

OMAN FOLLOWING JORDAN DEVELOPMENTS WITH CONCERN
MUSCAT: The Sultanate of Oman is following up the developments in Jordan with great concern and reaffirms its full backing to the Kingdom under the leadership of King Abdullah II. The Sultanate reiterates its solid support for all that might guarantee the security, sovereignty and stability of Jordan. **-ONA**



HM SENDS CONDOLENCES

MUSCAT: His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik has sent a cable of condolences to President Andry Rajoelina of the Republic of Madagascar on the death of Madagascar's ex-president Didier Ratsiraka. In the cable, His Majesty the Sultan expressed his sincere condolences sympathy to President Rajoelina, the deceased's family and the friendly people of Madagascar. **-ONA**



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GOVERNMENT LAYS OUT ECONOMIC INVESTMENT ROADMAP FOR OMAN

Diversification and raising foreign direct investment into the country are two of the objectives of Vision 2040

Times News Service

MUSCAT: 50 industrial projects will be set up as part of continued efforts to diversify and encourage investment across multiple sectors of Oman's economy.

"The industry sector has

worked on the idea of setting up 50 projects, at a total value of OMR200 million, to enhance local contribution," said Qais Mohammed Al Yousef, the Minister of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion (MOCIIP) to promote trade and investment, increase competitiveness, and develop a knowledge-based economy.

development Oman (PDO) and the Public Establishment for Industrial Estates (Madayn)."

The minister was speaking at a press conference organised to discuss the various plans drawn up by the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion (MOCIIP) to promote trade and investment, increase competitiveness, and develop a knowledge-based economy.

Diversification and raising foreign direct investment are also two of the objectives of Vision 2040, which aims to build a resilient economy with stable work opportunities and good standards of life for people in the country.

A significant part of this is the digitisation of services, which will help business that wish to set up operations in the country receive faster approval. "The next stage we aspire to move to is digital transactions, transitioning there from paper services," said Dr Saleh bin Said Masan, the Undersecretary for Commerce and Industry at MOCIIP. "We seek to automate a number of procedures to provide fast e-services."

"Among the most prominent features of our industrial strategy is transitioning from industries based on natural resources, such as oil, natural gas, and mining, to those centred on knowledge and

innovation, such as the medical, environmental, electromechanical, transportation, and communications industries," he added.

The total volume of foreign investment in Oman until the end of 2020 amounted to about OMR15 billion, said Al Yousef. Plans are underway to merge all of the licences companies need to set up shop in the country into a single one, which will help them begin operations the moment they receive it. Efforts are underway to provide these licences to companies just hours after they apply for them.

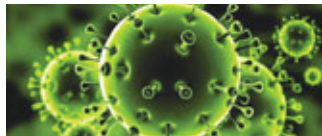
A feasibility study of over 100 investment-ready opportunities

is also being prepared by the MOCIIP. It is expected to be made public soon. A marketing strategy and investor's guide are also being prepared to boost exports, encourage investment, and provide information on the services available to them. Copies of the Foreign Investment Law are also being written up in other languages.

"After meeting with ambassadors, we agreed on the best methods to communicate between their representative missions, and the authorities, to complement each other in bringing in investment, and increase exports," said Aseela Al Samsamiya, the Undersecretary for Investment Promotion. **>A5**

TOP THREE INSIDE STORIES

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WORLD Myanmar on the brink of civil war

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MARKET NBO posts net profit of OMR18mn in 2020



3 National Bank of Oman (NBO) achieved a net profit of OMR18.1 mn in 2020, a satisfactory yield given the lower-income and higher loan impairment charge, mainly arising out of the COVID-19 pandemic. This emerged at the Annual General Meeting of the bank which was conducted remotely. It included the declaration of OMR422,000 to be allocated for community support services. **>B1**



INTERVIEW

Senegal plans joint economic ventures with the Sultanate

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Plans are being drawn up for Oman and Senegal to set up joint economic ventures, which will lead to increased cooperation between the two countries.

Speaking on the anniversary of his country's Independence Day (April 4), Serigne Aliou Deme, Senegal's ambassador to Oman, said the shared agricultural practices between both countries made it easy for them to work together.

"There is a project of close cooperation to be signed with the Sultanate to create joint opportuni-



ties between the two countries, by virtue of the experience in the field of fishing and ocean navigation, for which the Sultanate has received recognition for many years," he said.

Creating partnerships

"We also seek to create partnerships with Gulf countries, especially the Sultanate in the field of oil and gas, because of the country's vast experience in this sector," added the ambassador. "As for minerals, there are many that we export abroad, including gold, iron and other minerals." **>A6**

MEDICINAL PLANTS

Green-thumb Omani grows plants to help community

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Cultivating medicinal plants that help cure a number of common ailments, including cough, colds, fever, burns, skin diseases, wounds, and even fractures, is the passion of an Omani national who lives in the country's southern Dhofar region.

Sheikh Salem Jarboun Hardan, who lives in the village of Araf in Wilayat Dhakut, has always been interested in planting trees that have medicinal benefits, because of the value this provides to the community.

He is also working on methods to convert the seasonal agricultur-

al practices of farmers into more sustainable cultivation that can be done throughout the year.

"I grow a number of plants — such as myrrh — that were previously used to treat many medical ailments," he told Oman News Agency.

"I also cultivate trees like jatroph, gum-based trees that are used as treatments and dressings for wounds and fractures."

Sheikh Hardan also grows a number of crops that are used daily, such as corn, lemons, papayas, bananas, sugarcane, and a number of vegetables, including tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, zucchinis, sweet potato, mint, and turmeric.



He's also successfully managed to plant trees from the seeds of imported fruit, such as grapefruit, jackfruit, oranges, and mangoes.

The Dhofar region has long been known for its agriculture, livestock and fishing traditions that have been the backbone of sustenance for the people of the area for generations. The flat land, good weather and fertile terrain make it excellent for crop cultivation.

"We must pay attention towards developing our agriculture and livestock: they have important economic benefits that will help diversify families' incomes, and help meet our needs for food," said Sheikh Hardan.

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BUSINESS WEEK

SQU meeting explores potentials and aspirations of students

MUSCAT: The 17th Business Week of Sultan Qaboos University (SQU) explored the potential of students and their aspirations vis-à-vis the goals of Oman Vision 2040. This was stated during the sessions of the Business Week, which was held via video-conferencing.

The 17th Business Week saw the participation of Qais Mohammed Al Yousef, Minister of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion.

In a speech on the occasion, Al Yousef underscored the attention accorded by the government to Omani youth. He described this attention as “an investment in the future”.

The minister pointed out that the government provided support to youth through education and training which, he said, constituted basic factors that enabled Omani youth to efficiently shoulder their responsibility in the nation building process.

Meanwhile, Dr. Al Mukhtar Saif Al Abri, Dean of the College of Economy and Political Sciences, said that the Business Week forms a bridge of communication between the University and society.

Within this theme, the students are tasked with researching major economic and social issues and portraying them through the use of innovative tools.



17TH BUSINESS WEEK: Qais Mohammed Al Yousef, Minister of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion, took part in the event. -ONA

Al Abri explained that the 17th Business Week takes up Oman Vision 2040 from the perspective of students, who elaborate on their topics during discussion sessions with officials, academics and experts.

