

OMAN, HUNGARY EXCHANGE VIEWS ON MANY ISSUES

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OMAN SENDS CONDOLENCES OVER EXPLOSION IN ISTANBUL

MUSCAT: The Sultanate of Oman has expressed its condolences to the government and people of the Republic of Turkey, as well as families of the victims of the explosion that targeted Taksim area in Istanbul, wishing the injured a speedy recovery. In a statement issued by the Foreign Ministry here on Monday, Oman reiterated its firm stance in condemning all forms of violence and terrorism. **-ONA**



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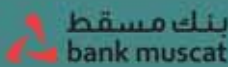
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SAI'S STRUCTURE

His Majesty issues Royal Decree



MUSCAT: His Majesty Sultan Haitham bin Tariq on Monday issued Royal Decree No. 73/2022 endorsing the organisational structure of the State Audit Institution.

Article (1) endorses the organisational structure of the State Audit Institution as per the annex attached to this decree.

Article (2) cancels Royal

decree No. 6/2012 on the endorsement of the organisational structure of the State Audit Institution, as well as all that contradicts this decree or contravenes its provisions.

Article (3) says that this decree shall be published in the Official Gazette and enforced from its date of issue. **-ONA**

STATE COUNCIL

Draft State Budget for 2023 reviewed

MUSCAT: The Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Economy reviewed the draft state's general budget for 2023 before the State Council while hosting Sultan Salim Al Habsi, Minister of Finance, and Dr. Said Mohammed Al Saqri, Minister of Economy, in the presence of Sheikh Abdul Malik Abdullah Al Khalili, Chairman of

the State Council.

The meeting touched on several topics that covered developments in the global economy, as well as developments in the local economy for 2022.

The meeting also reviewed growth indicators for all sectors of economic diversification during 2022 in various development sectors. **>A5**

DHOFAR GOVERNORATE GEARS UP TO WELCOME HIS MAJESTY

Military parade to be held under the patronage of His Majesty Sultan Haitham bin Tariq

Times News Service

MUSCAT : The Dhofar Governorate is preparing excitedly for the 52nd National Day of the Sultanate of Oman, an important event of which will be the military parade under the patronage of His Majesty Sultan Haitham bin Tariq, on Friday, November 18 at Al Nasr Square in Salalah.

His Highness Sayyid Marwan bin Turki Al Said, Governor of Dhofar, said: "This glorious national occasion is an opportunity to learn about the progress and developments that have been made in various sectors in the Governorate in particular and the Sultanate in general."

"Many government institutions are working to launch a number of development projects during the coming period ranging from health and tourism to the logistical sectors, with an aim to ensure comprehensive and sustainable development," he added.

On decentralisation and the governorate system, His Highness stressed the importance of the new system which seeks to ensure a mechanism for better governance on the one hand and integration between different entities, on



His Highness Sayyid Marwan bin Turki Al Said, Governor of Dhofar

the other. The resources available in each governorate could benefit all others, he said.

The Governor of Dhofar clarified that the governorate is rich in its tourism potential, particularly because of the Dhofar Autumn season.

He stressed the importance of adopting the executive projects document for urban strategy in the Governorate of Dhofar and the work of laying the structure of Greater Salalah which will con-



tribute to enhancing the geography of many projects in different sectors.

These measures, he said, will promote decentralisation, development, sustainability and integration of the governorates.

On the role of youth and the benefits of their inclusion in the development of the Sultanate, His Highness Sayyid Marwan said this partnership between society and the youth got enhanced with the enshrinement of Oman Vision 2040, and was further reinforced by the participation of the youth in strategies adopted by the Sul-

tanate including the urban strategy in the governorate.

He said the involvement of the youth in innovations and decision-making could never be overstressed.

Regarding the efforts and contributions of the media, the Governor of Dhofar referred to the massive growth of the official media, besides opening of new channels so that they could together contribute to the growth of partnership in conceptualising, establishing and putting forward new ideas that could be implemented.

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TOP THREE INSIDE STORIES

OMAN RAO celebrates new batch of Firq Forces

1 The Royal Army of Oman (RAO) has celebrated in the Governorate of Dhofar the passing out of its the new batch of recruits in the Firq Forces. The passing out ceremony was organised under the auspices of retired Maj. Gen Hassan Ihsaan Al Naseeb. **>A5**



OMAN Baby weighing 5kg born in Oman

2 For the first time in Saham Hospital, a baby girl weighing 5 kilograms was born under the supervision of the medical staff in the hospital's maternity hall. The birth process did not require a caesarean section, and the baby was born in very good health. **>A3**

MARKET Refineries' domestic sales up by 18.2%

3 The total local sales of refineries in the Sultanate of Oman increased by 18.2 per cent till the end of September 2022 compared to the corresponding period in 2021, according to the latest data issued by the National Centre for Statistics and Information (NCSD). **>B1**



Joe Biden, Xi Jinping meet at G20 summit

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FRIENDLY MATCH ON WEDNESDAY

Oman welcomes World Cup-bound Germany team

Times News Service

MUSCAT: An air of excitement filled Oman's skies as four-time World Cup champions Germany arrived at the Muscat International Airport on Monday night.

With Germany scheduled to play a friendly against hosts Oman on 16 November, there has been a soaring demand for the tickets as the football giants play their final fixture before the 2022 FIFA World Cup in Qatar.

The match will be played at the Sultan Qaboos Sports Complex (SQSC) and will kick-off at 9pm and is expected to be a sold out fixture.

Following the friendly against Oman, Germany travel on to Qatar on Thursday.



Courtesy: @FCBayernGER



Germany begin their Group E campaign at the World Cup against Japan on November 23 before meeting Spain in one of the most-anticipated games of the tournament and then Costa Rica.

Football fans in Oman will be hoping to watch a top-class performance from Germany as their head coach Hansi Flick is expected

to select close to his first-choice XI for this match. The match being a final warm-up game, Flick is expected to make changes in the second half to keep players fresh for the competition opener.

However, in a late concern for the coach, Barcelona stopper and goalkeeper Marc-Andreter Stegen is not travelling with the squad that departed for Oman due to a stomach illness, the German Football Federation said on Monday.

During the friendly against Oman, coach Flick may start with his regular defenders - Thilo Kehrer (West Ham United), Niklas Sule (Borussia Dortmund), Antonio Rudiger (Real Madrid) and David Raum (RB Leipzig). Bayern Munich pair of Serge Gnabry and

Leroy Sane may operate on the wings with Chelsea's Kai Havertz donning the role of forward.

Goalkeeper and captain Manuel Neuer of Bayern Munich will be the star attraction in the friendly, with Oman's legendary Ali Al Habsi, also playing in the same role.

One of the popular strikers in the world, Thomas Muller of Bayern Munich, will likely have some time on the pitch but his teammate Jamal Musiala's excellent form for Bayern Munich this season will give Flick the option against Oman.

Bayern Munich's Joshua Kimmich, the dynamo in the central midfield, Manchester City's Ilkay Gundogan or Bayern Munich's Leon Goretzka are likely to be in the starting XI against Oman. **>A5**



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SELF-SUFFICIENCY

Oman committed to food security

Times News Service

MUSCAT: The Ministry of Agricultural and Fisheries Wealth and Water Resources is committed to achieving self-sufficiency in food and food security in the Sultanate of Oman and is prepared to invest over OMR1 billion for the purpose. Dr. Saud bin Hamoud Al Hab-

si, Minister of Agricultural and Fisheries Wealth and Water Resources, said the Ministry seeks to achieve self-sufficiency in food and food security in the Sultanate of Oman and this includes many basic commodities. During the economic forum programme of the Sultanate of Oman radio, His Excellency said there

has been a growth in agricultural production, livestock and fisheries during 2021 through a group of projects, including those of red meat, poultry and other products. He said the Food Security Laboratory has processed more than 100 projects with an investment volume of about OMR1.3 billion in various sectors.

GOVERNORATE OF MUSCAT

Introductory meetings for OCCI board membership commence



MUSCAT: Introductory meetings of candidates for membership to Oman Chamber of Commerce and Industry (OCCI) Board of Directors (2022-2026) began in the Governorate of Muscat. The meeting aims to allow the candidates to present their election programmes and future plans. The introductory meetings' inaugural ceremony was held under the auspices of Dr. Saleh Said Masn, Commerce and Industry

Undersecretary, Head of the Elections Committee at OCCI. Oman Chamber of Commerce and Industry's Elections Committee announced the final list of candidates for membership to the Board of Directors of the chamber and its branches in all the governorates. The number of candidates stood at 122. The committee approved the locations of the election centres for voting on 22

November 2022, from 8am until 6pm at the Oman Convention and Exhibition Center (OCEC) in the Governorate of Muscat, Sultan Qaboos Youth Complex for Culture and Entertainment in the Governorate of Dhofar, OCCI headquarters in the Wilayat of Khassab and the Wilayat of Daba in the Governorate of Musandam, as well as branches of OCCI administrations in the remaining governorates. -ONA



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SOUTH AFRICA

Oman Equestrian Federation takes part in meeting



CAPE TOWN: The Sultanate of Oman, represented by Oman Equestrian Federation, took part in the General Assembly meeting of the International Federation for Equestrian Sports (FIE), held in South Africa. Oman Equestrian Federation was represented in the meeting by Sayyid Munther Saif Al Bussaidi, Chairman of the Board of Directors. The meeting discussed several topics, namely amending some

regulations regarding endurance and jumping obstacles sports, as well as the matter of moving the Endurance World Championship 2022 from Italy to the United Arab Emirates (UAE), among other topics. During the General Assembly, Oman was lauded on the technical level of Omani trainees in the Olympic Solidarity programme, which was organized by Oman Equestrian Federation. -ONA



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Baby weighing 5kg takes birth at Saham Hospital

The baby girl was born under the supervision of Saham Hospital medical staff without a caesarean section, and the baby is in a very good condition

Times News Service

MUSCAT: A baby girl weighing 5 kg has been born in a rare case in North Al Batinah Governorate on Sunday.

A statement issued by the Directorate General of Health Services in North Al Batinah said: "For the first time in Saham Hospital, a baby girl weighing 5 kilogrammes was born under the supervision of the medical staff in the hospital's maternity hall. The the birth process did not require a caesarean section, and the baby was born in very good health."

