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India on track to achieve Paris climate accord targets



Narendra Modi

New Delhi

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi said yesterday the country was doubling down on clean energy sources and was on track to achieve the emissions norms set under the 2015 Paris climate change accord.

India is eyeing 450 gigawatt of renewable energy capacity by 2030, Modi said in an address to the Global Climate Ambition Summit. Renewable energy capacity would reach 175 gigawatt before 2022, he said.

Israel establishes diplomatic ties with Bhutan

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Israel said it has established diplomatic relations with Bhutan, a majority-Buddhist nation neighbouring India, yesterday.

The agreement follows several years of secret contacts between Israel and Bhutan with the aim of establishing relations, Israeli foreign ministry said in a statement.



A signing ceremony was held between the Israeli and Bhutanese ambassadors to India yesterday

Israel's new relations with the relatively-isolated Himalayan nation did not appear to be related to its budding ties under US-sponsored accords with Arab and Muslim countries in the Middle East and Africa.

The move comes two days after Israel and Morocco agreed to normalise ties in a deal brokered with US.

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Iran executes French journo

Ruhollah Zam was hanged yesterday after Iran supreme court upheld his death sentence

● Zam ran Amad News, a popular website

● France, rights groups condemned the execution

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Iran executed a journalist who was accused of fomenting violence, which rights organisation described as based on "an unfair trial that relied on forced confessions".

State television reported that Ruhollah Zam was hanged to death yesterday after Iran Supreme Court upheld a death sentence against him.

"Director of the counter-revolutionary Amadnews network, was hanged this morning," the report said.

Zam was captured in 2019 after years in exile. He ran Amad News, a popular anti-government website Iran accused of inciting the 2017-18 protests.

The news feed had more than



Ruhollah Zam, a dissident journalist who was captured in what Tehran calls an intelligence operation, speaks during his trial in Tehran, Iran (file)



Zam's father yesterday posted on his Instagram account that Iranian authorities had not notified his son that he had been sentenced to execution.

one million followers on messaging app Telegram.

Amad shared videos of protests and damaging information about Iranian officials.

It was suspended by Telegram in 2018 for allegedly inciting violence but later reappeared

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PRESS ADVOCACY GROUP REPORTERS WITHOUT BORDERS (RSF)

was given asylum in France.

Earlier this week, the French foreign ministry described the decision to uphold Zam's death sentence as "a serious attack on freedom of expression and freedom of the press in Iran," according to Reuters news agency.

In October 2019, Iran's Revolutionary Guards Corps said it had trapped Zam in a "complex operation using intelligence deception." It did not say where the operation took place.

Nour News, a news agency close to the Revolutionary Guards, said last week that Zam was detained by Guards agents after he travelled to Iraq in September 2019 and brought to Iran.

The IRGC alleged that Zam was "under the guidance" and protection of intelligence services in France, Israel and the US.

Officials said 21 people were killed during the unrest and thousands were arrested.

The unrest was among the worst Iran has seen in decades, and was followed by even deadlier protests last year against fuel price rises.

under another name.

France and human rights groups had condemned the Supreme Court's decision.

Yesterday, press advocacy group Reporters Without Borders (RSF) condemned the execution.

"RSF is outraged at this new crime of Iranian justice and sees (Supreme Leader Ayatollah) @ali_khamenei as the mastermind of this execution," the group tweeted.

The son of a pro-reform Shi'ite cleric, Zam fled Iran and

A Joke that went wrong

'Zombie Angelina Jolie' Sahar Tabar gets 10 years in jail

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Fatemeh Khishvand, an Iranian Instagram star, better known by the name Sahar Tabar, was handed down a 10-year jail term by an Iranian Court, according to one of her lawyers.

Tabar came to fame after sharing selfies described as a zombie version of Angelina Jolie. Her account had amassed more than 486,000 followers before it was shut.

Saeed Dehghan, one of the lawyers in the case, told BBC Persian that he had heard the news of the 10-year jail sentence.

However, lawyers representing Tabar are yet to get a confirmation on the verdict.

Police arrested Khishvand in October 2019 alongside three



Iranian TV broadcast an interview with Sahar Tabar after her arrest last year

other female social media influencers for crimes including blasphemy and instigating violence.

Masih Alinejad, a prominent Iranian journalist and opposition activist, told the Daily Mail that she had spoken to Tabar's lawyer, who confirmed that the

ten years in prison sentence was on charges of "promoting public corruption."

"10 years jail for Iranian Instagrammer who used makeup & Photoshop to become a zombie, Angelina Jolie. Sahar Tabar is only 19. Her joke landed her

in jail. Her mother cries every day to get her innocent daughter freed. Dear Angelina Jolie! we need your voice here. Help us," Alinejad tweeted yesterday, urging the Hollywood star to campaign on Tabar's behalf.

Last October, Iranian state television aired an interview with Khishvand in which she looked remorseful and said that she regretted her actions.

"I saw people were following what I did and, when the likes grew, I felt I was doing the right thing," she said during the interview.



BAHRAIN COVID-19

TOTAL CASES

88,965

ACTIVE CASES

1,592

DEATHS

348

DISCHARGED

87,025

NEW CASES

145

CRITICAL

6

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HM King visits Endurance village



In pictures, HM the King with HH Shaikh Nasser and other participants at the Bahrain International Endurance Village

● The race was part of festivities marking the National Day and HM the King's accession to the throne

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al-Khalifa yesterday followed up the 160-kilometre-long World Championship qualifying endurance ride at the Bahrain In-

ternational Endurance Village. The Batelco-sponsored race was part of festivities marking the National Day and HM the King's accession to the throne. A large number of stables and riders took part in the race. HM the King was welcomed on arrival by HM the King's Representative for Humanitarian Works and Youth Affairs, Bahrain Royal Equestrian and Endurance Federation (BREEF) Honorary Chairman His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al-Khalifa.

HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad

HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al-Khalifa finished second in the 160-kilometre race, riding Calandria PH, while Spanish Maria Alvarez won the world championship, riding Bizahe De Piboul.

Al-Khalifa briefed HM the King about the participating teams, different stages of the race and the number of riders in the fray.

HM the King welcomed all the riders who are participating in this global race and stressed the importance of the endurance

sport in enhancing cooperation, friendship and acquaintance between the youth and riders of the world, congratulating the winners. He expressed his thanks to HH Shaikh Nasser and the organisers of the race, wishing all success in the coming championships. Riders also thanked HM the King for following up the race which reflects Bahrain's keen interest in promoting the equestrian and endurance sports, hailing the warm welcome, hospitality and outstanding organisation.

Capital Governorate lines up National Day events, contests

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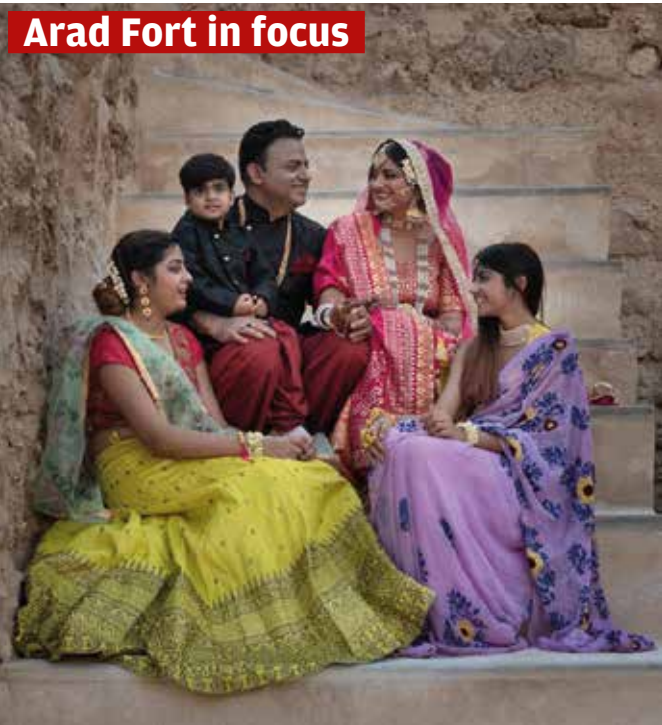
The Capital Governorate has lined up a series of events and contests for the National Day celebrations held on 16th and 17th December. The festivities which kicks off with a wood carvings exhibition in Seef Mall on Monday will be followed up with a bicycle rally on Friday to be held jointly with

Capital Governor Shaikh Hisham bin Abdulrahman Al-Khalifa said this year's celebrations would comply with the mandatory measures on combating the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19).



the Northern Governorate. The Governorate is also holding three competition through its Instagram account and will award the most beautifully decorated government and private building, and five more beautiful photos that reflect the joyful celebration of the National Days. Also, lined-up for release are two new patriotic songs and the second edition of the book "Pictures from Manama's History". The book launch is on December 27. A Painting competition will have the theme "National Holidays Brings Us Together". Capital Governor Shaikh Hisham bin Abdulrahman Al-Khalifa said this year's celebrations would comply with the mandatory measures for combating the novel Coronavirus (COVID-19).

