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STEM CELL TRANSPLANT FOR BABY GIRL AT ROYAL HOSPITAL

A baby girl suffering from Severe Combined Immunodeficiency underwent stem cell transplant at the Royal Hospital. The Royal Hospital, represented by Clinical Immunology department with support from the RH's Paediatric Intensive Care Unit, and the Bone Marrow Transplantation unit in the SQUH, performed the operation. **>A4**



FIRST EXCLUSIVE VILLAGE FOR FISHERMEN COMES UP IN DUQM

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TACKLING THE PANDEMIC



REVIEW MEETING: The meeting was held under the chairmanship of Sayyid Hamoud bin Faisal Al Busaidi, Minister of Interior. **-ONA**

COVID-19: Committee reviews measures to help private sector

Times News Service

MUSCAT: The committee tasked with studying the economic impacts of coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic yesterday held a meeting under the chairmanship of Sayyid Hamoud bin Faisal Al Busaidi, Minister of Interior.

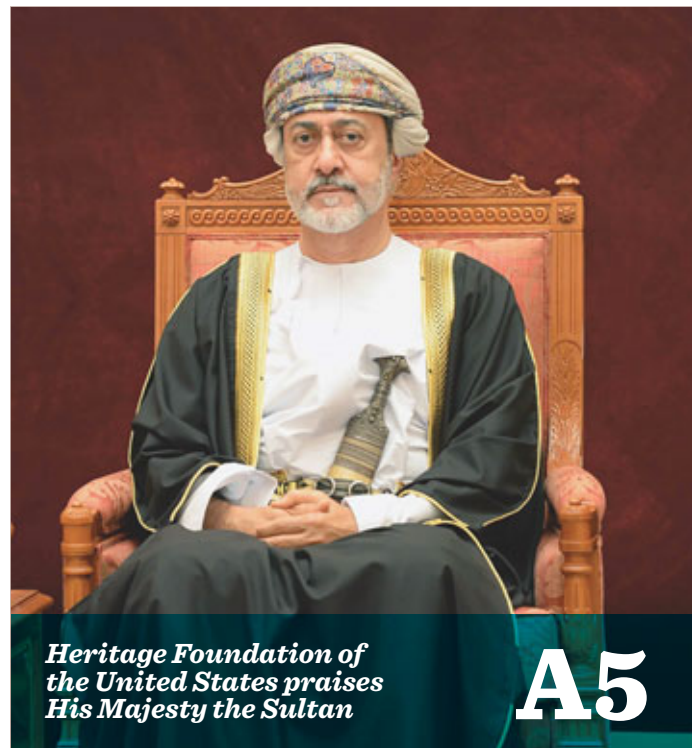
The committee reviewed preventive procedures and precautions undertaken over the past period to support the sustainability of private sector businesses and enhance their ability to adapt to the current exceptional condi-

tions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Incentive packages

The steps included commercial, industrial and incentive packages offered by the Government, in addition to the Programme of Emergency Loans meant to help the most hard-hit entrepreneurs.

The committee also studied a number of other topics related to its tasks and decided to submit recommendations in their regard to the Supreme Committee for appropriate action.



Heritage Foundation of the United States praises His Majesty the Sultan

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EXPATRIATES CRY FOUL OVER 'HIKED UP AIR FARES'

Those involved in bringing expats back say the extra price is for hiring a chartered flight

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Expats returning to Oman from India on special flights are being forced to pay more than three times the cost of a standard ticket.

Social workers and those assisting in bringing expats back say

this is because travel agents claim the extra fees go towards arranging a chartered flight and receiving approval from Oman's Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA), without which returning passengers cannot board their flights to Oman.

However, the ministry has con-

firmed that there is no charge for seeking approval to return to the country.

Passengers returning to the Sultanate have spoken of the large sums of money they are compelled to fork out to come back to the country.

Travel agents

Normally a one-way ticket from India costs OMR40 to OMR80 depending on the destination. But ever since flights stopped, the price of the one-way tickets with approval has gone up to OMR 245.

"We are charging OMR235 if you want to fly from Delhi or

Mumbai to Muscat. But you have to pay OMR245 if you want to fly from Chennai or Bangalore. You just need to fill up a MoFA form and we will do the rest. The money includes flights and MoFA approval," confirmed a travel agent in Ruwi.

300 chartered flights

According to the Indian Embassy, more than 300 chartered flights have already operated from various destinations in India to Muscat and Salalah.

S K, a passenger who returned from the Indian state of Kerala said, "I was charged about

OMR190 for a ticket to return to Oman. A one-way ticket to my hometown normally costs about OMR60. This is too much money."

Rescheduling woes

"What's worse is that they kept rescheduling our flight timings, just hours before we were expected to take off. First, we were expected to take off at 8pm India time, then, they made it 5:30pm so we had to change our plans accordingly. Once we reached the airport, they told us the flight had been delayed. It would now only take off at 8:55pm. It was a really frustrating experience," he added.

Another passenger, who made the trip from New Delhi to Muscat said she had to pay more than INR40,000 (OMR210) for a one-way ticket, when the average cost for such a journey is only about OMR90.

"I paid this money because my daughter is here, and I need to take care of her," she said.

"My husband cannot manage his job and our household on his own. I was speaking to other passengers who had made similar journeys, and they all said they had to pay high amounts to come back home. It is a lot of money, but we don't have a lot of choice. Our families and livelihoods are here." **>A4**

ENVIRONMENT

New bat species discovered in Oman's Dhofar region



Times News Service

MUSCAT: With the discovery of a new type of bat in the Dhofar governorate, the total number of bat species registered in the Sultanate has gone up to 26.

Rousettus aegyptiacus, *Rhinolophus clivosus* and *Cyrtops Rhinopoma*, *Pipistrellus dhofarensis* are the most famous bat species found in Oman.

Zahrán bin Ahmed Al Abdul Salam, Assistant Director of the Environmental Affairs Department at Office for Conservation of Environment (OCE), said, "Conducting such research and cooperating with international organisations specialised in this



field and publishing scientific papers on them enhances knowledge and understanding about these species."

The supervisor of the research team added that "This will help to preserve these organisms in their environment, understanding the

best places for their spread, identifying the varieties and the viruses each class carries that may affect the public health of people, as well as research their environmental benefits. I also think it is important to gather more information about it." **>A3**



TOP THREE INSIDE STORIES

OMAN Omani-designed laptop to hit market

1 The first Omani-designed laptop, which takes into account local requirements, is expected to hit the market in the Sultanate this month. **>A3**

SPORTS Al Harthy returns to Asian Le Mans Series

2 Oman Racing's Ahmad Al Harthy has confirmed that he will return to action in the high-profile Asian Le Mans Series. **>A7**

MARKET Omifco to boost Oman's farm sector

3 As part of its CSR efforts, Oman India Fertiliser Company has provided three refrigerated trucks to Omani Agricultural Association. **>B1**



PRAYER
TIMINGS



Dhuhr.....12:11pm

Asr.....3:39pm

Maghrib.....6:28pm

Isha.....7:40pm

Fajr (Tomorrow).....4:33am



STAYING

HEALTH WATCH

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DURING THE PANDEMIC

Times News Service

While the COVID-19 pandemic has brought with it a lot of uncertainty, what is also uncertain is when this uncertainty will end, and that, in many ways, only serves to magnify the doubts many of us have during these testing times.

Doctors, however, have said that worrying too much about our future, when we at present have little control over them, will only cause more anxiety. What we instead need to do is focus on the present and do our best under the circumstances.



HOW DO YOU KNOW
YOU ARE STRESSED?

To help people cope better with the mental impact of the unprecedented effects of the pandemic, the World Health Organization launched its mental health and psychosocial support portal. Visit http://www.emro.who.int/mhps/dealing_with_stress.html

What is stress?

When we are experiencing difficult and challenging times, such as the current COVID-19 pandemic, it is normal to feel:

- Worried or concerned about loved ones, especially if they are at risk of illness.
- Worried or concerned about your personal health and safety.
- Concerned that health care services may be disrupted.

- Socially isolated or sometimes lonely, especially when living alone.
- Bored, tired, or lacking energy, and you may not feel as productive as usual.
- Uncertain about the future and not be able to focus or concentrate on making plans.
- We experience a range of emotions, like fear, sadness, anger, numbness, helplessness, and hopelessness. These can manifest in many physical, psychological, and social signs.



SPEND QUALITY TIME

- “The pandemic has had an unprecedented impact on the mental health of all. The theme of uncertainty, which this pandemic has ushered in, has pushed many people into severe anxiety, post-traumatic stress, depression and even psychosis.
- “The main concerns of people right now are mainly about their future. No one is sure about the long-term impact this pandemic and its subsequent fall out can have on their job security, family, and the future of their

children, among other things. Many who’ve been infected are also worried about the long-term complications of this condition.

- The main theme in terms of sound mental health is to continue one’s daily routines in a manner that is as normal as possible. Have adequate sleep, exercise, leisure activities and spending quality time. Follow all the required precautionary measures such as the proper use of a mask, keeping physical distance and proper hygiene measures.

Negative thoughts and feelings may lead us to think about:



giving up



blaming others



judging ourselves harshly



unpleasant memories



what will happen in the future, especially what we fear



our concern for other people



YOU ARE NOT ALONE

We often start doing things that make our situation worse. For many of us, our reactions to a stressful situation change over time.

However, for some of us, signs that we are struggling continue and they negatively impact how we live our daily lives, perform at work or they affect our relationships with family and friends.

This is not because we are weak or are to blame for what we are experiencing. Rest assured that you are not alone, and many other people feel the same.

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Health protocols will be applied in all schools to ensure the safety of students.



Schools to reopen in Oman with Covid-19 protocols in place

Health protocols will be applied in all schools to ensure the safety of students

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Omani nurses replacing expats

A photo post on Omani nurses replacing expats got 321 likes and 10,159 impressions on Instagram.



Omani-designed laptop to hit the market soon

Foldable up to 360 degrees, the laptop can read electronic ID cards and help users access government facilities

Times News Service

MUSCAT: The first state-of-the-art laptop designed by Omani engineers for local requirements will be available for pre-orders from next week. Foldable up to 360 degrees, the laptop can read electronic ID cards and help its users access government facilities.

Moaz Al Hinai, a member of the Onsor Computers Company, spoke exclusively to the *Times of Oman*, "The laptop will hit the Oman markets this month and will be available at a special price of OMR80.

"Allocated to the Ministry of Education, it will be meant for school students, as its price will be equivalent to or lower than the average price of other computers in the market.

"As the Ministry of Higher Education caters to the students of colleges and universities needing advanced computers, they will also get a special price similar to what is being offered to the stu-

what is being offered to the students under Ministry of Education category. So there will not be much difference in the price



AFFORDABLE AND LOCAL: The laptop will hit the Oman markets this month and will be available at a special price of OMR80.

between the two ministries.”

