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Amir H H Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani met at the Amir Diwan yesterday, with Speaker of the Shura Council H E Ahmed bin Abdullah bin Zaid Al Mahmoud and members of the Council. The meeting was attended by Deputy Amir H H Sheikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Thani. At the outset of the meeting, the Speaker of the Shura Council thanked HH the Amir for meeting him, days after his Highness inaugurated the 48th ordinary session of the Shura Council while stressing the implementation of the directives of HH the Amir’s speech in cooperation with the government.

For his part, HH the Amir welcomed the Speaker and members of the efforts started by the Council in enrolling the national work in the legislative field and following up the progress of the government work, and its notable presence in international forums, stressing the importance of preparing for the upcoming Shura Council elections. HH the Amir expressed his hope that the elections will enhance the role of the Council in the Amir Diwan and in terms of religion. It is a foundation for the progress in the future, therefore we believe in the role you have played which will be enhanced in the future as well.

Meanwhile, H E the Speaker of Shura Council, in a tweet after the meeting, said that it was an honour to meet HH the Amir. “The meeting of Amir H H Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani today, was an honour for me and Shura Council members. It was truly an extraordinary meeting that embodied His Highness’ interest in the homeland and the citizen, and with Allah’s help, it will be a new beginning towards further progress of Qatar and its people.”

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The Cabinet, in its meeting held yesterday, approved a draft law regulating press, publications, publishing, media activities and arts, and referred it to the Shura Council’s Prime Minister and Interior Minister. H E Sheikh Abdullah bin Nasser bin Khalifa Al Thani, chaired Cabinet’s regular meeting that was held at the Amir Diwan.

Following the meeting, Min-
ister of Justice and Acting Min-
ister of State for Cabinet Affairs H E Dr. Issa bin Saud Al Jafaali Al Nuaimi said that the Cabinet reviewed topics on its meeting’s agenda.

At the beginning of the meeting, the Cabinet con-
demned the Israeli aggression on the Gaza Strip which has continued since yesterday morning and left a number of martyrs and injuries. The Cabinet called for urgent and decisive interna-
tional intervention to stop this aggression and provide protec-
tion to the Palestinian people, blaming Israel for the serious repercussions that could result from its occupa-
tion of the Palestinian territories and torturing innocent citizens.

The Cabinet affirmed that Israel’s repeated practices and violations of international law and resolutions of international legitimacy will only escalate tenu-
sions in the region and hinder efforts to resume the peace process which cannot be achieved without enabling the Palestinian people to exercise their legitimate rights, first and foremost the right to establish an independent state on the borders of 1967 with East Jerusa-
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Gulf Cup

The 24th Gulf Cup will be rescheduled, following the late addition of Saudi Arabia, UAE and Bahrain, the Arab Gulf Cup Football Federation Federation announced here yesterday.

The regional tournament will now kick off from November 26 and end on December 8.

The earlier plan was to host the tour-
nament with the participation of five coun-
tries and was to kick off from November 24 and end on December 6.

Host Qatar, defending champions Oman and Iran will participate along with Iraq and Yemen were the five teams confirmed to participate but now matches will be held in more than one venue.

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The approved draft law, that aims to regulate press, publications, publishing, media activities and arts, has been prepared to replace Law No. 8 of 1979 on Publications and Publishing, and Decree Law No. 18 of 1993 regulating advertising, public relations, and artistic production and works. It comes within the context of updating legislation, keeping pace with the technical and technological development in the field of the press, publications, media activities and the arts, and supporting freedom of opinion and expression and freedom of the press and media in the State of Qatar.

The Cabinet also approved a draft law amending some provisions of Law No. 9 of 1987 on Control and Regulation of Control and Regulation of Narcotic Drugs and Dangerous Psychotropic Substances and Regulating their Trade and Use and referred it to the Shura Council. It also gave approval for a draft law amending some laws related to the Ministry of Public Health. The weekly meeting approved the draft decision of the Council of Ministers to issue the Charter of Integrity of Public Officials.

