

Gaza Talks Continue
 Hamas tells Trump's Board of Peace it remains committed to the latest stage of the US-backed Gaza plan.
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UN Security Council members urge restraint after Houthi missile attacks on Saudi Arabia

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Bahrain will begin their defence of the Arabian Gulf Cup title against Qatar

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Voices Solidarity With Saudi Arabia



Shura Council Chairman Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh condemned the Iran-backed Houthi militia's attack on civilian facilities and infrastructure in Najran, Saudi Arabia, which injured several civilians.

In a cable to Saudi Shura Council Speaker Shaikh Dr. Abdullah bin Mohammed bin Ibrahim Al Shaikh, Al Saleh affirmed Bahrain's full solidarity with Saudi Arabia and its support for measures protecting its sovereignty, security and stability.

Al Saleh described the attack as a dangerous escalation and violation of international law, calling on the international community to hold the Houthis accountable and cut their funding and arms supplies.

Bureau Wins GIS Award



The Survey and Land Registration Bureau has received the 2026 Special Achievement in GIS (SAG) Award in the Land Records/Cadastre industry for its geospatial platform.

The award was presented during the Esri User Conference 2026 in San Diego, which brought together more than 18,000 technology, innovation and GIS specialists from more than 100 countries.

Woman Injured in Hamad Town Gas Explosion



Civil Defence teams responded to a gas explosion caused by a leak at a house in Hamad Town, resulting in injuries to a woman.

The National Ambulance Service transported the woman to hospital for treatment yesterday.

Missile in the Strait

Kingdom calls on UN Security Council to act decisively

● Crew reported safe after fire extinguished aboard stricken vessel

● Attack condemned as violation of UN Security Council Resolution 2817

● Oman says Hormuz talks proceeding in positive atmosphere

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The Kingdom of Bahrain has strongly condemned a missile attack targeting an Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC)-affiliated tanker as it transited the Strait of Hormuz, calling it a blatant violation of international law and a grave threat to global energy security.

In an official statement, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs de-



People sail their boat past container ships anchoring near the Strait of Bab al-Mandeb off Yemen's coast in the Gulf of Aden.

scribed the strike as a direct contravention of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and UN Security Council Resolution 2817, which affirms freedom of navigation and prohibits attacks on commercial shipping.

The ministry urged the UN Security Council to uphold its responsibilities and enact decisive measures to protect maritime navigation through the

Strait of Hormuz and other key international waterways. It also called on the broader international community to compel Iran to reopen the strait and immediately cease attacks on commercial vessels.

The UK Maritime Trade Operations (UKMTO) confirmed yesterday that it received a report that a vessel was struck approximately 18 nautical miles off the coast of Khasab, Oman. A



verified source told UKMTO that an unknown projectile hit the vessel, triggering a fire on board. The blaze was subsequently extinguished, and all crew members were reported safe.

The attack drew swift condemnation from across the Gulf region, with Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, and the UAE all issuing statements rejecting what several governments described as flagrant violations of international law. Regional tensions remain elevated as Iran continues to restrict traffic through the strait amid ongoing negotiations brokered by Oman.

Vance: Oil Will Flow Again Through Hormuz

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United States Vice President JD Vance expressed confidence on Saturday that a deal over the Strait of Hormuz would soon restore oil and gas flows from the Gulf to levels seen before the outbreak of conflict with Iran, as diplomacy involving Oman gathered momentum.

Speaking to Fox News, Vance said Washington's primary objective was maximising the volume



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JD VANCE, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

of energy transiting the strait. "Our expectation is you're going to see the same amount of oil and gas out of the Gulf that you saw before the conflict started," he said, signalling cautious optimism despite ongoing tensions.

Oman said that negotiations with Iran about the future administration of the Strait of Hormuz were "positive and constructive," but warned against repeated attacks on shipping as Tehran pressed its blockade of the vital waterway.

Sandhurst Honours First Bahraini Graduate

Shaikh Mohammed bin Khalifa joined the academy in 1957, marking a longstanding Bahrain-RMAS relationship

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The Royal Military Academy Sandhurst (RMAS) honoured His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Khalifa as the first Bahraini to graduate from the academy.

The honour marks 70 years of Bahrain's relationship with RMAS. Shaikh Mohammed joined the academy in 1957.

Shaikh Mohammed said the recognition reflects the longstanding ties between Bahrain and RMAS, which have continued to develop with the support of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces.

He said the honour also reflects Bahrain's commitment to preparing and qualifying

national talent to the highest military and leadership standards.

Shaikh Mohammed congratulated Bahrain's graduates in the latest cohort, which included his grandson, and wished them success in serving their country.

Major General Nick Cowley, Commandant of RMAS, presented Shaikh Mohammed with the academy's sword and medal.

Major General Cowley highlighted the longstanding ties between Bahrain and the academy, dating back to 1936, when the late Shaikh Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, then Ruler of Bahrain and its Dependencies, visited the United Kingdom and the academy.



HM King Congratulates Singapore President



His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa sent a cable of congratulations to Singapore President Tharman Shanmugaratnam on the occasion of Singapore's National Day.

His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince and Prime Minister, also sent a congratulatory cable to President Tharman Shanmugaratnam.

HRH Prince Salman sent a similar cable to Lawrence Wong, Prime Minister and Minister for Finance of Singapore.

Stronger Gulf Health Cooperation



Ministry of Health chaired the 103rd meeting of the Gulf Health Council Executive Board in Riyadh, where members discussed initiatives to strengthen health services and pharmaceutical security.

Dr. Lulwa Rashid Showaiter, Undersecretary at the Ministry of Health and chair of the current session, affirmed Bahrain's support for joint Gulf health efforts and highlighted the importance of unified pharmaceutical procurement.

The meeting reviewed the council's first-half 2026 performance report and 2027 budgets.

Sitra Central Market Development Reaches 80%



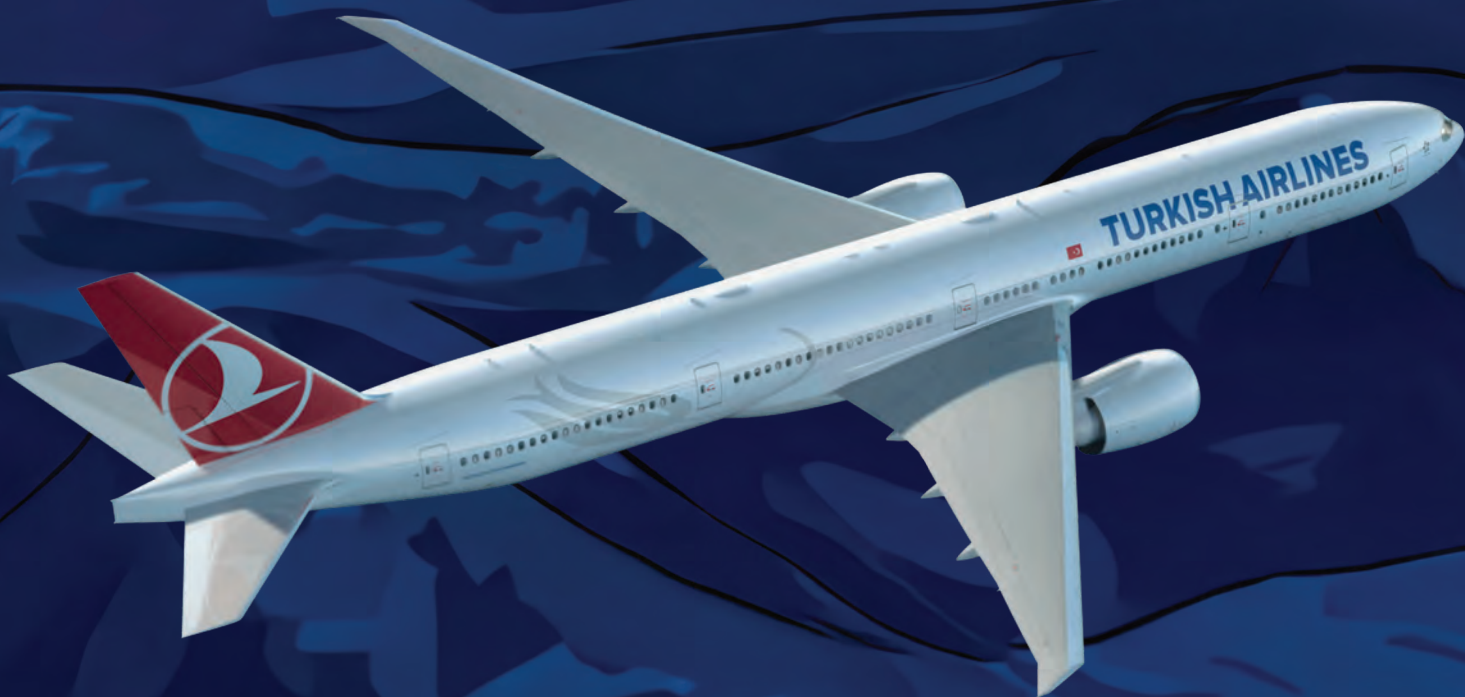
The development of Sitra Central Market has reached 80% completion, said Minister of Municipalities Affairs and Agriculture Engineer Wael bin Nasser Al Mubarak during an inspection visit to the project.

