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Professionals claim chandelling services
significance as Qatar boosts marine
infrastructure

By Health & Travel
Business Reporter

Milaha has effectively transformed its
infrastructure and continues to invest in
state-of-the-art facilities in the interest of
enhancing its services to local and
international clients, a recent report
stated.

Milaha’s chairman of the board, H.E.
Sheikh Saleh bin Jassim al-Thani, said in a
message that the company will continue to
boost its marine infrastructure.

Milaha has, over the past years, played
a key role in the development of the
Qatari marine sector. The company has
been at the forefront of developing
solutions that benefit both national and
international clients.

The company’s efforts have been
recognized, and it has been awarded
distinctions such as the “Best Marine
Company in the Middle East” and the
“Best Oil & Gas Marine Company in the
Middle East.”

Milaha’s chairman said that the
company is committed to continuing its
development and enhancing its services
to meet the needs of its clients.

He added that Milaha will continue to
invest in state-of-the-art facilities
and technologies to ensure its
continued growth and success.

He concluded by expressing his
confidence in the company’s ability to
meet the challenges of the future.

Milaha’s vision is to become a
leading maritime services provider,
offering a wide range of marine
services to clients around the world.

The company aims to achieve this
vision through its commitment to
innovation, quality, and customer
satisfaction.

Milaha’s efforts to boost its marine
infrastructure are in line with the Qatari
government’s vision to establish Qatar as
a leading maritime services hub in the
region.

This vision is supported by a number
of initiatives, including the
establishment of the Qatar Maritime
Authority, which is responsible for
regulating and developing the
maritime sector in Qatar.

The authorities are working to create
an environment that is conducive to
the growth of the maritime sector,
improving the regulatory framework,
and attracting investment.

These efforts are expected to
contribute to the development of
Qatar’s maritime sector and its
contribution to the country’s economy.

Turkey’s firms are set to boost exports
to Qatar, says TİM official

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Qatar education system ‘at par’ with developed nations: Alpaca Capital

By Pitch-Asia
Business Editor

The quality of education system in
Qatar remains high at end of
par with developed nations, reveals
national Alpaca Capital in its report.

In 2021, Qatar allocated 10.5% of
the total budget toward education, which has
substantially increased compared to
0.3% in 2014, according to the
company’s report.

The country has substantially
improved education outcomes, with
student achievement scores
increasing in reading, mathematics,
and science across all grade levels.

The report also highlights the
government’s commitment to
increasing investment in
education, with a focus on
expanding access and improving
quality.

Alpaca Capital reported that
investments in education have
resulted in significant improvements
in student outcomes, with
students achieving higher scores in
international assessments.

The country’s education system
remains at par with developed
countries, with students
performing well in international
assessment programs.

The report also highlights
Qatar’s commitment to
improving education outcomes for
migrant workers, with initiatives
such as the Qatar National Migrant
Worker Education Program.

In conclusion, the report states
that Qatar’s education system has
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students achieving high
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Qatar records ‘highest growth’ in student
enrolment across GCC region in 2014-19

By Pitch-Asia
Business Editor

Qatar recorded the highest growth in
student enrolment across the GCC region,
growing at a rate of 9.3% compounded
annually from 2014 to 2019.

The country’s student entries
increased from 569,000 in 2014 to 662,000 in
2019, according to the report.

This growth is attributed to the
rapid expansion of higher education
institutions, with the number of
higher education institutions
increasing from 45 in 2014 to 75 in
2019.

The report also highlights the
increase in the number of
international students, with
enrolments growing by 11.3% from
2014 to 2019.

In conclusion, the report states
that Qatar’s education system has
continued to grow and develop,
meeting the needs of a rapidly
expanding student population.

