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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and Queen Elizabeth II attend the coronation ceremony for the winners of Military Showjumping Championship, held at the Windsor Royal Great Park as part of the International Royal Windsor Horse Show (Detailed reports on Page 4)



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MORSI GOT NO MERCY

Court sends him to gallows
Cairo

An Egyptian court yesterday sentenced deposed Islamist president Mohamed Morsi and more than 100 other people to death for their role in a mass jailbreak during the 2011 uprising.

Hours after the ruling, gunmen shot dead two judges, a prosecutor and their driver in the strife-torn Sinai Peninsula, in the first such attack on the judiciary in the region.

Morsi, sitting in a caged dock in the blue uniform of convicts after already been sentenced to 20 years for inciting violence, raised his fists defiantly when the verdict was read.

Judge Shabaan El-Shamy handed down the same sentence to more than 100 other accused including Muslim Brotherhood leader Mohamed Badei, already sentenced to death in another trial, and his deputy Khairat al-Shater.

Morsi, elected president in 2012 as the Brotherhood's compromise candidate after Shater was disqualified, ruled for only a year before mass

protests spurred the military to overthrow him in July 2013. He was among dozens of Islamist leaders detained amid a crackdown that left hundreds of Morsi supporters dead.

Many of those sentenced yesterday were tried in absentia, including prominent Qatar-based Islamic cleric Yusuf al-Qaradawi.

The court will pronounce its final decision on June 2, since under Egyptian law, death sentences are referred to the mufti, the government's interpreter of Islamic law, who plays an advisory role. Defendants can still appeal even after the mufti's recommendation.

Morsi, 63, has yet to be sentenced in the first of two trials that concluded on Saturday, in which the death penalty was given to 16 other defendants convicted of espionage.

They were all found guilty of colluding with foreign powers, the Palestinian Islamist group Hamas and Iran to destabilise Egypt.

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Syria air raids kill 48 civilians in Idlib: Monitor Beirut

At least 48 civilians, including nine children, were killed yesterday in regime air raids on Syria's northwest province of Idlib, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights reported.

"Air strikes by regime aircraft on Idlib city and the towns of Saraqeb and Kafr Awid," all controlled by rebel forces, killed 48 civilians, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights reported.

Turkey says it downed 'Syrian helicopter' Ankara

Turkish armed forces yesterday shot down a Syrian helicopter that violated Turkey's air space in the south of the country, the Turkish defence minister said.

BAHRAIN TO ORGANISE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

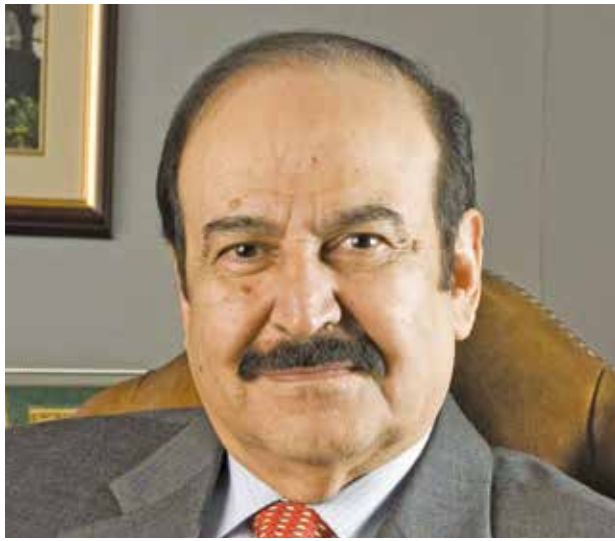
Under the patronage of Energy Minister Dr. Abdulhussain Mirza

Manama
Bahrain will host the International Leadership Conference (ILC) 2015 on May 26 and 27, under the patronage of Energy Minister Dr. Abdulhussain Mirza.

Under the theme *Leadership and Knowledge Management*, ILC will be organised by the Bahrain Management Society (BMS), along with the National Oil and Gas Authority (NOGA).

The Energy Minister will open the two-day event, and deliver a lecture on management and leadership.

He will also present experiences on management, and highlight the importance of excellence in management



Dr. Abdulhussain Mirza and transfer of knowledge in enhancing performance and productivity. The minister praised the series of leadership

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conferences organised by BMS, in terms of themes and diversity.

He confirmed the importance of ILC theme, noting that the conference will provide a platform to present the latest studies, successful practices and the challenges in knowledge management.

He said the conference would attract 15 high-level local and international speakers.

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BIPD to organise workshop for Shura Council members

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Bahrain Institute for Political Development (BIPD) will organise a two-day workshop titled *Skills for Dealing with the Media* on May 18 and 19.

This will be the first in a series of workshops of the "Parliamentary Skills Programme" targeting members of the Shura Council to develop their skills for dealing with the media.

The move comes within the framework of activating the joint cooperation agreement between the Shura Council and the BIPD.

The workshop, to be given by Ahmed Ouda, Media Adviser and Corporate Communications and Public Relations Expert, aims to deepen the understanding of media and its tools, and to define the rules and regulations governing ways of dealing with the media.

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the needed interpersonal skills to deal with TV, radio and the press.

The workshop also aims to introduce the various fundamentals and methods of interviews, professional time management of interviews, basic rules of language, voice and body language used during the interview.

HE Abdul Jalil Ibrahim Al-Tarif, the Secretary-General of the Shura Council, expressed his pride and appreciation of BIPD's continued efforts to support the parliamentary process in the Kingdom and achieve the objectives of the reform project of HM the King.

He also lauded the role of the institute as a national institution that has gained experience and good reputation in providing support, awareness and training on political development through programmes and events capable of keeping the recipients abreast of the requirements of the democratic process in the Kingdom.

DEVIL-HUSBAND TURNS HIS WIFE INTO A BEGGING WITCH

The woman was forced into begging by her drug-addicted husband

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Manama
"Beware of the witch. She will knock on your door and beg for money. If she doesn't receive what she desires, she will cast a spell on you, hypnotise you and take your money," this warning was widely circulated during the past couple of days among the social media users in Bahrain.

Along with the post was a picture of a lady, who seems to be in her twenties and carrying a baby. It was claimed that the lady would knock on the doors of Riffa and Muharraq residents, asking for money to help her ill baby.

"Don't open your doors to this lady. She would mumble some words of an alien language, hypnotise you and make you give her your money willingly, before she leaves," the post warned.

Investigating further, the story took another turn when *DT News* was able to reach out to the lady's family members, who denied that their daughter is involved in any sort of sorcery, in fact they alleged that "she is forced by her drug-addict husband into beggary, so he can afford to buy drugs."

Speaking to *DT News* yesterday, without revealing her name or the family's name, was the sister of the alleged witch. She informed that her sister, Ayat, 24, has been pushed to beg by her second husband and the father of two of her sons.

"Ayat is going through tight situation in her marital



The post being circulated in social media that claims Ayat is a witch, showing she carrying her son while begging

life. She is a mother of four children, including a six-year-old with hearing impairment and two toddlers with cardiac issues," the sister said.

According to the sister, Ayat has been married to her current husband,

immediately after she divorced the previous one, around four years back.

"Since she moved in with her second husband in Buhair area in Riffa, our lives have turned upside down. He has a drug addiction problem and would be frequently detained or hospitalised. He constantly mistreated her. They would engage in conflicts that usually take an extreme turn, as he would beat, burn and cut her. She even came home once with her head completely shaved," the sister informed.

She elaborated, "Ayat was divorced twice from this man. But she would not listen to our advice to leave him, and she would go back to him only few days after he tortured her. We filed several

complaints against him, but she would withdraw them soon."

Speaking on the recent rumours about Ayat being a sorcerer, the sister said that they were affected as a family as her picture is getting widely circulated in social media, showing her begging on the road.

"He would take her out on the road, stop on a side and monitor her while she begs with her son in her lap. By the end of the day, he will take the money from her and use it for getting high with his friends," she added.

The sister expressed that their mother, who works as a teacher, is in a severe state of depression and stopped going to work. She also said that her younger sisters also stopped going to school, as people constantly embarrass them and

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ask about what happened to Ayat.

Mom took her to jail

The sister also said that their "mother was fed up with the consequences of Ayat's wrong decisions and stubbornness."

"Her husband had asked her to rent several vehicles in her name. As she was not paying the due amount to the car-rental offices, a complaint was filed against her and an arrest warrant was issued to nab her. Simultaneously with Ayat's

recent scandal, our mother took her to the police station, where she was immediately detained," the sister said.

The mother also posted her number to popular local social media networks, asking the public to contact her in case Ayat was spotted begging anywhere.

When asked about the fate of children, the sister said that both toddlers are with her inside prison, while the elder children (son, 6 and daughter, 8) are with their father (the first husband).

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HM KING HAMAD, BRITISH QUEEN HONOUR WINNERS

During King Hamad’s visit to International Windsor Horse Show



During the event



King Hamad hands over trophy to the winner

King Hamad said Bahrain’s participation in the competition stemmed from the solid cooperation and deep-rooted historic relations, based on a long-standing legacy of understanding, friendship and mutual interest

London **His Majesty** King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II of the United Kingdom and Northern Ireland yesterday attended the honouring of the winners of the Military Showjumping Championship, held at the Windsor Royal Great Park as part of the International Royal Windsor Horse Show.

The ceremony was also attended by senior guests, members of the delegation accompanying HM the King and a large audience of equestrian fans.

The British royal anthem was performed and afterwards the military teams taking part in the championship, including the Bahraini squad paraded past the royal podium.

At the end of the race, HM King Hamad and HM Queen Elizabeth presented the Endurance Cup to Royal Team Captain HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa who won the race.

The two monarchs also presented second and third-placed Bahrainis Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa and Raed Mahmoud with trophies.

HM the King and the British Queen then honoured the winners of the Single Military Showjumping Competition.

The Bahraini team which comprises of riders Fadhel Salman, Ahmed Mansour and Khalid Al-Khatiri won the third place. HM the King presented his cup to American rider Laura Kraut.

King Hamad then shook hands with Queen Elizabeth and thanked her for the warm welcome and generous hospitality, hailing her keenness in consolidating bilateral ties between the two friendly countries.

He said Bahrain’s participation in the competition stemmed from the solid cooperation and deep-rooted historic relations, based on a long-standing legacy of understanding, friendship and mutual interest.

HM the King hailed steadily-growing relations and stressed the importance of the participation, which he described as an opportunity for Bahraini riders to gain more edge and expertise and reach out to contenders from other countries.

HM the King commended the organisers for the outstanding preparations and the facilities they provided desired results, wishing them to ensure the achievement of all continuous success.

Royal honour for Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa

London **His Majesty** the King’s Representative for Charity and Youth Affairs, Supreme Council for Youth and Sports Chairman, Bahrain Olympic Committee President and Bahrain Royal Endurance Team Captain HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa expressed his honour and appreciation for being royally awarded by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, after he won the endurance race of the Royal Windsor Horse Show.

He confirmed HM the King’s support and guidance was the main motivation behind winning the Royal race for two consecutive years.

Shaikh Nasser said Bahrain Royal Endurance Team members benefited from taking part in the race, which was their first event to attend in Europe this year. He also hailed the organisers, led by Simon Brox

During the event

Shaikh Nasser said Bahrain Royal Endurance Team members benefited from taking part in the race, which was their first event to attend in Europe this year. It gave them a great push to attain more achievements in the upcoming races and events of the season, he said.

He also hailed the organisers, led by Simon Brox, the head of the organising committee of Royal Windsor Horse Show for bringing a great show.

Bahrain Royal Endurance Team members congratulated Shaikh Nasser for winning the race for the second year in a row, an achievement they described as a historic win for Bahrain.

DRUNKARD TURNS ‘TRAFFIC POLICE’, GETS BEATEN UP

The man tried to control the vehicles under the influence of alcohol

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Drunkard turned ‘traffic police’ caused chaos in the middle of a junction here, inviting a brawl with a motorist yesterday. The incident took place at a popular junction next to the Al Fateh Mosque in Juffair.

The culprit, a young man, apparently under the influence of alcohol, caused an unusual scene at the junction by standing in the middle of a junction and attempting to direct traffic flow until he instigated a brawl with a motorist.

He tried to control the vehicles by giving hand signals on the wee hours of yesterday, according to witnesses.



Screenshots of the video circulated in the internet



“What he did was very dangerous, he stood in the middle of a road and started pretending to be a traffic policeman. But later his movements became more haphazard and unpredictable that it looked dangerous. He could be seen moving around the junction waving hands. He even stopped some vehicles by standing in front of the cars. After a few minutes, he became even more restless and he kicked a car that was passing by. Two men got out of the car and had a fight with the man,” a source said.

