Amir to visit Kuwait today

His Highness the Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani departs on his official visit to Kuwait today. He will hold talks with King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa of Bahrain.

Millions suffer from hunger in Yemen: UN

Yemen’s Cruz Vermelho, one of the few agencies serving those suffering from extreme hunger, themina, said an estimated 7mn people in the country were in need of assistance. The UN food agency, FAO, and its partners estimated that over the next few days, Australia’s tropical storm Oma had forced millions from their homes in northeast Australia, with authorities warning of further flooding over the next few days. Australia’s tropical storm Oma had forced millions from their homes in northeast Australia, with authorities warning of further flooding over the next few days. California’s Planetary Health Institute has partnered with the UN Food and Agriculture Organization’s Environment and Natural Resources Division to develop a system for measuring the health of ecosystems and the benefits they provide to society.

Organic vegetables and fresh produce

The Qatar government is urging farmers to boost their production of organic vegetables and fresh produce, amid a rising demand for its products. The Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, in a statement, said farmers were being encouraged to produce organic vegetables and fresh produce, with the ministry providing support and guidance. "The ministry encourages farmers to increase their production of organic vegetables and fresh produce, in line with the growing demand for these products in the local market," the statement said.

Local farms raising production this year

The Qatar market will also see a boom in organic vegetables, as the Qatari government has put in place a number of initiatives to support farmers and increase production. The government has set aside QR200mn to support farmers in the production of organic vegetables and fresh produce. The government has also provided technical support and guidance to farmers, with a number of technical support and guidance centers established across the country.

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Almoez’s stunner nominated for best goal of Asian Cup

Almoez Omrur, the Bangkok Plants forward, was named as the best goal of the Asian Cup after scoring a stunning free-kick from 30 yards in the 10th minute of the quarter-final match against Vietnam.

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QIC’s net profit surged 57% to reach QR864mn in 2018, with revenues reaching QR2.08bn, according to the company’s annual report. The report said the increase in net profit was driven by improved performance in all its segments, with a particular focus on the marine transport and logistics sector.

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He said the establishment of the BSX represents a significant milestone for the company, as it will help attract desperately needed investment to the region. The BSX will also help attract investors from around the world, he said, as it will provide a platform for businesses to conduct trade in the region.

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Halal Qatar Festival kicks off at Katara

The eighth edition of the Halal Qatar Festival was opened yesterday at Katara Cultural Village.

The opening of the event came “within its commitment to preserve and support the national heritage and assets,” Katara said in a statement.

Dr Khalid bin Ibrahim al-Sulaiti, general manager of Katara, also toured the southern area of Katara – the place of origin of Katara, which includes the Animal Market.

Sulaiti, who also toured the different pavilions and stalls in the festival area, said, “Halal Qatar Festival is growing year after year and it is a major event that brings together breeders and merchants from different countries as well.”

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Sulaiti further stated that Katara is responsible to educate the young generation about the importance of the national heritage and the best breeds of livestock. “Halal Qatar Festival is growing year after year, and it is a major event that brings together breeders and merchants from different countries as well.”

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Oryx GTL supports Aspire’s ‘Freestyle Aquatics’ initiative

Oryx GTL, yesterday signed a five-year partnership agreement with Aspire Zone Foundation (AZF) to sponsor Aspire’s pilot corporate social responsibility (CSR) initiatives for people with disabilities, Mariam al-Naemi, Aspire’s president of business development, and Al-Enazi, said: “This unique initiative is extremely important to us because it is bringing together Oryx GTL’s CSR co-ordinator and Freestyle Aquatics. Having Jojo Musa, two volunteer coaches from Freestyle Aquatics, come to Aspire as such a central pillar of our business creates a strong partnership that will benefit many of our clients.”

The support that Oryx GTL provides to this unique CSR programme will benefit more than 27 participants with special needs, aged four and above. They will be given customised training, adaptive experiences and individualised training sessions. Al-Enazi said Aspire Logistics director general Mohamed al-Enazi in the presence of officials including Oryx GTL’s co-founder and CEO, during the programme’s launch.

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The presence of officials including Oryx GTL’s co-founder and CEO Al-Enazi, Aspire’s president of business development Mariam al-Naemi, and Freestyle Aquatics director general Abdulla Nasser al-Naemi, were gathered to sign a celebratory banner with his combined signatures.

