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HM SENDS CONDOLENCES TO REPUBLIC OF KOREA

MUSCAT: His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik has sent a cable of condolences to President Moon Jae-in of the Republic of Korea on the death of Roh Tae-woo, former Korean President. In the cable, His Majesty the Sultan expressed his sincere sympathies and condolences to President Moon, family of the deceased former president and the friendly people of Korea. **-ONA**



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OMAN'S FIRST SATELLITE SET FOR LAUNCH IN 2022



Polish Space Agency.

"By cooperating with SatRevolution, a satellite manufacturer and space service company considered to be one of the top providers of satellite imaging services in the world, we have secured a valuable partner with great access to the latest space technology and image analysis which will support the national digitalisation strategy," said Ammar Al Rawahi, director of astro and space technology at ETCO.

Besides the launch of the satellite itself, a five-year collaboration between the involved parties will include designing and manufacturing a complete satellite imaging receiving and transmission infrastructure based on CubeSat technology.

The project will be executed in

stages comprising several crucial elements the design, manufacture and development of software, enabling ETCO (International Emerging Technology Company) to operate Oman's first national CubeSat: these include the creation of the ground station by TUATARA and SatRevolution, providing connection, operations and datalink with launched CubeSat; and personnel training and know-how transfer, including NASA's best practices needed to execute all strategic goals.

Partners

SatRevolution has partnered with Virgin Orbit and SpaceX to deliver its satellites into space, and the company's CEO Grzegorz Zwolinski said he was happy to help with Oman's digital transformation. "We want the technologi-

cal achievements resulting from our work to be applied in various fields," he said. "Participation in this venture and the opportunity to cooperate with new players to create innovative solutions is another step in the process of democratisation of the space market."

While satellites can be an important part of the global imaging supply chain, the project will be technologically independent, collecting and processing data that will serve the technological development of the Sultanate of Oman and contribute to the country's economic growth.

Satellite images can be used to monitor agriculture, renewable energy, oil, mining, weather forecasting, border monitoring and national security within the Sultanate. **>A3**

The project will be executed in multiple stages comprising several crucial elements, including the design, manufacture and development of software

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TUATARA and ETCO from Oman, and Poland's SatRevolution -- working with Ministry of Transport, Communications and Information Technology on CubeSat

Times News Service

MUSCAT: The Sultanate of Oman's first satellite is to be launched into Earth's lower orbit by the end of 2022, with the aim of putting the country on the map of global space research and exploration.

The satellite, called CubeSat, is the product of collaboration between three companies: Omani companies TUATARA and ETCO, and Poland's SatRevolution, which are working with Oman's Ministry of Transport, Communications and Information Technology (MTCIT).

The agreement between the organisations was signed at the International Astronautical Congress, which was held from 25 to 29 October in Dubai, in the presence of Dr. Saoud Al Shoaibi, head of the National Space Programme within Oman's MTCIT, and President Grzegorz Worchna of the



Camel racing an integral part of Oman's culture and heritage

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DEVELOPMENT

Duqm Refinery construction work close to completion

Times News Service

MUSCAT: The construction of Duqm Refinery is nearly 87 per cent complete, thanks to the efforts of more than 17,000 workers.

"The refinery is expected to begin running in the first quarter of 2023," said Yousef Al Jahdani, the general manager for the Duqm Refinery Project, speaking to the Oman News Agency.

So far, some 477,451 cubic metres of concrete, and 70,788 tonnes of steel base have been used in the project, which has been handled by 17,954 workers.

"Upon the start of its operations, the refinery will enhance and increase the refining capacities of Oman, expand economic returns on the country's resources and petroleum products, and contribute to encouraging more economic projects in the Special Economic Zone at Duqm," he added.

Meanwhile, the Special Economic Zone Authority at Duqm (SEZAD) has asked companies specialising in modern-day construction technology to explore investment in the area.

To this effect, SEZAD has established a number of sites where artificial intelligence techniques can be used to construct service buildings and establish projects that will improve the quality of Oman's economic output.

"The zone provides a suitable and attractive environment for experimenting and promoting the technologies of companies



specialised in the field of modern construction technologies," said Saleh Al Hashmi, director general of planning and engineering, and the head of the modern building technology and 3D building printing team.

Speaking to the Oman News

Agency, he added. "The Special Economic Zone Authority at Duqm welcomes the initiatives of private sector companies and research institutions, both local and international, to expand their services and activities and develop their businesses in the region."

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TOP THREE INSIDE STORIES



OMAN CAA reminder to fliers to Oman

1 Passengers flying to the Sultanate of Oman have been reminded of the pre-boarding procedures they are required to follow, as part of precautions taken against COVID-19. Issued by the Civil Aviation Authority, the procedures were issued following Covaxin being named an approved vaccine in Oman against the virus. **>A3**

WORLD G20 Rome Summit gets underway

2 The G20 Rome Summit kicked off on Saturday. For the next two days, the heads of state and government of the world's major economies will address several key topics of the global agenda. **>A6**

MARKET Credit extended by ODCs tops OMR27bn

3 The total outstanding credit extended by other depository corporations (ODCs) grew by 3.8 per cent to OMR27.3 billion at the end of June 2021, a Central Bank of Oman (CBO) report said. **>B1**

HERITAGE HIGHLIGHT

'Day of Oman' to be held tomorrow in Syria

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Preparations are being finalised in Syria for a "Day of Oman" event on 1 November, which aims to showcase the country's heritage and culture.

Ahead of the event, Dr Lubanah Mushawah, Syria's Minister of Culture, met with Jamal bin Hassan Al-Moosawi, Secretary General of the National Museum of Oman, and the accompanying delegation in Damascus.

According to Oman News Agency, they discussed preparations

made for the event, which will be held in Damascus.

The two spoke about the steps taken to activate the memorandum of understanding in the fields of culture and museums that was signed in Muscat in 2019.

They also discussed promoting cultural and museum work and collaboration opportunities between the two countries, as well as the prospects for specialised training, so that Syrian specialists can benefit from the experiences of Omanis employed in museums.

The two sides also reviewed the

measures taken under the 'Syrian Museum Collection Loan Annex', which will be signed on the sidelines of the exhibition, and concerns the second batch of Syrian artefacts that were damaged during the previous years of uncertainty in Syria, added ONA.

Loan of the manuscript

The objects will undergo a conservation and restoration process, and will then be exhibited in a temporary gallery at the National Museum of Oman. The Omani and Syrian representatives also discussed

the possibility of extending the loan of the manuscript of Ahmed bin Majid As Saadi, which has been on display at the National Museum of Oman since March 2020, for another year, so that visitors to the museum can see this rare artefact.

"I am happy to receive the Omani delegation and establish artistic, cultural and linguistic ties between the two countries," said Minister Mushawah.

Adding to this, Al Moosawi said, "Damascus is the third city to host the exhibition and events

of the "Day of Oman", which will be launched on November 1 at the headquarters of the National Museum in Damascus, and will last for six months. The exhibition will convey the Omani cultural experience.

"The agreement signed between us will also help conserve the first batch of Syrian objects that were previously damaged," he said.

"They amount to about 175 antiques, 100 of which have been restored and fully conserved, and have been returned to the custody

of the Syrian side, on the sidelines of the opening of the exhibition, having been worked on by Omani specialists."

The interview was attended by officials from the Embassy of Oman in Damascus, as well as Syria's the Director General of Antiquities and Museums, the Director General of the Assad National Library in Damascus, the Director of Planning and International Cooperation, and the Head of the Department of International Cooperation at the Syrian Ministry of Culture.



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FINANCE DIRECTORATE TO BE REORGANIZED

GREATER EXPLOITATION OF RESOURCES UNDER NEW PLAN

Muscat : (By our Staff Reporter)

The Government is fully cognizant of the inflation in the country, but it certainly calls for no alarm. This is but a natural phenomenon for a country like Oman which is undergoing unprecedented development.



This was stated by the Under Secretary Finance Mr. Mohammad Moosa in an exclusive interview with the Times of Oman. He said that a country which is yet in its infancy and has just taken a start towards its economic and industrial build-up, has naturally to import everything. The prices of various commodities in the international markets having registered increase we naturally import inflation as well, Mr. Moosa explained.

Referring to the prices in the homemarkets, the Under Secretary opined that the prices of several items including that of food stuff have gone down. Rents of the houses and buildings have also registered a slight decrease, he stated. Mr. Moosa said that the Government on its part is doing every thing possible to reduce the cost of imported items which will eventually lessen the cost of living. Custom duty on a number of items has been completely eliminated or brought to a minimal level, he explained.

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Oman's oil production increases

Muscat : (By our Staff Reporter)

The oil output in Oman has registered an increase of 17.2 per cent during the first half of the year 1976.

This was disclosed by a Middle East Economic survey conducted on exclusive study of the oil production in the Sultanate and other neighbouring states.

The survey said that the crude oil production in the Middle East reached an average of 20.1 million barrels a day in the first half of 1976. With the exception of April, which showed a drop of about one million barrels a day, the Middle East oil production between January and August has been running on a constant upward trend, the journal noted. Among the major producers, production rose in Saudi Arabia by 21.2 per cent and in Abu Dhabi by 29.3 per cent.

His Majesty visits US ship

Muscat : (By our Staff Reporter)

His Majesty Sultan Qaboos paid a visit to the American ship "Dupont" anchored at the Omani port on Thursday. He was accompanied by his Military Liaison Officer and Commander of the Sultan's Naval Forces.

His Majesty The Sultan was welcomed on board by commander of the ship and US ambassador to the Sultanate. His Majesty reviewed a guard of honour at the deck.

The Geneva Conference on Rhodesia has been adjourned for private discussions after the leaders of the five delegations had made statements setting out their policies.

Summit yields positive results

Muscat :

(By our Staff Reporter)

The Personal Advisor to His Majesty and Governor of the Capital Sayyid Thuwaini bin Shihab has said that Arab Summit has yielded extremely positive results.

Talking to newsmen at the Seeb airport on his return from Cairo he said that the conference achieved the desired goal of Arab Unity.

In addition to endorsing the resolutions of the Riyadh Summit it decided to establish a fund to finance the enlarged peace-keeping force. All the Arab countries will contribute to the fund, Sayyid Thuwaini stated.

Peace in Lebanon !

Beirut : (UPI)

While the latest cease-fire is believed to be generally holding, 45 people were killed during fierce fighting among the different warring factions on Friday. In addition more than 50 people were seriously wounded.

Oman's contribution to UNIDO

Muscat : (By our Staff Reporter)

Oman is to contribute its share to United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) fund.

Oman is one of the 68 countries of the world which promised to contribute to UNIDO fund.

WE WANT OUR GENERATION TO BE PROUD OF ITS HERITAGE

Muscat : (By our Special Correspondent) - Sheikh Aamir Ali Omeir

The Under-Secretary to the Ministry of Education has appealed to the student community in Oman not to miss the wonderful opportunities made available to them in the Sultanate and make their contribution to the development of the country under the leadership of their beloved Sultan.

The appeal was voiced by Mr. Aamir Ali Omeir during an exclusive interview with the Times of Oman. He also appealed to the teachers to fulfil their responsibilities towards the nation and deserve the faith reposed in them.



The Under-Secretary said that the Ministry of Education is concerned about the improvement of the quality of education at all the three levels primary, preparatory and secondary. In the transitional stage through which Oman is passing, he said, education should

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Pound on way to recovery

London :

(By our Correspondent)

The value of the pound sterling rose sharply against other currencies on the foreign exchange markets in London and elsewhere on Friday. The move followed reports that a massive new international credit for Britain was being considered as part of the plan to end sterling's role as a reserve currency. At one stage the pound was up by nearly 4 cents against the United States dollar.

His Majesty felicitates Iranian monarch

Muscat :

(By our Staff Reporter)

His Majesty Sultan Qaboos has felicitated the Shah of Iran on his 47th birthday.

In a congratulatory message H.M. The Sultan expressed his best wishes for the health and long life of the Iranian monarch and progress and prosperity for the people of Iran.

