

Liverpool extend perfect start

Liverpool made it two successive wins to start their Premier League title bid as goals from Sadio Mane and Roberto Firmino clinched a hard-fought 2-1 victory over Southampton yesterday.

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Modi to address public gathering



Narendra Modi

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Taking the bilateral ties between Bahrain and India to new heights, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi is all set to visit the Kingdom.

This has been confirmed by the Indian Embassy, which has posted a link on its Twitter handle, to register for the public event, where Modi will address Indian expatriates.

However, the event date has not been confirmed.

To register, please log on to www.indianpminbahrain.com.

Bomb rips through wedding in Kabul

Kabul

An explosion has ripped through a wedding hall in the Afghan capital, Kabul, and many casualties are feared.

Eye witnesses told the BBC a suicide bomber detonated explosives during a wedding ceremony. Witnesses said they had seen bodies.

The explosion happened at around 22:40 local time.

No group said it carried out the attack, which happened in the west of the city.



BIPD to launch awareness-raising programme for overseas students

Group of thieves held by cops after stealing spree

'Maan' wins global honour

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Aramco plant hit by drones

Houthis have claimed responsibility for the attack



An Aramco oil tank at the Production facility at Saudi Aramco's Shaybah oilfield in the Empty Quarter.

● The Houthis have carried out a number of attacks on Saudi Arabia in recent weeks and months.

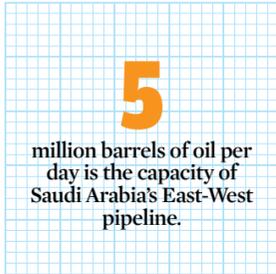
● Riyadh has accused Tehran of supplying the Houthis with the missiles and drones.

Riyadh

The Saudi energy minister Khalid Al Falih yesterday confirmed that a drone strike hit the Shaybah natural gas liquefaction facility causing a small fire on Saturday.

In a statement condemning the attack, Falih said there had been "no injuries" and that the fire had been put out after theseveral drones were fired at the plant.

"This cowardly attack once



again highlights the importance of the international community's response to all terrorist agents who carry out such acts of sabotage, including the Iran backed Houthi militias," Falih said in the statement.

The Houthis later claimed responsibility for the attack.

"Saudi Aramco's response team controlled a limited fire this morning at the Shaybah NGL facility," a statement released on the oil giant's website read.

"There were no injuries and no interruptions to Saudi Aramco's oil operations. We will provide

further details as they become available."

The Houthis have carried out a number of attacks on Saudi Arabia in recent weeks and months, targeting residential areas and airports.

The field is located near the border with the United Arab Emirates, Saudi Arabia's main partner in the Arab coalition to restore the internationally recognised government to Yemen.

Mr Al Falih said the kingdom "condemns this cowardly attack, and affirms that this act of terrorism and sabotage, is an extension of those acts that have recently targeted the global oil supply chains, including oil pipelines in the Kingdom, and oil tankers in the Arabian Gulf and others."

"This targeting of vital facilities targets not only the Kingdom, but also the security of energy supplies to the world, and thus poses a threat to the global economy," Mr Al Falih said.

Bahrain attends key Arab-China Co-operation Forum meeting



Dr Al Abdullah speaks at the forum.

● The Bahrain delegation expressed keenness to host a centre for Arab-Chinese applied studies and researches in traditional Arab and Chinese medicine.

Beijing

The delegation of the Kingdom of Bahrain participated in the Second Ministerial Meeting of the Arab-China Co-operation Forum, chaired by Ambassador of the Kingdom to the People's Republic of China, Dr Anwar Al Abdullah.

The meeting was held in the presence of Assistant Secretary-General of the Arab League, Representatives of the Arab countries and international organisations, including the World Health Organisation

(WHO), Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) and United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

The Bahrain delegation expressed keenness to host a centre for Arab-Chinese applied studies and researches in traditional Arab and Chinese medicine, stressing Bahrain's keenness to enhance co-operation and co-ordination in the health field to meet the common desires.

For their part, the People's Republic of China and the representatives of the Arab countries and international organisations appreciated the efforts of the Kingdom of Bahrain in developing the health field and providing high quality health services.

Discussions on health policies, opportunities for collaboration in public health, health industry innovations, medical technologies, traditional medicine and hospital management were also held at the meeting.

Slum fire leaves 50,000 homeless in Bangladesh

Dhaka

A massive fire has swept through a slum in the capital of Bangladesh, Dhaka, leaving 50,000 people homeless.

About 15,000 homes were destroyed in the Chalantika slum late on Friday.

Many homes had plastic roofs, which helped the flames

to spread. No deaths have been reported, although several people were injured.

Most residents are low-wage earners and many were away after the Muslim festival of Eid al-Adha. There is no word on the cause of the fire.

An investigation is under way. Firefighters took more than six hours to put out the flames.

VESSEL STANDOFF

US issues warrant to seize Grace 1

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The US Justice Department has made a last-ditch attempt to block the release of the Iranian supertanker Grace 1 just a day after Gibraltar ruled the detained vessel could be released.

It comes after a six-week international standoff appeared to have come to an end as a judge in Gibraltar ordered its release.

But on Friday night, the US issued the warrant whilst the vessel, which was being investigated for allegedly deliver-



Iranian oil tanker Grace 1 sits anchored awaiting a court ruling off the Strait of Gibraltar.



The vessel is ongoing some logistical changes and requirements that have delayed the departure.

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ing oil to Syria in breach of EU sanctions, was still anchored off the coast of Gibraltar.

Earlier on Friday, Iranian of-

ficials had said it was due to set sail.

According to tracking data, the ship briefly changed its status on Saturday from "at anchor" to "underway" before reverting to "at anchor".

The head of the company sorting paperwork and procuring for the Grace 1 oil tanker in the British overseas territory said the vessel could be sailing away in the next "24 to 48 hours," once new crews dispatched to the territory take over command of the ship.