The aim is to expand and enrich the cognitive and cultural repertoire of students and deepening their un-

derstanding and social awareness about the roles of various segments of society within Oman Vision 2040. The SQU Business Week offers an opportunity to exchange ideas, information and expertise and to highlight the potential of youth in different government and private establishments. -ONA

MEETING

Dar Al Atta’a approves construction of 8 houses

Times News Service

MUSCAT: The annual ordinary general meeting of Dar Al Atta’a Association was held on the premises of Dar Al Atta’a, last Tuesday, in Ghala.

The meeting discussed the agenda and new schemes and the key challenges facing Dar Al Atta’a under the exceptional conditions in the Sultanate.

The participants discussed the action plan for 2021 and approved the annual budget based on the donations and cooperation with the other supporting establishments.

It approved construction of eight houses at the cost of over OMR200,000 and maintenance of twenty three houses for an approximate sum of OMR110,000 and sponsoring over 800 families, food supply, sheep sacrificing, Eid dress and school items for sons and daughters of such families.

The meeting also approved continuation of the projects aimed to empower the needy families and generation of sustainable income for them.

The meeting also approved the financial statements for the year 2020 and discussed the key



achievements and campaigns of the Association including the campaign titled “Together in Hardship and Ease”, in which Dar Al Atta’a provided assistance to over 24 families affected with the suspension/lockdown of their businesses due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Last year, Dar Al Atta’a had handed over eight houses worth over OMR168,000. So far Dar Al Atta’a has completed construction of 93 houses within the programme of “My Home; My Shelter” besides maintenance of 615 houses for the needy families.

Maryam bint Issa Al Zadjali, Chairperson of the Board of Dar Al Atta’a Association said that last year has been a difficult one which had seen suspension/lockdown of businesses due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thanks to the Almighty Allah and the support of charitable persons and supporting establishments, they were able to work towards overcoming such conditions and crisis, she added.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

Muscat Municipality shuts Quriyat road until Thursday

Times News Service

MUSCAT: The Muscat Municipality has announced the complete closure of the main Quriyat road from Sunday till Thursday.

In a statement, the Municipality said: “In collaboration with the ROP Traffic, Muscat Municipality

notes that it has completely closed Quriyat Main Street, from today until next Thursday to complete the maintenance of the damaged part of the road.”

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2,600 frankincense saplings planted

Due to several factors putting the tree at risk, it has become increasingly important to bring back awareness to its ecological and cultural value



BOOSTING ENVIRONMENT: Harsh methods of tapping, overharvesting, and climate change, have had a negative impact on the growth of frankincense trees. -Supplied photo

Times News Service

MUSCAT: 2,600 frankincense tree saplings have been planted in Dhofar by the Environment Society of Oman as part of efforts to conserve the precious tree, and generate awareness towards its centuries-long connection with the country. As part of outreach efforts related to the initiative, 200 flyers were distributed, illustrating appropriate frankincense planting and irrigation instructions in English and Arabic, and communities across the governorate have been provided with information on sus-

tainable harvesting techniques. The campaign was conducted in collaboration with herbal cosmetics manufacturers Neal's Yard Remedies, in eight different areas across the governorate, including 12 schools, as well as among women's associations, farmers and local community members. Suaad Al Harthi, executive director at ESO, said, "We are extremely pleased with what this project has achieved in the past 18 months. Frankincense has been around for centuries, and remains one of the world's most treasured commodities, as well as being integral to the Omani identity. "Yet, due to several factors putting the tree at risk, it has become increasingly important for us to bring back awareness to its ecological and cultural value, and the adoption of sustainable harvesting techniques," she added. "We would like to thank our friends at Neal's Yard Remedies, who, through this campaign, have helped us secure this sacred legacy for future generations." Susan Curtis, director of natural health at Neal's Yard Remedies, added, "We believe that our mission to enhance and protect people's health and wellbeing starts with the very first seed. That's

why we work with communities around the world supporting low-impact farming practices." "Frankincense is known for its many health and wellness giving properties and we are delighted to see that Oman plays an active role in its preservation," she said. "We're thrilled to have been part of this project with ESO, and helping them protect this very special part of our beautiful planet." Frankincense trees, or Boswellia sacra, are unique to Oman, South Yemen and North Somalia and play an important role in the Sultanate's heritage, economy, and culture. Yet harsh methods of tapping, over-

harvesting, and climate change, have had a negative impact on their growth. ESO has been addressing this concern since 2010, when it launched 'Sustainable Harvesting of Frankincense Trees', an initiative that has made valuable scientific contributions on the correct frequency of tapping and generating a sustainable yield without adversely harming the trees. For more information on ESO's activities and how you can help, visit www.eso.org.om The Environment Society of Oman was founded in March 2004 by Omanis representing different regions and many different profes-

sional backgrounds. The society is the first-of-its-kind in Oman and works by promoting conservation and environmental awareness in all sectors of society. In February 2009 Environment Society of Oman was accepted as a member of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) and was chosen to represent environmental organizations from West Asia at UNEP. In June 2012, ESO attended the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development (called the Rio+20) in Rio de Janeiro as an officially accredited NGO by the UN General Assembly.

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If you are feeling lonely and bored owing to the night lockdown and looking for ways to keep yourself busy why not try digital scrapbooking? If the word digital is intimidating you, then know for sure that digital scrapbooking is quite simple and similar to the traditional one. The only difference is that it is created online and certainly not messy. The benefits of having a digital scrapbook are plenty. Since there isn't any use of paper, glue and other craft material they are not messy and you save a lot on the use of paper. All you need is a computer or a phone with image editing softwares, digital graphics and your digital photos.

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While SnapStore is another free app for Android and iOS users, the Photobook app is ideal for personalised and cute gifts, cards, photo books, and more. Keepsayk is an amazing free app that lets you create and share beautiful scrapbooks. All you have to do is to choose your favourite photos and videos to make the most creative designs.

For new parents Lifecake is a very useful app. It is a free app that allows parents to create a complete timeline of their children. It is a useful tool for making extraordinary photo albums and also travel in time. Printastic, FreePrints, Shutterfly and eBeam are some of the other useful scrapbooking apps.







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BILATERAL RELATIONS

Oman, Iran discuss ways to boost joint cooperation

MUSCAT: Gen. Sultan Mohammed Al Nu'amani, Minister of the Royal Office, reviewed march of relations binding the Sultanate of Oman and the Islamic Republic of Iran when he received Ali Najafi, Ambassador of Iran to the Sultanate at his office on Sunday.

Cordial conversations were exchanged on several fields of the joint cooperation and means of promoting them to serve the mutual interests of the two friendly countries. A range of matters of common concern were also discussed during the meeting. — **ONA**



ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION

<FROM A1> Services to be linked to Invest Easy portal

“The automatic licensing approval service comes in order to create a business environment that promotes growth and economic diversification, as well as to support and enable the private sector and enhance the Sultanate’s international indicators regarding ease of doing business,” added Al Yousef.

These services will be linked to the Invest Easy portal, which enables foreign and local investors to cut down the time required for approvals regarding investment and other related procedures.

Online portals are available to customers 24x7.

