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HM the King

HM King to open new legislative session today

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa will inaugurate the fourth session of the sixth legislative term of the Shura and Representatives Councils today.

'Heavy clashes' at Afghanistan and Pakistan border

AFP | Kabul

Afghanistan's Taliban forces launched armed reprisals against Pakistani soldiers along the shared border yesterday, accusing Islamabad of carrying out air strikes on its soil, senior officials from several provinces said.

On Thursday, two explosions were heard in the Afghan capital and another in the southeast of the country.

The following day, the Taliban-run defence ministry blamed the attacks on Pakistan, accusing its neighbor of violating its sovereignty. Islamabad did not confirm that it was behind Thursday's attacks, but called on Kabul "to stop harbouring the Pakistani Taliban (TTP) on its soil."

60 killed in Sudan artillery attack

AFP | Port Sudan, Sudan

A drone and artillery attack killed at least 60 people at a displacement camp in Sudan's El-Fasher yesterday, activists said, as the paramilitary Rapid Support Forces intensifies its assault on the besieged western city.

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AFP | Gaza City

Hundreds of thousands of Palestinians returned to a devastated Gaza City yesterday, as Hamas warned the next stage in US President Donald Trump's peace plan would be more difficult than the first.

Trump's Middle East envoy promised Israeli hostage families their loved ones would be returned to them by tomorrow, and the region's top US general visited Gaza one day after the guns fell silent.

Israel and Hamas are now expected to release hostages and prisoners, two years after the Palestinian group's October 7, 2023 attack triggered a counter-offensive that killed more than 67,000 Palestinians.

But - after the prisoner exchange and a partial Israeli withdrawal - the conflict's US-led mediators will then have to secure a longer-term political solution that will see Hamas hand in its weapons and step aside from governing Gaza.

Complexities

In an interview with AFP in Qatar, Hossam Badran, a member of Hamas's political bureau, warned: "The second phase of



In this aerial view, people walk amid the destruction in Gaza City in the northern Gaza Strip, a day after a ceasefire took effect. (AFP)

the Trump plan, as it is clear from the points themselves, contains many complexities and difficulties."

Hamas, he said, would not attend the formal signing of the Gaza peace deal in Egypt, where international leaders are due to gather tomorrow to discuss implementing the first phase of the ceasefire.

Hamas is resisting calls to disarm. An official from the group, speaking on condition of ano-

nymity, told AFP that it was "out of the question".

Badran said that, while the group does not want war, "our Palestinian people and the resistance force will undoubtedly confront and use all their capabilities to repel this aggression if this battle is imposed".

Phased withdrawal

Under the Trump plan, as Israel conducts a phased withdrawal from Gaza's cities, it will

be replaced by a multinational force from Egypt, Qatar, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates, coordinated by a US-led command centre in Israel.

Yesterday, US Central Command (CENTCOM) chief Admiral Brad Cooper, special envoy Steve Witkoff and Trump's son-in-law Jared Kushner visited Gaza to plan the next phase of the truce with Israeli army chief Lieutenant General Eyal Zamir. Witkoff, Kushner and Trump's

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HOSSAM BADRAN, MEMBER OF HAMAS'S POLITICAL BUREAU

daughter Ivanka then went on to Tel Aviv to attend a vigil with the families of the remaining Israeli hostages held in Gaza.

Cheers

A huge crowd greeted them with cheers and chants of "Thank you Trump!"

"Your courage has moved the world," Witkoff told the families. "To the hostages themselves: you are coming home."

Einav Zangauker, whose son Matan is one of about 20 hostages believed to still be alive, said: "We will continue to shout and fight until everyone is home."

Hamas has until noon tomorrow to hand over 47 remaining Israeli hostages - living and dead - from the 251 abducted two years ago.

Workplace policy stands

Government rejects three days' paid leave for fathers proposal

Mohammed Darwish

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Three days' paid leave for new fathers was rejected by the government, citing cost and rota disruption with no clear benefit to employers, in an official memorandum to Parliament.

The memorandum says the current rules are enough and work in practice.

Mothers already receive extended paid leave suited to newborn care, while fathers can use paid annual leave for tasks

such as registering the child and checking on the family.

The government says these tasks do not call for a long absence.

It adds that the proposal lacks sound policy or legal grounds and is not backed by field studies or hard data, especially in workplaces that run round the clock.

Protecting employers' interests is presented as key to labour-market stability and the steady running of economic activity.

A change that looks small on

paper, the government argues, would in practice add costs and unsettle day-to-day work.

The memorandum points to knock-on effects in shift-based services where timing and cover matter: health, services, production, transport and security.

Unplanned absences in these settings disrupt rotas and the division of tasks, pushing workplaces to find cover through re-assignments, overtime or short-term hires, which it calls costly and poor value. It notes that the burden would not stop at wages paid during leave.

Fireworks spectacle



The Canadian entry in the world fireworks championship is pictured near the Blackpool Tower, in northern Blackpool. (AFP)



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‘Distinguished model’

Hawar Islands showcase Bahrain’s vision for sustainable, eco-conscious tourism development

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The Hawar Islands embody Bahrain’s vision for sustainable development, balancing environmental preservation with world-class tourism. This was emphasised by Mirza Al Nasheet, Chairman of the Friends of Dilmun Tourist Guides Association as he described the islands as “a distinguished model that reflects Bahrain’s success in harmonizing nature with progress.”

Facilities

He added that their diverse natural resources and advanced hospitality facilities “make the Hawar Islands a true source of national pride.” His comments came during a scouting trip organized by the Friends of Dilmun Tour Guides Association in coordination with the resort’s management.



Friends of Dilmun Tour Guides organise a trip to the Hawar Islands

The visit, which hosted a group of Saudi tour guides, aimed to promote the islands’ ecological and tourism potential and strengthen cross-border cooperation in sustainable tourism.

Strategy

Al Nasheet said the initiative aligns with the Kingdom’s broader strategy to position Bahrain as a regional leader in responsible tourism. “Our goal is to support the government’s vision to protect environmental landmarks while encouraging sustainable tourism growth,” he noted. He also praised the collaboration with Saudi counterparts from the Society of Antiquities and Heritage, describing it as “a step toward building joint tourism programs that open new horizons for cooperation between the two countries.”

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Gratitude

Al Nasheet expressed gratitude to the resort’s management for their support and to Bahraini artist Abbas Al Mousawi, who gifted several paintings capturing the island’s natural beauty. He commended all who contributed to the success of the visit, underscoring that responsible tour guiding plays a vital role in promoting Bahrain’s image as a destination that values both heritage and sustainability.

Bahrain committed to promoting youth entrepreneurship

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His Excellency Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, Minister of Finance and National Economy and Chairman of Bahrain Mumtalakat Holding Company (Mumtalakat), reaffirmed the Kingdom of Bahrain’s dedication to supporting youth entrepreneurial initiatives, describing them as a key pillar of economic development. He highlighted the rapid growth of Bahrain’s entrepreneurship ecosystem and the tangible achievements resulting from the attention and support provided by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, as well as the government’s implementation of directives from His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

Opportunities

These efforts aim to drive sustainable economic growth and create high-quality opportunities for Bahraini citizens. Shaikh Salman praised the Startup Bahrain Weekend initiative as a national model that inspires young Bahrainis to turn creative ideas into pioneering projects.



H.E. Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa speaks at the event

He emphasised that such initiatives enhance economic growth and strengthen the Kingdom’s competitiveness on the regional and global entrepreneurship stage. “Startups are among the most important drivers of the global economy,” he said, noting that they are expected to contribute to over 14% of job creation worldwide in the next five years. Shaikh Salman added that startups play a pivotal role in promoting innovation through digital solutions and artificial intelligence, making them a cornerstone of the economies of the future.

