

#### HM GREETES GEORGIAN PRESIDENT

**MUSCAT:** His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik has sent a cable of greetings to President Salome Zourabichvili of Georgia on her country's National Day. In the cable, His Majesty expressed his heartfelt sentiments and best wishes of good health and happiness to President Zourabichvili. His Majesty also wished the friendly people of Georgia further progress and growth. **-ONA**



#### HM THE SULTAN CONDOLES KING OF KSA

**MUSCAT:** His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik has sent a cable of condolences to the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA) on the death of Princess Al Jawhara Mohammed Abdulaziz Al Saud. In the cable, His Majesty expressed his sincere condolences and sympathy, praying to Allah the Almighty to rest the bereaved's soul in peace in paradise and grant her family patience. **-ONA**



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# HM ISSUES DIRECTIVES FOR 32,000 JOBS

12,000 jobs are earmarked in the government's civil and military establishments

**MUSCAT:** His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik attaches a special importance to the issue of employment of Omani youth. His Majesty has often reaffirmed that youth are the inexhaustible wealth of nations and that youth employment tops national priorities.

In pursuance of the efforts exerted by the departments concerned to provide jobs in public and private establishments and to promote self-employment, it has been decided to create more than 32,000 jobs for Omanis during 2021, among them 12,000 jobs in the government's civil and military establishments in accordance with the actual needs of different departments.

#### Support employment

Also, within the context of the Royal directives of His Majesty the Sultan and as part of efforts made by government departments to find all means to sup-



port employment, various employment initiatives have been launched, reflecting the government's keenness to employ job seekers and workers who were laid off in the backdrop of the

current global economic circumstances that resulted in the shrinkage of the labour market worldwide, compounded by the negative impacts of coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic.

#### The initiatives provide for the following:

1. Generating a total of 2,000 employment opportunities in the government sector on the basis of temporary contracts, in accordance

with the actual needs of government establishments in different governorates in the Sultanate.

2. Providing a total of one million hours of part-time work in government establishments in

different governorates. The Ministry of Labour will announce formalities and mechanisms for the same.

3. Subsidising the wages of fresh employees in private sector establishments by providing OMR200 towards the monthly wages of as many as 15,000 fresh employees (with the rest to be borne by the employers) for a period of two years. The Ministry of Labour will unveil the formalities and mechanisms of the same in June 2021.

4. Expending a cut-off monthly assistance from the Job Security Fund (JSF), to the tune of OMR202.5 for a period of six months, in favour of self-employed Omanis insured at the Public Authority for Social Insurance whose businesses were negatively impacted by the economic situation and those of similar standing. This cut-off monthly assistance benefits a total of 15,000 people.

5. Expending a similar cut-off monthly assistance of OMR202.5 for a period of six months, from the JSF in favour of laid-off Omani workers whose services were terminated in Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states.

His Majesty the Sultan gave his Royal directives to the departments concerned to speed up the execution of these employment initiatives.

**-ONA**

NOT VISIBLE IN OMAN

## All set for twin events of lunar eclipse and blood moon on Wednesday

Times News Service

**MUSCAT:** People interested in astronomy are looking forward to the twin phenomena of the blood moon and lunar eclipse that will occur on Wednesday. The first total lunar eclipse to take place in two years, this one will see the moon come to its nearest point to the Earth.

It is expected to begin at 12:45 pm GST, when the moon enters penumbra. The partial eclipse will begin at 1:45 pm, with it becoming a total eclipse at 3:15 pm, ending 11 minutes later at 3:26 pm, when it will return to a partial nature. This partial eclipse is expected to end at 4:52 pm, with penumbra

ending at 5:49 pm.

Though not visible over Oman, the event will be streamed online by timeanddate.com, and the Virtual Telescope Project. "When a lunar eclipse occurs, the Earth, the sun and the moon lie on the same line," said Salem bin Saeed Al Rahbi of the Oman Astronomical Society. "During this period, the moon moves into the shadow of the Earth, so if the planet did not have an atmosphere, the moon would appear black. "But the atmosphere redirects sunlight toward the moon, and although blue light is scattered more easily, red light passes through it almost unimpeded, which sees the moon bathed in red sunlight," added Al Rahbi.



TOP THREE INSIDE STORIES

### OMAN

#### Companies thank frontline workers

1 Hotels, restaurants, and supermarkets in Oman are doing their bit to thank frontline workers for the care and dedication they have shown to COVID patients during the pandemic. From discounts to priority in queues, companies are trying to ease the toll that the coronavirus pandemic has taken on them. **>A3**

### WORLD

#### India's corona cases fall below 200,000

2 India's daily new coronavirus cases fell below the 200,000 mark for the first time after 40 days with 1,96,427 fresh infections, and 3,741 deaths being recorded in the last 24 hours, the Union Health Ministry informed on Tuesday. The country crossed the grim milestone of 200,000 cases in a day on April 15. **>A6**

### MARKET

#### Treasury bills worth OMR35mn issued

3 Oman's central bank raised OMR35 million by way of allotting treasury bills on Tuesday. The treasury bills are for a maturity period of 91 days, from May 26, until August 25, 2021. The Central Bank of Oman (CBO) acts as the issue manager and provides the added advantage of ready liquidity. **>B1**

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# Businessmen thank frontline workers for their dedication

From discounts on meals and hotel stays to priority in shop queues, thankfulness takes diverse forms



Times News Service

**MUSCAT:** Hotels, restaurants, and supermarkets in Oman are doing their bit to thank frontline workers for the care and dedication they have shown to COVID patients during the pandemic.

From discounts on meals and hotel stays to priority in shop queues, companies are trying to ease the toll that the coronavirus pandemic has taken on doctors, nurses, paramedics, and other healthcare workers in the country.

“Our frontline workers are tirelessly and selflessly working to keep COVID patients alive during these very challenging times,” said Arup Singh Deo, director of operations and projects at Al Nahda Hotels and Resort. “We are offering them discounts during their stay with us, as it is our way of saying thank you for doing their bit to stop the spread of the pandemic.

“Conditions for many of us now are challenging, and we look forward to welcoming guests who wish to take a break with us,” he added. “At Al Nahda Hotels and Resorts, we make sure the most up to date COVID screening protocols are in place to ensure the safety of our guests and staff.

“All entrants to our properties have their temperature checked,

a thorough deep cleaning of all rooms is conducted to make sure they are safe, and all common areas are sanitised,” said Deo.

For just OMR35 a night, these guests can enjoy a hotel stay at Al Nahda, while up in the mountains of Jabal Akhdar, they can check into the Sahab Resort for OMR50. Both deals come with a free breakfast, and guests can also enjoy a late checkout of 3 pm. The special rates also apply to senior citizens and those in education.

A restaurant owner in the country also said he had instructed his staff to offer discounts to healthcare workers who chose to dine in or order takeaway from his eateries. “It is the least we can do to help them during these trying times,” he said.

“Think of them not just as doctors or nurses or technicians who are out there saving lives, but also as parents, as brothers, as sisters, as sons and daughters. They have put their lives on hold because of the pandemic, and have dedicated everything to stopping its spread.

“To those who are still reluctant to do so, please remember to mask up, sanitise yourselves, maintain social distancing, and avoid assembling in large numbers to reduce the spread of COVID-19, and

the burden on these healthcare workers,” he added.

In other countries, a number of companies have introduced offers to thank the efforts of doctors, nurses, and other healthcare workers during the pandemic.

The Canadian Nurses Association, for example, has teamed up with companies to offer nurses discounts and freebies across over 150 brands, including Starbucks, McDonalds, Nando’s, Chevrolet, and Cadillac.

Discounted and free meals and hotel stays, reduced membership rates, free food delivered to hospitals, and cut-price costs on skincare services and automobile check-ups are just some of the benefits available to them during the pandemic.

In the US, healthcare workers can apply for discounts as high as 40 per cent while buying from brands such as Adidas, Asics, Clarks, Lenovo, LL Bean, Levi’s, Samsung, and Under Armour.

Over in the UK, from discounted and free meals, to reduced prices at supermarkets, to complementary automobile maintenance and even oven cleaning services, several companies have joined hands to ease the burden faced by healthcare workers.

## Welfare of children remains a priority for UNICEF Oman

Times News Service

**MUSCAT:** Positive parenting behaviour, mental health, greater inclusion of disabled children, and working towards ending violence against minors are some of the areas given greater attention by UNICEF Oman and the Children First Association, which recently renewed a partnership to promote child welfare.

Efforts to create better lives for children include awareness programmes for the public in the areas of health, nutrition, responsive caregiving, and early learning.

**Partnership**

The partnership between UNICEF Oman and CFA – first signed in 2018 owing to a shared vision of empowering and protecting children - has to-date helped to accelerate progress towards fulfilling every child’s rights while building knowledge around the Sustainable Development Goals.

“Our children are the future. We need to invest in them, nurture them, and provide them with a sustainable environment in which they can thrive,” said HH Sayyida Dr. Mona Fahd Al-Said of the Children First Association.

“Renewing our partnership with UNICEF Oman is a strategic step towards doing just that; by reimagining the future for every child in advocating for and creating opportunities, igniting their dreams, and supporting them across every part of their lives, we are ensuring their rights are addressed,” she added.

**Children’s issues**

A non-governmental organisation filed under the regulations of Ministerial Decree No. 117/2009, Children First Association seeks to be a platform to discuss children’s issues in the Omani society, provide support and advice to improve their quality of life, preserve their needs, and respect their rights, all



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whilst giving them the opportunity to maximise their potential.

**Better opportunities**

Providing better opportunities for children will also help the Sultanate in the long-run by helping provide the skills required for them to make the most of the opportunities available under the country’s Vision 2040 programme.

