



America has problem with female directors

Actress Jodie Foster feels Hollywood has a problem with female directors and, like Europe, it should open up. "I said it and I'll keep saying it - I want to direct and I will direct more than I acted," Foster told hollywood-reporter.com. **P17**

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Saudi flight makes emergency landing

Riyadh
 Saudi Arabian Airlines flight sv3818, which was travelling from Medinah to Dhaka, had to be diverted to Jeddah after suffering a malfunction with the nose landing gear. Saudia Airbus A330-200 made an emergency landing at Jeddah's King Abdulaziz Airport with the nose gear retracted. The aircraft had circled Jeddah for several hours and was forced to make two low passes until it was allowed to land on runway 34R at around 22:00 local time.

Bid to smuggle 1,117 kg hashish foiled

Riyadh
 Saudi border guards thwarted several attempts to smuggle 1,117 kilograms of hashish through land and sea borders during the period from May 7th until May 19th. Border patrols arrested 30 suspects from different nationalities, after they were spotted crossing the Kingdom's southern borders. According to the border guards' spokesman, Colonel Safer Al Harbi, those involved, including 13 Ethiopians, 6 Somalis, and 11 Yemenis, have been referred to the relevant authorities.

Robbers arrested

Manama
 Police have arrested two Africans accused of robbing BD1,600 from two individuals in two separate incidents in Manama, said the director-general of the Department of Investigation and Criminal Evidence last night. In another incident, a 31-year-old Bahraini man who stabbed a 34-year-old Bahraini woman with a sharp tool was arrested in Sitra. The accused were referred to Public Prosecution as part of the legal procedures.

Premier holds talks with Kuwaiti Amir



HRH the Premier with Kuwaiti Amir

Kuwait City

His Royal Highness Prime Minister Shaikh Jabir Al Mubarak Al Hamad Al Sabah were present on the occasion. Bilateral and GCC relations and joint coordination and cooperation were discussed, as well as the latest regional developments. The Premier pointed out the Kuwaiti Amir's contributions to promote the march of the Gulf

Cooperation Council, and his humanitarian initiatives at the regional and international levels. He conveyed Ramadan greeting of HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa to the Amir of Kuwait, stressing keenness to constantly boost the bilateral relations in the interest of the two countries and their people.



His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister, yesterday visited the majlises of Shaikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, Shura Council Chairman Ali Al Saleh, and Shaikh Abdulhussein Khalaf Al Asfoor family. He highlighted that the National Action Charter, under the leadership of HM King Hamad, continues to serve as a firm foundation for ongoing sustainable development initiatives that benefit all citizens, who remain the Kingdom's greatest strength and foremost priority. The Crown Prince also stressed that Bahrain's Economic Vision 2030, underpinned by the three core principles of sustainability, competitiveness and fairness, plays a central role in the Kingdom's development across all sectors.

Pompeo-12 backed

Calls on Iran to stop exporting violence and terrorism

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● **Relief from economic sanctions will only come when Washington sees tangible shifts in Iran's policies.**

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The Kingdom's Foreign Ministry has said it affirms full support for the United States' strategy towards

Iran after America's top diplomat threatened to impose the "strongest sanctions in history" against Tehran if the country's leadership did not change the course of its foreign and domestic policy. "US Secretary of State Pompeo's strategy which reflects the determination to confront the danger of Iranian policies that undermine security and stability in the region and to overcome the shortcomings of the nuclear agreement. And praised the continued efforts of the United States to strengthen regional and international peace and security and its relentless efforts to take all possible measures to prevent the spread of chaos, tension and crisis resolution in the region," a statement from Bahrain's Foreign



Mr. Pompeo

Ministry read. "The Ministry of Foreign Affairs affirms that the Kingdom of Bahrain considers itself in a single position with the

United States of America in the face of the Iranian threat, addressing Iran's attempts to export violence and terrorism and stressing the need for Iran to respond to all efforts to achieve peace and resolve conflicts in the region and to remove them from nuclear weapons and all weapons of mass destruction. The immediate cessation of support for terrorist militias and adherence to international laws and norms and non-interference at all in the internal affairs of the States of the region," the statement added. The statement comes after Pompeo laid out 12 demands for Iran and said relief from economic sanctions would only come when Washington had seen tangible shifts in Iran's policies.

NIPAH TOLL

Nightingale's tragic tale brings tears to many eyes

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Sree Sadan

A deadly virus having the potential of becoming the next deadly major outbreak has killed six people in the southern Indian state of Kerala.

As many as 20 people suspected to be infected with Nipah have been admitted to the Kozhikode Medical College, out of which the condition of 10 is said to be critical.

Three nurses from the EMS Memorial Cooperative hospital at Perambra, who had earlier attended to the Nipah Virus affected patients, have fallen ill.

They have been referred to Kozhikode Medical College Hospital. No confirmation has come so far whether they have contracted the disease.

Lini Puthushery, 28, a nurse from the same hospital,



The deceased Lini with her family

who had treated three infected persons, had fallen ill a few days ago and was under treatment.

She passed away at 2 am on Monday morning. Lini is wife of Bahrain resident Sajeesh Puthur, who works for Awan Media.

Though lab results of her blood and fluid samples hadn't come yet, her body was not handed over to her family.

After consulting the family, the authorities cremated the body at an electronic crematorium.

This was done as a precautionary measure to ensure that the virus, if present, did not spread further.

Meanwhile, Lini's last letter to her husband, filled with emotions, became viral on social media. In the letter she says "I am almost on my way" and urges her husband to take care of their children.

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Nipah virus (NIV) infection is a newly emerging zoonosis that causes severe disease in both animals and humans

NIV first identified in 1998 during an outbreak in Malaysia
 Fruit bats are natural hosts of Niv

How it is transmitted

Natural host: Fruit bats
 By consuming fruits eaten by infected bats and birds

Transmission of NIV to humans may occur after direct contact with infected bats and pigs

Through contact with other NIV-infected people



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