**BUSINESS**

**QIDCRI signs deal to become hub for dispute resolution**

QIDCRI has signed an agreement with the World Trade Organization to become a dispute-resolution hub. The agreement will enable QIDCRI to handle disputes related to international trade, facilitating faster and more efficient resolution of trade disputes.

**ARAB WORLD**

**Qatar hosts MSC Core Group Meeting**

Under the patronage of His Highness the Amir, Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani, Doha will host the MSC Core Group Meeting, which will be attended by representatives of governments, international organisations, and other stakeholders. The meeting will discuss the latest developments in the MSCs and their role in ensuring sustainable management of marine resources. The meeting will be held on November 7 at the Qatar National Convention Centre, which is a key venue for international conferences and events. The MSC Core Group Meeting will bring together key stakeholders to discuss the challenges and opportunities in the marine sector, focusing on the role of sustainable management in addressing the needs of present and future generations. The meeting will also be a platform for sharing best practices and promoting international cooperation in the field of marine conservation.

**PHILIPPINES**

**PM meets Chinese ambassador**

The Philippine Prime Minister met with the Chinese ambassador to discuss bilateral relations and cooperation. The discussions focused on a range of issues, including trade, investments, and cultural exchanges. The Chinese ambassador expressed the desire to further strengthen the bilateral ties and enhance mutual understanding and respect. The meeting took place in the diplomatic quarter of Makati, where the Chinese embassy is located, and was attended by high-ranking officials from both sides. The discussions highlighted the importance of cooperation in promoting peace, stability, and prosperity in the region.

**SPORT**

**Ton-up Sharma stars as India beat Pakistan in World Cup**

Sharma's century set up India's victory over Pakistan in the World Cup. Sharma, who scored 105 runs off 120 balls, was supported by Kohli, who scored 62 runs off 64 balls. The team's all-round performance, including the bowling of Chahal and the batsmanship of Sharma, helped India secure a comprehensive victory.

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**In brief**

**Norway improves healthcare system**

Norway has improved its healthcare system by introducing a new cancer drug treatment plan. The plan will focus on improving patients' quality of life and reducing waiting times for treatment. The government has allocated funds to support the implementation of the plan, and healthcare professionals have been trained to provide better care.

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Qatar Airways Chairman and CEO Akbar Al Baker met the Chinese ambassador to Qatar, Li Chen, yesterday. During the meeting, they discussed the bilateral relations and ways of enhancing their cooperation.

Qatar condemns bombings on Somalia border

Qatar expressed its strong condemnation and denunciation of the latest two suicide car bombs targeting two security checkpoints in the vicinity of the Garowl district, northeast of the capital Mogadishu, and a Khayr al-Din police vehicle that was carrying a number of police officers, noting that the terrorist organizations continue to perpetrate such terrorist acts on a regular basis.

WISH takes lead role in empowering nurses

The WISH (World Innovation for Health) report identified a lack of nurses globally by 2030 and the need for nurses to play a lead role in shaping policy as a serious opportunity for nurses to lead healthcare leaders, and to have the chance to share knowledge with policymakers, to meet the WHO chief, and to participate in a meaningful conversation.

Qatar takes part in ESCWA executive committee meeting

The delegation of Qatar was also elected as a part of the International Council of Nurses delegation to the main World Health Assembly session, the first time nurses have representatives at such an official platform. The Partnerships Manager at WISH, Nicki Henderson, added, “It is an exciting and welcome development, but there is still more to be done to promote the profession of nursing and so we are delighted to have partnered with them for the first time at the World Health Assembly meeting.”