“Since 2018, UNICEF’s partnership with CFA has aimed to promote our Social Behaviour Change Communication (SBCC) agenda – a pillar of the organisation’s country programme in the Sultanate aimed at enhancing parenting practices, and engagement with the community at the service delivery level for holistic child development – while further strengthening Oman’s commitment towards achieving the SDGs under Vision 2040 and im-

proving the lives of children and adolescents,” said Lana Al Wreikat, UNICEF Representative to Oman.

In this next stage of the partnership, CFA has reaffirmed their commitment to supporting the Government and UNICEF’s joint SBCC programme in the delivery of key messages to the public to increase awareness surrounding positive parenting behaviours, mental health, inclusion of children with disability and ending violence against children, among other related areas for children.

**50th anniversary**

The partnership will also capitalise on UNICEF Oman’s 50th anniversary and World Children’s Day by hosting events throughout the year aimed at engaging and empowering children and young people throughout the Sultanate.

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The Morning Minute video on electronic bracelet fee had 4,000 views and reached 10,200 people on Facebook.

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The Maghrib Minute news wrap in Malayalam had 629 views and 26 likes on Instagram.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

Learning Loss forum concludes

**MUSCAT:** The virtual symposium titled ‘Learning Loss in the Coronavirus Pandemic: Effects and Solutions’ concluded on Wednesday.

The two-day symposium was organised by the Ministry of Education.

The second day of the symposium began with six simultaneous six sessions covering critical skills and analytical exams in tackling learning loss, roles of educational institutions and parents in addressing learning loss, tackling learning loss of special education students, training and vocational development in tackling learning loss, student needs for upcoming stage in psychological and social aspects and partnership in tackling learning loss.

**Six sessions**

At the closing session, heads of the six sessions reviewed briefings on the major proposals and recommendations made by the participants during the sessions. This symposium covered three main topics namely ‘the causes and magnitude of learning loss, and its effects due to the COVID-19 pandemic,’ ‘local and international experiences and initiatives in assessing and following up on learning loss,’ and ‘appropriate solutions and plans to address learning loss in the Sultanate.’ – ONA

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# Dear STRESS, let's break-up!

**S**tress. Perhaps the most common word in use nowadays, even more than the dreaded word- COVID. Stress is the body's automatic response to any physical or mental demand placed on it, eliciting a "Fight" or "Flight" response. Everyone today is stressed. But is all stress bad? Prior research has established that moderate levels of stress may actually improve performance and efficiency. However, too much stress may cause anxiety levels —that is unproductive. Over time, the signs of being under constant stress become serious health concerns.

**Signs of being stressed**  
Physical signs: Our heart starts pounding faster, muscles tighten, blood pressure rises, breath quickens, and senses are sharpened.

Psychological and emotional signs: Feeling depressed, angry, irritable, restless, anxious, overwhelmed, unmotivated, insomnia, memory issues, concentration issues, poor decision making, etc.

How to cope up with this stress?

The solution to this question has two components. First, identifying the triggers and signs, and second, how are we reacting to it? Following are the actionable and simple techniques to fight bad stress:

**Breathing techniques**  
• Deep breathing improves oxygenation, calms the mind and body, gives it time to react, slowly process the information, filtering it to receive the healthier part of it and leaving out the unwanted part. Can be done by taking in deep breaths by inhaling through the nose, counting 1 to 10 and exhaling through the nose itself, counting 10 to 1. The best part is that deep breathing can be performed any time of the day.  
• Square breathing can be performed by sitting in a com-

fortable position and making a mental image of a square/ portrait/ photograph in front. The inhalation is then done counting 1-2-3-4 along one side of the square, holding the breath for 1-2-3-4 count along 2nd side of the square, breathing out 1-2-3-4 along 3rd side, and finally holding the breath 1-2-3-4 along the 4th side. 10 sets can be done initially and can be increased depending on the level of stress a person has.

**Enough sleep**  
Studies have shown that 7 to 8 hours of sound, uninterrupted sleep is utmost essential for healthy brain and body. It is proven that sleep deprived individuals have lower tolerance to stress. Due to lack of sleep, lethargy creeps in, the person is sleepy and not in best shape to perform, which further leads to unwanted stress. It is suggested to decide upon a cut off time for sleeping and sticking to it no matter what. Few simple techniques to fall asleep faster:

- Lie down on your back and clench every part and muscle of your body completely and tightly, and then release the muscle tension instantly. Repeat this cycle for 5 times. Next, clench all parts of your body completely and slowly start releasing the muscles starting from the head, moving on to the chest, arms, the abdomen, the hip area, the legs and then finally the toes.
- Another technique is to lie down on your back, close your eyes and start taking deep long breaths through your nose and observe your stomach filling in air, going up and down. With each cycle, start a reverse counting of 50 backwards. Follow your breath with each set,

feel the air touching the inside of the nostrils, filling the chest and the abdomen. In many cases, the person falls asleep by the time they reach 30!

**Eating right**  
There is no 'one-size' fits all policy, especially when it comes to food and eating. But what's important is eating right. A well balanced healthy nutritious diet should not be compromised upon. This needs even more emphasis in the ongoing covid scenario. For complete guidance, a dietician can be consulted as well.  
• Munching on an apple while reading your office document is OK. Also, carrying a small box or pouch of green fennel with you to munch up as required, and helps in relieving bloating too.  
• Alternatively, we can keep a small box of fresh fruits, like handful of grapes, or cut pieces of papaya or any seasonal fruit, along- side the working table. Whenever one feels that your energy levels are going down, take a break and pick these up.

**Move around**  
Sitting for long time in your office chair or at your workstation is not just harmful for the lower back, but also for the neck, wrists, elbows and the knees.  
• Get up from the work chair and move around after every hour. Can go out in the open stretching your arms, stretch

them backwards, rotating the shoulder joints, and wrists. While you are on a phone call or a conversation that you feel may be longer, it is suggested to take that call while walking around your workspace or table or the nearby corridor.  
• Simple chair-yoga or chair exercises are also an effective way to alleviate that physical stress and also gives the mind to readjust better.  
• Early morning walk bare-foot on the grass is really good and you get to see nature's miracles in tiny things by observing colours, sounds and things mindfully. Routinely, evening or morning walk, or slow jog should be included. And better results can be achieved by leaving that cell-phone at home!

**Planning in advance**  
• Create a to do list before starting the day. It is very fulfilling to see the items on the list are getting ticked and has therapeutic effect on brain. Endorphins are released which are the happy hormones and they help in reducing and avoiding unwanted stress and anxiety.  
• Avoid taking too much of work all together at once, start with one at a time. Multitasking is good, but some things may require whole-hearted single attention. For eg, time can be utilized to send email reply while waiting for a longer document getting printed.  
• Avoid procrastination, delaying and postponing the work. When we delay a little every day, it adds up to a big pile and adds to the stress levels.

**Me-time and maintaining yourself:**  
• Set boundaries off work try

not to mix professional work with personal life, barring a few emergencies work should be limited to the professional setup only.  
• Pursue a hobby, pick up reading, doodling, bird-watching, cloud-watching, painting, sketching, singing, gardening, watching old movies, coming up with your own DIY ideas too. COVID times have taught us to be resilient, flexible and creative! Keep sometime in the week for these.  
• Maintaining a healthy, clean hygienic lifestyle is important and adds to the overall well-being. Taking a warm shower before bed, following a skin care regime at night, quick head massage with warm oil, triggers body relaxation and the individual is fresh for the next day. Mindfulness exercises-being in the moment.  
• Mindful breathing for one minute, observing the breath going in and out, any time of the day, repeating often, as required.  
• Mindfully eating a raisin or piece of chocolate piece by using all the senses to see it, touch it, smell it, and savour it fully before swallowing it down the throat! After you have swallowed it, let your lips turn up slightly and smile.

**Asking for help**  
• Discuss and talk with someone you are comfortable with. Have a laugh, light chit chat. Instead of texting, or whatsapp, directly call them, and talk. This establishes clear communication and also gives the brain time to readjust and refocus better.  
• In extreme cases, do not hesitate to seek professional or medical help.  
What is that one thing that gives maximum Return in Investment (ROI)? Gold? Stocks? Property? Bonds? It is our own body and sound health. It is the greatest asset, the more we invest in this asset, the more benefits it shall give in return!

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MINISTRY OF FINANCE

Meeting held to present financial performance indicators

**MUSCAT:** The Ministry of Finance, represented by the Directorate General of Budget and Contracts, held the first meeting for the current year to present the financial performance indicators and usage of the same by government entities on a monthly basis. They also discussed the preparations for the General Budget of the State for the upcoming year 2022.

The meeting was held with the participation of a number of directors general and directors of the departments concerned with preparation and implementation of the budget at government units.

The financial performance indicators were reviewed for ways

to control spending. The meeting also tackled the quarterly reports, the monthly statement of cash liquidity expected to be spent and which (cash liquidity) to be provided to the Ministry by the government units in order to control the financial performance.

Also, measures to improve aspects of spending and remedial of deficits as per the Financial Law and its Executive Regulation and the financial circular No. (1) on preparation of the estimates of the General Budget of the State for 2021 were reviewed.

**Budget estimates**

The meeting also discussed the statements required to be pro-

vided and availability of the data necessary for preparation of the estimates of the General Budget of the State for 2022.

The meeting stressed the significance of preparation of the statements related to preparation of the estimates of the Budget.

Ahmed bin Mohammed Al Hooti, Director of the Department for Preparation and Followup with Implementation of the General Budget of the State at the Ministry of Finance stressed compliance of the government units with timely submission of monthly financial statements as to facilitate preparation of the financial estimates of the General Budget of the State.

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ACROSS ALL GOVERNORATES OF OMAN



Education Ministry adopts international study to measure reading skills

**MUSCAT:** The Ministry of Education will begin on Wednesday the implementation of the Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS 2021) in all governorates of the Sultanate.

