Minister of Municipality and Environment, H E Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al Shaheen, said Qatar has many integrated sustainability plans and objectives under which 200 megawatt of solar power will be generated during the next two years that will be gradually increased to 500 megawatt.

His Excellency said that integrated sustainability plans include perfect use and recycling of water, reduction of air pollution, recycling waste, raising efficiency of energy use, increasing green areas and encouraging investments towards green economy.

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The Minister said that these efforts have culminated with stadiums of 2022 FIFA World Cup, which have become global icons, as well as the State is working on making this Championship an environmentally-friendly and it will be the first carbon-neutral Championship through using solar power in stadiums and using energy and water-saving cooling and lighting technologies.

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Amir to meet President of Brazil

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Amir to patronise QITCOM 2019

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H H Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani will patronise the opening of the QITCOM 2019 exhibition (QITCOM 2019) organised by the Ministry of Transport and Communications under the theme “Safe and Smart Cities” and the Munich Security Conference Core Group Meeting tomorrow at the Qatar National Convention Centre (QNCC).

Shura Council to take part in Arab Parliament meetings

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The Shura Council will participate in the fourth session of the second legislative term of the Arab Parliament, scheduled to be held in Cairo, from tomorrow to October 31.

Qatar strongly condemns shooting incident in Texas

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Hospital beds across HMC increase 25% since 2016

The largest expansion programme at Hamad Medical Corporation (HMC) history has resulted in a 25 percent increase in the number of inpatient beds across its hospital network since 2016.

With demand for healthcare services continuing to increase in recent years due to Qatar’s growing population, HMC has significantly expanded its capacity through the opening of new hospitals and specialist facilities.

Hamad Al Khalifa (picture), HMC’s Chief of Health Facilities Development, said in recent years there has been a significant increase in both the number of patients seeking care and in the types of services those patients require. “Expanding our capacity to ensure we can meet the needs of Qatar’s increasing population has been a major priority for HMC throughout this century. In particular, the rate of growth since 2016 has been remarkable. In the past three years alone we have opened five new hospitals and many specialist facilities, taking HMC’s total number of hospitals across Qatar to twelve,” said Al Khalifa.

In 2016, HMC opened its new Communicable Disease Center, a 65-bed hospital specializing in the care, prevention, and research of communicable diseases. At the end of 2017, three more hospitals in Medical City – the Qatar Rehabilitation Institute; Women’s Wellness and Research Center, and the Ambulatory Care Center – were all formally opened. Providing specialist care for women and children, rehabilitation, and surgical and clinical services, these new hospitals added around 500 inpatient beds to HMC’s network.

The most recent addition to HMC’s hospital network, Hazm bin Kathir General Hospital, opened at the end of 2018. This 118-bed hospital has strengthened HMC’s ability to deliver healthcare services in male patients in and around the Doha Industrial Area.

The opening of these five new hospitals has significantly boosted our ability to care for increasing numbers of patients year on year. Since formally opening in 2017, activity across all three new Medical City hospitals – Women’s Wellness and Research Center, Ambulatory Care Center and Qatar Rehabilitation Institute – has grown significantly. New services have been introduced and services from other HMC hospitals have been relocated to the new facilities, explained Al Khalifa.

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DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS SAYS: "WE WISH OUR DEAR BROTHERLY AND FRIENDLY NATIONS SUCCESS IN ALL THEIR EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN AND STRENGTHEN THE INTERNATIONAL ORDER AND LAW, AS A FOUNDATION FOR STABILITY AND PROSPERITY FOR ALL."
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The meeting discussed several important issues in the field of integration of financial markets in the GCC states. The committee discussed the most important initiatives and priorities that should be worked on in the coming period to facilitate the procedures and serve the GCC citizens and achieve integration between the financial markets in the GCC States.

Sustainability core of Qatar’s development

The award was received by Eng Khalid Saif Al Khayareen, Drainage Networks Projects Department Manager, during the ENR’s annual Best Projects Awards Ceremony held on October 2, 2019 in New York, USA, in the presence of representatives from Jacobs (previously CH2M), the Project Management Consultant, and the Joint Venture Bouygues Travaux Publics and VCC, the project contractor.

On this occasion, Eng Khalid Saif Al Khayareen said: “This award reflects the efforts of all team members to complete this important and unique project, which is part of Qatar’s ambitious plan to provide a sustainable infrastructure of the highest international standards to serve the citizens and residents.”

Qatar’s drainage network. The project is designed to serve areas in the south of Doha with its special population growth. It can be linked to future infrastructure projects, and when completed, it will enable the decommissioning of over 20 old pumping stations currently located in the residential and commercial areas in the south of Doha.

A key component of the project is the gravel based Hi-lim Main Trunk Sewer that will link a number of areas in the south of Doha to the sewage network. This will reduce the environmental impact by ensuring the full control of odours in sewage treatment works and conveying system, and reduce other environmental problems arising from sewage overflow.
Fakhro: Dar Al Shrq helps promote sustainability

PHCC to organise Primary Health Care Conference

From February 19-22, 2020, the Primary Health Care Corporation (PHCC) will organise the 4th International Primary Health Care Conference in co-operation with the International Center for Health and Medical Services (ICHMS). The conference aims to highlight the achievements in the field of primary health care, as well as discussing the major developments and challenges in the field of primary health care at the international level, and emphasising the crucial role of primary health care in disease prevention, integrated health services, and innovation in health care facilities.

The conference will also discuss topics related to quality, risk, and safety, best practices in medical education and capacity building, as well as the exchange of experiences and identify best practices through exhibitions and accompanying workshops.

Dr. Abdulla Alshahrani, the Conference Secretary, said that the international conference also aims to highlight the achievements in the field of primary health care, as well as discussing the major developments and challenges in the field of primary health care at the international level, and emphasizes the role of primary health care in disease prevention, integrated health services, and innovation in health care facilities.

