



HM King affirms support for Palestinian cause

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa reiterated the Kingdom of Bahrain's firm support for the Palestinian cause and its backing of all efforts aimed at achieving a peaceful and lasting resolution.

HM the King was speaking as he received His Excellency Taha Mohammed Abdel Qader, Ambassador of the State of Palestine to Bahrain, at Al Safriya Palace.

Longstanding ties

HM King Hamad reviewed the longstanding ties between Bahrain and Palestine, commending their progress and development. He expressed appreciation



HM the King receives H.E. Palestinian Ambassador Taha Mohammed Abdel Qader and awards him the Order of Bahrain (Wisam al Bahrain), First Class

for the Ambassador's efforts to enhance Bahraini-Palestinian relations and wished him continued success. His Majesty honoured the

Ambassador with the Order of Bahrain (Wisam al Bahrain), First Class, in recognition of his contributions to deepening the close cooperation between the

two countries.

Pride

Ambassador Qader expressed pride in receiving the award.



He praised HM the King's leadership and Bahrain's steadfast support for the Palestinian cause, based on the strong relations between the two countries,

and conveyed his gratitude for His Majesty's commitment to enhancing bilateral relations and fostering Bahraini-Palestinian cooperation.

HM King Hamad holds call with Palestinian leader

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa held a telephone call yesterday with His Excellency Mahmoud Abbas, President of the State of Palestine.

Both sides reviewed the strong bilateral relations between the Kingdom of Bahrain and Palestine and discussed means to support and enhance cooperation across various domains.

The call also discussed regional developments and issues related to the Palestinian cause.

HM the King reiterated the Kingdom's firm stance on the Palestinian cause, supporting all efforts aimed at reaching a peaceful and lasting solution.

Three-vehicle collision kills Gulf woman

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A tragic traffic accident involving three vehicles occurred on Bahrain Bay Street, resulting in the death of a Gulf woman.

Emergency responders and competent authorities arrived promptly at the scene and have initiated necessary procedures in accordance with legal and safety regulations.

An investigation into the cause of the collision is underway.

Nursing Surge

Bahrain Marks Nursing Scholarship Milestone

● 330 students enter nursing

● 1,870 total scholarship applicants

● 60 grants for special cases

Mahir Haneef
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The Ministry of Education has awarded the largest-ever number of nursing scholarships in Bahrain's history, with 330 students accepted into the field this year, as part of the 2024-2025 national scholarship programme.

The figures were revealed by Education Minister H.E. Dr. Mohammed bin Mubarak Jumaa during a reception for top high school achievers from public



The Education Minister with nursing scholarship recipients

and private schools.

Students scoring 99 percent and above were congratulated personally by the minister, who praised their dedication and their families' support.

Focus on healthcare

All applicants who selected nursing were granted scholarships, underscoring the country's strategic investment in healthcare education. The min-

istry described it as a milestone reflecting Bahrain's growing need for qualified medical professionals and the sector's prioritisation within government planning.

A total of 1,870 students applied for scholarships this year. About 80 percent of them received either their first or second choice, which the ministry said was a reflection of accuracy and fairness in the selection

process.

Inclusive support

In a move to ensure equal opportunity, the ministry allocated 60 scholarships and grants to students with special needs and cancer patients. Officials said this reflected a commitment to inclusive education for all.

Additionally, 2,300 financial grants were awarded to students with academic averages



H.E. Dr. Mohammed bin Mubarak Jumaa

between 90 and 94.9 percent, expanding support beyond just the top scorers.

Students can view their results on the ministry's official website. Grievance submissions are open until Wednesday, August 7.

H.E. the minister expressed his gratitude to the leadership for its continued support of education and national development.

UN stern warning

Expanded Gaza war risks 'catastrophic consequences'

AFP | United Nations

A top UN official warned yesterday that expanding Israeli military operations inside Gaza would risk "catastrophic consequences," as Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu reportedly considered total occupation of the Palestinian territory.

A widening of the war "would risk catastrophic consequences for millions of Palestinians and could further endanger the lives of the remaining hostages



Palestinians rush to collect aid parachuted from a military plane over Nuseirat in central Gaza. (AFP)

in Gaza," Miroslav Jenca, UN assistant secretary-general for Europe, Central Asia and the Americas, told a Security Council meeting.

"There is no military solution to the conflict in Gaza or the broader Israeli-Palestinian conflict," Jenca said.

During a visit to an army training facility earlier yesterday, Netanyahu said: "It is necessary to complete the defeat of the enemy in Gaza, to free all our hostages and to ensure that Gaza

will no longer pose a threat to Israel."

Over the 22 months of war, Israeli forces have devastated large parts of the Gaza Strip, where repeated warnings of famine have increased pressure on Netanyahu's government to halt the fighting.

The war was sparked by Hamas's October 7, 2023 attack, which resulted in the deaths of 1,219 people, mostly civilians, according to a tally based on official figures.



HM King calls for stronger diplomatic relations



His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa called on the newly appointed Bahraini ambassadors to strengthen and expand the Kingdom's bilateral relations with their respective countries, while ensuring the wellbeing of Bahraini citizens abroad, safeguarding their interests, and responding to their needs. HM the King was speaking as he received yesterday at Al Safriya Palace the newly appointed ambassadors of the Kingdom. The ambassadors are H.E. Dr. Mohammed Ali Behzad, Ambassador to the Kingdom of Belgium; H.E. Khalil Yaqoub Al Khayyat, Ambassador to the Kingdom of Thailand; and H.E. Ahmed Ibrahim Al Qurainees, Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Germany. The ambassadors took the legal oath before HM the King, following the issuance of the Royal Decree appointing them as Ambassadors Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary. HM the King congratulated the ambassadors on their appointments and wished them success in fulfilling their diplomatic responsibilities and serving the national interest. HM the King also conveyed his greetings to the Heads of State of the countries to which the ambassadors are accredited, along with his sincere wishes for continued progress and prosperity to their peoples.

Focus on tourism and state budget



His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, chaired the 509th Government Executive Committee meeting. The meeting reviewed developments on the implementation of the 2022-2026 tourism sector strategy and the outcomes of the unified 2024 national state budget.

Gas sector and energy strategy reviewed



His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, chairs the 32nd meeting of the Higher Committee for Energy and Natural Resources. Developments in the gas sector and the implementation of the National Energy Strategy were reviewed.

Bahrain-US cooperation

His Excellency Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, Minister of Finance and National Economy, received Steven C. Bondy, Ambassador of the US to the Kingdom of Bahrain. H.E. Shaikh Salman highlighted the longstanding Bahrain-US relations and the distinguished strategic partnership between the two countries, founded on strong pillars of cooperation and joint coordination. The Minister emphasised the steady progress of bilateral relations across various fields, particularly in the financial and economic sectors. He also underscored the importance of further strengthening bilateral ties to expand opportunities for cooperation and advance shared goals.



600 jobs available for young Bahrainis



A public meeting at MP Hassan Ebrahim's majlis in Bu Quwah
Mohammed Darwish
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MP Hassan Ebrahim has announced 600 job openings for young Bahrainis and urged them to register on the Jobs+ platform during a public meeting at his majlis in Bu Quwah. The event drew a strong turnout, with Jobs+ representatives and private employers joining locals in the village majlis. Ebrahim, who serves as Deputy Chairman of Parliament's Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security Committee, called on jobseekers to sign up without hesitation. He urged applicants to submit complete and accurate details, and said his office would closely track each submission to help link candidates with suitable roles. Talks with the relevant bodies are ongoing, he said, to expand access to the private sec-

“Talks with the relevant bodies are ongoing to expand access to the private sector for Bahrainis.”

MP HASSAN EBRAHIM, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF PARLIAMENT'S FOREIGN AFFAIRS, DEFENCE AND NATIONAL SECURITY COMMITTEE



The Jobs+ platform has so far received around 8,000 applications, with 600 jobs currently available.

tor for Bahrainis. He pressed for education to move in step with the labour market, calling for courses that pair academic study with practical skill. The lawmaker pointed to shortages in several fields currently staffed by expats such as fertiliser production, sports coaching, tourism and petrochemicals, and called for urgent training of Bahrainis to take on these roles. He also stressed the value of vocational training delivered in partnership with firms, arguing it would help prepare applicants for the demands of the private sector. Jobs+ representative Mohammed Jaafar said the platform had so far received around 8,000 applications, with 600 jobs currently available. He added that work was underway to connect applicants with Tamkeen to help them secure financial support and training.

50 years of Bahrain–Mexico diplomatic ties

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Bahrain marked the 50th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations with the United Mexican States, which commenced in 1975. The Ministry expressed the Kingdom's pride in the long-standing relations between Bahrain and Mexico, founded on mutual respect and shared values, and underscored the steady progress in bilateral cooperation across various do-



main. It underscored the strength of the partnership between the two countries, supported by high-level exchanges and regular rounds of political consultations between their respective foreign ministries.

These efforts have contributed to deepening dialogue and enhancing coordination on regional and international issues of common interest. The Ministry also highlighted the significance of the bilateral agreements and memoranda of understanding signed over the past decades in key areas such as economic cooperation, investment protection, tourism, and culture. It noted that these legal frameworks constitute a solid foundation for advancing strategic cooperation between the two sides.

Trial reset as Gulf man set to undergo psychiatric exam after airport assault

● Two police officers attacked

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A Gulf man accused of attacking two police officers while transiting through Bahrain is to undergo psychiatric assessment before his trial continues.

The High Criminal Court has adjourned the case to 11 August.

The 45-year-old, reportedly intoxicated after drinking on a flight, arrived in Bahrain intending to board a connecting plane to his home country.

Altercation

Instead, he became involved in an altercation with two policemen, during which he allegedly swore at them, pushed them repeatedly, and tried to film them.

Prosecutors said the events took place on 19 June at Bahrain International Airport.

The man is charged with assaulting both officers during the course of their duties, with medical reports confirming their injuries.

Cannabis

He was also found in possession of cannabis, which he is accused of intending to consume, in breach of the law.



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He faces further charges of being drunk in a public place, insulting public servants without referring to a specific act, and disturbing the victims by misusing communication tools.

One officer said he approached the man near a gate around 11pm and asked for his passport.

The man, said to be in a state of anger, refused to comply and became aggressive.

Insults

The officer attempted to calm him and said help would be provided, but the man allegedly pushed him several times and shouted insults.

The officer then contacted his supervisor.

The defendant then pulled out his phone, began filming, and continued insulting both officers.

He also made threats and, when asked to show documentation for the phone, refused.

‘Dirty money’ flow

BD80,000 drug money laundering trial resumes for three suspects

Mohammed Darwish
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A Bahraini man and two others, among them an American diver already serving life behind bars for drug offences, are facing trial over laundering nearly BD80,000 linked to narcotics.

The High Criminal Court adjourned the case to 11 August to appoint legal counsel for the first defendant.

The second defendant is to be brought from detention, while the third is to be served with a fresh summons.

The two currently in custody will remain held.

Dead-drop postal exchanges

The American was previously convicted for growing and sell-



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ing drugs through dead-drop postal exchanges.

Investigators looking into that earlier case found that he had worked with the other two accused to move the money gained from drug sales through financial channels to cover its origin.

According to the Financial In-

telligence Directorate, the funds were sent abroad and used to buy items in a way designed to muddy their source.

Money

The Public Prosecution stated that all three were aware the money came from drug traf-



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ficking.

Prosecutors allege the first defendant handled BD38,000 through transfers and deposits at currency exchanges.

The other two are accused of laundering over BD40,000 by funnelling it through foreign financial firms.

Investor wins BD19,310 after falling for fake project pitch

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A civil court has ordered a man in his thirties to repay BD19,310 after persuading a man two decades older to hand over BD27,000 for supposed profit-making projects.

The incident took place in 2022, when the older man was led to believe he was investing in ventures that would yield steady monthly returns.

