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HM King appoints
Bahrain permanent
representative to UN
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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa issued Decree (42) of 2024 appointing a permanent representative of the Kingdom of Bahrain to the United Nations Office in Geneva, based on the proposal of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, and following the approval of the Cabinet.

Under Article I, His Excellency Ambassador Abdullah Abdullatif Abdullah shall be appointed as Permanent Representative of the Kingdom of Bahrain to the United Nations Office in Geneva, with the title of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

Under Article II, the Minister of Foreign Affairs shall implement this decree, it will be effective from the date of its issuance, and it shall be published in the Official Gazette.

HM the King issued Royal Order (23) of 2024, adjourning the second session of the sixth Legislative Term of the Shura and Representatives councils, as of Tuesday, May 8.

Russian rocket strikes kill three

AFP | Kyiv

Russian strikes on the Reastern Ukrainian regions of Donetsk and Kharkiv killed three people and wounded at least a dozen more, officials said yesterday.

These latest attacks came as Orthodox Christians in Ukraine and Russia celebrated Easter, and as Moscow said its forces had captured another village on the battlefield.

"In Pokrovsk, rocket attacks killed two people and damaged a house," Vadim Filashkin, Ukraine's governor of the Donetsk region, said in a post on Telegram.

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Deadlock persists

Hamas and Israel entrench Gaza truce positions as latest Cairo talks end

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A Hamas official said yesterday the group's delegation for Gaza truce talks in Cairo was leaving for Qatar, after public disagreement with Israel intensified over demands to end their seven-month war.

Earlier, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said "surrendering" to a demand to end the war would amount to defeat.

The Qatar-based political chief of Hamas, Ismail Haniyeh, countered by accusing Netanyahu of sabotaging the talks.

The Hamas official, who requested anonymity to discuss the negotiations, told AFP that "the meeting with the Egyptian intelligence minister has ended and the Hamas delegation is leaving for Doha for further consultations".

The Hamas negotiators are due back in Cairo tomorrow, said Al-Qahera News, a site linked to Egyptian intelligence services.

CIA director Bill Burns, meanwhile, was headed to Doha for "emergency" talks on mediation efforts with Qatari Prime Minister Mohammed bin Abdulrahman Al-Thani, a source with knowledge of the discussions told AFP.



Palestinians transport an injured man pulled from the rubble of a house destroyed in an Israeli strike in the center of Rafah in the southern Gaza Strip. (AFP)

Netanyahu yesterday also announced a government decision to close operations in Israel of Qatar-based news channel Al Jazeera, which has broadcast round-the-clock coverage of the conflict. It went off-air a short time later.

'Criminal act'

The network condemned

Israel's decision as a "criminal act", and said it would take legal action.

Gaza's bloodiest-ever war began following Hamas's unprecedented October 7 attack on Israel that resulted in the deaths of more than 1,170 people, mostly civilians, according to an AFP tally of Israeli official figures.

Vowing to destroy Hamas,

Israel's retaliatory offensive has killed at least 34,683 people in Gaza, mostly women and children, according to the Hamas-run territory's health ministry.

Shelling and gunfire

An AFP correspondent and witnesses reported shelling and gunfire in Gaza City yesterday,

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Qatari, Egyptian and US mediators had proposed a 40-day pause in the fighting and an exchange of hostages for Palestinian prisoners.

helicopter fire in central and southern Gaza, and a missile strike on a house in the Rafah area. Israel's military said air strikes over the past day killed several militants including three in central Gaza who took part in the October attack.

"We want a ceasefire and for Gaza to return to how it was, or even better," said displaced woman Umm Jamil al-Ghussein in the southern city of Rafah, where about 1.2 million Gazans have sought shelter.

Arwa Saqr, displaced from Khan Yunis, said she has "lost hope that the negotiations will succeed".

UN key official barred entry to Gaza by Israel

AFP | Jerusalem

The head of the UN agency for Palestinian refugees, UNRWA, said yesterday that Israeli authorities had barred him from entering Gaza for a second time

since the Israel-Hamas war started on October 7.

"Just this week, they have denied - for the second time - my entry to Gaza where I planned to be with our UNRWA colleagues including those on the front lines,"

Philippe Lazzarini wrote on X. Lazzarini has been to Gaza four times since the war broke out, including on March 17.

"The Israeli authorities continue to deny humanitarian access to the United Nations," he said

yesterday.

"Only in the past two weeks, we have recorded 10 incidents involving shooting at convoys, arrests of UN staff including bullying, stripping them naked, threats with arms & long delays

at checkpoints forcing convoys to move during the dark or abort," Lazzarini said.

He also called for an "independent investigation" into rocket fire that led to the closure of a key Israel-Gaza aid crossing.

Bahrain malaria-free

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The Ministry of Health has reaffirmed that Bahrain remained free from local transmission of malaria since 1979, attributing this achievement to continuous efforts in combating the disease and its vectors dating back to the 1930s.

The World Health Organization (WHO) officially declared Bahrain malaria-free in 1981.

In response to recent discussions regarding monitoring mosquitoes that carry malaria and yellow fever, the Ministry clarified that, according to the national epidemiologi-

cal investigation program, the Kingdom has not recorded any cases of Zika, yellow fever, or local transmission of dengue fever.

The program diligently monitors all disease cases in both government and private health institutions.

The Ministry emphasised ongoing coordination with governmental and private entities to educate citizens and residents on disease prevention methods.

It urged individuals to seek information from official sources to ensure the safety of society from infectious diseases and their vectors.



Bird's-eye view



Brazil President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva flying over a zone affected by the floods in Porto Alegre, Brazil yesterday. (AFP) (Detailed report on World Page)

'No job losses'

Local private company denies claims of laying off 50 Bahraini workers

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A local private company has denied allegations of terminating the employment of 50 Bahraini workers.

The clarification follows a prompt investigation by the Ministry of Labour.

Upon communication with company officials, it was revealed that no mass terminations had occurred. Instead, the company had informed two Bahraini workers that their employment contracts would not be renewed, adhering to the stipulations outlined in the Private Sector Labour Law No. 36 of 2012.

The Ministry's investigation sought to address concerns raised by circulating reports, ensuring transparency and adherence to legal regulations governing employment practices.

This development underscores the importance of accurate information dissemination and adherence to labour laws to safeguard the rights of both employers and employees in the private sector.

Workers' uproar

Earlier in the day, reports circulated about a local private company allegedly terminating



MP Mohsen Ali Al Asbool talks with the Bahraini employees

the contracts of 50 Bahraini workers, informing them that their employment agreements would not be renewed.

Some workers attributed the layoffs to the failure to complete five-year contracts, which would have converted them to permanent positions.

MP Mohsen Ali Al Asbool confirmed reports from affected workers, stating that the company is simultaneously hiring new staff while laying off existing batches.

The current group comprises approximately 50 workers with varying salaries.

Al Asbool urged relevant authorities, particularly the Ministry of Labour, to intervene and ensure that the workers receive their full rights.

He emphasised the need for decisive action against any company benefiting from state support, such as Tamkeen, that terminates citizens' contracts under false pretenses.

Support

Al Asbool stressed the importance of directing support from Tamkeen to guarantee the rights of Bahraini employees and protect them from future dismissals.

Highlighting the workers' financial responsibilities, the MP urged swift resolution to prevent legal complications with banks and other institutions.

He called for attention to the recurring issue, emphasising the necessity of addressing it promptly.

Report on progress in upholding human rights

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The Acting Attorney General and Head of the Special Investigation Unit (SIU), Muhammad Khaled Al-Hazza, has outlined the unit's activities and accomplishments during the first third of the current year.

Al-Hazza highlighted the unit's receipt of 18 complaints alleging torture and ill-treatment by members of the Public Security Forces, emphasising its pivotal role in upholding human rights principles.

During this period, the unit

conducted interviews with 18 complainants and witnesses, interrogated five accused or suspected members of the Public Security Forces, and referred 13 complainants to the Forensic Medicine and Psychological Support Division for further evaluation.

Investigations

In addressing specific cases, the unit completed investigations into complaints of ill-treatment, resulting in the referral of two members of the Public Security Forces to the Military Courts Administra-

tion for disciplinary action.

Disciplinary sanctions were also issued against two members in previous cases.

The unit participated in regional and international forums, with the head of the unit representing Bahrain in discussions regarding the Kingdom's human rights report.

Al-Hazza emphasised the unit's commitment to promoting human rights, enhancing the rule of law, and adhering to internationally recognised standards, noting the positive impact of its efforts in reducing complaint rates.

Bahrain embraces environmental innovation

London

It is important to implement environmental principles, promoting studies, creativity, and innovation in the green economy, and utilising environmentally friendly technologies to advance Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

This was emphasised by the Minister of Oil and Environment and Special Envoy for Climate Affairs, His Excellency Dr. Mohamed bin Mubarak Bin Daina, as he delivered a keynote speech at the 21st Annual Middle East and North Africa Conference, held under the theme "Pathways to Prosperity", at the London Business School.

In his remarks, the minister affirmed the significance of implementing environmental principles, promoting studies, creativity, and innovation in the green economy, and utilising environmentally friendly technologies to advance Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Dr. Bin Daina underscored



Dr. Bin Daina speaks at the event

the need for oil-producing countries to collaborate and coordinate efforts to enhance energy security.

Renewable energy sources

Additionally, he emphasised the importance of focusing on renewable energy sources, investing in research and development, and training to improve energy efficiency practices.