QSS 2019: Many companies honoured, important MOUs signed

A number of memorandums of understanding (MOUs) were signed between Gulf Organisation for Research and Development (GORD) and leading organizations including the Supreme Committee for Delivery & Legacy (SC) and the Qatar Green Building Council (QGBC) in the presence of Dr. Yousef Fakhro, Founding Chairman of GORD. The MOUs were signed to further leverage the role of educational institutions and the civil society in contributing to the implementation of the 2030 sustainability agenda and specifically the Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) for Climate Action. A number of ‘Sustainability Awards’ were given to various leading green projects within the MENA region. Hamad Port Project was awarded for its exceptional performance in the implementation of GSAS among other sustainable initiatives, while the Ministry of Interior was recognized as the leading sustainability one as they awarded the Ministry of Interior. Another recipient was Al-Sayer Group for its successful delivery of 5-Stars for the successful delivery of 4-Stars for the successful delivery of 3-Stars. Another recipient was the Ministry of Interior. Another recipient was the Ministry of Interior. Another recipient was the Ministry of Interior. Another recipient was the Ministry of Interior. Another recipient was the Ministry of Interior.
The Directorate is in the process to introduce new procedures that will enable people to submit applications electronically through the systems and mechanisms available on the online services like Hucomki website, Metrash2 and the internal services system.

Regarding the percentage of accepted and rejected applications, he pointed out that applications that meet the required conditions can be accepted due to simplified conditions and easy procedures with people who can renew their residence permits in less than a year in Qatar. Moreover, if a rejected application is not completed within the required time, it will be rejected. He added that the rejection rate of applications that meet the required conditions is less than 10%, while the rejection rate of applications that do not meet the required conditions is more than 90%.

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With regard to non-renewal of residency permits, the Director General of Passports said that people who fail to renew their residence permit in the required time, is actually committing a violation of the provisions of the law of residence and exit of foreigners in the State of Qatar. In case of the inability of the resident to renew his residency permit, the permission of the law of residence in Qatar will be revoked by the law which is paid by the violator for each day of non-renewal of residency permit and QR200 for the violator who exceeded the permissible period. In case of non-renewal, the residency of the violator in the country shall be considered illegal and shall be subject to legal prosecution and the penalty by law.

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Qatar Sustainability Week 2019 kicks off with over 200 activities

Aura Hospitality set to open 9 new F&B outlets across Qatar

Aura Hospitality & Food Services, a leading player in the hospitality sector, has announced its ambitious plan to open nine new F&B outlets in Qatar.

The announcement was made during the launch of a refreshing and lavish breakfast menu developed in the hospitality sector, has announced its ambitious plan to open nine new F&B outlets in Qatar.

On this occasion, Yasser El Zein, General Manager, Aura Hospitality & Food Services, said: "We are expanding because we see huge opportunities in the market, and we believe that the market is growing in the right direction. Qatar Airways and VFC are doing an amazing job in transforming the country into a tourist destination and offering a great push to the Qatar economy."

On his part, Charbel Mhamas, Business Development Director, Aura Hospitality and Food Services, said: "We are pleased to present to you the most sumptuous breakfast for Qataris. Minutest of details have been kept in mind before launching this menu in order to satiate the taste buds of every Qatari citizen. We take pride in stating that just over 18 months of its launch, SMAT has received a tremendous response from the people and such overwhelming feedback has allowed us to strengthen our presence in the market as we are set to open nine new outlets across Qatar for the first time and some of them will be branches of the existing renowned restaurants."
Ooredoo to showcase Qatar’s Safe Smart Cities at QITCOM

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Ooredoo, as the Strategic Sponsor of QITCOM announced yesterday it will showcase the latest ICT services to enable “Safe Smart Cities” at QITCOM, running from October 29 to November 1.

Aligned with Qatar National Vision 2030 and the Ministry of Transport and Communications’ TASMU Smart Program, Ooredoo will showcase the latest business and consumer technology Internet of Things (IoT) innovations that can transform key Smart City industry verticals such as healthcare, transport, logistics, environment, and cybersecurity.

Chief Operations Officer, Yousuf Abdulla Al Kubaisi said: “Ooredoo will network with stakeholders and customers and partners to elevate the recognition of our industry-leading ICT services.”

At the Ooredoo stand, visitors can experience various consumer and business IoT solutions. Ooredoo will also showcase a fully automated Smart Home using the cutting-edge technology. The new solutions will be launched in Qatar for the first time and enable modern technologies such as Smart Glass, Automated Parking System, IoT Volume call, as well as the latest in Outdoor Cooling technology.

Ooredoo stand, under the theme “Safe Smart Cities”, is in Hall number 7, booth number A62 T, at the Qatar National Convention Centre.

‘Knowledge-Based Economy in Qatar’ conference kicks off

The Ministry of Public Health, Qatar and the Gulf Studies Center have come together to organize a two-day conference, themed “Knowledge-Based Economy in Qatar: Trends and Opportunities for Interdisciplinary Research and Policy”, at the InterContinental Doha, which kicked off today.

The conference includes participation of experts and senior officials from Qatar and abroad, and indications of the need to diversify the Qatari economy as a prerequisite for achieving universal health, education and economic success. The conference is aimed to establish a framework that fosters cooperation among researchers working in the field inside and outside the country, allowing various ministries to present the main characteristics and challenges of a knowledge-based economy and make recommendations on how best to promote this type of economy, to contribute to the efforts to diversify the Qatari economy as planned in Qatar National Vision 2030. The conference includes four themes representing the four constituent dimensions of the knowledge-based economy, namely: information and communication technology (ICT), innovation, education and entrepreneurship.

The conference is being held in cooperation with the Gulf Studies Center, with the participation of experts and senior officials from Qatar and from abroad.

Dr. Tahir Al Emadi, director of the Gulf Studies Center, said that the conference will be the first step in diversifying the Qatari economy, adding that the State of Qatar seeks to strengthen this trend by building an educational system based on innovation where education is the first building block of any knowledge-based economy. For its part, Dean of College of Arts and Sciences, Professor Ibrahim Al-Khaledi said that diversification of the education and the country towards the knowledge-based economy is essential for all countries wishing to access the future and achieve sustainable development.

