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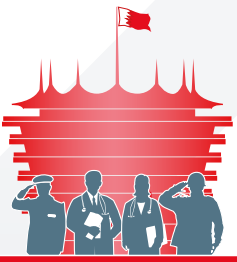
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HM King returns

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa returned from Abu Dhabi after taking part in the tri-lateral summit.

Jordanian monarch King Abdullah II ibn Al Hussein and Abu Dhabi Crown Prince and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces HH Shaikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan took part.

The summit shed light on strong fraternal relations and ways of boosting cooperation in vital areas.

Twitter to hand over @POTUS account to Biden on January 20

Reuters

Twitter Inc will transfer control of the @POTUS account to the Joe Biden administration on Jan. 20, the company said. The @POTUS account is the official account of the President of the United States and is separate from the @realDonaldTrump account that President Donald Trump uses to tweet.

BAHRAIN COVID-19

TOTAL CASES

85,591

ACTIVE CASES

1,636

DEATHS

338

DISCHARGED

83,617

NEW CASES

124

CRITICAL

15

210 fils (includes VAT)



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SAUDI ARABIA'S KING SALMAN

Summit this year is held virtually

Saudi first Arab nation to hold G20

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Saudi Arabia's King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud yesterday called on World nations to provide "affordable and equitable" access to vaccines and other tools to all to combat the COVID-19 pandemic during his G20 Riyadh Summit opening remarks.

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Saudi King delivers G20 summit opening remarks virtually as World leaders watch on

veloping vaccines, therapeutics and diagnostics tools for COVID-19, we must work to create the conditions for affordable and equitable access to these tools for all peoples," King Salman, the custodian of the two holy mosques told world leaders.

He said the pandemic dealt "an unprecedented shock" to the world in a short time and that people and economies are still suffering from it.

King Salman assured the Saudi would do its best to "overcome this crisis through international cooperation."

On this note, he urged world economies to continue supporting the global economy and re-open economies and borders to

facilitate the mobility of trade and people.

King Salman further stressed the need to support developing countries in a coordinated manner to maintain the development already achieved over the past decades.

This year's G20 summit also aims to build a sustainable future.

King Salman said G20 countries must lead the international community in preserving and conserving the environment.

Seven Saudi Hawks and three civilian aircraft from Saudi Arabian Airlines (Saudia) conducted a flyover, trailing the Kingdom's national white and green colours.

"We also need to create the conditions for a more sustainable economy," he said stressing the need to combat land degradation and conserve coral reefs and biodiversity to safeguard the planet.

The custodian of the two holy mosques said G20 leaders met for the first twelve years ago to deal with the financial crisis, and "today, we are working together again to face another, deeper global crisis, that has ravaged people and economies."

He expressed confidence that the Riyadh summit will deliver significant and decisive results and will lead to adopting economic and social policies that will restore hope and reassurance to the people of the world.

In the draft communique

The leaders noted the coronavirus crisis had hit the most vulnerable in society hardest, and said some countries may need debt relief beyond a temporary moratorium on official debt payments now slated to end in June 2021.

G20 leaders said they would decide next spring whether to extend the freeze, the Debt Service Suspension Initiative, for another six months, and endorsed a common framework for debt restructuring hammered out with the Paris Club of official creditors.

Leaders said they are determined to continue to use all available policy tools as long as required to safeguard people's lives, jobs and incomes, support the global economic recovery and enhance the resilience of the financial system, while safeguarding against downside risks," the statement said.

Leaders expressed support for a push by the International Monetary Fund to explore additional tools to address countries' needs as the crisis evolved, and to address the "particular challenges faced by small developing states".



2008 The first G20 Leaders' Summit took place in Washington D.C. in November 2008.

The G20 members are Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Mexico, Republic of Korea, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Turkey, the United Kingdom, the United States and the European Union (EU).



G20 nations have contributed more than \$21 billion to combat the pandemic, which has infected 56 million people globally and left 1.3 million dead, and injected \$11 trillion to "safeguard" the virus-battered world economy

India will enter the G20 Troika, along with Saudi Arabia when Italy will take over the Presidency of the G20 on December 1, 2020.

Al-Jasra Intersection third phase begins

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The Ministry of Works, Municipalities Affairs and Urban Planning yesterday inaugurated the third phase of the Al-Jasra Intersection development project.

Construction of entrances and exits at the intersection, modification of barriers on the upper bridge, asphalt layer works etc. are part of the project funded by the Gulf Development Programme and supported by the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development.

Minister of Works, Municipalities Affairs and Urban Planning Essam Khalaf said the project



Pictures courtesy of AlAyam



serves those coming from Manama towards the Al-Jasra and Budaiya areas, and those coming from the Hamala towards Manama.

The intersection will also serve those coming from the di Arabia via the King Fahd causeway.

Consumer prices drop in September



Courtesy of AlAyam

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Bahrain's consumer prices in September took a drop as the economy reeled from restrictions imposed to prevent the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

According to the latest report, the Kingdom's CPI slumped 1.5 per cent in September this year, when compared to that of the same month a year ago.

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is a measure that examines the weighted average of prices of a basket of consumer goods and services, such as transportation, food, and medical care. It is calculated by taking price changes for each item in the predetermined basket of goods and averaging them.

While the decline in prices was broad-based, it was more evident in the entertainment and culture sector, where it dropped a whopping 38.5pc.

Closely following was clothing and shoes with a decline

of 9.8pc, restaurants and hotel with a drop of 8.5pc.

Meanwhile, prices of the food and non-alcoholic beverages saw an increase of 4.2pc.

Cost of housing, water, electricity and fuels rose 3.4pc on a year-over-year basis.

However, on the sequential month basis, the Consumer Price Index rose by 1.3 per cent to reach 98.4 points (considering April 2019 = 100).

The move comes amid a series of fiscal and monetary stimulus aimed at enhancing economic activity.

Bahrain continues to pump money into the economy amid the unprecedented situation brought forth by the pandemic all over the world.

During this period, prices of the entertainment and cultural activities dropped by 6.2pc, the transportation group by 1.2pc, and food and non-alcoholic beverages group by 0.9pc.

The costs of housing, water, electricity and fuels increased by 7.1pc, and the education by 0.4pc.

880 teachers now have Microsoft certifications

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Bahrain's digital empowerment drive in education is picking pace with it having more than 880 teachers now with Microsoft professional certificates.

The Minister of Education, Dr Majid bin Ali Al-Nuaimi said the certifications are in the Microsoft Innovative Educator (MIE), the Microsoft Innovative Educator Expert (MIEE) and the Microsoft Certified Educator (MCE).

"Teachers of the first phase of the Digital Empowerment Programme schools benefited from the agreement in June 2015, the affiliates of the second phase schools in July 2016, and those of the remaining schools in the following years," said Dr Nuaimi.

The accredited professional certificates, the Minister said, allows teachers to acquire technological knowledge, use digital

Bahrain's agreement for Partners in Learning with Microsoft in February 2015, gives teachers the opportunity to join remote training programmes at any time. Teachers can also qualify after taking professional certification exams at the Regional Center for Information and Communication Technology (RCICT), which is an accredited centre for these exams.