IMF to prepare report on Oman's development

Muscat :

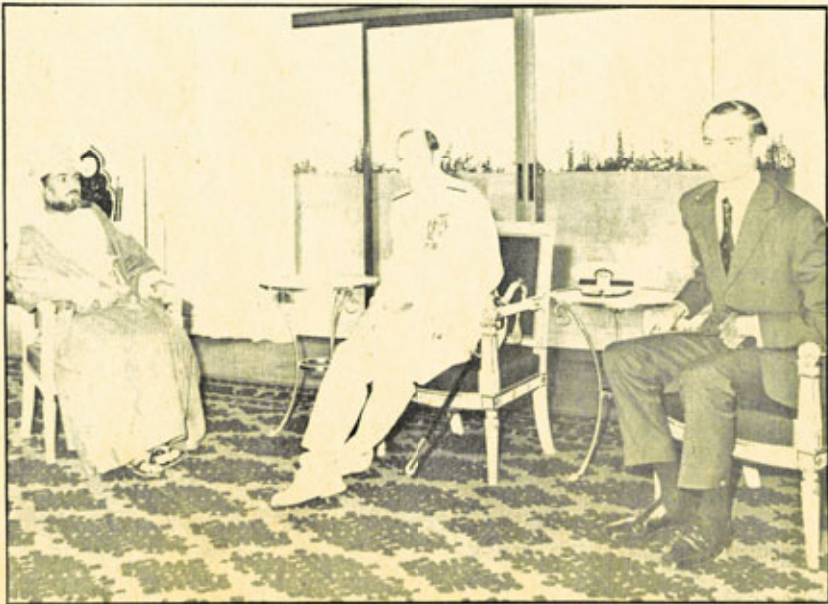
(By our Staff Reporter)

The International Monetary Fund delegation left here on Friday after a two-week visit to the Sultanate.

The delegation headed by Mr. Franz Drees held annual consultations with the Deputy Chairman Dr. Yusuf Niamatullah and other officials of the Central Bank and also collected information about the economy and development plans of the Sultanate.

The delegation on its return will prepare a report on Oman's economy which will be placed before the executive body of the Fund. It will be recalled that Oman is represented on the Fund by Sayyid Tariq.

During their stay in the Sultanate the delegation held separate meetings with the Ministers and discussed details of the development projects.



H.M. The Sultan with the visiting U.S. Naval Commander at Muscat palace.
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Drill helps beef up emergency preparedness



Times News Service

MUSCAT: An emergency response drill held at Muscat International Airport has improved the readiness of personnel who need to deal with such situations when they actually occur.

Held on Friday, 29 October, the drill simulated the procedures that personnel need to follow under similar circumstances, and was held by Oman Airports in collaboration with the Royal Oman Police, Civil Aviation Authority (CAA), Oman Air, the Civil Defence and Ambulance Authority, and Transom Handling.

"This exercise came as a part of Oman Airports' commitment in implementing the highest standards of emergency response and procedures followed in the world's airports to measure the regulations and laws in these cases," said the company in a statement.

In this context, the CAA added: "the Civil Aviation Authority was the supervising body during the implementation of the emergency exercise, which was carried out at Muscat International Airport with the participation of various

security and civil authorities."

"The implementation of this exercise comes within the framework of periodic programmes to maintain the readiness of Muscat International Airport to deal with emergency situations, in accordance with civil aviation regulations and licensing requirements issued by the Civil Aviation Authority," said the government body. Titled "Shield", the exercise was held between 6 and 10 am, and involved all of the above organisations.

"Please take note of the movement of ambulances, emergency personnel and police cars to and from the airport during this period," said Oman Airports in a statement, prior to the start of the drill. "Oman Airports confirms that all necessary preparations have been taken to ensure that airport operations and traffic in the area are not affected."

The drill aimed to "unify efforts and integrated work between the participating authorities to determine the levels of response and effectiveness in dealing with emergency accidents and exceptional incidents," the ROP added.

Flying to Oman: Here is what you need to do

The Civil Aviation Authority issued the procedures following Covaxin being named an approved vaccine in the Sultanate

Times News Service

MUSCAT: Passengers flying to the Sultanate of Oman have been reminded of the pre-boarding procedures they are required to follow, as part of precautions taken against COVID-19.

The Civil Aviation Authority issued the procedures after Covaxin was named an approved vaccine in the Sultanate.

"All arrivals to the Sultanate, before boarding the plane, are obligated to present a vaccine certificate, inclusive of verification (QR) codes," said the advisory.

There are nine COVID vaccines approved in Oman: Pfizer/BioNTech, the Covishield and Oxford variants of the AstraZeneca jab, Sputnik, Sinovac, Moderna, Sinopharm, and Covaxin, as well as the single-shot Janssen vaccine.

All travellers to Oman must have received their last vaccine dose at least two weeks prior to their expected arrival time in Oman. A negative PCR test is also manda-



tory for all passengers arriving in Oman. The test, however, can be taken either before boarding the flight, or on arrival. Those who do present a negative PCR test taken from an approved laboratory, before travelling to Oman, are exempt from quarantine, provided the test features a QR code.

For long flights of a duration more than eight hours, tests must be taken at least 96 hours prior to the scheduled time of arrival in Oman, while passengers boarding shorter flights must take their PCR tests at least 72 hours prior to arrival. This duration includes stopovers in other airports.

However, passengers who wish to take a PCR test on arrival in Oman must enter mandatory quarantine, and wear a tracking bracelet until their tests come back negative.

"In the event that a positive examination result appears, the traveller is subject to mandatory

health isolation for 10 days from the date of the examination," stated the CAA. "Travellers whose examination results appear positive shall be excluded from quarantine, if they submit evidence that they have recovered from the disease."

This must also include proof of "completion of the period of health isolation prescribed in the country in which they were infected, prior to their arrival in Oman," added the government body.

Arrival passengers aged 18 and under, as well as patients who have illnesses that prevent them from receiving the vaccine are exempt from RT-PCR tests. In the latter case, patients need to show a medical certificate that confirms their condition.

Before boarding the plane, all passengers must complete pre-registration via the eMushrif platform on www.covid19.emushrif.gov.om. Passengers that choose to take PCR tests beforehand must upload their

vaccine certificates, as well as the COVID-19 PCR certificates, both containing QR codes.

Passengers who plan to take tests on arrival must pay the prescribed fee online, while registering, before boarding the aircraft.

"Arriving passengers will have international health insurance covering the cost of COVID-19 treatment for a period of at least one month," added the CAA, although this is exempted for Omani nationals. "Omani citizens and their families, and non-Omanis working in Oman in the public or private sector, and those with valid residency, but are not vaccinated, are allowed to return to Oman and are subject to the health requirements issued before September 1, 2021," the organisation added.

Diplomats working in accredited diplomatic missions, and diplomatic visitors to the country, are exempt from the PCR tests and eMushrif registration.

CUBESAT

<FROM A1 Opportunities for youth

Downstream analysis of images and data acquired from satellites using computer vision, machine learning (ML) and artificial intelligence (AI) technology will enable recognition of patterns and trends, enabling the prediction of the impact of climate change or natural disasters, among other phenomena.

Krzysztof Goworek, chief in-

novation officer at TUATARA, stressed, "We have a wide portfolio of products and solutions based on these technologies and a team of experts with interdisciplinary knowledge. Our experience, combined with SatRevolution's expertise, will contribute to the comprehensive interpretation of data from CubeSat technology and the

commercialisation of satellite solutions in the region."

The launch of Oman's first satellite will provide opportunities for talented engineering students, university researchers and the founders of new companies to acquire knowledge, gain hands-on experience and a comparative advantage to accelerate the space industry in the country.



ON SOCIAL MEDIA



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Story on the Pakistan cricket team reached 38,566 people and had 2,301 engagements on Facebook.



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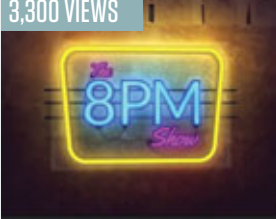


The Maghrib Minute video in Hindi had 622 views and 37 likes on Instagram.



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The 8 PM show had 3,300 views and reached 11,800 people on Facebook.

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Anglo-Omani Society holds luncheon

LONDON: The Anglo-Omani Society in London held its annual lunch under the patronage of Sheikh Abdulaziz Abdullah Zahir Al Hinai, the Sultanate of Oman's ambassador accredited to the United Kingdom in the presence of James Cleverly, the Minister of State at the United Kingdom's Foreign Office for the Middle East and North Africa. In his speech, the Sultanate's

ambassador spoke on the deep-rooted friendship and cooperation between the Sultanate and the United Kingdom and the developments of COVID- 19, worldwide. He also pointed to Oman Vision 2040.

James Cleverly, the Minister of State at the United Kingdom's Foreign Office for the Middle East and North Africa valued the development projects in the

Sultanate, the projects at the Special Economic Zone, Duqm and Oman Vision 2040.

He added his first external visit after assuming his post as Minister of State at the United Kingdom's Foreign Office for the Middle East and North Africa was to the Sultanate, to which he returned a few months later.

It is worth mentioning that the Anglo-Omani Society in London

has continued amidst difficult conditions with hosting via videoconferencing several exhibitions and organising lectures, during the past two years.

Members of the Omani diplomatic mission and diplomats of other countries, investors and British academics and members of the society, attended the event organised in London.

Shabab Oman II to start voyage on November 7

MUSCAT: The Royal Navy of Oman Vessel Shabab Oman II will set sail on 7 November, 2021 on its fifth international voyage themed, "Oman, A Renewed Approach".

Shabab Oman II said in its official account: "During its voyage, the ship will visit a number of ports of the brotherly GCC countries and will also take part in Oman Pavilion - Expo 2020 Dubai."

WINTER TOURISM SEASON

Salalah Airport receives first direct flight from Poland

MUSCAT: At the start of the winter tourism season in the Governorate of Dhofar, Salalah Airport received the first direct flight from the Republic of Poland, carrying more than 250 passengers.

Marwan Al Ghassani, Director of the Promotion Department at the General Directorate of Herit-

age and Tourism in Dhofar, clarified that the return of tourism to the governorate was a priority of the Ministry through the comprehensive recovery plan that it developed to face the repercussions of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. He said that the plan included stimulating and ena-

bling international tourism by attracting charter flights, and the Ministry of Heritage and Tourism was intensifying promotional efforts for Dhofar as an ideal tourist destination throughout the year.

He explained that the Governorate of Dhofar possesses all the elements of tourist attractions and

landmarks that have enabled it to become one of the favorite tourist destinations.

Dhofar Governorate receives annually in the winter tourism season tourist groups from Germany, France, Italy, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Poland and other European countries.



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BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORT
Dear Shareholders,
On behalf of the Board of Directors of Al Batinah Power Company SAOG (the "Company"), I have the pleasure to present the Directors' Report of the Company for the 9-months period ended 30 September 2021.
Operational Highlights
The global COVID-19 pandemic began to recede, with a visible improvement in the situation, and a gradual return to normal life. The Company continued to streamline its operations and achieved a major milestone crossing 1 million manhours (1,652,187-man hours - 3,736 days) without lost time accidents, which is reflective of our continued focus on health, safety, security and environment ("HSSE").
The plant operated with a reliability of 99.75% and delivered 1,580 GWh to the grid. The plant load for the period was 32.74% compared to 29.41% in the corresponding period of the previous year.
Financial Results

	9-month-2021 RO'000s Unaudited	9-month-2020 RO'000s Unaudited	Percentage change
Revenues	47,050	45,534	3.3%
Direct costs	(26,043)	(24,387)	
Gross profit	21,007	21,147	-0.7%
General and administrative expenses	(568)	(571)	
Profit before interest and tax	20,439	20,576	-0.7%
Finance costs (net)	(5,799)	(6,438)	
Profit before tax	14,640	14,138	3.6%
Tax	(1,411)	(1,336)	
Net Profit for the period	13,229	12,802	3.3%

Higher revenues and direct costs as compared to the previous year were attributed mainly to higher plant load factor. The variability of the plant load influences the fuel and energy charges received from Oman Power & Water Procurement Company SAOG ("OPWP"). However, these charges are passed through to the gas supplier and the O&M service provider and hence have no material impact on the Company's profitability. Lower gross profit was attributed mainly to the higher insurance premium, higher O&M expenses and higher fuel oil consumption for testing. Furthermore, the steady reduction in the finance costs positively contributed to the better profit before tax. As a result, the net profit was 3.3% better than the corresponding period of the previous year.