The promised profits never came. He managed to retrieve

a portion of the money before turning to the courts.

Ruling

Lawyer Shaima Mohammed, acting on his behalf, secured a ruling from the High Civil Court. The court found the defendant liable for the remaining BD19,310.

In parallel criminal proceedings, the man had already been convicted of misusing funds entrusted to him under a power of attorney.



He was sentenced to one year in prison for misappropriation.

Findings

In its ruling, the civil court relied on the findings of the earlier criminal case.

It stated that the BD19,310 had originally been given to the defendant by a third party to pass on to the claimant. Instead, he kept the money.

The defendant had argued that he had already paid BD6,555 and asked for it to be deducted from the total.

Request

The court rejected the request, noting that the claimant had denied receiving any part of the sum being claimed.

Focus on emergency management system



Deputy National Security Advisor and Deputy Secretary-General of the Supreme Defence Council, Shaikh Khalid bin Ali bin Jaber Al Khalifa, visited the National Civil Emergency Management Centre, where he met with the Deputy Chief of Public Security, Major-General Dr. Shaikh Hamad bin Mohammed Al Khalifa. During the visit, the official was briefed on the operations of the Executive Office of the National Committee for Civil Emergency Management and gained insight into the overall emergency management system, including coordination plans among relevant entities in areas such as early warning and field response.

Vehicle plunge



A 35-year-old Asian man sustained serious injuries after his vehicle fell from King Faisal Street onto Al Fateh Street, The General Traffic Department has reported. Emergency services responded swiftly to the incident, and the man was transferred to a hospital for urgent medical treatment. Authorities have launched an investigation and are taking the necessary legal measures at the scene.



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Dr. Maha Al Shehab

● Dr. Maha Saleh Hussain honoured

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Dr. Maha Saleh Hussain Al Shehab, former member of the Board of Trustees at the Bahrain Institute for Political Development, has won the Arab Woman Excellence Award 2025 in its fifth edition, in the field of community development.

This was announced by the Arab Women Committee of the League of Arab States.

The selection was made by the award's judging panel, following her nomination by the Supreme Council for Women in the Kingdom of Bahrain.

The award aims to highlight the contributions of Arab women in community development, and to encourage public and private institutions to support and empower women leaders by showcasing their achievements and success stories.

Opportunities

It also seeks to promote women's participation in the workforce, expand opportunities for training and qualification through various initiatives, and inspire young women to innovate and contribute to national development.

The Arab Woman Excellence Award is presented annually by the League of Arab States to distinguished Arab women across various fields, based on nominations by member states.

The award recognises outstanding achievements in areas such as science, educational management, arts, literature, journalism, media, and sports, in line with technical criteria assessed by a panel of experts.

VR vs Drugs

Virtual reality and games lead fight against addiction

● Exhibition targets youth behaviour

● VR, gaming tools used

● Anti-drug plan spotlighted

Mahir Haneef
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A bold push to combat addiction using virtual reality and interactive games took centre stage at the 'Maan (Together) for Security Awareness' exhibition launched by the Southern Governorate.

Held under the guidance of His Highness Southern Governor Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali Al Khalifa, the event aimed to deepen public engagement on community safety and drug prevention.

Organised in cooperation with the General Directorate of Criminal Investigation and Forensic Science, the exhibition was hosted at the Askar Sports Complex and featured awareness sections targeting youth.



Young visitors explore virtual reality simulations and electronic games

Visitors explored virtual reality simulations and electronic games designed to build decision-making skills and resilience among young people.

Gamified awareness tools have shown higher engagement among youth in early-stage drug prevention campaigns worldwide.

ti-drug section, which highlighted the risks of narcotics and introduced the 'Recovery' programme, part of the National Anti-Drug Plan.

The event attracted participants from various Interior Ministry departments and local communities, reflecting a broad push for neighbourhood-level engagement.

Healthy city goals

The exhibition also supports the Southern Governorate's effort to earn recognition as a healthy city, by aligning public safety initiatives with health and well-being strategies.

Through creative and tech-driven outreach, the governorate continues to promote positive behaviour among youth and strengthen community-based prevention efforts.

67 applications received from Hajj campaigns

● 1447 AH Season

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The Supreme Committee for Hajj and Umrah Affairs has announced that it received a total of 67 applications from Hajj campaigns seeking to operate during the upcoming pilgrimage season of 1447 AH (2026 AD).

The application period had officially closed on August 1.

The committee has begun a thorough review of all submissions to ensure each campaign meets the approved requirements and standards.

This process will pave the way for the announcement of the final list of campaigns that fully comply with the criteria.

Acceptance letter

Campaigns approved by the committee will be authorised to start advertising their services and prices immediately upon receiving the official acceptance letter.

Earlier, the Supreme Committee opened the application process, allowing campaigns to specify the number of pilgrims they intend to accommodate.

Bahrain skies to dazzle with rare celestial events

● Set for August 11-12

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Astronomy enthusiasts in Bahrain are in for a spectacular treat, as multiple celestial phenomena are set to illuminate the night skies from the evening of Monday, August 11, until just before sunrise on Tuesday, August 12, 2025.

The phenomena will be visible for 10 hours and 52 minutes, provided weather conditions allow for clear skies.

Bahraini astronomer Ali Al-Hajri revealed that the rare astronomical sequence includes sightings of Mars, Saturn, the Moon, the Perseid meteor shower, and a striking conjunction of Venus and Jupiter — all in one night.

The night will begin with the

“The sky will be adorned with some of the most beautiful astronomical phenomena of the year. These events offer an opportunity to reconnect with the cosmos and appreciate the dynamics of our solar system.”

- ALI AL-HAJRI, BAHRAINI ASTRONOMER

planet Mars appearing low on the western horizon shortly after sunset. Mars will be 95% illuminated and positioned at an altitude of 28 degrees, grad-



A visual illustration of the astronomical phenomena. Inset, Bahraini astronomer Ali Al-Hajri

ually descending as the evening progresses.

The planet will be 325 million kilometers from Earth, and its

light will take approximately 18 minutes and 4 seconds to reach observers.

Later in the evening, stargazers will witness the Moon approaching Saturn in the eastern sky.

Starting around 9:30 p.m., the two celestial bodies will be separated by approximately 10 degrees, drawing closer throughout the night.

By sunrise on Tuesday, the Moon will be just 7 degrees and 27 minutes from Saturn.

The Moon will be in a waning gibbous phase, 92.5% illuminated, and about 370,000 kilometers from Earth — its light reaching the planet in just over one second.

Saturn, meanwhile, will be almost fully illuminated (99.9%) and located at a distance of 1.3 billion kilometers, with its light taking over one hour and 13 minutes to arrive.

Muharraq lecture on building human-centered, healthier cities

● Expert emphasises urgent need for people-focused urban development in Bahrain

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The Muharraq Municipal Council recently hosted an enlightening lecture titled “Humanized and Safer Cities for Humanity,” delivered by Dr. Fatima Al Hammadi, Assistant Professor at the University of Bahrain's Department of Architecture and Interior Design.

The session formed part of the Council's second annual summer program, aimed at enhancing the professional competencies of municipal council members and employees while also inviting participation from the broader community.

Dr. Al Hammadi's presentation focused on the concept of “healthy cities” as a critical component of humanized urban planning.

Idea

She stressed that the idea goes beyond aesthetics and infrastructure to encompass health, social well-being, and economic



Participants are being briefed about various initiatives

vitality — factors she described as essential to improving the overall quality of life for residents.

The lecture began with an exploration of the theoretical foundations of healthy cities, highlighting how traditional urban planning often fails to prioritize physical and mental health.

Common urban issues

Dr. Al Hammadi pointed to common urban issues such as overcrowding, insufficient green spaces, and rising rates of lifestyle-related diseases as consequences of outdated planning approaches.

She outlined international benchmarks for healthy cities, which include the expansion of green areas and public parks, the creation of safe and walkable roads and cycling networks, improved air quality, and the development of public spaces that encourage physical activity and social interaction.

Importantly, she noted that achieving these standards doesn't require excessive resources. Smart planning and the strategic redesign of existing spaces, she emphasised, can significantly improve the urban experience and promote healthier living environments.

Ministry of Labour

Labour Ministry reports 99.96% compliance with midday work ban among establishments

Manama

Aqeel AbuHussain, Assistant Undersecretary for Labour Relations at the Ministry of Labour, said that the ministry has reported a 99.96% compliance rate with the mid-day work ban.

The ban, which prohibits outdoor work from 12 noon to 4 p.m. on June 15 - September 15, is aimed at protecting workers from extreme heat.

AbuHussain said the strong compliance reflects effective cooperation between the ministry and employers in promoting safe working conditions, as well as Bahrain's commitment to international labour standards and workers' welfare.

He noted that only six violations were recorded during more than 17,000 inspection visits, affecting 12 workers in total. AbuHussain added that



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this highlights the awareness among employers and workers of the importance of safeguard-

ing health during the peak summer months.

The assistant undersecretary

said that the ministry is continuing to raise awareness through digital platforms about the dangers of heat stress and sun exposure, reinforcing its focus on occupational health and safety.

BuHussain added that Bahrain remains committed to upholding best practices in workplace safety, particularly during the summer season when temperatures and humidity levels are at their highest.

Applied Science University



Applied Science University's Management Information Systems Programme Preparing Leaders for the Digital Age

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Applied Science University's Management Information Systems Programme Preparing Leaders for the Digital Age

The Management Information Systems (MIS) programme at Applied Science University stands out as a forward-looking discipline addressing the fast-paced challenges of the digital era. The programme offers an integrated study blending business knowledge with IT skills,

preparing students to play pivotal roles in driving digital transformation across modern organizations.

Designed to provide a comprehensive understanding of how information systems impact organizational decision-making, the programme emphasizes developing, implementing, and managing innovative technological solutions.

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and aligned with the National Qualifications Framework, the programme meets international curriculum standards and industry requirements, ensuring relevance in a rapidly evolving market.

Students develop strong technical, analytical, leadership, communication, and professional ethics skills, enabling graduates to assume social responsibility and contribute effectively within digital business environments.

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2025

	Six months ended		Three months ended	
	30 June 2025	30 June 2024	30 June 2025	30 June 2024
	BD'000 (reviewed)	BD'000 (reviewed)	BD'000 (reviewed)	BD'000 (reviewed)
INCOME				
Income from financing contracts	26,797	25,282	13,514	12,897
Income from placements with financial institutions	4,735	1,789	2,811	844
Income from investment in Sukuk	7,296	7,773	3,764	3,936
Expense on placements from financial institutions	(1,890)	(3,066)	(749)	(1,311)
Expense on placements from non-financial institutions and individuals	(9,243)	(10,104)	(3,794)	(5,350)
Expense on financing from financial institutions	(4,597)	(4,078)	(2,418)	(1,829)
Net finance income	23,098	17,596	13,128	9,187
Fee and commission income, net	3,795	3,319	2,055	1,350
Income from investment securities	66	36	66	36
Income from investment in real estate, net	9,963	125	409	54
Share of results of associates, net	72	42	37	35
Other income, net	2,177	1,356	1,424	1,171
Total income	39,171	22,474	17,119	11,833
EXPENSES				
Staff costs	7,791	6,916	3,499	3,373
Depreciation and amortization	882	935	479	472
Other expenses	6,333	7,111	3,495	3,593
Total expenses	15,006	14,962	7,473	7,438
Profit before impairment allowances and attribution to quasi-equity	24,165	7,512	9,646	4,395
Impairment allowance, net	(5,084)	(3,358)	(2,396)	(2,021)
Profit before attribution to quasi-equity	19,081	4,154	7,250	2,374
Profit attributable to quasi-equity	(5,893)	(1,841)	(4,064)	(1,092)
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD	13,188	2,313	3,186	1,282
BASIC AND DILUTED EARNINGS PER SHARE (fils)	10.70	0.39	1.22	(0.59)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN OWNERS' EQUITY

