was arrested from the Sa Kaeo province near the Cambodian border

Bloggers' murder: BD charges five

Dhaka
Bangladesh police yesterday charged five suspected Islamist militants with murder over the killing of an atheist blogger, one of four secular writers hacked to death this year for writing against fundamentalists.

Police brought the charges -- the first in any of the four murders this year -- in a Dhaka magistrates court, which will now decide whether to open a trial or order further investigations.

"We've submitted a charge sheet against five people for the murder of blogger Washiqur Rahman. The five were charged with murder," Dhaka police spokesman Muntashirul Islam told

"They include an organiser of the Ansarullah Bangla Team (ABT) and four others who are its supporters," he said.

Budapest main train station closed to migrants

Budapest
Hungarian police yesterday cleared Budapest's main train station of hundreds of migrants trying to get to western Europe, prompting a demonstration by around 200 young men outside. The station later reopened but only for non-migrants with police only letting people in who had tickets, ID cards and relevant visas.

Ukraine on edge as third policeman dies

Kiev
Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko defended yesterday controversial legislation giving more autonomy to pro-Russian rebels that sparked deadly street battles in Kiev.

The unrest -- the worst in the Ukrainian capital since a bloody uprising in early 2014 -- has further exacerbated

divisions in Poroshenko's ruling coalition, with nationalists deeply opposed to giving the separatists greater control over the country's war-ravaged east.

Three policemen died after being wounded by a grenade explosion near the parliament building, which the government blamed on an ultra-nationalist group.

The proposed reforms, which were given initial backing by MPs in a stormy session that set off Monday's violence, are a key part of a faltering Western-backed peace deal signed in February.

Poroshenko stressed support for the controversial reforms that nationalists have branded "un-Ukrainian," by effectively legalising the rebel

seizure of the eastern Donetsk and Lugansk regions. Two of



the policemen died yesterday after the clashes outside parliament, with around 140 people -- most of them police -- treated in hospital.

The chaotic scenes with swirling black smoke, and riot police confronting baseball bat-wielding protesters carried echoes of the worst clashes of the Maidan in February 2014.

Boxing orangutans, a punch on the face of animal rights

Bangkok

Boxing gloves raised, two orangutans enter a ring at a Thai zoo, a spectacle that fascinates locals and foreigners alike but sits increasingly at odds in a nation slowly embracing animal welfare.

Every morning hundreds of tourists visit Safari World, a large zoo on the outskirts of Bangkok, to see apes perform a show parodying human behaviour -- in particular our predilection for violence, sex and alcohol.

Female orangutans, decked



Orangutans in the ring during a Muay Thai kickboxing bout

in bikini tops and miniskirts, pretend to seduce monkey musicians, drink beer and throw cans at the two orangutans play-fighting.

"It's one of the funniest things I've ever seen," Aisha, a 23-year-old tourist from Sri Lanka said.

"It's incredible what they're capable of."

But others are less enthusiastic. "I don't like it at all," says Erwin Newton, 30, from the United States. "I don't understand, what is interesting in making animals behave in this violent, dirty way."

To outsiders, Thailand's treatment of animals can appear confusingly contradictory. In this deeply Buddhist country it is not unusual to see pampered

pooches pushed around in prams or entire temples providing sanctuary to stray cats and dogs.

Yet dogs might also be on a dinner table in the northeast of Thailand while the kingdom -- a renowned animal-trafficking hub -- retains its long tradition of blood sports such as cock and bull fighting.

However, lately the country's animal fighting industry is also trying to make itself more humane.

"Even in animal fights, there must be rules," says Chaichan Laohasiripanya, Secretary-General of the Thai Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

"They must consider the health of the animal, the length of the fight," she said.

Acts of cruelty towards animals -- especially dogs -- often receive widespread publicity. In July the arrest of a village headman who killed his neighbour's pet dog after an argument was front-page news in Thai media for days.



