Qatar, Korea agree to bolster economic ties

The fifth meeting of the Qatari-Korean high-level strategic co-operation committee held in Doha yesterday, agreed to take the necessary steps to bolster trade, investment and industrial co-operation. This was the fifth meeting of the committee, held the Minister of Commerce and Industry All-bin Abdulaziz Al-Kuwari and South Korea’s Minister of Trade, Industry and Energy Sung Yun-mo as co-chairs.

The meeting brought together representatives from the ministries of commerce and industry, foreign affairs, planning and investment, cultural cooperation, health, education, transport and communication as well as Qatar Investment, Qatar Central Bank, Qatar Airways, Qatar Chamber, Qatar Investment Authority, Qatar Airways, Qatar Central Bank, and the Public Authority for Roads and Transport.

During the meeting, His Highness the Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani and South Korea’s President Moon Jae-in agreed to further develop and promote their cooperation in different spheres.

The meeting touched on promoting co-operation in various sectors of mutual interest as the two sides are pursuing efforts to tackle challenges and strengthen bilateral and comprehensive cooperation in the fields of trade, investment, industry, agriculture, health, education, infrastructure and energy.

At the end of the meeting, His Highness the Emir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani and South Korea’s Minister of Trade, Industry and Energy Sung Yun-mo signed the minutes of the meeting. They also agreed to continue with a high-level joint committee co-operation in addition to the implementation and expansion of current projects and plans, and efforts to overcome obstacles. The committee also discussed issues relating to enhancing co-operation between the two countries in the fields of trade, investment, industry, agriculture, health, education, infrastructure and energy.

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Italy’s Guidi wins first gold of Beach Games

By Sports Reporter

W itnessed a sea and sand of Qatar Beach in Doha as a beach volleyball, surfing, and water ski setting, the first medals of the ANOC World Beach Games were handed out yesterday.

With a total of 600 athletes from 82 nations competing in 37 sports, which are divided into different categories, the first gold medal of the Games as he won the title of the Open competition.

The Italian won a thrilling race in 15 seconds after 25 seconds, with twice Almuter of Iran finishing runner-up just over a second behind him. Israeli pair to Germany’s Sonnen Molitor in 51.24 secs.

“I am very happy for this race because it’s an international meeting race. Now I think this is the first golden in my life... I feel very excited,” Italy’s Guidi

Ashghal to develop 5,200 parking slots in Doha


Kohli lauds India’s ‘hunger’ after record 11th straight win

Mumbai Indians captain Rohit Sharma lauded the team’s hunger after they clinched their 11th straight victory in the Indian Premier League (IPL), following their 11th straight win over the Kolkata Knight Riders, with a 6-wicket victory at the Wankhede Stadium yesterday.

“We are all hungry. To win the IPL, we have to keep winning and we want to keep winning. This is what we are doing,” Rohit Sharma said.

Rohit Sharma also praised the bowling unit, saying they were the difference in the game.

“I would like to thank the bowling unit for their fantastic bowling performance. They were fantastic today and that was the difference in the game,” he added.

Academic Kais Saeed wins Tunisia presidential polls

Conservative Kais Saeed won yesterday a landslide victory in Tunisia’s presidential election, beating his nearest challenger by a large margin as he takes over the country’s presidency.

The overall result showed that Kais Saeed, a retired general and former defence minister, won with 83.27% of the votes, while his main rival, the populist Nabil Karoui, secured 16.73%.

The turnout was 56.5%, two hours before the voting ended, the election commission said at a press conference, adding that the participation level was higher than that in Sunday’s legislative elections.

Kais Saeed is known for his conservative policies and his opposition to the Islamic political movements. He has been a vocal critic of the country’s Islamist government and has supported the army’s intervention in politics.

Kais Saeed has promised to strengthen security and fight corruption, which are major concerns for Tunisian voters. He has also pledged to improve the country’s economy and reduce unemployment.

By Sports Reporter

Marcello Guidi (Italy) – 2nd: Denis Adeev (Russia) – 3rd: Soeren Meisner (Germany).

Medals award ceremony for the Men’s Swimming Open Water 5km event. 1st: Venezuela’s Antonio Quintero with a time of 24.94 to claim gold. 2nd: China’s Yi Wang with a score of 26.40 to claim silver. 3rd: Italy’s Luca Pecchi in 55:28 secs. 4th: Spain’s Karol Machtav because of China’s Tai Hui in 56:29. 5th: Japan’s Leonie Beck taking bronze, just ahead of Spain’s Karol Machtav because of China’s Tai Hui in 56:29. 6th: Italy’s Marcello Guidi in 56:51.

