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## HM RECEIVES THANKS CABLE

**MUSCAT:** His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik has received a cable of thanks from President Dr. Mohammed Ashraf Ghani of Afghanistan, in reply to his Majesty's congratulatory cable to him on the occasion of his country's Independence Anniversary. President Ghani expressed his utmost happiness and gratitude for His Majesty the Sultan's congratulations. He expressed his determination to promoting the existing bilateral relations to achieve the interests of the two countries and their people. President Ghani wished His Majesty good health and wellbeing and the Omani people further progress and prosperity. **-ONA**



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## OMAN Al Saleh elected new OCCI board chairman

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## OMAN Manah's ancient villages explored

**2** There are several archaeological sites and buildings of which Al Fiqain Castle is the most prominent one. Located in Al Fiqain village, the castle was built some 400 years ago and was later renovated and restored. **>A4**

## MARKET Cooking gas refills at service stations soon

**3** An agreement was signed between Muscat Gases Company (MGC) and Oman Oil Marketing Company (OOMCO) to sell and refill cooking gas cylinders through (Liquefied Petroleum Gas) LPG retail units at selected service stations. **>B1**

### STATEMENT

## Oman welcomes Bahrain initiative

**MUSCAT:** The Sultanate yesterday welcomed the initiative of the Kingdom of Bahrain in view of the joint tripartite declaration on relations with Israel.

The Sultanate issued a statement reading as follows:  
“The Sultanate welcomed the initiative undertaken by the Kingdom of Bahrain, as part of the Kingdom's sovereign rights, in

view of the joint tripartite declaration on relations with Israel.

### Hope

“The Sultanate hopes that this new strategic approach espoused by some Arab countries will be a practical step towards establishing peace based on the termination of Israeli occupation of Palestinian territories and the setting up of an

independent Palestinian State, with East Jerusalem as its capital.

“This embodies the two-state solution as stipulated by UN charters and Arab decisions and, at the same time, reflects the expectations and demands of all Arab countries and peace-loving people aspiring for fair, final and comprehensive peace in the Middle East and the world at large.” **-ONA**



# AVOIDING SECOND WAVE IS IN OUR HANDS

“Two days ago, a child under the age of 15 had died, and he did not have any other illness. There are also fatalities among people in their twenties and thirties

**DR MOHAMMED AL HOSNI**  
Undersecretary for Health Affairs at the Ministry of Health



## Keep taking all precautions, says a top health official as COVID cases buck declining trend

Times News Service

**MUSCAT:** People in the Sultanate have been asked to take precautions to stop the spread of second wave of the COVID-19 virus.

Dr Mohammed Al Hosni, the

Undersecretary for Health Affairs at the Ministry of Health, said that indicators used to monitor the disease shows it is very much present, as he reminded people to not take the virus lightly.

Speaking to Shabiba FM, the

Arabic radio channel of *Al Shabiba*, the sister publication of the *Times of Oman*, Al Hosni said, “I could not say for sure whether or not such indicators point to the start of the second wave. The number of those admitted during the last 24 hours amounted to 52 cases. At the time, we hoped the number would drop, as it stood at 39 cases about 10 days ago, while the number of patients admitted to ICU decreased to below 150, but then increased to 160 patients.”

Commenting of life returning to normal following the reopen-

ing of economic activities, and the easing of curbs, Al Hosni said, “The government has taken strict measures, which does include lockdowns. However, this cannot continue forever.”

“We are currently in the seventh month of the pandemic, and it is part of our human nature to be in contact with each other,” said the undersecretary. “However, we had said during the early days of the pandemic that people should protect themselves.

“The community has reached a state of awareness and information on the dynamics of the virus

and the modes of transmission to the extent that people are capable of taking the decisions required to protect themselves and their families by wearing masks, observing social distancing and regularly washing their hands.”

Commenting on the fatalities, Al Hosni said most of those who had died were elderly people. “However, two days ago, a child under the age of 15 had died, and he did not have any other illnesses. There are also fatalities among people in their twenties and thirties.”

He added: “People should avoid getting into situations that need

them to be admitted to the ICU. Some people neglect wearing their masks, but wearing it would help mitigate the symptoms of the virus, if not prevent contracting it.”

“We cannot do anything without the support of each and every one, along with their commitment to the precautionary measures put in place,” he explained.

“During a pandemic, the second wave is always serious as it brings with it a large number of cases of infection, as well as many fatalities. The decision to avoid being caught in a second wave lies in our hands.”

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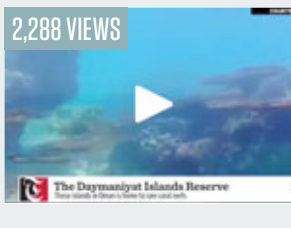


**Morning Minute video on coral reefs**

The Morning Minute video on coral reefs received 4,700 views and reached 13,000 people on Facebook.

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**Video story on the Daymaniyat Islands Reserve**

A video story on the Daymaniyat Islands Reserve got 2,288 views and 170 likes on Instagram.

# OCCI board elects new chief

Al Yousef called upon the OCCI Board to prepare for the next stage of rejuvenated renaissance under the wise leadership of His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik



**MEETING:** Qais bin Mohammed Al Yousef, Minister of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion, met OCCI Board members after the end of elections. -ONA

**MUSCAT:** Members of Oman Chamber of Commerce and Industry (OCCI) board on Sunday elected Eng. Ridha bin Juma Al Saleh as Chairman after the post fell vacant.

The Board also elected Ali bin Salim Al Hajri as Deputy Chairman of the OCCI Board for Administrative and Financial Affairs and Dr. Salim bin Sleyem Al Junaibi as Deputy Chairman of the OCCI



Board for Economic and Branch Affairs.

Membership of the new Board will last till 2022. Qais bin Mohammed Al Yousef, Minister of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion, met OCCI Board members after the end of elections. He underscored the OCCI's keenness to support and facilitate the mission of the private sector.

Al Yousef called upon the OCCI Board to consider revising the OCCI system in a manner that

cope with the requirements of the next stage of rejuvenated renaissance in the Sultanate under the wise leadership of His Majesty Sultan Haitham Bin Tarik.

Earlier, Al-Yousef issued a ministerial decision to form an election committee to see to elections and vacant seats at the OCCI under the chairmanship of Dr. Saleh bin Said Masan, Under-Secretary of the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion.

-ONA

## SAFETY FIRST

# Oman Air using special filters for safety

Times News Service

**MUSCAT:** Oman Air, the national carrier of the Sultanate of Oman, is ensuring the safety of its guests and crew with a comprehensive programme which includes the use of high-efficiency particulate absorbing (HEPA) filters on all aircraft.

The airline said in a statement on Sunday, "These filters, which meet exacting standards and are used in hospitals throughout the world, capture 99.97 per cent of bacteria, viruses and impurities as aircraft cabin air is fully refreshed every 2 to 3 minutes. The filtration system brings in fresh outside air as it cleans and discharges air in the cabins."



Oman Air's certified HEPA filters are regularly checked and replaced when needed, based on the highest maintenance standards,

the statement added.

"The use of HEPA filters across the airline's fleet is one component of its safety programme,

which creates safe environments across each element of guests' journeys. The airline constantly monitors and refines its safety plan, which encompasses every facet of its operations."

"Oman Air communicates every day with health experts, government officials and Aviation industry executives to ensure it is aware of the latest developments related to the coronavirus and the most effective procedures to protect people. The airline minimises contact during check-in, maintains distancing at the gates and during boarding procedures. Guests are required to wear masks while they are in the Sultanate's airports and onboard the aircraft," Oman Air said.

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# Ways to get Omani citizenship

The Omani Nationality Law lays down criteria on the basis of which a person can get Omani citizenship or lose it

There are several criteria according to which a person can get Omani citizenship as per the country's law. However, it also describes the ways in which a person can lose his/her Omani citizenship if he/she fails to meet the conditions as enshrined in the law.

The **first article** of the Omani Nationality Law for granting of citizenship says:

**1** Whoever is born in or outside Oman to an Omani father.

**2** Whoever is born in or outside Oman to an Omani mother, and the father is unknown or if he doesn't not prove that he is a legitimate father of his son, or if the father is an Omani and has lost his nationality.

**3** Whoever is born to unknown parents in Oman.

**4** Whoever is born in Oman and

has made the country his normal residence, and his father has been born there, provided that the father at the time of the son's birth lost the nationality and continued so.

A foreigner may apply for naturalisation with Omani nationality if he fulfils the conditions according to the **article two** as following:

**1** He must be an adult, and should know reading and writing of Arabic language.

**2** That his request to reside in the Sultanate precedes his legal continuous residence for a period of not less than 20 Gregorian years or 10 Gregorian years if he is married to an Omani woman and does not preclude his being considered as continuous his absence from the country for temporary periods of his private business, provided that the period of his absence during the year does not exceed two months.

**3** That he displays good conduct, is of sound structure, free of impairments, and he has not been previously convicted of a crime of breach of honour or trust, unless he has been rehabilitated.

**4** That he has a legitimate means of livelihood that brings him enough to meet his needs and the needs of his dependents.