Our Doha summit is now an essential fixture of the global healthcare calendar, but it is impossible to measure the number of opportunities we identify key issues highlighted in the WISH report, which partners with the global Nursing Now Campaign and the International Council of Nurses to partnered with the global Nursing Now Campaign and the International Council of Nurses to partnered with the global Nursing Now Campaign and the International Council of Nurses to partnered with the global Nursing Now Campaign and the International Council of Nurses to partnered with the global Nursing Now Campaign and the International Council of Nurses to partnered with the global Nursing Now Campaign and the International Council of Nurses to partnered with the global Nursing Now Campaign and the International Council of Nurses to partnered with the global Nursing Now Campaign and the International Council of Nurses to partnered with the global Nursing Now Campaign and the International Council of 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Qatar reiterates support for people with disabilities at UN forum

Qatar participated in the 31st session of the Conference of States Parties on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities held at the United Nations in New York. Qatar was represented by head of family affairs at the Ministry of Administrative Development, Labour and Social Affairs, Najat al-Nuaimi, advocate on disability affairs.

In his speech, Dr. Khaled Ali al-Nuaimi, the director of the National Committee for Road Safety, said that Qatar's national commitment to ensure the implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities is fully reflected in the commitments made at the 30th session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, including the Amiri Decision No 147 of 2013, which provides for the establishment of the National Committee for the Disabled (NCOD). The NCOD, in turn, provides for the implementation of Article III of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. The NCOD is responsible for overseeing the implementation of the rights of persons with disabilities in Qatar.

On the sidelines of the session, the permanent representative of Qatar to UN, health and human-based technology exchange, said that Qatar is committed to ensuring that people with disabilities have equal opportunities and are able to participate in all aspects of life. Qatar is committed to ensuring that people with disabilities have equal opportunities and are able to participate in all aspects of life.

The Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities is the main forum for governments to report on their implementation of the Convention and to exchange information on best practices. The conference also provides a platform for civil society organizations to bring their concerns and experiences to the United Nations.

Envoys: Italian trade with Qatar up 21%

Qatar's Ministry of Foreign Affairs' special envoy, Reem Al Maliki Al-Mannai, met with the Iranian ambassador to Qatar and discussed the Bel front line in the context of the ongoing Middle East crisis. The meeting was aimed at promoting bilateral trade and investment between Qatar and Iran, as well as fostering political and diplomatic relations.

The meeting also discussed the role of the United Nations in the region, and the need for a stable and peaceful environment. Al-Mannai reiterated Qatar's commitment to the principles of the UN charter and its support for the rights of all people, including those with disabilities.

On the economic front, Al-Mannai said that Qatar is keen on expanding its trade with Iran and that it is working to remove any obstacles to trade and investment. She also emphasized the importance of bilateral cooperation in various fields, such as energy, technology, and education.

The meeting concluded with a commitment to maintain close relations between Qatar and Iran, and to continue to work together to achieve common goals.

Qatar wins CIHT award for road safety management

Qatar won the 2022 Global One Project in Doha. The project, entitled “Road Safety and Sustainable Transport Management in Qatar,” was developed in collaboration with the Civil Defence and the Supreme Committee for Delivery and Legacy (SCoDel). The project aimed to improve road safety and sustainable transport management in Qatar.

The project included the establishment of a comprehensive transport management system, the implementation of road safety measures, and the promotion of sustainable transport solutions. It also aimed to increase awareness among road users about the importance of road safety and the benefits of sustainable transport solutions.

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School built by Qatar Charity in Somalia opens

The minister of education and higher education in Somalia, Minister1 Hassan, thanked Qatar Charity (QC) in the city of Garowe and funded by benefactor Qatar for their generous support towards the students and the education. Mr. Hassan said that residents and students will have the opportunity to watch top musicians from different cultures perform live in Cedar from 1pm until midnight. He also noted that the festival is a great opportunity for the students from Garowe to consider the ‘Bedouin of the village’ Vangelis, Ritesh Thorpe, and Indian palace master music of Bollywood songwriter Vishal Dadlani, as well as Bollywood’s finalists winning Rhythm Arrangers and Masters of Percussion, and Cafieri & Adam of Cafe Studio fame.

Minister of Culture meets ambassador of Poland

The minister of culture and sport, Minister2 Hassan, met with Poland’s ambassador to Qatar Janusz Piotr Kowalski at the hotel. They discussed aspects of co-operation between the two countries in the cultural and sports fields, and ways to enhance them.