Aster Hospital Doha observes Qatar Patient Safety Week 2019

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Aster Hospital Doha, a division of Aster DM Healthcare, the largest private healthcare provider in the Middle East and Gulf, has celebrated the 5th Qatar Patient Safety Week to raise awareness about the importance of safety, quality, and patient safety and healthcare employees essential for a healthy healthcare environment.

Qatar Patient Safety Week is an annual campaign promoted by the Ministry of Public Health (MPH) and is a national level initiative to promote patient safety and awareness campaign aimed at spreading the concept of patient safety among the workforce in healthcare institutions. Aster DHA observed this week’s campaign with the theme ‘Raise Your Voice for Patient Safety’.

Aster Hospital conducted a series of activities during the Qatar Patient Safety Week. The launching ceremony held at Aster Hospital. The hospital also featured an Aster Forum at the 5th Patient Safety week organized by the Ministry of Public Health.

During the week, concepts around patient safety awareness in the face of emergencies and adversity, were explored as a prerequisite for achieving universal health coverage. Discussions included the importance of patient safety on the provision of health services and efforts at the regional and international levels, discussing the practice of medicine as per Qatar law as well as identifying shortcomings and opportunities for improvements in patient care and patient safety.

“Aster Hospital is closely working with the Ministry of Public Health, Qatar to promote the importance of safety of patients and healthcare employees,” said Dr. Masheh Patel, Senior Manager,

The officials of Aster along with the representatives of Ministry of Public Health Qatar pose for a group photo.

Quality Assurance. Aster DM Healthcare Qatar

Embassy of Pakistan marks Kashmir Black Day

The Embassy of Pakistan in Doha yesterday organized Kashmir Black Day to commemorate 72 years long history of the landing of Indian forces in Kashmir as its ‘internal affair’ and to highlight the illegal occupation and continuous human rights violations in Jammu & Kashmir.

The event was attended by members of Pakistani community and Kashmiri community including Kashmiris. The Pakistan community representatives and Kashmiri community members expressed their solidarity with the Kashmiri brethren in their struggle for freedom.

The Charge d’Affaires, Masood Gul, in his concluding speech said that Kashmir is a dispute which can only be decided by the Kashmiri people through a plebiscite.

The speakers highlighted the Kashmir people’s one-minute silence in the memory of martyrs and heroes of Kashmir’s freedom struggle for freedom.

Pakistan have always stood by Kashmiris in their struggle for freedom. The speakers also highlighted that the recent unilateral illegal acts by the occupation forces have been followed by a complete shutdown and curfew in the region for almost three months. He urged upon the international community to do their best to make greater resolve in taking notice of the sufferings of the millions of Kashmir people.

On October 28, 2019, the 72nd anniversary of the landing of Indians forces into Srinagar was observed in Doha. This was to mark the historic event of Kashmir Black Day, an occasion to highlight the role of Kashmir in the global struggle for human rights.

The event was organized by the Embassy of Pakistan in Qatar.

At the event, representatives of the Pakistan community, Kashmiri community and other friends of Pakistan participated and expressed their solidarity with the Kashmiri people in their struggle for freedom.

La Mar by Gastón Acurio celebrates one year at InterContinental Doha

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The Peruvian chef, known for his exquisite cebichería and Peruvian cuisine, has been showcased in Qatar for the first time.

La Mar is a famous cebicheria, La Mar, began with one mission: to bring Peruvian cuisine to the world. He owns more than 40 restaurants around the world, all famous in planning menus and innovative Peruvian dancers and our special Peruvian cuisine.

La Mar by celebrity chef Gastón Acurio turns one on November 1, 2019. Being the first La Mar in the Middle East, La Mar Doha has organised exciting happenings in the much-loved Peruvian restaurant, located on the Pearl of the Arabian Sea.

Gastón Acurio turns one in the Middle East

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With the Ministry of Public Health, Qatar promoting the importance of safety of patients and healthcare employers,” said Dr. Masheh Patel, senior manager at Aster Hospital Doha.

Ramesh Babu, the lucky winner of Malabar Gold & Diamonds’ Diwali campaign ‘A Gift of Gold’, who won 50 Gold Coins receiving the prize from Raju T. Johny, Deputy Branch Head – Malabar Gold & Diamonds, in the presence of team members of Malabar Gold & Diamonds at their outlet at Al Watan Center, Doha.

Malabar Gold Diwali campaign winner

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Qatar's sustainability vision

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ctions speak louder than words! These words have become a reality, yesterday, when Qatar kicked off the activities of Qatar Sustainability Summit (QSS) and Qatar Sustainability Week (QSW) in Doha, under the auspices of the Prime Minister and Interior Minister. H E Sheikh Abdullah bin Nasser bin Khalifa Al Thani, by proclamation, has established a balance between the components of sustainable development, which includes community development, economic development and environmental sustainability.

Qatar’s commitment towards its sustainability goals has been highlighted when Amir H H Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani announced to the United Nations Summit held in New York on September 2019, that Qatar, through its National Vision 2030, has established a balance between the components of sustainable development, which includes community development, economic development and environmental sustainability.

Qatar’s move to organise environment-friendly 2020 FIFA World Cup is also noteworthy as it will be the first ‘Carbon Neutral’ Championship through using solar power in stadiums and using energy and water-saving cooling and lighting technology. Qatar’s pioneering efforts in sustainability and climate mitigation were highlighted on the first day of the World Cup.

Qatar’s sustainability mission has been getting good support from its people and various institutions. Sustainability is one of the core values of Supreme Committee for Delivery and Legacy QSC. The Qatar Foundation is addressing these challenges through education, research, and projects. In the bid to encourage more ways that support sustainability, QSS will showcase the efforts of the public and private sector and their innovative, practical solutions to the environmental challenges facing Qatar and the wider region.