A video of the incident was captured by a witness and circulated on Bahaini Internet forums and social media.

Dog abused in Bori again

KK Nair/DTNN
Manama

In a bizarre incident yesterday, a ‘Saluki’ dog was found beaten and injured in a pitiful condition in one of the gated areas in Bori Village.

This was the same compound where animal activists in the Kingdom rescued three pit bull dogs last month. The dogs had been found tied to a tree sans any food for many days at a stretch.



Those guys hid her there because the psychopath wanted to torture the dog until it died

- Fathiya Al Bastaki

In spite of the constant and persistent calls from the media and the activists in the Kingdom, the stories on animal abuse and brutality continues unabated.

The social media constantly portrays pictures and news of animals with scars and amputated legs, bleeding

animals, burned dogs and many such bizarre incidents on a daily basis.

“I received a message yesterday from the same lady (Sushma) who had informed me, a month ago about 3 pitbull dogs found injured in a gated area in Bori village. It was already late and dark. I

immediately went to the area to see this dog. It was very weak and whining in pain,” said Animal Activist and Founder of Bahrain Strays, Ms Fathiya Al Bastaki to *DT News*.

The dog was found behind a tree in a place where it was very difficult to reach. The chains were all around its neck and body and one of the legs were also tied to the tree.

“Those guys hid her there because the psychopath wanted to torture the dog until it dies, at a place where no one would be able to reach. I was happy that Dr Ahmed A Azim opened his clinic to receive the dog, and the poor dog had a high temperature due to lack of liquids in his body, no water, no food for almost a week maybe,” she said.



Dr Ahmed A Azim with the rescued dog

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GULF NATIONS REASSURED BY OBAMA’S IRONCLAD VOW

Obama renewed commitment to GCC region during the Camp David Summit

Washington
Gulf nations were reassured by a pledge from US President Barack Obama that Washington would stand by them despite its overtures to Iran, a senior Arab official said Friday.
“We’re very happy the outcome of the results disappointed pundits, and exceeded beyond most expectations,” said Abdel Aziz Aluwaisheg, assistant secretary general for the Gulf Cooperation Council.
Obama had “renewed the US commitment to the region, to the Gulf states” during a high-profile summit at his presidential retreat of Camp David in Maryland, Aluwaisheg told reporters.
Obama had gathered top leaders from the six GCC countries -- Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates



US President Barack Obama after meeting with GCC leaders and delegations at Camp David on Thursday

In a communique issued at the end of the summit, the US and Gulf nations denounced Iran’s destabilising activities in the region

that a deal will lead to a widening US rapprochement with Iran -- even though the two countries have not had formal ties for more than three decades.
But Obama also managed to allay these concerns, Aluwaisheg said.
“The deal is about the nuclear programme, that’s really what the deal is about. There’s no grand bargain,” he said.
“There is no abandoning of the GCC, there is no pivot to Iran.”
And he offered that “if Iran moderates its behaviour... then we all will pivot to Iran, but it’s in the hands of the Iranian regime.”

-- for Thursday’s secluded talks in the leafy woodland retreat. “The security of the

GCC states is vital to the interests of the United States,” the Arab diplomat said.
And he insisted “the US is ready now to go even a little bit further,” saying that already strong ties had now been elevated to that of a “strategic relationship.”
Obama had sought to reassure the majority Sunni Gulf countries wary of Washington’s leading role in nuclear negotiations with their

regional foe and powerful rival, Shiite Iran.
Obama said the US security commitment to America’s decades-old allies was “ironclad.”
And he vowed the United States was prepared to help “deter and confront an external threat to any GCC state’s territorial integrity.”
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Iran’s destabilising activities in the region.
Gulf nations have been fearful that if a deal is reached with Iran by a June 30 it will only embolden the Shiite country blamed for propping up Syrian President Bashar al-Assad during the four-year civil war and for backing Huthi rebels in Yemen who have forced the president to flee to Riyadh.
They are concerned too

AMAIUB students enter semis in MS Imagine Cup

DT News Network Manama
A MA International University Bahrain (AMAIUB) team will compete with teams from 13 Arab countries in the Microsoft Imagine Cup Pan-Arab Semi-Finals to be held in Bahrain from May 31 to June 3.
In the previous round of the competition, Bachelor of Science in Computer Science students, Adnan Adil, Hasmat Hulla, and Ndim Mohamed Abdulghani, topped other universities in Bahrain with their winning project called ‘My Voice,’ a hi-tech innovation related to the communication of deaf and mute people.
Dr. Jaber Jemai, Dean of the College of Computer

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science students topped other universities with their winning project ‘My Voice,’ a hi-tech innovation related to the communication of deaf and mute people

Studies at AMAIUB said, “Imagine Cup provides students and the youngsters a platform to build technical expertise and maximise creative thinking towards designing applications, games or solutions that are cutting-edge and innovative.”
The annual Microsoft Imagine Cup, which is now in its 13th year, is considered as one of the world’s

premier student technology competition. It showcases how technology empowers the youth, and enables them to make meaningful contributions.
The winning teams from all the Arab countries in three categories - World Citizenship, Innovation, and Game Development - will qualify to the Worldwide Finals of Imagine Cup.



AMAIUB students with the award

GIRL IN DISCO: JAIL SCRAPPED

The case to be re-heard at Juvenile Court

DT News Network Manama
A woman who took a 12-year-old girl with her to a disco in Manama had her conviction cancelled on appeal.
The woman was earlier sentenced to two years in jail for committing indecency.
A security man at the disco was also given two years imprisonment for allowing the girl to enter the place. The High Criminal Appeals Court scrapped his sentence as well.

Sentence of a security man, who was given 2 years prison for allowing the girl inside, was also scrapped

The pair was earlier held guilty by the Lower Criminal Court, but judges at the High Criminal

Appeals Court said such cases should be heard in a Juvenile Court.
They ordered the case to be re-heard at the Juvenile Court.
Court files revealed the woman was spotted accompanied by the girl in a table along with some Gulf nationals inside the disco.
She was caught by a tourism inspector who was present at the disco to check if it was complying with the local regulations.
Police officers arrested her,

and also held a security guard who allowed the girl to enter.
“The mother of the child left her with me when she went to Saudi. I had a date with my boyfriend (one of the Gulf nationals) and we booked a room in a hotel,” the accused said in her statement.
“He invited me to a restaurant in the same hotel, but it was crowded. Hence, we decided to go inside the disco,” she added. The second accused, however, denied acknowledgment of the girl’s age.

Riot: Witnesses to be heard on June 7

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Prosecution witnesses will be heard on June 7 before the High Criminal Court in the trial of a person accused of riot-related charges.

The accused was apprehended in connection with an attack on January 12 this year in Sar.
The saboteurs reportedly set vehicles on fire with Molotov cocktails. They also burnt tyres and attacked policemen with

petrol bombs, iron rods and home-made shotguns, according to court files.
No arrests were made on the scene as all the rioters quickly fled the scene. However, police later received information of an injured

rioter admitted to hospital on the day of the incident.
He was allowed to receive treatment before police took him into custody on charges of rioting, attacking police officers, arson and participating in an illegal gathering.

Health Minister leaves for Geneva

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Health Minister Sadiq Al Shehabi and his accompanying delegation left for Geneva yesterday to take part in the 68th meeting of the World Health Organisation’s Health Association, to be held from May 18 to 26.
Discussions will focus

on key health issues such as non-communicable diseases, vaccinations, polio, Malaria, fake medicines, nutrition and epilepsy.
The Arab and GCC Health Ministers Meetings will also convene on the sidelines of the General Assembly meeting.



Sadiq Al Shehabi

UAE ambassador lauds relations with Bahrain

Manama
The UAE Ambassador to Bahrain Abdul Ridha Abdullah Al Khouri has stressed strong and distinguished fraternal relations between Bahrain and the UAE.
He said in a celebration hosted recently in his house in honour of Foreign Ministry Assistant Undersecretary

for the GCC and Western Countries Affairs Dr. Dhafer Al-Omran that bilateral relations are deep-rooted and sound, thanks to the wisdom of both countries’ leaders.
The celebration was attended by most Arab ambassadors, members of the diplomatic corps and officials from the Foreign Ministry.

Prostitution: Jail term of 4 upheld

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Four accused, including a man and three women, embroiled in a prostitution case had their jail terms reduced on appeal.
They were earlier sentenced to three years each in prison by the High Criminal Court.
But the High Criminal Appeals Court commuted the jail terms of the man and one of the woman accused to two years’ imprisonment, while the other two women received only one year each behind bars.
All of the accused were of Arab origins and two of them were prostitutes. The man and the third woman served as pimps bringing customers to their co-accused, according to the court records.

They were charged BD100 and BD300 for sex services. The man also operated a renowned disco in Juffair, which he used to lure customers. The women used two apartments in a hotel as brothels.
Their crime was exposed after a police tip-off, following which, they were nabbed red-handed in a sting operation.
Two undercover agents tricked the man into taking them to the prostitutes for sex. The duo had BD1200, which was enough to manipulate the man into accepting their requests.
He asked them for BD600 and BD300 for each woman, besides BD200 in commission. And as soon as the women undressed, vice squads swooped in and arrested them.

Asian killed in brawl

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An Asian national died in a brawl involving three persons in Hidd yesterday, sources said.
The deceased was identified as Chinese national Mingin Wang. The sources added a fight, which broke out between three Asians, culminated in the death of the Chinese national. The fight reportedly happened over a financial dispute.
According to Interior Ministry, police rushed to the spot after the incident was reported by a Chinese worker. Three Asians were lying on the ground when the police personnel reached the spot.
While Mingin Wang was pronounced dead on the spot, the other two were rushed to King Hamad University Hospital (KHUH), the Interior Ministry said.
Police have registered a case and initiated a probe into the incident.

Role of specialised training institutes stressed

Manama
Labour Minister and Chairman of the Supreme Council for Vocational Training Jameel Humaidan met the Board Chairman of Bahrain Private Training Institutes Society Ahmed Al Abidli and members.
He stressed the importance of partnership between the Labour Ministry and the private training institutes to upgrade

the training sector, lauding the society’s role in this respect.
He also thanked the society for its initiatives to tackle any shortcomings hampering specialised vocational training, pointing out the fundamental role played by the private training institutes as an essential partner in developing training in Bahrain.



Labour Minister with others during the meeting

NETIZENS CALL TO INSTALL TIMERS ON TRAFFIC LIGHTS

Motorists launched an online campaign demanding count down timers

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Urging the authorities to install electronic timers on traffic lights, an online campaign has recently been launched by concerned motorists in the Kingdom. Motorists in Bahrain are urging Bahriani authorities to install electronic countdown timers on traffic lights in order to ensure safety on the roads. Netizen Ali Mohammed had launched an online campaign highlighting the need to install the timers. His campaign has quickly garnered attention as well as support as over 150 have already signed the petition in less than 24 hours



Count down timer (Picture for representation)

Countdown timers at red lights warns drivers how much time is left before the light changes. Red-light timers have environmental benefits if motorists switch off their engines

of its launch. Social media, Bahriani forums and websites have promoted the campaign in support. "Countdown timers at red lights warns drivers how much time is left before the light changes. Red-light timers allow drivers to prepare and could also have environmental benefits if motorists switch

off their engines. A timer can help drivers decide whether or not to pass through the green lights. If the timer shows only four seconds left before the lights turn red, I know I will not reach the junction in time, so I need to slow down," " Mr. Ali stated on his petition page. "Accidents could be avoided if timers were installed at

traffic signals. Research in Shanghai - China, showed the potential benefits relative to traffic flow and safety because of timers, particularly for green lights, which provide some estimate of the signal transition," he said. Recently, *DT News* reported that Capital Governorate First Constituency MP Adel Al Assoumi had submitted a proposal to the Parliament, demanding timers at traffic signals. "Since the motorists are aware of the exact time left for signal change, it will help them to judge the timing. Definitely, the introduction of electronic timers will reduce accidents in the Kingdom," the MP was quoted as saying.

Visionaries to host renowned architect

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Manama

The Kingdom's youth NGO, 'Visionaries' will host renowned international architect, Carlos Zapata, as part of its aim to inspire local youth and empower young talents by providing inspiring global examples of career success. Zapata is the lead architect of the New York-based firm Carlos Zapata Studio, known for a wide array of prestigious international projects including the Cooper Square Hotel in New York and the Bitexco Financial Tower in Vietnam.

