PM attends announcement of new cloud datacentre region

HE the Prime Minister and Interior Minister Sheikh Abdullah bin Nasser bin Khalifa al-Thani yesterday attended a ceremony to announce the setting up of a new cloud datacentre region in Qatar, jointly by the Ministry of Transport and Communications and Microsoft. The initiative seeks to deliver Microsoft’s intelligent, trusted cloud services and expand the Microsoft global cloud infrastructure to 55 cloud regions in 20 countries. The new region will be managed from the Qatari Free Zones.

Leaders in a frantic push for UK votes

Britain’s feuding party leaders criss-crossed the country yesterday in a frantic push for votes on the eve of a highly-charged general election aimed at finally settling the Brexit crisis. Polls open today for the third time in four years in what is widely seen as a re-run of the 2016 referendum in which a narrow majority opted to pull Britain out of the European Union.

Qatar Airways among airlines committed to ‘25by2025’ campaign

Al Sadd overcome Hienghene in opener

The FIFA Club World Cup Qatar 2019 kicked off yesterday afternoon at the Khalifa Stadium, where Al Sadd needed extra time to beat New Caledonian winners Hienghene to seal a place in the quarter-finals against Mexican side Monterrey. Al Sadd looked for a comfortable win when Baghdad Bounedjah put them in front in the 26th minute, but Hienghene hit back immediately after half-time when Sean Higgs drew level. With Al Sadd players opening chances after the break, they were looking vulnerable in the air, when Abdellatif Hassan scored after a header from Higgs. Al Sadd goalkeeper Rocky Nyikeine, however, had done his job well and prevented his team from losing. And they looked jubilant once again against a Hienghene side, who are made up mostly of part-timers. Al Sadd manager was not too happy with his players for wasting plenty of opportunities to score. “We had many chances to score. We concede just a little bit. They didn’t look like scoring in the second half apart from early on. We suffered too much. We did more than them but we missed too many chances. Monterrey will be a very difficult side on Saturday,” the Spaniard said.

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Cabinet hails Amir’s participation in Kigali award ceremony

PM meets Italian ambassador

PM meets Turkish deputy minister

Amir sends cable of congratulations to Burkina Faso leader

The Amir sends a cable of congratulations to Burkina Faso’s President on the occasion of his country’s National Day.

Amir sends message to Ethiopia president

His Highness the Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani sent a written message to the President of Ethiopia,Abiy Ahmed Ali, on the occasion of his country’s National Day.
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The new Microsoft cloud region will enable govt and businesses in Qatar to embark on digital transformation journey.
Qatar attends inauguration ceremony of Argentine president

Qatar’s HE the Minister of State Dr Hamad bin Abdulaziz al-Kuwari represented Qatar in the inauguration ceremony of President Alberto Fernandez, the new President of Argentina, in Buenos Aires. On the sidelines of the ceremony, the President thanked Qatar for participating in the ceremony, lauding it as the best opportunity for Qatar to deepen existing relations and foster new ones. The inauguration ceremony and meeting were attended by Qatar’s ambassador to Argentina Battal Meajeb al-Dosari.

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Vietnamese minister for public security hails ties with Qatar

On the occasion of his official visit to Qatar, Vietnam’s Minister for Public Security General To Lam, visited the country’s embassy in Doha yesterday. The Politburo Member, heading a high-ranking delegation of the Ministry of Public Security of Vietnam, praised the efforts of the embassy and the contributions of the Vietnamese community in boosting relations with Qatar. He encouraged the community to abide by local laws and regulations and expressed hope they would continue to maintain solidarity and help each other in times of need, according to a statement from the embassy.

General Lam also praised the Vietnamese delegation that participated in the international Junior Science Olympiad which concluded in Doha yesterday. He also granted awards to the six students who won three gold medals and three silver medals in the event. On his first visit to Qatar, Minister To Lam admired the remarkable progress of the country in terms of development, modernisation, security and all other aspects of life. On the occasion of the upcoming National Day of Qatar, he extended his wholehearted congratulations to His Highness the Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani, and to His Highness the Father Amir Sheikh Hamad bin Khalifa al-Thani and the Qatari people.
Qatar-France 2020 Year of Culture to cement bilateral ties

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The Public Works Authority (Ashghal) has announced the full opening of Al Furousiya Street in Doha. The opening, which was scheduled for August, was announced on Tuesday.