The Company distributed a cash dividend of 2.0 baizas per share in June 2021.

The share price was 51 Baizas at the end of September 2021.

Corporate Social Responsibility

Striving to ensure that the Company has a positive impact on people and the country, the Company allocated 40,000 OMR for the CSR initiatives for the year 2021.

The Company along with other ENGIE group companies, are sponsoring a PV solar project for a school in the middle of the desert in South Sharjah. The school classrooms and the residence of the teachers are supplied electricity by diesel generators. The PV solar will provide a clean access to energy, reduce environment pollution and solve the issues of transporting the diesel, generators maintenance and supply unreliability. The project had been awarded and the project execution is estimated to take 6 months. The Company contribution will be 15,000 OMR. Moreover, and considering the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the Company donated an amount of 17,577 OMR to the Ministry of Health account to support the country's efforts in limiting the spread of the virus and mitigating its impact. Finally, the Company had sponsored a school competition to design smart applications "App Inventor". 200 students from Oman's government and private schools were trained to design mobile applications. At the end of the training program the students competed in designing mobile applications. The first two winners will participate in the MIT competition in Boston USA. The Company contributed 7,422.5 OMR.

Medium term Outlook

All reasonable measures are taken by the management to maintain high availability levels in 2021. Any change in the power supply and demand landscape in the Sultanate has substantially no impact on the financial performance of the Company since its net profit is mainly derived from its plant availability.

The unprecedented COVID-19 pandemic situation has no material impact on the Company's business thus far and the plant has invoked its business continuity plan to cope up with crisis.

The Company continues to take actions to close the gaps identified in the DCS/SCADA cyber security audit report issued by the Authority for Public Services Regulation (APSR). APSR is being updated on regular basis on the actions taken by the Company to ensure due compliance to the cyber security standards.

The spot market trial was started in July 2021 and is expected to go live in December 2021. The Company revenues will not be impacted due to the participation in the spot market until the end of PPA. The Company has been closely monitoring the financial market conditions for any opportunities to avoid the cash sweep that is scheduled from April 2023 as agreed in the Finance Documents.

Acknowledgement

I would like to extend my personal thanks to all personnel associated with the operation of the power plant and the staff of the Company for their hard work and dedication, as well as to those others such as our contractors, whose expertise has assisted us in achieving these excellent results.

Finally, on behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to extend our deep appreciation and gratitude to His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tariq and His Government for their continued support and encouragement to the private sector by creating an environment that allows us to participate effectively in the growth of the Sultanate's economy and to dedicate our achievements to the building of a strong nation.

Saif Al Harthy
Chairperson of the Board

UNAUDITED CONDENSED INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE NINE MONTH PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

	2021 RO'000s USD'000s	2021 RO'000s USD'000s	2020 RO'000s USD'000s	2020 RO'000s USD'000s
Revenues	47,050	122,367	45,534	118,424
Direct costs	(26,043)	(67,733)	(24,387)	(63,426)
Gross profit	21,007	54,634	21,147	54,998
General and administrative expenses	(568)	(1,476)	(571)	(1,484)
Profit before interest and tax	20,439	53,158	20,576	53,514
Finance costs (net)	(5,799)	(15,082)	(6,438)	(16,744)
Profit before tax	14,640	38,076	14,138	36,770
Tax expense	(1,411)	(3,669)	(1,336)	(3,474)
Net profit for the period	13,229	34,407	12,802	33,296
Earnings per share				
Basic earnings per share (Baizas / cents)	19.60	50.98	18.97	49.34

UNAUDITED CONDENSED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT

	30 Sept. 2021 RO'000s USD'000s	30 Sept. 2021 RO'000s USD'000s	Audited 31 Dec. 2020 RO'000s USD'000s	Audited 31 Dec. 2020 RO'000s USD'000s
Assets				
Non-current assets				
Property, plant and equipment	233,356	606,909	238,924	621,392
Right-of-use assets	3,067	7,976	3,246	8,441
Capital spares	541	1,407	566	1,472
Total non-current assets	236,964	616,292	242,736	631,305
Current assets				
Inventory	1,923	5,001	1,913	4,974
Trade and other receivables	18,642	48,483	15,249	39,660
Short term deposit	-	-	1,154	3,000
Cash and cash equivalents	16,385	42,561	1,543	4,014
Total current assets	36,930	96,045	19,859	51,648
Total assets	273,894	712,337	262,595	682,953
Equity and liabilities				
Equity				
Share capital	67,489	175,523	67,489	175,523
Legal reserve	6,530	16,983	6,530	16,983
Retained earnings	33,432	86,952	21,553	56,056
Equity	100,670	261,824	86,491	224,946
Liabilities				
Non-current liabilities				
Term loans	106,584	277,199	107,575	279,777
Lease liabilities	3,280	8,480	3,416	8,883
Derivative instruments	7,977	20,745	10,683	27,784
Deferred tax liability	21,034	54,706	19,218	49,981
Asset retirement obligation	313	815	297	771
End of service benefits	31	81	27	70
Total non-current liabilities	139,199	362,026	141,216	367,266
Current liabilities				
Term loans	16,297	42,385	16,002	41,618
Lease liabilities	105	272	140	364
Trade and other payables	17,623	45,830	15,336	39,890
Short term borrowing	-	-	3,410	8,869
Total current liabilities	34,025	88,487	34,888	90,741
Total liabilities	173,224	450,513	176,104	458,007
Total equity and liabilities	273,894	712,337	262,595	682,953
Net assets per share (Baizas / cents) - adjusted	159.21	414.08	141.61	368.30



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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
Dear Shareholders,
The Directors have pleasure in presenting the unaudited accounts of Al Ahlia Insurance Co. SAOG for the period ended 30th September 2021.
Shareholders Returns
Earnings per share for the period (EPS) for the nine-month period ended 30th September 2021 is at 38 baizas compared to 33 baizas for the corresponding period of previous year.
Business performance for the period ended 30th September 2021
For the period under review, the company has performance well and recorded profit before tax at OMR 3.83 million compared to OMR 3.28 million in the corresponding period of the previous year.
Investment Performance
The Company earned an Investment Income of OMR 1.41m for the nine-month period ended 30th September 2021 and marginally less than the income of OMR 1.60m for the same period in the last year, driven by a reduction in the investment base. The company continues to adopt a prudent Investment Policy taking exposures in high credit quality assets with low risk leading to low volatility in portfolio return. Majority of the assets in the Investment portfolio of the company are made up of low risk and liquid investments with focus on the Asset liability maturity profile.
Other Business updates
The company has been navigating the COVID 19 pandemic challenges since beginning of last year. The unexpected impact of the Cyclone Shaheen, which made landfall on October 5th in AL Batinah Region, had further challenged the company in many ways. We are managing the situation well, customers are reporting their claims which are being assessed, we believe that the company's Reinsurance arrangement will mitigate the financial impact to a great extent.
In addition to honouring our claim commitments from Cyclone Shaheen, as part of our social responsibility, the Board is pleased to donate OMR 50k (Omani Rials Fifty Thousands) to support the relief efforts for those affected by the Cyclone Shaheen
With ease of restrictions and return of normal commercial operations, we have moved to a hybrid operating model with nearly 70% of staff working from office and the rest work from home, with full adherence to the safety protocols. We continue to service our valued customers directly, through our nationwide branch and agency network, in addition to our online service facilities
Acknowledgements
We thank the Supreme Committee and the Ministry of Health for all the efforts it has taken over the last two years to lead us safely away from the dangers of the pandemic and return to normalcy in the Sultanate.
The Board of directors, expressed deepest condolences and sympathy to the families of the victims and missing person, directs them to the Almighty to bestow his mercy on the deceased, and expressed thanks and appreciation for all the efforts of the National Committee for Emergency Management.
We would like to express our sincere gratitude to His Majesty Sultan Haitham bin Tariq bin Taimur Al Said for his wise leadership and support provided to the industry. Further, we would also thank the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and the Capital Market Authority for their continued guidance and support. In closing, I would like to record our gratitude to all business partners and clients for their valuable support and to our Management and Staff for their continued dedicated efforts.
for and on behalf of the Board
Al Ahlia Insurance Co. SAOG

Sheikh Khalid Bin Abdullah Ali Al Khalili
Chairman
Muscat, Sultanate of Oman
Date: 26th October 2021

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION At 30 September 2021

	30 th Sep 2021 (Unaudited) RO	31 st Dec 2020 (Audited) RO	30 th Sep 2020 (Unaudited) RO
Assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3,625,460	2,332,733	2,136,366
Bank deposits	36,528,097	38,412,876	38,412,876
Premiums and insurance balances receivable	5,966,060	5,883,353	7,801,686
Reinsurers' share of outstanding claims	4,963,327	6,965,366	7,290,138
Reinsurers' share of unearned premium reserve	820,292	440,561	415,406
Other receivables and prepayments	5,624,485	6,058,834	5,628,037
Investments at fair value through profit or loss	86,333	70,741	65,901
Available-for-sale investments	71,429	71,429	71,429
Held-to-maturity investments	2,407,545	2,404,990	2,408,006
Property and equipment	1,106,959	1,184,996	1,166,559
Right-of-use-assets	908,078	1,186,634	1,564,955
Deferred tax asset	165,776	165,776	148,832
Goodwill	15,448,529	15,448,529	15,448,529
Total assets	77,722,370	80,629,718	82,558,720
Equity and liabilities			
Capital and reserves			
Share capital	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000
Legal reserve	3,909,423	3,909,423	3,909,423
Contingency reserve	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000
Revaluation reserve	113,876	113,876	114,596
Retained earnings	16,296,994	15,763,591	15,150,484
Total equity	40,320,293	39,786,890	39,174,503
Liabilities			
Liabilities arising from insurance contracts			
Gross unearned premium reserve	7,964,888	8,588,703	9,225,621
Gross outstanding claims	18,514,782	22,984,039	23,732,765
Reinsurance balances payable	26,479,670	31,572,742	32,958,386
Other liabilities and accruals	1,197,576	1,092,187	1,333,984
Lease liabilities	7,722,407	5,896,380	6,643,640
Income tax payable	854,493	1,122,332	1,527,591
Total liabilities	1,147,931	1,159,187	920,616
Total equity and liabilities	37,402,077	40,842,828	43,384,217
Net assets per share	77,722,370	80,629,718	82,558,720
	0.403	0.398	0.392

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME For the period ended 30 September 2021

	30 th Sep 2021 (Unaudited) RO	30 th Sep 2020 (Unaudited) RO
Insurance premium revenue	14,269,059	16,770,199
Insurance premium ceded to reinsurers	(2,064,522)	(3,145,387)
Net insurance premium revenue	12,204,537	13,624,812
Commissions received on ceded reinsurance	178,668	187,536
Claims	(2,484,654)	(11,661,490)
Reinsurers' share of claims	(1,318,042)	6,413,643
Deferred acquisition cost	183,145	15,832
Commissions paid	(1,191,108)	(1,439,532)
Net underwriting result	7,572,546	7,140,801
General and administrative expenses	(4,404,231)	(4,989,144)
Investment income (net)	1,414,819	1,602,182
Interest on lease liabilities	(56,682)	(55,470)
Other income - net	1,951	157,457
Profit before taxation	4,528,403	3,855,826
Income tax	(695,000)	(578,373)
Profit and other comprehensive income for the year	3,833,403	3,277,453
Basic and diluted earnings per share	0.038	0.032



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World leaders take part in G20 Rome Summit

ROME: The first session of the G20 Rome Summit kicked off on Saturday as world leaders including Prime Minister Narendra Modi gathered to discuss the global economy and health.

For the next two days, the heads of state and government of the world's major economies, together with invited countries and representatives of international and regional organisations, will address several key topics of the global agenda. Finance Ministers traditionally attend the event as well. PM Modi, who arrived in Italy on Friday to participate in the two-day G20 Summit, will discuss the global economic situation, COVID-19 pandemic, sustainable development and climate change with G20 leaders. The G20 is an intergovernmental forum comprising 19 countries and the European Union. Members of the international forum account for more than 80 per cent of world GDP, 75 per cent of global trade and 60 per cent of the population of the planet. The forum has met every year since 1999 and includes, since 2008, a yearly Summit, with the participation of the respective heads of State and Government.