The minister commended

the private sector for its role in bolstering national and international efforts to protect the environment while striving to achieve developmental and economic objectives.

The conference featured over 40 speakers, including ministers, CEOs, entrepreneurs, and business leaders. It attracted more than 800 participants from various backgrounds, such as business leaders, diplomats, and academics.

Expansion project



His Excellency Shaikh Khalid bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, the Deputy Prime Minister, yesterday made a visit to the site of the second phase of the Avenues Mall expansion project. Shaikh Khalid bin Abdullah said that the rapid growth of investment activities in major projects by the private sector reflects the attractive competitive environment of the kingdom. He said that this was aligned with the comprehensive development process led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, which is followed-up by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

Traffic standstill



A traffic congestion was reported yesterday on Al-Fateh Street leading towards the Bahrain Bay area following an accident involving several vehicles. Competent authorities swiftly took action to facilitate the movement of traffic in the affected area.

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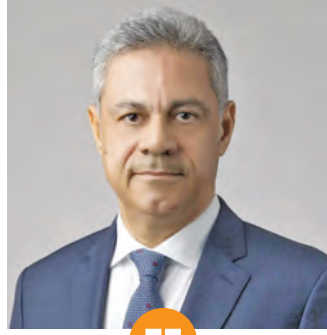
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Shura Council endorses prison reform legislation



MP Dr. Fatema Alkooheji



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This reformist legislation represents a monumental stride in the transformation of our prison system, setting a new benchmark in that regard

MP DR. MOHAMED ALI HASAN ALI

A piece of legislation was unanimously endorsed yesterday by the Shura Council aiming to reform the General Directorate of Reformation and Rehabilitation's functions.

Conceived in accordance with the Legislation and Legal Opinion Commission, the amendments enhance current protocols for managing detainees and prisoners, aiming to improve detainee services and positively affect their families' mental health, reflecting Bahrain's dedication to its reformation agenda.

The draft law received the green light from the Council of Representatives on April 30th and was subsequently brought to the upper house for the final seal of approval.

The legislation broadens visitation rights and ensures free healthcare for inmates and pre-trial detainees, extending visitation to those authorised by the directorate, thus supporting prisoners' connections with their community, vital for their rehabilitation.

His Excellency Dr. Ali Mohamed Alromaihi, the Head of the Foreign Affairs, Defense, and National Security Committee, remarked, "On the momentous occasion marking the silver jubilee of His Majesty the King's ascension, it is

imperative to underscore the doctrine of the separation of powers — a cornerstone principle that underpins the governance of our nation."

Dr. Mohamed Ali Hasan Ali further remarked, "This reformist legislation represents a monumental stride in the transformation of our prison system, setting a new benchmark in that regard."

Dr. Fatema Alkooheji highlighted the importance of adopting terminology that reflects a rehabilitative and growth-oriented approach in the proposed amendments. She advocated for the phrase "correct the inmate's behaviour" to replace "correct the inmate's mistake" and suggested "improve the behaviour of the inmate" as a more fitting alternative to "develop the behaviour of the inmate."

Two schoolgirls suffer from 'domestic violence'

● **Ministry of Education reports alarming case with authorities**

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The Ministry of Education has reported a case of domestic violence towards two girls in a government school, according to a statement released yesterday.

The incident came to light when a teacher in one of the elementary classes noticed visible bruises on the hand of a girl in her class. Upon questioning her older sister, it was revealed that they had been subjected to severe physical abuse at home.

"In response to this distressing situation, the Ministry has initiated the necessary procedures to prepare the required reports in accordance with its policies and established procedures. The aim is to refer the matter to the appropriate legal authorities. Additionally, the Ministry is ensuring that ad-

equate psychological and educational support is provided to the affected children," the Ministry said in a statement, adding that: "These measures are being taken to safeguard the health and well-being of the children and to prevent any negative impact on their academic progress."

Cases of domestic violence have serious consequences on the physical, emotional, and psychological well-being of children. The Ministry of Education is working in



collaboration with relevant authorities and organisations to combat domestic violence and promote a culture of respect, care, and support within families.

Parents and guardians are encouraged to maintain open lines of communication with their children, to create an environment where they feel safe and comfortable sharing their concerns.

It is crucial for families to seek help and support if they are facing challenges or difficulties, and to prioritise the well-being of their children.

Maintaining integrity and honour

Shura Council unanimously approves Medal Revocation Law

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The Shura Council yesterday rendered a unanimous endorsement of a legislative draft pertaining to the rescindment of honours conferred by the Kingdom.

The legislation, proposed by the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Defence, and National Security under the leadership of His Excellency Dr Ali Mohamed Alromaihi, introduces explicit criteria for withdrawing medals.

The initiative addresses a shortfall in the existing Decree on Medals, which specifies the types and conditions for awarding medals but does not address guidelines for their removal.

The proposed law mandates that medals may be annulled in instances of egregious transgressions, encompassing criminal adjudications, betrayal of trust, dereliction in civic duty, or conduct that besmirches the medal's esteem. This provision harmonises with the jurispru-

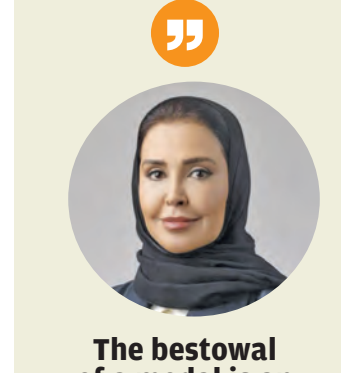


MP Dr. Ali Mohamed Alromaihi

dential norms of the region and is designed to uphold the sanctity of the national accolades of the Kingdom of Bahrain.

Commenting on the matter, Dr. Jehad Al Fadhel emphasised, "The bestowal of a medal is an honour reserved for exceptional achievements and signifies a commitment to embodying values while refraining from any questionable behaviour."

Sheikh Adel Al Mouwda stated, "The awarding of medals should have a tangible impact



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MP DR. JEHAD AL FADHEL

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Expressing gratitude for the passage of the law, Major General Dr. Yousef Rashid Flaifel,



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MP SHEIKH ADEL AL MOUWDA

President of the Military Court of Cassation, affirmed, "This law equips us with the necessary judicial tools in the field of military judgement."

'Bahrain undergoes legislative renaissance'

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The Minister of Legal Affairs, His Excellency Yousif Khalaf, affirmed that the Kingdom of Bahrain has been experiencing a legislative renaissance under the reformist reign of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

He emphasised this point while addressing a question posed by MP Ejla Essa Bubshait in his inaugural response to a legislative inquiry.

The legislative system has been meticulously modernised mirroring the paragons of international norms, with its evolution being greatly guided by the harmonious collaboration of the legislative and executive



H.E. Yousif Khalaf

spheres, the Minister noted.

Exemplifying judicious foresight, the Cabinet's carefully crafted yearly legislative blueprint deftly delineates forthcoming legislation, ensuring its alignment with the overarching priorities of the government, intricately interwoven with the



H.E. Yousif Khalaf

government programme and budget law.

Consistency and coherence

This anticipatory approach is designed to create consistency and coherence throughout the executive apparatus.

As detailed in the legisla-

tive directives document, the government employs an evidence-based methodology for legislation, this methodology encompasses the entire legislative process, from initial conceptualisation to final legal enactment.

To gauge the impact of legislation, the government employs a rigorous methodology replete with quantifiable metrics, adhering to international benchmarks and empirical methodologies.

The respective governmental entities undertake the assessment of legislative impacts within their domain, and should the need arise, protocols established for statutory modifications are enacted.

NSSA joins Gulf workshop on space cooperation

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The National Space Science Authority (NSSA) actively participated in a significant workshop organised by the General Secretariat of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf.

The event, titled "Cooperation in the Field of Space," convened Gulf leaders in the space sector in Riyadh.

Led by His Excellency Dr. Muhammad Ibrahim Al-Asiri, CEO of the Authority, the Bahraini delegation delivered a comprehensive presentation on the history of the Kingdom's space sector and the Authority's journey from inception to present.

Key achievements and significant projects undertaken by the



H.E. Dr. Muhammad Ibrahim Al-Asiri speaks at the event

Authority were reviewed during the presentation.

Dr. Al-Asiri emphasised the workshop's pivotal role as the inaugural initiative by the General Secretariat to understand the space sector's history, capabilities, achievements, and future plans across member states.

Discussions centered on fostering Gulf cooperation in space to achieve integration among member states.

Coordination

Expressing gratitude, Dr. Al-Asiri commended the General Secretariat for its coordination and organisation of the workshop.

He underscored the importance of the workshop's recommendations in bolstering Gulf action to realize the aspirations of GCC countries.

Also representing Bahrain

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H.E. DR. MUHAMMAD IBRAHIM AL-ASIRI, CEO OF THE NATIONAL SPACE SCIENCE AUTHORITY (NSSA)

at the workshop were Dr. Muhammad Al-Othman, Advisor to the Authority for Scientific and Technical Affairs, and Professor Amal Al-Binali, Director of the Strategic Planning and Projects Department.

Telecommunication companies' key role praised

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The Minister of Transportation and Telecommunications, His Excellency Mohammed bin Thamer Al Kaabi, high-

lighted the role of telecommunications companies in advancing digital development in Bahrain.

He commended the contributions of STC Bahrain in this area during his meeting with its CEO,

Khalid bin Baijan Al Osaimi.

Al Kaabi expressed full support for initiatives that advance the information and communication technology (ICT) sector and digital economy, em-

phasising their importance for enhancing service quality and accessibility for citizens and residents.