Speaking exclusively to *Times of Oman*, Dr. Hanan Moamen Al-Saeedi, obstetrics and gynaecology specialist at Saham State Hospital said: "The weight of most of the children born after full-term pregnancy is about 2.7-4.08 kilogrammes, depending on several factors.

"Whereas the normal weight of the male child at birth ranges from 3.03 to 3.6 kilogrammes and the length from 48.51 to 51 cm, the



MULTIPLE FACTORS: The weight of most of the children born after full-term pregnancy is between 2.7-4.08 kilogrammes, depending on a number of factors.

female's weight at birth ranges from 2.9kg to 3.5kg and the length from 48 to 50.2 cm.

Factors

The doctor mentioned that one of the factors that affects the weight and size of the newborn is the order of birth; the first-born child tends to be smaller than children who are born later.

Newborn

This also depends on the gender of the newborn; females tend to be smaller than males, but these differences are slight at birth.

The doctor pointed out that "the health of the mother during pregnancy is also an important factor as the health of the mother can affect the weight of the foetus; the mother who suffers from high blood pressure or heart problems,

or who smokes cigarettes, takes drugs or alcohol during pregnancy, also affects the weight and the length of the child. The foetus may be heavier if the mother is diabetic or obese.

Nutrition during pregnancy is also important; good nutrition during pregnancy is necessary for the growth of child and poor nutrition can cause low birth weight. Excessive weight of the mother during pregnancy increases the likelihood of a baby with a higher than average weight, she said.

"Also, heredity affects the size of the child. The duration of pregnancy also affects the weight and size of the child. For example, children who are born before their due date are usually smaller, while children who are born after the scheduled date are heavier than average," she said.



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OMAN INVESTMENT AUTHORITY

Over 800 job opportunities expected in governorates

Times News Service

MUSCAT: The execution of projects in various governorates of the Sultanate of Oman is expected to create over 800 job opportunities. Senior Director of Economic Diversification Investments at the Oman Investment Authority (OIA) Talal bin Issa Al Harrasi, said in a Shabiba Radio programme that a statement issued by the Authority earlier had announced that these projects would open up 860 direct and indirect job opportunities, besides empowering small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and providing opportunities for the

growth of ancillary units. This, in turn, will create additional job opportunities, he said. He explained that the projects that have come up recently are located in various governorates and wilayats of the Sultanate, including Sohar, Salalah, Duqm, Ibri, Al Jabal Al Akhdar and the Muscat Governorate. These units spawn a whole range of sectors, including energy, public services, tourism development, industries, logistics, food security and mining. He pointed out that the investment focuses on 10 sectors, which includes, besides those mentioned above, financial services, invest-



ment and aviation services. As for the focus of the tenth five-year plan on sectors aiding economic diversification and the role of Omani Investment Authority in supporting these sectors, Al Harrasi said the agency's plan is in line with the Sultanate's five-year plan and Oman's future vision regarding economic diversification in the Sultanate. Al Harrasi said the Oman Investment Authority focuses on supporting small and medium enterprises in a large percentage of the projects in addition to focusing on Omanization in jobs and other pillars related to local added value.

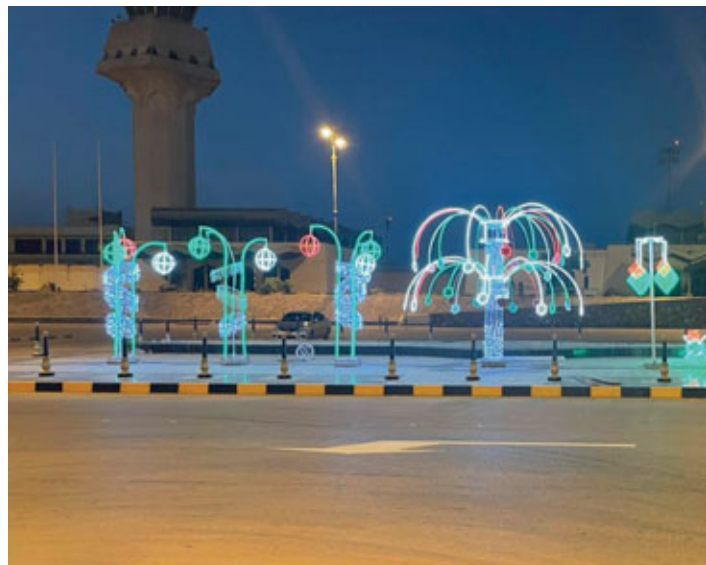
DHOFAR

< FROM A1 Marketing of farm produce

Regarding the most important development projects in the Governorate of Dhofar, His Highness said the investment sector spawns many vital sectors, including tourism, logistical and industrial fields, besides food security, in accordance with Oman Vision 2040. During his speech, His Highness the Governor of Dhofar

touched on food security sector in the Governorate of Dhofar and the role of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Water Resources in developing the Najd region as an integrated system that helps marketing of various agricultural products. His Highness the Governor of Dhofar also referred to the development projects in the tour-

ism sector, the logistics sector, including the Salalah Airport, and efforts to strengthen the shipping side and linking it to the port and the Salalah Free Zone. Regarding the citizen's role, His Highness the Governor said the first role is conveying the message to them about the ways to benefit from the projects and strategies in a simplified way.



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MEETING

Oman, Hungary exchange views on regional, international issues

MUSCAT: Sayyid Badr Hamad Al Busaidi, Foreign Minister received here on Monday Dr. Laszlo Kover, Speaker of the National Assembly of Hungary. The meeting reviewed relations between Oman and Hungary. The two sides also exchanged views on regional and international issues of common interest. The meeting was attended by Khalid Hashil Al Musalhi, Head of the Minister's Office Department, Barnabas Fodor, Ambassador of Hungary to the Sultanate of Oman and a number of officials from both sides. -ONA



DISCUSSION: The meeting reviewed relations between Oman and Hungary. - ONA

STATE COUNCIL

<FROM A1 Fiscal balance plan

The Undersecretary of the Ministry of Finance gave a visual presentation during which he reviewed the financial and economic indicators of the country, the efforts made by the government to improve them, the draft state general budget for 2023 and its details, in addition to the Fiscal Balance Plan. The meeting concluded that the most important pillars of the state's general budget for 2023 represented in providing support to the recovery of economic activity, continuing to achieve national benefits by cutting down the state's public debt, paying loan installments and gradually reducing them.



The meeting also underscored the importance of the government's continuous commitment to the financial measures that ensure financial sustainability, in addition to channelling part of the surplus to increase the financial liquidity of development projects and accelerate the awarding and implementation of projects during the 10th five-year plan (2021-2025) in various development sectors. -ONA

CRUISE SHIP

'AIDAcosma' cruise ship with 5,800 tourists visits Oman



MUSCAT: Port Sultan Qaboos on Monday received the Italian cruise ship 'AIDAcosma' with 5,800 tourists onboard from various nationalities. Khalid Mohammed Al Azri, Director of Tourism Patterns at the Ministry of Heritage and Tourism said that receiving cruise ships in

Oman's ports consolidates the country's position as a leading unique destination in the region. **First visit** Al Azri pointed out that 'AIDAcosma' is visiting the region for the cruise ships time. He added that during the cur-

rent season, Port Sultan Qaboos, Salalah Port and Khassab Port are expected to receive 200 ships coming from all over the world. Moreover, the tourist programme of 'AIDAcosma' included tours to major archeological, tourism and historic landmarks in the Governorate of Muscat. -ONA

FOOTBALL

<FROM A1 Germany team to have a training session at SQSC

Eintracht Frankfurt's Mario Gotze, Borussia Dortmund's duo of Karim Adeyemi and Youssoufa Moukoko will all be hoping to get on the field for some minutes in this friendly. The camp and the game has evoked a strong interest among the local and German media with reports of 250 journalists likely to attend the match on Wednesday. The visiting team will have a training session at the SQSC at 5pm on Tuesday. For Branko Ivankovic's Red Warriors, the friendly will be a good chance to play against one of the best teams in the world. The national squad will have a majority of Seeb Club players, who recently brought glory for Oman by winning the AFC Cup title, the first time that an Oman club has ever won a continental level competition. Flick will hope to end the final friendly fixture on a winning note ahead of their campaign in Qatar. A good run in Qatar with a name on trophy in the end may mean Oman to be a good choice for their last camp ahead of the World Cup.



Courtesy: @FCBayernGER

CEREMONY



RAO celebrates passing out of new batch of Firaq Forces

SALALAH: The Royal Army of Oman (RAO) celebrated at the Governorate of Dhofar the passing out of a new batch of recruits in the Firaq Forces. The ceremony was held under the auspices of retired Maj. Gen Hassan Ihsaan Al Naseeb. Present at the event was Maj. Gen Mattar Salim Al Balushi, Commander of the Royal Army of Oman. The ceremony began by performing the military salute to the chief guest who inspected the first column of the graduates. The ceremony was attended by a number of senior officers at



the RAO and SAF, as well as Firaq Forces personnel and parents of the recruits. -ONA



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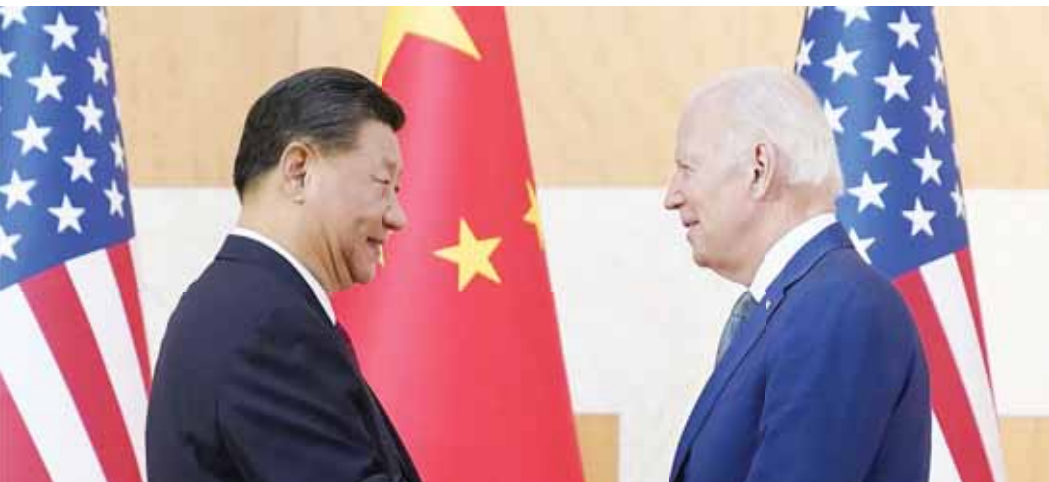
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IN-PERSON MEETING

Joe Biden, Xi Jinping meet at G20 summit in Indonesia



JAKARTA: US President Joe Biden and Chinese President Xi Jinping opened their first in-person meeting today since the US president took office nearly two years ago.