The Visionaries headquarters in Riffa yesterday announced the launch of its signature programme, "Success Stories", after the success of its first edition, which took place in June of last year. Hosting three international public figures in a youth engagement effort, 'Success Stories' by Visionaries aims to inspire local youth and empower young talents by providing inspiring global examples of career success. Shaikh Khalifa bin Khalid Al Khalifa, CEO of Visionaries, said that Bahraini art and architecture students would be enthralled by



Carlos Zapata

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Zapata's talent and expertise. Last year, Visionaries hosted international artist Chau Giang Thi Nguyen, American businesswoman Maribel Lieberman, and French-American designer Selima Salaun.

BTA's dance competition

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Manama

Brain Twist advertising will organise a dance competition titled 'June Stars' on June 4 at Adhari park. The event aims at promoting talents irrespective of their nationality and performance style. The winners will get cash prizes, trophies, certificates among other prizes. Middle East Medical Centre (MEM) will hold a free medical check-up during the event. Last date for registration would be May 25. For tickets, contact: 33155920, 33215448 or 36860759.

MP CALLS FOR INCREASED SUPERVISION ON MEAT IMPORT

Call to tighten measures to ensure hygiene

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Jamal Dawood, a member of the committee formed to probe rotten meat issue, has called for strict supervision of the imported meat as well as livestock imported for the purpose of meat. Speaking to *DT News*, the parliamentarian said that the committee had paid a visit to the cargo section of the Bahrain International Airport, where chilled meat is off-loaded and Sitra slaughter house, where the livestock is slaughtered, in order to study the procedures being followed while handling the meat. "The staff who handle the meat at the cargo section of the airport should be directly supervised by the Ministry of Health. Periodical inspection of the workers should be made mandatory to ensure that they are free of any diseases, since public health is topmost priority of the Kingdom," he said.

In the meantime, he urged the meat importers to improve cleanliness of meat processing areas, opining that the initiative taken by the meat importers to maintain hygiene needs more push. Proper maintenance of the slaughterhouse, daily cleaning and reducing pollution around the area are the need of the hour, he added. The parliamentarian has stressed for more security and monitoring of Sitra slaughterhouse where the livestock is being kept until it is slaughtered. "Even stray dogs enter the slaughterhouse since there is not enough security. This negligence should be considered seriously as meat is an important part of our food," said Jamal Dawood. The committee was formed after health inspectors found a consignment of imported frozen meat unfit for human consumption in last January. The Directorate of Agriculture and Marine Resources also temporarily suspended the licenses of those meat importer.



Jamal Dawood and others at the slaughterhouse during the inspection

The American Legend that won Bahrain's heart

Santhosh Rajendran/DTNN
Manama

Harley-Davidson is a name recognized and idolized worldwide. The company does not just make American motorcycles; but it produces an American Legend. There is something unique that Harley Davidson beholds, which makes it stand out from other bikes. Glamorised in dozens of movies, this American Legend has won millions of young hearts. A favourite of Bahrainis, the bikes have found its place in the Kingdom also. Understanding its popularity in the region, *DT News* had an interaction with Iqbal Alakkal, General Manager of Harley-Davidson Dealership in Bahrain. Read through. Harley-Davidson is known for its consistency in delivering high quality products. What are the processes that drive the quality? Harley-Davidson products are put on thousands of miles live test before it reaches the customer. A highly qualified team monitors the quality



Iqbal Alakkal

The major challenge is to get respect for motorcyclist from other motorists on the road. There are many negative perceptions built across the Arab region on motor-cycling

check at the factory and each model is test driven by fresh candidates to make sure that the old riding habits will not override the quality. Moreover, each bike is on 24 months warranty to make sure that the customer concern on the road is addressed in time. For any manufacturing or design faults that come across later are met thorough recall campaign or product programmes. All warranty and recall process are done on

premium service free of any additional charges. What type of strategies would you implement? What do you think is the most important thing in enhancing customer relation and the market of Bahrain? Our strategy is to build personal relation and trust with the customer through socializing. The most important way to improve customer relation is, always be honest in business. We always adopt all possible latest technologies in business. What is that biggest challenge you see in the Arab region and how do you describe the demand of Harley-Davidson in this region? The major challenge is to get respect for motorcyclist from other motorists on the road. There are many negative perceptions built across the region on motorcycling. We are working hard to promote the positive perception and correct the negative perceptions through marketing and advertising campaigns. Through the Harley Owners

Group Chapters across the region, we are promoting the culture of mature-riding. Harley-Davidson owns major share in motorcycle sales in the region in volume. How are you building your teams and what qualities do you see in them? 70 per cent importance on attitude and passion and 30 per cent on knowledge is our recruitment policy. Once a member is on board, he/she gets an experienced staff as his mentor for 3 months. We have Harley-Davidson University online courses for each staff levels to be completed and refreshed in fixed intervals. Certain staff level requires mandatory classroom training, which will be scheduled by Harley-Davidson, and we send them wherever the classes are scheduled. Are you happy with Harley-Davidson in the Arab region and what has the growth been so far? We are happy on the achievements so far but it will not stop us to do more. There has been an average 15 per cent growth year on year.

'Overweight and Polycystic ovary, an unholy relation'

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Manama Eighty per cent of the patients of polycystic ovary are overweight, said Infertility and IVF Specialist, Consultant and Gynaecologist Dr Saba Amal Baig yesterday while talking to the *DT News* at her hospital here in Bahrain. "In this disease, the eggs are not produced and the child is not born," she said explaining, "and if the eggs are produced, the quality of eggs is too bad to get mature."



Fifty per cent of patients gets better results by changing lifestyles and the girls who reduce their weight start getting normal periods. So educate the young girls to keep their weights down

- Dr Saba Amal Baig

Polycystic ovary is a hormonal imbalance in which ovary is enlarged and many cysts are produced. Irregular periods, black skin near neck, acne, pimples, abnormal hair, not having baby and miscarriage in case of pregnancies are some of the symptoms of the disease. Dr Saba said that main part of the thing is that it is not dangerous. It is easy to treat and even the patient herself can do so. What you have to do is 'watch what you eat and eat what is healthy. "Fifty per cent of patients

gets better results by changing lifestyles and the girls who reduce their weight start getting normal periods," she said stressing, "So educate the young girls to keep their weights down." "If you follow the basic health routine you don't have the problems. There are also some patients with the polycystic disease who are very thin but that is genetic," she further explained. She said that ninety per cent of the patients are Bahrainis as "it is not as common in Europe as it is in the Middle

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East, India and Pakistan." She said that there was a co relation between diabetes and polycystic ovary. "Wherever there is diabetes there is a polycystic."

IN LOVE WITH THE RHYTHMS OF EAST

Noor Azeemi talks about her love for Eastern music



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When the whole world around her was staring at West, she turned her eyes towards East. Meet Noor Azeemi, who not just fell in love with Indian classical music, but also mastered it, thanks to her dedication.

She attended the live music concert by her former teacher Archana Krishnakumar. The Carnatic tunes of violin deeply touched her and at the auditorium itself, she made up her mind to learn it

It was not a cakewalk for this native woman to enter into the world of Indian classical music when the whole world pushed her towards Western and Arabic genre.

But her keen interest and

determination towards the Eastern genre changed her course of path. Now she has specialisation in Bharatanatyam, vocal and violin. Moreover, she is also a sound therapist.

Azeemi started her voyage in the sea of Indian classical genre in 2008 while still a student of western classical music.

She was already inclined towards the East as she had been listening Indian remix songs.

At the same time, she saw an advertisement in a local newspaper about a musical show by her former teacher, Archana Krishnakumar.

She attended the live music concert on the scheduled day. The Carnatic tunes of violin deeply touched her and at the auditorium itself, she made up her mind to learn it.

While having a conversation with the teacher, Azeemi expressed her willingness to learn Eastern music.

Though Krishnakumar had never taught any Bahraini till then, she agreed to take Azeemi as her student seeing the spark of passion in her.

For almost a year and a half, Azeemi continued her practice under Krishnakumar and gained command over violin and vocal.

Her next stop was Indian Institute of Performing Arts (IIPA), where she pursued her studies.

A teacher, J. Kumar, taught her violin and

vocal, while she studied Indian classical dance under Shobha.

IIPA helped her specialize in violin and vocal, opined Azeemi.

Moreover, the support extended by Amrit, the supervisor of IIPA, has been amazing, she said. "I felt

IIPA like a home. When I enter the institute, I experience peace of mind. It rarely happens anywhere else," Azeemi said.

As she is a specialist in sound therapy, Carnatic music helped hone her skills in sound therapy, Azeemi said, adding that she has already been to India to learn more on sound therapy.

She also hosted workshops on sound therapy in India. She is planning to hold another workshop on the same topic next November.

Azeemi is not content with the knowledge she has gained so far in Eastern music genre. Her next step is to specialise in Carnatic music and understand the essence of this genre at a deeper level.

In the meantime, she hopes to blend Carnatic music with other genres to create fusion.

"It had been a challenge to learn something, which is not at all related to my culture. Still, I was successful. But I have a long way to go in this world of music," she signed off.

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READER'S DAILY



We aim at utilizing the best of both worlds; accepting the benefits of modernity to ancient practices, in order to bring forward the best treatment practices.

One of the world's most respected spiritual leaders, sheds light on how happiness is achievable and why combining ancient medication techniques with modern technology may pave the way for sustainable and wholesome living.

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Wellbeing 101

Staying alert and active at your workplace without caffeine can seem like a daunting task, but it isn't impossible. Before you head to pour the umpteenth cup of coffee, try soaking in some sunlight. Step outside and inhale a big, few breaths. Also exercise your eyes, roll them up and down, side to side, rotate clockwise and anticlockwise. Squeeze them shut and open wide. You're all set for a few more hours.

The Adventures of Mighty Nurse

WHAT NURSING SHORTAGE? Just have them do MORE!

THESE ARE NOT CANDY STRIPES!

THIS WON'T HURT A BIT!

PUSH BUTTONS FOR INSTANT SERVICE!

NEED A BEDPAN? HERE I AM!

SENSIBLE SHOES NEVER WEAR OUT!

OF COURSE, DOCTOR... I'LL BE HAPPY TO GET YOUR COFFEE!

RED-EYE SHIFT

WELL NOW, DON'T WE FEEL A WHOLE LOT BETTER?!

HERE, LET ME SWEEP THAT UP FOR YOU!

This week we salute and commend the efforts that are put up by every nurse out there.

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A wholesome way of life-yes, it's possible!