Arad Fort in focus



Bahrain resident Shailla Khan spearheaded a royal style photoshoot at the Arad Fort on the occasion of her 15th wedding anniversary. The mother of three won the first runner up and Mrs Style Icon titles at the Jeeo King and Queen Mrs India International in 2019. Shailla's chartered accountant husband Shahnawaz, the couple's daughters Saira and Iqra and son Hamza found the traditional fort as a perfect location to showcase themselves as royals.

HH Shaikha Hessa chairs "Women in FinTech Bahrain" Committee meeting

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Her Royal Highness Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa, Wife of HM the King and President of the Supreme Council for Women (SCW), has nominated SCW member, HH Shaikha Hessa bint Khalifa Al Khalifa, to chair the "Women in (Financial Technology (Fin-Tech) Bahrain" committee. The Economic Development Board (EDB) established the committee but transferred its affiliation to the SCW. During the first meeting, chaired by HH Shaikha Hessa, the committee focused on the SCW's role in following up on women's advancement and reviewed the National Gender Balance Model. It also highlighted the Women in Fin-Tech Bahrain Committee's terms of reference and priorities in 2021. Chaired by HH Shaikha Hessa



HH Shaikha Hessa bint Khalifa chairs Women in FinTech Bahrain Committee meeting

sa bint Khalifa Al Khalifa, the committee members are SCW member and Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) Board of Directors Chairperson, Mariam Ahmed Jamaan, Muna Al-Sayed Ali Al-Hashimi, EDB's Business Development - Financial Services Director, Dalal Adel Buhejji, Head of the FinTech & Innovation Unit at the Central Bank of Bahrain, Yasmeen Murtadha Al-Sharaf, CEO of Bahrain "ila" Bank, Mohammed Rasheed Al-Maraj, and CEO of the Tarabut Gateway company, Abdulla Tawfiq Al-Moayyad.

Israel-Bhutan normalise relations

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"Israel's circle of recognition is growing and expanding. The establishment of relations between us and the Kingdom of Bhutan will serve as another milestone in deepening Israel's ties in Asia," Israeli Foreign Minister Gabi Ashkenazi said. Bhutan has full diplomatic ties with only 53 countries, Israel's foreign ministry said. A signing ceremony was held between the Israeli and Bhutanese ambassadors to India yesterday, the foreign ministry said. The countries agreed to formulate a joint work plan in the areas of water management, agriculture, healthcare and other areas, it added. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu welcomed the agreement, adding: "We are in contact with other countries that want to join and establish relations with us."

The move comes two days after Israel and Morocco agreed to normalise ties in a deal brokered with US help, making it the fourth Arab country - after the United Arab Emirates, Bahrain and Sudan - to set aside hostilities with Israel in the past four months.

Customs president elected uncontested to WCO Council

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The World Customs Organisation (WCO) announced electing Customs President Shaikh Ahmed bin Hamad Al Khalifa unopposed as Chairperson of WCO council. The announcement came during the 137th virtual extraordinary session of the WCO council held from December 10 to 12 with the participation of 183 member countries.

On this occasion, Shaikh Ahmed congratulated His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

HRH Prince Salman sent a cable of congratulations to Shaikh Ahmed for becoming the third Arab to hold such a role. Prince Salman extended his congratulations on this significant achievement, praising his efforts to enhance customs work across, in line with the goals of the Kingdom's comprehensive development, led by His Majesty the King.



Shaikh Ahmed bin Hamad Al Khalifa

Bahrain’s knowledge infrastructure strong: GKI



SECTORAL INDICES		RANK	VALUE
PRE-UNIVERSITY EDUCATION		53	63.9
TECHNICAL & VOCATIONAL EDUCATION & TRAINING		29	59.8
HIGHER EDUCATION		54	42.8
RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT & INNOVATION		92	17.4
INFORMATION & COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY		39	65.1
ECONOMY		39	51.1
GENERAL ENABLING ENVIRONMENT		70	59.1

● Produced annually since 2017, GKI tracks the performance of countries in seven areas

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Bahrain has been identified as a strong performer in terms of its knowledge infrastructure by the latest Global Knowledge Index (GKI) 2020, which ranks 138 countries around the world. Ranked fifth amongst Middle Eastern nations and fourth amongst Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries, Bahrain is placed 43rd out of 138 countries worldwide and 41st out of the 56 countries with very high

Areas of strength

- Internet users (%)
- Unemployment rate (%)
- Joint venture per strategic alliance deals
- Researchers in higher education (%)
- Total tax and contribution rate (% of profit)

Areas of improvement

- Researchers (HC) in business enterprise (%)
- Best scientific journal (SJR Ranking)
- Total CO2 emission per capita
- National feature films produced (per million inhabitants)
- Renewable energy consumption (% of total final energy consumption)

human development. Produced annually since 2017, GKI tracks the performance of countries in seven areas namely: pre-university education, technical and vocational education and training, higher education, research, development and innovation, information and communications technology, economy and the general enabling environment. The

index aims at providing a systematic tool for guiding and informing policymakers, researchers, civil society and the private sector to collaborate on different aspects of policies to foster knowledge-based societies and bridge knowledge gaps. Dubai’s Mohammad bin Rashid Al Maktoum Knowledge Foundation (MBRF) and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) jointly produce the index. According to Achim Steiner of United Nations Development Programme

(UNDP), “The overall results of the GKI 2020 confirm an urgent and global need for increased investment in R&D and innovation as a means to advance the frontiers of knowledge for sustainable development. In particular, addressing knowledge gaps in areas like the digital economy will be crucial to accelerate our collective efforts to transition to a zero-carbon future that protects and restores nature.” UAE ranked 15th globally has the

highest rank among Arab countries. Closely following UAE in the GCC are Qatar and Saudi Arabia in the second and third spots. Enjoying the top position on the index globally is Switzerland, with the US pushing down Finland by a rank to take the second spot. Chad holds the lowest rank on the 2020 index. In the economy category, Bahrain is ranked 39th



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ACHIM STEINER OF UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (UNDP)

globally, 53rd in pre-university education, 54th in higher education and 29th in Technical and Vocational Education and Training.



Meals on wheels breaking barriers

The newly inaugurated Food Trucks area has become a smash hit

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Attracting 160,000 gourmets, that too in about a month, amid the coronavirus pandemic, is no mean feat. In a way, the newly opened Food Trucks area has become the Pied Piper of Bahrain where the magical flavours oozing out of the umpteen delicacies dragging in good food lovers in truck loads. Latest data says the area dubbed “District” is a smash hit among connoisseurs of good food in the Kingdom. There are about 50 mobile food outlets at the area offering a variety of dishes ranging from local to international cuisines catering to a wide range of customers. Planet Caravan, 974 Special Restaurant, Sweetna Sweet, December 31 Cafe and Costa Coffee are some amongst them. To explore the full set of menus, and restaurants check this link: <https://ftdbh-menu.net>. But if you would like to place an order by phone, the District



Industry, Commerce and Tourism Minister during the inauguration (file photo)

also has options for that. Opened on 22nd October 2020 by Industry, Commerce and Tourism Minister, Zayed bin Rashid Alzayani, the trucks are in the vicinity of Bahrain National Stadium, East Riffa. Stringent safety measures The achievement amid the coronavirus (COVID-19) also brings into perspective the

stringent precautionary measures followed to make the area healthy, clean and safe for visitors. Launched to support promising Bahraini projects and to empower food truck owners, the ‘District’ has played a vital role in contributing towards creating an ideal environment for the emerging food-truck industry in the Kingdom. According to Dr Nasser

Ali Yousif, the Chief Executive Officer of the Bahrain Tourism and Exhibitions Authority (BTEA), the ‘District’ now



Picture courtesy of AlAyam

caters to a wide range of customers including local and international. The authority, he said, is providing necessary services for the smooth functioning of the business and is taking care of its security, electricity as well as cleaning for a nominal fee. Dr Ali assured that the area is functioning in full conformity with the protocols issued by the National Campaign to combat the Coronavirus (COVID-19). Social distancing is followed strictly in places designated for dining with the entire process monitored digitally using barcodes affixed to the dining tables to avoid queues.



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An upbeat National Day 2020



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In three days, the Kingdom of Bahrain will celebrate National Day, a milestone each year to reflect on our achievements and set goals for the next year. This year, the whole exercise has been made more challenging by the pandemic which skewed development and progress globally.

However, in the case of our beloved Kingdom, there is a silver lining. Amidst the crisis that was 2020, Bahrain rose to the occasion. Whether it was our wise leadership, our hard-working government, our industrious private sector or our co-operative public, we all rose as one to meet the crisis head-on and this helped Bahrain to win praise for containing the traumatic effects of the pandemic.