Later, a dinner is planned for G20 leaders and partner countries.

The G-20 Summit represents the culminating moment of the intense work carried out during the whole year of the Italian G20 Presidency through Ministers' Meetings, Sherpa meetings, Working Groups and Engagement Groups.

More than 170 events were held throughout the country that made it possible to highlight many of the extraordinary realities scattered throughout its territory. **ANI**

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Board of Directors' Report 30 September 2021

We are pleased to present the un-audited financial statements of ACWA Power Barka SAOG (the "Company") for the period ended 30 September 2021.

The financial results of the period are summarized as under:

Riyal Omani in Millions	Period Ended 30 Sep 2021
Gross Revenues	28,707
Gross Profit	9,562
Profit / (Loss) after tax	5,161
Basic earnings / (Loss) per share – Riyal Omani	0.032

Overview

The Company kept its focus on managing its operation effectively during Covid19 pandemic. The team was operating in shifts and all necessary precautions continued to be taken including arrangements for vaccination of people.

The Steam Turbine Generator was fully repaired and put back in service successfully on 6 August 2021. The repair work involved not only rewinding of the rotor but also replacement of the retaining ring. In addition, the sensitive and complex work of on-site trim balancing was also performed which took some additional time. The machine since then has been operating and is ensuring that Company is able to make available its full capacity. The Company remained engaged with the loss adjusters / insurers and all repair works were carried out after consultation with them. The Company is finalizing its claim on this failure event with help of Marsh, its insurance adviser. The financial impact to the Company is to the tune of OMR 1.7 million assuming Company is successful in its claim.

The Company successfully completed its Additional Performance Tests on both Call On and Call Off mode after Steam Turbine was declared available. These tests are performed as part of obligations of the Company under its PWWA.

The Company has been working very closely with OPWP on submitting a competitive bid offer to OPWP for its two RO Plants. These tariff bids were submitted under the Request for Offer (RFO) process. The Company has submitted few options to OPWP for its consideration and is hoping for a successful outcome in the last quarter 2021. The securing of this short-term contract extension will go a long way in providing the much-needed business continuity as the current term of the WPAs is expiring by end of 2021. The bid offer is for 16MIGD of water capacity from May 2022 until March 2024.

As recently disclosed by the Company, the outcome from the Power 2022 Procurement Process is not expected from OPWP. The Company is also not envisaging any extension to its PWWA. This will result in Company operating in the proposed spot market which is due to commence in December 2021. An independent study was carried out to assess its commercial viability indicates that revenues in the spot market will be minimal and may not cover the entire fixed costs of the Company. The Company continued to remain engaged with OPWP and APSR on these issues and is evaluating all options available to it including mothballing its power units until supply and demand balance in the market improves in coming years. The Company has already indicated, in its previously released reports, all such risks related to business continuity and possibility of loan repayment default may happen in April 2022. Further updates on this front will be provided in coming weeks to all stakeholders.

Plant performance during the period

Power Generation

Nine months ended	Energy Exported (GWh)	Load Factor	Reliability Factor
2021	174.6	6.9%	88.6%
2020	1,406	54.9%	99.9%

In comparison to previous years, power plant operated at a very low load factor this year. This is partially due to reduction in the overall power demand of the grid owing COVID and introduction of more efficient plants in the system. The load factor during the peak summer months of this year also remained very low due to non-availability of steam turbine due to issue associated with its generator. Such a failure is categorized as high impact low probability event (HILP) which affected the reliability factor of the power plant.

Attending a HILP event is always a big challenge even during the normal circumstances however despite the restriction imposed during COVID, Barka team managed the overall repair activity very proactively and completed the generator rotor repair activities outside Oman within normal time frame.

Power plant hardly operated during first seven months. However, there was a slight improvement in load factor from August onward once steam turbine came back in operation in first week of August.

Water Generation

MSFe Water Facility

Nine months ended	Water Delivered (MMm³)	Load Factor	Reliability Factor
2021	0.3	1.0%	99.4%
2020	0.7	2.9%	99.7%

Plant operated in Call-Off mode (MSF standby) throughout this reporting period with nearly zero water dispatch.

Mere dispatch of ~8% and 0.7% during the months of May and August is the reflection of MSF operation during the Annual Performance Test and the Additional Performance Test performed during these months respectively.

Reverse Osmosis (RO) Phase 1 Facility

Nine months ended	Water Delivered (MMm³)	Load Factor	Reliability Factor
2021	6.92	55.8%	97.9%*
2020	6.76	54.2%	99.1%*

*after incorporating force majeure claims events of the corresponding years

The reliability factor of the RO-1 during the current reporting period remained slightly better than the same reporting period of 2020. This is a result of multiple corrective actions implemented at the plant. However the load factor dropped in 2021 due to lower demand by the off-taker.

Continuing with the historical trend there were multiple episodes of algal bloom during this year as well. The algae bloom resulted the seawater quality parameters outside the Technical Limits. Such a situation is prescribed as Seawater Quality Failure under the WPA and recognized as a force majeure event ("FME"). The Company formally launched the Force Majeure claims to its off-taker.

Reverse Osmosis (RO) Phase 2 Facility

Nine months ended	Water Delivered (MMm³)	Load Factor	Reliability Factor
2021	8.6	55.1%	96.6%*
2020	9.5	60.7%	96.0%*

*after incorporating force majeure claim related to algal bloom of corresponding years

Water dispatch during the current operating period remained slightly less than the corresponding period of 2020, however, there is an improvement in the reliability factor due to gradual attendance of the teething challenges faced during prior years.

Similar to RO phase 1 facility, the RO-2 facility was also affected by Seawater Quality failure events during this reporting period as well. With each passing year frequency of such seawater algal bloom events are on rise. Such events are recognized as a force majeure event ("FME") under the WPA and the Company is released from its obligation. The Company formally launched Force Majeure claims to its off-taker which are under review.

Maintenance activities during the period

This reporting period falls during Summer wherein the Company is obliged to provide a capacity of 100% for both Power plant and the MSFe water Plant.

For the two SWRO desalination plants, a 5% planned outage margin is available during a Contract Year to carry out any planned maintenance with the consent of the off-taker.

Below are the main maintenance activities carried out on the main plant, SWRO-1 and SWRO-2 plants during the reporting period:

Power Plant:

- Repair of Steam Turbine Generator's Rotor completed, and the machine tested, and put in service. The following activities were conducted before the machine was started:
 - ST generator 19Kv flexible links were connected and torque tightened.
 - ST generator PD coupling sensors were checked and U phase showing less capacitance value.
 - ST generator start point flexibles and connection to NGT cable was connected back.
 - ST generator slip ring busbar IR value was satisfactory and positive negative cables were connected back.
 - ST generator drive end side for rotor earth fault detection earth cable, separate junction box was provided.
 - Damaged compressor in ECB building HVAC unit # 2 replaced with new one.
 - Monthly inspection of GT-1, 2 and ST generators completed.
 - Monthly checks of power block side transformers completed.
 - Main plant spare motors Preventive Maintenance done.
- GT-1 Switchgear HAVC quarterly Preventive Maintenance checks done.
- GT-1 HVAC quarterly Preventive Maintenance completed.
- Gas emission samples were collected for GT-1,2 during APT.
- 110V battery stack -1 and 2 quarterly Preventive Maintenance completed.
- GT-1 HVAC-1 outdoor fan motor replaced with new.

- Complete rewinding of steam turbine generator rotor completed in a workshop in UAE and after reinstallation & conducting necessary commissioning works, steam turbine was declared available in first week of August
- During commissioning vibration on one of the bearing was on high side (but below trip limit). The vibration experts declared this level of high vibration acceptable for a short term operation of machine and it was decided to complete the remaining balancing activity to bring down the vibration during the upcoming winter period.

MSFe desalination:

- Monthly checks of water related transformers completed.
- Welding job was done to close the pinholes in Desal-13 Evaporator, stage 19th & 17th.
- Desal-13 water box stage- 8 both sides tubes plugging was done.
- All Band screen cleaning were done.
- Water block related transformers monthly checks completed.
- Desalination 11 condensate solenoid valve replaced.
- Desal#12, brine recycle pump discharge line GRP work completed.
- Desalination Switchgear HVAC quarterly checks completed.
- Pumping station LV transformer -2 upstream 11Kv breaker and downstream 415v breaker maintenance completed.
- Sea water intake and bar screen pit cleaning completed
- Hypo chlorination plant HVAC quarterly pm completed. HVAC -1 outdoor fan blower motor was sent to outside for repair.
- Desal-11, 12 & 13 preservation work completed.
- CCWP header drain line found corroded, issue fixed, and work completed.

RO-1 plant:

- Tube leakages were arrested in most Ultra Filtration Racks.
- coupling of the Seawater Intake Pump no. 3 found damage, replaced with new part.
- Damaged Victaulic couplings, Elbow joints & Tee Joints in Ultra Filtration units replaced with new one.
- Limestone feeding (lime tank) valve tube leakage attended.
- Fire Fighting diesel engine Preventive Maintenance conducted, and some parts were replaced.
- All filters in the Self-Cleaning Filter no. 3 replaced with clean one.
- lamination work carried out to the Backwash common discharge GRP line & support welding done.
- Electrical motor PM checks were carried out for Polishing plant.
- Damaged membranes and connectors in Rack -3 replaced with new one.
- Monthly inspection of transformers is completed.
- All water leakages in Ultra Filtration units attended.
- Product conductivity & Chlorine analyzers calibrated.
- ERI inspection work completed in all RO Racks.
- Lime Milk Tank 1 Mixer replaced the shaft with fan.
- Hypo post treatment pump-3 suction line found broken fix with glue and work completed.
- Hypo pump discharge line PRV stub end found crack replace by new one and work completed.
- Limestone conveyor (screw) was reported stuck, cleaned, and fix back.

RO-2 plant:

- All tube leaking in Micro Filtration units were attended.
- Train 5 Dweer High Pressure inlet spool pipe found damaged, replaced with new one.
- Train-3 Dweer drive 1 & 2 calibrated.
- Preventive Maintenance completed for the Spare transformer.
- Train-3 Drive-1 Actuator removed, serviced, and calibrated.
- Annual Preventive Maintenance completed for flushing pump-1.
- All Variable Frequency Drive panels and Low Voltage panels air filters cleaning/replacement completed.
- Monthly inspection of transformers completed.
- Mechanical seal replaced for Train-4 Booster Pump.
- All RO Trains Membrane inspection done.
- All Trains DWEERS bolts inspected and replaced the damage bolts accordingly.
- Preventive Maintenance for the Emergency Diesel Generator and firefighting batteries completed.
- SWRO-2 switchgear building HVAC units quarterly Preventive Maintenance completed.
- SWRO 2 workshop housekeeping and SS maintained.
- Electric Firefighting pump water leakage fixed.
- Preventive Maintenance for Air compressors done.

Financial highlights (in RO '000)

Income Statement	Period Ended 30-Sep-21	Period Ended 30-Sep-20
Total revenues	28,707	41,031
Operating costs	(19,145)	(27,384)
Gross profit	9,562	13,647
Other costs	(4,401)	(5,497)
Net profit after tax	5,161	8,150
Earnings / (Loss) per share	0.032	0.051

Revenue

Capacity revenue is lower by (RO 0.7m) compared to the corresponding period mainly due to higher forced outage and Derating of capacity charges by (RO 1.6m) offset by higher power capacity revenue recognized based on downtime available to the Company in the winter period (RO 0.9m). The Company earlier was recognizing similar winter period capacity revenue based on actual availability basis. In addition, the water capacity revenue was higher for RO plants due to lower seawater quality related forced outages in the current year.

Operating Costs

The decrease of (RO 8.2m) in operating costs compared to corresponding period was mainly due to lower gas / electricity consumption (RO 12.1m) due to lower despatch during the current period partially offset by higher electricity import and fuel costs (RO 1.6m), higher depreciation (RO 0.8m) owing to revision of useful lives of the plants and their residual valuation and higher repair and maintenance cost due to steam turbine generator failure (RO 1.5m).