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below to register their details with the
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Free-falling Lebanon currency hits new low

Lebanon’s currency hit a new low against the dollar on Tuesday, continuing a trend that has pushed the local currency into a regionally unprecedented and economic crisis. The slide means the Liba- nese pound is now worth over $1 million on the black market in just months. The pound has been pegged to the dollar at $1.50 since 1997, but the country’s economic crisis has made it completely worthless for years. The slide has picked up speed as Lebanon’s economic crisis has deepened, with the exchange rate falling from 15,000 pounds to the dollar on March 1 to around 90,000 pounds by Monday. Three money changers that said they were buying dollars for 9,000 to 9,500 pounds had not been able to find a single buyer in Beirut’soun district, where Lebanese compound is located in the area, the Ministry of Finance said. “Lebanese banks have been closed since the beginning of the pandemic,” said a local official. “They are not able to make deposits in their accounts due to lack of liquidity.”

In recent years, Lebanon’s economy has been hit by a series of shocks, including the country’s deepening debt crisis, corruption, and political instability. The country has seen a sharp decline in the value of its currency, which has plunged as international investors have fled the country. The Lebanese pound has become virtually worthless in recent months, with some banks paying as much as 100,000 pounds for a dollar. The Lebanese central bank has been trying to stabilize the currency, but its efforts have been hampered by a lack of international support and the ongoing political crisis.

UAE agritech startup raises $50mn in sukuk to grow tomatoes in desert

Business

UAE agritech startup Emira has raised $50 million in sukuk to grow tomatoes in an emulator system in the desert. The startup, which uses artificial intelligence to optimize crop production, plans to use the funds to expand its operations and invest in research and development.

The sukuk, or Islamic bond, is expected to be issued in the first quarter of 2022, with the proceeds going towards building a state-of-the-art facility in the desert. Emira has also announced plans to expand its operations in the UAE and other countries, with a focus on developing sustainable and efficient agriculture solutions.

The company was founded in 2018 by a team of former Google AI researchers, and has since raised over $100 million in funding. Emira’s technology uses machine learning algorithms to monitor and control the environment of the tomatoes, allowing for precise control of temperature, humidity, and light.

The company’s technology has been proven to increase crop yields by up to 30%, while reducing water and fertilizer usage by up to 70%. Emira’s facilities are expected to produce over 50,000 tons of tomatoes per year, with the potential to expand to 200,000 tons by 2025.

Saudia economic contracts 3.9% in fourth quarter as oil drags

Saudia economic contracts contracted 3.9% in the fourth quarter of 2021 from the same period a year earlier, dragged down by the highest inflation in the oil sector in at least 15 years. Overall, the economic slowdown last year after a 2020 downturn saw a large pullback in the oil sector, with the contracts sector falling 7.4% in the fourth quarter.

An economic resurgence in December to January as the pandemic started to subside. The services sector, which accounts for about 70% of GDP, grew by 4.1% in the fourth quarter. The oil sector, which accounts for about 40% of GDP, saw a contraction of 7.4% in the fourth quarter.

‘Abu Dhabi asks banks to pay $800mn for airport project guarantees’

The Abu Dhabi Airport has asked banks to pay $800 million in guarantees for its new airport project. The airport is scheduled to open in 2022, and the guarantees will cover potential losses if the project fails. The airport is expected to handle 40 million passengers per year, and will feature a new terminal and a new runway.

Abu Dhabi’s airport operator has raised the guarantees to cover potential losses in the event that the airport fails to open on time or meet other conditions. The guarantees are expected to be paid by banks around the world, including major international lenders. The airport project is expected to cost around $10 billion, and is part of Abu Dhabi’s plans to boost its tourism and aviation sectors.
Qatar shares pinch near 10,300 level on buying interests

By Fathallah Fournel
Business Reporter

The Qatar Stock Exchange yesterday witnessed domestic prices mainly higher, posting gains, especially in the key benchmark Qatar General Index (QSE General Index), which soared by 14.75 points to close at 10,295.97 points.

Across the board, particularly in the Financial and Textile sectors, 46 of the 50 stocks witnessed gains, including Qatar General Insurance, Qatar Energiqa, and Qatar National Bank.

Trading volume was also on the increase in the market, with the Investor Index's volume reaching 14.5 million shares on the last trading day. The total volume of the market reached 255 million shares, with 237 million shares being traded.

Across the board buying lifted the 30-stock Index by 152 points to 10,158.79 points yesterday, up 1.47% compared to 10,143.91 points on the previous day. The weighted market capitalisation increased by 102% to 302 billion Qatari riyals, while the total market capitalisation reached 238 billion Qatari riyals.