President Xi and President Biden greeted each other with a handshake at a luxury resort hotel in Indonesia, where they are attending the Group of 20 summit

of large economies, before they sat down for what was expected to be a conversation lasting several hours.

“As the leaders of our two nations, we share responsibility, in my view, to show that China and the United States can manage our differences, prevent competition from becoming anything ever near conflict, and to find ways to

work together on urgent global issues that require our mutual co-operation,” President Biden said at the meeting.

President Xi Jinping said he hoped they would “chart the right course for the China-US relationship” and that he was prepared for a “candid and in-depth exchange of views” with President Biden. **ONA**

ARRESTED

Istanbul bombing accused arrested, say officials

ISTANBUL: Turkey’s Interior Minister Suleyman Soyly on Monday said that the person, who planted the bomb on Istanbul’s Istiklal Street that killed at least six people, has been arrested, according to state-run Anadolu agency’s English-language Twitter account.

In the Istanbul attack, at least 81 people were injured when an explosion rocked the busy pedestrian street. Turkish Vice President Fuat Oktay called it a “terrorist attack.” “We consider it to be a terrorist act as a result of an attacker, whom we consider to be a woman, detonating the bomb,”

CNN quoted Oktay as saying on Sunday.

The blast occurred on the pedestrian tourist street Istiklal on Sunday afternoon. Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said that the death toll from the explosion rose to six.

Turkish Justice Minister Bekir Bozdag said that CCTV footage shows a woman sitting on a bench for more than 40 minutes and then getting up one or two minutes before the explosion, leaving a bag or plastic bag behind. He further informed that earlier, a woman, who was suspected of being involved in the attack, was

kept in custody.

Bozdag, who made the comments in an interview with privately-owned A Haber news channel, said Turkish security forces believe the woman is the suspect, and officials are investigating her, according to CNN.

“There are two possibilities. Either that bag or plastic bag has a mechanism in it, it explodes on its own or someone detonates it from afar. All of these are currently under investigation,” he added.

“The name of the woman is unknown,” he said. “All the recordings and data about the woman are being analyzed.” **ANA**

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR NINE MONTH ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2022

Dear Shareholders,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I have the pleasure in presenting the unaudited consolidated financial results of your company for the period ended 30th Sept 2022 (YTD Sept'22).

Operational Overview

The CT has handled 3,365 million TEUs (Twenty-foot Equivalent Units) during YTD Sept'22, as against 3,342 million TEUs against the same period last year a marginal increase of 1%. This has been possible due to strong support from one of our major customers despite very challenging business environment.

Financial Overview

Consolidated net profit for YTD Sept'22 was recorded at RO 2,153 million, as compared to the corresponding period last year at profit of RO 3,988 Million. Consolidated EBITDA was recorded at RO 9,914 million YTD Sept'22, as compared to RO 12,482 million during same period last year.

Employee Development

Port of Salalah strongly believes in a CSR program that is aligned with the pillars of sustainability and volunteerism and it is fundamental to our business. During YTD Sept 2022 the company is constantly committed to local initiatives with a significant focus on education, Community development, environment, safety, and health.

Future Outlook

EIU Global outlook forecasts an economic downturn in the coming months and slower growth in 2023 fueled by inflation and slow demand and higher oil prices. However, in the containerized segment in Oman, while the transshipment volume, which constitutes the major segment, is expected to remain negatively impacted by the schedule reliability for the rest of the year, the export and import volume is forecasted to show a growth driven by higher containerized imports resulting from the lower freight rates and the management's initiatives focused on Yemen volume through Salalah.

Conclusion

On behalf of the Board of Directors and the Shareholders of the company, we record the sincere appreciation and gratitude to His Majesty Sultan Haitham bin Tariq, for his strategic vision, leadership, and his continued support, without which it would not have been possible to establish and maintain this world-class port.

S&P Global Market Intelligence forecasts indicate Dry bulk shipping may continue to face significant headwinds in the fourth quarter of 2022 due to geopolitical uncertainties and a weak global economic outlook. Consequently, the dry bulk exporters in Oman, especially the Gypsum and Limestone miners face higher cost pressure on raw materials due to the Russia Ukraine war while the demand from key markets remain strong. While this may impact their ability to export volume as planned, we do not forecast any significant negative impact rest of the year.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

Braik Musallam Al Amri
Chairman, Board of Directors,
Salalah Port Services Co. SAOG
November 10, 2022

Compared Terminal Volumes in '000 TEUs

YTD Sep-2022

YTD Sep-2021

GCT Volumes in '000 MTs - Commodity Mix

YTD Q3 2022

YTD Q3 2021

Parent Company

Consolidated

Sep-2021

Sep-2022

Sep-2021

Sep-2022

US \$ '000

US \$ '000

US \$ '000

US \$ '000

ASSETS

Non Current Assets

Property and equipment

Right of use of Assets

Intangible assets

Investments in Subsidiary

Total Non-current assets

Current Assets

Inventories

Other current assets

Trade receivables

Other financial assets at amortised cost

Short term deposits

Cash and cash equivalents

Total current assets

TOTAL EQUITY LIABILITIES

EQUITY

Share capital

Share premium

Legal reserve

Retained earnings

TOTAL EQUITY LIABILITIES

Non Current Liabilities

Lease Liabilities

Employees' end of service benefits

Deferred tax

Total Non Current Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Lease Liabilities

Trade and other payables

Contract liabilities

Current tax liabilities

Total Current Liabilities

TOTAL LIABILITIES

TOTAL EQUITY AND LIABILITIES

Net assets per share (US \$ / RO)

Parent Company

Consolidated

Sep-2021

Sep-2022

Sep-2021

Sep-2022

RO '000

RO '000

RO '000

RO '000

Revenue

Direct operating costs

Other operating expenses

Administration and general expenses

Impairment Loss of Financial Assets

Other Income

Profit / (Loss) from operations

Finance income

Finance costs

Profit / (Loss) for the period before tax

Income tax

Profit / (Loss) for the period

Other comprehensive income for the period, net of tax

Total comprehensive income for the period, net of tax

Profit attributable to :

Equity holders of the parent

Non-controlling interests

Total comprehensive income attributable to :

Equity holders of the parent

Non-controlling interests

Basic earnings per share (US \$ / RO)

Parent Company

Consolidated

Sep-2021

Sep-2022

Sep-2021

Sep-2022

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Kohli, Suryakumar added to Most Valuable Team of T20 World Cup

Players from six different nations have been named the Most Valuable Team of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022

MELBOURNE: The International Cricket Council (ICC) on Monday named their most valuable team of the recently-ended ICC Men's T20 World Cup. Two Indians Virat Kohli and Suryakumar Yadav have been named to the team.

Players from six different nations have been named the Most Valuable Team of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022. Stars from champions England, runners-up Pakistan, semi-finalists India and New Zealand as well as Zimbabwe and South Africa all feature in the glittering lineup.

Captain, wicketkeeper and opening batter Jos Buttler, fellow opener Alex Hales and seamer Sam Curran all make the cut for



England after helping steer their side to a second ICC Men's T20 World Cup title.

There are also spots for New Zealand star Glenn Phillips, India talisman Virat Kohli - the tournament's leading run-scorer - Pakistan left-arm pacer Shaheen Shah Afridi and Zimbabwe's Sikandar Raza in the line-up.

The side was pulled together by a selection panel featuring commentators, former international

players and journalists Ian Bishop (Convener), Mel Jones (both commentators), Shivnarine Chandernagor (ICC Hall of Famer), Partha Bhaduri (Journalist, The Times of India), Wasim Khan (ICC General Manager of Cricket).

Kohli kickstarted his campaign with a pivotal 82 not out against arch-rivals Pakistan to anchor his side to a heart-thumping final-ball four-wicket victory.

And further knocks off 64 not

out against Bangladesh, 62 not out against the Netherlands and 50 against England in the semi-finals helped round off an individual competition to savour for one of the greatest white-ball batters of the modern era.

Fellow Indian Suryakumar slots in at No.4 after finishing as the tournament's third-most prolific batter with 239 runs overall.

Three half-centuries against the Netherlands - 51 not out in Sydney - South Africa - 68 in Perth - and Zimbabwe - 61 not out off just 25 balls in Melbourne - helped haul his side into the semi-finals as he scored at a staggering strike rate of 189.68 throughout his six innings.

The Most Valuable Team of the ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2022 (in batting order) is: Alex Hales (England) - 212 runs at 42.40, Jos Buttler (c/wk) (England) - 225 runs at 45.00 and nine dismissals, Virat Kohli (India) - 296 runs at 98.66, Suryakumar Yadav (India) - 239 runs at 59.75, Glenn Phillips (New Zealand) - 201 runs at 40.20, Sikandar Raza (Zimbabwe) - 219 runs at 27.37 and 10 wickets at 15.60, Shadab Khan (Pakistan) - 98 runs at 24.50 and 11 wickets at 15.00, Sam Curran (England) - 13 wickets at 11.38, Anrich Nortje (South Africa) - 11 wickets at 8.54, Mark Wood (England) - 9 wickets at 12.00, Shaheen Shah Afridi (Pakistan) - 11 wickets at 14.09. **ANI**

CRICKET



Oman eye Desert Cup

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Oman Cricket's picturesque ground welcomes international cricket again with the Desert Cup T20I Series to be played between Oman, Canada, Bahrain and Saudi Arabia.

The series is set to start from the 14th-21st November which will be played in a double round-robin format between the sides followed by a 3rd place and a final.

Duleep Mendis, Oman Cricket's Chief Development Officer and Oman's Head Coach said, "It's great to have the 3 visiting countries in Oman. We are expecting good competitive cricket being played throughout the tournament in the coming week. Our boys look fresh and ready to express themselves on the field."