**5** He submits the citizenship application on the form prepared for this at the Ministry of Interior in which he acknowledges his desire to renounce his original nationality and that the law of his country allows him to do so.

In the event that the applicant for citizenship is accepted, he must take the oath in front of the judiciary in the wilayat or governorate in which he resides, as follows: "I swear by God Almighty to be loyal to the Sultanate of Oman, to respect its laws, customs and traditions, and to be a good citizen, and God is as I say a martyr."

**Article 3** An exception may be made, by virtue of a special Royal Decree, to grant Omani nationality to a foreigner without being bound by the conditions for naturalisation referred to in Article Two of

this law.

**Article 4** It is permissible for a foreign woman, the wife of a foreigner who has acquired Omani nationality and whose marriage has passed on with him for five years at least, to apply for Omani nationality.

Minor children acquire Omani nationality according to their father, provided that they are permitted within the year following their reaching the age of adulthood has asked to be abandoned. As for adult children, they may request Omani citizenship according to the aforementioned naturalisation conditions in Article two of this Law.

**Article 5** It is permissible for a foreign woman who marries an Omani and provided that her marriage to him and her residency with him in Oman for at least five years expires, to request the acquisition of Omani nationality.

**Article 6** A Royal Decree shall be issued to grant citizenship in all the foregoing cases in an individual form. The application for naturalisation may be rejected

even in cases excepted from the conditions of Article Two of this law without giving reasons.

**Article 7** The foreigner who acquires Omani nationality in accordance with the previous provisions shall be entitled to exercise civil rights in accordance with the Sultanate's laws from the date of publication of the Royal Decree granting him citizenship in the Official Gazette, unless the aforementioned decree stipulates otherwise.

**Article 8** It is prohibited to combine Omani nationality with any other nationality except by virtue of a Royal Decree permitting that, and it is also prohibited for an Omani to waive his Omani nationality to acquire a foreign nationality unless he is authorised to do so by virtue of a Royal Decree and after ensuring that he has fulfilled all his duties and obligations towards the Sultanate.

**Article 9** An Omani loses his nationality by virtue of the law if he acquires a foreign nationality in contradiction to the provisions of this law, and his minor children lose it according to him, and they

acquire the nationality of their father if the law of that nationality gives them it.

However, his aforementioned children may request the restoration of Omani nationality during the year following their attainment of adulthood if their normal residence is in Oman or they have returned to it and have declared in writing their desire to settle in it and have met the conditions of the third and fourth paragraphs of Article Two of this law.

**Article 10** Without prejudice to the provisions of the two previous articles, the Disputes Committee referred to in Article 51 of this law may submit to His Majesty the Sultan its recommendations in cases in which it is permissible to combine Omani nationality with another nationality, and these recommendations shall come into effect upon approval by the signature of His Majesty the Sultan.

**Article 11** An Omani woman who marries a foreigner maintains her Omani nationality unless she submits a request to the Minister of Interior to relinquish her to ac-

quire the nationality of her husband and her husband's law allows her to be granted his nationality, and that she is permitted to do so in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of this law. It is allowed to her in case of termination of marriage for any reason, to the request to return her Omani nationality if she submits a request to the Minister of Interior that her normal residence was in Oman or she has returned to Oman and acknowledges her desire to stay.

**Article 12** The restitution of Omani nationality shall be issued to applicants in the cases referred to in Articles 9 and 11, a Royal Decree.

**Article 13** Omani nationality shall be stripped by a Royal Decree for the following:

**1** Anyone who is proven to have acquired Omani nationality on the basis of a false statement or by means of fraud and forgery, as well as stripping everyone who acquired it according to him.

**2** Anyone who is proven to adhere to nonreligious principles or beliefs or to belong to a group, party or organisation that espouses those principles or beliefs.

**3** Anyone who is proven to work for a foreign country in any capacity, whether his work was inside or outside Oman and did not fulfil the Omani government's request to leave this job within the specified time.

**4** Anyone who is proven to be working in the interest of an enemy state or against the interest of Oman.

**5** Anyone who obtains Omani nationality by naturalisation and is sentenced for a crime against the security of the Sultanate, or if it is proven that he belongs to a group, party or organisation that has conspired or assaulted the security of the Sultanate.

**Article 14** Based on the recommendation of the Minister of Interior, it is permissible to return the Omani nationality to those who have been stripped of it if the reasons for stripping no longer exist, and a Royal Decree is issued to return.

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# EXPLORING THE ANCIENT VILLAGES OF MANAH



**WHERE:** The wilayat of Manah is in the Governorate of Al Dakhiliyah, 160km away from Muscat. It is known for its old ruined villages along with the modern houses, mosques, and towers. The wilayat has eight villages: Harat Al Bilad, Mu'ammad, Al Ma'arra, Izz, Al Faiqain, Al Mahiyul, Abu Nakhilah and Mitani. If you want to know Oman's history, you must visit Manah.

**WHAT'S SPECIAL:** There are several archaeological sites and buildings of which Al Faiqain Castle is the most prominent one. Located in Al Faiqain village, the castle was built some 400 years ago and was later renovated and restored. The castle stands tall with its high towers and is considered one of the most important historical monuments in the wilayat. Surrounded by old houses and date-palm trees, it showcases the traditional Omani architecture. The castle is divided into northern and southern parts. While the northern part was for defence the southern part was for storing foodstuffs.

Located at the centre of the wilayat is Al Bilad, the oldest residential area where there are houses with ancient Omani architectural designs. Al Sharah, Al Ain, Al Rahba and Al Aa'li are the four famous mosques built in olden days. The Grand Mosque is located near Bait Al Hisn located at the southern side.

Manah also has several aflaj, including the aflaj of Al Khatam, Al Faiqain, Al Musarraaj, Al Asgharain, Al Sulaib and Al Mahiyul. Falaj Malik was one of the earliest aflaj and is in the village of Al Faiqain. Wild animals like hares, foxes and hedgehogs are also found here. Trees and plants like sumr, ghaf, harmal and ishriq can be seen in the wilayat.

**TRADITIONAL CRAFTS:** Manah is known for many traditional crafts which include silver work, textiles, Omani halwa making, rose water making, carpentry and more.



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# Global food prices drop by 9% in second quarter of 2020

The average prices of cereals during the second quarter of 2020 maintained a steady rise at a marginal pace

**MUSCAT:** The general average of international foodstuff prices dropped by 9 percent during the second quarter of this year, compared to the first quarter, according to information released by the Directorate-General of Food Security at the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Water Resources.

The data is collected from various international agencies such as UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), the International Grains Council (IGC) and the International Sugar Organisation (ISO).

Statistics of the FAO show that the average of staple foods index dropped by 9 percent during the second quarter of this year, compared to the first quarter of 2020. Sugar, whose prices dropped by 19 percent, topped the list, followed



**STOCKS:** The world rice stock rose by 6 percent during the 2018-2019 season, compared to the season before. Estimates of the 2019.

by oil and fats (16 per cent down), meats and dairy products (6 per cent) and cereals (1 per cent).

According to the IGC data, the average prices of cereals during the second quarter of 2020 maintained a steady rise at a marginal pace (1 percent). The prices of rice grew by 13 percent (the biggest hike), while the prices of corn posted the greatest decline (12 down), followed by wheat, soya beans and barley which dropped

by 13 percent, 12 percent, 5 percent and 3 percent, respectively.

Compared to the second quarter of 2019, the prices of rice saw the biggest rise (19 percent), followed by wheat (3 percent) and soya beans (1 percent), while the prices of corn and barley dropped by 12 percent and 3 percent, respectively. The prices of sugar (raw, white) saw a 13 percent decline during the second quarter of this year, compared to the first quarter of the

same year, according to the ISG. The prices of raw sugar and white sugar dropped by 18 percent and 9 per cent respectively. Compared to the second quarter of 2019, the prices of sugar (raw and white) dropped by 4 percent.

According to the cereal market report issued by IGC last June, the world rice stock rose by 6 percent during the 2018-2019 season, compared to the season before. -ONA

## COORDINATION MECHANISM

### Muscat Governor holds meeting

**MUSCAT:** Sayyid Saud bin Hilal Al Busaidi, Minister of State and Governor of Muscat, met with a number of officials in the government sector, in the presence of Eng. Isam bin Saud Al Zadjali, Chairman of Muscat Municipality.

The meeting aimed at developing a methodology and mechanism for coordination between the governorate and the key service providers.

This meeting came within the framework of enhancing coordination

between government agencies in the field of services within the Governorate of Muscat, in line with the priorities of Oman Vision 2040 for the development of sustainable governorates and cities, and the priority of governance of the state's administrative apparatus.

The meeting touched on the challenges that the governorate faces in providing services and the necessity of joining efforts of all parties concerned. -ONA



## BUILDING NEW SYSTEM

### Workflow assessment

**MUSCAT:** Halima bint Rashid al-Zaria, Chairperson of Small and Medium Enterprises Development Authority (SMEDA), visited a number of the Authority's branches and training and craft production centres in the Governorates of South and North Al Batinah and Dhofar.