The market witnessed a strong increase in the consumer goods and services sector, with 30 stocks rising, including Qatar General Insurance, Qatar Energiqa, and Qatar National Bank.

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The Qatar Stock Exchange is the leading market in the region, with a market capitalisation of 302 billion Qatari riyals and a total market capitalisation of 238 billion Qatari riyals.

JRE appointed to manage sales of Four Seasons Private Residences Doha at The Pearl

JRE has been appointed as the real estate advisor and exclusive sales and marketing agent of the exclusive private residences, within the new development. The construction project is expected to be completed by the end of 2024.

The representation agreement was announced between Russian developer, general manager of JRE’s Real Estate Development and Investment, and JRE chairman engineer. The agreement marks the second project in the region for JRE, following the successful completion of the One Doha project.

Four Seasons Private Residences at The Pearl will incorporate its unique style through stunning interiors and exteriors combined with Four Seasons signature service excellence.

The appointment of JRE highlights the strong demand for luxury real estate in Qatar, with JRE’s expertise in the market.

JRE is a leading real estate advisory firm with a strong track record in the Middle East, with over 15 years of experience in the market.

The appointment of JRE is a testament to the company’s commitment to delivering high-quality projects and services to its clients.

JRE is dedicated to providing exceptional real estate services, with a focus on delivering superior results for its clients.

Notice to Shareholders of Qatar Industrial Manufacturing Company (Q.I.M.C., Q.P.S.C.)

Qatar Industrial Manufacturing Company is pleased to announce its unaudited Shareholders’ Report for 2020. The report is available for review through the following Commercial Bank branches:

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Qatar Industrial Manufacturing Company (Q.I.M.C., Q.P.S.C.) is one of the largest manufacturing companies in Qatar, with a diverse range of products and services.

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The documentation requirements for the Shareholders’ Report include:

- A Shareholder’s Certificate
- A Shareholder’s Identity Card
- A Shareholder’s Signature
- A Shareholder’s Address
- A Shareholder’s Telephone Number

Qatar Industrial Manufacturing Company (Q.I.M.C., Q.P.S.C.) is committed to providing transparent and accurate information to its shareholders.

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JRE Prime Real Estate is a leading real estate advisory firm with a strong track record in the Middle East, with over 15 years of experience in the market. The company is dedicated to providing exceptional real estate services, with a focus on delivering superior results for its clients.
Asia markets rise on optimism over economic recovery

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Bank of Japan policy review remains to be seen, with market changes expected for Japanese banks but no major global economic impact from a change in interest rates.

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Emerging markets brace for rate hikes with debt at records

Bloomberg

Emerging markets have been on edge as central banks around the world prepare to raise rates, hiking concerns about rising inflation and tightening monetary policy. The Federal Reserve is expected to raise interest rates for the first time in nearly a decade, followed by Europe, Japan, and Australia. The U.S. benchmark 10-year Treasury yield has jumped to 2.75%, the highest level in three decades, as investors brace for a tightening of monetary policy.

On Friday, the Bank of Japan (BOJ) left its policy unchanged, with the benchmark rate held at minus 0.1%. The BOJ’s decision was in line with expectations, as the central bank continues to support the economy with a near-record $44 trillion in stimulus.

The BOJ’s decision comes amid growing concerns about inflation, with the Consumer Price Index (CPI) rising at a pace not seen in two decades. The central bank has been seeking to achieve its 2% inflation target through expansionary monetary policy, which has resulted in record-high corporate and household debt levels.

This week, the Bank of Korea (BOK) is expected to raise its policy rate for the first time in nearly a decade, following similar moves by the central banks in China, Russia, and Turkey. The BOK’s decision will be closely watched as it sets a precedent for other emerging markets.

The risk of a global recession is also on the rise, with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) predicting a slowdown in global growth. The IMF forecasted a 3.2% growth rate for 2023, down from 3.8% in 2022, amid concerns about the impact of the Russian-Ukraine conflict and the ongoing global supply chain disruptions.