For the six months ended 30 June 2025

	30 June 2025	30 June 2024
	BD'000 (reviewed)	BD'000 (reviewed)
Balance at 1 January	147,420	144,632
Profit for the period	13,188	2,313
Other comprehensive income	(143)	(3)
Total comprehensive income for the period	13,045	2,310
Zakah approved	(356)	(289)
Donations approved	(50)	(250)
Profit distribution on ATI Capital	(1,901)	(1,906)
Shares allocated to staff during the period	67	148
Balance at 30 June	158,225	144,645

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2025

	30 June 2025	31 December 2024
	BD'000 (reviewed)	BD'000 (audited)
ASSETS		
Cash and balances with banks and Central Bank	71,517	65,084
Placements with financial institutions	190,352	156,586
Financing contracts	1,000,017	1,000,663
Investment securities	297,307	272,126
Investment in associates	11,512	11,441
Investment in real estate	9,583	14,583
Property and equipment	15,083	14,793
Other assets	10,519	6,658
TOTAL ASSETS	1,605,890	1,541,934
LIABILITIES, QUASI-EQUITY AND OWNERS' EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Placements from financial institutions	36,142	77,377
Placements from non-financial institutions and individuals	203,458	470,891
Financing from financial institutions	204,159	175,197
Customers' current accounts	247,204	216,442
Other liabilities	46,689	38,221
Total Liabilities	737,652	978,128
Quasi-equity		
Financial institutions	51,662	64,892
Non-financial institutions and individuals	658,351	351,494
Total Quasi-equity	710,013	416,386
Owners' Equity		
Share capital	106,406	106,406
Treasury shares	(677)	(892)
Shares under employee share incentive scheme	(175)	(101)
Share premium	132	206
Reserves	27,539	16,801
Equity attributable to Bank's shareholders	133,225	122,420
Subordinated Mudaraba (ATI)	25,000	25,000
Total Owners' Equity	158,225	147,420
TOTAL LIABILITIES, QUASI-EQUITY AND OWNERS' EQUITY	1,605,890	1,541,934

The condensed consolidated interim financial information was approved by the Board of Directors on 5 August 2025 and has been reviewed by KPMG.

Zaid Khalid Abdulrahman
Chairman

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Vice Chairman

Fatema AlAlawi
Chief Executive Officer

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the six months ended 30 June 2025

	30 June 2025	30 June 2024
	BD'000 (reviewed)	BD'000 (reviewed)
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit for the period	13,188	2,313
Adjustments for non-cash items:		
Depreciation	708	744
Impairment allowance, net	5,084	3,358
Amortization of right-of-use asset	174	191
Gain on sale of investment in Sukuk	(8)	(5)
Gain on sale of investment in real estate	(9,742)	-
Share of results of associates, net	(72)	(42)
Operating profit before changes in operating assets and liabilities	9,332	6,559
Working capital adjustments:		
Mandatory reserve with Central Bank of Bahrain	(3,345)	(3,620)
Financing contracts	(5,267)	(41,755)
Other assets	(7,710)	(1,231)
Customers' current accounts	30,762	2,821
Other liabilities	8,121	16,153
Placements from financial institutions	(44,625)	(7,658)
Placements from non-financial institutions and individuals	(267,433)	104,040
Quasi-equity	293,627	9,238
Net cash from operating activities	13,462	84,547
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Disposal of investment in real estate	14,684	-
Purchase of property and equipment	(998)	(967)
Purchase of investment securities	(60,987)	(44,361)
Disposal of investment securities	40,243	58,667
Net cash (used in) / from investing activities	(7,058)	13,339
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Profit distribution on ATI Capital	(1,901)	(1,906)
Financing from financial institutions received / (paid)	28,962	(33,701)
Net cash from / (used in) financing activities	27,061	(35,607)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	33,465	62,279
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 January	175,629	74,399
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT 30 JUNE	209,094	136,678
Cash and cash equivalents comprise:		
Cash on hand	9,381	11,185
Balances with CBB, excluding mandatory reserve deposits	1,012	236
Balances with banks and other financial institutions excluding restricted balances	8,349	5,631
Placements with financial institutions with original maturities less than 90 days	190,352	119,626
	209,094	136,678

Trump signals tariffs on pharma, chips

AFP | Washington, United States

US President Donald Trump signaled Tuesday that fresh tariffs on imported pharmaceuticals and semiconductors could be unveiled as soon as the coming week, as he presses on in efforts to reshape global trade.

Trump's latest comments, in an interview on CNBC, come days before a separate set of tariff hikes takes effect on dozens of economies later this week.

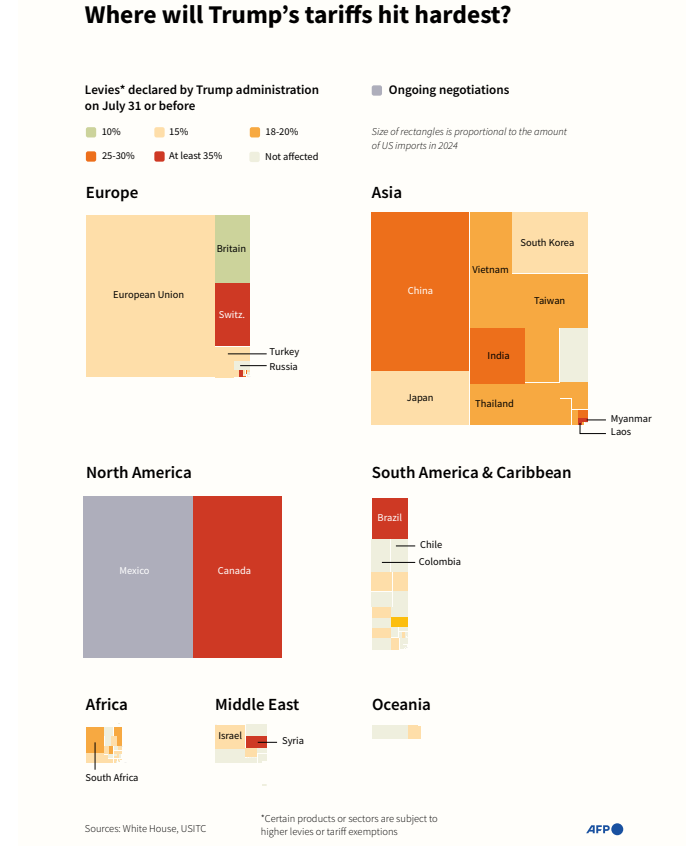
The sweeping tariff plans have sparked a flurry of activity as governments seek to avert the worst of his threats -- with Switzerland's leaders heading to Washington on Tuesday in a last-minute push to avoid punitive duties.

But he appears set to widen his trade wars further.

The US president told CNBC that upcoming tariffs on imported pharmaceuticals could reach 250 percent, while adding that he plans for new duties on foreign semiconductors soon.

"We'll be putting (an) initially small tariff on pharmaceuticals, but in one year, one-and-a-half years, maximum, it's going to go to 150 percent," Trump said.

"And then it's going to go to 250 percent because we want pharmaceuticals made in our country."



Trump also said that Washington will be announcing tariffs "within the next week or so."

He added: "We're going to be announcing on semiconductors and chips."

Concern for US economy

Trump has taken aim at products from different countries with varying tariff rates after imposing a 10-percent levy on almost all trading partners in

April -- with excluded products targeted by sector.

While Swiss leaders are seeking to stave off a US tariff hike to 39 percent come Thursday -- which excludes sectors like pharma -- Trump's plans for a steep pharma levy will likely be a point of contention in any talks.

Pharmaceuticals represented 60 percent of Swiss goods exports to the United States last year.

Besides probing pharmaceuticals and chips imports, Trump has already imposed steep duties of 50 percent on imports of steel and aluminum, alongside lower levels on autos and parts.

In the same CNBC interview, Trump said he expects to raise the US tariff on Indian imports "very substantially over the next 24 hours" due to the country's purchases of Russian oil.

This is a key revenue source for Moscow's military offensive on Ukraine.

His pressure on India comes after signaling fresh sanctions on Moscow if it did not make progress by Friday towards a peace deal with Kyiv, more than three years since Russia's invasion.

Moscow is anticipating talks this week with the US leader's special envoy Steve Witkoff, and the Kremlin has criticized Trump's threat of raising tariffs

Russia hints at deploying mid-range missiles after ending INF moratorium



Moscow, Russia

Russia yesterday suggested it could deploy intermediate-range missiles after ending a self-imposed moratorium on producing or deploying the weapons, which were banned for decades under a Cold War treaty with the United States.

Washington and Moscow had prohibited missiles with a range of 500 to 5,500 kilometres (300-3,400 miles) under the 1987 Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces (INF) Treaty. But US President Donald Trump withdrew from the deal during his first term in 2019, accusing Russia of failing to comply.

The Kremlin said at the time it would continue to abide by a moratorium if the United States did not deploy missiles within striking distance of Russia.

Russia's foreign ministry said Monday it was ending the self-imposed restrictions, with

the Kremlin hinting on Tuesday that Moscow could soon deploy the previously-banned missiles.

"There are no longer any restrictions in Russia in this regard. Russia no longer considers itself limited in any way," President Vladimir Putin's spokesman, Dmitry Peskov, told reporters.

Moscow was "entitled, if necessary, to take appropriate measures" on the deployment of the missiles, he said, adding that there would be no public announcement if Russia decided to station the missiles.

Putin said last year Russia should start producing mid-range missiles -- capable of carrying nuclear warheads -- after the United States sent some launch systems to Denmark for training exercises.

Russia has also accused the United States of sending the systems to the Philippines and Australia for drills.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2025 (REVIEWED)

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ARAB INSURANCE GROUP

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2025

(In thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	30 June 2025 (reviewed)	31 December 2024 (audited)	30 June 2024 (reviewed)
ASSETS			
Cash and bank balances	40,459	53,430	172,504
Investments	299,494	306,594	190,073
Accrued interest	2,757	2,596	6,465
Reinsurance contract assets	3,655	3,645	3,853
Non-insurance deposits	17	13	17
Other assets	1,150	1,139	1,486
Property and equipment	4,833	5,058	5,207
TOTAL ASSETS	352,365	372,475	379,605
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
LIABILITIES			
Insurance contract liabilities	76,387	77,793	92,380
Other liabilities	2,612	4,196	5,405
TOTAL LIABILITIES	78,999	81,989	97,785
EQUITY			
Attributable to shareholders of parent company			
Share capital	220,000	220,000	220,000
Treasury stock	(14,793)	(14,793)	(14,793)
Reserves	52,818	48,146	44,481
Retained earnings	7,669	29,411	19,051
	265,694	282,764	268,739
Non-controlling interests	7,672	7,722	13,081
TOTAL EQUITY	273,366	290,486	281,820
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	352,365	372,475	379,605

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2025 (In thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	For the three months ended 30 June 2025 (reviewed)	For the three months ended 30 June 2024 (reviewed)	For the financial year-to-date 30 June 2025 (reviewed)	For the financial year-to-date 30 June 2024 (reviewed)	For the financial year ended 31 December 2024 (audited)
Insurance revenue	218	334	536	688	1,615
Insurance service expenses	(1,420)	997	(2,009)	(43)	8,243
Net expense from reinsurance contracts held	(312)	(587)	(766)	(1,372)	(2,512)
Insurance service result	(1,514)	744	(2,239)	(727)	7,346
Investment income	3,229	3,710	6,424	7,792	14,727
Insurance finance expenses	(870)	(944)	(1,974)	(1,086)	(3,983)
Reinsurance finance income	82	82	189	101	316
Financial insurance result	2,441	2,848	4,639	6,807	11,060
Other expenses and provisions	(188)	(224)	(776)	(759)	(3,037)
Other income	511	1,734	1,206	8,047	11,019
Profit for the period	1,250	5,102	2,830	13,368	26,388
Attributable to:					
Non-controlling interests	(42)	(68)	(110)	(150)	(54)
Shareholders of parent company	1,292	5,170	2,940	13,518	26,442
	1,250	5,102	2,830	13,368	26,388
Earnings per share attributable to shareholders (basic and diluted):	0.7	2.6	1.5	6.8	13.3
	(US cents)				