The preparation of the draft decision seeks to achieve the highest indicators of transparency and integrity in the State and to further protect public money. The charter aims to promote the codes of conduct and the ethics of the public service among public officials in the country. The Cabinet reviewed Qatar national strategy in the field of artificial intelligence and decided that the Ministry of Transport and Communications will take the necessary measures to implement the strategy and its recommendations in coordination with the concerned authorities.

The Cabinet also approved a draft memorandum of understanding for cooperation in the field of supervisory work between the Audit Bureau of the State of Qatar and the National Audit Bureau of the Republic of The Sudan. It also approved a draft twinning agreement between Doha Municipality in the State of Qatar and Mogadishu Municipality in the Federal Republic of Somalia.

Pompeo thanks Qatar for cooperation with US

The US Secretary of State, Mike Pompeo, expressed his country’s gratitude to Qatar for its partnership and cooperation in a variety of issues.

Pompeo said in a statement following his meeting with Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs, H E Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman Al Thani, that they discussed the importance of a unified Gulf Cooperation Council to address regional instability and other bilateral and regional issues, including recent developments in Iraq, Syria and Lebanon. H E the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs met his US counterpart on Tuesday night in Washington.
Katarkeen on providing assistance to support SDGs

The State of Qatar affirmed its keenness to provide humanitarian and development assistance to the world at large and particularly to the developing countries and all over the world and contribute to achieving the goals of sustainable development 2030, in the context of its commitment to the principles of the Charter of the United Nations. The principle of cooperation and partnership is at the heart of Qatar's action, which is driven by the Minister of Education and Higher Education, H E Dr. Mohammad Abdul Wahab Al Hammadi, in addition to the work of the 40th Session of the United Nations General Assembly, and for the participation of the EC of the United Nations Council for Science and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), which is attended by the worst of the countries in the world which will participate until the twenty-seventh of this month.

The Minister said that the State of Qatar is keen on its foreign policy to be a policy of peace and coexistence with the Charter of the United Nations in particular, and to enhance cooperation and coordination and partnership with many regions of the world without discrimination, and provide humanitarian and development assistance for the benefit of the whole world to face common challenges, and contribute to the achievement of the goals of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, despite the unfavourable blockage it has been under since June 2017, which has not discouraged Qatar from fulfilling its international obligations.

In this context, Dr. Al Hammadi pointed out to Amir HH Sheikh in his own Hamad Al Thani announcement on the sidelines of the 40th session of the United Nations General Assembly, and for the participation of the EC of the United Nations Council for Science and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), which is attended by the worst of the countries in the world which will participate until the twenty-seventh of this month.

The Minister pointed out in this context that the total financial assistance provided by Qatar for Development Funding to support the education sector in several regions of the world amounted during the period from 2013 to 2019 to about $122m, he added that Qatari has taken all measures in implementing the second phase of the education and training sector in the country (for the period by the year 2018 to 2022), which emanates from Qatar Vision 2030, which is in line with the development goals and the global indicators of education.

The Minister also attached to the principles of the State of Qatar towards achieving the fourth goal of the Sustainable Development, which is the high rate of enrolment in primary education and full gender equality in the general education stages, as well as the establishment of specialized schools for gifted students and the development of intellectual disability.

The Minister based on Qatar's efforts in the field of museums in order to reflect UNESCO's recommendation on the protection of information of museums, and the role they play in society. His Excellency pointed out that the new National Museum of Qatar, providing a unique experience to monitor the development of the world, and the world, and confirms Qatar's keen interest in cultural heritage through the establishment of a heritage museum in the form of a desert tent.

In the field of youth, sports and the environment and youth generation, His Excellency said that the Generation Amazing Program, which was designed as a service to host the 2022 FIFA World Cup, Qatar and FIFA, which aims to protect and develop the role of youth and establish a healthy and sustainable environment in Qatar.

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The Ministry of Municipality and Environment worked in cooperation with the Qatar Botanic Garden, launched yesterday a project to plant 4,000 seedlings of wild trees each year to support the development of the Qatari environment and the ambitions of the State of Qatar at Doha Exhibition and Convention Center.

Ronaldo C. Oliveira
The Peninsula

Some of the country’s best baristas locked horns to be crowned the ultimate latte art champion and get the rare chance to be trained in the prestigious MUGACAM Academy in Italy, during the exciting first ever Qatar Barista Championship yesterday.

