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France hails Kuwait's balanced approach to other countries

Kuwait's diplomacy has always been balanced in its relations with other countries around the world, France's Ambassador to Kuwait, M. Marshand, said yesterday. Marshand made the remarks in a press conference in the embassy, noting that Kuwait's role in the international community is “very critical” as its schedule is currently being filled with many international meetings and conferences. "We have to make sure that every country shares Kuwait's goals in achieving stability and peace in the region and the world," he added. The ambassador also shed light on the continuous developmental relations between Kuwait and France in various fields, including the military, and confirmed his government's strong support for Kuwait's efforts in the traditional business environment.

Kuwait "welcomes" forum on arts and media held in Kuwait yesterday to promote projects for youth creativity in three sectors. In his keynote speech at the opening ceremony, Minister of State for Youth Affairs, Mohammad Al-Fahad, indicated that the seminars and workshops held within the framework of the forum “express a gesture of great importance to young Kuwaitis” and that it aims to promote the role of creativity in the society. "The forum seeks to provide a platform for young Kuwaitis to present their ideas and projects in various sectors," he said.

Kuwait hosts forum for youth from GCC, Jordan, Morocco

Kuwait hosted a forum for youth from the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), Jordan, and Morocco on Saturday, with the aim of discussing various issues affecting youth in the region. The forum, titled "Youth for a Better Future," took place at the Kuwaiti Ministry of Education and Water.

France hails ICRC's cooperative efforts in Kuwait

France has hailed the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) for its cooperative efforts in Kuwait, laying down its central role in the humanitarian field. France's Ambassador to Kuwait, M. Marshand, said yesterday that the ICRC has played a crucial role in addressing the needs of injured and sick people, those with disabilities, and the elderly. "The ICRC's role in protecting the safety, dignity and well-being of people affected by armed conflicts, children, women, the elderly, those with disabilities, and people who are dead or missing, as well as the protection of the legal and human rights of victims of war," he said. The ambassador added that the ICRC's protection of the Geneva Conventions remains crucial as it is the only body that can ensure the protection of civil law in armed conflict.

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Kuwaiti Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Sabah met with OIC Secretary General Mohammad Al-Ishaq on Monday, discussing the situation in the region and the need for cooperation in addressing the challenges faced by Islamic countries. "We will continue to support the ICRC's role in protecting human rights and promoting international law," he said. The meeting also dealt with the need for closer cooperation between Kuwait and other countries in the region to achieve stability and security. The Kuwaiti Prime Minister also thanked the ICRC for its efforts in protecting the rights of people affected by armed conflict.

Gulf central banks seek to enhance liquidity predictability

Gulf central banks are seeking to enhance liquidity predictability, with the Governor of the Central Bank of Kuwait, Mohammad Al-Ishaq, saying yesterday that the forum aims to enhance predictability and ensure smooth liquidity flows. "We have to ensure that the liquidity situation is predictable to all stakeholders," he said. The forum aims to discuss the importance of liquidity predictability and the role of central banks in enhancing it.

The forum is part of a series of initiatives by Gulf central banks to enhance predictability and ensure smooth liquidity flows. The forum is attended by the Governor of the Central Bank of Kuwait, Mohammad Al-Ishaq, and other representatives from central banks in the region.

In his welcome address, Sheikh Al-Mubarak Al-Hashel, Deputy Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, thanked the ICRC for its efforts in protecting the Geneva Conventions and ensuring the protection of human rights. "We will continue to support the ICRC's role in protecting human rights and promoting international law," he said. The meeting also dealt with the need for closer cooperation between Kuwait and other countries in the region to achieve stability and security.

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Public transportation, one solution to Kuwait’s suffocating gridlocks

‘Kuwait Commute’ initiative encourages people to use public buses

KUWAITI: Imagine one day in Kuwait going out of your house and heading to a nearby bus, subway or railway station to get to work or find friends. Wouldn’t that be convenient? The very concept of public transportation is meant to solve the gridlocking problem in the country with gridlocks stretching as far as the eye could see. While some initiatives in Kuwait exist to encourage people to use public transport, the majority of the population in Kuwait’s nationalities and expatriates included – use public transport, which in turn represents less than 15 percent of the total means of transport employed by the people. The initiative was on six trips to encourage the use of public transport. The initiative, so far, has met with positive reactions especially from women who expressed eagerness to use public transport more if the services were further developed. Awadhi affirmed that the government was interested in the initiative and officials displayed desire to support it.

Meanwhile, the initiative’s technical director Humoud Al-Shammari stressed that the more people use public transport, the more of a chance that Kuwait City could be turned to a modern metropolis free of dreaded gridlocks. Humoud revealed that she lived in New York City for seven years, using public transport as her main method to commute. The presence of hellish gridlocks requires the utmost use of public transportation and the promotion of regulations to favor public commuting, she affirmed, adding that the more people using buses, for example, the less cars will be present on the streets, leading or maybe lessening traffic jams. — KUNA
Gulf Bank selects candidates for sixth edition of AJYAL program

KUWAIT: Gulf Bank held an in-house Assessment Day on September 21, 2019 to finalize candidates for the sixth edition of the AJYAL development program. The Human Resources Talent Development team, along with Gulf Bank employees from various business groups and departments, participated in an all-day evaluation process to select an elite group of candidates that will take part in the AJYAL 6 Program.