CONDENSED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED 30 JUNE 2025 (In thousands of U.S. Dollars)

	For the financial year-to-date 30 June 2025 (reviewed)	For the financial year-to-date 30 June 2024 (reviewed)	For the financial year ended 31 December 2024 (audited)
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Premiums received	(1,090)	516	1,075
Reinsurance premiums paid	(461)	(679)	(1,394)
Claims and acquisition costs paid	(3,228)	(2,716)	(7,359)
Reinsurance receipts in respect of claims	53	140	275
Investment income	213	492	291
Interest income	362	444	888
Operating expenses paid	(4,141)	(3,951)	(8,213)
Other (expenses) income, net	(699)	5,892	5,922
Insurance deposits received (paid), net	3,375	487	508
Purchase of investments at fair value through profit or loss	(20)	(28)	(62)
Sale of investments at fair value through profit or loss	5,490	885	1,647
Net cash (used in) provided by operating activities	(146)	1,482	(6,422)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Maturity/sale of investments	30,916	12,727	26,909
Purchase of investments	(24,952)	(34,692)	(165,199)
Term deposits with bank	3,993	53,000	158,240
Interest income	5,918	5,624	16,357
Investment income	63	53	8
Collateralised cash deposits	-	7,376	7,376
Purchase of property and equipment	(5)	(17)	(17)
Purchase of intangible assets	-	-	-
Net cash provided by investing activities	15,933	44,068	43,658
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Dividends paid	(24,764)	(39,623)	(39,623)
Subsidiary's capital reduction - minority interests	-	-	(5,520)
Net cash used in financing activities	(24,764)	(39,623)	(45,143)
Net (decrease) increase in cash and cash equivalents	(8,977)	5,927	(7,907)
Effect of exchange rate on cash and cash equivalents	(1)	-	-
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	32,525	40,432	40,432
Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	23,547	46,359	32,525
Term deposits with bank	16,912	126,145	20,905
Cash and bank balances, end of period	40,459	172,504	53,430

Mansour Shams Alkhoori

Chairman

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Director

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Acting Chief Executive Officer

The above condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been extracted from the condensed consolidated interim financial statements reviewed by KPMG Fakhro.

The reviewed condensed consolidated interim financial statements are available on Arig's website [www.arig.net](#)

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BBK

BBK awarded Best Retail Bank in Bahrain for 2025

Manama

BBK, a leader in retail and corporate banking in the Kingdom of Bahrain, has been named the Best Retail Bank in Bahrain for 2025 by Global Banking and Finance Review Magazine. This prestigious accolade recognizes the Bank's outstanding performance throughout the year and its enduring leadership in the retail banking sector. This marks the third consecutive year BBK has received this recognition, following wins in 2023 and 2024 from World Economic Magazine, further solidifying its position as a trusted and



Yaser Alsharifi, BBK Group Chief Executive

innovative banking institution in the Kingdom.

The judging panel praised BBK for its excellence across key pillars, including financial stability, market leadership, innovation, and a steadfast commitment to sustainability and community engagement. For over fifty years, BBK has remained at the forefront of Bahrain's banking industry, consistently delivering strong profitability and demonstrating resilience through prudent balance sheet management and a customer-centric growth strategy.

BBK's advanced digital platforms and innovative product offerings have raised industry standards, enhancing customer

experiences and setting new benchmarks for service excellence. Its comprehensive approach to environmental, social, and governance (ESG) practices—alongside initiatives that support local businesses and communities—underscores the Bank's role as a responsible contributor to Bahrain's economic and social development. These achievements reinforce BBK's legacy of excellence, leadership, and adaptability in an ever-evolving financial landscape.

Yaser Alsharifi, BBK Group Chief Executive, stated: "We are honored to be named the

Best Retail Bank in Bahrain for 2025. This award reflects the collective efforts of our dedicated teams, the support of our strategic partners, and the strength of our leadership in retail banking. It also highlights our firm commitment to innovation and sustainable growth and stands as a testament to the long-standing trust and loyalty of our valued customers, cultivated over more than five decades of service."

Alsharifi added: "Throughout the past year, we have remained focused on placing our customers at the heart of every initiative—reimagining their banking

journey and streamlining access to financial services in ways that foster trust and satisfaction. Our efforts have seamlessly integrated digital transformation with a strong sense of social responsibility. The upcoming transfer of HSBC Middle East – Bahrain's retail banking operations to BBK further underscores the Bank's leadership in the sector. We will continue to raise service standards while upholding our core values and contributing meaningfully to the advancement of Bahrain's banking sector and the realization of Bahrain's Vision 2030."

Aluminium Bahrain B.S.C

Alba Discloses Financial Results for the Second Quarter and H1 of 2025

● Despite market challenges, sales volume topped a healthy 411,007 MT, up by 3.4% YoY. Net Finished Production remained flat at 402,912 MT.

● Value Added Sales (VAP) averaged 76% of total shipments, marking an increase of 9% YoY [VAP: 314,390 MT in Q2'25 versus 288,312 MT in Q2'24]

● Alba Management will hold a conference call today at 12:30 PM

Manama

Aluminium Bahrain B.S.C. (Alba) (Ticker Code: ALBH), the world's largest aluminium smelter on one site, has reported a Profit of BD24.6 million (US\$65.3 million) for the second quarter of 2025, down by 64% Year-over-Year (YoY), versus a Profit of BD68.5 million (US\$182.2 million) for the same period in 2024.

The Company reported Basic and Diluted Earnings per Share of fils 17 for Q2 2025 versus Basic and Diluted Earnings per Share of fils 48 in Q2 2024.

The Total Comprehensive Income for Q2 2025 stood at BD21.9 million (US\$58.1 million) versus

Total Comprehensive Income for the second quarter of 2024 of BD66.7 million (US\$177.4 million) – down by 67% YoY. Gross Profit for Q2 2025 was BD47 million (US\$125.1 million) versus BD102 million (US\$271.2 million) for the same period in 2024 – down by 54% YoY.

As for Revenue from contracts with customers in Q2 2025, Alba generated BD434 million (US\$1,154.4 million) versus BD407 million (US\$1,082.3 million) in Q2 2024 - up by 7% YoY.

First Half



Alba's Chief Executive Officer, Ali Al Baqali

Global Market Demand (+3%YoY)

Global Economic Landscape experienced a notable slowdown with growth rates lower than in previous years. Tariffs remain a major threat to global demand. While global trade war has de-escalated since its peak in early April, tariffs persist, and only two major US trade deals with the UK and China have been announced. Tensions with key US partners haven't fully eased.

China's Q2 GDP exceeded expectations, driven by strong investment and steady exports. However, weak domestic demand, ongoing property issues, and deflation remain concerns. While recent policies aim to stabilise the economy, more stimulus is likely needed. These dynamics contributed to a 4% YoY rise in demand from China.

North America continues to face tariff uncertainty, which is preventing a sustained improvement in demand; consumption is down by 1% year-on-year (YoY).

Europe saw lower consumption (-2% YoY) due to continued high energy costs and a slowdown in the automotive industries.

Middle East demand dropped by 4% YoY, primarily driven by lower consumption in Bahrain (-10% YoY) and UAE (-5% YoY).

For the First Half of 2025, Alba has reported a Profit of BD42.7 million (US\$113.5 million), down by 54% YoY versus a Profit of BD93 million (US\$247.3 million) for the same period in 2024.

The Company reported Basic and Diluted Earnings per Share of fils 30 for H1 2025 versus Basic and Diluted Earnings per Share of fils 66 for the same period in 2024.

Alba's Total Comprehensive Income for H1 2025 was BD38.7

Alba 2025 Priorities

Safety First, Sustainability Always: Aligned with Bahrain's objective of net-zero emissions by 2060, Alba embeds sustainability principles in all operations, minimising environmental impact from raw material sourcing to product delivery.

Operational Excellence and Growth: Exceed 2024 Net Finished Production of 1,622,261 MT and achieve e-Al Hassalah 2025 Target of US\$60 million (versus 2026 Target of US\$150 million).

Capacity Expansion and Efficiency Enhancement

oLeverage its industry-leading certifications such as Aluminium Stewardship Initiative (ASI), EcoVadis and Low-Carbon Aluminium EternaITM to penetrate new markets & boost Value Added Sales (VAP) sales.

oEstablish Alba Daiki Sustainable Solutions (ADSS) for aluminium dross processing by September 2026.

oComplete Feasibility Study for the New Replacement Line which will replace Reduction Lines 1-3.

Global Market Supply (+2%)

Global Aluminium Supply Growth was limited in Q2 with only marginal increases from smelter restarts and expansions.

China's supply rose by a modest 2% YoY due to limited capacity expansion.

Middle East supply saw a mere 1% YoY increase.

Europe's overall production remained flat.

North America: Production contracted by 3% YoY primarily due to a 2% YoY decline from Canadian smelters.

Market Balance: Since Chinese production is growing at a slower pace than consumption (as China adheres to its 45 million tonnes annual target), the global market is showing a deficit of -531,000 MT when including China and a deficit of -175,000 MT when excluding China.

million (US\$102.8 million), down by 59% YoY, compared to a Total Comprehensive Income of BD94.4 million (US\$251 million) in H1 2024.

Gross Profit for the First Half of 2025 was BD97.8 million (US\$260.2 million) versus BD159.2 million (US\$423.5 million) in H1 2024 – down by 39% YoY.

Alba generated in H1 2025 Revenue from contracts with customers of BD843 million (US\$2,242 million) versus

BD741.5 million (US\$1,972.1 million) in H1 2024 - up by 14% YoY. Total Equity as of 30 June 2025 stood at BD1,924.4 million (US\$5,118.2 million), up by 0.03%, versus BD1,923.9 million (US\$5,116.9 million) as of 31 December 2024.

Alba's Total Assets as of 30 June 2025 were BD2,657.9 million (US\$7,069 million) versus BD2,673.4 million (US\$7,110 million) as of 31 December 2024 – down by 0.6%.

Interim Dividend

Aluminium Market Pricing & Inventories

LME Price averaged US\$2,447/t in Q2 2025 (-3% YoY). Prices initially dipped in April following the announcement of reciprocal tariffs but regained momentum throughout the quarter. Despite this recovery, prices remain relatively low, reflecting ongoing market volatility.

LME Inventories are down by a significant 66% YoY to 349,000 MT, the lowest inventory level since early October 2022.

Strategic Initiatives

Achieved savings for the e-Al Hassalah at US\$59.4 million against 2025 Target of US\$60 million.

Expanded EternaITM Low-Carbon Product Line with launch of 'EternaI-AC', a new product series incorporating verified in House Carbon Offsets, as well as added EternaI-20 and EternaI-50 to its low-carbon aluminium portfolio.

1st Middle East smelter to adopt AI-Powered Seeq platform.

Successfully migrated to RISE with SAP Private Edition.



Chairman of Alba's Board of Directors, Khalid Al Rumaih

BD14,932,765 (c.US\$40 million).

Resilient and focused

Commenting on the Company's performance for the second quarter of 2025, the Chairman of Alba's Board of Directors, Khalid Al Rumaih stated: "Amidst global market headwinds, Alba stands resilient and focused. While our profitability has been tempered by external pressures, the continued growth in revenue and the remarkable rise in Value Added Sales to 76% reflect the strength of our vision and the agility of our operations. The profitability gap compared to Q2 2024 is largely attributed to higher landed alumina prices in this period; without that distortion, our performance would've exceeded last year's."