These matches certainly help the armers in red to get going and back on the field after a long break and in lead up to the T20 World Cup 2024 Qualifiers to express themselves and their part to fit in the jigsaw.

The matches can be watched live at the Oman Cricket Academy - Free entry to all and broadcasted across the globe on FanCode, Atrangi, Ullu, Ultra, VI, Jio TV, Geo Super, Willow TV, sportseye and CricTracker.

Oman Squad for the Desert Cup T20I Series : Zeeshan Maqsood (captain), Jatinder Singh (Vice-Captain), Kashyap Prajapati, Shoaib Khan, Mohammad Nadeem, Mohammad Naseem (W/K), Ayaan Khan, Samay Shrivastav, Rafiullah, Fayyaz Butt, Kaleemullah, Sufyan Mahmood, Bilal Khan, Sandeep Goud; Support Staff: Duleep Mendis (Head Coach), Evert Laubscher (Assistant Coach), Mazher Khan (Assistant Coach), Zeeshan Siddiqui (Analyst), Sean Nowak (Physio).

Oman Matches: Oman vs Saudi Arabia - 14th Nov (4pm); Oman vs Bahrain - 15th Nov (8pm); Oman vs Canada - 16th Nov (8pm); Oman vs Saudi Arabia - 17th Nov (4pm); Oman vs Bahrain - 19th Nov (8pm); Oman vs Canada - 20th Nov (4pm).

AHEAD OF WORLD CUP

Harry Kane believes England could revive their top form

LONDON: England captain Harry Kane insists that England could revive their top form ahead of the World Cup.

England begin their campaign against Iran at the upcoming World Cup, looking for their first win in seven games, after a run of results that saw them lose to Italy and Hungary and twice draw with Germany.

Those results and the performances that accompanied them have lowered expectations around England, but Kane insists it is the

time to be brave.

One of the big shifts

"I look back at England 10, 15 years ago and it was almost like we were scared to say we wanted to win it. I think one of the big shifts that we've made over the last four or five years with Gareth (Southgate) is not being afraid to say that," Kane said in an interview with Sky Sports.

"We're going to this tournament to win it because we believe we can. It'd be wrong to think other-

wise. What's the point of going to a World Cup and not believing that you can bring the trophy home?"

He admitted England had been below par, but looked for positives in their recent displays.

"It hasn't been the greatest period in a long time for England. Since Gareth took charge - we haven't had a spell like we've had, but in a way before a major tournament that can be a good thing, because it allows you not to be carried away, or even the media or the press to get carried away," - Xinhua



RONALDO HITS OUT

I don't have respect for him: Ronaldo on Manchester United boss

LONDON: The Portugal international and Manchester United forward Cristiano Ronaldo has hit out at his team and manager Erik ten Hag, saying he has no respect for the manager.

Ronaldo, who has made only four Premier League starts this season at Old Trafford, has revealed how dissatisfied he has been with life at the Premier League club. "I don't have respect for him because he doesn't show respect for me. If you don't have respect for me, I'm never gonna have respect for you," he said with regard to Ten Hag in an interview with Piers Morgan as quoted by GOAL.com.

Ronaldo also stated that he felt he had been "betrayed" by Manchester United and blamed for everything that has gone wrong at the club, pushing him to feel like a "black sheep."

"I think the fans should know the truth. I want the best for the club. This is why I come to Manchester United. But you have some things inside that don't help (us) reach the top level as City, Liverpool and even now Arsenal... a club with this dimension should be top of the tree in my opinion and they are not unfortunately," he added.

After the forward was benched by the Red Devils' in the match against Tottenham before the end of regulation, Ten Hag has already dropped Ronaldo this season. Therefore, it is not a stretch to argue that Ronaldo may have already played his final match for the Red Devils. **ANI**

TENNIS

Rafael Nadal suffers defeat against Taylor Fritz in ATP finals



TURIN: Taylor Fritz on Sunday produced a famous upset as he defeated Rafael Nadal in the ATP Finals in Turin.

Fritz completed a dream debut at the season finale while smashing Nadal's bid to win the lone big title that has eluded him in his legendary career with a 7-6(3), 6-1 victory. "It feels great. I felt like coming out of the first match, especially for my hopes of getting out of the group, it was going to be really important. I didn't want to put myself in a position where I needed to win out if I wanted to move on. I came out and played a great match, and I couldn't be happier," ATP.com quoted Fritz as saying.

Fritz was the last player to enter the Turin field, but he immediately made a statement by dominating the match with his serve and forehand. Without encountering a breakpoint, the 25-year-old created nine of his own and converted on two of six in the second set as he easily won the final five games to claim victory. In the rallies, both players tried to reach their forehands

early and frequently, but Fritz had greater success with this key approach, completing the match with 23 wins to Nadal's 18.

Fritz primarily used his forehand shots to cause damage off the court, but the American also highlighted a significant advantage on his rally backhand as he benefited from the Pala Alpitour's slippery indoor court.

"The court's definitely fast. For me, fast is good for my serve, it's good for my backhand. I feel like different speeds always have parts that help my game, and parts that hurt my game. On a slower court, I have so much more time to kind of load up on a forehand," he explained in his on-court interview.

"On a court like this, I can lean into my backhand and hit it deep cross to Rafa's forehand, and it makes it a bit tougher for him to step in and crush it. On a slower surface, he gets time on the forehand when I go backhand cross, and it's probably done for me. So I'd say that's where it helps me the most on the ground against him," he added. **ANI**

CRICKET

Confident that this group can lift World Cup: Matthew Hayden to Pakistan team

MELBOURNE: Pakistan cricket team mentor Matthew Hayden said that despite the defeat he was proud of the team for the fight that they put up against England in the T20 World Cup summit clash on Sunday at the MCG.

Top performances from Sam Curran and Ben Stokes powered England to their second ICC T20 World Cup title after 2010, defeating Pakistan by five wickets in a gripping low-scoring final at the Melbourne Cricket Ground (MCG) on Sunday. "It's amazing that these boys haven't had the opportunity like the rest of you have but every game, they turned up. Every game, they tried their best in the nets. Bowling, throwing and I think that deserves a round of applause," Hayden said in a video uploaded by Pakistan Cricket Twitter account.

"It's amazing to think how far we have come in this tournament and I know you got to be hurting. It does hurt but the reality is that we are so close. Guys, I am really proud of you. I think you have done a wonderful job. Thank you for sharing your inner sanctum with me," he said.

"I hope each one of you boys feel proud of the achievements of this playing group. I just want to say thank you for sharing your dressing room, sharing your hearts, your mind, your spirit and also putting in your absolute 100% into this campaign. On behalf of the support staff, we just feel so honoured and privileged to be a part of that story," Pakistan cricket team mentor Matthew Hayden added in the video.



Hayden believes that the team's performance would improve by the time they travel to India for the 50-over World Cup.

"Take it back a month ago, you all shared a meal at my house and I said I was confident that we can lift the World Cup. No that hasn't changed. Nothing has changed. I am confident that this group of young men can lift the World Cup. And I am confident that with some clarity on how to move forward from this tournament, how to celebrate some good performances and also acknowledge some of the weaknesses we have had in the last one month, that come the World Cup in India, again we'll be celebrating getting somewhere near the World Cup," he said.

Coming to the match, put to bat first by England, Pakistan was re-

duced to 137/8 in 20 overs. Shan Masood (38) and skipper Babar Azam (32) scored most of their side's runs. Sam Curran (3/12) was the leading bowler for England in the finals. Spinner Adil Rashid (2/22) and pacer Chris Jordan (2/27) also got some crucial wickets. Ben Stokes got one wicket.

Chasing 138, England was reduced to 45/3 in 5.3 overs. But a 48-run stand between Ben Stokes (52* off 49 balls with five fours and a six) and Moeen Ali (19 off 13 balls) swung the game in England's favour and they won their second title, their first since 2010.

Harris Rauf (2/23) was the pick of the bowlers for Pakistan. Shaheen, Wasim and Shadab picked one each. Curran clinched the 'Man of the Match' for his match-winning spell in the final. **ANI**

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MSX index ends lower

DIDIC, up 9.17 per cent, was the top gainer while, Phoenix Power, down 4.65 per cent, was the top loser



MUSCAT: The MSX index closed at 4,460.59 points, down by 0.25 per cent from previous close. The Sharia Index ended up by 0.09 per cent at 461.91 points. DIDIC, up 9.17 per cent, was the top gainer while, Phoenix Power, down 4.65 per cent, was the top loser. Shares of United Finance were the most active in terms of number of shares traded while Bank Muscat were the most active in terms of turnover. A total number of 473 trades were executed during the day's trading session, generating turnover of OMR2.45 million, with more than 14.92 million shares changing hands. Out of 40 traded securities, 13 advanced, 9 declined, and 18 remained unchanged. At the session close, GCC & Arab investors were net buyers for OMR339,000 while domestic investors were net sellers for OMR254,000, followed by foreign investors for OMR85,000 worth of shares. Financial Index closed at 7,139.87 points, down 0.14 per cent. Prices of DIDIC, United Finance, Ahli Bank, Ahlia Insur-

ance, and OMINVEST were up by 9.17 per cent, 1.61 per cent, 1.48 per cent, 1.33 per cent, and 0.57 per cent respectively. Prices of National Bank Oman and Bank Muscat were down by 1.70 per cent and 1.68 per cent respectively. Industrial Index closed at 6,086.39 points, up 0.01 per cent. Prices of Gulf Mushroom Products, Galfar Engineering and Voltamp Energy were up by 1.70 per cent, 1.12 per cent and 1.10 per cent respectively. Prices of Raysut Cement and Oman Fisheries were down by 1.39 per cent and 1.00 per cent respectively. Services Index was down by 0.18 per cent before closing at 1,529.96 points. Prices of Al Jazeera Services, Renaissance Services and National Gas were up by 3.85 per cent, 2.92 per cent and 0.89 per cent respectively. Prices of Phoenix Power, Sembcorp Salalah, Ooredoo, OIFC, and Barka Desalination were down by 4.65 per cent, 2.00 per cent, 1.50 per cent, 0.77 per cent, and 0.75 per cent respectively.