The visits aim to get acquainted with the workflow according

to the plans in the Authority's institutional integration project.

The SMEDA has started building its new system by holding a series of meetings and workshops in which the Authority's employees of various designations and ranks take part to develop appropriate strategies that achieve the objectives behind establishing the Authority. -ONA

## PACDA

### Two injured in Thumrait fire

Times News Service

**MUSCAT:** The civil defence and ambulance teams in Dhofar Governorate have managed to extinguish a fire that broke out at a metal workshop in the Wilayat of Thumrait.

A statement issued by Public Authority for Civil Defence and Ambulance (PACDA) said, "The civil defence and ambulance teams in the Dhofar Governorate managed to control a fire that broke out in a metal workshop in Wilayat Thumrait, as a result of which two people were injured. They were provided with emergency medical care and taken to the hospital."

"The authority calls for adherence to the civil protection requirements issued by it, to avoid



the occurrence of loss of life and property," the statement added.

In another incident, the Civil Defence officials controlled a fire that broke out in the wood waste in Musandam.

A statement issued by Public Authority for Civil Defence

and Ambulance (PACDA) said, "Firefighting teams at the Civil Defence and Ambulance Department in Musandam Governorate managed to control a fire that broke out in wood waste in Saqta area in the Wilayat of Dibba, without any injuries."



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## PROMOTE COOPERATION

## ASEAN forum stresses cooperation to mitigate COVID impacts

**HANOI:** The 27th meeting of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Regional Forum (ARF) agreed on Saturday to promote cooperation in order to respond to and mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 epidemic and other contagious diseases.

The ARF, which comprises 27 participants including the 10 ASEAN members, China, Japan and South Korea, was held via video



conference in the framework of the 53rd ASEAN Foreign Ministers' Meeting under the chair of Vietnam.

The meeting approved several documents including the Hanoi Plan of Action II of the ARF, the Chairman's Statement of the 27th ASEAN Regional Forum and a statement regarding cooperation on information and technology security in the international security

context, Vietnam News Agency reported.

The attendees also agreed to further strengthen cooperation in priority areas including disaster relief, the fight against terrorism and transnational crime, and cybersecurity, according to the news agency. The ARF, established in 1994, serves as an important political and security forum in the region. **Xinhua**

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# India's COVID tally tops 4.7mn mark, recovery rate at 77.8 pc

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**NEW DELHI:** India in the last 24 hours reported 94,372 new COVID-19 cases taking the national coronavirus tally beyond the 4.7 million mark, as per the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on Sunday.

With the latest spike, the total cases stand at 4,754,357 of which, 973,175 are active cases while 3,702,596 patients have been cured/discharged and migrated. 1,114 deaths due to the pathogen were reported in the last 24 hours, across the country, taking the national death toll due to coronavirus to 78,586.

## ICMR

The Indian Council of Medical Research on Sunday informed that a total of 56,260,928 samples were tested up to September 12. Of these, 1,071,702 samples were tested on September 12.



**CORONAVIRUS UPDATE:** Students waiting outside an exam centre as they arrive to appear for the NEET exam, in New Delhi on Sunday.

Maharashtra -- the worst-affected State from the infection -- has a total of 271,934 active cases and 28,724 deaths due to COVID-19. Andhra Pradesh has a total of 96,191 active cases and 4,779 deaths due to the virus.

Tamil Nadu has a total of 47,918

active cases and 8,231 deaths from the pathogen while Karnataka has a total of 98,345 active cases and 7,067 patients succumbing to COVID-19 in the state.

Delhi has a total of 26,907 active cases and 4,687 fatalities due to the coronavirus.

India's COVID-19 recovery rate now stands at 77.88 per cent after 78,399 recoveries registered in the last 24 hours, said the Union Ministry of Health and Family Welfare on Sunday.

"India continues to report a high number of recoveries exceeding

70,000 every day. 78,399 recoveries have been registered in the last 24 hours in the country. With this, the total number of recoveries has touched 3,702,595 taking the recovery rate to 77.88 per cent," said the Ministry in a statement.

The Ministry further informed

that 58 per cent of the new recovered patients are being reported from five states -- Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh.

"Maharashtra continues to lead with more than 13,000 recoveries while Andhra Pradesh has contributed more than 10,000 to the single-day recoveries," it added further. As per the Ministry, five states account for 60 per cent of the total active cases in the country -- Maharashtra (28.79 per cent), Karnataka (10.05 per cent), Andhra Pradesh (9.84 per cent), Uttar Pradesh (6.98 per cent), and Tamil Nadu (4.84 per cent).

## NEET exams begin amid strict Covid-19 protocols

The National Eligibility-cum-Entrance Test (NEET) was held on Sunday across the country amid stringent checks and protocols in view of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Over 15 lakh candidates have registered for the undergraduate exam.

The NEET exam is being held days after the JEE (Main) was held across the country. The National Testing Agency (NTA), the body organising the exam has put in place a raft of measures such as increasing the number of exam centres and reducing number of students in a room in view of the Covid-19.

Originally scheduled for May 3, has been deferred twice due to Covid-19 first it was postponed to July 26 and then to September 13.

-ANI

## TOURISTS WATCH A FLOAT PARADE

Tourists watch a float parade at Chimelong Paradise in Guangzhou, south China's Guangdong Province, on September 12, 2020. -- **Xinhua**



## RAGING FIRES

## Smoke blankets Southern California due to wildfires



**LOS ANGELES:** Southern California remained shrouded in smoke on Saturday as two forest fires continued to burn with little containment.

A smoke advisory is in effect Saturday in most of Los Angeles County and parts of Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties due to the Bobcat Fire burning in the Angeles National Forest which had scorched 29,245 acres (118.4 square kilometers) with only 6 percent containment.

In the San Bernardino Mountains, the 14,043 acre (58.9 square kilometers) El Dorado Fire which occurred on September 5 was contained by 39 percent on Saturday.

A map updated by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) showed air quality in the region during this weekend is expected to range from moderate to unhealthy for sensitive groups, such as children, elderly, and people with respiratory or heart disease.

In some areas near the wildfire

scenes, the air quality is forecast as "unhealthy" level.

"Breathing in smoke can aggravate lung disease, cause asthma attacks, cause acute bronchitis, and increase the risk of respiratory infections," the National Weather Service warned on its official website.

The SCAQMD issued a smoke advisory every day since the El Dorado and Bobcat fires erupted last weekend and brought ash, dust and debris across the region. Additionally, smoke from wildfires in Northern and Central California is making its way south.

Meanwhile, evacuation warnings remained in the cities of Duarte, Bradbury, Monrovia, Arcadia, Sierra Madre, Pasadena and Altadena, which stand along the foothill of Santa Ana Mountain where the Angeles National Forest is located.

These cities have hundreds of thousands of residents, with a high percentage being Chinese Americans. **Xinhua**



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# SPORTS

## OMAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE HOLDS MEETING

Headed by Sayyid Khalid bin Hamad Al Busaidi, the Board of Directors of Oman Olympic Committee (OOC) held its fifth meeting for this year yesterday. The minutes of the fourth meeting held on June 25 were approved, and the decisions implemented during 2017-2020 were reviewed. The topics included in the new agenda were reviewed and appropriate decisions were taken in this regard.



### OUT OF QUARANTINE

## Neymar among four PSG stars back for training

**PARIS:** Brazilian forward Neymar has returned to training for Paris Saint-Germain with three other players after serving COVID-19 isolation for infections, PSG head coach Thomas Tuchel confirmed on Saturday.

The other three players are Argentine duo Angel Di Maria and Leandro Paredes, and goalkeeper Keylor Navas.

PSG have confirmed seven COVID-19 cases recently, apart from the above four are Kylian Mbappe, Mauro Icardi and Marquinhos, who will still be unavailable for PSG's home game against Marseille on Sunday.

"Icardi, Marquinhos and Mbappe are absentees. All the others are in the squad," Tuchel said in a



pre-match conference on Saturday before the challenge against last year's Ligue 1 runners-up.

"We have another session tomorrow morning and we'll decide

which players are able to play the game," the German coach added.

Italian full-back Alessandro Florenzi, who has just arrived in Paris on a one-year loan from Serie A side Roma, could also cap for Tuchel's side in Sunday's match,

The French defending champions kicked off their league title defence on Thursday with a shock 1-0 defeat at newly-promoted Lens, in a game which a short-handed Tuchel had to field several young players such as 18-year-old league debutants Kays Ruiz-Atil and Arnaud Kalimuendo and 20-year-old goalkeeper Marcin Bulka, who was just making his second appearance for the first team. **Xinhua**

# Naomi Osaka wears Kobe Bryant jersey after winning US Open title

Osaka won her third career Grand Slam title after securing a win over Victoria Azarenka in the final of the US Open

**NEW YORK:** Japan's Naomi Osaka, who won the US Open title, wore a jersey of late former Basketball player Kobe Bryant during her post-match press conference. "After winning the 2020 #USOpen title, @naomiosaka wore a Kobe Bryant jersey in her post-match pressers," US Open tweeted. US Open also tweeted a video of the press conference in which the tennis player said: "I just want to be the type of person that he thought I was going to be. He thought I was going to be great, so hopefully, I will be great in the future."

