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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 Prince Nahar Saud Abdulaziz Al Saud. In the cable, His Majesty the Sultan expressed his heartfelt sympathies, praying to the Almighty Allah to rest the deceased's soul in peace in paradise and grant his family patience to bear the loss. **-ONA**



HM SENDS CONDOLENCES TO KUWAIT

MUSCAT: His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik has sent a cable of condolences to Sheikh Nawaf Al Ahmed Al Jaber Al Sabah, Emir of Kuwait on the death of Sheikh Moudhi Salem Ali Al Malek Al Sabah. In the cable, His Majesty the Sultan expressed his heartfelt sympathies, praying to the Almighty Allah to rest the deceased's soul in peace in paradise and grant her family patience to bear the loss. **-ONA**



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COVID VACCINE EFFICACY DROPS AFTER FOUR TO SIX MONTHS

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NEW POSITIVE CASES OF COVID-19 REPORTED IN OMAN YESTERDAY



People advised to sign up for their third doses as soon as they are able to do so

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Doctors in Oman have said that the effectiveness of COVID-19 vaccines declines after about four to six months, making it all the more important for people to sign up for booster shots.

People in the country aged 18 and above have been asked to sign

up for third doses, particularly in the wake of the arrival of the Omicron variant.

“Scientific studies have shown that antibodies begin to decrease after a period of five to six months after vaccination with the Pfizer vaccine and four to five months after vaccination with the Astra-Zeneca vaccine, indicating that it

was reliant on the effectiveness of memory and long-term immune T-cells to do their work in protecting the person from infection even with low B-antibodies,” said Dr Faryal Al Lawati, the head of the Infectious Diseases Unit, and a senior consultant in infectious diseases, at the Royal Hospital.

“There is an urgent need at the present time for a third dose, as the effectiveness of two doses of vaccination against the Omicron mutant to prevent infection, according to initial studies, may reach only 30 per cent,” she added.

Lower vaccine efficacy against the new COVID variant is due to the large number of mutations

in the new strain, she explained, making a booster dose crucial towards strengthening the immune system and raising effectiveness.

Omicron in Europe

Al Lawati referred to the current rapid spread of Omicron in Europe as evidence of the impact the new strain can have on countries.

“The strong ability of the Omicron mutant to spread created real fear, especially for health-care systems, as we can see from the situation in Europe, where the number of infections have increased in an unprecedented manner,” she revealed.

COVID cases rise in Oman

Times News Service

MUSCAT: The Sultanate of Oman is witnessing a rise in the number of COVID-19 cases.

More than 40 new cases have been recorded in the last 24 hours in Oman. The number of new COVID-19 cases in the last 24 hours in

the Sultanate reached 42, bringing the total number of COVID-19 cases to 304,938.

Recoveries

The Sultanate also recorded 11 new recoveries, bringing the total number of recoveries to 300,227, with no deaths were recorded during the past 24 hours. **>A4**

NCSI DATA

Arrivals to Oman exceed departures for the second consecutive month

Times News Service

MUSCAT: For the second consecutive month, the number of passengers arriving to in the Sultanate Oman by air is greater than the number of people leaving the country through its airports.

Figures from the National Centre for Statistics and Information (NCSI) show that 184,095 passengers arrived in Oman in October 2021, compared to 166,302 people who left the country. Similarly, in September, 171,494 peo-



ple came to Oman, while 121,187 people left.

The number of arrivals is a marked increase from August 2021, when only 91,355 people entered Oman, in comparison to

127,575 people who left.

Overall, the number of departures in 2021 continues to outpace arrivals: just above a million people arrived in Oman until October 2021, while about 1.15 million people left the country during that time frame.

The number of expatriate workers in the country has also increased steadily over the past three months, although there are still fewer non-Omanis working in the country at this time, as compared to the end of 2020.



Royal Army of Oman's graduation ceremony

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SOCIETY

Sur school's theatre performance creates awareness on negative impact of bullying

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Children, parents and educators were provided insights into the negative impact bullying can have on students, in the form of a play organised in Sur on Wednesday.

The play, which was held at the Library of the Sultan Qaboos Mosque in Wilayat Sur, is part of an awareness event called “The Treatment of Apparent Bullying”.

The theatrical performance was part of the event, which dealt with the phenomenon of bullying while at school. Explaining that bullying is a dangerous phenomenon that threatens the safety and students and disrupts the teaching process, the play also conveyed that bullying affects a student's psyche and hinders the achievement of academic excellence.

Conversely, what is important at school is the establishment of close and solid friendships among students, a concept with which



teachers in Oman agree.

Tomorrow's youth

“Today's children are tomorrow's youth, which makes their development very important,” said Naif Al Sinani, a teacher in North Al Batinah. “They are our natural resources in which we must invest. To invest in human resources is never a sign of weakness. Rather, it

is the lack of development in them which makes all of us weak.”

“Children today live in a world of technological innovation and ready access to the internet, which is a double-edged sword,” added another teacher. “If these facilities are used incorrectly, then children could develop bad habits such as bullying, the use of foul language, and arrogance. They might also

take their intimidation online and extort and harass people.

“The victims of such actions may be so badly affected by them that they might try to harm themselves or commit suicide,” he added. “There must be proper supervision from family members over what their children do, with support from schools and communities.”

TOP THREE INSIDE STORIES

OMAN First Omani-made 3D printer launched

1 The first Omani-made 3D printer and its production line were launched on Wednesday. **>A3**

WORLD Dozens missing after jade mine landslide

2 A landslide at a jade mine in northern Myanmar on Wednesday left one dead and at least 70 missing, according to the rescuers. **>A6**

MARKET Opaz amends fees for different services

3 In a bid to attract more investments, the Opaz board has approved changes to service fees. **>B1**



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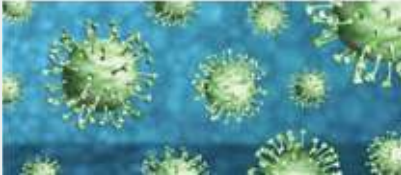
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 MOST VIEWED VIDEO ON INSTAGRAM

381 VIEWS



Video on drug
dealers using
social media



The Page 1 story video on drug dealers use social media had 381 views and 34 likes on Instagram.

First Omani-made 3D printer launched

The printer is a high-quality, accurate and ultra-quiet device with latest object manufacturing and prototyping technologies



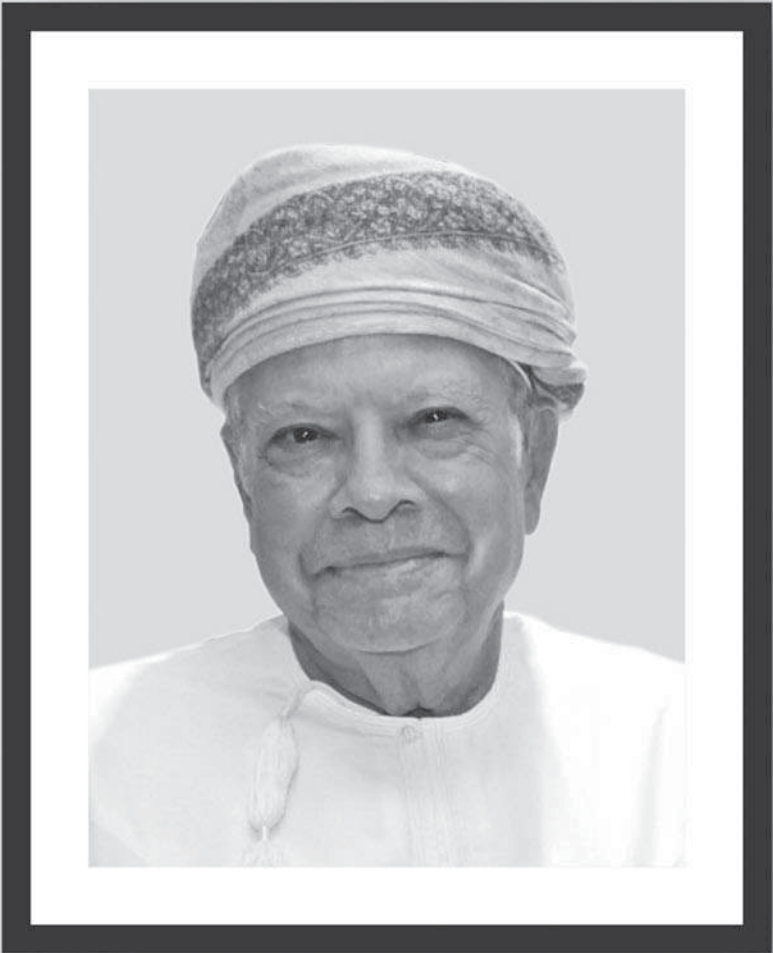
STATE-OF-THE-ART: The inauguration ceremony was held under the patronage of Dr. Saif Abdullah Al Haddabi, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation for Research and Innovation. -ONA