Al Mubarak said the development of central markets is part of the ministry's efforts to improve the efficiency of service facilities and provide a modern, organised environment for vendors and shoppers.





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Smart Traffic Safety Measures Expand

General Directorate of Traffic completed the first phase of its smart system camera project.



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Isa town interchange bridge which opened last week.



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“A noticeable decline in traffic violations and accidents reflects the effectiveness of road development projects and smart systems.”

- MAJOR GENERAL SHAIKH ABDULRAHMAN BIN ABDULWAHAB AL KHALIFA



Muharraq Ring Road, which opened last year

Infrastructure development and road network expansion projects in Bahrain are positively impacting traffic safety, according to Major General Shaikh Abdulrahman bin Abdulwahab Al Khalifa, Director General of the General Directorate of Traffic.

He said these projects, carried out under royal directives and followed up by the government, along with the introduction of smart systems and cameras, are reducing traffic violations and accidents while protecting lives and property.

The Director General added that, with the Interior Minister’s support, the Directorate has completed the first phase of smart system cameras as part of its plan to develop the traffic system and make greater use of modern technologies to im-

prove road safety.

He explained that these measures strengthen the traffic system and promote compliance with traffic rules and regulations. Performance indicators have also shown a noticeable decline in traffic violations and accidents, reflecting the effectiveness of road development projects and the integration of smart systems.

Shaikh Abdulrahman commended the growing level of traffic awareness among drivers and their commitment to traffic rules, noting this reflects the establishment of a safe driving culture and contributes to improving road user safety.

Doctor’s Question Helps Save Girl’s Life

Dr Ahmed Al Madhoub recalls a 17-year-old patient whose worsening throat swelling required an emergency ambulance transfer.

● A case from 11 years ago remains a reminder that serious symptoms should never be ignored.

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A simple question from a doctor helped uncover the seriousness of a 17-year-old girl’s condition and led to urgent action that saved her life.

Dr. Ahmed Al Madhoub was working at a government health centre when the girl arrived with her mother and sister. Her mother was speaking on her behalf, while the girl’s condition had continued to worsen as her family waited for her to improve.

Al Madhoub asked if he could hear the girl speak for herself.

Her response immediately raised concern. She could barely speak and struggled to get the words out, sounding as though she was being strangled. Al Madhoub could not make out what she was saying.

The swelling in her throat had progressed to the point of closing it. She was struggling to breathe and had not eaten for three days.

Al Madhoub called a colleague, a family doctor, and the two decided that an ambulance was needed immediately because of the seriousness of her condition.



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“Serious symptoms should not be dismissed or left to improve on their own. Seeking urgent medical help can save a life.”

- DR. AHMED AL MADHOUB

Taking her to the hospital by themselves was not appropriate. She needed to be transported directly to the emergency department by ambulance so treatment could begin as soon as she arrived, without delay.

Sometimes, Al Madhoub said, a doctor’s role is not only to provide treatment but also to keep a patient alive long enough to receive it.

The girl survived and, 11 years later, remains Al Madhoub’s patient. She also continues to remember the details of that day.

Al Madhoub said he shares the case not to frighten people, but to raise awareness about the importance of recognising serious symptoms and seeking urgent medical attention when necessary.

Acting quickly, he said, can be the difference between life and death.

Patrols urged to curb public urination

Daily patrols, more toilets and tougher fines sought as complaints grow over foul smells in Manama.

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Rats, insects and foul smells are causing alarm in parts of Manama, with a senior MP blaming people who urinate and spit in streets, alleys and building corners.

Second Deputy Speaker Ahmed Qarata called for daily patrols, fines and more public toilets to tackle the problem in Old Manama Souq, Hooraa and nearby residential areas.

He said complaints had grown over people relieving themselves by roads, between buildings and in secluded spots.

Qarata wants patrol teams working throughout the week with the Interior and Health ministries and municipal bodies to catch and fine offenders.

He said poor street hygiene had worsened fears over rats and insects in the narrow lanes of Manama and Hooraa.

‘Such acts could contribute to the spread of disease and leave the kingdom facing heavy costs to contain it,’ he told The Daily Tribune.

People who urinate in full view could also face up to a year in prison under Bahrain’s Penal Code, according to lawyer Jassim Al Essa.

Article 350 says anyone who commits an indecent act in public can be jailed for up to one year or fined. ‘Public urination, when committed openly, accompanied by exposure or visible to others, could amount to an indecent act under Article 350, depending on the circumstances of the case,’ Mr Al Essa told The Daily Tribune.

He said judges would consider the act, where and when it happened, how visible it was and Bahrain’s accepted standards of public decency.



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- AHMED QARATA, PARLIAMENT’S SECOND DEPUTY SPEAKER



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- JASSIM AL ESSA, LAWYER

The act could also breach public-cleanliness and municipal rules, he added. ‘A public road was not created for the use of one person,’ Mr Al Essa said.

‘It is used by everyone and must be kept free from conduct that offends public decency or the feelings of others.’

Qarata branded urination and spitting in the streets ‘uncivilised’ and said it left public areas dirty and harmed health.

‘Urinating and spitting in the streets of Manama, especially in the old souq and surrounding residential areas, are uncivilised acts,’ he said.

He said inspection teams should cover whole districts rather than focus on a few shops.

Qarata also called for tougher checks on workers without valid permits, saying this could help cut the problem.

Elsewhere, offenders face steep fines.

Dubai fines offenders AED500 for public urination or spitting,

while Qatar can fine them up to QR10,000 for either act.

Saudi Arabia imposes a SAR500 fine for a first spitting offence and SAR1,000 for a repeat offence.

In Europe, public urination can cost £500 in the London borough of Lambeth, €135 in France and up to €200 under recent action in Cologne.

Qarata called for signs, leaflets and notices in Arabic, English, Bengali and Urdu to spell out the health risks and legal penalties.

He also wants more public toilets in old markets, where a lack of facilities could be making the problem worse.

Municipal teams should clean soiled areas, act on complaints and tell residents how reports are dealt with, he said.

Al Essa said public-decency laws were not an attack on personal freedom.

He said no one’s freedom should come at the cost of other people’s rights or force children and families to witness offensive acts.

1,800m Walkway Planned Near National Museum

Capital Trustees Board outlines waterfront plans and highlights progress on parks, parking and market development.

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The Capital Trustees Board received 1,203 requests through the Tawasul platform during the current session, conducted 185 field visits across the governorate’s areas and constituencies, followed up on 223 requests and sent 299 official letters to relevant authorities, deputy chairwoman Khulood Al Qattan said.

Al Qattan said field work has been central to the board’s performance, with members and committees visiting different areas and listening directly to residents. This helped identify priorities and focus on issues most closely linked to people’s daily lives.

The board focused on developing central markets, maintaining and upgrading public parks, improving infrastructure, addressing parking shortages, and supporting environmental initiatives and urban sustainability.

Among the session’s key results, Al Qattan highlighted 120 new parking spaces in Juffair and progress on a maintenance programme covering 43 public parks. The board also followed up on the redevelopment of the capital’s old souq and the central markets in Sitra and Jidhafs, which she said supports economic activity while preserving the capital’s urban identity.

