



Ryanair rapped over racial abuse

London

Ryanair has been criticised for apparently failing to remove a passenger from a flight after racial abuse of a woman in her 70s.

The incident, on a flight from Barcelona to Stansted on Friday, was recorded by a fellow passenger and shared on social media.

Many people said Ryanair should have removed the man from the flight and threatened to boycott the airline.

Ryanair said it "will not tolerate unruly behaviour like this".

It has referred the matter to Essex Police.

Train derailment kills 18 in Taiwan

Hong Kong

At least 18 people have been killed and 170 injured in a passenger train derailment in north-east Taiwan.

Railway authorities say they are investigating the accident, which happened in Yilan County at about 16:50 local time (08:50 GMT) on Sunday.

A total of 366 people were on the train travelling between Taipei and the eastern county of Taitung when all eight of its carriages derailed.

The authorities now say they have freed everyone from the wreckage.

The Puyuma Express 6432 service reportedly came off the tracks close to Xinma station, near the town of Su'ao about 70km (43 miles) from Taipei.

The deputy chief of the Taiwan Railways Administration, Lu Chieh-shen, told a news conference on Sunday that the train was only six years old and had been in "pretty good condition" before the accident.



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Efforts on to clear floodwaters, smoothen traffic flow

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The Works, Municipalities Affairs and Urban Planning Ministry said it received 1,000 calls from flooded neighbourhoods in the first four hours of rain that lashed the Southern Governorate and other parts of the Kingdom on Saturday.

The ministry also confirmed that some of those cases were referred to the Civil Defence Directorate within the Interior Ministry and 33 water suction tankers have been deployed to clear floodwaters.

The ministry said that the heaviest downpours were reported in East Riffa, the western area in the Northern Governorate, Sitra and Nuwaidrat.

"The municipalities in the four governorates formed emergency teams to respond to notifications from citizens and residents," the ministry stated.

Municipalities Affairs Undersecretary Dr Nabeel Abulfath said 18 suction tankers were deployed in Riffa alone, in addition to several pumps. The official also said that Manama and its suburbs were provided with nine tankers and six have been deployed in the Northern Governorate so far.

Dr Abulfath inspected some of the ar-



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ea affected by rain to ensure that water suction operations are smoothly ongoing.

He instructed emergency teams to put full efforts in residential blocks and near schools, hospitals, markets and hospitals.

Dr Abulfath explained: "The majority of the cases was dealt by the municipalities and was handled on priority basis. The emergency teams are working on a 24-hour basis to ensure the smooth traffic flow."

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DR ABULFATH

Al Khayat also inspected several areas in all governorates of the kingdom yesterday.

On its part, the Housing Ministry said it dealt with a couple of flooding cases in government housing projects in Al Lawzi and Hunainiya, adding that situations were restored.

The floods adversely affected the traffic flow on several roads in the Northern, Southern and Capital Governorates.

The General Directorate of Traffic has diverted the flow of traffic on a number of the main roads while floodwaters are being cleared.

The directorate called upon motorists to comply with the diversions and advised them to maintain safe distances from other vehicles while driving under rainy conditions.

A tremendous mistake

Khashoggi killers will be held accountable, says Saudi Foreign Minister

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Washington

Saudi Arabia's Foreign Minister Adel Al Jubeir said yesterday that King Salman is determined to hold to account those responsible in the case regarding the late journalist Jamal Khashoggi.

"The individuals did this out of the scope of their authority," Jubeir told Fox News' Bret Baier during an exclusive interview, adding that none of those involved in Khashoggi's death had close ties to Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman.

"There were not people closely tied to him. This was a rogue operation," he said.

He added that conflicting reports about whether Khashoggi had left the Saudi Arabian consulate in Istanbul prompted a probe into his disappearance, and that Saudi Arabia will continue to put out information on the case "as it



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Mr Al Jubeir added that Saudi Arabia was working on finding out the location of Khashoggi's body and determining the full details into what happened.

He told the news program that

Saudi-US ties would "weather" the Khashoggi case.

Meanwhile, a senior Saudi official has given the Reuters news agency additional and new details relating to the case of late Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi.

The official, who spoke anonymously, explained that the initial government account had been based on "false information reported internally at the time."

"Once it became clear these initial mission reports were false, it (the government) launched an internal investigation and refrained from further public comment," the official said, adding that the investigation is continuing.

WEDDING BELLS

Deepika, Ranveer to tie the knot next month

Mumbai

Bollywood actors Ranveer Singh and Deepika Padukone are set to tie the knot next month.

The wedding is set to take place on November 14 and 15.

The duo announced the news on their respective social media accounts, posting the announcement in both English and Hindi.

"With the blessings of our families, it gives

us immense joy in sharing that our wedding is set to take place on the 14th and 15th of November, 2018," the announcement read.

Ranveer and Deepika



"We thank you for all the love you have showered upon us over the years and seek your blessings as we embark on this incredible journey of love, loyalty, friendship and togetherness," it added.

The couple has not revealed the location of the wedding yet. Ranveer Singh is among the highest-paid actors of Bollywood and has featured in Forbes India's Celebrity 100 list since 2012.

Deepika Padukone is one of the highest-paid actresses in India. She is the recipient of several awards, including three Filmfare Awards.

Precarious journey



Central American migrants walk along the highway near the border with Guatemala, as they continue their journey trying to reach the US, in Tapachula, Mexico. Crowds of migrants resumed their long journey north on Sunday from the Mexican border city of Ciudad Hidalgo, according to Mexican federal police officers.