— United Securities

MUSCAT STOCK EXCHANGE

INDICES

Index	High	Low	Value	Prev. Value	Diff.	Diff%
MSX 30 INDEX	4,478.76	4,455.53	4,460.59	4,471.87	-11.28	-0.25
FINANCIAL INDEX	7,170.03	7,135.52	7,139.87	7,150.18	-10.32	-0.14
Industry Index	6,107.33	6,085.95	6,086.39	6,085.95	0.44	0.01
Services Index	1,534.15	1,525.19	1,529.96	1,532.76	-2.80	-0.18
MSX Shariah Index	463.05	461.35	461.91	461.50	0.41	0.09
MSX TR INDEX	5,648.76	5,619.46	5,625.85	5,640.07	-14.22	-0.25
FINANCIAL TR IDX	7,502.64	7,466.52	7,471.07	7,481.87	-10.79	-0.14
SERVICES TR IDX	1,603.84	1,594.48	1,599.47	1,602.39	-2.92	-0.18
INDUSTRIAL TR IDX	6,338.38	6,316.19	6,316.65	6,316.19	0.46	0.01

Trading Summary

Volume	Turnover	Trades	Market Cap	Up	Down	Equal	Sec. Traded
14,923,067	2,452,015	473	23,009,953,221	13	9	18	40

SHARE PRICE BULLETIN FOR MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14

SECURITY NAME	VOLUME	TURNOVER	TRADES	OPEN PRICE	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE PR	PREV. CLOSE	DIFF. (BD)	DIFF %	LAST PD	LAST BD	LAST OFFER	PR. VALUE	MARKET CAP
REGULAR MARKET															
OM0000002226 ALJAZEERA SERVICES	36,700	7,721	10	0.210	0.216	0.210	0.216	0.208	0.008	3.846	0.216	0.211	0.216	0.100	13,220,123
OM0000003224 RENAISSANCE SER	493,395	236,430	38	0.480	0.494	0.478	0.494	0.480	0.014	2.917	0.494	0.490	0.494	0.100	116,786,540
OM0000002200 AHLI BANK	488,488	66,873	9	0.137	0.137	0.136	0.137	0.135	0.002	1.481	0.137	0.137	0.140	0.100	267,103,073
OM0000001533 OMINVEST	722,150	254,047	10	0.352	0.354	0.350	0.352	0.350	0.002	0.571	0.352	0.352	0.354	0.100	25,264,630
OM0000001152 OMAN NAT. ENG.	85,200	9,342	7	0.110	0.110	0.109	0.110	0.110	0.000	0.000	0.110	0.109	0.110	0.100	15,400,000
OM0000001707 OMAN CABLES INDSTR	8,000	12,720	3	1.590	1.590	1.590	1.590	1.590	0.000	0.000	1.590	1.520	1.590	0.100	142,623,000
OM0000002176 JAZEERA STEEL PROD.	175	36	1	0.208	0.208	0.208	0.208	0.208	0.000	0.000	0.208	0.208	0.212	0.100	25,978,776
OM0000003026 OMAN TELECOM	63,822	54,069	22	0.848	0.848	0.844	0.848	0.848	0.000	0.000	0.848	0.844	0.848	0.100	636,000,000
OM0000003398 SCHAH INT. BANK	505,006	51,768	15	0.103	0.103	0.101	0.103	0.103	0.000	0.000	0.103	0.098	0.103	0.100	472,776,416
OM0000005005 ALMAHA CERAMICS	2,490	1,296	2	0.478	0.478	0.470	0.478	0.470	0.008	1.677	0.478	0.474	0.470	0.100	25,850,000
OM0000001525 OMAN INVST & FIN.	724,000	94,119	18	0.130	0.130	0.129	0.130	0.130	-0.001	-0.769	0.129	0.129	0.130	0.100	30,573,000
OM0000003968 OOREDOO	87,118	34,430	7	0.396	0.396	0.394	0.394	0.400	-0.006	-1.509	0.394	0.396	0.394	0.100	256,472,027
OM0000002796 BANK MUSCAT	1,440,570	429,597	97	0.206	0.208	0.202	0.207	0.205	0.002	0.964	0.202	0.202	0.202	0.100	219,187,942
OM0000001483 NATIONAL BANK OMAN	490,000	123,799	16	0.253	0.253	0.248	0.248	0.253	-0.005	-1.976	0.248	0.245	0.248	0.100	403,234,696
Total	14	5,156,224	1,376,197	255											

Parallel Market

OM0000001509 DHOFAR INT.	100	13	1	0.131	0.131	0.131	0.131	0.120	0.011	9.167	0.131	0.000	0.125	0.100	53,611,267
OM0000008868 THE PEARL REIF	2,330,100	270,413	26	0.115	0.117	0.115	0.117	0.112	0.005	4.464	0.117	0.117	0.117	0.100	49,698,115
OM0000002267 GULF MUSHROOM P.	25,000	5,960	3	0.238	0.240	0.238	0.240	0.236	0.004	1.695	0.240	0.238	0.240	0.100	9,985,265
OM0000002374 UNITED FINANCE	3,815,300	240,606	37	0.062	0.063	0.062	0.063	0.062	0.001	1.613	0.063	0.064	0.063	0.100	21,996,098
OM0000000912 AHLIA INSURANCE	73,573	33,229	12	0.450	0.456	0.450	0.456	0.450	0.006	1.333	0.456	0.456	0.456	0.100	45,600,000
OM0000003321 GULFAR ENGINEER	1,654,198	296,494	45	0.178	0.182	0.178	0.180	0.178	0.002	1.124	0.180	0.177	0.184	0.100	36,537,560
OM0000003661 VOLTAMP ENERGY	44,470	4,091	6	0.092	0.092	0.092	0.092	0.091	0.001	1.099	0.092	0.092	0.099	0.100	7,488,053
OM0000001160 NATIONAL GAS	120	14	1	0.113	0.113	0.113	0.113	0.112	0.001	0.893	0.113	0.109	0.120	0.100	9,605,000
OM0000001590 MUSCAT FINANCE	49,350	2,724	7	0.056	0.056	0.055	0.055	0.055	0.000	0.000	0.055	0.053	0.057	0.100	16,893,048
OM0000002366 AL BATINAH DEV.	9,000	414	1	0.046	0.046	0.046	0.046	0.046	0.000	0.000	0.046	0.044	0.050	0.100	1,380,000
OM0000002549 BANK DHOFAR	1,010,000	147,660	14	0.146	0.146	0.146	0.146	0.146	0.000	0.000	0.146	0.140	0.146	0.100	437,467,210
OM0000002372 OMAN OIL MARKETING	3,724	3,352	2	0.900	0.900	0.900	0.900	0.900	0.000	0.000	0.900	0.900	0.900	0.100	55,147,500
OM0000002804 ASAFFA FOODS	2,000	540	1	0.270	0.270	0.270	0.270	0.270	0.000	0.000	0.270	0.270	0.277	0.100	32,400,000
OM0000004248 SMN POWER HOLDING	212,263	8,703	13	0.044	0.044	0.044	0.041	0.041	0.000	0.000	0.041	0.041	0.041	0.100	8,185,060
OM0000004420 BANK NIZWA	136,724	12,885	11	0.094	0.095	0.094	0.094	0.094	0.000	0.000	0.094	0.094	0.094	0.100	210,273,585
OM0000004788 MADINA TAKAFUL	14,422	1,209	4	0.085	0.085	0.083	0.085	0.085	0.000	0.000	0.085	0.085	0.085	0.100	14,673,000
OM0000004939 AL SUWADI POWER	149,000	5,215	4	0.035	0.035	0.035	0.035	0.035	0.000	0.000	0.035	0.035	0.036	0.100	25,004,222
OM0000007910 AMAN REAL ESTATE	10,000	940	3	0.094	0.094	0.094	0.094	0.094	0.000	0.000	0.094	0.093	0.094	0.100	18,800,000
OM0000008710 BARKA DESALINATION	13,800	1,835	1	0.133	0.133	0.133	0.133	0.134	-0.001	-0.746	0.133	0.132	0.143	0.100	10,044,426
OM0000001566 OMAN FISHERIES	4,200	416	1	0.099	0.099	0.099	0.099	0.100	-0.001	-1.009	0.099	0.098	0.099	0.100	15,025,762
OM0000001418 RAYSUT CEMENT	23,070	3,285	7	0.145	0.145	0.142	0.142	0.144	-0.002	-1.389	0.142	0.142	0.144	0.100	28,400,000
OM0000004735 SEMBICORP SALALAH	46,000	2,283	6	0.050	0.050	0.049	0.049	0.050	-0.001	-2.000	0.049	0.048	0.049	0.100	46,774,028
OM0000005963 PHOENIX POWER	70,219	2,879	5	0.041	0.043	0.041	0.041	0.043	-0.002	-4.651	0.041	0.040	0.043	0.100	59,966,660
Total	23	87,000,833	1,044,961	211											

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Social investment main pillar for OQ

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through some steps the most important of which are increasing the total value of its expenditures in the Sultanate of Oman, supporting small and medium enterprises (SMEs), favouring national industries, developing technical skill, obligating the contractors and suppliers with the in-country added value conditions and abiding by the succession and Omani-

sation policies.

OQ Group attaches great importance to social investment, as one of its main pillars.

It has implemented about 25 social investment projects across the governorates of the Sultanate. These projects cover the education, health and environment sectors, embody its corporate social responsibility and highlight the ef-

forts exerted by the group to serve local communities. OQ also strives to build strong relationships with relevant stakeholders.

It seeks to create new opportunities for growth and partnerships by planning and implementing social projects to contribute to achieving the desired social and economic development in the Sultanate of Oman.



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IMF sees gloomier economic outlook

NEW DELHI: High-frequency indicators confirm that the global economic growth outlook is "gloomier", said the International Monetary Fund ahead of the G20 summit in Indonesia, citing a steady worsening in purchasing managers indices that are tracking a range of G20 economies.

In a report titled 'G20 report on Strong, Sustainable, Balanced, and Inclusive Growth',

the IMF said continued fiscal and monetary tightening is likely needed in many countries to bring down inflation and address debt vulnerabilities and it expects further policy tightening in many G20 economies in the months ahead. The IMF said these policy actions would continue to weigh on economic activity — especially in interest-sensitive sectors such as housing. — ANI

FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS



Environmental awareness programme held in Duqm

Times News Service

MUSCAT: The management of the Special Economic Zone at Duqm (Sezad), represented by the Environmental Awareness Team of Environmental Sustainability Department, implemented an environmental awareness programme for a number of students of Arab Sea School for Basic Education in Duqm.