Organised by Aljaber Group’s Partners & Partners, the competition was held as one of the highlights of the ongoing fifth edition of hospitality Qatar at Doha Exhibition and Convention Center.

It was a thrilling competition of great skill and activity among the 27 contestants as they created their own interpretations of patterns given by the judges as well as their own creative designs of coffee art using different coffee techniques and impressively, without the use of tools.

“Qatar’s hotel, restaurant and coffee (HORECA) industry has grown so much in the past few years. We have a lot of baristas who have the potential to become international and we want to give them the platform that’s why we decided to host this event,” Clara Samuelan, Marketing Manager at Aljaber Group told The Peninsula.

She underlined the importance of holding the event at Hospitality Qatar which is the only exhibition in the country which focuses on the hospitality sector hosting the biggest companies in the industry.

Big prizes were at stake at the contest including the grand prize of week-long trip and training at MUGACAM Academy, one of the best coffee training schools in the world, fully sponsored by Faema, a high and Italian espresso machine brand under Gruppo Cimbali. The second and third place, on the other hand, received 3,000 and 2,000 respectively crowning Corona, an Italian company specialized in coffee beans, coffee and specialty coffee.

The jury comprised Markus Blicher, one of the founders of Swez International who developed coffee culture since 1990, Andy Maier-Karger, an AST certified trainer, Swiss double champion of latte art, barista ambassador of the event and Tobias Fichter, a third place winner of the 2014 World Barista Championship.

In keeping with the theme of the event, the biggest challenge to the baristas was to develop coffee culture since its emergence in the mid-twentieth century.


Shamekh Khalifa Kartubi, the two sides, reviewed joint cooperation between the two friendly countries at various levels, and discussed ways of strengthening the relationship and deepening and widening the cooperation with the United Arab Emirates, especially in the field of public safety and the built environment, with the aim of maintaining public safety and the beauty of the city.

In October, the General Cleanliness Department implemented various services and works in all municipalities, consisting of the removal of 72,306 tonnes of household waste, 7,790 tonnes of structural waste, 221 tonnes of recycling waste, 3,467 tonnes of solid waste, among others.


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Al Hammadi meets Cambodian Foreign Minister official

The Secretary-General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, HE Dr Ahmad bin Hassan Al Jumhuri met with Minister of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Kingdom of Cambodia, Sam Heng. In their meeting, they reviewed cooperation and relations between the two countries, as well as issues of common concern.

Al Waqrah Municipality organises workshop on sanitary requirements

The Al Waqrah Municipality, represented by the Municipality Control Department, yesterday organised a workshop on sanitary requirements based on the standard specifications for establishments operating in the food sector. The workshop dealt with the most important sanitary requirements for restaurants, and various food establishments according to the Qatari standards, in terms of basic qualifications and prerequisites. The workshop dealt with requirements and practices of food handling, including receipt, preservation, preparation, cooking, packaging, delivery and transport of food.

QA’s new fleet of 50 A321neo aircraft to be powered by LEAP-1A engines

Qatar Airways announced yesterday that it has selected CFM International’s LEAP-1A engines to power its new fleet of 50 A321neo family aircraft, the largest of which is the A321XLR family aircraft in the Middle East. Alongside the engine deal, the national airline of the State of Qatar has also signed with CFM International a round-the-clock support agreement to cover its entire fleet of LEAP-1A engines, including spares, for a much-reduced list price.

Qatar Airways has been a CFM customer since 2005 and currently operates a fleet of 38 A320ceo family aircraft, of which eight are CFM56-7B powered. The first new powered A321neo are scheduled to be delivered in 2020.

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Volumes and grants more likely to develop type 2 diabetes

Dr Ahmad Al Mulla (pictured), Head of Hamad Medical Corporation (HMC) Tobacco Control, has said that smokers are more likely to develop type 2 diabetes than non-smokers. He said, “It is still unknown why smokers are more likely to develop diabetes than nonsmokers. He added that smokers with diabetes face more health problems.

People with diabetes who smoke are more likely to develop diabetes than those who do not smoke. Smoking can lead to insulin resistance, which can make it harder for the body to release stress hormones, triggering the disease. They will often need a longer dose of insulin to control their blood sugar,” added Dr Mulla.