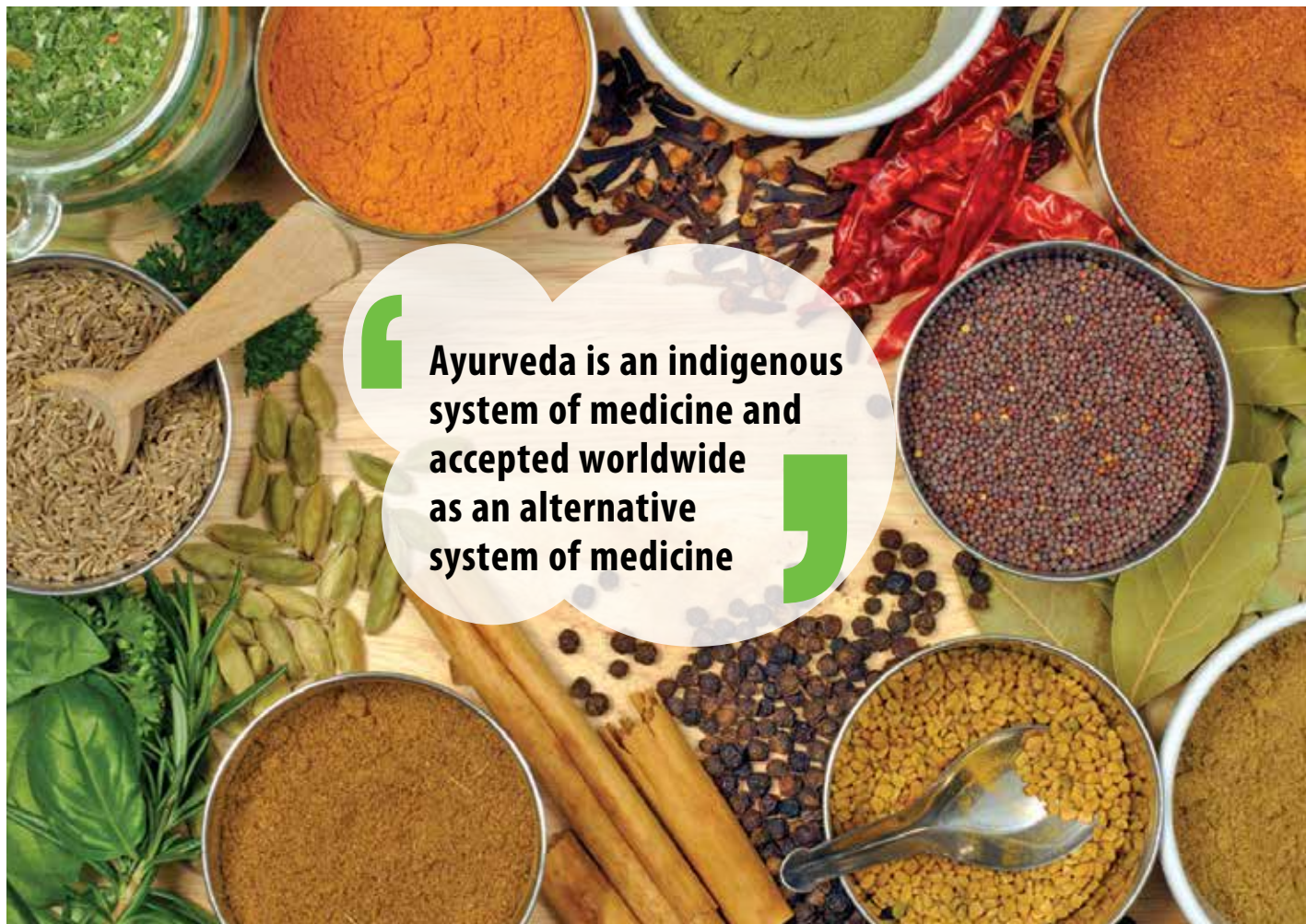
Highlighting the need to create a balance between modern medication and ancient, herbal treatments, well-renowned spiritual leader and the Chief Organizer of the world-wide healthcare institutes of Santhigiri Ashram, 'Swami Gururethnam Jnana Thapaswi', talked to DT News on how spiritual uplifting and well-being is achievable, even in today's fast-paced and stressful life. Swamiji, who has an impressive record of leading healthcare seminars, projects and researches on spirituality, humanitarian initiatives and many more, is currently visiting Bahrain from India.

DT News: How has Ayurvedic medicine evolved over the years and is it accepted worldwide?

Swamiji: Ayurveda is an indigenous system of medicine and accepted worldwide as an alternative system of medicine; it has been practised in ancient India for over 10,000 years. It is more than a mere healing system; it is a science and an art of appropriate living, which helps to achieve longevity and therefore we have got good public acceptance due to its genuine quality and excellent results. Just in Bahrain, we have received acceptance by the health officials in regards to our treatments at the Santhigiri, which is part of the Middle East Medical (MEM) Centre. Also about 250 internal medicines are available at the centre, approved by the NHRA-Bahrain.

DT News: What advantage does it hold over modern medication and can we say herbal medication is more benefitting due to faster healing and longevity?

Swamiji: While all other parallel medicines have their limitations, Ayurveda and herbal medication do not have any side effects and once cured, the disease will not come back. However, living in this modern era, we cannot ignore the technologically advanced world and at Santhigiri, we aim at utilizing



the best of both worlds, accepting the benefits of modernity to ancient practices, in order to bring the best treatment practices for our patients. As of now, we are working on a project where we will combine the goodness of areas of Ayurveda, Siddha, Yoga, Homeo, and others, to optimize spiritual healing and wellness. And we will also welcome modern medicine and specialists to breakthrough new ground in healing. We are also working in great deal to combine herbal medication and bio-technology and have already led extensive organic farming initiatives.

DT News: Another issue to shed light on is clinical depression, which has led to a rise in the suicide rate? Can this dilemma be cured with spiritual healing?

Swamiji: We have seen many people coming to our centers with this state. And in this regard, I would like to stress upon a union between spiritual centers and hospitals as both, medication and spiritual uplifting, need to be taken in equal accord to help a person with a permanent healing.

DT News: Santhigiri aims to identify itself as a platform of religious harmony. Kindly elaborate on that?

Swamiji: Our centre aims at spiritual well-

being, which is not based on one religion, but invites people of different religions. We closely follow the teachings of Buddha, emphasizing peace and harmony, which sadly isn't achieved due to the internal divisions that exist within religions themselves. Once these internal issues, narrowness, self-imposed ideologies can be eradicated, will the possibility of achieving spiritual healing and a cleansed soul can be realized.

Can you define one way for a person to achieve a happy and wholesome state of life?

Swamiji: One aspect of life which I stress to remain grounded to, is closely-knitted family relations. In this modern world, we have somehow become individuals defining our own goals and personal wishes. We are tending to forget our roots, our ancestral values and losing close ties with families. Instead of bonding and sharing of our thoughts and issues, we are becoming distant to our family members and are more involved in increasing our materialistic goals, which is distressing and causing us to lose what matters the most-family, our loved ones.

For more details on the Santhigiri Centres, treatments and medications, call 39096777.

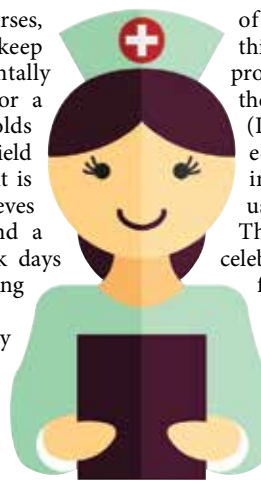


Swami Gururethnam Jnana Thapaswi

Nurses, TAKE A BOW!

The saying 'Be nice to nurses, they're the ones that keep the doctors from accidentally killing you', while coined for a humorous take, actually holds shades of truth. Be it any field or department in medicine, it is them, who roll up their sleeves and with a robust form and a compassionate attitude, work days and nights, to help in running the health industry smoothly.

International Nurses Day was recently celebrated around the world, marking the anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birth. The International Council



Nurses commemorates this day each year with the production and distribution of the International Nurses' Day (IND) Kit, which contains educational and public information materials, for use by nurses everywhere. The theme for this year's celebration was, Nurses: A Force for Change: Care Effective, Cost Effective and different health institutions in Bahrain also marked this day with celebration and appreciation of what men and women in the white uniform do for us.



Al Hilal Nurses appreciated

Al Hilal Hospital also observed the Nursing Day celebrations, by cutting cake and lighting candles. Nurses also took a special oath for their commitment with the patients.



IHB celebrates International Nurses Day

The Medical and Administrative staff at the International Hospital of Bahrain (IHB) celebrated International Nurses Day in recognition of the caring contribution of nurses to patients and the whole community.

Age is just a number-passion is forever



A certain nurse, in the United States, serves as the perfect epitome, when it comes to commitment towards her profession. She has been serving the health industry since 1946 and till date, is still nursing at the age of 90. Florence Rigney was honoured and applauded for her selflessness and long standing commitment to her passion, as her hospital staff celebrated her 90th birthday. Working two days in a week, as she sets up rooms as the operating room nurse, Ms.Rigney shows no plans to retire anytime soon.

Florence Nightingale The face of modern nursing



International Nursing Day actually celebrates the birth and life of the woman who is considered as the face of modern nursing. Florence Nightingale was the manager of nurses, who gave this field a major boost when she trained nurses during the Crimean War in 1854. She was the one in charge of tending to the wounded soldiers and in popular culture, is also referred to as the 'The Lady with the Lamp', who made rounds- in the wee hours of the night- of the wounded soldiers. Her detailed reports, on the horrific conditions of the soldiers, to this date, are commended for their accuracy in projecting the real scenario of the war days and its impact on the soldiers.

'Move for Health' Day celebrated at Bahrain Mall



DreamBody Centre (DBC), one of Bahrain's foremost weight loss centres, in collaboration with The Bahrain Mall, recently commemorated the World Health Organisation's 'Move For Health' Day. The event undertaken as part of DreamBody Centre's Healthier and Happier initiative, was organised to provide a focal point, to generate public awareness of the benefits of physical activity in the prevention of non-communicable diseases as well as motivate people to remain active for a healthier life.

Various activities including a group walkathon around the Bahrain Mall, a group class for adults and children, an exclusive children's only group class as well as free on-the-spot weight loss assessments for adults were arranged. DreamBody Centre, Founder, Suhail Algosaihi said, "DreamBody Centre's Healthier and Happier Initiative is constantly driven to motivate families towards a healthier lifestyle and celebrating the World Health organization's 'Move for Health' is yet another way to achieve our objective."

CELEBS

I feel when I make a relationship with anyone it could be my family or friends or people I know I feel answerable to them. I feel like I need to be connected with them. I feel a personal responsibility towards my relationships.

- Kangana Ranaut



'Minions' try to steal Queen's crown in new trailer

Los Angeles
The new trailer for *Minions* shows the minions trying to steal Queen Elizabeth's crown. The third trailer reportedly sees minions Kevin, Stuart and Bob receiving an order from their new boss Scarlett Overkill, voiced by actress Sandra Bullock, for stealing the crown. After accidentally killing their first boss, a dinosaur, the minions meet their new bosses, a stone age man, a king, a general, and a dracula. The minions eventually meet Scarlett Overkill at the Villain-Con, the evil version of Comic-Con, and they are recruited. The video then shows Kevin, Stuart and Bob's adventure to get the Queen's crown.

Citizens angry over celebs' green lawns in drought-ravaged California

It's a state known for its beaches, vineyards and Hollywood, but the summer of 2015 has been one of the cruellest for California. The state is going through one of the most severe droughts on record, for the fourth straight year. As groundwater levels fall, the state is taking extreme measures to cut down on water usage, with strict fines on those who waste this precious resource. But even as residents face these stringent measures, there's rising discontent over how Hollywood celebrities waste hundreds of gallons to keep their lawns lush and green. Most people argue that while the fines, which can run up to \$500, are steep for the average citizen, it's small change for a star. So, how do these celeb homes look in this season of drought? See for yourself!



Julia Roberts

According to a US newspaper, the actress has taken measures like planting water-saving palm trees in her estate, but the contrast between vegetation outside her home and inside is quite stark.



Barbara Streisand

The singer's Malibu home seen surrounded by dry area outside the fencing.



Jennifer Lopez

She'll shell out big bucks in order to keep her garden green.



Petra Ecclestone

The F1 heiress' vast mansion looks like a small forest.



Khloe Kardashian

The reality TV star's home surrounded by arid land.

Hugh Jackman to launch sunscreen for kids

London
Actor Hugh Jackman, who was diagnosed with skin cancer in 2013, is launching his own brand of sunscreen for children in the US. The 46-year-old is the co-founder and executive director of Pure Growth Group in New York, the company behind Pure Sun Defense, a new sun-protection brand that's coming to the US this summer. The *Wolverine* star said studies show children under the age of 10 who don't apply sunscreens are 50 percent more likely to develop skin cancer as adults than children who do. While he is keen on stopping others from developing skin cancer, Jackman has previously said that cancer is not as scary as he initially feared.

call a number and report the wastage Farmers use 80% of the water consumed by people in California.

HOW DOES CALIFORNIA PLAN TO COUNTER THE DROUGHT?

This November, the US state is reportedly ready to open Western hemisphere's biggest desalination plant, a \$1 billion project under construction since 2012 in the coastal city of Carlsbad. It will deliver up to 190 million litres of water a day to San Diego County, enough to supply roughly 112,000 households in San Diego County's drinking water needs. Desalination has emerged as a promising technology in the face of a record dry spell now gripping California for a fourth straight year, depleting its reservoirs and aquifers and raising the price of getting in water from elsewhere. San Diego County, Santa Barbara and other similar places are now pushing ahead with desalination plants.

STARRY BIRTHDAY



She gained recognition as Rosalie Hale in the *Twilight* saga after appearing in *Lords of Dogtown* and *Mini's First Time*. She received widespread attention for her role in the creation of *Thirteen*

May 17, 1988

Nikki Reid

WATER WOES

The water conservation rules apply to all 38 million California residents, celebrity or non-celebrity. Drinking water can no longer be used to wash pavements or driveways unless it involves washing off human or animal waste, which can cause disease. For all other purposes, brooms should be used. One of the laws states that a person can face a fine of up to \$500 (a little over Rs 32,000) if they wash cars with running hoses or water lawns between 10 am and 5 pm. There's a whistleblower mechanism and if someone sees their neighbour wasting water, they can

Photo Bombed



Jennifer Aniston and beau Justin Theroux photobombs Jennifer Lopez at the Oscars, Feb. 22, 2015.