40 elementary students participated in the programme. The programme included a field visit for the students to the engineering landfill of Bee'ah Company in the Zone.

The company operating the landfill presented an educational presentation to the students, through which a simplified explanation was given about the engineering landfill and the mechanism for receiving and backfilling waste, in addition to a field tour to see all landfill facilities and chemical waste storage.

It is noteworthy that the management of the Special Economic Zone at Duqm continues, within its programme "Together for a Sustainable Environment in Duqm", to raise awareness among members of the local community in Duqm by organising many activities and events that concern the environmental aspect, including programs for clean-up campaigns, in addition to continuous educational and awareness programs in environmental aspects all year round in partnership with community members and institutions operating in the zone.



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OMAN SAILING FESTIVAL 2022 CAPTURES THE IMAGINATION OF ALL AGES IN SALALAH



MUSCAT: The Oman Sailing Festival concluded in Salalah after five days of introducing visitors of all ages to Try Sailing, Try Windsurfing and Try Kitesurfing under the expert supervision of an Oman Sail instructor. In total, 288 of people visited the festival to enjoy a free session on the water, food, and entertainment, as well as an impressive array of local SMEs and local craftspeople showcasing their handmade souvenirs and pieces of art.

Ali Al Sheheimi, Oman Sailing Festival Manager, said, "Oman Sail began with the mission to rekindle the Sultanate of Oman's maritime heritage, and in Salalah where this heritage is so prominent it was wonderful to see so many people taking this opportunity to learn the basics of sailing, windsurfing and kitesurfing.

"At every stop along the coastline we have highlighted the importance of caring for the environment. As sailors we rely on clean seas, and so much of our lives is spent in the water, it is therefore essential that we all commit to doing everything we can to keeping our beautiful country clean."

The Oman Sailing Festival returns on 24-26 November at the Barceló Mussanah Resort, during the RS Venture Connect World Championships, Oman's first exclusively-para sailing event. On offer will be free Try Sailing, Try Windsurfing and Try Kitesurfing sessions, an exhibition of local SMEs and a beach clean, and the chance to learn how to sail using the versatile RS Venture boat designed for people with disabilities.

The Oman Sailing Festival is proudly supported by Office of the Minister of State and Governor of Dhofar Directorate General of Heritage and Tourism in Dhofar, Beach Front, Oman Air, National Mineral Water Company (Tanuf), Environment society of Oman (ESO), and National University Science and Technology (International Maritime College).

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ROUND-UP

Sohar International extends support to SQU to sponsor USERN Congress

Acting as the Platinum Sponsor of the event, Sohar International reiterated its commitment to promoting education and research initiatives that have a sustainable impact on society

MUSCAT: As part of the bank's ongoing endeavours to contribute toward nurturing a knowledge-based economy, Sohar International recently extended its unwavering support to Sultan Qaboos University (SQU) to sponsor the 7th International Universal Scientific Education and Research Network (USERN) Congress.

Acting as the Platinum Sponsor of the event, Sohar International reiterated its commitment to promoting education and research initiatives that have a sustainable impact on society.

The 7th USERN Congress, which was themed 'Contemplate the universe, discover science', took place between 8 to 10 November 2022 at SQU.

The event witnessed the presence of government delegates, and other industry professionals along with students. Conducted in a hybrid format to ensure larger participation and global outreach, the congress featured eminent speakers from different countries and received over 400 in-person attendees and 400 online participants.

Knowledge-sharing platforms

Commenting on the bank's support at the event, Mohamed Mahfoudh Al Ardhi, Chairman of Sohar International said, "It is research that propels humanity forward. Continued learning, especially in the field of science, is, therefore, essential to thrive. As a progres-



sive organisation that has been dedicated to promoting knowledge-sharing platforms, Sohar International acknowledges the critical role that quality education plays in socio-economic progress. Our support to the USERN Congress is aligned with our long-term vision to encourage science-informed development, promote

humanitarian research, and foster a socially conscious society."

He added saying, "With the Sultanate highlighting education as a key priority sector and a vital component of its Vision 2040, Sohar international seeks to enhance contact and collaboration between local experts and the broader global scientific fraternity, thereby

playing its part to bolster the national scientific infrastructure."

USERN comprises the top 1% of scientists in all scientific fields as advisory board members who are responsible for managing and supervising the educational and research programs in their field of specialty.

To conclude the event, the an-

nual USERN Prize Awarding Festival was also held on November 10, the Global Day of Science for Peace and Development, where distinguished individuals were awarded for their contributions and humanitarian efforts in their respective areas.

To promote scientific awareness, the USERN Congress held a number of engaging talks, two workshops on artificial intelligence, and one symposium on future preparedness for pandemics.

As such, the event was in close resonance with Sohar International's initiatives to facilitate industry-relevant discussions, boost innovation, and instill creative thinking in the minds of the youth. In line with the same, the bank's recent session of Viewpoints – Sohar International's Chairman Forum, was themed 'What kind of research and research institutions does the future demand?', also played testament to the bank's keen interest in spearheading transformation in the field.

Sohar International, through its continued efforts, will remain committed to Oman Vision 2040 to further strengthen quality education while imbibing in the youth a zeal to pursue their interests in science, research and innovation.

2023-2027

ACADEMIA-INDUSTRY COLLABORATION



Consultation workshop to set strategic plan organised

MUSCAT: Under the patronage of H.E Prof. Rahma Al Mahrouqi Minister of Higher Education, Research and Innovation, The Omani Association for Quality in Higher Education (OAQHE) organised a Consultation Workshop to set the Strategic Plan 2023-2027.

The workshop started with a presentation by Ms. Nabila Al Macki, the Chairperson of OAQHE, sharing the previous

strategic plan and the new pillars of the new Strategic plan.

Al Macki emphasised on the significant connection between the new strategy and Oman Vision 2040 as well as the Strategic Plan of Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation.

Al Macki stressed that the new strategic plan 2023-2027 can support the HEIs in Oman to pave the way towards achieving the goals of

Oman Vision 2040 and the Education Strategy. The workshop includes a presentation by H.E Prof. Rahma Al Mahrouqi to highlight.

The Consultation Workshop was attended by Universities' presidents, Colleges' dean and HEI's representatives and everyone got the opportunity to contribute to the strategy through focused-group workshops and finalised the strategic plan.

Majan University College holds first meeting of Industry Advisory Panel

MUSCAT: Majan University College (MUC) held the first meeting of The Industry Advisory Panel on 21st of September 2022.

The aims of the meeting are to Strengthening the Bridge Between Academic and the Industry through the Academia-Industry Collaboration, and to shrink the gap and amend the academic input to sync with contemporary requirements in the job market, with strive to benefit of society

and to achieve the outcomes of Oman Vision 2040.

The panel consists a various representative from several industries in Oman, along with academic staff from Majan University College's faculties.

The meeting started by a welcome speech by Dr. Maha Kobeil the Dean and CEO of MUC, followed by presentations of the Head of Faculties of Business management, Information Tech-

nology and English Language Studies.

The meeting consisted of focused sessions to discuss the gap between the industries on the job market and the curriculum of MUC's programmes.

In addition, to advise the faculties in the college on curriculum planning and development and suggest measures to enhance the employability skills of its graduates.



BEYOND THE FRAME

Kairali Ruwi Association hosts Children's Day celebration

MUSCAT: Kairali Ruwi Association in collaboration with Ruwi Lulu Hypermarket organised Children's Day programmes for children under the name "BEYOND THE FRAME" ahead of the World Children's Day.

Indian School Board member and social activist Mr. Ambujakshan inaugurated the program. Riyas Kottapurath welcomed the ceremony officially and Mr. Sugathan presided over it. Abhilash Sivan also formally recorded the vote of thanks.

Officials of Kairali and Indian Social Club Kerala Wing and representatives of Lulu Management were present in the event.

The main attraction of the program was drawing for children, quiz and various games for children and adults. About 120 children participated in the competition programme.

Very good response from children and parents. Prizes were given to the winners of the competition and to all the children who participated, which created a lot of excitement among the children. The parents appreciated the Kairali Ruwi Committee for organising this competition.

This is the second time that Kairali Ruwi Association is organising events in collaboration with Ruwi Lulu Souk.

Last September, Kairali Ruwi organised a free medical camp for expatriates at Lulu Mall and more than 200 expatriates availed this service. In a press release, the



leadership of Kairali announced that social welfare, entertainment and sports programs that benefit the entire community will continue to be organised in various parts of Oman.



ROUND-UP



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Knowledge sharing awareness session for SMEs in energy sector organised

The event was hosted by Alizz Islamic Bank, in cooperation with the Omani Society for Petroleum Services



MUSCAT: Alizz Islamic Bank, in cooperation with the Omani Society for Petroleum Services (OPAL), organised a knowledge awareness session on financial inclusion and literacy for small & medium enterprises (SMEs) in the energy sector.

They were educated on the provisions and principles of Islamic Sharia and the correct methods and sequence of procedures starting from opening a corporate ac-

count to how to obtain financing.

Critical sector

The objective of the knowledge sharing session was to enhance the knowledge of the small and medium enterprises in this critical sector and raise awareness about the services provided by banks to this sector and the companies op-

erating in it, and teach them skills that enable small and medium enterprises to grow, raise their competitive capabilities through innovative and sustainable programs with the aim of developing the individual and society, diversifying their sources of income and raising their contribution to the gross domestic product (GDP).

The presentations also included how to prepare financial budgets and plan ahead, improve the cash cycle and cashflow, issuing invoices to customers on time, active follow-up, maintaining the appropriate credit limit, as well as the importance of developing emergency plans in the event of any defaults and how to avoid them.

They were taught how to enter new markets, access resources, innovation, and provide permanent job opportunities in line with Oman's 2040 vision on the importance of supporting small and medium enterprises to be the main engine of the national economy.

Alizz Islamic Bank provides SME banking solutions that help

local entrepreneurs and Small & Medium Enterprises (SMEs) achieve their business goals through an array of innovative Shari'a-compliant solutions. As a local bank it believes in the importance of building the economy from the bottom up and SMEs play a significant role in shaping the future of Oman.

The banks team of SME banking experts have developed a comprehensive suite of Shari'a compliant products & services that are designed to cater to the needs of every SME and SMEs are provided with a state of the art e-banking platform that enable them to conduct their various business transactions from the comfort of their offices.