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The Hawar Islands’ diverse natural resources and advanced hospitality facilities make the Hawar Islands a true source of national pride

MIRZA AL NASHEET, CHAIRMAN OF THE FRIENDS OF DILMUN TOURIST GUIDES ASSOCIATION

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iGA showcases digital projects at GITEX Global 2025 in UAE

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As part of the Kingdom of Bahrain Pavilion, organised by the Labour Fund (Tamkeen), the Information and eGovernment Authority (iGA) will showcase its latest digital initiatives at GITEX Global 2025, one of the world’s largest technology exhibitions, taking place in Dubai, UAE, from tomorrow until October 17. The participation also includes the Economic Development Board (EDB), ARRAY Innovation, and 14 Bahraini ICT small and medium enterprises (SMEs). The Bahrain Pavilion, located at Hall 20-A10, will

highlight iGA’s latest projects, reflecting its leadership in advanced government eServices, adoption of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence and cloud computing, and its focus on knowledge sharing and innovation. These efforts underline iGA’s commitment to enhancing government performance, strengthening public-private partnerships, and reinforcing Bahrain’s position as a regional and global ICT leader. GITEX Global serves as a major international platform bringing together business leaders, technology experts, startups, and innovators.

The event offers an opportunity to exchange ideas, present advanced digital solutions, and strengthen international cooperation in support of Bahrain’s efforts to promote innovation and align with global digital economy trends. Visitors are invited to explore the Bahrain Pavilion at Hall 20-A10 to learn more about government digital transformation and ICT innovation projects launched this year. GITEX Global 2025 is expected to attract participants from over 180 countries, including more than 6,000 exhibitors and over 200,000 technology professionals.

‘Intilaqah’ programme second edition successful



The Royal Humanitarian Foundation (RHF) and the Bahrain Institute of Public Administration (BIPA) concluded the second edition of the Intilaqah programme, held with the participation of a group of RHF beneficiaries. The ceremony was attended by H.E. Dr. Shaikha Rana bint Isa bin Duaij Al Khalifa, Director General of BIPA, and H.E. Shaikh Ali bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, Secretary General of RHF. Dr. Shaikha Rana said the programme built on the success of its first edition and reflected national efforts to develop young Bahraini talent in line with the visions of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the honorary president of RHF, and the directives of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, to empower youth and enhance their capabilities.

Government starts full review of pension funds

Mohammed Darwish
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The government has begun an up-to-date actuarial review of all pension funds and warned that altering one part of the system without recalibrating the others would upset the actuarial balance and hasten deficits.

The move was set out in a memorandum to Parliament answering a bill to cap the total charges taken by the Social Insurance Organisation (SIO) for pension commutation at BD 150 of the amount commuted.

The study is built around three moving parts: contribution rates, investment returns, and benefit levels.

Any change to one, the government said, must be matched by adjustments to the other two to keep the scheme on an even keel.

Bahrain's pension model relies chiefly on investment income to pay pensions, gratuities, compensation, grants, and increases.

Main purpose

The retirement pension remains the main purpose of the scheme, providing a regular



income for beneficiaries in old age or in cases of disability or death.

Within the wider social insurance system, an optional commutation feature lets a beneficiary exchange part of a future pension for an upfront cash sum.

In return, the beneficiary pays instalments set to cover the investment return the fund forgoes through early payment, along with a solidarity element among contributors.

Tool

This tool is an added choice within the scheme rather than a primary purpose.

Commutation pricing is based on an individual risk assessment.

Factors include age, health, the term of commutation, expected investment return, the cost of solidarity, and the chances of death or missed payments.

These inputs explain why costs differ from one beneficiary to another.

‘Rethink’ year’s rent fines for misuse of family-only homes



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The government has asked Parliament to rethink a draft law that would allow fines of up to a year's rent for using family-only homes otherwise, arguing existing registration rules already police such cases and that the plan conflicts with the Property Rent Law and the Constitution.

Ministries point to Law No. 27 of 2014, which set up tenancy-contract registration offices in each municipality.

They also cite Decision No. 1 of 2023 in the Capital Governorate, which requires group-housing contracts to be registered, lets municipalities probe credible reports, and allows measures such as striking off a contract, ordering a fix within a set period, or asking the Electricity and Water Authority (EWA) to cut power and water to a non-compliant building.

Under the Property Rent Law, disputes over the agreed use of a property go to the High Civil Court. Breach of use can lead to eviction by court order.

The draft would hand the power to set and levy fines to municipalities, which the government says departs from this court-led scheme and narrows the right to go to court.

The text sets a high ceiling for fines but gives no fixed scale, no guidance for repeat cases and no steps for notice, reply, remedy or appeal.

It does not spell out what counts as a prohibited use or how family living is to be set apart from other uses. That gap, the government says, would make even-handed enforcement hard.

Responsibility is left open. A landlord is fined if his knowledge of a breach is proven; a tenant is fined if that knowledge is not proven.

The draft gives no standard of proof, no rule on who decides disputed facts and no clear burden of proof.

The bill would also give municipal staff the status of judicial police officers.

Conduct

The government says the conduct at issue is a breach of contract, not a crime, and that any extra powers can already be granted to named staff under the Code of Criminal Procedure.

In sum, the government says the draft is not needed alongside the current registration and enforcement regime, parts ways with the Property Rent Law's court-based model, and lacks clear rules on process, scale and proof.

Hiring priority

BD500 fee per expat permit if private schools miss Bahrainisation quotas

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BD500 is charged on each foreign-worker permit when schools miss Bahrainisation quotas, the government says, backing a push to localise Arabic, Islamic and social studies teachers while steering 80 per cent of foreign-labour fees through Tamkeen.

In a reply to Parliament, the government says private schools are being given lists of Bahraini teachers who meet the required standards and are urged to hire nationals first.

Hiring

The 80 per cent share of fees paid for expat labour, it adds,



is routed through the Labour Fund Tamkeen to support hiring in the private sector.

It says national teaching capacity is being grown through

the teacher apprenticeship scheme at Bahrain Teachers College. More than 600 Bahrainis were hired by private schools in 2024, up on previous

years.

The reply says policy aims to match education outcomes with labour-market needs so employers pick Bahrainis first.

Training routes

Work with relevant bodies is under way to widen training routes and the certificates needed to teach in private schools.

Bahrainisation quotas apply across sectors, including private education, and vary with the level of interest among Bahrainis in the roles on offer.

Where an establishment falls short of its set quota, the BD500 fee applies to each expat work permit.

BD50,000 fines, stop-work powers headline draft building law

Mohammed Darwish
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BD50,000 on-the-spot fines and stop-work powers headline a draft building law sent to Parliament, which would also scrap the 1977 rules and outsource parts of permitting.

The bill is pitched as a reset of how building work is cleared and policed. It promises quicker, cleaner handling of permit applications, with set steps and timelines.

The text runs to four issuing articles, eight chapters and 54 articles.

Private firms

With Cabinet approval, the Minister of Municipalities Affairs could authorise private firms to handle services linked to permits, approval certificates, checks and inspections.

The competent municipality, including the Capital Municipality, could task accredited engineering offices with vetting drawings and designs and with site inspections, including the check before a Completion Certificate.

Applicants pay inspection costs under rules to be set in the executive regulations.

Municipal permit

No project or building work may start without a municipal permit.

The regulations may spare minor or temporary works from that requirement, provided pri-

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Oversight and inspection powers for the ministry and municipalities are set. Penalties include prison terms and fines. A company may face criminal liability when crimes are done in its name or for its gain.

or notice is given.

The bill sets out how to file an application and the papers needed, allows private firms to receive applications and check they are complete, makes the municipality the one-stop point for clearances from other bodies within fixed periods, and gives applicants a right to complain and to appeal to the competent court if refused.

Immediate powers

Municipalities gain immediate powers where a breach threatens life, property, health or security, or carries a grave risk.

They may stop works, demolish all or part of a building, close a building, or do the works needed, and may use force when allowed.



Fines from BD5,000 to BD50,000 may be issued for proven unlawful projects or works without going to court.

Resident engineer

All projects must sit under an engineering office, save for exceptions in the regulations. Large schemes that need full-time oversight must appoint a resident engineer.

Works must follow approved drawings, meet site safety, meet the needs of people with disabilities and follow rules on external features. No one may occupy a building that is still under construction save in set cases.

If a project stalls, safety steps are required. A Certificate of Completion may not be issued before utility connections are in place, with detail left to the regulations.

Duties on delivery are set out.

Approved drawings

The engineering office and the contractor must ensure the works match the approved drawings, designs and technical standards, tell the municipality when they are appointed or dismissed, and report any breach

or a stoppage of more than three months.

A site supervisor is required for projects named in the regulations. All parties must keep project records and show them on request, and the municipality must be told when works finish within the time limits set.