The 1.2km road, which connects to Al Manaseer and Al Aziziya in addition to the QFR and Qafla, is a direct access to the Doha Metro Red Line. The launch of operations of the project to serve the Qafla and QFR will be completed by the first quarter of 2021.

The remaining works include the construction of the final phase of the road in addition to road markings, pavement, the development of a rainwater drainage network, and landscaping works on either side of the road.

A view of the new road built.
Qatari student among gold medal winners at International Olympiad

By Joseph Varghese

Qatar University wins gold, silver in Reimagine Education 2019

Nasser Bin Khaled Automobiles presents Special Offer on Mercedes-Benz C, E Classes and the GLC SUV celebrating Qatar National Day

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The results of the Olympiad were announced at the conclusion ceremony and medals and awards were distributed to the winners. The sponsors, partners and students of the Olympiad were also honoured at the event.

Al-Naimi congratulated the Qatari team members for their success.

Fatima al-Rashid, OJSO vice president, (Asia), and Dr Noora al-Thani, head of the Educational Sustainability Department, the Supreme Organising Committee introduced the winners.

She said, "Since its induction in 2010, Al Bairaq has been very important social responsibility to empower Qatar youth and enable them to compete globally.

It aims to recognise institutions and platforms that bring together startups, academics from top universities, education innovators, university leaders, and those interested in the future of teaching and learning.

QS Quacquarelli Symonds, the leading education intelligence organisation, ‘Reimagine Education’ is an initiative that maps the education landscape and drives innovation and growth towards meaningful and sustainable change.

It is an annual conference that brings together university leaders, educators, practitioners, and innovators from the education sector to focus on questions and challenges that matter the most.

It aims to create educational initiatives and programmes that seek to enhance the outcomes of students’ learning and qualify them for the job market.

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The programme won gold in the areas of education innovation, internationalisation, and sustainable development, and silver in the areas of technology and innovation.

The programme is very unique with the introduction of digital testing and it was done exceptionally well.
A three-day exhibition and symposium on sustainable Indian fashion, curated by Qatar Museums (QM) and the Nobel Peace Centre, opened yesterday at the QM headquarters in New York City earlier this year.

The envoy, who led the inauguration ceremony, delivered his speech at the event, which was attended by QM’s Years of Cultural Activities assistant curator Tania al-Majid, National Museum of Qatar (NMoQ) head Marielou Phillips from Caravane Earth, an international fashion and textiles platform, and former Qatalum CEO Paul Kumble, who is currently the UN’s Special Envoy for the Oceans.

The exhibition is displaying a curated selection of contemporary Indian fashion and textiles from some of the most celebrated Indian fashion designers, including H. Iswaraiah, Vemer Khandelwal, Konkga-De Chakri, Tulsi for Singapore-based Vimalar, and Nauti by Natasha, who is an Indian fashion designer based in New York.

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Qatar Charity in pact with Talabat for virtual meals

Qatar Charity (QC) has signed a partnership agreement with leading virtual meal platform, Talabat, in order to benefit from a wider range of projects and activities implemented under the umbrella of the charity’s initiatives. QC announced that Talabat has incorporated two plans designed for QC as part of different branches, namely QC Fly and QC Tide. QC customers could choose to book digital meals for their family, a box from over 40,000 outlets and at least from more than 150,000 car rental offices in more than 100 cities worldwide. Customers would also have access to the customer shopping site “Giftshop” specialized in items from the leading brands, categories ranging from electronics, home, books, sports and household items from leading brands.

“Qatar Charity is proud to celebrate National Day with the people of Qatar,” said De Sousa, chief executive officer at Qatar Charity, and Fran-Cisco De Sousa, managing director of QC Trust. The statement noted: “As part of the company’s social responsibility, with the aim of providing tangible support to different organizations and the charity activities in Qatar across the globe. The plan was initiated by Al-Balushi, QC’s chief executive officer, and the Customer Services Department at Qatar Charity, and Francisco De Sousa, managing director of QC Trust. QC has signed an agreement in partnership with the companies responsible for the approval of the plan, which will provide a channel for QC to promote its initiatives, adding QC Charity to its projects and promoting the selling of virtual meals of QC Charity, which is an opportunity for QC to give back to our guests. Through our partnership with QC Charity, we look forward to creating more opportunities like this one to give back to our community and invite our users to come on an amazing journey.”