PIRLS is an international evaluation study organised by the International Association for the Evaluation of Educational Achievement (IEA) to measure reading skills among fourth-grade students. This year is the third participation round for the Sultanate, respectively, after the 2011 and 2016 rounds.

A sample of schools was chosen to represent the Sultanate internationally in this study, with a total of 222 schools, of which 189 government schools, 17 private schools, and 16 international schools from all educational directorates in the governorates.

The number of students participating in the actual application as a random sample in this study reached 6,381 fourth-grade students where 372 students participate from 15 schools in the Governorate of Dhofar, and 232 students from 8 schools in the Governorate of Musandam.

From the Governorate of Muscat, the number of participating students is 825 from 28 schools, 505 students participating from the Governorate of South A'Sharqiya.

The Governorate of South Al Batinah participates with 653 students from 22 schools while the Governorate of Al Buraimi participates with a selected division from 10 different government schools where the number of students taking the test is 272 students.

From the Governorate of North A'Sharqiya, a total number of 340 students from 14 schools are participating in PIRLS 2021, alongside with 298 students

from 10 schools from the Governorate of A'Dhahirah, 174 from 8 schools from the Governorate of Al Wusta, and 717 students from 24 schools from the Governorate of A'Dhakhiliya.

It is worth noting that the Progress in International Reading Literacy Study (PIRLS 2021) aims to achieve several goals including providing countries with comparative international data, data on their national trends in reading literacy and writing among fourth-grade students, studying and analysing school systems to stand on its pros and cons, and collecting data and information about the home and school environment, and reading activities in the school by distributing and analysing the four questionnaires to identify the factors that are associated with high levels of literacy.

The study also seeks to identify the competencies of students in achieving goals set according to the reading standards, as well as to identify the percentage of differences between the performance of females and males, and between the different types of schools, and also to identify the factors associated with the acquisition of knowledge, and related to teaching methods, as well as school resources.

It also aims at highlighting strengths and weaknesses in relation to students' literacy level which will provide decision-makers with adequate information on where the resources should be directed to improve early literacy, and how reading is taught, and the extent to which its time, methods, and materials are organised in schools.

The study also seeks to compare the educational practices of the teachers of the participating countries with those of other countries. — ONA



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## COVID RULES FLOUTED

## Vietnam's COVID resurgence prompts strict lockdowns

**HANOI:** Vietnam is stiffening regulations to contain a new spike in COVID cases, after having mostly kept the virus at bay throughout the pandemic. In 2020, Vietnam earned widespread praise for its coronavirus response, which had kept case numbers relatively low in comparison to other countries.

Although Vietnam has reported just over 5,400 total COVID cases, over 1,000 of those cases were re-

ported during the past week, according to data compiled by Johns Hopkins University. Vietnam's seven-day incidence rate, which measures the number of new COVID cases over a week per population of 100,000, is currently at 149. On April 25, that number was at just over eight cases per 100,000 people.

As authorities try to stop the spread, there are concerns lock-

downs will hamper Vietnam's tourism sector and the overall economy.

**How is Vietnam responding to the outbreak?**

Many of Vietnam's new COVID cases are being reported in northern and central provinces. Strict public health measures have been imposed in the capital, Hanoi, the tourist hot spot Da Nang and the

provinces Bac Giang and Bac Ninh.

Non-essential services such as dine-in restaurants, bars, karaoke clubs, and massage parlors are mostly shut for an indefinite period of time.

Supermarkets and pharmacies are still open and food deliveries and other essential services remain available. But people are being told to stay at home to curb the spike in infections. **bw**



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## COVID VACCINE

## Pakistan to launch locally-made Chinese vaccine from next week

**ISLAMABAD:** Pakistan's state-run National Institute of Health (NIH) has managed to locally produce the first batch of China-made single-dose coronavirus vaccine CanSino.

The locally-made Chinese vaccine has been named, PakVac and the first batch of vaccine would be available for administration by the end of this month, Arya News reported. Faisal Sultan, a senior health official said that the product has passed rigorous internal testing and said it was an important step to help in Pakistan's vaccine supply line. The official also congratulated the team of the premier health institute of Pakistan for their achievement.

"Congratulations to the NIH Pak team and its leadership for successful fill/finish (from concentrate) of the Cansino vaccine with the help of Cansino Bio Inc. China. The product has passed the rigorous internal QA testing. An important step to help in our vaccine supply line," said Sultan, the Special Assistant to the Prime Minister of Pakistan on National Health Services, Regulations, and Coordination.

As many as 124,000 CanSino

jabs have been developed and they would soon be rolled out.

In a few days, Pakistan's regularity and health authority body will examine the vaccine and give a final approval regarding its use. Following that, NHI would be able to produce three million doses per month. As COVID-19 vaccines are unavailable to most of the population in Pakistan due to private sales and higher prices, leading critics believe that the country is making inoculations only for the wealthy. Two doses of the Sputnik V vaccine cost as high as USD 80, while the monthly income of an average worker in Pakistan is about USD 110. Moreover, tight supplies have created hurdles for vaccine sales in Pakistan, making them available for only a fraction of the country's population, reported The New York Times. "The Pakistani example is a microcosm of what has gone wrong with the global response -- where wealth alone has primarily shaped who gets access. Ending the pandemic will require the global community to do much more than just that," Zain Rizvi, an expert on medicine access. **ANI**

The country crossed the grim milestone of recording over 200,000 cases in a day on April 15



**NEW DELHI:** India's daily new coronavirus cases remained below the 200,000 mark for the first time after 40 days with 1,96,427 fresh infections, and 3,741 deaths being recorded in the last 24 hours, the Union Health Ministry informed on Tuesday.

The country crossed the grim milestone of recording over 200,000 cases in a day on April 15. According to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), the country recorded 3,26,850 fresh recoveries in the 24-hour period, outnumbering new

cases. The cumulative caseload in India now stands at 2,69,48,874 including 25,86,782 active cases. The death toll mounted to 307,231, while the recovery tally reached 2,40,54,861.

Karnataka, which has recently overtaken Maharashtra in the number of active infections, has

now 440,435 active infections, making the state worst-hit by the pandemic. Maharashtra follows with 327,580 active cases.

As per the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), a total of 33,25,94,176 samples have been tested for COVID-19 up to May 24. Of them, 20,58,112 samples were

tested on Monday.

The Union Health Ministry informed that as many as 19,85,38,999 doses of COVID-19 vaccines have been administered so far since the commencement of the vaccination drive on January 16.

On Monday, the MOHFW said that the daily coronavirus positivity rate has declined to 12.66 per cent while the national recovery rate has improved further to touch 88.69 per cent. Eight states including Karnataka, Maharashtra, Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh account for 71.62 per cent of India's total active infections, it had said. On May 7, with 4,14,188 new COVID-19 cases being registered in the last 24 hours, India reported its highest single-day spike since the pandemic began last year.

India's daily spike of coronavirus cases remained below the 300,000 mark, on May 17, for the first time after 26 days. Since then, the daily new cases in the country have been hovering below the 300,000 mark for eight consecutive days. **ANI**



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# Al Wahaibi and Al Rawahi join hands to take part in Jordan Rally

The second round of the 2021 FIA Middle East Rally Championship has attracted 13 teams and competitors from eight nations

**AMMAN:** Hamed Al-Wahaibi makes a dramatic return to international motor sport competition when he joins forces with young Abdullah Al-Rawahi to form a two-car Oman Rally Team at this week-end's Jordan Rally.

The second round of the 2021 FIA Middle East Rally Championship has attracted 13 teams and competitors from eight nations. They will tackle two days of de-



Hamed Al-Wahaibi

manding gravel special stages in the Dead Sea and Mount Nebo areas of Jordan on Friday and Saturday.

Al-Wahaibi was one of the fastest drivers in the Middle East during his heyday in the late 1990s and early noughties and won numerous special stages during ambitious rallying programmes that also stretched to the FIA World Rally Championship.

But the Omani has not competed in the regional rally series since finishing fourth in the 2011 Dubai International Rally in a Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution X, although he did tackle two events in the Sultanate of Oman the following year in a WMS-built Toyota Yaris as part of a youth development programme with Ulster navigator Allan Harryman and ran a Mitsubishi on three national rallies in Oman, winning all three. Al-Wahaibi has been testing on gravel stages in Oman to regain the pace and rhythm he showed for many years and has recruited the services of Austrian female navigator Ilka Minor to sit alongside him in Jordan.

The 46-year-old is one of the most experienced female navigators in the world and has guided an impressive list of drivers, including Henning Solberg, Manfred Stohl and Evgeny Novikov. This year she has already finished 26th and 21st overall in the Monte-Carlo and Croatian rallies with Johannes Keferböck.

Al-Wahaibi, 53, will drive a Motor-tune-run Škoda Fabia 1.6 with logistical support from Asyad Express, an Omani delivery and logistics company, WMS, Sandan (a new industrial area near Muscat) and Pirelli.

"At this stage, I am not here to win against Nasser (Saleh Al-Attiah)," admitted Al-Wahaibi. "He's in a car every week and has been there for so long. He knows the stages so well. I am here aiming to gain as much experience as possible. My year is next year. That's the plan."

"I've come out of retirement with a different mind-set. Now I am really enjoying the time in the car. It feels great to be back behind the wheel. I realise I have

been out of touch for the last nine years and it will take some time for me to get back in the groove. I am proud to be representing Oman for my return."

Al-Wahaibi first tackled a WRC event in the United Kingdom back in 1997 and finished as the runner-up in the 1999 Production WRC behind Gustavo Trelles of Uruguay. He last competed in the WRC in Japan in 2005.