MUSCAT: The first Omani-made 3D printer and its production line was launched in an inauguration ceremony held on Wednesday under the patronage of Dr. Saif Abdullah Al Haddabi, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation for Research and Innovation. The 3D printer, launched through a strategic cooperation between the 3D Factory company and Makers Oman Centre at Innovation Park Muscat of the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation, is a high-

quality, accurate and ultra-quiet printer that keeps pace with rapid advances in object manufacturing and prototyping technologies as well as converting ideas into tangible products. It is hoped that it will contribute to support the national economy and enter the local and global markets. Moosa Al Amri, CEO of 3D Factory, affirmed that “this launch came about to keep pace with the growth witnessed in the field of 3D printing around the world in general and the Sultanate of Oman specifically, and meeting the scientific needs of those interested, manufacturers, students and researchers in the production of prototypes or commercial manufacturing”. He added that the printer that was manufactured in the company is characterised by its ability of resuming printing in the event of a power loss or a sudden power outage, in addition to its ability to print with most modelling materials and engineering materials with shortened time and effort. The printer has a high-definition touch screen that contributes to making the experience easy for all groups with the one click of a button, said Al Amri. He explained

that the team of programmers in the company is currently working on making Arabic the main language for the printer, with the possibility of changing the language. It is worth noting that 3D Factory was established in 2017 and comprises 9 young Omanis working full-time, with high academic qualifications and various technical skills, such as mechanical engineering, space science engineering, mechatronics and robotics, as well as finance, accounting and human resources. It is a company specialised in 3D printing and its technologies, production and mass manufacturing. It is also the first founder of the largest printer farm in the Sultanate of Oman. As for Makers Oman Centre, it is one of the most prominent national projects implemented in a strategic partnership between Innovation Park Muscat of the Ministry of Higher Education, Research and Innovation, the Ministry of Finance and Makerspace People. The centre covers an area of approximately 1,200 square metres, and includes the latest devices, equipment and interactive work techniques, which are supervised by specialised engineers from the Omani youth. -ONA

CONDOLENCES



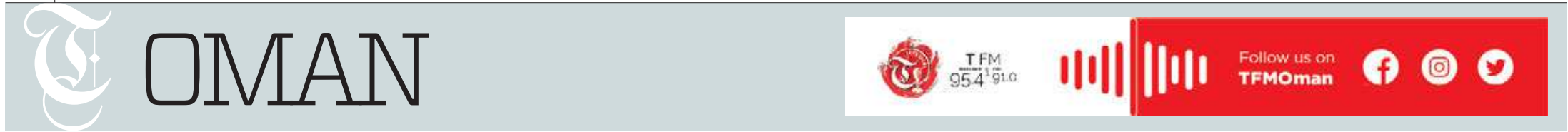
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ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

OCEC wins 'Country Winner' title of HSBC's Middle East Living Business Programme

MUSCAT: Oman Convention and Exhibition Centre (OCEC) was awarded the "Country Winner" title by the HSBC's Middle East Living Business Programme for 2021, in recognition of OCEC's ongoing commitment to environmental sustainability and awareness.

Out of 71 applicants registered in this cost-free, open-access competition; followed by a shortlisting of 46 companies, OCEC was selected as one of five winners.

The "Country Winner" award reflects OCEC's firm commitment to carrying out operations that contribute towards a progressively sustainable planet, accelerated environmental awareness, and consistent reduction of carbon footprint activities associated with the OCEC complex.

Throughout 2021, the programme collected data on participating companies which operate in Bahrain, Egypt, Oman, Qatar and the UAE. Winners were selected based on jury votes using an Environment, Social and Governance (ESG) framework.

In terms of the environment



framework, participants were evaluated according to overall sustainability and the reduction of environmental footprint. "It's great doing business together when you have a plan for the planet," the Living Business Programme tagline reads.

OCEC has always actively implemented practices to uplift its associated Environment, Social and Governance (ESG) framework. Furthermore, the venue remains committed to meeting

prescribed sustainability targets, while transitioning into a more environmentally sustainable future.

Said Al Shanfari, CEO of OCEC said, "Environmental care and awareness form part of OCEC's core values. Every year, OCEC's Green Team carries out various programmes in line with environmental sustainability and the reduction of consuming energy – whether in terms of utilisation or cost. We have continued this visionary approach, and this latest

Living Business Programme 2021 Country Winner award – which we are exceptionally proud of – is a reflection of our 'green' projects making a greater positive impact on the environment."

One of OCEC's recent environmental sustainability initiatives has been to significantly reduce water consumption required by the venue's landscaped gardens. This is achieved by carefully managing water usage to coincide with low evaporation periods throughout the day.

Another initiative is the utilisation of specific floral species in OCEC's gardens that require less water usage and maintenance, and that naturally has a higher tolerance to growing in environments like Oman – while still maintaining the aesthetic appeal for OCEC's visitors.

Furthermore, in 2022, OCEC will be announcing plans for the development of a renewable energy solution that will significantly reduce the centre's dependency on energy sourced from carbon fuel. -ONA

MARITIME GLORIES OF OMAN

National Museum organises workshop



ARTISTIC WORKSHOP: The workshop was presented by Abdullah Muhammad Al Rajaibi, Education Specialist at the National Museum to an audience of school students. -ONA

MUSCAT: The National Museum, represented by the Learning Centre and in cooperation with the Royal Navy of Oman (RNO), organised an artistic workshop themed "Maritime Glories of Oman".

The workshop, which coincides with the celebration of the Armed Forces Day that falls annually on 11 December, was held at the headquarters of the Sultan's Armed Forces Museum.

The workshop was presented by Abdullah Muhammad Al Rajaibi, Education Specialist (Outreach Programme) at the National Museum to an audience of school students.

The students worked and painted

the "Shabab Oman" ship, which plays a prominent role in spreading the message of peace and strengthening friendship between the countries of the world. They also worked on weapons belonging to the Royal Air Force of Oman and the Royal Army of Oman.

The workshop came as part of the activities accompanying the inauguration of "The Biography of a Leader and his Glorious Reign" exhibition at the headquarters of the Sultan's Armed Forces Museum in Beit Al Falaj. The exhibition tells the glorious historical biography of the late Sultan Qaboos bin Said bin Taimour. -ONA

COVID

< FROM A1 Precautions, vaccinations helped in fight

"Many health centres have been forced to close essential medical services," she further said.

Immunity responses are often particularly low among immunocompromised individuals, transplant patients, cancer patients, and those suffering from HIV, making it critical for them to get booster shots.

"Some people question the efficacy of vaccines in the same manner in which they questioned the impact of the virus at the beginning of the pandemic, but by recalling the previous waves that swept us and the rest of the world, let us remember what helped us get out of them: societal commitment to two factors, namely preventive measures, and vaccina-

tions." Adding to this, Dr Zaid Al Hinai, a consultant in infectious diseases at Sultan Qaboos University Hospital, said that the booster dose is an "excellent and powerful weapon" to prevent spikes in infections and hospitalisation rates, which in turn could lead to strict measures being taken once again to stop the spread of the virus.

"Many countries witnessed significant increases in COVID infections, as well as deaths and hospital admissions, forcing them to close," he said. "With the spread of the Omicron strain in Oman, we do not want the same scenario to happen to us."

"The truth is that getting vaccinated is a very simple procedure: it is efficient and safe, which

makes it one of the simplest and most powerful solutions against the pandemic," added Al Hinai. "If you are going to wait until you are boosted, know that the virus does not wait for you."

In this context, Dr Zakaria Al Balushi, an inflammatory and infectious diseases consultant at the Royal Hospital, said that while the epidemiological situation in Oman is currently stable, keeping that way will require people to come forward and get their booster shots.

"The number of infections here are low, as are the numbers of inpatients and deaths, and no new deaths have been recorded in our country for a long time," he said. "To maintain this good situation,

prevention is necessary, and the best step we can take right now against Omicron is getting our target groups vaccinated with the third dose."

"The importance of this lies in the continuity of normal life, and the stability of the current epidemiological situation," he added, before asking people to not pay attention to malicious rumours and false news about vaccines that some choose to spread.

Dr Reda Al Lawati, an internist at the Royal Hospital, described a case study involving an Omicron-infected patient in Canada, which showed that the new mutation infected three more people on average, as compared to the Delta variant. **Inputs from ONA**

INFECTIONS

< FROM A1 Covid cases rising

The number of patients admitted to health institutions during the past 24 hours was zero, the total number of patients admitted to health institutions was eight, with only two patients in ICU.

Muscat Governorate saw the highest number of new COVID-19 cases in the last 24 hours, at 33, including 12 new cases in wilayat Muttrah, eight in the wilayat of Muscat, seven in the wilayat of Seeb, and six in the wilayat of Baushar. North Al Batinah Gov-

ernorate came second, with eight new cases, including four in the wilayat of Sohar, two in the wilayat of Liwa, and one new case each in the wilayats of Shinas and Al Khaboura.

Only one new COVID-19 case was registered in the Governorate of Dhofar, specifically in the wilayat of Salalah.

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MEETING

Majlis to host Minister of Transport

MUSCAT: Majlis Al Shura will host next Monday Said bin Hamoud Al Mawali, Minister of Transport, Communications and Information Technology in the first session for a discussion since the issuance of the Law of the

Council of Oman.