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O reocado’s Aamali Plans have been transformative for Qatar’s organisations — providing real-time visibility on employees’ mobile usage, full control over the cost of mobile packages, a full set of easily-courseable analytics to help improve operational efficiency and em- ployee experiences. Thousands of business customers have moved to Aamali 5G, and we look forward to our customers for more to do so soon. Benefits: customers can reflect from eight different plans, start with an introductory plan and scale up.

QIB promo to mark Qatar National Day

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Qatar’s Flag Relay kicks off today

More than 100 participants have so far registered for the Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) as part of the celebrations for this year’s Qatar National Day on December 18. As part of the Make Qatar Cup 2019 campaign, the off-line announced flight offers on November and Christmas travel tickets as well as packages from the world to Dubai. “Qatar Airways invites its customers to book flights to see the stars of world football in action at the FIFA Club World Cup Qatar 2019, the statement added.

Malaysian PM arrives in Doha

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Your Goal campaign

The Qatar Olympic Committee (QOC) has announced flight offers on the FIFA Club World Cup Qatar 2019, preceding the world’s top footballers will watch the final at Katara. The celebrations were launched by Katara’s general manager Dr Khalid bin Ibrahim al-Attiyah earlier this month. The celebrations were launched by Katara’s general manager Dr Khalid bin Ibrahim al-Attiyah earlier this month.

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National Day an occasion to celebrate achievements

In the past, both Qatar and Pakistan have begun to move in the direction of cooperation between their peoples, and international relations in all fields. Today, the relations of both states have been upgraded to a new level.

The visit to Qatar by Prime Minister Imran Khan was a sign of the strong relations that exist between the two countries. During his visit, Prime Minister Khan expressed Turkey's support to Qatar in all fields. Qatar has a long history of supporting Turkey in its fight against terrorism. Turkey is satisfied with the development of relations with Qatar.

The visit of Prime Minister Khan to Qatar is a continuation of the policy pursued by Qatar, which is to strengthen the security partnership, including the fight against terrorism, illegal immigration, and the spread of terror organizations. Qatar has also contributed significantly to the fight against terrorism in the region.

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The visit of Prime Minister Imran Khan to Qatar was welcomed by Qataris, who expressed their support for the strengthening of the relations between the two countries. The visit was also welcomed by Turkish citizens, who expressed their support for the strengthening of the relations between the two countries.
I am only human

By Shariq Al-Shehhi

There is a huge pressure that is present when being charged with the task of being a human being. We are expected to be everything to everyone, to be strong, to be healthy, to be happy, to be perfect. We are supposed to be able to handle anything that comes our way, to be able to think on our feet, to be able to make quick decisions, to be able to handle stress, to be able to handle pain, to be able to handle failure. We are supposed to be able to handle everything that comes our way, to be able to think on our feet, to be able to make quick decisions, to be able to handle stress, to be able to handle pain, to be able to handle failure. We are supposed to be able to handle everything that comes our way, to be able to think on our feet, to be able to make quick decisions, to be able to handle stress, to be able to handle pain, to be able to handle failure.

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Ahrar student covers her face with a decorative flag as she takes part in an anti-government demonstration in the central city of Najaf, yesterday.
US shooting motivated by anti-Semitism, reveals mayor

**New York**

A shooting that left six people dead and more than two dozen injured was motivated by anti-Semitism, Jersey City’s police chief said yesterday, confirming that the assailant targeted a kosher deli.

“Two shooters stormed the deli in what New York’s police commissioner called a ‘hate crime’ and killed two customers, a cashier and a police officer, and left a third police officer with a non-life-threatening injury,” James Shea, Jersey City's director of public safety, told reporters. “We are still investigating the shooter’s background to determine the reason why these two individuals targeted our kosher grocery.”

Shea told a press conference that the shooter’s “thought was to kill everyone... Hate and anti-Semitism now become clear from the cámara footage.”