“The Invest Easy portal is a national platform that helps business owners and investors in Oman complete the procedures for registering and issuing licences easily and in a short period, under the supervision of the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion, in partnership with many government agencies,” according to Mubarak Al Dohani, the head of the ministry’s Digital Transformation Team.

NATIONAL ECONOMY

<FROM A1> Ministry identifies eight initiatives

“The guide contains key information regarding investment sectors in the Sultanate, and the services provided by our banks, which help towards bringing investors to enhance our national economy,” she added.

The ministry has identified eight initiatives to improve the business sector. These include efforts such as a draft national strategy for intellectual property, coming up with improved procedures to register commercial enterprises, and organising the e-commerce setup in the country.

Among the 13 plans drawn up for boosting industrial performance are identifying areas of investment to increase in-country value in manufacturing, formulating a framework to help set up advanced industries, modernising laws governing industries, and setting up a process to implement a governance, management, and development programme for the sector. To make sure proper standards are met by companies operating in the country, seven initiatives concerning digitising standardisation procedures are also being looked at, such as the setting up of accreditation and metrology centres. 22 initiatives to improve performance across eight sectors have been completed by December 2020.

The efforts to expand the economy were welcomed by Dr Syed Mujahid Hussain, the head of the Department of Economics and Finance at the College of Economics and Political Science at Sultan Qaboos University.

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“Oman is well-placed to expand its manufacturing and industrial sectors, with one of the main reasons being that there aren’t so many related taxes here, as opposed to Europe, for example, where the cost of manufacturing is very high,” he said.

“The plans listed here are consistent with the development programmes countries take to advance their economies,” he added. “In most advanced countries, such as Australia, the US, or Canada, the majority of the economic contribution comes from research and development, and knowledge-based industries, so Oman taking these measures will be good for the country in the years to come.”

COVID-19

3,139 new cases reported

Times News Service

MUSCAT: As many as 3,139 new cases of coronavirus (COVID-19) were registered in Oman during the last three days, in addition to 31 new COVID-19-related death cases.

This brings the total number of positive COVID-19 cases to 163,157 in the Sultanate.

The total number of COVID-19-related death cases reached 1,712, the Ministry of Health said.

The Ministry also pointed out that 2,038 new cases have recovered, bringing the total number to 146,677 recoveries.

The Ministry also pointed out that 97 cases were hospitalised over the past 24 hours.



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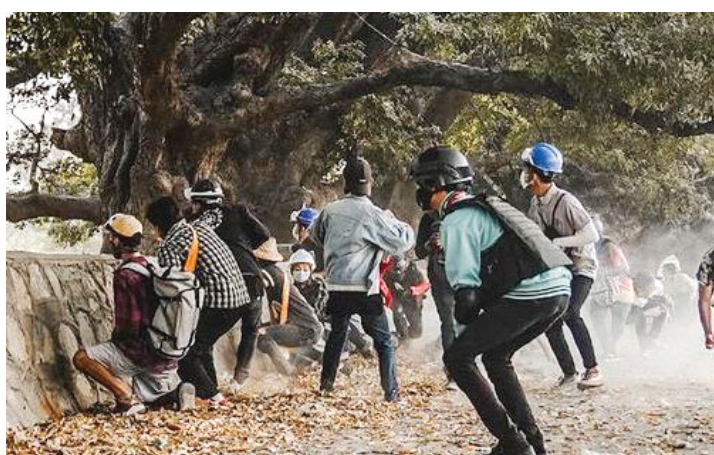
Threat of civil war in Myanmar, says German Foreign Minister

NAYPYITAW: The military coup in Myanmar and the turmoil it triggered is threatening to lead to a civil war in the southeast Asian country, Germany's Foreign Minister Heiko Maas warned in an interview published on Sunday.

"No one in the region can be interested in Myanmar sinking into civil war — not even those who are not interested in saving democracy," Maas told the newspapers of the Funke media group. International pressure is mounting on Myanmar's military leaders over an escalating crackdown on anti-coup protests that has left more than 550 civilians dead.

"The military has driven Myanmar to the brink of disaster within a few weeks. Well over 500 people have already been killed, thousands are on the run," Maas said.

The German foreign minister called on all global players to "increase the pressure on the regime" to bring it to the negotiating table with the Association of Southeast



CIVIL WAR THREAT: The German foreign minister called on all global players to "increase the pressure on the regime" to bring it to the negotiating table with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).

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Myanmar's ASEAN neighbours typically refrain from criticising their fellow members under a principle of non-interference.

But the growing Western pres-

sure on Myanmar's junta and the increasing violence against anti-coup protesters have prompted several southeast Asian foreign ministers to condemn the violence. China, which has been re-

served in its response to the coup, said it supports holding a meeting with regional leaders.

"China...supports the convening of a special meeting of ASEAN leaders to mediate as soon as possible," the Chinese government's top diplomat, Wang Yi, said on Friday.

India, which has also not outright rejected the coup, issued its strongest reaction to the escalating crackdown on demonstrations.

"We believe that the rule of law should prevail. We stand for the restoration of democracy in Myanmar," said Arindam Bagchi, India's foreign ministry spokesman, on Friday. Ten of Myanmar's armed ethnic rebel groups held online talks on Saturday about the coup, according to AFP news agency, sparking concerns that a broader conflict could erupt in the country.

In Myanmar, some 20 ethnic armed groups control large areas of territory, mostly in border regions. — DW

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BLOOMBERG NEWS

Oman on way to meet its financing needs this year

NEW YORK: Bloomberg news network has said that the Sultanate of Oman has gone a long way in meeting its funding requirements for 2021.

Quoting the Ministry of Finance's monthly report issued recently, Bloomberg said that Oman is more than halfway toward meeting its total financing needs of OMR4.2 billion (\$10.9 billion) for 2021.

It said that the total fund received from funding agencies by the end of March 2021 stood at OMR2.37 billion.

"The government has OMR1.83 billion left to raise so far after borrowing OMR1.77 billion and withdrawing OMR600 million from Oman Investment Authority, as of end-March 2021," said Bloomberg quoting the Finance Ministry.

The Ministry explained in its monthly report that, by the end of February 2021, as many as OMR144 million due towards addressing public debt (loan interest) has been paid, along with OMR563 million as part of original loan. — ONA

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Facebook users' data leaked online

CALIFORNIA: Data from hundreds of millions of Facebook users was leaked online on Saturday, including personal information such as phone numbers, full names, and email addresses. The leaked data from 533 million users in 106 countries was posted on an obscure hacking forum.

The data is believed to be more than a year old, but security experts say the information could still be used by criminals to commit identity fraud. That data included records on 32 million users in the United States, 11 million users in the United Kingdom and six million users in India. — DW

BILATERAL TIES

< FROM A1 Oman-Senegal relations to grow stronger

"There is expected to be cooperation between the two countries in developing the oil and mineral sectors. Oil wells have been recently discovered across several locations in Senegal, with the first consignment of Senegalese oil to be exported overseas by the end of this year."

"There are also a number of agreements with international companies, including some from France, the UK, and the United States, that specialise in oil exploration and extraction."

As part of government efforts to strengthen Senegal's industry, an industrial city was established near the capital, Dakar. It now produces large quantities of shoes, fabrics, soft drinks, and ceramics. Owing to Senegal's beaches spanning an area of more than

300 square kilometres, boatbuilding companies also have interests in the country.