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FM calls for expanding regional security in Middle East

Prime Minister receives ambassadors

Prime Minister receives and welcomes the outgoing ambassadors of Algeria to Qatar, Abdulaziz Saba, The Prime Minister and Minister of Interior Sheikh Abdullah bin Nasser bin Khalifa al-Thani met the outgoing ambassador of Algeria to Qatar, Abdulaziz Saba. The Prime Minister and Minister of Interior welcomed the Algerian ambassador in his future tasks.

PM meets Chinese official

HE the Prime Minister and Minister of Interior Sheikh Abdullah bin Nasser bin Khalifa al-Thani met the ambassador of Greece to Qatar Constantinos Orphanides in Doha yesterday. During the meeting, they reviewed relations between Qatar and Greece and ways of developing them.
H E the Minister of Commerce and Industry Ali bin Ahmed al-Kuwari today told the Qatar-Korea Business Forum that there was “an important opportunity to consolidate co-operation between Qatar and Korea and build successful investment partnerships that serve the common aspirations and interests”.

In his speech during the opening session of the forum, he said: "The Qatar-Korea partnership represents a great example in the selected economic relations of the State of Qatar." He added that the two countries have "bound with an advanced level of bilateral co-operation" for more than four decades.

In this context, al-Kuwari referred to the exchange of official visits between senior leaders, both the historic visit of His Highness the Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani to Seoul this year and the visit of the South Korean Prime Minister Lee Nak-yon to Doha last July and their role in accelerating relations between the two countries.

The minister said that the bilateral relationship between the two countries "reflected the strength and status of Qatar-Korean relations and their promising future prospects." He referred to South Korea’s second largest trade partner after the US, amounting to US$1bn in 2018. This represents nearly 15% of Qatar’s total foreign trade volume last year.

In the field of investments, he pointed out that the number of joint ventures exceeding more than 140 with a total capital of QR1.4bn, has been "an important indication of the strategic investment cooperation" between Qatar and South Korea.

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Under this agreement, the two sides agreed on co-operation in the field of research and innovation. The two countries will work within the framework of Qatar Center for assisted technology and innovation to develop the intellectual technology that enables people with disabilities and the elderly.

"This is part of Mada’s cooperation with various partners and innovators to develop an ecosystem that supports the creation of technological solutions that provide digital access for people with disabilities and the elderly and help provide solutions to the challenges facing these groups," Chief of Mada Mahal al-Mansouri said.

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Role of media tools in social, political change highlighted

A US World Academy professor claimed that “media tools are powerful as a fully-loaded gun” in creating social and political change. Deborah Wheeler, author of Digital Resistance and New Media Activism, is one of the leaders in the field of digital resistance studies. This book portrays how social media and other forms of digital communication have empowered citizens to route around the state, shift to an internet society, and other forms of power in their lives, and have themselves influenced and are themselves influencing the media in its myriad forms and functions.

Wheeler discussed her empirical research on the impact of the Internet and new forms of communication on societal and political change in the Middle East region from 1996 – 2014. Digital Resistance and New Media Tools in the Middle East explores the role of interconnectivity and the ways in which people can communicate with each other and bypass state authorities, media and other traditional forms of communication. The book offers such tools are powerful as a fully-loaded gun. The role of media tools has been pivotal in empowering citizens to pursue political change and to contribute to the nation’s social and economic development.

Wheeler said that the next phase in this evolution will be repression. The Kuwaiti government’s response was because of a few fax machines, and threats (that the Internet) might have on Islamic values and conservative culture are real. Wheeler said.

Continuing her research on people’s behaviours and media patterns in the Arabian Gulf as well as Jordan, Syria, and Egypt, Wheeler concluded that there was a lack of literacy in every home. She noted.

The Kuwaiti government’s response to the war was to “rebuild its communication infrastructures” to allow every student access and use the Internet. These satellite footprints were wide and diversified, and that there was a lack of literacy in every home.

Today, more than 70 National Olympic Committees and the Qatar Olympics Committee to bring such a popular event to Doha, where some of the best beaches and sports venues to accommodate the games. Qatar Olympic Committee is committed to promoting a healthy, active lifestyle for all, and the beach games is a great way for our communities to engage with sports. We look forward to welcoming committees and athletes to our beautiful country to enjoy a fantastic event and empowerment to win.”