Safety first

Alba's Chief Executive Officer, Ali Al Baqali, added: "Behind every number is the unwavering dedication of our people. In the face of market challenges, Alba has delivered good results driven by a culture that puts safety first and empowers excellence. Achieving 38 million safe working hours without LTI is a testament to this commitment. We are proud of our workforce and confident in our ability to navigate the road ahead, together and safely."

Alba Management will hold a conference call today at 12:30 PM Bahrain Time to discuss the Company's financial and operational performance for Q2 2025 and outline

News in brief

◆ **China said yesterday** would introduce free pre-school education from the autumn, as the world's second most populous nation faces a looming demographic crisis. "Starting in the fall semester of 2025, childcare and education fees will be waived for children attending public kindergartens in the year before school," said the State Council, China's cabinet. The announcement comes a week after the country said it would offer parents the equivalent of \$500 per year for each child under the age of three. China's population has declined for three consecutive years, with United Nations demography models predicting it could fall from around 1.4 billion today to 800 million by 2100. There were just 9.54 million births in China last year, half the number in 2016, the year Beijing ended its one-child policy after more than three decades. The population declined by 1.39 million last year, and China lost its position as the world's most populous country to India in 2023.



China to offer free pre-school education from autumn

◆ **Japan logged** a new heat record yesterday, with the mercury hitting 41.8C, the weather office said, warning temperatures may rise further still. Temperatures the world over have soared in recent years as climate change creates ever more erratic weather patterns, and Japan is no exception. The scorching temperature in the city of Isesaki on Tuesday surpassed the previous record in the Hyogo region of 41.2C, which was set only last week. Tokyo has also been struggling with extreme heat.

◆ **Israel said** it culled 200 crocodiles at an abandoned farm on a settlement in the occupied West Bank, reporting the animals had resorted to cannibalism and posed a "significant risk" to humans. The Nile crocodiles "were being kept in an abandoned compound under poor conditions that constitute animal abuse, with insufficient access to food, which had driven them to cannibalistic behaviour", said COGAT, the Israeli defence ministry body that oversees civil affairs in the Palestinian territories. COGAT said in its statement on Monday that the premises' fencing had deteriorated after the farm was closed in 2013, allowing several crocodiles to escape "into nearby communities and nature reserves". After the owner's refusal to repair the fence and "12 years of seeking solutions" to the issue, COGAT said "the hazard must be addressed immediately through the humane culling of the animals". A video that circulated on social media this year showed teenagers throwing stones at the crocodiles, prompting authorities to take action on the issue. The farm, located in the Israeli settlement of Petzael in the Jordan Valley, was first opened to tourists in the 1990s before being turned into a commercial farm for crocodile skin.

Israel culls more than 200 crocodiles at West Bank farm

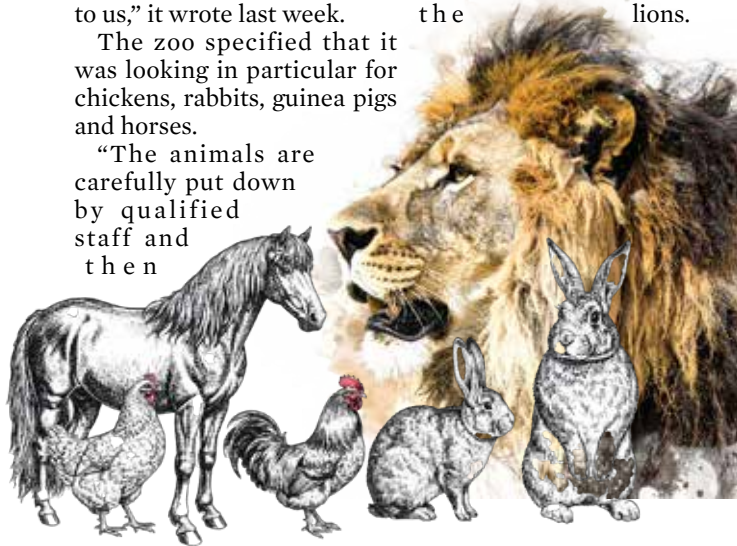


SPOTLIGHT

Danish zoo in hot water over public call for animals as food

AFP | Copenhagen, Denmark

Any chickens or rabbits to spare? Denmark's Aalborg Zoo is seeking animals to feed to its predators -- after they have been euthanised -- a plea that has sparked a public backlash. "We are looking for small livestock, not pets," Anette Sofie Warncke Nutzhorn, one of the zoo's managers, told AFP on Tuesday. "It can be for instance a chicken that doesn't lay eggs anymore." "Predators usually catch prey of this size, so it's like the natural course," she added. The zoo has found itself in hot water since sending out the appeal in social media. "If you have an animal that, for various reasons, has to go, you are welcome to donate it to us," it wrote last week. The zoo specified that it was looking in particular for chickens, rabbits, guinea pigs and horses. "The animals are carefully put down by qualified staff and then used as food," it said. Only healthy animals are accepted by the zoo, which has been accepting donated animals for several years. "It is a very common practice, we were just sending a friendly reminder," Warncke Nutzhorn said. The zoo later turned off the comments section on the social media post in response to what it called "hateful" postings. Practices at Danish zoos, particularly the euthanasia of healthy animals to limit the risk of inbreeding, have in the past triggered fierce international criticism. In 2014, a giraffe calf named Marius was put down at the Copenhagen Zoo and staff later performed an autopsy on the carcass in front of visitors, before feeding it to the lions.



Gaza civil defence says Israeli attacks kill 26

The Israeli army said it was looking into the incidents



Palestinians react at the site of an overnight Israeli strike, in Jabalia in the central Gaza Strip

● **Thousands of Gazans gather daily near food distribution points across Gaza**

● **Gaza Humanitarian Foundation operations have been marred by chaotic scenes**

AFP | Gaza City, Palestinian Territories

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Gaza's civil defence agency said 26 people were killed by Israeli gunfire and air strikes yesterday, including 14 who were waiting near an aid distribution site inside the Palestinian territory. Civil defence spokesman Mahmud Bassal told AFP that eight people were killed by Israeli gunfire while waiting for aid near the south Gaza city of Khan Yunis. Six more people were killed and

21 injured by Israeli fire in central Gaza while waiting for food near a distribution centre, according to Bassal. The Israeli army told AFP it was looking into the incidents. Media restrictions in Gaza and difficulties in accessing many areas mean AFP is unable to independently verify the tolls and details provided by the civil defence agency and other parties. Thousands of Gazans gather daily near food distribution points across Gaza, including

four belonging to the US- and Israeli-backed Gaza Humanitarian Foundation. Its operations have been marred by chaotic scenes and near-daily reports of Israeli forces firing on those waiting to collect rations. Israeli restrictions on the entry of goods and aid into Gaza since the start of the war nearly 22 months ago have led to shortages of food and essential goods, including medicine, medical supplies and fuel, which hospitals rely on to power their generators.

UN experts call for GHF to be dismantled

AFP | Geneva, Switzerland

United Nations special rapporteurs called yesterday for the Israel- and US-backed Gaza Humanitarian Foundation to be immediately dismantled, saying aid was being "exploited for covert military and geopolitical agendas". An exceptionally-large group of the UN-mandated experts voiced grave concerns over the GHF's operations. The private organisation began distributing food in Gaza Strip in May as Israel began easing a more than two-month aid blockade on the Palestinian territory that had exacerbated existing shortages. "The GHF ... is an utterly disturbing example of how humanitarian relief can be exploited for covert military and geopolitical

agendas in serious breach of international law," the experts said in a joint statement. "The entanglement of Israeli intelligence, US contractors and ambiguous non-governmental entities underlines the urgent need for robust international oversight and action under UN auspices. "Calling it 'humanitarian' adds on to Israel's humanitarian camouflage and is an insult to the humanitarian enterprise and standards." On July 22, the UN rights office said Israeli forces had killed more than 1,000 Palestinians trying to get food aid in Gaza since the GHF started operations -- nearly three-quarters of them in the vicinity of GHF sites. "Without clear accountability, the very idea of humanitarian

relief may ultimately become a casualty of modern hybrid warfare," the special rapporteurs said. "The credibility and effectiveness of humanitarian assistance must be restored by dismantling the GHF, holding it and its executives accountable, and allowing experienced and humanitarian actors from the UN and civil society alike to take back the reins of managing and distributing lifesaving aid." The joint statement was signed by Francesca Albanese, the UN's special rapporteur on the rights situation in the Palestinian territories occupied since 1967. Israel accuses her of having an "obsessive, hate-driven agenda to delegitimise the state of Israel". The statement was also signed by 18 other special rapporteurs,

plus other UN experts and members of UN working groups -- a notably large number for such statements. Special rapporteurs are independent experts mandated by the UN Human Rights Council to report their findings. They do not, therefore, speak for the United Nations itself. More than two million people live in the Gaza Strip. GHF says it has distributed more than 1.76 million boxes of foodstuffs to date. "We continue to improve our operations," GHF executive director John Acree said Monday. "We urge the international humanitarian community to join us -- we have the scale and capacity to deliver more aid to the people of Gaza."

Treaty of The Hague is signed, whereby the Dutch Republic sells New Holland (Brazil) to Portugal for 63 tonnes of gold

Murderer William Kemmler becomes the first person to be executed by electric chair, at Auburn Prison in New York



Atomic bomb dropped on the Japanese city of Hiroshima by the US B-29 Superfortress "Enola Gay"

US President Lyndon B. Johnson signs the Voting Rights Act, prohibiting voting discrimination against minorities



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TWEETS

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Under the leadership of President Donald J. Trump and @VP JD Vance, the United States is not just recovering from years of stagnation and overregulation; we're entering a golden era of growth, prosperity, and American resilience.

@WhiteHouse

02



India is delighted to welcome Philippines President, Mr. Bongbong Marcos at a time when we mark 75 years of bilateral relations between our nations. It is equally gladdening that we have decided to elevate ties to a Strategic Partnership, which ensures our co-operation becomes more robust and diverse. An Action Plan has also been drawn up in this regard.

@narendramodi

03



For Landlocked Developing Countries, geography too often limits development & entrenches inequality. The ongoing #LLDC3 Conference aims to help fully unlock their development potential in order to build a more prosperous, just & sustainable future for all.

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A screengrab from a video posted online shows a massive surge of mud and rainwater rushing through a village in India's Uttarakhand state following a cloudburst

Flash flood washes out India Himalayan town

AFP | Dehradun, India

A flash flood driving a torrent of mud smashed into a town in India's Himalayan region on Tuesday, tearing down a mountain valley before demolishing buildings and killing at least four people.

Videos broadcast on Indian media showed a terrifying surge of muddy water sweeping away multi-storey apartment blocks in the tourist region of Dharali in Uttarakhand state.

Several people could be seen running before being engulfed by the dark waves of debris that uprooted entire buildings.

Uttarakhand State Chief Minister Pushkar Singh Dhami said rescue teams had been deployed "on a war footing".

Senior local official Prashant Arya said four people had been killed, with other officials warning that the number could rise.

India's army said 150 troops had reached the town, helping rescue around 20 people who had survived the wall of freezing sludge.

"A massive mudslide struck Dharali... triggering a sudden flow of debris and water through the settlement," the army said. Images released by the army, taken from the site after the main torrent had passed, showed a river of slow-moving mud.

A wide swathe of the town was swamped by deep debris. In places, the mud lapped at the rooftops of houses.

"Search and rescue efforts are ongoing, with all available resources being deployed to locate and evacuate any remaining stranded persons," army spokesman Suneel Bartwal said.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi expressed his condolences in a statement, and said that "no stone is being left unturned in providing assistance".



Muddy water running past residential buildings



Residential buildings partially submerged in sludge after a cloudburst caused a massive mudslide in India's Uttarakhand state



People waded through floodwaters on a boat outside Assi Ghat

Israel to partially reopen Gaza private goods trade



Humanitarian aid pallets with parachutes attached are pictured in the cargo bay of a German Air Force (Luftwaffe) A400M Atlas military transport aircraft before their release during an airdrop relief mission over the Gaza Strip

AFP | Jerusalem, Undefined

Israel will partially reopen private sector trade with Gaza to reduce its reliance on humanitarian aid, the defence ministry civil affairs agency for the Palestinian territories said on Tuesday.