French envoy fetes Cup-winning team

His Highness the Father Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani was the first to open the Asian Cup celebrations when the college opened its doors for a public live-streaming of the match on the auditorium’s state-of-the-art screens. The big win comes at a time when the college has recently introduced a number of new facilities, including an upgrade of the football field.

Building on this success of Qatar’s national football team for winning the Asian Cup for the first time ever, the celebrations were held yesterday at College of the North Atlantic-Qatar College of the North Atlantic-Qatar (CNA-Q) yesterday at College of the North Atlantic-Qatar (CNA-Q) for its victorious 3-1 win over Japan. The main administration building was packed with students and staff showing their national pride, praising the football team for its victorious 3-1 win over Japan.

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Customers signing up for Mobile Broadband 90 will get an extra 1GB per month for 12 months, while customers subscribing to Mobile Broadband 120 will get an extra 2GB per month for 12 months.

On top of the free data, customers will also enjoy a free Starzplay subscription until June 31, 2019. Starzplay is an on-demand entertainment service that offers over 10,000 hours of the best Hollywood movies, documentaries, children's entertainment, same-day-as-the-US series, and Arabic content in full HD and 4K.

Manar Khalifa al-Muraikhi, director, PR and Corporate Communications at Ooredoo, said: “We’re delighted to be able to offer this new promotion to our mobile broadband customers, ensuring they’re able to access data and amazing entertainment content for longer at Supernet speeds.

“It’s a priority for us that we make the Supernet available to as many sectors of the community as possible, and offers such as these are a great way to make sure our customers get the best value for their money.”

To access the offer, customers need simply visit any Ooredoo shop, call 111, or download the Ooredoo app. Details are available online at ooredoo.qa.
QNTC signs Diamond Sponsor deal with UFI

Qatar’s National Tourism Council (QNTC) has signed a landmark sponsorship agreement with the UFI, the world’s leading association for the exhibition industry. Both parties also signed on to an accompanying joint work agreement, which looks to further strengthen and promote the 2019 UFI World Congress to be held in Doha.

Jafar Al-Hamad, Director of the QNTC, said in a statement: “This is an important milestone for the QNTC as it is the first time since 2011 that the UFI World Congress is being held in the Middle East. It is also the first time in the world that the UFI Congress is being held in Qatar – one of the leading destinations in the Middle East.”

Al-Hamad further highlighted the importance of this event to tourism: “This event is significant to the QNTC as it will provide our tourism sector with the opportunity to attract professional event planners from the world and build valuable partnerships with them. The QNTC is proud to be the first Middle Eastern Tourism Board to partner with the UFI and is confident that this event will set a new standard for exhibitions and conferences in this region.”

The UFI World Congress is scheduled to take place in Doha from October 3 to 5, 2019. It is expected to attract over 1,000 participants from over 40 countries. The Congress will feature a variety of presentations and workshops, focusing on the latest trends and developments in the exhibition industry.

Grazia Magazine holds exclusive tour at AAB Lexus

The guests in the AAB Lexus showroom for the event.

AAB Lexus in collaboration with Grazia Magazine held an exclusive tour at its showroom in Doha’s Dukhan Plaza to showcase the new Lexus UX.

The attendees were from various backgrounds such as local influencers, lawyers, artists, journalists, bloggers and even a female event representative of Grazia Magazine.

Grazia Magazine’s editor-in-chief, Grazia Mohamad, said: “We are very pleased for AAB Lexus’s invitation to welcome Grazia Magazine. This programme enables UFI to take on, develop and promote new activities, education, opportunities and networking.”

“Thank you QNTC for their support and look forward to developing a closer co-operation and understanding over the coming years,” he added.

Northwestern offers executive education programme on resilience, reputation

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Commercial Bank begins fast-track fund transfer to UK and Europe

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Funds transfer to the UK and Europe previously took up to 48 hours. The new service, which is available for transfers to the UK, Europe, Africa, and the Middle East, is expected to boost the bank’s customer base.

“With the launch of this fast-track remittance network, we are adding more countries to our service offering to all customers. The service will further enhance the position of our market-leading remittance and service to UK and Europe further,” said Amit Sah, executive general manager, Commercial Bank.