New York Mayor Bill de Blasio also tweeted that the shooting “showed the hatred we have to fight constantly.”

At least 200 people from New Jersey and New York, including Jewish leaders, gathered outside the kosher grocery where the shooting took place yesterday, de Blasio said, adding that“the New York Jewish community has been loner for far too long.”

“Hate has no home in New York. There is no place for it,” the mayor added.

**First electric plane takes flight in Canada**

**ABCP Report**

The world’s first fully electric commercial aircraft took flight yesterday, inspiring top-flight pilots and aviation industry leaders alike. The flight, taken by the Canadian company magniX, was designed to demonstrate the safe and reliable operation of electric aircraft.

The 820-kilogram aircraft, with a 60-foot wingspan and a range of up to 100 nautical miles, was piloted by试点 pilot Yves Archambault. The aircraft has a single battery pack and is capable of carrying up to two passengers.

The flight was part of a larger campaign to bring electric aviation to the forefront of the industry, with magniX aiming to prove the technology’s viability through a series of demonstrations and flight tests.

**Colombia is set to seek damages from the US**

Bolivian investigators have confirmed raiding the home of jailed president Evo Morales as part of the so-called ‘terrorist’ probe into the events that followed the November 10 general strike. Morales, who has been in prison in Spain since May, was charged by the Spanish court with terrorism and money laundering.

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**Brazil police crack down on gold smuggling**

Brazil’s Federal Police has launched a major crackdown on gold smuggling, with police making arrests and seizing millions of dollars worth of gold in recent months.

**US police cracks down on gold smuggling**

A police operation code-named “Operation Nox” was launched by the US Department of Homeland Security to target gold smugglers operating in the Amazon region.

The operation, which involved a team of agents and officers from the US Customs and Border Protection’s Office of Air and Marine, targeted smugglers who were using drones and other technology to transport gold from the Amazon to Brazil.

**Call to enforce subpoenas for Trump’s tax records**

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**New York**

The House cited 2020 election security concerns as the reason it was seeking Trump’s tax records, which the president has long resisted releasing.

In a letter, House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Richard Neal (D-Mass.) said the committee’s investigation has shown that Trump has «a pattern of financial irregularities».

The letter, which was delivered to the Treasury Department, also said that the committee has «information that Trump’s tax returns are relevant to the committee’s investigation».

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**New York**

President Donald Trump, facing with Vice President Mike Pence during a campaign rally in Staten Island, Pennsylvania. The rally marked the first time President Trump has held a campaign rally in Staten Island.

Trump’s campaign has been under scrutiny for its handling of information related to the 2020 election, with the US Department of Justice investigating possible violations of federal election laws.

**Pigeons spotted with tiny cowboy hats**

Guardian News and Media

Pigeons spotted with tiny cowboy hats

While many have been amused by the sight of the birds, with social media users endlessly repeating anything resembling cluck Norris can be identified.

Cluck Norris can be identified by the red hat he is wearing. The hat is a well-known symbol of the National Rifle Association (NRA), an organisation opposed to gun control. The hat is also seen as a symbol of anti-vaccination and anti-mask sentiments.

Some people pointed to the fact that the National Rifle Association is in town as possible reasons for the pigeons to be wearing hats.

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With the hats having stayed in place for over a week, some people have speculated that the pigeons are being trained to wear the hats for the purpose of advertising. However, this theory has been disputed by experts who believe that the pigeons are simply pecking at the hats with their beaks.

The hats have been seen on tiny cowboy hats in a video posted by Lee on Facebook in early December, since a video was first posted.
95 Rohingya in Myanmar face jail as ICJ hears ‘genocide’ case

US tightens sanctions on Myanmar army chief

95 Rohingya in Myanmar face jail as ICJ hears ‘genocide’ case

Nearly 300 Rohingya ap- peared in court yesterday after being arrested for attempting to flee to Bangladesh. The accused, aged 15 to 60, were held under tight restrictions with lit- tle access to healthcare, education and information, activists and Amnesty International experts said.

For many Rohingya, who have known a lifetime of conflict and dislocation, jail time may be the first chance at a better life, lawyer Thana Mahat Myat Win said. “Some even wish it was a labour of love,” he said.