For more information on World Beach Games 2019 visit wbgqatar.com.
New Karwa taxis for passengers with special needs

Enforcement will help passengers with special needs as part of transportation regulations. Minister of Transport and Communications, Saleh al-Suwaidi, said: "This is another step towards the desired level of accessibility and inclusiveness for all passengers in Qatar."

The new taxi fleet consists of vehicles adapted for passengers with special needs, and its launch is part of the government's efforts to support members of the community who require special assistance. These vehicles can accommodate from two to three wheelchairs along with their escorts.

The new taxis are equipped with facilities to ensure the comfort and safety of passengers with special needs. Features include electrically operated doors, built-in ramps, and wheelchair accessible areas. In addition, the vehicle's interior is designed to accommodate passengers with mobility aids and provides ample space for their escorts.

The launch of this fleet aligns with Qatar's initiatives to improve accessibility and inclusiveness for all citizens. The government has been working on various projects to enhance the quality of life for all passengers, including persons with special needs. These efforts are part of Qatar's commitment to support social responsibility and create a more inclusive environment for all.

Over 11,000 abandoned vehicles removed

The government has taken significant steps to remove abandoned vehicles from Qatar's streets. According to a recent statement by the Ministry of Municipality and Environment, more than 11,000 abandoned vehicles have been removed from different parts of the country since the start of the year. The Ministry's efforts are part of a broader initiative to improve traffic safety and reduce congestion.

An official from the Ministry of Municipality and Environment said: "The number of abandoned vehicles has decreased significantly since the start of the year. We have been working tirelessly to remove these vehicles to create a safer and more accessible environment for all residents and visitors of Qatar."

The government has set up a committee to oversee the removal of abandoned vehicles, and the committee has been working closely with local authorities and residents to ensure a smooth process. The government is also encouraging residents to report any abandoned vehicles to help speed up the removal process.

B2B zone to feature 300 companies at Qitcom 2019

The B2B zone at Qitcom 2019 aims to bring together more than 100 global business owners, government agencies, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), entrepreneurs, and technology providers. The B2B matchmaking zone will be accessible via a special mobile application (Qitcom app) and dedicated zone facilitators to help arrange meetings.

The B2B matchmaking zone will be a dedicated area for more than 100 global business owners, government agencies, small and medium-sized enterprises, entrepreneurs, and technology providers to connect, collaborate, and grow. The B2B zone is an effective and easy way to introduce businesses to potential partners, decision makers, and new markets, and to open doors to all visitors.

With large digital players like Microsoft, IBM, GE, Ericsson, Vodafone, and Huawei, Qatar is set to host a unique platform for global thought leaders to connect, collaborate, and grow. The B2B zone is an effective and easy way to introduce businesses to potential partners, decision makers, and new markets, and to open doors to all visitors.

The B2B zone will offer entrepreneurs the ideal environment to witness the signing of MoUs, as well as enter strategic sponsorships and link up investors with opportunities available in the Qatar market. This year's event will further contribute towards creating connections across the smart cities ecosystem at a national, regional, and global level.

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Doha to welcome 74 cruise ships in upcoming season

By Joey Aguilar

Some 74 cruise ships are expected to arrive at Doha during the 2019/2020 cruise season, said a spokesperson of the Qatar Tourism Authority (QTA).

"We are pleased to open the season, which will last until May 2020," QTA's managing director & CEO, Otto Ramon Sennonholzner Sper, told Gulf Times.

"In the 2018/2019 season, we had 90 ships visiting Doha Port in the country eight times during the season, which helped significantly boost Qatar's economy and Public Works."

The MSWANI Qatar noted that Sea-Dream's mega ships to Qatar, QNTC helped significantly boost Qatar's tourist and sports, "the envoy told the Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport, added that the "Government of Qatar and the Ministry of Culture and Tourism will be the key players in the tourism sector, with the Ministry's goal being to contribute to building the national economy and enhancing Qatar's role as a major player in the tourism sector."

"And as expected from our friendly nation, Qatar, we have found support from the government side, and we are looking forward to working with our friends in Ecuador, which was a friendly country that has recently visited Qatar. During the meeting, the two sides reviewed the因其有良好的支持和稳定，是友好的国家，我们已通过电话和电子邮件与之进行对话，并在最近的几次对话中确认了该国的持续支持。"
Michelin-starred Italian chef to helm epicurean experience at Al Messila

By Nikki Stuart

Chef Lavarra, who is recognised as a globally reputed mestizo cook, has been appointed as Al Messila’s new executive chef, bringing a fresh and innovative value to the hotel’s culinary ambitions. "Our approach to healthy, outdoor dining and a focus on local produce will provide guests with a genuine taste of the Italian tradition," said Lavarra, who has worked in some of the world’s most renowned kitchens. Lavarra's culinary creations will be available in a variety of settings and will be packaged with individual coding to indicate the ingredients and nutritional values. Deli Kitchen marks his first appointment, Al Messila guests will personally create tailor-made meals and be able to see the ingredients come to life in the hotel's open kitchens.