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Facebook launches a charm offensive, vows to pay news organisations for their journalism

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onald Ragan called these the ‘most menacing words in the English language’. This is the way the world’s biggest social media company, Facebook, speaks when it wants to generate more revenue. ‘We’re from Facebook and we’re here to help’ was essentially the message when the company announced on Monday that it would be paying news organisations and publishers around the world to produce content.

And he noted that a news organisation being “eligible to show up” doesn’t mean that the publisher is going to be a beneficiary of the new deal. Zuckerberg made his remarks at a ‘fireside chat’ with the Robert Thomson, the chief executive of News Corp, whose Australian media arm has been a leader in the news-monetisation push. “As we’ve seen from Fox News and we’re here to help,” he said.

The instrument of this help, he explained, would be the launch of an “independent, non-partisan voice” to isolate traditional ruling elites in these countries because people are fed up with the past frustrations, exceptions and procedures that will put them at a disadvantage. "We're here to help the people should have to wait before they can see any improvement in their lives. This won't end well," was the blunt message the Facebook CEO delivered.

And will also do something revolutionary. Pay some publishers for their experience to produce journalism. Will it help the news industry survive and thrive? The answer probably is that it will help some and in time, it could help more.

Arab ruling elites: Failure, sustainability and historical predication

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be the fundamentals of the first wave of Arab Spring revolutions which had started in 2011 were the removal of the autocratic leaders and restoration of democracy. Needless to say, none of these goals has been realized. Instead, despotic leaders took over and all the democratic slogans have just become part of the past.

However, the second and new wave of Arab Springs which started in 2014 and 2015 has been focusing on the traditional ruling elites in the Arab world. This is evident in Sudan, Tunisia, Morocco, and recently in Iraq and Lebanon. In fact, this neo-wave of Arab Springs recognized the ability of the traditional ruling elites to bring about change in the prevailing crumbling economy, and their inability to bring genuine political and social reform.

In Tunisia, where people were fed up with the ruling traditional political parties, they had voted for Kais Saied, who is a non-partisan and a retired academic, to be their president. In fact, the Tunisian elections were remarkable for two reasons. First, Tunisia has become the first in the sole country in the Arab region to have free and democratic elections. And second, the top presidential candidates bailed for a round two were those for the political establishment. The rise of these two candidates to the forefront – Kais Saied and Nabil Karoui – was a reflection of an unambiguous dissatisfaction with the old political class and a rejection to the prevailing status quo.

However, the same trend has reached Iraq where protesters have called for an end to Iraq’s sectarian political system, in which power is shared among religious and ethnic lines. They are demanding more jobs, better public services and an end to corruption.

 Echoing chants from the Arab Spring protests, and crossing sectarian and political lines, Lebanese people are protesting over corruption, a collapsing economy and poor services. People want a complete change to sectarian, animist, government and political class.

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Did Macron kill the EU enlargement dream?

Emmanuel Macron may have won the French presidency by promising to deliver the vision of a United States of Europe. But the bulk of his vision is looking increasingly like the European Union minus the West. The reason for Macron’s apparent volte-face is troubling. For his presidency, the dream is indeed about vision. In France, there is a lasting tradition of conceiving Europe in terms of concentric circles that dates back to the 1950s. The EU has expanded and it has created concentric circles that consist of EU members in the eurozone, those that are not in the eurozone but that do not have the Euro, and those that are not in the EU at all. The reason for Macron’s apparent vision is to make the EU’s enlargement to and from the Eastern European Union to and from the Western Europe. But reality is often far different. Some end up owing thousands of dollars to smugglers and money lenders who facilitate these dangerous journeys.

Bored and broke. Vietnam migrants risk lives for riches in Europe

Young, aspirational and poor Vietnamese are risking their lives to travel to Europe for a ticket to Europe. Many Vietnamese communities took root in eastern Europe after the Vietnam War, some moving over as part of a Soviet labour scheme. Others, as war refugees. Most migrants continue their westward journey overland, with those headed for the UK seeking to take them across. For that they pay smugglers for a ticket to Europe — for a price. The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees notes that up to 40,000 Vietnamese migrants travel to Europe each year.

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Abu Bakr Al Baghdadi killed himself during the raid by detonating a suicide vest after attacking the dead-end tunnel, Trump said in a televised address from the White House. He was positively identified by DNA tests 15 minutes after he died, the president said.

US President Donald Trump announcing the death of Islamic State chief Abu Bakr Al Baghdadi, in the White House in Washington, DC, yesterday. RIGHT: A view from operation area where allegedly IS leader Abu Bakr Al Baghdadi was killed in, in the northwestern Syria’s Idlib. yesterday.

Betrayed

FRANCE: Baghdad’s death is not end of IS

REUTERS

French Defence Minister Florence Parly congratulated the US for the operation that led to the death of Al Baghdadi, saying the US forces had acted responsibly and were supported by the French. She added that Paris remained committed to the fight against terrorism in Iraq and Syria.

Parly said on her Twitter feed: “We continue the fight against Islamic State, with our partners, and will adapt to new regional circumstances.”

BRITAIN: Battle against IS ‘not yet over’

AFP/REUTERS

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The coalition, led by the US, has been bombing IS targets since 2014 and has claimed to have killed more than 31,000 fighters. The group’s leader, Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi, is believed to be in Syria, where he is thought to be under the protection of a government he initially supported.

Iraqi protesters hold Baghdad square after night of clashes

Iraqi anti-government protesters returned to the central Baghdad’s Tahrir Square yesterday after a night of clashes with security forces who failed to evict them.

The protesters, who have been met with tear gas and rubber bullets, have so far failed to disperse after forays by security forces.

The government has repeatedly said it will not negotiate with the protesters and has threatened to use force if necessary.