Bollywood treat for Qatar residents and visitors on World Music Day

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Vodafone carrier billing now available for Apple range of services

Vodafone Qatar has announced that its customers can now pay for Apple apps, Apple Music and iTunes purchases across Apple devices via carrier billing, providing “a safe, secure and convenient payment method to users,” Qatar’s growing demand for mobile payments.

Sign-up for carrier billing takes a few simple steps, the telecommunications provider said in a statement.

Vodafone Qatar customers need to have a new or existing Apple ID, and can activate ‘Carrier Billing’ after paying

The service is available starting now on Apple devices in Qatar, including iPhone, iPad, iPod touch and Mac, and on iTunes from their PCs.

Once ‘Carrier Billing’ has been activated, all future purchases with the Apple ID on the carrier account will be charged as part of the customer’s monthly bill, according to the consumer’s payment account, eliminating the need to enter a credit card at checkout.

The new payment option is currently available automatically and immediately on all Apple devices purchased from Vodafone Qatar, as well as any future purchases from all Apple devices, including Apple TV and Apple Watch.

This includes purchases of apps, music, books, TV shows and Apple Music subscriptions and iCloud storage.

For more information on how to set up carrier billing, one can visit www.vodafone-qatar.qa.

VCUarts Qatar to start summer art and design programme on June 29

Virginia Commonwealth University School of the Arts in Qatar (VCUarts Qatar) in Education City has launched the 2019 edition of its summer art and design programmes for children and high school students.

The classes will start on June 29 and run until early August. VCUarts Qatar said the programme is structured to teach students about the fundamentals of various art techniques such as animation, 3D, graphic design and 2D design, by playing, printing, video-making, fashion illustration, robots and more, according to the statement.

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For example, in the ‘Design and Print Your Own V-Can’ class, students aged eight to 12 years will design and print their own mousepads and magnets.

In the ‘Introduction to Pottery’ class for students aged 15 years and above, students will make as many as 126 building completion certificates, as many as 40 were in Al Khor, 30 each in Doha and Al Daayen, 17 in Al Wakra, seven in Umm Slal, four in Al Shamal, three in Al Shamal East and two in Al Daayen.

Of the 67 housing loans completion certificates issued, Al Khor received as many as 26 certificates, Al Daayen (10), Doha, Al Diwan (nine) and Al Shamal (four, each) and Al Daayen (two).

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According to Qatar’s Ministry of Commerce and Industry, the violations pertained to regulations for public hygiene and the Ministry of Municipality and Environment’s (MME) Mechanical Equipment and Public Cleanliness departments.
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Gummen on motorcycles kill 34 villagers in Nigeria

**TERROR**

Gunmen on motorcycles have killed 34 villagers in Nigeria's Katsina State, police said Sunday.

Police said the attack occurred in the town of Tungar Kafau, about 68 kilometers (42 miles) north of Katsina city, the capital of the northern Katsina State. The police said the attackers were on motorcycles and armed with guns, and that the attack was carried out between 0800 and 1000 local time on Saturday.

The police said they launched a manhunt for the attackers and urged residents to be vigilant and report any suspicious activity.

Thirteen people were killed and 21 others were injured in the attack, the police said.

**AFP**

US does not want war with Iran

**POLITICS**

US President Donald Trump on Monday said he wants to avoid a conflict with Iran and that the US does not want war with the Islamic republic.

"We want to avoid war," Trump told reporters in the Rose Garden of the White House.

Trump has repeatedly expressed concern about Iran's nuclear program and its support for militant groups in the region, but he has also said he would prefer to avoid a direct confrontation with Iran.

"We want to stay out of conflict," Trump said.

**TERROR**

Pompeo says US does not want war with Iran

**GOVERNMENT**

US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo said Monday that the US does not want war with Iran and that the US is open to dialogue.

"We want to do everything possible to avoid war," Pompeo said on the Fox News Sunday program.

Pompeo said the US is ready to talk to Iran and other countries about the Middle East crisis, but he said the US is not willing to negotiate with Iran until the US sees evidence of "behavior change" from the Iranian government.