In January this year, Bryant, 41, and his 13-year-old daughter Gianna were killed when a helicopter they were travelling in crashed amid foggy conditions and burst into flames in the hills above Calabasas.

The basketball legend had won five National Basketball Association (NBA) championships in his



**WINNER:** Osaka is now the first Asian player to win three Grand Slam singles titles, breaking the tie she held with China's Li Na.

20-year-long career while playing for Los Angeles Lakers.

Osaka won her third career Grand Slam title after securing a win over Victoria Azarenka in the final of the US Open.

The 22-year-old player registered a 1-6, 6-3, 6-3 win in the decider over Azarenka.

The No.4 seed and 2018 champion overcame an inspired assault from Azarenka in the opening set

to win her third career Grand Slam crown after one hour and 53 minutes on Arthur Ashe Stadium.

Osaka is now the first Asian player to win three Grand Slam singles titles, breaking the tie she

held with China's Li Na.

Basketball player LeBron James congratulated Naomi Osaka after the Japanese tennis player won her second US Open title on Sunday. James took to Twitter to write:

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"GREAT COMEBACK!! Congrats @naomiosaka!" Osaka won her third career Grand Slam title after securing a win over Victoria Azarenka in the final of the US Open.

Recalling the differences between Sunday's win and her first in 2018, after the match, Osaka had said she is "more of a complete player" now.

"I feel like two years ago, I maybe would have folded being down a set and a break. But I think, all the matches that I played in between that time shaped me and made me or forced me to mature more. Especially all the matches that I've played here were very tough," US Open's official website had quoted Osaka as saying.

"I think definitely I'm more of a complete player now. I feel like I'm more aware of what I'm doing," she had added. **ANI**

FOOTBALL

CRICKET

## Salah's hat-trick guides Liverpool to victory over Leeds United

**LIVERPOOL:** Mohamed Salah's hat-trick guided Liverpool to a 4-3 win over Leeds United in the Premier League here on Saturday.

The victory provided Liverpool with a winning start in the new Premier League season. The match witnessed a very intense start as five goals were struck in the first half. Salah scored the opening goal of the match, successfully converting a penalty in the fourth minute. In the 12th minute, Jack Harrison of the newly-promoted Leeds United netted a goal to level the scores.

Liverpool again managed to take a lead as Virgil van Dijk scored a goal in the 20th minute. Patrick Bamford then scored an equaliser in the 30th minute but through Salah's sublime form, the Jurgen Klopp-led side took the advantage again in the 33rd minute.

In the second half, Mateusz Klich put the ball in the net for Leeds United in the 66th minute, bringing the scoreline to 3-3. Continuing the scintillating form, Salah again converted a penalty in the 88th minute which sealed the win for Liverpool.

Liverpool will now take on Chelsea on September 20.

After registering a 4-3 win over Leeds United in their opening match of the Premier League 2020-21 season, Liverpool manager Jurgen Klopp hailed Mo-



**VICTORY:** The victory provided Liverpool with a winning start in the new Premier League season.

hamed Salah as a "very special" player.

His remark came as Salah registered a hat-trick for the Reds and as a result, the hosts were able to script a victory at Anfield Stadium. Salah had registered goals in the 4th, 33rd, and 88th minutes of the match. The scoreline was levelled at 3-3 in the 88th minute, but Salah converted a penalty at that time to give Liverpool a 4-3 lead.

"First and foremost congrat-

lations to him because he's a very special player very, very special player. The numbers tell the story a little bit, all the rest you probably don't know. But today's a very good example as he put three more goals on his score list, but the performance all-round was absolutely exceptional in a game like this," Goal.com quoted Klopp as saying.

"So he deserved the goals, 100 per cent, yes two were penalties,

one was a sensational finish, but he deserved these goals because he was constantly present, causing the opponent massive problems. He was top in one-on-one situations, played football. With all the good performances he's had for us, obviously, this was for sure one of the better ones and so he should be proud of that because it's very special to have these kinds of numbers. Long may it continue," he added. **ANI**

## With Ben Stokes around, don't think I will cement number five spot: Sam Billings

**MANCHESTER:** England batsman Sam Billings has admitted that he would not be able to cement his place as number five batsman as the side already has Ben Stokes for that role.

His remark comes ahead of the second ODI against Australia. In the first match, the right-handed batsman Billings was able to play a knock of 118 runs, but England fell short by 19 runs in the first match. England is without the services of Ben Stokes for the ongoing ODI series against Australia as the all-rounder is in New Zealand with his family.

"Ben Stokes isn't here and I don't think, however many runs I get, that I'll keep that spot. All I can do is stake a claim. Especially building towards the T20 stuff. There is a slot in that late-to-middle order. Hopefully, this will keep pushing my case in that format. Loss of form and injury - as I found out the hard way - can happen. As long as you are putting yourself in the right position to be the next cab off the rank, you never know when these opportunities will arise," ESPNcricinfo quoted Billings as saying.

England was chasing 295 in the first ODI against Australia

and the hosts were in a spot of bother at 57/4 when Billings and Jonny Bairstow got together at the crease.

The duo formed a partnership of 113 runs, and Billings got going tough during the course as he was slow to get off the blocks.

"Australia reminded me I was 11 of 32 pretty consistently. At that point in time, we had zero chance. I felt terrible as well. I wasn't fluent at all. But then you look at the other end and Jonny is struggling as well and he's one of the most fluent openers in world cricket. No one really got going," Billings said.

"But you could see Australia's mindset definitely change when we started to get that partnership going. The energy all of a sudden went from very positive to just slightly more intensity and thinking that we are getting ourselves back into the game.

Who knows, if Jonny and I had batted for another five overs; if Moeen Ali and I could have got a bit of a partnership together... Yes, it was a huge ask. But in that situation it's a matter of trying to take the game deep and give us some sort of chance," he added. **ANI**



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## BID FOR DUBAI'S PROJECT

Utico which is also owned by Majis Industrial services has made a world record bid for Dubai's first IWP project. Dubai Electricity and Water Authority has achieved a new world's breaking record for the lowest water levelised tariff of \$0.277 per cubic metre for its 120 million gallons per day SWRO plant.

# MARKET

## BUSINESS & FINANCE



## MSM INDEX ENDS HIGHER

The MSM index closed at 3,691.15 points, up 0.15 per cent from the previous close. The Sharia Index ended up 0.07 per cent at 519.78 points. Oman & Emirates Investment, up 4.44 per cent was the top gainer while Dhofar Generating, down 1.02 per cent, was the top loser.

# Pact inked to sell, refill cooking gas cylinders at service stations

The five-year partnership is the latest in a line of collaborations between Muscat Gases Company and Oman Oil Marketing Company

*Times News Service*

**MUSCAT:** An agreement was signed between Muscat Gases Company (MGC) and Oman Oil Marketing Company (OOMCO) to sell and refill cooking gas cylinders through LPG retail units at selected service stations.

"With 10 to 15 service stations planned for the first phase alone, it sets us well on our goal to be the integrated gas solution company of choice in the region," said Imad Al Sabbagh, Chief Executive Officer of MGC.

OOMCO is aiming to be among the top five fuel marketers in the GCC by 2025, as it maintains a network of 226 service stations located throughout all regions of the Sultanate.

The five-year partnership is the latest in a line of collaborations between MGC and OOMCO to secure and transform OOMCO service stations into integrated service hubs, and drive its customer satisfaction and growth while add-



**PARTNERSHIP:** OOMCO is aiming to be among the top five fuel marketers in the GCC by 2025. - Supplied picture

ing more value to the communities in which we operate and enhance the customer experience through convenient and quality products.

## Contract of composite cylinder

Meanwhile, Muscat Gases Company (MGC) announced a contract with Amtrol-Alfa, the biggest manufacturer in the world, bringing the lightweight, eco-friendly Type IV LPG cylinder named Fourtis in the market which brings a significant impact on end user's lives which makes MGC a pioneer in such new service in the GCC.

Fourtis is made of fully recyclable materials, which is highly valued in the industry as it saves on decommissioning costs and is terrific for the environment.