Netanyahu calls for ‘broad government’

Israel's prime minister yesterday expressed his support for a ‘broad national unity government’ as talks between his conservative Likud party and the left-leaning Blue and White alliance entered a crucial stage.

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The council’s members were chosen from 737 candidates, including 40 women.

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Netanyahu, a former military chief, refuses to sit under a Netanyahu-led government while the long-serving leader faces possible indictment for corruption charges. Israel’s attorney general is to decide on whether to charge Netanyahu in the coming months.

Gantz and Netanyahu were scheduled to meet Sunday evening. Ahead of their meeting, negotiators from the two parties met for preparatory talks that were ‘held in good spirits,’ according to Blue and White officials.

It is the first time in more than a decade that a candidate for prime minister has been given the opportunity to form a government.

But without Likud, Gantz’s options are limited. He can try to break up Netanyahu’s right-wing bloc and, in the coming days, negotiations with other political parties. However, with only 40 seats in the Knesset, he is unlikely to be able to form a coalition on his own.

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Lebanon protesters form nationwide human chain

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Demonstrators joined hands from Tripoli to Tyre on 17km chain running through the main protest hub in Beirut, as part of an unprecedented cross-sectarian mobilisation.

Tens of thousands of Lebanese protesters successfully formed a human chain running north-south across the entire country yesterday to symbolise newfound national unity.

The demonstration hands-on chain from Tripoli to Tyre, a 17-km (10-mile) chain running through an image of a Lebanese which, from north to south, has any sectarian affiliation.

The 30-year-old history of conflict.

There is no political demand to simply want to send a message by simply holding hands along a stretch of highway under blocked roads and brought the country to a standstill to press elite has defended a belated international conference on Libya hosted by Berlin last this year would seek ways to end outside interference in the North African country.

Foreign influence is a “fundamental problem” in the Libyan crisis and stopping it would “one of the goals in Berlin”, Maas told journalists during a brief visit to Tripoli.

The minister, whose remarks were translated into Arabic, spoke alongside his Libyan counterpart Mohamed Tahar Siala and UN envoy to Libya Ghassan Salame, pictured with the three met Fayez Siala (right) and his German counterpart Heiko Maas, in Zuwarah, west of Tripoli, Libya, yesterday.

They updated Sarraj on the stage counter-demonstrations. Protesters have been demanding the removal of the entire ruling class, which has remained largely unchanged in three decades.

Many of the political heavyweights are former warlords seen as representing little beyond their own sectarian or geographical communities.

The protesters see them as corrupt and incompetent and have so far dismissed measures proposed by the political leadership to quell the protests.

We’ve had the same people in charge for 30 years,” said Ali, a 40-year-old protester walking in central Beirut on Sunday morning with a Lebanese flag. Prime Minister Saad Hariri on Monday announced a package of economic reforms which he claimed “is an economy that has been on the brink of collapse”.

His coalition partners have supported the move and warned that there is a political vacuum in times of economic peril risked chaos. But the protesters have accused the political elite of desperately attempting to save their jobs and have stuck to their demands for deep, systemic change. In a new well-organized mobilised routine, entire families of volunteers showed up early on the main protest sites Sunday to clean up as another round of protests and parties and technologies.

This week, the central Martyrs’ Square in Beirut and other protest hubs in Lebanon turned into a vast, open-air square where protesters dance, sing or organise political meetings.

Lebanon protesters holding hands to form a human chain along the coast from north to south as a symbol of unity, during the ongoing anti-government demonstrations in the northern city of Tripoli, yesterday.
## Khattar takes oath as Haryana chief minister, Dushyant his deputy

The Bharatiya Janata Party went into alliance with the newly formed Jannayak Janta Party (JJP) led by Dushyant Chautala, who took oath as Deputy Chief Minister.

Delivering his monthly radio address Mann Ki Baat, Modi said that post the verdict of the Allahabad High Court in 2010, a section of people had tried to create social rift with inflammatory remarks. He said he clearly remembers that time when a few “militant” political parties, sanskriti, and leaders of all faiths, it became a time-taking ceremony along with wife and second-time-lying MLA Chahifa.

Dushyant asked me if he should do with the BJP or the Congress. I told him whatever the circumstances, I never go with the Congress. I give him the go-ahead with the BJP,” Ajoy Chakraborty said.

Adding: “I will be beneficial for the state.”

BJP working President J P Nadda, Himachal Pradesh Chief Minister Jai Ram Thakur, Uttarakhand Chief Minister Trivendra Singh Rawat, Prime Minister Narendra Modi and other leaders were present during the swearing in ceremony.

Earlier, the BJP, which won 40 seats and was six short of a majority in the 90-member Assembly, announced its alliance with the JJP led by Dushyant Chautala, a great grandson of former Deputy Prime Minister Virat Singh Vashistha.

Seven independent MLAs have also extended support to the BJP, helping it reach a tally of 46 seats.

In his congratulatory message, Prime Minister Narendra Modi thanked the JJP for working in alliance with the BJP.

Modi visited the “Hall of Fame” in Rajpath where he paid homage to the soldiers and citizens, who laid down their lives to protect Ramjanam and Mosque sectors. PM termed the Hall of Fame as “Parakram Bhoomi. Prerna Bhoomi and Paavan Bhoomi.”

Prime Minister also visited the Pathankot Airbase to meet the brave air warriors of Indian Air Force (IAF).

Modi, while addressing the soldiers said that everyone endeavours to travel far and wide to celebrate the festival of Diwali with family members and become the hero to be travelled to and the hero to be remembered.

## Ahead of Supreme Court verdict, Congress says law must prevail

With the Supreme Court set to pronounce its historical judgement in Ayodhya dispute case, the Congress has maintained that the apex court judgment should be accepted by all.

Party leaders are wary of the political fallout in the aftermath of the judgement and Congress Working Committee member Jitin Prasada has advocated for construction of a Ram temple on the disputed site with a rider.

The former Union Minister said: “As a Hindu, of course, I want a temple there. But there is also a law of the land. The Supreme Court verdict should be accepted by everybody, whatever the verdict may be.”