Energy Minister Dr. Abdulhussain Mirza yesterday received MP Nasser Al Qaseer and praised his efforts in addressing the concerns of citizens and residents. The Minister lauded the MP's efforts in taking up issues and topics that benefit citizens.



A delegation from the Ministry of Education recently visited various educational institutions in Jordan and got informed about the country's experiences in teachers training and classroom communication. Above, the delegates during a photocall.



Pakistan Ambassador Muhammad Saeed Khan inaugurated Pakistani restaurant 'Original Taste' in Salmabad. Owner of the restaurant, Rana Muhammad Shahid and a large number of leading community members were present during the occasion.



Members of a committee formed to probe rotten meat issue yesterday conducted a field trip to various livestock companies to understand the procedures followed while handling meat. In picture, members during an inspection visit to one of the livestock farms.



The Pro-Vice chancellor of the Mahatma Gandhi University Dr. Sheena Shukkur visited the Indian School yesterday. Above, from left, Saji Markose, Saji Antony, Dr. Manoj Kumar CG, Bhupinder Singh, prince S Nataraja, Dr. Shemily P John, Dr. Sheena Shukkur, Jayafer Maidanee, Muhammed Iqbal, V R Palaniswamy, Razak Muzhikl and Kamal Mohiyuddin.



'Vintage Charity Market', organised by Kick Off Academy and Alia for Early Intervention check presentation took place at the academy in Saar on April 3, 2015. The event was held to support children with autism.



An academic award ceremony to honour students of grades III, IV and V for their exemplary performance in academics for the year 2014-2015 was held in Jashanmal auditorium of The Indian School, Isa Town Campus on May 14.

OUT & ABOUT

LADIES FUNDAY SUNDAYS

Date: Every Sunday
Venue: The Royal Golf Club

The theory behind Funday Sundays is to play a social round once a week, encouraging beginners and high handicappers to build their confidence out on the course and at the same time feel more comfortable around the more experienced ladies. Once they feel ready to participate in competitions they will be comfortable playing the course, will know the rules and etiquette of golf and will know who they are playing with. All of these things together make for a relaxed and confident player participating actively in the Ladies Section. There's no need to book in advance, just turn up!

COCA-COLA MONDAY MADNESS

NIGHT GOLF SERIES

Date: Every Monday Evening at 6.30pm
Venue: The Royal Golf Club

The Coca-Cola Monday Madness Night Golf Series takes place at the Royal Golf Club every Monday evening. The 9 hole competitions are open to non-members at a cost of just BD 20 per night and tee off with a 6:30pm shotgun start. To register, contact the Royal Golf Club's Golf Events Department.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Date: May 15-23 (6PM)
Venue: Ritz-Carlton Tennis Courts

A once a year tennis tournament event for Royal Sporting Club members only, where you will be able to feel the heart of the court as you compete against your peers in different categories: Men Single, Men Double, Ladies Single, Mix Double, and Junior (under 12 years). Price to participate is BD5++ per person which includes a light snack buffet on the final day.

FAWDHA (CHAOS) PLAY

Date: May 18-19 (8:30PM)
Venue: The Cultural Hall

"Fawdha Play" is a play produced by Awal Theatre and stars Hasan Al Asfoor and Reem Wanoos, directed by Hussain Al Asfoor. Follow Awal Theatre on Instagram @awaltheater. The production is open to the public.

WORLD ROBOT OLYMPIAD (WRO)

Date: May 20 & 21
Venue: Bahrain International Exhibition Centre

AMA International School hosts "The fifth edition of the World Robot Olympiad (WRO) Bahrain under the patronage of Supreme Council for Youth and Sport first deputy chairman Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa at the Bahrain International Exhibition and Convention Centre in Sanabis, on May 20 and May 21. The event will feature the participation of more than 100 teams from 30 private and public schools Bahrain and aims to

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MAKE MUSIC BAHRAIN

Date: May 22 from 5pm to 10pm
Venue: House 1077, Road 1347, Block 213, Muharraq

"In the spirit of the French well known 'Fête de la Musique', Make Music Bahrain is a one day-music festival, open to professional and amateur local or foreign musicians. Artists and musicians are performing for free, with the only aim of sharing with the public their skills and talent in a festive manner.

develop students' scientific skills and teamwork.

It will test students' abilities to solve mathematical problems and motivate them to apply what they have learned in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

The winners of the event will represent Bahrain in the WRO International to be held from November 6 to 8 at Doha, Qatar.

A MASKED AFFAIR

When: May 21 - 7pm

Where: Elite Resort & Spa

The Young Goans Club (YGC) will host a Masquerade Ball 2015 for its members and their guests. Contests, prizes and games have been planned for the event. YGC is also arranging to have an area for children with care-takers, so the whole family can enjoy the Masquerade Ball.

The themed contests include "Most Creative Mask", "Best Dressed King and Queen", and "Best Hairdo". No advance registration is needed, one has to just attend the Ball and participate.

In addition, a Jive competition will also be held to pick the grooviest dancers from amongst the crowd. Transportation from select location is also being arranged for. Musical entertainment for the night will be provided by The Expats Band supported by DJ SNS.

GCC GAME JAM 2015

Date: May 21 to May 23 at 8pm
Venue: Bahrain Polytechnic

The 1st GCC Game Jam will take place on the 21st, 22nd and 23rd of May 2015 at Bahrain Polytechnic campus at Isa Town.

Participants in the competition will work in teams (2 to 4 members) and

each team will be asked to develop a game in less than 3 days. The theme of the required game will only be revealed at the beginning of the competition, to ensure that all games are developed during the event timing.

There will also be a game corner where public will be able to play games using high-performance gaming PCs and consoles as well as Virtual Reality devices.

Visit <http://www.gccgamejam.org> for more detail

AFTER BRUNCH PARTY

Date: May 22 (6PM-onwards)
Venue: JJ's Irish Restaurant, Adliya

A very special Friday After Brunch Party; as for the very first time at JJ's, all the way from the UK, "The Queen of Dance Music" Tara McDonald with French DJ Adam Trigger will be performing live! Warming up the crowd from

UPCOMING EVENT



FOOTJOY MONDAY STABLEFORD

Date: Every Monday
Venue: The Royal Golf Club

Footjoy, the popular supplier of high performance golf shoes, are the 2015 sponsor of the Royal Golf Club's weekly Monday Stableford competitions. The Footjoy Monday Stableford takes place on the Club's challenging Montgomerie championship course each week and sees members and their guests battling it out against the Club's PGA Professionals. The quarterly winners will each receive a pair of Footjoy golf shoes, the number one shoe in golf, as their prize. To register, contact the Royal Golf Club's Golf Events Department.

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COOKING CLASS

Date: May 26, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Venue: Ritz Carlton La Med

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MAY QUEEN

Date: May 28
Venue: Indian Club Bahrain

As many as 16 models of different nationalities are expected to vie for the title of the Indian Club's "May Queen 2015" on May 28.

Contestants will present themselves through four rounds. Round one will see them wearing costumes that represent their native countries while the round two will allow the girls to be less formal as they get the chance to show themselves off in casual wear.

The third round will change the mood back to a more decorous focus with the prospective May Queens dressing up in party-wear; and then the fourth and final round for the chosen final six ladies will be Q&A session.

The contest categories include, the Indian Club May Queen 2015, first runners-up, second runners-up, best attire, best hair-style and best smile.

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EJAZA EXPO

Date: May 28-30
Venue: Bahrain City Centre

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RED BULL KITE THE WAJ

Date: June 6, 2015
Venue: Amwaj Islands

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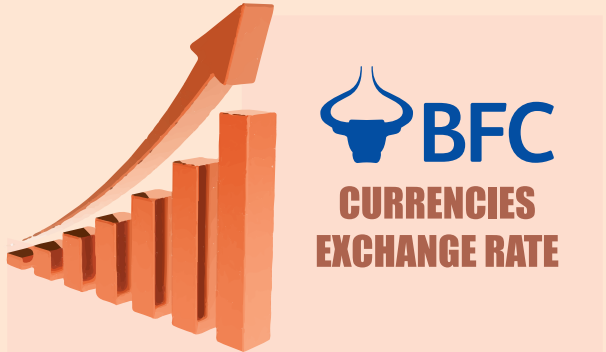
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BCCI to host one-day workshop in NeuroSales

DT News Network Manama The SMEs Development and Support Centre of Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI) is hosting a professional workshop in NeuroSales. The one-day workshop emphasises implying neuroscience to enhance sales, and other effective sales and marketing techniques. The workshop will be delivered by international speaker Tom Flatau, and will take place today from 4:00 to 6:00 pm in Al Majlis Hall on the ground floor of Bait Al Tijjar.



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Deal signed at Ritz Carlton

BIN HINDI SOLE YOTA PHONE DISTRIBUTOR

DT News Network Manama

A. A. Bin Hindi, a business house in Bahrain, and Yota Devices Ltd, have signed an agreement whereby A. A. Bin Hindi is appointed as the sole distributor of Yota phones in Bahrain. The agreement was signed at The Ritz Carlton, Bahrain Hotel & Spa.

The signing ceremony was attended by A. A. Bin Hindi Vice-Chairman & CEO, Ahmed Bin Hindi and Yota Devices Ltd Vice President for Middle East and Africa Abdul Karim Sawan, in the presence of Vladimir Martynov CEO of YotaPhone, media persons and senior officials from both sides.

“We are delighted to announce the appointment of A. A. Bin Hindi as the sole distributor for Yota Phones in Bahrain. This partnership is a vital step in development of our presence in this important market,” said Abdul Karim Sawan, Yota Devices Vice President for Middle East and Africa.

The A. A. Bin Hindi Group’s commitment to customer service and their ability to maintain and deliver as per promised schedules has seen the group carve a prominent niche for itself in the upper echelons of Bahrain’s business and trading

“We’re striving to provide Bahraini customers with the reputed international Brands in various sectors.

Through this partnership, we will create a state-of-the-art technology environment, enabling us to reinforce our market leadership and placing customer service at the forefront of the business company’s strategy for the years to come,” said Ahmed Bin Hindi.

Yota Devices Ltd. develops, manufactures, and sells



The signing ceremony

mobile communications and connectivity devices. It offers smartphones, modems, and routers. The company was

founded in 2009 and is based in Moscow, Russian Federation with a representative office in Dubai. A. A. Bin Hindi Group

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Joyalukkas Turkish Jewellery Fest

FOR SPELL BINDING TURKISH DESIGNS



The inauguration of Turkish fest at Joyalukkas. Under Zenina collections, Joyalukkas offers designs created by Turkish craftsmen

DT News Network Manama

Joyalukkas has launched Turkish Jewellery Fest across its showrooms to showcase their refreshed brand, Zenina. Under Zenina Collections, Joyalukkas offers spell binding designs created by master craftsmen in Turkey. The Zenina range will showcase never before designs and collections crafted in 22K gold. “Turkey is renowned for its Jewellery and their exquisite designs are a rage across the

world. Under Zenina, we now offer the best of Turkish Jewellery to our discerning customers who are constantly looking for new and trendy designs,” said Joy Alukkas, Chairman and MD, Joyalukkas Group.

Zenina - Turkish Jewellery Collection was launched by Erdem Ozan, Consulate General of Turkey in the presence of John Paul Joy Alukkas, Executive Director, Joyalukkas Group, Sonia John Paul, Director, Joyalukkas

Group and other dignitaries at Big Joyalukkas, Al Fahidi Street branch.

Zenina collection offers a choice of mid range and premium Jewellery to make it accessible to all types of customers. The Zenina range of Jewellery is a spectacle of rare designs and beautiful works of art that appeals to every Jewellery lover.

“We are proud to relaunch Zenina, Jewellery inspired by Turkey. Our designs have a contemporary look with

intricate ethnic art embedded to create a fusion that is breathtaking. Our Turkish Fest is a grand celebration of incredible Turkey and their amazing craftsmanship,” said John Paul Joy Alukkas, Executive Director, Joyalukkas Group.

During the Turkish Jewellery Fest, customers are also being offered an opportunity to purchase 8gms gold coin with Zero Making Charges. This is a first time event which every Jewellery lover should surely not miss.

