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As many as 111,706 people from different countries of the world visited the Sultanate's pavilion at Expo 2020 Dubai over a period of nine days. **>A4**



ASSIGNED BY HIS MAJESTY THE SULTAN, SAYYID FATIK RECEIVES CHAIRMAN OF AL ERADA ASSOCIATION

MUSCAT: Assigned by His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik, His Highness Sayyid Fatik bin Fahar Al Said received in his office yesterday Dr. Ammar Bogis, Chairman of Al Erada Association for the Gifted and Disabled in Saudi Arabia. During the meeting, Sayyid Fatik conveyed the gratitude of His Majesty the Sultan to the guest for his sincere efforts in serving people with disabilities. The meeting reviewed areas of cooperation and ways to enhance them between the authorities concerned in the Sultanate and Al Erada Association. The meeting was attended by Laila Ahmed Al Najjar, Minister of Social Development, Abdullah Saud Al Enezi, KSA ambassador to the Sultanate and members of the delegation accompanying the guest. — **ONA** **Picture >A4**

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MORE ROP TEAMS SENT TO REINFORCE EFFORTS IN NORTH BATINAH



The ROP is helping in the removal of debris from public places, and the homes of people in Khabourah and Suwaiq wilayats

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Additional personnel from the Royal Oman Police (ROP) have been sent to North Al Batinah to assist with the ongoing cleanup, relief and reconstruction efforts in the wake of cyclone Shaheen.

With the wilayats of Khabourah and Suwaiq among the most badly affected by the cyclone, additional police teams were sent from Rustaq in South Al Batinah to help their comrades in the north.

The involvement of the ROP is part of the support lent to the relief and shelter sector of the Na-

tional Committee for Emergency Management (NCEM). According to the Oman News Agency (ONA), the police reinforcements will help remove debris from public places, and the homes of people

affected in both wilayats. More personnel were sent from other parts of the country as well.

"The Royal Oman Police is supporting the relief and shelter sector and the municipalities' efforts

with personnel from the special task units, the Sultan Qaboos Academy for Police Sciences, and other divisions, to assist in clearing and cleaning public places," said the NCEM in a statement. **>A4**

Military provides food, medicare to people affected by cyclone Shaheen

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Food supplies, ready-made meals, and medical care are being provided to people who suffered from the impact of cyclone Shaheen, by the Royal Army of Oman. The military's efforts come under the role played by the Sultan's Armed Forces to alleviate the impact of the cyclone, reported the Oman News Agency, and fall under the plans of the Main Military Committee for Emergency Situations Management. **>A4**



His Majesty receives more cables of condolences for Shaheen victims

MUSCAT: His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik has received cables of condolences from a number of leaders, crown princes and senior officials of the brotherly and friendly countries on victims of the tropical cyclone "Shaheen".

In their cables, they expressed their heartfelt sympathies to His Majesty and the Omani people. They prayed to the Almighty Allah to rest the departed souls in peace in paradise, grant their families fortitude to bear the loss and protect the Sultanate and its people against all harm. They stressed their solidarity with the Sultanate while it addresses impacts of the climatic condition.

His Majesty received cables from: The Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA), King Mohammed VI of the Kingdom of Morocco, President Dr. Bashar Al Assad of the Syrian Arab Republic, King Felipe VI of Spain, King Philippe of Belgium, Prince Mohammed bin Salman Al Saud, KSA Crown Prince, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defence, Sheikh Meshal Al Ahmad Al Jaber Al Sabah, Deputy Emir and Crown Prince of the State of Kuwait, Sheikh Sabah Khalid Al Hamad Al Sabah, Prime Minister of the State of Kuwait. **-ONA**

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COOPERATION

Al Nu'mani, British State Minister review relation

MUSCAT: Gen. Sultan Mohammed Al Nu'mani, Minister of the Royal Office received James Cleverly, British Minister of State for Middle East and North Africa at the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office, in his office on Sunday.

The meeting comes within the framework of interest attached by the Sultanate to the regional and international issues.

At the beginning of the meeting, Gen. Sultan Al Nu'mani welcomed the guest, who expressed his thanks and appreciation to the Sultanate for enhancing means of cooperation to achieve both countries' joint interests. The two sides exchanged cordial conversations and reviewed march of the historic relations between the two friendly countries. They also discussed several matters of common concern. The meeting was attended by the British envoy to Oman. — ONA



MEETING: Gen. Sultan Mohammed Al Nu'mani, Minister of the Royal Office with James Cleverly, British Minister of State for Middle East and North Africa at the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office. — ONA

NORTH AL BATINAH

<FROM A1 Meals being distributed

The meals are being distributed to citizens and residents of North Al Batinah.

"The medical services of the armed forces continue to provide medical and health care, by providing a number of dressing stations and deploying military ambulances, within the framework of the plan of the military subcommittees in the governorates of South and North Al Batinah," reported the ONA.

Food supplies were also distributed by military vehicles and personnel to villages affected by Shaheen, where they also attempted to remove the water that had flooded these areas, and cleaned debris from the nearby wadis.

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SAF

Military committee reviews relief to cyclone-affected

MUSCAT: The Sultan's Armed Forces (SAF) Military Committee for Emergency Management held a meeting at Al Murtafaa Camp yesterday to get updates from its sub-committees deployed in South Al Batinah and North Al Batinah where the SAF and other Defence Ministry departments are delivering relief aid to the cyclone-stricken areas.

The Military Committee took note of the collaboration among government and social parties towards the realisation of the supreme national goal of tackling the impacts of the recent tropical condition Shaheen. — ONA



CYCLONE

<FROM A1 Coordinated relief efforts on

"This will continue for several days, according to a specific action plan prepared in advance with the Subcommittee for Emergency Situations Management, and the General Directorate of Municipalities in North Al Batinah," added the government body.

The assistance plans were drawn up "with the aim of coordinating efforts and ensuring continuity of the recovery from the effects of the weather conditions," added the committee.

Police officers on the streets are working in tandem with other

ers assigned to the task, including military personnel, government employees, and hundreds of volunteers who have selflessly chosen to assist their countrymen during their time of need.

Among them is Ali Al Habsi from Mudhaibi in the Sharqiyah regions. "There are about 350 of us working here, and we brought supplies in about 10 to 15 cars," he said, in an interview with Oman TV. "We divided ourselves into two teams: distribution and cleanup."

Another volunteer, Moath Al Zaabi, began work at 7 am so that

public places and homes could be cleaned up sooner. "We headed to those areas affected by cyclone Shaheen, with the ROP overseeing traffic so we could travel easily to the mosques, homes and roads that needed cleaning," he said. Major Masoud bin Said Al Mughairi of Al Khabourah Police Station said Oman was blessed to see so many people from various segments of society come forward to help. "Traffic was organised in such a way that our volunteers could be directed to places that required their support," he told Oman TV.

There are 23 people in hospital undergoing treatment for COVID-19. Eight of them are in intensive care

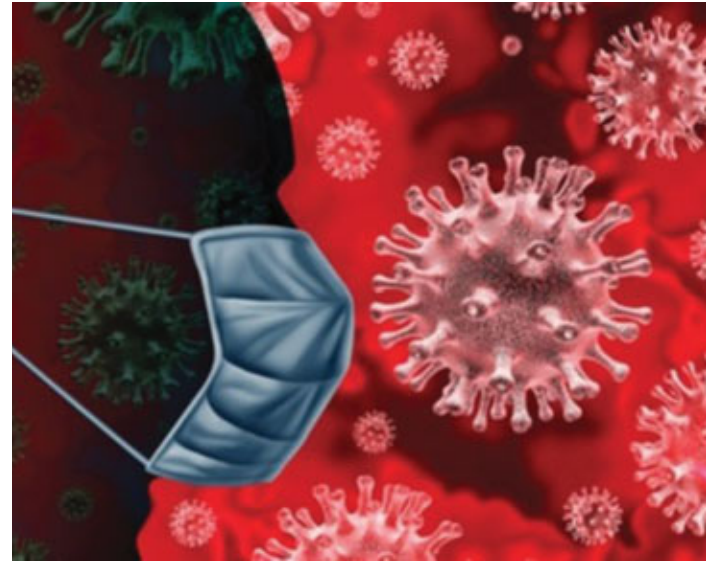
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MUSCAT: Oman's COVID-19 recovery rate has reached 98.5 percent, the Ministry of Health has said.

Over the three days from Friday to Sunday, one more person died from the disease, while 50 more people tested positive for the virus. However, 97 people recovered during this period.

Over the 24 hours leading to Sunday, three people underwent hospitalisation. There are 23 people in hospital undergoing treatment for COVID-19. Eight of them are in intensive care.

A total of 303,965 people have tested positive for COVID-19 since the start of the pandemic. The



Ministry added that 97 new cases have recovered, bringing the total number of recoveries to 299,278.

Oman's recovery rate has held steady around 98 percent mark for a few days now: It was 98.4 percent from October 5 to 7, rising to that position from 98 percent on 30 September.

Deaths

The total number of COVID-19-related deaths reached 4,102, the Ministry of Health said.

The Ministry of Health continues to remind everyone of the importance of following COVID prevention protocols, such as avoiding large gatherings, wear-

ing masks, maintaining social distancing, and washing hands with water and sanitiser.

It also reminds people of the importance of refraining from touching one's face, nose, mouth or eyes, to avoid going out unless necessary, to follow healthy habits while coughing, and to stay in isolation in case you have come in contact with someone who is COVID-positive.

"With our commitment to wearing masks and maintaining social and physical distancing, we will prevent ourselves, our families, and our communities from the spread of the coronavirus," said the ministry in its advisory.

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It has been decided to continue the suspension of classes at schools in the Wilayats of Suwayh and Al-Khufra till the end of Thursday, October 14.

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More than 111,000 visit Oman Pavilion in 9 days at Expo 2020 Dubai

Besides viewing the investment opportunities available in the Sultanate, the visitors were treated to a marvellous visual display of modern technologies and sound management



FOOTFALL: Khalid Salim Al Zuhaimi, Director of Oman's Pavilion at Expo 2020 Dubai, said that the daily turnout stood at more than 12,400. - ONA

Investment opportunities

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sound management.

Khalid Salim Al Zuhaimi, Director of Oman's Pavilion at Expo 2020 Dubai, said that the daily turnout stood at more than 12,400 and this, he said, is an excellent in-

dicator during the first week.

Al Zuhaimi added that the number of visitors to the Omani pavilion may go up next month upon the improvement of the climate.