Gross Profit

Decrease in gross profit (RO 4.1m) mainly attributable to overall lower capacity revenue from Main Plant partially offset by higher capacity revenue from water plants, higher maintenance costs, higher depreciation and bottom-line impact from lower output revenue for the period.

Other Costs

Other costs (net of other income) for the current period are lower by (RO 1.1m) primarily due to lower finance cost on account of repayment of loan principal amounts to the lenders and lower income tax provision due to lower taxable profits.

Net Profit after Tax

The decrease of (RO 3.0m) in net profit is mainly due to lower capacity revenue, higher repair and maintenance costs, higher depreciation which is partially offset by lower finance costs and income tax.

Cash Flow Statement '000	Period Ended 30 Sep 2021	Year Ended 31 Dec 2020
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	9,716	8,682

Balance Sheet '000	As at 30 Sep 2021	As at 31 Dec 2020
Total assets	97,184	105,041
Net shareholder's equity	33,059	27,898
Paid up capital	16,000	16,000
Current ratio	0.72:1	0.78:1
Gearing ratio	47.53	56.44
Net assets per share – Riyal Omani	0.207	0.174

Cash and cash equivalents, at the end of the period

The increase in cash and cash equivalents for the period ended 30 September 2021 is mainly due to accumulation for loan repayment in October 2021.

Outlook and Key Risks

The key focus of the Company will be to secure a short-term extension to its RO Plants under the on-going negotiation process with OPWP. The Company is also preparing to participate in the proposed spot market due to be implemented by end of this year. In addition, engagement with the Regulator (APSR) is on-going on possible Bilateral Contracts with few industrial units. These Bilateral arrangements may provide a reasonable source of revenue generation for the Company and will play a key role in business continuity.

In case the Company is not successful in securing the short-term WPAs extension and power capacity is also not commercially utilized in the spot market, it will face severe financial distress and will default on its outstanding obligations unless it is able to take certain measures in terms of restructuring those obligations. This unforeseen situation will also cast significant doubts on Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

The Company will perform its annual impairment assessment in the last quarter of 2021 and based on the outcome of the RFO process and expected future commercial utilization of power capacity, it may need to recognize significant write off on Power and Water assets in its annual financial statements.

The key focus of the Company will also to engage actively with its Project Lenders and Operator and agree a mechanism to avoid potential defaults in 2022 on their payments.

The Company will continue to provide more updates in coming weeks.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2021 (EXPRESSED IN OMANI RIAL)

	30 September 2021	31 December 2020
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	70,042,232	70,509,895
Intangible assets	73,041	133,184
Right-of-use assets	438,489	455,203
Total non-current assets	70,553,762	71,098,282
Current assets		
Inventories	4,651,831	4,783,747
Trade and other receivables	12,278,464	20,492,747
Cash and bank balances	9,700,198	8,666,570
Total current assets	26,630,493	33,943,064
Total assets	97,184,255	105,041,346
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Capital and reserves		
Share capital	16,000,000	16,000,000
Legal reserve	5,333,333	5,333,333
Special reserve	85,555	85,555
Retained earnings	11,640,339	6,479,178
Total capital and reserves	33,059,227	27,898,066
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term loan-non-current portion	17,292,476	23,709,315
Deferred tax liability	5,573,935	5,914,192
Provision for site restoration	3,520,275	3,367,014
Employees' benefit liabilities	76,937	87,111
Lease liabilities-non-current portion	690,934	686,635
Total non-current liabilities	27,154,557	33,764,267
Current liabilities		
Long-term loan - current portion	12,200,352	11,899,076
Trade and other payables	15,122,872	20,504,484
Lease liabilities - current portion	20,920	15,344
Taxation	9,626,327	10,960,109
Total current liabilities	36,970,471	43,379,013
Total liabilities	64,125,028	77,143,280
Total equity and liabilities	97,184,255	105,041,346
Net assets per share (RO)	0.207	0.174

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 2021 (EXPRESSED IN OMANI RIAL)

	Period ended 30 September 2021	Period ended 30 September 2020
Income		
Revenue	28,707,108	41,030,877
Operating costs	(19,145,442)	(27,384,155)
Gross profit	9,561,666	13,646,722
Other income	39,411	27,260
Expenses		
General and administrative expenses	(927,399)	(920,630)
Derecognition of replaced parts of plant and machinery	(810,422)	(875,270)
Profit from operations	7,863,256	11,878,082
Finance costs	(1,767,516)	(2,283,562)
Profit before tax for the period	6,095,740	9,594,520
Income tax	(934,579)	(1,444,227)
Net profit after tax and total comprehensive income for the period	5,161,161	8,150,293
Basic and diluted earnings per share (RO)	0.032	0.051

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England score 8-wicket win

Buttler, bowlers shine as England score easy victory over Australia

DUBAI: Chris Jordan scalped three before Jos Buttler fired a stylish fifty to help England defeat Australia by eight wickets in the ongoing T20 World Cup here at the Dubai International Cricket Stadium on Saturday.

Buttler scored 71 off 32 balls as England registered their third win of the tournament to consolidate the top spot in the Super 12 Group 1.

The English bowlers dismantled the Australia batting lineup before England batsmen dominated the proceeding as the Aaron Finch-led side looked clueless throughout the game.

Chasing a paltry target of 126, Jason Roy and Jos Buttler fired England to a brilliant start as the side scored 66 in the first six overs. It was England's highest power-play score in the tournament.

However, a successful review two balls later broke the opening stand as Roy departed after scoring



22. Dawid Malan too followed Roy but Buttler kept smashing boundaries to help England's chase.

In end, Buttler and Jonny Bairstow took England home with 50 balls to spare.

Earlier, put into bat first, Australia got off to a bad start and were bundled out for 125 as England bowlers put on a magnificent show.

Australia skipper Aaron Finch was the lone man, who gave a fight

to English bowlers. Finch along with bowlers Ashton Agar and Pat Cummins took Australia over the 100-run mark.

David Warner, Steven Smith, Glenn Maxwell and Marcus Stonis all failed to leave a mark as they departed in single digits.

Brief Scores: Australia 125/10 (Finch 44; Chris Jordan 3-17, Chris Woakes 2-23) vs England 126/2 (Jos Buttler 71; Ashton Agar 1-15). -ANI

TEMBA BAVUMA

‘It’s great that David came good for us at right time’

SHARJAH: South Africa skipper Temba Bavuma expressed his happiness at David Miller's last over heroics against Sri Lanka in the ongoing ICC Men's T20 World Cup at the Sharjah Cricket Stadium on Saturday.

With this win, South Africa claimed their second victory of the Super 12 stage in the T20 World Cup. Miller smashed two sixes in the 20th over to take South Africa home in a nail-biting thriller. He remained unbeaten at 23 runs off 13 balls. Miller put Wanindu Hasaranga's hat-trick in vain as the spinner tried his best to dismantle the chase of South Africa in the death overs.

“It’s hard to keep everything at the back of my mind, and we had a job to do. We took it deep and it was a good thing that we managed to get over the line. David hasn’t done that for us in a while, and it’s great that he came good at the right time,” said the South African skipper.

Soak the pressure

“Shamsi is a good player for us, he’s been effective all over the world in this format and he’s been doing this for quite a while now. I took on the responsibility to soak the pressure. The shot was on, but I am a bit annoyed that I couldn’t execute it well enough,” he added. -ANI

GROUP A & B



POINTS TABLE

GROUP A

POS	TEAM	PLD	NRR	PTS
1	ENGLAND	3	+3.948	6
2	SOUTH AFRICA	3	+0.210	4
3	AUSTRALIA	3	-0.627	4
4	SRI LANKA	3	-0.350	2
5	WEST INDIES	3	-1.598	2
6	BANGLADESH	3	-1.069	0

GROUP B

POS	TEAM	PLD	NRR	PTS
1	PAKISTAN	3	+0.638	6
2	AFGHANISTAN	2	+3.092	2
3	NAMIBIA	1	+0.550	2
4	NEW ZEALAND	1	-0.532	0
5	INDIA	1	-0.973	0
6	SCOTLAND	2	-3.562	0



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UNAUDITED FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER 2021		
Management Report	Un Audited Statement of financial position as at 30th September 2021 (Expressed in Omani Rial)	
The Management is pleased to present the unaudited financial results for the period ended 30th September 2021.		
Production During the reporting period, the total production was 61,664 SQM comparing to 65,823 SQM for the same period of 2020.		
Sales The company managed to sell 78,775 SQM during the reporting period with revenue of RO 1,925,561 comparing to 73,719 SQM and RO 1,683,287 for the same period of 2020.		
Profit The company has a net Loss of RO -587,260 for the reporting period comparing to net profit RO -526,600 for the same period of 2020.		
Shareholder's Equity The shareholder's equity has reached by the end of the period RO 1,962,993 which is 54% of the paid up capital.		
Sudarshan K.V. General Manager		
Un Audited Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income for the period ended 30 September 2021(Expressed in Omani Rial)		
	30-09-2021	30-09-2020
Revenue	1,925,561	1,683,287
Cost of sales	(2,030,996)	(1,688,880)
Gross loss	(105,435)	(5,593)
Other income	10,357	5,041
	(95,078)	(552)
Expenses		
Selling and distribution expenses	(117,598)	(120,180)
General and administrative expenses	(229,775)	(280,210)
Finance costs	(144,809)	(125,657)
	(492,182)	(526,047)
	(587,260)	(526,600)
Net loss before tax for the year		
Income tax	-	-
Net loss after tax and total comprehensive loss for the year	(587,260)	(526,600)
Basic loss per share	(0.016)	(0.015)
ASSETS		
Non-current assets		
Property, plant and equipment	2,759,780	3,013,572
Right-of-use assets	276,398	188,931
Total non-current assets	3,036,178	3,202,503
Current assets		
Inventories	1,561,087	2,027,499
Trade and other receivables	717,085	700,753
Cash and bank balances	90,190	79,866
Total current assets	2,368,362	2,808,118
Total assets	5,404,540	6,010,621
EQUITY AND LIABILITIES		
Capital and reserves		
Share capital	3,630,000	3,630,000
Legal reserve	437,665	437,665
Accumulated losses	(1,517,412)	(1,517,412)
Loss for the period	(587,260)	-
Total capital and reserves	1,962,993	2,550,253
Non-current liabilities		
Employees' benefit liabilities	101,471	143,545
Non-current portion of term loans	785,104	783,206
Deferred tax liabilities	4,306	4,306
Lease liabilities	273,593	176,479
Total non-current liabilities	1,164,474	1,107,536
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	691,388	684,741
Current portion of term loans	542,040	543,466
Lease liabilities	8,280	22,080
Bank borrowings	1,035,365	1,102,545
Total current liabilities	2,277,073	2,352,832
Total liabilities	3,441,547	3,460,368
Total equity and liabilities	5,404,540	6,010,621
Net assets per share	0.054	0.070
The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.		