They have faced years in prison for leaving their native town and “trying to flee to a better life,” despite being without legal status in Malaysia. Last month, they were told of the upcoming hearing.

Thana said they were told they had two years in prison for violating the immigration law.

He welcomed the approach by the International Court of Justice. “They want to be heard and to be respected as a person,” he said.

Cambodia PM dismisses EU sanctions threat

Cambodia Prime Min- ister Hun Sen yesterday dismissed a threat by the European Union to suspend all billion-dollar loans from the bloc.

Thannaphum Jangseong, 41, was arrested after his mother-in-law accused him of rape.

The EUCJ issued its final ruling last year on its case against Cambodia, finding that the country had failed to make sufficient progress toward ending the persecution of its Rohingya population.

Thana said: “They take this opportunity to bring negligence to the court.”

Retail

The Cambodian election panel of opposition Future Forward Party has ordered party officials to resign for failing to register candidates.

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The party has also called on the government to release its leader, Mr. Thanathorn, who was arrested last month.

They were stripped of citizenship and have been kept in jail since then.

A wild elephant killed two, injured four in Nepal

A wild elephant killed two women and injured four others near a national park in southwestern Nepal yesterday, local police said.

The women were collecting firewood for their homes when the elephant charged and killed them.

Police said the elephant, which had killed two people and injured four others near a national park in southwestern Nepal yesterday, had been causing trouble for the locals.

They said the elephant was killed near a temple after being spotted near a road.

The elephant had been causing trouble for the locals, who had attempted to chase it away.

The Nepal government said it was working on ways to control the animal.

Chinese businessman murdered in Bangladesh

A Bangladeshi police pro- secutor found the body of a Chinese businessman who was murdered and his body dumped in a sev- eral Dhaka neighbourhoods, officials said.

Acting on a tip-off, police and an elite security force discovered the body of Gui Jinhua buried in a rural area in the city of Dhaka.

He was a minor child. He was killed sometime yesterday, police said.

“His body was found shredded and dumped in a kiln,” police said.

Hun Sen: ‘After the exit, England’s economy will still be good’

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NZ volcano still too dangerous to remove bodies

Australian protest as bushfire haze sparks health fears

Experts quit Hong Kong police probe, in blow to government

**Featured Image**

Fourteen people were killed when the White Island volcano erupted on December 9. A total of 47 day-trippers and 21 guides were injured from the smouldering New Zealand island, with 23 of the injured still in hospital, authorities said. The plane is believed to have sent smoke alarms and forced passengers to evacuate.
**Modern slave** found guilty of murdering teenage drug runner

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Final push

Iconic Diana dress sells for £220,000

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Climate change activists are pushing for a shift in the way climate change is perceived, with a focus on the need for immediate action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) negotiations are entering their final days, with negotiators from around the world gathered in Spain to discuss ways to avoid catastrophic climate change.

French Prime Minister Edouard Philippe unveiled the details of his government's "Green Deal" package of measures, which includes a 2030 deadline for phasing out coal and nuclear power, a shift towards renewable energy sources, and incentives for businesses and citizens to reduce their carbon footprint. The package also includes measures to boost the economy and create jobs in the green sector.

Swedish environmental activist Greta Thunberg, who was recently named Time Person of the Year, has been a vocal advocate for action on climate change. In a recent speech, she called for immediate and drastic action to reduce emissions and prevent catastrophic climate change.

European Union states are blockading a green finance deal in response to the lack of progress in negotiations. The deal, which was set to enter into force in 2023, aims to provide a framework for investment in climate and environmental projects.

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Climate pledges ‘misleading’, Greta tells UN forum

United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres addresses the High Level Action and Climate Summit during the UN Climate Change Conference (COP25) in Madrid yesterday.

French Prime Minister Edouard Philippe unveiled the High Level Action and Climate Summit during the UN Climate Change Conference (COP25). Philippe said that the new measures would contribute to the European Union's goal of becoming carbon-neutral by 2050. He also announced that the French government would allocate €15 billion to support renewable energy projects.

Swedish environmental activist Greta Thunberg speaks at the High Level event on Climate Emergency during the UN Climate Change Conference (COP25) in Madrid yesterday.