- ONA

ANTHONY FAUCI

US to see drop in COVID-19 deaths this winter

WASHINGTON: US top infectious disease expert Anthony Fauci expects the number of coronavirus fatalities to go down during the cold season.

"I strongly suspect that you're going to start seeing the deaths go down similar to the hospitalizations; how quickly they go down and how thoroughly they go down is going to depend a lot on a number of circumstances, which will be influenced by things like the colder weather, people doing things indoors, how well they go by the CDC [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention] guidelines," Fauci said in an interview with Greta Van Susteren, as quoted by The Hill. Fauci, who is the chief medical advisor to the US



president, advised people to wear masks during outside gatherings regardless of whether an individual is vaccinated or not, since there are communities with a high COVID-19 prevalence.

"Fortunately, right now, over the last few weeks, we've seen a turnaround in the slope in going down in both cases and hospitalizations.

Deaths are still up, but it's really flattening, so it's a lagging indicator," Fauci said in the interview to be aired on Sunday.

In September, the infectious disease expert warned that the Delta variant remains of primary concern in the US, having increased the share of new cases in the United States to over 98 percent, from

13.5 percent in June.

The United States has the largest total number of confirmed coronavirus cases and the greatest COVID-19 death toll of all the countries in the world.

According to the latest data from Johns Hopkins University, the US has registered over 44.3 million cases since the start of the pandemic and the number of fatalities has surpassed 712,000. At the start of this month, when the total COVID-19 death toll in the United States surpassed 700,000, US President Joe Biden said that the fact that the US death toll from the coronavirus infection is increasing means that more people need to get vaccinated in the country. **ANI**



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MEETING

Oman, UK discuss ways to boost bilateral relations

MUSCAT: Sayyid Badr Hamad Al Busaidi, Foreign Minister received on Sunday James Clev-erly, British Minister of State for Middle East and North Africa at the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office.

During the meeting, the two sides several areas of the existing cooperation within the frame-work of the Oman-UK Compre-hensive Agreement of rooted friendship and joint cooperation between the two countries.

They also covered a number of economic programmes and pro-jects. In addition to cooperation in the field of public health and overcoming the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

They expressed their inter-est in reaching a free trade

agreement between the UK and the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries.

At the regional and interna-tional arenas, they touched on efforts exerted to end the war in Yemen and supporting the humanitarian areas. Moreover, the two sides reviewed the situ-ation in Afghanistan and Iran's nuclear file.

In this context, the two min-isters expressed their countries' keenness on supporting efforts aiming to cement pillars of secu-rity, stability and peace.

The meeting was attended by Khalid Hashel Al Musalhi, Head of the Minister's Office Depart-ment and Bill Murray, UK ap-pointed-ambassador to Oman.

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RIISING CONFLICT

Myanmar sees increase in clashes between military and rebel groups



NAYPYIDAW: The number of clashes between the Myanmar military and rebel groups has sig-nificantly increased, reaching 132 incidents of conflict in the last month alone.

These developments came af-ter the armed opposition of My-anmar's military junta inflicted an increasing number of casualties on regime troops and knocked out more than 120 army-owned tel-e-com towers in September, Radio Free Asia reported citing sources from the opposition. "More than 1,560 junta soldiers have been killed and 552 others have been injured in the last month since the

country's shadow National Unity Government (NUG) called for an armed uprising," Radio Free Asia informed.

Myanmar has been in turmoil since the coup on February 1, when the Myanmar military led by Senior General Ming Aung Hlaing overthrew the civilian government and declared a year-long state of emergency. The coup triggered mass protests and was met by deadly violence.

Meanwhile, the Military Spokesperson General Zaw Min Tun has rejected NUG's claim of casualties adding that if we had suffered as many casualties as

they claim, there wouldn't be any-one to rule the country.

The Myanmar military has been violently trying to repress the rebel forces killing at least 1,161 while arresting 7,164 people in the last eight months, the As-sistance Association for Political Prisoners (AAPP) informed.

Since the coup, more than 2,20,000 people have been inter-nally displaced in Myanmar due to armed clashes as well as overall insecurity.

The areas most affected include Kachin, Shan, Chin, Kayah and Kayin states and adjacent town-ships in Sagaing and Magway. **ANI**



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WORLD



Taiwan won't 'bow' to China, says Tsai

Tsai said she hoped for an easing of tensions, but was determined to defend her country in case of aggression

TAIPEI: Taiwanese President Tsai Ing-wen took a strong stance against what Taipei sees as Chinese aggression on Sunday, saying in a speech that her country would "not bow to pressure" from Beijing.

National defence
Tsai said she hoped for an easing of tensions, but that "we will continue to bolster our national defence and demonstrate our determination to defend ourselves in order to ensure that nobody can force Taiwan to take the path China has laid out for us... as it offers neither a free and demo-

cratic way of life for Taiwan, nor sovereignty for our 23 million people."
The president's speech was to mark Taiwan's National Day, which celebrates the start of the 1911 Wuchang Uprising that ended China's Qing Dynasty and the establishment of the Republic of China, whose government relocated to Taiwan as a result of the Chinese Civil War.
One day earlier, Chinese leader Xi Jinping had used the same occasion to reiterate his goal of making Taiwan and mainland China a single nation under the control of Beijing.
Military tensions
His comments came on the heels of increased military tensions between the two countries.
Taipei has said there have been

more than one hundred incursions on its airspace by Chinese jets in recent weeks.
According to reports, US special forces have been in Taiwan to train troops, leading to more combative rhetoric from Beijing.
President Tsai called for dialogue and mutual respect in her speech, adding that the future of Taiwan must be decided by the Taiwanese people. **ow**

India resumes 2018 agreement permitting visa-free travel for Maldivians

MALE: Maldives Foreign Minister Abdulla Shahid on Sunday said he is delighted that India has agreed to resume the 2018 Dec Visa Exemption Agreement between the two countries, under which no visa will be required for Maldivians travelling to India.
The 2018 Dec Visa Exemption Agreement between the Maldives and India was temporarily suspended due to the COVID-19 border closure. Taking to Twitter, Shahid informed that from mid-October the Maldivian nationals will be exempt from visa requirements for tourists, medical and business purposes.
"Delighted that India has agreed to resume the 2018 Dec Visa Exemption Agreement between the Maldives & India, which was temporarily suspended due to COVID-19 border closure. From 15 Oct 2021, Maldivian Nationals will be exempt of visa requirements for tourists, medical & business purposes," Shahid tweeted.
He also thanked Prime Minister Narendra Modi and External

Affairs Minister S Jaishankar for considering the request to resume the agreement.
"Thank you Prime Minister @narendramodi and EAM @DrSJaishankar for the favourable consideration of the request," he wrote in a subsequent tweet.
The High Commission of India in the Maldives also took Twitter and said that no visa will be required from mid-October for Maldivians travelling to India.
"NO VISA required from Oct 15 for Maldivians travelling to India for Medical, Business & Tourism purposes. Maldives will be the 1st beneficiary of VISA FREE TRAVEL since COVID restrictions were imposed by India in Mar 2020. This move restores the bilateral visa-free agreement of Dec 2018," the High Commission of India in the Maldives tweeted.
Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all visas granted to foreigners were suspended last year. Various other restrictions were also imposed on international travel by the Central government to curb the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic. **ANI**

BASIC HEALTH CARE

One million malnourished Afghan children could face death, says UNICEF

KABUL: Without immediate action, an estimated one million children in Afghanistan are projected to suffer from severe acute malnutrition in 2021 and could die, a top UNICEF official said after wrapping up a trip to the country, reported local media.
UNICEF Deputy Executive Director Omar Abdi -- who visited Afghanistan this week -- warned that unless immediate assistance is provided "at least one million Afghan children face severe malnutrition and even death", according to Ariana News. "Severe outbreaks of measles and acute watery diarrhoea have further exacerbated the situation, putting more children at risk," UNICEF said in a statement. Abdi met with dozens of children suffering from se-

vere acute malnutrition -- a life-threatening illness -- during his visit to Indira Gandhi Children's hospital in Kabul.
While meeting with senior Taliban figures in Afghanistan, he underlined the need for children's access to basic health care, immunisation, nutrition, water and sanitation, and child protection services, reported Ariana News.
Calling for polio, measles and COVID-19 immunisation to resume, he said that the immediate need is to help protect children and communities from vaccine-preventable diseases.
Pakistan and Afghanistan are the only countries in the world where polio remains endemic. Abdi met with partners at a COVID-19 and polio call centre

to promote vaccination, according to UNICEF.
Stressing the importance of all boys and girls to continue their education, Abdi said that they should "participate meaningfully in building the future of their country".
Stating that the UNICEF will continue to press for the rights of every girl, boy and woman in Afghanistan, Abdi said: "Our objective is to see an Afghanistan where every girl and every boy are in school, have quality health care, and are protected from all forms of violence." During his visit to Afghanistan, Abdi was accompanied by UNICEF Regional Director George Laryea-Adjei and UNICEF Afghanistan Representative Herve Ludovic de Lys. **ANI**

GREEN PASS

Thousands protest in Rome against COVID-19 'green pass' rule at workplaces

ROME: Scores of people protested in Rome on Saturday against the extension of the COVID-19 digital certificates to all workplaces, said reports.
There was a brawl with police as the protesters took aim at the health pass, which has been a requirement to enter museums, sporting events and restaurants. Sputnik reported that police has fired water cannons to disperse a massive protest outside the seat of the Italian government.
Around 10,000 people, outraged by the government's push to make "green passes" mandatory in the workplace, demanded that Prime Minister Mario Draghi resign, Sputnik citing Rai News 24 reported.
The protesters were reportedly shouted "No to Green Pass" and "Freedom! Freedom!" Some demonstrators threw firecrackers at police.
Prime Minister Draghi called the labour union's boss, Maurizio

Landini, to express his solidarity and condemn violent protests that swept the country.
In September, Italy made the COVID-19 green pass mandatory for all people in the job market, both private and public sectors.

Prime Minister Mario Draghi had announced that the digital certificates scheme would be extended to all places of work from October 15 and any employees refusing to comply faced suspension without pay. **ANI**



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T20 WC winner to get \$1.6 million, confirms ICC

All 16 competing teams will receive part of the \$5.6 million allocated as prize money for the tournament

DUBAI: The winners of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2021 will take home a winners' cheque of \$1.6 million while the runners-up will get half that amount, the International Cricket Council (ICC) confirmed on Sunday.

All 16 competing teams will receive part of the \$5.6 million allocated as prize money for the tournament, which will be played in the United Arab Emirates and Oman from October 17 to November 14. "The two losing semi-finalists will receive \$400,000 each from the games taking place on November 10 and 11," the ICC said in its official release.