The municipality is given monitoring and maintenance powers to protect life and property, including inside and outside checks.

Judiciary warrant

If entry is refused, a judicial warrant may be sought. Based on the findings, the municipality may order maintenance, repair or demolition and may empty a building for a time if needed.

It pays first, then seeks reasonable costs from the owner, who keeps rights to complain and appeal.

The municipality may open inquiries on its own or on complaint, must inform the Public Prosecution if a crime is suspected, may stop works, demolish or fine, and may act fast when danger is near, with complaint and appeal routes kept.

Vijayan visit to Bahrain reset

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The visit of Kerala Chief Minister Pinarayi Vijayan to Bahrain has been rescheduled to October 17th from the original date of October 16th.

This information was conveyed by the Chief Minister's office to the reception committee yesterday, according to P. V. Radhakrishna Pillai, Chairman of the Organising Committee



Pinarayi Vijayan
for the CM's visit.

Arab space team leader

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The Bahrain Space Agency (BSA) announced the selection of its engineer, Yousif Khalid Al Qattan, as leader of the Arab Space Pioneers team implementing the Arab Satellite 813 Project.

Al Qattan was assigned to present progress updates on

the project during meetings of the Arab Space Cooperation Group and at the International Astronautical Congress in Sydney.

He reviewed the project's key objectives and confirmed the completion of all technical requirements ahead of the satellite's planned launch before the end of the year.

BICAS Lights Up Diwali with Cultural Extravaganza



His Excellency Vinod K. Jacob, Ambassador of India to Bahrain, inaugurates the event by lighting the ceremonial lamp alongside Pambavasan Nair, Founder of the Amad Group.

Pradeep Puravankara
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The Bahrain India Cultural & Arts Services (BICAS) marked the joyous festival of Diwali with a spectacular celebration at the Golden Eagle Club in Salmabad.

The event successfully brought together the expatriate Indian community for a vibrant display of tradition, unity, and festive spirit.

Ceremonial lamp

The grand celebration was officially inaugurated by His Excellency Vinod K. Jacob, the Indian Ambassador to Bahrain, who lit the ceremonial lamp



symbolizing the triumph of light over darkness.

In his keynote address, Ambassador Jacob extended warm Diwali greetings, focusing on the festival's timeless message of peace, harmony, and renewal.

He also addressed global affairs, offering words of hope by praising the ongoing ceasefire efforts in the Israel-Palestine

conflict as a positive step toward international stability and coexistence.

Cultural ties

BICAS President Bhagwan Asarpota delivered the presidential address, affirming the society's role in fostering cultural ties.

"This Diwali celebration re-



Traditional Indian dances captivate the audience

affirms BICAS's commitment to keeping our cultural heritage alive while promoting peace and integration in our adopted home," President Asarpota stated.

The event's dais was graced by several prominent figures, including Vice President Mahesh Devji, Mona George Koro — Senior Community Affairs Specialist at the King Hamad

Global Centre for Peaceful Coexistence — and Pambavasan Nair, Founder of the Amad Group.

Rangoli competition

The celebrations, which drew over 2,000 members of the expatriate community, began early in the morning with an enchanting rangoli competition.

Participants showcased their creativity and skill, using color-

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ful powders to craft intricate floral and geometric designs.

As the evening approached, the program transformed into a diverse kaleidoscope of performances representing various Indian states.

Traditional dances, music, and folk arts captivated the audience with their energy and cultural diversity.

Dance performance

The centerpiece of the evening was a mesmerizing Dandiya dance performance, expertly choreographed by DJ Nirmal.

Adorned in vibrant costumes, the dancers moved with grace and synchronized energy under a canopy of twinkling lights, infusing the atmosphere with an infectious festive spirit.

The entire event was hailed as a successful celebration of cultural heritage and community unity in Bahrain.

Litter awareness drive



Capital Trustees Board meeting in progress

Mohammed Darwish
TDT | Manama

The Capital Trustees Board is considering warning signs in parks and along the seafront stating how long rubbish takes to break down, for example: glass 4,000 years and plastic 1,000, to curb littering.

Board member Mohammed Al Abbas, who put the idea forward, said the aim is to deter dumping on land and at sea, keep coastal areas tidy for visitors, and protect wildlife from swallowing or becoming snagged on waste.

He added that the move would back the 'Zero Waste' programme and recycling.

Breakdown times

The boards would show common items with typical breakdown times: plastic bottles 400 years, dry batteries 300, metal cans 100, chewing gum five, cigarette ends two,

and paper about three months.

Suggested locations include public parks, seafronts, promenades, public squares and community playing fields

Al Abbas said waste build-up spreads disease, causes foul smells and draws insects.

Members called for steady awareness campaigns through digital, print and broadcast media, and said sermons and public talks could repeat the message.

Public education

Capital Municipality Director General Mohammed Al Sahli backed wider public education and called for new ways to reach residents and visitors.

Board member Dr Wafaa Ajur proposed banning chewing-gum products to protect public spaces from spitting and sticking, citing Singapore's long-standing rules on the sale and import of gum.

BDK-ILA-NILA Joint Blood Donation Camp

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Blood Donors Kerala (BDK) Bahrain Chapter, the Indian Ladies Association (ILA), and the Chelakkara Constituency Pravasi Association (Nila Bahrain) jointly organized a blood donation camp.

Approximately 80 people donated blood at the camp, which was held at the King Hamad University Hospital Blood Bank.

ICRF Advisor Aruldas Thomas inaugurated the blood donation camp. ILA General Secretary Vani Sreedhar delivered the welcome address.

Vote of thanks

BDK Bahrain Chairman K. T.



Event organisers with blood donors

Salim presided over the function. BDK President Roji John and Nila President Abdullah addressed the gathering. BDK Executive Committee member Sreeja Sreedharan delivered the vote of thanks.

The camp activities were led by ILA President Smitha Jensen, Vice President Fauzia Fareed, Treasurer Tessa Cherian, Entertainment Secretary Sunanda Gaikwad; BDK General Secretary Jibin Joy, Treasurer Sabu

Augustine; Nila General Secretary Rasheed Attur, Patrons Ajith Attur and Muhammad Kutty, along with executive committee members and other officials from the three organizations.

KPF Bahrain celebrates Onam with grandeur

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The Kozhikode District Pravasi Forum (KPF Bahrain) organized a vibrant Onam celebration for its members at the Papillon Party Hall, Gudaibiya.

The event began with a welcome address by General Secretary Arun Prakash, followed by the formal inauguration by President Sudheer Thirunilath. Treasurer Sujith Soman delivered the vote of thanks.

The celebration was marked



KPF Bahrain officials and members with families and other attendees

by a festive spirit, with enthusiastic participation from members, families, women, and children.

A grand traditional Onasadya (Onam feast) was served, and a variety of cultural performances added color to the

occasion.

Participants were presented with mementos as a token of appreciation.

BPay Global selects National Bank of Bahrain as its Bank of Choice

Manama

The National Bank of Bahrain (NBB) has been selected by BPay Global, a payment services provider under the Binance group, as its bank of choice in the Kingdom. Through this engagement, NBB will provide banking products and services that will support BPay's operations and enhance efficiency. Formalised during Fintech



Forward 2025, this step allows BPay Global to utilise NBB's strong banking infrastructure to facilitate secure, transparent, and compliant financial transactions, including a wide range of transaction banking products. Commenting on the an-

nouncement, Usman Ahmed, Group Chief Executive Officer of NBB, said: "NBB is proud to be the bank of choice for BPay. This reflects our ongoing commitment to support Bahrain's financial ecosystem by offering trusted banking solutions that enable growth and innovation. Our focus is to provide dependable financial services that connect the needs of today's businesses with the opportunities of tomorrow."

Tameem Al Moosawi General Manager of Binance Bahrain and BPay Global commented: Bahrain's Economic Vision 2030 aims to foster a dynamic finTech landscape that embraces innovation and inclusivity. With this partnership, we are helping create an environment where users can effortlessly transact, empowering Bahrain's vision to become a leading hub for financial innovation in the region."