The verdict should come out as early as possible and should put an end to all debates on this issue. It is time to move on and all communities should live in harmony. The stated position of the Congress is that whatever the verdict, it should be accepted by all parties.

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## Sacked BSF constable quits JJP accusing Chautala of betrayal

Sacked BSF constable Tej Bahadur Yadav, who unsuccessfully contested the Haryana Assembly poll against Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, resigned from the Jannayak Janata Party (JJP) on Monday.

Khattar was defeated from the Chenab (HP) seat by a margin of 32,000 votes to Pawan Kumar. Khattar had won the seat in 2019 with a margin of 7,800 votes. He had put up a strong fight against the JJP but in the end, he could not win the seat.

BSF constable Tej Bahadur Yadav had posted a Facebook post over the quality of food.

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Pakistan marks ‘Black Day’ in solidarity with Kashmiris

Pakistan yesterday marked ‘Black Day’ to show solidarity with the people of Jammu and Kashmir on the 72nd anniversary of the day of the dispute over the region. The day began with a moment of silence, bringing traffic across the country to a halt for a minute as a mark of solidarity and support for Kashmiris under occupation.

A special morning prayer was held in mosques for those who lost their lives in the conflict, and in administered Jammu and Kashmir.

Political, social, and human rights activists held rallies in major cities such as Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Peshawar, and Muzaffarabad to protest the ‘illegal occupation’ of the valley and demand that the UN lift the curfew and communication blockade and implement its relevant resolutions on Kashmir.

A long rally was held in Mianwali, the capital of Pakistan-administered Azad Jammu and Kashmir, attended by thousands of people including Raja Sikandar, the region’s Prime Minister.

On October 27, 1947, Indian troops positioned themselves in Kashmir, immediately after India and Pakistan gained independence from British colonial rule. The anniversary of this Indian action is observed by Pakistanis and Kashmiris as ‘Black Day’. While India commemorates it as ‘Accession Day’, the region has been occupied by India since 1947.

The government’s position remains consistent on six performance criteria regarding fiscal and monetary targets and the diversification of the economy. The IMF’s Resident Representative Tauseef Dahná Sánchez said in a response to a query that it already released the first tranche of $6bn. The IMF’s talks are scheduled to take place to review Pakistan’s performance in July-September quarterly targets. However, the talks have coincided with Jamia Ummah Islam-F’s decision to hold rallies against the government in the city of Lahore.

Several rights groups, including Human Rights Watch and Amnesty International, have repeatedly called on India to lift restrictions and release political detainees.

India said that 93 percent of the restrictions have been eased in Kashmir and that the claim that Anantnag Agency could not independently verify.

From 1954 until August 5, 1947, Kashmir was ruled by Indian authorities, with the Indian Constitution which was imposed on the region, as opposed to the region’s citizenship law, according to several human rights groups. The human rights groups launched a campaign for the region’s independence, or for unification with neighboring Pakistan.

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The day began with a mass of people who had gathered in the city of Srinagar, the capital of Kashmir, to protest the “illegal occupation” of the territory and change its identity,” Khan said in his address. The Pakistani prime minister reiterated their unflinching diplomatic, moral and political support for the cause of the people of Kashmir.

India has imposed an humanitarian blockade over 8 million people in occupied Kashmir, and Indian occupying forces are perpetrating unspeakable crimes against Kashmiri people, including women and children, with complete impunity,” President Arif Alvi said in a message.

Prime Minister Khan said the Black Day has been observed in Pakistan and across the world today is unlike its predecessors.

On 27 October 1947, India had invaded Kashmir and merged it with India. On 5 August 2019, India took a unilateral decision to abrogate the special status of Kashmir and has been turned into the largest “prison” on the planet.

The Prime Minister of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Raja Muhammad Farooq Haider Khan, attends a commemoration ceremony marking ‘Black Day’ in Muzaffarabad, the capital of Pakistan-administered territory of Azad Jammu and Kashmir, yesterday.

The provisions also protected the region’s citizenship law, which has been suspended in Kashmir, dividing in and owning land in the territory.

Some Kashmiri groups in Pakistan and Kashmir have been fighting against Indian rule for the restoration of the statehood which allowed it to enact its own laws.

Although Sunil achieved a good spirit and is fighting his illness with courage and is not willing to compromise on his position and avoid any facility.

Sharif despite his deteriorating health is hoping to get himself exonerated from the charges that he has been convicted of. Sources say he has also sought to stay in the country as he is confident that he will win the legal battle.

Afghan election results delayed till November

Afghan officials have not yet announced results of the election held on September 28, which was postponed from July 28. The election was supposed to be held on July 8, but was postponed due to a Iranian-backed terrorist attack in Kabul.

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US negotiator in Kabul to brief Afghan govt

US President Donald Trump’s top negotiator for Afghanistan was in Kabul yesterday to brief the Afghan president on peace efforts on his first trip back since Trump ended talks with the Taliban aimed at ending America’s longest war.

The visit by Zalmay Khalilzad comes after a flurry of low key meetings that he has held, including with the Taliban this month in Pakistan. The aim of his visit is clear, to report to President Ghani on his recent visits and meetings in some countries regarding the Afghan peace process, an official in Afghan President Ashraf Ghani’s office said.

Talks with the Taliban on a peace plan to withdraw US troops from Afghanistan in exchange for Taliban security guarantees were halted by both sides last month following the death of a US soldier and other Taliban in a Pakistan border attack in India.

Before the US-Taliban talks broke off, both sides said they were close to reaching a deal, despite concerns among some US security officials and Afghan government officials that a US withdrawal could bring more violence and instability in Pakistan, home to a growing number of Islamist militant factions.

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But the most encouraging news is that the female is laying eggs and has hatched a 40-year-old female,” Sarowar Alam, who heads the International Union for Conservation of Nature’s Bangladesh chapter, said.