Al Osaimi thanked Al Kaabi for his support to the ICT sector.

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Wedding bells and cash registers



CAPTAIN MAHMOOD AL MAHMOOD

Many moons ago, when malls were still a novelty in Bahrain and the Al A'ali Mall was the luxury landmark in the whole Al Seef district, I remember an American couple from the US Naval base organising their wedding in the mall because of its picturesque central atrium and sweeping steps.

These days, such arrangements would be considered quite bohemian and weddings are a planned with the military precision befitting the multi-million dollar industry that they are.

For some time now, Bahrain has been working hard to project its charms and facilities as the wedding destination for the world. Since there is a large Indian population here, naturally, Indians have been the first to take the offers and many residents have enjoyed the benefits of a Bahrain designer wedding package.

Only if we push the boundaries of the wedding tourism trade will we fully charge the tourism cash register

Additionally, Indians from other parts of the world too have made a beeline for Bahrain, attracted by the cosmopolitan appeal, world class hospitality standards which seamlessly blend global elements such as cuisine and decor with specifics such as religious requirements.

For two years running, Bahrain brought home accolades: "Best International Wedding Destination for 2020" by Travel and Leisure and the "Best Tourist Destination for Indian Weddings" at the Wow Asia Awards 2019. Of course, the pandemic was a costly break but the Kingdom has bounced back and the wedding mandaps are busier than ever.

Recently, the BTEA organised a tour for a group of wedding planners to see Bahrain's beauty and facilities for themselves. While there is a great deal of touristic benefit to be had from the wedding business, Bahrain also needs to expand its whole game-plan.

For one thing, wedding guests need to know that there are many attractions to explore beyond the ceremony – Bahrain's beautiful gold jewellery and craftsmanship, for example, deserves some serious shopping by wedding guests. The sunny weather and beaches call for extended room-nights too.

Only if we push the boundaries of the wedding tourism trade will we fully charge the tourism cash register.

(Captain Mahmood Al Mahmood is the Editor-in-Chief of The Daily Tribune and the President of the Arab-African Unity Organisation for Relief, Human Rights and Counterterrorism)

Compensation joy

Commercial center ordered by High Commercial Court to pay food supplier over BD26,000

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The High Commercial Court has ruled in favour of a food supply company, ordering a commercial center to pay over BD26,000 for goods received in 2022.

The center had denied the invoices without providing proof of payment. The court also granted legal interest at a rate of 4% per year from December 2022 until full payment, and ordered the center to pay the costs of the lawsuit.

The case involved a food supply company that had contracted with the commercial center in 2022 to provide a quantity of food items. The supplier delivered the required materials, but the center did not pay the BD26,685.094 owed. The supplier then filed a lawsuit demand-

ing payment.

The supplier's lawyer presented copies of the food supply invoices, bearing the stamp and signature of the center's employees, as evidence of delivery. However, the center denied the authenticity of the invoices and the signatures. The court then referred the case to an investigation.

Witnesses

The court heard from two witnesses for the supplier, while the center did not present any witnesses.

The court found the testimonies of the witnesses to be credible, confirming that the supplier had delivered the food items to the center based on purchase orders issued between April and August 2022.

The court also noted that the



center had failed to pay the outstanding amount of BD26,685 despite being requested to do so.

Contractual relationship

Based on the evidence presented, the court confirmed the existence of a contractual relationship between the supplier and the center.

As a result, the court ruled that the center is obligated to pay the supplier the claimed amount of BD26,685.094, with legal interest at a rate of 4% per year from the due date of December 22, 2022, until full payment. The court also ordered the center to pay the costs of the lawsuit and attorney's fees.

Seven Bahraini directors shine at Saudi Film Festival

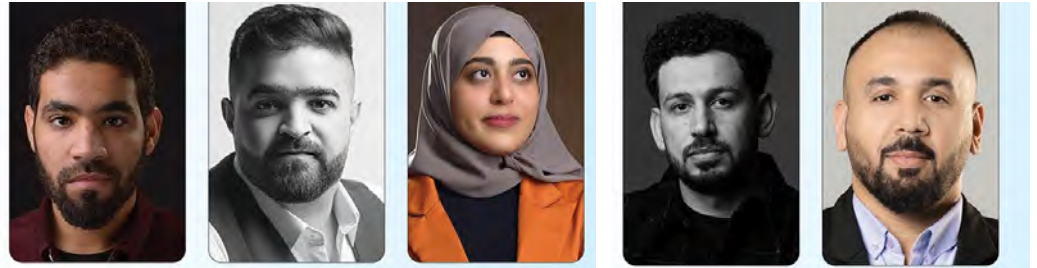
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Seven distinguished Bahraini directors took part in the tenth edition of the Saudi Film Festival.

This year's festival boasts an array of competitions, including film and screenplay contests, with enhanced prize structures and an expanded platform for showcasing international and Arab films.

Representing the Kingdom of Bahrain, the directors - Mahmoud Al-Sheikh, Hashem Sharaf, Ahmed Akbar, Jaafar Al-Baqali, Taqwa Nasser, Mohammed Jassim and Mohammed Al-Mubarak - bring a diverse range of narratives to the forefront.

Al-Sheikh presents "My Word," a poignant feature centering on the resilience



The Bahraini directors at the event

of a widowed grandmother navigating the complexities of love. Sharaf's "An Excuse Better Than a Sin" delves into urban dynamics, capturing the daring exploits of a young man amidst the backdrop of Bahrain's bustling cityscape.

Akbar's "Day" offers a reflective exploration of aging and solitude, while Al-Baqali's "Made for Beauty, Used for Ugly" delves into the emotional intricacies of family reunions post-war. Nasser's "The

Majla Woman" injects humor into the narrative, unraveling the eccentricities of a mysterious supermarket.

Documentary lens

Jassim's "Bar Sar" offers a captivating documentary lens into Bahrain's cultural tapestry, spotlighting the unique tradition of donkey racing. Al-Mubarak's "Al-Ihla" delves into the evolution of social customs and traditions, probing the shifting moral land-

scape through the enigmatic portrayal of "Al-Ihala."

The participation of Bahraini directors underscores the festival's commitment to fostering regional talent and celebrating cultural diversity through the medium of cinema.

As audiences anticipate the unveiling of these captivating narratives, the Saudi Film Festival promises to be a showcase of creativity, innovation, and storytelling prowess.

Thousands of Bahraini students undergo IELTS assessment

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More than 40,000 students yesterday took the second IELTS (International English Language Testing System) test across all government secondary schools and technical and vocational education schools in the Kingdom of Bahrain.

They underwent a comprehensive evaluation to gauge their proficiency in the English language.

The assessment comprises four main sections, each focusing on specific skills: listening, reading, writing, and speaking English.

In preparation for this nation-

al-level evaluation, the Ministry of Education has diligently trained teachers to familiarise them with the intricacies of the test, enabling them to support students effectively.

It has distributed guidebooks and teaching resources to students and parents, incorporating elements of the test into new English textbooks at the secondary level.

To further aid students, the Ministry has curated approved sources and websites for training purposes. This year, students in the first and second years of secondary school are included in the assessment, allowing



Gauging the students' proficiency in the English language

for ongoing monitoring of their English language proficiency and knowledge.

The assessment presents an

opportunity for students to identify areas for improvement and development, while the Ministry's training initiatives aim



to enhance students' English language skills, preparing them for higher education or entry into the workforce.

Results will be announced promptly following the completion of grading procedures.

Bahrain-China ties



His Excellency Mohammed bin Thamer Al Kaabi, Minister of Transportation and Telecommunications, received H.E. Ni Ruchi, the Chinese Ambassador to Bahrain. The minister welcomed the Chinese Ambassador and commended the bilateral relations.

Indo Bahrain Dance and Music Festival



The audience was treated to a spellbinding Indian classical ensemble of percussion, dance, flute, and vocal performances at the Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam on the second night of the third Indo Bahrain Dance and Music Festival. Legendary mridangam virtuoso Umayalpuram K Sivaraman was accompanied by acclaimed Bharatanatyam artist Parshwanath Upadhyay, flutist Amit Nadig, and vocalists Vinay Sharva, Aditya, and Hariharan. The distinguished guests for the evening included Sahar Almanna, Under Secretary of the Social Development Ministry; Dr. Ali Follad, Advisor to the Bahrain Tourism and Exhibition Authority; and Ihtas Aslam, Second Secretary at the Indian Embassy.

ASRY wins KOTC tender for docking six giant oil tankers

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The Arab Shipbuilding and Repair Yard Company (ASRY) has recently won a regional tender launched by the Kuwait Oil Tanker Company (KOTC) to carry out docking and maintenance work for 6 giant oil tankers. ASRY emerged victorious against a group of well-respected ship repair companies.

Shaikh Mohamed bin Rashid Al Khalifa, ASRY Deputy CEO commented, "Building on our long history of successful partnership with KOTC, ASRY is committed to strengthening existing customer relationships to open broader horizons of cooperation that serve all parties. ASRY aims to continue successful bilateral work to build qualitative partnerships that support the



advancement of common interests in the regional maritime sector."

Wael Mirza, ASRY Strategic Development Manager added, "At ASRY, we're dedicated to building successful partnerships by delivering integrated, safe, and reliable solutions that go above and beyond our customers' expectations. This includes upholding the highest standards in safety, quality, and on-time delivery. Thus today, we are pleased that ASRY is transforming into a multi-service facility for the maritime industry, directly contributing to Bahrain's economic growth."