Al Qattan said planned projects include developing the waterfront extending to King Fais-



Khulood Al Qattan

- 120 new parking spaces added in Juffair
- 43 public parks covered by maintenance works
- Old souq redevelopment followed up
- Sitra and Jidhafs central market projects monitored

Royal Humanitarian Foundation Strengthens Relief Partnership

- Strengthens Humanitarian Cooperation
- Royal Foundation, Red Crescent Boost Relief
- Expands Joint Humanitarian Efforts

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The Acting Secretary-General of the Royal Humanitarian Foundation, Engineer Ibrahim Delhan Al Doseri, received Mubarak Al Hadi, Secretary-General of the Bahrain Red Crescent Society, and Adel Al Jarr, Assistant Secretary-General for Committee Affairs and board member of the society, to discuss ways to strengthen cooperation and coordination between the two organisations.

The two sides praised the strong support for humanitarian work in Bahrain from His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the King of Bahrain,



noting the Kingdom's prominent international standing in the humanitarian field through its initiatives and continued contributions to providing relief and assistance to those affected and in need around the world.

They said these efforts have strengthened Bahrain's reputation as a leading model of humanitarian giving and solidarity.

The two sides reviewed major relief projects and shipments carried out since the Royal Humanitarian Foundation began its relief work in 2009, as well as joint efforts to deliver humanitarian and relief assistance to people affected by conflicts and natural disasters, including floods and earthquakes, in several countries.

These countries included the Islamic Republic of Paki-

stan, the Lebanese Republic, the Federal Republic of Somalia, the Republic of the Philippines, the Republic of Türkiye, the Republic of Nepal and the State of Palestine, along with other brotherly and friendly countries affected by natural disasters.

The efforts reflect Bahrain's firm commitment to continuing its humanitarian mission toward brotherly and friendly peoples, they said.

The two sides also discussed the current humanitarian situation in brotherly Arab countries, including the State of Palestine, particularly the Gaza Strip, as well as the Syrian Arab Republic and the Republic of Sudan.

Engineer Ibrahim Delhan Al Doseri said the Bahrain Red Crescent Society is an important strategic partner in coordinating and cooperating on international relief efforts. He noted that the society has more than 55 years of experience providing humanitarian assistance inside and outside Bahrain.

BNMS joins World Breastfeeding Week activities at Salmaniya Medical Complex



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The Bahrain Nursing and Midwifery Society (BNMS), through its Midwifery Committee, participated in Bahrain's activities marking World Breastfeeding Week 2026, in collaboration with Salmaniya Medical Complex (SMC).

The initiative focused on raising awareness about the importance of breastfeeding and highlighting the role of nurses and midwives in supporting mothers during the early stages of motherhood.

BNMS President Seham Alshaikh and Chairperson of the Midwifery Committee Sakina Yaser, along with committee members, visited labour rooms and postnatal wards at SMC, where they met mothers following childbirth and provided information, guidance and encouragement on breastfeeding.

The activity was supported by SMC leadership, including Dr Mariam Al Jalahma, Chief Nursing Officer Najat Rustum, and nursing and midwifery leadership.

Speaking to The Daily Tribune, Ms Sakina Yaser said, "Breastfeeding is recognised in Islam as an important practice, with the Holy Quran referring to breastfeeding for two full years. From a public health perspective, breast-



Seham Alshaikh, BNMS President and Chairperson of the Midwifery Committee Sakina Yaser

feeding supports the health and wellbeing of mothers, newborns and children and is encouraged as part of maternal and child healthcare."

She further added that midwives and nurses play a key role in this area, as they work closely with women throughout pregnancy, childbirth and the postnatal period. Their direct contact with mothers provides opportunities to offer practical guidance, address concerns, and encourage the early initiation and continuation of breastfeeding.

The initiative also reflects the principles of the World Health Organization (WHO) and UNICEF's Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative (BFHI), launched in 1991 to encourage maternity and newborn services to adopt practices that protect, promote and support breastfeeding.

The habits that keep you safe at home can get you robbed abroad

Interior Ministry advice urges people to stay alert, protect their belongings and avoid treating foreign destinations like home

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The habits that are perfectly safe in Bahrain can make travellers vulnerable to theft abroad.

That is the message from Colonel Osama Bahar of the Interior Ministry, whose advice to Bahrainis travelling this summer begins with a simple observation. Bahrain is a country where people can leave their belongings without a second thought, because that is what a safe place allows. Other countries have good

people too, he said, but they also have people watching for exactly that kind of carelessness.

His advice starts before departure. Arrive at the airport early to avoid crowds, and download the Hukoomati application beforehand so important documents are available on your phone.

Children come next. Keep your eyes on them throughout the journey, he said, because they are your responsibility.

Then come your belongings. Watch your bags and never lose sight of them, particularly your phone. Do not handle your pos-

sessions abroad the way you would at home, especially in street-side cafes, where he advised against leaving anything on the table. Keep your things beside you and in your hand.

When it comes to money, his advice is blunt: guard your bank card, never give anyone your PIN, and never let another person use your phone or belongings.

If a stranger makes an unusual request, he said, decline politely and move on.

He stressed that every traveller is an ambassador for Bahrain, judged by their manners and



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Never give anyone your PIN, and never let another person use your phone or belongings.

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Students Turn Talent Into Impact

Education Ministry highlights a visually impaired writer, a young inventor and a cartoonist through its inspiring stories campaign

- One student has published nearly 500 videos and built an audience of around 6,000 followers.

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Three Bahrain students are drawing attention for achievements that go well beyond the classroom, from writing in Braille to developing digital science tools and creating cartoons for thousands of followers.

The students attend schools across Bahrain and are being featured as part of the Education Ministry's "Our Students Inspiring Stories" campaign, which highlights their talents and achievements.

Fahad Abdulla Al Arabi, a visually impaired pupil at Al Khawarizmi Primary Boys School, has written four stories in Braille and donated them to his school library.

After his computer teacher invited him to teach his class-

Fahad Abdulla Al Arabi

mates, Fahad delivered two workshops covering correct typing and keyboard shortcuts. The sessions were attended by all third and fourth-year pupils at the school.

He also presents a morning assembly segment titled "Our Speaking Thoughts" and holds the school's times tables champion title.

At Al Istiqlal Secondary Girls School, Samar Mohammed Abdulaleem has developed digital tools aimed at making learning more interactive.

She created a digital learning platform called Math Zone,

Samar Mohammed Abdulaleem

which links mathematical concepts to daily life, as well as a Virtual Laboratories channel featuring simulated science experiments. She has also delivered teaching workshops through educational platforms in the UAE and Kuwait.

Samar's environmental projects have also earned recognition. Green Fuel, which produces biodiesel from jojoba, and Carbon Block each won second place in the Future Scientists competition, in 2024 and 2025 respectively.

Her Green Carbon project also reached the top 10 at last year's agricultural exhibition.

Ali Yousif Tarada

At Al Qudaihiya Primary Intermediate Boys School, Ali Yousif Tarada taught himself to design and animate cartoon characters while overcoming learning difficulties.

Five years after launching his YouTube channel, Ali has published close to 500 short videos and attracted around 6,000 followers.

"When I draw my cartoon characters, I feel I am speaking to the world in a language that needs no words," he said.

"My channel is how I prove that my dreams have no limits, and that my talent is stronger than any challenge."

Houssem Ben Haj Amor Named Among Forbes Middle East’s Top 100 CEOs for 2026

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Forbes Middle East has named Houssem Ben Haj Amor, Group Chief Executive Officer of Al Baraka Group, among its Top 100 CEOs in the Middle East for 2026, a list featuring leading executives from across a range of business sectors in the region.

Ben Haj Amor’s selection comes as Al Baraka Group, under his leadership, continues to implement its strategic plans and advance its operations across its markets, with a focus on strengthening integration and collaboration among its banking subsidiaries and leveraging its geographic footprint to support business growth.

During his tenure as Group Chief Executive Officer, the Group has focused on strengthening coordina-

tion among its subsidiary banks, accelerating transformation and development initiatives, diversifying revenue streams, and enhancing banking services in line with the evolving financial services and Islamic banking landscape.

The Group has also continued to record growth across a number of financial and operational indicators, supported by the diversity of its markets and the business base of its banking subsidiaries, despite regional and global economic and financial challenges and volatility.

Al Baraka Group continues to develop its business model, enhance operational efficiency and strengthen collaboration among its subsidiaries, while further developing its Islamic banking products and services with a focus on sustainable growth.



Hormuz Fears Lift Oil, Weekly Losses Still Steep

Global oil benchmarks rebounded on Friday as fresh geopolitical uncertainties in the Middle East reignited supply concerns, overshadowing a week characterized by sharp price declines.