We end the year on a high note – Bahrain was the second nation in the world to grant an emergency-use authorization to the Pfizer vaccine after the United Kingdom and has free promised access to vaccination against COVID-19 for citizens and residents of all nationalities.



It is a gesture that underscores the inclusivity and the commitment to universal health standards that Bahrain holds very dear.

Just like a crisis brings out the true nature of an individual – whether good or bad – so too, something like a natural disaster, warlike conflict or a pandemic highlights the vision and qualities of compassion, administrative excellence and commitment to the people that a country's leadership invests in running the State. By that measure, we in Bahrain can hold our heads high this National Day and say we came out in flying colours from 2020. Our economy took a battering along with the rest of the world but we already have in place strategies of recovery. The wisdom, scientific ideals and public health management of HRH the Crown Prince & PM, Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa has held the ship of state on course through rocky waters and steered it safely into the harbour of the future.

I wish all my readers a Happy National Day. May we continue to be inspired to give our best to our beloved Bahrain.

(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)

Virtual Bahrain Game Jam goes live

Bahrain Polytechnic, Bahrain Internet Society jointly organise the event

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Bahrain's "Game Jam 2020", now in its third edition, went live yesterday where programmers, artists, musicians, story writers and other talents get together to develop games based on a specific theme announced at the beginning of the competition.

Organised jointly by Bahrain Polytechnic and the Bahrain Internet Society (BIS), the seven-day event continues until next Saturday.

The event this year includes a variety of awards, where the top three teams will win one PlayStation 5 each. Judges will announce



Screengrab of a meeting between Bahrain Polytechnic and BIS officials

the winners on 9th January 2021.

The competition also plans to host a variety of activities and workshops to recreate the same atmosphere of the annual competition.

The CEO of Bahrain Polytechnic, Dr Jeff Zabudsky said: "As a higher education institution, we want to do our part to promote this initiative to the community, especially since the gaming in-

dustry has been one of the biggest industries in today's economy."

Abdulla Al Hamed, Chairman of the Bahrain Internet Society, said: "We have hosted two successful Game Jams in the past two years, and lots of amazing games were produced during that time."

He added: "Since we are hosting this Game Jam virtually, this allows local, regional and international participants and jury members to join, for example, one of our jury members is Eiad Dahnim, the former creative director of Sucker Punch Productions that worked on the popular games "The Order 1886" and the "Ghost of Tsushima"."



The words Game and Jam

The term 'Game Jam' is a composition of the words 'Game' and 'Jam' session. A jam session describes the musical act of producing music with little to no prior preparation in an effort to develop new material or simply to practice. In the same way, game jams are events in which game developers prototype experimental ideas into playable games.



@weallread society holds "Inspired by a Book" exhibition

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The second edition of annual "Inspired by a Book" exhibition will this year be part of Bahrain's Authority for Culture and Antiquities National Day celebrations "Manama Doesn't Sleep".

The event opens doors on Tuesday at Bahrain National Museum.

Organised by @weallread society, this year's art exhibition, the society said, goes local but with an international twist.

The exhibition has its focus on a native short story by the famous Bahraini novelist Mohamed Abdulmalik "The Death of the Cart Owner".

"The Death of the Cart Owner" was first published in 1972 as part of a short story collection. It was



During the press conference

a recollection of Abdulmalik's childhood, where he and his peers use to play with the cart of their

neighbour, who worked in Manama old Souq as a porter."

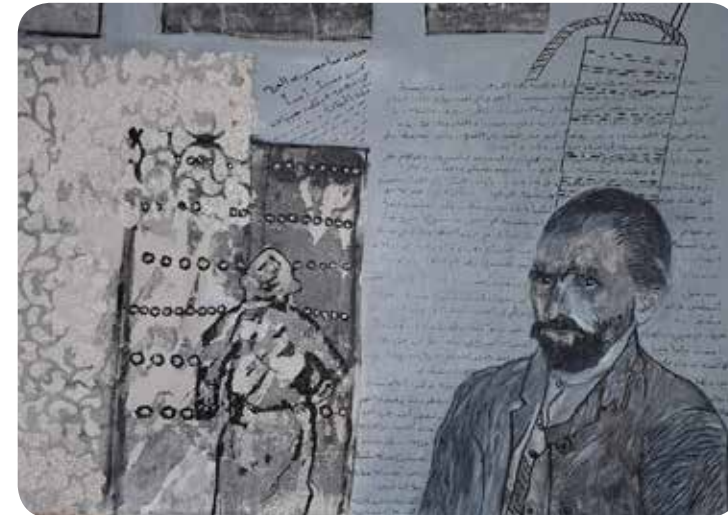
"Furthermore, we wanted to

give our exhibition a unified theme by asking our artists to paint their understanding of the story by emulating the painting technique of the famous Dutch artist Vincent Van Gogh," said the organisers.

"We chose Van Gogh, as he, much like the cart owner suffered in his life, yet, they both defied their misery by adding value to their societies."

"@weallread's art exhibition is a way for us to thank Abdulmalik for uplifting the Bahraini literary horizon"

"Our exhibition is a way to remind us all of a poor cart owner, to remind us of a Bahraini past that we have outgrown but never forgotten."



Some of the works created for the exhibition

No deal ‘very very likely’, says British PM

● **Britain quit the EU in January but remains an informal member until Dec. 31**

● **Both sides say they want to agree arrangements to cover nearly \$1 trillion in annual trade**

Reuters | London/Brussels

Britain is likely to complete its journey out of the European Union in three weeks without a trade deal, British Prime Minister Boris Johnson and European Commission chief Ursula von der Leyen said yesterday.

Britain quit the EU in January but remains an informal member until Dec. 31 - the end of a transition period during which it has remained in the EU single market and customs union.

Both sides say they want to agree arrangements to cover nearly \$1 trillion in annual trade but negotiations are at an impasse, with Britain standing to lose zero-tariff and zero-quota access to the huge European single market.

“It’s looking very, very likely we’ll have to go for a solution that I think will be wonderful for the UK. We’ll be able to do exactly what we want from Jan. 1. It will obviously be different from what we set out to achieve,”



British Prime Minister Boris Johnson



European Commission chief Ursula von der Leyen



Britain's secretary of State for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport Oliver Dowden



Lorries and other freight vehicles queue on the motorway on the way into the port of Dover, in Dover, Britain

Johnson told reporters. change in what they’re saying see it,” said Johnson, the face of “If there’s a big offer, a big then I must say that I’m yet to the “leave” campaign in Britain’s

2016 Brexit referendum.

He later held a meeting with senior minister Michael Gove and officials to assess the country’s preparedness for a no-deal departure, a government official said.

Von Der Leyen was quoted by an EU official as telling leaders of the bloc’s 27 member states attending a summit in Brussels on Friday that prospects for a deal had worsened.

“The probability of a no deal is higher than of a deal,” the official said on condition of anonymity.

Johnson and von der Leyen have given negotiators until Sunday evening to break the deadlock over fishing rights and EU demands for Britain to face consequences if in the future it diverges from the bloc’s rules.

Johnson must decide whether the deal on offer is worth taking or the future freedom and domestic political benefits afforded by leaving without one outweigh the economic costs.

A Brexit without a trade deal would damage the economies of Europe, send shockwaves through financial markets, snarl borders and sow chaos through the delicate supply chains which stretch across Europe and beyond.

NO DEAL?

As EU leaders lined up to warn of the failure of talks, investors started to price in the risk of a chaotic finale to the five-year Brexit crisis.

British stocks fell, euro zone government bond yields fell and sterling fell about 1% against the dollar and euro.

Italian Prime Minister Giuseppe Conte said there were still fundamental issues unresolved in the trade talks.

“Time is running out and we need to prepare for a hard Brexit,” he said, referring to an abrupt rupture in trade arrangements.

EU leaders rejected a proposal from Johnson for a Brexit call with German Chancellor Angela Merkel and French President Emmanuel Macron on Monday, EU officials said.

Johnson is under pressure from Brexit supporters in Britain not to cave to any EU demands that they say could undermine his promises to regain Britain’s sovereignty.

Macron also faces domestic pressure, with French fishermen urging him to ensure the EU defends their fishing rights.

Asked by a reporter about an EU proposal for a one-year contingency plan, under which EU fishermen would keep access to Britain’s fishing waters, he said: “I’m not asking to have my cake and eat it, no. All I want is a cake that’s worth its weight. Because I won’t give up my share of it either.”

The Bank of England said it had taken steps to keep banks lending through 2021 as Britain prepares for any market disruption from a big change in the trading relationship with the EU, while also dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic.

KFH–Bahrain announces Hamed Mashal as Head of Retail Banking

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Kuwait Finance House – Bahrain announced the appointment of Hamed Yousef Mashal as Head of Retail Banking.