Tamkeen supports AUBH student internships at CERN

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As part of its Global Ready Talent Programme, the Labour Fund Tamkeen signed an agreement with the American University in Bahrain (AUBH) to provide training opportunities for its students at the European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN) for a full year.

Two students were selected for this year's internship: Mohamed Jaafar, Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Noor Abduljalil, Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering.

The internships offer Bahraini students the opportunity to hone their skills through exposure to CERN's cutting-edge science.

One of the world's leading scientific research institutions, particularly in the fields of elementary particle physics, CERN studies the fundamental components of matter, while exploring the secrets of the universe. It operates the world's largest particle physics laboratory in addition to managing the Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS) experiment. One of CERN's most important projects is the Large Hadron Collider, which involves thousands of scientists and researchers from countries around the world.

Tamkeen Chief Executive,



AUBH President, Dr. Bradley Cook

Maha Abdulhameed Mofeez, said, "This partnership with CERN embodies our commitment to international cooperation in vital sectors, as well as enhancing Bahrain's position as an active member in CERN projects."

AUBH President, Dr. Bradley Cook, said, "We are eager to connect our students with international opportunities and nurture their professional experience to help them achieve their future aspirations. We hope this partnership with Tamkeen will continue to offer such opportunities to our students."

Tamkeen's Global Ready Talent program has successfully placed 98 Bahrainis across diverse sectors, providing them with valuable experience, skill enhancement, and exposure to international work environments.

Alba embraces Industry 4.0 with SAP S/4HANA cloud

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Aluminium Bahrain (Alba), one of the world's largest aluminium smelters, has inked an agreement with SAP, a market leader in enterprise application software, to upgrade its enterprise resource planning solution (ERP) to SAP's latest software - S/4HANA Cloud. With this move, Alba will accelerate its digital transformation journey and Industry 4.0 adoption to adapt to ever-changing business needs.

A signing ceremony was held on Thursday at Alba's premises, which was attended by Alba's Chief Executive Officer, Ali Al Baqali, and Senior Vice President of SAP Middle East Africa - North, Ahmed Jaber Al-Faifi, along with senior officials from Alba and SAP.

Alba's Chief Executive Officer, Ali Al Baqali, commented on this occasion: "This advanced solution isn't just about our digital transformation, it's rather the catalyst that propels Alba to the forefront of Industry 4.0. Embracing advanced computing and unlocking real-time data will not only optimise our operations but empower every facet of our business to inno-



Officials during a photocall



The deal signing

vate the future of aluminium production in line with Bahrain Economic Vision 2030."

Additionally, Saquib Ahmad,

Managing Director, Bahrain, SAP commented: "By streamlining, integrating, and automating core business functions

and processes, Alba will be free to focus on innovating its core business and setting new industry standards."

The new SAP S/4HANA Cloud is a complete, modular, and award-winning ERP software designed for the cloud offering scalable architecture, real-time data processing, integrated advanced analytics, better optimisation for speed and performance as well as enhanced user experience for Alba users, customers and suppliers.

Alba's extensive partnership with SAP, spanning over 25 years, is clearly evident in applying SAP solutions across the Company's core functions like production, maintenance, sales, procurement, HR, and more.

BisB honours 'Tejoori for her' winners with diamond bracelets

TDI | Manama

Bahrain Islamic Bank (BisB), the leading provider of digital banking services in Bahrain, recently honored the winners of the monthly draw for Tejoori Al Islami prizes at "Tejoori for Her" segment, which is exclusively designed for women, as part of a special event organized by the bank for the winners of the Tejoori Al Islami account across all segments at Vida Beach Resort in Marassi Al Bahrain.

The celebration was attended by Fatema AlAlawi, Chief Retail Banking Officer at Bahrain Islamic Bank (BisB), in addition to several officials and employees from the Bank.

The winners of the diamond bracelets from "Diveji" Jewellery in "Tejoori for Her" category monthly draws were Fatima Abdel Aziz Mohamed, Lulwa Ahmed Bin Dinah, Asma Mohamed Abdullah and Aseel Mohamed.



Tejoori Laha winners

Fatema AlAlawi, Chief Retail Banking Officer at BisB, said: "We congratulate all the winners of the special monthly draw for "Tejoori for Her" segment, which we have allocated to women in honor of them and to encourage them for saving."

The winners of the monthly draw for the Tejoori Al Islami prizes at "Tejoori for Her" segment which is exclusively for women expressed their immense joy and gratitude at winning the diamond bracelets from BisB, expressing their

thanks for BisB appreciation of women and honoring them in this special event, emphasizing that BisB is their preferred choice in dealing and providing banking products and services that always meet their banking requirements and needs.

The new Tejoori Al Islami scheme for 2024 has introduced new segments such as "Tejoori for Her" an exclusive segment designed for women, "Tejoori Youth" tailored for customers under the age of 25, and "Tejoori First time Winner" specifically for customers who have not won in the past year or more. The latest edition of the scheme features an extended list of prizes totaling to 2,024 winners.

In addition to regular monthly prizes, this year's scheme boasts four quarterly prizes of \$100,000 in the first quarter, \$200,000 in the second quarter, and \$300,000 in the third quarter, while the Tejoori Al Islami grand prize is worth \$1,000,000.

AMH, Muharraq Social Welfare Center hold Community Outreach Programme



Participants at the event

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The American Mission Hospital recently organized a health event with the Muharraq Social Welfare Center as part of its Community Outreach Programme, where it offered various basic tests, including height and weight measurements, body mass calculations, as well as blood pressure and blood sugar screenings for the elderly members of the center and the employees responsible for their care.

In order to provide high-quality services and advanced examinations for the elderly members, the Hospital

welcomed them at the American Mission Hospital branch in the Amwaj area to conduct a comprehensive body examination which included: Fasting Blood Sugar, Urea & Creatinine, AST & ALT, Cholesterol & Triglycerides, CBC, and medical counseling.

The Director of Public Relations and Community Service, Ali Tarada, emphasized the hospital's longstanding commitment to serving the community. He highlighted our dedication to providing services to all, with a particular focus on the working class, individuals with special needs, and the elderly.



News in brief

Kenya said yesterday that the death toll from weeks of devastating rains and floods had risen to 228 and warned that there was no sign of a let-up in the crisis. While Kenya and neighbouring Tanzania escaped major damage from a tropical cyclone that weakened after making landfall on Saturday, the government in Nairobi said the country continued to endure torrential downpours and the risk of further floods and landslides. In western Kenya, the River Nyando burst its banks in the early hours of Sunday, engulfing a police station, school, hospital and market in the town of Ahero in Kisumu County, police said. There were no immediate reports of casualties but local police said water levels were still rising and that the main bridge outside Kisumu on the highway to Nairobi was submerged.



Kenya floods death toll at 228 as crisis persists

A 17-year-old has turned himself in to police in Germany after an attack on a lawmaker that the country's leaders decided as a threat to democracy. The teenager reported to police in the eastern city of Dresden early Sunday morning and said he was "the perpetrator who had knocked down the SPD politician", police said in a statement. Matthias



Teenager turns self in after attack on German politician

Ecke, 41, European parliament lawmaker for Chancellor Olaf Scholz's Social Democrats (SPD), was set upon by four attackers as he put up EU election posters in Dresden on Friday night, according to police. Ecke was "seriously injured" and required an operation after the attack, his party said. Scholz on Saturday condemned the attack as a threat to democracy. "We must never accept such acts of violence," he said.

OFFBEAT NEWS

From how Burkina Faso has had it with headcases to France's most self-service wine cellar... your weekly roundup of offbeat stories from around the world.

How laid-back

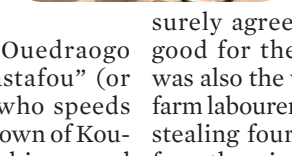
Burkina Faso is trying to persuade its most famous amateur stuntman to wear a helmet now he is 72.



ly to be on the menu.

Hidden bonuses

As Zucker would be on the menu. surely agree, nothing is too good for the workers. That was also the view of a French farm labourer who was caught stealing four bottles of wine from the winery he was working in. When police searched his home, they found 7,000 more bottles of fine burgundy worth half a million euros stashed in his and his mother's cellar.



Motorbike helmets are compulsory in the West African country but few Burkinabe wear them, and many of those that do don't fasten them. But with a terrible death toll on the roads, the government wants a "helmet revolution". And even Rastafou, who has ended up in hospital several times, may have to take notice.

"It is not wise to do as I do but I have a lot of experience," he said with a twinkle in his eye.

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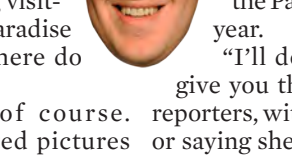


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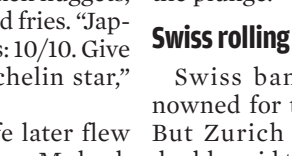
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Politicians that walk the talk are a rare breed. But French President Emmanuel Macron is prepared to put his body on the line by swimming in the Seine to prove his government has cleaned all sewage from the river for the Paris Olympics this year.



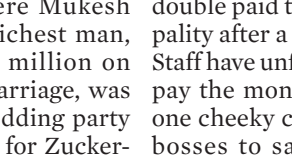
"I'll do it, but I won't give you the date," he told reporters, with the city's mayor or saying she would also take the plunge.

Zuckerberg posted pictures of his tray of chicken nuggets, teriyaki burger and fries. "Japanese McDonald's: 10/10. Give these guys a Michelin star," he wrote.