He has yet to win a round of the MERC, but came within a few hundred metres of winning the Jordan Rally in 2004, before a cruel engine failure handed the win to local driver Amjad Farrah on the final super special stage. Al-Wahaibi's best finishes to date in the MERC were as runner-up in Oman in 1998 and third overall in Abu Dhabi, Jordan and Dubai in 1997.

Team-mate Al-Rawahi, 24, is one of the most improved drivers in regional rallying and can call upon the experience of local navigator Ata Al-Hmoud in Jordan, himself a winner of the inaugural Jordan Baja on a motorcycle.

ONLINE SESSION

## Oman women cricketers get tips from Indian batting star Punam

**MUSCAT:** Aiming to learn new skills and raise their games, Oman Women's Cricket Team had an online session with renowned Indian cricketer Punam Raut on Monday and came out more encouraged and inspired to do well at international level.

Oman Cricket organised the online interaction with the Indian star batswoman who had featured in a world record opening partnership of 320 runs with Deepti Sharma in an ODI, contributing 109 and thus beating the women's record of 229 (by Sarah Taylor and Caroline Atkins of England) and the standing men's record in ODIs of 286 (by Upul Tharanga and Sanath Jayasuriya of Sri Lanka).

The session was moderated by



Vaishali Jesrani, Lady Coordinator of Oman Cricket, and captain of Oman Women's Cricket Team. As many as twenty Oman players interacted with Punam who shared her experiences and what

all helped her grow as an international cricket player. They discussed with her ways to succeed at highest level, setting targets for self-development, how to handle pressure in critical situations,

self-evaluation and technical details about batting.

Talking about the online session with Punam, Duleep Mendis, Chief Development Officer, Oman Cricket, said it was important for Oman's women cricketers to understand the mindset of elite players so they can learn from them.

"Oman Cricket is continuously taking initiatives to develop cricket at all levels and it is committed to promoting women's cricket in the country too," he added. Commenting on the importance of players' interaction with the Indian star, Vaishali said: "This was a huge opportunity for our players. Punam focused on important topics like setting individual goals and handling pressure."

INDIAN PREMIER LEAGUE

## IPL likely to resume on September 15 in UAE

**NEW DELHI:** The suspended 14th edition of the Indian Premier League (IPL) is likely to be played in UAE in the September 15 to October 15 window with the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) looking at a 25-day window for the cash-rich league. Speaking to ANI, sources in the know of developments said that the BCCI is looking to host the 31 games in 25 days provided the COVID-19 situation is in control.

Asked if talks are on with the Emirates Cricket Board on the same, the source said the matter will be further discussed at the Special General Meeting on May 29. "This is a tentative plan and will be discussed during the SGM on Saturday," the source said.

The source further said that

a bubble to bubble movement would be planned for the Indian players who are currently gearing up to play in the UK -- the World Test Championship final and the five-match Test series against England.

"The final Test gets over at Old Trafford on September 14, so, we will look at getting the boys flown in from the bubble in UK to the team bubbles in UAE to minimise the quarantine period. All that will be planned as we move ahead with franchises already moving base with those not playing international cricket," the source explained.

The 14th edition of the league had to be cancelled on May 4 after a number of players and support staff tested positive for COVID-19. **ANI**



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OMAN CRUDE PRICE RISES

The price of Oman oil has increased, with prices for delivery by July 2021 reaching \$66.54, said Dubai Mercantile Exchange (DME). The DME statement said that the price of Oman oil rose by 11 cents from the price of Monday, which was \$66.43. - ONA

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MSX INDEX ENDS LOWER

The MSX index closed at 3,837.91 points, down 0.16 per cent from the previous close. The Sharia Index ended up 0.20 per cent at 552.96 points. Salalah Mills, up 2.39 per cent, was the top gainer while Takaful Oman, down 3.77 per cent, was the top loser

# Treasury bills worth OMR35mn issued



**AVERAGE ACCEPTED PRICE:** The average accepted price reached 99.806 for every OMR100, and the minimum accepted price arrived at 99.805 per OMR100. - ONA



The treasury bills are for a maturity period of 91 days, from May 26, until August 25, 2021

**MUSCAT:** Oman's central bank raised OMR35 million by way of allotting treasury bills on Tuesday. The treasury bills are for a maturity period of 91 days, from May 26, until August 25, 2021. The Central Bank of Oman (CBO) acts as the issue manager and provides the added advantage of ready liquidity through discounting and repurchase facilities (Repo).

The average accepted price reached 99.806 for every OMR100, and the minimum accepted price arrived at 99.805 per OMR100. The average discount rate and the average yield reached 0.77641 per cent and 0.77792 per cent, respectively.

**Repo operations**  
It may be noted that the interest rate on the Repo operations with

CBO is 0.5 per cent while the discount rate on the treasury bills discounting facility with CBO is 0.75 per cent. Furthermore, treasury bills promote the local money market by creating a benchmark yield curve for short-term interest rates. Additionally, the government may also resort to this instrument whenever felt necessary for financing its recurrent expenditures. - ONA

NEW RUSAYL HEIGHTS



**OPERATION EXPANSION:** The factory has expanded its operations and relocated to Samail Industrial Area aiming to increase the production capacity and adding new products to cater to the market demands. - Supplied picture

## Omani SME provides high-quality construction, building material products

Times News Service

**MUSCAT:** New Rusayl Heights (ELMRR) is an Omani SME specialised in manufacturing construction chemicals and coating products. ELMRR produces a variety of products with high-quality to fulfil the local market demands in the construction and building industry.

Each product manufactured by ELMRR is a result of research and development with contractors, manufacturers and consumers to ensure the product complements the requirements of the market. The products include high-quality precision grouts, concrete admixtures, industrial floorings and coatings, technically advanced joint sealants, adhesives, bonding agents, water proofing and damp proofing products, water stops, self-adhesive membranes, protective coatings and concrete repair and protection systems among others.

ELMRR was established in Muscat in 2011 by Huda Al Saadi. The business stood against the

stiff competition from big players in the market and grown over the years. Recently, the factory has expanded its operations and relocated to Samail Industrial Area aiming to increase the production capacity and adding new products to cater to the market demands.

Speaking about ELMRR, owner Huda Al Saadi said, "ELMRR endeavours to be the preferred quality partner for the manufacturing and distribution of construction chemicals and adhesives in Oman. We aim to deliver our products to both our retail customers and bulk buyers in a socially and environmentally responsible way. Continuously improving our performance is of utmost importance to us."

ELMRR constantly strives to pay serious attention to quality and safety and to expand the range of products to attain excellence and meet international standards.

ELMRR was granted financial and advisory support by Sharakah as a startup in 2011. ELMRR has benefited and grown with numerous financial assistances and continued handholding.

E-COMMERCE SECTOR

## Report examines dynamic changes in Middle East e-commerce market

**DUBAI:** The UAE e-commerce sector emerged as the fastest-growing economic segment in the Middle East in terms of value sales, supported by rising digital connectivity, infrastructure and substantial growth in consumer electronics, apparel and footwear, based on the findings of the 'E-Commerce Sector in the UAE 2020 insights' report.

The report was launched by EZDubai, the fully dedicated e-commerce zone in Dubai South, in partnership with Euromonitor International the world's leading provider for global business intelligence, market analysis and consumer insights and Jones Lang LaSalle (JLL), a leading professional services firm that specialises in real estate and investment management.

The report examined the dynamic changes in the e-commerce market and presented a regional overview of the sector, evaluating its growth and future opportunities, taking trends as well as key major growth drivers into consideration, including COVID-led digital transformation and technological advancements that are set to reshape the industry moving forward.

In his comments, Mohsen Ahmad, CEO of the Logistics District -Dubai South, said, "E-commerce continues to be an upward trend in the UAE, and this is a great opportunity for logistics players to expand their operations and capture the untapped potential of cross-border e-commerce. The sector played a major role in boosting Dubai's economy and that of the UAE, consolidating the emirate's position as a regional hub for e-commerce by attracting leading movers and creating a sustainable ecosystem for a number of corporations.

"The transition to online payment and the transformation of technological capabilities into quicker, safer and personalised experiences are among the key trends affecting regional e-commerce. EZDubai holds an important role as the first operational e-commerce zone in the region, and



**DYNAMIC CHANGES:** The report examined the dynamic changes in the e-commerce market and presented a regional overview of the sector, evaluating its growth and future opportunities. - WAM

we are pleased to share the latest developments of this sector with our industry players."

The findings revealed that the e-commerce growth in the Middle East is mainly driven by the UAE and KSA (accounting for 75 per cent of total e-commerce sales in 2020) due to the high purchasing power, expanded usage of social media, and smartphone penetration rates compared to other regional countries.

According to the report, store-based retailing is expected to grow by a CAGR of 1 per cent over the 2019-2024 period, while e-commerce is forecast to grow by a CAGR of 19 per cent over the same period. Apart from the impact of COVID-19, online penetration in the Middle East is forecast to double to 6 per cent by 2024, compared to 3 per cent in 2019.

Hussein Doughan, General Manager of Euromonitor International in Dubai, said, "The digital revolution has been rewiring retail for years, leading to new business models, commerce ecosystems and channels for reaching and engaging consumers.

"The COVID-19 pandemic accelerated this transition, as e-commerce became the default option for many homebound consumers. Euromonitor International projects that half of the absolute value growth for the global retail sector over the 2020-

2025 period will be digital. That equates to \$1.4 trillion in absolute value growth as more goods are sold online."

"To put that projected e-commerce growth in context, that would be roughly the size of the total value of products sold across all retail channels just five years ago. Likewise, the e-commerce sector in the UAE and broader Middle East region is poised for growth.

"Euromonitor International's Digital Connectivity Index, measuring a country's digital landscape over time, reveals that the UAE is outpacing its emerging market counterparts on the index given its well-developed e-commerce infrastructure, coupled with its tech-savvy population."