The AJYAL 6 Assessment Day aimed to evaluate which applicants would be accepted into this year’s cohort. It is worth noting that out of 109 applicants, 36 were shortlisted to take part in the Assessment Day and upon the completion of the assessment, a total of 22 candidates were accepted into Gulf Bank’s AJYAL 6 program.

Among the Assessment Day highlights was the contribution of the AJYAL 1 Program graduates, who were interviewed individually as part of the selection process for the sixth program. The Assessment Day also aimed to evaluate the potential for growth and development, including the presentation of solutions to challenges, the ability to express thoughts and values, and an ability to communicate with Gulf Bank’s teammates. It is in this context that the Assessment Day was held.

The Assessment Day was part of an effective selection process to ensure that all new candidates have the AJYAL skills and potential for Gulf Bank’s AJYAL Development Program, said Salma Al-Hajjaj, General Manager of Human Resources at Gulf Bank. “At Gulf Bank, we take into consideration the banking landscape’s many different challenges and needs. Assessing candidates at an early stage helps them identify their strengths and weaknesses and prepare them better for the challenges ahead,” she said.

AJYAL is Gulf Bank’s flagship development program that targets Kuwaiti professionals. The program spans six months and aims to help candidates develop key banking skills, catering for laid-off bankers who have shown great potential on both a personal and professional level. The program, now in its sixth edition, also benefits from the mentorship and teachings of the previous years’ alumni, who have contributed to Gulf Bank’s many successes since their graduation from the AJYAL program.

Workshop trains kids on writing sci-fi stories

KUWAIT: Dr Ali Jaffar, an academic at Kuwait University, assured the importance of training kids to write science-fiction stories, which promotes their development process in many areas especially in language, art, and science. The four-day “Writing Workshop” was organized by Scientific Progress Publishing Company for two dozen children from Kuwait and Egypt. Jaffar said that writing in the field of science fiction demands skills, one being knowledge and how to apply to creative an idea. This workshop is part of the 2019 new edition of the “Science Fiction Writing Workshop” which was invited as she is a known author and an owner of kids publications, as well as Waleed Taher from Egypt who is an important artist of kids drawings to present the workshop. A number of kids were chosen for their skills and interest in science alongside their artistic side able to elaborate on their imaginations for the workshop to succeed.

Dr. Jaffar and his team were thrilled to see kids’ creativity and ability to use their imagination for the workshop. Discussions with the kids helped bring out new ideas which they did not even expect from their imagination from the results of the workshop. He also pointed to the importance of linking the kids with the participants in the workshop who are experts in writing science fiction. All participants were trained in writing science fiction stories to help protect the environment amongst other ideas. An opportunity to write short stories was given during the workshop which will be reviewed for publication and handout during the upcoming book fair. All participants had the opportunity to express their ideas and contribute to the ideas of kids, pointing out how their ideas differ from ours. — KUNA
Defence Ministry to enlist bedouin recruits in Jan

By A Fahal

KUWAIT: The Defence Ministry plans to enlist a new batch of bedouin (statutory) citizens in January, said sources.

The sources said the draft numbers were already drawn up and some, in implementation, to find the plastic has not been released and it continues to grow, amid the spreading technical problems and the thick, hard plastic bags, being a large segment of the population. Some of the remedies include raising penalties on plastic bags and the disposal of these plastic bags unscientifically, have become a serious danger for marine life and other species.
US impeachment battle heats up

WASHINGTON: President Donald Trump has opened a new front in the impeachment battle that threatens his administration, by-pointing at a prominent opponent for campaign contributions that he said would pave the way for progress in the talks, and underscored the importance of more "facts-based" discussions.

The call comes amid growing expectations that the US and North Korea will hold talks later this month, as the two countries continue to pursue a diplomatic solution to the Korean peninsula's nuclear weapons program.

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The US State Department said it had "significant concerns" about the talks, which had yet to be formally announced.

North Korea has long been a key player in the US nuclear weapons negotiations, and has been involved in talks with the US on denuclearization of the Korean peninsula since 2008. However, the talks have made little progress, and have been marred by tensions over North Korea's nuclear and missile programs.

The US and North Korea have been engaged in a series of high-level meetings and talks aimed at reducing tensions and finding a way to resolve the nuclear dispute. The talks have been ongoing since 2018, and have included discussions on the denuclearization of the Korean peninsula and the possibility of a formal agreement to end the Korean War.

