

Paul McCartney is back on the top of the charts, on Sunday earning his first solo number-one album in the United States in 36 years.

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Voluntary work award winners honoured
 Manama

A ceremony was held yesterday to distribute the Shaikh Isa bin Ali bin Khalifa Al Khalifa Voluntary Work Award.

Deputy Prime Minister Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa attended the ceremony, which was held under the patronage of Bahrain Basketball Society (BBS) chairman, Good Word Society honorary president Shaikh Isa bin Ali bin Khalifa Al Khalifa.

Also present were Shura Council Chairman Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh, Southern Governor Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali Al Khalifa, ministers, officials representing the Arab League, the Arab Association for Voluntary Works and Arab and Foreign Ambassadors.

Shaikh Isa bin Ali bin Khalifa Al Khalifa paid tribute to His Royal Highness Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al-Khalifa and Deputy Premier Shaikh Ali bin Khalifa Al Khalifa for their directives and support.

He congratulated the winners of this year's award and welcomed them to Bahrain, stressing the Kingdom's strides, led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa.

Over 100 killed in Nigeria floods
 Abuja

Floods in much of central and southern Nigeria killed over 100 people across 10 states, the country's emergency and disasters agency said yesterday.

Such flooding tends to occur every year in the rainy season, exacerbated by poor infrastructure and lack of planning to protect against inundation, but this year the destruction has been the worst since 2012.

King Hamad Causeway work to start in 2021

Jeddah

The work on King Hamad Causeway connecting Saudi Arabia and Bahrain will start by mid-2021 and will be completed in three years, Saudi Arabia's Ambassador to Bahrain has said.

"The tender for King Hamad Causeway will be issued after six months," Abdulla Al Shaikh was quoted by Arab News.

The causeway will also include a rail line for the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) network, cargo trains and vehicle lanes.

Al Shaikh estimated that the cost of the project will be in the neighbourhood of \$4 billion, adding that it will act as a new link between the two countries and will contribute to boosting trade in all fields.

The new causeway, expected to be 25-km long, will run in parallel with the existing King



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25 kilometres will be the approximate length of King Hamad Causeway.

Fahd Causeway, the only terrestrial link between the two

kingdoms, which opened in November 1986.

Vehicles carrying millions of passengers as well as trucks have been using the busy causeway over the years, with a daily average of 40,000 people.

The construction of the new causeway was announced during a meeting between His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and Saudi King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz Al Saud in Jeddah in 2014.

SpaceX to name first passenger to moon



A file picture showing SpaceX Falcon Heavy rocket lifting off from historic launch pad 39-A at the Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, Florida.

Los Angeles

SpaceX, Elon Musk's space transportation company, is all set to name the first private passenger who will take a trip around the moon aboard its forthcoming Big Falcon Rocket spaceship, taking the race to commercialise space travel to new heights.

SpaceX said it will name the first passenger to travel to the moon since the United States'

Apollo missions ended in 1972 at an event at the company's headquarters and rocket factory in the Los Angeles suburb of Hawthorne.

In moves typical of his publicity-seeking style, Musk, who is also the billionaire chief executive of electric car maker Tesla Inc, has already teased a few tantalizing details about the trip and the passenger's identity, but left major questions unanswered.

Missiles fired at Syrian city

Missiles targeted ammunition depots in the eastern outskirts of Latakia

During the more than seven-year conflict in neighbouring Syria, Israel has grown deeply alarmed by the expanding clout of its arch enemy Iran - a key ally of Assad.

Beirut

Missiles were fired from the sea at several locations in the Syrian coastal city of Latakia yesterday

but were intercepted by air defences, Syrian state media said.

The official SANA news agency said the Technical Industry Institution in the state-controlled city had been targeted. SANA added that it was not immediately known who fired the missiles.

"Air defences have confronted enemy missiles coming from the sea in the direction of the Latakia city, and intercepted a number of them," SANA quoted a military source as saying.

State-run Ikhbariya TV said 10 people were injured in the attack. Eight were discharged



A screengrab from a video showing a large explosion near Latakia, Syria, on Monday night.

shortly after being admitted to a nearby hospital.

The Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, a UK-based war monitor, said huge explosions were heard in the city.

The missiles targeted ammunition depots of the Technical Industry Institution in the eastern outskirts of Latakia, the Observatory said. It was not immediately clear what activities the state institution was engaged in.

One of the missiles fell in an open area to the west of central Homs city causing a fire in an orchard, Ikhbariya TV said.

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Expatriate dies 'after being beaten up by co-worker'

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 Harpreet Kaur

An Indian national died yesterday allegedly after being beaten up by a co-worker following a worksite quarrel in Juffair. The accused is also an Indian national, according to sources.

The deceased was identified as Subash Janardhanan, who



The deceased Subash

hailed from the Indian state of Kerala.

Subash was working for a contracting company and sources said he got into a quar-

rel with a co-worker at the construction site over a work related issue.

The quarrel led to a fist fight and Subash was badly thrashed, the sources said.

Speaking to Tribune, Suresh, Subash's younger brother, who is also a resident in the Kingdom, said, "The incident occurred around 5.30 pm on Sunday at the construction site. Everyone at the site was calling it a day when an argument broke out between my brother and his co-worker over folding the ladder and keeping it in its place.

"Almost an hour later I got a call from Subash saying that his nose was bleeding. I live in Umm Al Hassam and my

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SURESH

brother in Gudaibiya. "I went to Gudaibiya and brought him to my place and he seemed fine. After a few hours, he started complaining of pain

all over the body and we rushed him to the BDF Hospital.

"The doctors at the hospital declared him dead two hours after reaching the hospital.

"We are not sure as to what would have caused the death. But the doctors at the hospital told us that he suffered a head injury in the fight and that could have led to the death."

Sources said the accused has been arrested and investigations are ongoing.

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The body of the deceased will be flown home once all legal procedures are completed, it is learnt.



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