Brent crude settled up 1.1% at \$83.55 a barrel, while U.S. West Texas Intermediate (WTI) crude rose 1.3% to close at \$77.08 a barrel. The late-week rally was primarily triggered by reports that an Iranian parliamentary committee is reviewing a draft bill to impose transit fees of up to 7% and potential cargo fines on hostile vessels transiting the critical Strait of Hormuz.

Adding to the maritime anxiety, localized conflicts persisted. Recent missile strikes in Yemen’s Marib and Hadramout regions highlighted the ongoing vulnerabilities plaguing vital global shipping lanes.

Despite Friday’s gains,



both benchmarks suffered a steep weekly loss exceeding 7%. Earlier in the week, prices plummeted following an Oman-mediated diplomatic breakthrough, which briefly alleviated supply fears before the new maritime restrictions emerged. Analysts note that while long-term demand concerns remain, the market’s immediate focus has swung back to the volatile risk premiums embedded in global supply corridors.

Gold Prices Jump 7pc to BD46.100 a Gram

Weak US jobs data and Gulf tensions push world gold to a seven-week high, with Bahrain buyers rushing into bullion

● Gold prices in Bahrain have risen by nearly BD3 a gram in one week, with 21-carat gold reaching about BD46.100 at some shops.

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Mohammed Darwish

Gold prices in Bahrain have jumped by nearly BD3 a gram in a week, pushing 21-carat gold to about BD46.100 at some shops as a worldwide rush into bullion feeds straight through to local buyers.

The rise of about 7pc came in two sharp bursts. Gold climbed hard on Wednesday before another surge on Friday took the world price above \$4,300 an ounce and to a seven-week high.

Spot gold rose about 2.4pc on

Friday to \$4,341.69 an ounce after gaining more than 3pc earlier in the session. Its weekly gain topped 7pc, the metal’s best week since January.

At an ounce price of about \$4,342 and Bahrain’s fixed exchange rate of BD0.376 to the dollar, 24-carat gold works out at roughly BD52.5 a gram. The figure for 21-carat gold is about BD45.9 before shop margins, workmanship and other charges.

The dinar’s peg to the dollar means moves in world gold prices pass quickly into Bahrain. The same pattern was seen across Gulf markets, where currencies are closely tied to the US dollar.

Friday’s rise followed US jobs figures showing payrolls fell by 23,000 in July, against forecasts for an increase of about 80,000. The figures cut the odds of a rise in US interest rates and sent Treasury yields



Gold prices in Bahrain have climbed sharply as international bullion prices rise above \$4,300 an ounce.

and the dollar lower.

That helped gold. Lower yields make the metal, which pays no interest, more attractive, while a weaker dollar cuts the cost for buyers using other currencies.

Traders are also watching tensions in the region and

shipping through the Strait of Hormuz because of the possible knock-on effect on oil, inflation and the path of US rates.

Gold sellers in Bahrain said the price jump was already changing buying habits. Some shoppers are putting off jew-

ellery purchases or buying less, while demand for bullion bars has held up well.

Some couples preparing for marriage have moved early, buying gold before the wedding season in case prices climb again.

Ahmed Emad, owner of Al-Omdah Jewellery, said 21-carat gold had reached about BD46.100 a gram as world prices rose and investors turned to gold as a store of value during uncertain times.

He said several shops had seen strong demand for 24-carat bars in a range of weights.

Some wedding buyers had also bought gold sets ahead of the season expected to pick up over the next two weeks, he said.

Mr Emad said that had helped sales at a number of shops and expected bullion

demand to remain firm as buyers watched world prices and political and economic events.

Mohammed Al Khood, of Miss Gold jewellery, said the latest jump had left many customers waiting to see where prices go next.

Some could delay buying jewellery or cut the amount they buy, he said, while demand for bars and investment gold had proved more resilient.

Mr Al Khood said prices were likely to keep moving sharply as markets track geopolitical events, the dollar, bond yields, US interest-rate policy and shipping through the Strait of Hormuz.

He said gold buying was usually softer in the first months of the Hijri year before rising around Rabi Al Awwal and the wedding season.

Buyers, he added, were also likely to grow used to the higher prices if they stayed in place for some time.

Bahrain Northern Link Road Could Bring Tolls

Three global firms bid to advise on 30km PPP scheme as tender terms require toll-road experience

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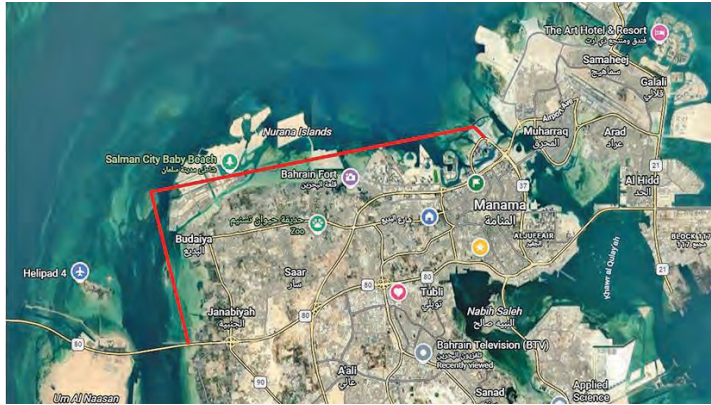
Bahrain’s planned 30km Northern Link Road could bring road tolls into play for the first time, with firms bidding to advise on the scheme required to show past work on highways or bridges funded by toll income.

Three global consultancy firms are in the running for the Ministry of Works contract, which will help shape one of Bahrain’s biggest road projects in the years ahead.

KPMG Advisory bid BD3.887 million, EY Consulting BD2.255m and PricewaterhouseCoopers Bahrain BD1.923m, according to tenders opened by the Tender Board.

All three bids were accepted for review.

The tender papers do not say drivers will have to pay to use the new road. But they do



make toll-road experience a key test for firms seeking the financial, technical and legal advisory work.

Each financial and technical adviser must show work on at least one major highway or bridge PPP scheme involving toll revenue.

The legal adviser must meet the same test and must also have worked on at least one road project involving the

drafting of laws or rules for road works.

That leaves toll funding among the models likely to be studied as the government weighs how the Northern Link Road should be built, paid for and run.

The Ministry of Works wants a transaction adviser to carry out studies, draw up the financial and legal structure and help steer the scheme through

ENGINEERING FIRMS:

- Three PPP projects worth \$250m+ each, including a tolled highway or bridge;
- \$100m average annual turnover.

TECHNICAL ADVISERS:

- Three international PPP projects worth \$250m+ each, including a tolled highway or bridge.

LEGAL ADVISERS:

- Three PPP projects worth \$250m+ each over 15 years;
- \$25m average annual turnover.

NORTHERN LINK ROAD:

- Planned as a 30km east-west route parallel to Sheikh Isa bin Salman Highway.

bidding and financial close.

The consultancy contract will run for 24 months.

Financial advisers must have acted for government bodies on at least three completed international public-private partnership projects in the past 15 years. Each must have cost at least \$250m and reached financial close.

At least one must have been a major highway or bridge

worth at least \$250m each required, including one highway or bridge project using toll income.

Legal advisers must also show work on at least three PPP schemes worth at least \$250m each over the past 15 years. Their average annual turnover must be at least \$25m.

The Northern Link Road is planned as an east-west route running for about 30km, par-

allel to Sheikh Isa bin Salman Highway.

Past government statements have described it as a main route for cars and freight moving between Khalifa Bin Salman Port and Saudi Arabia.

It is also planned as part of a ring-road network linking towns and new development areas across northern Bahrain, including the site of a future airport.

The road is expected to cater for large housing and property schemes along the northern coast, among them Nurana, Marassi Al Seef and North Star.

Those projects are expected to house more than 600,000 people.

Earlier plans for the road included about 14 sea bridges and 10 multi-level junctions, along with links aimed at easing access to Seef District and villages along Budaiya Highway.

Pentagon to invest \$400m in Australian rare earth mine

AFP | Sydney, Australia

A remote Australian town will become a "cornerstone" of the Western supply of scandium, a rare earth needed for defence, planes and data centres, miner Sunrise Energy Metals said yesterday after a \$400 million US pledge.