Pakistan PM in Tehran on mission to 'facilitate talks'

By Omer Farooq

Pakistan Prime Minister Imran Khan has arrived in Tehran on a two-day official visit. Khan was received by President Hassan Rouhani at the presidential palace in Tehran. "Today the Guards have a powerful presence along the Iranian border and our resolve to safeguard the country's security has never been stronger. We will not allow this conflict to take place," he told Rouhani.

Khamenei's call to develop advanced weapons

By Omid Houshang

Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei has called for the development of advanced weapons in Iran. "Our neighbour in the region has become more advanced than our own. We should develop better weapons to match their capabilities," Khamenei said, addressing the nation on the eve of the Islamic Revolution anniversary. The call comes amid tensions with the US over its withdrawal from the nuclear deal and the reimposition of sanctions.

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Qatar Airways' limited-edition amenity kits in support of 'Breast Cancer Awareness Month'

Qatar Airways has released a series of limited-edition amenity kits in support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The kits are available on flights to Asia, Europe, North America, and Africa, and include a range of skincare products, including moisturizers, lip balms, and sunscreen. The airline has also introduced a new logo featuring a pink ribbon to raise awareness about the disease. Qatar Airways has been a strong supporter of breast cancer research and has donated millions of dollars to the cause over the years.

Jumbo Electromech offers Bosch's Avirotec IP Starlight 8000

Jumbo Electromech has launched the Bosch Avirotec IP Starlight 8000, which is designed for public and private buildings to provide a range of security solutions. The product is an IP Starlight camera that can be installed in a variety of environments, including hospitals, hotels, and shopping centers. The camera is equipped with a powerful sensor and can capture high-resolution images in low-light conditions. It is also capable of tracking movement and can be used for a range of applications, including surveillance, access control, and fire detection. The camera has been designed to meet the needs of modern building owners and is ideal for use in both new and existing buildings.
Mozambique election to test fragile peace

Mozambique’s election will test the country’s newfound peace as the election process faces challenges, including irregularities and voter intimidation.

The election, which will be held on October 15, 2023, follows a long period of conflict and political instability. The country has been torn by a civil war since the 1970s, and the opposition party Renamo has been the main challenger to the ruling party Frelimo.

The last election, held in 2015, was marked by a high level of violence and allegations of fraud, which led to international concerns about the credibility of the electoral process.

The main concern in this election is the security situation. The country remains不稳定, with insurgent groups still active in some areas.

The opposition parties have accused the government of using the security forces to intimidate voters and suppress opposition candidates. The government has denied these allegations, but the opposition remains skeptical.

Another challenge is the high level of poverty and economic inequality in the country. Mozambique is one of the poorest countries in the world, with a large informal economy and high levels of corruption.

The election will be watched closely by the international community, which has a vested interest in a peaceful and stable Mozambique. The election is seen as an important step towards reconciliation and the restoration of democratic institutions.

The outcome of the election will be crucial for the future of Mozambique. A credible and transparent election is necessary to build trust and confidence in the political process.

The election is also important for the region, as Mozambique is a key player in Southern Africa. A stable and democratic Mozambique could be a beacon of hope in a region that has been marked by conflict and instability.
Hunter Biden breaks silence to help father

Hunter Biden, the son of US President Joe Biden, broke his silence on Thursday to denounce the corruption probe into his family. He said his father, who is running for re-election in 2024, would have "no tolerance" for corruption.

According to a statement from his legal team, Hunter Biden was "on the front line" of the public impeachment push for his father. He has been under investigation for several months after the New York Times reported on his business dealings in Ukraine.

"The idea that we can now see Joe Biden as a corrupt person is absurd," Biden said.

"The people who are pushing this are not just after my father but after the entire American people," he added.

Biden's stance comes after the Democratic-led House of Representatives voted to impeach his father, accusing him of using his position to enrich himself.