DR MAJID AL NUAMI, EDUCATION MINISTER



programmes and devices in their classrooms.

"It also enables them to remain informed about new ideas and applications in the fields of distance learning and Integrated Education, which contributes to achieving quality education," the Minister added.

"I am proud"

Professor Amin Mansour, an education technology specialist at Ahmed Al-Omran Secondary School for Boys, who holds an expert teacher certificate from Microsoft International, says: "I am very proud of this global participation as an expert partner in digital transformation. I am proud of my contribution to distance education, TIMES and televised classes."

Professor Maryam Shams from Al-Hidd Secondary School for Girls, who holds the MIEE Expert Teacher Certification, said that Microsoft for teachers help integrates technology and modern digital tools into the teaching process.

"It breaks the routine, revives and motivates every student in the class."

Microsoft requires all teachers who have obtained the certificates to teach their colleagues a set of digital tools so that the benefit is widespread.

Combating red palm weevil

Capital municipality begins survey of 2000 palm trees

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The Capital Municipality, in cooperation with Agriculture and Marine Resources, launched a campaign to implement preventive measures to limit the spread of red palm weevil.

This came during a visit of the Capital Municipality Director-General Mohammed Saad Al-Sahli, with the Assistant Undersecretary for Agriculture Affairs, Dr Abdulaziz Muhammad Abdul Karim, to King Abdullah Street. They discussed methods of treating the infested palms, in the presence of the Chief of Parks and Gardens at Capital Municipality, Ahmed Showaiter, and several officials.

Al-Sahli pointed out that the increase in the number of palm trees in the capital, which



Officials during a visit to discuss methods of treating infested palms

reaches 2000 now, reflects the Municipality's enthusiasm in supporting the National Strategy for Agricultural Development.

A decision was taken to distribute pheromone traps in main streets, intersections and public squares to reduce the levels of infection by blocking the chances of reproduction.

The red palm weevil insect, discovered in the early 1990s in Bahrain, creates extensive damage to palm tissues and weakens the structure of the palm trunk.

Good sanitation practices are needed to prevent Red Palm Weevil spreading from infested palms. Chipping, burning, and burying infested material deeply can reduce the likelihood that Red Palm Weevil will emerge and escape from infested palms. Mass trapping has been used to reduce Red Palm Weevil densities.

#VandeBharatMission:

Air India Flight AI 940 to Delhi departed yesterday from Bahrain International Airport with 147 passengers & 2 infants on board.

Birds know no boundaries so do certain people here

Police arrest two for hunting birds in a cemetery in Muharraq



Screengrabs of a video posted by AlAyam

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Birds know no boundaries, not even political. So do certain people here in Bahrain. The latest incidents tell.

Here in Bahrain police found that it's not just birds, but there are also people here, who don't recognise any borders, even that of cemeteries.

Thanks to quick action by the law enforcement authorities, they have learnt their lessons.

Police booked the men for illegally hunting birds that too inside a cemetery.

The whole episode began with someone uploading a video of two men hunting birds inside a cemetery in Muharraq.

The clip shows two men hurrying, amid the gravestones, to a parked vehicle carrying, presumably dead birds, wrapped in a sack-like material.

The video shows them throwing the heavy object they were carrying into the rear of their white Nissan pickup truck, looking around, and then driving away through the gates of the cemetery.

Apparently, they were unaware that their actions are being

taped. The clip was then uploaded on to social media sites which was then widely shared also catching the attention of the authorities.

Police quickly had the culprits on their radar and opened an investigation. Officers tracked down the culprits soon and took them into custody.

In a statement, Muharraq police said, they took legal measures against two men aged 32 and 37 years for hunting without a licence.

According to Decree No 2 of 1995 regarding the protection of wildlife in Bahrain, hunting in the whole country is prohibited without special permission.

Police also pressed charges against them for harming wildlife. Now they are to face Public Prosecution.

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Before 2021, let us enjoy some great celestial spectacles

False eclipse, total eclipse and an asteroid approaching Earth to define the end of 2020: astronomer Ali Al Hajri



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The year 2020 will come to a close soon, but only after performing some unique celestial events for us to enjoy, said astronomer Ali Al Hajri.

The Earth, Al Hajri said, will witness a false lunar eclipse as the Moon passes through a cone-shaped shadow cast by the Earth during Rabi ul Akhir, the fourth month of the Islamic Calendar.

This phenomenon, he said, however, is not visible from Bahrain as the Moon will be positioned below the horizon here.

The event occurs on 30th this month and extends over 4 hours and 21 minutes starting from 10:32 am until 2:53 pm.

It will be visible in the American continent, the Arctic, Australia, central to Eastern Asia and far northwestern edges of Europe, except for Africa and Southwestern part of Asia.

Picture courtesy of Saudi24news

Al-Hajri has earlier said that Bahrain will not witness a total eclipse of the Moon before 7 September 2025 and that the closest phenomenon of a false lunar eclipse Bahrain will witness is on 8 November 2022 and 5 May 2023. The closest phenomenon of a partial eclipse of the Moon will be on 28 and 29 October 2023 and 18 September 2024.

Astroid SO 2020

The second phenomenon, Al Hajri said, is the approach of an asteroid dubbed SO2020.

With a diameter of about 6 m, the asteroid poses no threat of falling to the Earth.

It will come as close as 50429.3 km on the first of December at exactly 5:05 am Bahrain time.

The SUV sized asteroid takes 385.7 days to complete a revolution around the Sun.

Final Solar eclipse

The third phenomenon is the final total solar eclipse which is visible from Chile and some parts of Argentina. Some regions in southern South America, south-west Africa, and Antarctica will see a partial solar eclipse if the weather permits.

The 5 hour and 20-minute long event happens on 14 December 2020, from Bahrain time 04:33 pm until 09:53 in the evening.

During this phenomenon, the Moon, during Jumada al-Awwal, the fifth month of the Islamic calendar, meets the Sun above Bahrain horizon at 08:25 pm.

The Great conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn

The year 2020 will come to a close with the beautiful astronomical phenomenon, which is the great conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn on 21 December 2020.

That date is, coincidental-

ly, the date of the December solstice. It'll be the first Jupiter-Saturn conjunction since the year 2000, and the closest Jupiter-Saturn conjunction since 1623, only 14 years after Galileo made his first telescope.

At the peak, Jupiter and Saturn will be only 0.1degrees apart. That's just 1/5 of a full moon diameter.

Once in 20 years

One could watch this on the Bahrain horizon at sunset at exactly 04:50 in the evening, and the separation angle between the two planets is less than a degree!

Given the small angle of elongation between the two planets, whoever observes this phenomenon with the naked eye will only see Jupiter, so use binoculars and telescopes to monitor this distinctive phenomenon that only occurs almost every 20 years.

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Questions
beneath the
waves



CAPTAIN MAHMOOD AL MAHMOOD

With the expansion of the Kingdom of Bahrain into the sea around it through thoughtful reclamation projects that secures vital land for our urbanisation plans and ambitious growth, we have achieved many successes that we are proud of. The glittering Bahrain Financial Harbour, the glamorous Bahrain Bay, the utilitarian Juffair and Seef areas, the beautiful Riffa Views, and now the coastal development projects in Durrat Al Bahrain, Diyar Al Muharraq and Dilmunia all testimony to the meticulous planning and insight vision of our leaders.