"As part of formulating the mechanism, a limited number of local merchants were approved by the defence establishment, subject to several criteria and strict security screening," COGAT said.

Israel has been fighting Hamas in Gaza for 22 months and imposed a total blockade on March 2, partially lifted in May to allow a US-backed private agency to open food distribution centres.

Aid convoys and airdrops

by Arab and European militaries resumed last month, as UN-mandated expert reports warned famine was unfolding in the war-torn territory.

The COGAT statement said private sector deliveries would be paid for by monitored bank transfers and be subject to inspections by the Israeli military before entering Gaza, "to prevent the involvement of the Hamas terrorist organisation".

Permitted goods under the new mechanism will include food staples, fruit, vegetables, baby formula and hygiene products, COGAT said.

The agency said more than 300 aid trucks entered Gaza on Monday, a larger number than in previous days, and that hundreds more were "still queued up for UN pickup".

Kremlin slams Trump's threat to hike tariffs on India over Russian oil purchases

AFP | Moscow, Russia

The Kremlin yesterday criticised US President Donald Trump's threat to raise tariffs on India over its purchases of Russian oil, a key source of revenue for Moscow's military offensive on Ukraine.

Trump has given Moscow until Friday to make progress on a peace deal with Kyiv or face NEW economic sanctions that could include punishments on countries that purchase Russia's vital oil and gas exports.

Trump on Monday specifically threatened India with higher tariffs, prompting New Delhi to brand any potential move "unjustified and unreasonable". Russia echoed that criticism Tuesday.

"Sovereign countries have the right to choose their own trading partners," Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov told reporters.

Without naming Trump, he criticised calls to "force countries to sever trading relations" with Russia as "illegitimate".

Ukraine's Western allies have sought to hobble Russia's export earnings since Moscow launched its military offensive in February 2022.

But Russia has been able to redirect energy sales away from Europe to other countries including India and China, ensuring the multibillion-dollar flow of funds has continued.

Trump has not levied new sanctions on Moscow since he returned to the White House in January.

Great Barrier Reef suffers most widespread bleaching on record

Sydney, Australia

Australia's famed Great Barrier Reef has suffered its most widespread coral bleaching on record, according to a government report released Wednesday that warns the natural wonder is in dire health.

Scientists documented the "most spatially extensive" bleaching since records began almost 40 years ago, driven by sweltering ocean temperatures in 2024 that triggered "unprecedented levels of heat

stress".

The Australian Institute of Marine Science surveyed the health of 124 coral reefs between August 2024 and May 2025.

Northern and southern branches of the sprawling reef had seen the "largest annual decline in coral cover" ever recorded, the government agency found. Reefs had been battered by tropical cyclones and infestations of crown-of-thorns starfish that feast on coral.

Titanic sub disaster caused by operator failures: probe

OceanGate had a "toxic workplace environment"

● Company used "intimidation tactics... to evade regulatory scrutiny."

● US Coast Guard investigation outlined a litany of issues

● Debris was found on the ocean floor

AFP | Washington, United States

Multiple failures to follow basic safety protocol led to the deadly implosion of a private submersible visiting the Titanic wreckage in 2023, according to a final report published yesterday.

The US Coast Guard investigation outlined a litany of issues with OceanGate's operations, as well as design flaws on its Titan submersible, that led to the high-profile disaster in which all five passengers were killed.

The probe said "OceanGate's failure to follow established engineering protocols for safety, testing, and maintenance of their submersible, was the primary causal factor" for the implosion.

It also accused the company of "intimidation tactics...to evade regulatory scrutiny."

OceanGate had a "toxic workplace environment which used firings of senior staff members and the looming threat of being fired to dissuade employees and contractors from expressing safety concerns," the report said.

Explorers and tourists

Company chief executive Stockton Rush, British explorer Hamish Harding, French deep-sea explorer Paul-Henri Nargeolet, and Pakistani-British tycoon Shahzada Dawood and his son Suleman died when the submersible failed on its expedition in the North Atlantic Ocean.

After a loss of communication

with the sub, a multinational search for survivors started, captivating the world. But occupants "were exposed to approximately 4,930 pounds per square inch of water pressure" when the hull collapsed, resulting in "instantaneous death," the report said.

Debris was found on the ocean floor, about 1,600 feet (500 meters) from the bow of the Titanic.

In its report, the Coast Guard said that OceanGate continued to use Titan "after a series of incidents that compromised the integrity of the hull and other critical components of the submersible without properly assessing or inspecting the hull."

It also identified design flaws with Titan's carbon fiber hull "that weakened the overall structural integrity."

The wreckage of the Titanic sits 400 miles off the coast of Newfoundland and has become a lure for nautical experts and underwater tourists since its discovery in 1985.

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OceanGate's Titan submersible was built with a carbon-fiber cylinder mated to titanium end caps—a radical combination designed to reduce weight and costs. However, experts later raised concerns that this design made structural fatigue difficult to detect. Most deep-sea submersibles are spherical, which more evenly distributes pressure. In contrast, Titan's unconventional cylindrical hull, made from filament-wound carbon fiber, was nearly impossible to inspect for damage, which is believed to have contributed to the catastrophic implosion in 2023.

Philippines' Marcos strikes defence deals in India

New Delhi, India

The Philippines and India signed a raft of security deals yesterday aimed at strengthening strategic ties between the nations as they navigate tensions with China across the Asia-Pacific.

President Ferdinand Marcos, on a five-day visit to India, was accorded a red carpet welcome and honour guard before he met with Prime Minister Narendra Modi in New Delhi.

The leaders agreed deals including bolstering ties between their respective armed forces -- the army, and air force as well as their navies -- with Indian warships currently taking part in patrols of the disputed South China Sea with their Philippine counterparts for the first time.

The Philippines has heightened defence cooperation with a range of allies over the past year after a series of clashes with China in the contested waterway.

"India and the Philippines are friends by choice and partners by destiny," Modi told Marcos in a speech. "From the Indian Ocean to the Pacific, we are united by shared values."



Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos (2R) and his wife Louise Marcos (L) pose along with India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi (R) and India's President Droupadi Murmu (2L) during the ceremonial reception at India's presidential palace Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi

Marcos' visit follows the Philippines' acquisition of India's BrahMos supersonic cruise missile system -- the first such export by New Delhi -- with deliveries beginning in April under a \$375 million deal signed in 2022.

Marcos said the two sides engaged in "far-reaching, productive and forward looking" discussions.

"We expressed satisfaction over the rapid pace of the Philippines' ongoing defence modernisation and the expanding capabilities... of India's indigenous defence industry as a partner in this undertaking, exemplified by our BrahMos project," he said.

Talks also included setting out the terms of reference for the negotiations on a "preferential trade agreement" between Manila and New Delhi.

celebs

Orlando Bloom ‘won’t testify in Katy Perry’s legal dispute’

Bang Showbiz | Los Angeles

Orlando Bloom will not have to testify in Katy Perry’s legal dispute over her \$15 million property.

The 48-year-old actor recently announced his split from Katy, 40, and he will now not have to be deposed or take the stand in the upcoming trial, Us Weekly reports.

In 2020, Katy bought the property from Carl Westcott, before he tried to back out of the deal, arguing that he was under the influence of painkillers when he signed the paperwork.

He subsequently sued Bernie Gudvi, Katy’s business manager, claiming that the deal was not legally enforceable.

Katy’s legal team always maintained that the agreement was valid and she took legal ownership of the property in 2024.

However, Westcott has continued to pursue the issue and his legal team asked for permission to depose Bloom ahead of the trial, suggesting that he was relevant witness in the case.

But those claims have been dismissed by the court, which believes the actor’s insights could be obtained through a third party.

Orlando Bloom

One twist: Perry has alleged that, because the court case delayed her ownership, she lost millions in potential rental income—while the property reportedly suffered further flood damage and is now leased to Chris Pratt and Katharine Schwarzenegger

Katy and Orlando announced their break-up in July, having been engaged since 2019.

A statement read: “Due to the abundance of recent interest and conversation surrounding Orlando Bloom and Katy Perry’s relationship, representatives have confirmed that Orlando and Katy have been shifting their relationship over the past many months to focus on co-parenting.

Katy Perry and Justin Trudeau ‘are interested in each other’

Bang Showbiz | Los Angeles

Katy Perry and Justin Trudeau “have a lot in common”.

The 40-year-old pop star and the former Canadian Prime Minister have recently been spending time together in Montreal, and an insider has now claimed that there is “an attraction” between the duo.

The source told People: “They are interested in each other, but it will take a while to see where this goes.

“She is travelling around the world, and he is figuring out his life now that he is no longer prime minister of Canada, but there is an attraction. They have a lot in common.”

Katy - who recently split from actor Orlando Bloom - and Justin share a love of music.



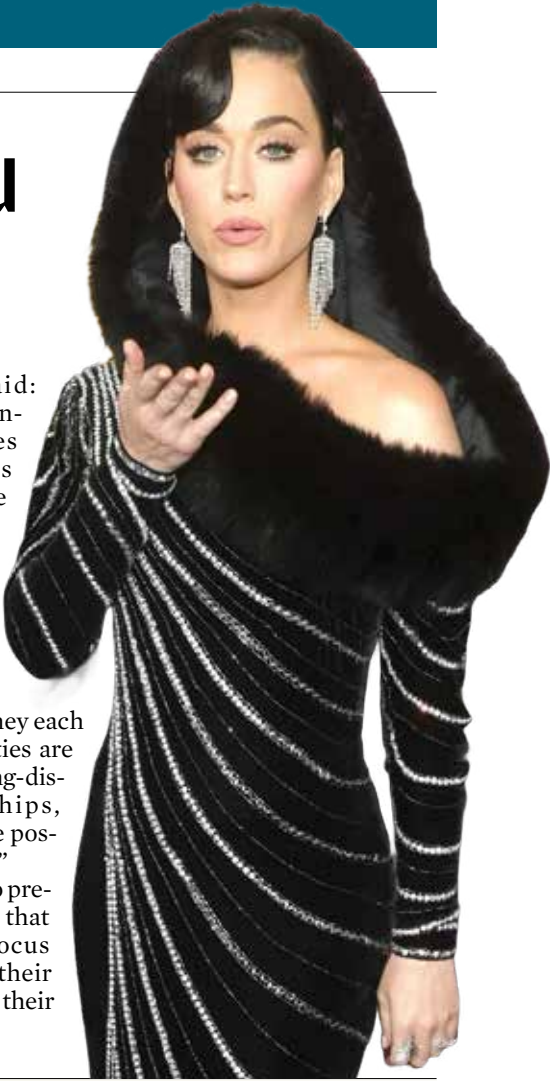
Katy confirmed the end of her engagement to Orlando in July, while Justin split from his wife Sophie Gregoire in 2023

The source said: “Their own personal responsibilities could make this relationship move slower than it would, but there are ways to see the other and still fulfill their parenting responsibilities.

“For one thing, they each have an ex. So, duties are split in half. And long-distance relationships, while still hard, are possible for these two.”

Katy and Orlando previously announced that they intend to “focus on co-parenting” their daughter following their break-up.

Katy Perry



Lindsay Lohan enjoys ‘normal life’ in Dubai

Bang Showbiz | Los Angeles

Lindsay Lohan thinks Dubai is the perfect place to raise her son.

The 39-year-old actress relocated to Dubai in 2014, and she thinks it’s the best possible environment for her family.

Lindsay - who has Luai, two, with her husband Bader Shammass - told The Times newspaper: “Dubai is a safe place where we can just have a normal life, outside of what I call ‘the noise.’

“[It is] where my husband and I can see what is right for our child. It’s

Lindsay Lohan

not about me anymore.”

