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UK flights disrupted by tech glitch

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UK flights were disrupted yesterday by a technical glitch that was quickly resolved, according to the air traffic control service.

The number of aircraft in London's air space was limited by the service, known as NATS, as a result of a technical issue, causing airports including Gatwick and Edinburgh to stop departures.

NATS said in a statement it had "restored" the system and was "resuming normal operations" in London.

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Youth Engine

Public-private model to power national talent

● Youth strategy enters next phase

● Institutional reform targeted

● Website to boost youth access

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Bahrain is building a structured national framework to embed youth empowerment into the country's long-term development, Minister of Youth Affairs Her Excellency Rawan bint Najeeb Tawfiqi said on Tuesday. She unveiled a new institutional approach that connects government bodies with private sector partners.

Chairing a high-level meeting of the Youth Empowerment Committee at Youth City 2030, the minister said the National Youth Empowerment Strategy 2023 to 2028 is moving into its next phase. This phase prioritises sustainable, system-wide support for young Bahraini tal-



H.E. Rawan bint Najeeb Tawfiqi

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She called for a coordinated, cross-sector pipeline to channel youth potential into innovation, entrepreneurship, and national productivity. This, the minister said, will be achieved by fostering joint initiatives and codifying partnerships that translate aspirations into structured outcomes.

Structured Strategy

"The future we are pre-



Youth City 2030, now in its twelfth edition, has trained thousands of Bahraini youth since its inception, with many going on to leadership roles in the public and private sectors.

paring for must be built with youth as active partners today," the minister noted. She highlighted the importance of designing programmes that reflect young people's evolving ambitions.

Tawfiqi said sustainable results could only be achieved through institutional mechanisms that link ministries, businesses, training bodies, and civil society. This ensures young people are not just participants

but decision-makers in shaping Bahrain's future.

The meeting spotlighted the role of the Youth Empowerment Committee in coordinating such efforts and affirmed its commitment to opening development pathways across industries.

Digital Tools, Real Results

Officials reviewed standout outcomes from Youth City 2030 programmes, including success stories in skills training, entrepreneurship, and innovation. Emphasis was placed on extending these results nationwide through continuous collaboration with private companies and NGOs.

The ministry also introduced its new digital platform that streamlines access to youth programmes. The site offers real-time registration, opportunity tracking, and customised guidance. This allows young Bahrainis to take charge of their development paths more easily than ever before.

In her closing remarks, Tawfiqi underscored the ministry's goal and said it is focused on preparing a generation not just to succeed but to lead.

UN says Gaza aid conditions 'far from sufficient'

AFP | Geneva

The United Nations' humanitarian agency said yesterday that the conditions for delivering aid into Gaza were "far from sufficient" to meet the immense needs of its "desperate, hungry people".

OCHA also said fuel deliveries were nowhere near what is needed to keep health, emergency, water and telecommunications services running in the besieged Palestinian territory.

This week, Israel launched daily pauses in its military operations in some parts of the Gaza Strip and opened secure routes to enable UN agencies and other aid groups to distribute food in the densely populated territory of more than two million.

However, these pauses alone "do not allow for the continuous flow of supplies required to meet immense needs levels in Gaza", OCHA said in an update.

"While the UN and its partners are taking advantage of any opportunity to support people in need during the unilateral tactical pauses, the conditions for the delivery of aid and supplies are far from sufficient," the agency said.

Nature's fury

Russian volcano erupts after powerful quake

AFP | Moscow

A volcano in Russia's far east erupted yesterday, Russian scientists said, hours after a major quake prompted evacuations and tsunami alerts across parts of the Pacific coast.

Eruptions of the Klyuchevskoy volcano - the highest active in Europe and Asia - are quite common, with at least 18 of them happening since 2000 according to the Smithsonian Institution's Global Volcanism Program.

"The Klyuchevskoy is erupting right now," Russia's Geophysical Survey said on Telegram, posting photos of an orange blaze on top of the 4,700 metre (15,000 feet) volcano.



People evacuate the coastal area due to a tsunami warning in Viña del Mar, Chile. Chile warned of a "high probability" of a tsunami in the country as a result of an 8.8 magnitude earthquake off the coast of Russia, the Navy reported. (AFP)

The initial quake caused limited damage and only light injuries, despite being the strongest since 2011, when 15,000 people were killed in Japan.

Lava

"Red-hot lava is observed flowing down the western slope. There is a powerful glow above the volcano and explosions," it added.

Earlier yesterday, an 8.8 magnitude earthquake struck off the coast of Russia's far eastern Kamchatka region. **(Detailed report on World Page)**

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