I guess, there are one or two ideas that start out as impressive promises on paper but don't go according to the blueprint because of mismanagement. Among these examples is the tragic planning in Amwaj Islands.

Let me not mention anything in this article about the Islands because I need more than one extensive article in this regard, as well as the creation of the world's largest underwater eco-tourism park in the world. Although these projects attracted a lot of attention from the start, the pandemic put a halt to tourism traffic and the underwater park was left to languish. Meanwhile, the submerged "wrecked" Boeing aircraft that was planted on the seabed as a special feature has been literally broken down into pieces by what the managers of the park claim were the nets of rogue trawlers vessels.

Just review the situation: When the Dive Bahrain, the eco-Park was announced, the project managers said the site of the project was determined following rigorous field investigations, and a technical team coordinated to find the most appropriate area - an area that is not only deep enough but also where the seabed has the appropriate conditions to withstand the weight of the plane. Now, it transpires that some fishing trawlers moved in the area and actually used fishing gear, chains and perhaps anchors which were so heavy that they damaged the Boeing plane.

My concern is not the creation of the park - it is a great and novel idea and we should try everything to encourage tourism. However, we need to ask ourselves if such a costly project should have been undertaken with public funding? Why was a private investment not sought for such a project? Further, if these chains and other equipment from the trawlers could damage a submerged plane, I am truly worried that the safety features are not properly monitored before planning an eco-park. Tourist divers could well have been hurt and injured by the same trawlers vessels as they explored the sunken plane, isn't it?

MPs must ask many questions about the project and not just limit themselves to funding and financing. There are many questions lurking beneath the waves.

(Captain Mahmood Al Mahmood is the Editor-in-Chief of The Daily Tribune and the President of the Arab-African Unity Organisation for Relief, Human Rights and Counterterrorism)

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Saudi FDI up in first half of 2020
as economy shows resilience

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Reuters | Riyadh/Dubai

Saudi Arabia's Minister of Investment Khalid al-Falih said on Saturday foreign direct investment (FDI) increased by 12 per cent in the first half of 2020 compared with the same period last year.

The Saudi government, which is hosting this year's G20 summit, has made attracting greater foreign investment a cornerstone of its Vision 2030 plan to diversify the economy of the world's largest oil exporter away from oil revenues.

"I'm glad to say that FDI, my area of focus, in the first half has been reported to increase by 12pc compared to last year," Falih, who previously chaired state oil company Saudi Aramco, told a G20



Saudi Arabian Investment Minister Khalid al-Falih, speaks during a virtual meeting of B20 at the Saudi Business Group summit in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

Special economic zones in 2021

Reuters | Dubai

Saudi Arabia's Minister of Investment Khalid al-Falih said on Saturday the Gulf state plans to launch special economic zones in 2021. Speaking to a G20 panel, Falih also said the kingdom's Vision 2030 plan to diversify the economy away from oil was more popular today than ever and that the country was emerging from the coronavirus pandemic with a resilient economy and private sector.

conference.

Falih said in September the kingdom had experienced a slow-

down in FDI this year due to the global disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

"When I mentioned the 12pc increase I wanted to assure people that there was no decline, our FDI target is much higher," Falih said on Saturday.

As part of efforts to attract foreign investors, Saudi Arabia will launch next year special economic zones dedicated to several sectors, Falih said.

In addition to attracting higher investment volumes, it will focus on "qualitative growth", he said, mentioning areas such as cloud computing, renewable energy, tourism, culture, entertainment, and logistics.

"These investments may have lower investment volumes but higher impact on the economy."

Two day summit

Saudi Arabia is chairing a two-day summit this weekend of leaders of the 20 biggest world economies, who will debate how to deal with a pandemic that has caused a global recession and how to manage the recovery once it is under control.

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Malaysia Airlines
seeks aid from
wealth fund
Khazanah, creditor
talks continue



An airport employee beside a Malaysia Airlines plane at Kuala Lumpur International Airport in Sepang, Malaysia

Reuters | Kuala Lumpur

Malaysia Airlines' parent company has sought financial aid from its sole shareholder, the nation's sovereign wealth fund, as debt restructuring talks with creditors drag on, the company said yesterday.

"Malaysia Aviation Group has requested financial support from our shareholder Khazanah Nasional although the company isn't in a position to comment on amount at this point in time," it said in an email to Reuters.

The group said it remains in talks for a restructuring and that it was targeting a commercial agreement in the first week of December.

The airline could be seeking as much as \$500 million, said Malaysia's Edge weekly, which first reported the news, citing unnamed sources.

Khazanah said any funding for the airline will depend on the outcome of discussions with creditors and lessors, which it said is crucial to the success of the restructuring.

Malaysia Airlines is seeking to restructure after the COVID-19 pandemic forced it to slash operations.

Erdogan, Saudi king agree to
solve issues through dialogue

Reuters | Cairo

Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan and Saudi Arabia's King Salman bin Abdulaziz agreed in a phone call improve bilateral ties and solve outstanding disputes through dialogue, the Turkish presidency said early yesterday.

Saudi state news agency SPA reported late on Friday that the king called Erdogan to co-ordinate efforts exerted within the work of the G20 summit, which will take place on Nov. 21 and 22.

Saudi Arabia and Turkey have been at odds for some years over foreign policy and attitudes towards Islamist political groups.

For more than a year, some Saudi and Turkish traders have speculated that Saudi Arabia



Turkey's President Tayyip Erdogan and Saudi King Salman shake hands during a welcoming ceremony in Ankara, Turkey

was enforcing an informal boycott of imports from Turkey. Turkey's leading business groups urged Saudi Arabia last month to improve trade relations.

"President Erdogan and King

Salman agreed to keep channels of dialogue open to improve bilateral ties and overcome issues," the Turkish presidency said in a statement, adding the two men had also discussed the G20 summit.

China says carbon trading scheme will
cover 2,267 power plants in phase one

Reuters | Shanghai

China's long-awaited nationwide emissions trading scheme (ETS) will cover a total of 2,267 power plants in its first phase, according to government consultation papers.

Coal- and gas-fired power plants with annual carbon dioxide emissions of at least 26,000 tonnes are included in the first phase of the scheme, according to documents for public feedback by the Ministry of Ecology and Environment (MEE) released on Friday.

Under the scheme, firms are

Coal- and gas-fired power plants with annual carbon dioxide emissions of at least 26,000 tonnes are included in the first phase of the scheme

given allowances free of charge based on historical emissions, and have to buy additional permits if they exceed their quota. The total amount they need to buy will account for no more than 20% of their allocation.

The quota allocations have been determined based on emissions levels from 2013-2019, but the ministry said the collection of relevant data for

last year had been disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic and by funding issues.

China launched seven pilot regional carbon markets in 2013-2014, trading more than 400 million tonnes of CO2 by August this year, but the national ETS has been repeatedly delayed.

Li Gao, head of MEE's climate department, said in January that he expected a "breakthrough" to be made by the end of the year. However, at a briefing last month he declined to give an exact date for the launch of trade.