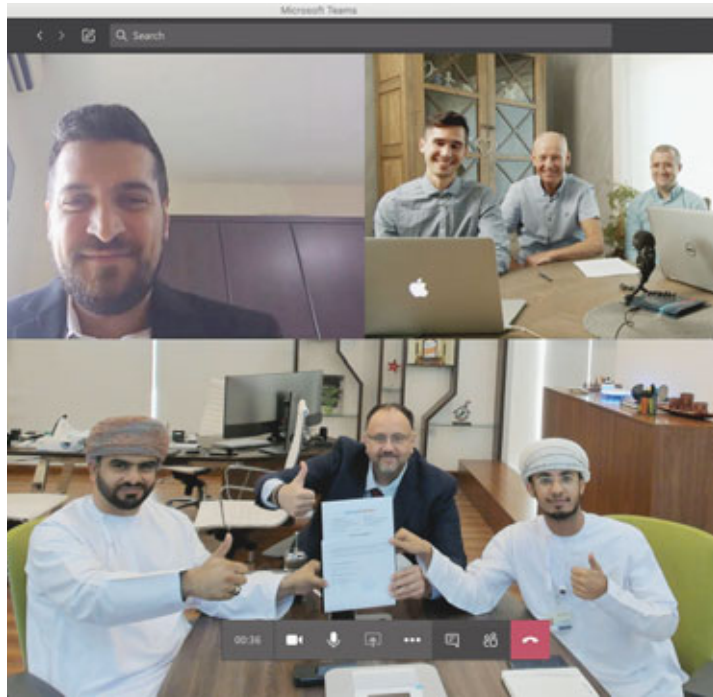
Fourtis is a lightweight (500 kg without valve), durable, the composite cylinder that is wrapped in a customisable, easy-to-clean polymeric jacket with an ergonomic handle. It is demountable, making reassembling easy, and has a lower maintenance cost than steel cylinders.

"We as Muscat Gas Team believe that the new lightweight composite cylinder will deliver the

benefits to End-users are seeking in their day to day life and add to our portfolio of differentiated traditional steel and hybrid cylinders while it plays a significant role in an eco-friendly environment and conveniently available in all parts of Oman while ensuring the utmost safety in production and distribution," said Imad Al Sabbagh.

## Vending machine

MGC announced being the sole distributor of 11kg cylinders vending machines in the Middle East which is providing and facilitating the premium service



and will be served Oman.

The vending machine is an automated device that allows Consumers to replace and buy new 11kg cylinders all day long 24/7, enabling customers to do payments through a mobile phone or POS devices.

The machine has a feature of an image recognition system that allows verifying and confirming the status of the cylinder replaced.

This machine is available for leasing for big compounds or Smart Cities or sale for cylinder distributors in Oman or any other country in the Middle East.

## New installation company

Muscat Gases Company announced the establishment of the new commercial entity named Muscat Power Pioneers which

builds a platform and infrastructure with the main purpose of bringing the value chain of the business to the market in terms of all kind of installation of gas and power without any limitation in weekends and official holidays.

Taking into consideration that the aforementioned establishment will bring an added value in terms of creating the job opportunities for the young Omani generation to support the Sultanate in implementing Omanisation progress and develop the future of the country with enthusiasm to maintain committed with short/long term agreements to enhance the commercial growth at the same timeframe of increasing the employment opportunities while serving the consumer and support them for the entire period of usage.

## OMAN AMERICAN BUSINESS CENTRE

# Omani exporters invited for a session to promote their products in US



**ONLINE TRADE SHOW:** The session will discuss how to attend ASD Market Week, one of the oldest and largest consumer trade shows in the US, now available for online attendance. - Supplied picture

*Times News Service*

**MUSCAT:** The Oman American Business Centre (OABC) will host a free informational session for Omani exporters interested in promoting their products in the United States.

The session will discuss how to attend ASD Market Week, one of the oldest and largest consumer trade shows in the US, now available for online attendance.

Though the show was unable to happen in-person, many are anxious to get back to business, which is why the organisers announced plans to launch the Virtual Product Sourcing Platform, from October 2 to March 2021.

This virtual directory allows the 225,000 invited buyers and 2,700 vendors to connect and conduct business to business meetings. Buyers can source new products, refill orders and schedule appointments all through the online platform. This virtual platform ena-

bles vendors to showcase their full product line in a searchable, easy to navigate directory.

At the end of the online trade show, exporters are also invited to attend a full scale, live edition of ASD Market Week on February 28-March 3, 2021 in Las Vegas, NV.

The show focuses primarily on wholesale of fashion accessories, housewares, gifts & toys, apparel, affordable footwear, holiday and seasonal merchandise, souvenirs & novelties, electronic accessories, bedding & bath, health & beauty products and general merchandise of all types.

"Oman is one of only 20 countries in the world, and one of two countries within the GCC, that has a free trade agreement with the United States," explains Ali Daud, Chairman of the OABC. In this exclusive club of trade partners, there is so much untapped potential ready to be explored. This online opportunity is a fantastic chance for Omani exporters to engage with

the world's largest economy and fish in the world's largest ocean. We are extremely excited to support companies looking to attend this event," says Rebecca Olson, Executive Director of the OABC.

"The first unique opportunity presented here is the chance to connect with buyers over a long period: rather than 2-3 days, attendees can plan meetings and make connections over several months.

The second opportunity relates to cost - typically to exhibit at a show in-person could cost upwards of \$20,000.

This show will cost less than 1/10 of that price, and could provide value and help companies gauge whether or not to make the trip in-person in 2021."

After the info session, those who wish to register for the trade show will have the experience and support of the OABC at their service. All members of the OABC will receive specialised training over multiple days, focused on

how to attend the trade show and make the most of the experience as a vendor.

"It's our pleasure and responsibility as the AmCham (American Chamber of Commerce) in Oman to ensure that each attendee from the Sultanate is equipped and ready to represent their products in the most professional way possible," continues Olson. "The platform uses technology that will allow companies to plan B2B meetings and access contact information for those interested in their type of product. If a company comes to the event well-prepared, they may expect months of effective networking and sales opportunities in a new market."

While the info session is mainly focused on companies looking to export to the US, importers in Oman may also attend the session. Many of the vendors exhibiting will have 'Made in USA' products available. Thanks to the FTA, these products enter Oman duty-free.

## SUMMIT

# Discover future of banking & fintech in New Age Banking Summit Oman 2020

*Times News Service*

**MUSCAT:** The leading banks and fintech companies to participate in the New Age Banking Summit Oman 2020 will attract industry experts sharing the knowledge on latest technologies and disruptions changing the dynamics of the banking industry globally.

With the wave of fintech solutions challenging the legacy systems all over, the need to incorporate technology as an enabler to help enhance the customer experience, business profitability and the product portfolio in a secured environment, is a top priority for the banks. It will be the focus of New Age Banking Summit 2020 to be held on October 6 at Hotel Sheraton, Muscat.

The summit will showcase the evolving financial eco-system in this digital age and how the banks can be future-ready by adopting digital strategies, innovating in products and services offered and reaching customers on digital channels while proactively combating cyber risks.

The summit will also focus on how new business models will make the banks relevant for next-generation customers through the adoption of new technology and what measures have to be taken today.

The fifth edition of the annual event, New Age Banking Summit, will have Tahir bin Salim bin Abdullah Al Amri, Executive President, Central Bank of Oman as the Chief guest and keynote speaker. The event is supported by Oman Banks Association. Oman Data Park is the Cloud Service Partner. PayMate is the Support Partner. Ubhar Capital is the Knowledge Partner. The media partners include BusinessLiveMe.com, Banking



CIO Outlook, *Times of Oman* and *Al Shabiba*.

The one-day event, organised by UMS Live, will include presentations and discussions involving a cross-section of the industry experts from Oman, rest of the GCC and international market. Some of the subjects that will be covered include digital transformation, artificial intelligence (AI), blockchain, fintech, cybersecurity, banking as a platform, digital payment, mobile banking, enterprise data architecture and digital customer experience.

The Oman Banking & Finance Awards, powered by Oman Economic Review (OER), will be co-located with the summit. The awards will felicitate the key industry leaders, organisations and products/solutions that are at the forefront of new-age banking in the Sultanate.

The event is organised by UMS Events. The attendance of the event in person is by invitation only.

MARKET

MSM index ends higher

The top gainer was Oman & Emirates Investment which closed higher by 4.44% while top loser was Dhofar Generating, which closed lower by 1.02%

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INDICES

| Index             | High     | Low      | Value    | Prev. Value | Diff | Diff% |
|-------------------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|------|-------|
| MSM30 Index       | 3,692.93 | 3,684.74 | 3,691.91 | 3,686.29    | 5.62 | 0.15  |
| Financial Index   | 5,972.48 | 5,960.29 | 5,971.12 | 5,962.45    | 8.67 | 0.15  |
| Industrial Index  | 3,971.63 | 3,963.77 | 3,971.63 | 3,965.20    | 6.43 | 0.16  |
| Services Index    | 1,569.68 | 1,566.91 | 1,569.44 | 1,567.13    | 2.31 | 0.15  |
| MSM SHARIAH INDEX | 519.87   | 519.43   | 519.78   | 519.43      | 0.35 | 0.07  |
| MSM TOTAL RETURN  | 4,204.28 | 4,194.95 | 4,203.12 | 4,196.72    | 6.40 | 0.15  |

Trading Summary

| Volume    | Turnover | Trades | Market Cap     | Up | Down | Equal | Sec. Traded |
|-----------|----------|--------|----------------|----|------|-------|-------------|
| 3,212,920 | 521,109  | 232    | 19,713,806,654 | 7  | 2    | 19    | 28          |

