

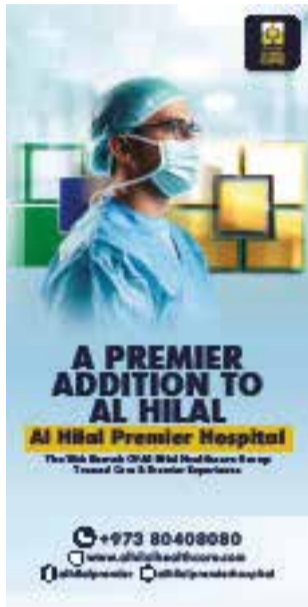
**France Outlast Senegal
 After Second-Half
 Fireworks**

France edged Senegal 3-1 in their 2026 World Cup opener at MetLife Stadium, going top of Group I ahead of Iraq and Norway. | P12

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Gulf states help turn the tide

Trump commends Gulf leadership as Iran agreement edges closer



FM holds back-to-back regional diplomacy talks
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Foreign Minister Dr Abdullah bin Rashid Al Zayani held separate telephone talks with his counterparts in Jordan and Saudi Arabia on Tuesday, focusing on bilateral relations and regional developments.

During his call with Jordanian Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Ayman Safadi, the two ministers reviewed ties between the two countries, discussed ways to enhance cooperation, and exchanged views on regional issues and their impact on peace and security. They also discussed Arab coordination and joint action.

In a separate call, Dr Al Zayani and Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Faisal bin Farhan Al Saud reviewed Bahrain-Saudi relations, Gulf cooperation and ongoing efforts to strengthen regional stability and security.

US-Iran deal to be signed in Switzerland
 Geneva, Switzerland

A US-Iran deal aimed at ending the Middle East war will be signed at Switzerland's mountainside Burgenstock resort on Friday, the Swiss foreign ministry said.

Tehran and Washington announced Sunday they had agreed a memorandum of understanding aimed at ending the conflict, which broke out on February 28 with US-Israeli strikes on Iran and engulfed the Middle East.

US president warns Iran of severe consequences if it seeks to acquire a nuclear weapon under the proposed agreement.

UAE hailed as a 'powerful ally' during summit talks

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Qatar and the United Arab Emirates received strong backing from US President Donald Trump during a series of high-level meetings at the G7 Summit in Evian-les-Bains, as Gulf diplomacy took centre stage in efforts to secure regional stability and advance a landmark agreement with Iran.

Meeting separately with Qatari Emir Sheikh Tamim

bin Hamad Al Thani and UAE President Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Trump praised both leaders for their roles in addressing regional challenges and supporting diplomatic efforts.

Trump credited Qatar with helping advance negotiations that led to a US-Iran agreement aimed at preventing Tehran from acquiring a nuclear weapon.

"Working with Qatar was really a pleasure," Trump said, describing the country as a key partner in efforts to reduce tensions and promote stability. He also praised Doha's support during a critical period, noting Qatar's proximity to Iran and its role in helping maintain diplomatic momentum.

He said the agreement would ensure Iran does not develop, purchase or acquire a nuclear weapon, warning that "all hell will rain down" if Tehran violated its commitments. Trump

added that the deal was moving into a second phase of negotiations and expressed confidence that Iran wanted to move forward quickly.

Sheikh Tamim welcomed the progress, saying continued momentum could deliver important benefits for the region and contribute to long-term stability. He reaffirmed Qatar's readiness to support efforts aimed at securing a lasting agreement.

In a separate meeting, Trump described the UAE as a "powerful ally" and praised Sheikh Mohamed's leadership.

"I just want to say His Highness is a warrior," Trump said. "He's a courageous man, and he has a fantastic country."

Trump expressed confidence that the Strait of Hormuz would

be fully open by Friday under the emerging agreement with Iran.

He said shipping traffic through the strategic waterway had already begun moving normally, while oil exports were resuming and prices were easing, developments expected to reduce pressure on global energy markets and regional trade routes.



The proposed US-Iran agreement aims to prevent Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapon. In return for compliance, the deal envisages sanctions relief, the reopening of the Strait of Hormuz to commercial shipping, and renewed Iranian oil exports.

Health Minister joins Ebola outbreak meeting



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Health Minister Dr Jaleela bint Al Sayed Jawad Hassan joined a high-level virtual meeting of African leaders and international partners to discuss the Ebola (Bundibugyo) outbreak and response efforts.

Organised by the Africa CDC and chaired by African Union Chairperson and Burundian President Évariste Ndayishimiye, the meeting included representatives from the WHO and international organisations.

Dr Jaleela stressed the importance of global cooperation, surveillance, early detection, stronger healthcare systems and uninterrupted medical supply chains in tackling the outbreak.

Participants reviewed the latest developments and challenges before adopting a joint statement supporting efforts to contain the disease and safeguard global health.

At G7, Egypt's Sisi urges Israel to halt Gaza seizure
 Cairo, Egypt

Egyptian President Abdel Fattah al-Sisi yesterday urged Israel to abandon its plan to take control of 70% of Gaza, as he attended the G7 summit in France.

Last month, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu ordered the military to take control of more territory in the battered Gaza Strip, flouting the terms of a fragile ceasefire that took effect in October.

He said Israeli forces initially controlled about 50 percent of the enclave under the truce before advancing to around 60 percent and then directing a move towards 70%.

"Only 30% of the Strip is effectively left for the Palestinian people," Sisi said, at a G7 summit session on Middle East stability in the French resort of Evian.

This approach "must stop immediately", he added at the session which was also attended by G7 and EU leaders as well as the leaders of the United Arab Emirates and Qatar.

A New Era in Clinical Training

University of Bahrain launches clinical simulation centre

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The University of Bahrain (UoB) has inaugurated an Advanced Clinical Simulation Centre designed to strengthen healthcare education and help prepare the next generation of healthcare professionals.

The facility was inaugurated by Lieutenant General Dr Shaikh Mohammed bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, Chairman of the Supreme Council of Health.

He described the centre as a strategic investment in national talent that will enhance the quality of healthcare education and training while supporting the delivery of sustainable, high-quality healthcare



services.

Education Minister and UoB Board of Trustees Chairman Dr Mohammed bin Mubarak Juma said the centre reflects the university's commitment to experiential learning.

UoB President Dr Fuad Mohammed Al Ansari said the fa-

cility will give students access to advanced simulation technologies that help prepare highly qualified healthcare professionals.

Dr Lina Mohammed Khanji, Dean of the College of Health

and Sport Sciences, said clinical simulation plays an increasingly important role in improving patient safety and the quality of care.

The centre features 15 advanced simulation models that support realistic training and multidisciplinary learning.

It serves undergraduate and postgraduate nursing programmes in areas including emergency care, critical care, paediatrics, maternity care, mental health and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).