Speaking about the efforts that have gone into making this laptop, he said, "This achievement came after fruitful efforts that lasted for 6 years since 2014 during our university studies at Sultan Qaboos University, specialising in engineering, and during this period the technical capabilities of Onsor team were developing and we established our first headquarters in Al Khoudh in the Wilayat of Seeb, then we moved to Al Ma'abilya, where we embraced the SAS Centre for Entrepreneurship.

"First, we were working on making small electronic boards related to our study projects at the university, then designing general electronic boards so that everyone could implement multiple technical projects using these boards, then last year we included making the first single board laptop and then we decided to move to a bigger challenge which is laptop so every challenge opens the way for a bigger challenge than before," Moaz recalled.

The Onsor founding team includes Eng. Moaz Al Hinai, Eng. Hamza Al Nu'mani, the chas-

sis designer, and Eng. Yazan Al Musafir, the electronic board and motherboard designer. A group of Omani engineers has also been formed to design new products. 21 Omani trainees were selected, three of whom passed all the tests and were able to proceed to designing of complex devices such as laptops.

"When we finished designing the prototype, a Royal Decree was issued to establish the Ministry of Technology and Communications and appoint the former Minister Azza Al Ismailia as Minister so we presented the idea and designs to the specialists and experts in the ministry, and Her Excellency the Minister welcomed the idea and gave us thanks and encouragement. She embraced the idea and confirmed that this idea should see light of the day and therefore we got all forms of support from them." Al Hina'i added.

Moaz confirmed that they did not receive any financial support from any government or private entity from the beginning of the idea until the laptop was produced.

 Full story @ timesofoman.com/oman

EMPOWERMENT



First special village for fishermen built in Dugm

MUSCAT: The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Water Resources has recently allocated land plots close to the coast in various governorates, to build villages for fishermen with all facilities needed to provide a safe and stable environment for them.

The fishermen village in the Wilayat of Duqm in the Governorate of Al Wusta is considered the first of these projects to empower full-time fishermen. Its area stands at 4,573 square metres. As many as 500 full-time Omani fishermen will benefit from this village from outside the Governorate of Al Wusta.

The diverse marine wealth and abundance of fisheries production in the Governorate of Al Wusta are behind the selection of the Wilayat of Duqm to build this village. The governorate is rich in different species of Omani fish, along with multiple fishing seasons, such as shrimp, lobster, abalone, kingfish and sardines due to its vast coastline overlooking the Arabian Sea.

The fisheries production in the Governorate of Al Wusta in 2019 reached about 720,669 tonnes, which is the highest among the governorates of the Sultanate, with a value of OMR74.961 million.

The Ministry is currently continuing the construction work for the second such village in the Wilayat of Masirah in the Governorate of South A'Sharqiyah, because the island is very rich in fish wealth. The village will have an area of 4,537 square metres. -ONA-

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NEW BAT SPECIES

< FROM **A1** Scientific studies being done



The OCE at the Diwan of the Royal Court continues a series of scientific, environmental and laboratory field studies on bats.

Al Abdul Salam said, "In 2019 the first field work for the project was completed, as 3 different sites have been selected from the north of the Sultanate. During this period, 106 bats were caught and dealt with. A number of different samples were taken from



bats and their various environments and the associated coronaviruses, and to study their risks and benefits.

In cooperation with the competent government agencies the team will suggest the best ways for government agencies to deal with these organisms in accordance with the best global environmental safety standards," Zahran concluded.

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Oman's ambassador to Thailand presents copy of credentials

BANGKOK: Director General of Protocols in the Thai Foreign Ministry received at the capital, Bangkok ambassador Issa bin Abdullah Al Alawi, who presented a copy of his credentials as the Sultanate's ambassador to the

friendly Kingdom of Thailand, on Wednesday.

The meeting discussed the bilateral relations between the two friendly countries on various fields.

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ROYAL OMAN POLICE

Two people arrested for theft

Times News Service

MUSCAT: An amount of OMR400 has been stolen from a vehicle and the accused have been arrested by the Royal Oman Police (ROP).

A statement issued by Royal Oman Police said, "The South Sharqiyah Police Command ar-

rested two people on charges of stealing from a vehicle after the driver stopped the vehicle in the commercial market area of Sur."

"The two defendants opened the vehicle using certain tools and stole OMR400 and the legal procedures were completed against them," the statement added.

SEVERE COMBINED IMMUNODEFICIENCY

Baby girl with rare disease undergoes stem cell transplant in Royal Hospital

MUSCAT: A baby girl suffering from Severe Combined Immunodeficiency (SCID) underwent stem cell transplant at the Royal Hospital (RH).

The Royal Hospital, represented by Clinical Immunology department with support from the RH's Paediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU), and the Bone Marrow Transplantation unit in the Sultan Qaboos University Hospital (SQUH), performed the operation.

The child was diagnosed with SCID when she was two-month old. This is an inherited primary immunodeficiency disease (PIDD) that typically appears in infancy and results in profound immune deficiency conditions leading to a weak immune system that is unable to fight off even mild infections.

After diagnosis, a treatment plan was prepared and initiated immediately.

In order to reduce the chance of both regular and opportunistic infections, the affected infant was given oral microbial antibiotics daily in addition to a monthly Intravenous Immunoglobulin (IVIg) treatment provided by the Clinical Immunology department.

As conventional treatments failed to control the severe bacterial pneumonia and blood infection as well the associated hyper immunity of the child (Fajer) and her condition was deteriorating, the team decided to cure the primary disease- (SCID).

The most effective treatment for SCID is bone marrow transplant (also known as a stem cell transplant). In this treatment, an infant



RARE FEAT: The Royal Hospital, represented by Clinical Immunology department with constant support from the RH's Pediatric Intensive Care Unit (PICU), and in collaboration with the Bone Marrow Transplantation unit in the Sultan Qaboos University Hospital (SQUH), performed this operation.

with SCID receives healthy stem cells from a matched donor, usually a healthy brother or sister.

By identifying a matched donor - Fajer's big brother, preparation was made for stem cell transplantation. The procedure was performed in the RH's PICU after receiving the stem cell from SQUH. Following transplantation, a substantial improvement was noted in the patient's health.

While this kind of treatment is offered in SQUH and is currently not available at the Royal Hospital, the procedure was performed within exceptional conditions that can be highlighted in the following:

The child's health condition was unstable to be transferred to the SQUH's Bone Marrow Transplantation department for direct observation. Therefore, there was a possibility of complications oc-

curing in case the child receives stem cells from the donor without the direct supervision of the bone marrow transplant team.

The RH's PICU team is not familiar with this type of treatment.

Lack of necessary laboratory examinations to identify the progress of the transplant procedure and predict its complications.

Despite the challenging circumstances, the PICU has spared no efforts to provide utmost-specialised distinct health services to the patient. Surly, this procedure presents a qualitative step in introducing similar therapies for children with primary Immunodeficiency in the future.

Now in her tenth month, Fajer is enjoying good health with her parents and brother- the donor. The Paediatric Clinical Immunology department is following up closely

her health condition.

It is worth mentioning that SCID is considered to be the most serious PIDD. It may lead further to an uncontrolled Hyperimmunity. Hyperimmunity in children with severe combined immunodeficiency causes the immune system - which is damaged - to attack the body itself causing other health conditions as Hemophagocytic lymphohistiocytosis (HLH), bone marrow immunosuppression, or the development of blood and lymphatic system cancer.

Hyperimmunity poses a real threat to a child's life. This type of disease is very rare.

However, due to the increase of relative-marriage rate in Oman and the neighboring countries, it is estimated to affect 4.6-5 of every 100,000 Omani newborn per year. -ONA



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INDIAN SOCIAL CLUB

<FROM A1 'Unfair to charge so much for air tickets from expatriates'

PM Jabir is the community welfare secretary for the Indian Social Club in Muscat and has helped organise many flights for people who want to go back to India. Having dealt with the challenges facing migrant workers for many years, he said it is unfair to expect people to pay this sort of money, particularly when many of them cannot afford it.

"If we were able to organise flights at subsidised rates for returning workers, we would try to do so, but we are not authorised to operate outside Oman, and we need an agent on the other side to do things for us," he said.

"The cost being charged for tickets is too high for migrant workers to pay. In fact, many of them are waiting for the airport to reopen and for the fares to come down so that they can return."

"We try to intervene on their behalf with the travel agents organising the tickets for them, but they justify the cost by saying they have to make their own expenses meet as well," added Jabir.

"However, this is only partly true: they are charging more so that they can also make some money, and are treating this like a business, when they should understand the concerns of people."

A similar sentiment was shared by the founder of a vol-

unteer group that helps organise flight tickets and approvals for passengers aiming to fly back to Oman, as well as expats who want to be reunited with their families in the Sultanate.

"There is a case of a father who is not earning much right now, and so he cannot afford to bring back his daughter from Mumbai," she revealed.

"She is currently staying with some friends, and when he asked us for help in reducing the price of the ticket, the travel agent said he would have to pay the full amount of OMR200. This is really unfair."

"A lot of agents are saying the MoFA approval process will cost passengers OMR50, but that is not true, as we have secured approvals for many returning passengers," she added.

"The agents are trying to make money off people's desperation to return. There is another man in Oman who has paid OMR300 to an agent so that his daughter can fly from Kolkata, but the agent is not moving the process forward and keeps giving some or the other excuse. The poor man is crying to me on the phone, telling me all he wants is to see his daughter. When I tried to contact the agent, he at first dodged my questions, and then stopped answering my calls altogether."



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HM’s efforts to boost modernisation hailed

Washington’s renewed good relations with Muscat will benefit not only the US, but other partners in the region, according to a report by Heritage Foundation

WASHINGTON: Heritage Foundation of the United States commended the efforts of His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik in promoting economic freedom, modernising the economy and strengthening ties with the United States.

A report written by research Anthony B. Kim, a Heritage Foundation researcher, and published in The Daily Signal said, “Washington has a unique opportunity to build on the good existing relationship and to reaffirm Oman as a trustworthy partner in dealing with the many challenges facing the Middle East.”

Kim pointed out that Oman’s economy has been in the moderately free category for 25 years.

The report added that “Oman’s economic freedom score is 63.6, making its economy the 75th freest in the 2020 Index. Its overall score has increased by 2.6 points, with significant improvements in all areas related to the rule of law. Oman is ranked 6th among 14 countries in the Middle East and North Africa region, and its overall score is slightly above the regional and world averages.”