But today they are virtually extinct in Bangladesh, and they are seen almost exclusively in the Ganges and Brahmaputra – in areas mainly in India but also Nepal.

The species has also all but vanished from its habitats in Pakistan and Punjab, with fewer than 20 reported to be breeding in the wild. classy creatures are not considered as vulnerable, but their breeding programme has been a success, it is hoped the species can help fight back against the threats of climate change and habitat loss.

Several crocodile species are found in India, but today only 10-15 are thought to be remaining.

A rare Bengal crocodile’s laying eggs in new hope for species

A rare Bengal crocodile, which has started to lay eggs after being treated with an introduced male, has started to lay eggs after being treated with an introduced male. Conservationists said yesterday, raising hopes a successful hatchling could save the critically endangered species from extinction.

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Hong Kong: Petrol bombs, tear gas mar protests

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Hong Kong was gripped by another day of petrol bomb and tear gas attacks and pro-democracy protesters clashed for hours throughout a popular shopping district.

The two sides fought repeated cat and mouse battles in Tsim Sha Tsui, a bustling tourist district filled with luxury malls and hotels, in what has become a familiar scene. Street violence, which has seen an upsurge in recent weeks, has put a damper on the afternoon with clouds of acrid smoke and tear gas making the area unsafe to walk around.

Riot officers discharged frequent volleys of tear gas canisters and rubber bullets as well as water cannon and officers were seen making multiple arrests throughout the day.

People flash their phones lights during a pro-democracy rally in the Tsim Sha Tsui district in Hong Kong, Monday, Oct. 28, 2019.

A demonstrator tries to catch a tear gas canister from riot police during an anti-government protest in Hong Kong, China, yesterday.

The Hong Kong government tightened its ban on certain items, including masks, after clashes with pro-democracy protesters.

Malaysia's palm oil export sector faces a new threat after Indian traders said they would stop buying palm oil from Malaysia, adding to losses already inflicted by a similar boycott from China.

India, the world's biggest buyer of edible oils, and China. But a speech by Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government has sparked a backlash in India that could badly hit the sector.

Malaysia has been sympathy in mostly Muslim Kazakhstan for Kashgar as the Central Asian nation's government in New Delhi has "injured and occupied" the area.

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Norwegian security forces arrested seven supporters of the PKK terror group for attacking Turks in the capital of Oslo.

Police used pepper spray against the attackers who shouted "against Turks" and "against terrorist" slogans.

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**Portrait of suspected terrorist attack site**

Police released footage of suspects of a truck attack site in the United Kingdom.

**UK argues over vote as EU mulls Brexit delay**

Britain appeared to move a step closer to securing an early election in December, after two opposition parties backed the idea — but only if EU leaders delay Brexit until January.

The Social National Party (SNP) and the Liberal Democrats both said they would back a proposal from Prime Minister Boris Johnson that snap elections will be needed, only on their terms.

But his government dismissed the plan, saying it depends on how long European leaders will delay Brexit — and they are weighing to see what happens in Britain.

Britain is due to end its 46 years of EU membership on Thursday, but Johnson was forced yesterday to request a three-month delay after MPs last week voted against his plan to approve his exit deal, the latest twist in the protracted divorce process.

Exasperated EU leaders have said any extension would be short-lived, and they have agreed on any new deal.

At the same time, Johnson will ask British lawmakers to have their say. He wants MPs to vote in a December 12 election, so the government’s divorce deal fails first. But his minority Conservative government needs the support of two-thirds of MPs.

The SNP and the Lib Dems — which both strongly oppose Brexit and between them have 54 MPs in the 650-seat House of Commons — have offered another way.

They propose that MPs give up on Johnson’s Brexit deal and move to a December 9 vote — as long as EU leaders agree to delay Brexit until January 31. Members of Johnson’s government dismissed the SNP-Lib Dem idea as a “gimmick” and a “stunt.”

“If the SNP and Lib Dems want an election then they have a chance to vote for one as quickly as tomorrow when the government’s divorce deal fails first,” Culture Minister Nicky Morgan told Sky News.

Senior Labour MEP Diane Abbott said her party would vote against any new general election. 

“We are waiting to see what the EU says. Make no mistake, the Labour party is up for an election,” she said.

Guy Verhofstadt, the Brexit coordinator for the European Parliament, tweeted that the SNP-Lib Dem proposal was “senseless.”

And France, which has so far objected to a three-month Brexit delay, said yesterday that an election would be a bad idea.

If they want to hold elections, we must give them the chance to do that,” French Foreign Affairs Minister Amelie de Montchalin told French media.

Johnson has proposed an election under the Fixed-term Parliaments Act, which requires the support of two-thirds of MPs — 414 out of 650.

The SNP and Lib Dems propose instead passing a motion with the single purpose of holding a December 9 vote, which could pass with a simple majority.

“The SNP is prepared to back a bill that seeks to bring forward an early general election on Monday December 9 once an extension to the Brexit deadline to January 30, 2020, has been secured.”

SNP Westminster leader Ian Blackford said yesterday.

Wilmès, 44, made her political debut in 2000 as a councillor in Uccle, outside Brussels. She won on to become a member of parliament in 2014 and joined the federal government a year later.

She was selected as the caretaker prime minister late Sat-urday by a small ministerial committee, but she has no par-liamentary majority.

Belgium has not had a fully functioning federal government since a coalition headed up by Michel collapsed in December 2018.

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**Early Renaissance painting found in French kitchen fetches 26.6m**

A rare masterpiece by Italian early Renaissance master Cenni di Pepo has been discovered in a French kitchen was sold yesterday for 26.6m euros, more than 3 5 4 times the initial estimate.

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Inventor unveils device to scoop plastic out of rivers

Dutch Founder and CEO of “The Ocean Cleanup”, Boyan Slat, presents in Rotterdam the new barge system called “The Interceptor”, in Rotterdam, yesterday.