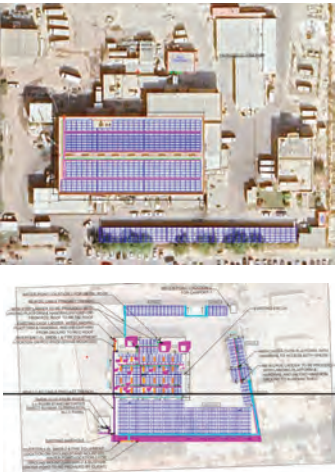
Delmon Poultry Company Signs Agreement with Kanoo Clean Max to Install Solar Panels Across All Its Facilities and Branches

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Delmon Poultry Company has announced a new initiative that underscores its ongoing commitment to sustainability and environmental responsibility, through the signing of a cooperation agreement with Kanoo Clean Max to implement a solar panel installation project across all the company's facilities and branches. The agreement was signed in the presence of Technology Engineering, the consulting firm overseeing the project, marking a significant step that reflects Delmon's steadfast commitment to sustainability and its alignment with Bahrain's national renewable energy goals, in accordance with the principles of Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) practices.

The agreement was signed by Mr. Abdulhadi Mirza, Chief Executive Officer of Delmon Poultry Company, and Mr. Manoj Kumar Tripathi, Chief Executive Officer of Kanoo Industrial & Energy, in the presence of Eng. Essam Zainal, Chairman of Delmon Poultry Company, and Mr. Ali Abdullah Kanoo, Chairman of Kanoo Clean Max. The signing reflects both companies' shared vision to strengthen strategic partnerships and enhance integration between their operations. The signing ceremony was attended by a number of senior executives from both sides, including Mr. Hussain Falah, Chief Administrative and Financial Officer at Delmon Poultry Company, Mr. Atef Al-Saleh, Chief Operating Officer, as well as Mr. James Kim, Director of Technology Engineering, the project's consulting representative, along with several other executive officials from both companies.

On this occasion, Eng. Essam Zainal emphasized that this agreement represents a significant milestone in Delmon Poultry Company's journey toward adopting alternative en-



tainable energy solutions that support the Kingdom's transition toward a green economy and reflect the aspirations of its wise leadership in advancing renewable energy.

The agreement aims to reduce reliance on traditional energy sources and lower the company's carbon footprint through the installation of solar panel systems across its facilities. This transition is expected to cover a substantial portion of the company's daily energy needs while enhancing operational efficiency and long-term sustainability.

This initiative comes as part of a series of measures undertaken by Delmon Poultry Company to strengthen its sustainability practices and represents a strategic step aligned with Bahrain's ongoing efforts to increase reliance on clean energy sources, achieve sustainable development, and reduce carbon emissions—reinforcing the Kingdom's position as a regional leader in adopting innovative solutions for a more sustainable future.

ergy solutions. He noted that the project reflects the company's commitment—through its board members and employees—to supporting Bahrain's national efforts to promote environmental sustainability and improve energy efficiency, in line with the objectives of Bahrain Vision 2030. He added that investing in renewable energy demonstrates Delmon's determination to be at the forefront of national companies contributing to environmental protection and building a greener future for coming generations. For his part, Mr. Ali Abdullah Kanoo praised this partnership, affirming that it will represent a qualitative leap for Bahrain's industrial sector. He stated that the collaboration with a leading company such as Delmon Poultry underscores Kanoo Clean Max's commitment to delivering comprehensive and sus-

Zain Bahrain Marks World Mental Health Day by Granting their Employees a day off

● The telco has been granting employees a day off annually on World Mental Health Day since 2021.

● Zain Bahrain has four employees that are certified as Mental Health First Aiders.

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In celebration of World Mental Health Day, which falls on October 10; Zain Bahrain has designated Sunday, 12th October as a special day off for all employees. This initiative aims to compensate for the weekend date of the occasion while



supporting employees' mental well-being by giving them a well-deserved break to pause, recharge, and return to work refreshed and energized.

The company has been granting employees a day off annually on World Mental Health Day since 2021, part of Zain's holis-

tic BE WELL initiative that aims to empower its people to take action and achieve their health, professional, and lifestyle goals.

Zain Bahrain continues investing in programs, initiatives, and amenities that promote and enhance the health and safety of its employees' mental well-being. A most recent achievement in this regard includes certifying four Zain Bahrain employees as Mental Health First Aiders. This accomplishment signifies a crucial step in establishing an in-house network that addresses mental health concerns and builds resilience among Zain workforces.

Equipping Zain Bahrain with trained employees will ensure immediate guidance and support for those in need, fostering a supportive environment within the organization.

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talabat, the leading on-demand platform in MENA, has enhanced its subscription program, talabat pro, to deliver more value, added convenience, and additional perks. With benefits such as free delivery, exclusive discounts, and the launch of the region's industry first Family Plan, talabat pro continues to evolve into one of the most comprehensive subscription programs for both individuals and families.

Moayad Aql, Managing Director of talabat Bahrain, commented, "talabat pro has become an essential part of our customers' daily lives in Bahrain, bringing together what matters most to them including convenience, savings, and a seamless experience across food, groceries, and everyday essentials. At talabat, we remain focused on innovation and continuously adapting to the evolving needs of our customers to make their lives easier, more af-



fordable, and more enjoyable."

The newly introduced talabat pro Family Plan, an industry first of its kind in the MENA region, allows up to four family members to share one subscription, giving households the benefit of shared allowances and savings under a single account. The Family Plan offers 59% better value per member than individual subscriptions and includes an allowance feature for parents to set monthly spending limits for their children. Customers can further maximize their savings by choosing the yearly plan, available for both Solo and Family options, which offers over 25% in cost savings compared to the monthly subscription.

"With the new Allowance

feature, parents can set limits while kids enjoy the freedom to order safely and responsibly. In a region where family always comes first, this plan delivers more than just savings, it helps families stay connected by making mealtime planning easier and more relaxed for everyone," explains Hussein Daher, talabat pro Program Lead.

On average, talabat pro members save up to BHD 10 per month compared to non-subscribers. This positions talabat pro as one of the more cost-efficient lifestyle subscriptions in the region, providing measurable value for both individuals and households.

"With talabat pro, we're not just offering free delivery, we're delivering real lifestyle and financial benefits," concludes Hussein Daher. "Our customers save money, cut down on daily stress, and get back more time for what really matters. That's the value of talabat pro, it's not just a nice-to-have, it's part of everyday life."

Bahrain Chamber launches call center in coordination with Labour Ministry

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The Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry announced the launch of a call center, in coordination with the Ministry of Labor, to facilitate direct communication with private sector institutions and companies in the Kingdom. This initiative follows the directives of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince and Prime Minister, to present three job op-



portunities for every job seeker registered with the Ministry of Labor before the end of this year.

This center aims to encourage business owners to positively

engage with the pioneering national initiative and invite them to offer as many job opportunities as possible, achieving the intended goal of integrating

Bahraini talents into the labor market and providing career pathways that meet the ambitions of job seekers from various fields.

On this occasion, Sameer Nass, Chairman of the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry, stated: "This initiative clearly reflects the vision of His Royal Highness the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, and his commitment to making the Bahraini citizen the central focus of economic and social de-

velopment plans."

Nass added that this national initiative will have multiple positive impacts on both the economic and social levels, explaining that it will help reduce unemployment rates, enhance the confidence of Bahraini youth in their capabilities and position in the labor market, and provide the private sector with a genuine opportunity to benefit from qualified national talents. He noted that the contribution of institutions to this initiative

also represents a long-term investment in national human capital.

In this context, the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry called on all institutions and companies operating in the Kingdom to take the initiative to register through the Ministry of Labor's electronic platform and contribute to activating this national project, which reflects the spirit of true partnership between the public and private sectors.

News in brief

◆ **Former US** president Joe Biden is undergoing radiation and hormone therapy to fight prostate cancer that was revealed in May, a spokesperson said yesterday. “As part of a treatment plan for prostate cancer, President Biden is currently undergoing radiation therapy and hormone treatment,” the spokesperson said. In May, the 82 year old ex-president’s office announced that Biden had been diagnosed with an aggressive form of prostate cancer that spread to his bones after he experienced urinary symptoms and a prostate nodule was found. “Cancer touches us all. Like so many of you, Jill and I have learned that we are strongest in the broken places,” Biden, whose son Beau Biden died of cancer in 2015, said at the time in a post on X. “Thank you for lifting us up with love and support,” he said.