"The most important products of the Republic of Senegal, in the agricultural sector are peanuts, cotton, fruits and vegetables, and there is a government effort to increase rice production, because it is considered one of the main meals on the Senegalese table," he added.

"It constitutes 60 to 70 per cent of what the Senegalese citizens eat. Because we also import rice from abroad, we are attempting to counter this by increasing local production."

Formal diplomatic relations between Oman and Senegal began in the early 2000s, although contact between the two countries took place even before then.

Former Senegalese President Abd Juf visited Oman in the 1990s, leading to the signing of an agreement establishing diplomatic relations soon afterwards.

"We are proud to have relations with the Sultanate, because it is among the most stable, peaceful and secure countries in the world, and its wise policy seeks to always unite and not divide people, by searching for peaceful solutions to conflicts," said Deme.

Wishing His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik well, he added, "We pray for success to His Majesty, that he may build stronger relations with the countries of the region, and the world. Ever since we began our diplomatic relations with Oman, we've been looking for agreements across a number of sectors, including the

political, economic, commercial, maritime, cultural, tourism, and social levels."

"These help strengthen fraternal relations and support ties between the two peoples, enabling them to learn about each other in depth, and allows for the formation of closer ties," said the ambassador.

Deme also paid tribute to the late His Majesty Sultan Qaboos bin Said bin Taimour for his efforts to build stronger ties through peace and reconciliation.

"He was among the leaders of the world who always advocated peace and stability," he said. "The whole world is proud of the late His Majesty, and all of us in Africa — especially Senegal — have plenty of love, respect, and appreciation for him."

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SPORTS

Jota helps Liverpool defeat Arsenal 3-0

With this win, Liverpool has moved to the fifth place in the standings with 49 points from 30 matches

LONDON: Diogo Jota's brace and Mohamed Salah's lone strike helped Liverpool defeat Arsenal 3-0 here at the Emirates Stadium in the ongoing Premier League 2020-21 season on Sunday.

With this win, Liverpool has moved to the fifth place in the standings with 49 points from 30 matches, while Arsenal has slipped to the ninth position with 42 points from 30 games. The first half of the match did not see any goals and both teams went into the half-time with the scoreline being at 0-0.

However, in the second half, Liverpool managed to turn around its fortunes as both Jota and Salah came to the party to give Liverpool a win. Jota first scored the goal in the 64th minute of the game, and just



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four minutes later, Salah scored another one, giving Liverpool a 2-0 lead with still 22 minutes odd to the final whistle. Jota then added another goal to his kitty in the 82nd minute and this gave Liverpool a 3-0 lead.

The Reds managed to hang on and Jurgen Klopp's side walked away with a 3-0 victory to move to the fifth spot.

In the whole game, Liverpool had seven shots on target as compared to Arsenal's two. In terms

of ball possession, Klopp's side dominated the game as they held on to the ball for 65 per cent of the match. Liverpool will next take on Aston Villa on April 10 while Arsenal will clash against Sheffield United on April 11. **ANI**

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FOOTBALL

Real Sociedad beat Athletic Bilbao to win 2020 Copa del Rey

SEVILLE: Real Sociedad defeated local rivals Athletic Bilbao 1-0 in the rescheduled 2020 Copa del Rey final on Saturday.

With this title, Real Sociedad's finally lifted their first major trophy since 1987. The sole goal of the match came from the spot in the 63rd minute as captain Mikel Oyarzabal netted the ball by sending keeper Unai Simon the wrong way. Sociedad were given the penalty after striker Portu was felled in the area by Athletic defender Inigo Martinez.

Initially, Martinez was shown a red card for the foul but the referee overturned it to a yellow card after a VAR review.

Sociedad enjoyed more ball possession throughout the encounter as Athletic Bilbao failed to find scoring opportunities in the opponent's half.

Despite the delayed final at the request of both clubs to ensure fans could attend the event but continued coronavirus restrictions



in Spain meant the showpiece in Seville's La Cartuja stadium took place without any spectators.

Athletic Bilbao have now lost their last five Copa finals but have another shot at the trophy when they play Barcelona in this season's summit clash at La Cartuja on April 17. **ANI**

IPL 2021

BCCI to get in touch with Health Ministry for players' vaccination: Rajeev Shukla

NEW DELHI: The rising number of coronavirus cases has forced the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) to think of players' vaccination ahead of the Indian Premier League (IPL), with BCCI vice president Rajeev Shukla saying that the board will get in touch with the Health Ministry for players' vaccination. "In order to cope with this coronavirus rise, I think the only solution is to get vaccinated. BCCI is also thinking on those lines that players should be vaccinated. Nobody knows when coronavirus is going to end and you



can't give a deadline that by this time frame, it will not be there so players can play easily. So, I think now will have to think over that. Vaccination should be done for the players also," Shukla told ANI.

When asked if BCCI has written to the Health Ministry regarding players' vaccination, Shukla said the BCCI is mulling over the idea and they will definitely get in touch with the ministry that players should be vaccinated.

Earlier on Saturday, ANI reported that the IPL Governing Council (GC) is thinking of shifting the

Mumbai matches to some other venue, with Hyderabad and Indore on standby amid the daily spike in the coronavirus cases in Maharashtra. Things haven't looked too bright in Mumbai with ground-staff at the Wankhede Stadium testing positive for coronavirus. With cases rising in the state of Maharashtra, IPL franchises have started feeling a little wary and are keeping fingers crossed with the 14th edition of the league set to get underway from April 9.

Wankhede is set to host 10 IPL games this season from April 10-

25. The first match at the Mumbai stadium is slated to be played on April 10 between Delhi Capitals and Chennai Super Kings.

"We are keeping a close eye on each venue regarding Covid-19 cases, as of now no decision has been taken but Indore and Hyderabad are on standby. Will see what to be done, health and safety of players is of utmost importance," a source had told ANI. Four franchises -- Delhi Capitals, Chennai Super Kings, Punjab Kings and Rajasthan Royals -- have set up their base in Mumbai as of now. **ANI**

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WEMBLEY STADIUM

8,000 spectators allowed for Carabao Cup final



MANCHESTER: The Carabao Cup final between Manchester City and Tottenham Hotspur will welcome 8,000 spectators at Wembley Stadium following the match's approval as an official test event.

"The Department of Culture, Media and Sport has given the green light for 8,000 spectators to attend as part of the UK Government's Events Research Programme. A proportion of these tickets will be made available to both finalists, which means City fans will be able to get behind their side at Wembley on April 25," Manchester City said in a statement. "Remaining tickets will be for groups including local residents in Brent and similarly NHS staff, who will be offered tickets as a 'thank-you' for the incredible service that has been provided during the Covid-19 pandemic," it added.

The news comes in the wake of UEFA announcing on Wednesday that it has removed the 30 per cent spectator limit on games, meaning local associations can make their own call on crowd sizes for Champions League and Europa League fixtures. **ANI**

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MSM INDEX ENDS LOWER

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NBO posts net profit of OMR18mn in 2020

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Times News Service

MUSCAT: National Bank of Oman (NBO) held its Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Conducted remotely, the meeting was attended by board members, senior management and shareholders, and included the declaration of OMR422,000 to be allocated for community support services over the coming year, in addition to last year's financial results.