"Joe Biden is not a corrupt man," he said. "He is a man of integrity who has always put his family's name above his career."
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Women can’t be top chefs, claims Hennessy

H ennessy Hennessy has ended its long-held belief in chan- ging women’s biological clocks to prepare them for being top chefs, after a study showed they were not strong enough to manage the role-heavy par of the kitchen.

The 53-year-old celebrity chef Gouveia, 32, gave birth last year, and her son was “shocked” when she was 15, looking at the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. In the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. In the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. In the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. In the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. In the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. In the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. In the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. In the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. In the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. In the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. In the kitchen every day with abso- lutely no idea how she could do it. 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Protest in Berlin to show solidarity after Halle attack

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parliamentary elections, Poland's governing populists look to have won a number of successes in local elections over the weekend.

The AfD has drawn on voters' disillusionment with mainstream parties and promises of a new, battle-hardened government.

A similar demonstration also took place in Taipei yesterday with groups of about 3,000 people turned out for a march, while in northern Hamburg, 1,200 demonstrators showed up.

The AfD, which backed the anti-LGBTQette and anti-mosque initiatives, said that it achieved more than 14,000 votes.

People attend a demonstration in Berlin with the theme 'Weltweit' (Unite worldwide) against anti-Semitism, racism, and nationalism.

A 64-year-old working pensioner must build a coalition, or even if the PiS governs alone, whether its support was on par with the opposition Civic Coalition (KO) published on Friday suggested that few winners could be at risk.

According to the survey, conducted by the Free University of Berlin, the opposition Civic Coalition (KO) is seen with its support as its support was on par with the government Christian Democratic Union (CDU) and its support was on par with the government Christian Democratic Union (CDU) and its...
Deaths fascinated Kerala serial killer, say police

**Kerala**

A woman, who has confessed to killing six family members between 2002 and 2006, was on Thursday held responsible for the brutal murder of a woman and her four-year-old daughter in Thrissur district.

The police revealed that she was a middle-aged woman, who has a history of mental health issues and had been under medical care for the past two years.

According to police sources, the woman was found to have a history of mental issues and had been under medical care for the past two years. She had been under surveillance by the police for a long time.

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**Mexican city worried as strikes hit GM's Detroit plant**

**Reuters**

A lthough President Mauricio Macri unveiled a tax cut plan aimed at boosting employment in bid to woo young voters, his latest move has failed to sway workers at the US auto giant's sprawling Detroit-Hamtramck assembly plant. As of Monday, employees were on strike, demanding a 25 percent pay raise and an end to a 40-hour work week. The last time there were talks of a strike at the Detroit-Hamtramck plant was more than a year ago, when more than a thousand workers took to the streets.

The factory employs 2,800 people and produces about 1.25 million vehicles a year, making it one of the largest auto plants in the world. The GM site in Detroit is one of the most productive in the world and has been a symbol of the city's rebirth after the Great Recession.

GM's decision to stop making the Chevrolet Cruze, a popular compact sedan, has hit the workers hard. The site has been in operation for more than 90 years and has a storied history as a symbol of American manufacturing strength.

The strike comes amid a broader economic downturn in the US and Latin America, where car sales have plunged due to high interest rates and a slowing economy.

GM's move to shut down the plant is a blow to the local economy, which is heavily dependent on the auto industry. The city of Detroit has been working hard to attract new jobs and businesses, but the loss of this major employer is a setback.

The strike is expected to continue for several weeks, as the workers demand a better deal from the company.

**Colombia's Farc party expects rebel faction**

**Colombia**

The Farc party in Colombia has confirmed that it has signed a peace agreement between the government and the country's largest guerrilla group, the Farc, after 52 years of armed conflict. The agreement was signed on Monday in Havana, Cuba, following a week of intense negotiations.

The Farc, which emerged from the guerrilla war in the 1960s, has been responsible for thousands of deaths and kidnappings over the years. The group has been involved in the drug trade and has operated as a paramilitary force.

The agreement includes provisions for the creation of a political party, the Farc's disarmament and the release of political prisoners. It also includes guarantees for the group's political participation and the protection of its members.

The peace deal is expected to be signed by the Farc and the Colombian government on Wednesday in Bogota, Colombia.

**Michael Lerner**

The media mogul and political activist who founded The Nation magazine has died at the age of 74. Lerner was a leading voice of the left for decades, and his magazine was a bastion of progressive politics.

Lerner was a key figure in organizing the anti-war movement in the US during the Vietnam War. He was also a strong advocate for civil rights, and he supported President Barack Obama's health care reform efforts.

Lerner was known for his sharp笔触 and his uncompromising views on issues such as corporate greed and the war on terror.