Ithmaar sells BD8.84m plot in Dilmunia to KSCP

DT News Network Manama

Ithmaar Development Company announced yesterday the sale of a strategic plot on the Dilmunia island in Bahrain to renowned Kuwaiti Developer and Hospitality Investor, Kuwait Resort Company K.S.C.P. (an affiliate of “Al Tijaria” The Commercial Real Estate Co. K.S.C.P) with a sale value of BD8.84 million.

The preliminary agreement was signed at the final day of the Gulf Property Show by Mohammed Khalil Alsayed, Chairman of project owners Health Island B.S.C (c) and Ibrahim Al Ghanim, Deputy Chairman and CEO of Kuwait Resort Company and Board & Executive Committee Member of Al Tijaria. The seafront property



The deal was signed by Al Ghanim and Alsayed

will be developed to offer waterfront villas, city villas and a range of luxury

apartments overlooking the Dilmunia Canal waterfalls. The development is set

to include more than 300 residential offerings set in lush landscaped surroundings.

By Invitation



Dr. Batool Asiri

Reaction of investors to announcements in telecom sector in Bahrain

Event study is concerned about the changes in the equity value of firms (abnormal returns) as a result of the occurrence of some events. The changes in the equity value might be negative or positive depending on the reaction of the market to the event under investigation. The key assumption of the event study is that the market is efficient, which means that the effects of the event will be reflected immediately in the equity value of the company.

Literature indicates that the event study methodology is used widely in the corporate finance because it is crucial for firms to know the impact of policies (announcements) on the value of the firm over a relatively short time period. The importance of event studies is not confined to knowing how security is likely to react to a given event, but can also help to predict the reaction of other securities to different events.

Generally, there are three types of event studies. The first type is called “corporate events”, which examines the impact of firm-related events such as change of CEO, expansion, merger and acquisition, sponsorship of an important event, etc. The second type is “announcements of macroeconomic events” including events such as credit ratings of countries, unemployment figures, change in price of oil, etc. The third type is “regulatory events” including business-related rules and regulations such as bankruptcy Act, bribery Act, etc. The first type i.e. corporate events, is the one which is mostly used by scholars.

Using corporate events type, I conducted a study in Bahrain to examine the impact of a number of events on the stock prices of “a leading telecom provider”. In this study, six of the provider’s events were selected and have been classified under one of two categories: marketing or financial. Marketing events include announcements with a promotional nature, such as winning awards and reducing rates, while financial events include announcements such as change of top management and increase in investment. The purpose of the study was to identify the reactions of investors to the chosen six events announced by the provider. Furthermore, if investors react, do they react to all announcements equally and generate some abnormal returns or do we assume that there should not be any reaction, given that Bahrain market is efficient.

Overall, results show that regardless of the type of announcement or unexpected event, investors do react to this type of news, either negatively or positively. This is evident in the changes in the cumulative abnormal returns exhibited on the event day and throughout the period of the event. Results reveal that investors gain abnormal returns mainly from the announcement of increased investment in projects, as the provider’s announcement that it had taken steps to provide complete ICI infrastructure for al Baraka Banking Group (event 6) cause abnormal returns to rise by about 10%. Similarly, when the provider strengthened its commitment to the Jordanian telecom market in Umnia 3G (event 4), the abnormal return raised by about 5%. Yet investors felt neither happy nor confident when the company announced the appointment of a new supervisor committee and chief operating officer (event 5), and reacted negatively to this announcement. On the marketing end, when the provider slashed its rates for the business broadband (event 2), investor reactions were positive, and generated about 7% abnormal returns. Furthermore, it was found that award winning for investor relations gives a positive signal (event 1) while award winning for digital annual reports (event 3) was interpreted as a negative signal by investors. The six events used in this sample highlight the fact that the Bahrain Bourse is not efficient and therefore, investors can systematically make abnormal returns. This conclusion supports the signaling theory, which states that corporate management can send significant signals to the market by taking certain actions and publicly announcing events.

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(The views and opinions expressed in this article are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect the policy or position of this newspaper.)

■ Post Morsi Sentence

EGYPTIAN OFFICIALS KILLED

Cairo
Gunmen killed two Egyptian judges and a prosecutor yesterday in the Sinai Peninsula, just hours after a court in Cairo sentenced ousted president Mohamed Morsi to death. The shooting in North Sinai's provincial capital El-Arish also killed the officials' driver and wounded another prosecutor, the health ministry said. Some of Morsi's fellow defendants included jihadists in Sinai, where militants often attack members of the security forces. Police said

Following the attack, the first of its kind in Sinai, the interior ministry put police on high alert across the country and suspended all leave, a ministry official said

the officials came under attack while being driven to a court hearing in El-Arish. Following the attack, the first of its kind in Sinai, the interior ministry put police on high alert across the country and suspended

all leave, a ministry official said. Meanwhile, the justice ministry also decided to move some court hearings in El-Arish to Ismailiya "to protect the judges", a ministry official said.



Army trucks carry Egyptian military tanks in El-Arish, in the northern Sinai Peninsula

Death penalty recalls 'ancient Egypt'



Recep Tayyip Erdogan

Istanbul

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan yesterday condemned the death sentence handed out by an Egyptian court to former president Mohamed Morsi, saying it recalled "ancient Egypt". "The popularly elected president of Egypt, chosen with 52 percent of the vote, has unfortunately been sentenced to death," Erdogan said at a rally in Istanbul, to howls of protest from the crowd. "Egypt is turning back into ancient Egypt," Erdogan said,

referring to the old Pharaonic rule of the land that ended over two millennia ago. "The West, unfortunately, is still turning a blind eye to Sisi's coup," he added. Morsi was overthrown in 2013 by army chief Abdel Fattah al-Sisi, who is now president after winning elections last year. "While they (the West) abolished the death penalty in their own countries, they just look on as spectators at this execution in Egypt," he added. Turkey, like the

EU, has itself abolished the death penalty. The Islamic-rooted government under Erdogan was a strong supporter of the Islamist Morsi after he won the 2012 elections with just under 52 percent of the vote, hoping he would help restore Turkey's Ottoman-era influence in the region. However Turkey reacted furiously to the overthrow by Sisi of Morsi, a move supported by Saudi Arabia. Diplomatic relations were severely degraded.

Brotherhood official condemns Morsi verdict

Istanbul

Muslim Brotherhood official Amr Darrag condemned an Egyptian court's decision on to seek the death penalty for former president Mohamed Morsi and called on the international community to take action. "This is a political verdict and represents a murder crime that is about to be committed, and it should be stopped by the international community," Darrag said.

US commandos kill top IS fundraiser

Beirut

The United States upped the ante in its war on the Islamic State in Syria, killing a dozen militants and a major fundraiser yesterday in a rare ground operation by special forces, the White House said. US commandos have entered Syria before, including last year on a failed bid to rescue Western hostages, but this week's operation appeared to mark a departure in missions

targeting the militants. The decision to send commandos to strike the inner circle of the IS group was an unexpected move by the Americans, who have so far fought the extremists almost entirely from the air. The raid is the first publicly confirmed American ground operation targeting jihadists in Syria. On orders from President Barack Obama, elite troops

from the US Army's Delta special operations forces based in Iraq sought to capture the IS militant Abu Sayyaf, who oversaw oil smuggling for the jihadists. "During the course of the operation, Abu Sayyaf was killed when he engaged US forces," a spokeswoman for the White House National Security Council, Bernadette Meehan, said. In the course of the raid,

a Yazidi woman was rescued after apparently being enslaved by the commander and his wife, Umm Sayyaf, who is also suspected of being a member of the IS group and was captured, Meehan said. "The operation also led to the freeing of a young Yazidi woman who appears to have been held as a slave by the couple. We intend to reunite her with her family as soon as feasible," she added.

Taliban kidnap 27 people at gunpoint in Afghan road

Khost

Taliban insurgents abducted 27 people in eastern Afghanistan yesterday, setting up a roadblock and pulling them from their vehicles at gunpoint in the latest mass kidnapping in the war-torn country. The incident took place in the Sayed Karam district of southeastern Paktia province,

said provincial council member Mohammad Rahman Qadry. The hostages were taken to an unknown location, he added. "We are not sure why they have abducted civilians, but we have deployed police reinforcement to free the passengers," provincial police chief Zalmai Uryakhail said.

Cross-border love

Custody saga ends! Mom, daughter reunite



Alondra Diaz, 13, and her mother, Dorotea Garcia

Fresno

A Texas woman and her long-missing daughter arrived yesterday morning in Houston, ending an eight-year cross-border case that had mistakenly sent another girl to the U.S. against her will. Houston resident Dorotea Garcia and 13-year-old Alondra Diaz arrived at Bush Intercontinental Airport

on Saturday morning from Guadalajara, Mexico. "I love her, and I am so happy having her here," Garcia said. Diaz, a native-born U.S. citizen, was taken to Mexico in 2007 by her father without her mother's consent and Diaz's whereabouts hadn't been known until recently. The case gained attention last month after a judge in

Mexico erroneously ruled that 14-year-old Alondra Luna was the missing girl and ordered her turned over to Garcia. DNA testing showed she wasn't Garcia's daughter and she returned to her real family. Garcia and Diaz held a news conference outside of Garcia's suburban Houston home on yesterday afternoon. The garage door on

the front of the house had been decorated with balloons and signs that said in Spanish, "Welcome Alondra" and "We love you very much, Alondra." When asked what it means to have her daughter back, Garcia replied, "No more gray days." Throughout the news conference, mother and daughter hugged each other, and Garcia

became emotional several times. When asked about returning home to the United States to live with her mother, Alondra said in Spanish, "I want to learn many things about the United States, about my family." Garcia said that she had been waiting for this day for many years. "I can touch her now," she said in Spanish.

Sunday, May 17, 2015

MORSI: THE END OF ROAD?

Former Egyptian President Mohamed Morsi was sentenced to death yesterday along with 100 others. Read how Morsi ended up on death row

Who is he?

Mohamed Morsi was the short-lived fifth President of Egypt, holding power from June 2012 until July 2013. The 63-year-old was Egypt's first democratically elected president but was forced out of office by the military after violent protests broke out under his leadership. He was also a leading member of the Muslim Brotherhood and chairman of the Freedom and Justice Party. Morsi studied engineering in Cairo University then completed his PhD at the University of Southern California. After returning, he became head of the engineering department at Zagazig University before moving into politics. Morsi has five children and three grandchildren.

What has he been found guilty of?

Morsi has been behind bars since his ousting in July 2013. He initially went on trial for allegedly inciting

supporters to murder a journalist and two opposition protesters and ordering torture and unlawful detention. Morsi, already jailed for 20 years for inciting violence against protesters, faces the death penalty for espionage and jailbreak nearly two years after his overthrow. Meanwhile, Judge Shabaan El-Shamy also handed down the same sentence to more than 100 other defendants, including Muslim Brotherhood leader Mohamed Badei, already sentenced to death in another trial, and his deputy Khairat al-Shater.

Why is he so controversial?

Critics associate Morsi and his Muslim Brotherhood with imposing Islamist views on the country's secular policy. He has been called hard line in his approach – not flinching in having his opponents detained. Many Egyptians voiced disappointment in Morsi after he failed to appoint a promised female vice



A file picture shows Egyptian ousted Islamist president Mohamed Morsi



Huge crowds gathered in Tahrir Square to celebrate when the military ousted Morsi

A crackdown on Morsi's supporters in August 2013 saw almost 1,000 people killed

Mohamed Morsi

president and Coptic Christian deputy. Violent clashes that broke out in 2013 were in reaction to the Brotherhood's rise to power. However, human rights activists have since accused Egypt of widespread abuses in its on-going crackdown on the Muslim Brotherhood and its supporters. More than 1,400 people are thought to have been killed since the military ousted Morsi. The former military chief, Abdul Fattah al-Sisi became President in what some called a backward step for democracy in Egypt. Morsi has rejected the authority of the courts and shouted there had been a "military coup" from the dock. He has been made to sit in a soundproof cage in court since then.

The death sentence has been handed out liberally since Morsi left office, with 1,200 sent to the grave in two mass trials alone. The UN has called the fairness of judiciary system into question. Amnesty International released a statement following the ruling, which called for a re-trial. "This verdict shatters any remaining illusion of independence and impartiality in Egypt's criminal

justice system," said Hassiba Hadj Sahraoui, Deputy Middle East and North Africa Director. "Convicting Mohamed Morsi, despite fundamental flaws in the legal process and what seems to be at best flimsy evidence produced in court under a gag order, utterly undermines this verdict," she added. **What happens now?** After being handed a death sentence, Egypt's highest religious authority – the Grand Mufti – will be consulted on his opinion on Morsi's fate. However, defendants can still appeal even after the mufti's recommendation.