In line with its continuous effort to present insightful facts about the impact of e-commerce on the retail logistics sector, JLL found that since the outbreak of COVID-19, e-commerce penetration doubled, increasing from 3 per cent in 2019 to 5 per cent in 2020 across the region.

Retailers with established e-commerce and digital platforms performed significantly better than brick-and-mortar outlets, which faced pressure during the lockdown periods.

Also, it was reported that the region benefited from a solid and well-established infrastructure.

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MSX index ends lower

Salalah Mills, up 2.39 per cent, was the top gainer while Takaful Oman, down 3.77 per cent, was the top loser

**MUSCAT:** The MSX index closed at 3,837.91 points, down 0.16 per cent from the previous close. The Shariah Index ended up 0.20 per cent at 552.96 points. Salalah Mills, up 2.39 per cent, was the top gainer while Takaful Oman, down 3.77 per cent, was the top loser. Shares of Madina Takaful were the most active in terms of the number of shares traded while Bank Muscat was most active in terms of turnover. A total number of 554 trades were executed during the day's trading session, generating a turnover of OMR2 million, with more than 9 million shares changing hands. Out of 50 traded stocks, 8 advanced, 15 declined and 27 remained unchanged. At the session close, foreign investors were net buyers for OMR16,000 while local investors were net sellers for OMR114,000 followed by GCC & Arab investors for OMR55,000 worth of shares.

Financial Index closed at 5,941.35 points, down by 0.25 per cent. HSBC Bank Oman, Al Omaniya Financial Service and Ominvest were up 2.00 per cent, 0.91 per cent and 0.66 per cent respectively. Takaful Oman, Al Sharqiyah Investment, Muscat Finance, Al Anwar Investment and Oman & Emirates Holding were down 3.77 per cent, 3.33 per cent, 2.22 per cent, 2.20 per cent and 2.08 per cent respectively. Industrial Index closed at 5,483.09 points, down 0.02 per cent. Salalah Mills and Oman Cables Industry were up 2.39 per cent and 0.90 per cent respectively. National Aluminum Product, Galfar Engineering, Al Maha Ceramic and Jazeera Steel Product were down 2.40 per cent, 1.96 per cent, 1.24 per cent and 1.08 per cent respectively. Services Index was up by 0.25 per cent closing at 1,616.07 points. — United Securities

MUSCAT STOCK EXCHANGE

| INDICES           |           |          |                |             |        |       |             |
|-------------------|-----------|----------|----------------|-------------|--------|-------|-------------|
| Index             | High      | Low      | Value          | Prev. Value | Diff.  | Diff% |             |
| MSX 30 INDEX      | 3,852.44  | 3,837.91 | 3,837.91       | 3,844.20    | -6.29  | -0.16 |             |
| FINANCIAL INDEX   | 5,978.13  | 5,941.35 | 5,941.35       | 5,956.45    | -15.10 | -0.25 |             |
| Industry Index    | 5,491.75  | 5,474.96 | 5,483.09       | 5,484.26    | -1.17  | -0.02 |             |
| Services Index    | 1,617.47  | 1,610.40 | 1,616.07       | 1,612.10    | 3.97   | 0.25  |             |
| MSX Shariah Index | 554.21    | 551.91   | 552.97         | 554.10      | -1.13  | -0.20 |             |
| MSX TR INDEX      | 4,623.74  | 4,606.31 | 4,606.31       | 4,613.86    | -7.55  | -0.16 |             |
| Trading Summary   |           |          |                |             |        |       |             |
| Volume            | Turnover  | Trades   | Market Cap     | Up          | Down   | Equal | Sec. Traded |
| 8,701,667         | 1,732,665 | 554      | 21,152,581,431 | 8           | 15     | 27    | 50          |