Thai zoo worker interacting with an orangutan in a boxing ring



Orangutans performing for an audience at Safari World



DT News collates a number of issues involving journalists in different parts of the world during the last 24 hours

Six years have passed since the notorious Maguindanao massacre in Philippines, which witnessed the mass murder of 58 people, including 34 journalists, the deadliest ever attack towards the men of press. As justice drags its feet towards final verdict, the near and dear ones of the slain still retain a glimmer of hope. However, the road journalists ride through continues to be bumper littered with deathtraps. The same nation witnessed the brutal killing of another three journalists just days apart, triggering widespread outrage yesterday. September 1 could be marked as a black day for journalism as the media members in different parts of the world were subjected to a handful of atrocities DT News collates the relevant issues

Outrage after three scribes killed in Philippines

Manila

Three journalists in the Philippines have been shot dead just days apart, press groups said yesterday, as they warned of further media bloodshed without serious government action.

The nation of 100 million people has long been one of the world's most dangerous places for journalists, with powerful figures able to kill critics in the knowledge they will rarely face punishment.

Police and the Committee to Protect Journalists said the latest victim was radio commentator

Cosme Maestrado, 46, shot dead in front of a public market in the southern port city of Ozamiz on August 27.

Before Maestrado, radio reporter Teodoro Escanilla, 57, was shot inside his home in a fishing town in rural Sorsogon province on August 19, according to local police and the CPJ.

A day earlier, newspaper reporter Gregory Ybanez, 67, was gunned down in front of his house in Tagum city, a banana-growing centre in the south, where he also headed the local press association, police said.



A family bringing flowers and candles to a memorial for the two journalists who were killed this morning during a live broadcast on August 26 in Roanoke, Virginia. Two employees of WDBJ TV were killed during a live broadcast at Bridgewater Plaza on Smith Mountain Lake.

Thai journos acquitted finally

Phuket

An Australian journalist and his Thai colleague were acquitted of criminal defamation yesterday over a report implicating Thailand's navy in human trafficking, as the country faces heavy criticism for its role in the deadly trade.

Alan Morison and Chutima Sidasathian, of the Phuketwan news website, had faced up to seven years in jail over a July 2013 article quoting a Reuters news agency investigation that said some Thai navy members were involved in trafficking Rohingya Muslims fleeing Myanmar.

Azerbaijan jails top journalist for 7.5 years

Baku, Azerbaijan

Azerbaijan yesterday sentenced award-winning investigative journalist and anti-graft campaigner Khadija Ismayilova to seven and a half years in jail on corruption charges she denounced as trumped-up, her lawyer said.

Considered Azerbaijan's most prominent critical journalist,

Ismayilova, 39, served as bureau chief for the local service of the US-funded Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty network between 2008 and 2010.

"Baku's Court for Serious Crimes sentenced Khadija Ismayilova to seven and a half years in prison for economic crimes, including illegal entrepreneurship and tax evasion," her lawyer Fariz Namazly said. "We

will appeal the illegal verdict," he added.

Held in pre-trial detention since December, Ismayilova had denounced her prosecution as politically motivated and an attempt to stop her critical reporting. The journalist has fearlessly probed the alleged vast riches amassed by President Ilham Aliyev and his family.

Turkey charges two scribes for aiding terror organisation

Ankara

A Turkish court has charged three journalists working with Vice News with "aiding a terrorist organisation" and ordered their arrest pending trial in a move that has caused indignation and outrage amongst journalists and international human rights groups.

Correspondent Jake Hanrahan and cameraman Philip Pendlebury, who are British, and

their Turkey-based fixer and a driver were taken into police custody on Thursday while working in the south-eastern city of Diyarbakir.

They were covering recent clashes between Turkish security forces and the Patriotic Revolutionary Youth Movement, the youth wing of the outlawed Kurdistan Workers' Party (PKK). They were charged by the court on Monday.

Journalist held for crime committed at age 6

Dushanbe

Human Rights Watch yesterday urged ex-Soviet Tajikistan to free an independent journalist after he was jailed for two years for allegedly forging his birth certificate when he was just six.

Tajikistan sentenced Amindzhon Gulmurodzoda on August 18. The 33-year-old works for the Centre for Investigative Journalism. Tajikistan's security services claimed Gulmurodzoda submitted a birth certificate with the wrong date of birth while applying for a passport in 1989, when he was six. His father, who is dead, was also charged with the crime.