Hamed Mashal brings over 15 years of banking experience and will spearhead the Bank’s efforts to develop retail banking, improve customer experience and consolidate the Bank’s leadership in availing banking services through its various digital platforms and branch network. He will take charge of the Bank’s branch network throughout Bahrain, and will oversee the functions of Consumer Finance, Business Development, Credit Cards and Electronic Channels.

Commenting on this occasion, Abdulhakeem Alkhayyat, KFH – Bahrain Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, said: “We are proud to see Hamed, who is a highly qualified professional, promoted from within the Bank to such a leadership role, underscoring the Bank’s success in at-



Hamed Mashal

tracting and developing competent national talent, and reflecting the viability and effectiveness of the Bank’s human capital development, growth and succession planning.”

Khalid Al-Maaraifi, Executive Manager of Retail & Private Banking in the Bank, also expressed pleasure with the appointment of Hamed Mashal to this role and

admired his extensive knowledge and experience which he will bring to retail banking.

Hamed Mashal has over fifteen years of banking experience, including thirteen years at KFH-Bahrain in a number of positions, in addition to his banking experience prior to joining the Bank. He holds a bachelor’s degree with honours in Computer and Business Studies from the University of Warwick in the United Kingdom. After joining KFH-Bahrain in 2007, Hamed received the Project Management Professional (PMP) certification, and subsequently obtained his Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) charter in 2010. He was also awarded with the Master of Business Administration with distinction from the Warwick Business School in 2016, followed by the MRICS qualification from the Royal Institute of Chartered Surveyors in 2017. He is the author of the book titled: “Islamic Real Estate Investment Trusts: A Property Selection Methodology”.

Tesla teams to visit Indonesia

Reuters | Jakarta

Tesla, the US automaker, will send delegations to Indonesia next month to discuss potential investment in a supply chain for its electric vehicles, the government said on Saturday in a statement.

President Joko Widodo has

touted Indonesia’s nickel reserves on a number of occasions, telling Reuters last month that “it’s very important because we have a great plan to make Indonesia the biggest producer of lithium batteries and we have the biggest nickel (reserves).”

The president and Luhut Pandjaitan, the coordinating minister

for maritime and investment, were on a call with Tesla CEO Elon Musk on Friday to discuss “investment opportunities from electric vehicles company Tesla in Indonesia,” the ministry said.

Tesla did not immediately respond to a Reuters request for comment.

Fiat CEO Manley in pole position for top job at Ferrari

Reuters | Milan

Fiat Chrysler Chief Executive Mike Manley is in pole position to take over the top job at Ferrari, Italian daily Il Messaggero said on Saturday in an unsourced report.

Ferrari and Fiat declined to comment.

Louis Camilleri retired with immediate effect

as CEO of Ferrari late on Thursday citing personal reasons, after being in the role for nearly two and a half years.

Italian newspapers have since speculated on a raft of possible successors.

According to Il Messaggero, a board meeting at Ferrari next week could name a new CEO.

Kingdom of Bahrain

بابكوBapco

The Bahrain Petroleum Company BSC (Closed) hereby invites tender for the following:

TENDER TITLE	TENDER No.	INITIAL BOND (BD)	TENDER FEES (BD)	TENDER SUBMISSION
				DAY DATE TIME
PROVISION OF RIGGERS FOR WAREHOUSE SECTION FOR 18 MONTH	22224	500/-	15.750	10-Jan-2021

The above public tenders are issued through Bapco's EAM (Oracle) system. Bapco invites interested Vendors with proven experience in providing the above services to participate in the above tenders. Registered suppliers with Bapco's EAM system can log in with their username and password and purchase the tender. Tender documents can be downloaded after paying the tender fee.

Unregistered suppliers can register by visiting the following website:
https://www.bapco.net/doing-business-with-us.html#prequalifications

Under prequalification, please select new supplier registration and complete the steps.

For further clarification you may contact Bapco Procurement Department at the Refinery on
Telephone 1775 5845, 1775 7054, 775 2995 or 17755684

Submission of the Tender is online through EAM system, but the Initial Bond is to be submitted in original. Initial Bond shall be payable by a Certified Cheque, Cash, Manager cheque, letter of guarantee or insurance policy. The Initial bond shall remain valid throughout the tender period specified in the relevant tender documents (6 months from the date of submission). Initial Bond can be submitted at old BBK Building (Procurement Department – Tendering Unit) located outside the refinery, near North Gate **between 9:00 am and 11:00 am on Sundays and Tuesdays only.**

This tender is subject to the provisions of Legislative Decree No.36 of 2002 with respect to Regulating Government Tenders & Purchases and the Legislative Decree No.37 of 2002 with respect to the Tender Law's implementing regulations.

The following conditions shall be complied with:

1. Enclose a copy of the Commercial Registration Certificate valid for the current year, and be in conformity with the subject tender.
2. Enclose a copy of Certificate of Compliance with the Employment Percentage for Bahraini Manpower issued by the Ministry of Labour.
3. Submit quotations on Tender Submission Form
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OF THE
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WHEN YOU GO IN SEARCH OF
HONEY YOU MUST EXPECT TO BE
STUNG BY BEES
JOSEPH JOUBERT

News in brief

S Korea issues temporary nationwide
standstill order to contain bird flu

◆ South
Korea's
agriculture



ministry issued a temporary nationwide standstill order for poultry farms and related transport yesterday in a bid to contain a wider spread of highly pathogenic bird flu. The movement control order has been put in place for 48 hours, effective from 1500 GMT Friday - midnight in South Korea - for all poultry

farms and livestock production facilities, including their vehicles and personnel, the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs said in a statement.

◆ The
United
Nations

Europeans, US accuse N Korea of using
pandemic to crack down on rights

Security Council discussed human rights abuses in North Korea after the issue was raised by seven members who accused Pyongyang of using the coronavirus pandemic "to crack down further on the human rights of its own people."

Germany, Britain, France, Belgium, Estonia, the United States and the Dominican

Republic brought up the issue in a closed-door virtual meeting after diplomats said Russia and China objected to a public briefing on the situation.



ICC prosecutor wants full
probe into Ukraine war crimes

◆ International
Criminal Court chief
prosecutor Fatou



Bensouda said that a "broad range" of war crimes were committed in the Ukraine since 2014, as she pushed for a full investigation. Hague-based ICC prosecutors launched a preliminary probe in 2015 after Kiev gave it the green light to look into alleged crimes committed during the pro-EU Maidan demonstrations, which came to a head in

February 2014 when pro-Moscow president Viktor Yanukovic was ousted.

◆ Switzerland has frozen the financial assets of the president of Belarus, Alexander Lukashenko, following the violent aftermath of the elections in the east European country. Lukashenko and son Viktor are among 15 people banned from entering or travelling through Switzerland, the government said. The individuals are alleged to be responsible for the use of violence and arbitrary arrests, it said.



Explosion near Baghdad airport,
cause unclear, no casualties

◆ An
explosion took
place near

Baghdad international airport in an area housing Iraqi military compounds, but caused no damage or casualties, security sources said. The sources said the blast was caused by an unidentified object, and that it was not clear whether it was a projectile or a planted device.

COVID-19: Countries worst affected

	Country	Total cases	Total deaths	Global tally
1	USA	16,359,904	303,600	71,797,890
2	India	9,854,201	142,994	
3	Brazil	6,843,232	180,552	Deaths
4	Russia	2,625,848	46,453	
5	France	2,351,372	57,567	1,607,590
6	UK	1,830,956	64,026	Recovered:
7	Italy	1,825,775	64,036	
8	Turkey	1,809,809	16,199	50,313,851
9	Spain	1,741,439	47,624	New cases
10	Argentina	1,489,328	40,606	
11	Colombia	1,408,909	38,669	+377,030
12	Germany	1,312,054	22,010	New deaths
13	Mexico	1,229,379	113,019	
14	Poland	1,126,700	22,676	+7,124

Figures as of closing

Middle East

Country	Total cases	new cases	Total deaths	New Deaths	Total recovered	Active cases
Egypt	120,611		6,877		104,499	9,235
Saudi Arabia	359,749	+166	6,036	+13	350,347	3,366
UAE	183,755	+1,154	609	+2	163,048	20,098
Kuwait	146,044	+255	911	+1	141,825	3,308
Oman	125,669		1,463		117,327	6,879
Qatar	140,827	+147	240		138,347	2,240

US FDA authorizes Pfizer Covid-19
vaccine for emergency use

AFP | Washington

The United States said it authorized the use of Pfizer Inc's COVID-19 vaccine, with the first inoculations expected within days, marking a turning point in a country where the pandemic has killed more than 295,000 people.

The US Food and Drug Administration granted an emergency use authorization for the vaccine, developed with German partner BioNTech, which was shown to be 95% effective in preventing the disease in a late-stage trial. It said the vaccine can be given to people aged 16 and older.