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|                 | SECURITY NAME       | VOLUME    | TURNOVER  | TRADES    | OPEN PRICE | HIGH  | LOW   | CLOSE PR. | PREV. CLOSE | DIFF (RD) | DIFF % | LAST PD | LAST BD | LAST OFFER | PDA VALUE | MARKET CAP    |
|-----------------|---------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------|-------|-----------|-------------|-----------|--------|---------|---------|------------|-----------|---------------|
| REGULAR MARKET  |                     |           |           |           |            |       |       |           |             |           |        |         |         |            |           |               |
| OM0000003968    | OOREDOO             | 101,400   | 40,648    | 12        | 0.394      | 0.402 | 0.394 | 0.400     | 0.396       | 0.004     | 1.010  | 0.402   | 0.396   | 0.402      | 0.100     | 260,377,692   |
| OM0000001525    | OMAN INVST& FIN.    | 230,615   | 23,238    | 16        | 0.101      | 0.102 | 0.100 | 0.101     | 0.100       | 0.001     | 1.000  | 0.100   | 0.095   | 0.101      | 0.100     | 23,937,000    |
| OM0000000077    | AL OMANIYA FIN.     | 475,620   | 52,592    | 24        | 0.110      | 0.112 | 0.107 | 0.111     | 0.110       | 0.001     | 0.909  | 0.108   | 0.108   | 0.108      | 0.100     | 32,404,800    |
| OM0000001707    | OMAN CABLES INDSTR  | 56,000    | 50,400    | 4         | 0.900      | 0.900 | 0.900 | 0.900     | 0.892       | 0.008     | 0.897  | 0.900   | 0.808   | 0.920      | 0.100     | 80,730,000    |
| OM0000001533    | OMINVEST            | 176,453   | 53,899    | 8         | 0.306      | 0.308 | 0.304 | 0.306     | 0.304       | 0.002     | 0.658  | 0.308   | 0.304   | 0.312      | 0.100     | 247,178,333   |
| OM0000001087    | OMAN UNITED INSUR.  | 100,000   | 38,000    | 3         | 0.380      | 0.380 | 0.380 | 0.380     | 0.380       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.380   | 0.380   | 0.382      | 0.100     | 38,000,000    |
| OM0000001418    | RAYCUT CEMENT       | 112,500   | 32,703    | 19        | 0.290      | 0.293 | 0.290 | 0.291     | 0.291       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.292   | 0.289   | 0.292      | 0.100     | 58,200,000    |
| OM0000001749    | OMAN CEMENT         | 81,132    | 19,492    | 12        | 0.240      | 0.242 | 0.240 | 0.240     | 0.240       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.242   | 0.242   | 0.243      | 0.100     | 78,409,450    |
| OM0000000200    | AHLI BANK           | 351,349   | 38,997    | 10        | 0.108      | 0.109 | 0.108 | 0.108     | 0.108       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.108   | 0.109   | 0.109      | 0.100     | 210,563,006   |
| OM0000003000    | AL MAHA MARKTING.   | 3,690     | 2,103     | 2         | 0.570      | 0.570 | 0.570 | 0.570     | 0.570       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.570   | 0.570   | 0.580      | 0.100     | 39,330,000    |
| OM0000003026    | OMAN TELECOM        | 104,595   | 82,421    | 23        | 0.788      | 0.792 | 0.788 | 0.788     | 0.788       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.788   | 0.780   | 0.788      | 0.100     | 591,000,000   |
| OM0000003224    | RENAISSANCE SER.    | 193,916   | 77,626    | 22        | 0.400      | 0.402 | 0.400 | 0.400     | 0.400       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.402   | 0.380   | 0.406      | 0.100     | 94,564,000    |
| OM0000002226    | ALJAZEERA SERVICES  | 252,963   | 90,247    | 22        | 0.350      | 0.360 | 0.350 | 0.356     | 0.358       | -0.002    | -0.559 | 0.360   | 0.360   | 0.358      | 0.100     | 21,788,721    |
| OM0000000296    | BANK MUSCAT         | 1,162,888 | 457,059   | 52        | 0.396      | 0.396 | 0.390 | 0.394     | 0.396       | -0.004    | -1.005 | 0.392   | 0.390   | 0.392      | 0.100     | 1,408,343,068 |
| OM0000000176    | JAZEERA STEEL PROD. | 353,000   | 129,204   | 28        | 0.368      | 0.368 | 0.366 | 0.366     | 0.370       | -0.004    | -1.081 | 0.368   | 0.354   | 0.370      | 0.100     | 45,712,653    |
| OM0000003586    | SOHAR INT. BANK     | 837,129   | 74,073    | 40        | 0.089      | 0.089 | 0.088 | 0.088     | 0.089       | -0.001    | -1.124 | 0.088   | 0.087   | 0.088      | 0.100     | 214,236,593   |
| OM0000006005    | ALMAHA CERAMICS     | 45,852    | 14,595    | 6         | 0.318      | 0.320 | 0.318 | 0.318     | 0.322       | -0.004    | -1.242 | 0.318   | 0.316   | 0.322      | 0.100     | 17,490,000    |
| OM0000001160    | NATIONAL GAS        | 101,940   | 14,725    | 9         | 0.145      | 0.145 | 0.144 | 0.144     | 0.146       | -0.002    | -1.370 | 0.145   | 0.145   | 0.148      | 0.100     | 12,240,000    |
| OM0000001722    | ALANWAR INVESTMENT  | 161,082   | 14,391    | 24        | 0.090      | 0.090 | 0.089 | 0.089     | 0.091       | -0.002    | -2.198 | 0.089   | 0.088   | 0.088      | 0.100     | 17,800,000    |
| OM0000001590    | MUSCAT FINANCE      | 39,000    | 1,719     | 3         | 0.044      | 0.045 | 0.044 | 0.044     | 0.045       | -0.001    | -2.222 | 0.044   | 0.043   | 0.045      | 0.100     | 13,514,438    |
| OM0000000440    | AL SHARQIA INV.     | 596,834   | 52,189    | 40        | 0.089      | 0.089 | 0.086 | 0.087     | 0.090       | -0.003    | -3.333 | 0.088   | 0.086   | 0.090      | 0.100     | 7,830,000     |
| Total           |                     | 21        | 5,538,256 | 1,359,423 |            |       |       |           |             |           |        |         |         |            |           |               |
| Parallel Market |                     |           |           |           |            |       |       |           |             |           |        |         |         |            |           |               |
| OM0000001889    | SALALAH MILLS       | 20,892    | 12,535    | 2         | 0.600      | 0.600 | 0.600 | 0.600     | 0.586       | 0.014     | 2.389  | 0.600   | 0.600   | 0.600      | 0.100     | 29,977,838    |
| OM0000005963    | PHOENIX POWER       | 112,200   | 5,448     | 8         | 0.049      | 0.049 | 0.048 | 0.049     | 0.048       | 0.001     | 2.083  | 0.049   | 0.047   | 0.049      | 0.100     | 71,667,472    |
| OM0000001517    | HSBC BANK OMAN      | 202,311   | 20,594    | 7         | 0.100      | 0.102 | 0.100 | 0.102     | 0.100       | 0.002     | 2.000  | 0.101   | 0.096   | 0.101      | 0.100     | 204,031,905   |
| OM0000001095    | DHOFAH INSURANCE    | 1,250     | 200       | 1         | 0.160      | 0.160 | 0.160 | 0.175     | 0.175       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.160   | 0.000   | 0.175      | 0.100     | 17,500,000    |
| OM0000001301    | DHOFAH CATTLE       | 7,000     | 637       | 2         | 0.091      | 0.091 | 0.091 | 0.091     | 0.091       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.091   | 0.091   | 0.093      | 0.100     | 7,357,250     |
| OM0000001568    | OMAN FISHERIES      | 609       | 51        | 1         | 0.083      | 0.083 | 0.083 | 0.083     | 0.083       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.083   | 0.080   | 0.083      | 0.100     | 10,375,000    |
| OM0000001962    | AL MADINA INV.      | 82,888    | 1,824     | 1         | 0.022      | 0.022 | 0.022 | 0.022     | 0.022       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.022   | 0.021   | 0.023      | 0.100     | 4,557,330     |
| OM0000002275    | SHELL OMAN MKK      | 1,510     | 1,208     | 5         | 0.800      | 0.800 | 0.800 | 0.812     | 0.812       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.800   | 0.800   | 0.808      | 0.100     | 77,140,000    |
| OM0000002374    | UNITED FINANCE      | 5,600     | 215       | 1         | 0.043      | 0.043 | 0.043 | 0.043     | 0.043       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.043   | 0.041   | 0.043      | 0.100     | 15,013,210    |
| OM0000002549    | BANK DHOFAH         | 261,712   | 30,285    | 8         | 0.116      | 0.116 | 0.114 | 0.116     | 0.116       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.114   | 0.110   | 0.116      | 0.100     | 347,576,767   |
| OM0000003083    | AL KAMEL POWER      | 855       | 197       | 1         | 0.230      | 0.230 | 0.230 | 0.249     | 0.249       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.230   | 0.230   | 0.000      | 0.100     | 23,966,250    |
| OM0000003125    | GLOBAL INV. H.      | 1,496     | 70        | 1         | 0.047      | 0.047 | 0.047 | 0.050     | 0.050       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.047   | 0.047   | 0.000      | 0.100     | 10,000,000    |
| OM0000003281    | TAGEER FINANCE      | 44,548    | 3,118     | 2         | 0.070      | 0.070 | 0.070 | 0.070     | 0.070       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.070   | 0.068   | 0.070      | 0.100     | 17,751,300    |
| OM0000003711    | SOHAR POWER         | 702       | 34        | 1         | 0.048      | 0.048 | 0.048 | 0.048     | 0.048       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.048   | 0.045   | 0.048      | 0.100     | 10,608,480    |
| OM0000004735    | SEMBOCORP SALALAH   | 100,400   | 8,032     | 8         | 0.080      | 0.080 | 0.079 | 0.080     | 0.080       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.080   | 0.079   | 0.080      | 0.100     | 76,365,756    |
| OM0000004768    | MADINA TAKAFUL      | 1,205,366 | 112,663   | 36        | 0.093      | 0.094 | 0.093 | 0.093     | 0.093       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.093   | 0.092   | 0.094      | 0.100     | 16,277,000    |
| OM0000004925    | ALBATRAH POWER      | 122,000   | 6,765     | 8         | 0.055      | 0.056 | 0.055 | 0.055     | 0.055       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.056   | 0.055   | 0.056      | 0.100     | 37,118,809    |
| OM0000004933    | AL SUWADI POWER     | 150,500   | 8,629     | 6         | 0.058      | 0.058 | 0.057 | 0.057     | 0.057       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.057   | 0.057   | 0.058      | 0.100     | 40,721,161    |
| OM0000007910    | AMAN REAL ESTATE    | 4,300     | 391       | 1         | 0.091      | 0.091 | 0.091 | 0.093     | 0.093       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.091   | 0.090   | 0.093      | 0.100     | 18,600,000    |
| OM0000003521    | GALFAR ENGINEER     | 520,507   | 26,023    | 35        | 0.050      | 0.050 | 0.049 | 0.050     | 0.051       | -0.001    | -1.961 | 0.050   | 0.050   | 0.050      | 0.100     | 14,499,032    |
| OM0000004420    | BANK NIZWA          | 20,113    | 1,211     | 5         | 0.095      | 0.095 | 0.095 | 0.095     | 0.097       | -0.002    | -2.062 | 0.095   | 0.095   | 0.098      | 0.100     | 142,500,000   |
| OM0000001681    | OMAN EMIRATES HO.   | 50,650    | 2,383     | 2         | 0.047      | 0.050 | 0.047 | 0.047     | 0.048       | -0.001    | -2.083 | 0.050   | 0.049   | 0.050      | 0.100     | 5,728,125     |
| OM0000008447    | OMAN RET. FUND      | 6,000     | 546       | 3         | 0.091      | 0.091 | 0.091 | 0.091     | 0.093       | -0.002    | -2.151 | 0.091   | 0.091   | 0.093      | 0.100     | 59,583,064    |
| OM0000001319    | ALUMINIUM PROD.     | 109,000   | 13,324    | 20        | 0.125      | 0.125 | 0.122 | 0.122     | 0.125       | -0.003    | -2.400 | 0.122   | 0.118   | 0.124      | 0.100     | 4,096,717     |
| OM0000004776    | TAKAFUL OMAN        | 13,200    | 1,244     | 2         | 0.102      | 0.102 | 0.102 | 0.102     | 0.106       | -0.004    | -3.774 | 0.102   | 0.102   | 0.112      | 0.100     | 10,200,000    |
| Total           |                     | 25        | 3,044,009 | 258,329   |            |       |       |           |             |           |        |         |         |            |           |               |

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Lending market witnessing a paradigm shift globally

**PUNE:** The lending market is witnessing a paradigm shift towards digitalisation across the globe. A new category of digital lenders has emerged who are leveraging modern technologies to make the day-to-day life of the consumers easy and frictionless. According to a BCG report published in 2020, over \$1 trillion of retail loans will be disbursed digi-

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SAFETY INNOVATION

Atom Alloys unveils revolutionary fuel storage explosion prevention system

**DUBAI:** Atom Alloys, a global impact-driven safety innovation company based in the US with its corporate office in Dubai, UAE, has announced the launch of a revolutionary fuel explosion prevention system, Atom. A disruptive technological innovation that suppresses the explosion of hydrocarbon fuels in storage and transportation units, Atom was developed over 10 years of research and successful trials by a global team of professionals based in the US, the UAE, and India. This breakthrough innovation addresses one of the world's most pressing challenges: the colossal damage to human lives, property and the environment due to the fuel storage explosions happening around the world. From LPG cylinder blasts and to massive blasts of fuel tankers and at industry sites, 'Fire & Explosion' is one of the top 10 global business risks in 2021. The National Fire Protection



Association's latest report on Fire & Life Safety Ecosystem illustrates the escalation of explosions across the world including over 37,000 fires that occur at US industrial and manufacturing properties annually. More than 100 fuel explosions have been reported since 2019 across the world, most of them avoidable. While fire protection and mitigation systems have been developed in recent years, Atom is the first tested, proven and certified solution to offer a full range sys-

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Adnoc signs long-term gas sales pact with two UAE firms

**ABU DHABI:** The Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (Adnoc) announced that it has signed long-term gas sales agreements with two of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) leading industrial companies: Emirates Steel (ES), the largest integrated steel producer in the UAE, and Arkan, a construction and building materials company in Abu Dhabi. The agreements underscore the role of natural gas as a key enabler for the UAE's industrial sector, and engine of the nation's economic growth and diversification, and support the Ministry of Industry and Advanced Technology's (MoIAT) "Make it in the Emirates" strategy. It also emphasises Adnoc's drive to deliver a more sustainable and economic gas supply and enable gas self-sufficiency for the UAE as part of its 2030 strategy. Under the terms of the agreements, Adnoc will supply natural gas to Emirates Steel and Arkan for the next 10 years to support the growing energy demand and feedstock of Abu Dhabi's industrial sector. Adnoc has the capacity to produce 11 billion standard cubic feet (SCF) of natural gas per day and over 1 billion SCF of sour gas per day, and much of this gas is supplied to customers in the UAE. -WAM

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Customers can choose from two options Flexible option: cash gift of up to OMR 2400 and service of 3 years/ 30,000 km or bundle option: cash gift of OMR 2100, registration, insurance and service up to 8 years / 80,000 km. Also, get assured cash for fuel Scratch N Win coupon up to OMR1000 with every purchase. (Conditions apply. Please visit the showroom for details).