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**Economic crises have disillusioned many voters**

Economist and political scientist Ali Elhadj, who works with Tunisia's electoral commission, told AFP: "The revolution has failed to create the jobs and improve the economy that motivated people to join the protest movement. The youth and those who were disillusioned by the revolution have lost faith in the promises made by the authorities."

Elhadj said that the main challenge facing the new government in a country hailed as the Arab Spring's most democratic success story but straining to meet the revolution's other demands of "work and dignity" was that it had succeeded in curbing terrorism attacks that had riveted the country for more than a decade, with the state's security forces taking on new roles.

Several terrorist attacks have been carried out in recent months, including one in the resort town of Sousse in June, where 38 people were killed. The attacks have been blamed on the Islamic State group, which has been active in the region.

"We are facing a new phase of the conflict," Elhadj said, "and the new government will have to deal with the economic challenges and ensure stability in the country."
Divisions over Russia mount: France and Germany seek peace in Ukraine

EU risks splitting into two camps on Russia

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**EU summit:** The Brussels summit concluded on Friday with a statement expressing the bloc’s determination to stand firm against Russian aggression and to press for a diplomatic resolution to the conflict in eastern Ukraine. The leaders of the European Union agreed to maintain sanctions on Russia until there is clear evidence of compliance with the Minsk agreements, which were signed in 2014 and are designed to end the conflict in eastern Ukraine.

**Sanctions:** The EU leaders also agreed to extend the sanctions on Russia until the end of 2020, with a view to ending them once there is clear evidence of compliance with the Minsk agreements. The sanctions include economic and financial restrictions, travel bans, and asset freezes on Russian individuals and entities.

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In Morocco, heroin addiction sweeps cannabis corridor

TETOUAN — A squatted complex on the sidelines of a coastal road in Morocco’s northern city of Tetouan has become a scene of a strange, unexpected transformation. Once a industrial zone, it has been transformed into a heroin-laden corridor where traffickers from Latin America are smuggling cannabis routes "by traffickers from Latin America to the south of Morocco," according to Ali Chabibi, the head of the national bureau for the fight against drug trafficking.

The spread of heroin in Morocco is facilitated by the "great popularity", according to Senator Philippe, the head of the national bureau for the fight against drug trafficking, in the country where 5% of the world's population lives. In Morocco, the spread of cannabis and heroin has intensified in recent years, driven by the "great popularity" of the drug in the country. In 2019, the national agency for the fight against drug trafficking (ONDA) reported that about 13,000 people were arrested for drug-related offenses in Morocco, a 10% increase compared to the previous year. In 2020, the number of arrests increased to 14,000, according to the same agency.

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In Kuwait, banks shun clients like Hope Watan, who runs a dispensary that supplies medical marijuana. Bank officials say she’s not just shunned by Kuwaiti banks, but by banks globally. Watan’s bank, the Kuwait Bank Co., has a policy of not allowing transactions of more than $10,000, which means she can’t make large withdrawals or deposits. Watan said she had to cash checks from the dispensary in a nearby gas station, but she worries about being seen by her clients. She said she feels lucky to already have an account at a bank, but said she couldn’t have opened one if she could’ve known it would be a problem.

The National Bank of Kuwait Co., the largest bank in Kuwait, is now allowing patients to open checking accounts, but requires them to deposit at least $100,000 in cash, which Watan says is not possible for her. She said she was surprised to hear the news that a bank was opening to marijuana patients, and said she’s considering opening an account there.

The Central Bank of Kuwait has said it is not preventing banks from opening accounts to marijuana patients, but it has not provided any guidance for how banks should handle the situation. Watan said she is considering opening an account with the National Bank of Kuwait, but is concerned about the potential for discrimination and harassment.

The president of the Kuwaiti Bank Association, Mohammed Al-Mutair, said the association has no guidelines for how banks should handle marijuana patients, but that it hopes to work with the Central Bank to develop a framework.

In other Gulf countries, such as the United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia, banks have also been reluctant to open accounts to marijuana patients. In the United Arab Emirates, banks have been required to verify the legal status of their customers and to ensure that their activities are not related to the sale of cannabis. In Saudi Arabia, banks have been required to verify the legal status of their customers and to ensure that their activities are not related to the sale of cannabis or any other illegal activities.

In the United States, banks are legally required to verify the identity of their customers and to ensure that their activities are not related to illegal activities. However, there is no clear guidance for how banks should handle marijuana patients.

The United States is one of the few countries in the world that has legalized marijuana for both medical and recreational use. However, many banks in the United States have been reluctant to open accounts to marijuana patients, citing concerns about the potential for regulatory problems and legal issues.

In conclusion, the situation for marijuana patients in Kuwait and other Gulf countries is very difficult. The lack of guidance from the Central Bank and the lack of clear legal framework makes it difficult for banks to decide whether to open accounts to marijuana patients. The situation is likely to continue until there is a clear legal framework and guidance from the Central Bank.
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As factories falter, White House insists economy like ‘a rock’

Auto plants, steel mills shut down while companies lay off staff

WASHINGTON — After a slow start during his first two years in office, and despite his lofty promises, the American manufacturing sector has begun to stumble under President Donald Trump.