Vials are seen in front of a Pfizer logo

Healthcare workers and elderly people in long-term care facilities are expected to be the main recipients of a first round of 2.9 million doses this month.

BioNTech Chief Executive Ugur Sahin said the vaccine "will help to save lives across the United States and could accelerate a return to normality."

Trump signs bill averting
government shutdown



The US Capitol Building is seen following a rainstorm on Capitol Hill in Washington

Reuters | Washington

President Donald Trump, facing a midnight deadline on Friday, signed a one-week extension of expiring federal funding to avoid a government shutdown and to provide more time for separate talks on COVID-19 relief and an overarching spending bill.

The Republican-led Senate passed the bill on Friday afternoon after the Democratic-majority House of Representatives overwhelmingly approved the measure on Wednesday.

Without this legislation, an array of government programs faced partial shutdown, ranging from some airport operations to national parks and State Department activities.

With only a week before its next deadline on Dec. 18, Congress now will focus on passing a \$1.4 trillion bill to keep federal operations running through September 2021.

If it fails to reach an agreement by then, Congress would either have to pass another stopgap funding bill or trigger government closures.

Volunteer sleuths crack 'Zodiac' killer's coded message

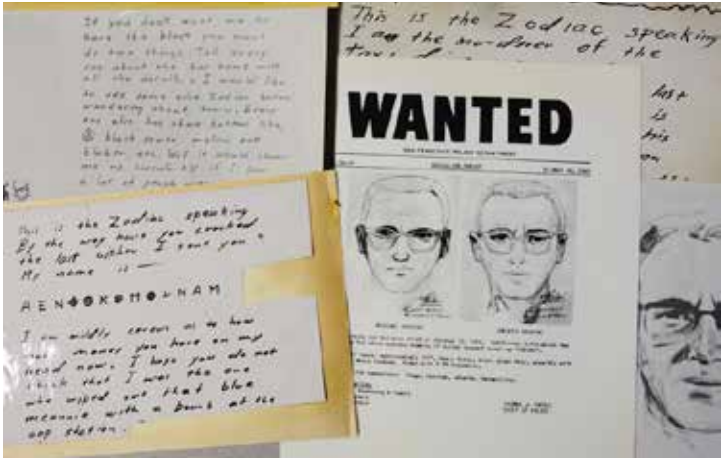
Reuters | San Francisco

A team of volunteer codebreakers has cracked a mysterious cipher sent more than 50 years ago to a newspaper by the San Francisco serial killer who called himself the Zodiac, the FBI said.

The Zodiac Killer - who was never caught - shot or stabbed seven people in the San Francisco Bay Area over the course of about year in 1968 and 1969, killing all but two of them. During his murderous spree, he sent a series of terrifying letters to the San Francisco Chronicle newspaper.

Some of the notes were in code, including a particularly complex missive with 340 characters that became known as the 340 cipher.

"I hope you are having lots of fun trying to catch me," said the cipher, cracked last week by code-breakers David Oranchak, Sam Blake and Jarl Van Eycke, according to a video posted on YouTube by Oranchak. "I am not afraid of the gas chamber because it will send me to paradise (sic)



A San Francisco Police Department wanted bulletin and copies of letters sent to the San Francisco Chronicle by a man who called himself Zodiac (file photo)

all the sooner because I now have enough slaves to work for me."

Like the murders themselves, solving the Zodiac ciphers has become an international fixation for true-crime followers.

Oranchak, whom the San Francisco Chronicle identified as a 46-year-old Web designer who lives in Virginia, said in the video he had hoped the cipher would

yield information about the killer's identity.

"The message doesn't really say a whole lot," he said. "It's more of the same attention-seeking junk from Zodiac."

The San Francisco office of the FBI on Friday confirmed that the group had cracked the coded message, and said the investigation into the half-century-old case was

India readies
million COVID

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● Vaccine to use
standard cold storage

Reuters | New Delhi

India will deploy its vast election machinery to deliver 600 million doses of COVID-19 vaccines to the most vulnerable people in the next six to eight months through conventional cold chain systems, the expert leading the initiative said.

The government has lined up cold storage facilities with temperatures between 2 to 8 degrees Celsius (36 to 48°F), said V.K. Paul, who heads the group of experts on vaccine administration for COVID-19 that advises India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

Paul said these preparations meet the requirements of what he said were the four emerging candidates in the race for India's vaccine.

"The four that I can see, including Serum, Bharat, Zydus, and Sputnik need normal cold chain. I see no problem for these vaccines," he told Reuters in an interview.

Serum Institute of India, the world's largest vaccine maker, is already mass producing and stockpiling AstraZeneca's Covishield shot, while Indian biotech players Bharat Biotech and Zydus Cadila are developing their own vaccine candidates.

And last month, Indian pharmaceutical player Hetero inked a deal with Russia's RDIF to manufacture over 100 million doses of the Russian Sputnik V COVID-19 vaccine per year in India.

The government expects the first approvals "very soon" from



An employee removes vials of AstraZeneca inspection machine inside a lab at Serum I

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the independent drug regulator for emergency use, he said.

"I am hoping at the earliest because we are ready."

The government, however, was yet to have formal talks on pricing and had no firm purchase orders, he said.

"The Indian companies know the government will give a fair and reasonable price."

Supplies and storage

At present, Indian regulators are considering three vaccines for emergency use authorisation,

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ongoing.

"The FBI is aware that a cipher attributed to the Zodiac Killer was recently solved by private citizens," the FBI said in a statement posted on Twitter. "The Zodiac Killer terrorized multiple communities across Northern California, and even though decades have gone by, we continue to seek justice for the victims of these brutal crimes."

No one was ever charged in the Zodiac case, and theories abound as to the killer's real identity. The case has inspired numerous books and movies, including 1971's "Dirty Harry" starring Clint Eastwood and 2007's "Zodiac" with Robert Downey Jr.

1577

Sir Francis Drake sets sail from England on a circumnavigation of the world



1920

League of Nations establishes the International Court of Justice in The Hague

2002

Enlargement of the European Union: The European Union announces that Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Slovakia, and Slovenia will become members from May 1, 2004.

2003

Former Iraqi President Saddam Hussein is captured near his home town of Tikrit, during Operation Red Dawn by US forces

for 600 vaccine jabs

attempt to deliver 600 million doses of ion machinery



India's COVISHIELD vaccine from a visual institute of India, in Pune



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including those from Pfizer Inc, AstraZeneca and Bharat Biotech.

But, Pfizer's limited stockpiles and its extreme storage condition requirements at minus 70 degrees Celsius or below, would likely limit its use in India, which lacks such infrastructure.

"In a theoretical scenario, where there is no vaccine with conventional cold chain requirement, minus 70 degrees Celsius capacities will have to be created, and we will do so," Paul said.

Paul said the government is also in talks with Moderna, which also has requirements for ultra-cold storage.

India does not anticipate supplies from either Pfizer or Moderna until the second half of next year, said Paul.

"We would like to work with them (Moderna) to make that vaccine available in India, and (ensure) that vaccine is also manufactured in India - for us and for other countries. This is the call we

have given to Pfizer also and we are in touch with them as well."

Paul said India may still consider granting Pfizer emergency use authorisation, despite it not having conducted safety and immune response trials in India, but said that decision would be taken by the drugs regulator.

"As of now, it is a norm or standard operating procedure that any vaccine marketed in India should have human study results from the Indian subjects," he said.

India has the world's second highest caseload of coronavirus behind the United States, but its death rate has been far lower.

Still, Paul said the immediate task was to protect lives and the government had prepared a plan to administer vaccines to 300 million people - or 600 million doses at two jabs each - in the first part of the programme.

Car hits multiple protesters in New York, causing injuries

AFP | New York

A car ploughed into a crowd of about 50 people at a protest that spilled into the streets of Manhattan, injuring several people, according to New York City police and local media reports.

The woman behind the wheel of the BMW sedan was detained for questioning by law enforcement, the New York City Police Department said. The incident occurred just after 4 p.m. at the corner of 39th Street and Third Avenue in the Murray Hill neighbourhood adjacent to Midtown Manhattan, police said.

None of the injuries appeared to be life threatening, and the motorist involved remained at the scene, police said. Few other official details were immediately available. Local media reports said six people were struck by the car, but it was unclear as to how many people



New York Police Department officers surround a car after it struck protesters

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Some accounts on social media described a chaotic scene around a stopped car surrounded by pro-testers, before the vehicle lurched into the crowd, sending some people and bicycles tumbling. Police and several local media outlets said the protest was sponsored by the racial justice group Black Lives Matter.

Foreign aid convoy reaches capital of Ethiopia's scarred Tigray

AFP | Addis Ababa

The first international aid convoy arrived yesterday in the capital of Ethiopia's Tigray region since fighting broke out more than a month ago, triggering a refugee crisis and humanitarian disaster.

