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Wayne Rooney has criticised the government and the Premier League for placing footballers in a "no-win situation" over proposed pay cuts after players were urged to make sacrifices during the coronavirus crisis. P12

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'We will overcome'

HRH the Prime Minister and HRH the Crown Prince laud national efforts to prevent spread of COVID-19 in Kingdom

Bahraini, 81, amongst 431 recovered COVID-19 cases
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An 81-year-old Bahraini is among those who have recovered from the coronavirus (COVID-19) disease and been discharged from the treatment and quarantine facilities.

According to the Ministry of Health website, the elderly man had tested positive upon his arrival at Bahrain International Airport in late February, after travelling back to the Kingdom from Iran.

He is one of a total of 431 individuals who already fought the virus and recovered. This is following an additional four treated cases announced yesterday by the Health Ministry.

The total number of active cases as of last night was 265, of which three were indicated as critical.

There is another 81-year-old Bahraini still amongst the active cases. The woman tested positive as a contact of another positive case. She had reported this after being present at one of the locations of the other active case.

The oldest active case in Bahrain is one of an 87-year-old Bahraini man, who had arrived from Germany last month and was also in contact with another active case.

The number of total tested so far is 44,386.

● Government is resolved to spare no effort to attain tangible results, improve quality of performance and meet citizens' needs

● Bahrain's ability to overcome current phase relies on the full awareness and constructive cooperation of everyone

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HRH the Prime Minister and HRH the Crown Prince during their meeting yesterday

Bahrain will overcome the current crisis caused by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, no matter how heavy the challenges are.

This was declared yesterday by His Royal Highness the Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Premier.

HRH the Prime Minister received HRH the Crown Prince at his palace in Riffa.

HRH the Premier lauded the national efforts exerted to contain and prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the Kingdom through a set of precautionary measures. These have allowed Bahrain to be among the leading countries with the capability to combat the coronavirus and significantly control its spread, which has earned it the acclaim of the World Health Organisation (WHO).

They stressed the government's resolve to spare no effort in order to attain tangible results, improve the quality of performance, and meet the citizens' needs.

They affirmed that the current situation Bahrain and the world are facing requires doubled and concerted efforts, through commitment to the national responsibility to overcome the current phase and its impacts in various fields.

HRH the Premier and HRH the Crown Prince valued the dedicated national efforts aimed at ensuring the safety of the nation and its citizens, noting that such endeavours have showcased the strength, solidity and cooperation of all in Bahrain as well as their solidarity in facing various dangers and challenges.

They expressed optimism that Bahrain is capable of overcoming the current phase thanks to the full awareness and constructive cooperation of everyone in the Kingdom in meeting the national aspirations for safety, stability and progress.

Also during their meeting, HRH the Prime Minister and HRH the Crown Prince reviewed a number of local economic and social topics, as well as the progress of a number of development projects in the Kingdom.

Indian PM Modi lights 'Diya' to commemorate COVID-19 fight



Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi yesterday lit an earthen lamp or 'Diya' after turning off all lights at his residence for nine minutes. He did this as per his earlier appeal to all Indians to switch off the lights at 9pm local time at their residences and just light a candle, 'Diya', or their cellphone's flashlight to mark the nation's fight against the coronavirus (COVID-19) disease that is spreading across India like wildfire. Photos of the Prime Minister lighting the lamp and leading the nation's fight against COVID-19 were shared from his official account on social networking platform Twitter. Modi himself posted the photos with a Sanskrit 'shloka' as the caption, which when translated to English, roughly means, "Salutations to the light of the Lamp which brings auspiciousness, health, and prosperity and destroys inimical feelings; salutations to the light of the Lamp."

UN marks maiden International Day of Conscience

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The United Nations (UN) marked yesterday the first-ever International Day of Conscience (IDC), following an initiative launched by His Royal Highness the Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa.

International human rights organisations hailed the unique initiative which, they said, represents a further achievement in Bahrain's record and reflects HRH the Premier's standing and efforts to promote global peace.

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Queen Elizabeth addresses British people on COVID-19 outbreak

London

Britain's Queen Elizabeth rallied her people yesterday saying that that they would overcome the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak if they stayed resolute in the face of lockdown and self-isolation.

Queen Elizabeth was speaking in an extremely rare broad-

cast to the nation - only the fifth televised address in her 68-year reign.

She called upon Britons to show their resolve and demonstrate they were as strong as generations of the past.

"We should take comfort that while we may have more still to endure, better days will return; we will be with our friends



Better days will return; we will be with our friends again; we will be with our families again; we will meet again.

BRITAIN'S QUEEN ELIZABETH

again, we will be with our families again, we will meet again," she said.

"Together we are tackling this disease, and I want to reassure you that if we remain united and resolute, then we will overcome it," added the 93-year-old monarch, who made her address from her Windsor Castle home where she is staying with her

husband Prince Philip.

"While we have faced challenges before, this one is different. This time we join with all nations across the globe in a common endeavour, using the great advances of science and our instinctive compassion to heal. We will succeed, and that success will belong to every one of us."



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