**EDUCATION**

Education amid conflict

**REGION/ARAB WORLD/AFRICA**

Two Afghan journalists beaten by separatist bomb group

**TERROR**

Two Afghan journalists were beaten by separatists in the country’s south on Tuesday, according to the Afghan Journalists’ Union.

The journalists, identified as Hadi Alizada and Nabiullah Alizada, were attacked in the city of Kandahar, the union said.

The attack comes amid a surge in violence in Afghanistan, where the Taliban and other insurgent groups have been ramping up their activities.

**REGION/ARAB WORLD/AFRICA**

Somali journalists’ group slams police ‘threats’

**CRIME**

The Somali Journalists’ Union has condemned what it says are threats by Somali police to journalists.

Theunion said in a statement that the threats by police were "a threat to freedom of expression and a violation of journalists’ rights.

The union called on the government to "take immediate action to stop such threats and ensure the safety of journalists.

**REGION/ARAB WORLD/AFRICA**

Four Cameroon cops killed by separatist bomb group

**TERROR**

Four Cameroon police officers were killed by separatist bomb group Ambazonia in the country’s south on Wednesday.

The bomb group said in a statement that it had targeted the officers in the city of Bamenda, the capital of Cameroon’s Northwest region, in revenge for a recent attack by Cameroon’s army on Ambazonia fighters.

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Trump trails Biden in Fox poll

by Catherine Tenbrunsel, AFP

New York

Michael Kid, now 46-year-old, a native of Wellington, New Zealand, who has struggled with PTSD since his service in the military, shared his thoughts on the issue of mental health and the importance of supporting those who have fought for our country. Kid emphasized that mental health is essential to a huge range of activities, and urged people to support initiatives that aim to make a positive impact.

The award-winning New York Times bestselling author, who has authored several books on mental health, said, "We can't just ignore the issue of mental health. It's quite a process actually, creating the right environment for people to feel comfortable and to seek help. It's important to recognize that mental health is an essential part of overall well-being."

"I think we can win in Texas, Florida, Wisconsin, and Michigan, and some of the other battleground states," the self-styled "ballot-box terrorist" said in a campaign video released yesterday on social media.

But despite Biden's early lead, the race for the White House remains closely contested, with both candidates continuing to campaign vigorously. Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden has been leading in most recent polls, but the race is far from over.

Green groups ramp up legal attacks on federal oil leases

by Nicholas Green, Reuters

Washington

U.S. environmental groups fought belligerent development of oil and gas in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in 2016, under a violating lawsuit that the new administration is considering. The groups plan to challenge the leases using federal resources.

The planning process has been accelerated, according to the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Land Management (BLM), because the government can't lease areas before responding to what some public-interest groups call “frivolous” protests and lawsuits challenging the plan.

There is no avenue to file protests against federal leases located in a region set aside specifically for wildlife protection. But the groups are also a pesky nuisance for fossil fuel developers, who face challenges in trying to consider public grumblings in their drilling plans.

Some of the resulting suits have yielded judgments that stifle drilling in areas such as Wyoming and Utah.

“If we’ve already seen a surge in litigation in the last decade,” said lunch Nichols, a executive director of the Wilderness Society.

The president has downplayed the issue, saying “that’s going to be a political issue,” but the new administration is considering a freeze on future oil and gas leasing, a proposal that has been a priority of environmental groups for years.

The administration has faced criticism from some wildlife advocates, who say the proposal is a “slippery slope” that could lead to greater environmental harm. The groups have made public appeals to the administration to reconsider its plans.

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Canada backs a startup to boost data on space debris

by Andrew Stein, Reuters

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Bangladesh cop held for failing to probe teenager's allegations

AFP Dhaka

A

senior Bangladesh police officer has been arrested after failing to properly investigate a teenage girl’s murder, after she was sexually assaulted and beaten to death by a teenage boy, who was later found guilty of the crime.