The International Committee of the Red Cross said seven trucks brought medicines and medical equipment for 400 wounded as well as relief supplies to Mekele, a city of half a million that had been all-but cut off to foreign aid since the conflict began on November 4.

"It is the first international aid to arrive in Mekele since fighting erupted in Tigray more than one month ago,"



People wait in line for food aid at a refugee camp

the Geneva-based ICRC said, describing health care facilities in the city as "paralysed".

Patrick Youssef, ICRC regional director for Africa, said the supplies would "reduce those impossible life-or-death triage decisions" for doctors and nurses in Mekele who had endured for weeks without running water and electricity, let alone essential medicines.

One civilian killed in Kabul rocket attack



A damaged car windshield is seen after rockets were fired in Kabul

AFP | Kabul

A series of rockets struck the Afghan capital yesterday, killing one person and wounding two, the interior ministry said, the second such attack to rock Kabul in less than a month.

"This morning, 10 rockets were fired from the Labe Jar neighbourhood of Kabul," ministry spokesman Tariq Arian told reporters.

He said three rockets landed near Kabul airport and seven in residential areas, leaving one civilian dead and two wounded.

No group has claimed the attack so far and the Taliban denied any involvement.

Kabul police confirmed the early morning attack.

The barrage of rockets yesterday was the second such attack in less than a month in Kabul.

On November 21, eight people were killed when 23 rockets hit the capital in an attack claimed by the Islamic State group.

Violence has surged across Afghanistan in recent months, with several deadly attacks carried out in Kabul, despite the Taliban and the government engaging in peace talks since September 12 in Qatar.

Mexican archaeologists uncover facade of Aztec skull tower in capital

Reuters | Mexico City

Archaeologists have unearthed new sections of a famous Aztec tower of human skulls dating back to the 1400s beneath the centre of Mexico City, authorities said.

The team uncovered in March the facade and eastern side of the tower, as well as 119 human skulls of men, women and children, adding to hundreds previously found, according to the National Institute of Anthropology and History (INAH).

The tower, approximately five meters (16.4 feet) in diameter, was first discovered five years ago.

It is believed to be part of the Huey Tzompantli, a huge array of skulls that struck fear into the Spanish conquistadores when they captured the city under Hernan Cortes in 1521.

The cylindrical structure is near the huge Metropolitan Cathedral built over the Templo Mayor, one of the main temples



Skulls are seen at the site of excavation

of the Aztec capital Tenochtitlan, now modern day Mexico City.

"The Templo Mayor continues to surprise us, and the Huey Tzompantli is without doubt one of the most impressive archaeological finds of recent years in our country," Mexican Culture Minister Alejandra Frausto said in a INAH statement.

Archaeologists have identified three construction phases of the tower, which dates back to between 1486 and 1502.

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"Although we can't say how many of these individuals were warriors, perhaps some were captives destined for sacrificial ceremonies," said archaeologist Raul Barrera.

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TWEETS

01



Wow! Thousands of people forming in Washington (D.C.) for Stop the Steal. Didn't know about this, but I'll be seeing them! #MAGA @realDonaldTrump

02



There are just a few days left of Obamacare's open enrollment for 2021 coverage. Don't wait - visit <http://healthcare.gov> today to find an affordable, quality plan that works for you.

@JoeBiden

03



Bringing an end to this pandemic will require everyone to do their part this weekend and beyond: wear a mask, maintain social distancing, and limit your travel when possible.

@KamalaHarris

04



Saturday marks 5 years since the adoption of the #ParisAgreement. As the world works towards recovery from the impacts of #COVID19, we cannot go back to the old normal of inequality and fragility. We must step towards a safer, more sustainable path..

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CELEBS

Amy Adams set for a new 'Enchanted' outing

IAN S | Los Angeles

Actress Amy Adams will be reprising her role as Princess Giselle in the sequel of Enchanted. The six-time Academy Award-nominated star will return to role in the sequel titled Disenchanted.

The series will stream on Disney+. The company shared the news during its Investor Day, reports variety.com.

A parody of Disney classics, the first film featured princess Giselle being catapulted into modern New York, where she rejects Prince Edward (James Marsden) and finds her true love in divorce-lawyer Robert Phillip (Patrick Dempsey).

Enchanted earned three Oscar nominations in the Best Original Song category for "Happy working song", "So close", and "That's how you know" -- all from Alan Menken and Stephen Schwartz. Adams earned a Golden Globe nomination for her portrayal of the princess.

The film was a global hit, and registered business of over \$340 million in worldwide box office. Disney has reportedly been developing the sequel since 2010.

Amy Adams



Chris Evans to voice Buzz Lightyear in new film

IAN S | Los Angeles

Hollywood's Captain America Chris Evans is set to voice the iconic action figure Buzz Lightyear in an animated film, titled Lightyear.

Pixar's Chief Creative Officer Pete Docter made the announcement on Thursday during Disney Investor Day, reports variety.com.

The animated project is being billed as the "definitive story of the original Buzz Lightyear". Buzz Lightyear is the hero who inspired the toy, voiced by Tim Allen in four "Toy Story" films. The new film will be released in the theaters on June 17, 2022.

Evans is excited about the project, and has assured fans about the project, saying "everyone can rest easy. And get very excited."

"Working with Pixar is a dream come true. I've been a massive fan of their films since the very beginning. My team could barely contain their excitement when they told me that Pixar had a pitch for me. All they said was 'Buzz Lightyear'. I didn't know what that meant, since Tim Allen is Buzz Lightyear, and no one could ever touch his performance," he wrote on Instagram.

He continued: "I needed to know how this character was different and why this story was worth telling. I can say 2 things with absolute confidence: 1.. I didn't stop smiling through the ENTIRE pitch. Ear to ear.

2. Everyone can rest easy. And get very excited."

Assuring fans, Evans wrote: "Trust me when I say that they REALLY know what they're doing over there. This one is gonna special, and it doesn't step on a single thing. I can't even put my excitement into words. I smile every time I think about it. #LIGHTYEAR."

Evans took to Twitter to emphasise Lightyear's new approach to the character, writing: "Just to be clear, this isn't Buzz Lightyear the toy. This is the origin story of the human Buzz Lightyear that the toy is based on."

Also on the way from Pixar is an original film from Domee Shi, director of the Oscar-winning short "Bao". Titled "Turning Red", the film will follow a teenager named Mei, who turns into a giant red panda when she gets too excited. "Turning Red" will open on the big screen on March 11, 2022.

Chris Evans



Isla Fisher: Social media need to be re-thought in a major way

IAN S | Los Angeles

Hollywood star Isla Fisher feels social media is being used to spread conspiracy and hate, saying it needs a bit of re-thought.

"I think social media just as a platform has to just be re-thought in a major way. It's spreading conspiracy and hate and lies and it's threatening our planet and democracy and the publisher should abide by, they are publishers, basic practices and standards and not be spreading nonsense and being a platform for hate groups to join up," Fisher said.

"So, I'm a big believer now that we're on a precipice. We need to get involved and stop, you know, stop these big corporations changing the way we all think and not being able to tell what to believe or what not to believe," she added.

On work front, Fisher is currently seen in fantasy comedy "Godmothered". The film starring Fisher tries giving a spin to several fairytale cliches. In the film, she is seen as a single mother whose life takes an unexpected turn with the entry of a young and fairly inexperienced fairy godmother played by Jillian Bell.

"Godmothered" also stars Santiago Cabrera, Mary Elizabeth Ellis, Jane Curtin, June Squibb, Jillian Shea Spader, Willa Skye, Artemis Pebdani, and Utkarsh Ambudkar.

Isla Fisher



Christian Bale joins 'Thor: Love and Thunder' as villain

ANI | Washington

English actor Christian Bale, former star of Christopher Nolan's 'Batman' trilogy has joined the Marvel Cinematic Universe's (MCU) upcoming film, 'Thor: Love and Thunder'.

According to Fox News, the news was one of the dozens of announcements regarding new Marvel projects made at Disney's investor presentation on late Thursday (local time).

But don't expect Bale to play one of MCU's legendary good guys. He will be playing the flick's villain, Gorr the God Butcher.

As per Collider, Gorr had a tough life and lost his pregnant wife to an earthquake and the rest of his children to the difficult conditions of his nameless home-world.

After the tragedies, Gorr sets out to kill gods of all sorts, such as the titular Thor.

As reported by Fox News, while well known for his dual roles of Batman and

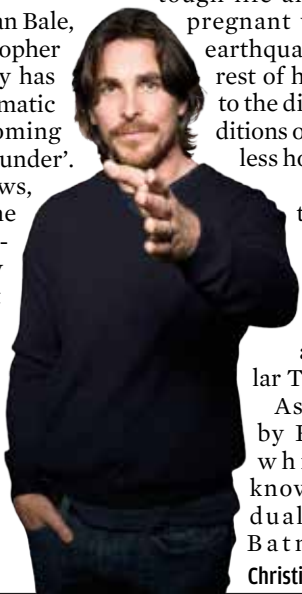
Bruce Wayne, Bale has been nominated for four Academy Awards and won an Oscar in 2011 for his work in 'The Fighter'.