Auto plants and steel mills are shutting down while companies are announcing layoffs and furloughs. Factory output is in the red. The year-end outlook in grim, with trade wars and new tariffs with China and Europe only adding to the stress on American manufacturers. Trum...
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New 2020 Nissan Patrol arrives in Kuwait

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The iconic Nissan Patrol 2020 Launch was attended by Al-Babtain Group CEO Saleh Al-Rai, Al-Babtain Group’s General Manager, and Al-Babtain Group’s Automotive GM - Laurent Pernet. The launch was celebrated by Nissan Al-Babtain and The Chairman Khaled Al-Babtain, attended by Al-Babtain Group’s strategy, “2019 represents a significant year in the fabric of Kuwait. It offers the right balance of power and performance for adventure seekers and those seeking luxury experiences while on the go. In 2015, the Patrol and its V8 engine were the first ever Patrol Service Center here in Kuwait. As for the new Patrol, the most capable vehicles around, with outstanding driving performance, best-in-class off-road capabilities and class-leading power.

Nissan Al-Babtain invites customers to visit its showroom located in Al-Fahd and Al-Abdulmohsen Abdulaziz Al-Babtain to discover the dynamic features the new Nissan models has to offer.
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Kuwait: KFH Group participates in Sibos conference in London 2019

The Bank holds bilateral talks with 83 entities from 32 countries. At the 4-day conference held in London, KFH Group demonstrated its leadership, strength and its progressive agenda, by the correspondent banks and international financial institutions in Europe, USA, Asia and Middle East. The event also witnessed Trade Finance, Cross-Border Payments, Digital and Innovation, Regulatory issues, account services, including KYC, Chasing, allowed by KFH Lampeter, and Customer Experience Technology, a subsidiary of KFH-Turkey, which enter into long-term strategic projects, as well as different financial institutions - all while further strengthening its position as the world's leading financial institution. The conference concluded on Tuesday, October 8, 2019.

It is worth noting that KFH participated in Sibos on the Group level with KFH-Turkey, KFH-Turkey Bank-Bahrain, KIPCO Tmkeen, and KFH-Turkey's subsidiary Architected Technology that offers digital and software solutions. KFH Group representatives at the event held important meetings and bilateral talks with 83 entities from 32 countries.

Registration for 5th KIPCO Tmkeen award for young entrepreneurs opens

Kuwait: KIPCO - The Kuwait Projects Company - has announced the start of registration for the annual Youth Entrepreneurship Opportunity, which is in its fifth year. This registration is the fifth year that the two entities come together, which focuses on entrepreneurs with existing businesses established for no longer than five years and formerly referred to by KF Group as KFP. Every year, the opportunity is designed to attract high-quality candidates for the award. Registration is open and open to all until October 31, 2019.

The winning criteria are:
1. Alabdullah Al-Tadmori.
2. Al-Najma weekly account - the prize of KD 500,000 in addition to a semi-annual prize of KD 10,000.
3. Burgan Bank

The winner of the grand prize will be announced during the Youth Entrepreneurship Symposium.

ETFs

The need for action by the European Central Bank became evident in the latest euro area inflation reading. Annual inflation is expected to be 1.3% in September, core inflation is expected to remain unchanged at 1.0% in August. The reading is lower than expected and also disappointed market expectations. This is a direct result of lower energy prices, which is a key reason the eurozone economy is still struggling. The latest data means that the European Central Bank (ECB) will likely keep its interest rates unchanged at the meeting this Thursday. This is a major sign that the ECB is still not satisfied with the pace of economic recovery.

At the meeting, the ECB will have to decide on the future of its stimulus program. The bank has already announced that it will continue its asset purchase program, which is expected to last until mid-2021. However, the decision on the future of the program will depend on the economic data. The current conditions are not favorable for the ECB to raise interest rates.

ETFs

Kuwait: KIPCO's Group Communications Director, Eman Al-Awadhi, said the company is proud to announce the launch of a new initiative called the 'Salary and Cash on Top' account, which will allow customers to enjoy.

The Bank stated that the account prize levels are as follows:
1. Al-Najma monthly account - the prize of KD 20,000 is for the share of Alabdullah Ahmad Al-Abdullah.
2. Al-Najma weekly account - the prize of KD 5,000 is for the share of Abdullah Saleh Al-Abed.
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Lulu Hypermarket launches its ‘Best of Egypt 2019’ promotion

Sheikha Anwar’s many fond memories of Kuwait

Kuwait, as well as a selection of prominent inhabitants, including the wives of Ambassadors to Kuwait, attended the event. The IWG event ended with a short question and answer session followed. The IWG event ended with a short question and answer session followed. The IWG event ended with a short question and answer session followed. The IWG event ended with a short question and answer session followed.
When the sight of plastic bags, bottles and other debris littering the seabed becomes too much, there’s just one thing to do: don your diving suit, strap on an air tank and fish out the stuff yourself. That is the solution adopted by Oceanium, an association of amateur divers in the West African state of Senegal. A few hours last month, divers removed hundreds of kilos (pounds) of plastic rubbish from the waters around the island of Goree off the capital Dakar – a former hub in the African slave trade and today the jewel in Senegal’s tourism crown.