Safarova joins US Open seeds casualty list

FALL OF THE SEEDS

New York

Lucie Safarova joined the US Open seeds casualty list yesterday when the Czech left-hander became the fourth top-10 player to lose in the first round.

Sixth-seeded Safarova slipped to a 6-4, 6-1 defeat to Ukraine's Lesia Tsurenko, the woman she beat in the semifinals in New Haven just last week.

"I talked with my coach about what to change. I changed the serve a little bit, made it a more active movement," said the 26-year-old Tsurenko of the tweaks she made from last week's clash with the Czech, who had also beaten her in New York in 2013.

"I received pretty bad because she was a lefty. This time I was playing at the back more."

Safarova, the French Open runner-up, joins seventh seed Ana Ivanovic, eighth-ranked Karolina Pliskova and Carla Suarez Navarro, the 10th seed, in failing to get out of the first round. With world number three Maria Sharapova having

pulled out of the tournament through injury, Safarova's defeat also served to ease Serena Williams's path to a calendar Grand Slam.

The world number one American reached the second round on Monday when Vitalia Diatchenko retired with a foot injury after just 30 minutes.

World number two Simona Halep avoided the upsets when she reached the second round thanks to New Zealand opponent Marina Erakovic retiring with a knee injury.

Halep was leading 6-2, 3-0 when her 99th-ranked rival called it quits, having received a medical timeout for treatment on her right knee at the end of the first set.

Romanian 23-year-old Halep goes on to face either Kateryna Bondarenko of Ukraine or Yulia Putintseva of Kazakhstan for a place in the last 32.

"I had a good start. I was aggressive and played my best tennis today," said Halep, who has yet to get beyond the fourth round in New York.



Safarova reacts after her US Open Round 1 loss

Saturday declared deadline for BOC seminar applications

DT News Network Manama

The last day for submitting applications for a seminar on scientific research in the field is on Saturday the Bahrain Olympic Committee (BOC) announced yesterday.

The two-day seminar, which focuses on the importance of scientific research in developing the sports movement in the Arab world, is scheduled for September 16 and 17 at the Rami Grand Hotel in Seef.

It is part of this year's Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa Scientific Research Award in the field of sports, organised for the third year.

More than 170 academics and researchers in the fields of sports management, medicine and sports training from Bahrain and other Arab countries have already submitted their names last week.

A purpose-formed committee, tasked at receiving entry requests from applicants, can be e-mailed to mmatar@boc.bh.

The award, aims at promoting positive attitudes towards scientific research to create knowledge and contribute to the development of the sports movement.

Among main objectives is to encourage experts and researchers, locally and regionally, to conduct applied scientific research to develop the sports movement and improve the level of performance in all areas of sports.

Other goals are to support scientific research in accordance with the sports community needs, locally and regionally, honouring pioneers in scientific research in the field of sports, locally and regionally, besides promoting positive attitudes and enrich knowledge and contribute to the development of the sports movement.

The winner in each part of the award will receive a certificate of appreciation, signed by Shaikh Nasser, in addition to a cash prize and commemorative gift-bearing symbol of the award.

Federer sees off Mayer

New York

Five-time champion Roger Federer breezed through sweltering conditions at the US Open yesterday but the crushing heat and humidity took the number of first-round retirements to a record nine.

Second-seeded Federer had little trouble in seeing off Argentina's world number 34 Leonardo Mayer 6-1, 6-2, 6-2 in just 77 minutes on Arthur Ashe Stadium.

The 34-year-old Swiss, bidding to become the oldest champion in New York in 45 years, fired 12 aces, 29 winners and broke serve six times.

The 17-time Grand Slam champion goes on to face either Marcos Baghdatis or Steve Darcis.

"I got off to a good start and my serve got better as the match went on," said Federer.

However, the day's drama was being served-up on Court Five where Australia's Thanasi Kokkinakis retired on one leg in the fifth set against French 12th seed Richard Gasquet.

The 19-year-old Kokkinakis, who was caught up in compatriot Nick Kyrgios's infamous sex slur against Stan Wawrinka in Montreal, suffered from



Federer gestures after the win cramping and was warned by the umpire that he was putting his health at risk if he continued.