As in 2016, there will be a bonus amount for every match that teams win in the Super 12 stage. The victors in each of the 30 games in that phase will this time receive \$40,000, a total pot of \$1,200,000.

The teams confirmed to be



WORLD CUP: The victors in each of the 30 games in that phase will this time receive \$40,000.

competing in the Super 12 stage are Afghanistan, Australia, England, India, New Zealand, Pakistan, South Africa, and the West Indies.

The eight teams whose ICC Men's T20 World Cup campaigns end at that stage will automatically receive \$70,000 each, a total of \$560,000.

The same structure is in place for the first-round victories - with \$40,000 available to those who win each of the 12 games, amounting to \$480,000.

The four teams knocked out in the first round will take \$40,000 each from an overall \$160,000.

Teams whose campaigns begin in the first round are Bangladesh,

Ireland, Namibia, Netherlands, Oman, Papua New Guinea, Scotland, and Sri Lanka.

Meanwhile, there will be two scheduled Drinks Intervals in each ICC Men's T20 World Cup game. They will last for 2 minutes, 30 seconds and will be taken at the midpoint of each inning.

-ANI

INTERNATIONAL CRICKET COUNCIL

Two reviews per innings in T20 World Cup, says ICC Acting CEO

NEW DELHI: The International Cricket Council (ICC) Acting CEO Geoff Allardice on Sunday confirmed that each team would have two reviews per innings in the upcoming ICC Men's T20 World Cup.

As a result, Decision-Review System will be used for the first time in the Men's T20 World Cup. "I think it is pretty much a country by country margin (using neutral umpires). We were able to get hold of elite umpires and referees for the T20 World Cup. The UAE is a country that is fairly straightforward now. The issue is other countries which have different levels of restrictions, I think our position will be to use neutral officials wherever the circumstances allow," said Allardice during a Select Media Roundtable ahead of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2021.

"I think the home countries umpires have performed really well over the course of the last 18 months supported by DRS and

whether we need extra reviews or not, we are in a rhythm for that. The aim is to get neutral umpires back once restrictions are lifted, it may happen more after the World Cup. We continued with the playing conditions for the T20 World Cup that have been there which is two reviews per team," he added.

Talking about Afghanistan's participation in the T20 World Cup, Allardice said: "Yes, when the change of regime took place in Afghanistan in August, we have been in regular contact with their cricket board, our primary involvement is to support cricket in that country through the member board, we have said all along that we are waiting to see how things unfold under the different regime in that country."

"They are a full member of the ICC and their team is preparing for the T20 World Cup. In terms of their preparation for the event, it is proceeding as planned." ANI



INDIAN WELLS

Andreescu, Pliskova advance; Muguruza, Sakkari suffer upset

CALIFORNIA: 2019 champion Bianca Andreescu withstood a strong charge from American Alison Riske to win 7-6(2), 5-7, 6-2 and advance to the third round of the BNP Paribas Open at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden on Saturday.

Andreescu, 21, remains unbeaten in eight career matches at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden. Canadian now moves on to face 18th seed Anett Kontaveit, who advanced via walkover against Italy's Martina Trevisan. Andreescu is winless in two previous encounters with the Estonian, including a 6-3, 6-3 loss earlier this year in the Round of 16 at Eastbourne. Top seed Karolina Pliskova of the Czech Republic powered her way into the third round, smacking six aces and winning 79 per cent of her first-serve points (30 of 38) in a 7-5, 6-2 win over Poland's Magdalena Frech.

Earlier in the day, two-time Slam champ Garbine Muguruza



became a high-profile upset victim. The Spaniard fell to 47th-ranked Ajla Tomljanovic of Australia, 6-3, 1-6, 6-3, in one hour and 52 minutes. Muguruza, ranked No. 6, was coming off her second title of the year in Chicago, but couldn't solve Tomljanovic at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden. It marked Tomljanovic's first Top-10 win of the year.

Making her much-anticipated

tournament debut, 17-year-old Coco Gauff battled past Frenchwoman Caroline Garcia in three sets, 6-3, 6-7(2), 6-1, in two hours and 10 minutes in Stadium 1.

Elsewhere, world No.46 Viktorija Golubic's stellar 2021 season continued at Indian Wells, where the Swiss put on an all-court clinic to upset World No.9 Maria Sakkari, 5-7, 6-3, 6-2 to advance to the third round. ANI

FOOTBALL

Sancho, Abraham seize chance as England put 5 past Andorra

LONDON: England's victory was the sort that should be achieved against an Andorra side nestling between New Caledonia and the Dominican Republic in the world rankings.

It was as routine and comfortable as it gets in international football, but there was still plenty riding on this for some England players.

In Andorra's picturesque Estadi Nacional, the Three Lions' smooth passage towards the World Cup in Qatar continued uninterrupted and there are still places up for grabs in manager Gareth Southgate's team and squad.

That is why, even though Andorra are down at 156th place in those international listings, it was an important night for the likes of Tammy Abraham and Jadon Sancho.

It was also a night when Manchester City's Phil Foden played

at such an elite level that it is impossible to see how Southgate can leave him out of any England starting XI.

Abraham has had a new lease of life since deciding to leave Chelsea and join Jose Mourinho at Roma, scoring four goals in 10 appearances.

But the pressure was on the 24-year-old to hit the target after his late call-up to England's squad.

England strikers must score against Andorra if they want to make a statement in the fight for a place, and Abraham had his chance with Harry Kane rested along with Raheem Sterling, and with the captain's usual deputy Dominic Calvert-Lewin injured.

Southgate also has Ollie Watkins, Marcus Rashford and even though Mason Greenwood at his disposal. It is not a battle Abraham will find easy to win.

He had a tough night at times as he struggled to get on the end of opportunities when England dominated, but his prize for persistence was a 59th-minute goal as he showed good movement to sneak on to Sancho's cross and beat the stranded Andorra keeper Josep Gomes.

It was not a totally convincing display, but his goal will do his confidence the world of good and remind Southgate of the qualities he can offer as he starts to revive his international career after making the move to Italy.

The strike also made Abraham the first England player to score while playing for a Serie A side since David Platt, who was on target for his country while playing for Sampdoria in 1995.

Sancho is another facing fierce competition for his place in England's attacking ranks, so also needed to make an impact. And he did. ONA

FIFA WORLD CUP

Neymar believes 2022 World Cup will be his last for Brazil

PARIS: Neymar has admitted that in all likelihood next year's FIFA World Cup in Qatar will be his last, as the strain of the game has taken its toll on the Brazilian's body and mind. The PSG star has represented the Selecao at the 2014 World Cup on home soil and in Russia four years later but expects the tournament next winter to be his final appearance on football's biggest stage. "I think it's my last World Cup," the 29-year-old said in DAZN's exclusive new documentary, Neymar & The Line Of Kings. "I see it as my last because I don't know if I have the strength of mind to deal with football any more. So I'll do everything to turn up well, do everything to win with my country, to realise my greatest dream since I was little. And I hope I can do it," he added. ANI

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WORKSHOP ON VAT

A practical Masterclass on VAT hosted by Crowe Oman will be inaugurated by Eng. Redha Juma Al Saleh, Chairman, Oman Chamber of Commerce and Industry at the Crown Plaza Hotel Qurum tomorrow.

MARKET
BUSINESS & FINANCE



MSX INDEX ENDS HIGHER

The MSX index closed at 3,968.99 points, up 0.17 per cent from the previous close. The Sharia Index ended up by 0.60 per cent at 580.93 points. Jazeera Steel Product was the top gainer, up by 8.05 per cent. While Al Hassan Engineering, down 16.67 per cent, was the top loser.

Oil production of Oman tops 232mn barrels



AVERAGE PRICE: The average price per barrel increased by 42.3 per cent, from \$47.7 per barrel to \$67.9. - File photo

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MUSCAT: Oman's oil production stood at 232,942,500 barrels till the end of August 2021, compared to 233,575,200 barrels till the end of August 2020, comprising a decline of 0.3 per cent, according to the latest data released by the National Centre for Statistics and Information (NCSI).

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riod in 2020. The average price per barrel increased by 42.3 per cent, from \$47.7 per barrel to \$67.9.

This decline in production is attributed to a 5.9 per cent drop in crude oil production, amounting to 179,612,700 barrels by the end of August 2021 compared to 190,911,600 barrels in the same period in 2020.

The oil condensate production stood at around 53,329,800 barrels, comprising a 25 per cent increase till the end of August 2021,

compared to 42,663,600 barrels during the same period in 2020.

The data further revealed a decrease in the total oil exports by 2.8 per cent till the end of August 2021 to reach about 188,271,300 barrels, compared to 193,639,500 barrels in the same period last year.

China topped the list as the biggest importer of Omani oil till the end of August 2021, as its total imports stood at 156,449,000 barrels, comprising an 8.5 per cent decline, compared to 171,068,900 barrels during the same period in 2020.

Then, India imported around 19,303,100 barrels of Omani crude, a 189.2 per cent increase, compared to 6,675,600 barrels in the same period in 2020, followed by South Korea, which imported 5,529,000 barrels.

The total Omani oil exports to other countries amounted to about 4,606,400 barrels.

Japan imports of Omani oil amounted to around 2,383,800 barrels. -ONA

REPORT

Innovative solutions set to drive global oil industry's recovery

RIYADH: A new report produced by Oxford Business Group (OBG) in partnership with Alkhorayef Petroleum explores the key role that digitalisation and innovation are poised to play in the global oil industry's recovery.

The 'Oil & Gas Services: Post-Pandemic Prospects' report, part of OBG's COVID-19 Response Report (CRR) series, provides

data-driven analysis of the industry's pandemic performance and prospects for growth, with a focus on three markets - Saudi Arabia, Egypt and Colombia - in an easy-to-navigate and accessible format.

Jana Treeck, OBG's Managing Director for the Gulf, said that innovative solutions were expected to be key in helping industry players to enhance operational

efficiencies at a time when maximising cost-effectiveness and minimising environmental impact are both high on the agenda.

"The oil price crash of 2014-15 was still weighing on the global oil industry's performance when the pandemic hit, leaving upstream operators and service providers facing cost-related challenges and lower profit margins," she said.