The discussion will be on the strategic road projects and other road projects, according to a statement by Sheikh Ahmed bin Mohammed Al Nadabi, Secretary General of Majlis. Sheikh Al Nad-

abi said that Majlis would hold the fifth and sixth regular sessions of the third annual convening (2021-2022) of the ninth term (2019-2023) on Monday and Tuesday 27 and 28 December.

The fifth session would be al-

located for a discussion with the Minister of Transport, Communications and Information Technology, while the sixth session would be for a discussion on a number of reports of the permanent committees of Majlis, he added.

The sixth regular session, on Tuesday 28 December, would see a discussion on the mechanism followed in compensating citizens affected with Tropical Cyclone Shaheen, he said.

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Tender Announcement

The Internal Tender committee of Ministry of Social Development hereby announces the following tender :-

Tender No.	Tender Subject	Grade	Last date for obtainment of tender document	Last date for tender submission	Tender Document Price (non-retundable)
25/2021	Provision of cleaning services for the buildings of al-wafa centers for the rehabilitation of persons with disabilities in (suhar – shinas – liwa – suwaiq –and al- khaboura) affiliated to the general directorate of social development in the governorates of north and south al batinah	Companies registered with the General Secretariat of the Tender Board, which have the activities of cleaning, washing and pest control services, and which are registered in excellent, first or second or third or fourth degree.	Monday 10-1-2022 02:00 PM	Sunday 30-1-2022 10:00 AM	R.O. 25/=

- ❖ Specialized Companies, registered with the Tender Board may obtain the Tender documents at the Tender Board e-tendering digital portal link (<https://etendering.tenderboard.gov.om>), On wednesday 22/12/2021
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LANDSLIDE

One dead, 70 missing after deadly jade mine landslide in Myanmar

NAYPYITAW: A landslide at a jade mine in northern Myanmar on Wednesday left one dead and at least 70 missing, according to reports from the rescue team and eyewitnesses.

Local media such as Kachin News Group reported 20 miners had been killed in the landslide. Some reports said there were fears that about 80 people had been swept into a lake by mining waste.

The disaster occurred at around 4 a.m. on Tuesday local time in the Hpakant area of Kachin State.

Authorities arrived around 7 a.m., with around 200 rescuers being involved in the search and rescue operations. Some were using boats to recover bodies from a nearby lake, said agency reports.

"About 70-100 people are missing. We've sent 25 injured people to hospital while we've found one dead," rescue team member Ko Nyi told the AFP news agency.



Myanmar's jade mines are lucrative but poorly managed, and are the sites of frequent accidents and disasters. Landslides are common in these mines, which draw impoverished workers from across the country.

Last year in July, more than 170

people died as mining waste collapsed into a lake.

The gems that are mined are mostly exported to China, where they are in high demand. Myanmar produces 90 percent of the world's jade, mostly from the Hpakant region. Rights groups say many of

the mining firms are linked to military elites and armed groups.

A report by watchdog group Global Witness said Myanmar's military coup in February has killed hopes of reforms to the unregulated mining industry.

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COVID CASES

China records 77 new COVID cases in last 24 hours

BELJING: Ahead of Beijing Winter Olympics, China reported 77 new COVID-19 cases in the last 24 hours, media reports citing health authorities said on Wednesday. According to a statement by the National Health Commission, of the new infections, 57 were locally transmitted. Most of the new local cases

were in the northwestern province of Shaanxi. China reported 19 new asymptomatic cases, which it classifies separately from confirmed cases, also unchanged from a day earlier. There were no new deaths, leaving the death toll at 4,636. Mainland China had 1,00,544 confirmed cases as of December 21. **ANI**

COST OMR7 MILLION

250 housing units set up in Al Mazyouna

MUSCAT: The Ministry of Housing and Urban Planning said that a project undertaken by its departments to set up 250 housing units in the Wilayat of Al Mazyouna has been completed.

The project, which cost OMR7 million, will provide suitable accommodations for Omani citizens, the Ministry said, noting that the project occupies a total area of 645,000 sqm, with each land plot accorded 1,000 sqm. A unit's constructed area stands at 190 sqm.

The Ministry added that the project adds to 590 residential units set up earlier in Al Mazyouna over the past period, along with 7 mosques, one public hall and 67 housing units set up under the scheme of Residential Housing Assistance and Loans.

During this year, a total of 553 residential housing units in different wilayats of Oman were distributed, of them 81 in Saham, 96 in Shinas, 68 in A'Suwaig, 3 in Sohar, 29 in Al Khabourah (North Al Batinah), 7 units in Al Musanaa, one unit in Barka (South Al Batinah), and 45 units in Jaalan Bani Bu Hassan (North A'Sharqiyah), the Ministry explained.

Between 1973 and 2020, the Ministry built 15,000 housing units for eligible citizens (low-income and Social Security Scheme segments) to the tune of OMR340 million. **-ONA**



AEGEAN SEA

Greek coast guard searching Aegean Sea as many migrants go missing

ATHENS: The Greek coast guard on Wednesday said it was looking for dozens of migrants in the Aegean Sea after 12 people were rescued overnight.

Migrants regularly seek to reach mainland Greece from the Turkish Aegean coast, many in vessels that are not seaworthy.

Authorities said an operation

began after the coast guard received information that a vessel carrying migrants had started taking on water south of the island of Folegandros. It is believed the boat had suffered engine failure.

A coast guard official said rescuers found 12 people, mostly Iraqis, in a smaller auxiliary boat, but

the rest were still missing. Only two of the rescued migrants were wearing life jackets.

"The 12 mostly Iraqi migrants ... were taken to Santorini. They are in good health," the official said. According to those rescued, there had been 30 to 50 people on the original vessel.

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World could be entering worst part of pandemic, says Bill Gates

Bill Gates said he has cancelled most of his holiday plans after his close friends have been infected with the Omicron variant

WASHINGTON: Microsoft co-founder Bill Gates has warned against the rising Omicron cases around the world, saying that the world could be entering the worst part of the pandemic as the variant will result in the “worst surge” the world has seen so far. In a series of tweets, Bill Gates



OMICRON VARIANT: He advised people to take booster shots of the COVID-19 vaccine, saying it gives the best protection.

said he has cancelled most of his holiday plans after his close friends have been infected with the Omicron variant. “Omicron is spreading faster than any virus in history. It will soon be in every country in the world,” he said. Noting that the “big unknown” is how lethal the variant is, Gates claimed: “Even if it’s only half as severe as delta, it will be the worst surge we have seen so far because it’s so infectious.” He advised people to take booster shots of the COVID-19 vaccine, saying it gives the best protection. “In the meantime, we all have to look out for each other, especially the most vulnerable, whether they live down the street or in another country. That means wearing masks, avoiding big indoor gatherings, and getting vaccinated. Getting a booster gives the best protection,” he tweeted. Bill Gates also claimed that

the pandemic wave due to Omicron would last less than three months. “If there’s good news here, it’s that omicron moves so quickly that once it becomes dominant in a country, the wave there should last less than 3 months. Those few months could be bad, but I still believe if we take the right steps, the pandemic can be over in 2022,” he further said. Omicron, which was first detected in South Africa in November, has been declared as a “variant of concern” by the WHO. Speaking at a briefing on Monday, WHO head Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus said there was no evidence that the variant was “spreading significantly faster” than the previous dominant version, Delta. The World Health Organization has urged people to cancel some of their holiday plans to protect public health, as the Omicron variant spreads globally. **ANI**

FREEZE TICKET SALE

CALLED OFF

Singapore announces freezing of flight ticket sales under quarantine-free travel programme

SINGAPORE: Amid concerns over a surge in Omicron variant of coronavirus, Singapore on Wednesday said it will freeze new ticket sales for flights and buses under its programme for quarantine-free travel into the city-state from December 23 to January 20. Under the vaccinated travel lane programme, Singapore allows quarantine-free entry from some countries to fully vaccinated travellers, who also have to do regular testing. “With effect from 22 December 2021, 2359hrs (SGT), there will be no new ticket sales for designated VTL (Air) flights for entry into Singapore from all VTL countries until 20 January 2022, 2359hrs (SGT).” Immigration and Checkpoints Authority announced. Travellers who have booked a ticket on a VTL (Air) flight before December 22 will continue to be allowed to enter Singapore, provided they meet all VTL (Air) conditions. Travellers entering Singapore under the VTL scheme do not have to serve a stay-home notice. Instead, they have to test negative



for COVID-19 two days prior to departure for Singapore, as well as upon arrival. The Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) announced the VTL expansion on November 15. Singapore has set up these lanes for about two dozen coun-

tries, including Australia, India, the United Kingdom and the United States. Reacting to the new rules, Indian carriers said that they will have to amend their schedule in order to comply with the guidelines. To comply with the guidelines we will have to make changes to our schedule, they stated. Air India and Vistara are two Indian airlines that operate commercial passenger flights between Singapore and India. Early this month, India had removed Singapore from its list of “at-risk” nations and travellers arriving from there need not take additional measures on arrival including post-arrival testing for Covid-19 especially the new Omicron variant. India also announced that it will keep its ban on scheduled international passenger flights till January 31 in the wake of the emerging threat from the Omicron variant. According to the Union Health Ministry, 213 cases of Omicron variant of coronavirus have been reported in the country so far. India had suspended international flights from March 23, 2020 amid the coronavirus pandemic. However, special international passenger flights have been operating since July last year under air bubble arrangements formed with approximately 28 countries. **ANI**