The 17-year-old girl was reportedly sexually assaulted and beaten to death by a 16-year-old boy in September. After the murder, the boy was arrested and charged with murder.

However, the police officer who was in charge of the investigation has now been arrested on charge of negligence.

The officer, who is a senior police officer in the Dhaka Metropolitan Police (DMP), was asked to file a report on the case after the boy was arrested.

But the officer failed to file a report, and was later transferred to a different department.

The boy was found guilty of murder and sentenced to death in March.

The officer was arrested on Saturday after the boy was executed.

He has been presented to the court and will be produced in court on Sunday.
China prepared for long trade fight with the US, says party journal

**Second cracked tower in Sydney sparks fears about building rules**

Two light aircraft collided mid-air in a Sydney suburb on Monday, leaving both pilots, police said. Four residents in a nearby unit were taken to hospital with minor injuries.

The crash is the second involving light aircraft to occur in a month in the Sydney region. A major review into building and construction codes is expected to be announced later this year. It comes after a series of collapses and incidents in recent weeks.

The Civil Aviation Safety Authority said the aircraft were light planes, but did not disclose further details. It was not immediately clear whether the planes were carrying passengers.

People react at a site where a flat from a building that was part of the Pacific Place complex was involved in a suspected mid-air collision in Hong Kong. The flats were occupied by pro-democracy protesters for months.

**Hong Kong leader apologises as record protest choked city**

In his first major speech since protests engulfed the city, Lam Cheng Yuet-ngor, the chief executive officer, said he was “deeply sorry for the inconvenience and anxiety caused by the current situation.”

The comments came as police fired tear gas and rubber bullets to disperse thousands of protesters who gathered in the streets on Tuesday to condemn the police’s handling of the previous day’s protests, which were the largest in Hong Kong in years.

Lam’s remarks are the first official acknowledgement by the government that the police had acted inappropriately during the protests, which have caused widespread disruption and anxiety.

**Japan town trying to recycle all its waste**

Many parts of Japan already require separation of rubbish, but most areas have just a few categories, with the bulk of household waste going to incinerators.

The town of Tsukano, in the prefecture of Shiga, has started a pilot project to recycle all its waste, including organic, paper, plastic, glass and metal.

The town has been collecting separate waste for over a decade, but this is the first time it has attempted to recycle everything.

At the town’s waste facility, there are four bins for different types of waste, and they are collected on a daily basis.

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Extinction Rebellion puts off Heathrow drone protest

HUNTS

Emergency services have warned that the latest Extinction Rebellion (XR) protest at Heathrow airport will cause "widespread disruption" that will "last for days". UK Transport Secretary Grant Shapps, who met with XR leaders last week, described the protests as having a "negative impact on the public".

XR has said it will continue its protests until the government agrees to its demands for a "climate emergency" to be declared, a net zero carbon target and a stop on new airport expansions.

The group has previously used drones to deliver messages to the airport, but this is the first time it has used large-scale protests to disrupt the airport.

Robbie Wratten, a member of XR, said: "Our protest will bring the蓋tway to a halt. It is a symbolic gesture to show the world that we will not give up on our demands for a climate emergency to be declared and a net zero carbon target."

The airport has said it will "continue to work with the police to ensure the safety of all those involved in the protests".

The protest is expected to start at 10am and continue for several days. The airport has been closed to all flights and the M25 has been closed to all traffic.

EEF

Trump attacks Khan on Twitter

US President Donald Trump yesterday launched a fresh attack on London mayor Sadiq Khan, linking him with a right-wing British columnist who has previously written about a "climate emergency" and a "global Islamo-pocalypse".

In a tweet directed at Khan, Trump said: "Sadiq Khan is a disaster — will he fire his moronic and political climate change chief?"

Khan has previously said he would not remove his chief of staff, Jonathan Bartley, who is also an XR leader.

The mayor has said he would take legal action against Trump if he continued his attacks.

Guardian News and Media

Trump has been accused of "bullying" Khan over the protests, which have been held at Heathrow airport in recent months.

Trump's tweets come days after Khan announced that he will not attend the US leader's state visit to London, which is due to take place on July 13.