Announcement

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The National Leadership Program to Upskill and Empower the Potential Omanis for Middle and Senior Management Positions in the Private Sector "Etihad" in collaboration with "Competence HR" is pleased to announce the registration for the upcoming program to all the candidates working in private sector, entrepreneurs and owners of small and medium enterprises (SME) starting from Monday 11/10/2021 until Sunday 24/10/2021. Kindly note that (10) of the seats has been allocated for entrepreneurs and owners of SMEs to join the program. The current program is designed for senior leadership training only.

"Etihad" Program aims at training Omanis and improving the level of their leadership skills through a specialized program designed in partnership with international and local institutions and centers with expertise in refining the management skills as well as training leaders. .

You can register and join the program if you meet the following eligibility criteria:

- 1- The applicant should be an Omani national and working in the private sector or an entrepreneur/ owner of SME.
- 2- The employee must have a minimum bachelor's degree from a recognized university, and the entrepreneur must have minimum a high diploma.
- 3- Experience of not less than (7) years, including at least (3) years in middle leadership positions.
- 4- Fluent in English with a high level of proficiency (spoken and written).
- 5- Have middle leadership experience such as managing a department or a team.
- 6- The employee should be registered with the Ministry of Labor.
- 7- The entrepreneur/ owner of SME must be registered with the Small and Medium Enterprises Development Authority (Riyadh).
- 8- Those who were previously nominated and did not join the first batch, are entitled to registration.
- 9- nomination of employees in the private sector should be through employers only and Not through self-nomination.

If you are interested, kindly check "etihad" website for further details www.etihad.om and use the following link for registration <https://etihad-leadership.podium365.com/>

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5G SMART PORT POC IN MIDDLE EAST

First of its kind in the Middle East

Omantel along with Hutchison Ports Sohar and Huawei completes the first 5G smart port PoC in Middle East



The PoC involves utilizing 5G in port operations for promotion of efficiency and security

Muscat - October 10, 2021: Omantel, the leading integrated telecommunications services provider in the Sultanate, has embarked upon a new package of smart ICT solutions that leverage the company's 5G capabilities and have the ability to revolutionize operations in Oman's oil and gas, logistics and transport sectors, which are vital for the country's sustainable economic growth.

In line with the MoU signed on March 10, 2021, Omantel along with Hutchison Ports Sohar and Huawei launched under the patronage of His Excellency Dr. Ali bin Amur Al Shidhani Undersecretary of Communications at Ministry of Transport, Communications and Information Technology the first 5G smart port PoC demonstration to showcase the result of first stage, aiming to provide highly reliable communication services and improve operational efficiency, accuracy, time management, and security, among other services.

Commenting on this, His Excellency Dr. Ali bin Amur Al Shidhani said "We are pleased to see the fruits of this cooperation between the three partners and the successful adoption of AI and 5G technologies in port operations. We are proud that the Sultanate is leading the way in the Middle East and are confident that this will open the doors for future cooperation and adoption of 4IR technologies in different economic sectors in the Sultanate".



OMANTEL IS THE SULTANATE'S FIRST AND LEADING INTEGRATED TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICES PROVIDER, ENABLING THE DIGITAL SOCIETY TO FLOURISH, ALLOWING NEW WAYS OF DOING BUSINESS AND DELIVERING A WORLD OF INFORMATION, NEWS AND ENTERTAINMENT. WHILE STRIVING TO ENSURE OPTIMUM CUSTOMER SATISFACTION, OMANTEL PLAYS A KEY SOCIAL ROLE TO PROVIDE THE REQUIRED SUPPORT AND SUBSIDY TO ALL SECTORS OF THE OMANI SOCIETY.

Talal Said Al Mamari, CEO of Omantel, said "We are very satisfied about POC result in the 5G smart port which is also the first in the Middle East. Omantel's outlook is focused on leveraging 5G infrastructure beyond network speed and efficiency. We believe 5G has a critical role in our economy and is key to our ongoing economic transformation."

"Hutchison Ports is the world's leading port investor, developer and operator with a network of port operations in 52 ports spanning 26 countries throughout Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Europe, the Americas and Australasia. One of Hutchison

Ports Sohar's strategic aim is to become fully automated and engage with customers, stakeholders, and the cargo in the safest and highly efficient manner, which required Hutchison to continuously invest in automated equipment's and technologically advanced systems and apps for constant service enhancements. This is a creative start to combine 5G and AI technologies with Omani industry. And it is the first 5G smart Port POC in the Middle East," said Anacin Kum, Chief Executive Officer, Hutchison Ports Sohar."

Robin Chen, CEO of Huawei Oman, noted: "Omantel and Hutchison Ports Sohar are both



leading players in their respective industries. 5G network infrastructure is not only an evolution in the consumer segment but also drives changes and improvements in many vertical industries. We are very proud to be part of the tri-party cooperation, which is the first in GCC to demonstrate the advancement that 5G can bring to ports. We hope this can open doors to more opportunities in introducing 5G to reshape and upgrade vertical industries of Oman".

Under the first PoC, 6 functions were successfully tested by utilizing 5G with artificial intelligence (AI). This will allow real-time surveillance of many parts

of the port's operations, such as white/black list recognition, intrusion detection/loitering, crowd density and 4K monitoring. Other benefits include leveraging AI for HSE compliance and meeting future cost optimization goals. These technologies can be deployed in other port operation management scenarios and crane management...etc.

Maintaining its position as the Sultanate's most trusted ICT and digitization partner, Omantel will use this PoC as a springboard to further build and diversify its 5G capacities. The launch is a demonstration of Omantel's commitment towards its enterprise customers for en-

abling them to embrace Industry 4.0. And with the guaranteed success of the PoCs, Omantel creates a lasting customer relationship based on its superior ICT infrastructure and efficient service delivery.

Omantel is the Sultanate's first and leading integrated telecommunications services provider, enabling the digital society to flourish, allowing new ways of doing business and delivering a world of information, news and entertainment. While striving to ensure optimum customer satisfaction, Omantel plays a key social role to provide the required support and subsidy to all sectors of the Omani society.

MARKET

MSX index ends higher

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A total number of 536 trades were executed during the day's trading session, generating a turnover of OMR 9.3 million, with more than 20 million shares changing hands. Out of 44 traded securities, 16 advanced, 11 declined and 17 remained unchanged. At the session close, Local investors were net buyers for OMR94,000 while GCC & Arab

investors were net sellers for OMR51,000 followed by foreign investors for OMR43,000 worth of shares.

Financial Index closed at 6,253 points, up 0.21 per cent. Prices of Oman & Qatar Insurance, Madina Takaful, Ominvest, Ahli Bank and Muscat Finance were up 2.27 per cent, 1.98 per cent, 1.95 per cent, 1.85 per cent and 1.75 per cent respectively. Vision Insurance, Taageer Finance, Sohar International Bank, Global Investment Holding and Oman United Insurance were down 4.94 per cent, 2.50 per cent, 2.17 per cent, 1.47 per cent and 1.16 per cent respectively.

Industrial Index closed at 6,330.03 points, up 1.69 per cent.

Services Index was down by 0.63 per cent before closing at 1,681.76 points. — **United Securities**

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INDICES

Index	High	Low	Value	Prev. Value	Diff	Diff%
MSX 30 INDEX	3,969.93	3,958.28	3,969.00	3,962.18	6.81	0.17
FINANCIAL INDEX	6,256.25	6,238.33	6,253.71	6,240.61	13.10	0.21
Industry Index	6,330.03	6,233.29	6,330.03	6,224.89	105.14	1.69
Services Index	1,691.32	1,679.09	1,681.76	1,692.36	-10.60	-0.63
MSX Shariah Index	580.93	578.02	580.93	577.46	3.46	0.60
MSX TR INDEX	4,771.45	4,757.45	4,770.33	4,762.14	8.19	0.17

Trading Summary

Volume	Turnover	Trades	Market Cap	Up	Down	Equal	Sec. Traded
19,922,113	9,313,288	536	22,078,809,546	16	11	17	44