**Macri unveils tax cut plan in bid to woo young voters**

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PM wants aides to maintain dialogue with opposition

Shelter homes for elder citizens

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Federal govt plans to stick to laws through presidential ordinances

The cornerstone of whichever government is in power has to go all out to keep its promises and work towards the mission of the party. Any failure to do so could lead to a loss of trust and credibility among the people. The government must ensure that its policies are implemented in a fair and transparent manner, and that it addresses the needs and concerns of all citizens. The efforts should be directed towards creating a positive impact on the lives of the people. The government should also be open to feedback and suggestions from the public, and work to improve its policies and services in response to their needs. The government must also ensure that it is accountable to the people, and that it operates within the bounds of the law. The government's actions should be guided by a long-term vision and a commitment to the betterment of society.
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By Catherine S Valente

President Rodrigo Duterte provisionally gives over 40 Cabinet ministers new roles

President Rodrigo Duterte delivers over 40 new Cabinet ministers new roles, in line with his promise to clear roads in his continuing war with drug trade and corruption.

Duterte to study N-energy pact with Russia after concerns

By Catherine S Valente

President Rodrigo Duterte says he will study a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between the Philippines and Russia re nuclear energy, subject to the advice of his Cabinet.

Red Cross to conduct mass polio vaccination

By Jan Arleto

The Philippine Red Cross (CRC), in collaboration with the Department of Health (DOH), will conduct a mass polio vaccination this weekend.

Security to be enhanced at 115 ports to counter threats

By Betty Ayson

The Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) will host over 100 port police from 115 ports in 10 under its jurisdiction, says General Manager Javie Daniel Santiago.

Police chief ‘will need to face law if guilty despite retirement’

By Darwin Pesco

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Food for thought: cities should aim for a ‘Planetary Health Diet’

When 14 global cities committed to the C40 Good Food Cities Declaration last week, in an effort to promote and preserve the health of citizens and the health of the planet, they embarked on an initiative whose process should ideally be adopted across the world. Barcelona, Copenhagen, Guadalajara, Lima, London, Los Angeles, Paris, Seoul, Stockholm, Tokyo and Vienna made the pledge at the C40 World Mayors Summit. Mayors, who were present, said they want to achieve a “Planetary Health Diet” for all by 2030, with balanced and nutritious food, reflective of the cultures, geographies and demography of their cities. Mayors will use their platforms to preach the need for healthier diets and introduce policies that make healthy, delicious and low-carbohydrate and affordable food accessible for all. They will also reduce food loss and wasted food. Research released by C40 Cities in June 2019, revealed that food is amongst the biggest sources of consumption-based emissions from cities. Eating a sustainable diet and avoiding food waste could cut a quarter of all emissions which are driving the global climate crisis.

Research by The EAT-Lancet Commission released in January 2019, concluded that if all adopted uniformly, the ‘Planetary Health Diet’ would dramatically reduce emissions, provide a balanced, nutritious diet for 0.5 billion people, and save 1 million lives each year. The planetary health diet is comprised of balanced and nutritious food providing up to 2,500 calories a day for adults, not to exceed 1,500 of per person per day or ‘1,050 per week, and 100g of dairy per person per day or ‘170 per week, and 50g to 75g for children. A planetary health diet should consist of approximately half a plate of vegetables and fruit; the other half should consist of whole grains, unsaturated plant oils, plant protein sources, nuts and beans, and (optimally) moderate amounts of animal sources of protein. The global food system is a major driver of greenhouse gas emissions. Good Food Cities Declaration, cities commit to: Align food procurement policies to the Planetary Health Diet, reducing the carbon footprint of food procurement; source food from organic agriculture; support an increase in local food production; reduce food waste to 50% of current levels, by measuring, monitoring and reporting on food waste with cities, citizens, public institutions and other organizations to develop a strategy for implementing these measures and achieving these goals inclusively and equitably, and incorporating this strategy into the city’s Climate Action Plan.

The 14 signatory cities serve 500mn meals per year – in schools, hospitals, and other public buildings, and are improving availability and affordability of delicious, nutritious and sustainable food for their 26mn citizens. The C40 Good Food Cities Declaration will therefore directly benefit millions of people and provide a clear signal to the market that there is great demand for healthy, delicious and sustainable food. The global food system is a major driver of harmful greenhouse gas emissions, responsible for around a quarter of all emissions which are driving the global climate change. Without substantial changes in the way in which we produce, transport, consume, and dispose of food, C40’s research shows that emissions from the food sector are set to increase by nearly 40% by 2050. The accelerating climate crisis threatens our ability to feed the world’s growing population. Currently, more than 820mn people around the world suffer from hunger. At the same time, global diets also contribute to increased rates of heart disease, diabetes, cancer, and other health care costs, and millions of premature deaths each year.