India set to double oil refining capacity in five years: Modi



Prime Minister Narendra Modi

Reuters | Mumbai

India plans to nearly double its oil refining capacity in the next five years, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said yesterday, offering a much more aggressive timeline than previously despite the coronavirus pandemic blighting the economy.

The country's energy minister was quoted in June as saying India's oil refining capacity could jump to 450-500 million tonnes in 10 years from the current level of about 250 million tonnes.

But addressing a petroleum university's convocation, Modi said "work is being done to nearly double the country's oil refining capacity in the next five years".

The convocation was also

addressed virtually by billionaire Mukesh Ambani, whose Reliance Industries Ltd operates the world's biggest oil refinery in Modi's home state of Gujarat.

Modi said India was also aiming to raise the share of natural gas in its energy-consumption mix by up to four times.

The cleaner-burning fuel currently accounts for about 6 per cent of the energy consumed in the country.

India would achieve its targets of increasing renewable energy capacity to 175 gigawatts by 2022 and 450 gigawatts by 2030 ahead of schedule, Modi added.

The country had renewable energy capacity of about 75 gigawatts at the end of 2018.

Singapore Airlines' India venture Vistara eyes direct flights to US



A Vistara Airbus A320 passenger aircraft prepares for takeoff at Chhatrapati Shivaji International airport in Mumbai, India

● **Flag carrier Air India is the only Indian airline currently offering direct flights to the US**

Reuters | New Delhi

Vistara, an Indian full-service airline owned by Tata Group and Singapore Airlines, is considering starting direct flights to the United States as the COVID-19 pandemic increases demand for non-stop travel, a senior executive said yesterday.

While the specific timeframe and aircraft requirements are yet to be finalised, Vistara is studying various scenarios for direct flights, Vinod Kannan, chief commercial officer, told Reuters in an interview.

Vistara has seen a rise in demand for non-stop flights, as passengers try to avoid stopovers to reduce the risk of getting infected - a trend it expects will continue in the future.

"This means there is definitely an opportunity...to fly direct to the US., and it is an opportunity we are looking at," Kannan said.

The airline, which started international flights last year, currently operates two Boeing Co widebody planes and has four more on order but Kannan said the specifications and layout were not suited for direct flights to the United States.

Whether Vistara would look at ordering new planes or leasing them is under discussion.

"In today's situation it is much easier to lease a widebody compared to one year ago. Those opportunities and scenarios are being worked on," Kannan said.

By mid-2023, Vistara expects 20 per cent to 30pc of its total seat capacity to be deployed on international routes, up from less than 10pc last year.

It expects to expand its fleet to 70 planes - a mix of Airbus' narrow-body planes and Boeing widebodies - from 47 or 48 planes by the end of the current fiscal year.

Britain and Canada sign post-Brexit rollover trade deal

● **Britain prepares to end its transition out of the European Union on Dec. 31**

Reuters | Toronto/London

Britain and Canada struck a rollover trade deal yesterday to protect the flow of \$27 billion-worth of goods and services between them after Brexit, and vowed to start talks on a bespoke agreement next year.

As Britain prepares to end its transition out of the European Union on Dec. 31, it has negotiated multiple rollover bilateral deals to maintain trade, with many simply replacing the terms the bloc had already agreed.

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson joined Canada's Justin Trudeau and their respective trade ministers on an online call to mark the deal, which paves the way for a tailor-made agreement covering more areas such as digital trade, small businesses, the environment and women's economic empowerment.

"Today's agreement underpins 20 billion pounds worth of trade and locks in certainty for thousands of jobs," Liz Truss, the UK's international trade secretary, said in a statement.

Her Canadian counterpart



Britain's Prime Minister Boris Johnson shakes hands with Canada's Prime Minister Justin Trudeau at the G7 summit in Biarritz, France

Mary Ng said the transitional agreement "largely replicates" the EU deal on tariff reductions and provisions for labour and environment.

"We do want an ambitious, high level comprehensive trade agreement with the UK," Ng said, signalling Canada wanted similar terms to the EU deal.

Johnson is trying to shape a new "global Britain" that can strike out alone and negotiate better trade agreements than the EU as part of what he says is the benefits of its historic decision to leave the world's biggest trading bloc.

In less than two years it has agreed trade deals with 53 countries, accounting for 164 billion pounds (\$217.82 billion) of British bilateral trade. John-

son's critics point out that many are largely the same as the EU deals.

The UK-Canada Trade Continuity Agreement will be subject to final legal checks before it is formally signed. "This is a good moment," Trudeau said.

Britain is Canada's fifth largest trading partner after the United States, China, Mexico and Japan.

Xi says China ready to boost global COVID-19 vaccine cooperation

Reuters | Beijing



China proposes the creation of a mechanism by which travellers' coronavirus test results were recognised internationally through digital health codes.

President Xi Jinping said yesterday that China is ready to step up global COVID-19 vaccine cooperation, and called for better international coordination on policies to facilitate movement of people.

Pharmaceutical companies and research centres around the world are working on potential COVID-19 vaccines, with large global trials of several of the candidates involving tens of thousands of participants underway. China has five home-grown candidates undergoing Phase III trials.

"China is willing to strengthen cooperation with other countries in the research and development, production, and distribution of vaccines," Xi told the G20 Riyadh Summit via video link.

Xi Jinping also called for stronger international policy coordination to establish travel "fast tracks" that would facilitate orderly global movement.

Europe regulator sees Boeing 737 MAX ungrounding in January



Grounded Boeing 737 MAX aircraft are seen parked at Boeing facilities at Grant County International Airport in Moses Lake, Washington, US

Reuters | Paris

Europe's aviation safety regulator expects to clear the Boeing 737 MAX for flight in January, joining the United States in lifting a grounding imposed in the wake of two crashes, its top official said in remarks broadcast yesterday.

"It is likely that in our case we will adopt the decisions allowing the (airplane) to return to service some time in January," Patrick Ky, executive director of the European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) told the Paris Air Forum.

It is with sadness and profound grief that we announce the passing of Muhammad Danish Khan, Accounts Manager in our Finance department of Bahrain. Danish was a beloved co-worker who passed away on Wednesday, 11th November after a short illness.

The Board of Directors, Executive Management and staff of AXA Insurance (Gulf) B.S.C. (c) express their deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences to his family, friends and colleagues.

May his soul rest in peace

News in brief

Thai students protest against ‘dinosaurs’ ♦ With a parade of people dressed in dinosaur costumes to represent Thailand’s establishment, high school students led a protest by thousands of people in Bangkok with calls to bring down the government and reform the monarchy. It was the first major protest since Prime Minister Prayuth Chan-ocha said on Thursday that police would use all laws against protesters, who have become the biggest challenge to Thailand’s rulers in years.

Protests in Brazil after security guards beat black man to death ♦ The death of a black man beaten by white security guards at a supermarket sparked protests across Brazil as the country celebrated Black Consciousness Day. A video of the incident in the southern city of Porto Alegre captured on a witness’s mobile phone was broadcast on social networks and Brazilian media. As the clip went viral, around 1,000 protesters in Sao Paulo marched to a branch of the French-owned Carrefour supermarket chain and stoned the glass storefront before storming the premises, trashing and burning goods.