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DIRECTORS REPORT	STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30th SEP, 2021	
Dear Shareholders:		
On behalf of the Board of Directors, I have a pleasure to review the unaudited Profit & Loss Account and the Financial Position of your company up to the third quarter of the year 2021.		
The total turnover revenue of the period under review amounted to RO 3,050,463/- compare with the revenue of RO 2,916,368/- pertaining to the same period of the last year 2020, which showed a increase of RO 134,095 (i.e.4.6%). The Company has achieved a gross profit of RO 1,108,512/- (gross profit of last year 2020 RO 1,233,393) registering a decline of RO 124,881 (10%) over the same period of the last year. The Company has achieved an operating profit of RO 2,804/- compare to an operating Profit of RO 13,503/- during same period of the last year 2020.		
The MSM has, fair value of the portfolio and dividend income as at 30th Sep 2021 was declined by Ro.26,608 as against appreciated fair value of Ro.3,694 during same period of the last year 2020.		
However, the final result of the period under review showed a net loss of RO 102,606/- compare to last year net loss of RO 62,753.		
CHAIRMAN.		
Note: The complete accounts will be sent by mail to any shareholders who request the company in either Arabic or English as requested within 7 days of receipts of the request.		
	30-09-21 RO.	30-09-20 RO.
Fixed Assets:		
Trade Receivables	3,321,582	3,600,041
Work in Progress	18,225	18,225
	3,339,807	3,618,266
Current Assets:		
Inventories	618,235	691,258
Trade Receivables	635,660	508,979
Investments	302,474	306,340
Cash and Bank Balances	101,101	78,953
Other Assets	207,468	158,533
Total Current Assets	1,864,938	1,744,063
Current Liabilities:		
Trade and Other Payables	999,786	666,169
Trade and Other Payables-Related Party	46,551	38,812
Deferred Tax for Land Revaluation	235,382	235,382
Bank Borrowings	585,007	797,696
Total Current Liabilities	1,866,726	1,738,059
Net Assets	3,338,019	3,624,270
Shareholder's Equity:		
Share Capital	2,000,000	2,000,000
General Reserve	46,203	46,203
Land Revaluation Reserve	1,726,134	1,726,134
Retained Profit/Loss	(434,318)	(148,067)
Total Shareholder's Equity	3,338,019	3,624,270
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME UP TO SEP'2021		
	30/09/2021 RO.	30/09/2020 RO.
Sales	3,050,463	2,916,368
Cost of Sales	(1,941,951)	(1,682,975)
Gross Profit	1,108,512	1,233,393
Other Income	28,234	20,797
Selling and Distribution Expenses	(679,109)	(751,709)
General and Administrative Expenses	(454,833)	(488,978)
Operating Profit/(Loss)	2,804	13,503
Finance Charges	(38,554)	(42,555)
Directors Remuneration	(40,248)	(37,395)
Dividend Income	10	4,783
Investment income (Realized)	6,959	(4,415)
Fare value of Investments	(33,577)	3,326
Net Profit/(Loss)	(102,606)	(62,753)
Tax Expense	0	0
Profit/(Loss) after Tax	(102,606)	(62,753)
Earnings per share (Fair value RO.0.100 Each)	(0.005)	(0.003)
Net Profit /Loss Margin	-3%	-2%

INDIA TRADE FAIR

The UAE will be an important participant in the India International Trade Fair (IITF) to be held in New Delhi from November 14 to 27, India's Ministry of Commerce and Industry announced.

MARKET

BUSINESS & FINANCE



GLOBAL SUKUK ISSUANCE

Global Sukuk issuance reached \$147 billion in the first nine months of 2021 and is projected to hit \$180 billion by the end of this year according to Refinitiv's 2021 Sukuk Perception and Forecast study.

PARTNERSHIP

National Gas to offer global lubricants portfolio to customers in Oman



Times News Service

MUSCAT: As the country's automotive sector and industrial segment continue to grow, lubricant consumption in Oman is projected to rise. Considering this, National Gas, Oman's first and largest LPG marketing company, has aligned with HP Lubricants to offer its global lubricants portfolio to customers in Oman.

HP Lubricants, a vital part of India's public sector undertaking

Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd (HPCL), is India's largest lubricant marketer, which markets more than 350 grades of lubricants, specialities and greases.

Sanjay Kumar, Head, Lubricants, India, said, "HPCL owns and operates two major refineries producing a wide variety of petroleum fuels and specialities. We are extremely delighted having entered the Oman market to sell our high-quality lubricants."

The visit of high-profile HPCL

official delegation comprising of Sanjay Kumar, Vinay Kumar Sinha, GM - International Trade; and Subhendu Mohanty, CEO, HPCL Middle East, has boosted the morale of National Gas in devising effective marketing strategies to augment the sales of HPCL lubricants in Oman. Impressed with the sales, the HPCL management which reviewed the lubricants sales has acknowledged NGC by awarding it the best performer award.

Nalin Chandna, CEO, National

Gas said, "We launched HP lubricants in Oman market on September 6, 2020 and the customer response towards HP Lubricants has been good and we are confident that it will grow further." He added, "The collaboration demonstrates the synergies between HPCL and National Gas. Both the managements look forward to making this association long and mutually beneficial and is aimed at increasing the customer base of lubricants in Oman and the region."

Credit extended by ODCs in Oman tops OMR27.3bn

Total deposits held with ODCs registered a year-on-year growth of 4.2 per cent to reach OMR24.9 billion at the end of June 2021



Times News Service

MUSCAT: The total outstanding credit extended by Other Depository Corporations (ODCs) grew by 3.8 per cent to OMR27.3 billion at the end of June 2021, while credit to the private sector demonstrated a moderate increase of 0.8 per cent (year-on-year) to reach OMR23.2 billion, the Central Bank of Oman (CBO) said in its report.

"The non-financial corporate sector received the highest share of the total private sector credit with over 46.5 per cent, followed by the household sector accounting for 45.3 per cent, at end-June 2021," the CBO said in its 'Review of Banking and Monetary Developments - June 2021' report.

The share of financial corporations was 4.8 per cent and other sectors received the remaining 3.4 per cent of the total private sector credit as of the end-June 2021, it added.

Total deposits held with ODCs registered a year-on-year (Y-o-Y) growth of 4.2 per cent to reach OMR24.9 billion at the end of June 2021. Total private sector deposits increased by 6.5 per cent to OMR17.4 billion, the report said.

"In terms of the sector-wise composition of private sector deposits, the biggest share went to households deposits at 51.4 per cent, followed by non-financial corporations at 32.1 per cent, financial corporations at 14.1 per cent and the other sectors at 2.4 per cent," the report added.

The combined balance sheet of conventional banks showed a Y-o-Y growth of 2.1 per cent in total outstanding credit as of the end-June 2021. Credit to the private sector declined by 0.6 to reach OMR19.0 billion while their overall investments in securities went up by 23.5 per cent to OMR4.8 billion at the end-June 2021.

Investment in Government Development Bonds (GDBs) increased by 18.7 per cent compared to the same period last year to OMR2.2 billion while their investments in foreign securities declined by 24.0 per cent to OMR0.85 billion at the end of June 2021.

Aggregate deposits held with the conventional banks increased by 1.8 per cent Y-o-Y to OMR20.8 billion at the end-June 2021. Government deposits with conventional banks witnessed a decrease of 11.2 per cent at OMR4.3

billion, deposits of public enterprises went up by 13.3 per cent to OMR1.2 billion. Private sector deposits, which accounted for 71 per cent of total deposits with conventional banks, increased by 4.9 per cent as of June 2021 to reach OMR14.7 billion, the report said.

Islamic banking entities provided financing of OMR4.6 billion at the end of June 2021, recording a growth of 12.7 per cent compared to 2020. Total deposits held with Islamic banks and windows increased by 18 per cent to OMR4.2 billion. The total assets of Islamic Banks and Windows increased by 16 per cent on a Y-o-Y basis to OMR5.7 billion and constituted about 15.1 per cent of the banking system's assets at the end of June 2021.

Among the indicators of monetary aggregates, broad money supply M2 at the end-June 2021 grew by 6.7 per cent to reach OMR20.1 billion. This increase was the outcome of a 4.7 per cent expansion in narrow money (M1) and a 7.6 per cent increase in quasi-money (Rial Omani saving and time deposits, certificates of deposit issued by banks, margin deposits and foreign currency denominated deposits).

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DUQM SEZ

Sezad calls on corporates to explore investment opportunities

MUSCAT: The Special Economic Zone in Duqm (Sezad) invited companies specialised in modern construction technologies to explore investment opportunities by preparing a number of sites available to use artificial intelligence technology to construct service facilities and establish quality projects in the region.

Eng. Saleh bin Rashid Al Hashmi, Director General of Planning and Engineering Affairs and Head of the Modern Building and 3D Printing Techniques Team in Sezad called on the companies specialised in the field of modern building techniques to explore potential investment opportunities. Sezad has designated a number of locations for the artificial intelligence projects, where buildings and service facilities and other quality projects could be developed.

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Global Sukuk issuance to hit \$180bn by 2021 end

Sukuk issuance is projected to grow at an estimated 10 per cent CAGR over the next five years, reaching \$290 billion in 2026

DUBAI: Global Sukuk issuance reached \$147 billion in the first nine months of 2021 and is projected to hit \$180 billion by the end of this year according to Refinitiv's 2021 Sukuk Perception and Forecast study.

Sukuk issuance is projected to grow at an estimated 10 per cent CAGR over the next five years, reaching \$290 billion in 2026. The leading five countries by Sukuk issuance are Malaysia, Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Turkey and Kuwait, which together accounted for 90 per cent of total issuance in the



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Mustafa Adil
Head of Islamic Finance, Refinitiv

third quarter of 2021. According to the report, supported by Crescent Finance, sovereign issuance accounted for 58 per cent of the total.

Sukuk issued in international, mostly Eurobond, markets rose sharply by Q3 2021, to \$42 billion, compared with \$45 billion for the whole of 2020. Issuers have been tapping demand from internation-

al investors seeking higher returns from emerging market debt, as low-interest rates persist.

Mustafa Adil, Head of Islamic Finance, Refinitiv, a London Stock Exchange Group Business, said: “The global secondary Sukuk market reached \$699 billion in value outstanding in Q3 2021, having grown strongly over the past five

years, fuelled by the surge in Sukuk issuance during this period.”

“We have seen some new exciting trends especially in the retail and Environment, Social and Governance (ESG) areas. Developments in retail Sukuk have shown there is an increased tendency to offer Sukuk through online channels. This will make it easier to attract new investors, particularly a tech-savvy millennial generation. In addition, COVID-19 amplified the need for digital solutions for investments due to recurring lockdowns and social distancing restrictions,” he noted.

“ESG has become a major trend in the Sukuk market. Cumulative ESG Sukuk issuance amounted to \$15 billion by Q3 2021. Total ESG issuance reached \$5.0 billion in 2020 and is on track to set a new record in 2021,” Adil added.

Momentum in Sukuk issuance picked up significantly during the second and third quarters of 2020 as the economic repercussions of the pandemic led governments to take measures to alleviate the hit to their fiscal budgets. Collectively, GCC sovereigns issued \$41.2 billion in Sukuk – 39 per cent of the overall sovereign debt issued that year – marking a new record for GCC sovereign Sukuk.

US wages increase by most in records dating back 20 years

WASHINGTON: Wages jumped in the three months ending in September by the most on records dating back 20 years, a stark illustration of the growing ability of workers to demand higher pay from companies that are desperate to fill a near-record number of available jobs, a news agency reported.

Pay increased 1.5 per cent in the third quarter, the Labour Department said Friday. That's up sharply from 0.9 per cent in the previous quarter.

The value of benefits rose 0.9 per cent in the July-September quarter, more than double the preceding three months.

Workers have gained the upper hand in the job market for the first time in at least two decades, and they are commanding higher pay, more benefits, and other perks like flexible work hours. With more jobs available than there are unemployed people, government data shows, businesses have been forced to work harder to attract staff.

Inflation

Higher inflation is eating away at some of the wage increases, but

in recent months overall pay has kept up with rising prices. The 1.5 per cent increase in wages and salaries in the third quarter is ahead of the 1.2 per cent increase in inflation during that period, economists said.

However, compared with a year ago, it's a closer call. In the year ending in September, wages and salaries soared 4.2 per cent, also a record gain. But the government also reported Friday that prices increased 4.4 per cent in September from a year earlier. Excluding the volatile food and energy categories, inflation was 3.6 per cent in the past year.

Jason Furman, a former top economic adviser to President Barack Obama, said Friday that inflation-adjusted wages still trail their pre-pandemic level, given the big price jumps that occurred over the spring and summer for new and used cars, furniture, and airline tickets.

Whether inflation fades in the coming months will determine how much benefit workers get from higher pay.

Many economists expect inflation to slow a bit, while wages are likely to keep rising. -BNA

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UAE to take part in India International Trade Fair

NEW DELHI: The UAE will be an important participant in the India International Trade Fair (IITF) to be held in New Delhi from November 14 to 27, India's Ministry of Commerce and Industry announced.

The ministry said India's other trade partners which have confirmed their attendance at the annual exhibition, described as "one of the most awaited business events in the South Asia region,"

are Bahrain, China, Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Ghana, Kyrgyzstan, Tunisia, Turkey and Sri Lanka. More foreign participants are likely to be announced in the coming days.

The decision to hold the trade fair next month is a commercial milestone in the fight against COVID-19. The IITF was not held last year because of the pandemic.

"There is considerable interest among the foreign business

fraternity, who are eager to regain their business targets and place their brands among the right buyers," the ministry said while announcing the return of the IITF after a year's gap to Pragati Maidan, India's renovated central fairground in the national capital.