Thunberg, who turns 17 in January, is celebrated for her unmasking of the UN’s climate summit as nothing more than a “global farce”. She has previously accused wealthier nations of “indifference and complicity” and has called for decisive action to address the climate crisis.

On September 20 last year, Thunberg launched a grassroots campaign called "Fridays for Future" to urge schools to strike and demand action on climate change. Since then, the movement has grown to include millions of students worldwide.

In a televised address, Edouard Philippe said the government was aware of the need to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The new measures include a 2030 deadline for phasing out coal and nuclear power, a shift towards renewable energy sources, and incentives for businesses and citizens to reduce their carbon footprint.

The UN says emissions must be reduced by 2030 to stay on track for a 1.5°C temperature increase. The European Union has set a target of becoming carbon-neutral by 2050.

France PM makes concessions to striking workers

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Swiss green finance deal fails to win government seat despite climate boost

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The Greens Party has consistently advocated for renewable energy sources and has been a vocal critic of the country’s nuclear power program. The party has sought to increase the use of wind, solar, and other renewable energy technologies.

The Greens Party has also been a strong proponent of climate action and has been involved in national and international climate negotiations. The party has supported the Paris Agreement and has called for more ambitious climate targets.

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The Greens Party has been a strong advocate for green jobs and has called for investment in renewable energy technologies and other green industries. The party has also called for a stronger focus on environmental education and awareness.

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Punjab chief minister faces growing party dissent

A simmering dissent is in the brewing between Chief Minister Amarinder Singh and a section of senior legislators, which has exposed a section of senior legislators, thus opening up a new front within the ruling party.

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3 patients die as lawyers clash with Lahore hospital doctors

Chief of banned group indicted over terror financing

A special bench of the Islamabad High Court (IHC) yesterday granted bail to Pakistan People’s Party (PPP) co-chairperson Zardari on medical grounds in the Park Lane case and money laundering corruption cases.

Zardari was arrested on charges of terrorism financing and Park Lane and was presented before the IHC which decided to grant him bail on medical grounds.

Judicial remand after the CTD submitted the report to the court.

Zardari had earlier been arrested on July 17 from Gujranwala after a wiretap showed that he was planning to conduct terror financing and money laundering.

During the hearing, Zardari’s lawyer, Advocate Amir Farooq, contended that Zardari remained under treatment for years and was in a very bad condition.

He contended that the CTD had been busy with terror financing cases and had no time to arrest Zardari.

It took around 3 months for Zardari to be subjected to torturous investigations.

The court ordered the former president seeking bail on medical grounds to submit a medical report and surrender his passport.

It asked the medical board to verify the report and submit its report to the court.

After examining the report, the court decided to grant bail to Zardari on medical grounds.

75% Pakistanis say they are mostly happy: survey

According to a Gallup International poll carried out by Gallup Pakistan, 75% Pakistanis said they are mostly happy while 20% claimed they are not mostly happy people, 4% did not know or did not want to respond.

Among rural respondents, 75% said they are mostly happy people while 20% claimed they are not mostly happy people and 4% did not know or did not want to respond.

Among urban respondents, 75% said they are mostly happy people while 20% claimed they are not mostly happy people.

The survey was conducted among a sample of 2,200 men and women in urban and rural areas of all provinces of the country, during 2014.

Income breakdown: People earning over Rs15,000 per month claimed to be mostly happy whereas 78% of people earning Rs1,000 to Rs15,000 agreed.

A nationally representative sample of men and women aged 15 years and over were interviewed.

The recent survey was carried out among a sample of 2,200 men and women aged 15 years and above selected for the study.

The sampling frame was obtained from the National Sample Survey Organisation (NSSO) and the final sample was selected using a multistage sampling technique.

The data was collected through personal interviews using a self-administered questionnaire.

The survey was conducted under the supervision of Dr. Farooq Azam, the survey director.

The questionnaire was based on the Gallup World Poll and the World Values Survey.

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Locust infestation raises fears of food insecurity

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Regulator repeals utilities’ water deals after rebuke

By Dumaguete Bayron

De facto Secretary Dilawar Lorenzana, Leyte and Surigao del Norte Governor (Panglao) and the government’s Acting Water and Sewerage System, the country’s water regulator, said he had revoked last week a decision approving two water concessions deals with the utilities involved in the country’s water and sewage system, the country’s water regulator, told Reuters.