Swiss rolling in it

Swiss banks are not renowned for their generosity. But Zurich Cantonal Bank double paid the city's municipality after a computer glitch. Staff have unfortunately got to pay the money back, though one cheeky chap wrote to his bosses to say, "Thank you. Please repeat."



Authorities in southern Brazil raced against the clock yesterday to rescue people from raging floods and mudslides that have killed at least 66 and forced more than 80,000 to flee their homes.

Netanyahu: govt to 'close' Al Jazeera TV in Israel

“There will be no freedom of speech for the Hamas trumpets in Israel,” Communications Minister Shlomo Karhi said in a separate joint statement with Netanyahu.

AFP | Jerusalem, Undefined



An employee of the Qatar based news network and TV channel Al-Jazeera is seen at the channel's Jerusalem office

Al Jazeera condemns Israel's 'criminal' decision

Doha, Qatar Qatar-based network Al Jazeera on Sunday condemned as "criminal" a move by the Israeli government to ban the broadcaster from operating over its coverage of the Gaza war. "We condemn and denounce this criminal act by Israel that violates the human right to access information," Al Jazeera said in a statement on X, formerly Twitter, in Arabic.

He said the broadcaster had been informed of the "closure of the offices of Al Jazeera Channel operating within the borders of Israel", and the confiscation of its broadcasting devices. The broadcasting to Al Jazeera's websites would also be restricted, he said, adding that the

At least 97 journalists and media workers have been killed since the war began, according to the Committee to Protect Journalists, marking "the deadliest period for journalists" since 1992 when the group began gathering data. In January, Israel said an Al Jazeera staff journalist and a freelancer killed in an air strike in Gaza were "terror operatives".

The following month, it accused another journalist with the channel who was wounded in a separate strike of being a "deputy company commander" with Hamas.

Al Jazeera has fiercely denied Israel's allegations and accused it of systematically targeting its employees in the Gaza Strip.

BETTER YOU KNOW Al Jazeera was launched in Doha in 1996 by a decree issued by the former emir of Qatar, Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa al-Thani. While stipulating that the channel should be "totally independent of all influences," the decree also provided a \$150 million government loan for "setting it up and covering its operating costs for five years".

Top Afghan diplomat in India quits after \$2m gold smuggling reports

AFP | New Delhi, India

Afghanistan's top diplomat in India resigned days after she was reportedly caught by airport authorities smuggling nearly \$2 million worth of gold into the country.

Zakia Wardak, the Afghan Consul-General in India's financial capital Mumbai, posted a statement on social media platform X announcing her resignation.

Afghanistan's embassy in New Delhi shut down in November, more than two years after the Taliban returned to power in Kabul following the collapse of the Western-backed government, leaving Wardak as the country's most senior representative in India.

"It is with great regret that I announce my decision to step away from my role at the Consulate and Embassy in India, effective May 5, 2024," Wardak said Saturday.

Indian media reports said Wardak was last month stopped by financial intelligence authorities at Mumbai airport on arrival from Dubai -- along with her son -- carrying 25 kilograms of gold.

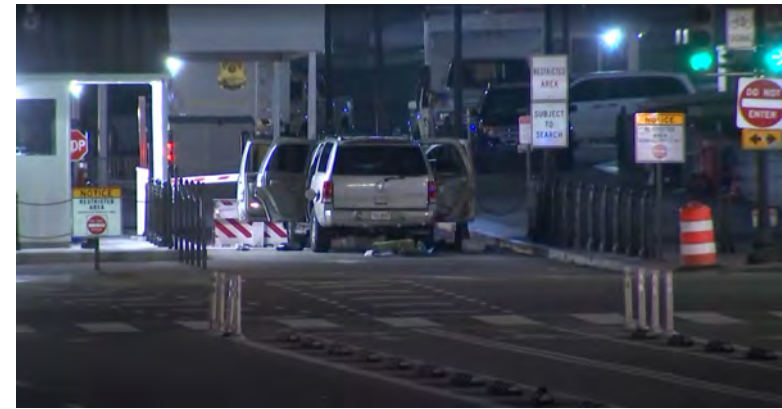
She was not arrested because of her diplomatic immunity, the reports said, but the gold -- worth about \$1.9 million -- was confiscated.

Wardak's resignation leaves thousands of Afghan nationals, including students and business-



Zakia Wardak, the Afghan Consul-General in India's financial capital Mumbai,

Driver dies after ramming car into White House gate



Members of the US Secret Service work at the site of a vehicle crash at a perimeter gate of the White House (NBC News)

AFP | Washington, United States

A driver died after crashing a car into the exterior gate of the White House late Saturday, the US Secret Service said.

"Shortly before 10:30pm a vehicle traveling at a high speed collided with an outer perimeter gate on the White House complex," the service said in a statement on social media platform X, adding there was "no threat" to the White House itself.

Officers arriving at the scene "attempted to render aid to the driver who was discovered deceased," the statement said.

The Secret Service, along with the police and fire departments of the District of Columbia, have launched an investigation into the fatal crash, according to Secret Service spokesman Anthony Guglielmi.

He added there was "no threat or public safety implications". In January, authorities detained another person who crashed a vehicle into the exterior gate of the same complex.

The White House has seen a string of high-profile trespassing incidents in recent years, prompting the construction of a higher, tougher metal fence around the iconic mansion's perimeter in 2020.

China's Xi arrives in France for state visit

AFP | Paris, France

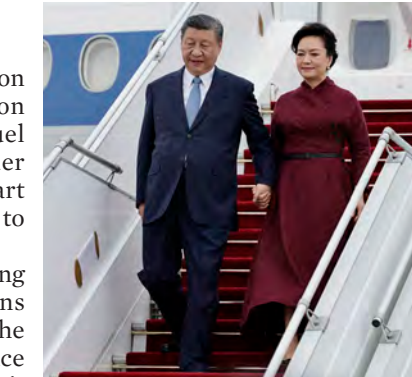
Chinese President Xi Jinping on Sunday arrived in France on a state visit hosted by Emmanuel Macron where the French leader will seek to push his counterpart on issues ranging from Ukraine to trade.

Xi's arrival for the visit marking 60 years of diplomatic relations between France and China was the start of his first trip to Europe since 2019 which will also see him visit Serbia and Hungary.

But Xi's choice of France as the sole major European power to visit indicates the relative warmth in Sino-French relations since Macron made his own state visit to China in April 2023 and acknowledges the French leader's stature as an EU powerbroker.

Chinese state broadcaster CCTV said the plane carrying Xi had touched down in Paris.

The leader of the one-party Communist state of more than 1.4 billion people, accompanied by his wife Peng Liyuan, was to be welcomed



China's President Xi Jinping and his wife Peng Liyuan disembark from their aeroplane upon their arrival for an official two-day state visit, at Orly airport, south of Paris

at Paris Orly airport by Prime Minister Gabriel Attal. Xi is to hold a day of talks in Paris on Monday -- also including EU Commission chief Ursula von der Leyen -- followed by a state banquet hosted by Macron.

Tuesday will see Macron take Xi to the Pyrenees mountains to an area he used to visit as a boy for a day of less public and more intimate talks.

Niger receives new Russian advisors, equipment

AFP | Niamey, Niger

Russian military advisors and military equipment have arrived in Niger, according to state television in the African country that wants US forces to leave.

A first set of about 100 Russian advisors had arrived in Niger on April 10 along with air defence systems. Two military transporters arrived Saturday, according to Tele Sahel that said Russia has now sent three cargo planes of military material and instructors in the past month.

The Africa Corps, seen as the successors of the Wagner paramilitary group in Africa, confirmed the instructors' arrival in a posting on the group's Telegram account. On Saturday, it said more trainers, equipment, and food products had arrived. US Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin indicated Thursday that Russian troops were now installed at a Nigerian air base near the Niamey airport that also houses US troops. Niger's military regime, which took power in a July 2023 coup, expelled French troops based in the country and then denounced a military cooperation agreement with the United States. It said this had been "unilaterally imposed" by Washington.

Brazil mounts frantic rescue effort as flooding kills 66



Aerial view of flooded streets at the Sarandi neighborhood in Porto Alegre, Rio Grande do Sul state, Brazil

AFP | Porto Alegre, Brazil

Authorities in southern Brazil raced against the clock yesterday to rescue people from raging floods and mudslides that have killed at least 66 and forced more than 80,000 to flee their homes.

All over the city of Porto Alegre, the capital of Rio Grande do Sul state, people stood on rooftops hoping to be rescued

as others in canoes or small boats navigated streets that have turned into rivers.

Civil defence officials said at least 101 people were missing in the latest of a string of catastrophic weather events in the South American giant.

Viewed from the air, Porto Alegre was completely flooded, with streets under water and the roofs of some houses barely visible.

The Guaiba River, which

flows through the city of 1.4 million people, reached a record high level of 5.3 meters (17.4 feet), according to the local municipality, well above the historic peak of 4.76 meters that had stood as a record since devastating 1941 floods.

The water was still advancing into economically important Porto Alegre and hundreds of other localities, with increasingly dramatic consequences.

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TOP 4 TWEETS

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Hunger in Haiti has reached unprecedented levels. Almost half of the population are now facing acute food insecurity. The @UN's humanitarian response plan for the country is only 15.2% funded. The global community must not forget the people of Haiti.

@antonioguterres

02



Wishing a happy Easter to Orthodox Christians around the world.