Ethiopia’s government claimed advances in its battle against the dissident Tigray region, while showing no signs of bowing to international pressure for a halt to the conflict that has caused tens of thousands to flee and raised fears of a humanitarian disaster. “Our defence forces are currently marching on Mekele,” the Ethiopia State of Emergency Fact Check, a government agency, said. The regional capital is the seat of the Tigray People’s Liberation Front (TPLF), which the government is seeking to dislodge from power.

Eight people were injured in a shooting at a US mall in Wisconsin according to police, who said they were still hunting for the shooter. The FBI and the Milwaukee County Sheriff’s office tweeted that their officers were on the scene at the Mayfair Mall in Wauwatosa, Wisconsin, supporting the “active” response by local police. “When emergency personnel arrived, the shooter was no longer at the scene,” the Wauwatosa Police Department said in a statement.

Teen accused of killing two at US protest released on \$2mn bail ♦ The 17-year-old right-wing extremist charged with shooting two people dead at a Black Lives Matter protest in the Midwestern US state of Wisconsin earlier this year was released after posting \$2 million bail, one of his lawyers tweeted. Kyle Rittenhouse “is out of jail,” Lin Wood wrote, adding special thanks to actor Ricky Schroder and My Pillow chief executive Mike Lindell, an ally of US President Donald Trump, for contributions which put them “over the top.”

India aims to reduce carbon footprint by 30-35 pc: Modi

● **Modi says India set to double oil refining capacity in five years, earlier than expected**

PTI | New Delhi

India’s Prime Minister Narendra Modi yesterday said the country was moving forward with the goal of reducing its carbon footprint by 30 to 35 per cent.

He also said that efforts were on to increase the use of natural gas by four times in this decade and to double the oil refining capacity in the next five years.

The prime minister said this while addressing the eighth convocation of Pandit Deendayal Petroleum University (PDPU) here via video conference.

“Today, the country is moving forward with the goal of reducing its carbon footprint by 30 to 35 per cent. When I told this to the world, it expressed surprise and wondered if India could achieve this,” he said.

“Our effort is to increase the share of natural gas in our energy needs by four times in this decade. Work is also on to nearly double the oil refining capacity in the coming five years,” he added.

He also expressed confidence that the country will achieve its



India’s Prime Minister Narendra Modi during his address (file photo)

renewable energy generation target ‘before time’.

“Today, per unit cost (of solar power) has come down to less than Rs 2 from Rs 12-13 earlier. Today, solar power has become the country’s priority. We have made a commitment to generate 175 gigawatt renewable energy and I am confident that we will achieve this before 2022,” he said.

“Also, our renewable energy target of 450 gigawatt by 2030, a big aim, will be achieved before time...I am confident of that,” he said.

Modi said that the oil and gas sector will see an investment of crores of rupees in this decade,

which will create opportunities for the graduating students of the university in the fields of research, manufacturing and others. He also said that work is underway to strengthen the start-ups ecosystem related to the energy security sector, and a special fund has been allocated for the purpose.

“If you have any idea, product or any concept which you want to incubate, then this fund will be a good opportunity for you, and a gift from the government,” he said.

The PM said that despite the hardships caused by the coronavirus pandemic, the graduating students should remember that

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NARENDRA MODI

their strength and capacities are much bigger than the challenges, and asked them not to lose confidence.

“What is more important than problems is your purpose, preference and your commitment. This is not that you are facing a challenge for the first time in your life, or that this is the last challenge. It is not the case that a successful person does not have problems. But those who accept the challenges and defeat them are the ones who succeed,” he said.

He asked the students to recall the period of the country’s Independence movement and how people sacrificed their lives for it. He asked them to similarly become a soldier for ‘Aatmanirbhar Bharat’.

He said that those who succeed in life possess a sense of responsibility.

Armenia PM urges stronger military links with Russia

Reuters | Baku

Armenian Prime Minister Nikol Pashinyan called yesterday for greater military cooperation with Russia, a day after Azerbaijani troops began moving into disputed territory previously held by Armenian separatist forces.

“We hope we can reinforce cooperation with Russia not only in the security sector but also military and technical cooperation,” he said, according to his press service.

“Of course, there were hard times before the war but the situation today is even more difficult.”

Pashinyan was speaking during a meeting in Yerevan with Russian Defence Minister Sergei Shoigu after Azerbaijani troops Friday moved into the Aghdam district bordering Nagorno-Karabakh.

Armenia and Azerbaijan agreed to a Russian-brokered ceasefire on November 9 after six weeks of fighting over the self-proclaimed republic. Under the agreement, Azerbaijan will regain control of three districts that have been controlled by the separatists since the 1990s.

Lebanese police hunt dozens after mass jailbreak

● **Five Lebanese prisoners die in accident during an ensuing police chase**

AFP | Beirut

Police in Lebanon yesterday hunted for 44 fugitive prisoners who escaped from a detention centre on the outskirts of Beirut, calling on local residents to be on alert.

Despite tight security, 69 people broke out of a detention facility near the presidential palace in Baabda, east of Beirut, a police statement said.

Five were killed in a car accident, when they lost control of the stolen vehicle as they rushed away and crashed into a tree. One other person was taken to hospital.

By early afternoon yesterday, 15 had been recaptured, and another four had handed themselves back in, leaving 44 on the run.

“A manhunt is...underway to arrest the remaining fugitive prisoners,” police said in a statement.

Local authorities called on residents to be on alert, with large numbers of security forces deployed searching the area.

Prosecutor Ghada Aoun has ordered an immediate investigation in the breakout.

Speaking to AFP, she said she did not rule out the possibility of



Lebanese police inspect a damaged car after fugitives crashed it into a tree

69

people broke out of a detention facility near the presidential palace in Baabda, east of Beirut despite tight security

“collusion between the detainees and security guards tasked with protecting their cells.”

Judge Fadi Akiki, a government representative at the military court, held a meeting with security officials after inspecting the detention facility and site of the car crash.

Relatives of the inmates gath-

ered outside the detention centre, located in Baabda’s Justice Palace, where some were awaiting trial.

Some asked about the fate of their relatives, while others handed their sons back into custody, according to an AFP photographer.

They include Joumana Berjawi, whose 22-year-old son escaped after being held for six months on charges of attempted murder -- a charge she denies.

“My son was among the escapees, but I brought him back and handed him over to the state,” Berjawi told AFP.

The jailbreak comes as detainees across Lebanon have called on parliament to approve a draft general amnesty law, that would see thousands of them freed from coronavirus-hit prisons.