Bale will join franchise star Chris Hemsworth, Tessa Thompson and Natalie Portman in the film.

Portman will reprise her role as Jane Foster, but will also take up the mantle of Thor at some point in the film, per Variety.

It was also announced that Chris Pratt will reprise his role as Peter Quill from the 'Guardians of the Galaxy' franchise for the film -- seemingly fitting as Quill jetted off with Thor in tow at the conclusion of 'Avengers: Endgame.'

Christian Bale



Chris Hemsworth claps back after Ryan Reynolds' mom gets involved in their playful feud

FOX | Los Angeles

Chris Hemsworth is not holding back.

The 37-year-old "Thor" actor hit back at Ryan Reynolds after the "Deadpool" star convinced his mother to jokingly trash-talk Hemsworth.

Earlier this week, Reynolds,

44, shared a video on Twitter of his mother reading a list of insults directed at Hemsworth written by her son.

"Chris Hemsworth is everyone's least favourite Australian. And as a reminder, Hugh Jackman still exists," began the star's mother. "Chris is a no-good a--hat who looks like a bodybuilder f--ked a platypus."

All in good fun, Hemsworth shared a video on Instagram just a day later on Tuesday to return the favour.

"Hey Ryan Reynolds, what's up man? Saw that you got your mom to trash talk me, say some horrible things about me, so got my dad here to say a few things about you,"

Hemsworth began, sitting beside a friend who insists he isn't the actor's father.

"Tell him all the stuff that we discussed," the actor tells his "dad." "You hate him, he's a d--head ... the worst actor, your least favourite Canadian in the whole world ... and you said you hate Aviation Gin because it's

disgusting ..."

As Hemsworth's pal insisted he never made any of those claims, the actor slammed Reynolds' "Green Lantern" film.

"It's not the best movie ever," he joked. "Even if you liked it, it's not the best movie."

Chris Hemsworth

Ryan Reynolds



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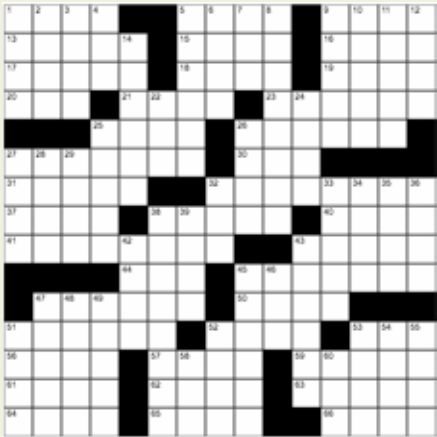
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Yesterday's solution

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BTC Juniors Tennis Tournament concludes



Winners with officials during the closing ceremony

TDT | Manama

More than 50 players participated in the BTC Juniors Tennis Tournament organized by Bahrain Tennis Club which concluded on Friday.

President of the Bahrain Tennis Club, Khamis Muhammad Al-Muqla, expressed

his happiness with this great participation of the youth, and thanked them for their stunning matches with a high sportsmanship. He presented trophies and medals to the players who won the first places and also presented certificates of participation to all players during the closing ceremony.

Winners of the tournament

UNISEX UNDER 10 SINGLES

Champion : ALANNA CIFRA (PHI)
Runner Up : MATHIAS HEDOUIN (FRA)

UNISEX UNDER 12 SINGLES

Champion : AHMED RAYAN (IND)
Runner Up: ADRIAN CIFRA (PHI)

UNISEX UNDER 16 SINGLES

Champion : ABINAV VASHISHT (IND)
Runner UP : ALSTON D'SOUZA (IND)

UNISEX 16 UNDER DOUBLES

Champion : Eira Corral (PHI) / Alston D'souza (IND)
Runner up: ABHINAV VASHIST (IND) / EZRA CYLDE (IND)
Score 6-4 2-6 10-5

Bahrain selected as qualifiers host again

Manama confirmed to be host of two groups in February of next year for third and final window of 2021 FIBA Asia Cup qualification

● Eight nations to be represented in games, including India, Lebanon, Iraq, Palestine, Kazakhstan, Jordan, Sri Lanka and hosts Bahrain

● Full schedule of qualifiers to be announced in due course by FIBA Asia

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Bahrain has once again been selected to host a window of qualifiers for the 2021 FIBA Asia Cup.

This has been confirmed by the FIBA Regional Office Asia.

The games will be held between February 18 and 22 next year, and the Kingdom will be the venue from for two groups yet again, featuring a total of eight nations.

The games will be part of the last window in this stage of qualification. Playing in Bahrain will be the teams in Group D including India, Lebanon, Iraq and the host Bahrainis; and in Group F including Palestine, Kazakhstan, Jordan and Sri Lanka.

The other host cities are Clark



Bahrain's national team players celebrate their win against India in the last window of qualifiers held late last month

in the Philippines, Tokyo in Japan and Doha in Qatar.

Clark will also see eight national teams competing. They are Group A countries South Korea, Thailand, Indonesia and the host Filipinos, as well as Australia, New Zealand, Guam and Hong Kong.

Tokyo will host Group B, featuring Chinese Taipei, Malaysia, China and the host Japanese; whereas Doha will stage Group E games with Iran, Syria, Saudi Arabia and home team Qatar.

The most important criteria in choosing the hosts, like for the previous window, was health and travel guarantees and compliance with FIBA health protocols, including testing and controlled entry into a secure

environment, according to FIBA.

The exact schedule of games will be confirmed at a later stage.

Bahrain have already secured their place in next year's FIBA Asia Cup, having won their two games in the second window of qualifiers held last month and earlier this month in the Kingdom. The Bahrainis first defeated Iraq, and then scooped their second win of this stage against India. They now have a 3-1 win-loss record with two games to play in Group D, and, along with groups leaders Lebanon, are already through to the continental showcase.

They are the first teams to have ensured their berths in the now quadrennial tournament.



The 2021 FIBA Asia Cup qualifiers are being organised as protected environment tournaments in order to ensure the health and safety of all participants

Aside from booking their Asia Cup tickets, which will be their first appearance in the competition since 2013 and ninth overall, Bahrain have also secured their place in the qualification tournament for the FIBA World Cup 2023.

The World Cup qualifiers will be played over a period of 15 months, beginning in November of next year. Bahrain will be one of 80 countries from around the world competing for 32 spots in basketball's showcase event, which will be jointly hosted by Indonesia, Japan and the Philippines. The World Cup field will include eight teams from Asia and Oceania, 12 from Europe, seven from the Americas, and five from Africa.

Verstappen claims first pole of season in Abu Dhabi

AFP | Abu Dhabi

Red Bull's Max Verstappen clinched his maiden pole position of the campaign on Saturday for the season-ending Abu Dhabi Grand Prix.

The Dutch driver edged Valtteri Bottas in second and the Finn's Mercedes teammate Lewis Hamilton, who is racing for the first time since winning the championship after contracting coronavirus, in third for Sunday's Grand Prix.

It was Verstappen's first pole since the 2019 Brazilian Grand Prix and the third of his career after clocking his best lap in one minute and 35.246 seconds to beat Bottas by 0.025 seconds.

The top three were separated by only 0.086sec, but it was a disappointment for Mercedes who missed out on pole for only the second time this year. Lance Stroll of the Mercedes-powered Racing Point team claimed the other.

Lando Norris, equalling his previous best, was fourth for McLaren ahead of Alex Albon in the second Red Bull and Carlos Sainz in the second McLaren.

Having said on Thursday he expected to claim 'his seat' for third place again, Verstappen was delighted.

"I am very happy with that.



Max Verstappen celebrates with his team after the qualifying session



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MAX VERSTAPPEN

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"It's a long season for every-

one with a lot of races in a row so this was good for the whole team."

Hamilton said he gave it his best, following his illness.

"Honestly, I am really grateful to be back with the team – it's been a difficult weekend getting back in the rhythm," the Briton said.

"I gave it my all. Congratulations to Max. It's a great way for him to seal a year of great performances. We will give them a good run for their money."

Kevin Magnussen was the first man out, followed by his Haas team-mate Pietro Fittipaldi, as the sun began to fall at the Yas Marina Circuit and, most probably, on the Dane's F1 career in the American team's 100th Grand Prix.

Saudi Arabia pulls out of hosting Spanish Super Cup

Reuters | Riyadh

This season's Spanish Super Cup will be played in the region of Andalusia and not in Saudi Arabia in January due to the coronavirus pandemic, El Pais newspaper reported on Saturday.