Libya calls off presidential election planned for Friday

TRIPOLI: Libya’s presidential election that was scheduled to take place on December 24 was called off on Wednesday. Lawmakers on the committee overseeing the vote concluded holding it on time would be “impossible.” “After consulting the technical, judicial, and security reports, we inform you of the impossibility of holding the elections,” lawmaker Al Hadi al-Sagheer wrote to Parliament Speaker Aguila Saleh. The High National Electoral Commission (HNEC) suggested postponing the first round of voting to 24 January, according to a statement on its Facebook page. **Why was the Libya vote postponed?** The Commission disbanded electoral committees late on Tuesday and handed responsibility for the vote over to the parliament. It never released a final list of candidates, with many of them highly contested. In total, close to 100 people had been running for office in the deeply divided and war-torn country. Other obstacles include dis-

putes over the laws governing the elections, infighting among armed groups, a long-running rift between the country’s east and west, and the presence of thousands of foreign fighters. **What this means for the UN peace process** Friday’s election was to mark a fresh start for war-torn Libya a year after a landmark ceasefire. The cancellation of the presidential poll is a major setback to the peace process aimed at ending a decade of chaos in the wake of a 2011 revolt that removed late dictator Moammar Gadhafi. Large numbers of Libyans had registered for the vote and some lawmakers have called for protests after it was called off. The status of the interim government that was installed in March as part of the UN peace process is also at risk. The US ambassador to Libya, Richard Norland, said the delay was a disappointment. He urged the parties to “expeditiously address all legal and political obstacles to hold elections, including finalizing the list of presidential candidates.” **DW**

NATIONAL JUDICIARY

EU starts new legal action against Poland over rule of law

WARSAW: The European Commission on Wednesday announced it was starting an infringement procedure against Poland for undermining EU law and the independence of its national judiciary. The move comes amid an ongoing spat between Brussels and Warsaw over judicial independence and the rule of law. An infringement procedure begins with the Commission sending an EU country a formal notice. It could lead to financial penalties if the member state fails to fulfill its obligations under EU law. Warsaw has two months to reply to the formal notice of legal action. **Why is the EU taking steps against Poland?** The Commission said Poland’s Constitutional Tribunal violated EU laws. The EU “has serious doubts on the independence and impartiality” of the Polish court, the Commission said in a statement. The Constitutional Tribunal had said that law out of Warsaw could take precedence over laws coming from Brussels. The court had looked specifically at the compatibility of provisions from EU treaties — which are used by the European Commission to justify having a say in the rule of law in member states — with Poland’s constitution. However, the European Court



of Justice (ECJ) had ruled that the EU could force member states to disregard certain provisions in national law, including constitutional law. The EU Commission said on Wednesday that it considered the ruling by Poland’s Constitutional Tribunal “in breach of the general principles of autonomy, primacy, effectiveness and uniform application of Union law and the binding effect of rulings of the Court of Justice of the European Union (ECJ).” It also raised “serious concerns as to the impartiality of judges of the Constitutional Tribunal,” citing the process of appointing them. **How did Poland respond?** Sebastian Kaleta, a Polish deputy justice minister, said the EU’s move was an attack on his country’s sovereignty. “The EC (European Commission) is initiating proceedings and wants to subordinate the Constitutional Tribunal in Poland to EU law,” he wrote on Twitter. “This is an attack on the Polish constitution and our sovereignty.” The Polish Prime Minister Mateusz Morawiecki was also quoted by media as saying that he did not agree with the opinion of the European Commission, rejected accusations that it had been politicized. **DW**

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SPORTS

LA LIGA

Barca end 2021 with draw against 10-man Sevilla

BARCELONA: Barcelona ended a torrid 2021 in disappointing fashion with a La Liga draw at 10-man Sevilla.

Xavi's men failed to find a win that would have taken them up to fourth.

Sevilla led following a training-ground move from a corner, as Ivan Rakitic rolled the ball into the area for Alejandro Gomez's first-time finish. Ronald Araujo's header levelled before half-time and although Jules Kounde was sent off for throwing the ball at Jordi Alba, Barca could not break through.

Barca travel to Mallorca in their next game on 2 January, hoping

2022 brings better fortunes after losing superstar Lionel Messi on a free transfer, sacking manager Ronald Koeman and being

knocked out of the UEFA Champions League group stage this year, BBC sports reported.

TENNIS

Australian open organisers unsure if Djokovic will play

MELBOURNE: Australian Open organisers are still unsure if defending men's champion Novak Djokovic will play at next month's Grand Slam.

Serbia's Djokovic, 34, has not spoken publicly about his vaccination status.

All players and staff at the Australian Open must be vaccinated or have a medical exemption granted by an independent panel of experts.

"If Novak shows up, he'll be vaccinated or have a medical exemption," said tournament director Craig Tiley.

However, Tiley is confident Spain's Rafael Nadal will be there despite testing positive for Covid-19 this week.

The Australian Open starts in Melbourne on 17 January 2022, with players starting to arrive in the country over the next week for warm-up events.

Djokovic, who would be going for a record 21st men's Grand Slam title and 10th Australian Open title, is down on the entry list.

He is also named in the field to play for Serbia in the ATP Cup, which starts in Sydney on 1 January. Nadal, who is tied with Djokovic and Switzerland's Roger Federer on 20 major titles, tested positive for Covid-19 after returning to Spain from the Mubadala World Tennis Championship in Abu Dhabi.

COMMENTARY

Will Hanuma Vihari get the nod from his skipper

Anis Sajan, Vice Chairman, Danube Group

With the boxing day test match just three days away, India's think tank and the captain have a lot on their plate to decide whom to select as middle order batsman to add stability in the absence of Rohit Sharma, Shubman Gill and Ravindra Jadeja?

Rohit Sharma's who is out with a hamstring injury will be replaced by vice-captain KL Rahul to open the innings who will be partnered by Mayank Agarwal who just scored a match winning hundred on a turning track at the Wankhede Stadium. It's India's middle order which has struggled off late with the likes of Cheteshwar Pujara and Ajinkya Rahane struggling big time for form and have been short of runs.

Even Virat Kohli has not been the same for the last twelve test matches and has not scored a hundred for two years.

India have Shreyas Iyer who scored a century on his debut and Hanuma Vihari who was playing for India A in South Africa and scored three half centuries at critical times. Also Hanuma Vihari's away record is better where he has made a battling half century in his debut game against England, scored 93 and 111 against a good West Indies attack and most importantly saved India a test match at Sydney on one leg grinding out the Aussie bowlers batting for 161 balls to bail India out from defeat. He has been the crisis man for team India even though he has just played 12 test matches out of which eleven have been abroad in countries like England, Australia, New Zealand and West Indies and has an average of 34.11 better than Cheteshwar Pujara and Virat Kohli at this time. It's time Team India realises his worth and gives him enough opportunities not only on foreign pitches but also on Indian conditions as he has got the right temperament for test match cricket.

Now that Rahane is no more the Vice-Captain, there is every possibility Hanuma Vihari will finally be rewarded for the hard work he has put in for the Indian team in the last two years.

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MARKET

BUSINESS & FINANCE



MSX INDEX ENDS HIGHER

The MSX index closed at 4,109.99 points, up 0.86 per cent from the previous close. The Sharia Index ended up by 0.96 per cent at 535.45 points. United Finance, up 9.09 per cent was the top gainer while, Dhofar Generating down 8.11 per cent, was the top loser.

Opaz amends fees for different services

The proposal also includes merging and cancelling some fees, in addition to reviewing the delay in penalties

Times News Service

MUSCAT: The Board of Directors of the Public Authority for Special Economic Zones and Free Zones (Opaz) held its fourth meeting for the year 2021, headed by Dr Ali bin Masoud bin Ali Al Sunaidy, Chairman of Opaz.

In a bid to attract more investments, the board approved a proposal intended to amend the fees for the different services provided by Opaz. The proposal included



FOURTH MEETING: During the meeting, the Board of Directors touched on the digital portal for the services provided to investors in the special economic zones and free zones. - Supplied picture

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During the meeting, the Board of Directors touched on the digital portal for the services provided to investors in the special economic zones and free zones. The portal has been established in line with

the digital transformation plan of the Public Authority for Special Economic Zones and Free Zones. This portal is aimed to facilitate the licensing processes through the special economic zones and free zones supervised by Opaz.

During the meeting, the Board reviewed the executive status of

the usufruct agreements in the Special Economic Zone at Duqm (Sezad) and the legal actions taken by Opaz against the uncompliant companies during the past years. Further, the Board of Directors also approved the fees of the usufruct for one of the green hydrogen projects in Duqm.

SERVICE PROJECTS

Over OMR1mn worth agreements signed for development projects



FACTS: The agreements were signed by Sheikh Hilal Said Al Hajri, Governor of Al Dakhiliyah, with representatives of the executing companies. - ONA

MUSCAT: The Office of the Governor of Al Dakhiliyah signed several agreements with private sector companies to implement service and development projects worth over OMR1 million.