SHARE PRICE BULLETIN FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10

SECURITY NAME	VOLUME	TURNOVER	TRADES	OPEN PRICE	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE PR.	PREV. CLOSE	DIFF (RD)	DIFF %	LAST PR	LAST BID	LAST OFFER	P/A VALUE	MARKET CAP
REGULAR MARKET															
OM0000002176 JAZEERA STEEL PROD.	10,000	3,760	4	0.376	0.376	0.376	0.376	0.348	0.028	8.046	0.376	0.350	0.380	0.100	46,961,633
OM0000001400 OMAN FLOUR MILLS	18,200	14,414	2	0.792	0.792	0.792	0.792	0.780	0.012	4.211	0.792	0.768	0.792	0.100	124,740,000
OM0000001749 OMAN CEMENT	176,462	42,046	30	0.231	0.240	0.231	0.238	0.231	0.007	3.030	0.240	0.240	0.240	0.100	78,747,705
OM0000001533 OMINVEST	6,000	1,884	1	0.314	0.314	0.314	0.314	0.308	0.006	1.948	0.314	0.310	0.314	0.100	253,640,511
OM0000002200 AHLI BANK	100,000	11,000	3	0.110	0.110	0.110	0.110	0.108	0.002	1.852	0.110	0.109	0.112	0.100	214,462,321
OM0000001590 MUSCAT FINANCE	680,000	40,800	28	0.060	0.060	0.060	0.060	0.059	0.001	1.895	0.060	0.060	0.060	0.100	18,428,780
OM0000001707 OMAN CABLES INDSTR	25,000	24,500	6	0.980	0.980	0.980	0.980	0.976	0.004	0.410	0.980	0.980	0.980	0.100	87,906,000
OM0000001418 RAYSUT CEMENT	140,074	35,839	17	0.255	0.258	0.255	0.256	0.255	0.001	0.392	0.258	0.252	0.258	0.100	51,200,000
OM0000001772 ALANWAR INVESTMENT	153,602	17,342	13	0.112	0.113	0.112	0.113	0.113	0.000	0.000	0.113	0.113	0.116	0.100	22,600,000
OM0000002226 ALAJZEERA SERVICES	32,500	12,350	7	0.380	0.380	0.380	0.380	0.380	0.000	0.000	0.380	0.378	0.380	0.100	23,257,624
OM0000002796 BANK MUSCAT	175,292	82,076	12	0.462	0.470	0.462	0.468	0.468	0.000	0.000	0.466	0.450	0.470	0.100	1,672,854,203
OM0000003000 AI MAHA MARKTING	5,240	3,626	2	0.692	0.692	0.692	0.692	0.692	0.000	0.000	0.692	0.688	0.692	0.100	47,748,000
OM0000003026 OMAN TELECOM	7,479	5,564	2	0.744	0.744	0.744	0.744	0.744	0.000	0.000	0.744	0.744	0.748	0.100	558,000,000
OM0000003968 OOREDOO	321,278	122,106	21	0.380	0.382	0.380	0.380	0.380	0.000	0.000	0.380	0.378	0.380	0.100	247,358,807
OM0000001087 OMAN UNITED INSUR.	192,000	65,453	14	0.350	0.350	0.340	0.340	0.344	-0.004	-1.163	0.340	0.340	0.368	0.100	34,000,000
OM0000001525 OMAN INVST&FIN.	103,453	14,266	9	0.136	0.140	0.136	0.138	0.140	-0.002	-1.429	0.140	0.139	0.143	0.100	32,706,000
OM0000003398 SOHAR INT. BANK	140,000	12,640	5	0.090	0.091	0.090	0.090	0.092	-0.002	-2.174	0.091	0.091	0.092	0.100	269,105,606
OM0000003224 RENAISSANCE SER.	12,000	5,476	6	0.452	0.468	0.450	0.456	0.468	-0.012	-2.564	0.460	0.460	0.480	0.100	107,802,960
OM0000006920 VISION INSURANCE	86,000	6,622	2	0.077	0.077	0.077	0.077	0.081	-0.004	-4.938	0.077	0.078	0.082	0.100	7,700,000
Total	19	2,384,580	521,763	184											
Parallel Market															
OM0000003521 GALFAR ENGINEER	5,681,072	456,094	201	0.078	0.083	0.077	0.080	0.076	0.004	5.263	0.083	0.080	0.083	0.100	16,238,916
OM0000006979 OMAN QATAR INSUR.	786,139	141,475	31	0.178	0.180	0.178	0.180	0.178	0.004	2.273	0.180	0.180	0.180	0.100	18,000,000
OM0000001152 OMAN NAT. ENG.	466,511	45,709	32	0.096	0.099	0.096	0.098	0.096	0.002	2.083	0.098	0.098	0.102	0.100	12,740,000
OM0000004788 MADINA TAKAFUL	357,884	36,833	30	0.102	0.103	0.102	0.103	0.101	0.002	1.980	0.103	0.100	0.106	0.100	18,025,000
OM0000002374 UNITED FINANCE	52,600	3,051	6	0.058	0.058	0.058	0.058	0.057	0.001	1.754	0.058	0.058	0.058	0.100	20,250,376
OM0000001483 NATIONAL BANK OMAN	28,755	5,491	4	0.190	0.191	0.190	0.191	0.190	0.001	0.526	0.191	0.191	0.200	0.100	310,555,754
OM0000001319 ALUMINIUM PROD.	38,900	5,456	7	0.140	0.141	0.140	0.140	0.140	0.000	0.000	0.141	0.136	0.143	0.100	4,700,003
OM0000001517 HSBC BANK OMAN	240,000	21,360	7	0.089	0.089	0.089	0.089	0.089	0.000	0.000	0.089	0.089	0.089	0.100	178,027,838
OM0000001566 OMAN FISHERIES	5,000	370	1	0.074	0.074	0.074	0.074	0.074	0.000	0.000	0.074	0.070	0.074	0.100	4,250,000
OM0000002549 BANK DHOFAR	100	12	1	0.118	0.118	0.118	0.119	0.119	0.000	0.000	0.118	0.118	0.130	0.100	356,565,821
OM0000002648 NATIONAL FINANCE	2,000	200	1	0.100	0.100	0.100	0.105	0.105	0.000	0.000	0.100	0.100	0.104	0.100	56,829,198
OM0000002804 ASAFFA FOODS	1,000	340	1	0.340	0.340	0.340	0.344	0.344	0.000	0.000	0.340	0.320	0.340	0.100	41,280,000
OM0000004420 BANK NIZWA	2,284	217	2	0.095	0.095	0.095	0.096	0.096	0.000	0.000	0.095	0.095	0.095	0.100	214,747,491
OM0000004735 SEMBICORP SALALAH	10,000	800	1	0.080	0.080	0.080	0.080	0.080	0.000	0.000	0.080	0.079	0.080	0.100	70,365,756
OM0000007910 AMAN REAL ESTATE	2,600	257	2	0.099	0.099	0.099	0.100	0.100	0.000	0.000	0.099	0.098	0.099	0.100	20,000,000
OM0000003125 GLOBAL INV. H.	95,000	6,365	3	0.067	0.067	0.067	0.067	0.068	-0.001	-1.471	0.067	0.067	0.069	0.100	13,408,000
OM0000004925 ALBATRAH POWER	20,500	1,026	3	0.050	0.051	0.050	0.051	0.051	-0.001	-1.961	0.051	0.050	0.051	0.100	33,744,372
OM0000005963 PHOENIX POWER	160,206	7,370	7	0.047	0.047	0.046	0.046	0.047	-0.001	-2.128	0.046	0.045	0.046	0.100	67,276,667
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WORKSHOP

Practical Masterclass on VAT to be held

MUSCAT: A practical Masterclass on VAT hosted by Crowe Oman will be inaugurated by Eng. Redha Juma Al Saleh, Chairman, Oman Chamber of Commerce and Industry at the Crown Plaza Hotel Qurum tomorrow.

"The objective is to bring awareness among the business community at large on the significance of the requirement to comply with the Rules and regulations

of value-added tax," said Davis Kallukaran, Managing Partner for the firm.

"Though VAT was introduced from April 16 of this year, we find that there are so many businesses who are yet to comply with the regulations and yet another few who are not in full compliance with the rules and regulations especially with regard to registration," said Antony Kallukaran, Associate

Partner at Crowe for tax advisory.

The one-day workshop is expected to be attended by finance professionals across a wide spectrum of the businesses in Oman and the regulators. The event will highlight the issues and challenges in the administration of VAT and compliance-related issues of the business community since the implementation of VAT in Oman.

LANDMARK TRANSACTION

Gulf International Bank closes \$625 million sustainability linked syndicated loan

MANAMA: Gulf International Bank (GIB) announced that it has successfully closed a \$625 million sustainability-linked syndicated loan (SLL), making GIB the first Bahrain-headquartered bank and the first majority Saudi-owned bank to close such a facility.

The deal was well received in the international markets and substantially oversubscribed with commitments exceeding the initial facility amount of \$500 million by more than two times, reaching \$1.1 billion. Given the high interest, GIB decided to upsize the facility amount to \$625 million.

Global investors
A diversified group of more than 20 global investors from the US, Europe, the Middle East and Asia participated in the landmark transaction that incorporates Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) metrics related to reductions in carbon emissions, gender diversity and sustainability reporting. The SLL reflects GIB's focus on mobilising capital in support of a more sustainable economic landscape for its clients and stakeholders.

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NEW STUDY

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For the past 18 months, people have been spending more time at home, a trend that has impacted breakfast attitudes and behaviours. A recent study done in the US evaluated how 1000 employed people feel about cooking and eating breakfast, specifically during the workweek, and how the COVID-19 pandemic played a factor into these changing attitudes and behaviours. In the study, conducted by OnePoll for Bob Evans Farms, 2 in 3 working people said they make it a high priority to eat breakfast during the workweek, despite 63 per cent admitting they would rather have an extra hour of sleep than get up early to cook breakfast. Interestingly, nearly half (46 per cent) believe they make healthier breakfast selections now than they did before the pandemic.

Why is it so tough to get breakfast in the morning?

Commute or no commute, mornings can be rough. In fact, over half of the employed people surveyed (56 per cent) said they were too busy to make breakfast in the morning during the workweek, and perhaps not surprisingly, most of those who agreed that they were too busy are parents (87 per cent). When asked why it was so challenging to get breakfast together on weekdays, respondents answered that the physical act of cooking (40 per cent), deciding what to make (39 per cent) and cleaning up (38 per cent) are the most difficult aspects of cooking breakfast during the workweek.

Solving the breakfast dilemma in the morning

To make breakfast prep easier in the morning, over 3 in 4 respondents (76 per cent) reported purchasing refrigerated heat-and-eat breakfast items at least once a month. The survey also found 2 in 5 of the employed respondents (41 per cent) are more interested in refrigerated heat-and-eat breakfast items than they were before the pandemic. Today, the top three reasons people are interested in refrigerated heat-and-eat breakfast items are because of their:

- Convenience (60 per cent)
- Taste (58 per cent)
- Price (51 per cent)

Selecting the best heat-and-eat breakfast choices

For anyone looking for meal options for breakfast that are hearty as well as convenient, you can check product labels to choose items containing higher protein and lower carbs and sugar to help you and your family get moving on busy weekday mornings. -BPT



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Problem of the runaway workers

The Labour Committee of the Oman Chamber of Commerce and Industry has called for strict action against runaway workers.

Mansoor Talib Mohammad, a member of the Board of Directors of the Chamber who is chairman of the Labour Committee said this week that some expatriate workers run away from their sponsors and take lucrative jobs elsewhere for months.

When they return they not only demand in the Labour Court dues for the period of their absence but also ask the employer to pay for their tickets home.

He said the major punishment given to a runaway worker is deportation which is not sufficient to discourage the practice as these workers manage to obtain new visas and come back to Oman to work for a different company.

Mansoor Talib also said that new restrictions on labour clearance for incoming foreign workers have caused concern in local companies which suffer from lack of staff for new business.

He said that under the new restrictions, no new labour clearance is granted unless previous permission obtained by the same company is fully

used.

It takes several months to complete a labour clearance



Mansoor Talib Mohammad

because a lot of formalities have to be completed at both ends before a foreign worker is able to come to Oman for a job.

In the meantime if a company decides to open a new division and wants foreign workers, permission is not granted by the Labour Department. In some cases only half the workers applied for are allowed to come.

The chairman of the Labour Committee stressed that the genuine needs of the local companies for foreign workers for specialised jobs must be met after verification by officials that personnel asked for in

a new application are for different trades than those granted earlier.

Mansoor Talib appealed to local businessmen to fully cooperate with the authorities and employ more and more Omanis and reduce dependence on foreign workers. They should ask for foreign workers only in cases of urgent need and when Omanis are not available.

He said the Chamber is urging members to train Omanis for various jobs and help the authorities to control the increase in the number of foreign workers in the country.

Relief!

TRACK ROAD TO END THE JAMS AT AL KHUWAIR ROUNDABOUT

Good news for Ministry workers and residents of Al Khuwair who join long traffic queues every day at Al Khuwair Roundabout.

The Directorate General of the Ministry of Communications, in cooperation with the Royal Oman Police has started to build a track road across a wadi to connect the traffic from Bausher Roundabout to the Medinat Qaboos main road (see dotted line on map).