@SecBlinken

03



Happy International #DayOfTheMidwife. Midwives play a vital role in sexual, reproductive, maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health, and deliver services that could save over 4 million lives a year. Thank you all for your commitment and dedication to saving lives.

@DrTedros

04



In the terrible Holocaust, there were great world leaders who stood by idly; therefore, the first lesson of the Holocaust is: If we do not defend ourselves, nobody will defend us. And if we need to stand alone, we will stand alone.

@IsraelIPM

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celebs

'Lord of the Rings' actor Bernard Hill dies aged 79

AFP | Los Angeles

British actor Bernard Hill, best known for his supporting roles in "Titanic" and "The Lord Of The Rings" trilogy, died on Sunday aged 79, his agent announced.

He played Captain Edward Smith in the Oscar-winning 1997 epic romance "Titanic", and earned worldwide recognition playing Theoden, King of Rohan, in two of the three "The Lord Of The Rings" films directed by Peter Jackson.

His agent Lou Coulson confirmed his death in the early hours of Sunday to British media outlets.



Bernard Hill

Early in his career, Hill featured in the BBC's 1982 acclaimed drama "Boys from the Blackstuff", which won numerous awards and is still lauded as

one of the finest examples of its genre from the era.

He is set to return to television screens in series two of a contemporary BBC drama, "The Responder", starring Martin Freeman, which begins airing in the UK later yesterday.

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Johnny Depp 'is focused on the future'

Celebretainment | Los Angeles

Johnny Depp is "focused on moving forward" with his life.

The 60-year-old actor has moved on from his acrimonious legal dispute with ex-wife Amber Heard, and he's now looking forward to the future with a lot of optimism.

A source told PEOPLE: "He's keeping busy. There's a lot of good distractions, so there's not that much time to be reminiscing on that darker period."

Johnny doesn't have bitterness towards Amber, 38, or anyone else in his life.

The insider shared: "There's been a release of the old and embarking on this new chapter."

"He's feeling better about where he is in life. There's no animosity toward anybody."

Johnny is currently living in London and he's happy to be out of the spotlight.

The source explained: "He really feels London is a home. It is more of a quiet life, but filled with painting and music. He's jamming out with friends and playing solo in times when he's not focused on filmmaking."

The movie star is also in a "better headspace" than he's been in for a long time.

The insider said: "There's a lot of good energy, and he surrounds himself with a good group of people."

Johnny previously explained that he's consciously distanced himself from Hollywood, following his legal battles.

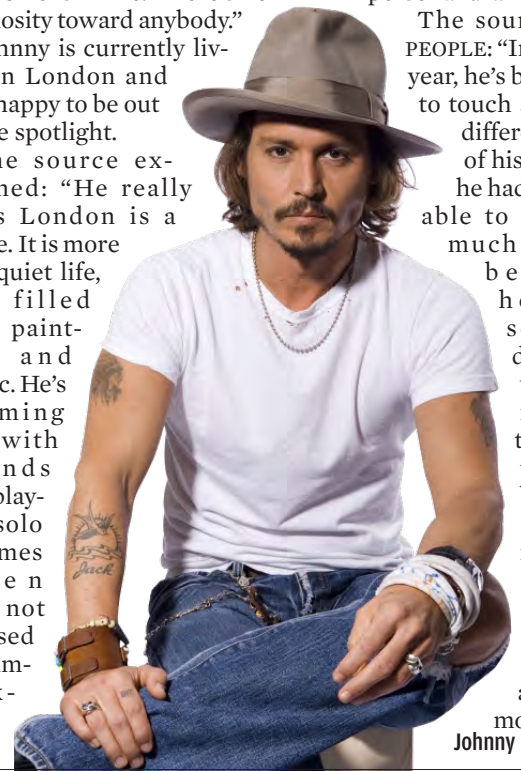
During a press conference at the Cannes Film Festival, he said: "Do I feel boycotted now? No, not at all. But I don't feel boycotted by Hollywood because I don't think about it. I don't think about Hollywood. I don't have much further need for Hollywood myself."

Johnny celebrated his 60th birthday last year, and a source revealed at the time that the actor has "moved on" from his personal dramas.

The source told PEOPLE: "In the last year, he's been able to touch all these different parts of his life that he hadn't been able to do that much before because he was so busy dealing with the matters tied to the Amber trial."

"It's nice for him to be an artist first and foremost."

Johnny Depp



Kate Beckinsale has had a 'rough' year

Celebretainment | Los Angeles

Kate Beckinsale has had a "rough" year.

The 50-year-old actress returned to the red carpet on Thursday for the King's Trust Global Gala in New York City after recently being hospitalised for an undisclosed reason and she admitted it was "nice" to get out and see her friends.

She told People magazine: "It's been a rough year. Because my parents have both been unwell and my cat ... it's been a bunch of things. So that's why it's nice to come and see friends and have a little perspective. Everyone's had a bit of a rough year, I think."

It was important for the 'Underworld' actress to support the event.

Asked why it mattered for her to be there,

she said: "First of all, usually when [King's Trust Global Ambassador] Edward [Enniful] tells me to do something, I do it."

"Second of all, I've been to this event a few times and you come in and you see all the people that you're friends with that you haven't seen for a while and that's really nice."

"And then it gets like to that moment where the kids start talking and you're like, this is why we're all here. It's so moving and inspiring."

"And you really realise how much of an amazing job the King's Trust does with these kids. Their whole futures are completely altered by this charity. It's so important."

Kate had last been seen on the red carpet at the SAG-AFTRA awards in February.

On 10 March, Mother's Day in the UK, she shared a tearful photo of herself in a hospital

bed as she paid tribute to her mom Judy.

She wrote: "Thank you to those that love us and support us when it's s--- and try to make sure there are some bits that aren't."

"And for looking after our dogs when we can't, and lead us to remember happy things when we can't. And turn up when we are sick and sit with us. And send balloons and check in and pull us out of wells with love."

She continued to share posts from hospital over the next few weeks and on

Easter Sunday, the 'Love and Friendship' star shared pictures of her rainbow socks in her hospital bed on Instagram and simply captioned the post: "Happy Easter."

Her Instagram Story suggested she had returned home around 7 April, and three days later she removed all the photos from her time in hospital from her account.

But a week later, she alluded to her health troubles when she shared a series of photos of herself sporting a white t-shirt with the slogan "tummy troubles survivor".

Kate sported a black bow in her hair, and didn't offer any more information or context.



Kate Beckinsale

Selena Gomez has 'so much hope' for the mental health of the next generation

Celebretainment | Los Angeles

Selena Gomez is feeling "inspired" by the next generation when it comes to mental health.

The 31-year-old actress - who was diagnosed with bipolar disorder in 2010 - hosted a special event for her Rare Impact fund on Wednesday and later revealed

that the company had raised \$7 million for mental health causes and took to social media to explain that she was left with "so much hope" afterwards.

She wrote on Instagram: "Our 3rd annual @rarebeauty Mental Health Summit has me leaving inspired by the next generation, filled with so much hope, and grateful to each of you for being on this meaningful journey with us."

"Mental health means so much to me and I'm honored we get to share this mission with the world together. Thank you to everyone who

joined us and continues to use their voice for good!"

The 'Only Murders in the Building' star spoke with U.S. Surgeon General Vivek Murthy during the event, where the pair discussed "the power of social connection and how communities, like the one Selena has cre-

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SELENA GOMEZ

ated", and he claimed that the Rare Beauty founder had been "paving the way for self-acceptance, support, and healing" around the world.

In October 2023, the former Disney Channel star hosted her first annual Rare Impact Fund Benefit at Nya Studios in Hollywood and gave a speech

in which she opened up about how she had "struggled" until her diagnosis gave her the tools to deal with difficult times.

She said: "I struggled with the world inside my head for a long time and I felt lost and I felt hopeless at times. And in 2020, I received my diagnosis of bipolar disorder. And to be honest, everything quickly changed. I actually got the knowledge and the answers that I had been desperate for so long. And understanding that obviously makes me become more aware of it and I'm less afraid than I used to be."



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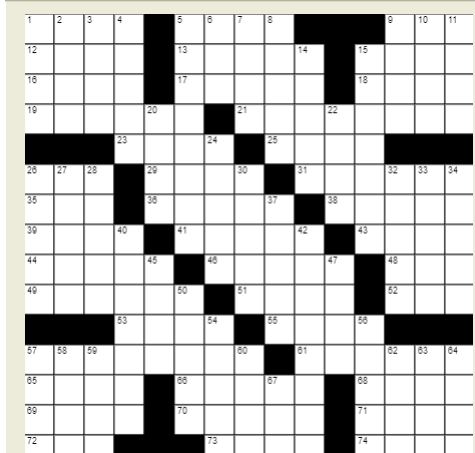
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Five assists for Messi, hat-trick for Suarez as Miami hit six



Luis Suarez celebrates with Lionel Messi after scoring his third goal

AFP | Miami

Luis Suarez scored a second half hat-trick and Lionel Messi had five assists and a goal as a rampant Inter Miami crushed the New York Red Bulls 6-2 in Major League Soccer on Saturday.

Two goal substitute Matias Rojas sparked a second half rout from Eastern Conference leaders Inter after New York had led 1-0 at the break.

Without Messi, Miami had fallen to a 4-0 defeat to the Red Bulls in New York in March, but they more than avenged that loss with their merciless second half demolition job.

Dante Vanzeir had put the Red Bulls ahead in the 30th minute, slotting home after Wikelman Carmona's shot came out off the post, following a superb through pass from Swedish playmaker Emil Forsberg.