How did Egypt react to the verdict? The death sentence against Morsi and more than 100 other people received mixed reactions across the country. While pro-Morsi rights activists condemn the ruling, expecting it to weaken the credibility of Egypt's judiciary, Morsi's opponents describe the same ruling as "fulfilling."

SURVIVORS SAY JUSTICE SERVED

Boston **Survivors** of the Boston Marathon bombings said justice had been served, but reacted with mixed emotions after a jury handed down the death penalty verdict to convicted killer Dzhokhar Tsarnaev.

“He’s going to go to hell. That’s where he wanted to go,” said Michael Ward, a firefighter who was off duty at the time of the April 15, 2013 attacks but who treated victims at the scene.

“I remember when those bombs went off and I remember the vile, disgusting thing that this person did,” he told reporters almost immediately after the sentence was handed down following 14 hours of jury deliberations.

“This is a matter of justice,” he said. “No one’s here celebrating. If you ask 10 people you’ll get 10 different opinions,” he said.

“But ultimately, justice has prevailed today... He wanted to go to hell and he’s going to get there early,” he added.

Liz Norden, whose two adult sons each lost a leg in the attacks at the marathon finish line, said she would be there “every step of the way” if ever afforded the option of watching Tsarnaev be put to death.

“I feel justice for my kids,” she told reporters. “It feels like a weight has been lifted off my shoulders.”

Ballroom dancer and amputee Adrienne Haslet-Davis tweeted: “My heart is with our entire survivor community. I am thrilled with the verdict!”

Yet there was also an element of surprise and sadness over the sentence.

The death sentence was possible only under federal law. The state of Massachusetts outlawed capital punishment in 1947 and opinion polls had suggested residents favored a life sentence for Tsarnaev.

Some survivors, including the parents of eight-year-old victim Martin Richard, had publicly opposed the death penalty, worried that years, if not decades, of prospective appeals would dredge up their agony.



Liz Norden, who had two sons injured, speaks to the media

■ Pilot identified

CHOPPER CRASH: 8 BODIES FOUND

Kathmandu

The Nepalese army yesterday said troops had found the bodies of all eight people from the wreckage of a US helicopter, which crashed while delivering aid in the quake-devastated country.

The UH-1Y Huey was carrying six US Marines and two soldiers from the Nepalese army when it went missing during a relief flight in the mountainous northeastern region on the same day that a second quake hit the country.

“Nepalese and US troops recovered all eight bodies from the crash site this morning,” Major general Binoj Basnyat said by telephone. “None of the bodies are recognisable,” Basnyat said.Nepalese troops on Friday spotted the aircraft in a remote forest around 70 kilometres (40 miles) northeast of Kathmandu, three days after it disappeared from sight.

Teams from the US military and the Nepal army were investigating the wreckage to determine the cause of the crash, Basnyat said.

Army helicopters and hundreds of US and Nepalese ground troops had been deployed to scour the mountainous region where the chopper disappeared.

Meanwhile, the pilot has been identified as 31-year-old Marine Capt. Chris Norgren of Wichita, Kansas, according to his father, Ron Norgren.

“He loved to fly,” the father added.



A Nepalese army chopper, that spotted the suspected wreckage of a U.S. Marine helicopter, lands at the airport in Kathmandu, Nepal

Yemen clashes kill dozens as ceasefire nears end

Sanaa

Fierce clashes between rebels and pro-government forces killed dozens across south Yemen yesterday, threatening to derail a humanitarian ceasefire drawn up to bring vital aid to the war-racked country.

The five-day truce initiated by a Saudi-led coalition that has bombarded the Iran-backed rebels for more than six weeks expires late Sunday, and Riyadh has already warned it was “ready to act” against any ceasefire violations.

In the latest violence, at least 12 civilians were killed and 51 wounded when the Shiite Huthi rebels shelled several neighbourhoods in Yemen’s third city Taz, military and local sources said.

The clashes came after overnight fighting killed 26 rebels and militiamen loyal to former president Ali Abdullah Saleh as well as 14 pro-government forces, military sources said.

The United Nations has expressed deep concern about the civilian death toll from the Saudi-led bombing as well as the humanitarian impact of an air and sea blockade imposed by the coalition.

Philippines hunts Malaysian suspect

Tuburan

Government forces in the southern Philippines said yesterday they were hunting a suspected Malaysian bomb-maker who may be helping local Al-Qaeda-linked extremists.

The suspect, identified as Mohammad Najib, is believed to have fled after troops overran one of their bomb-making camps on the southern island of Basilan on Thursday, said Colonel Joselito Rolando Bautista, the island’s military commander.

Three militants and one soldier were killed when soldiers overran the camp of the Abu Sayyaf group, an armed band founded in the 1990s with seed money from Osama bin Laden’s Al-Qaeda network.

Happy Harry

Prince Harry in snap encounter with crocodile

Sydney

Britain’s Prince Harry had a close encounter with a ferocious crocodile during his recent trip in Australia, with officials revealing Saturday he helped capture a 3.1 metre predator.

Harry spent a month Down Under with the Australian Army, an experience that involved learning bush survival skills, flying helicopters and working with elite SAS commandos.

The 30-year-old British prince also helped to snare a crocodile from a trap, pulling in the animal from Darwin Harbour and straddling it after its jaws had been taped closed.

“Prince Harry went out on the croc boat and helped our rangers remove a 3.1 metre (10 feet) saltwater crocodile from a trap in Darwin Harbour,” Northern Territory Minister for Parks and Wildlife Bess Price said.

“This top secret mission is sure to leave a unique, lasting impression of the Territory with Prince Harry,” she added in a statement.

Prince Harry was welcomed to Australia by hundreds of well-wishers in Canberra on April 6, including one who asked to marry him, but his day-to-day activities with the Army were kept under wraps.

Ranger Erin Britton said Harry, who toured Afghanistan twice during a decade in the British Army, was not scared to get close to the crocodile, which was later taken to a local farm.

“He’d make a great croc catcher,” she said. “He responded to directions when catching the croc, helped pull it into the boat and did a great job.”

Britton said she hadn’t been sure what to expect of the prince “because you don’t meet royalty every day,” but had found him to be a “sweetie”. “I was a little nervous at first when I was getting the snout rope on the croc because Harry was observing so closely, but he was so easy-going that I relaxed pretty quickly,” she said.

“I found him very approachable and easy to chat with.”

Britton said there was “no doubt” the visiting prince enjoyed snaring the crocodile, saying he had been “taking plenty of photos with a huge smile”.

Senior Wildlife Ranger for the Crocodile Management Team, Tommy Nichols, agreed the prince seemed to enjoy the visit on April 15.

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Prince Harry helps with the capture of a 3.1 metre crocodile in Darwin Harbour

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CATWALK IN THE SKY!

...from the golden early years of travel to celebrity designed outfits, fascinating photographs reveal air hostess fashion through the ages



From the golden early years of travel, to Vivienne Westwood designing the Virgin Atlantic uniform last



year, fashion in the skies has been constantly evolving.

When commercial flying

took off in the 1950s, flying was not just for getting from A to B, the flight was a holiday event in itself.

The role of the airhostess was equally glamorised. In her book, Up in the Air, air stewardess Betty Riegel revealed how flight attendants were expected to have the looks of supermodels, the talents of a star housewife and the safety sense of an emergency responder (including knowing how to deliver a baby).

Featuring everything from saris to hotpants, from Hugh Hefner’s private jet to the huge Airbus A380, the skies have seen it all, and rare photographs from Keith Lovegrove’s fascinating book, Style at 30,000 feet, gives us a peek back at the history of life in the skies.

When you think of the ‘golden age’ of travel in the 1950s and 60s, Pan Am and Concorde immediately springs to mind.

These were days before budget travel, and the use of



the jumbo jet and although passengers would be dressed to the nines, planes boasted three to six inches more legroom, and lobster could be served as a standard airline meal.

When Riegel applied to be an airhostess for Pan Am in the sixties, for a young woman to be considered she would have had to weigh between 110 and 134 lbs, be between the ages of 21 and 27, single and of good moral character.

Riegel beat off competition from thousands of eager British applicants enticed by the prospect of the exciting life of travel.

Her book reveals the strict process involved in her selection, which included translating a passage from



French into English, walking about a room to show off her posture and even a public weigh-in.

After six weeks of intensive training, she began her career in the skies.

‘We learned meal service, international customs, geography,’ she said.

‘It was like a finishing school, par excellence,’ about her days in the skies.’

The rise of air stewardess’ influence spread in the ‘70s and developments in female rights and was reflected in their role in the skies.

Air hostess’ organised one of the most powerful female labour unions, which fought discrimination in the work place.

The first non-white UK-based air hostesses were hired in 1970 for British Midland Airways.

Chic travel was not only limited to the skies, airport terminals have a sleeker look without the hundreds of chain stores and thousands of tourists queuing for security and scanning for gate numbers.

Fashion for airhostesses in the 1980s featured a multitude of plaid, which followed by boxy shoulder pads and big blazers in the 1990s.

Today uniforms still feature the structured, tailored look, and still have a high-fashion feel about them, reflected with Vivienne Westwood designed outfits for Virgin Atlantic in 2014.

(Daily mail)

Betty Riegel revealed how flight attendants were expected to have the looks of supermodels, the talents of a star housewife and the safety sense of an emergency responder (including knowing how to deliver a baby)

International Bodybuilding Championship

SAAD CROWNED CHAMPION

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Mohammed Saad was crowned champion of the International Bodybuilding Championship at the Fourth Flex Bodybuilding Festival 2015 held at the Alba Club gym in Riffa.

The Egyptian bodybuilder topped the main event of the day and halting the host country's Abdulwahed Al Asfoor challenge who had to settle for a silver, while Hasan Mohammed of Saudi Arabia clinched the bronze. Omar Khaldi of Morocco, Saudi Arabia's Musalam Al Mabyook and Egypt's Emad Ali were tanked fourth to sixth, respectively.

Three more weight categories took place as Bahraini Ahmed Jassim clinched the 70kg gold medal. Mohammed Darwish, Ashraf Mohammed, Mohsin Mohammed and Ali Abdulla, all of Saudi Arabia, took second to fifth places.

In the 80kg event, Saudi Arabia's Hussain Nasser put on a good show to win the competition's gold medal against Neipal's Lalit Diamal, who came second. Syria's Mustafa Mohammed was third, followed by Aref Hebatallah of Yemen, Saudi Arabia's Hassan Abdulmohsin and Bahraini Ali Abdulla.

Morocco's Abdulwahed Touri registered a well-earned victory for gold in the above 90kg contest, beating Saudi Arabia's Othman Haowsawi and Kuwaiti Isa Abdulhadi, who were second and third, respectively.

Mousa Jaffer and Abdulla

Jawad, both of Saudi Arabia, came in fourth and fifth and followed in sixth by Tunisia's Ahmed Abdulsalam.

Excitement mounted late on as the cheering audience witnessed a well-contested International Physique Championship, which saw Kuwaiti Mohammed Jassim win the 172cm gold medal.

Mohammed Abdoof Saudi Arabia was second place for the silver with the bronze going to Fahad Bader of Kuwait. Abdulla Ebrahim was fourth, followed by Ahmed Jawad of Kuwait and Hussain Adnan.

In the above 172cm category, Saadon Fuad of Saudi Arabia claimed the gold, followed by Bahraini Jassim Mohammed with a silver and Saudi Arabia's Abdulla Najeeb getting bronze, with Kuwait's Ali Al Matrook fourth place, followed by Mohammed Al Sharafa of Saudi Arabia and Kuwaiti Abdulla Najeeb.

A number of side activities took place on the day, as Jaber Adel of Al Daih Club was named winner of the International Strong Man with a time of three minutes and 26.12 seconds. Ali Al Fazei of Saudi Arabia's Al Jubail Club (3:53.47) and Mahmood Attiya (3:56.32) of the Hulk Gym were second and third.

Kadhim Fadel (5:28.19) came in fourth, Sayed Qassim Saeed (3:24.11) of Hulk Gym fifth and Jaber Al Aradi (3:54.58) of Al Dair Club sixth.

In the International Kyokushin Karate



Above 90kg winners



Physique event champions

Championship, Zaynab Al Saffar, Zaynab Isa, Mahmood Mohammed, Jaffer Ali, Elyas Khalil, Ahmed Salah, Saeed Saleh, Reda Qassim, Dania, Mohammed Ebrahim, Mohammed Jassim and Ali Hussain all topped their age categories events.