In 2020, NBO achieved a net profit of OMR18.1 million, a satisfactory yield given the lower-income and higher loan impairment charge, mainly arising out of the COVID-19 pandemic.

During the meeting, the bank also introduced three new board members, namely Dr Ghazi Nasser Al Alawi, Said Hilal Al Habsi, who were appointed in May 2020, and more recently, Nabil Al Mahrouqi.

Member of the Board Audit Committee (BAC) and Board Risk and Compliance Committee (BRCC), Dr Ghazi Al Alawi, has five years' experience in the financial sector, having served on a number of boards including one of the Sultanate's major financial institutions, as well as for Oman Casting Aluminium, Dunes



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Oman, Muscat Horizons International and ABI Showtech Oman. He holds a PhD in Entrepreneurship from the University of Plymouth, UK.

Member of the Board Audit Committee (BAC), Said Al Habsi, has extensive experience in finance and investments.

An Investment Director at Oman Investment Authority (OIA), he has previously held senior positions at Oman Investment Fund (OIF), and the Ministry of Defense Pension Fund. He is also a Board member of Salalah Mills and Ubhar Capital. He holds a

Masters of Business Administration, a bachelors in Finance, and is a certified professional accountant.

Member of the Board Risk and Compliance Committee (BRCC), Nabil Al Mahrouqi is an experienced investment professional with a demonstrated history of working in the investment management industry.

A qualified Financial Modeling and Valuation Analyst (FMVA), he works as the Acting Head of Local Asset Management at the Public Authority of Social Insurance (PASI) and holds a B.Sc.

in Finance from Sultan Qaboos University.

Rounding off a busy year, NBO has embraced the challenges emerging from the pandemic, enhancing its digital channels and launching a number of cutting-edge products and services that support its journey towards becoming a fully digitally-enabled bank.

Driven by a desire to offer the very best to its customers, by remaining agile, resilient, and focusing on innovation, it has quickly adapted to a rapidly altered landscape, while continuing to pioneer service excellence.

KASPERSKY REPORT

39% of ransomware victims in region pay ransom to restore access to their data

Times News Service

MUSCAT: 39 percent of ransomware victims in the META region paid the ransom to restore access to their data last year, according to a global study of 15,000 consumers conducted by global security company Kaspersky.

Yet for 23 per cent of those, paying the ransom did not guarantee the return of stolen data. However, as public awareness of potential cyber threats grows there is a reason for optimism in the fight against ransomware.

Ransomware is a type of malware which criminals use to extort money. It holds data to ransom using encryption or by locking users out of their device. Kaspersky's report, 'Consumer appetite versus action: The state of data privacy amid growing digital dependency', found that, for around a quarter of respondents (34 per cent), the estimated monetary loss was less than \$100, for nearly a quarter (24 per cent) - \$100 - \$249 for 23 per cent it ranged from \$250 to \$1999, but for 3 per cent totals reached between \$2,000 and \$4,999.

Whether they paid or not, only 16 per cent of victims were able to restore all their encrypted or blocked files following an attack. More than half (62 per cent) lost at least some files, 36 per cent lost a significant amount, and 26 per cent lost a small number of files. Meanwhile, 16 per cent who did experience such an incident lost almost all their data.

"This data shows we have seen a significant proportion of consumers paying a ransom for their data over the past 12 months. But handing over money doesn't guarantee the return of data, and only encourages cybercriminals to continue the practice. Therefore, we always recommend that those affected by ransomware do not pay as that money supports

this scheme to thrive," comments Marina Titova, Head of Consumer Product Marketing at Kaspersky. "Instead consumers should make sure to invest in initial protection and security for their devices and regularly back up all data. This will make the attack itself less appealing or lucrative to cybercriminals, reducing the use of the practice, and presenting a safer future for web users."

At present, three-in-10 (31 per cent) of those surveyed claimed they were aware of ransomware over the past 12 months. It's important that this number rises as remote working becomes more prolific. To better help consumers protect themselves as they learn more about this form of cyberattack, it is vital that they understand what to look out for, and what to do if they encounter ransomware.

Kaspersky recommends the following

Do not pay the ransom if a device has been locked. Paying extortionate ransoms only encourages cybercriminals to continue their practice. Instead, contact your local law enforcement agency and report the attack.

Try to find out the name of the ransomware Trojan. This information can help cybersecurity experts decrypt the threat and retain access to your files.

Avoid clicking links in spam emails or on unfamiliar websites and do not open email attachments from senders you do not trust.

Never insert USBs or other removal storage devices into your computer if you do not know where they came from.

Protect your computer from ransomware with a comprehensive internet security solution like Kaspersky Internet Security.

Backup your devices so your data will remain safe if you do experience a ransomware attack.

CORPORATE WEBSITE

Sohar International launches portal for investor relations

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Continuing its efforts to enhance its digital presence, Sohar International announced the launch of a dedicated portal for investor relations as part of its corporate website.

The new portal cements Sohar International's firm belief in establishing and retaining meaningful relations with its shareholders and investors whether locally, regionally, or internationally.

Commenting on the announcement, Ahmed Al Musalmi, Chief Executive Officer, Sohar International, said, "We are delighted to announce the launch of a dedicated portal in our corporate website as a step towards implementing the bank's digital transformation strategy. As we evolve to take on new challenges in 2021 and strive to be a partner of choice for enabling winning journeys, digitalisation will underscore all our efforts and approaches across businesses. This portal comes in line with the same thought and will support in bridging communication with a critical target group, while also building relations with new ones enabling us to bring the best of the world to Oman and present Oman to the world through the Sohar International lens."

The portal aims at providing and distributing information about the bank and its financial performance to existing and potential shareholders and the public at large, at regular periodic intervals. The bank is determined to add value to its proposition for existing investors and shareholders and attract potential ones shortly. Sohar International has continuously endeavoured to strengthen its relationship with the existing investors, conduct itself in a way



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that enhances shareholder value and attracts more investors to be a part of its business by keeping abreast with evolving needs and socio-economic dynamics. The launch of this dedicated portal comes in the framework of marking a great stride in the bank's digital evolution and its commitment to technological progress.

The bank complies with the procedures prescribed in the guidelines of the Capital Markets Authority concerning channels of contact with shareholders for the objectives of maintaining investor relations. All the Reports of the Board of Directors with the Financial Results of the Bank are available on the website of the Bank, both in Arabic and English.

These reports provide corporate information, details of the Bank's performance and data that is essential for investors.

It is worth mentioning that Sohar International unveiled a range of advanced digital solutions and services in the last one year, to provide improved customer experiences within the banking sector in Oman, as banks across the globe are transitioning into the digital space.

To enable people to win and deliver on its brand principles of providing more value, more vision, and more velocity, Sohar International continues to deliver on its promise of providing responsive banking services to help customers reach any goal.



Ministry of Commerce, Industry & Investment Promotion

Tender Re-announcement 2/2021

The Internal Tenders Committee at Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion re- announces the following tenders:

Tender No	Title of the Tenders	Tender document price R.O (un refundable)	Company rate	Deadline for Tender Document collection	Deadline For Offers Submission
2/2021	Supplying & Installation of network cables for the MCIIIP.	25/- R.O	Specialized	Thursday 8/4/2021	Thursday 15/4/2021 10:00 am

Companies Specialized in such fields and the Omani Local Companies that have valid registration certificate from the Tender Board and a valid tax card issued by tax Authority can participate and obtain requirement for proposals and tender terms from the following website : <https://etendering.tenderboard.gov.om>.