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| RIN             | SECURITY NAME                  | VOLUME    | TURNOVER | TRADES | OPEN PRICE | HIGH  | LOW   | CLOSE PR. | PREV. CLOSE | DIFF (RD) | DIFF % | LAST PR | LAST RD | LAST OFFER | PUR VALUE | MARKET CAP    |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|-----------|----------|--------|------------|-------|-------|-----------|-------------|-----------|--------|---------|---------|------------|-----------|---------------|
| REGULAR MARKET  |                                |           |          |        |            |       |       |           |             |           |        |         |         |            |           |               |
| OM0000003224    | RENAISSANCE SERVICES           | 15,000    | 4,950    | 1      | 0.330      | 0.330 | 0.330 | 0.330     | 0.324       | 0.006     | 1.852  | 0.330   | 0.320   | 0.330      | 0.100     | 78,015,300    |
| OM0000001533    | OMINVEST                       | 30,000    | 9,960    | 1      | 0.332      | 0.332 | 0.332 | 0.332     | 0.328       | 0.004     | 1.220  | 0.332   | 0.322   | 0.332      | 0.100     | 268,180,413   |
| OM0000002176    | AL JAZEERA STEEL PRODUCTS      | 85,150    | 8,090    | 8      | 0.095      | 0.096 | 0.095 | 0.095     | 0.094       | 0.001     | 1.064  | 0.095   | 0.095   | 0.096      | 0.100     | 11,865,306    |
| OM0000001160    | NATIONAL GAS                   | 110,234   | 17,648   | 9      | 0.160      | 0.162 | 0.160 | 0.160     | 0.160       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.162   | 0.161   | 0.162      | 0.100     | 13,600,000    |
| OM0000001525    | OMAN INVESTMENT AND FINANCE    | 10,000    | 920      | 1      | 0.092      | 0.092 | 0.092 | 0.092     | 0.092       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.092   | 0.091   | 0.093      | 0.100     | 18,400,000    |
| OM0000001590    | MUSCAT FINANCE                 | 10,000    | 500      | 1      | 0.050      | 0.050 | 0.050 | 0.050     | 0.050       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.050   | 0.049   | 0.050      | 0.100     | 15,357,316    |
| OM0000001772    | AL ANWAR HOLDING               | 53,000    | 3,657    | 3      | 0.069      | 0.069 | 0.069 | 0.069     | 0.069       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.069   | 0.068   | 0.069      | 0.100     | 13,800,000    |
| OM0000003026    | OMAN TELECOMMUNICATION         | 37,060    | 23,125   | 20     | 0.624      | 0.624 | 0.624 | 0.624     | 0.624       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.624   | 0.620   | 0.624      | 0.100     | 468,000,000   |
| OM0000003968    | OOREDOO                        | 47,283    | 18,600   | 13     | 0.394      | 0.394 | 0.392 | 0.394     | 0.394       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.392   | 0.392   | 0.394      | 0.100     | 256,472,027   |
| OM0000005005    | ALMAHA CERAMICS                | 4,244     | 879      | 1      | 0.207      | 0.207 | 0.207 | 0.205     | 0.205       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.207   | 0.204   | 0.209      | 0.100     | 11,275,000    |
| OM0000002796    | BANK MUSCAT                    | 360,601   | 138,818  | 33     | 0.386      | 0.388 | 0.382 | 0.384     | 0.388       | -0.004    | -1.031 | 0.384   | 0.382   | 0.384      | 0.100     | 1,247,616,655 |
| Total           | 11                             | 762,572   | 227,147  | 91     |            |       |       |           |             |           |        |         |         |            |           |               |
| Parallel Market |                                |           |          |        |            |       |       |           |             |           |        |         |         |            |           |               |
| OM0000001681    | OMAN AND EMIRATES INV. HOLDING | 5,800     | 273      | 1      | 0.047      | 0.047 | 0.047 | 0.047     | 0.045       | 0.002     | 4.444  | 0.047   | 0.046   | 0.047      | 0.100     | 5,728,125     |
| OM0000002820    | GULF INVEST SERVICES HOLDING   | 18,000    | 1,206    | 4      | 0.067      | 0.067 | 0.067 | 0.067     | 0.066       | 0.001     | 1.515  | 0.067   | 0.065   | 0.067      | 0.100     | 3,942,496     |
| OM0000002168    | AL ANWAR CERAMIC TILES         | 581,169   | 94,729   | 27     | 0.161      | 0.164 | 0.161 | 0.163     | 0.161       | 0.002     | 1.242  | 0.164   | 0.164   | 0.165      | 0.100     | 48,282,530    |
| OM0000004200    | BANK NIZWA                     | 480,268   | 48,491   | 20     | 0.101      | 0.101 | 0.100 | 0.101     | 0.100       | 0.001     | 1.000  | 0.101   | 0.100   | 0.101      | 0.100     | 151,500,000   |
| OM0000001178    | MUSCAT GASES                   | 100       | 22       | 1      | 0.215      | 0.215 | 0.215 | 0.215     | 0.215       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.215   | 0.215   | 0.220      | 0.100     | 6,450,000     |
| OM0000001483    | NATIONAL BANK OF OMAN          | 15,000    | 2,570    | 4      | 0.172      | 0.172 | 0.171 | 0.171     | 0.171       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.171   | 0.167   | 0.171      | 0.100     | 278,038,827   |
| OM0000001517    | HSBC BANK OMAN                 | 17,564    | 1,633    | 2      | 0.093      | 0.093 | 0.093 | 0.093     | 0.093       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.093   | 0.092   | 0.093      | 0.100     | 186,029,089   |
| OM0000001707    | OMAN CABLES INDUSTRY           | 50        | 23       | 1      | 0.462      | 0.462 | 0.462 | 0.450     | 0.450       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.462   | 0.436   | 0.460      | 0.100     | 40,365,000    |
| OM0000001822    | UNITED POWER                   | 463       | 509      | 1      | 1.100      | 1.100 | 1.100 | 1.100     | 1.100       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 1.100   | 0.992   | 1.100      | 1.000     | 880,000       |
| OM0000002200    | AHLI BANK                      | 75,154    | 10,296   | 10     | 0.137      | 0.137 | 0.137 | 0.137     | 0.137       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.137   | 0.129   | 0.137      | 0.100     | 228,003,073   |
| OM0000002226    | AL JAZEERA SERVICES            | 275,773   | 46,893   | 15     | 0.170      | 0.172 | 0.170 | 0.170     | 0.170       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.172   | 0.170   | 0.172      | 0.100     | 10,404,726    |
| OM0000003521    | GALFAR ENGINEERING AND CON     | 199,760   | 9,994    | 12     | 0.050      | 0.051 | 0.050 | 0.050     | 0.050       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.050   | 0.050   | 0.051      | 0.100     | 14,499,032    |
| OM0000004925    | AL BATINAH POWER               | 511,284   | 27,098   | 30     | 0.053      | 0.053 | 0.053 | 0.053     | 0.053       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.053   | 0.053   | 0.054      | 0.100     | 33,769,034    |
| OM0000004933    | AL SUWADI POWER                | 144,100   | 7,781    | 5      | 0.054      | 0.054 | 0.054 | 0.054     | 0.054       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.054   | 0.053   | 0.055      | 0.100     | 38,577,942    |
| OM0000007811    | MUSANDAM POWER                 | 10,000    | 3,260    | 1      | 0.326      | 0.326 | 0.326 | 0.326     | 0.326       | 0.000     | 0.000  | 0.326   | 0.326   | 0.000      | 0.100     | 22,947,140    |
| OM0000007407    | DHOFAR GENERATING COMPANY      | 95,255    | 18,576   | 5      | 0.197      | 0.197 | 0.195 | 0.195     | 0.197       | -0.002    | -1.015 | 0.195   | 0.195   | 0.197      | 0.100     | 43,336,800    |
| Total           | 16                             | 2,429,740 | 273,354  | 139    |            |       |       |           |             |           |        |         |         |            |           |               |

ATTRACTS NEW BUSINESS

Expansion of Khalifa Port is on track

**ABU DHABI:** Abu Dhabi Ports announced that Khalifa Port's expansion is on pace for completion. The Khalifa Port expansion, announced in December 2019, aims to attract new business and significantly boost capacity in line with evolving customer expectations and has progressed significantly since its inception despite the challenging economic conditions presented by the global pandemic. Upon completion, the project is expected to substantially increase handling volumes by providing additional deep-water access and enhanced infrastructure. To date, 200 metres of quay wall and almost 175,000 sqm of land within Khalifa Port Logistics, KPL, have been handed over ahead of the project's full phase one completion in Q1 2021. At the same time, considerable progress has also been made on the first phase of Khalifa Port's South Quay development that is slated for completion by Q4 2020. With 80 per cent of construction already complete, a total of 650 metres of



quay wall, containing two berths alongside 37,000 sqm terminal yard is now available in advance of receiving its first shipment. Progress has also been made on Abu Dhabi Terminals', ADT, expansion plans with the delivery of five new ship-to-shore cranes. With each unit boasting a lifting capacity of 90 tonnes, the new cranes have boosted capacity at the terminal significantly and have put Khalifa Port Container Termi-

nal on track to meet its target of 5 million TEUs by the end of the current year. Saif Al Mazrouei, Head of Ports Cluster, Abu Dhabi Ports, said: "The continued expansion of our infrastructure at Khalifa Port demonstrates Abu Dhabi Ports' commitment to transforming trade and logistics in the region. "Thanks to the strategic direction and guidance of the Government of Abu Dhabi, our emirate is

ensured to experience increased direct foreign investment and growth of non-oil GDP. We are confident that the ongoing expansion of Khalifa Port will significantly enhance our operational and cargo handling capabilities. "Our ports are not only gateways to the Gulf but also convenient departure points to markets around the world, connecting east and west. The multimodal connections between Abu Dhabi and global markets through land, sea, air, and future rail channels have elevated the emirate's status as a leading trade and logistics hub in the Middle East." The addition of land plots with adjacent quay wall and deep-water access at Khalifa Port provides a host of new customer opportunities, particularly for industrial producers requiring prime land plots in proximity to Khalifa Port Industrial Zone, KIZAD, and cargo owners that wish to import, export and trans-ship with global markets via Khalifa Port's multimodal touchpoints. -WAM