COVID-19 Countries worst affected

| | Country | Total cases | Total deaths | Global tally |
|----|-----------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1 | USA | 12,354,646 | 261,130 | 58,315,176 |
| 2 | India | 9,095,543 | 133,260 | |
| 3 | Brazil | 6,020,164 | 168,687 | Deaths |
| 4 | France | 2,127,051 | 48,518 | |
| 5 | Russia | 2,064,748 | 35,778 | 1,384,106 |
| 6 | Spain | 1,589,219 | 42,619 | |
| 7 | UK | 1,493,383 | 54,626 | Recovered: |
| 8 | Italy | 1,380,531 | 49,261 | |
| 9 | Argentina | 1,359,042 | 36,790 | New cases |
| 10 | Colombia | 1,233,444 | 34,929 | |
| 11 | Mexico | 1,025,969 | 100,823 | +416,181 |
| 12 | Peru | 946,087 | 35,484 | |
| 13 | Germany | 909,387 | 14,154 | New deaths |
| 14 | Poland | 843,475 | 13,288 | |

Middle East

Figures as of closing

| Country | Total cases | new cases | Total deaths | New Deaths | Total recovered | Active cases |
|--------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Egypt | 112,318 | | 6,521 | | 101,685 | 4,112 |
| Saudi Arabia | 355,034 | +221 | 5,761 | +16 | 342,882 | 6,391 |
| UAE | 157,785 | +1,262 | 548 | +1 | 148,080 | 9,157 |
| Kuwait | 139,734 | +426 | 863 | +2 | 131,560 | 7,311 |
| Oman | 121,360 | | 1,365 | | 112,406 | 7,589 |
| Qatar | 137,062 | +174 | 235 | | 134,100 | 2,727 |

1497

Portuguese navigator Vasco da Gama rounds Cape of Good Hope on way to first voyage from Europe to reach India

1935

Flying boat "China Clipper" takes off from Alameda, California, carrying 100,000 pieces of mail on 1st trans-Pacific airmail flight

1963

US President John F. Kennedy assassinated by Lee Harvey Oswald while riding in an open-topped motorcade in Dallas, Texas



2005

Angela Merkel becomes the first female Chancellor of Germany

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TWEETS

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Big voter fraud information coming out concerning Georgia. Stay tuned!

@realDonaldTrump

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Happy to see Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi Mohammed bin Zayed again and discuss the implementation of the Abraham Accords and efforts to counter Iran. The U.S.-UAE relationship is growing in depth and scope and will bring greater stability to the region.

@SecPompeo

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Anyone who wants a COVID-19 test should be able to get one. Period.

@JoeBiden

04



Americans deserve leaders that will be there for everyone in times of crisis—doesn't matter whether you're a Democrat or Republican. That's the kind of leadership President-elect @JoeBiden and I will provide.

@KamalaHarris

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IS-claimed rocket attack on Kabul kills eight

Several rockets hit residential areas in the early rush hour in the Afghan capital

● The explosions, some close to the diplomatic enclave, sent warning sirens blaring from embassies

● The attack came hours before Pompeo was to meet with negotiators from Afghan government and Taliban

AFP | Kabul

At least eight people were killed yesterday when a barrage of rockets struck densely populated parts of Kabul, the latest big attack in a wave of violence that has engulfed the Afghan capital.

The Islamic State (IS) group claimed responsibility for the salvo, which slammed into various parts of central and north Kabul -- including in and around the heavily fortified Green Zone that houses embassies and international firms -- just before 9:00 am (0430 GMT).

The attack came hours before US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo was to meet with negotiators from the Afghan government and the Taliban in the Qatari capital Doha amid signs of progress in their peace talks.

The Iranian embassy said on Twitter that its main building had been hit by rocket fragments after one landed on the premises. No one in the compound, located just outside the Green Zone, was wounded.

Despite the IS claim, interior ministry spokesman Tariq Arian blamed the Taliban, saying "terrorists" had fired a total of 23 rockets.

"Based on initial information, eight people were martyred, and 31 others were wounded," Arian said, noting the final toll would change.

Kabul police spokesman Ferdaws Faramarz confirmed the same tolls and details.

At least one rocket landed in an office inside the Green Zone, but did not explode.

Several buildings sustained damage to walls and windows, including at the large Sana Medical Complex.

Mariam Rahimi, 26, a nurse at the facility, said she had been thrown off her feet when a rocket struck the hospital.



People inspect a damaged house after several rockets land at Khair Khana, north west of Kabul



Taliban and Afghan government negotiators launched peace talks in Doha in September but progress has been slow and violence has raged across Afghanistan regardless

"The impact broke windows and tables and damaged some parts of a wall. I screamed for help and called other staff members to evacuate the children who were admitted at the hospital," Rahimi told AFP.

"I am scared and have a headache from the shock of the attack. These attackers must die, they don't even spare hospitals."

Recent major attacks in Kabul, including two horrific assaults on educational institutions that killed nearly 50 people, follow a familiar pattern in the aftermath, with the Taliban denying any involvement while the Afghan government pins the blame on them



The rocket attack in Kabul city has nothing to do with the mujahideen of the Islamic Emirate

TALIBAN SPOKESMAN ZABIHULLAH MUJAHID

or their proxies.

"The rocket attack in Kabul city has nothing to do with the mujahideen of the Islamic Emirate," Taliban spokesman Zabihullah Mujahid said, using the insurgents' name for Afghanistan.

The Taliban are under pressure not to attack urban areas, having pledged not to do so under the terms of a US withdrawal deal signed in February.

Any acknowledgement of overt involvement in such incidents could in theory slow the American pull-out, though outgoing US President Donald Trump has made clear he wants US forces out regardless of the situation on the ground.

IS claimed the two attacks on educational centres, but Kabul said the Taliban's ultra-violent Haqqani network was responsible.

The jihadists said on Telegram that their "soldiers of the caliphate" had fired 28 Katyusha rockets in yesterday's attack.

Philippines' Duterte ends overseas travel ban on healthcare workers



Rodrigo Duterte

Reuters | Manila

Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte has approved ending a ban on deploying the nation's healthcare workers, his labour minister said yesterday, clearing the way for thousands of nurses to take up jobs overseas.

"The president already approved the lifting of the temporary suspension of deployment of nurses and other medical workers," Labour Secretary Silvestre Bello told Reuters.

Bello said the spread of the novel coronavirus was slowing down in the country and conditions were improving, so the government could afford to let its healthcare workers leave.

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"We are starting only with a cap of 5,000 so we will not run out (of medical workers), but this may increase eventually," Bello said.

Remains of two victims of 79 AD volcanic eruption unearthed at Pompeii

AFP | Rome

The remains of two victims of the eruption of Mount Vesuvius almost 2,000 years ago have been unearthed at a grand villa on the fringes of Pompeii, officials at the archaeological site said yesterday.

"Two skeletons of individuals caught in the fury of the eruption have been found," the officials at the Italian site near Naples said in a statement.

The researchers believe the figures are those of a young slave and a richer older man, around 40 and presumed to be his owner, based on the vestiges of clothing and their physical appearance.

The ruined city of Pompeii was submerged in ash after the eruption of Mount Vesuvius in 79 AD. It is now Italy's sec-



The remains of the two men discovered in Pompeii

ond-most visited tourist attraction after Rome's Colosseum, receiving nearly 4 million visits last year.

The massive site that spreads over 44-hectares (110-acres) is what remains of one of the

richest cities in the Roman empire. Layers of ash buried many buildings and objects in a nearly pristine state, including curled-up corpses of victims.

After the latest human remains were uncovered, the



Pompeii officials said the men apparently escaped the initial fall of ash from Mount Vesuvius then succumbed to a powerful volcanic blast that took place the next morning. The later blast apparently invaded the area from many points, surrounding and burying the victims in ash,

bones were analysed and then plaster was poured in, a technique invented by Giuseppe Fiorelli in 1867.