- Offers should be submitted online to the above mentioned website. enclosed with a copy of Bank Guarantee or certified cheque issued by a local bank in the Sultanate of Oman values (1%) of the offer, valid for (90) days from the date of offer submission and addressed to H.E the Undersecretary of Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Chairman of the Internal Tender Committee.
- Offers shall be submitted in a wax-sealed envelopes accompanied by the original Bank Guarantee or the cheque to the Secretariat of the Internal Tender Committee located in second floor of the Ministry's main building in Muttrah AlKubraa.
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MSM index ends lower

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investors for OMR52,000 worth of shares. Financial Index closed at 5,626.36 points, down by 0.66 per cent. Sohar International Bank, Muscat Finance, National Bank Oman and Al Anwar Investment were up 4.65 per cent, 2.33 per cent, 1.33 per cent and 1.16 per cent respectively. HSBC Bank Oman, United Finance and Ahli Bank were down 5.00 per cent, 2.22 per cent and 1.90 per cent respectively. Industrial Index closed at 4,647.70 points, up 0.29 per cent. Galfar Engineering, Jazeera Steel Product and Al Maha Ceramics were up 9.09 per cent, 0.98 per cent and 0.38 per cent respectively. Oman Fisheries and Raysut Cement were down 3.37 per cent and 1.34 per cent respectively. Services index was down by 0.14 per cent before closing at 1,529.67 points. — United Securities

MUSCAT SECURITIES MARKET

Table with 7 columns: Index, High, Low, Value, Prev. Value, Diff%, Diff%. Rows include MSM 30 INDEX, FINANCIAL INDEX, Services Index, Industry Index, MSM Shariah Index, MSM TR INDEX, and Trading Summary (Volume, Turnover, Trades, Market Cap, Up, Down, Equal, Sec. Traded).

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INDIAN ECONOMY

World Bank projects India's economic growth between 7.5% and 12%

NEW DELHI: Amid uncertainty caused by the COVID-19 pandemic Revenue, and Department of Economic Affairs Secretary, Tarun Bajaj predicted a better growth for the Indian economy and said World Bank has projected India's growth

rate between 7.5 per cent to 12 per cent. "World Bank has said that our growth rate will be between 7.5 per cent - 12 per cent. Not just rating agencies, IMF said that our growth rate will be between 11 per cent to 11.5 per cent, it also has to do with

low base effect, hence economy will grow," said Bajaj. The Indian economy had been slowing, partly due to the collapse of a large non-bank financial firm and the shockwaves it sent through the financial system. —ANI

VIRTUAL EVENT

B2B regional speed networking for OABC members on April 5

Times News Service **MUSCAT:** To foster new relationships among member companies throughout the network of US Chamber of Commerce affiliates in the GCC (AmChams), the 'Oman American Business Center' will co-host its first-ever Virtual Speed Networking Event on April 5 via Zoom. Seven affiliates of the US Chamber of Commerce in the GCC will invite their member companies to participate in the event, which will facilitate fast-moving brief networking sessions for business owners and executives. Attendees will be placed into rooms with a few other individuals, for 4 minutes at a time. In this way, each attendee will meet dozens of other professionals in the GCC and be given many chances to share their own business with others. AmChams in Abu Dhabi, Dubai,

KSA, Qatar, Bahrain, Oman, and Kuwait represent over 1,000 member companies and millions of dollars of US investment in the region. They are the go-to organizations in each country for anything US trade-related. The event will also double as the official launch of an exclusive LinkedIn group: "Members of AmChams in the GCC". This group will serve as a professional development and networking group where current AmCham members may post articles, questions, opportunities, promotions, job postings, and discussion topics. **Important platform** For some business leaders, even very successful ones, LinkedIn can be seen as exciting, but daunting: a necessary tool, an important platform, but also new and possibly challenging to understand how to capitalise upon. For this reason, to take full advantage of

the new regional group, AmCham members are invited to receive a FREE one-on-one consulting session with Oman's LinkedIn expert Mohammed Al Tamami after the session. Mohammed is also offering companies LinkedIn coaching for up to five team members from members' sales and or marketing teams and respective leaders. "LinkedIn as a social media tool that focuses on the professional community, is no different from email," says Mohammed Al Tamami. "The learning curve is how to capitalise on the platform and leverage it for your purpose." "Certain events are better on ZOOM," says Rebecca Olson, Executive Director of the OABC, "and this is one of them. COVID-19 has strengthened regional collaboration between all AmChams as we continue to find unique ways to connect, develop business relationships, and find new opportunities throughout the GCC."

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UAE heads towards new phase of sustainable growth **DUBAI:** The UAE is headed towards an exciting new phase of sustainable economic growth – one that is driven by an enhanced, technologically advanced and resilient industrial base. This is precisely the vision behind the recently launched comprehensive 10-year Industrial Strategy – known as Operation 300bn that aims to transform the industry into a vital enabler and contributor to national GDP. Implemented by the Ministry of Industry and Advanced Technology in collaboration with more than 200 industrial stakeholders, the strategy seeks to build on the robust industrial foundations set in place over the last two decades. By identifying the obstacles and opportunities to expand and accelerate industrial growth, Operation 300bn lays out an ambitious-yet-practical set of objectives and initiatives to more than double the industrial sector's GDP. As the UAE gets set to ramp up its industry's global competitiveness, the opportunities for innovators and developers from around the world to benefit from its vibrant business climate are rife, thanks largely to the multitude of incentives on offer.

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Lexus held the world premiere of “LF-Z Electrified”, a conceptual BEV that incorporates driving performance, styling, and technologies envisioned for realisation by 2025

MUSCAT: With an eye firmly fixed on the future, Lexus recently announced initiatives for the transformation of the Lexus brand through its “Lexus Concept Reveal Show”.
With an unyielding spirit of in-

novation and support from buyers around the world, Lexus has continued to evolve as a luxury lifestyle brand. Lexus has delivered amazing product and brand experiences with new technologies and value since 1989.
Now, the automotive industry has entered a period of once-in-a-century transformation. In addition to the growing social mission of carbon neutrality and compliance with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the United Nations, customers’ lifestyles and values are changing and diversifying at a speed previously beyond imagination. The social environment, mobility needs, and customer lifestyle demands have evolved as part of the evolving luxury landscape. Throughout it all, Lexus continues to innovate for the benefit of society at large, as well as for our customers. Lexus will continue to respond swiftly and with careful consideration to the changing times and needs of our customers and will strive to transform itself into a brand that

exceeds customer expectations.
Since the launch of the RX 400h – the world’s first luxury electrified model – in 2005, Lexus customers have purchased nearly two million electrified vehicles, as of the end of 2020 and currently, offers nine models of hybrid electric vehicles (HEVs) and battery electric vehicles (BEVs) in approximately 90 countries and regions around the world. Lexus has always pursued both performance and environmental friendliness. Through its “Lexus Electrified” vision that Lexus announced in 2019, Lexus aims to realize a fundamental leap in vehicle performance by employing electrification technology and to continue to provide its customers with the enjoyment and pleasure that cars have to offer.
Lexus held the world premiere of “LF-Z Electrified”, a conceptual BEV that incorporates driving performance, styling, and technologies envisioned for realisation by 2025. It features an ideal dynamic balance achieved through the optimal placement of the battery and