But he battled on, serving from a standing start and forced to play at walking pace before he finally gave up, losing 4-6, 6-1, 4-6, 6-3, 2-0 after almost three hours in 30-degree heat.

He was the eighth man to retire from the first round, a record for the US Open before Kazakhstan's Aleksandr Nedovyesov quickly became the ninth.

He was down 6-0, 7-6 (7/2), 1-0 to former champion Lleyton Hewitt when he called a halt after

suffering a right shoulder injury.

Earlier, Latvia's Ernests Gulbis also quit, handing Great Britain's Aljaz Bedene a 3-6, 6-4, 3-0 win.

Six men had retired on Monday.

In other early men's action, American number one John Isner breezed past Malek Jaziri of Tunisia 6-2, 6-3, 6-4 on the back of 24 aces and 54 winners.

Czech sixth seed Tomas Berdych, who made the semi-finals in 2012, was also a comfortable winner, seeing off American wildcard Bjorn Fratangelo 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.

Player Profile

Lionel Messi

Aged 28
■ Argentine
■ 1.69m
■ 67 kg

■ Barcelona since 2004



With Barca

Treble UEFA Champions League

La Liga

Spanish Cup

+ UEFA Super Cup

Champions League

Most goals 10 Most assists 6

La Liga Goals 43

With Argentina

■ Copa America ■ Best Player of finalist World Cup 2014

Main honours

4 FIFA Ballon d'Or (2009, 2010, 2011, 2012)
3 European Golden Shoe (2010, 2012, 2013)
2 UEFA Best Player in Europe (2011, 2015)



Caroline Wozniacki of Denmark returns a shot to Jamie Loeb of the US during her 2015 US Open Women's Singles round 1 match win



JUVE BOOST MIDFIELD

Hernandes joins Juventus

Milan

Juventus have bolstered their depleted midfield following the departure of Andrea Pirlo and Arturo Vidal by signing Hernanes from Inter Milan and upcoming Frenchman Mario Lemina from Marseille.

Hernanes, known for his great ball control and play-making skills, signed a three-year deal worth 11 million euros (\$12.4m, £8m) to become Juve's second signing on the final day of the summer transfer period after France under-21 midfielder Lemina, who joins on a season-long loan deal.

A statement on Juventus said: "Juventus Football Club can confirm that an agreement has been reached with Inter Milan for the purchase of Anderson Hernanes for a fee of €11m, payable in three financial years.

"The deal may increase by a further €2m should certain sporting targets stipulated in the agreement be achieved before 30 June 2018.

"The player has signed a three-year contract with the club."

After beginning his career with Sao Paulo in Brazil, Hernanes rose to prominence

in Italy while playing for Lazio, scoring 33 goals in 118 appearances.

Hernanes was in tears when he left Lazio for Inter Milan after complicated negotiations between the clubs in January 2014, but signed a four and a half deal with the Nerazzurri.

Despite some promising performances and being popular with fans, the 30-year-old failed to inspire Inter in his 18-month stay at the San Siro.

Previously compared to Andrea Pirlo for his cool head and technique while in possession, Hernanes will be welcomed at Juventus following the departure in the summer of Pirlo and Arturo Vidal, and amid a minor crisis.

With Claudio Marchisio still sidelined through injury, Juve's midfield has been under par in the opening two games but the addition of Hernanes should calm fears among fans.

Juventus, the league and Cup double winners last season and who were beaten by Barcelona in the Champions League final, have lost their opening two games of the season (Udinese and Roma) for the first time in their history.

Ishant Sharma, Dinesh Chandimal get match bans



From the Test match

Colombo

India's Ishant Sharma was suspended yesterday by the International Cricket Council for one Test match and Dinesh Chandimal of Sri Lanka banned from a one-day international for misconduct during the final Test in Colombo.

Two other Sri Lankan players, Dhammika Prasad and Lahiru Thirimanne, were fined 50 percent of their undisclosed match fees for similar offences during the match, the ICC said in a statement. All four players were involved in a heated flare-up during the fourth day's play on Monday, prompting match referee Andy Pycroft to charge the players under the ICC's code of conduct.

Tempers rose in the final session as Sharma and the Sri Lankan fielders had a heated exchange after Prasad bowled three consecutive bouncers to the Indian tailender.