His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik. — OMA

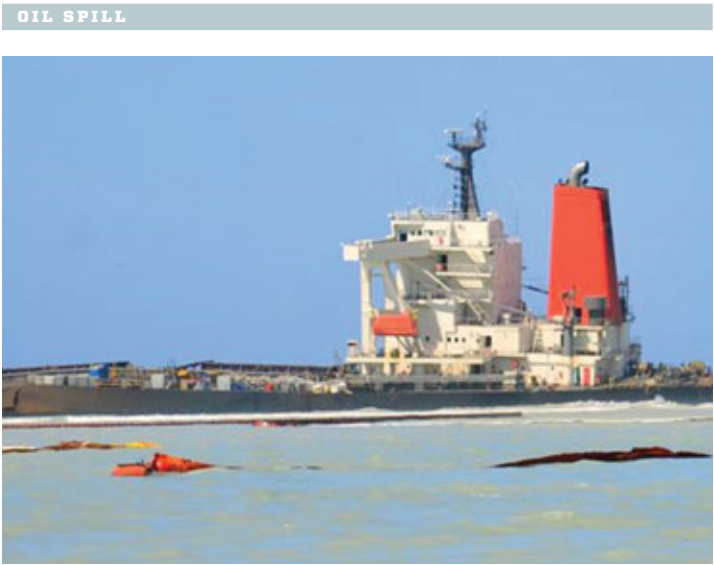
The writer proceeded on saying that “An effort is underway to develop a new bankruptcy and insolvency law, which would help to improve the country’s business environment and increase foreign direct investment inflows.”

A valuable trading partner

“Further such improvements in economic freedom would aid the government’s efforts to develop the economy beyond the oil sector more rapidly, positioning Oman as an even more valuable trading partner for the United States and others, and increasing the country’s standing and influence in the region.”

The report indicated that the United States is one of the biggest trade partners of the Sultanate and that Washington exports around \$2 billion-worth of goods to the Sultanate and imports goods from the Sultanate at a similar rate.

Oman has been a friend of the



Mauritius asks Japan to pay \$34 million after oil spill

PORT LOUIS: Mauritius has asked Japan to pay close to 3.6 billion yen (€28.5 billion, \$34 million) in order to support local fishermen whose livelihoods were adversely impacted by an oil leak last month, according to a Mauritian government document accessed by a Japanese news agency.

The spill occurred when Japanese bulk carrier MV Wakashio, owned by Nagashiki Shipping Co., crashed into a reef off southeastern Mauritius in July. More than 1,000 tonnes of oil spilled into waters that are home to mangrove forests and endangered species, causing Mauritius to declare a “state of environmental emergency” on August 7.

As the island nation attempts to control the spread of the fuel, there has been considerable debate over who will pay for the damage inflicted on sea life and those who are dependent on it for their livelihoods.

According to the document cited by Kyodo, Mauritius has estimated a cost of over \$30 million for constructing 100 fishing boats, while over \$240,000 would be used for providing training to 475 fishermen and 60 skippers who may not have experience fishing in rough seas.

Over \$3 million has been requested for renovating Mauritius’ Albion Fisheries Research Center, which was built in the 1980s with Japanese assistance.

According to the Japanese agency, an official from the Embassy of Japan in Mauritius confirmed that various requests had been received.

The official said, “It is true that we are currently receiving various requests. Japan is working to promptly do all that it can.”

Over the weekend, Mauritius saw large scale demonstrations in the capital, the biggest protests the country has seen in 40 years. Close to 75,000 protesters marched against Prime Minister Pravind Jugnauth’s inaction in dealing with the crisis, calling for the leader and many top officials to step down.

Signs such as “Your incompetence is destroying our island,” “You have no shame,” and “I’ve seen better Cabinets at IKEA” were carried by protesters, who were also outraged over the alarming discovery of dozens of dead dolphins in recent days. **bw**



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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Honourable Shareholders,

On behalf of the Board of Directors of Dhofar Fisheries and Food Industries Company SAOG (DFICO), I have pleasure in updating you on the progress made by the company during the second quarter ended 30th June 2020.

DFICO has achieved a total turnover of RO 5,012,365/- during the second quarter ended as on 30th June 2020, compared to RO 5,060,170/- achieved during the same period of the last year.

The net loss during the second quarter of 2020 is RO 968,082/- as compared to the net loss of RO 273,711/- during the same period of last year. As a result, the accumulated losses carried forward amount to RO 7,761,797/- as on 30th June 2020.

I take this opportunity to thank the DFICO team and my fellow directors for their continued support and cooperation. I would like to express my sincere gratitude and thanks to the various concerned bodies for the corporation and support given by them for the company.

May God help us all to serve beloved Country under the wise leadership of His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tariq Bin Taimur and may God's bestowed on him in abundance and protect him.

Chairman
30th July 2020.

The Complete accounts, either in Arabic or in English as requested, will be sent by mail within 7 days of request to any Shareholder who requests the Company at Company's address at P.O. Box 2438,P.C. 211, Salalah , Sultanate of Oman.

Un Audited Balance Sheet as at 30th Jun 2020

	Jun-20 RO'000	Jun-19 RO'000
Fixed Assets	7,188	6,488
Current Assets		
Inventories	4,778	4,404
Trade Receivables	1,103	666
Receivable from Related Parties		
Investments Available for Sale	7	7
Bank and Cash	669	474
Other Assets	397	143
Total Current Assets	6,954	5,694
Total Assets	14,141	12,182
Current Liabilities		
Trade and Other Creditors	1,379	493
Payable to Related Parties(excluding Long Term)	14,868	12,191
Bank Loan and Overdrafts	-	-
Total Current Liabilities	16,247	12,684
Long term Liabilities		
Bank Loan and Overdrafts	-	-
Others (including Related Party)	-	-
Total Liabilities	16,247	12,684
NET ASSETS	(2,106)	(502)
Shareholders' Funds		
Share Capital	2,540	2,540
Due from/advance share capital	3,113	3,113
Fair Value Reserve	3	3
Profit and Loss account	(7,762)	(6,158)
TOTAL	(2,106)	(502)
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	(2,106)	(502)

Un audited Consolidated Profit and Loss Account
For the Year ended 30th Jun 2020

	6 months ended 30th Jun 2020 RO'000	6 months ended 30th Jun 2019 RO'000
Turn over/Revenue	5,012	5,060
Gross Profit/ (Loss)	(141)	443
Depreciation	(145)	(98)
Administration & general expenses	(167)	(227)
Operating Profit / (Loss)	(453)	118
Other Income	0	0
Finance Charges	(515)	(392)
Income/Loss from Investment available for sale		
Interest income		
Profit/(Loss) before taxation and minority interests	(968)	(274)
Taxation	Nil	Nil
Net Profit attributable to ordinary shareholders	(968)	(274)
Dividend Per Share	Nil	Nil
Net Profit margin @	Nil	Nil



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SUMMARY OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2019

ASSETS				LIABILITIES			
Sr. No.	Description	2019	2018	Sr. No.	Description	2019	2018
1	Cash on hand	2,24,921	2,34,857	1	Capital and reserve	14,08,423	13,85,880
2	Deposit with Central Bank of Oman	1,00,000	1,00,000	2	Borrowings from banks	-	-
3	Precious metals	-	-	3	Balance due to branches	-	-
4	Balance due from banks	10,11,471	10,80,217	4	Balance due to money changers	-	-
5	Balance due from branches	-	-	5	Loans and advances payable	-	-
6	Balance due from money changers	-	-	6	Cheques and drafts issued outstanding	51,968	1,36,392
7	Cheques and drafts purchased	-	-	7	Other liabilities	1,15,137	1,02,307
8	Fixed assets	1,30,426	1,14,060				
9	Investments	-	-				
10	Other assets	1,08,710	95,445				
		15,75,528	16,24,579			15,75,528	16,24,579

We certify that the above balances are in agreement with the books and records of the company as at 31 December 2019.

Directors
Gulf Overseas Exchange Co. LLC
30 March 2020

Baker Tilly MKM (Oman) LLC
Chartered Accountants
30 March 2020



SULTANATE OF OMAN

TENDERS NOTICE

The Ministry of Agricultural, Fisheries Wealth and Water Resources Announces the following Tender :-

Tender no.	Description	Tender documents price (R.O)	Class	Last date for collection of documents	Last date for Submission of documents
427/2020-34	Supply, installation and operation of devices for Marine Ecology Department	25/-	Specialized	Wednesday 9/9/2020	Tuesday 29/9/2020
431/2020-35	Construction of Ice Production Unit, Cold Store and Three shops in fish market at Dhank	25/-	Second	Saturday 19/9/2020	Thursday 8/10/2020

- Interested Companies registered with Tender Board (in the above mentioned Grade) may obtain Tender documents from the E-Tendering website: <https://etendering.tenderboard.gov.om> against non-refundable payment as mentioned above for each set of document.
- The value of the document will be paid & submitted on line on given website.
- The Tenderer should enclose scan copy of Bank Guarantee issued by any bank in the Sultanate of Oman (as required in the tender), and addressed to the Ministry of Agricultural, Fisheries Wealth and Water Resources.
- All correspondence pertaining to the tender inquiry must be online at e-tendering System.
- All correspondence pertaining to the e-tendering System technical support must be directed to the following helpdesk email address and phone number:
+968 24166670 or etenderhd@ita.gov.om
- Note: Bid Submission will be online only. Scan Copy of Tender Bond needs to be attached in system .

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Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries Wealth and Water Resources



WORLD





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GDP FALLS

Australia in recession for the first time in 30 years

CANBERRA: Australian Gross Domestic Product has fallen 7.0 percent in the June quarter, the largest quarterly fall on record, according to figures released by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) on Wednesday.

The figure follows a fall of 0.3 percent in the March quarter this year. It means that Australia has fallen into recession for the first time in nearly 30 years, accord-



ing to a report by the Australian Broadcasting Corporation.

Michael Smedes, Head of National Accounts at the ABS, attributed the quarterly fall to “global pandemic and associated containment policies.”

“This is, by a wide margin, the largest fall in quarterly GDP since records began in 1959,” he said.

Report from the ABS also

shows that due to increased number of recipients and additional support payments, social assistance benefits in cash rose to a record 41.6 percent.

“The June quarter saw a significant contraction in household spending on services as households altered their behavior and restrictions were put in place to contain the spread of the coronavirus,” said Smedes. **Xinhua**



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CORONAVIRUS

Third phase of serosurvey begins in Delhi amid spike in COVID-19 cases

NEW DELHI: Health authorities in the Indian capital said the third phase of mammoth exercise to determine the spread of COVID-19 had kickstarted on Tuesday.

The serosurvey, as a part of the new COVID-19 response plan, will enable authorities to prepare a broad strategy to combat the ongoing pandemic in the capital city and outskirts.

Delhi Health Minister Satyendar Jain said the third phase will cover all 272 municipal wards to analyze the COVID-19 situation in Delhi at a “micro-level.”

“The sample size this time will be 17,000 and the exercise will be carried out for seven days,” Jain told media. The last sero-prevalence survey was held between Aug. 1 and Aug. 7, which showed that 29.1 percent of the people surveyed had antibodies against the COVID-19 infection. Around 15,000 samples were collected in this phase.

“The fresh round of serosurvey began today. This time we will be doing it ward-wise, so all 272 municipal wards of Delhi will be covered, plus two assembly areas. Sampling will be done for a week. After that, results should come in seven to 10 days,” Jain said.

Compared to previous surveys which were done district-wise, this time samples are being collected ward-wise to analyze the situation in the city at a “micro-level,” officials said, and the results of the third serosurvey will be announced by Sept. 21.