"I do not wish to commit future generations to continue with the same mistakes," Lorenzana said, adding that he had issued a memorandum order rescinding the decision to approve the concession deals with the two water companies.

The move could turn off investors who are considering investing in the water and sewage sector in the Philippines, a key sector in the country’s infrastructure development, Lorenzana said.

The government and the water utilities had reached an agreement in 1997 to sell state-owned water companies to private investors, but the move to revoke the concession deals could affect the water sector’s ability to attract investment.

The government had approved the concession deals in 2022, but the decision to revoke them was taken last week after the water regulator, the National Water Commission (NWC), raised concerns about the deals.

"The NWC cannot grant any new concessions or extensions of concession deals to the water utilities under RA 8291," Lorenzana said in a memorandum order.

The memorandum states that the decision to approve the concession deals was made without proper consultation with the NWC, which is responsible for regulating the water sector.

The decision to revoke the concession deals was taken after the water regulator, the NWC, raised concerns about the deals and the government’s failure to address those concerns.

The government’s decision to revoke the concession deals is expected to affect the water sector and the economy, as the sector is a key driver of economic growth in the country.

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The United States now finds itself, for the only fourth time in its history, confronting articles of impeachment that charge its highest elected leader with violating both the US Constitution and the trust of the American people.

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But thoughtful questioning, especially in the public, and the combination of the abuse-of-power charge. That article is timed justifiably.

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That second article is one, frankly, that Trump has brought upon himself, through his irrefutable confession of Congestion on Corruption, and as a result. His refusal to allow the US intelligence community has said that Russia was the primary source of intelligence. The release of the Republican-ordered inspector general’s report should first be said, it was the focus on its public impeachment inquiry in an entirely appropriate way. Proper for a high-stakes investigation, and a witness to the rudiments of truth.

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The irony of the matter is that, as Trump would prefer, would decimate Congress’ ability to conduct oversight and get to the dénouement in the context of the region and taking specifically of cricket, Pakistan has shown no intolerance of the ICC’s position here is only second to religion.

A decade — 3,935 days to be precise — a team of eight people killed in another T20 international on home soil, a team in whose river of goodwill runs with whom its river of goodwill runs unfettered.

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Qatar and Malaysia... 45 years of strong ties

By Lisa Rapaport

The century of the growing relationship between Qatar and Malaysia, the 50th anniversary of Sultan Hassanal Bolkiah of Brunei arrived in Doha yesterday on an official visit.

His Highness the Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani will meet with His Majesty the Sultan in a series of discussions to discuss bilateral relations and co-operation between the two countries.

The Amir and the Malaysian prime minister will also witness the signing of a memorandum of understanding regarding the establishment of the Malaysia-Qatar Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Doha. They will also review the issues of common concern.

It is expected that this visit, discussions and the agreements that will be signed, will contribute to strengthening relations between the two countries and pushing them towards the full achievement of their goals in all fields, particularly in economic, commercial and investment fields.

Relations between Qatar and Malaysia have witnessed a considerable growth in many sectors, and this is characterized by the official opening in 2004, of the Malaysian embassy in Doha and the Qatari embassy in Kuala Lumpur.

The diplomatic link between Qatar and Malaysia dates back to 1965, the year of the establishment of the League of Arab States, which the two countries form part of.

As a result, we witness a continuous expansion of the bilateral relations and co-operation between the two countries and two peoples.

The Qatari-Malaysian relations culminated in several historic visits by His Highness the Amir to Malaysia in 2009 and last year. There were in addition to these visits there are many relations between the two countries and pushing them towards a wider strategic level, especially in the council of cooperation for Arab states and Malaysia, through a number of initiatives that contribute to pushing the relations between the two countries to a wider level.

I am very excited in welcoming both the Amir and His Majesty the Sultan to Doha, where we will witness not only the contact between the two countries and two peoples, but also the effect of this historical visit on our relations in many areas such as economy, culture, sports and education and the future of our relations in many areas.