In Greco-Roman wrestling,

Mohammed Al Maskati, Abdulla Al Fayez and Aldar Darouf were crowned champions, while the Muai Thai event saw Ali Abdulreda and Jamal Jalal win their respective category events.

Vice-President of the International Federation of Bodybuilding and Fitness,



Shaikh Abdulla bin Rashid Al Khalifa honors bodybuilding champion Mohammed Saad

and President of the Asian Federation of Bodybuilding and Fitness and BWF Shaikh

Abdulla bin Rashid Al Khalifa was present to witness the action and honor the winners.



Bahrain under-14 boys lost 3-2 to Saudi under-14 boys in the junior category final to claim the runner-up trophy at the recent Middle East Premier Hockey League 2015 sponsored by Al Barrak Shipping Co at the Al Ettifaq Club Stadium in Dammam, Saudi Arabia. The best player award went to Talha Malik and awards were presented by the President of the Saudi Arabian Hockey Associatoin, Prince Saud bin Turki bin Fahad Al Saud. Above the Bahrain Junior team.

Raddison Blu defeat Marriott

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Diplomat Radisson Blu defeated Marriott by 13 runs in the latest round of matches of the Fourth Inter-Hotel Charity Cricket Tournament, 2015 at the Ritz-Carlton, Bahrain Hotel and Spa recreation area.

Batting first, Diplomat Radisson Blu were bowled out for 33 in 5.3 overs with Sohail (8 off 8, 1x4) and man of the match Raja (7 off 6, 1x4) the main scorers with Sudarsan (two for none) the best of the bowlers.

Marriott in reply were bowled out for just 20 in 5.4 overs with Sudarsan 8 off 15) top scoring and Raja (two for one) earning a fine all-round performance.

In another match, Westin beat International Hotels Est-Bushido by six wickets after the latter were bowled out for just 11 with Jassim (3 off 5) the main scorer as man of the match Abi (three for one) claimed the first hat-trick of the tournament and was supported by Amar (three for two). Westin easily reached the target scoring 12 without loss in 1.3 overs thanks to Hardeep (11 off 7, 2x4).

Other results:

Gulf-Hotel 24/2 from 4.2 overs (Lineesh 11 off 12, 1x6, Majed 1/6) bt K-Hotel 21 all out in 5.3 overs (Majed 12 off 15, 1x4, 1x6, Sameera 3/3) by four wickets.

Man of the Match: Sameera



Team Diplomat Raddison Blu Rotana Amwaj 57/5 from 6 overs (Gyan 19 off 13, 2x4, Aruna 17 off 15, 1x6, Thushara 2/14) bt Al-Areen 31 all out in 6 overs (Sampath 12 off 10, Gyan 1/2).

Man of the Match: Gyan. A total of 23 teams from 21 hotels are participating and split

into four groups, battling it out for the title on a daily basis with four matches from 6pm to 9pm until the semi-finals and finals on May 25.

All proceeds from the tournament are being donated to the 2015 official charity partner, the Hope Institute.

Paris Saint-Germain claim third straight title

Paris

Paris Saint-Germain won a third straight French Ligue 1 title yesterday when a 2-1 win at Montpellier gave them an unassailable lead over second-placed Lyon with just one match to play.

PSG came into the match knowing either a point, or Lyon's failure to beat Bordeaux at home, would be enough to clinch the title -- as it happened, Lyon drew 1-1.

Goals from Blaise Matuidi and Ezequiel Lavezzi powered

Laurent Blanc's Parisians to an impressive eighth consecutive league win, as they emerged victorious from a cat-and-mouse struggle over the latter part of the season with Lyon.

It was a fifth title in total for Paris Saint-Germain, who were only founded in 1970.

Blanc said he was over the moon watching his players dance around the Montpellier pitch, and the fans celebrate in the stands after the game.

Lyon may have come up short after leading the table for much

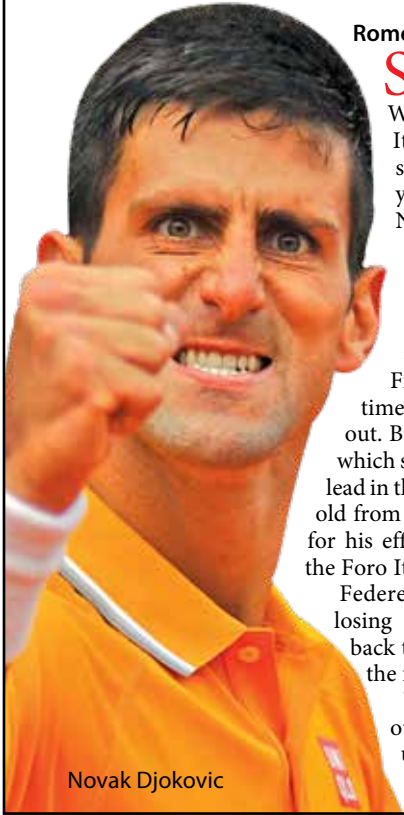
of the second half of the season, but they can at least console themselves with a return to the Champions League group stages next season. Missing injured striker Zlatan Ibrahimovic the Parisians settled their nerves in the 17th minute when Matuidi ran onto a brilliant defence splitting pass from Adrien Rabiot. He picked up the ball on the edge of the area, ran in on goalkeeper Jonathan Ligali and whipped the ball round him into the bottom right corner for a screaming opener.



PSG players congratulate their French midfielder Blaise Matuidi (2nd left) after he scored a goal

Roger Federer sets up final against Novak Djokovic

FEDERER BEATS WAWRINKA



Novak Djokovic

Rome

Swiss Roger Federer beat countryman Stan Wawrinka 6-4, 6-2 in the Italian Open semi-final to set up his third final of the year against Serbian rival Novak Djokovic.

Wawrinka had caused the first major upset of the week when he battled Rafael Nadal throughout a thrilling quarter-final on Friday to send the seven-time Rome champion crashing out. But despite a blistering start which saw Wawrinka race to a 3-0 lead in the opening set, the 30-year-old from Lausanne appeared to pay for his efforts late into the night at the Foro Italico.

Federer bounced back from losing the early break to break back twice on his way to sealing the first set 6-4.

Wawrinka was even more out of sorts in the second set, unforced errors steadily creeping into his game as

Federer eased into his stride and reached a stage where he was able to pick his shots comfortably.

Federer, bidding for his maiden title in Rome having lost three finals -- two to Nadal -- earned three break points in the third game of the second set and won the game when Wawrinka attempted a wild half-volley from a tight angle which he netted.

Federer moved 3-1 up on his next service game and broke his fellow Swiss again for a 4-1 lead before wrapping up the set.

So far this year it's one apiece between Djokovic and Federer, the former winning their last final at Indian Wells on a hard surface to make amends for Federer's hardcourt win in Dubai.



Roger Federer

About edges out Yuya in final

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About Tartir from Jordan came from a set down to edge out Japan's Yuya Wakamatsu 5-7, 6-0, 10-5 in the boys under-14 singles final of the BTF organised Junior Tennis Tournament in support of people with Down Syndrome which concluded yesterday at the Bahrain Tennis Federation (BTF) courts in Isa Town.

In boys under-12 singles action, Mathias Hopman got the better of Isa Al Isa 10-7 games in the final, while the Unisex under-10 mixed singles title was won by Ervin Godinho with a 6-4 game win over Kent Belt.

After the finals, an awarding ceremony was held with the finalists receiving trophies and attended by BTF officials, sponsors and other participating players.



The finalists along with BTF officials, members of the Bahrain Down Syndrome Society, sponsors and other participants.



Shane Watson plays a shot

Rajasthan Royals, Chennai winners

New Delhi

Chris Morris took 4/23 as Rajasthan Royals defeated defending champions Kolkata Knight Riders by 9 runs at the Brabourne Stadium in Mumbai yesterday to seal a playoff berth.

Chasing a huge 200-run victory target, Kolkata managed 190/9 in their 20 overs. The Kolkata run chase got off to a bad start as captain Gautam Gambhir (1) fell on the last ball of the first over as he was caught off-guard by a Morris bouncer and his leading edge was caught by Stuart Binny at mid-wicket. Robin Uthappa (14) hit a couple of cracking boundaries before he mistimed a Dhawal Kulkarni delivery into the hands of Rajasthan captain Steven Smith at mid-off.

Manish Pandey hit a run-a-ball 21 before hitting a Kulkarni delivery to the covers for Morris to take the catch. Kolkata were 77/3 in 8.1 overs when Andre Russell joined Yusuf Pathan at the crease and the big-hitting West Indian smashed two sixes and four fours in his 20-ball 37 before Morris had him caught by Kulkarni at long-off as the defending champions slipped to 132/4 in 13.2 overs. Earlier, Watson's belligerent 104 not out powered Rajasthan to a formidable 199/6.

In another match, Chennai Super Kings produced a clinical performance as they demolished wooden spooners Kings XI Punjab by seven wickets to finish on top of the league table and qualify for the playoffs in the Indian Premier League.

After restricting Kings XI Punjab to a none too impressive 130/7 in 20 overs, CSK pair of Faf du Plessis (55, 41 balls) and Suresh Raina (41 no, 34 balls) added 92 runs for the third wicket to lay the foundation of a victory that was achieved in 16.5 overs.

Du Plessis and Raina joined forces after CSK were put in a spot at 10 for 2 with both Mike Hussey (1) and Brendon McCullum (6) being dismissed cheaply.

By virtue of this victory, CSK finished their league engagements on top of the eight-team table with 18 points from 14 games, which can't be surpassed by any other team in the tournament.

Crystal Palace spoil Gerrard's Anfield farewell party

PALACE STUN LIVERPOOL

Liverpool

Long-serving Liverpool captain Steven Gerrard bade an underwhelming farewell to Anfield yesterday as his side lost 3-1 to Crystal Palace in his final home game for the club.

After almost 17 years of service, 709 appearances, 185 goals and 10 trophies, the 34-year-old midfielder had hoped to sign off on a winning note before joining the Los Angeles Galaxy in July.

But although Adam Lallana put Liverpool ahead, goals from Jason Puncheon and substitutes Wilfried Zaha and Glenn Murray ruined the script as Palace ended a four-game losing streak and claimed a first league win at Anfield since 1991. The defeat ended Liverpool's slim mathematical hope of Champions League qualification ahead of their final game at Stoke City, but that was of minor concern on a day

that belonged to their beloved, home-grown captain.

Several former Liverpool greats were among the 44,673 people in attendance, as well as ex-manager Gerard Houllier, who handed an 18-year-old Gerrard his debut as a substitute against Blackburn Rovers in November 1998.

Players from both sides formed a guard of honour as Gerrard took to the pitch accompanied by his daughters Lourdes, Lexie and Lilly-Ella, while fans in the Kop and Centenary Stand formed mosaics in his honour.

Predictably, with Liverpool realistically unable to qualify for the Champions League and Palace long safe from relegation, the sense of occasion diminished the moment the match began.

Palace's fans, meanwhile, seized an opportunity to remind the man of the hour of the only

title to have eluded him during his distinguished Anfield career, chanting: "Have you ever seen Gerrard win the league?"

Chances for Gerrard

But after 26 minutes a miscued pass by former Liverpool full-back Martin Kelly put Scott Dann in trouble and Lallana pounced to run through and calmly lift a shot past Wayne Hennessey.

It was not the cue for Liverpool to take control, however, with Joe Ledley, Yannick Bolasie and Lee Chung-yong all squandering chances for Palace, while Simon Mignolet got down well to parry a deflected shot from Puncheon.

Shortly before half-time Puncheon equalised, whipping a fine 20-yard free-kick into the bottom-right corner after Emre Can had been booked for felling Bolasie.

Results:

Burnley 0, Stoke 0

Liverpool 1 (Lallana 26), **Crystal Palace 3** (Puncheon 43, Zaha 60, Murray 90-pen)

QPR 2 (Phillips 54, Fer 61), **Newcastle 1** (Riviere 24)

Southampton 6 (Mane 13, 14, 16, Long 26, 38, Pelle 81), **Aston Villa 1** (Benteke 45+3)

Sunderland 0, Leicester 0

Tottenham 2 (Chadli 54, Rose 61), **Hull 0**

West Ham 1 (Downing 62), **Everton 2** (Osman 68, Lukaku 90+3)



Steven Gerrard prepares to pass



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