The Pentagon announced a \$400 million conditional loan commitment to Sunrise to build the world's first primary mine for scandium, of which China dominates supply and processing, at a meeting between President Donald Trump and mining executives

in Washington.

Scandium is usually sourced as a byproduct of other mining.

"We aim to establish Syerston as a cornerstone of Western scandium supply," Sunrise chairman Robert Friedland said in a statement, referring to the proposed mine in Fifield, New South Wales state.

Fifield is around 450 kilometres (280 miles) west of Sydney.

New South Wales has some of the highest concentrations of scandium globally, the state government said.

US Senate confirms Trump's ex-lawyer as attorney general

AFP | Washington, United States

The US Senate confirmed President Donald Trump's former personal lawyer Todd Blanche as attorney general early yesterday after Republican lawmakers shrugged off Democratic concerns over politicization of the Department of Justice.

Blanche, who has already been serving as the top US law enforcement officer in an acting capacity, represented Trump as his private attorney in several criminal trials before entering government.

The Senate, which Republicans narrowly control, confirmed him by 50 votes to 49. Republican senators Susan Collins and Lisa Murkowski joined the Democrats in voting no, underlining the political sensitivity over the nomination.

Blanche said he was "deeply honored by the trust and confidence President Trump has placed in me to lead the



Todd Blanche

Department of Justice."

"I am grateful to the Senate for staying late to complete this process. To the dedicated public servants of the Department of Justice, thank you for your work each day to uphold the law and keep our country safe," Blanche wrote on X.

Trump, who has upended US political norms by seeking to bring nominally independent government agencies under his increasingly direct control, calls Blanche a "star."

Democrats opposed Blanche from the beginning, accusing Trump of turning the Department of Justice into a political weapon

Drone that exploded in Bulgaria 'widely used' by Ukraine's military: ministry

Sofia, Bulgaria

An explosives-laden drone that crashed in Bulgaria on Saturday near a strategic gas pipeline was of a type "widely used by the Ukrainian military", Bulgaria's defence ministry said.

"Currently, nothing suggests that this was a deliberate incident," the ministry said in a statement issued after preliminary analysis of the debris from the drone, which was found near Bulgaria's border with Romania.

Lebanon says Israeli troops infiltrated Lebanese army-held village

AFP | Beirut, Lebanon

Israeli troops infiltrated a Lebanese village placed under the control of Lebanon's army as part of a June agreement, building an earthen barrier there overnight, state media and the local mayor said yesterday.

"An Israeli occupation army force advanced into the village of Zawtar al-Gharbiya shortly after midnight... and erected a new earthen barrier near the town square," Lebanon's state-run National News Agency (NNA) reported.

Zawtar al-Gharbiya was one of two designated "pivot



zones" where the Lebanese army was to take over as part of a US-sponsored framework agreement signed with Israel.

Contacted by AFP, the Israeli military said it was "not aware of such an event in this area".

US court orders halt to Trump ballroom construction

AFP | Washington, United States

An appeals court on Friday upheld an order halting work on Donald Trump's prized White House ballroom, enraging the US leader and setting up another Supreme Court battle over the limits of presidential authority.

The US Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit, which had allowed construction to continue while it considered the case, agreed with a lower court that such a massive White House overhaul required the explicit consent of Congress.

It stayed its own decision for two weeks to give Trump time to ask the Supreme Court to intervene.

The Republican president lashed out after the 2-1 ruling, calling it "horrendous, politically motivated, and unlawful."

The two judges in the majority were appointed by Democratic



A view of the ongoing construction of a planned ballroom at the White House, as seen from the Washington Monument observation deck in Washington, DC

presidents, while the dissenter was nominated by Trump himself.

The president vowed in a lengthy social media post to immediately appeal to the Supreme Court.

"This decision, made after much of the work has been done and paid for, is a National Security Threat at the highest level. It is also a National Disgrace," Trump said in another post on his Truth Social platform Friday night.

Hamas says still ready to go ahead with Gaza plan

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AFP | Gaza City, Palestinian Territories

Hamas said yesterday it remained ready to proceed with a US-backed Gaza peace plan and urged pressure on Israel, which insists it did not agree to the latest part of the deal.

Hamas informed US President Donald Trump's Board of Peace that it stood by the latest stage of the plan, under which they



Israeli security forces patrol along a street during a military raid in the Qalandia refugee camp, south of Ramallah in the Israeli-occupied West Bank



Children queue to receive meals from a charity kitchen at the Maghazi camp for Palestinian refugees in the central Gaza Strip

would hand over weapons to a nascent Palestinian governing committee in the war-battered territory.

"Hamas and other factions have confirmed to mediators their readiness to begin implementing the agreement and move to the second phase, provided it receives Israeli approval and that Israel begins implementing the agreement," a Hamas official told AFP. "Hamas is urging the US administration to exert pressure on Israel to compel it to abide by the agreement and move to the second phase," the official said

on condition of anonymity.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who faces a tough reelection fight in October and wide opposition from his right-wing base to the Gaza deal, said on Tuesday that Israel had not agreed to the "draft" presented by the Board of Peace.

Trump last week had hailed as a breakthrough that Hamas had agreed to disarmament under the plan, with the Board of Peace saying Israel would in tandem carry out a phased withdrawal from much of Gaza.

Netanyahu met Monday with

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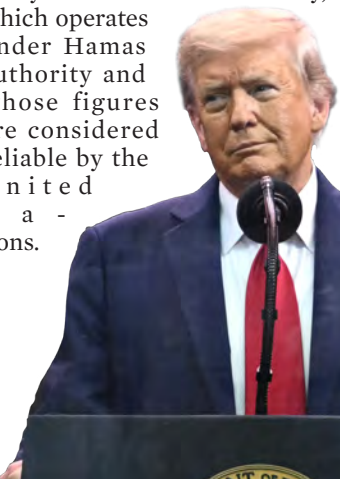
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the Board of Peace's high representative for Gaza, Nickolay Mladenov, who backtracked and said Israel would withdraw only after a full disarmament by Hamas. Israel's military also vowed to keep hitting Hamas, which carried out the deadliest attack ever against Israel on October 7, 2023.

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But Israeli operations in Gaza, while ongoing, appear to have decreased in intensity in recent days. On Saturday, the Nasser hospital in Khan Yunis reported three people injured by Israeli army gunfire.

Israeli operations in Gaza have killed 1,257 Palestinians since October last year, when the two sides agreed to a ceasefire backed by Trump, according to the territory's health ministry, which operates under Hamas authority and whose figures are considered reliable by the United Nations.



Caesar's Civil War: Julius Caesar decisively defeats Pompey the Great at the Battle of Pharsalus, forcing Pompey to flee to Egypt

Battle of Adrianople: Gothic rebel army defeats Roman forces under Emperor Valens, who is killed



Robert Gray's Columbia Rediviva returns to Boston after a 3-year journey as the first American ship to circumnavigate the globe

Rudolf Diesel of Germany obtains patent #608,845 for his internal combustion engine, later known as the diesel engine

Nocturnal ‘coffee frog’ discovered in Costa Rica

AFP | Costa Rica

A tiny greenish, nocturnal frog that thrives in coffee plantations has been discovered in the Costa Rica’s central Pacific region, where it also faces risks from agrochemicals used in farming. Measuring less than four centimeters and known as the “spring frog,” AFP reporters observed the dark green-spotted amphibians in San Lorenzo de Tarrazu. “It’s a new species of tree frog for science, and endemic to Costa Rica,” researcher Wagner Chaves-Acuna told AFP, per the findings of colleagues from the University of Costa Rica and Argentina’s National Council for Scientific

and Technical Research. Also nicknamed the ‘coffee frog,’ the species has another distinctive trait: males have a translucent throat that inflates with their short, high-pitched call “At night, when they are most active, you can hear them singing and perched on coffee shrubs,” Chaves-Acuna said. Generally, frogs seek out shade, moisture and food in the crops -- but they are not after the coffee berries, feeding instead on the small insects in the habitat. Chaves-Acuna

warns that pesticide use on coffee plantations could potentially pose a risk to these tiny amphibians. “These poisons travel through the air...they seep through the soil and that’s where they enter the aquatic systems where the tadpoles develop,” Chaves Acuna said.