UTICO

World's lowest water tariff bid for DEWA's Hassyan IWP project

**MUSCAT:** Utico which is also owned by Majis Industrial services has made a world record bid for Dubai's first Independent Water Producer (IWP) project. After retendering the project, Dubai Electricity and Water Authority (DEWA) has achieved a new world's breaking record for the lowest water levelised tariff of 0.277 USD per cubic metre for its 120 million gallons per day (MIGD) Hassyan Sea Water Reverse Osmosis (SWRO) Plant. The project is DEWA's first IWP model project. It is learnt that the lowest tariff of \$0.277 per cubic metre has been submitted by Utico, the leading UAE-based private utility. DEWA has adopted the IWP procurement model for the Hassyan desalination plant following the success of the Independent

Power Producer (IPP) model at the Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum Solar Park projects. The project will be commissioned in 2024. The plant will use the latest and most efficient and reliable technologies to support DEWA's water network to ensure sustainable water supply. "We work to achieve the Dubai Clean Energy Strategy 2050 to provide 75 per cent of Dubai's total power capacity from clean energy sources by 2050 and make Dubai the city with the lowest carbon footprint in the world. We are building water production plants based on Reverse Osmosis (RO) which requires less energy than Multi-Stage Flash distillation (MSF) plants, making it a more sustainable choice for water desalination," said Saeed Mohammed Al Tayer, MD & CEO of DEWA.

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E-Class Coupe/Convertible (238 platform),  
CLS (257 platform)  
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Date of Campaign: 14.09.2020  
Recall Segment: SCN coding  
Recall Type: Safety  
Product Description:

| Number of vehicles | Chassis number    | To | Chassis number    | Sales Designation |
|--------------------|-------------------|----|-------------------|-------------------|
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| 3                  | WDD2130481A038181 | To | WDD2130481A299649 | E 300 AMG         |
| 1                  | WDD050831R450365  |    |                   | C 200 AMG         |

Description of defect: Mercedes-Benz AG has determined that on certain AMG GT (190 platform), C-Class (205 platform), E-Class (213 platform), S-Class (222 platform), E-Class Coupe/Convertible (238 platform) and CLS (257 platform) vehicles the seat belt warning function does not meet the specification after a replacement of the instrument cluster. In case of unbelted occupants on the driver or passenger seat, the seat belt warning function would not display a blinking warning lamp in the instrument cluster and an accompanying warning tone, but instead only a permanently activated warning lamp.

Thus, the driver would not receive the full scope of intended warnings in case of an unbelted occupant. Therefore, local legal requirements would not be met.

Procedure: As a precautionary measure Zawawi Trading Company LLC will activate the correct seat belt warning scenario in the instrument cluster. The expected workshop visit for the activation of the correct seat belt warning scenario in the instrument cluster will take around 30 minutes and will be free of charge.

For more information: Sultanate of Oman customers affected by the recall who have not been contacted already will be telephoned by representatives of Zawawi Trading Company LLC, so that they can arrange a convenient time from 14.09.2020 to get their car inspected..

Contact details: Toll free number: 80079777 on all working days between 08:30 to 17:30 hrs with effect from 14.09.2020.

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Webinar highlights way forward to empower SME businesses

**DUBAI:** Jebel Ali Free Zone, (Jafza), has ramped up efforts to support the Small and Medium Enterprises, SMEs, sector, the free zone operator said. The Free Zone hosted a webinar titled "Empowering Growth During Business Uncertainty" that attracted top industry experts and Jafza associates, which included Abdullah Alajaji, Founder, Driven Properties, Paul Bryson, Director of Domestic Structuring, Virtu-zone and Mohammed Al Dahbashi, Co-Managing Partner, Al Dahbashi Gray. SMEs account for 94 per cent of all companies operating in the UAE and generate more than 86 per cent of the private sector's jobs. The Jafza Customer Support Initiative' launched earlier this year, offered a 50-70 per cent reduction of registration, licensing and related administration functions fees in Jafza as well as for new investors. The initiative included the waiver of the application and attestation fees for all new incoming business. The key objectives of the exercise were to ease cost burdens for customers, increase Jafza market share, and maximise asset base. -WAM

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# ROUND-UP

MIDDLE EAST STEVIE AWARDS

## Gate10: Most innovative marketing and advertising agency in Middle East



**MUSCAT:** Gate10 won two prestigious awards at the Middle East Stevie Awards during the ceremony on Tuesday, August 25. It won gold award for being the Most Innovative Marketing and Advertising Agency and a bronze award

for Renewing the Commercial Identity. Gate10 has won 10 other international awards in the field of creativity and development of commercial identities in 2019. This distinguished achievement is in line with the company's vision and objectives aimed at promoting the marketing and advertising sector by setting new standards for the industry in Oman through combined efforts of the company and its dedicated team. Eng. Azhar Ahmed Al-Kindi, Chairman of Gate10, stated, "The award is an achievement that reinforces the company's efforts in marketing and advertising while affirming the continuity of innovation and achievements at the regional and international levels." Muneeb Al-Kindi - CEO and Founding Partner of Gate10 - expressed his heartfelt gratitude to the team, stressing that innova-

tion is a fundamental value in their work and that it is the secret of success in marketing. He also expressed his happiness for winning the gold award as the Most Innovative Marketing and Advertising Agency in the Middle East. The virtual award ceremony honoured 153 innovators and winners from 17 countries around the world with a total of 84 gold, 33 silver and 36 bronze awards, in celebration of innovators across the Middle East. Stevie Middle East has been a pioneer for 18 years in the field of honouring business achievements such as International Business, Women's Business Awards for competing in innovation on various products and services, innovation in management, websites and others, based in the Middle East. The name of the award is derived from its Greek origin, meaning crowning.

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# Lexus Hybrid: Designed, engineered with finest features and technology

Lexus enthusiasts looking forward to owning their favourite Lexus Hybrid vehicle can now visit any Lexus showroom for exclusive experiences



**MUSCAT:** Lexus vehicles are designed and engineered with the finest features, technology and luxury. Making every experience in it, truly outstanding. Owning a Lexus is much more than just owning a luxury vehicle.

Lexus enthusiasts looking forward to owning their favourite Lexus Hybrid vehicle can now visit any Lexus showroom for exclusive experiences.

In Oman, Lexus has a range of vehicles that include sedans, coupes, Hybrid Electric and SUVs. Lexus Hybrid Electric range

includes ES300h, RX450h and LS500h.

ES300h: Designed to draw all attention and equipped with the power to take you further on every journey, the ES300h is ideal to make the most of memorable experiences. The ES300h combines two power sources consisting of a petrol engine and two electric motors, producing 176 hp and 22.5 kg-m of torque and 118 hp and 20.6 kg-m of torque, respectively, delivering a combined system output of 215 hp.

This powertrain is also mated to a new hybrid transaxle that

provides the lowest fuel consumption value of 24.1km/L in ideal test conditions, and the highest driving performance of this class. Completing the Lexus ES300h's distinct personality is its exquisite interior that invites the driver and passengers to enjoy a range of advanced features offering a refined cabin experience.

These include an enhanced in-vehicle 12.3-inch multimedia display, a 10.2-inch coloured and adjustable head-up display (HUD), a 7-inch colour multi-information display (MID), a wireless charging system for smartphones, a LED

ambient illumination, the Lexus Climate Concierge with a 3-zone independent temperature control system, a 17-speaker Mark Levinson sound system, multi-adjustable power and ventilated front seats, a rear armrest with the multi-operation panel, and a hands-free power trunk lid.

RX450h: The Lexus RX450h is a gas-electric hybrid version of the RX350 crossover sport-utility vehicle. The hybrid powertrain employs two motor-generators. One is an engine-driven generator that operates as an engine starter and can charge the battery pack

or power other electric motors as needed. The total output of this pairing is 308 horsepower.