The agreements included the design and construction of internal roads in the industrial layout in the Wilayat of Adam, and the design and implementation of public

parking spaces in Nizwa Souq.

Moreover, the agreements also included designing and implementing road connections and municipal abattoirs in the wilayats of Nizwa and Manah, in addition to the construction of the return route from the wastewater plant in the Wilayat of Bahla to Bahla Public Park.

The agreements also included

the establishment of air-conditioned waiting canopies in the wilayats of Nizwa, Manah and Adam, as well as the establishment of a market for vegetables and fruits in Qal'at Al Awamer in the Wilayat of Izki, besides projects for annual maintenance services for horticulture and irrigation in the wilayats of Izki, Samail, Bidbid, Nizwa and Adam.

Additionally, providing and transporting irrigation water to Izki Park, Manah Park, Al Dakhiliyah Municipality building, the public street and Al Haditha Park in Adam.

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HSSE PRACTICES



SAFETY MANAGEMENT: Held in collaboration with Safety Region Rotterdam, the port's strategic partner for safety management, and Sohar's Health, Safety, Security and Environment, the teams simulated a life-like emergency scenario at the Hutchison Ports terminal. - Supplied picture

Sohar Port and Freezone organises emergency response field exercise

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Sohar Port and Freezone in coordination with the Civil Defence and Ambulance (PACDA) held its annual emergency response field exercise.

Held in collaboration with Safety Region Rotterdam, the port's strategic partner for safety management, and Sohar's Health, Safety, Security and Environment (HSSE), the teams simulated a life-like emergency scenario at the Hutchison Ports terminal. Emergency response teams from companies in the Port including OQ, Vale, SIUCI, OMC and Jindal Shaded participated to ensure that they know how to respond quickly and effectively to any crisis or incident and are able to work together using the mutual aid system.

The various scenarios comprised a fire combined with a release of hazardous materials. Both were successfully handled by the specialised teams and in fact, demonstrated a high level of readiness.

Mark Geilenkirchen, CEO of Sohar Port, said, "Several of the tenants within Sohar Port and Freezone provide their own emergency response fire and ambulance team to manage crisis and incidents. By engaging them with all along with PACDA in regular training exercises, we know that the same comprehensive protocols are followed throughout the site."

He added, "We are confident knowing that the teams have been trained, understand the science behind our actions, have the skills to prevent injury and damage to assets in addition to protect the environment. The guidance received and lessons learned during these exercises allow us to update our safety pro-



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Mark Geilenkirchen
CEO of Sohar Port

ocols in accordance with best international HSSE practices and prepare teams to respond when called upon."

Continuing to prioritise and promote a culture of safe and socially responsible business practices, Sohar Port and Freezone's Emergency Response strategy outlines procedures that are designed to provide the immediate prepared response for multiple scenarios. Having made giant strides in ensuring a safe working climate, the port continues to employ innovative, world-class solutions to resolve complex challenges and manage incidents in a time-critical manner, factoring in the port's potential risk profile, foreseeing its occurrence and responding effectively to mitigate all risks to persons and property.

INNOVATIVE PROJECT

\$3.6bn project to decarbonise Adnoc's offshore operations

ABU DHABI: Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (Adnoc) and Abu Dhabi National Energy Company (TAQA) announced on Wednesday a \$3.6 billion (AED13.22 billion) strategic project to significantly decarbonise Adnoc's offshore production operations, further strengthening their position in driving and leading sustainability efforts and supporting the UAE 'Net-Zero by 2050 Strategic Initiative'.

The innovative project will see the development and operation of a first-of-its-kind high-voltage, direct current subsea transmission system in the Middle East and North Africa region. It will power Adnoc's offshore production operations with cleaner and more efficient energy, delivered through the Abu Dhabi onshore power grid, owned and operated by TAQA's transmission and distribution companies. - WAM

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MSX index ends higher

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tic investors were net buyers for OMR180,000 while GCC & Arab investors were net sellers for OMR113,000 followed by foreign investors for OMR67,000 worth of shares. Financial Index closed at 6,586.21 points, up 0.76 per cent. United Finance, Muscat Finance, Ominvest, Global Investment Holding and Al Anwar Investment were up 9.09 per cent, 3.57 per cent, 3.33 per cent, 3.28 per cent and 3.26 per cent respectively. Oman & Qatar Insurance, Takaful Oman and Ahli Bank were down 1.89 per cent, 1.25 per cent and 0.85 per cent respectively. Industrial Index closed at 6,045.75 points, up 0.79 per cent. Services Index was up by 0.60 per cent before closing at 1,587.99 points. — **United Securities**

MUSCAT STOCK EXCHANGE

INDICES							
Index	High	Low	Value	Prev. Value	Diff	Diff %	
MSX 30 INDEX	4,110.78	4,074.85	4,109.99	4,075.11	34.88	0.86	
FINANCIAL INDEX	6,586.21	6,537.36	6,586.21	6,536.34	49.86	0.76	
Industry Index	6,055.29	6,029.01	6,045.75	5,998.09	47.66	0.79	
Services Index	1,589.04	1,578.59	1,588.00	1,578.59	9.41	0.60	
MSX Shariah Index	536.16	530.94	535.45	530.38	5.07	0.96	
MSX TR INDEX	4,946.73	4,903.49	4,945.78	4,903.80	41.98	0.86	

Trading Summary							
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REGULAR MARKET																
OM0000005005	ALMAHA CERAMICS	10,000	4,991	3	0.498	0.500	0.498	0.500	0.474	0.026	5.485	0.500	0.480	0.500	0.100	27,500,000
OM0000001590	MUSCAT FINANCE	511,982	29,450	31	0.057	0.058	0.057	0.058	0.056	0.002	3.571	0.058	0.057	0.058	0.100	17,814,487
OM0000002176	JAZEERA STEEL PROD.	162,804	58,575	33	0.356	0.364	0.356	0.360	0.348	0.012	3.448	0.364	0.358	0.366	0.100	44,963,296
OM0000001533	OMINVEST	49,000	15,170	4	0.306	0.310	0.306	0.310	0.300	0.010	3.333	0.310	0.304	0.310	0.100	250,165,422
OM0000001772	ALANWAR INVESTMENT	783,055	74,241	42	0.094	0.096	0.094	0.095	0.092	0.003	3.261	0.094	0.092	0.094	0.100	19,000,000
OM0000002226	ALAJZEERA SERVICES	69,808	23,278	14	0.328	0.340	0.328	0.334	0.324	0.010	3.086	0.340	0.334	0.340	0.100	20,442,227
OM0000003026	OMAN TELECOM	49,641	36,762	12	0.736	0.748	0.736	0.740	0.724	0.016	2.210	0.744	0.744	0.760	0.100	555,000,000
OM0000003968	OOREDOO	146,757	53,424	6	0.364	0.370	0.364	0.364	0.358	0.006	1.676	0.364	0.360	0.374	0.100	236,943,700
OM0000001525	OMAN INVST & FIN.	1,451,742	210,717	54	0.143	0.146	0.143	0.145	0.143	0.002	1.399	0.145	0.145	0.146	0.100	34,365,000
OM0000002440	AL SHARQIA INV.	5,400	461	3	0.085	0.089	0.085	0.085	0.084	0.001	1.190	0.088	0.085	0.088	0.100	7,650,000
OM0000001418	RAYST CEMENT	6,000	1,454	2	0.242	0.244	0.242	0.242	0.240	0.002	0.833	0.244	0.244	0.246	0.100	48,400,000
OM0000001087	OMAN UNITED INSUR.	10,000	3,500	2	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.348	0.002	0.875	0.350	0.350	0.350	0.100	35,000,000
OM0000001749	OMAN CEMENT	176,280	42,660	5	0.242	0.242	0.242	0.242	0.241	0.001	0.415	0.242	0.233	0.246	0.100	80,071,196
OM0000002796	BANK MUSCAT	1,354,895	678,346	33	0.500	0.502	0.494	0.500	0.498	0.002	0.402	0.498	0.494	0.502	0.100	17,872,337,396
OM0000001160	NATIONAL GAS	13,845	1,772	3	0.128	0.128	0.128	0.128	0.128	0.000	0.000	0.128	0.128	0.136	0.100	10,880,000
OM0000001400	OMAN FLOUR MILLS	1,000	788	1	0.788	0.788	0.788	0.788	0.788	0.000	0.000	0.788	0.000	0.788	0.100	124,110,000
OM0000002077	AL OMANIYA FIN.	551,204	65,086	5	0.118	0.120	0.118	0.118	0.118	0.000	0.000	0.118	0.118	0.124	0.100	34,448,350
OM0000003234	RENAISSANCE SER	191,200	81,534	12	0.426	0.428	0.426	0.426	0.426	0.000	0.000	0.428	0.424	0.428	0.100	100,710,660
OM0000003396	SOHAR INT BANK	600	67	2	0.112	0.112	0.112	0.115	0.115	0.000	0.000	0.112	0.112	0.115	0.100	343,857,163
OM0000006920	VISION INSURANCE	1,000	84	1	0.084	0.084	0.084	0.082	0.082	0.000	0.000	0.084	0.085	0.092	0.100	9,200,000
OM0000002200	AHLI BANK	717,560	83,237	15	0.116	0.117	0.116	0.116	0.117	-0.001	-0.855	0.116	0.116	0.116	0.100	228,160,266
OM0000002168	AL ANWAR CERAMIC	25,703	10,967	5	0.394	0.394	0.390	0.392	0.396	-0.004	-1.010	0.390	0.390	0.394	0.100	86,240,000
Total	22	6,289,276	1,475,665	288												