As per the standard operating procedure (SOP) that has been shared with the officials in the capital’s 11 districts, half of the samples will be collected from individuals aged between 18 and 49 years while 25 percent each from the age groups that represent minors and people aged 50 years and above.

This is much like the same as done in the previous two sample collection drives.

During the first phase of the survey jointly undertaken up by the Delhi government and the National Centre for Disease Control (NCDC) from June 27 until July 10, a total of 21,387 samples were collected, of which 22.86 percent people were found to have developed antibodies against the Sars-Cov-2 virus causing COVID-19 disease.

Serology (antibody) tests are largely used for surveillance among the community. The tests can be used on people who have already been tested positive for the virus or even those who are asymptomatic. The exercise can reveal insights on immunity against COVID-19.

As per the Indian Council of Medical Research, periodic serosurveys are useful to guide the policymakers to conduct surveys in high-risk areas or vulnerable population who have been infected in the past and now recovered.

The survey will involve the collection of blood samples from randomly selected individuals. Blood samples will be collected for detecting IgG antibodies and it would be conducted using an IgG ELISA kit. **Xinhua**

UNITED STATES

Trump visits Kenosha despite pleas for him to stay away

WASHINGTON: The US president came to the city of Kenosha, Wisconsin, on Tuesday where tensions have been high after police shot an unarmed black man, and a Trump supporter killed two protesters.

After arriving at a nearby airport, the president was driven into the city with supporters brandishing American flags and protesters waving signs that read Black Lives Matter gathered along the route of his motorcade.

Trump has sought to position himself as a supporter of law enforcement in the city and bolster his credentials as the “law and order” candidate in this year’s election.



An already polarised city

A massive police presence, including armored vehicles and barricades set up along some of the city’s main streets, protected the presidential vehicles from any would-be harm.

Trump went on to visit the burned-out remains of parts of the city where rioting occurred following the shooting of Jacob Blake on August 23.

He spoke to the owners of a centuries-old furniture store and attempted to lay the blame for the destruction at the feet of Democrats who govern both the city and the state, saying, “They just don’t

want us to come in and then destruction is done.”

“These governors don’t want to call and the mayors don’t want to call. They have to ask,” he said, referring to his offers to send in federal law enforcement for support.

Trump also told a group of local businesses that his administration had pledged \$4 million (€3.36 million) to business damaged in the rest and \$1 million for local law enforcement.

“These are not acts of peaceful protest but really domestic terror,” said Trump, describing the riots that had erupted in the city.

Trump’s visit will ‘hinder our healing’

Wisconsin’s Democratic governor, Tony Evers, who sent the national guard into Kenosha to put down the protests following the police shooting, had pleaded with Donald Trump not to make the visit for fear of him instigating further violence.

“I am concerned your presence will only hinder our healing,” Evers wrote in a letter to Trump.

“I am concerned your presence will only delay our work to overcome division and move forward together.” **bw**

Invitation to Tender

Dhofar Power Company S.A.O.C (DPC) invites reputable contractors for carrying out below said tender in Dhofar Region.

Tender Reference	DPC/Tender/2020/084
Subject	UNE - LOT 08D - 2020
Tender Fee	RO. 100.000 Note: Tenderer who wish to participate in the above tender should collect the tender document from DPC’s office
Experience	The tenderers shall be registered electrical contractor with Distribution Code Review Panel (DCRP) Oman (Minimum C-Grade for 11 kV jobs and D-Grade for LV jobs) and should have performed similar UNE jobs in Sultanate of Oman
Pre-qualification	Bids to be attached along with valid “DCRP Registration Certificate” and valid “CEP Passport by DPC” Shall only consider for evaluation, Further, Tenderers will be evaluated as per the pre-qualification criterion specified in the Tender documents.
Last date for issue of tender documents	03:00 PM on 17 th September 2020
Last date for submission of bids	02:00 PM on 24 th September 2020
Any Queries Please Contact	Phone 23232554, lawrances@dpcoman.nama.om; praveena@dpcoman.nama.om



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Ministry of Defence

TENDER ANNOUNCEMENT

The Ministry of Defense invites MOD registered suppliers to participate in the following tender:

Subject	Tender Number	Last Date for Inquiries	Last Date to Obtain Tender	Tender Document Price per copy (RO)
SUPPLY OF MEDICAL GASES	29/2020	22/09/2020	29/09/2020	25 RO

- Tenders documents can be obtained by following the procedures below:**
 - Pay the Tender documents fees to the below Account details:
Account name : MINISTRY OF DEFENSE S. T. COMMITTEE
Account No : 3107 –201008-500
Bank : Oman Arab Bank
Branch : MAM
Swift Code : OMABOMRU
 - Send the payment notice to the MOD Email: (STC.SG@MOD.GOV.OM)
 - Once the payment notice received, the MOD will send the Tenders documents to the company/supplier.
- For any inquiries contact the MOD on: (24332937) – (24336507) – (24336508)**

Electronic Tender (s)

Majan Electricity Co. (SAOC) Announces the Following E-Tenders

Tender NO	Description	Grade	Last date for buying	Submission date	Tender price R.O.
65/2020 Re-Tender	EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR ELECTRICAL NETWORK 11KV & 0.415 KV AT NORTH BATINAH GOVERNORATE (LIWA & SHINAS) FOR 5 YEARS (2021 – 2025)	C	10/9/2020	15/9/2020	775/=
66/2020 Re-Tender	EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR ELECTRICAL NETWORK 11KV & 0.415 KV AT BURAIMI GOVERNORATE (BURAIMI) FOR 5 YEARS (2021 – 2025)	C	10/9/2020	15/9/2020	330/=
67/2020 Re-Tender	EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR ELECTRICAL NETWORK 11KV & 0.415 KV AT DHAHIRAH GOVERNORATE (IBRI & WADI AL AIN) FOR 5 YEARS (2021 – 2025)	C	10/9/2020	15/9/2020	434/=

Interested Firm having relevant experience in the similar nature of services and registered with Tender Board and Distribution Code Review Panel (DCRP) for electrical work, may register and obtain the tender documents from E-Tendering Site <https://etendering.tenderboard.gov.om> against online payment of non-refundable fees mentioned above for each tender.

The Tenderers should enclose a copy of Bank Guarantee issued by any registered bank in the Sultanate of Oman for a value of (1%) of the submitted bid value valid for a period of (90) days from the date of Submission, and addressed to The Chairman of the Tender Committee .The original Bid Bond to be delivered in sealed envelope, and the tender number and title of project only are to be mentioned on the envelopes. The place of submission the original bond would be at MJEC Contracts & tenders office at MJEC building in AL Sawari Center in Sohar or at MJEC Contracts & tenders office at Muscat in Al Mubailah- opposite to the industrial Area beside to Bank Suhar ,before 10 A.M. according to the assigned date of submission of the tender. Any Submission of original tender bond after the time and date mentioned in the advertisement will not be accepted and tenderer offer will be rejected.

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Al Harthy, Oman Racing confirm return to Asian Le Mans Series

Working tirelessly behind the scenes during the past few months, Al Harthy has been able to put together the programme in the forthcoming Asian Le Mans Series.

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Oman Racing's Ahmad Al Harthy confirmed on Wednesday that he will be making a very welcome and long overdue return to action in the high-profile Asian Le Mans Series when the condensed and rescheduled Far East championship begins at the start of 2021.

Since announcing his entry into the British GT Championship back in February, the outbreak of the global COVID-19 pandemic completely changed everything for Al Harthy and the Oman Racing squad and the resulting 'lockdown' restrictions meant the planned British GT title bid couldn't take place.

Working tirelessly behind the scenes during the past few months, along with Tom Ferrer's TF Sport team which prepares and engineers the Oman Racing Aston Martin Vantage GT3 car, Al Harthy has been able to put together the programme in the forthcoming Asian Le Mans Series.

Retaining the steadfast support



BACK IN ACTION: Oman Racing's Ahmad Al Harthy confirmed on Wednesday that he will be making a very welcome and long overdue return to action in the high-profile Asian Le Mans Series.

of long-term backers Oman Ministry of Culture, Sports and Youth, National Bank of Oman, Omantel and Barr Al Jissah, double Blancpain Endurance Cup Pro-Am Champion Al Harthy cannot wait for the new challenge – especially with the prize of an entry into the 2021 Le Mans 24 Hours up for grabs to the GT3 class champion.

“Due to the COVID-19 situation globally, and the various travel restrictions, we had to re-look at our plans, make some difficult decisions and consider

the next step – and the most appropriate thing for us to do was to look ahead to racing in the Asian Le Mans Series”, explained Al Harthy, “We’ve never had the chance to race in the championship before. Sometimes with problems come opportunities.

“For us this really is a huge opportunity to be part of a very well-known championship – and the prize of an entry to the Le Mans 24 Hours next year is in the back of all our minds! As we always do, everyone at Oman Racing will be going all-out to try and win.”

Successful Al Harthy, Adam partnership continues

With his sights on nothing less than GT3 championship success in the Asian Le Mans Series, Al Harthy has the tremendous continuity of teaming with Aston Martin works driver Jonny Adam – with whom he claimed both his Blancpain titles – and young British talent Tom Canning.

As a result of the ongoing uncertainty surrounding COVID-19, organisers of the Asian Le Mans Series took the decision to move the new campaign to the start of

2021 and also put together a calendar of a quartet of four-hour races over just a three-week window in January.

Taking into consideration the need to keep costs as low as possible, in view of the financial impact of the coronavirus pandemic, organisers have also factored in the length of time it will take teams to ship cars to the Far East and also any potential travel restrictions.

The end result is a series which will begin on Saturday, 9th January, at the Chang International

Circuit in Buriram, Thailand, with a second four-hour race at the same track just two days later on Monday, January 11.

Sepang Circuit

Drivers and teams will then travel to Sepang International Circuit in Malaysia for round 3 on Saturday, January 23, and round 4 on Tuesday, January 26.

Before then, Al Harthy and Oman Racing will be boosting preparations for a return to competitive action and the Muscat driver suggests some one-off outings in European based categories may well be on the cards in the coming months.

“I’m delighted to be teaming with Tom [Canning] and, of course, Jonny”, said Al Harthy, “Jonny and I have won so much together, I really think all three of us make a very strong line-up for the Asian Le Mans Series. If things work out well in Europe with less restrictions on travel in the weeks and months to come, we’ll probably do some one-off races as well. Watch this space.

“Although we’ve been away from the track for quite a while now, since the pre-season British GT test in March, I’ve been working hard to keep fit and motivated, and I’ve been concentrating on the world of motorsport a lot. I’m really looking forward to being back and doing what we do best!”

2021 Asian Le Mans Series Calendar

- Rd1 – Chang International Circuit, Thailand (4hr race) – 9th January, 2021
- Rd2 – Chang International Circuit, Thailand (4hr race) – 11th January, 2021
- Rd3 – Sepang International Circuit, Malaysia (4hr race) – 23rd January, 2021
- Rd4 – Sepang International Circuit, Malaysia (4hr race) – 26th January, 2021

TENNIS

Williams, Kenin into second round at US Open



WASHINGTON: American stars Serena Williams and Sofia Kenin both advanced into the second round of the US Open after defeating respective opponents on Tuesday.