Gerardo Martino's Inter lacked intensity and ideas in the opening 45 minutes but the coach's half-time change transformed the game.

Paraguayan Rojas was introduced for the second half and took just three minutes to make an impact, collecting a pass from Messi and

evading two defenders before unleashing an unstoppable drive from 25 yards out.

Messi then put Miami in front when Rojas robbed Carmona and found Suarez who slipped the ball to the Argentine who made no mistake.

The World Cup winner then turned provider again as he split the New York defence with a brilliant through ball to Rojas who deftly chipped over the advancing Carlos Coronel.

Suarez's hat trick then came in the space of 12 minutes -- he first found the target when Messi chipped in a ball from the right and the Uruguayan hooked home a volley.

It was playground stuff minutes later when Suarez played a one-two with Messi and then poked home to make it 5-1.

Messi was yet again the creator for Miami's sixth which Suarez turned in from close range from the tightest of angles.

New York, who came into the game third in the East, had a late consolation in the final seconds with a penalty from Forsberg.

Man Utd's Maguire out for three weeks with muscle injury



Manchester United's Harry Maguire fouls Fulham's Sasa Lukic (file photo)

AFP | London

Manchester United yesterday revealed England defender Harry Maguire will be sidelined for around three weeks with a muscle injury.

Maguire joined United's lengthy injury list after he suffering the problem in training.

The centre-back will miss United's trip to Crystal Palace on Monday and potentially their final three Premier League matches of the season against Arsenal, Newcastle and Brighton.

There are no concerns over Maguire's availability for England at the European Championship, which starts on June 14, and he could re-

turn in time for the FA Cup final against Manchester City on May 25.

Maguire's absence is another selection blow for under-fire United boss Erik ten Hag after he had to play Brazil midfielder Casemiro in central defence for last weekend's 1-1 draw with Burnley.

That was due to United's lengthy list of absentees, which was into double figures even before the Maguire setback.

Ten Hag suggested on Thursday that Jonny Evans may return for the Palace clash, but he will definitely be without Victor Lindelof (hamstring), Lisandro Martinez (calf) and Raphael Varane (muscle).

Liverpool shatter Spurs' top four bid as Villa eye Champions League

Liverpool's win dashes Tottenham's Champions League dreams while Villa's fate hangs

● **Liverpool demolish Tottenham 4-2,**

● **Salah, Robertson, Gakpo, Elliott on target for rampant Liverpool**

● **Chelsea keep European hopes alive with 5-0 win over West Ham**

AFP | London



Liverpool's English midfielder #19 Harvey Elliott (L) scores the team's fourth goal past Tottenham Hotspur's Italian goalkeeper #13 Guglielmo Vicario

Liverpool shattered Tottenham's hopes of finishing in the Premier League's top four with a 4-2 win that left Aston Villa on the brink of Champions League qualification despite their 1-0 defeat at Brighton yesterday.

Needing a win at Anfield to close the gap on fourth-placed Villa, Tottenham slumped to a fourth successive loss to leave their Champions League hopes in tatters.

Villa are seven points ahead of fifth-placed Tottenham, who have a game in hand but will

miss out on the top four if Unai Emery's men win one of their remaining two matches.

Mohamed Salah was back in the Liverpool team after being dropped for last weekend's draw at West Ham.

The Egypt forward had argued with Klopp before being introduced as a substitute at the London Stadium and fanned the flames afterwards when he said there would be "fire" if he spoke about the clash.

Klopp, in the final weeks of

his nine-year reign, was celebrating in the 16th minute when Salah notched his 25th goal in all competitions this term with a clinical header from Cody Gakpo's cross.

Andrew Robertson scored Liverpool's second on the stroke of half-time as the Scotland left-back finished from close-range after Salah's shot was saved by Guglielmo Vicario.

There was worse to come for woeful Tottenham as Gakpo headed in a 50th-minute cross

from Harvey Elliott, who netted the fourth in the 59th minute with a superb curler from 20 yards.

It was little consolation for Tottenham that Richarlison reduced the deficit in the 72nd minute before setting up Son Heung-min's goal five minutes later.

Third-placed Liverpool's first victory in three league games kept them in mathematical contention to win the title, but in truth they have little chance,

with leaders Arsenal five points ahead with only two games left.

A Villa win combined with a Tottenham loss would have sealed a Champions League place for Emery's side.

But Villa were unable to fulfil their part of that equation as Joao Pedro's 87th-minute goal condemned them to a second painful defeat in four days.

'It's in our hands'

Ending Brighton's six-match winless run, Pedro headed in the rebound after Robin Olsen saved his penalty, which had been awarded for Ezri Konsa's foul on Simon Adingra. Surprisingly beaten 4-2 by Olympiakos in the Europa Conference League semi-final first leg on Thursday, Villa were well below their best once again.

Emery's men host Liverpool and travel to Crystal Palace in their last two games as they fight to return to the Champions League for the first time since 1982-83.

"We competed but we didn't get a good result and we didn't deserve more. I don't want to know anything about Tottenham because it's in our hands,"

Emery said.

At Stamford Bridge, seventh-placed Chelsea thrashed West Ham 5-0 to keep alive their hopes of European qualification

Chelsea boss Mauricio Pochettino is fighting to convince the club's co-owner Todd Boehly to give him a second season in charge after his troubled debut campaign.

Pochettino admits it is "not his decision" if he stays, but securing a place in Europe could be enough to avoid the sack.

Cole Palmer put Chelsea ahead in the 15th minute with his 21st league goal of the season, the forward firing home after West Ham failed to clear.

Conor Gallagher doubled Chelsea's advantage after 30 minutes with a blistering volley after West Ham's Kurt Zouma deflected the ball towards the midfielder.

Noni Madueke bagged Chelsea's third six minutes later as the winger turned in Thiago Silva's header from close-range.

Nicolas Jackson piled on the misery for woeful West Ham in the 48th minute and the Senegal striker bagged his second with 10 minutes left.

Verstappen takes pole in Miami after sprint race win

AFP | Miami

Red Bull's Max Verstappen continued his total domination of Formula One, taking pole position for the Miami Grand Prix after clinching the sprint race earlier Saturday.

The reigning world champion and championship leader, who has won four out of five Grand Prix races this season, clinched his seventh straight pole position with another dominant drive.

Ferrari's Charles Leclerc, whose fastest lap was 0.141 seconds behind Verstappen, will start second with his teammate Carlos Sainz in third place and Verstappen's Red Bull partner Sergio Perez fourth.

Three-time world champion Verstappen has won both



Red Bull's Max Verstappen waves to fans after winning the sprint race

the previous Miami Grand Prix races but never from pole and he said he still found qualifying tricky.

"Every single year that we come here, I find it extremely difficult to be very consistent with the car feeling, the tyre

feeling over one lap," he said.

"It's not the single most enjoyable lap of my career just because of how slippery it is. You are not very confident on the lap but we are on pole and of course that is the most important thing."

"Every single year that we come here, I find it extremely difficult to be very consistent with the car feeling, the tyre feeling over one lap"

MAX VERSTAPPEN

Leclerc said it had been hard to manage the tyres, with overheating a problem, but said his performance in the sprint race gave him encouragement.

"That's where we lost a little bit of time, however the race is long tomorrow, we showed good pace this morning (in the sprint race) and I hope we can put Max under a bit more pressure," he said.

Swiatek finds Nadal inspiration to win 'crazy' Madrid Open title

AFP | Madrid

Top-ranked Iga Swiatek came through "the most intense and crazy final" she has ever contested to avenge her loss to Aryna Sabalenka in last year's Madrid final with a gruelling three-hour 11-minute victory in the Spanish capital on Saturday.

Coming back from 1-3 down in the decider and saving three match points in total, Swiatek claimed a 7-5, 4-6, 7-6 (9/7) victory to secure the Madrid Open trophy for the first time.

"Well, who is going to say now that women's tennis is boring, right?" said Swiatek.

Swiatek, who picked up the 20th title of her career, and ninth at the WTA 1000 level,



Iga Swiatek celebrates with her trophy

has now won her last eight consecutive finals and joins Elena Rybakina with a tour-leading 30 victories this season.

"Well, who is going to say now that women's tennis is boring, right?"

IGA SWIATEK

The 22-year-old Pole confessed she felt tight in the first two hours of the contest but drew inspiration from Rafael Nadal, and his ability to step up mentally when it mattered the most.

"I was surprised that in the third set I felt the best mentally," said Swiatek, who improved to 7-3 lifetime against two-time Madrid champion Sabalenka.

Leverkusen extend unbeaten run to 48 games with win at Frankfurt



Bayer Leverkusen's Exequiel Palacios celebrates scoring a penalty

AFP | Frankfurt

Bundesliga champions Bayer Leverkusen extended their season-long unbeaten run to 48 games with a 5-1 win at Eintracht Frankfurt yesterday.

With Xabi Alonso forced to watch from the stands due to a yellow card suspension, Leverkusen turned on the style, winning with goals from Granit Xhaka, Patrik Schick, Jeremie Frimpong and penalties from Exequiel Palacios and Victor Boniface.

Alonso left midfield lynchpin Florian Wirtz, who turned 21 on Friday, out of the squad with Thursday's second Champions League semi-final against Roma in mind, but Leverkusen had no problems in attack.

Xhaka opened the scoring with a long-range effort, before Frankfurt equalised through Hugo Ekitike, who scored for the third game in succession.