Chandimal nudged Sharma with his shoulder and Thirimanne also joined in the verbal spat forcing umpires Nigel Long and Rod Tucker to step in to calm down the players. As Sharma hurried off the field after the Indian innings ended, Prasad sprinted behind him and television pictures showed the two players speaking to each other outside the dressing rooms.

Sharma, who had been fined 65 per cent of his match fees for misconduct during the second Test at the P. Sara Oval in Colombo, was penalised again for taunting opener Upul Tharanga after he dismissed him.

Gibson gets 20-month driving ban

London

Everton midfielder Darron Gibson was banned from driving for 20 months and sentenced to a 12-month community order yesterday after he collided with three cyclists and drove off.

Republic of Ireland international Gibson was over the legal drink-drive limit when his vehicle mounted a pavement and struck the men who had stopped to fix a broken bicycle chain.

The former Manchester United player sped off in his black Nissan

Skyline GT-R Nismo before he pulled into a nearby petrol station on the morning of August 16.

Police were eventually called by a garage attendant after Gibson hit a petrol pump and began filling his vehicle with fuel while wearing no shoes.

Gibson was arrested and taken to a police station where he gave a positive reading of 57 microgrammes per 100 millilitres of breath - the legal limit being 35.

He entered guilty pleas at Trafford Magistrates' Court to driving with

excess alcohol, driving without due care and attention and failing to stop after an accident had occurred.

The 27-year-old must perform 200 hours of unpaid work as part of his community sentence and was ordered to pay £4500 (\$6900) in damages caused to one of the bikes, a carbon composite model which was written off.

He was ordered to pay £1000 compensation to the cyclist who he directly hit, £100 each to the two other men and was also told to pay £295 court costs.



Gibson

Tap out

Judo king Nomura's retirement moves Japan

Tokyo

Japanese fans hailed three-time Olympic champion Tadahiro Nomura as a "wonderful judoka" yesterday as his retirement because of injuries prompted an emotional response.

Nomura, the first person to win three Olympic judo titles in a row, quit after his final match at the All-Japan Corporate Individual Championships on Saturday, saying he has reached his "physical limit" after repeated

injuries. The 40-year-old judoka, who was in the under-60 kilogram men's section, won gold medals in Atlanta in 1996, Sydney in 2000 and Athens in 2004.

"I realised when the match was over that I was feeling nostalgic and sad," he told reporters in Osaka on Monday as he announced his retirement.

"I couldn't win my final match, but I'm glad I competed. I lost but so many people applauded and

gave me warm words... I'm happy."

Nomura said he continued competition after his triple medals owing to his "passion" and "deep feelings" about the sport.

But a string of injuries following a 2007 knee operation took their toll, he said.

Describing himself as a judoka "who doesn't know when to give up", Nomura said he became dependent on pain relief medications to

numb the pain.

"I cried so hard watching his last match on TV. He was such a wonderful judoka," one fan said on Twitter.

Another said they would not forget the "thrilling sensation" of seeing Nomura's lightning-fast moves.

Nomura is known for winning matches by ippon -- the equivalent to a knock-out in boxing -- with his signature seoinage shoulder throw.



Nomura with his 2004 Olympic Games judo gold (File)



Manchester United ended the transfer deadline with a 'panic signing' of teenager Anthony Martial. DT News takes a look at van Gaal's new Old Trafford...

TIME FOR MARTIAL LAW

London

In betting the house on 19-year-old Monaco forward Anthony Martial, Manchester United have emphasised the English Premier League's standing as the financial ogre of European football.

United's decision to gamble a reported £36 million (\$55.1 million, 49 million euros) on a player with only 52 league games to his name has sparked incredulity on both sides of the Channel.

British tabloid The Sun rechristened the 20-time English champions "MADchester United", while The Times said the deal – a world-record for a teenage player – was "the latest sign of panic buying at Old Trafford".

In France the focus has centred on reports that the eventual fee could rise to a staggering 80 million euros, which would make Martial, in the words of L'Equipe's front-page headline, "More expensive than Zidane".