According to an expert from the World Health Organization (WHO), cancer is the second leading cause of death globally and was responsible for estimated 9.6 million deaths in 2018. In Qatar, the most recent data from the Cancer Registry shows that in 2015 there were 1,465 new patients diagnosed with cancer, of which 44% were female and 56% male.

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Doha Bank has collaborated with the Qatar Cancer Society (QCS) for an awareness session on cervical cancer for all its female employees during January, considered as Cervical Cancer Awareness Month. The session covered topics on symptoms, early detection, prevention methods, risk factors, and treatment of cervical cancer.

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ONL lines up activities to promote healthy lifestyle

Visitors can engage in a range of activities planned by Qatar National Library (QNL) this month. The continued efforts provide an opportunity for communities to learn more about Qatar, participating in fitness activities in celebration of Qatar National Sport Day and get advice on how to avoid common health issues, Qatar News Agency (QNA) has said in a statement. On February 6, wheelchair users can join "Onsah on Wheels" and enjoy an interactive, two-hour Sandra session with National Alliance, an inclusive sports and recreation organisation. The event aims to encourage Qataris to get involved in fitness and build the confidence of people with disabilities. The Library will launch "Healthcare in Qatar: Development and Maintenance" on February 11 to mark the opening of the exhibition charting "Healthcare in Qatar: Development and Challenges in the 20 Years", at the Library's Auditorium. The exhibition will run from February 11 to March 31.

Al Jazeera English returns to Link TV on Feb 11

Link TV, a national indie non-commercial satellite television network in the US, recently announced its new lineup of global news shows with nine news bulletins and Al Jazeera News. Link TV will offer both Al Jazeera English and Arabic news services to American viewers through its satellite and streaming service. The network will be on at the main entrance of the library to attract the interest of the Qatari community. These shows will be offered at a discounted price for the Qatari community.
UN warns Yemen’s warring sides truce in jeopardy

The head of the UN mission to Yemen, Martin Griffiths, rebuffed government and Houthi sources who said that a seven-week ceasefire in the Red Sea port city of Hodeidah was fragile and urged them to order their commanders on the ground to uphold the truce.

Yemen’s Houthi rebels on Monday, February 4, 2019, accused the Arab-bloc-aligned government of failing in its promise to extend a fragile ceasefire after accusing its commander of threatening to break it.

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Al Shafallah Center empowers persons with disabilities for labour market

Chief Executive Officer of Qatar Foundation, Dr. Ahmad Al-Sayed, and Shafallah Center for Persons with Disabilities executive director, Hanadi Al-Muntaser, have announced an initiative to empower persons with disabilities in Qatar. The initiative will begin with the creation of a workforce that can perform jobs that were previously reserved for able-bodied individuals.

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Trump says US aid for Venezuela is ‘an option’

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - US President Donald Trump on Sunday raised the possibility of providing military aid to Venezuela if the Latin American nation does not hold elections that Western powers consider to be free and fair.

If Venezuela does not hold “free and fair elections,” Trump said on CBS’s “Face the Nation” that Washington could “do whatever is necessary” to ensure an “组织开展 presidential elections, “he said.

Trump stopped short of specifying what that might look like, but added that “if there’s a core process we can do that.”

In his interview, Trump said he had consulted with US Defense Secretary Mark Esper and Secretary of State Mike Pompeo before making the comments.

At the time he made the comments, however, the Venezuela government of President Nicolas Maduro had already said it would not hold elections as required by its constitution - and has not announced a new date for elections for the National Assembly, which Maduro’s party controls.

Venezuelan opposition leader Juan Guaido, who has the backing of many Western nations, has called for early legislative elections as “a sign of unrest in the ranks.

Trudeau says aid flowing to Venezuela

OTTAWA (Reuters) - Canada’s Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said on Sunday aid would continue flowing to Venezuela even if the Latin American nation’s government did not hold presidential elections that opposition parties consider free and fair.

“Certainly, it’s something that’s going to happen,” Trudeau said in an interview with CTV.

The Canadian leader added that aid would continue to Venezuela even if “there’s a core process we can do that.”

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AFP

Two men were killed and 17 others were injured when a train derailed and crashed into a fuel tank in China.

The accident happened on Monday when the passenger train carrying around 600 people derailed near the town of Tongnan in Zhejiang province.