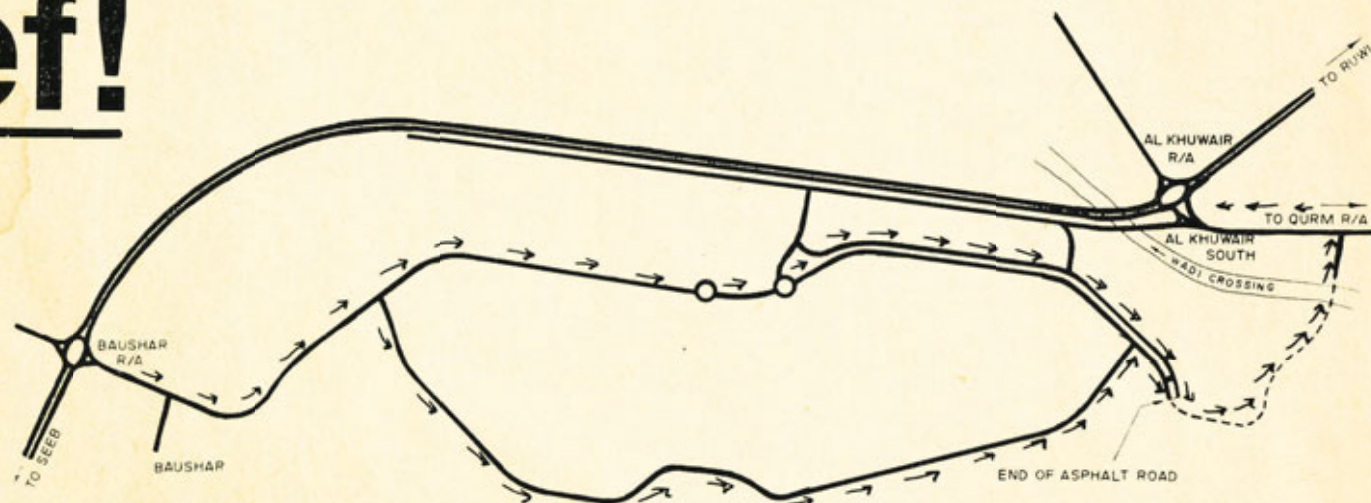
A special road brigade of the directorate is now busy in filling the wadi up to a 30 cm high to make a road 10 metres wide and 50 metres long.

by Muzaffar Mohammad

The track road which will be ready by Saturday will be compacted and be given an oil spray to help maintain durability.

Motorists coming from Seeb can avoid the roundabout at Al Khuwair by taking two asphalt roads to Al Khuwair area and then passing through the track road, can join Medinat Qaboos main road near the Saab car showroom and can continue to Qurm Roundabout through the information complex road.

Similarly, motorists from Ruwi can take the information complex road from Qurm Roundabout and turn to the left just before the Saab car showroom to go straight to Bausher Roundabout.



Tariq Mohammad Amin al Muntheri, Director General of Roads has expressed the hope that the diversion will take away much traffic from the dual carriageway and will greatly ease congestion at Al Khuwair Roundabout.

The agreement, he said, is an interim relief until the completion of a flyover at Al Khuwair Roundabout and an underpass on the dual carriageway in front of the Ministry of Interior. The underpass is being built for pedestrians visiting ministries.

LATEST

President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt has flown to Amman to have talks with King Hussain, just two weeks after Jordan's decision to re-establish full diplomatic relations with Egypt.

This is the first time he has visited any of the Arab countries after they broke links with Egypt following Egypt's agreement with Israel five years ago.

President Mubarak was embraced by King Hussain as he stepped off the plane with his delegation which includes the Foreign Minister, and other cabinet ministers.

There have been significant political developments in Lebanon. A nephew of President Amin Gemayel has been elected commander of the right wing Christian militia

within the Lebanese forces.

The new commander is said to be a powerful and popular figure among the Christian militia and the appointment is said to greatly increase President Gemayel's position among the non-aligned Christian community.

In another development, the Druze leader Mr Walid Jumblatt has announced the formation after talks in Damascus, of a new pro-Syrian grouping, the National Democratic Front.

A spokesman for the United Nations High Commission for Refugees has said that over 30,000 Angolans have fled across the border to Zaire over the last year to escape the fighting in their country. He said the refugees were now suffering from hunger.

Hospital births and deaths in 1983

There were 32,895 births recorded in hospitals and health centres in the Sultanate during 1983. Of these 441 were stillbirths.

According to the Health Statistical Book, of the total births 31,054 births were by natural means while 1,400 were assisted.

There were 17,355 incidents of dysentery and related diseases recorded during 1983. The highest number of incidents recorded were of diarrhoea — 293,310.

Malaria registered 219,802 cases, T.B. 823, trachoma 12,434, measles 9,151, whooping cough 2,605 and tetanus 75.

The statistics revealed that 595 patients were sent abroad for treatment. Of these 28 died. There were 10 deaths among 89 patients sent abroad for the treatment of cancer.

Of 94 heart patients sent abroad three died. There were six deaths among 77 patients suffering from kidney and urinary tract diseases. Of 138 patients suffering from diseases of the nerves four died.

India received the highest number of Omani patients followed by Britain 202. Kuwait 78, Jordan 47, Egypt 27 and other countries seven.

The total number of deaths recorded at hospitals and health centres during 1983 was 2,062. Of these 519 were children of less than one month and 342 were less than a year.

There were 197 deaths in the age group from one to four 77 in five to 14, 251 among 15 to 44, 336 among 45 to 64 and 323 among people above 65.

The Indian Cultural Association will be celebrating Diwali on October 18. Tickets for a programme and dinner are available at the Indian Cultural Association office.

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ROUND-UP

ahlibank celebrates graduation of staff from Etimad programme

The programme aims to upgrade the leadership skills of 10,000 Omanis in the private sector

MUSCAT: ahlibank recently celebrated the graduation of six of its employees from the coveted Etimad programme. These employees presently hold leadership and supervisory positions within the bank, and their participation in the program will lead them to take on further career-enhancing roles in the future. A national leadership programme, Etimad aims to create qualified Omani leaders in middle and senior management positions in the private sector.

The ceremony was held at ahlibank's head office, in the presence of Said Abdullah Al Hatmi, CEO of ahlibank, several senior management members, and select employees.

An initiative stemming from the Labour Market and Employment Lab at the National Programme for Enhancing Economic Diversification (Tanfeedh), Etimad represents a real partnership between the public and private sectors in Oman. ahlibank's participation in the program reaffirms the bank's commitment to upskill its Omani team members and make them future-ready for competitive roles.

During his speech at the ceremony, Said Al Hatmi, CEO of ahlibank, thanked the undeterred efforts of the government in devising a programme that is focused on building leadership and interpersonal skill sets of mid- and senior-level employees of the national workforce. He highlighted that the bank's great interest in



employee coaching, noting its importance in refining the skills of employees and developing their practical abilities. He explained that the bank's interest is reflected in the volume of initiatives and programmes launched over the past years, which embraced many outstanding national competencies, empowered them through training and skills enhancement. This in turn has contributed to the bank's position as a preferred workplace in the Sultanate. During his speech, Al Hatmi also expressed his happiness at the Bank being known as one of the leading institutions that contribute to the development of the young national capabilities in line with the goals of Vision 2040.

"ahlibank attaches great importance to training programmes that help its employees develop their

performance and uplift their professional competencies. This is reflected in a number of initiatives and courses launched by the bank over the past years, which have effectively contributed to embracing Oman's future talents, as well as enabled employees to improve their skills and enhance their productivity level. This in turn has greatly helped the bank to establish itself as a preferred work destination and thereby stimulate its growth in the market. We are proud that the bank is one of the leading organisations in supporting Oman's efforts to settle and prepare promising generations of young people by enhancing their abilities and competencies," acknowledged Said Al Hatmi, on the sidelines of the graduation ceremony.

Congratulating the graduates on this achievement, Mohammed

Al Mufargi, AGM-Head of Human Resources, ahlibank, said, "We extend sincere congratulations to our Etimad employee graduates as we celebrate their honourable achievement, which is pivotal to their careers. At ahlibank, the personal and professional achievements of our team members bring us great pride as we believe that by fulfilling their self-actualisation needs, they are able to better contribute to their workplace. This not only helps them define and achieve their career goals but also contributes to meeting business goals. For this reason, training and development programs are an inherent part of ahlibank's personnel roadmap, and we strive to implement a system where employees are carefully chosen to fit into customised skill enhancement curriculums or programmes as per their roles."

ahlibank seeks to keep pace with the objectives of Oman Vision 2040 and to build competencies that are prepared to meet various challenges in a changing market. In addition to learning and skill enhancement opportunities for existing employees, the bank also provides development programmes for fresh graduates through its popular Graduate Development Programme. This helps recruit the right talent and build a robust pipeline of Oman's future banking sector manpower.

The Etimad programme works on preparing qualified national human resources who are capable of assuming leadership positions in key divisions in the private sector. In addition to that, it supports government directives to strengthen the public-private partnership and create opportunities to develop

local talents for a more prosperous and sustainable future for the country. By enrolling its valuable resources in the program, ahlibank has been able to contribute to the country's socio-economic development objectives.

Expressing her happiness on the successful completion of the 'Etimad' programme, Zahra Mushtaq Al Lawati, Relationship Manager-Corporate Banking at ahlibank, said, "I have immense gratitude for my employer ahlibank, as it has always been committed to developing solutions and mechanisms that support our capabilities, and help us improve the level of our practical performance. Alongside this, as employees, we appreciate the bank's interest and continuous efforts to motivate us to keep moving forward and participate in programs that ensemble our future ambitions. On behalf of all my fellow graduates, I thank our management for providing this opportunity and honouring us on this day for successfully completing the programme. I am also pleased to thank the valuable efforts of 'Etimad' team who supervised our training over the past period."

Etimad programme aspires to train and empower 10,000 Omanis in the private sector in different batches. It includes specialised curriculums which were designed in partnership with international and local institutions and centres which have experience in honing management skills and leadership training, to raise the level of leadership and supervisory skills of participants. The program consists of three main themes, which are, leadership from within, leadership by position, leadership through change and cooperation.

ahlibank is keen to enrich the working environment for its employees by participating and offering advanced training programmes, aimed at meeting the requirements of the new phase in Oman's banking industry.