Lindsay and Bader have made a conscious decision to keep their son out of the spotlight.

The actress shared: “It’s something my husband and I discuss all the time. ‘Do we want to show our son?’ We will know when the time might be right, but it’s also a protection.”

Lindsay loves spending quality time with her son, observing that he is “so pure”.

She said: “Kids are so pure, such a clean slate, and they are learning everything for the first time — it is beautiful. I want to relive those moments with my son, like I have never seen them before.”

Lindsay recently claimed that she lives “a very normal life” in Dubai.

The film star admitted that she prefers living in the Middle East, having spent most of her life in the US.

During an appearance on Live with Kelly and Mark, Lindsay explained: “It’s just far away from Hollywood, and I live a very normal life. “There’s no worry of like, I can’t go eat at this place ‘cause someone’s gonna take a picture of my son. And it’s just ... I feel very safe.”

Lindsay also explained that her family can enjoy quality time together without being bothered.

The actress - who married Bader back in 2022 - said: “You can’t take a picture of someone else if you’re in a restaurant. You have to ask the person, which is a big difference from here.”

Liam Neeson’s son approves of Pamela Anderson romance

Bang Showbiz | Los Angeles

Liam Neeson’s son approves of his relationship with Pamela Anderson.

The 73-year-old actor and his 58-year-old Naked Gun co-star star are believed to have started dating after meeting on set and when they appeared on Watch What Happens Live to promote the film on Sunday, host Andy Cohen - who was a close friend of Liam’s late wife Natasha Richardson - admitted he was “stanning” their romance, a viewpoint shared by Daniel Neeson.

Andy told the couple: “The question that I’m not asking the two of you tonight is what’s going on between the two of you, but I do just want to say, as a very old friend of [Liam’s], all of your friends are very much stanning this relationship, as the kids say.”

As Liam put his hand on Pamela’s shoulder and she reached to squeeze it, Andy then asked Daniel, who was sitting in the audience: “Right Danny?”

Daniel replied: “Yes.”

On Friday (01.08.25), Pamela shared a series of photos of herself and Liam on Instagram along with the caption: “The Naked Gun is finally in theatres! Bring your friends, family, lovers... whoever... just go and have a laugh... it’s good for you!

“I’ll see you there [white heart and popcorn emojis] (sic)”

And Daniel, 28, commented with a string of emojis including hands up, fire, and white hearts.

Natasha’s sister, Joely Richardson, also commented on the post with a string of red heart emojis.

Andy recently admitted he was happy for Liam over his budding romance with Pamela because he can see similarities between the former Baywatch star and Natasha, who died in a skiing accident in 2009 aged 45.

Speaking on his SiriusXM radio show last week, he said: “Natasha was a dear friend of mine and I’m gonna tell you something. I and all of the friends in this circle are very much stanning whatever this is.



Pamela Anderson and Liam Neeson

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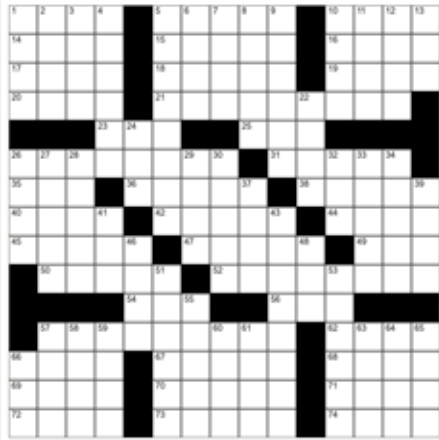
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How to play

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

CROSSWORD



Across

1- Swedish import; 5- Subway turner; 10- Singer Sedaka; 14- Gillette product; 15- Wore; 16- Diarist Frank; 17- “Hud” star Patricia; 18- Wagner work; 19- Confined; 20- Auction off; 21- Recalls; 23- Make a choice; 25- Born, in France; 26- Water bottles; 31- Alpaca’s cousin; 35- Tint; 36- For (cheap); 38- Heat unit; 40- I’ve Got in Kalamazoo; 42- Eye drops; 44- Cooking herb; 45- Flower segment; 47- Take to the ice; 49- Convent dweller; 50- Android; 52- Learned; 54- Bemoan; 56- Her partner would be a buck; 57- Wife of Akhenaton; 62- Appraise; 66- chance; 67- Small donkey; 68- Org; 69- Decomposes; 70- French farewell; 71- Nipple; 72- Med. school class; 73- Bird homes; 74- “...countrymen, lend me your ___”;

Down

1- Lacking; 2- Fit to; 3- Sea east of the Caspian; 4- Round of voting; 5- Least lengthy; 6- Record with a VCR; 7- As previously given, in footnotes; 8- Actress Sophia; 9- Tooth covering; 10- Neck part; 11- Cabinet dept.; 12- Travelers’ stops; 13- Rent; 22- Waist band; 24- Legume; 26- Bloke; 27- Boring tool; 28- Keen; 29- Turned down; 30- Reptile; 32- Sighs of relief; 33- Had in mind; 34- Dispute; 37- Alum; 39- Repair; 41- Test site; 43- Bookish; 46- Traditional passed-down knowledge; 48- Environmental prefix; 51- Muslim headdress; 53- Add fizz; 55- Chopin composition; 57- High time; 58- Blues singer James; 59- Swift; 60- Part of the eye; 61- Waste allowance; 63- Away from port; 64- Winter Palace ruler; 65- Tolkien tree creatures; 66- Heston’s org;

Yesterday’s solution

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England face searching Ashes questions after India series thriller

After 2-2 thriller with India, England face selection and fitness dilemmas ahead of Ashes tour

- **Stokes' fitness crucial for Ashes**
- **Fast-bowling injuries a concern**
- **Spin options remain uncertain**
- **Crawley's form under scrutiny**
- **Ashes series starts in November**

AFP | London

England suffered an agonising six-run loss to India at the Oval on Monday as one of the most dramatic Test series of recent times ended in a 2-2 draw.

Their next major red-ball assignment is a five-match Ashes series away to arch-rivals Australia -- where England have gone 15 Tests without a win -- starting in November.

Here we look at some of the key issues that emerged from England's rollercoaster contest with India and what they mean for their quest to regain the Ashes 'Down Under'.

Stokes central to England's hopes

What England gain from having Ben Stokes in their side was never more evident than when their inspirational captain missed the fifth Test with a shoulder injury -- a fresh worry following his history of hamstring trouble.

The 34-year-old all-rounder was the most threatening mem-



England's Josh Tongue (2R) celebrates taking a wicket

ber of England's attack against India, taking 17 wickets at 25 in 140 overs -- the most he has bowled in a series.

Stokes also looked back to his best with the bat, scoring 141 in England's mammoth total of 669 in the drawn fourth Test at Old Trafford. By contrast specialist opener Zak Crawley failed to reach three figures in nine innings.

And at the Oval, the sight of vice-captain Ollie Pope running off to the dressing room to receive what appeared to be tactical guidance from Stokes did not say much for England's depth of leadership.

England limited-overs captain Harry Brook, also a mainstay of the Test team and a lively skipper in the Stokes mould, could

yet prove a better fit as vice-captain against Australia.

Fast-bowling plan under threat

England have long believed a battery of genuinely fast bowlers is essential if they are to win an Ashes series in Australia for the first time since 2010/11.

But fitness issues could blight their best-laid plans.

Jofra Archer made an encouraging return to Test cricket against India but played just two matches as England looked to manage the express paceman's workload.

Mark Wood, another bowler with genuine pace, has not played Test cricket for nearly 12 months and had knee surgery earlier this year.

The inconsistent Josh

Tongue's return of 19 wickets at under 30 in the India series could well see him selected for Ashes duty, with Gus Atkinson's five-wicket haul on his return to Test duty at the Oval doing his cause no harm.

Spin dilemma

England, and Stokes in particular, have shown huge faith in Shoaib Bashir, a 21-year-old off-spinner unable to hold down a regular place in a county side but who has now taken 68 wickets in 19 Tests at 39.

In the India series, Bashir's 10 wickets came at an expensive average of 54.1, before a finger injury ruled him out of the last two Tests.

But Hampshire stalwart

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Despite taking 17 wickets against India, Stokes bowled a career-high 140 overs in the series--raising concerns over his workload ahead of the gruelling Ashes tour

Liam Dawson failed to seize his chance in the drawn fourth Test, with Stokes appearing to tell the left-armed where he should be bowling on the Old Trafford pitch.

Leicestershire's 20-year-old leg-spinner Rehan Ahmed, already England's youngest Test cricketer, is another option.

England, however, didn't bother with a specialist spinner at the Oval, deploying Joe Root and Jacob Bethell -- clean bowled following a reckless charge down the pitch during a second-innings collapse -- for a mere 11 overs combined.

But former Australia captain Ricky Ponting believes England should stick with Bashir for the Ashes because of his similarity to outstanding Australia off-spinner Nathan Lyon.

"Australia will have probably three or four left-handers in their line-up which will aid the right-arm off-spinner as well," Ponting told Sky Sports. "And it's the over-spin that you need in Australia."

India's Siraj 'woke up believing' ahead of Test heroics

AFP | London

Mohammed Siraj said he never lost faith in his own ability to deliver a sensational victory for India in the fifth and deciding Test at the Oval on Monday.

England, set 374 to win, lost a nail-biting encounter by just six runs, with Siraj returning innings figures of 5-104 as India ended a rollercoaster campaign level at 2-2.

The hosts resumed on Monday's final day on 339-6, needing just 35 more runs for a win that would have given them a 3-1 series success.

But they had no answer to the enduring skill of fast bowler Siraj, who featured in all five games.

He undid England on Monday with a brilliant burst of 3-9 in 25 balls, ending the match in style when he knocked over Gus Atkinson's off-stump.

"From the first day until the fifth game, fifth day, we have fought an unbelievable fight," said Siraj, who bowled a marathon 185.3 overs during the series.

"God must have written something good for me, that's why I won this match and took the last wicket.

"When I woke up today, I



Akash Deep, Mohammed Siraj and Prasidh Krishna celebrate the win

thought I could do it. I downloaded a picture from Google saying 'believe'."

The 31-year-old was named player of the match after an overall return of 9-190.

Siraj redeemed himself in spectacular fashion after stepping over the boundary rope on Sunday in the act of catching Harry Brook, thereby conceding a six.

Brook (111) and Joe Root (105) took the game by the scruff of

the neck with a fourth-wicket stand of 195, putting England on course for victory.

"I thought the Brook drop was a game-changing moment," said Siraj the leading bowler on either side in the series with 23 wickets at 32.43.

"If it had been taken, we might not have come out today."

India captain Shubman Gill, alongside Siraj at a post-match press conference, jokingly added: "If he had taken the catch,

the game would have been too easy for us."

England were in command at 301-3 and on course to break the record run chase in the fourth innings of an Oval Test of 263-9 that has stood since 1902.

England collapse

But India fought back superbly, taking England's last seven wickets for just 66 runs.

"What we did this morning kind of summarised what this

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MOHAMMED SIRAJ

team is all about," said Gill.

"The way Brook and Root were going, not many teams in the world would have given themselves a chance, but this team believes that whenever we have some kind of an opening, we can get through."

Gill's first series as India captain was a personal triumph as he scored a mammoth 754 runs, including four centuries.

"Each hundred that I scored had a very different significance," said the 25-year-old. "The one in Leeds was my first match (as captain), I was under a bit of pressure.

Zverev ends Popyrin’s title defence

Alexander Zverev rallies past Popyrin, sets semifinal date with Khachanov after raucous Toronto quarterfinal

- Zverev wins 6-7(8), 6-4, 6-3
- Match briefly disrupted by fan outburst
- Khachanov ousts Michelsen 6-4, 7-6(3)

AFP | Toronto

Alexander Zverev reached his 21st Masters 1000 semi-final on Monday by ending the Canadian title defence of Alexei Popyrin 6-7 (8/10), 6-4, 6-3 at the ATP Toronto Masters.