Dr Jamal Abdullah, a Smoking Cessation Specialist at HMC, says smokers who have diabetes are at an increased risk for heart and kidney disease as well as foot infections and ulcers, underlining the significance of quitting. He says no matter how much or how long a person has smoked, quitting will allow the body to begin repairing itself.

Smoking may make the body more resist insulin, which can lead to higher blood sugar levels. Uncontrolled blood sugar can cause serious complications from diabetes, including problems with one’s kidneys, heart, and blood vessels, and poor blood flow in the legs and feet, which can lead to infections, ulcers, and possible amputation,” said Dr Abdullah.

The health benefits of quitting begin right away. Studies have shown that insulin can start to become more effective at lowering blood sugar levels just eight weeks after a smoker quits,” added Dr Abdullah.

The NHRC officials also explained the role played by NHRC in monitoring and documenting human rights violations resulting from the blockade on Qatar. They thanked the High Commissioner for the Human Rights Protection and Humanitarian Aid, Barbel Kofler, and her accompanying delegation.

The Vice-Chairman of the National Human Rights Committee (NHRC), Mohammad bin Saif Al-Kuwari, participated in the International Conference held by Qatar Airways. He stated the skills of communication and presentation of scientific projects.

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29 scientific projects presented at QU’s Research and Innovation Conference

School students who entered in this cycle of Al-Bairaq Program were honoured during a ceremony held at Qatar University.

The groups also presented a presentation and a scientific poster in which they demonstrated the skills of communication and presentation of scientific projects.

Scientific conference discusses development projects of Arab Supreme Audit Institutions

The Arab Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions (ARASAO) yesterday organised a scientific conference on the sidelines of the 13th session of the General Assembly of the Organization, on the development projects of the Arab Supreme Audit Institutions.

The Director of the Center of Excellence for Training and Development at the State Audit Bureau Rima Al Bastaki gave a presentation on the experience of the State Audit Bureau in the field of institutional development.

The NHRC Vice-Chairman, Mohammad bin Saif Al-Kuwari, and other officials pose for a photograph with Germany’s Federal Government Commissioner for Human Rights Policy and Humanitarian Aid, Barbel Kofler (center) and her accompanying delegation.

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Qatar Museums, Tiffany & Co. host round table at NMoQ

The exhibition has been widely praised in Qatar, particularly given the country’s long-standing tradition of using jewellery as a medium for expressing one’s identity and heritage. The exhibition, Quantum of a Lifetime, features a collection of more than 1000 pieces of jewellery, including rare and unique items that have been donated to the exhibit by prominent figures in the Qatar society.

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Shesha Ray Al Khalifa discussed the company’s commitment to Qatar’s cultural heritage and the role of jewellery in preserving it. She highlighted the importance of maintaining the country’s rich history and sharing it with the world.

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The event, titled “Towards the Realisation of the Dream of Qatar’s Ever Growing Artistic Potential,” brought together experts in the arts and cultural sector to discuss the role of technology in the realization of Qatar’s artistic potential.

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Qatar Automobiles Company launches all-new Montero Sport 2020 for first time in Qatar, ME

The Montero Sport 2020 gets a fresh new face. The updated look features the new Dynamic Shield front grille, enhanced bumper design and new LED and fog lights to give the car more tough yet smooth and modern look.

The new Montero Sport 2020 model is equipped with a 3.0L TURBO VI-MIVE engine. The high performance, the vehicle stuns with a new spoiler out back adding a smoked finish in order to give the car a more sophisticated look.

The Toyota Material Handling USA is the official market leader in the material handling industry, in cooperation with Nasser Bin Khalid Automobiles, dealer of Mitsubishi in Qatar. The Montero Sport 2020 model is available now at Mit- suro Motors – improved fuel efficiency and maintain its position as the high performance, the vehicle stuns with a new spoiler out back adding a smoked finish in order to give the car a more sophisticated look.

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Qatar's first experiential learning festival set to open

Doha Learning Days – Qatar’s first experiential learning festival – will get under way on the opening evening with a musical performance showcasing Qatar's culture against the backdrop of today's world. The festival – will get under way with the start of the festival.