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Toyota Yaris hatchback with exclusive benefits

Giving drivers more reasons to enjoy thrilling experiences is the power-packed performance that takes you places without a worry



takes you places without a worry. Customers owning the Yaris hatchback can benefit with service 2 years/20,000 km (whichever is earlier), 1-year insurance or cash gift in lieu of insurance OMR 125. (Prospective buyers may be advised that the benefits vary between model variants, model year and manufacturing year. Terms &

Conditions apply. Visit the showroom for exact details.) The Toyota Yaris hatchback has an attractive profile that is defined by a colour keyed radiator grille, colour keyed front and rear bumpers, colour keyed outside door handles, halogen headlamps, colour keyed power outer mirrors, LED high mount stop lamp, rear fog lamps,

rear-window defogger, shark fin antenna and black luggage door garnish. Delivering a dynamic driving experience, the Yaris hatchback is equipped with a 1.5-litre engine with a 106 hp and 14.3 kg-m of torque and is mated to the CVT transmission to offer a smooth shifting experience with excellent fuel efficiency. The Yaris hatchback's interior is thoughtfully loaded with a distinctive design, offering convenience and comfort with a layer of luxury. The centre console of the Yaris has been designed to create a greater sense of integration. The Yaris hatchback is loaded with an audio system with Bluetooth and 4 speakers, a silver and urethane steering wheel, an electric power steering wheel with tilt, a day/night inner view mirror, and more. Increasing the levels of convenience in the Yaris hatchback are features like a keyless entry system and cruise control.

ONLINE FLOWERS, GIFTS DELIVERY DESTINATION

Floward expands further, launches in Jordan



MUSCAT: Floward, the go-to online flowers and gifts delivery destination in the Mena and UK launched its services in Jordan earlier in October, making it its 9th country and 24th city to launch in. Floward will operate in Amman, Irbid, Zarqa, As-Salt as stepping stones to gradually launch in other cities and regions in the future. Floward CEO Abdulaziz B. Al Loughani said, "Given how important and developed the flowers industry is in Jordan compared to other countries in the region, launching our services there marks a significant step for us. Jordan is considered a pioneer in the field of technology and e-commerce in Mena with a great pool of talent and plays an important role in the regional startup ecosystem; it is home to the first global acquisition

in modern Mena startups' history back in 2009 (Yahoo -Maktoob). All these factors made Jordan an attractive market for us and a natural next step in our expansion strategy. We are very excited and optimistic about this new launch and looking forward to providing high quality and innovative services and products to our clients in Jordan." Established in 2017, Floward is a full-fledged e-commerce solution that offers prime fresh-cut flowers sourced from the best growers and farmers around the world and arranged locally by a team of florists and designers. Floward also offers cakes, chocolate and perfumes curated by the region's most exciting designers bundled with its flower arrangements and manage the last-mile same-day delivery to ensure the best customer experience.

SERVICE STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE

Starcare Hospital awarded accreditation by JCI for fourth time amidst Covid challenges

MUSCAT: Starcare Hospital announced that it is awarded the coveted Joint Commission International (JCI) accreditation consecutively for the fourth time despite the challenges posed by the Covid-19 pandemic. JCI Re accreditation reaffirms the service standards of excellence at Starcare Hospital and its continued investment in quality and safety systems to improve medical care at par with international standards of modern times. JCI is a Chicago-based non-profit body that set up the world's first independent international hospital accreditation process. JCI is still considered the most coveted of all the hospital accreditations since the re-accreditation parameters are made increasingly stringent each time a hospital goes through its repeat accreditation process. Commenting on this achievement Dr Sadik Kodakat, Chairman of Starcare Group, "We got our first JCI accreditation back in 2012 within one year of our opening and we knew that we are setting a new positive trend in Oman. It doesn't get any easier as we gain more experience since JCI inspectors increase the standards each time. It is like lifting the bar one notch each time you cross the bar successfully. I am extremely proud of our clinical and non-clinical team who has made this possible



for the fourth time without fail." Group CEO and Co-founder of Starcare Group, Nasser Batha said, "This is the first time in Oman, that a hospital is getting an international accreditation for the fourth time consecutively. We knew our team is very experienced by now and they will do it. But the Covid pandemic brought in an entirely new dimension to their challenges. Unlike in the past, the inspectors were located in various parts of the world. We were asked to take multiple live video streaming devices around the hospital and multiple inspectors will quiz each and every staff they come across randomly and ask questions. This is apart from submitting various quality-related documents for their review beforehand." "Accreditation standard health-

care is a legacy at Starcare which I have known ever since I joined this organisation and I had no doubt that our team will come out with flying colours. But achieving our highest ever compliance rate of more than 98% reminds us that we have come a long way in the last 10 years and I am very much proud of our team who scored this high. "We believe that pursuit of excellence is a way of thinking and behaving and everyone is responsible for living the discipline of excellence throughout the year. After all, excellence is a journey with no known destination," said Dr Mithun Mohan, Medical Director and Accreditation initiative lead at Starcare Hospital, Mawaleh, Muscat. "Our ambition is to maintain the quality standards leading to a

better work environment, minimizing errors, save more lives and bring more health and happiness to the community we serve. We thank the whole team especially the doctors, the nursing team, and paramedical and engineering team who stood by the rigorous assessment process and finally made it a meritorious success for Starcare Oman," said Marianna Kotze, the Group Chief Nursing Officer. She added, "One of the added benefits of these accreditation processes is that we now have an internal inspections team who go around periodically and assess the quality of our other units in Barka, Mabalah, Bausher, Duqm, and Samail. Initiatives such as this allow us to identify issues early and improve care quality even before any external inspection team visit us."

ENDURANCE RACING



How Mazda won greatest motorsport event in world; 24 Hours of Le Mans

MUSCAT: Thirty years ago, at 4pm on Sunday, June 23, 1991, as Johnny Herbert flew down the Mulsanne Straight in his orange Mazda 787B, he received crackly news over the team radio. Herbert and his Mazda speed teammates, Mazda's motorsports subsidiary, had won the brutal 24 Hours of Le Mans, endurance racing's most famous event. It was an enormously popular and historic victory. No other rotary-powered car had ever won the race before, and Mazda was the first Japanese manufacturer to win the event. On the 30th anniversary of this famous victory. The belief in their engine, unmatched by any other auto competitors, proved to be the most testing decision for the race ever! Only one year ahead of Mazda's 100th anniversary, this year marked the 30th anniversary of the big win. Mazda's heart-pumping victory in the non-stop 24 hours Le Mans, speaks for itself. The brand was crowned as the first

Japanese auto manufacturer to own the 59th Le Mans. Let's jump back to the adrenaline-rushing journey of winning Le Mans from the start of the longest lap to the end of the most cherished lap. **How it happened** Mazda's engine made its way to Le Mans for the first time in 1970. Things took a change for the better in 1983 for Mazda when Takayoshi Ohashi's Mazda auto Tokyo team became the subordinate of Mazda and was renamed as MazdaSpeed. The 1990 race, however, had a result of Mazda's 787B finishing 20th. Known for its 'never stop challenging' moto, Mazda took this as an opportunity to go back to the drawing board, learn, improve and make a timely comeback. Mazda 787B was born with the original version of the engine being a 13B with a displacement of 554cc x 2 rotors. Mazda upgraded the power output of the 13J by more than 10%.

TRANSFORMER OIL

Mazoon Electricity in cooperation with be'ah safely disposes of used oil



MUSCAT: Mazoon Electricity Company, the leading electricity provider in Oman, in cooperation with Oman Environmental Services Holding Company (be'ah) has succeeded in the safe disposal of 1,500 litres of transformer oil used for maintenance operations. The company classified the hazardous waste produced during various operations and used appropriate environmental protection standards to safely dispose of the materials. Additionally, the company created a tracking mechanism for the waste materials, which included collection, loading and transportation from the warehouse by using recommended and approved tools and equipment for the purpose as per the laws in force in Oman. The objective of this project was to increase the recyclable value of these materials in comparison with previous disposal practices, enhance environmental culture with internal and external stakeholders and follow permitted environmental practices. Eng. Majid Nasser Al Busaidi, Chief Operations Officer- Distribution in Mazoon Electricity said, "Our activities are in line with the core values of Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) commitments.

The company is devoted to working processes and products, which has enabled us to help protect and reduce environmental impact and secure the wellness, health and operational safety of our employees and community. Mazoon Electricity pursues business activities that promote environmental protection and conservation. The company recognises that acts such as safe disposal of transformer oil contribute to preserving the environment and creating a healthy global environment." Kumail Ahmed Al-Lawati, Head of Business Development, be'ah said, "We are pleased to partner with Mazoon Electricity which has a strong commitment towards the environment. We are keen to work with them towards the safe disposal of oil. We will use the latest international standards to achieve the standards of sustainability. In line with the national strategy for managing the waste in Oman, we seek to protect the environment from the risks of random disposal of waste." Last year in line with environmental sustainability practices Mazoon Electricity and be'ah had signed an agreement for the safe collection and disposal of lead acid batteries (LAB).

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CHANGAN EADO PLUS 'BEYOND YOUR EXPECTATION'

PREMIUM, SPORTY SEDAN LAUNCHED IN OMAN

Arabian Gulf Automobiles and Equipment LLC (AGAE), which is part of Bahwan International Group, has launched the all-new Changan EADO Plus 2022 model with two engine variants – 1.4 Turbo and 1.6 Litre engine.

The 'beyond your expectation' Changan EADO Plus is a compact yet aggressive family sedan with premium styling, luxurious interior, and plenty of safety features. With intelligent safety features to assist, EADO Plus lets drivers be at peace when on the road.

The top of the line EADO Plus comes with Dual 10" screens for driving convenience, Adaptive cruise control, Panoramic sunroof, 360 degree camera, Side Airbags, Navigation, Dual Exhaust etc., features available mostly in Luxury sedans.

A spokesperson for AGAE said, "We are delighted to have launched two variants of the all-new model of Changan EADO Plus. It is truly beyond one's expectation. It is stylish, energetic, and practical and has a perfect design that integrates fashion with function. As a family car it impresses with its appealing exterior, luxurious and spacious interior, interactive dashboard, driver-assist features for utmost safety."

Speaking of Changan EADO Plus 1.4 Turbo, he said, "Some of the stand-out features of the model are Star Eye LED Headlamp with point grille, 7" Dual Tone Alloy Wheels, Full LCD Integrated Dual Screens, Sport Seats in Leather, Rear AC vents, Front Collision Warning and fuel efficiency of 18.3 Km / Ltr as per GSO conditions"

About the Changan EADO Plus 1.6 L, he said, "The model has attractive features such as LED DRLs with Star eye LED Headlamp, Dual Tone 16" Alloy Wheels, Electric Sunroof, 10" Infotainment Touch Screen, Digital Instrument Cluster, Remote engine start/stop with keyless entry, Front Airbags, Rear View Camera and Electronic Parking Brake."