"Today it's the English clubs, and no-one else, who make the market," says French football agent Christophe Mongai, whose client Jordan Amavi joined Aston Villa from Nice last month.

"No-one can compete, except for the top five or six clubs in Europe."

Including the arrival of Martial, Louis van Gaal has now overseen a quarter of a billion pounds in transfer spending since succeeding David Moyes as United manager last year.

Manchester City, meanwhile, have spent around £140 million in the current window alone, including eye-watering deals for Kevin De Bruyne, Raheem Sterling and Nicolas Otamendi.

"What we're seeing with the likes of Manchester United, and to a lesser

context of Manchester United it's not wildly outside what they might normally expect to play for emerging talent.

"Go back to Wayne Rooney: 10 years ago now, they paid around £27 million.

Comparably, Wayne Rooney cost much more than Martial will cost, because it was 10 years ago and we have price inflation and you have a much smaller TV deal and much smaller revenues at all these clubs."

While big-money arrivals at United, City and Chelsea have long been the norm, it is the sight of Yohan Cabaye in Crystal Palace's colours or Xherdan Shaqiri lining up for Stoke City that hammer home England's financial might.

The structure of the Premier League's TV deals means that money is shared evenly across the division and English clubs are also reaping the rewards of slick commercial operations.

United's new kit deal with German sportswear firm Adidas is worth £750 million, on top of several commercial contracts including a £330 million sponsorship agreement with American car giant Chevrolet.

"We've seen in recent years tremendous commercial growth from the largest clubs and that's helping fuel some of this transfer spending," Alex Thorpe from Deloitte's Sports Business Group said.

extent Chelsea, is they're buying talent with a view to maximising its potential in the future," Rob Wilson, a football finance expert from Sheffield Hallam University, said.

"What they're finding is the players that they might have gone for, these 'marquee' signings, the values for those are so wildly inflated that they're beginning to look elsewhere."

- "Tremendous commercial growth" -

He added: "The headlines make it sound like a huge, huge deal, but in the



Anthony Martial

Louis van Gaal (right) earlier bought the German powerhouse Schweinsteiger (above) from Bayern Munich in July



According to financial consultants Deloitte, the deal took the gross spending of England's top-flight clubs beyond the record for a single transfer window of £835 million, which was set last year.

Buoyed by the announcement earlier this year of a new domestic television rights deal worth £5.14 billion for the period 2016 to 2019, English clubs have spent more lavishly than ever before.

And with a new global TV rights package set to be announced early in 2016, experts expect total rights-related income to exceed £8 billion.

Rooney



India win SL Test series

END TO A LONG WAIT

Colombo
India overcame a gallant century by Sri Lankan captain Angelo Mathews to win the final Test by 117 runs yesterday and end a 22-year wait for a series win on the island.

The hosts, set a victory target of 386, were bowled out for 268 after tea on the fifth day at the Sinhalese Sports Club in Colombo to hand the tourists a 2-1 series scoreline.

Sri Lanka were revived by a 135-run

losing the first match. "Being 0-1 down was never easy," he said. "I was told it had never been done before by us abroad, so we managed to create a bit of history." "It feels nice, especially with such a young team early in our careers, to achieve a magnificent milestone and win a series here for the first time in 22 years." "The attitude has been brilliant. That is why we are playing the kind of cricket we are playing. There are areas we want to improve on, but the number of bad sessions we had in the series were few. I am really proud of the boys."

'A bit of history'

Virat Kohli, enjoying a series win for the first time as Indian Test captain, said he was delighted to see the team bounce back after



India's last series success in Sri Lanka was 22 years ago, under Mohammad Azharuddin's captaincy in 1993 when they won 1-0

stand for the sixth wicket between Mathews and debutant Kusal Perera, but the dismissal of both batsmen on either side of tea sealed their fate.

Off-spinner Ravichandran Ashwin finished with four for 69 and was named man of the series for taking 21 wickets in the three Tests.

Seamer Ishant Sharma took three wickets in the innings, including the vital scalp of Mathews after tea, to take his tally to 200 wickets in his 65th Test.

India had fought back after losing the opening Test in Galle by 63 runs to win the second at the P. Sara Oval in Colombo by 278 runs and then took the enthralling final Test