The train, which was traveling between Hangzhou and Suzhou, derailed at around 4:30 pm local time and hit a fuel tank that caught fire.

The fire was extinguished after around an hour but the train continued to emit smoke.

At least 17 people were injured in the accident, according to local authorities.

A local official said the train was traveling at a speed of about 60 kilometers per hour when it derailed.

Rescue workers and medical staff were rushed to the scene to provide medical assistance.

The accident is under investigation.
Ex-SNP MP starts Scottish independence polling initiative

**Guardian News and Media**

A new polling organisation dedicated to measuring Scottish public opinion on independence has been launched by a former SNP MP.

Nicola Harlow, who served as the SNP’s MP for Edinburgh West from 2005 to 2015, is the founder of the Scottish Nationality Opinion polls (SNOOP).

The initiative is the first of its kind in Scotland and is being backed by a group of experts from the sociology, psychology, statistics and political science domains.

The first poll, which was released on Tuesday, found that 43% of Scots in North Ayrshire (the seat which Harlow represented) would vote in favour of Scottish independence, while 38% would vote against.

Harlow said: “The Scottish public opinion needs to be recorded. It’s important to have a poll which is accurate and can be trusted. People need to know what their views are and whether they are changing.”

SNOOP was formed after a meeting of academics and key figures in the Scottish independence movement, who agreed that there was a need for a poll that could accurately measure opinion on the issue.

The first poll was conducted online in North Ayrshire and was designed to be representative of the constituency’s age, gender, education and employment characteristics.

**Family shares DNA to help identify body**

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Macron eyeing May date for referendum: report

Germans will order a new warplane after years of delays, breaking a spending freeze that has left the armed forces with outdated planes. It is expected that the German government will order a new fighter jet this spring, which would be the first significant defense spending in a decade. The decision is based on a recommendation from the armed forces' top commander, who has been calling for new planes for years. The new jets will replace the current F-18s, which are more than 30 years old and have been considered obsolete. The new planes will be manufactured by the European defense company Airbus, and are expected to cost around €10 billion. The decision is seen as a major step towards improving the armed forces' capabilities, and is expected to be welcomed by many in Germany.
BJP carrying out political vendetta, says Mamata

PM Modi in Jammu today. Mamata Banerjee says this is an instance of the BJP trying to carry out political vendetta.

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Japanese confluence top award on Hamidcard chief

Took the Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Roses with Neck Ribbon from Japan's Foreign Minister Taro Kono for promoting cultural relations and mutual understanding between the two countries. The Foreign Minister told the Pakistan Observer's correspondent in Tokyo that he has received a message from the Japanese government expressing its appreciation for the leadership and efforts of the new leader of Pakistan. Mr. Kono referred to his discussions with the new leadership and to the potential for enhanced cooperation between the two countries.

PML-N senator rejects rumours of dealings with Sharif, govt

ISLAMABAD: In his statement, a member of the PML-N, Dr. Muhammad Raza, denied the reports of any dealings with former Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif or the current government. He stated that the party's position is strong and that it will continue to support the democratic process. Dr. Raza further emphasized the party's commitment to the principles of the Constitution and the rule of law.

Clipart on buildings failing fire safety norms

The Pakistan Observer has been informed by the Ministry of Public Health that a major fire safety audit has been carried out in various parts of the country. The audit has revealed that many buildings do not comply with the prescribed norms and regulations. The Ministry has recommended that the buildings be brought into compliance with the norms within a given timeframe. The government has also directed the relevant authorities to take immediate action to ensure the safety of the public.

Bilawal jokes about questions regarding his marriage

PABLO PINTO

He was speaking during the Meet-the-Presidents Programme of the Karachi Press Club. In response to a query, he joked that the benefits of a marriage in an electoral campaign is not in working condition. He said that the department has directed the relevant authorities to take immediate action to ensure the safety of the public.

Ministry to sell 15 aircraft acquired for pest control

The government of Pakistan has allowed the aircraft, along with open purchase, to be acquired by the government. According to the Minister for Aviation, the aircraft have been acquired for a specific purpose, and the government has paid for them. The aircraft will be sold at a price that is competitive and will have no hidden costs. The government has also directed the relevant authorities to take immediate action to ensure the safety of the public.

"They said that the department would issue challans to the owners of high-rise buildings to start processes of shutting the building down," he said.