Khan had earlier said he would not attend the visit, but Trump's tweets appear to suggest he is reconsidering his decision.

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Hundreds of homes evacuated after flood

Hundreds of homes have been evacuated after heavy rainfall in the east of England.

The Met Office has issued a yellow warning for heavy rain for parts of the east coast, with the risk of flooding in low-lying areas.

The agency said that "significant" damage to roads and homes could occur, with "life-threatening" incidents possible.

The flood warnings come after a period of wet weather, with flash floods reported in the south west and northern England.

So far, more than 200 homes have been affected by flooding, with some reports of "life-threatening" incidents.

Elsewhere, a number of roads have been closed due to flooding, and some communities have been cut off.

In Kent, residents have been advised to stay indoors and avoid driving, while in Essex, the county council has told residents to check their flood warnings.

Death toll from eating hospital sandwiches rises

The death toll from eating hospital sandwiches has risen to four, as the government launched an investigation into the outbreak.

The outbreak has affected at least 220 people, with 19 hospital workers and two members of the public affected.

The government has ordered an urgent inquiry into the outbreak, which has been linked to pre-packed sandwiches and salads.

Health Secretary Matt Hancock said: "This is a serious outbreak, and we are doing everything possible to protect the public and bring the outbreak to a swift conclusion."

The outbreak has been linked to a number of hospitals, including the Royal Infirmary in Edinburgh, which has confirmed that a further five people have been treated for the outbreak.

Scotland's First Minister Nicola Sturgeon said the NHS would review the outbreak to learn lessons.

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Johns Hopkins University's data shows that the number of deaths related to the coronavirus has surpassed 500,000 worldwide.

The data, which is based on media reports and government releases, shows that the US has recorded the highest number of deaths, with over 100,000 reported.

The number of deaths in the UK is also increasing, with the latest data showing that the country has recorded over 40,000 deaths.

The data also shows that the number of deaths in other countries is also on the rise, with over 300,000 deaths reported in Europe and over 200,000 in Latin America.

The data is based on media reports and government releases, and is subject to change as new information becomes available.

Guardian News and Media

US actor Tom Hanks poses on the red carpet upon arriving at the Film premiere of Toy Story 4 in London yesterday.

The premiere was held at the Odeon Luxe in Leicester Square, and was attended by the cast and crew of the film, which is set to be released later this year.

Hanks, who plays the character Woody, said: "I'm so excited to be here in London for the premiere of Toy Story 4. It's been a great experience working with the talented cast and crew."

The film is the fourth in the Toy Story series, and follows the adventures of the toys as they try to get back home to Andy.
Far-right bid to capture first German town fails

Danes become first foreigners to win German mayor’s seat

France launches tria...
A day ahead of the commencement of budget session, Prime Minister Narendra Modi yesterday urged political parties to keep collective responsibilities alive and not disrupt the two houses of parliament.

Addressing political leaders in New Delhi, he said, "There can be no question of disrupting both the houses in Parliament. This will not serve any purpose."

The prime minister welcomed the reassembly of parliament by the opposition parties, observed that "they might not work collectively with the government, but they will have a functioning parliament.

"The prime minister welcomed the meeting of political parties. I think all political parties who have presented hopes that food and supply would be impacted and functioning of the parliament. Six days ago, the talks turned incoherent whether they were able to find a way out of the impasse in their representation.

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Noting that the country would celebrate the 75th anniversary of its independence in 2022 and the 70th birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi in 2021, Pralhad said, "We have to think about the sacrifices of our freedom fighters."

"There is a possibility that something is happening in the saffron culture. We are trying to keep the saffron marked with the common people of the country for the fair, the aim was to promote our homegrown crafts, " the designer believes such an approach will help boost the business of the craft sector.

"With India being the partner in the world over. "Why do we need to raise questions on the growing tourism activities, the tourism of the world is not limited to one or two countries, it is the culture, the creator and owner of an aesthetic culture, rather than only a manufacturing centre, " says Kasliwal.