"The area of IITF 2021 has been increased to 73,000 square metres, which is three times larger in comparison to the last edition," the announcement said. -WAM

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Airbus raises targets, rejigs near-term production goals

PARIS: Europe's Airbus raised full-year financial targets after a narrower-than-expected dip in third-quarter profits, and stuck to a goal of delivering 600 jetliners this year after driving down costs during the pandemic.

The world's largest commercial planemaker posted a 19 per cent drop in third-quarter operating profit to 666 million euros (\$772.7 million) as revenues slipped 6 per cent to 10.518 billion, Reuters reported.

It said it was looking for a full-year operating profit of 4.5 billion euros and free cash flow of 2.5 billion, up from previous targets of 4 billion and 2 billion respectively.

Analysts were on average expecting quarterly operating profit of 623 million euros on revenues of 10.651 billion, according to a company-compiled consensus. Airbus delayed some planned production increases after a week in which several aerospace firms warned of supply shortages but rounded up its main A320-family narrowbody production target to 65 a month by summer 2023, slightly later than planned.

In May, Airbus said it was calling on suppliers to secure a firm rate of 64 a month by second-quarter 2023. -BNA

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SPORTS



HAITHAM SOOMAR CLINCHES FIRST ROUND OF OMAN RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

The next round of Oman rally will be held in coming December



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MUSCAT: Young rally driver Haitham Khalid Soomar on Mitsubishi Evo 7 with codriver Wail Alshibani won the first round of Oman Rally championship after finishing 6 special stages at Almisfah and Saal town at total time of one hour and eight minutes and fifty-nine seconds, meanwhile Faisal Al-Rashidi on Subaru Impreza N12 with Navigator Waleed AlRashidi got the top second place with a difference of just one second behind Haitham Soomar.

The third place won by the legend Nizar Alshanfari on Can Am with his co- driver from UAE Ali Mirza, Hamed Al-Qasmini on Evo 8 reached fourth at the end of the rally and Mohamad Al-Shanfari on Yamaha Polaris finished fifth, the German driver Azar Pey on Can Am ended the rally in sixth position.

Abdullah Al-Zubair on Nissan Patrol and Issam Al-kharusi on Quad and Musab Soomar on Kia Rio are the 3 remaining drivers who finished the rally on Friday.

Due to some technical and other issues, 6 drivers left the rally early, where some of them had left in the late stages, Abdullah Al-Rawahi after holding the first stage at top of the list in Almisfah with fastest time, left the rally in the second stage at Saal after had small accident which forced him to leave the rally early after he was one of the names to win the rally, and the same has happened with Jarrah Al Toqi where he left the rally due to technical issue.

Rally driver Zakriya AlAufi been forced to leave the rally also after a broken suspension, and another driver been forced to leave the rally due to broken wheel where Zakria AlAlmri left the rally at stage 5.

After finishing all the 6 stages, brigadier retired Salim Ali Al-Maskari Chairman board of directors Oman Automobile Association distributed the winning trophies at AlMisfah, where the rally ceremony been held, and he has appreciated the participant's and the effort of all the drivers and the organizers to join this rally and make happed after long stop due to Covid pandemic and he stated that all the precautions has been taken to the consideration for this pandemic during the rally on going time and he is thankful for all.

Haitham Soomar said" Happy to win this title for the first time in my life and thanks goes to all for their support and specially my mechanics, meanwhile Faisal Al-Rashidi appreciated the support of sponsors AlMadina Takaful and Oil field inspection services and wished all the success for his colleagues next time.

The next round of Oman rally championship will be held in coming December during Oman International rally and round four is expected to be organised in Duqm at the same month.

SPORTS

Miller’s cameo outshines Hasaranga’s hat-trick as South Africa win by 4 wickets

With this win, South Africa claimed their second victory of the Super 12 stage in the T20 World Cup

SHARJAH: David Miller’s last over heroics outshined hat-trick hero Wanindu Hasaranga as South Africa defeated Sri Lanka by four wickets in the ongoing ICC Men’s T20 World Cup at the Sharjah Cricket Stadium on Saturday.

With this win, South Africa claimed their second victory of the Super 12 stage in the T20 World Cup. Miller smashed two sixes in the 20th over to take South Africa home in a nail-biting thriller.

He remained unbeaten at 23 runs off 13 balls. Miller put Wanindu Hasaranga’s hat-trick in vain as the spinner tried his best to dismantle the chase of South Africa in the death overs. Chasing 143, South Africa had a horror start as Dushmantha Chameera struck twice in the

fourth over to send back both South Africa openers and put them on the back-foot. Rassie van der Dussen was then run out by Dasun Shanaka in the eighth over as Proteas came under a lot of pressure.

The bowlers then piled on the pressure as South Africa were 62/3 in 10 overs, with Temba Bavuma and Aiden Markram at the crease.

Hope

Markram, T Bavuma, and D Pretorius were victims of Hasaranga in the second half of the innings as he gave hope to the Asian team but Miller had other plans in his mind as he saved his best for the last.

Earlier, Pathum Nissanka held firm amid tumbling of wickets to help Sri Lanka post 142. Tabraiz Shamsi, the No.1 bowler on the ICC Men’s T20I Rankings, ran through the line-up in the middle overs, finishing with 3/17, while Dwaine Pretorius cleaned them up at the death for 3/17 as well.

Brief Scores: Sri Lanka 142 (Pathum Nissanka 72, Charith Asalanka 21; Dwaine Pretorius 3-17, Tabraiz Shamsi 3-17) South Africa 146/6 (Temba Bavuma 46, David Miller 23; Wanindu Hasaranga 3-20, Dushmantha Chameera 2-27) **ANI**



T20 WORLD CUP: Miller smashed two sixes in the 20th over to take South Africa home in a nail-biting thriller.

T20 WORLD CUP



MEN IN BLUE FIND THEMSELVES IN MUST-WIN TERRITORY AGAINST KIWIS



INDIA VS NEW ZEALAND: India and New Zealand will lock horns against each other in the Super 12 stages of the World Cup on Sunday at the Dubai International Cricket Stadium.

NEW DELHI: After suffering a loss against Pakistan in their opening game of the ICC Men’s T20 World Cup, the Virat Kohli-led side find themselves in a must-win situation against New Zealand.

India and New Zealand will lock horns against each other in the Super 12 stages of the World Cup on Sunday at the Dubai International Cricket Stadium. Both sides will come into the contest after suffering a loss against Pakistan. When it comes to the Indian side, one needs to see how the opening duo of Rohit Sharma and KL Rahul will perform having been dismissed cheaply against Pakistan by Shaheen Shah Afridi. The left-arm seamers have always caused troubles for the Indian top-order and the presence of Trent Boult in the Kiwi attack is expected to cause further problems.

When it comes to batting, only Virat Kohli was the bright spot against Pakistan and the Indian skipper has the knack of produc-

ing quality knocks under pressure, so once again, it would be Kohli who will be expected to rise to the occasion and change the tide in India’s favour.

Suryakumar Yadav and Rishabh Pant need to come into their own and the duo need to bring in that X-factor which has helped their respective IPL franchises in the past.

The only question regarding the batting order remains whether Ishan Kishan can come into the eleven, but it looks unlikely that someone would be dropped just after one bad game against Pakistan.

India has never defeated New Zealand in the T20 World Cup, but if there was any time for this record to be broken, it is now if the side wants to reach the semi-finals stage.

Hardik Pandya’s bowling has been one mystery for a long period, but on Tuesday he did have a bowl in the nets, and he is expected to bowl some overs against New Zealand, and if he bowls some

overs against the BlackCaps it will surely ease the nerves of skipper Kohli in terms of giving him another bowling option.

Bhuvneshwar Kumar has looked out of sorts in the recently-concluded Indian Premier League (IPL) and he was off-colour against Pakistan as well. So one needs to consider Shardul Thakur as he gives another dimension with his batting. Shardul had a knack for picking wickets for Chennai Super Kings (CSK) so he can definitely be looked at for the game against New Zealand.

Mohammed Shami and Jasprit Bumrah would be required to up their game if India wants to show a good performance with the ball against New Zealand. Ravindra Jadeja and Varun Chakravarty are likely to be persisted with for the game against New Zealand and it needs to be seen whether Ravichandran Ashwin finds a place for himself or not.

Talking about New Zealand, the batting outfit needs to rise to the

occasion and back the bowling up. Kane Williamson also needs to find form if the BlackCaps want to leave a mark in this World Cup.

The bowling almost bailed the Kiwis out against Pakistan, however, it needs to be seen whether Adam Milne now comes back into the lineup to further boost the fast-bowling arsenal.

India squad: Virat Kohli (captain), Rohit Sharma (vice-captain), KL Rahul, Suryakumar Yadav, Rishabh Pant (wicket-keeper), Ishan Kishan, Hardik Pandya, Ravindra Jadeja, Rahul Chahar, Ravichandran Ashwin, Shardul Thakur, Varun Chakravarty, Jasprit Bumrah, Bhuvneshwar Kumar, Mohammad Shami.

New Zealand squad: Kane Williamson (capt), Todd Astle, Trent Boult, Mark Chapman, Devon Conway, Adam Milne, Martin Guptill, Kyle Jamieson, Daryl Mitchell, Jimmy Neesham, Glenn Phillips, Mitchell Santner, Tim Seifert, Ish Sodhi, Tim Southee. **ANI**

ROUND-UP

Bank Muscat offers enticing benefits for its Premier Banking clientele

Bank Muscat’s Premier Banking clientele have the advantage of being able to benefit from differentiated and specialised services across Private Banking, Asalah Priority banking and Al Jawhar Privilege banking

MUSCAT: Bank Muscat Premier Banking has announced a number of unrivalled benefits and services in line with the bank’s vision ‘To serve you better, everyday’ and commitment to Recognition, Rewards and Solutions to its customers. Bank Muscat’s Premier Banking clientele have the advantage of being able to benefit from differ-

entiated and specialised services across Private Banking, Asalah Priority banking and Al Jawhar Privilege banking. Abdunlasir Al Raisi, Deputy General Manager – Premier Banking, Bank Muscat, said: “The Bank Muscat Premier Banking experience has set benchmarks for personal and relationship-based

banking in Oman. A large number of innovative services and features are available to them and the bank promises to continue launching new features and innovations in response to customer needs and feedback in line with its customer-centric vision.” In particular, the bank’s Easy Payment Plan (EPP) offers an attractive value proposition for its credit card customers. Through the EPP scheme, customers can make high-value purchases from the outlets of participating merchants and pay for these purchases in 12 monthly instalments without having to pay any interest. This offer is currently available at over 100 participating merchant outlets including electronics, home furniture, auto services, jewellery, insurance and healthcare providers. The Asalah Platinum Visa Debit

Card on the other hand provides access to the Asalah Entertainer App with its more than 3,500 ‘Buy 1, Get 1 Free’ offers in Oman, UAE, the UK and other international destinations. Debit cardholders are eligible for a number of exclusive discount offers at retail, dining, hospitality, beauty and fitness outlets. Similarly, Al Jawhar customers can also download and activate the “Xperience with the Entertainer” app from the App Store, Play Store or App Gallery to enjoy a number of exclusive 2-for-1 deals on food, entertainment and shopping as well as travel discounts using their Al Jawhar Platinum Visa Debit Card. Both Asalah Visa Signature Credit Cardholders and Al Jawhar Visa Platinum Credit Cardholders are eligible for 1% cashback on all their credit card transactions amongst numerous other exclu-

sive benefits too. Premier banking credit cardholders are also eligible for a number of great discounts at the outlets of participating merchants throughout the year. The bank has invited its Debit, Credit and Prepaid cardholders to take advantage of the special package of \$4.75 on new subscriptions to OSN streaming. The promotion is available till December 31. Also, credit cardholders travelling to the UAE can take advantage of the special offer for one-bedroom apartments at the Anantara - The Palm Dubai. Special rates of \$ 210 per night will be available for bookings made until December 23, for a minimum of 2 nights. Going ahead, Bank Muscat Premier Banking plans to continue offering innovative benefits and solutions to its customers in line with its customer-centric vision.



