

Bangladesh powered to the second highest run chase in World Cup history as Shakib Al Hasan's brilliant century clinched a remarkable seven-wicket win over the West Indies yesterday. **P16**



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Houthis accused of diverting aid
 New York

The head of the United Nations food agency has accused Yemen's Houthi rebels of diverting food from the country's hungriest people and threatened to suspend food aid.

David Beasley, executive director of the World Food Programme (WFP), said the agency had found "serious evidence" that food supplies had been diverted in the capital, Sana'a and other Houthi-controlled areas in the country, which is in the midst of a four-year civil war. He called on the Houthis to implement agreements that would allow the UN agency to operate independently.

Looming Iran nuclear threat
 Tehran

Iran has announced it will breach on 27 June the limit on its stockpile of enriched uranium that was set under a 2015 nuclear deal with world powers.

Its atomic energy agency said it had quadrupled production of the material, which is used to make reactor fuel and potentially nuclear weapons.



02 Charity efforts lauded

04 Hearing date set for man accused of insulting Islam

05 Over 1,000 violations recorded at healthcare facilities last year



Tracking progress

Cabinet approves GAP follow-up mechanism in line with GAP goals

● The Cabinet hailed the good performance of the national economy during the first quarter of this year.

● The session discussed Bahrain's national risk assessment report in the field of anti-money laundering and combating the financing of terrorism.

Manama

The Cabinet chaired by Deputy Prime Minister HH Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa yesterday approved a mechanism to follow up on ministries' implementation of the programmes and plans included in the Government Action Plan (GAP) 2019-2022.

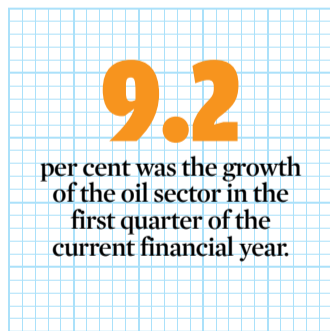
The mechanism will be included in the follow-up system



HH Shaikh Mohammed

supervised by HRH the Prime Minister's Court.

HH Shaikh Mohammed directed ministries and government departments to submit periodic reports to the Cabinet on the im-



plementation progress of each programme or plan included in GAP, and to submit follow-up memoranda to take the necessary measures to overcome any obstacles, said Cabinet Secretary-General Dr Yasser Al Nasser in a post-session statement.

Among other things, the Cabinet hailed the good performance of the national economy during the first quarter of this year, citing the remarkable increase of the gross domestic product (GDP) to 2.7 per cent.

Figures included in the quarterly economic report for the Kingdom, presented by the Minister of Finance and National Economy, showed a growth in the oil sector by 9.2pc, as well as in the contributions of non-oil sectors to the GDP.

The report revealed that the contributions of the hotels and restaurants sector, financial corporations sector and the construction sector to the GDP have gone up by 8pc, 3.5pc and 2.9pc, respectively, in the first quarter of 2019 compared to the same period of 2018.

Egypt ex-president Mursi dies after collapsing in court

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Cairo



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Egypt's state TV said the country's former President Mohamed Mursi collapsed during a court session and died on Monday.

It said Mursi had fainted after a court session and died afterwards.

Mursi, a top figure in the Muslim Brotherhood, was toppled by the military in 2013 after mass protests against this rule.

He had been serving a seven-year sentence for falsifying his candidacy application for the 2012 presidential race.

State television said Mursi, who was 67, was in court for a hearing on charges of espionage emanating from suspected contacts with the Palestinian group Hamas.

Mursi was also serving a 20-year prison sentence for a conviction arising from the killing of protesters during demonstrations in 2012 and a life sentence for espionage in a case related to Qatar.

Mursi and nearly all leaders

of the now-outlawed Muslim Brotherhood were detained after the military, then led by President Abdel Fattah El Sisi, removed the former president in July 2013 amid a wave of street protests against his divisive, one-year rule.

Mursi was elected in 2012, a year after a popular uprising toppled the 29-year regime of Hosni Mubarak.

His short time at the helm was defined by a much-criticised power grab in late 2012 when he issued a constitutional declaration that gave him far-reaching powers and gave his executive orders legal immunity.

His rule was also characterised by what many Egyptians saw as a failure to be president for all Egyptians, showing blatant bias in favour of the Brotherhood and its supporters.

TRAGIC ORDEAL

12 dead, 31 rescued as migrant boat sinks

Ankara

A boat carrying migrants to Greece sank off the Turkish coast yesterday, leaving at least 12 migrants dead, Turkey's coast guard said.

The coast guard said 31 other migrants were rescued after the boat capsized in the Aegean Sea, off the coast of Bodrum. The region is close to the Greek island of Kos.



Turkish Coast Guard rescue illegal migrants after their boat sank in the Aegean sea.

The 12 bodies were found inside the wreck of the boat at a depth of 32 meters (105 feet), the coast guard said in a state-

ment.

It said the search-and-rescue operation involving two coast guard boats, a helicopter and a

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TURKISH COAST GUARD

team of divers, is continuing.

It was not immediately clear why the boat sank. There was no immediate information on the

migrants' nationalities.

Although the number of people heading to the Greek islands from the Turkish coast has decreased since the height of the refugee crisis in 2015, hundreds continue to make the crossing each week.

In Spain, the maritime rescue service said it rescued 292 migrants Monday who were attempting to cross the Mediterranean Sea to Europe from North Africa.