This creates a plaster cast which shows the shapes of the bodies of the two victims, in a supine position, where they fell.

The two skeletons were found, during ongoing excavations at Civita Giuliana, around 700 metres northwest of Pompeii, at a villa overlooking the Bay of Naples where previously a stable and the remains of three harnessed horses had been found.

The two bodies were found in a side room of the "cryptoporticus" a corridor below the villa where the could have gone to seek shelter.

While excavations continue at the Pompeii site, tourism has stopped due to coronavirus measures.

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Chelsea go top as Brighton earn first win at Villa



Tammy Abraham of Chelsea shoots to score
AFP | London

Chelsea climbed to the top of the Premier League for the first time in more than two years with a convincing 2-0 win at Newcastle, while Brighton survived late penalty controversy to secure their first ever victory at Aston Villa yesterday.

Frank Lampard's side moved above Leicester on goal difference thanks to Federico Fernandez's first-half own goal and Tammy Abraham's strike after the interval.

Chelsea are unbeaten in nine games in all competitions and have not lost in their last six league matches.

With five clean sheets in their last six matches in all competitions, Chelsea's third successive league victory was the perfect way to start a hectic period leading up to Christmas.

Maurizio Sarri was in charge the last time Chelsea were in pole position in the Premier League in September 2018.

But Lampard's squad are more formidable than his pre-

It's not an easy game. We played well in patches and the result is key in these games. The Premier League is tough, relentless, and we dealt with the challenge of the game very well

FRANK LAMPARD

decessor's fragile team and a serious title challenge looks increasingly possible.

Chelsea's pressure was rewarded in the 10th minute when a short corner caught Newcastle flat-footed.

Mason Mount whipped in a low cross and Fernandez turned it into his own net under pressure from Ben Chilwell at the far post.

With Lampard's men monopolising possession, Timo Werner should have doubled their lead from Mount's pass, but the German forward scuffed his shot wide from 10 yards.

Gabriel “Fly” wants a crack at BRAVE CF 45’s Dumar Roa

Dumar Roa challenged by Gabriel “Fly” for Featherweight world title belt



Gabriel “Fly”



Dumar Roa

Dumar politely accepts the challenge

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Gabriel “Fly” was set to compete at BRAVE CF 45's main event, but was forced to pull out due to covid-19. The Brazilian grappler was set to take on Colombia's Dumar Roa before contracting the virus prior to leaving Brazil. He was replaced by Ian Entwistle, who got close to submitting Roa, before succumbing to an injury. “Corazon de Leon” has shown amazing submission defense and earned his win.

It was Dumar's second straight victory against a top opponent under the BRAVE CF banner - he had previously knocked out former world champion Abdul-Kareem Al-Selwady. Riding high after these two wins, Roa was challenged by “Fly”, who wants their bout to take place with the BRAVE CF Featherweight world title belt on the line.

Colombia and Brazil have been two of the greatest homes for BRAVE Combat Federation, hosting six events in total (four in Brazil and two in Colombia), and Gabriel wants to see a clash between both countries for the Featherweight strap.



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“Four events in Brazil, two in Colombia. Brazilian and Colombian fans deserve to (see a) fight for a world title. We are ready to represent our countries and Latin America in a great fight for the world title of the fastest-growing global organization in the world”, said Gabriel on his social media profiles.

Dumar politely accepted the challenge, as the duo knew each other from the time they shared the mats in the build-up to BRAVE CF 26, when both of them fought in Bogota, Colombia.

“I’m ready to fight anyone you bring to me. If that’s Gabriel, I’m ready to fight him. Let’s go “Fly”, let’s do this”.

Muharraq surge late to defeat Bahrain Club in BBA Cup

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Muharraq defeated Bahrain Club 102-84 last night to get their campaign underway on a positive note in the 2020/2021 Bahrain Basketball Association (BBA) Cup, which is being played at Zain Basketball Arena in Um Al Hassam.

The victors used strong fourth quarter to turn away a solid challenge from their opponents, whom they outscored 30-13 in the period.

That helped Muharraq blow a close fight wide open en route to securing their 18-point triumph.



Muharraq's Bader Malabes attempts to drive past Bahrain Club's Abbas Jawadi during their game yesterday

The game marked the first appearance in Muharraq colours for newly signed veterans and former national team stars Hussain Shaker and Ahmed Abdulaziz, who were among the club's new high-profile additions during the off-season. The other two, Kuwayed brothers Mohammed and Younes, did not play last night.

Muharraq clinched their first win in the cup's Group A, which also comprises Bahrain Club, Al Ettihad, Nuwaidrat, Isa Town and defending league champions Al Ahli.

Meanwhile, in yesterday's other game, Al Hala defeated Riffa by default, as the Riffa team did not show up for the

game.

That gave both Hala their first win in Group B, joining Manama and Al Najma. Manama beat Samaheej while Najma outplayed Sitra.

This stage of the BBA Cup, which is the first competition of the 2020/2021 national basketball season, is being played in a single round-robin within each group, with the top two teams qualifying for the semi-finals.

Each club is allowed one foreign player in the tournament, while none of Bahrain's national team players are competing. Teams are encouraged to give their younger players experience in this level of competition.

Depleted Real Madrid pinned back by Villarreal

AFP | Madrid

A patched-up Real Madrid had to hang on for a 1-1 draw at in-form Villarreal yesterday, handing Barcelona and Atletico Madrid the chance to capitalise in La Liga.

Mariano Diaz gave Real Madrid the lead after just 105 seconds but Zinedine Zidane's team faded at La Ceramica and Villarreal claimed a deserved point through Gerard Moreno's second-half penalty.

“It feels like a small reward,” said Zidane. “We deserved more today for the game we played. I’m annoyed because of the effort from the boys.”

Mariano was almost sold last summer but had to stand in for Karim Benzema, who is injured, and Luka Jovic, who tested positive for coronavirus on Friday.

Sergio Ramos, Eder Militao and Casemiro were all missing following the international break, leaving Nacho Fernandez and an unfit Raphael Varane to fill in at the back, while Martin Odegaard made a rare start in midfield.

Given the absentees, a draw may not worry Zidane too much, particularly against a buoyant Villarreal side who sat second at kick-off after four victories on the bounce.

But another slip means Madrid have now won only three of their last seven games in all competitions, with a crucial visit to Inter Milan to come in the Champions League on



General view inside the stadium during the match

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of their last seven games in all competitions could only be won by Real Madrid

Wednesday.

If Atletico Madrid beat Barcelona they will move three points clear of their city rivals, with a game in hand, and nine ahead of Barca.

Mariano had not started for Real Madrid since May 2019, when he again scored early against Villarreal after just 83 seconds.

He was not far behind this

time, heading in Dani Carvajal's cross after Villarreal's defence had stopped for an offside on Lucas Vazquez that never materialised.

Villarreal increasingly took charge of the game, their slick passing giving a sense of control but few chances, the best of them in the first half falling to Dani Parejo, who nodded over.