Williams, a six-time champion in New York, began her quest for a record-tying 24th Grand Slam title with a 7-5, 6-3 victory over compatriot Kristie Ahn in an hour and 21 minutes while second seed Kenin eased past Yanina Wickmayer from Belgium 6-2, 6-2.

Williams, third seed of the US Open, blasted 28 winners and 13 aces in total, outpacing her 24 unforced errors and broke her countrywoman's serve four times en route to the victory.

“It was just getting the rhythm in the early part of the match,” Williams said.

“First round is always tough for me. I think Kristie, she really strikes the ball really hard. She mixes up a lot. She plays a lot of different shots. You don't really know what to expect.”

“But I felt like I just wanted to be Serena focused from the first point to the last point no matter what happens,” she added.

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Williams moves into the second round, where she'll take on Margarita Gasparyan in her next match. The 26-year-old Russian defeated Monica Puig of Puerto Rico 6-3, 6-7(0), 6-0 in another game.

Reigning Australian Open champion Kenin got her US Open campaign off to a flying start with a comfortable win against former US Open semifinalist Wickmayer.

Playing her first match at a major event since she won her maiden Grand Slam title at the Austral-

ian Open, world No.4 Kenin was extremely efficient as she swept to victory in just 67 minutes.

“I think it's a really good win, a good boost for my confidence,” Kenin said. “I played really well. I focused on the key elements of the game.”

Next up for Kenin will be a second-round clash against rapidly rising Canadian teenager Leylah Fernandez, who defeated 2010 US Open finalist Vera Zvonareva of Russia in straight sets.

Elsewhere, Serena Williams' older sister Venus was ousted by Karolina Muchova of the Czech Republic while China's Zhang Shuai lost to Ysaline Bonaventure of Belgium in the first round.

In men's singles, 2012 champion Andy Murray came back from two sets down to defeat Yoshihito Nishioka of Japan, saving one match point before winning the 4-6, 4-6, 7-6(5), 7-6(4), 6-4 epic in four hours and 38 minutes. He will next play 15th seed Felix Auger-Aliassime of Canada in the second round.

There were also opening round wins for second seed Dominic Thiem of Austria and third seed Daniil Medvedev of Russia. **Xinhua**

CRICKET

All-round Pakistan edge out England to draw series

MANCHESTER: Mohammad Hafeez and debutant Haider Ali both hit half-centuries before Pakistan's bowlers managed to restrict England despite fireworks from Moeen Ali.

Moeen also found success with the ball, bowling Fakhar Zaman with his first ball to give England an early breakthrough. Babar Azam also fell before the end of the Powerplay, bowled by Tom Curran, but 19-year-old Haider Ali ensured the bowlers couldn't get on top.

After hitting his second ball for six, Haider continued to play with freedom and began to build a big partnership with Mohammad Hafeez. Haider brought up his fifty from just 28 balls, becoming the first Pakistan batsman to score a half-century on T20I debut.

Hafeez then took charge, racing to his own half-century from 31 balls before Chris Jordan bowled Haider with an in-swinging york-

er to break the partnership, which was worth exactly 100 runs.

The 38-year-old batsman didn't relent however, and he ended the innings unbeaten on 86* from 52 balls with four fours and six sixes as Pakistan posted 190/4.

Shaheen Afridi removed Jonny Bairstow in the first over to get Pakistan's efforts with the ball off to a dream start, and Dawid Malan scored just 7 before Fakhar took an excellent boundary catch to send him back to the changing room.

A mix-up between Tom Banton and Eoin Morgan cost the England captain his wicket, while the young opener made liberal use of the reverse sweep to keep the score moving at a good rate.

Haris Rauf trapped Banton in front in the next over though, with the 21-year-old falling four runs short of what would have been a second fifty of the series.

Moeen Ali then assumed the

lead role for England, while Billings looked to rotate the strike before skying a catch off Wahab Riaz. The all-rounder hit Shadab Khan for three sixes in his final over on his way to a 25-ball fifty, before Lewis Gregory managed to find the boundary from consecutive balls.

Another 10 runs from the 18th over left England needing 20 runs from the final two overs, but the experienced Wahab produced a superb over, conceding just three runs as well as scoring a direct hit to run out Jordan and taking a return catch to dismiss Moeen.

Tom Curran kept the game alive all the way to the end, hitting the penultimate delivery over cover for six to leave another maximum needed from the final ball. But he couldn't make contact with Haris Rauf's pinpoint wide yorker, giving Pakistan a 5-run victory and leaving the series drawn 1-1. **ICC**



T20I: Mohammad Hafeez and debutant Haider Ali both hit half-centuries before Pakistan's bowlers managed to restrict England.



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OMAN CRUDE PRICE RISES

The price of Oman oil has increased, with prices for delivery by November 2020 reaching \$45.43, said Dubai Mercantile Exchange (DME). The DME statement said that the price of Oman rose 12 cents from the price of Tuesday, which was \$45.31. - **ONA**

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MSM INDEX ENDS LOWER

The MSM index closed at 3,769.09 points, down 0.30 per cent from previous close. The Sharia Index ended up 0.03 per cent at 522.82 points. Al Maha Petroleum Products, up 2.67 per cent was the top gainer while Al Hassan Engineering, down 6.25 per cent, was the top loser.

Role of Omifco in boosting Oman's farm sector hailed

Omifco has supported the Omani Agricultural Association with three refrigerated trucks in the governorates of South Al Sharqiyah, North Al Sharqiyah and Al Dakhiliyah

Times News Service

MUSCAT: As part of the ongoing CSR (corporate social responsibility) efforts undertaken by Oman India Fertiliser Company (Omifco), three refrigerated trucks were provided to three branches of the Omani Agricultural Association at the governorates of South Al Sharqiyah, North Al Sharqiyah and Al Dakhiliyah.

The event took place at the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries Wealth and Water Resources recently and was presided over by the chief guest Dr Ahmed bin Nasser Al Bakri, Undersecretary of the Ministry for Agriculture, Engineer Khalid Al Fana - Manager of Foreign Affairs at Omifco and Sheikh Saed Al Khrousi - President of the Omani Agricultural Association.



TRANSPORTING FRESH PRODUCTS: The refrigerated trucks will be very useful in transporting fresh products to the areas around the governorates. - Supplied picture

Speaking on the occasion, Al Bakri said, "We appreciate the efforts taken by Omifco to help develop the agricultural sector of the Sultanate of Oman.

"The refrigerated trucks will be very useful in transporting fresh products to the areas around the governorates."

Engineer Khalid Al Fana said,

"We at Omifco believe that real progress happens only when we progress together and hope this initiative will support our community. CSR is one of Omifco's main focus areas and we strive to excel in it as well. With the support of our stakeholders and well-wishers, we hope to do more for our society in the future."

"We at the Omani Agricultural Association are grateful to Omifco for their constant support. In 2013, Omifco supported the association with three refrigerated trucks in the governorates of Al Batinah North, Al Batinah South and Al Dhahirah and now we have received three more trucks. We thank the management of Omifco

for their consistent support to us," said Sheikh Saed Al Khrousi.

Oman India Fertiliser Company was established, as a result of an initiative by the Government of Oman and the Republic of India to operate a modern world scale two-train ammonia-urea fertiliser manufacturing plant in the Sultanate of Oman. Omifco is owned

50 per cent by OQ, 25 per cent by Indian Farmers Fertiliser Cooperative Limited (IFFCO) & 25 per cent by Krishak Bharati Cooperative Limited (KRIBHCO).

The plant can produce 2x1,750 MT/day of anhydrous ammonia from 2 ammonia plants and 2 x2,530 T/D of granular urea from 2 urea plants.

MADAYN INDUSTRIAL ACADEMY

Training programme on 'Future Foresight' held

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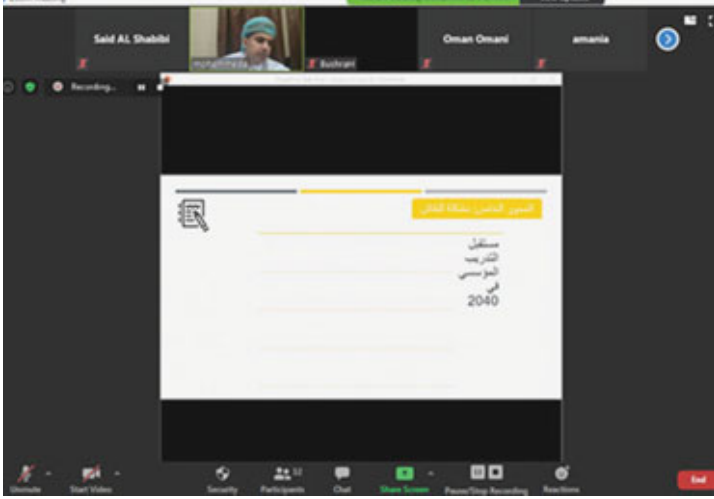
MUSCAT: The Public Establishment for Industrial Estates - Madayn, represented by Madayn Industrial Academy, organised on Wednesday an online training programme on 'Future Foresight' as part of its constant efforts to qualify, train and develop the human cadres in the various industrial cities.

The programme, which was delivered by Mohammed Al Ajmi, Information Systems Developer at Madayn, aimed at equipping participants with concepts and theoretical framework on the topic, and related characteristics and

The participants were briefed on the major international models

mechanisms. Moreover, the programme touched upon the notions of big data, artificial intelligence, genetic engineering, and forecasting techniques.

The participants were also briefed on the major international models in future foresight context, and the 'Delphi Method of Decision Making' model.



TREATED WATER

Progress of sewage project in Amerat discussed

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MUSCAT: A meeting was held recently to brief the officials on the sewage project progress in Amerat.

Suleiman bin Khamis Al Qasmi, Haya Water Acting CEO, met with Sheikh Mohammed bin Humaid Al Ghabshi, Wali of Wilayat Al Amerat, Municipality Affairs committee members and the assistance director-general of Al Amerat Municipality, in the presence of Haya Water's general managers and officials.

The meeting aimed at briefing them on the services that are provided by Haya Water. Besides, they also discussed the treated water drainage which is streaming in the Wadi Al Amerat. The officials also paid a site visit to Al Amerat Sewage Treatment (STP), pumping stations and the treated water drainage in Wadi Al Amerat.

Sheikh Mohammed bin Humaid Al Ghabshi, Wali of Al Amerat, stated, "I am pleased to come along with the Municipal Affairs Committee members to know more about the sewage projects status in the wilayat. Moreover, we discussed with the company's official the way forward to increase the afforestation in the Wilayat through



SEWAGE TREATMENT: The officials also paid a site visit to Al Amerat Sewage Treatment, pumping stations and the treated water drainage in Wadi Al Amerat. - Supplied picture

using the treating water.