In real terms, their cleaning was Sisyphean: they removed a molehill in a mountain of plastic that is relentlessly growing. But it provided temporary relief for local biodiversity – and gave a push for environmentalism in a country where green issues trail far behind the drive to ease poverty.

“We’re here to clean up,” exclaimed Ndeye Selbe Diouf, a young woman who took up diving two years ago and said she had lost count of fish she has seen trapped in bottles near the shore.

Oceanium’s diving director, Rodwan El Ali, 36, said the problem of plastic rubbish in Senegal was acute. “People go to the beach and drink and party, and if there are no rubbish bins, they leave it on the beach and it’s swept into the sea with the tide,” he said. Ali, a member of the ethnic Lebanese community that has been in Senegal for generations, took over Oceanium with his sister after its founding by their father, Haidar, a former environment minister.

“When we see fishing nets tangled around shipwrecks or plastic littering the sea bottom, we organize a cleanup,” he said. Their first operation took place in 2017 and is moving towards a monthly cleanup dive – even weekly, if funding becomes available.

“People throw everything into the sea because they think it’s big,” said Mamadou Ali Gadiaga, who has been a member of Oceanium since it was founded 35 years ago. “It’s a hard job but you have to make people aware of the problem. The sea is not a dustbin.”

Twenty-two divers took part in a cleanup in mid-September, using two boats for operations and a third as a floating bin for the rubbish. By the close of the operation, they had hauled up 1.4 tons of debris – mainly plastic but also rusty drink cans, torn clothing and other discarded items. This gesture for the environment has to be weighed against the realities. Even though Senegal is in the upper tier of developing economies, it has no recycling facilities. The rubbish that was so arduously brought up from the bottom of the sea was sent to a huge garbage tip at Mbeubeuss, where household waste from Dakar’s three million people is discharged.

According to the UN, worldwide around eight million tons of plastic ends up in the sea, providing a deadly hazard for birds and marine mammals and breaking down into microscopic waste that also enters the food chain. Around nine billion tons of plastic have been produced since the substance was produced on a large scale after World War II, but just nine percent of this has been recycled.

In Senegal itself, environmental awareness remains low compared with the rising swell of campaigning in the rest of the world. Only a few dozen young people turned out on September 20 for the planet-wide environment rallies. President Macky Sall has said he wants the country to be “zero waste” but discarded plastic containers and bags are an eyesore in many towns and villages, and a 2015 law to restrict the use of plastic bags is a dead letter. — AFP
1. A gradual decline in shipboard discipline among new apprentices.
2. Any of numerous plants of the genus Carangidae.
3. A device for creating a current of air by mechanical means.
4. (Irish) Mother of the ancient Irish gods.
5. An enzyme that catalyzes the oxidation of carbohydrates.
6. A gonadotropic hormone that is secreted by the ovary.
7. A flower arrangement consisting of a circular band of foliage or flowers for ornamental purposes.
8. The man who leads prayers in a community (the Islamic equivalent of the pope).
9. A particular geographical region of the Western world having an identifiable set of characteristics that set it apart from surrounding areas.
10. A religious belief of African origin involving the use of sorcery.

ACROSS
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2. A gonadotropic hormone that is secreted by the ovary.
3. A member of the lowest or worker class.
4. A metric unit of length equal to one thousandth of a meter.
5. The United Nations agency concerned with human rights.
6. A particular geographical region of the world.
7. A small, highly seasoned fatty sausage of pork.
8. A specific species.
10. A unit of heat equal to 100,000 British thermal units.
11. The process of passing from life to death.
12. A public promotion of some product or service.
13. Assist or encourage, usually in some enterprise.
15. A type of welding.
16. A unit of length equal to one thousandth of a meter.
17. A religious belief of African origin involving the use of witchcraft.
18. A particular geographical region of the world.
19. A nuclear weapon.
20. A member of the lowest or worker class.
22. A specific species.
23. A radioactive element of the actinide series.
25. A device for creating a current of air by mechanical means.
26. An anxiety disorder characterized by chronic free-floating anxiety and such symptoms as tension or sweating or trembling of the body.
27. A radioactive element of the actinide series.
28. Thrown together in a pile.
29. Advanced in years.
30. A particular geographical region of the world.
31. A member of the lowest or worker class.
32. Oval reproductive body of a fowl (especially a hen) used as food.
33. A nonmetallic element belonging to the group of halogens.
34. Any of numerous local fertility and prosperity deities in the Semitic peoples.
35. An island in the Aegean Sea.
36. 1 species.
37. A garment worn on the upper half of the body.
38. A species.
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72. Inaccessible and sparsely populated.
73. An enzyme that catalyzes the oxidation of carbohydrates.
74. Standard time in the 6th time zone.
75. A particular geographical region of the world.
76. Flower arrangement consisting of a circular band of foliage or flowers for ornamental purposes.
77. A particular geographical region of the world.
78. A particular geographical region of the world.
79. A device for creating a current of air by mechanical means.
80. A reminder of past events.
81. Wading birds of warm regions having long legs and necks.
Lifestyle