ICCA FUTURE LEADERS PARTICIPATION

OCEC continues its commitment to developing, empowering Omani youth

MUSCAT: Continuing its ongoing commitment to developing and empowering Omani youth within the Sultanate, Oman Convention & Exhibition Centre was proud to have one of its team participate at the 2021 edition of the prestigious International Congress and Convention Association (ICCA) congress. Held from October 24 – 27, this year’s ICCA Congress went ahead under the theme Forward to our Future, and Oman’s premier events venue was honoured to have Mariya Al Hashar – OCEC’s Senior Business Development Executive – nominated as a Middle East representative for the congress’s Future Leaders Council session. Mariya represented OCEC at the congress’s Paris Hub, which was one of the multiple hubs linked to the main event in Cartagena, Colombia. As a dynamic, progressive event, the Future Leaders Council served to shed light on how the world’s “leaders of tomorrow” can extend their influence to make a lasting impact in the industry. OCEC were proud to have Mari-



ya Al Hashar showcase Oman positively on the international stage – and to represent OCEC’s commitment to nurturing and developing young Omani talent within the Sultanate. According to Said Al Shanfari, CEO – OCEC, “Our participation at this year’s ICCA Congress reflects OCEC’s commitment and vision – over the long term – to

empowering the youth of Oman. The Omani youth represent the future of the nation: They are our future decision-makers and future industry leaders. In supporting the individual development of young Omanis today, OCEC can ensure they are competent and qualified to lead the Sultanate to a brighter, and more prosperous future.” “In addition, as our young Oma-

ni talents enjoy more exposure at international events like the ICCA Congress, they gain experience in building and developing foreign relationships – which is a significant part of our industry,” said Al Shanfari added. Speaking about her attendance, Mariya explained, “It was an incredible honour to represent both the OCEC and the Sultanate of Oman at this important international congress. The Future Leaders Council was of particular importance, as it served as a platform to discuss and redefine social sustainability through the eyes of young event professionals – which aligns closely with OCEC’s commitment to developing the talents of Omani youth.” OCEC’s representation at this year’s ICCA Congress was also significant because it showcased that the OCEC and Oman are now ready and willing to welcome back the world’s events-tourism sector after having to suspend nearly all international events following the outbreak of the global COVID-19 pandemic in early 2020.

I-4WD CAPABILITY

GAC Motor GS4: Built for pure adventure

MUSCAT: GAC Motor’s GS4 with its i-4WD capability takes adventure to all-new levels by equipping the driver with complete confidence and peace of mind. Exclusively built for Oman, the powerful turbo-charged GS4 i-4WD stands out in terms of performance, technology, capability and dependability. The GS4 i-4WD makes a bold and eye-catching statement with its sleek profile that is enhanced with the ‘Flying Dynamics’ grille design. The new improved design of the headlights, taillights and alloy wheels makes its overall appeal, contemporary and elegant. Making every journey outstanding with power-packed moments is the 1.5L, 150 HP, turbo engine. This is paired with a 6-speed automatic transmission. The result is low fuel consumption and quieter transmission power. The new eagle-eye projector headlights with LED DRLs provide a greater light distribution, resulting in optimum visibility at night. LED DRLs create a better vision and is comparable to those



offered on luxury vehicles. The LED combination taillights are inspired by the arrow fletched with a feathers-like design that makes the GS4 i-4WD easily stand out from the rest. The interior of the GS4 i-4WD is as interesting as the exterior. A new 10.1-inch HD Touchscreen with Apple CarPlay, Bluetooth Connectivity and other vital features offers a more fun way to stay connected even on the go. The

screen is linked to a wide-angle reverse camera assisted with dynamic guidelines that provide greater convenience and makes parking hassle-free. Exclusive automatic air conditioning with a built-in air quality system with a negative ion air purifier ensures you and your loved ones breathe fresh and purified air. Dedicated rear AC vents along with USB charging ports keep the rear passengers at ease.

The GS4 i-4WD has impressive storage space that is perfect for your short or long journeys. The large 450L luggage compartment encourages you to make the most of your experiences. Besides this, there is 24 well-designed storage space in the car to meet multiple requirements of the passenger. In terms of safety, the GS4 i-4WD stands out with a list of safety features. The tyre pressure monitoring system helps keep an eye on low tyre pressures and high tyre temperatures too. These assist in safer driving experiences. The electronic stability program assists the driver in safe braking in case of any untoward incidents. It also has safety features to avoid slipping/sliding while driving uphill or downhill at low speeds. The latest intelligent 4WD system maintains excellent composure on harsh terrains and lets you also negotiate off-road drives with full confidence. The Central Differential Lock when activated helps you get further by allowing you to tread on the most challenging surfaces with ease.

EYEWEAR

Rivoli Group launches Rivoli Vision to deliver world-class vision care in GCC

DUBAI: The Rivoli Group, one of the largest luxury watch and eyewear retailers in the GCC has launched Rivoli Vision – a dedicated division for its eyewear business – to continue to offer the highest quality in vision care to its GCC customers. Rivoli Group, which has decades of retail experience in creating bespoke and unique retail concepts in the watches category as well as in the eyewear distribution arena, has embarked on this initiative to manage its business expansion plans in the vision care segment in a manner that ensures the continuity of world-class care. Ramesh Prabhakar, Vice Chairman and Managing Partner of the Rivoli Group said, “The launch of Rivoli Vision has come about as a natural evolution given our domain knowledge in the eyewear distribution arena acquired over the past 20 years with international manufacturers – Marcolin and Kering eyewear group – and our desire to be the leading vision care provider in the region.”

The group currently provides this experience to its customers at the retail level using a segmented approach that recognizes the needs of the discerning GCC customer. The world-class retail concepts are housed in three concept segments; AVANTI, Rivoli Eyezone and Style 88. These concepts will be collectively managed under Rivoli Vision going forward. AVANTI sits at the top of the pyramid and is the Group’s luxury eyewear concept, catering to the more discerning audience, where a customer can find the perfect pair of bespoke prescription glasses or sunglasses, including exclusive collections from brands such as Cartier, Boucheron, Tom Ford, Gucci, Fred and Yves Saint Laurent to name a few. The AVANTI stores are also ZEISS Vision Expert centres delivering the ultimate vision care experience using the most advanced cutting-edge ZEISS technology and contact-less vision testing for any ophthalmic needs. At the heart of the Group’s eyewear business are the Rivoli Eyezone concept stores located in all leading malls across the region,

catering to the vision care needs of the wider consumer base. Today there are over 50 Rivoli Eyezone stores with state-of-the-art eye testing equipment and the largest collection of eyewear from leading international brands. Rivoli Eyezone also launched its new generation digital optical lenses in collaboration with leading optical lens manufacturers with unique features including a 12-month power change guarantee and 7 protect promise, along with the most recent launch of Sofvue colour contact lenses. To cater to the needs of its younger clientele, the Group launched the Style 88 concept which was created for the audience who prefer vibrant retail environments. The stores offer a wide array of fashionable sunglasses brands including Guess, Ray-Ban, Timberland, Dolce & Gabbana and Prada amongst others. Subbaiah, Director of Rivoli Vision said, “Today the eyewear business of the Group has expanded to 75 stores across the four key markets of the GCC; UAE, Bahrain, Qatar and Oman, which has been achieved over the last 18 months and this number is only set to grow with Rivoli Vision expecting 100 stores to be opened by early 2022 across its three eyewear retail concepts.” With the key focus of providing world-class vision care to our customers, Rivoli Vision will also preside over a specialised training facility called the ‘Rivoli Vision Academy’. The academy’s mission is to train the Group’s in-house optometrists on all pertinent aspects of vision care on an ongoing basis and according to international standards. Prabhakar concluded, “The Rivoli Vision customer journey will begin and end with the best in global standards that vision care products and services can offer. As a customer-centric business, we aim to provide vision care solutions across all nationalities and age groups, which we are confident of achieving through a combination of our superior eyewear and vision care strategic alliances and partnerships, as well as the expertise and customer service associated with the Rivoli Group.”

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THE SMALL THYROID GLAND IN YOUR NECK HAS HUGE IMPACT ON WELLNESS

When discussing health and wellness, the thyroid gland isn't likely a hot topic between friends and family. This tiny gland is frequently overlooked, yet deserves attention because it plays such a large role in the health of the body, impacting how you look and feel every day.

Small yet mighty, the thyroid is a butterfly-shaped gland located in the base of the neck. It produces critical hormones that serve as chemical messengers that help regulate the brain, heart, kidneys, liver, skin, metabolism, growth and even some functions of the nervous system.

"Ensuring the thyroid gland is healthy and functioning properly is vitally important to the body's overall well-being," said Dr. Felice Caldarella, president of the American Association of Clinical Endocrinology. "However, thyroid disease affects as many as 30 million Americans, and more than half remain undiagnosed because symptoms are often similar to the signs of other medical conditions."

Common thyroid conditions and symptoms: When your thyroid doesn't produce enough thyroid hormone, your system slows down. When it produces

too much hormone, your system goes into overdrive. Several disorders can arise if the thyroid produces too much hormone (hyperthyroidism) or not enough (hypothyroidism). There are also thyroid diseases with long-term impact, such as Hashimoto's thyroiditis, Graves' disease and thyroid eye disease.

Hashimoto's thyroiditis: Also called Hashimoto's disease, is the most common thyroid disease in the United States. This inherited condition affects over 10 million Americans and is about seven times more common in women. Hashimoto's disease involves the production of immune cells and autoantibodies by the body's immune system that can damage thyroid cells and compromise their ability to make thyroid hormone. Hashimoto's disease may result in hypothyroidism in some patients, but not all, who have autoantibodies.

Graves' disease: Graves' disease is caused by the immune system mistakenly attacking the thyroid, which causes it to become overactive. It's unknown

why this happens. Graves' disease is the most common cause of hyperthyroidism in the United States and is seven times more likely to affect women.

Thyroid eye disease: Thyroid eye disease is an autoimmune disorder that causes your immune system to mistakenly attack the tissues behind your eyes. Up to half of the people who have Graves' disease may develop thyroid eye disease over time.

If the thyroid does not function correctly, it can affect every aspect of a person's life.



Some common signs of thyroid disease include:

- Unexplained changes in weight
- Depression, anxiety or feelings of irritability
- Changes in memory or ability to concentrate
- Joint or muscle pain or weakness
- Fatigue or trouble sleeping
- Fast or irregular heartbeat
- Irregular menstrual periods
- Changes in bowel habits, such as constipation
- Feeling unusually hot or cold

How to check your thyroid at home

A simple, quick at-home thyroid neck check can help you detect lumps or enlargements that may be a thyroid condition. All you need is a handheld mirror and glass of water.

Start by holding the mirror in your hand, focusing on the lower front area of your neck, just above the collarbone. Your thyroid gland is located in this area of your neck.

Then, while focusing on this area in the mirror, tip your head back. Take a drink of water and swallow. As you swallow, look at your neck to check for any protrusions in this area when you swallow. Reminder, don't confuse the Adam's apple with the thyroid gland. The thyroid gland is located further down on your neck, closer to the collarbone.

If you see any lumps, swelling or protrusions in this area, or have ongoing symptoms of concern, see your health care professional or an endocrinologist. An endocrinologist is a doctor that specialises in hormone-related diseases and conditions, including all those related to the thyroid gland. Remember, although thyroid disease is often a life-long condition, it can be managed. —**BT**





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Camel racing is a popular sport where camels compete on tracks specially built for this kind of race.

According to Oman’s Ministry of Tourism, “Camel racing is an authentic Arab sport, famous especially among the Arabian Peninsula Arabs. Camel racing has evolved into an official and professional race that includes race-

tracks, specialised farms for raising camels and running intensive training programmes, as well as using new technologies.”

Camels draw crowds from all over the Sultanate. The sight of a jockey and his mount working as one towards a finishing line that seems at the same time so close, yet so far, provides an indescribable thrill and an almost mystical sense of magic that is just not possible to replicate in the modern world.

Recently His Highness Sayyid Theyazin bin Haitham Al Said, Minister of Culture, Sports and Youth, gave directives to hold camel races at the Sultanate’s level from 29 October to 1 November 2021. The event is organised by Oman Camel Racing Federation from 29 October until 1 November 2021 at the Royal Camel Corps Racecourse in Al Fulaij, Barka.

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