Al Ghabshi extended his sincere thanks to the Acting CEO and Haya Water officials for their cooperation and listening to the Wilayat representatives' opinions, as well

as discussing the practical solutions that are expecting to enhance the sewage system in the wilayat.

Suleiman bin Khamis al Qasmi, Acting CEO, said, "This meeting comes to consolidating trust be-

tween the company and the wilayat's residents by explaining to them the company's projects and services. We had listened to their opinions and views regarding current and future projects."

JEHEL ALI FREE ZONE

Jafza signs agreement with Emaar Malls to extend its expertise beyond Jebel Ali

DUBAI: The region's most experienced and successful free zone operator, Jebel Ali Free Zone (Jafza) has agreed to extend its expertise in licencing, visas and other related activities to Gold & Diamond Park, a free zone developed by Emaar Malls Group, the region's leading shopping destination developer.

The regulatory services will be provided as part of the agreement signed by Mohammed Al Muallem, CEO & Managing Director of DP World, UAE Region, and CEO of Jafza and Bader Hareb, CEO, Emaar Development P.J.S.C.

Jafza will in future handle all regulatory activities such as licenses and registration for companies, individuals and other entities that conduct business activities at Gold & Diamond Park, following applicable laws. They will enjoy the full range of service benefits that support companies operating in Jafza.

Over 90 retailers and brands currently operating in Gold & Diamond Park as well as future business investors in the Park can be governed by Jafza's Free Zone Rules, including licensing and fees structures, and will be required to comply with them.

Ahmad Al Haddad, Chief Operating Officer, Parks and Zones - DP World, UAE Region, said, "We're both privileged and pleased to partner with a distinguished company like Emaar Malls Group to extend Jafza's time-tested service excellence to Gold & Diamond Park. As the UAE and Dubai prepare for rapid shifts in a post-pandemic business environment, existing companies and new investors alike will demand new levels of support that takes care of all their licensing, registration, visas and other regulatory requirements, so they can focus on strategising their business plans with confidence. At Jafza, we have evolved a sophisticated and efficient legal infrastructure to meet all contingencies. We thank Emaar Malls



Group for the trust they've placed in our capabilities and ensure our partners in Gold & Diamond Park an enhanced experience."

Bader Hareb, CEO, Emaar Development P.J.S.C., said, "We are delighted to expand on our long-term partnership with Jafza, to provide high-quality services to both our retailers and customers for Gold & Diamond Park. We endeavour to ensure we are providing support and dynamic solutions to our tenants, especially in the current climate. Companies now have the option to hold 100 per cent ownership of their business in addition to extended employment visas of three years. Emaar Malls Group is honoured to work with such a reputable partner like Jafza and is excited to implement positive regulations to assist our retailers."

An exclusive and thoughtful combination of 96 retail spaces, 108 purpose-built manufacturing blocks and 245 offices, Gold & Diamond Park, located on Dubai's Sheikh Zayed Road, presents an advantageous proposition to jewellers and businesses in search of premium commercial leasing opportunities.

MARKET

MSM index ends lower

The top gainer was Al Maha Petroleum Products which closed higher by 2.67% while top loser was Al Hassan Engineering which closed lower by 6.25%

MUSCAT: The MSM index closed at 3,769.09 points, down 0.30 per cent from the previous close. The Sharia Index ended up 0.03 per cent at 522.82 points. Al Maha Petroleum Products, up 2.67 per cent was the top gainer while Al Hassan Engineering, down 6.25 per cent, was the top loser. Al Anwar Ceramic was the most active in terms of the number of shares traded and also was Oman the most active in terms of turnover.

A total number of 545 trades were executed during the day's trading session, generating a turnover of OMR0.9 million, with more than 6.8 million shares changing hands. Out of 43 traded stocks, 8 advanced, 13 declined and 22 remained unchanged. At the session close, foreign investors were net sellers for OMR273,000 while GCC & Arab

investors were net buyers for OMR155,000 followed by local investors for OMR119,000 worth of shares.

Financial Index closed by 0.38 per cent at 6,114.90 points. Oman Qatar Insurance and Bank Dhofar were up by 2.27 per cent and 0.90 per cent respectively. HSBC Oman, Gulf Investment, Al Anwar Holding and Al Madina Takaful were down by 2.0 per cent, 1.45 per cent, 1.41 per cent and 1.30 per cent respectively.

Industrial Index closed at 3,990.37 points, up 0.19 per cent. Raysut Cement and Al Maha Ceramics were up by 1.90 per cent and 0.48 per cent respectively. Al Hassan Engineering and Oman Cement were down by 6.25 per cent and 0.86 per cent.

Services index was down 0.38 per cent before closing at 1,574.34 points. — United Securities

OMAN STOCKS

MUSCAT SECURITIES MARKET

INDICES

Index	High	Low	Value	Prev. Value	Diff.	Diff%
MSM30 Index	3,781.47	3,769.09	3,769.09	3,780.25	-11.16	-0.30
Financial Index	6,138.81	6,114.90	6,114.90	6,137.92	-23.02	-0.38
Industrial Index	3,991.32	3,981.07	3,990.37	3,982.71	7.66	0.19
Services Index	1,582.25	1,574.34	1,574.34	1,580.27	-5.93	-0.38
MSM SHARIAH INDEX	522.86	522.32	522.82	522.66	0.16	0.03
MSM TOTAL RETURN	4,305.09	4,290.99	4,290.99	4,303.69	-12.70	-0.30

Trading Summary							
Volume	Turnover	Trades	Market Cap	Up	Down	Equal	Sec. Traded
6,894,619	900,694	545	19,822,285,924	8	13	22	43

SHARE PRICE BULLETIN FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

ISIN	SECURITY NAME	VOLUME	TURNOVER	TRADES	OPEN PRICE	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE PR.	PREV. CLOSE	DIFF (RD)	DIFF %	LAST PD	LAST BD	LAST OFFER	P/B VALUE	MARKET CAP
REGULAR MARKET																
OM000000418	RAYSUT CEMENT	7,500	2,416	3	0.322	0.324	0.322	0.322	0.316	0.006	1.899	0.322	0.310	0.324	0.100	64,400,000
OM000000605	ALMAHA CERAMICS	30,000	6,300	4	0.210	0.210	0.210	0.210	0.209	0.001	0.478	0.210	0.207	0.210	0.100	11,550,000
OM000000153	OMINVEST	5,000	1,663	2	0.332	0.334	0.332	0.334	0.334	0.000	0.000	0.334	0.332	0.334	0.100	269,795,958
OM000000159	MUSCAT FINANCE	535,104	27,785	38	0.052	0.052	0.051	0.052	0.052	0.000	0.000	0.051	0.051	0.052	0.100	15,971,609
OM000000207	AL OMANIYA FINANCIAL SER.	2,000	158	1	0.079	0.079	0.079	0.078	0.078	0.000	0.000	0.079	0.078	0.079	0.100	22,770,943
OM000000217	AL JAZEERA STEEL PRODUCTS	2,200	211	2	0.096	0.096	0.096	0.096	0.096	0.000	0.000	0.096	0.095	0.096	0.100	11,990,204
OM000000240	AL SHARJIA INVESTMENT HOLDING	49,500	3,465	3	0.070	0.070	0.070	0.070	0.070	0.000	0.000	0.070	0.070	0.071	0.100	6,300,000
OM000000279	BANK MUSCAT	418,807	167,943	17	0.402	0.402	0.400	0.400	0.400	0.000	0.000	0.400	0.398	0.400	0.100	128,809,016
OM000000302	OMAN TELECOMMUNICATION	36,945	23,054	14	0.624	0.624	0.624	0.624	0.624	0.000	0.000	0.624	0.620	0.624	0.100	468,000,000
OM000000368	QOREDOO	354,015	141,482	51	0.400	0.400	0.398	0.400	0.400	0.000	0.000	0.398	0.396	0.398	0.100	260,777,692
OM000000119	NATIONAL GAS	33,589	5,578	6	0.167	0.167	0.166	0.166	0.167	-0.001	-0.599	0.166	0.165	0.166	0.100	14,110,000
OM000000174	OMAN CEMENT	17,500	4,025	5	0.230	0.230	0.230	0.230	0.232	-0.002	-0.862	0.230	0.230	0.232	0.100	78,100,723
OM000000152	OMAN INVESTMENT AND FINANCE	115,128	10,969	10	0.096	0.096	0.095	0.096	0.096	0.000	-1.042	0.095	0.094	0.095	0.100	19,000,000
OM000000172	AL ANWAR HOLDING	331,500	23,250	15	0.070	0.071	0.070	0.070	0.071	-0.001	-1.408	0.070	0.069	0.070	0.100	14,000,000
OM000000398	SOHAR INTERNATIONAL BANK	25,150	2,641	2	0.107	0.107	0.105	0.105	0.107	-0.002	-1.869	0.105	0.103	0.106	0.100	255,623,207
Total	15	173	1,964,938	420,940	173											
Parallel Market																
OM000000300	ALMAHA PETROLEUM PRODUCTS MAR.	26,126	16,146	20	0.616	0.620	0.616	0.616	0.600	0.016	2.667	0.620	0.620	0.640	0.100	42,504,000
OM000000697	OMAN QATAR INSURANCE	25,000	2,250	1	0.090	0.090	0.090	0.090	0.088	0.002	2.273	0.090	0.090	0.096	0.100	9,000,000
OM000000117	MUSCAT GASES	7,000	1,305	1	0.215	0.215	0.215	0.215	0.212	0.003	1.415	0.215	0.215	0.220	0.100	6,450,000
OM000000226	AL JAZEERA SERVICES	10,000	1,700	1	0.170	0.170	0.170	0.170	0.168	0.002	1.190	0.170	0.169	0.170	0.100	10,404,726
OM000000254	BANK DHOFAR	103,484	11,590	6	0.112	0.112	0.112	0.112	0.111	0.001	0.901	0.112	0.111	0.112	0.100	335,591,361
OM000000704	NATIONAL LIFE & GENERAL INS.	10,200	3,353	6	0.326	0.330	0.326	0.328	0.326	0.002	0.613	0.330	0.330	0.340	0.100	86,920,000
OM000000139	NATIONAL ALUMINIUM PRODUCTS	2,000	222	1	0.111	0.111	0.111	0.111	0.111	0.000	0.000	0.111	0.106	0.111	0.100	3,728,431
OM000000156	OMAN FISHERIES	3,000	89	8	0.089	0.089	0.089	0.090	0.090	0.000	0.000	0.088	0.087	0.090	0.100	11,500,000
OM000000181	OMAN AND EMIRATES INV HOLDING	7,510	366	4	0.049	0.049	0.048	0.049	0.049	0.000	0.000	0.048	0.048	0.049	0.100	5,971,875
OM000000170	OMAN CABLES INDUSTRY	11,850	5,475	3	0.462	0.462	0.462	0.462	0.462	0.000	0.000	0.462	0.460	0.462	0.100	41,441,400
OM000000192	AL MADINA INVESTMENT	385,689	9,256	6	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.024	0.000	0.000	0.024	0.024	0.025	0.100	4,971,633
OM000000202	GULF INTERNATIONAL CHEMICALS	11,000	1,155	3	0.105	0.105	0.105	0.105	0.105	0.000	0.000	0.105	0.104	0.110	0.100	2,305,000
OM000000215	AL FAJAR AL ALAMIA	2,000	1,400	1	0.700	0.700	0.700	0.748	0.748	0.000	0.000	0.700	0.700	0.000	0.100	36,809,027
OM000000216	AL ANWAR CERAMIC TILES	1,513,074	239,316	88	0.158	0.159	0.157	0.158	0.158	0.000	0.000	0.158	0.158	0.159	0.100	46,801,762
OM000000227	SHELL OMAN MARKETING	20	17	1	0.836	0.836	0.836	0.836	0.836	0.000	0.000	0.836	0.840	0.000	0.100	79,420,000
OM000000233	SALALAH PORT SERVICES	785	465	2	0.592	0.592	0.592	0.600	0.600	0.000	0.000	0.592	0.592	0.000	0.100	107,902,440
OM000000321	GALPAC ENGINEERING AND CON.	864,431	45,026	29	0.052	0.053	0.052	0.052	0.052	0.000	0.000	0.052	0.052	0.053	0.100	15,078,993
OM000000361	VOLTAMP ENERGY	10,293	1,430	5	0.139	0.139	0.130	0.139	0.139	0.000	0.000	0.130	0.130	0.150	0.100	11,314,982
OM000000428	SMN POWER HOLDING	200,000	14,365	6	0.072	0.072	0.070	0.072	0.072	0.000	0.000	0.070	0.071	0.074	0.100	14,373,763
OM000000440	BANK NIZWA	330,943	33,756	4	0.102	0.102	0.102	0.102	0.102	0.000	0.000	0.102	0.102	0.103	0.100	153,000,000
OM000000478	AL MADINA TAKAFUL	70,962	5,393	26	0.076	0.076	0.076	0.076	0.077	-0.001	-1.299	0.076	0.076	0.077	0.100	13,300,000
OM000000920	GULF INVEST SERVICES HOLDING	120,100	8,112	8	0.068	0.068	0.066	0.068	0.069	-0.001	-1.449	0.066	0.067	0.068	0.100	4,001,339
OM000000493	AL SUWADI POWER	425,743	23,402	53	0.056	0.056	0.054	0.055	0.055	-0.001	-1.786	0.054	0.054	0.056	0.100	39,292,349
OM000000492	AL BATINAH POWER	491,217	26,527	52	0.056	0.056	0.054	0.054	0.055	-0.001	-1.818	0.054	0.054	0.056	0.100	36,443,921
OM000000157	HSBC BANK OMAN	204,529	20,049	30	0.089	0.089	0.088	0.088	0.100	-0.002	-2.000	0.098	0.097	0.098	0.100	196,030,653
OM000000784	MUSCAT CITY DESALINATION	52,531	5,626	10	0.106	0.106	0.105	0.105	0.108	-0.003	-2.778	0.105	0.104	0.105	0.100	16,332,792
OM000000475	SEMBOCORP SALALAH	12,000	1,322	3	0.113	0.113	0.110	0.110	0.114	-0.004	-3.509	0.110	0.110	0.114	0.100	105,002,915
Total	27	371	4,900,857	479,322	371											