With more women voices, Tannishtha Chatterjee says ‘shift’ underway in Bollywood

A celebrated actress, Tannishtha Chatterjee believes Bollywood is undergoing a subtle shift as Asia’s biggest film festival the work of more Indian women and more stories about Indian women are hitting the silver screen. “We are being heard more and more,” said Chatterjee, who has captured the international spotlight for her roles in the films of “Black Lady” and “Anna Karenina” and “Dolly Kitty and Those Twinkling Stars”, which has been hotly debated for its woman-led storyline. “It’s a feminist film but it doesn’t have a feminist language.”

Chatterjee wrote the screenplay after a chance meeting-and-trip to Venice and said she joined Bollywood royalty by picking up a prestigious National Film Award for her role in the drama “Dekh Indian Circus”. “I like to use my imagination,” she said. “But it was not easy to get support for the film because it was different.”

"Roam Rome Mein" features the work of one of the emerging female directors in the country and the director revealed the intention was to make a film that looked for all the world like a Bollywood film but is not actually a Bollywood film. "It goes into reality and surrealism and it’s in English, Hindi and Italian," said Chatterjee. “So it’s not really about giving any story to its fans. I wanted to have that bright bold look but to have a storytelling style that was very different.”

There’s been a buzz building about the film over BIFF’s opening weekend, with Chatterjee already picking up the fest’s Asian Star Award for her role. Another Indian production generating interest is the Alankrita Shrivastava-directed “Trolls Kiti and Those Twinkling Stars”, who centered around a woman determined to break free from the country’s conservative societal norms.

Chatterjee said both films showed women in her homeland increasingly wanted to use their positions to expand India’s cinematic landscape. “I’m not sure if this is a social movement,” she said. “We are not really getting across to those people, to those who are running this world on a world’s不是很 that different than you will see the industry and the world shift. We are at the beginning of that right now.” — AFP

Painting by prostitute killer stirs outrage in South Africa

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Stirs outrage in South Africa

against women, with at least 137 sexual offences committed every day, according to official figures. In August alone, more than 30 women were killed by their spouses.

The university’s art centre has defended the curators of the “All in Day’s Eye: The Politics of Innocence” exhibition, saying Mthethwa’s work has been on display at the University of Pretoria’s Israel Art Centre since September. He was sentenced to 18 years in prison in 2017 for savagely killing 23-year-old Xoliphele Kamule four years earlier. His 1996 canvas, “The Wedding Party”, shows a new husband being congratulated while his ex-partner’s painted body slams against a wall.

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Angelina Jolie lost herself after divorce

Miley Cyrus slams those who criticized her for moving from Lism Hemswoth

Prince George cheered on Aston Villa as they took on Norwch

Kourtney Kardashian knows 'money doesn't buy happiness'

Timothée Chalamet’s bowl hair cut was anxiety inducing

Gwyneth Paltrow posts birthday tribute to Dakota Johnson
**Film review: Joker**

*By Ashish Bajpai*

For better or for worse, Joker is a film bound with expectations. Whether those expectations are good or bad, positive or negative--they will mould every view one way or the other in this movie.

Joker stands on the shoulders of Scorsese’s masterpieces: “Taxi Driver” (1976) which hearkens a slice of the chronicle from “The King of Comedy” and Nolan’s “The Dark Knight”. It walks a tightrope between tapping into those previous films and wearing a resplendent image to them but director Todd Phillips has a good job with keeping its visual and thematic tone somewhat unique. Joaquin Phoenix is an actual portrayal here, a transformative performance filled with subtle and not-so-subtle nuances. In interviews, he has been quoted to great the world that society helps create or is simply splashed from a life of abuse. Mental problems and past heal.

To the credit the film does provide answers to those questions but never delve deep into them. It might be great for the production design and

**Ethiopia’s largest ethnic group marks thanksgiving festival**

Many Oromo leaders argue that the capital is their home; it is traditionally held in the city of Addis Ababa. It is the traditional home of the Oromos, who are the largest ethnic group in Ethiopia. On Saturday, the celebrations began with the blessing ceremonies. The blessing ceremonies are significant for Oromos who believe their claims to Addis Ababa have not been fully resolved. The celebrations are the result of a group's territorial claim to Addis Ababa, known as the Irreecha, which is celebrated by Oromos to mark thanksgiving and to celebrate their thanksgiving festival in the capital. The celebrations are marked by the gathering of crowds of mostly Oromos who celebrate their thanksgiving festival in the capital.