Biden undergoing radiation therapy for prostate cancer: spokesperson

North Korea shows off ‘most powerful’ missile at military parade

◆ **North Korea** showed off its “most powerful” intercontinental ballistic missile at a military parade attended by top officials from Russia and China, Pyongyang’s state media reported yesterday. The event to mark 80 years under the ruling Workers’ Party came as leader Kim Jong Un has been emboldened by the war in Ukraine, securing critical support from Russia after sending thousands of North Korean troops to fight alongside Moscow’s forces. Dmitry Medvedev, deputy head of Russia’s Security Council and a close ally of President Vladimir Putin, attended the parade Friday alongside Chinese Premier Li Qiang and Vietnam’s leader To Lam -- all seated near Kim, according to images released by the official Korean Central News Agency. The spectacle featured some of the country’s most advanced weapons, including its new Hwasong-20 intercontinental ballistic missile (ICBM), which KCNA described as its “most powerful nuclear strategic weapon system”.

◆ **A magnitude-6.0** earthquake jolted just off the coast of southern Philippines late Saturday, the United States Geological Survey said. The USGS reported the tremor to occur at a depth of 59 kilometres (37 miles), and about 10 kilometres from Cagwait town in the province of Surigao del Sur. There were no immediate reports of casualties from the quake, Cagwait Fire Officer Arnel Besinga told AFP. “The duration of the quake was not that long, just around 30 seconds but it was so sudden and so strong. Our pots here in the fire station fell in our kitchen,” Besinga said. Rescue and fire authorities were conducting a joint assessment of the damage. “We cannot say the extent of the damage at this point, if there are any, because it’s already night and it’s dark here,” Besinga said.

Magnitude 6.0 quake hits off southern Philippines: USGS



SPOTLIGHT

US announces deal for Qatar air force facility in Idaho



AFP | Washington, United States

US Defense Secretary Pete Hegseth announced Friday that Qatar will be allowed to build an air force facility at Mountain Home Air Base in Idaho that will house F-15 fighter jets and pilots. “We’re signing a letter of acceptance to build a Qatari Emiri Air Force facility at the Mountain Home Air Base in Idaho,” Hegseth said at the Pentagon, with Qatari Defense Minister Sheikh Saoud bin Abdulrahman Al-Thani at his side. “The location will host a contingent of Qatari F-15s and pilots to enhance our combined training” as well as “increase lethality, interoperability,” he said. “It’s just another example of our partnership. And I hope you know, your excellency, that

you can count on us.” The Idaho base currently also hosts a fighter jet squadron from Singapore, according to its website. Hegseth also thanked Qatar for its “substantial role” as a mediator in the talks that led to a truce and hostage-prisoner swap deal between Israel and Hamas, and its assistance in securing the release of a US citizen from Afghanistan. The Qatari minister hailed the “strong, enduring partnership” and “deep defense relationship” shared by the two countries. The Al Udeid Air Base in Qatar is Washington’s largest military facility in the Middle East. Hegseth, who never said it was a base, later wrote on the platform: “Qatar will not have their own base in the United States -- nor anything like a base. We control the existing base, like we do with all partners.”

Hamas official says disarmament ‘out of the question’

AFP | Doha, Qatar

Hamas’s disarmament as part of US President Donald Trump’s peace plan for Gaza is “out of the question”, a Hamas official told AFP on Saturday. “The proposed weapons hand-over is out of the question and not negotiable,” the official said. The US president has indicated the issue of Hamas surrendering its weapons would be addressed in the second phase of the peace plan. The 20-point plan promises amnesty to Hamas members who decommission their weapons and says they will be allowed to leave

Gaza. The Hamas official was speaking as a ceasefire holds in Gaza ahead of Monday’s 72-hour deadline for the release of Israeli hostages held since Hamas’s October 7, 2023 attacks. A Hamas official also told AFP the group would not take part in the formal signing of the Gaza peace deal in Egypt. “The matter of the official signing -- we will not be involved,” political bureau member Hossam Badran said in an interview, adding that Hamas “acted principally through... Qatari and Egyptian mediators” during ceasefire talks in Egypt. Meanwhile, The United States

and Egypt’s top diplomats reviewed preparations for a summit in Sharm El-Sheikh that will bring the two countries’ presidents together with other leaders to discuss implementing the first phase of a Gaza ceasefire deal. US President Donald Trump and his Egyptian counterpart Abdel Fattah al-Sisi are expected to lead the summit, Egypt’s Foreign Ministry said in a statement Saturday, without indicating when it would take place. Foreign Minister Badr Abdelatty and US Secretary of State Marco Rubio on Friday discussed arrangements for the gathering,

including for “international participation in the Sharm El-Sheikh summit, as well as preparations for the implementation of the first phase of the (ceasefire) deal”. French President Emmanuel Macron is set to travel to Egypt today to back the deal, the Elysee Palace said, while Spain’s Pedro Sanchez and Italy’s Giorgia Meloni are also expected to attend, their offices told AFP. Earlier Trump had said he would meet a “lot of leaders” in Egypt on Monday to discuss the future of devastated Gaza.



Palestinians make their way to Gaza City through the so-called “Netzarim corridor” from Nuseirat in the central Gaza Strip

Palestinians return to devastated Gaza City as truce holds

Civil defence says more than 500,000 returned to Gaza City since ceasefire

● **US envoys Witkoff, Kushner visited Gaza Strip: Israeli army**

● **Hamas will ‘repel aggression’ if Gaza war resumes: official**

AFP | Gaza City, Palestinian Territories

Thousands of displaced Palestinians returned to a devastated Gaza City yesterday, the second day of a ceasefire between Israel and Hamas, with many stunned by the destruction. Israel agreed to the truce on Friday and pulled troops back from several areas of the territory, prompting long columns of exhausted residents to set off north along a coastal road. Taking advantage of the ceasefire, Raja Salmi walked back to her home in Gaza City, where weeks of Israeli bombardment and ground operations had destroyed entire neighbourhoods,

said to harbour thousands of Hamas fighters. “We walked for hours, and every step was filled with fear and anxiety for my home,” Salmi told AFP. When she reached the Al-Rimal neighbourhood, she found her house destroyed. “It no longer exists. It’s just a pile of rubble,” she said. “I stood before it and cried. All those memories are now just dust.” The flow of returnees continues, with around 50,000 people arriving in Gaza City on Saturday, according to the civil defence agency, a rescue service operating under Hamas authority. “This brings the total number of returnees to Gaza since yesterday to around 250,000 so far,” said Mohammed Al-Mughayyir, an official with the agency. Under a ceasefire deal proposed by US President Donald Trump, Hamas will hand over 47 remaining hostages -- living and dead -- from the 251 abducted during its October 7 attack on Israel two years ago. The remains of one more hostage, held in Gaza

since 2014, are also expected to be returned. In exchange, Israel will release 250 prisoners, including those serving life sentences for deadly anti-Israeli attacks, and 1,700 Gazans detained since the war broke out. It has released the list of 250 prisoners, which does not include any of the top militant leaders Hamas is seeking to have freed. ‘Ghost town’ Men, women and children navigated streets filled with rubble, searching for homes amid collapsed concrete slabs, destroyed vehicles and debris. While some returned in vehicles most walked, carrying belongings in bags strapped to their shoulders. Sami Musa, 28, returned alone to check on his family’s house. “Thank God... I found that our home is still standing, though it has suffered some damage that we can repair,” Musa told AFP. Nonetheless, the destruction in Gaza City left him shocked but



Israel’s campaign in Gaza has killed at least 67,682 people, according to the health ministry in the Hamas-run territory, figures the United Nations considers credible.

determined to rebuild. “It felt like a ghost town, not Gaza,” Musa said. “The smell of death still lingers in the air.” The Israeli military said that US envoys Steve Witkoff and Jared Kushner visited the Gaza Strip as a ceasefire announced by Israel entered its second day. Hamas said it is ready to fight back if US President Donald Trump’s peace deal unravels and hostilities with Israel resume in the Gaza Strip, a senior official told AFP.