"And the creator of such a culture can help boost the business of the craft sector. Once we have a ministry, we will be able to work with consistency and to promote our homegrown crafts, " Kasliwal said.

"In the budget session, the Lok Sabha would have 30 and 27 sittings, respectively."

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Trelling doctors in West Bengal, Indraneel Mondal declared that he would hold on to talks with Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee to resolve the impasse and continue his protest following the withdrawal of nine ordinances and six resolutions of the current term in the state assembly. The doctors have sought an unconditional apology from Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee and demanded adequate security and protection from the West Bengal government to meet their demands.

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**Karnataka seeks central funds for relief works**

R aying under severe drought and delay in the distribution of monsoon rains, a group of farmers from 14 districts across the state from the central government to find relief works in the state, as an official yesterday said: “Chief Minister H. D. Kumaraswamy urged Prime Minister Narendra Modi to forward the application to the Union government to provide relief to thousands of farmers who are reeling under drought and losses.”


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**Villagers flee as water crisis deepens amid intense heat**

F amilies have been evacuating their homes in rural villages of the Indian state of Maharashtra as temperatures continue to rise with global heating and populations growing, states in India will experience harsher water shortages and will need to find clever solutions to ensure there is enough water for all.

**Bihar heatwave claims 32 lives**

D eadly heat waves have claimed the lives of at least 32 people in the Indian state of Bihar, with 1,472 deaths in the country overall, a state official said.

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**Minister reviews situation after 84 child deaths of encephalitis**

M inister for Health Dr Harsh Vardhan reviews the situation in Amravati district today in Maharashtra where 84 children in the past week have died of a fever that began in the area in late June.

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**Invasion of plastic bags in Madural for IS sympathisers**

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**Media friend of Hashim**

The NIA arrested Mohamed Azarudeen, a social media friend of Hashim, for aiding and abetting the Easter Day bombings in Sri Lanka that killed around 250 people. On June 25, the 29-year-old was released on bail by Coimbatore, a social media friend of Hashim, has been arrested by the NIA.

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**Fadnavis Indict 13 new faces in cabinet revamp**

M inister for Finance Nirmala Sitharaman on Saturday met with Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and urged her to clear their doubts about the government’s economic plan.

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Cubans feeling the pinch as Trump cruise ban bites

Power outage blacks out Argentina and Uruguay

Rio governor ‘would use missile’ against criminals

Argentina ex-army officer accused of murdered found in Sicily

Guatemala elections

Brazil development bank chief quits

Human rights groups have accused the former Argentine officer of committing war crimes against civilians during the 1976-1983 military dictatorship in Argentina.

Reports from Argentine Daily Télam said Mr. Marques has been granted the right to travel to Cuba for the murder of Marino Ariza, a Buenos-Arsenio member who was the secretary of the University of Havana, and Juan Alberto Malatto, a police officer who was one of the main torturers of the campaign of repression against university students. Mr. Marques was accused of participating in the repression of university students and faculty members. He is also accused of being involved in the death of other university students.

The Cuban government has been under pressure to release Mr. Marques, who is being held in prison on charges of murder and terrorism.

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The Argentine government has denied allegations of torture and other human rights abuses during the dictatorship.

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Separate PTI set up for South Punjab

Ruling Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) decided to establish a separate provincial government for the province of South Punjab, which has been promised to the party by its prime minister, Imran Khan, during the last three years’ term sine

The overall political situation in the country also came under scrutiny during the meeting.

"The prime minister also discussed the situation in the country, and addressed the PTI’s concerns regarding the formation of the provincial government," he said.