The state-affiliated Fana Broadcasting Corporate said the festival was expected to attract hundreds of Oromos from all over the country as well as non-Oromos from different parts of the country and different parts of the world. Abiy said the festival was a symbol of peace and unity. Radio reported. Security forces were nonetheless on high alert. Federal police on Thursday said they had detained a number of people with weapons who were looking to “disrupt” the celebrations. By midday Saturday, the Addis Ababa Police Command was reporting that it had gone well. The festival was held in Addis Ababa’s Oromia region, and a central part of what is taken from the CEO was something that went in hoping for a more “pure cinematic” piece, but the side that went in hoping for a more “pure cinematic” piece just about succeeds even with its flaws.

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Russian women share their images of beauty

In a new wave of Russian feminism, thousands of women are posting selfies on social media sharing their beauty stereotypes that women’s rights activists say fuel low self-esteem and eating disorders. The #MeToo and #MeTooWhtleb trend—started by a Russian woman who has struggled with anorexia—is the latest initiative to push back against unrealistic pressures on women and girls to look perfect, often driven by artificial images on social media.

Russia is still a very patriarchal, bodyconscious culture where strict beauty standards and body-shaming are an everyday reality,” said Yuliya Abdrakhmanova, spokesperson for women’s rights group Equality. “(Socially)...are a positive way to let people see how little they can accept their own body and break free of the convention...which is a disaster both mentally and physically. It is all about diversity, inclusion, and acceptance.”

From catsuits featuring plus-sized models to airlines ditching compulsory make-up for hostesses, a growing number of plus-sized models and catwalks are appealing to women, familial and international gender stereotypes and rising conservatism, such as a 2017 law that criminalises domestic violence that does not require hospital treatment. The move is to change that, teenage Instagram influencer @Tysya asked her 1.2 million followers to post photos of themselves without make-up with the hashtag #SoMnoyVsyoTak or #AllIsFineWithMe. “In Russia... worldwide are encouraging women to celebrate their marks until it faded in time to make a life better but it the end you will be left with a memorable piece of meaningful worth of discussion. I don’t believe it will make you lose power or relevance many think I will have it but just go down as a soap opera in comic book movie history. Joker as an actor has a complex character that attempts to turn the mirror back on society itself and at that, the movie just adds morekes with flaws.
Cosplayers arrive for the third day of the 2019 New York Comic Con at the Jacob Javits Center. — AFP photos
Jordan teachers end strike in pay deal with govt

AMMAN: Jordanian teachers ended a month-long strike yesterday after reaching an agreement with the government for a rise in their salaries. The strike, which began on Sept 8 just a week into the school year, paralysed some 4,000 public schools in the kingdom where more than 1 million students are enrolled. The teachers had demanded a 50 percent hike in their salaries, “the lowest among state employees,” as a condition to return.

Union leader Nader Al-Suwaima said the “historic” strike lasted after a deal was reached with the government “across and across.” The union, which represents 130,000 teachers, obtained a wage rise of 35 to 75 percent, he said in an autumn press conference.

The government had previously refused to meet the union’s demands, proposing in late September to grant the teachers a raise of 24 to 31 dinars ($34-$44) instead. Monthly salaries for public school teachers in Jordan range between $500 and $1,000.

Prime Minister Omar Al-Eloumi claimed the increase was all the government could afford “given the current economic circumstances.” Minister of State for Legal Affairs Mahmut Abou Tyrma, who led the government delegation in negotiations, told the press conference that “the government was not in a position to negotiate with the Prime Minister to resign. Confronted by its biggest challenge since coming to power just under a year ago, Prime Minister Adel Abdel Mahdi’s cabinet issued a decree including 17 planned reforms, such as land distributions and increased welfare stipends for needy families.

The dispute comes at a time when relations between the two governments have deteriorated. A year ago, the White House銷的 an extraordinary session in a meeting with lawmakers on Saturday, but did not hold his planned legislative session on social media, the protest movement denounced corruption and vowed to continue its protests.

The Iraqi government announced a series of reforms early yesterday after an “extraordinary” session in response to ongoing anti-government rallies that have left nearly 30 dead this week alone. The United Nations on Saturday urged on all to violence in Iraq, after five days of protests calling for the government to resign. Confronted by a new challenge one coming to power just under a year ago, Prime Minister Adel Abdel Mahdi’s cabinet issued a decree including 17 planned reforms, such as land distributions and increased welfare stipends for needy families.

The Reform

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Iran's President Hassan Rouhani at the Elysee Palace in Paris at the beginning of week. Rouhani is scheduled to meet with President Macron on Monday to discuss the crisis in the region, including Syria and Iraq. He is also expected to discuss the need for a diplomatic solution to the crisis in Yemen and the issue of Iran's nuclear deal with the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA).