Army of Cyrus the Great of Persia takes Babylon

Nichiren, a Japanese Buddhist monk, founder of Nichiren Buddhism, inscribes the Dai-Gohonzon



Christopher Columbus's expedition makes landfall on a Caribbean island he names San Salvador (likely Watling Island, Bahamas). The explorer believes he has reached East Asia (OS 21 Oct)

Brazilian troops under the command of Gen. João Propício Mena Barreto invade Uruguay in a prelude to the War of the Triple Alliance



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In a world besieged by crises, it's often the girls who pay the highest price. But girls are also leading on solutions – driving movements for gender justice, education, climate action & much more. Every girl, everywhere, deserves equality, opportunity & dignity.

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Glad to receive Mr. Sergio Gor, Ambassador-designate of the US to India. I'm confident that his tenure will further strengthen the India-US Comprehensive Global Strategic Partnership.

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The announcement of an agreement that will bring an end to the genocide in Gaza is a historic opportunity to secure lasting peace in the Middle East. President Trump's leadership throughout the process of dialogue and negotiations reflects his unwavering commitment to world peace.

@CMShehbaz

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I spoke with Prime Minister of Canada @MarkJCarney. We shared details of our contacts with President Trump. I informed him about the situation on the battlefield and Russia's vile strikes on our energy infrastructure and people. We discussed specific steps that can help us defend against this and strengthen the resilience of our energy system.

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Disclaimer: (Views expressed by columnists are personal and need not necessarily reflect our editorial stance)

Nobel institute to probe possible leaks over peace prize

AFP | Oslo, Norway

The Norwegian Nobel Institute will investigate whether leaks preceded Friday's award of the Nobel Peace Prize to Venezuelan opposition leader Maria Corina Machado because of suspicious betting.

The odds of Machado winning the prize jumped from 3.75 percent to nearly 73 percent overnight Thursday to Friday on the predictive betting platform Polymarket.

But no expert or media outlet had mentioned her being among the favourites for the prize, which was announced just a few hours later in Oslo.

"You don't normally see this



Venezuelan opposition leader Maria Corina Machado (C) stretches out to greet supporters during a protest called by the opposition for election 'victory' to be recognised, in Caracas

in the betting market. It's very suspicious," Robert Naess, a data specialist, was quoted as saying by Norwegian broadcaster NRK.

"I don't think there have ever been any leaks in the entire history of the prize. I can't imagine that's the case," Norwegian Nobel Committee Chairman Jorgen Watne Frydnes told the NTB news agency.

The institute will nevertheless investigate whether there could have been any leaks, its director, Kristian Berg Harpviken, said.

"It's too early to be categorical about the existence of a leak. But it's something we will now look into," he told the Aftenposten newspaper.

Lebanon slams deadly overnight Israeli strike

AFP | Beirut, Lebanon

Lebanese President Joseph Aoun yesterday condemned an overnight Israeli strike on civilian sites, which reportedly killed at least one person and which Israel said targeted Hezbollah infrastructure.

"Once again, southern Lebanon has been the target of a heinous Israeli aggression against civilian installations -- without justification or pretext," Aoun said.

"The seriousness of this latest attack lies in the fact that it comes after the ceasefire agreement in Gaza," he added, questioning whether Israel now sought to expand its attacks on Lebanon.



Rescuers and first-responders stand outside a damaged building following an overnight Israeli strike in Al-Msayleh area in southern Lebanon

The health ministry said one person was killed and seven wounded in the strike on the Al-Msayleh area in southern Lebanon. The Israeli military shortly

thereafter said in a statement that it "struck and dismantled Hezbollah infrastructure in the area of southern Lebanon, where engineering machinery used to re-establish infrastructure in the area" was located.

Later on Saturday, the Lebanese health ministry reported that another Israeli attack on a vehicle in Burj al-Qalaouiyah, also in southern Lebanon, killed one person. The Israeli military did not immediately comment on the Burj al-Qalaouiyah strike.

Lebanon's official National News Agency reported that Israeli warplanes carried out 10 raids targeting bulldozer and excavator yards in Al-Msayleh, destroying more than 300 vehicles.

Bangladesh army says arrest warrants against officers affecting morale

AFP | Dhaka, Bangladesh

The Bangladesh army said yesterday that arrest warrants issued against senior officers had affected troop morale ahead of elections, but pledged to uphold justice amid rising tensions.

On Wednesday, Bangladesh's International Crimes Tribunal (ICT) issued warrants for two dozen military officers over their alleged role in enforced disappearances during ousted premier Sheikh Hasina's rule.



Bangladeshi Army spokesman Brigadier General Muhammad Masud Razzaq

The tribunal is prosecuting former senior figures connected to Hasina's ousted government and her now-banned Awami League party. The warrants followed an inquiry commission's verification of more than

250 cases of disappearances, allegedly carried out by security forces, spanning the 15 years that Hasina's Awami League was in power.

Major General Md Hakimuzzaman, the army's adjutant general, acknowledged the impact of the tribunal's move.

"I can't deny that the arrest warrants against military officers are affecting us, but we will remain steadfast in ensuring justice," Hakimuzzaman told reporters in Dhaka.

The interim government, led

by Nobel Peace Prize laureate Muhammad Yunus, has formed the commission to investigate cases of disappearances and has received around 1,700 complaints so far. Hakimuzzaman said 15 serving officers had been taken into custody following the warrants. The officers are expected to appear before the ICT on October 22. "There are certain issues that need to be resolved soon, and we will seek answers from the appropriate authority," Hakimuzzaman added.

Multiple dead, 19 missing after blast at US explosives plant

AFP | Washington, United States

Nineteen people were missing and an unspecified number were killed after a massive blast tore through a US military explosives plant on Friday, prompting emergency responders to scour the ravaged site for any survivors, officials said.

Aerial footage broadcast by US media showed smoldering debris at the factory in Hickman County, Tennessee, with charred and mangled vehicles strewn across the facility.

"At this time we have been able to confirm that we do have 19 souls that we're looking for," Humphreys County Sheriff Chris Davis told reporters.

"There are fatalities. I don't want to put a number to that... I can tell you right now we are looking for 19 individuals."



Television media set up outside of Accurate Energetic Systems

The explosion occurred at a plant run by Accurate Energetic Systems in Hickman County's Bucksnot area, prompting official warnings for the public

to avoid the area amid fears of secondary explosions.

Davis said the blast engulfed an entire building at the facility, calling it "the most devastat-

ing scene that I've seen in my career."

The blast was so massive that it was heard across a large distance, with debris scattering across half a square mile, he added.

When asked to describe the state of the building where the explosion occurred, Davis said: "There's nothing to describe. It's gone."

It was not immediately clear what triggered the explosion.

As officials scoured the site for clues, authorities acknowledged the agonizing wait for the families of those missing.

"I'm sure there's people that's angry, I'm sure that there's people that's very sad, very upset, and I can understand that," Davis said.

Zelensky urges Trump to end Ukraine war like in 'the Middle East'

Kyiv, Ukraine

Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky urged Donald Trump to broker peace in Ukraine like in "the Middle East" during a phone call yesterday, saying if Trump could stop one war, "others can be stopped as well".

The call came a day after Russia launched a large-scale attack on Ukraine's energy grid, knocking out power to parts of the capital Kyiv and nine other Ukrainian regions.

Diplomatic efforts to end Russia's invasion of Ukraine have slowed in recent months, in part because global attention shifted to Israel's two-year war with militant Palestinian group Hamas, Kyiv says.

White House says 'substantial' shutdown layoffs have begun

Washington, United States

The White House said Friday it had begun mass layoffs of federal workers as President Donald Trump sought to amp up pressure on opposition Democrats to end a government shutdown that has crippled public services.

With the crisis set to go into a third week and no off-ramp in sight, Trump's budget chief Russ Vought announced on social media that the administration was following through on threats to fire some of the 750,000 public servants placed on enforced leave.

Trump in 'excellent' health

Washington, United States

Donald Trump is in "excellent overall health," his physician said Friday after the 79-year-old -- the oldest elected president in US history -- underwent his second medical checkup of the year.

Trump saw physicians at Walter Reed military hospital on the outskirts of the capital Washington earlier in the day. He gave reporters the thumbs-up on his return to the White House when they asked how the checkup had gone. "President Trump continues to demonstrate excellent overall health," his doctor, Navy Captain Sean Barbabella, wrote in a letter released by the White House. "His cardiac age -- a validated measure of cardiovascular vitality via ECG -- was found to be approximately 14 years younger than his chronological age. He continues to maintain a demanding daily schedule without restriction."