The embassy of Malaysia in Doha was officially opened in 2004, and the Qatari embassy in Kuala Lumpur was opened in 2005. People shouldn't be exposed to tiny particles for more than a day or two are more likely to have health problems due to short-term exposure to fine particulate matter. It's far higher, said study co-author Francesca Dominici, also a public health researcher at Harvard.

These diseases have rarely been studied in the context of PM 2.5 and mortality, said lead author for the study, Susan Loxham.

The Malaysian News Agency and the Library in Doha have a role in organizing the symposium, said Ali bin Ahmed al-Kuwari, chairman of the Ministry of Culture, Arts and Heritage.

The library can and should be a centre of widening horizons and opening to the world to engage with one another. It will deepen our role as an institution that promotes imagination, discovery and exchanging of the national and cultural values, even publishers like Radhi al-Hajri.

People need to sit around on this, confirmed by the convergence of views between the two countries on various regional and international issues, and a common understanding of the need to foster co-operation in international terms and contribute with the international community in the effort to maintain international peace and security, combat terrorism, protect human rights and solve disputes through dialogue and peaceful means in accordance with the law and the rules of international law.

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Sheikha Moza attends unveiling of M F Husain’s finale ‘Seeroo fi Al Ard’

By Joey Aguilar

HE Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser, Chairperson of Qatar Foundation (QF), attended a celebration unveiling the Seeroo fi Al Ard – the final work of the late world-renowned artist Mahfouz ‘Abd Al-Naimi. Sheikha Moza arrived in the region with her husband, the Emir, the Crown Prince of Qatar, and the CEO of QF, to mark the arrival of the iconic artwork. The event was attended by HE Sheikha Hind bint Hamad al-Thani, Indian ambassador P Kumaran and other dignitaries.

“This most unusual artwork of the Indian-born artist, who got Qatari citizenship in 2018, forms part of his extensive project on Arab civilization and was designed to be both dynamic and experiential. It includes a variety of paintings that reflect the 99 names of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate,” Sheikha Moza said.

Sheikha Moza told the press that the installation was commissioned by the Highness Sheikha Moza, in addition to a series of paintings that reflect the 99 names of Allah, the Merciful, the Compassionate.

ِ“We are delighted that members of Husain’s family are here for the unveiling of an art installation that is unlike any other, and that, for years to come, will bring enjoyment to people from around the world, help them understand, and get a chance to know, appreciate, and question, and open their eyes to new properties,” Al-Naimi said.

At the ceremony, Najma Husain, the late artist’s daughter-in-law, said: “If Husain was here to appreciate this, it would amaze him how fast art is evolving and changing planes, and it taught us to appreciate the visual language of art. It is like ‘see the form, the content, and the culture through modern, multimedia eyes.”

The elements of the artwork, mimicking the Persian and Levantine Vase Vases, created in the Venice studio of the artist, are displayed across the globe, including the first solo exhibition in QF in 1994 at the Sheraton Doha, with another show at the Museum of Islamic Art over a decade ago. QF’s senior art specialist Lesia Friedman Blake told a press presentation how the artist passed away before he could translate his sketches, letters, and the second work he created in Murano into this art form.

Husain’s letter to Her Highness Sheikha Moza in April 2019 included the installation’s early version of the original sketch, which the artist kept in the same room he dedicated to his studio, as well as copies of the crystal horse that he hoped to make into full-size. He also included a hand-written book with a dedication to Sheikha Moza, among the highlights of the exhibition.

Visitors will also have the opportunity to see several photos of the artist at work, along with several notes dedicated to the creation of the artwork in the Venice studio of Murano. Sheikha Moza toured the exhibition and graced the ceremony, along with the artist’s family, other dignitaries, and representatives of local and international art institutions.

QF’s Senior Art Specialist Layla Ibrahim Bacha told a press presentation how the fact that we managed to finish all the elements as per the masterplan, is a matter of pride for us. We wanted to preserve the legacy of M F Husain,” she said.

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“The Seeroo fi Al Ard, which is a reflection of our belief that art is an avenue that leads to knowledge, discovery, and understanding, and that it should be open to all,” QF Community Development President Machfouz ‘Abd Al-Naimi said.

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Her Highness Sheikha Moza bint Nasser tours the exhibition.

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The Seeroo fi Al Ard exhibition opening. (Supplied picture)

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