Parallel Market																
OM0000002374	UNITED FINANCE	1,211,093	72,165	55	0.056	0.060	0.056	0.060	0.055	0.005	9.091	0.060	0.058	0.060	0.100	20,948,665
OM0000001319	ALUMINIUM PROD.	10,000	1,350	2	0.133	0.133	0.133	0.133	0.137	0.006	4.724	0.133	0.133	0.138	0.100	4,465,003
OM0000004248	SMN POWER HOLDING	40,000	1,800	2	0.045	0.045	0.045	0.045	0.042	0.002	4.651	0.045	0.041	0.045	0.100	8,893,602
OM0000003125	GLOBAL INV H	71,962	44,854	29	0.063	0.063	0.063	0.063	0.061	0.002	3.279	0.063	0.063	0.063	0.100	12,600,000
OM0000001483	NATIONAL BANK OMAN	37,700	68,384	4	0.181	0.182	0.181	0.181	0.187	0.004	2.139	0.182	0.182	0.191	0.100	51,555,574
OM0000005963	PHOENIX POWER	762,204	37,349	8	0.049	0.050	0.049	0.049	0.048	0.001	2.083	0.050	0.048	0.051	0.100	17,667,472
OM0000001681	OMAN EMIRATES HO	23,750	1,544	5	0.065	0.065	0.065	0.065	0.064	0.001	1.563	0.065	0.065	0.065	0.100	7,921,875
OM0000003281	TAGHEER FINANCE	98,348	6,940	6	0.072	0.072	0.072	0.072	0.071	0.001	1.408	0.072	0.071	0.073	0.100	18,238,480
OM0000007084	MCT DESALINATE	18,600	1,674	3	0.090	0.090	0.090	0.090	0.089	0.001	1.124	0.090	0.090	0.093	0.100	13,999,536
OM0000001152	OMAN NAT ENG	40,000	3,640	3	0.091	0.091	0.091	0.091	0.090	0.001	1.111	0.091	0.090	0.091	0.100	11,830,000
OM0000004420	BANK NIZWA	1,254,243	119,466	41	0.096	0.096	0.097	0.096	0.097	0.001	1.031	0.096	0.096	0.099	0.100	219,221,597
OM0000001517	HSCB BANK OMAN	651,310	67,585	17	0.104	0.104	0.103	0.104	0.103	0.001	0.971	0.103	0.103	0.103	0.100	208,032,530
OM0000001962	AL MADINA INV	15,010	720	4	0.048	0.048	0.048	0.048	0.048	0.000	0.000	0.048	0.048	0.050	0.100	3,360,000
OM0000002549	BANK DHOFAR	205,790	25,728	4	0.125	0.126	0.125	0.125	0.125	0.000	0.000	0.126	0.125	0.126	0.100	374,543,630
OM0000002648	NATIONAL FINANCE	10,000	920	2	0.092	0.092	0.092	0.092	0.092	0.000	0.000	0.092	0.092	0.092	0.100	48,793,302
OM0000003521	GALFAR ENGINEER	258,990	19,165	10	0.074	0.074	0.074	0.074	0.074	0.000	0.000	0.074	0.074	0.075	0.100	15,020,997
OM0000004669	SHARQIA DESALIN	2,800	308	2	0.110	0.110	0.110	0.112	0.112	0.000	0.000	0.110	0.109	0.110	0.100	10,853,842
OM0000004768	MADINA TAKAFUL	427,550	40,565	6	0.095	0.095	0.094	0.095	0.095	0.000	0.000	0.094	0.094	0.095	0.100	16,625,000
OM0000004933	AL SUWADI POWER	104,000	4,996	5	0.049	0.049	0.048	0.048	0.048	0.000	0.000	0.048	0.048	0.049	0.100	34,291,504
OM0000005260	OMAN ARAB BANK	300	58	1	0.196	0.196	0.196	0.196	0.196	0.000	0.000	0.196	0.192	0.196	0.100	277,152,060
OM0000004776	TAKAFUL OMAN	8,490	671	2	0.079	0.079	0.079	0.079	0.080	-0.001	-1.250	0.079	0.072	0.084	0.100	7,900,000
OM0000006979	OMAN NATL INSUR	31,500	6,555	6	0.210	0.212	0.209	0.208	0.212	-0.004	-1.887	0.209	0.196	0.222	0.100	20,800,000
OM0000004925	ALBATHAH POWER	32,000	1,504	3	0.047	0.047	0.047	0.047	0.048	0.001	2.083	0.047	0.047	0.047	0.100	31,719,709
OM0000001566	OMAN FISHERIES	51,403	2,827	7	0.055	0.055	0.055	0.055	0.058	-0.003	-5.172	0.055	0.056	0.058	0.100	6,875,000
OM0000001897	MAJAN COLLEGE	6,000	676	1	0.146	0.146	0.146	0.146	0.157	-0.011	-7.006	0.146	0.000	0.100	13,140,000	
OM0000007407	DHOVAR GENERATING	40,372	2,726	6	0.070	0.070	0.067	0.068	0.074	-0.006	-8.108	0.069	0.068	0.069	0.100	15,112,320
Total	26	6,341,455	534,350	234												

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Contact: 79056363, 99501396
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CONTACT 94619442

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Email: qaisebukhari@gmail.com
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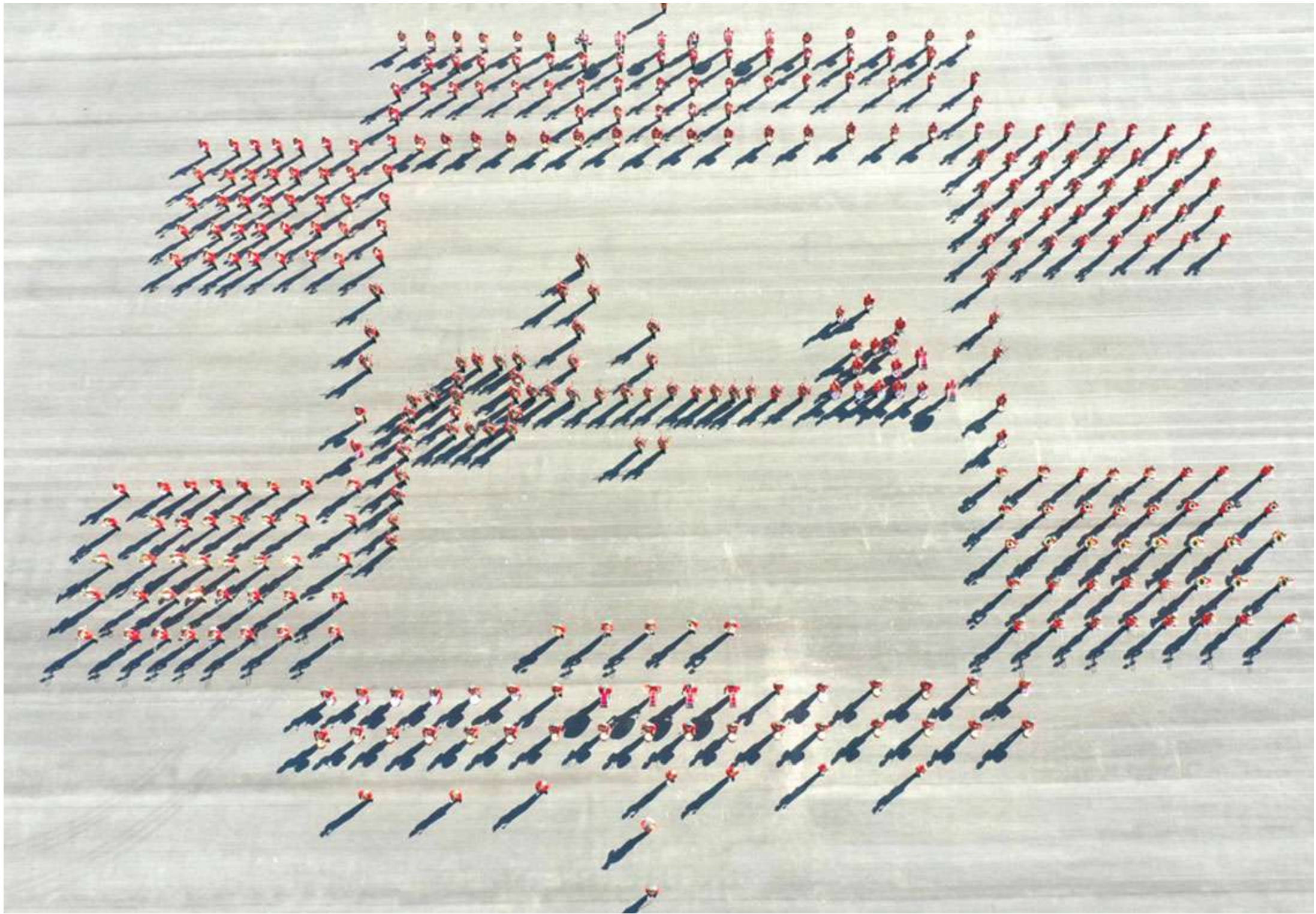
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ROYAL ARMY OF OMAN CELEBRATES PASSING OUT OF CADET OFFICERS

MUSCAT: The Royal Army of Oman (RAO) celebrated on Wednesday the passing out of a batch of cadet officers, as well as the first batch of female cadet officers from the Sultan Qaboos Military College.