electric motors, as well as, among others, a new four-wheel driving force control technology known as “DIRECT4” that generates a superior and highly flexible driving performance, setting the LF-Z Electrified apart from conventional vehicles. Also, in the near future, Lexus plans to incorporate technologies and advanced infotainment functions that will further enrich our customers’ mobility experience.
By 2025, Lexus plans to introduce 20 new or improved models, including more than 10 electrified models such as BEVs, plug-in hybrid electric vehicles (PHEVs), HEVs, in line with the needs of each country and region around the world and based on the concept of offering the right products in the right place at the right time.
In addition to strengthening and expanding its core sedan models and SUV line-up, Lexus will pursue the possibility of rolling out models such as sports models that continue to provide the fun of driving, a car that redefines the con-

cept of having a chauffeur, and new genres that have never before existed. In doing so, it will take on the challenge of providing new value that exceeds the expectations of its diverse customers.
Lexus aims to offer electric variants of all its models by 2025, with the sales ratio of electric vehicles exceeding that of gasoline-engine vehicles. By 2050, Lexus aims to achieve carbon neutrality throughout the lifecycle of its entire model line-up – from the manufacturing of materials, parts and vehicles, to vehicle logistics, to the final disposal and recycling of older vehicles. In this perspective, and with a clear mission to achieve carbon neutrality, Lexus will reduce the environmental impact of materials’ manufacturing processes.
In March 2024, to accelerate the planning and development of diverse and attractive products that are close to its customers, Lexus is scheduled to open a new business and technical centre at which members involved in Lexus-brand development, design, production

technology, and planning are to unite in creating the next generation of cars and where the environment will be one for open collaboration that encourages co-creation with external partners.
Sharing his thoughts, Koji Sato, President and Chief Branding Officer, Lexus International said, “I would like to express my heartfelt respect to all the people around the world who are working so hard in the face of various difficulties. While fulfilling our social mission of realising a carbon-neutral society, we will continue to provide the fun and joy that cars bring, and we will contribute to the happiness and smiles of our customers and everyone involved with Lexus. Starting with two new models to be released this year, we will continue to develop innovative products that will add colour to the diversifying lifestyles of our customers. We hope you will look forward to the future of Lexus with its strong will to create the future toward the realisation of a hopeful mobility society.”

FARMHOUSE

Muriya’s newest development Sifah Farms sells out Phase 1, launches Phase 2

MUSCAT: Within weeks from the launch and remarkable successful selling out of Sifah Farms Phase I, Muriya, Oman’s largest and most diversified real estate developer, has announced the launch of Phase II of the project.
Presenting the ultimate outdoor privacy, and set in Jebel Sifah, Muscat’s lowest density destination, the project offers a first-of-its-kind opportunity of owning a farmhouse within proximity to an established community.
Continuing on Jebel Sifah’s development approach to open spaces, Sifah Farms offers two, three- and four-bedroom single-storey farmhouses, each with a spacious garden, private pool, outdoor Majlis and family BBQ area. Inspired by the traditional Mazra’a country homes found across Oman, the properties combine rustic charm that blends with the natural surroundings. With privileged access to Jebel Sifah’s resort amenities, homeowners of Sifah Farms will experience the true meaning of healthy outdoor living.
Seif El Khoully, Chief Development Officer of Muriya, said, “We continually strive to bring real estate offerings that represent unique living opportunities and concepts to the Omani market. In 2020, Jebel Sifah has witnessed a surge of interest among the domestic market with more and more people appreciating and valuing the concept of healthy outdoor living. No less than 85% of Jebel Sifah’s masterplan is dedicated to open spaces that harmonise with the surroundings. Having received such enthusiastic interest from buyers in a short period of



time, we are confident that Sifah Farms will delight homeowners with its individual style and all of the amenities they could expect from a world-class destination.”
Set on generous grounds, ranging from 930 sqm to 1,880 sqm, Sifah Farms offers a world of amenities within the space of every farmhouse. Shimmering swimming pools and sweeping garden terraces give homeowners a private oasis of relaxation.
A secluded outdoor majlis area surrounds a fire pit, perfect for spending balmy evenings under the stars, while a built-in BBQ and a brick oven provide ample ways to celebrate the joy of dining in the fresh air. With lush landscaping, the gardens and large social seat-

ing areas are the perfect places to unwind with loved ones and enjoy the important moments in life. Meanwhile, the light-filled interiors bring the outside in, with large windows and fresh, clean lines. Every space is thoughtfully designed and fitted to the highest specification, giving homeowners total luxury alongside the benefits of country living.
Alongside the farmhouses, the project offers several unique amenities including stables complete with a large, sandy paddock, a playground for children of all ages, organic garden plots, and a 5-side football pitch. It also has direct connectivity to hiking trails, a cycling path and a golf course.
Meanwhile, at their doorstep,

homeowners are connected to modern-day living at Jebel Sifah marina, a 9-hole golf course, the Sifawy Boutique Hotel, diverse restaurants and cafes as well as an abundance of water activities to enjoy.
Located a 40-minute drive from Muscat and a world away from the stress of everyday life, Jebel Sifah is nestled between the towering peaks of the Al Hajar Mountains and the tranquil crystal waters of the Arabian Sea. With a Harradine designed golf course, a modern marina with superyacht berthing, boutique hotel, restaurants and an incredible choice of freehold residential properties, Jebel Sifah offers all the elements of leading healthy and rewarding lives.

RESEARCH COLLABORATION

MoU on education inked between Dhofar University and Brunel University London

MUSCAT: Dhofar University, represented by the College of Commerce and Business Administration, signed an academic Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Brunel University London on March 31, 2021.
This enhanced Dhofar University’s endeavour to consolidate academic links with prestigious international universities. The MoU included many aspects of academic cooperation between the two universities, such as academic, research and developmental collaborations and exchanges of students, faculty and

researchers. This will enhance the skills, knowledge and scientific capabilities of faculty and students and will be beneficial for the labour market.
The MoU was signed by Professor Hassan bin Said Kashoob, Vice Chancellor of Dhofar University, and Prof. Trevor Hoey - Vice Provost International and Academic Partnerships from Brunel University.
The MoU was approved by the Ministry of Higher Education, Scientific Research and Innovation, wishing continued success for the university.

OFFICIAL AIRLINE SPONSOR

Qatar Airways sponsors Chefs of Qatar Virtual Food Festival

DOHA: Qatar Airways announced its role as official airline sponsor of the first Chefs of Qatar Virtual Food Festival in partnership with the Qatar National Tourism Council (QNTC).
Showcasing the uniqueness of the country’s culinary scene, boasting flavours and talents from all around the world, Chefs of Qatar reflects Qatar Airways’ commitment to boosting gastronomic diversity, reflected by the airline’s on-board culinary offer-

ing, which is inspired by the 130 destinations Qatar Airways is currently serving.
Qatar Airways Group Chief Executive, Akbar Al Baker, said: “We are pleased to be sponsors and to support QNTC on such a creative initiative that showcases the abundance and the diversity of Qatar’s culinary scene and its leading talents, while in-person festivals and mass events cannot be held in the context of the continuing pandemic.”