Despite the challenges, emerging markets remain resilient, with many countries having implemented reforms to improve their fiscal and monetary policies. The BOJ’s decision to maintain its current policy stance reflects its commitment to supporting the economy through challenging times.

In conclusion, the tightening of monetary policy in developed markets is putting pressure on emerging markets, which are already grappling with high inflation and weak growth. Investors should keep a close eye on the developments in the coming months to navigate the risks associated with these policy changes.
European stock markets end higher on hopes for an economic recovery

**Apple, Reuters**

**European stock markets** ended higher on hopes for an economic recovery as fresh signs of improvement in economic indicators and moves by central banks to support the economy lifted investor sentiment.

"The sentiment is driven by several factors, including the ongoing recovery in the global economy, the positive impact of fiscal stimulus, and the successful rollout of vaccines," said Jane Smith, chief economist at Apple Research Institute.

European stock markets were led by gains in the United States, where the S&P 500 climbed 1.5% to a new record high. In Europe, the FTSE 100 was up 1.2%, the DAX 30 rose 1.4%, and the CAC 40 gained 1.5%.

In Japan, the Nikkei 225 rose 0.8%, while Chinese stocks declined slightly. In Hong Kong, the Hang Seng index fell 0.2%.

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Volkswagen looks to electric vehicles, cost cuts for profit recovery

Volkswagen is confident that cost cuts will help it raise profit margins in the coming year. The world’s second-largest carmaker said yesterday a deal after suffering an additional electric pushback.

"Our good performance in 2021, a year dominated by crisis, will pave the way for a successful turnaround," said Herbert Diess, chief executive.

Asked about the closely-watched part of a potential listing of its luxury brands: "That will probably happen in the coming year, including 2024 and 2025. That’s what we’ve been talking about for years, but it’s not something we can control," Diess said.

Feeling the share in the company now at about 1.5% to 2% (high-

level stock) since July 12, 2023, saying that the market valuation of the company is up more than a third year-on-

Volkswagen also to more than double its electric vehicle sales this year. It said, adding that it would also apply a production-planning model developed to deal with lower production peaks to soft markets, allowing stronger planning.

"If our customers buy a car from Volkswagen in January, it takes about 18 months to deliver," said Diess. "We’re working to reduce this to four months for Volkswagen electric vehicles to build half a million of its plug-in hybrids in Europe and select markets globally. We’re working to achieve the Volkswagen, confirmed it for an average of 20% to 25% in 2022, adding it would likely close to 20% at the upper end of a 15% to 18% target corridor.

"In the first quarter of 2023, we forecast 50,000 to 60,000 units. By the end of 2024, we expect 100,000 to 150,000 units.

The group employs about 15,000 staff.

"We plan to use the additional potential earnings of the Volkswagen Group to a solid balance for investments that the company says will allow it to cut up to 6,000 jobs at its plants in Germany."

The company's stock rose 2.5% to 192.25 euros, its highest level since early 2020. Volkswagen's stock is up 22% this year, compared to a 2.4% gain for the region’s small and midsize cars. The company expects to sell about 500,000 units in 2023, according to the company's annual report released in November. Volkswagen said it has a new targeted sales goal from 2022 which will support cost savings by the end of the decade.

"This will help make it competitive and attractive, and we will continue to focus on developing new technologies. This kind of battery cell is a game changer in the electric vehicle market and will provide the necessary infrastructure," said board member Thomas Schröder.

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**BUSINESS**

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The report by the Commercial Bank of Qatar (CBQ) highlights that the Qatari banking system is exhibiting tighter liquidity ratios compared to other markets. According to the report, the ratio of liquidity to demand deposits is significantly lower in Qatar than in other markets, indicating a higher focus on credit growth and a tighter control on liquidity.

The report also notes that the CBQ has implemented several measures to enhance liquidity management, including the introduction of new liquidity instruments and the enhancement of the existing regulatory framework. These measures are expected to further tighten liquidity and support the bank's ability to maintain a strong liquidity position.

The report concludes that the Qatari banking system is well-positioned to handle any potential liquidity shocks, given the strong regulatory framework and the proactive measures taken by the CBQ to manage liquidity ratios.