But Madrid appeared to tire as the match wore on and Villarreal's pressure turned more threatening in the last 20 minutes, with Moreno flashing wide from the angle and then Parejo missing the target from a cutback.

The equaliser was late but deserved, as Thibaut Courtois flew out to meet a through ball for Moreno but arrived second and fouled the striker with his hands.

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Al Nasser, Muharraq win in volleyball league



Action from Al Nasser's victory last night

● **Al Nasser clinch victory over Bani Jamra**

● **Muharraq registers clean sweep win over A'Ali**

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Al Nasser clinched a resounding 3-0 (25-17, 25-15, 30-28) victory over Bani Jamra last night in the 2020/2021 Isa bin Rashid Volleyball League.

The victors were the aggressors from the opening serve, and they did well to close out the match in straight sets after Bani Jamra threatened to extend the contest to a fourth.

It was the first victory of Nasser in the league following a loss to Al Najma in their first game. Bani Jamra, on the other hand, fell to their second successive defeat after an earlier loss to Al Ahli.

Meanwhile, in yesterday's other game, Muharraq also registered a clean sweep, defeating A'Ali 3-0 (25-18, 25-23, 25-19).

Muharraq maintained their unbeaten start to the season with the result after beating Busaiteen in their first game. A'Ali were dealt their second straight loss. They bowed to Dar Kulaib previously.

This year's first division



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league, organised and run by the Bahrain Volleyball Association (BVA), is being held in honour of the late Shaikh Isa bin Rashid Al Khalifa, the former Bahrain Olympic Committee president. Games are being played at the BVA arena at Isa Sports City in Riffa.

League action is scheduled to continue on Thursday later this week with two games. A'Ali will look to bounce back when they face Najma at 6pm and then Busaiteen will take on Ahli at 7.30pm. On Friday, Nasser and Muharraq will face off with the aim of extending their winning ways followed by Dar Kulaib playing Najma.

Teams set to arrive for FIBA Asia qualifiers

Seven nations, in two groups, set to play in Bahrain games following the withdrawal of Korea

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The men's national basketball teams participating in the upcoming FIBA Asia Cup 2021 qualifiers in Bahrain are scheduled to begin arriving tomorrow, ahead of the start of play on Friday.

The Kingdom will be hosting two groups in this qualification window, including Group D in which the home side are placed alongside Iraq, Lebanon and India; and Group A which features the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia and Korea.

The Koreans have withdrawn from taking part and their games have been taken off the schedule by FIBA Asia.

Set to reach Bahrain tomorrow are Iraq, Lebanon, the Philippines, Thailand and Indonesia, while India are scheduled to arrive on Tuesday.

Officials from the Bahrain Basketball Association (BBA) will be receiving the visiting delegations at Bahrain International Airport and will assist them on their arrival formalities. The teams will then be transported to their residence at Gulf Court Hotel.

The qualifiers will be taking place at the Khalifa Sports City arena in Isa Town, while the



Bahrain forward Mohammed Qurban warming up during a previous qualifier held in Bahrain earlier this year

Revised schedule of games

Friday

1pm: India vs Lebanon

4pm: Philippines vs Thailand

7pm: Iraq vs Bahrain

Saturday

4pm: Thailand vs Indonesia

Sunday

1pm: Iraq vs Lebanon

7pm: India vs Bahrain

Monday

4pm: Thailand vs Philippines

national teams will be able to train at Zain Basketball Arena in Um Al Hassam and at Manama Club in Juffair. The games will be held with no spectators in attendance.

FIBA Asia officials, working committee members, game observers, and referees have already begun arriving in Bahrain. BBA secretary general Ahmed

Yousef confirmed that strict health protocols will be in place to ensure the safety of all participants to prevent infections from the coronavirus. Aside from the required tests the visiting delegations will need to undertake before their departure for Bahrain and upon reaching the country, rapid tests will also be conducted during the qualifying competition, in cooperation with the Bahrain Olympic Committee, the Ministry of Youth and Sports Affairs and the Ministry of Health.

Meanwhile, a minor change in the schedule of games has been done by FIBA Asia following Korea's decision not to travel to Bahrain. The Philippines were previously scheduled to play Thailand on Thursday night, but it has been moved to Friday as part of a three-game schedule on the day.

Home side Bahrain will be playing two games in this qual-

ifying window. They will first play Iraq on Friday and then take on India on Sunday. Both fixtures are scheduled for 7pm tip-offs.

The Bahrainis have been preparing for the qualifiers behind closed doors under American head coach and former NBA champion Sam Vincent.

Bahrain have already taken to the hardwood twice earlier this year, including a 68-67 win at home against India, which they followed with a 73-116 loss to Lebanon in Beirut.

The nationals are hoping to finish as one of the top two teams from qualifying's Group D in order to book their tickets to the FIBA Asia Cup. If they finish third, they will have to play in another stage of qualification for a chance to claim one of four other spots up for grabs for the 2021 FIBA Asia Cup. If they finish last, the Bahrainis will be out of the running for a tournament berth.

Isa Town trounce Ittifaq in BFA Cup

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Isa Town were the big winners yesterday on a busy night of action that featured four matches in the 2020/2021 Bahrain Football Association (BFA) Cup, held at separate venues.

Isa Town hit four past Al Ittifaq in a resounding 4-0 victory.

It was their first victory in Group B of the competition's preliminary round after opening with a draw against reigning Cup champions Muharraq. Ittifaq, on the other hand, suffered their first loss after beating Al Hala in their first game.

Also yesterday, Malkiya nearly matched Isa Town but gave up a goal to Al Ahli in a 4-1 win in Group C.

Malkiya were able to register their first victory of the tournament after narrowly losing their previous match to Sitra, while Ahli were making their first appearance in the competition and began their campaign



Action from Isa Town's win against Ittifaq

with the loss.

Elsewhere in yesterday's BFA Cup ties, Manama beat Hala in

another Group B clash while Sitra took care of Al Tadhamon 3-1 in the other Group C encounter.

4

goals were scored by Isa Town against Al Ittifaq

This year's BFA Cup features four groups in the ongoing preliminary round, at the end of which the top team in each group moves on to the semi-finals.

Group A features Bahrain Club, Al Ettihad, Al Shabab, East Riffa and Hidd. Group B is composed of Isa Town, Hala, Muharraq, Manama and Ettifaq. Group C comprises Malkiya, Tadhamun, Ahli, Riffa and Sitra, while Group D includes just four teams in Budaiya, Busait-een, Al Najma and Galali.

Thiem ends Djokovic's ATP Finals record bid in London thriller

Dominic Thiem hits a return to Novak Djokovic
AFP | London

Dominic Thiem recovered from squandering four match points in a dramatic second-set tie-break to beat Novak Djokovic in three pulsating sets in the last four at the ATP Finals yesterday.

The Austrian third seed's 7-5, 6-7 (10/12), 7-6 (7/5) win ended Djokovic's hopes of equalling Roger Federer's re-

cord of six titles at the elite eight-man event.

The US Open champion will face either Rafael Nadal or Daniil Medvedev in Sunday's final as he chases the second-biggest title of his career.

The 2019 runner-up, who forced the only break in the first set, faced an uphill battle psychologically after his missed chances in the second-set tie-break.