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CAMPAIGN

Toyota's inspiring Hilux with Toyota Oubess benefits

MUSCAT: Toyota Hilux enthusiasts looking forward to making the most of the powerful and dependable workhorse can now benefit with Service 2 Year/20,000 kms (whichever is earlier) and 1 Year Insurance Or Cash Gift in Lieu of Insurance from OMR200 up to OMR250.

Customers owning any Toyota during the campaign get a chance to Scratch & Win prizes like iPhone13, Dell Laptop and Fuel Cards. Apart from this Walk-in to any Toyota showroom and get a chance to win prizes like JBL Sound Bar and Samsung Galaxy Watch 5.

Social Media fans

Social Media fans who follow Toyota Oman on Instagram can get a chance to win one out of 5 Apple Airpods.

The campaign is valid until 21st December 2022. (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.)

In Oman, customers have a choice of two versions of the Hilux. The rugged Hilux with J-Deck and the sporty 4.0 Litre V6 Hilux Adventure with the A Deck. The 4.0 Litre V6 Toyota Hilux Adventure is a truly exciting mean machine that's been developed by Toyota to get your pulse racing.

The powerful Hilux Adventure is equipped with a mighty 4.0 Li-



tre V6 Engine packing a mighty punch with 235 HP & 38.3 Kg-m Torque. It has an Auto Disconnect Differential to keep the tempo going.

Similarly the Hilux 4X4 is equipped with a 2.7 Litre Petrol Engine that is available in 5-speed Manual Transmission and 6 Speed Automatic Transmission, outputting 164 HP.

The Hilux is not only a tough vehicle but also an advanced pick-up with stylish cues hitherto found only on SUVs. The front of the Hilux gives a sense that the vehicle is wider than it is. This is achieved by the horizontal Bars that make up the Grille and Sleek Headlamps that wrap around the front of the Fenders. The Hilux sports a thick, chunky Front Bumper sculpted like an SUV, Front Fog lamps, Alloy Wheels, apart from Side Stripes that adorn the vehicle.

If you are looking for some of the finest moments on the road or

off-road then the Hilux rises above expectations in all aspects. The Hilux really is two vehicles in one: a work truck through the week and a family vehicle on weekends, thanks to added comforts and safety features. Indeed the Hilux models are stunning in design and features. Their performance & safety parameters are amongst the best and the strong frame and suspension impart toughness for any demanding task.

The Hilux's interior continues the concept of "Tough and Emotional", and reflects the same attention to detail as the exterior with SUV vehicle styling, accents and ornamentations. The key features that keep you comfortable are the Auto Air conditioner with rear vents, Multi-Information Display (MID), 8" Navigation and many more.

The Hilux comes equipped with a number of active and passive safety features like Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS), Electronic

Brake-Force Distribution (EBD) and Brake Assist (BA), Vehicle Stability Control (VSC), Hill Assist Control (HAC), Trailer Sway Control and SRS Airbags for the Driver and Front Passenger.

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AL RAZI PHARMACY HOLDS FREE BLOOD SUGAR CHECK-UP CAMP

Al Razi Pharmacy LLC celebrated "The World Diabetics Day" by organising a free blood sugar check-up camp at Al Khoud branch and Al Ghubra health centre which was well attended by individuals of all class of society residing in the area. Ph. Hind and Ph. Ferial, who organised the day long camps were quite happy to see the overwhelming response. Al Razi Pharmacy LLC under the leadership of its visionary Managing Director Mrs. Fatma Yusuf Alawi has an aim and dream to set new standards in the healthcare and always looks for the opportunity to contribute to the well being of the society in Oman. — Supplied picture



QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS

National University ranked among the top 3 universities

MUSCAT: The National University of Science and Technology has made three new achievements in higher education and research, whereas the first achievement is that the NU is ranked among the best 101-110 universities at the Arab universities level for 2023 according to the QS World University Rankings and among the top three local (public and private) universities in Oman.

This notwithstanding the highly competitive environment in which universities are ranked and

new Arab universities are entered into the Arab Region University Rankings.

Second achievement

While the second achievement is that five faculty members have been listed in the global Stanford University list of the top 2% of the world's most academically cited researchers in the Scopus Worldwide Database 2022.

The academicians are Professor Jafar Sadiq Pasha, Dr. Okedu Kenneth Eloghene, Dr. Shah



Alam Khan, Dr. Mohamed Jawaid Akhtar, and Dr. Baker Shaheen.

In another achievement for the National University, Ms. Prekerthi Panikar Head of Professional Development & Humanities, College of Engineering completed the requirements of the Higher Educa-

tion Academy, UK, and was awarded the Senior Fellow of Higher Education Academy (SFHEA). Ms. Prekerthi is the first SFHEA at the National University of Science and Technology, to achieve this notable academic recognition.

These achievements by NU are



a result of the hard work exerted by the university's academics, students, and officials in various colleges and disciplines.

They are in line with the main

objectives set by the National University, which coincide with the pillars and strategies of the Oman Vision 2040. Over the past years, the National University has advanced distinguished academic levels of education and research in many disciplines, including engineering, medicine, health sciences, pharmacy, and marine sciences. This contributed to the University's achievement of a level of excellence that qualifies it to be among the best universities at the local and Arab levels.