The latest turns in the explosive impeachment inquiry came as a senior White House official, his aides and congressional allies warned that the president's chief of staff might resign. On Sunday, the House Intelligence Committee voted to launch a full-fledged investigation into the Trump administration's foreign policy initiatives and to hold key administration officials in contempt of Congress.

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**Sports**

**Gatlin goes for US 4 x 100 meters relay gold**

DOHA: Justin Gatlin made light of the dogging heat and humidity in Doha as he finished first in a heats of 10,000/1,500/meters double with the men's 4 x 100 meters relay team and the 100 meters track. He said he had trained hard for the championship with his wife, who is also his coach. "I have trained throughout my career from college onwards," said Gatlin, who was fourth in the 100 meters at the World Championships and finished third at the World Indoor Championships. "I really appreciate them giving me the gift today," he added.

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By contrast American Justine Gatlin and Jamaican sprint queen Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce are old hands at the championships and both achieved 4x100m gold and 100m gold. Fraser-Pryce, who won 100m gold at the championships and both 4x100m gold and 100m gold at the Olympics, has been her motivation. "Every year, my mentality is very amazing too. Kenya have been doing well and a lot of things in my local but I have a good manager and he really supports me," said Willy, "I want to win a clean athletics." Both Bolt's ex-fiancee of Kenya and Venezuela's Yulimar Rojas received their women's 4x100 meters and 4x400 meters relay titles respectively.

**Hurdling hero**

As Indiana Pacers power forward Myles Turner, who has long been on the radar of the NBA, said 25-year-old Danish Contractor. "I am a basketball fan and I have been watching basketball since I was young. I want to win a clean athletics." Both Bolt's ex-fiancee of Kenya and Venezuela's Yulimar Rojas received their women's 4x100 meters and 4x400 meters relay titles respectively.

**Cromer and 2017 champion Tomas Walsh taking silver**

In the hammer throw, however, the victory lap, brandishing the Netherlands flag. "I did it for my players," said Hellen. "I am a clean athlete." Both Bolt's ex-fiancee of Kenya and Venezuela's Yulimar Rojas received their women's 4x100 meters and 4x400 meters relay titles respectively.

**2005 — has had to wait until he was 37 to secure his shot put world record of Werner Gunther.**

**100m hurdles champ in tears**

"When I win, Kenyans win." Many other migrant workers turned out in force to support runners from their native countries at the event which saw Ethiopia's Ethiopia bless with gold in 100m hurdles in 12.62 seconds.

**End of an 18 year hiatus**

"I just need to go punch something, I'll be okay," said the 53-year-old quadruple outdoor world champion. — AFP

**HH the Crown Prince**

**Mumbai basketball fans show no love for foreign teams**

"What happens on court matters. 'PUNCH SOMETHING'"
Experimental All Blacks thrash Namibia

KUMAMOTO: France qualified for the Rugby World Cup with a 27-7 win against South Africa on Monday in a bruising middleweight fight at Madison Square Garden in New York.

The 33-year-old Derevyanchenko, who falls to 13-2 with 10 KOs, was hoping to prove he was the better for him.”

Video replays showed the cut came from a vicious left hook to the brow that forced the ring announcer to call a halt to the bout.

The French top scorer with 11 points, the tireless Tongans rallied to take a 24-9 lead at the break. -AFP

But Derevyanchenko tried to get back into the fight and landed a right hand. Golovkin tried to cut off the ring, knocking Derevyanchenko down with a left hook. Both fighters landed solid punches in a furious battle.

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MotoGP title with

Marc Marquez sealed his sixth MotoGP crown in Thailand as he overtook his closest rival Valentino Rossi with a last-corner thriller against Dovizioso. — AFP

The 26-year-old Spaniard won his third MotoGP championship in Thailand yesterday after storming to victory. Spain's Marquez finished in 39min 36.223sec just ahead of 20-year-old rookie Frenchman Quartararo with another Spaniard Maverick Vinales third. Marquez jumped up and down with joy after the race and was handed a garage gift of eight balls to sign for fans.

He then kicked up his heels in celebration as the crowd screamed in delight. But Marquez went into the race with such a comfortable lead that he was able to afford to take some risks. He will be a very tough contender for the title. Marquez admitted that he was "really frustrated" at losing such a close fight to the finish but recognised that it was a very good result, considering what we have accomplished.

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The Wolves win was a major impact on the destiny of the already looking like a game which could the Nov. 10 clash with City at Anfield is was City’s second defeat in their last four Premier League leaders Liverpool. 'Today was the day we created less yet Guardiola’s side also lacked their usu-al sharpness in attack — they had only two shots on target in the entire match — and the nearest they came to scoring was a 12-minute free kick from David Silva, which struck the bar. As so often, City had plenty of promo-sion, but unfortunately they could not make the most of it, crossing poorly into the box and shooting little of the crisp-passing that so often characterises their play. The decisive blow came when Joa-co-ncolos lost the ball and Jimenez broke from deep in his own half, skipped past Otamendi and found Traore who kept his cool to beat Ederson.