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NMS Bahrain celebrates World Mental Health Day 2025

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The New Millennium School, Bahrain, marked its solidarity in addressing the vital issue of mental health by celebrating World Mental Health Day on 9 October 2025.

The impactful and engaging activities organised by the school aimed to raise awareness about mental health among students across all grade levels.

The day's events began with guided meditation sessions, where students, led by their dedicated teachers, were introduced to simple mindfulness techniques. They practised breathing exercises and visualisation techniques to help them relax and connect with their emotions.

Smile

Kindergarten students led the Smile at NMS campaign, encouraging their peers and teachers to share smiles throughout the day. For the primary section, a creative and interactive campaign titled Mental Health Reminders took centre stage, with students crafting and displaying reminders around the school featuring



simple yet powerful messages about mental well-being.

The event was a resounding success, with students active-

ly participating and expressing their enthusiasm throughout

the day. It highlighted the importance of mental health in ed-

ucation and demonstrated how students can contribute to their own well-being and that of their peers.

School Principal Dr Arun Kumar Sharma, in his address to the students, acknowledged the importance of sound mental health for achieving a sustainable future. He reiterated that mental health is a crucial aspect of education and that its promotion is integral to the holistic development of every student.

Chairman Dr Ravi Pillai and Managing Director Mrs Geetha Pillai appreciated the whole-hearted efforts of the students and teachers in participating in such enlightening campaigns.

Entrepreneurial Energy Unleashed at **BIS Commerce Week**



Manama

Bhavans-Bahrain Indian School's (BIS) Commerce Department celebrated Commerce Week, an initiative aimed at nurturing students' entrepreneurial spirit, business acumen, and real-world learning. The week-long celebration showcased BIS's commitment to providing experiential learning opportunities that go well beyond conventional classroom teaching.

The celebrations commenced with an insightful workshop on "Emerging Modes of Marketing," conducted by Grade 12 students. Demonstrating a deep understanding of the dynamic marketing landscape, students engaged their peers through interactive presentations, case studies, and group discussions, effectively bringing theoretical concepts to life. The workshop highlighted the importance of



innovative thinking, strategic planning, and effective commu-

nication in the modern business world.

A key highlight of Commerce Week was the educational visit to the Central Bank of Bahrain. Students had the unique opportunity to explore the Bank's Coin Museum and gain firsthand insights into the evolution of Bahrain's monetary system and financial institutions. The visit provided students with a rare glimpse into the practical functioning of economic systems and financial governance, thereby enriching their understanding of national and global commerce. Adding a competitive edge to the celebrations, the much-anticipated Young Entrepreneurship Competition: BIS Shark was held, modelled on the internationally renowned Shark Tank format. Students showcased their entrepreneurial talent by pitching innovative business ideas to a distinguished panel of judges.

Further engaging the school community, students eagerly

prepared for a series of promotional activities culminating in the grand finale: 'Homemade Food Stalls - BIS Souq.' BIS SOUQ transformed the school campus into a vibrant marketplace. Student-run stalls showcased a diverse range of homemade culinary delights, including the popular Fresh Zone, combining creativity, skill, and practical business planning. Sales were managed through both pre-orders and on-the-spot purchases, creating an organised yet dynamic marketplace experience.

All proceeds from the event were subsequently donated to the Cancer Society.

The Directors, Mr. Himanshu Verma and Mrs. Ritu Verma, applauded the initiative. "This week demonstrates BIS's commitment to experiential learning and holistic education. By combining entrepreneurship, critical thinking, and social responsibility, our students are being

prepared not just for academic success but for meaningful contributions to society." Said Mr. Himanshu Verma.

"Commerce Week at BIS is more than a celebration of business education. It is an opportunity for students to apply classroom learning in real-world scenarios, develop leadership and entrepreneurial skills, and foster a sense of ethical responsibility. Our goal is to inspire students to think critically, act responsibly, and contribute positively to society," Mrs. Ritu Verma added.

Speaking on the occasion, the Principal, Mr. Saji Jacob, expressed his pride in the students, stating, "Commerce Week is a shining example of how our students embrace creativity, leadership, and ethical responsibility. Their enthusiasm, innovation, and teamwork have truly brought business concepts to life, and I am immensely proud of their achievements."

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Matthew Deakin claims Bill Brien Trophy as new AGC season tees off

Manama

The 2025–2026 season at the Awali Golf Club (AGC) teed off yesterday with the traditional opener – the Bill Brien Trophy, a Stableford competition held in memory of Bill Brien, fondly remembered by older and former members as a charming gentleman known for his grace and ever-present rose.

The morning players faced challenging humid conditions, which eased slightly for the afternoon rounds. Following a delightful dinner, Captain Steve Newall and Vice-Captain Balbir Singh presented



the prizes to the day's top performers.

Susan Scott continued her fine form from last season, winning the prize for the best lady golfer. In the overall standings, Gérard van Gerwen secured seventh place with 35 points, edging out five others on countback despite a shaky start. Andy Doherty finished sixth with a steady 36 points, while Mohamed Sultan Faraj claimed fifth place with 37 points, including an impressive front nine of consecutive pars.

Fourth place went to Chaitanya Kodange, also on 37 points but with a stronger fin-

ish. Jasper Meinema took third place with 38 points, thanks to excellent putting, while Rehman Tipu, who honed his skills over the summer, finished runner-up with the better 38 points.

The day, however, belonged to Matthew Deakin, who delivered a stellar performance with 39 points. His round included a "neary" on hole 6 and a spectacular 30-foot putt on the final hole, also earning him the prize for the longest putt.

It was a fitting start to the new season, combining friendly competition, camaraderie, and celebration in true AGC spirit.

India tighten grip on second Test after Gill's fluent century

New Delhi, India

India's spinners struck crucial blows to keep West Indies on the back foot as the hosts tightened their grip on the second Test following captain Shubman Gill's fluent century on Saturday.

At stumps on day two in Delhi, the visitors were 140 for 4, trailing by 378 runs in reply to India's commanding 518 for 5 declared. Shai Hope was unbeaten on 31 alongside Tevin Imlach on 14, while left-arm spinner Ravindra Jadeja led India's attack with three wickets.

Gill anchored India's innings with an unbeaten 129 – his fifth century of the year – after Yashasvi Jaiswal's unfortunate run out on 175 early in the day following a mix-up between the pair. "Misunderstandings happen, but we're happy to be in a strong position," Jadeja said, adding that India would aim to wrap up the West Indies innings quickly despite limited turn on the pitch.

In the visitors' reply, Tegenarine Chanderpaul (34) and Alick Athanaze (41) offered brief resistance before Jadeja and Kuldeep Yadav triggered a collapse. Chanderpaul's dismissal to a juggling slip catch by KL Rahul ended a 66-run stand, while skipper Roston Chase fell for a duck. India, who won the series opener by an innings, remain firm favourites to seal a 2–0 sweep.



Riffa reach quarter-finals at 3x3 Masters

Bahrain's basketball squad advance in Deqing, China

● Riffa finish second group

● Next match vs.Toulouse today

● Seef exit after two defeats

TDI | Manama

Riffa's 3x3 basketball team booked a place in the quarter-finals of the Masters World Tour in Deqing, China, after finishing second in their group. The team opened the tournament with a convincing 21-10 win over Serbia's Vozdovac before losing 21-17 to host side Chong Ming in their second match.

Bahrain's representatives will face Group 2 leaders Toulouse of France today at 11:50am Bahrain time, a fixture that offers an opportunity to extend their strong tournament form and advance to the semi-finals.



Action from Riffa's match

Seef bow out

Meanwhile, Seef were eliminated after losing both group stage games.

They lost 20-12 to Toulouse in the opener and narrowly lost 18-14 to London of the

United States in their second match. Despite showing clear improvement, Seef were unable to overcome the experience of their American opponents, missing out on a chance to advance.

Pogacar wins cycling's Il Lombardia for fifth consecutive year

AFP | Bergamo, Italy

Tadej Pogacar won the cycling Monument Il Lombardia for a fifth time in as many years yesterday, equalling Fausto Coppi's record of victories in the season-ending race.

Slovenian superstar Pogacar crossed the line first in Bergamo after a trademark attack on the key Passo di Ganda climb to blitz the rest of the field and become the first man since Eddy Merckx in 1975 to win three Monuments in a single season.