Schick headed Leverkusen back in front just before half-time and World Cup win-

ner Palacios scored a third from the penalty spot on the 58-minute mark.

The floodgates opened in the final stages, with Frimpong scoring just five minutes after coming on and then won a penalty with three minutes remaining.

Boniface converted the spot kick for Leverkusen's first win in Frankfurt for six years.

Leverkusen, who are unbeaten in 48 across all competitions, need to avoid defeat in two remaining league matches to become the first team to go unbeaten through a Bundesliga season.

Alonso's side have a 2-0 advantage ahead of Thursday's second Europa League semi-final leg at home and are through to the final of the German Cup, keeping their dreams of an incredible unbeaten treble alive.

Earlier yesterday, Bochum won 4-3 at Union Berlin, pushing the hosts closer to the drop just months after they were playing in the Champions League.

Narine powers Kolkata to top of IPL

Sunil Narine's explosive knock propels Kolkata Knight Riders to commanding win over Lucknow Super Giants

● **Ravindra Jadeja shines with bat and ball as Chennai Super Kings secure victory over Punjab Kings**

AFP | Lucknow

Red-hot Sunil Narine smashed 81 off 39 balls to help Kolkata Knight Riders thrash Lucknow Super Giants by 98 runs and take top spot in IPL table yesterday.

Narine's blitz, laced with six fours and seven sixes, guided Kolkata to 235-6 after they were invited to bat first in Lucknow's final home game.

Two-time champions Kolkata bowled out Lucknow for 137 in 16.1 overs for their eighth win in 11 matches and almost guaranteed a play-off berth. Second-placed Rajasthan Royals have played one match fewer.



Sunil Narine celebrates a wicket with teammates

In the first game of the day, all-rounder Ravindra Jadeja starred with bat and ball to help holders Chennai Super Kings climb to third in the table with a 28-run win over Punjab Kings.

The top four teams will make the play-offs with the final on May 26 in Chennai.

Narine, who has impressed

after being promoted to opener by Kolkata this season, led their batting charge in a 61-run first-wicket stand with Phil Salt.

Lucknow's Naveen-ul-Haq took three wickets to hurt KKR but skipper Shreyas Iyer, who made 23, and Ramandeep Singh, who hit a six-ball 25 not out, helped the team finish on a high.

Scorecard

Kolkata Knight Riders 235 for 6 (Narine 81, Salt 32, Raghuvanshi 32, Naveen 3-49) beat **Lucknow Super Giants** 137 (Stoinis 36, Rana 3-24, Varun 3-30, Russell 2-17) by 98 runs

Ramandeep returned to make an impact in the field as he took a stunning catch to dismiss Arshin Kulkarni when he ran back 21 metres to dive and pouch the ball off the bowling of Mitchell Starc.

Marcus Stoinis hit 36 but the rest of the batting fell flat as spinner Varun Chakravarty and fast bowler Harshit Rana took three wickets each.

Andre Russell took two wickets and Narine returned figures of 1-22.

In the earlier match, Jadeja top-scored with 43 off 26 balls to guide Chennai to 167-9 batting first in Punjab's adopted home ground of Dharamsala.



Matheesha Pathirana's early departure from Chennai Super Kings due to injury leaves a gap in their bowling attack

Jadeja then returned figures of 3-20 from his four overs of left-arm spin to help restrict Punjab to 139-9 for Chennai's sixth win in 11 matches.

The performance from the veteran Jadeja comes as a welcome sign for India ahead of the T20 World Cup in June in the West Indies and the United States.

Chennai suffered an early

Scorecard

Chennai Super Kings 167 for 9 (Jadeja 43, Chahar 3-23, Harshal 3-24) beat **Punjab Kings** 139 for 9 (Prabhsimran 30, Jadeja 3-20, Deshpande 2-35) by 28 runs

blow with Sri Lanka pace bowler Matheesha Pathirana set to return home due to a hamstring injury.

Pathirana was Chennai's standout bowler and took 13 wickets in six matches.

But medium-pace bowler Tushar Deshpande took on the responsibility in the absence of Pathirana and injured Deepak Chahar as he struck twice in his first over and Punjab's second in the chase.

Deshpande sent Jonny Bairstow, bowled for seven, and then Rilee Rossouw, bowled for a duck, trudging back to the pavilion in the space of four balls and the chase could never take off.

PSG will come back and reach Champions League final, says Mbappe

AFP | Paris

Paris Saint-Germain star Kylian Mbappe said yesterday that his team will come back from their 1-0 defeat in the Champions League semi-final first leg to Borussia Dortmund and qualify for the final.

"We're confident that we'll come back from that score and reach the final," Mbappe said to reporters in Paris during an event with 2,000 children organised by his "Inspired by KM" association.

PSG will host Dortmund in the tie's second leg on Tuesday, with Niclas Fuellkrug's goal in Germany last week meaning Mbappe and his team need to win in order to have a chance of reaching the final at Wembley on June 1.

"There's a lot of pressure, which is normal because there's a place in the Champions League final at stake, which is very important. Especially when you consider the club's



Paris Saint-Germain's Kylian Mbappe (2L) vies for the ball with Dortmund's Marcel Sabitzer (C) and Emre Can (2R)

record in the competition," said 25-year-old Mbappe.

"We're aware of the pressure, but the group is extremely calm. We're confident that we'll come back from that score and reach the final," he said, adding that "taking part" in this event with the children helped him to "prepare".

"I've often had the same

warning from the children. I've heard a lot of 'You've got to win!' And they're right, we have to win.

"In any case, a day like this is good for the development of the man I am. And I'm sure I'll arrive at the match in a good mood, ready to defend my team's colours and help us qualify for the final."

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It will in all likelihood be Mbappe's last chance to win European football's biggest prize with hometown side PSG after the France captain told the club he would be leaving this summer at the end of his contract.

The 2018 World Cup winner has not yet announced where he will play his football next season, but Spanish giants Real Madrid are the favourites to secure Mbappe's signature.

Bangladesh cruise to six-wicket win over Zimbabwe



Bangladesh's Towhid Hridoy plays a shot as Zimbabwe's wicketkeeper Joylord Gumbie looks on

AFP | Chittagong

Scorecard

Bangladesh 142 for 4 (Towhid 37*, Jongwe 3-35) beat **Zimbabwe** 138 for 7 (Campbell 45, Bennett 44*, Taskin 2-18, Rishad 2-33) by six wickets

Towhid Hridoy top-scored with 37 as Bangladesh cruised to a six-wicket win over Zimbabwe in the second Twenty20 international in Chittagong yesterday, taking a 2-0 lead in the five-match series.

The hosts eased their way to 142-4 in 18.3 overs, defying rain and some inspirational bowling from Zimbabwe after restricting the visitors to 138-7.

Bangladesh seemed to be coasting when opener Liton Das (23) and skipper Najmul Hossain Shanto (16) took them to 56-1 before rain intervened for the second time in their innings to halt the momentum.

Luke Jongwe (2-35) dismissed Najmul and Liton in the next over after the rain break to put Bangladesh under some pressure, which increased following Jaker Ali's dismissal by Richard Ngarava for 13.

But Hridoy and 38-year-old Mahmudullah Riyad, 26 not out, put on 49 runs for the fifth wicket to prevent a further

slide and deny Zimbabwe.

Debutant Johnathan Campbell earlier top scored for Zimbabwe with 45 off 24 balls after the visitors were asked to bat first -- the highest ever score by a Zimbabwean appearing for the first time in a T20 international.

Campbell, the son of former Zimbabwean captain Alistair Campbell, put on 73 runs with Brian Bennett to help Zimbabwe recover from a precarious 42-5 after they were asked to bat first.

Bennett stayed unbeaten on 44, facing 29 balls and hitting three sixes alongside two fours.

Bangladesh wicketkeeper Jaker Ali dropped Campbell on just one off Mahedi Hasan.

Campbell used his luck to hit four fours and three sixes before Shoriful Islam removed him.

Pogacar lays down Giro gauntlet with ominous maiden stage victory

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Tadej Pogacar took control of the Giro d'Italia yesterday with his maiden stage win on the Grand Tour, blitzing his rivals to the summit finish at the Sanctuary of Oropa and snatching the overall leader's pink jersey.

Slovenian Pogacar, who is taking part in his first ever Giro, narrowly missed out on victory on Saturday's opening stage but made it clear he is the man to beat with a trademark burst near the end of the final punishing climb, skipping clear from his rivals with his trademark swagger.

The pre-race favourite is bidding to become the first man to win the Giro d'Italia and Tour de France double since Marco



A supporter runs next to Team UAE's Slovenian rider Tadej Pogacar

Pantani in 1998 and attacked on an alpine climb covered in tributes to the late Italian.

UAE rider Pogacar bounced back from a crash just as the

peloton approached the climb towards Oropa and turned on the afterburners with four kilometres remaining of the 161km second stage.

Pogacar has now won a stage in all three of cycling's Grand Tours and after his eighth win in just 12 days of competitive racing in 2024, the 25-year-old looks unstoppable as the Giro winds its way to Rome later this month.

"It was always in my mind to have all three stage wins. It is something not many riders have and it's a big thing in cycling so I'm super happy," said Pogacar.

"They called me to the front and we set a pace that we liked so it was perfect."

Pogacar, a two-time Tour de France winner, finished 27 seconds ahead of Daniel Martinez and another of his key rivals Geraint Thomas, stripping the pink jersey from Saturday's winner Jhonatan Narvaez.