When the sky takes flight



Hot air balloons take to the air in a Mass Ascent at dawn during the Bristol international balloon fiesta, in Bristol, western England

Toll in Thai school shooting rises to eight after child dies: ministry

AFP | Bangkok, Thailand

A 12-year-old girl wounded in a school shooting in Thailand died on Saturday, the health ministry said, bringing the death toll to eight, including the teen assailant’s grandparents killed in their home. On Friday, 14-year-old boy shot his grandparents before going on a killing spree at his school north of Bangkok and ultimately turning the gun on himself, according to police.



Family members of a school shooting victim mourn

The health ministry said Saturday that the 12-year-old girl, who had been treated at a nearby hospital, had died. “Another person has passed away... a 12-year-old girl,” the ministry said in a statement. The other victims included a maths teacher, a psychology teacher and other teaching staff, according to police. More than 30 people were injured in the shooting, Prime Minister Anutin Charnvirakul said during a visit to the school.

Amazon behind massive private gas plant

AFP | Washington, United States

Amazon confirmed Friday it is financing a massive, private gas power plant in Texas that could become the single largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in the United States. It is the latest example of tech giants going off the grid to get

their AI operations online faster. The news was first reported by market intelligence company Cleanview, which reviewed satellite imagery to connect three data center construction permits filed this week by Amazon to the gas plant, which is being developed by Pacifico Energy and is known as GW Ranch. Previously filed permits for

the plant show it would have 35 turbines and generate 7.65 gigawatts -- larger than any gas plant currently operating in the United States. A bigger facility, at 9.2 gigawatts, is planned in Ohio under a public-private partnership involving SoftBank. That plant would connect to the grid as well as power a data center.



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President Trump is the President of Peace. One year ago today, he secured peace between Armenia and Azerbaijan during a monumental meeting at the White House. Armenian Prime Minister Pashinyan and Azerbaijan President Aliyev signed a historic Joint Declaration that marked a historic breakthrough for both nations.

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Some good news on #Ebola: new data from two animal studies show that Ervebo vaccine (the only licensed vaccine against Ebola Zaire) might offer some level of cross-protection against Bundibugyo virus. The studies were done in line with @WHO's call for more research.,

@DrTedros

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We mark the 81st anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima at a time when nuclear sabers are rattled once again in the name of power & coercion.

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Coming on the back of the EU’s 21st package, I welcome the US Senate’s adoption of the Graham Bill. It honours a fierce believer in the power of coordinated sanctions to weaken Russia’s war machine.

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CAPTAIN’S CORNER

Delivering Dignity to Bahrain’s Gig Workers



CAPTAIN MAHMOOD AL MAHMOOD

Every afternoon, as the relentless Gulf heat shimmers off the asphalt, Bahrain’s digital lifeline roars to life. Thousands of delivery riders, short-term contractors, and semi-skilled gig workers—comprising both migrant workers seeking a livelihood and young Bahrainis navigating an evolving job market—shuttle food and parcels across the Kingdom. They form the indispensable engine of daily convenience, yet their legal safeguards remain largely anchored in an earlier industrial era.

To give credit where it is due, the Bahraini government has taken commendable, proactive strides to modernise labour protections. The rollout of the Wage Protection System (WPS) has significantly reduced pay disputes by mandating direct bank transfers, while the annual summer midday work ban provides vital relief against severe heat stress for outdoor labourers. These initiatives highlight a genuine, welcome commitment to transparency and basic human dignity.

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However, the rapid expansion of the platform economy has created a novel legal dilemma. Gig workers often operate in a precarious regulatory twilight. Typically categorised as independent contractors rather than full-time employees, they are excluded from essential statutory benefits such as paid sick leave, overtime pay, and comprehensive social insurance coverage. Furthermore, delivery drivers buzzing on motorbikes face severe weather conditions daily, racing against rigid algorithmic deadlines without adequate workplace protections.

Do we have enough laws in place? The honest answer is that while our baseline labour code is robust, it was not designed for the app-based gig economy. What more must be done?

First, legislation must formalise a clear duty of care for digital platforms, guaranteeing transparent pay algorithms and fair minimum per-order rates so workers are not compelled to take dangerous risks to earn a living wage. Second, occupational health policies must explicitly extend summer heat protections to mobile delivery workers, requiring platform companies to provide air-conditioned resting hubs and proper heat-mitigating gear. Finally, establishing affordable social security micro-schemes for freelancers would ensure that a single road accident does not lead to total financial ruin.

Protecting gig workers is not merely a moral imperative; it is sound economic foresight. Ensuring that consumer convenience never compromises worker safety will solidify Bahrain’s standing as a progressive leader in the Gulf.

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

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UN Security Council Voices Alarm Over Escalating Tensions in Yemen



Members of the UN Security Council voiced deep concern over escalating tensions in Yemen, stressing the need to avoid any action that could derail peace efforts or threaten international security.

In a press statement, council members condemned Houthi missile attacks on Saudi Arabia since July 13 and on commercial vessels since July 22. They also denounced unauthorized aircraft landings at Sana'a International Airport on July 3 and at Hodeidah Airport on July 13, both carried out without the Yemeni government's consent and in breach of international civil aviation rules.

The council reaffirmed its commitment to Yemen's sovereignty, independence, unity and territorial integrity, noting that all flights to Yemeni airports require prior coordination and approval from the government. Members stressed the need for safe, sustained air access for humanitarian and civilian purposes, in line with international law and aviation regulations.

The statement underscored the importance of complying with international law and relevant UN resolutions, particularly Resolution 2216, which

bars arms transfers and military assistance to sanctioned entities, including the Houthis. Council members warned that continued escalation threatens regional security, freedom of navigation and the broader peace process, and urged the Houthis to step back and make use of existing dialogue channels.

They also reiterated full support for UN Special Envoy Hans Grundberg in his efforts to reach a comprehensive, negotiated, Yemeni-led political settlement in accordance with relevant UN resolutions.

Separately, the European Union strongly condemned Houthi attacks on Saudi Arabia's Najran region and on civilian facilities and infrastructure in Marib, Yemen, calling for an immediate end to attacks on civilians.

In a statement issued in Brussels, an EU spokesperson said targeting civilians and civilian infrastructure was unacceptable and expressed full solidarity with Saudi Arabia and the Yemeni government. The EU warned that the strikes marked a dangerous escalation, further destabilizing the region and undermining efforts to reach a peaceful resolution to the Yemen conflict.

Hormuz Tensions Deepen as Iran, Oman Near Shipping Deal After Missile Strike on ADNOC Vessel



The Strait of Hormuz remains the region's biggest flashpoint as Iran and Oman work toward a temporary shipping arrangement, even as a missile strike hit an ADNOC vessel and US forces tighten a blockade around Iranian ports.

Iranian President Masoud Pezeshkian said Tehran remains open to dialogue but will not be forced into surrender. He defended his government's decision to negotiate with Washington and sign a memorandum aimed at ending the conflict, saying Iran would honour its commitments only if the US does the same. He also dismissed resignation rumours and said Iran seeks neither war nor territorial expansion, but will resist "coercion."

Foreign Minister Abbas Araghchi said Iran was "very close" to an agreement with Oman on a temporary route

through Hormuz, which could form the basis of a longer-term arrangement. He accused Washington of violating an earlier memorandum.

An IRGC spokesperson said Hormuz would reopen only once the US accepts Iran's conditions, calling the strait vital to both trade and Iran's strategic position.

ADNOC confirmed one of its vessels was struck by a missile in the strait on Saturday, with no injuries reported. Shipping traffic remains far below normal, with Kpler recording just eight crossings on Friday, down from a pre-conflict average of 130-140 daily.

US Central Command said it had redirected 51 commercial vessels, disabled two and boarded two others as part of its blockade. CNN reported that America's top general has privately urged an "off-ramp" from the conflict.

Philippine Ambassador Visits PSB, Donates Books



Philippine Ambassador to Bahrain H.E. Gines Jaime Ricardo D. Gallaga, alongside Vice Consul Charlie Florian Prenicolas, met with Philippine School Bahrain (PSB) Principal Ms. Gydabelle Naval and school administration to mark the start of the 2026-2027 academic year. During the visit, the Ambassador presented a collection of books donated by the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA) to support the school's educational initiatives.

Bangladesh Embassy Marks 'July Mass Uprising Day'



The Embassy of Bangladesh in Bahrain observed 'July Mass Uprising Day' with due solemnity at its hall room on Wednesday evening. The event, held in the presence of Ambassador H.E. Md. Rais Hasan Sarower, NDC, featured official state messages, a documentary screening, and a special prayer for the movement's martyrs. Embassy officials, community leaders, and Bangladeshi expatriates attended the ceremony.