The Kia K5 is designed to get all



attention along with its dynamic and powerful performance that gives the lead when required the most. The K5's powerful and angular design language represents another chapter of boldness and passion for the brand. From the side, the K5's low-slung and fastback silhouette confirm the impression it was made to excite, highlighted by a chrome garnish that spans the roofline and wraps around the rear glass. A number of other exterior design traits give the K5 an unexpected level of visual impact. Giving the K5 its stunning looks are features that include LED Headlamps, LED Daytime Running Lights, LED Front Fog Lamps, LED Rear Fog Lamps, 18" Alloy Wheels and Dual LED Headlamps.

In terms of performance, the K5 makes a fine mark with a 2.5L GDI engine dishing out 191 HP and 25.1 KG.M. Torque. This is paired with an 8-speed Automatic Transmission. Harmonising the open layout

of the cockpit is a newly designed infotainment display that seamlessly stretches into the instrument panel, creating a futuristic, three-dimensional layout and driver-centric space.

Creating an inviting and comfortable interior is a range of features that include Tinted Glass, Tilt & Telescopic Steering, Radio with USB, Audio Remote Control, Driver's Seat Height Adjuster, Rear AC Vents, Leather AT Knob, Power Driver Seat, Smart Key with Button Start, Panoramic Sunroof, Auto A/C, 8" Audio Display, Mood Lamp, Wireless Smartphone Charging, Premium Music System, Red Leather Seats and Aluminium Pedals.

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SAFETY FIRST

Hyundai Motor donates 10,000 3D masks to its showrooms in Oman

**MUSCAT:** Hyundai Motor Company is continuing to put the safety of its customers at the forefront of its operation by providing 3D face mask gear to its distributors across the Middle East and Africa markets.

Following an increase in the number of cases across several countries in the Middle East and Africa market in recent weeks, Hyundai Motor has purchased 300,000 3D masks and 60,000 mask straps designed for children to help tackle the threat.

Oman is one of the 10 countries that will benefit from Hyundai contributing 10,000 3D face masks

and 2,000 mask straps which will be handed out to customers' children visiting its Hyundai showrooms over the next three months.

The contributions are part of Hyundai Motor's ongoing commitment to helping people keep safe during these unprecedented times.

In June 2020, at a time when all countries were affected by the pandemic, Hyundai Motor donated more than 603,000 safety items including face masks, hand sanitisers, protective suits and ambulances to 37 nations across the Middle East and Africa market

Bang Sun Jeong, Vice President, Head of Hyundai Motor

Company Middle East & Africa HQs, said, "The COVID-19 pandemic has already proven to have far-reaching consequences for people around the world in the last few months and while different measures have been taken to protect our safety including vaccinations, the new variants of the virus that are quickly spreading have the potential to pose even greater challenges going forward.

"We are pleased to be contributing a substantial volume of 3D face mask gear to all of our distributors in the Middle East and Africa market, which will be handed out to everyone visiting our showrooms

in the coming weeks. Our customers have continuously supported our business at all times and now we are giving our support back to them when it's needed the most.

"In times like these it is imperative that we at Hyundai Motor Company do our part in providing a helping hand and we will remain committed to supporting people across the world until this completed passed."

OTE Group is the exclusive dealer for Hyundai in Oman offering excellent sales and after-sales service support, underpinned by a nationwide service network, that's on par with global standards.

SECOND CUP GLOBAL AWARDS

Second Cup Oman scoops three awards

**MUSCAT:** Second Cup Oman, the Canadian-born franchise of Bin Mirza International, scooped up three awards for Franchise Partner of the Year, Sustainability and Community, and Lifetime Achievement at the 2020 Second Cup Global Awards. The accolades are a testament to Second Cup Oman's continuous dedication to ensuring reliably great coffee while also positively contributing to its partners and community.

Dedicated to giving back to the environment, Second Cup Oman earned its Sustainability & Community Award for being the First Second Cup from around the world to recycle its coffee grinds.

The grinds are collected, dried, and neatly packed to be given to customers for free to use as fertilizer for their gardens or as an ingredient to add to their beauty



routine. In addition, Second Cup Oman was one of the first cafes to introduce biodegradable paper straws.

While striving to save the planet, one coffee bean at a time, Sec-

ond Cup Oman was also prized with the Franchise Partner of the Year award for meeting the highest standards. As a member of the Second Cup family since 2004, Hani Bin Mirza, Managing Direc-

tor at Bin Mirza International, was also honoured with the Lifetime Achievement award. As a franchisee of the award-winning café, he is determined to expand and franchise throughout the country.

Jannat Shafaei, Marketing Director at Bin Mirza International, said, "Despite the struggles, we continue to face due to the pandemic, our staff have shown remarkable resilience, working vigorously and with the utmost dedication to overcome the obstacles we have faced this year. The three different awards are a welcome recognition of the sheer effort that we put into delivering excellence. It is a true honour to see our hard work pay off and as we continue to make our way through this challenging time together, we are confident that we will emerge stronger than ever."

VAT DEDUCTION

Incredible offers on Alfa Romeo models from Dhofar Automotive



**MUSCAT:** Dhofar Automotive, the official distributor of Alfa Romeo vehicles in the Sultanate, has announced some amazing offers on Alfa Romeo models. The company will be bearing the 5% VAT, as well as providing several benefits on select models from the Alfa Romeo range including the Stelvio, Giulia, and Giulietta.

Hatem El-Naggar, General Manager at Dhofar Automotive, said, "We are pleased to provide our valued customers with some exciting offers on amazing Alfa Romeo models. The Italian brand is renowned for its powerful cars, inspired by its

long history of racing with its line-up winning numerous international and regional awards. The Alfa Romeo Stelvio, Giulietta, Giulia are now available at great prices, several free services and with no VAT since Dhofar Automotive will be bearing the 5% cost."

Being the first Alfa Romeo SUV, the Stelvio features an attractive look with strong performance, something that is even more prominent in the Quadrifoglio variant. It has design features that create an even sportier style and cater to the car's specific technical features. Alfa Romeo Stelvio Super is available at a

starting price of OMR 24,690.

The Alfa Romeo Giulia sets new standards for the luxury mid-size sedan class. It has won numerous regional and international awards and has remained a class leader since its initial reveal. The Alfa Romeo Giulia Super is available at a starting price of OMR 18,890.

The Giulietta Veloce and Giulia Veloce are the more powerful variants of each model and start from OMR 14,390 and OMR 23,390, respectively. Both models feature the Alfa TCT, the innovative twin dry clutch semi-automatic transmission from Alfa Romeo, which

ensures continuous delivery of torque and traction without loss of power while shifting. Everything on the Veloce variants are conceived to deliver an authentic racing experience behind the wheel.

"We at Dhofar Automotive are pleased to invite all Alfa Romeo enthusiasts in the Sultanate to visit our showrooms and see the stunning Alfa Romeo range, first-hand. We also encourage them to meet with our sales representatives and request a personal driving experience. We are confident that they will enjoy the performance of these powerful models," he added.

SPORTING NATION

Bank Muscat completes more Green Sports fields in North, South Al Batinah

**MUSCAT:** In line with its commitment to community development and corporate social responsibility, Bank Muscat, the leading financial services provider in the Sultanate, is continuing to complete new sports fields across the Sultanate as part of its flagship Green Sports programme. The bank recently celebrated the completion of two new sports fields in North Al Batinah and two fields in South Al Batinah as part of its efforts to promote Oman as a sporting nation.



The announcement of the project completion for the Al Ghadafan Sports Team's field in the Wilayat of Liwain North Al Batinah was attended by Saeed Khamis Al Mamari, the Chairman of the Team. The bank also celebrated the Al Nasr Sports Team's sports field in the Wilayat of Al Khabourah in North Al Batinah, in the presence of Khalid Abdullah Al Wahaibi, a member of the Board of Directors. Abdul Rahman Abdullah Al Shizawi, Regional Manager - North Al Batinah, Bank Muscat, handed over project completion certificates to both the teams at the respective handover events in North Al Batinah.

Meanwhile, two Green Sports fields were also handed over to teams in South Al Batinah Governorate. The field for the Al Hussn Sports Team in the Wilayat of Rustaq was represented by Hilal Saeed Al Harmali, Chairman of the Team. The fourth sports field was handed over to the Al Taawun Sports Team from the Wilayat of

Al Musannah in the presence of Ali Salim Al Braiki, a member of the Board of Directors. Both the events in South Al Batinah were attended by Adnan Ahmed Rajab Al Balushi, Assistant Regional Manager - South Al Batinah, who handed over project completion certificates to the teams. All the handover events were organised in full compliance with COVID-19 norms.

On this occasion, Abdul Rahman Abdullah Al Shizawi, Regional Manager - North Al Batinah, Bank Muscat said that we are pleased to extend our congratulations to the teams whose Green Sports fields have been completed, wishing them more success and achievements in the future. The winning teams for this year will be announced in the coming days, across different categories including installation of artificial turf or natural grass on sports fields, floodlighting and water-desalination systems.

On his part, Adnan Ahmed Al Balushi, Assistant Regional

Manager - South Al Batinah, Bank Muscat said that the Green Sports programme implemented by the bank since 2012 continues its successes as a large number of Green Sports fields have been completed over the past years. He said: "Today, we are pleased to have completed the opening of these new fields, which will be an important resource for members of these teams to practice different types of sports, to host community events and activities and also obtain financial returns by commercialising the use of the sports field in the right way."

It must be noted that as many as 123 teams have benefitted from the bank's flagship CSR programme until the end of 2020. The scope of support under the Green Sports programme included the installation of artificial turf or natural grass on sports fields, floodlighting and water-desalination systems. There is no doubt that it has been greatly contributing to further build Omani sporting talent.

FUEL-EFFICIENT

Nissan Altima available on special 0% interest



**MUSCAT:** Offering customers an unmatched buying experience, Nissan Oman from the house of Suhail Bahwan Automobiles (SBA), is extending a wide range of deals for the patrons of Nissan Altima, which is known for its classy design, fuel economy, driving performance, technology and comfortability.