The ceremony, held in the Parade Ground at Al Murtafaa Garrison, was under the patronage of Sheikh Al Fadhl Mohammed Al Harthy, Secretary-General of the Council of Ministers.

The event was attended by several high-ranking officials and officers, as well as families of the graduates. The graduates also comprised cadet officers from the office of the Deputy Prime Minister for Defence Affairs, the Royal Air Force of Oman, the Royal Guard of Oman, the Sultan's Special Force, the Royal Oman Police and other security departments in Oman, besides cadet officers from Bahrain and Qatar. -OMA



ROUND-UP

Last few days to ‘Scratch & Win’ your dream Kia in this year’s exciting offer

As part of the campaign, customers owning their dream Kia can look forward to a chance to win you Kia car back through Scratch & Win offer

MUSCAT: Kia's most exciting campaign that has created so many winners will be coming to an end on December 28. Now is still time to make the most of your luck and Scratch and Win with Kia. As part of the campaign, customers owning their dream Kia can look forward to a chance to win you Kia car back through scratch &

win offer, or chance to win 50 per cent value of your car back through scratch & win offer, or chance to double your cash gift, or win periodic services up to 100,000 km and yes VAT is on us which can be used as part of down payment. (Conditions apply. Please visit the Kia showroom for details.) People looking forward to owning a Kia can choose from a range of exciting models. They include the stunning K5. The K5's powerful and angular design language represents another chapter of boldness and passion for the brand. 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. 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, An-

droid Auto & Car Play, Driver Seat Memory Seating System, Navigation with 10.25" Display, Mood Lamp, Premium Music System, Red Leather Seats and more. The Kia Seltos combines forward-looking technical features, class-leading space and a suite of world-class safety features, and is powered by a highly-efficient Smartstream petrol engine. Powering the Seltos is a 1.6-litre gasoline engine producing 121 HP paired to a six-speed automatic transmission (6AT). The interior of the Seltos is impressive. The cabin is characterised by broad, sweeping shapes and highly technical details and is equipped with a range of technologies to maximise convenience, connectivity and ease of use. The Seltos is a technologically advanced and refined compact SUV equipped with a range of advanced features. They include a Smart Key with Button Start, Auto Cruise Control, Terrain Mode System (Snow, Mud, Sand), Electronic Stability Program (ESP) among many other advanced features and technology.



LARGEST

GUtech celebrates completion of 3D printed real concrete building

MUSCAT: For many years, Dubai, which implemented a policy of having 25 per cent of all new buildings 3D printed within 2030, has held the pole position for 3D construction printing, but that position is now challenged by Oman - printing the world's largest 3D printed real concrete building in Oman with a super low cost of the printed materials. The German University of Technology in Oman, GUtech on December 14 celebrated the finishing of the 3D printing of the walls of the so far largest 3D printed building in the world made with real concrete. The importance of the event was marked by the presence of Sultan bin Saeed Al Habsi, Minister of Finance of Oman together with more than 200 guests including several ministers and VIPs of Oman, who attended the event in Muscat, the capital of Oman. The house consists of 190 m2 (2,100 SF) and is typical for a social housing unit in Oman. It has 3 bedrooms, three bathrooms, a living room, kitchen, and guest reception area. The house was printed in two stages. While the materials recipe was adjusted and training of the Omani crew took place during the printing of the first part of the house, the second part of the house was done by the Omani crew on their own and it only took five days to complete; a sign of fast learning and productivity improvements occurring in 3D printed projects. Dr Hussain, Acting Rector of GUtech said, "Today's display of the first 3D printed building is perhaps the first step in the 1,000-mile journey. A step that will not be a success without the support of all parties involved. In this regard, I sincerely thank all the local and international parties who contribute to supporting the centre and the University. We hope that this centre will play its part in supporting Oman's efforts to achieve Oman's Vision 2040."



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ditional dry mix mortars used in most other 3D printed buildings. To make the concrete 3D printable, GUtech applied the D.fab solution developed by COBOD and CEMEX in cooperation where the concrete can have particle sizes up to 10 mm (1/3 inch) and is made from locally available cement, sand, and gravel. CEMEX and COBOD launched the news about the D.fab solution last week in connection with the first 3D printed building in Angola. The D.fab solution was also used in Angola with the result that the cost of the concrete materials was less than 1,000 USD for the 52 m2 (575 SF) house. Juan Romero, Executive Vice President Sustainability, Commercial, and Operations Development of CEMEX said, "The introduction of this revolutionary 3D printing system is a testament to our customer-centric mindset

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Henrik Lund-Nielsen, Founder & General Manager of COBOD International stated: "While we have been happy to help various cement and concrete manufacturers develop dry mix 3D printable mortars, we have also insisted on that a solution for making real concrete made from locally available materials would be needed for mass application of our technology. We are more than pleased that CEMEX took on the challenge and proud that we in cooperation could develop the new solution, which GUtech has now applied to the first building in Oman. "With the low cost for the printed materials, on top of the savings from not needing formwork and the minimal crew needed to operate our printers, our disruptive technology is now more competitive than ever before in Oman and everywhere in the world."

DIGITAL PAYMENTS

Bank Muscat's QR Code makes accepting e-payments easy for merchant partners

MUSCAT: In line with the directives of the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion to promote financial inclusion and digital payments across the Sultanate by ensuring e-payment options at businesses in the Sultanate, Bank Muscat has urged all its customers to use its e-channels for their various banking transactions. As the leading financial services provider in the Sultanate and line with its vision 'To serve you better, everyday', the bank has been continuously expanding the number of e-payment options available to its customers including debit, prepaid and credit cards, wearables, mobile wallet and the mobile banking app. Amjad Iqbal Al Lawati, Assistant General Manager - Cards and eBanking, Bank Muscat, said, "Bank Muscat aims to serve its tech-savvy customers in the best possible manner and is encouraged by the rapid shift to digital and contactless payments. "Using the e-payment option improves financial inclusion and offers new, convenient and highly secure e-payment options for the benefit of our valued customers. We are happy to welcome all merchants to use our world-class e-payment options to accept payments from their customers securely in real-time. "We are sure that this will greatly benefit the Sultanate in achieving the landmark goals of Oman Vision 2040."



The bank had earlier upgraded its BM Wallet and mBanking app in 2019 to make it easy for customers to transfer money to or request funds from others using the Central Bank of Oman's Mobile Payment Clearing and Switching System (MPCSS). Funds can be transferred instantaneously using one of the following modes. For a person to person transfers, money can be sent or collected from the recipient's default account or wallet. 'Send money' can be initiated by using a mobile number, Alias or by QR code scanning and 'collect money' can be initiated using recipient Alias/ Mobile Number if both the sender and recipient are registered on MPCSS. Bank Muscat customers have the facility to register on the MPCSS via both its BM Wallet and the mBanking app. Funds can be transferred instantly and at zero cost to both Bank Muscat and non-Bank Muscat accounts or wallets by using their MPCSS-registered mobile number/ alias/QR code. There is no need to enter an account number. Beneficiaries can be instead selected from one's phone contact list to initiate a payment. It is important to note that the QR code scanning option is a very helpful option for the bank's merchant partners, especially small businesses, in accepting e-payments from their customers quickly and securely. The security of transactions is enhanced by ensuring that payments are directly credited into the business' account in real-time without the need to handle physical cash and the inconvenience of maintaining change for customers. Payments can be easily initiated from a customer's Mobile Banking or BM Wallet to the merchant's account by scanning a QR code. A merchant can also request money from a customer using Mobile Payments System registered mobile number / Alias / QR code.

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MG5 Adventure, lively and capable - the MG 5 is one of the most exciting sedans around. Whether for work or pleasure, you can be confident that the vehicle is always looking to do more to excite, with the three trim levels - STD, COM, and DEL - providing all the requirements you could need. Available with a charismatic exterior, comfortable interior, 5-star safety features and an EMI of OMR 61 only, MG 5 is too good to be true.

MG6 With sporty styling, head-turning aesthetics, a turbocharged engine and an unbelievable EMI of OMR 83, MG 6 is a model that wants you

to experience more. This car is a smart and adventurous sedan that comes in three trim levels and is powered by a 1.5L turbocharged engine that guarantees lively, energetic and dynamic performance for your various adventures.