From the moment Pogacar was left to attack by his powerful UAE teammates with around 38 kilometres remaining there was no doubt of the final result, even with Quinn Simmons out on his own one minute and 10 seconds up the road.

Pogacar finished nearly two minutes ahead of Remco Evenepoel, who again ended up second behind cycling's dominant force as he did at the recent world and European championships.

At 27-years-old Pogacar has now won 10 of the sport's Monuments -- the five toughest and longest one-day races of the year -- nine shy of a career tally set by Merckx, who won three in 1969, 1971, 1972 and 1975.

His fifth straight victory in as many years in the "Race of the Falling Leaves" is another record to add to a growing list as Italian great Coppi strung four consecutive wins between 1946 and 1949, with his fifth coming in 1954.

Pogacar is used to making history as this year he became the first man to win both the Tour de France and world championship two seasons in a row.

And he is now also the first to finish on the podium of all five Monuments in the same season.

In April, Pogacar won both the Tour of Flanders and Liege-Bastogne-Liege, victories which go alongside third place in Milan-San Remo and second in Paris-Roubaix which were both won by Mathieu van der Poel.

Manasyan claims triple Silver at World weightlifting

Bahraini lifters shine in Norway

TDI | Manama

Bahrain's Ghor Manasyan added three silver medals to his name at the World Weightlifting Championship in Forde, Norway. Competing in the +110kg category, Manasyan lifted 205 kg in the snatch and 242 kg in the clean & jerk, for a total of 447 kg, finishing behind Armenia's Varazdat Lalayan, who won gold with 461 kg.

Bahrain's success didn't stop there. Segura Gruesi took bronze in the women's 69kg category with a 108 kg snatch and 134 kg clean & jerk, highlighting the Kingdom's growing presence in international weightlifting.

Ghor Manasyan displays his three silver medals at Forde





Action-packed start

Saudi Drivers Shine in Bahrain as Aramco F4 Saudi Arabian Championship Launches with Thrilling Season Opener

● **Belofsky Leads Bahrain Opener as New Season with High-Intensity Racing**

● **Second race set for today**

Manama

The opening race of the Aramco F4 Saudi Arabian Championship, certified by the FIA, concluded yesterday, at the Bahrain International Circuit, delivering an action-packed start to the new season. Promoted by ALTAWKILAT Motorsport under the supervision of the Saudi Automobile and Motorcycle Federation (SAMF), the event featured intense on-track battles, high technical standards, and a strong crowd presence reflecting the growing momentum of this exciting entry-level category in motorsport.

At the conclusion of the



opening round, an award ceremony was held at the Bahrain International

Circuit to celebrate the stand-out performers of the weekend. The trophies were presented to the top three finishers by His Excellency Sheikh Salman bin Isa Al Khalifa, Chief Executive of the Bahrain International Circuit, who awarded 1st place to British driver Kit Belofsky (PEAX), Sherif Al Mahdy, Chief Commercial Officer of BIC, who presented the 2nd place trophy to Dutch driver Nina Gademan (CARAAGY), and Raad Abduljawad, Chairman of Saudi Diesel, who awarded 3rd place to Emirati driver Theo Palmer (JACO).

In addition, Saudi karter Leen Alarifi presented the Best Female Driver Award to Nina Gademan (CARAAGY), while Elsa Cammilleri, Sporting



cy. His result highlighted the growing competitiveness of Saudi drivers, as all three Saudi participants in the championship drew widespread praise for their confidence, discipline, and steadily improving performances, demonstrating the continued rise of Saudi talent in both regional and international motorsport.

Earlier in the day, qualifying sessions determined the starting grid, with Theo Palmer (JACO) securing pole position, followed by Scott Kin Lindblom (Red Bull) in second and Kit Belofsky (PEAX) in third. Thibaut Ramaekers (Zahid) and Nina Gademan (CARAAGY) rounded out the top five in an intensely competitive session.

The second race of the opening round will take place today at the Bahrain International Circuit, before the series returns for Round 2 on October 15-16 at the same venue. Motorsport fans across the region can look forward to another weekend of competitive action as the championship continues to shape the future of single-seater racing in the Middle East.

“I fell back at the start, having to back off to avoid collisions in the dust and close racing. Once things settled, I made some clean overtakes and worked my way to second. Planning a smart move in Turn 4 really helped me gain positions through the trickier sections

DUTCH DRIVER NINA GADEMAN SAID AS SHE SPOKE TO THE DAILY TRIBUNE REPORTER HUSSAIN ALMASKATI

“The track was tough, especially managing tyres in this heat. I focused on keeping them under control and making sure I could finish strong, and it worked out well

BRITISH DRIVER KIT BELOFSKY TOLD THE DAILY TRIBUNE REPORTER HUSSAIN ALMASKATI

Coordinator for the Single-Seater Junior Categories, presented the Best Rookie Award to Kit Belofsky (PEAX). The ceremony reflected the championship's growing diversity and its commitment to developing emerging talent within the motorsport world.

The race itself saw fierce competition throughout, including a mid-race safety car period that added further strategic tension and reshuffled the order before

the final laps. Among the stand-out performers was Saudi driver Abdullah Kamel (ASTOP), who delivered an impressive drive to finish fourth, narrowly missing the podium after showing strong pace and consistency



Firdaus rallies to claim Bahrain Amateur Open title

Hussain Almaskati
TDT | Manama

Malaysia's Zubair Firdaus produced a composed final round to win the seventh Bahrain Amateur Open yesterday at the Royal Golf Club, overturning a five-shot deficit to finish two strokes clear of overnight leader Daniil Sokolov of Qatar.

Firdaus closed with an even-par 71 to complete the three-day championship on seven-under-par 209, while Sokolov struggled to a 76, slipping to second on 211. The 14-year-old Sokolov, who began the day one ahead of Sweden's Adrian Larsson, looked in control early but ran into trouble on the back nine, carding multiple bogeys as Firdaus held steady under pressure.

Podium Shuffle

Qatar's Salehaleh Al Kaabi matched his previous day's 72 to claim solo third at -4 (212), one shot ahead of a three-way



Zubair Firdaus receives his Bahrain Amateur Open trophy

tie for fourth between the UAE's Jonathan Selvaraj, England's Oscar Craig, and Sweden's Larsson, all finishing on -2 (214).

Bahraini Spotlight

The top Bahraini finisher was Khalifa Alkaabi, who posted a consistent 74 for the second day running to end on 219 (+3), finishing 10th overall among more than 90 competitors.

Bigger things ahead

Firdaus' victory earns him World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR) points and a coveted spot in next year's Bahrain Championship on the 2026 DP World Tour, scheduled for January 29 to February 1. The Bahrain Amateur Open also served as a qualifier for the 17th King Hamad Trophy, from November 27 to 29 at the same venue.

The top 10 finishers and ties, excluding Bahrain national team players, secured their place in that event.

Bahrain Handball Names Squad Ahead of Islamic Solidarity Games

26 players selected for November Saudi Arabia tournament

● **Training camp begins this week**

● **Overseas preparation set in Bosnia**

Hussain Almaskati
TDT | Manama

The Bahrain Handball Federation has revealed the preliminary 26-man squad for the senior national team as it gears up for the Islamic Solidarity Games in Saudi Arabia this November.

Swedish head coach Robert Hedin, alongside Bahraini assistant Ali Hussain, named the full 26-man roster, which includes: Hussain Al Sayyad,



Mohamed Abdullhussain, Mohamed Habib Ahmed, Hassan Madan, Mohamed Habib Al Nasser, Hisham Al Istadh, Hassan Al Samahiji, Qasim Qambar, Hassan Mirza, Mohamed Humaid, Muftaba Al Zimour, Jassim Khamis, Mahmoud Hussain, Hussein Mahfouz, Ali Redha Kadhem, Jaafar Abdulshaheed, Mahmood Jaleel, Salman Al Showaikh, Ahmed

Redha Kadhem, Ali Al Osheeri, Ali Mahmood, Moayed Samir, Abdullah Abdulkarim, Hussain Abdullah, Ali Al Madani, and Sayed Mahmood Al Falahi.

Overseas preparation

Mid-month, the squad is scheduled to travel to Bosnia for an external camp that will include multiple training sessions and friendly matches.