Customers of Nissan Altima will have a choice of benefits including 0% interest for three years on specific models, cash gift, free service, insurance and more. The offer, which is available on all models purchased for personal use, will go on till June 3.

A senior official of Nissan Oman said, "As a testament of the brand's pledge to its customer to offer them the best, we have worked out deals that customers of Nissan Altima are sure to find attractive. Nissan is popular because it offers an outstanding drive, enhanced handling, fuel efficiency and thoughtful technology solutions. Its powerful high-performance engine and a range of other features add to its appeal."

A special interest rate is available for MY20 Nissan Altima and customers can get 0% up to three years or 1.99% for four years or 2.49% for five years or 2.99% for six years on the model. For all tenures beyond six years, normal interest rates will apply

for the full tenure of the loan. This rate is applicable for individual purchase with private registration only and is subject to finance/credit approval. This benefit will be applicable for financing through select finance companies only. Customers purchasing in cash, LPO, a credit will not be eligible for a special interest rate benefit. Terms and conditions apply.

Customers of the Nissan Altima range can avail low EMI rate of OMR 168. These EMIs are calculated on the basis 2.99% rate of interest for 6 years loan tenure.

Customers of Nissan Altima can enjoy a free periodic maintenance service package for 3 years/ 60,000 km. This offer is valid for 10,000 km service intervals. Under the special promotion, customers of Nissan Altima can avail of assured cash gift ranging from OMR 2200 to OMR 2600. Customers of Nissan Altima can enjoy free insurance in Oman & UAE for the first year for private registration.

Customers of Nissan Altima can enjoy free registration for the first year.

Nissan Oman is extending a 'book a home test drive' service for its prospective customers. The service enables potential customers to schedule their test drive online at their convenience.

ROUND-UP

NBO recognised at World Business Outlook Awards

National Bank of Oman has won ‘Best Digital Bank Oman 2021’ and ‘Best Mobile Banking App Oman 2021’ awards



**MUSCAT:** A testament to its role as a digital leader in the banking industry, the National Bank of Oman (NBO) has won twice at the World Business Outlook Awards, for ‘Best Digital Bank Oman 2021’ and ‘Best Mobile Banking App Oman 2021’.

The awards, which are held annually by the global publication, highlight the bank’s innovative use of technology and its constantly-enhanced digital portfolio. With its mobile app at the centre, NBO’s range of cutting-edge digital solutions continues to cater to the evolving demands of its customers

and cement its position as a bank fit for the future. Abdul Karim Al Hinai, Chief Transformation Officer at NBO, said, “Our digital transformation is central to our journey as a market-leading bank, and as such we have pioneered several first-

of-their-kind projects, from our mobile app to cashless and contactless banking, to our mobile wallet. Especially during the last year, our digitally-led solutions have been instrumental to people being able to manage their financial lives safely and easily during the pandemic. As we look forward, we continue to find ways to make the digital banking experience seamless, inclusive, and altogether more enjoyable.”

The awards add to a growing list of accolades the bank has garnered in recent years, which include ‘Best Mobile Banking App Oman 2021’ from International Business Magazine, ‘Best Mobile Banking App Oman’ from International Finance Banking in 2020 and 2019, Most Innovative Mobile Banking App – Oman at the annual Global Business Outlook Awards 2020, and the Best Mobile Banking App Oman by Oman Economic Review in 2018.

NEW CAMPAIGN

‘Free Jewellery Maintenance’ at Malabar Gold for ornaments purchased from anywhere

**MUSCAT:** Malabar Gold & Diamonds, the leading jewellery retailer globally with a strong retail network of over 260 retail outlets spread across 10 countries have launched an exclusive and unique campaign – ‘Free Jewellery Maintenance’ giving customers a golden opportunity to repair, polish and resize their jewellery possessions for free. This free maintenance option can be availed for jewellery purchased from anywhere. This campaign will run from May 26 to June 12.

In addition to this, the brand has also announced that customers can exchange their old gold jewellery purchased from anywhere, at Malabar Gold & Diamonds showrooms to buy the latest and trendy collections at the best exchange value.

**‘Malabar Promise’**  
“Jewellery is an asset that we keep for a lifetime and in fact, pass on to generations as well. At Malabar Gold & Diamonds, we understand the sentimental and commercial value of the jewellery. Also, being a delicate product, jewellery needs time to time maintenance,

as part of which, we offer free lifetime maintenance for jewellery purchased from us, as part of the ‘Malabar Promise’. However, there are many people, including our customers, who have purchased jewellery from elsewhere, which require maintenance. This is why we have launched this exclusive campaign for a brief period, during which we also offer preferential rates in case the repair requires additional precious gems or other metals,” said Najeeb K, Regional Director – Oman, Malabar Gold & Diamonds.

To add more glitter to this, they have also unveiled the latest collection of jewellery in gold, diamonds and precious gems to suit the tastes of their multicultural and multinational customers. Malabar Gold & Diamonds has incorporated these designs as a part of various brands presented at Malabar Gold & Diamonds’ namely Ethnix - Handcrafted Designer Jewellery, Era - Uncut Diamond Jewellery, Mine - Diamonds Unlimited, Divine- Indian Heritage Jewellery, Precia - Gem Jewellery and Starlet – Kids jewellery.

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**MUSCAT:** Dream of owning an INFINITI QX50, that delivers the promise of a premium motoring experience, is made easy for you this season by INFINITI Oman, from the house of Suhail Bahwan Automobiles.



Customers who purchase INFINITI QX50 during the Ramadan promotion are eligible for assured cash gift, free registration, free window film and ceramic paint protection coat, free periodic vehicle service package and free AAA Assistance Card. The special offer is valid till June 6.

A senior spokesperson at INFINITI Oman said, “Customers can continue to benefit by making the best use of INFINITI Oman’s special offer on INFINITI QX50. The highly-rated INFINITI QX50 has been created to meet the needs of today’s premium car buyers and to deliver ultimate levels of comfort, design and technology. Its key features include ample space, engine power and efficiency rolled into one unique vehicle. The crossover embodies everything the brand stands for – beautiful design, advanced technology and empowering performance.”

An assured cash gift of OMR 3000 is being offered on INFINITI QX50. The cash gift can be adjusted in the down payment of the car if the customer opts for it.

All customers purchasing INFINITI QX50 during this scheme period will be eligible for free first-year vehicle registration. Ap-

plicable to the extent of Private Registration only. For commercial registrations, an additional amount including passing needs to be borne by the customer.

All customers purchasing INFINITI QX50 during this scheme will be eligible for free window film (side and rear glass) and a ceramic paint protection coat.

All customers purchasing INFINITI QX50 during this scheme period will be eligible for a free periodic maintenance service package for three years/60,000 km (whichever is earlier).

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economy of a 4-cylinder engine, which allows users to harness the exhilarating performance of 268 hp and 380 nm at 4,400 rpm of torque.

The appearance of the INFINITI QX50 highlights the influence of human artistry in the design process to emphasize the car’s premium quality with intelligent packaging and deep character lines with INFINITI signature design cues.

The VC-Turbo engine is the world’s first production-ready variable compression ratio engine, transforming on demand. A breakthrough in combustion engine design, the 2.0-litre VC-Turbo engine adjusts its compression ratio to optimize power and efficiency.

A multi-link system continuously raises or lowers the pistons’ reach to transform the compression ratio. High compression ratios aid efficiency, while low ratios enable greater power and torque.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

15 student companies qualify for finals of Z-Corp sponsored Injaz Oman contest

**MUSCAT:** 15 student companies have qualified for the final stage of the ninth edition of the Injaz Oman Student Company Programme competition. The Zubair Corporation (Z-Corp) had recently signed a sponsorship agreement with Injaz Oman to support the ninth edition of the Student Company Programme.

The winners of the competition are expected to be announced in June 2021.

The qualified projects which have qualified for the final stage include Elligo, E-Med, Smart Socket, Palm Fuse, T2G, Repla, Resurrection, Paint Pulse, Inspirations, Bonn, DJ, Shanah, Affluence, Cordyamotv and Laja.

90 student companies participated in this edition of the programme. In all the numbers of students who participated in the competition from different governorates stood at 950.

The jury reviewed and evaluated the projects at the Injaz Oman Foundation official as well as via the Internet.

Khaula Al Harthy, CEO of Injaz Oman expressed her appreciation to the Zubair Corporation for the support it provided to Injaz Oman’s Student Company Programme.

She said, “We would like to congratulate the students whose projects have qualified to the final stage. The programme has achieved many goals that are consistent with the Sultanate’s efforts to support entrepreneurship in the Sultanate. The most



important of which is enabling students to transform their ideas into innovative projects. The programme has helped them develop their leadership capabilities, trained them to manage cash flow, solve problems, make decisions, and provided the knowledge necessary to manage their projects.”

Said Al Sahib, Director of Zubair SEC, said, “As strategic partners Z-Corp and Injaz Oman organically complement the development process of young entrepreneurs moving from the academic stages into the real market scenario. As part of our social responsibility strategy, we are pleased to support national initiatives that support entrepreneurship like our social responsibility initiative Zubair Small Enterprises Centre (Zubair SEC) does.”

He pointed out that the Student Company Programme matches Z-

Corp’s social responsibility strategy in advocating education, training, and encouraging entrepreneurs.

He added, “The Student Company Programme has identified many projects and pioneering ideas by students at colleges and universities in the Sultanate. We hope that these projects will be transformed into real companies which will contribute to the development of this country.”

Injaz Oman’s Student Company Programme aims to enable students of higher education institutions to establish real projects after receiving training from a group of qualified experts in the field of entrepreneurship during the period of their participation in the programme. The programme aims to provide real opportunities to prepare young people and motivate them to enter the job market with confidence.

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