IMPORTANT MILESTONE

New monetary policy framework critical: US Fed vice chair



MONETARY POLICY: US Federal Reserve Vice Chairman Richard Clarida said that both the US economy and the Fed's understanding of the economy have evolved along several crucial dimensions since 2012 - Xinhua

WASHINGTON: US Federal Reserve Vice Chairman Richard Clarida said the unanimous approval and release of a new monetary policy framework marked “an important milestone,” calling it a critical and robust evolution of the central bank’s monetary policy strategy.

Last week, the US Fed announced that it will seek to achieve inflation that averages 2 per cent over time, which means following periods when inflation has been running below 2 per cent, appropriate monetary policy will likely aim to achieve inflation moderately above 2 per cent for some time.

Speaking at a virtual event hosted by the Peterson Institute for International Economics, the senior Fed official stressed that both the US economy and the Fed’s understanding of the economy have evolved along several crucial dimensions since 2012, with the most significant change being the decline in a neutral real interest rate and thus the neutral policy rates.

With a diminished reservoir of conventional policy space, it is much more likely than was appreciated in 2012 that, in economic downturns, the effective lower bound (ELB) will constrain the ability of the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC), the Fed’s policy-making body, to rely solely on the federal funds rate instrument to offset adverse shocks, Clarida said.

In the past several years of the previous expansion, declines in the unemployment rate occurred without a surge in price inflation to a pace inconsistent with the Fed’s price stability mandate and well-anchored inflation expectations, according to the senior Fed official.

New framework

The Fed’s new framework noted that policy decisions going forward will be based on the FOMC’s estimates of “shortfalls of employment from its maximum level,” not “deviations,” which means that the central bank won’t raise interest rates simply because unemployment has fallen to a low level, Clarida said.

In a world of low neutral real interest rate, in which adverse aggregate demand shocks are expected to drive the economy in at least some downturns to the ELB, the economic analysis indicates that flexible inflation-targeting monetary policy will tend to deliver inflation expectations that, in each business cycle, become anchored at a level below the target, he said, citing the research of his colleague John Williams.

Downward bias

“This downward bias in inflation expectations under inflation targeting in an ELB world can, in turn, reduce already scarce policy space,” he said, “and it can open up the risk of the downward spiral in both actual and expected inflation that has been observed in some other major economies.”

Noting that a new economic landscape compels a framework rethink, Clarida said the new approach was unanimously approved by the central bank following a yearlong review of its monetary policy framework.

“This is a robust evolution in the Federal Reserve’s policy framework and, to me, reflects the reality that econometric models of maximum employment, while essential inputs to monetary policy, can be and have been wrong,” Clarida said.

With regard to the toolkit, he said the Fed believes that forward guidance and large-scale asset purchases have been and continue to be effective sources of support to the economy when the federal funds rate is at the ELB, noting that both were deployed promptly in March 2020 policy response to the pandemic.

As to other monetary policy tools, the senior Fed official reiterated that FOMC members do not see negative policy rates as an attractive policy option in the US context, and with credible forward guidance and asset purchases, the potential benefits from yield curve controls may be modest. - Xinhua

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PURCHASING MANAGERS' INDEX

US manufacturing activity expands in August for third straight month



MANUFACTURING SECTOR: The Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) stood at 56 per cent, up 1.8 percentage points from the July reading. Any reading above 50 per cent indicates the manufacturing sector is generally expanding. - Xinhua

WASHINGTON: Economic activity in the US manufacturing sector expanded in August for the third straight month, the Institute for Supply Management (ISM) reported on Tuesday.

The Purchasing Managers' Index (PMI) stood at 56 per cent, up 1.8 percentage points from the July reading. Any reading above 50 per cent indicates the manufacturing sector is generally expanding.

"That marked the highest level for the index since late 2018," Sarah House and Tim Quinlan, senior economists at Wells Fargo Securities, wrote in an analysis, noting that the production index registered 63.3 per cent, and new orders index climbed to a 17-year high of 67.6.

The economists, however, noted that while the recovery may be broadening, the ISM report

raises a number of "caution flags" regarding the sustainability of the recovery.

Despite the high reading on new orders, the employment component, at 46.4 per cent, is consistent with manufacturers continuing to lay off workers, House and Quinlan noted.

"The need to further pare back employment, even if at a slower rate as seen in August, highlights that overall demand remains weak and manufacturers are not fully convinced that the recovery is durable," they said.

Timothy Fiore, chair of the ISM's manufacturing business survey committee, also noted that "survey committee members reported that their companies and suppliers operated in reconfigured factories, with limited labour application due to safety restrictions."

"Panel sentiment was generally optimistic (1.4 positive comments for every cautious comment), though to a lesser degree compared to July," Fiore said.

Economic activity

After three months of contraction amid mounting COVID-19 fallout, the economic activity in the manufacturing sector rebounded in June, as states gradually eased lockdown measures and reopened their economies. The expansion continued in July amid resurgence in new COVID-19 infections.

"Looking ahead, as the pandemic drags on, lingering softness in sales and an uncertain global outlook will weigh on capital spending, so manufacturers - even those tied most tightly to goods spending - are hardly in the clear," House and Quinlan said. - Xinhua

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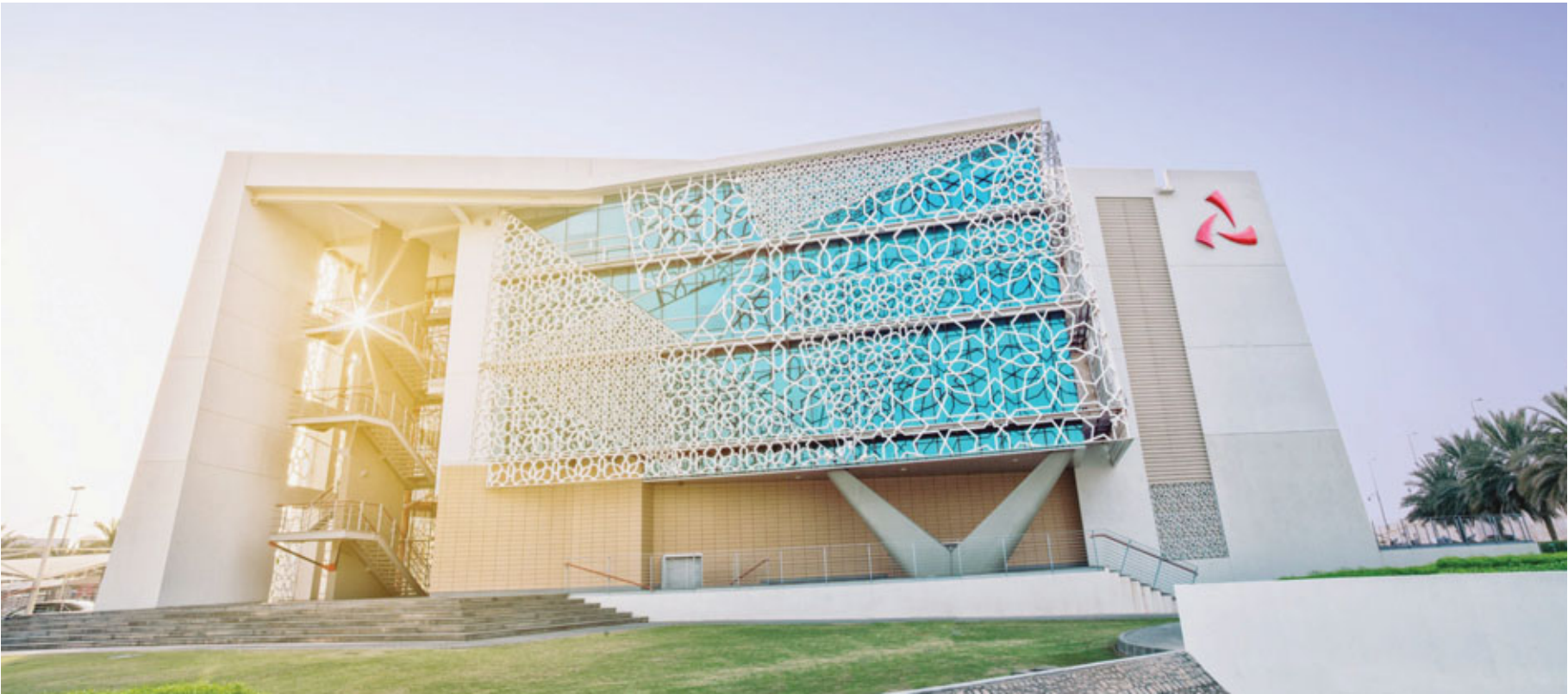
Bank Muscat Premier Banking hosts webinar on mutual funds

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MUSCAT: In line with its vision ‘To serve you better, everyday’ and commitment to a customer-centric service culture, Bank Muscat Premier Banking recently hosted a webinar on ‘Mutual Fund investing to meet long-term financial goals’.