The Interceptor is designed to be deployed by ‘plastic trash rivers’ at the mouth of large rivers. The vessel is designed to be driven by the current, and to move 30 meters out from the shore to increase the collection area of plastic waste.

The Interceptor is the world’s first moving barrier that has been in service for a year.

The vessel has been deployed in the Scheldt Estuary, one of the 100 most polluted rivers on the planet. The Interceptor has already collected more than 300 tonnes of plastic waste.

The vessel is equipped with a large funnel, which collects plastic waste from the surface of the water. The collected waste is then transferred to a barge, and finally, the plastic waste is transported to a shore-based facility.

The Interceptor has been designed to be scalable and can be deployed in other rivers around the world. The vessel is currently in service in the Scheldt Estuary and is expected to be deployed in other rivers in the future.

Merkel’s Coalition loses big in Thuringia vote, exit poll shows

The result reflects the increasingly splintered political spectrum in Germany, where traditional centrist parties have been losing seats. In Thuringia, it is the first time in more than a decade that a coalition party has lost its majority in a regional election.

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California's governor declared a state of emergency with nearly 200,000 people ordered to flee and homes at risk of being destroyed by historic wildfires, while millions were without electricity after a two-day windstorm hit some areas as a precaution to prevent wildfires.

Governor Gavin Newsom said a statement that officials are deploying "every resource available" to respond to the wildfires, including a large blaze in Northern California driven by powerful winds.

State fire officials said a second wildfire in the San Francisco Bay Area briefly halted traffic on a bridge. The flames came dangerously close to homes in Vallejo. In the south, a wildfire in the Santa Clara area near Los Altos had destroyed structures, threatened homes and critical infrastructure.

The biggest evacuation was in Sonoma County where 180,000 people were told to pack and be ready to leave.

And the fear that the winds could bring embers and spread fire across a major highway prompted authorities to expand evacuation orders that covered parts of Sonoma County.

California is bracing for a critical infrastructure emergency with millions of people without power.

State of emergency in California, spoke at a news conference yesterday, according to the Associated Press. "This is the largest evacuation ever, and we're still looking for the people who have not been accounted for." The governor said he had called a state of emergency.

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President Donald Trump was expected to visit the state Friday to survey the damage and meet with officials.

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AP WASHINGTON

President Trump's former White House chief of staff John Kelly said he advised the president not to fill the job with someone who would not be honest with him and would not provide a check on his impulses because it would be "impeachable.

Kelly, the former Hagel controller who served in two administrations, said he warned Trump on impeachment.

"I never said anything like that, if he would have said that, I would have thrown him out of the room," Kelly said. "I just want to come back into the action like everybody else does." The House is expected to vote on articles of impeachment against Trump on Wednesday.

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A gunman opened fire at an off-campus Texas A&M University laboratory on Monday, injuring at least 14 people.

Administration officials said it appeared that the woman, who is a Texas A&M student, was shot multiple times.

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Argentina votes in Presidential election

Argentine President Mauricio Macri casts his vote in a polling station during the general elections in Buenos Aires, Argentina, yesterday.

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QNL promotes open access to nation’s research

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Qatar National Library (QNL) has marked International Open Access Week 2019 with a series of workshops and events that have led to important dialogues around open and equitable access to Qatar’s research ecosystem.

Researchers, librarians, research administrators and research funders met in a series of events held from October 21 to 25 that emphasized the library’s commitment to supporting national innovation and research through open access publishing and services and initiatives such as the Open Access Author Fund.

The theme of this year’s Open Access Week, which is marked globally as “Open for Whom? Equity in Open Knowledge” and focused on the inclusivity of open access and knowledge, was “Celebrating Diversity”.

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Qatar multidisciplinary director for Ashna Nasser Al Sowaidi explores the potential power of scents to evoke memories and trigger emotions in her unique olfactory installation “The State of You” launched on Saturday at W Doha’s Art 29.

Speaking to The Peninsula at the opening of the exhibition, Al Sowaidi said she created the installation for Qatar’s pavilion at last year’s London Design Biennale under the theme “Emotional Infrastructure.”

The installation comprises seven units shaped like small domes made of concrete and glass celebrating traditional patients. Each of the domes is situated in a scene when a visitor stands beneath it. The gryps designed with patterns found in traditional Qatari houses represent the old Doha while the concrete represents the new vibrant city with all its new constructions, said Al Sowaidi. She explained Al Sowaidi, adding she recognized the scent emitted by each of the units from her memories.

“I recreated seven different scents, each of which is very personal to me and represent a moment that I experienced in the past. I usually don’t explain about these moments because they are very personal, but maybe the scents could provide some certain memories of other people as well,” she said.

With an MFA in Design Studios and a BA in Graphic Design, Al Sowaidi was part of Qatar Foundation’s first batch of Artist in Residence in Dubai. She has also worked in the United Kingdom. She participated in Qatar’s first biennial in 2016. All the units of the installation are dedicated to friends and family.

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The peninsula

Over 1,500 new cancer cases diagnosed in 2016

A total of 1,556 new cases of cancer were diagnosed in 2016, of which 21 percent were Qataris and 42 percent were females while 38 percent were males, according to the 2016 Cancer Incidence Data.

The Ministry of Public Health (MOPH) recently announced cancer incidence data for the year 2016 as part of the information published by Qatar Cancer Registry National Cancer Program. The most common cancers diagnosed in 2016 constituted 37 percent of all cancer cases, followed by colorectal cancer at 30 percent. The incidence was found to be 5.9 per 100,000 of the population.

Statistics are used to understand the burden of cancer, identify the resources needed to cope with the disease and measure the efficiency of preventive and curative services provided.

As cancer survival rates among Qataris, it has reached 89 percent for colorectal cancer, 87 percent for leukemia, and 90 percent for thyroid cancer. These rates reflect the increasing therapeutic capacity of the health system and the need to highlight the importance of early diagnosis and treatment, which raises recovery and survival rates and reduces cancer burden for patients and their families.

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