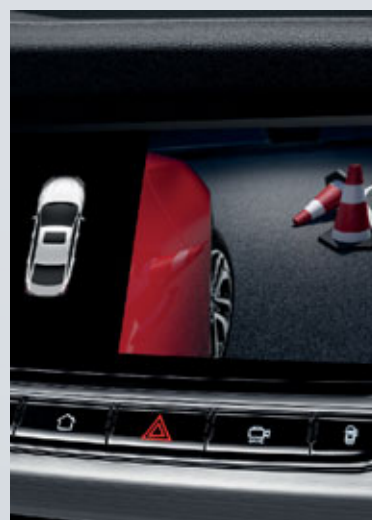
Changan EADO PLUS 1.4 Turbo Sport

With an engine of 1.4 Turbo, the Changan EADO Plus sport edition offers power of 155 hp, Nm torque and transmission of 7 speed DCT. The model offers a dimension of 4730x1820x1505 mm (LxWxH), a wheelbase of 2700 mm, fuel tank of 53 litres.

The exterior of the Changan EADO PLUS 1.4 Turbo features Dual Tone 16" Alloy Wheels, LED Headlamps, Auto Headlamps, LED DRLs, ORVM - Electrically Adjustable with heating, Dual Exhaust Pipes, Electric Sunroof and Window Trims in Chrome.



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The interior attributes include multifunction steering wheel, soft dashboard, leather seats, rear AC vents, leather steering wheel and multimode selection.

Safety features include ESC (ABS + EBD + TCS + ESC + HHC), Electronic Parking Brake, Front and Front Side Airbags, Rear Parking Sensors, Rear View Camera and TPM.

The highlights of the infotainment offering includes 10" Touch Screen, Digital LCD Instrument Cluster, four speakers, mirror link and USB, Radio, Bluetooth.

Comfort offerings that customers can enjoy includes remote engine start stop, keyless entry with keyless start, cruise control, auto AC, all four windows – one touch up/down.

Changan EADO PLUS 1.4 T 7 DCT Limited Edition

The highlights of Changan EADO Plus 1.4 T 7 DCT's limited edition includes EADO Plus 1.4 T 7 DCT SPORT features and some extra features. The exterior has dual tone 17" alloy wheels, sportier front grille, ORVM - electrically folding, panoramic sunroof. The interior features includes sporty red interior, front seats ventilation, six-way driver seat electrically adjustable, rear armrest and 60:40 rear seat split. Safety attributes include adap-

tive cruise control, forward collision warning, automatic emergency brake and 360° Camera. The Infotainment section has 10" LCD instrument cluster, six speakers and navigation features.

Changan EADO Plus 1.6 L CVT Trend

Under the hood of the Changan EADO Plus 1.6 L CVT Trend produces 126 hp and 168 Nm of torque mated with a CVT for one of the most comfortable rides.

The exterior features includes 16" alloy wheels, halogen headlamps, LED DRLs, ORVM - electrically adjustable and dual exhaust pipes. Interior attributes includes multifunction steering wheel, soft dashboard, leather seats and rear AC vents.

It offers safety features such as ESC (ABS + EBD + TCS + ESC + HHC), electronic parking brake, front airbags, rear parking sensors, rear view camera and TPMS.

A 10" Touch Screen, digital LCD instrument cluster, two speakers, mirror link and USB, Radio, Bluetooth are the Infotainment attractions in the model. Remote engine start stop, keyless entry with keyless start and cruise control are the other comfort features.

Changan EADO PLUS 1.6 L CVT Smart

The Changan EADO PLUS 1.6 L CVT Smart model includes Eado PLUS 1.6 L CVT Trend features and other attractive features.

The exterior features includes Dual Tone 16" alloy wheels, LED headlamps, auto headlamps, electric sunroof and ORVM with heating. Interior offers leather steering wheel, infotainment system has four speakers and offers Auto AC.

The premium automotive brand Changan has received overwhelming response among the Oman customers. Changan Automobile boasts of a comprehensive portfolio of range of products including Sedan, Crossovers and SUVs like Changan Alsvin - Entry level sedan, EADO Plus - Family Sedan, CS35 PLUS Crossover, CS75 Plus Crossover, CS85 Coupe, CS95 7 Seater 4WD and Changan Hunter Double Cabin Pickups (Gasoline and Diesel variants available)

About AGAE

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**AL NU'MANI RECEIVES BRITISH
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Gen. Sultan Mohammed Al Nu'mani, Minister of the Royal Office received in his office today James Cleverly, British Minister of State for Middle East and North Africa at the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office. **>A4**



HIS MAJESTY SENDS CONDOLENCES

MUSCAT: His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik has sent a cable of condolences to the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud of Saudi Arabia on the death of Prince Abdullah Mohammed Al Saud. In the cable, His Majesty expressed his heartfelt sympathies, praying to the Almighty Allah to rest the departed soul in peace in paradise and grant his family fortitude to bear the loss. **-ONA**



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CS75 PLUS IN LUXURY
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Arabian Gulf Automobiles and Equipment LLC (AGAE), which is a part of Bahwan International Group, has launched compact Crossover Changan CS75 Plus in Luxury and Sport variants.

With its premium design, comfortable automotive interior, and highly intelligent configuration, Changan CS75 Plus offers a host of special features.

A spokesperson for AGAE said, "We are pleased to launch Changan CS75 Plus in the Oman market. Changan CS75 Plus is impressing car enthusiasts for its promising quality of innovation, aesthetics, functionality and stability. The compact Crossover is guaranteed to make a mark in the Omani market.

The SUV that makes driving feel like winning with its stunning design, premium interior and intelligent features. The CS75 Plus is loaded with smart and innovative features that aim to elevate the confidence and sophistication in every drive."

An upgraded version of the CS75, the 2WD Changan CS75 Plus features a more sloped roofline and more power. Under the hood, it has a 2.0-litre turbo-charged 4-cylinder engine, mated to an 8-speed automatic transmis-

sion with a power of 224 hp and torque of 360 Nm. With a wheel-base of 2710 mm, and it measures 4700 mm in length, 1865 mm in width and 1710 mm in height.

Standard features in the CS75 Plus include power windows, central locking, cruise control, dual-zone auto A/C, 8 speakers, multifunctional steering wheel, USB+AUX ports, 12-inch screen, Bluetooth, 360 camera, leather ventilated seats, sunroof, fog lamps, parking sensors LED headlamps, panoramic roof, keyless entry and start, and 19-inch wheels. Safety features includes dual front, side and curtain airbags, ABS, and hill assist.

Its Blue Core Powertrain Technology, based on the principles of power, clean and quiet, provides owners a highly efficient and energy saving performance.

Futuristic design

CS75 Plus features a more streamlined body with flowing lines and geometric patterns, creating the overall appearance of a vehicle from the future.

Advanced technology

To instill the confidence and sophistication in every drive, CS75 Plus offers a range of intelligent driving technologies and smart features.

For more information, call CHANGAN OMAN Toll free number 80050800, WhatsApp on 94641010 or visit our showroom in Al Qurum. Also you can visit and register at www.changanoman.com to book test drives and call back.

Elevated extravagance

To create a premium drive experience, CS75 Plus seamlessly integrates luxurious interior with high-tech convenience features, coupled with ample space.

Changan CS75 Plus 2.0 T 8 AT Luxury
Changan CS75 Plus 2.0 T 8 AT Luxury includes the features of CS75 Plus 2.0 T 8 AT Sport features.

Its exterior boasts of piercing front position headlamp, adaptive high and low beam, ORVM with memory and puddle lamps. Its interior features multi colour ambient lighting, front seats ventilation, driver seat with memory and luggage cover.

Its safety attributes intelligent

adaptive cruise control, 360 Camera (HD) with 3D View, blind spot detection, rear approaching alarm, reverse auxiliary alarm, lane departure warning, rain sensor wiper and seat belt pretensioners.

Intelligent Adaptive Cruise Control

Intelligent Adaptive Cruise Control provides a safer and more pleasant driving experience. IACC facilitates smart driving features including heavy traffic assisted driving, lane keep assist, automatic deceleration during turns, intelligent speed limit assist, and voice-activated cruise speed setting.

360 degree camera with 3D view

The 12 inch LCD touch screen in the middle displays a 360 degree camera view around the car. When the option is clicked a 3D model of the car is shown and within the screen itself you may rotate the car and view the surroundings.

Reverse auxiliary alarm

The model can avoid or ease the collision by alarm and auxiliary braking. The car detects blocks and sends a visual and an audible alarm to notify you.

Rear approaching alarm

In a scenario where you brake sud-

denly and the car behind you is unaware of this and is approaching you with speed. Your car detects the challenge and alerts you in the screen in front of you and the rear lights of your car start blinking/ flashing in order to capture the driver's (Behind) attention.

Fully automatic parking

There are two options for this, the driver either sits in the car or he leaves the car. Under both the options the car parks itself by using sensors and by scanning the nearby areas. Infotainment showcases full LCD IC, eight Speakers, trip recorder with SD Card Slot and Qi-bla. Comfort factors include seat belt height adjustable remote key - window close, all windows - one button up down, auto IRVM and dual zone AC.

Changan CS75 Plus 2.0 T 8 AT Sport

The exterior features of Changan CS75 Plus 2.0 T 8 AT SPORT includes 19" dual tone alloy wheels, LED headlamps, front fog lights with cornering, panoramic sunroof, ORVM - electrically adjustable, folding and heating, rear led taillamps, quad exhaust pipes.

The interior has sport seats with two tone interior (black & red), electrically adjustable front seats,

drive mode (normal, eco, sport), leather steering wheel, soft leather dashboard, multifunction steering wheel.

Safety features include front and curtain airbags, ABS, E80 +TCS+ESC+HHC, hill descent control, auto hold, TPMS, 360 camera, adaptive cruise control, automatic emergency brake, front collision warning and electronic parking brake.

Infotainment element has 7-LCD instrument cluster, 12" infotainment screen, high performance audio system with 6 speakers, navigation, mirror link - Android & Apple. The model offers electric tailgate, remote control engine start/stop, push button start/stop, rear ac vents, keyless entry and auto AC.

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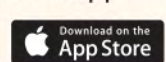
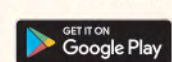


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