Sri Lankan Embassy Marks National Integrity Week



Ambassador H.E. Shanika Dissanayake and staff at the Sri Lankan Embassy in Bahrain joined the National Integrity Pledge Ceremony virtually. Organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Employment, and Tourism to launch National Integrity Week, the ceremony reaffirmed the diplomatic mission's commitment to transparency, accountability, and efficiency in public service.

KCA Announces Grand "Onam Ponnonam 2026"



The Kerala Catholic Association (KCA) officially unveiled its plans for "Onam Ponnonam 2026," a 50-day cultural festival running from August 21 to October 9, during a press conference in Segayya. KCA President James John, alongside Onam Celebrations Committee Chairman Jithin Jose and Vice Chairman George Sebastian, announced a packed lineup of sports, music, drama, and traditional competitions open to the community, culminating in the grand Onam Sadhya feast and a mega fusion dance program.

Bharathi Association Bids Farewell to Diplomat



The Bharathi Association, led by President Vallam Basheer, General Secretary Abdul Qaiyum, Treasurer Sheik Mansoor, and Assistant General Secretary Subramaniam, felicitated Shri Girish Chandra Pujari, Second Secretary (PPS to H.E. the Ambassador) at the Embassy of India, on the successful completion of his diplomatic tenure in the Kingdom of Bahrain.

Bengal Cultural Society Hosts Free Medical Camp



Members of the Bengal Cultural Society (Bongo Sanskriti) Bahrain, in collaboration with Al Hilal Hospitals, organized a free community medical camp. The health initiative was held as part of the society's ongoing social responsibility efforts to support community welfare and healthcare access for expatriates in the Kingdom.

Home advantage fuels Bahrain's youth volleyball title bid

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Bahrain's youth volleyball team begin their bid for Arab U17 men's gold today as the second edition of the Arab U17 Men's Volleyball Championship gets underway at the Isa bin Rashid Volleyball Arena.

The hosts are among six national teams competing in the single round-robin tournament, with defending champions Saudi Arabia joined by Kuwait, Jordan, Algeria and Egypt.

Bahrain will be looking to go one step further than in the inaugural edition in 2024, when they claimed the silver medal in Amman, Jordan. Saudi Arabia won the

title on that occasion, while Libya completed the podium.

The championship is being organised by the Bahrain Volleyball Association (BVA) in coordination with the Arab Volleyball Association. Each team will face the other five nations, with the side finishing top of the standings crowned champions.

Bahrain head into the competition with valuable international experience behind them after competing at the AVC Boys' U18 Volleyball Championship in Haikou, China, last month. The nationals finished 12th among 16 participating teams at the continental tournament.

Head coach Yusuf Khalifa will lead a 15-player squad in Bahrain's home title bid, assisted

by Mohammed Salman. The roster includes outside hitters Sayed Hasan Alabbar, Ebrahim Alhamar, Abdulla Aljaboori, Mohamed Haram and captain Nasralla Haram.

The squad also features opposite spikers Karrar Yaqoob, Mohammed Kadhém and Hadi Hussain, middle blockers Ammar Ebrahim, Mustafa Ebrahim and Ali Abdulla, setters Ahmed Husain and Hussain Albalooshi, and liberos Hadi Ahmed and Abbas Mohamed.

The Bahrainis have already tested themselves at the championship venue, beating Jordan in straight sets in a friendly on Thursday night.

The match provided useful preparation for both sides ahead of the tournament.

Bahrain open their campaign against Algeria tonight at 7pm. They will then face Jordan at the same time tomorrow before taking on Kuwait on Wednesday.

The hosts will meet defending champions Saudi Arabia in their penultimate match on Friday, August 14, before completing their campaign against Egypt on Sunday, August 16.

With home support behind them and the experience of a silver-medal finish in 2024, Bahrain will be aiming to turn their strong preparation into a title-winning campaign on home soil.



Bahrain's players huddle during training

Bahrain finalise squad for Asian U18 challenge

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Bahrain's youth men's national basketball team have finalised their 12-player squad for the FIBA U18 Asia Cup 2026, with the continental championship set to take place in Ahmedabad, India, from August 13 to 23.

The Bahrainis head into the tournament with plenty of confidence after a highly successful summer at regional level. They are the reigning Arab and Gulf champions, having won the 23rd Arab Youth Men's Basketball Championship in Tunisia in July before following it up with an unbeaten run to the Gulf Basketball Association (GBA) U18 Championship title in Doha.

Head coach Salman Ramadhan has selected Hussein Fuad, Ali Ayman, Mahdi Habib, Muhtaba Rayan, Mohammed Adel, Ali Ferdowsi, Mohammed Farhan, Yousif Yaqoob,

Somto Patrick Onoduenyi, Hassan Abdulkadir, Divine Aboche and Ali Khalil for the Asian challenge.

Bahrain face a significant step up in quality in Ahmedabad, having been drawn in Group B alongside Lebanon, New Zealand and Syria.

They open their campaign against Lebanon on Thursday, August 13, at 5pm Bahrain time. They then face New Zealand on Saturday, August 15, at 2pm, before completing the group stage against Syria on Monday, August 17, at 5pm.

The 16 participating teams have been divided into four groups of four. Group A features defending champions Australia, Chinese Taipei, the Philippines and Thailand, while China, Iran, Qatar and Sri Lanka make up Group C. Group D consists of South Korea, Japan, hosts India and Kazakhstan.

The group winners will advance directly to the quarter-fi-

nals, while the teams finishing second and third will contest a play-in round on August 20 for the remaining places in the last eight.

The quarter-finals will be held on August 21, followed by the semi-finals on August 22. The tournament will conclude on August 23 with the bronze and gold medal games, along with the final classification matches.

The stakes are high, with the four teams reaching the semi-finals securing qualification for the FIBA U19 Basketball World Cup 2027, which will be held in Pardubice, Czechia, from June 26 to July 4 next year.

After securing the Arab and Gulf titles this summer, Bahrain will now face their toughest test yet as they look to carry their regional form onto the Asian stage.



Vollering grabs Tour de France lead in Nice

Nice, France

Demi Vollering's late attack and solo break for victory earned the overall lead of the Tour de France Femmes on Saturday as overnight leader Kasia Niewiadoma



finished third on the day.

The Dutch FDJ United-Suez rider now leads the Pole by eight seconds with a title struggle in the hills outside Nice ripe for a tense finale on Sunday's final stage with a series of four

climbs of the steep seven-kilometre Col d'Eze.

Stage 8 was a 171.9 km run from Sisteron to Nice with a flat route interrupted by a late climb which the 2023 champion used to full advantage, dropping Niewiadoma on its steepest section.

The 29-year-old Vollering then extended her advantage to 17sec at the Nice seafont Promenade des Anglais finish line although Niewiadoma would later complain about FDJ tactics.



Dimarco stars in Inter Milan's 2-1 friendly win over Juventus

AFP | Perth, Australia

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Star Federico Dimarco continued his strong pre-season form and Frenchman Andy Diouf hit the target as Serie A champions Inter Milan defeated Juventus 2-1 in Perth yesterday.

Dimarco opened the scoring in the 20th minute in front of 50,325 fans in brisk conditions, before 23-year-old Diouf doubled Inter's advantage in the second half.

Francisco Conceicao produced a late highlight for Juventus when he finished superbly in the 85th minute.

The 28-year-old Dimarco is rounding into top gear, having also scored Inter's only goal in their 1-1 draw with rival AC Milan on the same ground on Wednesday.

Having impressed in goal against AC Milan, new signing Ivan Provedel kept a clean sheet before being substituted midway through the second half.

Juventus rued sloppy finishing and their methodical style of play did not trouble Inter, who bagged the Italian domestic double last season.

Juventus, who finished sixth in last season's Serie A, entered unbeaten in the pre-season, which included beating Chelsea 1-0 in Hong Kong on Wednesday.

Rising Turkish winger Kenan Yildiz started, having come off the bench against Chelsea amid reports that he has been battling a knee injury.

In what has become their brand under coach Luciano Spalletti, Juventus were patient in the early exchanges and played along the flanks.