Participants run yesterday during the Commissioner Karachi Marathon race to promote peace.

"They let it fall to the ground and said it would not be in working condition," he added in the statement, released in Karachi by the Pakistan Observer.
Expanding mini-labour summits

Labour groups to hold march in push for bill against contractualisation

By Dempsey Reyes

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different labour groups will hold a joint demonstration on Thursday, April 4, in support of the approved version of the Bill of Employees Rights and Social Security (BEERS) that mandates the protection of workers, especially those in contractual relations.

The proposed Expanded Maternity Leave (EML) bill seeks to increase the maternity leave period for expectant mothers, under the condition that the pregnancy is between 45 days before the end of their maternity leave and 45 days after the delivery.

The bill also allows seven days from the 105 paid leave days for women who gave birth through caesarean section.

Mothers can claim the leave benefit for only up to 180 days from the date of delivery, which is the maximum duration of leave under the Philippines' Social Security System (SSS). The leave benefit is capped at 70% of the average contribution of the employee for the three years prior to the year of the birth of the child, or 25% of the average daily wage of the worker for the purpose of the benefit.

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Applications invited for Tamuq’s fall enrolment

Texas A&M University at Qatar (Tamuq) has said that it will accept applications for the fall 2019 semester for freshmen until March 1. Interested students may visit the Texas A&M Engineering Building at Education City and meet with staff members in the Office of Admissions. Admissions officers and admission officers are available to meet students and explain application requirements and the admission process every Tuesday through Thursday, from 10 am to 4 pm. Tamuq has said in a statement.

Students at Tamuq receive the same education as students at Texas A&M University in College Station, allowed against enrolled on the main campus. The French campus often training and a strong student enrolment in chemical engineering, electrical engineering, mechanical engineering and petroleum engineering from leading among the top American universities for education and research.

Mohamed Daeef, associate dean, electrical and computer engineering major, said: “I joined Texas A&M University at Qatar’s ME programme in 2015 because I wanted to become an engineer. What attracted me to Texas A&M is the world-renowned engineering programmes that develop exemplary engineers and leaders through internationally respected undergraduate and graduate programmes.

“The university has helped me in unlocking my potential,” he added. Another senior, petroleum engineering major Abdul Sattar Al-Kahala, added: “I have developed academically, professionally and personally. The rigor academic curriculum taught me how to think critically and efficiently. The Apple that values values are high integrity, respect and sellers. I have become a better person. Prospective students have become aware of the high demand for professional engineers worldwide, and they are interested in Texas A&M at Qatar’s world-renowned professional engineering programmes that develop exemplary engineers and leaders through internationally respected undergraduate and graduate programmes. They are among the best in their fields, and students have access to a state-of-the-art engineering facilities and labs, the statement adds.

Abdel Aal Aly, director of admissions at Texas A&M at Qatar, said: “I encourage students who are interested in engineering, mechanical engineering and petroleum engineering that demanded for professional engineers and leaders through internationally respected undergraduate and graduate programmes. They are among the best in their fields, and students have access to a state-of-the-art engineering facilities and labs, the statement adds.

Prospective students can contact the Texas A&M at Qatar admissions office at +974 44230043 or visit the Texas A&M at Qatar website www.exploretamuq.com

QF holds activities for staff ahead of Sport Day

A group of Qatar residents, belonging to the Visual Arts Forum India (VAFI), has created paintings of “Historical Monuments of India” in conjunction with the Ministry of Municipality and Environment, and supported by Qatar’s Community Engagement team. The paintings depicting historical monuments of India will be displayed at events related to Qatar-India cultural Year 2019. The artists are Alkaliika Li
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The works were displayed at the museum of the Indian High

Corniche tidied up in ‘record time’

The Ministry of Municipality and Environment’s (MME) Public Hygiene Department has concluded a 24-hour campaign to tidy up the Corniche area following Saturday’s celebrations marking the return of the Qatar football team after winning the Asian Cup 2019.

In total, some 36 tonnes of waste were removed from the Corniche area, the MME said in a statement yesterday.

The clean-up continued until 4am yesterday, ensuring that the area was returned to its normal state before people left for work yesterday morning.

“After the grand public re-
ception of the Asian Cup 2019
champions at the Corniche, it was our job to make the area neat and tidy,” the MME’s Public Hygiene Department said.

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