The webinar, which was conducted by Leo Niers, manager, EMEA Lead, Franklin Templeton, was well received by Premier Banking clients. It must be noted that Bank Muscat Premier Banking, with its excellent understanding of client needs and preferences, has been setting benchmarks for relationship-based personal banking in Oman.

The bank has tied up with strategic partners including Franklin Templeton, a global leader in asset management with more than seven decades of experience and the trust of millions of investors worldwide, to offer the ‘best in class’ investing and wealth-man-



agement options for its discerning clientele.

Abdulnasir Al Raisi, DGM - Premier Banking, Bank Muscat, said: “Bank Muscat Premier Banking is very happy to host this knowledge-sharing webinar in partnership with Franklin Templeton, a global leader in asset management. We hope that our valued customers will be able to leverage their learnings from this seminar to make informed decisions and get good returns on their investments. We thank Franklin Templeton for their strategic cooperation with the bank, which greatly benefits our clients in achieving their long-term financial goals, including wealth creation, and financial and retirement planning.”

During the webinar, Leo Niers explained how the advantages of dollar-cost averaging could be used by investors to grow their savings and wealth over a more extended period. An investor can end up with a large investment over a long-term period by purchasing target assets like mutual funds

or shares periodically. Typically how this works is that an investor invests small, equal amounts in the asset at regular intervals. The overall goal of the strategy is to reduce the overall volatility of asset prices, which keep going up and down at different times within a long timeframe. Dollar-cost averaging helps investors avoid making poorly-timed lump-sum investments that heighten the risk of low returns.

Leo Niers explained how by using dollar-cost averaging, an in-

vestor can ride out volatile swings in prices and still end up with a good rate of return on their investments. A Systematic Investment Plan (SIP) in mutual funds, which is based on the principle of dollar-cost averaging, will, for example, help an investor buy more mutual fund units over some time and can give good long-term returns. Investing in mutual funds also allow investors access to the broader equity markets through investments, which are managed by professional fund managers.

And most importantly, such investments can be automated with minimal effort from an investor to create large amounts of wealth in the long term.

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POWERFUL MASS-PRODUCED TRUCK

2021 RAM 1500 TRX engineered to handle the most punishing conditions



MUSCAT: The all-new 2021 RAM 1500 TRX is the apex predator of the truck world, and cements RAM Truck as North America’s off-road truck leader. RAM TRX expands the light-duty lineup and sets new benchmarks for power and performance among half-ton pickup trucks with the 6.2-litre supercharged HEMI® V-8 engine. In the Sultanate, Dhofar Automotive is receiving RAM 1500 TRX purchase orders, available only upon pre-order requests. The new vehicles will be delivered to customers as soon as it arrives during the first quarter of 2021.

“The all-new 2021 RAM TRX sets the benchmark for extreme performance pickup trucks and solidifies RAM Truck as the off-road truck leader,” said Biju Luckose, Marketing Manager at Dhofar Automotive. “RAM has a strong history of high-performance trucks and TRX adds to that while further expanding the light-duty lineup with the segment’s best combination of performance, capability, luxury and technology. The TRX is now available for custom orders and is expected to be available in Q1 2021.”

Rated at 702 horsepower and 650 lb.-ft. of torque, the 6.2-litre supercharged HEMI V-8 engine powers the RAM TRX to a top speed of 118 mph. Combined with a high-torque-capacity TorqueFlite eight-speed automatic transmission, the RAM TRX delivers a new level of performance: 0-60 miles per hour (mph) in 4.5 seconds and the quarter-mile in 12.9 seconds at 108 mph.

A proven and reliable high-performance engine, the 6.2-litre supercharged HEMI V-8 engine delivers top output for extended

driving sessions without degradation in performance.

The 2021 RAM TRX benefits from up to 32 inches of water fording, up to 8,100 pounds towing and a maximum payload capacity of 1,310 pounds.

The all-new 2021 RAM TRX features an aggressive stance and an impossibly wide, muscular body wrapped over the top of it. Like a mixed martial arts fighter in a tailored tuxedo, the RAM TRX makes an impactful visual statement with an acute “hour-glass” body design that features composite flares and fender wells that have been stretched to cover aggressive 35-inch Goodyear Wrangler Territory 325/65/R18 All-Terrain tires.

The 2021 RAM TRX combines all-new features, technology and authentic premium materials with extreme performance, class-leading quality, comfort and durability. The interior design team chose premium textures, colours and material, including available hand-wrapped leather instrument panels for unexpected luxury throughout.

The all-new 2021 RAM TRX features three interior options, including premium cloth and vinyl, premium-wrapped leather and suede or premium-wrapped leather and suede with available red and carbon fibre accents.

The new 2021 RAM TRX is designed for class-leading, uncompromising performance in the harshest environments. Stratospheric power and performance numbers were achieved in part through a new, innovative dual-path air induction system that ensures the 6.2-litre supercharged HEMI V-8 engine receives a steady supply of clean, cool air regardless

of inbound dirt and debris.

Off-road, the 2021 RAM TRX will race to 100 mph with ease and the segment’s largest brakes bring it to a composed halt. RAM TRX relies on a four-wheel disc brake system and a hydraulic compensation unit to enhance brake pedal feel and performance during emergency manoeuvres.

Designed to be the most technologically advanced pickup ever, the new 2021 RAM TRX is loaded with an array of innovative and features combined with the award-winning fourth-generation Uconnect system that offers convenience and connected services, keeping RAM truck customers engaged and informed all while keeping their hands on the wheel and eyes on the road or desert path ahead.

Safety and security were primary drivers in the development of the new 2021 RAM TRX, which offers more than 100 available active and passive safety and security features. Standard features include ParkView rear backup camera with dynamic gridlines, electronic stability control (ESC) with electronic roll mitigation and six standard airbags. Available features include Blind-spot Monitoring, adaptive cruise control, Ready Alert Braking and Full-Speed Forward Collision Warning-Plus.

Mopar will offer more than 100 factory-engineered, quality-tested performance parts and accessories for the all-new 2021 RAM TRX and more than 600 across the entire 2021 RAM Truck brand lineup.

The new 2021 RAM TRX has undergone thousands of miles of testing. Extreme environmental testing occurred at various sites, including in the scorching Arizona heat, the

blistering cold of northern Michigan and Minnesota and thousands of feet above sea level in Colorado for weeks at a time. In addition to all laboratory and standardized tests, the new RAM TRX scaled dunes, crawled rocks in Moab, Utah and traversed two-lane tracks all over the United States.

The 2021 RAM TRX is built at the Sterling Heights Assembly Plant (SHAP) in Sterling Heights, Michigan.

In the Sultanate, RAM models are available at Dhofar Automotive showrooms with different equipment classes.

Established in 2010 as a joint venture between The Zubair Automotive Group and Shanfari Automotive, Dhofar Automotive is an authorised distributor for Chrysler, Dodge, Jeep, RAM, Fiat, Fiat Professional, Alfa Romeo, and Mopar brands in Oman.

Over the past seven years, Dhofar Automotive has built a strong reputation for its total commitment to delivering innovative and exceptional customer service in both sales and after-sales. Continuing to invest heavily on network expansion and facility enhancement, the company today sports six showrooms and nine service stations across the county, placing itself as amongst the strongest dealership networks in the country.

Supported by Fiat Chrysler Automobiles Middle East and backed by the iconic personalities of its eight distinct brands, Dhofar Automotive continues to secure a healthy market share for each brand it represents. The company’s ultimate goal, however, has always been to become a trusted lifetime partner for each and every one of its customers.

PRIZED POSSESSION



New Rolls-Royce Ghost brings perfection in simplicity

MUSCAT: Rolls-Royce has unveiled the new Ghost. The car now sits atop a Rolls-Royce exclusive proprietary aluminium spaceframe architecture, which Rolls-Royce claims delivers an acoustically superior, highly rigid and dynamic proposition for the new Ghost.

This is a motor car precisely tailored to its clients, that appears perfect in its simplicity, that is underpinned by remarkable substance that is less but better.

The marque’s designers, engineers and craftspeople demanded the freedom to create a very specific personality for new Ghost. These men and women were only able to create an authentically super-luxury product without the constraints of platforms used to underpin lesser, high-volume vehicles. Hence, the Rolls-Royce proprietary aluminium spaceframe architecture.

Reserved exclusively for Rolls-Royce, this architecture already underpins its flagship, Phantom, and its transformative SUV, Cullinan. The spaceframe’s flexibility and scalability freed the marque to serve the unique aesthetic and mechanical demands of new Ghost, and in doing so created an acoustically superior, highly rigid and dynamic proposition for Ghost within the Rolls-Royce product portfolio.

Client feedback asking for near-instant torque and near-silent running led the marque to further develop the Rolls-Royce 6.75-litre twin-turbocharged

V12 petrol engine. A bespoke Ghost engine map was created to ensure ample performance for this dynamic motor car, delivering 563bhp/420kW and 850Nm/627lb ft of torque to the all-wheel steer, all-wheel drivetrain. Commensurate with clients’ expectations, maximum torque is available from just 1600rpm – only 600rpm above tick-over. To further refine its already remarkable acoustic properties, the air intake system incorporated larger porting to reduce engine presence in the interior suite.

New Ghost benefits from a new Micro-Environment Purification System (MEPS). Existing air filtration technology was further developed to incorporate a full suite of hardware and software improvements. Highly sensitive Impurity Detection Sensors were introduced to detect ambient air quality, automatically switching fresh air intakes to Recirculation Mode if unacceptable levels of airborne contaminants are present. This channels all cabin air through a nanofleece filter, which is capable of removing nearly all ultra-fine particles from the Rolls-Royce’s microenvironment in less than two minutes.

New Ghost is perfect in its simplicity, but creating this pure and detoxifying environment was one of the greatest challenges in the marque’s history. Indeed, the new Ghost is the most technologically advanced motor car Rolls-Royce has ever produced.

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