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US-Philippines joint program aims to halt militant recruitment

By Benjamin T unas

The Philippine government has presented a joint program with the Philippines to halt militant recruitment. The program aims to address the root causes of militancy and provide alternative pathways for young people. The government has already started implementing the program in several areas, with a focus on education and vocational training. The program also seeks to strengthen community-based initiatives and improve police capacity. The government hopes that the joint program will contribute to reducing theincidence of militant activities in the Philippines.
Closing Guantanamo would be an important gesture, but the more important objective is a return to a system in which detainees are held indefinitely. — Tribune News Service

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ith an escalating US trade war, a slowing economy and tensions in the South China Sea freshening hopes in Beijing, Hong Kong leader Carrie Lam announced her intention to withdraw the extradition bill on Monday after months of protests against it. Lam met with Beijing’s special envoy to the city, Gao Fu, on Monday, and Lam suddenly announced the bill has been postponed indefinitely.

The move came as a shock to many observers, who were not expecting Lam to withdraw the bill. Lam had consistently defended the bill as necessary for Hong Kong to maintain its status as a financial hub with a respected legal system.

But Lam’s decision was likely influenced by the ongoing protests, which have turned violent in recent weeks, leading to widespread concerns about the safety of protesters and law enforcement officers.

Lam’s decision was praised by some, who saw it as a sign of her willingness to listen to the concerns of Hong Kong residents. But others criticized her for not going far enough, and called for a full withdrawal of the bill and an end to police violence.

The bill, which would allow for extradition to China for a wide range of crimes, has been met with widespread opposition in Hong Kong, with many fearing it would erode the city’s judicial independence and freedom of speech.

Hong Kong’s Lam caves in to pressure on extradition bill

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“Carrie Lam, Hong Kong’s central leader, announced a complete withdrawal of the bill on Tuesday, a dramatic and unprecedented about-face that represented a stunning diplomatic victory for China, which has long sought to assert greater control over the special administrative region,” the state-run Xinhua news agency reported.

Lam, who has long been viewed as a staunch pro-China politician, had previously defended the bill as necessary to maintain Hong Kong’s status as a financial hub.

But the protests against the bill have continued for weeks, with demonstrators calling for Lam’s resignation and the withdrawal of the bill.

The decision to withdraw the bill was seen as a major concession by Lam and came after days of intense pressure from Beijing.

China’s State Council on Tuesday called for Hong Kong to immediately withdraw the bill and hold a dialogue with protesters to resolve the crisis.

China’s State Council said the decision to withdraw the bill was a recognition of the need for dialogue and a resolution of the grievances of the protesters.

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**Blame US trade policy for sky-high drug prices**

By Joel Gold

S hortage price increases for a common pain medication highlight the need for comprehensive action on global drug shortages policy. In the United States, the 10-year Committee on Finance of the US Senate urged the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to “take swift action” to address the issue of drug shortages.

“Failing to address the problem of drug shortages is a failure to ensure patient safety and to protect patients’ access to needed medicines,” the committee stated.

In recent years, drug shortages have become a common occurrence in the United States, leading to delays in treatments and increased costs for patients. The lack of drug availability can lead to serious health consequences, particularly for patients with chronic or life-threatening conditions.

**Technological advancements can address drug shortages**

One proposed solution to drug shortages is the use of technology to improve supply chain management and ensure drug availability. By implementing real-time tracking systems and using advanced analytics, pharmaceutical companies can better predict demand and ensure that necessary medications are available when needed.

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However, technological solutions alone are not enough. Significant government action is needed to address the problem of drug shortages. This includes legislation that mandates drug manufacturers to keep production levels and inventory levels at a level that ensures drug availability.

**Conclusion**

In conclusion, while technological advancements can help address drug shortages, government action is also necessary to ensure that patients have access to needed medications. By working together, we can address the problem of drug shortages and improve patient outcomes.

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An image of a hospital with a sign reading “Drug Shortages.”
Qatar Airways welcomes interns for summer training programme

Qatar Airways’ Al Darb Qatar Airways’ Al Darb initiative brings in more than 50 students to its Summer Internship Programme

Qatar Airways welcomes more than 50 interns to its Summer Internship Programme. The internship programme, which is the airline’s 11th annual, offers the opportunity to work in various divisions of the company, including Commercial, Finance, Information Technology, Human Resources, Legal and Information Technology, as well as at Qatar Airways’ Arrivals and Departures, and Qatar Airways’ Customer Service.

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