MG GT Embracing MG's latest design ethos, the all-new 2022 MG GT provides fresh looks and a fighter-jet inspired cabin. With an EMI of OMR 75 only, you can enjoy the thrilling experience offered by this born rebel. This model is the first from MG to offer the new 1.4 SGE direct-injection petrol engine in addition to the 1.5 NSE. MG GT is also

the first MG to offer EPS steering and seven-speed dual-clutch TST transmissions. In Oman, it is available in 1.5L and 1.5 Turbo versions. **MG ZST** A popular crossover in the region, the MG ZST is an energetic vehicle that can fill your motoring life with a Do More spirit, a joie de vivre and plenty of adventures. A contemporary design and punchy drive characterise the MG ZST which, though designed and built with a British heritage in mind, offers more equipment than ever, with an upgraded engine, additional styling features and the very latest in technology. The MG ZST can be yours with a starting EMI of OMR 74 only.

MG RX5 Versatile, capable, sporty and fun, the ultimate SUV from MG Motor - the MG RX5 - can be easily yours with a starting EMI of OMR 83 only. It has been developed to offer everything the inquisitive and adventurous motorist demands - driving safety, engaging technology, and responsive performance. It also provides a passion for performance to match your own. With the MG RX5, every journey is an event to remember. **MG HS** The dynamic MG HS is a smart and practical SUV that exudes charm and capability, letting you experience life like never before.

With an EMI of OMR 106, the MG HS can be your reliable automotive partner. Embracing the design concept of X-Motion and exuding a real drive to do more, this stylish option will prove reliable and fun to drive, with some of the finest technology providing a fully engaging motoring experience and a sense of adventure. **MG RX8** A seven-seat perfectionist, the MG RX8 is a bold and capable SUV that provides dynamic performance on and off-road. With an EMI of OMR 125 only, you can embrace the ultimate driving experience of MG RX8. This model provides dynamic performance, embracing the do more spirit of adventure of MG. It does so while you can sit back in comfort, with innovative technology complementing the ultimate driving experience. **MG T60** A durable vehicle for your demanding schedules, the MG T60 is available with a starting EMI of OMR 94 only. Hard workers need a versatile partner, and there is no light pickup better suited to a challenging schedule than the MG T60. Whether you are hauling loads to a construction site out of town or taking clients on an off-road adventure, this is a model that enables you to do more with two engine options and 4x2 and 4x4 configurations.

MG is a British-born automotive brand established in 1924, known for its historic models, awards and achievements throughout the past 97 years. MG was founded by William Morris and Cecil Kimbers and has one of the oldest car clubs in the automotive industry. Best known for its two-seat open sports cars, MG also produced saloons and coupes. Since its acquisition of MG, SAIC Motor, as a Global Top 500 company, has opened a new chapter for this British icon.

PRIZE SCHEME

Ahli Islamic Qitaf scheme 2021 to conclude with grand draw in January

MUSCAT: Ahli Islamic is all set to end 2021 on a captivating note with its fourth-quarter Qitaf Prize Scheme 2021 draw, which is scheduled to be held on January 2022. It will award one lucky winner a whopping grand prize of OMR100,000. As per the scheme, this last quarterly draw of the year will mark a new chapter in the history of Ahli Islamic, having rewarded more than 4,200 customers - with prizes totalling over OMR1,250,000 across all its branches in the country - over the year.

Noting that the scheme was designed meticulously to cover a wider customer base and include diverse prize categories, Yousuf Al Rawahi, DGM- Head of Ahli Islamic said, "Through Qitaf, we have endeavoured to actively engage with various segments of our customers, spread across our extensive network of branches. This has boosted our growth trajectory, with a substantial increase in demand to not just open new accounts, but also to maintain the minimum average balance to qualify for the draws. It is a clear reflection of our success in inspiring a culture of savings among our customers, and the community in which we operate. "While our Sharia-compliant Qitaf savings account itself is based on the principle of Mudaraba, what endears it to our growing line of customers is the ease with which it provides opportunities to earn cash prizes through a draw system. It demonstrates our com-



mitment to improving their financial status and our larger objective to recognise and reward their loyalty. Verily, this has strengthened our market position and helped us forge ahead, even in the wake of economic slowdown brought about by the pandemic." Structured to provide investment opportunities that suit customers' needs, while promoting a culture of prudent savings through cash rewards that are dispensed through weekly, monthly, quarterly and special event draws, the Qitaf account has fast gained popularity to enhance Ahli Islamic status as Oman's premier Islamic bank. In the 2021 edition of the scheme, our different categories like weekly draws for all account holders and special weekly draws for children, have helped customers achieve their aspirations. One of the unique features of the scheme is the criteria for eligibil-

ity, which makes it easy and attainable for everyone. It simply means customers from various banking categories can qualify for the draws based on their respective balances, with an option to invest their capital in profitable assets. This further translates as an opportunity to save and thereby secure the future. As per the scheme, customers who maintain a minimum average balance of OMR100 are automatically entitled to enter draws; the requisite balance to qualify for the quarterly draws is OMR 1,000. Winners are selected through the draws, as per the terms and conditions set by the bank. With weekly prizes of OMR250 for two winners and OMR50 for three children from each branch and monthly prizes of OMR20,000, in addition to the quarterly draws and special event offers, Ahli Islamic has met and exceeded its customers' expectations to save and grow.

PROMOTION



Celebrations continue with special offers from Mitsubishi

MUSCAT: The celebrations continue at General Automotive Company (GAC), the official distributor of Mitsubishi vehicles in Oman, with its ongoing seasonal promotion continuing until January 13, 2022. The promotion, which covers the full line-up of Mitsubishi models, presents customers with several benefits on the purchase of a new vehicle. These include cash gifts of up to OMR 3,100, free insurance, six years unlimited mileage warranty and roadside assistance, and an OMR 51 gift voucher on every purchase. Select models will also come with three years of free service and every customer purchasing a vehicle will also be entered into a

draw for a chance to win 51 grams of gold each month. Commenting on the promotion, Manoj Ranade, the General Manager of GAC, said, "In keeping with the festive season, we have made every effort to offer our customers the best prices and benefits possible with this promotion. In doing so, we are providing them with an invaluable opportunity to welcome in the New Year behind the wheel of their favourite Mitsubishi." The promotion applies to the Mitsubishi Xpander, Outlander, Montero Sport, ASX, Eclipse Cross, Attrage, Mirage, and L200 models. Mitsubishi is offering each of these models with six years unlimited mileage warranty and roadside assistance, cash

gifts ranging from OMR1,438 up to OMR3,100, and one year of free insurance on every purchase. Customers purchasing a Mirage or Xpander will also receive 3-years/51,000km free service. As a bonus, GAC will gift every customer purchasing a new vehicle during the offer period with a gift voucher worth OMR51 as well as a chance to win 51 grams of gold in an exclusive raffle draw each month. "Mitsubishi's line-up of vehicles is renowned for being reliable, comfortable, safe, and engaging to drive. A purchase of any of these models, particularly when combined with our ongoing promotion, will be the perfect way to celebrate the New Year with your family," concluded Manoj.



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SPECIAL GIFTS TO GIVE YOUR LOVED ONES THIS CHRISTMAS

It's finally that time of the year when the winter breeze of December rings in the festival of Christmas and brings in fresh hopes paving the path for a happy new year. The date itself and several of the customs associated with the festival have actually evolved from traditions celebrating the winter solstice. However, among the entire festive mood, delicious and lip-smacking dishes, the joy of opening Christmas gifts is an emotion beyond words.

As Christmas is supposed to be the season dedicated to everything merry and bright, so if you too are planning to become a secret Santa for your loved ones then we've handpicked some great gifting options that can suit different kinds of people since picking an ideal gift can be a tricky game. This specially curated list of gift ideas for Christmas consists of something for everyone.

EARBUDS

Earphones and earpods have become a significant part of entertainment in our daily lives for watching movies or listen-

ing to music. Also, due to the ongoing COVID pandemic, a lot of people have been spending most of their time on their phones or on their laptops, attending virtual meetings or doing their daily office work. Hence, a pair of earbuds could be a great gifting option as it would be a perfect accessory.

**CUSTOMISED
WRIST WATCH**

If you wish to do something special for your loved one, you can never go wrong with a customised wristwatch. The

pick does not have to be too fancy as you can customise any wristwatch with the theme of whatever they like or adore. All in all, as a custom selection, wristwatches make an excellent option.

HANDBAG

A handbag is yet another great gifting idea to make your loved one's Christmas cheerful and cherished. Keep the handbag secretly in her wardrobe and she will surely love it. You can ideally also choose to keep her favourite lip shade in the

handbag to enhance the surprise levels.

**DESKTOP MODELS
OR FIGURINES**

If your colleague, friend, or loved one constantly goes on about a certain car, book, or TV show, then show them you listen to their obsession by giving them a little model for their desk. Almost any pop culture entity has an affordable desktop model, ranging from 'The Walking Dead' to 'Harry Potter'.

PERFUME

Perfume is something that can never ditch you when you think of a safe gifting option on Christmas. In fact, a bottle of perfume will be a great gift that will keep the person fresh and charged up all day long. So, give your loved ones a bottle of perfume and make their day cheerful and happy.

Since Christmas calls for beautiful wintry nights spent making memories with our loved ones, so show them all the love and admiration they truly deserve by giving them any of the gifts from this list and make their Christmas a tad more merrier. -ANI





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