But Inter were not flustered and made their move when Dimarco tapped in a sharp cross from An-

ter took control only to be denied by goalkeeper Michele Di Gregorio, who completed several outstanding saves.

After a quiet start, Yildiz attempted to spark his side before the interval but his bullet from outside the box was off target.

Both coaches rang the changes at the break, including Dimarco after he played the entire game against AC Milan.

Inter continued to press and were rewarded in the 62nd minute when Diouf hit the back of the net after finishing off a crisp pass from Pio Esposito, who is reportedly being courted by Manchester United and Arsenal.

Juventus attempted a late rally when Conceicao scored, but it wasn't enough.

They round out the Perth friendlies against Serie B team Palermo on August 11, while Inter wrap up their pre-season against Real Betis in Bari on August 15.

The Serie A season starts on August 22.



Tough Asian Games test awaits

Bahrain men's basketball head coach Slobodan Subotic

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Bahrain have been drawn in Group C alongside China, the Philippines and Kazakhstan in the men's basketball competition at the 20th Asian Games in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan, which will be held from September 19 to October 4. The nationals will open their campaign against the Philippines on September 11, before facing China on September 12 and Kazakhstan on September 14. The 12-team competition will also feature hosts Japan, South Korea, Saudi Arabia and Indonesia in Group A, while Group B consists of Jordan, Iran, Chinese Taipei and Qatar.

The tournament will provide a first test for newly appointed head coach Slobodan Subotic, with the side also preparing for the FIBA Asia Cup 2029 pre-qualifiers later this month.



Title holders Bahrain handed Qatar opener

**KHALEEJI 27** GROUP STAGE FIXTURES

GROUP A				GROUP B			
DATE	TIME	MATCH	VENUE	DATE	TIME	MATCH	VENUE
Sept 23	5:30pm	Iraq vs Oman	Prince Abdullah Al Faisal Stadium	Sept 24	6:55pm	UAE vs Yemen	Al Inma Stadium
Sept 23	9pm	Saudi Arabia vs Kuwait	Al Inma Stadium	Sept 24	9pm	Qatar vs Bahrain	Prince Abdullah Al Faisal Stadium
Sept 26	6:55pm	Kuwait vs Iraq	Prince Abdullah Al Faisal Stadium	Sept 27	6:55pm	Yemen vs Qatar	Al Inma Stadium
Sept 26	9pm	Saudi Arabia vs Oman	Al Inma Stadium	Sept 27	9pm	Bahrain vs UAE	Prince Abdullah Al Faisal Stadium
Sept 29	8:30pm	Oman vs Kuwait	Prince Abdullah Al Faisal Stadium	Sept 30	8:30pm	UAE vs Qatar	Al Inma Stadium
Sept 29	8:30pm	Saudi Arabia vs Iraq	Al Inma Stadium	Sept 30	8:30pm	Bahrain vs Yemen	Prince Abdullah Al Faisal Stadium

VENUES

 Prince Abdullah Al Faisal Stadium

 Al Inma Stadium

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Bahrain will begin their defence of the Arabian Gulf Cup title against Qatar on September 24 after the Gulf Cup Football Federation confirmed the schedule for the 27th edition in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

The tournament will run from September 23 to October 6, with the reigning champions

drawn in Group B alongside Qatar, the United Arab Emirates and Yemen.

The nationals will open their campaign against Qatar at the Prince Abdullah Al Faisal Stadium at 9pm. They will then face the UAE at the same venue on September 27 before completing the group stage against Yemen on September 30.

Hosts Saudi Arabia headline Group A alongside Iraq, Oman and Kuwait, with the top two

teams from each group advancing to the semi-finals on October 3. The venues for the last-four matches will be confirmed later, while the final is scheduled for October 6 at King Abdullah Sports City.

The kingdom's title defence follows a dramatic triumph in the previous edition. Oman took the lead through Abdulrahman Al Mushaifri in the 17th minute of the final in Kuwait, but Mohamed Marhoon levelled from

the penalty spot in the 78th.

Just two minutes later, a defensive error by Mohammed Al Musalami allowed the nationals

to complete the comeback and secure a 2-1 victory. The result delivered the Bahrain's second Gulf Cup title, following their

maiden triumph in 2019.

The upcoming tournament will form part of a busy period for Dragan Talajic's side, who are also preparing for the AFC Asian Cup 2027.

The continental tournament will be held across three Saudi cities from January 7 to February 5 next year, with Bahrain drawn in Group B alongside North Korea, Jordan and Uzbekistan.



Jeddah's King Abdullah Sports City Stadium is officially known Alinma Stadium until 2029

MotoGP leader Martin soars to victory in British GP sprint race

AFP | Silverstone, United Kingdom

MotoGP world championship leader Jorge Martin soared to victory in Saturday's sprint race at the British Grand Prix.

The Spaniard earlier set a new lap record on the Silverstone circuit with 1min 56.160sec on his way to pole position for both Saturday's sprint race and Sunday's main race.



Aprilia Racing's Spanish rider Jorge Martin

The Madrid native, the 2024 world champion, arrived at the first Grand Prix following the summer break as the leader, but on Friday he was overshadowed by his teammate Marco Bezzecchi.

Bezzecchi had blitzed to a lap record of 1min 56.280sec in practice on Friday despite fracturing a collarbone at the German MotoGP last time out.

Martin defended his pole position at the start of the sprint race and led for all ten laps to secure the victory in 19min 49.066sec, hitting speeds of up to 330 km/h.

Japan's Ai Ogura was second at 1.530sec on another Aprilia from the Trackhouse team with Bezzecchi third 3.974sec off the pace. Bezzecchi, who is recovering from double surgery on his collarbone and knee following a

heavy crash in Germany in July, revealed that he was still "suffering" immensely on "the left part of (his) body everywhere".

Spaniard Raul Fernandez of Aprilia Trackhouse started second on the grid behind Martin but was forced to abandon the race after a fall. The first Ducati to cross the finish line was that of Spaniard Alex Marquez (Ducati-Gresini), who finished fourth.

Lionel Messi's father Jorge dies aged 68

AFP | Buenos Aires, Argentina

Jorge Messi, the father and agent of Lionel Messi, has died aged 68, the eight-time Ballon d'Or winner's childhood club Newell's Old Boys announced yesterday.

Argentinian media reported Jorge Messi had passed away on Friday in a hospital in Rosario.

"His constant companionship and behind-the-scenes leadership were essential in backing every step of Lionel," Newell's Old Boys said in a social media post.

Messi's family asked the me-

dia for "humanity" during the recent World Cup amid persistent rumours over Jorge's health.

The Spanish Football Federation (RFEF) sent their "condolences" to the Messi family.

"On behalf of Spanish football, we wish to convey all our love and affection to Lionel and his loved ones during this time of deep sorrow," the RFEF said in a statement.

A former metal factory worker, Jorge Messi was his son's first coach in Argentina and his sole companion when he first moved to Barcelona as a child,

before later becoming his agent.

"My father helped me enormously. He is very critical of me. That made me always want to push myself further," Lionel Messi told DirectTV Sports in 2022.

In 2000, Jorge left behind a stable job in Argentina, his wife and three other children to move to Spain with his 13-year-old son.

"When we arrived in Barcelona, I used to lock myself in my room to cry alone, and my father did the same -- either without me seeing him or thinking I didn't see him. We pretended

we were both fine, but we were struggling," Messi later said.

"When things were tough, my father even asked me what I wanted to do, whether I wanted to keep going or go back home. I wanted to continue, so he stayed with me."

Subsequently, Jorge finalized his son's first contract with Barcelona, becoming his agent and sole representative with the Spanish club and later at Paris Saint-Germain and in Miami.

A private man, Jorge Messi rarely gave interviews, but on the few occasions he spoke publicly of his unbreakable bond

with his son, now aged 39.

"The day Leo stops playing, I think a dream will shatter for me, and I won't watch football anymore," he told German magazine Kicker in 2013.

However, his life was not without controversy.

In 2013, Spanish authorities accused both father and son of using a network of companies across the UK, Switzerland, Belize, and Uruguay between

2007 and 2009 to collect the footballer's image rights and evade Spanish taxes.

The case was resolved in 2017 following multi-million-euro fines.

In 2019, Jorge and Lionel -- along with the Leo Messi Foundation -- faced new allegations in Spain involving suspected tax offenses, fraud, and money laundering.

This second case was dismissed in 2021.