The Spanish soccer federation (RFEF) agreed a three-year deal worth a reported 120 million euros (\$145 million) with the Saudi sports authority in 2019 to expand the competition and play the game in the Middle East.

Real Madrid were crowned champions of the first edition of



The players make their way onto the pitch ahead of the Spanish Super Cup final between Real Madrid and Atletico Madrid in Jeddah (file photo)

the four-team competition held in Jeddah in January.

El Pais reported, however, that the Saudis did not wish to hold the tournament until coronavirus restrictions were lifted and spectators were able to attend matches, adding they had agreed to extend the deal with the federation by a year to compensate for the loss in revenue. The Spanish soccer federation would not confirm the change but said an announcement would be made soon.

La Liga champions Real Madrid and runners-up Barcelona have qualified for the Super Cup alongside Copa del Rey finalists Real Sociedad and Athletic Bilbao, who have still not played last season's showpiece game due to coronavirus restrictions.

The Spanish Super Cup used to be the season curtain raiser, a game held in August between the league champions and Cup winners until the federation voted to expand it in 2019.

The El Pais report said the final would take place on Jan. 17 in Seville's La Cartuja stadium, while the semi-finals would be held on Jan. 13 and 14, either in Seville, Malaga or Cordoba.

Spectators are unlikely to be allowed in to attend matches due to ongoing restrictions in Spain.



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A TDT EXCLUSIVE

Conquering the Dakar Rally

Bahrain Raid Xtreme confident of making competitive debut in gruelling race's 2021 edition in Saudi Arabia in January

TDT | Manama

Bahrain Raid Xtreme (BRX) are in high spirits as they head into the final lead-up to the 2021 Dakar Rally, which takes place in Saudi Arabia from January 3 to 15, starting and finishing in Jeddah.

BRX, a joint venture between Mumtalakat and world-leading British motorsport business Prodrive, have been busy for much of the past couple of years developing the cars that will be taking on the challenge, and with the big event just weeks away, BRX team director and Prodrive founder and chairman David Richards, CBE, is looking forward to making a strong debut.

Richards has claimed six World Rally Championship titles, five Le Mans wins and experience leading successful teams in Formula 1. However, the Dakar is the challenge he has yet to undertake, and for Bahrain, BRX is the nation's latest foray in motorsport.

BRX have the ultimate driver pairing of Nani Roma and Sebastian Loeb piloting the team's two T1 cars. The T1 is a four-wheel-drive (FWD) vehicle powered by a 3.5-litre turbo-charged petrol V6 engine. It has been undergoing an intensive testing programme over the past several weeks in the UK and Dubai, and Richards says that the feedback from Roma and Loeb has been tremendously encouraging.

"Both of them are very positive about the car," Richards told TDT in an exclusive interview.



David Richards, CBE



You need to do thousands and thousands of kilometres of testing to find all the little problems you are likely to encounter in an event. We've made the changes, modified the cars as we've gone along, but when the event starts in the beginning of January, I'm sure we'll encounter other issues that I'm sure we weren't anticipating. It will be very unusual to expect a win first time out, but I fully expect us to be highly competitive. It's a quick car

BRX TEAM DIRECTOR DAVID RICHARDS, CBE

"Sebastien describes it just like a World Rally car, FWD with a turbo which he is used to driving, albeit a little heavier and larger.

"Nani has done a lot of the testing and has done a great job; he tells me in all the conditions it handles exceptionally, even the sand dunes in the different areas as well. He's been very

impressed by it. Very positive feedback from both the drivers."

With decades of experience in various categories of motorsport, Richards understands the complications a team can face in their first appearance in a race such as the Dakar. He therefore admits that expecting a victory this year for BRX is "unusual", but he is fully confident that they will be competitive.

"Nobody's ever had a victory the first time out with a new car," Richards explains. "New cars, inevitably in an event like this, turn up some problems you haven't experienced during testing.



BRX drivers Nani Roma, left, and Sebastian Loeb, second from right, with their navigators during testing



The team's T1 car builds on Prodrive's experience competing at the highest levels of world motorsport for over three decades and has been styled by Ian Callum, one of the world's leading motor-sport designers

"I expect us to be competitive and I expect us to be very quick. The car has certainly proven that in testing. You need to do thousands and thousands of kilometres of testing to find all the little problems you are likely to encounter in an event. We've been in the UAE testing for two months now, we've done thousands of kilometres and they've experienced the usual such problems as you'd ex-

pect. We've made the changes, modified the cars as we've gone along, but when the event starts in the beginning of January, I'm sure we'll encounter other issues that I'm sure we weren't anticipating.

"It will be very unusual to expect a win first time out, but I fully expect us to be highly competitive. It's a quick car."

Richards is excited about taking on the unique Saudi terrain, which was showcased to the world for the first time in the previous edition of the Dakar held earlier this year.

The course for next year is brand new and the most unforgiving one to date. Teams will be tested to the limit across 11 stages, spanning thousands of miles that will include dunes, desert and rocks. Alongside the all-new route, rally organisers have unveiled a set of new regulations, designed to increase the

sporting challenge.

"Saudi has one of the most unique places in the world," Richards says. "For having such diversity and ideal terrain for an event like Dakar—mountains, deserts, dunes—it's a perfect venue for the event.

"I'm very pleased to see that. My history in the Middle East goes back to 1976 when I organised the first rally in Kuwait. Shortly afterwards, I came to Bahrain the following year and organised an international rally in Bahrain.

"So I've watched motorsport in the Middle East develop from the Grand Prix circuit in Bahrain to other events around the Gulf. Now watching Saudi Arabia open up is very exciting."

BRX's equipment has already begun making its way to Jeddah, while the team members are scheduled to fly out after Christmas for the 2021 Dakar.

How was BRX established? Team director David Richards, CBE, explains:

"It started over two years ago. Prodrive started designing a car for the Dakar. We decided that we've done cross-country events a long time ago, and we were looking at new regulations and new motorsport categories that we thought we could get involved in. The Dakar looked perfect for our skill-set and the capabilities of our company.

"I came to the Bahrain Grand Prix and was chatting with His Royal Highness the Crown Prince, and we talked about the Dakar Rally. At the time, they had just announced Saudi Arabia, and he said wouldn't it be a good idea if Bahrain was involved in it somehow. That was the start of the discussion. Clearly it went on some time later. It needed to be a commercially viable proposition from our points of view.

"It's a long-term partnership for five years. We will be building customer competition cars as well. After this Dakar, we already have the first three cars agreed for different customers and will participate in future events."



The BRX T1 car in action during tests

Roma-Loeb form formidable partnership

BRX will have Spaniard Nani Roma and Frenchman Sebastian Loeb in their two cars for the 2021 Dakar Rally.

Roma has previously won the Dakar both on a bike and in a car, and joins BRX with a wealth of experience that will prove invaluable as the team prepares for one of the biggest challenges in motorsport. He has competed in 24 Dakar Rallies, not having missed an event since 1996. He competed for the first nine years on a bike, claiming victory in 2004, before switching disciplines to compete in cars—taking his second Dakar victory in 2014. This makes 48-year-old Roma one of only three people to ever win the Dakar on both two and four wheels.

Loeb has more than 20 years of rally experience—having won the World Rally Championship a record nine times in a row. The 46-year-old is no stranger to the Dakar Rally, having made his maiden appearance in 2016 before featuring for four consecutive years, claiming two podiums in the process. Loeb has also added to his experience in the FIA World Touring Championship, 24 Hours of Le Mans, X Games, Formula 1 tests, and the FIA GT Series.



Muharraq's Sayed Mohammed Hameed looks to score against tough Sitra defence

Muharraq, Samaheej claim victories in basketball league

TDT | Manama

Muharraq registered a hard-earned 88-78 victory over Sitra last night to continue their winning start to the 2020/2021 Zain Bahrain Basketball League.

Sitra held a slim lead after the first two quarters, going ahead 48-46 at the interval. But Muharraq had a dominant third quarter in which they outscored their rivals by 15, 23-8, to take control of the game, and then did well in the final period to hold on to their advantage.

Muharraq led by as many as 15 points in the contest. Sitra were able to get within seven points in the fourth, but no closer.

American professional Murphy Holloway and Younes Kuwayed both scored 18 points to lead the victors. Holloway also took down 19 rebounds. Team captain Bader Abdulla Malabes and Mohammed Juma'a chipped in with 14 points apiece.

For Sitra, Lebanese import Kareem Ezzeddine was the game's leading scorer with 37. He was



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red hot from beyond the arc, firing in five three-pointers, while also grabbing 14 boards. Husain Safar was Sitra's only other player in double-figures with 11.

In yesterday's other game, Samaheej defeated Bahrain Club 75-72 to register their second successive triumph to start the new season.

League action continues tonight with another two games on schedule. At 5.30pm, defending champions Al Ahli take on Nuwaidrat, followed at 7.45pm by Al Hala playing Al Ettihad.