The engine and drive motor are connected to a continuously variable transmission, which is engineered to manage the various sources of power in a way that maximises the RX450h's efficiency thereby offering 16.1 km/L. Beyond the engine and the motor, there's a 288-volt nickel-metal hydride battery pack tucked neatly under the second-row seats. When the vehicle brakes, some of the energy is captured and sent to the battery pack called Regen-

erative Braking". Like all Lexus hybrids, the RX450h can operate in electric-only or gas-engine-only modes as well as a combination of both. The RX is also available in a 7-seater option and offers a mileage of 16.1 km/L.

LS500h: Equipped with several world-firsts and Lexus' first performance, design, and safety features, the LS500h is equipped with the new Lexus Multi Stage Hybrid System. This provides enhanced responsiveness and linear acceleration, particularly when accelerating from a full stop. The powertrain features a 3.5-litre V6 Dual VVT-i V6 gasoline engine and two electric motors, together delivering maximum system power of 354 hp. The LS500h is fitted with a compact, lightweight, lithium-ion hybrid battery. It is 20 per cent smaller than the nickel-metal hydride unit featured in the previous Lexus LS 600h, yet has a higher power density. Using lithium-ion technology has also reduced the component's weight, helping reduce the car's overall mass, thus supporting the overall fuel economy of 16.1 km/L, emissions performance and handling balance.

In Oman, every Lexus vehicle comes with special benefits and privileges such as Manufacturer's Warranty of 4 years/100,000km (whichever is earlier) and 24 hours on-road assistance from AAA.

## INTERNATIONAL EVENT

# Milipol Qatar postponed to next year



**DOHA:** Organisers of Milipol Qatar, the leading international event for homeland security and civil defence, have announced force majeure has prompted the postponement of the event for six months to March 2021.

Over recent weeks and months, they have been in constant discussions with key industry authorities and partners to stay abreast of the challenges in the face of disruption due to COVID-19.

In the light of the latest developments of the health situation worldwide and especially in Qatar, as announced by Qatar authorities, they are forced to postpone Milipol Qatar 2020.

Initially planned in October 2020, Milipol Qatar has been rescheduled in Doha, Qatar from March 15 to 17, 2021.

"The force majeure has been brought about by continuing global efforts to control the spread of the COVID 19 pandemic which is impacting international travel

with varying restrictions being imposed on a regular basis by individual governments," explained Préfet Yann Jounot CEO of Civipol - the technical implementer of the French ministry of the Interior - and President of Milipol events.

Organisers are confident that the postponement will ensure a well-attended event when the show opens at the Doha Exhibition and Convention Centre (DECC) from March 15 to 17, 2021. Exhibitors and visitors online registration for the event remain fully open. Milipol Qatar team will put the coming months to good use to prepare an even more inspiring and efficient Milipol Qatar 2021 for the 200+ exhibitors and 8,000+ visitors expected.

Milipol Qatar, an industry-only event, is under the patronage of His Highness the Emir of Qatar, Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al-Thani. It is organised by Qatar's Ministry of Interior in partnership with the Paris-based international

event organiser Comexposium acting on behalf of the GIE Milipol headed by Civipol, the technical implementer of the French ministry of the Interior.

Milipol Qatar 2021 is shaping up to be a window into a Middle East security market which is undergoing rapid transformation driven by technological advancements and by increased homeland health and safety requirements in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic.

Founded in 1996, Milipol Qatar is the Middle East's leading homeland security and civil defence exhibition and conference which is held biennially at the Doha Exhibition and Convention Centre.

This industry-only event is organized by the Ministry of Interior of the State of Qatar in partnership with the French-based Comexposium Security, acting on behalf of the GIE Milipol headed by Civipol, the technical implementer of the French ministry of the Interior.

Milipol Qatar attracts the big-

gest players in the global public and industrial security sector who use the event to showcase the latest security, safety, detection and prevention equipment, systems, and service innovations. The event meets a large part of the growing security needs of the State of Qatar in line with the country's National Vision 2030.

In 2021, Milipol Qatar celebrates its 13th edition and will build on the 2018 event, which was the biggest in the series attracted a record 8,487 visitors turnout from 84 countries, 314 official delegates from 48 nations and 222 exhibiting companies. The 2018 show also saw Qatar's Ministry of Interior generates contracts worth €138.7 million.

For more than 30 years, the Milipol brand has been synonymous with high quality, international homeland security events. The brand is represented by Milipol Paris, Milipol Qatar and Milipol Asia-Pacific.

## IDEAL CHOICE



# Dodge Neon comes with unparalleled performance and aggressive features

**MUSCAT:** The Dodge Neon offers customers the ideal choice of driving a brand that has long stood out on the roads.

The Dodge Neon is the younger sibling of the Charger and Challenger models, which are the top muscle sport cars on the global market. Born from the same legendary bloodline and with authentic Dodge DNA coursing through its veins, the Neon is characterised by a wide range of specifications that define its every element, from a robust and efficient powertrain to class-exclusive standard features, each surpassing all its counterparts. Experience a unique and enjoyable driving experience, simply by sitting behind the wheel, guaranteed to truly leave behind a lasting impression.

Since its introduction in its new personality, over the last few years, the Dodge Neon has become a favourite, especially for the younger generation and those with small families. This is due to its modern design and the availability of a full range of safety features, coupled with high levels of comfort.

Commenting on the efficiency of the Dodge Neon, Biju Luckose, Marketing Manager at Dhofar Automotive, the official distributor of Dodge vehicles in the Sultanate said, "The Dodge lineup is distinguished by its sporty, athletic appearance and exceptional strength and performance. Being a part of this family, the Dodge Neon comprises of a distinctive crosshair grille and aggressive lines, ensuring that the vehicle's exterior showcases a preview of its performance capabilities. Its full-width mask treatment and broad, low-slung stance give it the fierce attitude that the Dodge brand is renowned for. The attention to detail is what places the Dodge Neon above the competition. With body-coloured

mirrors and bumpers - book-ended with front directional fog lights and sculpted rear tail lights - seamlessly blending the Neon's remarkable automotive design and compact dimensions. Dhofar Automotive is offering this incredible car at a competitive price, only from OMR 4890, to provide our customers with a great car of even greater capabilities."

Dodge Neon is powered by a 1.6 litre 4-cylinder E.TorQ EVO engine that guarantees driving pleasure with 110 hp and 152 Nm of torque powerplant. The engine is also fuel-efficient and is connected to an Aisin 6-speed fully-electronic automatic transmission with AutoStick, ensuring that the driver can quickly respond to the required situation.

Dodge places safety at the top of its priorities, as it believes that the best way to keep the driver and passengers safe is by preventing an accident. Therefore, the most extensive suite of electronic driver safety assistance in the segment is a standard on every Neon. Some of these features include Air Bags, Electronic Stability Control, Four-Wheel Antilock Brakes, Emergency Brake Assist (EBA), All-Speed Traction Control and Trailer Sway Control. The Neon offers best in class 520 litres of cargo space to ensure easy loading and unloading of items.

Biju added, "The Dodge Neon is available at Dhofar Automotive showrooms in three different classes, namely 'SE', 'SXT' and 'SXT PLUS'. I would like to invite all Dodge brand enthusiasts and fans to visit our showrooms and get a closer look at the car, firsthand. I also encourage them to sign up for a test drive and experience its unmatched capabilities."

In the Sultanate, Dodge models are available at Dhofar Automotive showrooms.

## CUSTOMER ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMME

# Lulu Exchange celebrates customer appreciation month

**MUSCAT:** Lulu Exchange, one of the leading financial services providers in Oman, is celebrating its customers all through September, as a part of its annual customer appreciation programme.

Under the programme, several customer engagement programmes will be held at the 34 odd branches operated by the company, across the country.

Speaking on the programme, Aadeb Ahamed, MD, Lulu Exchange, said, "Customers are an integral part of our business, and we dedicate this month to exclusively connecting and getting to know them better. Through this programme, we wish to build upon our existing relationship of trust and feedback and understand the needs of our customers better, to constantly deliver high-quality services."

The one-month long programme is being conducted as a part of the



company's annual 'September for Customer' initiative. Lulu Exchange plans to use this period to engage more with its most loyal customers and collect constructive insights to improve existing services and financial offerings.

Lulu Exchange has over the years built a credible reputation for itself, by cultivating a steady base of loyal customers who continually place their trust in the company's varied

service offerings, customer-first approach, and assurance of simple & fast cross-border payments, powered by a robust network, reputed partners, and high standards of customer care.

The company also operates the mobile-first digital payments solution, Lulu Money, for instant cross-border remittances. Lulu Money has in recent months provided the residents of Oman with a

viable alternative to instant cross-border remittances, by enabling digital payment facility without visiting the physical branches. The company also offers a slew of services to its corporate customers, helping them conduct seamless business transactions with their vendors and trade partners based in the UAE.

Lulu Exchange is a part of the Lulu Financial Group, an ISO 9001:2015 certified global financial services enterprise headquartered in Abu Dhabi. The group operates more than 200 branches across several GCC countries such as Oman, UAE, Kuwait, Qatar and Bahrain, as well as in India, Bangladesh, Seychelles, Hong Kong, Malaysia and the Philippines.

Lulu Exchange operates 34 branches in Oman and provides remittances, foreign currency exchange and other allied services.

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