The final game, with Zverev serving at 5-3, was interrupted by shouts from an unruly fan who was tossed out by security.

The distraction ended a run of 14 consecutive points on serve, with the seed double-faulting once he was able to continue serving.

He finished off the evening with a sharp volley winner at the net on his first match point.

Zverev completed his 40th win of the year in just over two and a half hours.

The world number three won the tournament in 2017 but had not been past the quarter-finals in Canada since.

“After losing the first set, I had to tell myself we were both playing well,” the holder of seven Masters trophies said.



Karen Khachanov returns a shot to Alex Michelsen

“I had one or two mistakes at the end of the first, but it was a high-level match.”

“I felt that if I kept playing well, I would get my chances -- and I did. I can’t complain about the second and third sets.”

Zverev will bid for the oddly scheduled Thursday final against three-time semi-finalist Karen Khachanov, who dismissed young American Alex Michelsen 6-4, 7-6 (7/3).

“It was a very close, competitive match,” Khachanov said. “I had to come back from some tough situations.”

“How you handle that mentally is important. I was glad to close it out in the second set.”

“I had to try and not give him the opportunity to step in and attack; that’s what I did today.”

Zverev has won five of the seven matches he has played against Khachanov.

Popyrin and Zverev duelled throughout the evenly matched 71-minute opening set as it went into a tiebreaker.

Zverev was unable to convert on two winning chances, but

“After losing the first set, I had to tell myself we were both playing well. I had one or two mistakes at the end of the first, but it was a high-level match. I felt that if I kept playing well, I would get my chances -- and I did. I can’t complain about the second and third sets

ALEXANDER ZVEREV



Alexander Zverev of Germany returns a shot to Alexei Popyrin of Australia

Popyrin came good on his own second opportunity with a net cord winner that caught his opponent stranded at the baseline.

The German began to turn the tables in the second set, taking a 4-1 lead only to see the Aussie level at 4-all.

Zverev pulled away to level the match at a set apiece, breaking for 6-4 as Popy-



The match was interrupted at 5-3 in the third when security removed a disruptive fan, breaking Zverev’s rhythm after he’d won 14 straight service points

rin sent a volley wide.

The top seed began the final set with a 3-0 lead on his way into the tournament final four at the pre-US Open event.

Popyrin remains winless against Zverev after losing all four of their matches.

Rybakina to face teen Mboko in WTA Canadian Open semis

- Rybakina advances via Kostyuk retirement
- Mboko beat Bouzas Maneiro 6-4, 6-2

AFP | Montreal

Elena Rybakina, the 2022 Wimbledon champion, and Canadian teen Victoria Mboko advanced to a WTA Canadian Open semi-final matchup with triumphs on Monday in the Montreal hard court event.

World number 12 Rybakina of Kazakhstan led 6-1, 2-1 when Ukraine’s Marta Kostyuk retired in the second set with a wrist injury.

Mboko, the shocker of the event, dispatched Spain’s Jessica Bouzas Maneiro 6-4, 6-2 by taking the final six games to reach her first WTA 1000 semi-final in pursuit of her first trip to a WTA final.

“I’m so excited to be in the semi-final here,”

“I’m so excited to be in the semi-final here. I want to thank everyone for your support once again. It has been unreal

VICTORIA MBOKO



Victoria Mboko of Canada celebrates a point

Mboko told the supportive home nation crowd. “I want to thank everyone for your support once again. It has been unreal.”

Rybakina won their only prior meeting 6-3, 7-5 last month in the second round at Washington.

The top five seeds and seven of the top 10 seeds were ousted before the quarter-finals, opening the door for such upstarts as 18-year-old Mboko, who eliminated top seed Coco Gauff.

World number 85 Mboko, who began the year ranked 333rd in the world, has ensured herself a jump into the top 50 for the first time in her career next week.

Mboko broke 51st-ranked Bouzas Maneiro for a 5-3 lead. The Spaniard broke back in the ninth game only to drop the first set after 43 minutes when Mboko broke again.

Bouzas Maneiro broke to o



Elena Rybakina of Kazakhstan plays a forehand against Marta Kostyuk of Ukraine

open the second set then held but Mboko never dropped a game from there, taking the

match after 77 minutes when the Spaniard sent a backhand beyond the baseline.

The crowd, which chanted “it’s not over” in French after the match, has been the best part of the amazing run, Mboko said.

“I train here (in Canada) and it’s always a great opportunity to be here,” Mboko said. “My first time playing in Montreal has been an unreal experience and I couldn’t be more grateful.”

Rybakina, seeded ninth, seeks her third WTA title after Rome and Indian Wells in 2023. She has not reached a final since last year at Miami.

Rybakina broke 24th-seeded Kostyuk to open the match and led 2-1 when Kostyuk received

medical treatment on her right wrist and forearm.

Kostyuk netted a backhand to surrender a break in the fifth game and Rybakina broke again to claim the first set in 37 minutes when Kostyuk sent a forehand long.

In the second set, Rybakina held twice before Kostyuk retired after 54 minutes due to her wrist issues, walking off the court in tears.

Tuesday’s quarter-final matches send four-time Grand Slam champion Naomi Osaka of Japan against Ukraine’s 10th-seeded Elina Svitolina and US sixth seed Madison Keys, this year’s Australian Open champion, against Danish 16th seed Clara Tauson.



Mboko, ranked 333rd at the start of 2025, will crack the top 50 next week after becoming the first Canadian teen to reach the Montreal semis since Bianca Andreescu in 2019

Bahrain’s U-19 handballers face Japan tonight to kick off world championship campaign

- Bahrain’s juniors kick off vs Japan tonight
- Tournament runs until August 17
- Egypt, Korea up next for Bahrain

TDT | Manama

The 11th IHF Men’s U-19 World Championship begins in Egypt, and Bahrain are in the thick of it from the start. The kingdom’s youth handballers open their campaign today at 5:15 PM Bahrain time against Japan. Bahrain’s other group-stage matches come thick and fast: the host nation Egypt await on Thursday at 7:30 PM, followed by a match against South Korea on Friday, also at 5:15 PM. All games will be played in Cairo.

Bahrain named their final 19-player squad on Monday, just hours before flying out.

Notably missing is goalkeeper Ahmed Shamloh, sidelined with a shoulder injury. Coach Raed Al Mrazouq leads the



Bahrain's squad for the tournament

technical bench, supported by assistant coach Ahmed Tarada, goalkeeper coach Makram Al Misawi, technical analyst Qasim Mohammed, and physio Karim Hassan.

Tough Group, Familiar Faces

Bahrain’s Group G draw is arguably the tournament’s toughest bracket. Hosts Egypt are African champions, Japan topped

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Bahrain reached the main round once in 2007, and they’ve been chasing a return for 18 years

Asia last year, and South Korea are never to be underestimated. Only the top two teams from each group advance to the main round, while the bottom two fall into the President’s Cup, which determines places 17 to 32.

The 32 teams are split across eight groups. Each group sends two teams

Bahrain lineup

- Haider Mohammed Salman
- Ali Fayed
- Ahmed Hussain Eid
- Salman Hameed Al Showaikh
- Abu Dhar Jaafar
- Sayed Ahmed Al Falahi
- Fadhel Abbas
- Mohammed Jaafar Abdulla
- Qasim Mohammed Sabt
- Ahmed Abdulamir Shamloh
- Abbas Hussain Ali
- Mahmoud Jalil Youssef
- Mohammed Haitham Adam
- Mohammed Ahmed Tarada
- Ali Sami
- Mahdi Ali Fateel
- Sayed Majeed Al Muhafaza
- Mohammed Zuhair Abdul Hassan
- Ali Abdulla Khalifa

forward. The remaining teams fight for placement in the second tier.

Djokovic withdraws from ATP Cincinnati Masters



Novak Djokovic in action (file photo)

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Novak Djokovic withdrew on Monday from this week’s start of the ATP Cincinnati Masters, with the pullout coming a year to the day from his Paris Olympic gold medal victory.

Tournament officials confirmed the news to The Athletic, meaning the 38-year-old Serb will have played no matches between his Wimbledon semi-final loss to Jannik

Sinner and the US Open start in three weeks.

World number one Sinner, who like Djokovic and Carlos Alcaraz skipped the current ATP Toronto Masters in order to rest and recover from Wimbledon, has been in Cincinnati since the weekend.

Sinner and his team posted a golf course selfie to social media on Monday, one day after an opening practice session at the pre-US Open event.

Man Utd, Newcastle make bids for Leipzig striker Sesko: reports

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Premier League sides Manchester United and Newcastle have both placed competing bids for in-demand RB Leipzig striker Benjamin Sesko, German tabloid Bild reported yesterday.

The German tabloid said

the Red Devils made an initial bid of 85 million euros (£73.9 million) yesterday for the 22-year-old centre forward.

Newcastle had offered a reported 80 million euros for the striker on Saturday, upping that to 85 million with bonuses on Monday.

Wirtz unfazed by huge Liverpool price tag

£100M signing focused on football as Liverpool prepare for title defense

- Wirtz joins Liverpool for £100M+
- Could become British record transfer
- Slot praises Wirtz’s creativity in attack
- Liverpool pay tribute to late Jota

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Florian Wirtz says his huge price tag “doesn’t matter” as he prepares for his first season in the Premier League after a switch to champions Liverpool from Bayer Leverkusen.

The attacking midfielder arrived at Anfield for an initial £100 million (\$132 million) that could rise to £116 million with add-ons, making his move a potential British record.

However, speaking after impressing in a 3-2 friendly win over Athletic Bilbao on Monday, the 22-year-old brushed off the size of his transfer fee.

“I don’t think about it. I just

want to play football and how much money the clubs pay between each other, it doesn’t matter,” he said.

“Of course the big challenge is to win the title again and it is the most difficult thing so (I will) try and just create chances and also work against the ball.

“I can also run a lot so (I will) bring this to the team and then with the ball I can make the team better and bring my teammates into better situations.”

Liverpool face FA Cup winners Crystal Palace in the season-opening Community Shield on Sunday and kick off their Premier League title defence at home to Bournemouth on August 15.

Germany international Wirtz

said he was relishing the challenge.

“There are some differences to Germany but I think there is also something I can learn and make me better so I am really looking

forward to it,” he said.

“It’s more intense and more physical, every player is really strong, really fast. That is what everybody is telling me.”

Big spenders

Liverpool have spent more than £250 million so far in the summer transfer window on a clutch of new players including Wirtz, Hugo Ekitike, Milos Kerkez, Jeremie Frimpong, who also came from Leverkusen, and Giorgi Mamardashvili.

The club are understood to have made a bid of around £110 million plus potential add-ons for unsettled Newcastle striker Alexander Isak last week, which was rejected.

Manager Arne Slot said after two friendlies against Athletic Bilbao at Anfield on Monday that there was “always room for improvement” despite the club’s march to a record-equalling 20th league title last season.

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FLORIAN WIRTZ

few, in my opinion, extra weapons,” said the Dutchman. “So, Florian has a lot of creativity in the final third. We’ve lost with Trent (Alexander-Arnold, who has signed for Real Madrid) a lot of creativity from the back.

“Trent’s crosses and picking out runners was so special -- I think Flo has this quality as well in a totally different position.”

Liverpool paid tribute to late forward Diogo Jota in their first matches at Anfield since the forward and his brother Andre

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Wirtz’s transfer could surpass Enzo Fernandez’s £106.8M Chelsea move as the Premier League’s most expensive signing if all add-ons are met

Silva died in a car crash in Spain last month.

Slot said in his programme notes that it had been a “tough time for everyone connected with the club, but especially for Diogo’s family, his wife, his children and friends”.

“We cannot imagine the pain that they have been going through, and the club will continue to give them all the support they can going forward,” he wrote.

“We will always carry him with us in our hearts, in our thoughts, wherever we go.”