Qatar Pavilion’s win at Expo Beijing 2019 is an inspiration

On October 9, Qatar received the flag for hosting the International Horticultural Expo Doha 2021 from China, the host country of the 2019 event. Expo Doha 2021 will serve as a platform for exchanging ideas and insights on various topics related to sustainable development, agriculture, horticulture, conservation and energy. It will focus on technological breakthroughs and sustainable solutions, and aim at contributing to the transformation of landscapes into energetic and environmentally friendly environments along with increased green area and olefication. Expo Doha 2021 will also contribute to the global awareness of China’s new initiatives and exchange and introducing Qatar as a leading cultural destination.

On the sidelines of the closing events of Expo Beijing 2019, ambassador of Qatar to China Mahbub Mohammad Al-Dehaimi expressed pleasure at winning the awards, which he said reflected the outcomes of the efforts exerted by Qatar in preserving the environment and the Qatar Pavilion winning the ‘Good Food Cities Declaration’ leadership of the Minister of Municipality and Environment and the Qatar Pavilion winning the grand award, the ‘Qatar Pavilion in Expo Beijing 2019’ from the International Bureau of Expositions (BIE) and the International Horticultural Exhibition (Expo Doha 2021), which received about 10mn visitors, represents an important platform and opportunity for all participating countries, especially Qatar which achieved a unique success in showcasing its natural environment and historical heritage to the world.

He noted that Qatar, Pavilion, which was the biggest international pavilion in the exhibition, received a huge number of visitors from China and various world countries, exceeding 2mn visitors. The Pavilion presented to its visitors a true model of the Qatar landscape, the environment, and the Qatar cultural identity, as a result of the successful work of the ministry of Municipality and Environment, and its directions in preserving the environment, agriculture and horticulture, as well as introducing its heritage and history to the world.

In addition to highlighting the environmental and cultural aspects, Qatar Pavilion also offered a lounge for the visitors, the‘green oasis lounge’, under the Qatar environment and the Qatar culture, which reflected the Qatari values such as generosity, welcoming and openness. The Pavilion presented to its visitors a unique show of the Qatar national flag for hosting the International Horticultural Exhibition (Expo Doha 2021). It will focus on technological breakthroughs and sustainable solutions, and aim at contributing to the transformation of landscapes into energetic and environmentally friendly environments along with increased green area and olefication. Expo Doha 2021 will also contribute to the global awareness of China’s new initiatives and exchange and introducing Qatar as a leading cultural destination.

He underlined that Qatar’s presence in the exhibition also contributed to the enhancement of the bilateral relations and bilateral co-operation between the two countries, as well as the mutual co-operation achieved with China, which was reflected in Qatar’s announcement that Qatar will be dedicated to the Chinese side as a ‘sage’ for sustainable development, agriculture, horticulture and energy. Qatar also contributed to the fight against desertification and contributed to raise awareness of environmental issues, agriculture and horticulture showed Qatar’s interest in the young generation, as a result it was planned to promote and disseminate knowledge among the next generations of environmental issues and global warming.

He added that the Pavilion also contributed to improve Qatar’s values such as generosity, welcoming and openness. He said that Qatar is dedicated to the advancement of culture and tradition to the next generations.

The BIE secretary-general underlined that the participation of Qatar for the first time in such an international organisation as the International Horticultural Exhibition (Expo Doha 2021) is an exceptional Expo Doha 2021 which is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events, and it is the world’s first at the level of the major events. At the same time, as well as in previous exhibitions, the Pavilion also contributed to raise awareness of environmental issues, agriculture and horticulture.

In his speech, al-Dehaimi said that Qatar’s Pavilion winning the most prestigious awards for foreign pavilions participating in the exhibition confirmed the excellence and uniqueness of the Qatar pavilion in international forums. The ambassador added that Qatar’s Pavilion served as an international and cultural reference to Qatar’s participation in hosting the International Horticultural Exhibition (Expo Doha 2021).

For its part, Secretary-General of the International Horticultural Expositions (IHC), Vicente Gamache, praised the participation of Qatar in Expo Beijing 2019, noting that it was a unique achievement.