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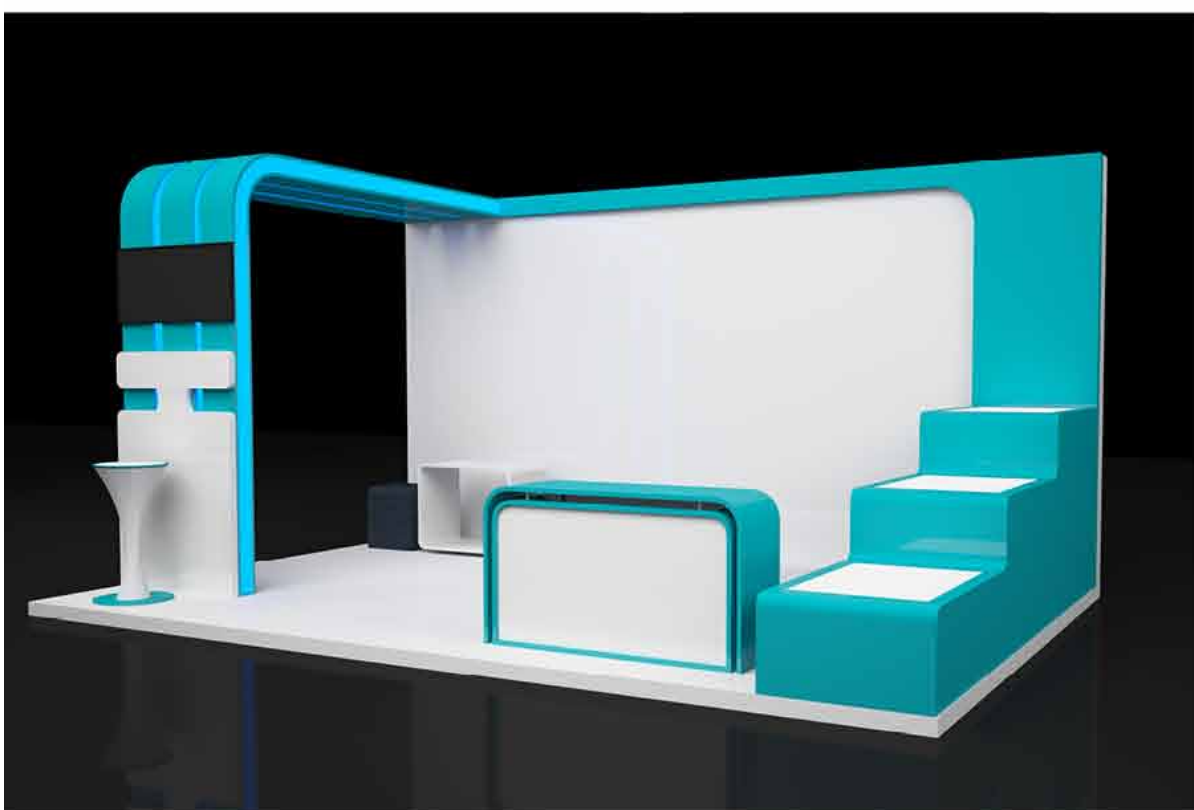
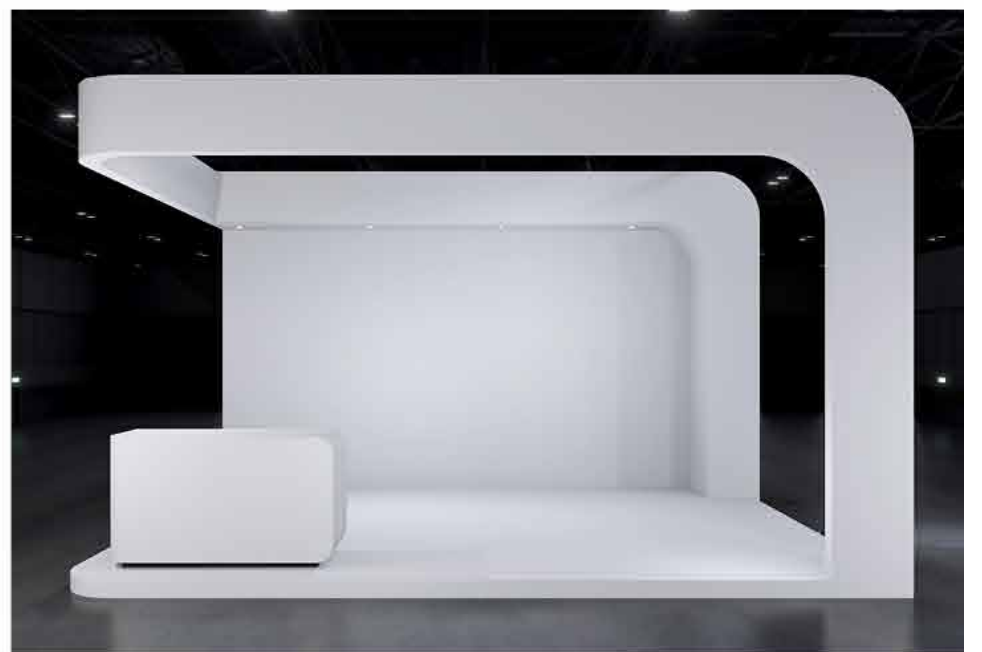
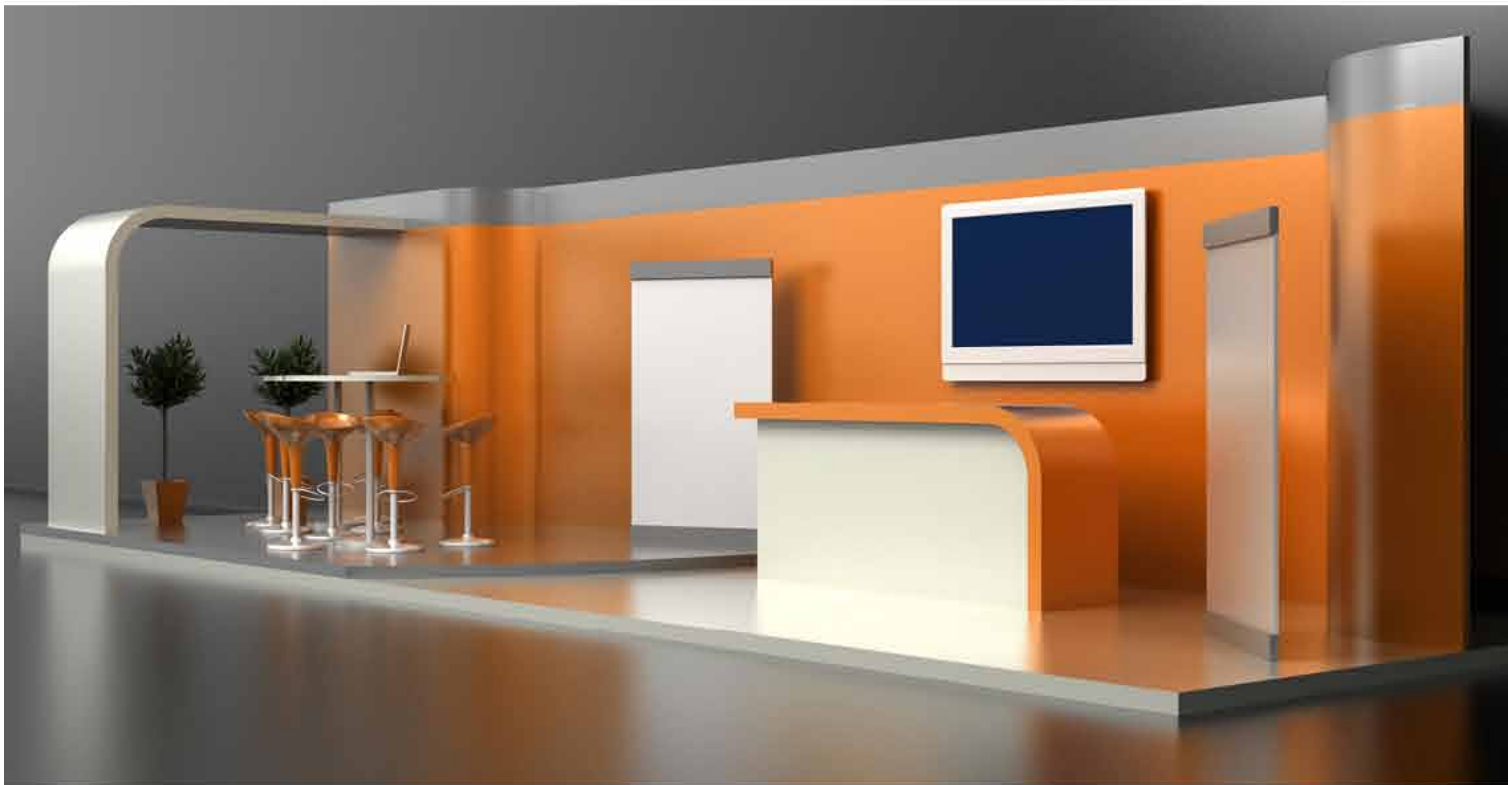
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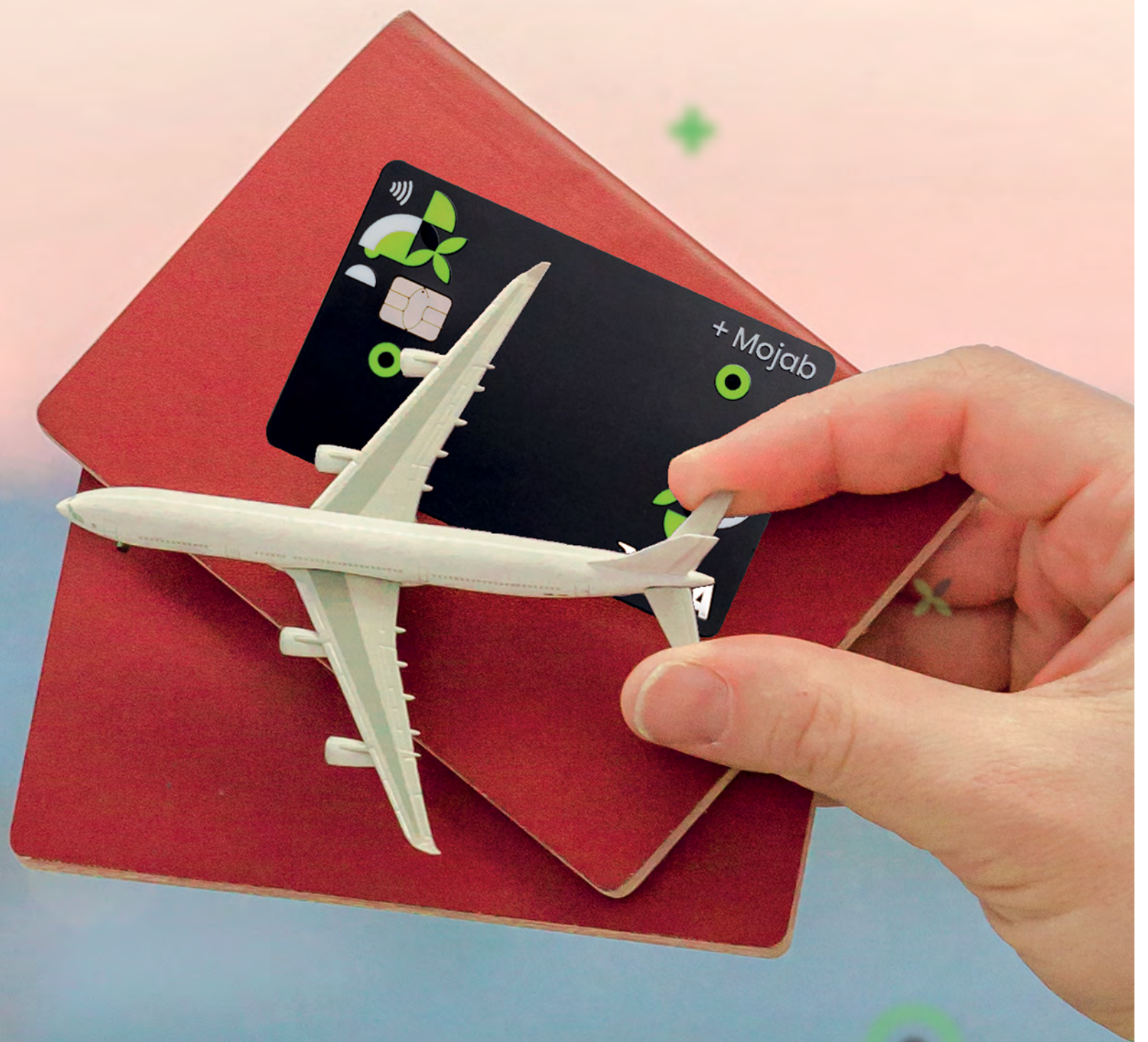


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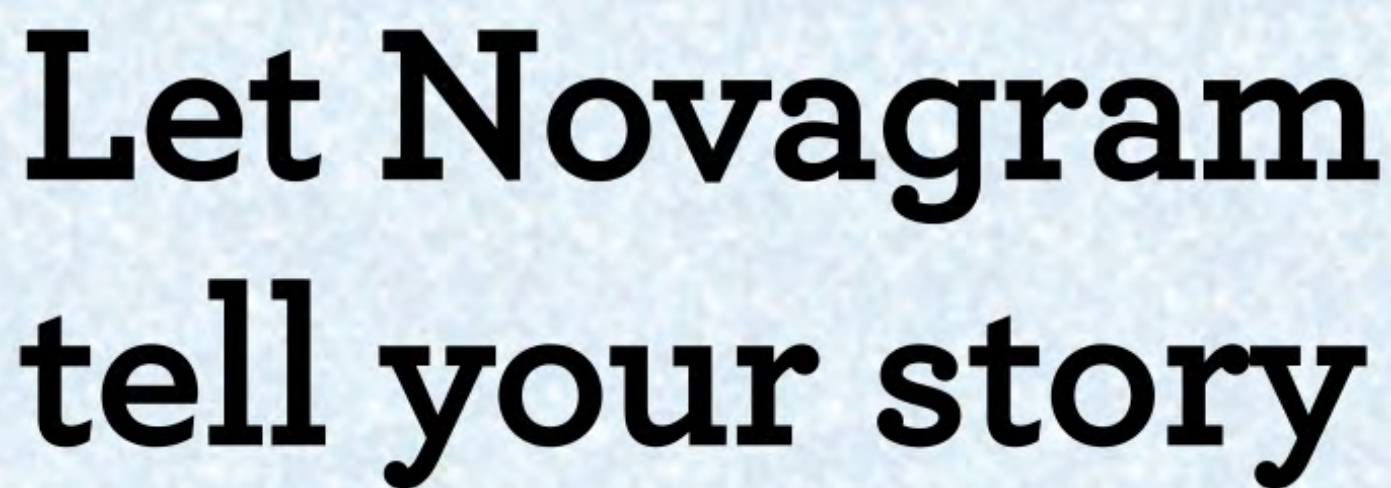


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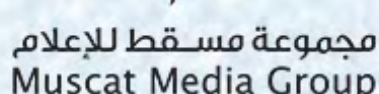




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