McLaren unveils all-new hybrid supercar Artura in the Sultanate

Underpinned by the McLaren philosophy of super-lightweight engineering, the Artura is a distillation of every attribute inherent in a McLaren, combined with faster throttle response, lower emissions and ability to run in pure EV mode

MUSCAT: McLaren Automotive, the British creator of luxury, high-performance supercars, represented by Mohsin Haider Darwish in Oman, has revealed the long-anticipated McLaren Artura, marking the beginning of both a new chapter for the pioneering luxury supercar company and a new era in supercar technology and performance in the market.

Underpinned by the McLaren philosophy of super-lightweight engineering, the Artura is a distillation of every attribute inherent in a McLaren, combined with faster throttle response, lower emissions and ability to run in pure EV mode, thanks to its ground-breaking electrified powertrain.

Supercar segment
“We are proud and honoured to showcase the all-new McLaren Artura in Muscat, Oman. This revolutionary High-Performance Hybrid supercar marks a beginning of a new era for both McLaren Automotive and the wider supercar segment. Every drop of our engineering expertise gained across more than 50 years of racing has been poured into the Artura, to deliver a combination of breath-taking performance, driver engagement and dynamic excellence, which our brand is so renowned for. I am confident that this extraordinary creation will appeal to both our existing and new customers in the



HIGH-PERFORMANCE HYBRID

- McLaren's first-ever series-production High-Performance Hybrid (HPH) supercar made its Oman market debut.
- Next-generation supercar blends thrilling performance, driving dynamics and engagement with pure EV driving capability.
- The first model built on all-new McLaren Carbon Lightweight Architecture (MCLA) contributing to best-in-class kerb weight (DIN) of just 1,498kg.
- Revolutionary twin-turbocharged 3.0-litre V6 petrol engine combined with E-motor and energy-dense battery pack produces 680PS (671bhp) and 720 Nm (530lb-ft).
- Improved customer offering with a standard three-year service plan, five-year vehicle warranty, six-year battery warranty, 10-year body warranty.

Middle East region,” Brett Soso, Managing Director – Europe, Middle East & Africa, McLaren Automotive Ltd.

The McLaren Artura is the first model built on the new McLaren Carbon Lightweight Architecture (MCLA), which sets new

standards for advanced and flexible chassis design and has been optimised for hybrid applications through the bespoke battery compartment, domain-based ethernet electrical architecture, as well as electrical air-conditioning. The new platform complements a wealth of additional weight-reduction measures, resulting in the class-leading lightest dry weight of 1,395kg, and a DIN kerb weight of 1,489kg.

At the heart of the Artura's all-new powertrain is a lightweight 2,993cc twin-turbocharged V6 petrol engine, paired to a bespoke eight-speed transmission and a compact e-motor, which provides the supercar with instant torque and improved throttle response. The package generates a combined power output of 680PS (671 bhp) and 720S Nm of torque, which translates to a class-leading power-to-weight ratio of 488PS per tonne, as well as truly breath-taking performance figures. The Artura's top speed is electronically limited to 330km/h with 0-100km/h reached in just 3.0 seconds and 0-200 km/h in 8.3 seconds.

The Artura is designed with full Plug-in Hybrid (PHEV) capability and can be charged to an 80% level in just 2.5 hours. The battery pack, comprising five lithium-ion modules, can also harvest power from the combustion engine during driving, depending on the driving mode selected. This solution provides the driver with a unique ability to enjoy the car in silent, pure EV mode with a range of up to 30km and a top speed of 130km/h.

The engineering artistry beneath the Artura's skin is complemented by its exterior design, which gives the car a 'shrink-wrapped' appearance and pushes the McLaren design language seen in recent models to a new level. The technical sculpture of the car has been conceived to optimise aerodynamic performance, as well as cooling, and is driven by the McLaren design principle of 'everything for a reason'.

Every McLaren cockpit is built around the driver, but the Artura brings a new level of meaning to that principle. The driving experience is enhanced through a new Digital Instrument Cluster

mounted to the steering column, so it moves in conjunction with the steering wheel. The Artura is also the first McLaren to offer Over-The-Air (OTA) updates, as well as Advanced Driver Assistance Systems (ADAS), which include Intelligent Adaptive Cruise Control with Stop/Go, Road-Sign Recognition, Lane-Departure Warning and High-Beam Assist.

Peace of mind on quality and durability were core considerations with the all-new Artura and it is no surprise that its development programme was the most rigorous ever in McLaren's history. Available to order now from McLaren retailers, with first deliveries to customers commencing in Q3 of this year, the Artura is priced at AED 954,000 [GA1] for the standard specification, which includes a 3-year service plan, Smartphone Integration Package and Practicality Pack as a no-cost option. This pack includes Vehicle Lift, power-folding heated door mirrors with 'Dip in Reverse' functionality, four front and four rear parking sensors, rear-view camera, Homelink and soft-close doors.

INTERNATIONAL DESIGN COMPETITION

MC20 wins ‘Best of the Best’ at Red Dot Awards - Product Design 2021



MODENA: The new Maserati MC20 receives the prize for “Best of the Best” at the Red Dot Awards 2021 in the Product Design category. The Red Dot Awards is an international design competition run by Design Zentrum Nordrhein-Westfalen in Germany, which has been assessing and selecting the most aesthetically exciting, functional, intelligent, innovative products from all over the world since 1955.

Every year, this prestigious competition rewards excellence in the field of product and brand design and communication at the global level, with criteria constantly updated to the socio-cultural context. A jury of 50 international experts chooses products in almost fifty different categories, from fashion to accessories and from furnishings to vehicles.

Maserati CEO Davide Grasso stated: “Our mission was to develop a car that would be remembered

in the future as the model that launched the Maserati New Era. And I think we've achieved our goal with MC20. Maserati is innovative by nature, powered by passion and unique by design: the new super sports car embodies all these values and is a watershed, the founding model of this new phase in the brand's history.”

Klaus Busse, Head of Maserati Design, added: “We are honoured to receive this coveted accolade, which recognises the work of an entire team who have worked hard on this unique project, creating a car that opens a new chapter in Maserati's history.”

MC20, designed by the Centro Stile Maserati in Turin, is a mix of elegance and sporting prowess, a genuine masterpiece of style, which inaugurates a new Era for the Trident Brand.

The focus on performance led to the conception of a car with a distinct personality, with refined aer-

odynamics and unmistakable lines that render it unique. The new super sports car represents the pure form of speed, with Maserati style: a work of sculptural engineering, showing the way to the Brand's aesthetic future.

MC20 is innovative by nature, and every design detail is functional: the butterfly doors are not only stunningly beautiful, but they also improve the car's ergonomics and enable optimal access to and from the cabin.

Developed by the Maserati Innovation Lab and built at the historic Modena plant, Maserati MC20 is genuinely an all-Italian car.

A car whose superb looks conceal an uncompromisingly sporty soul, with the new 630 hp V6 Nettuno engine that delivers 0 to 100 km/h acceleration in under 2.9 seconds and a top speed over 325 km an hour. The patented engine was conceived, developed, designed and built entirely by Maserati.



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