In a statement during his visit to Qatar Pavilion, the BIE secretary-general said that the Qatar participation was characterized by the beautiful masterpieces designed in the shape of the Sidra tree, noting that the design included a blend of luxury and tradition reflecting the taste of the Qatar culture, the environment, and tradition reflecting the taste of the Qatar culture. He praised the efforts in the past and its dynamics, noting that the special section devoted children for raising awareness of environmental issues, agriculture and horticulture showed Qatar’s interest in the young generation, as a result it was planned to promote and disseminate knowledge among the next generations of environmental issues and global warming.

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Indian property slump leaves beleaguered market exposed

By Neeraj Arvind and Sutirth Bhat

India might have thought the worst of the real estate industry crisis was over, as the government has declared its death. But the glut of inventory and falling property prices mean that developers are struggling to repay loans to shadow lenders. This in turn poses a risk to banks, which have lent billions of dollars to the sector.

Shadow lenders, which are often financed by wealthy individuals and family offices, have been forced to cover losses as builders were struggling to offload properties. This has led to defaults on loans, which could lead to the collapse of banks.

Defaults by two housing finance companies that were in talks with LIC Housing Finance and ICICI Bank are likely to hit the industry. While consumers are staying away, banks are also not repaying their loans, leading to a rise in defaults.

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has already asked banks to strengthen their risk management practices and to ensure that they have enough capital to absorb losses.

The Nifty Bank index, which surged by 10.8% in the last few months, fell to 10.3% of total loans as of March, from 11.5% a year earlier, according to the Reserve Bank of India (RBI). The improvement was bigger than the $35bn that the RBI had expected, having forecast a drop to 9.5% by March and last month forecast the risk had fallen to 9.8%.

The central bank said in June it expected the ratio to decline further in the current financial year, according to a government report in the report. But India still had the highest bad loans ratio among emerging economies.

The ratio of non-performing assets to total loans of banks increased from 9.1% in June 2018 to 9.3% in March 2019, said the report.

The bank’s chairman, C. S. Rajan, said the central bank was looking to reduce the ratio by the end of the current financial year.

The Nifty Bank index, which was up 5.9% in 2018, has since fallen to 4.5%. The central bank said in June it expected the ratio to decline further in the current financial year, according to a government report.

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Ashghal, QMIC sign agreement to realise smart mobility innovations

By Shehtayf Alijan

A more that’s a small step for Qatar, but a giant leap for smart mobility and road safety in Qatar, QMIC will work with Ashghal to establish a research and development centre for data analytics, and smart mobility applications. The Integrated Traffic and Road Asset Monitoring team at QMIC will be assisting Ashghal’s efforts in providing visibility through traffic data, core analytics and needed information. QMIC’s rich traffic data bank and analytics algorithms and mobility analytics tools will provide an exhaustive overview of the performance of the road network and the position of vehicles at any specific point in time.

Through Connected Vehicles (V2I) Field Pilot and Deploy- ment Plan, QMIC will also aim to enable Ashghal in enabling Qatar’s road infrastructure with V2X technology applications and to get feedback for the next generation of vehicles and the road safety and efficiency.

This also includes capturing on a large-scale pilot of V2X systems and applying to better understand the systems and assess the value for different use cases. Furthermore, it will be a vital asset for technical research and development as the first country to regionally implement the emerging technology that will significantly improve road safety and enable the road authorities to timely react to any traffic incidents.

Smart Highway Technology for Advanced Transportation will provide Ashghal with a downside control in real time to act as a living testing for planning and discovering emerging ITS and mobility solutions and applications. In the long run, the agreement will provide Ashghal with great insight into observing the pros and cons of each emerging technology that can benefit from QMIC’s breadth portfolio of smart solutions and data intelligence. The president added that Ashghal had been keen to co-operate with QMIC in order to enhance the local manufacturers.

QMIC, which functions at the Qatar Science and Technology Park, is a fundamental driver of research and innovation, developing key technology in a real-life setting and will contribute to better predict the behaviour and impacts. Through WAM Mobile Platform and Mobility QMIC will work with Ashghal to take WAM mobile digital platforms to the next phase in introducing new business and ensuring the sustainability. The WAM platforms, will in essence, combine the main communication channel for highlighting the road safety, real time road conditions and location-based services.

Speaking on the occasion, Al-Kaannah concluded that the agreement is the start of discussions to identify emerging Ashghal’s approaches and strategies that can benefit from QMIC’s breadth portfolio of smart solutions and data intelligence. The president added that Ashghal had been keen to co-operate with QMIC in order to enhance the local manufacturers.

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