New Montero Sport 2020 model is available now at Mitsubishi Motors Showroom on Salwa Road and NAD Showroom. Qatar Automobiles Company will also show new vehicles starting from Thursday from 8am to 9pm, and on Thursday from 8am to 9pm.

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry, in cooperation with Nasser Bin Khalid Automobiles, dealer of Mercedes-Benz in Qatar also launched the new model of 2018 over the 3.0C2 engine in the rear passenger side, to improve the front collision and exceed our customers' expectations. The event in Singapore explored the full spectrum of the Centre for Law and Development and led by Dr. Andrew Dahdal commented saying, "It is a historical moment for Qatar, examines developments in the technology space.

The Centre of Law and Development has a particular focus on mobilizing financing for micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) – Director of the CLD, Dr. Jon Truby commented on his participation saying, "It was an honor to be invited to participate in such an important event." The participation of the Centre for Law and Development and the College of Law in the taskforce discussion underlines the commitment of Qatar and Qatar University to helping to solve pressing issues of international concern.

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Mitsubishi Montero Sport 2020

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The British election’s trillion-pound question

The Labour Party’s Shadow Chancellor John McDonnell recently promised £5 trillion pounds of extra spending a year, a number that’s been ridiculed on social media. Considering that Britain’s gross domestic product is roughly $2.8 trillion, the plan could be described as gargantuan. The numbers were, however, somewhat muted compared to the Labour leader’s projected £10 trillion in his 2019 election manifesto. Labour now proposes £5 trillion, yet Labour’s leader, Jeremy Corbyn, claims it’s not a new idea; he’s been talking about £5 trillion for years. Still, many people consider the proposal one of the most ambitious economic plans in recent memory. But how? How does Labour plan to fund a £5 trillion plan? And what does it mean for the country? Let’s break it down.

To understand Labour’s economic plan, we need to look at its core principles. The Labour Party believes in a strong, interventionist state that provides universal public services, such as healthcare, education, and housing. The party also advocates for a more equitable distribution of wealth, with a focus on reducing income inequality.

The plan includes a variety of measures, including increased public investment, higher taxes on the wealthy, and a more vigorous pursuit of social housing. To fund these measures, Labour proposes to increase taxes on the wealthy, including a new wealth tax on those with assets over £2 million, and a tax hike on corporation profits.

Labour also plans to invest more in social housing, with a target of building 750,000 new homes a year by 2024. This would be funded through a combination of increased public investment and increased housing taxes.

The plan also includes measures to reduce the cost of living, including a £10 per week increase in the minimum wage, and a £10 billion investment in public services such as healthcare and education. Labour also plans to reduce the NHS waiting times, and invest more in mental health services.

To fund all of this, Labour proposes a £2 trillion tax package, which includes a new wealth tax on those with assets over £2 million, and a tax hike on corporation profits.

In conclusion, Labour’s £5 trillion plan is a radical departure from the current neoliberal policies of the Conservative Party. Labour’s plan is based on the idea that the state has a role to play in ensuring a fairer and more equitable society. The plan is ambitious, but it is also necessary to address the deep-seated problems in the UK economy.

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**Death toll rises to 23 as Israel-Gaza violence rages**

**APRIGA CITY**

Exchanges of fire triggered by Israeli ground-shelling of a top militant in Gaza raged for a second day yesterday and doomed any sign of ease, as Palestinian and Israeli forces prepared to fire anti-aircraft rockets. Air raids raged and the Palestinian death toll rose to 22, including women and children. The Israeli military said it had destroyed the site after a rocket attack from Gaza. The UN said two children were killed so far, including those in the Gaza Strip. The conflict began over Israel’s military action in the Gaza Strip and is aimed at highlighting the change of approach. “For the first time in the current era, Israel drew a line that would not be crossed,” said a commentator on Israeli TV. “It’s a redrawn border.”

**Trump praises relations with Erdogan**

**REUTERS/WHITE HOUSE**

US President Donald Trump (right) and Turkey’s President Recep Tayyip Erdogan at a joint press conference in the White House in Washington, DC, yesterday.

US President Donald Trump yesterday lauded his relationship with Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan, saying that the two leaders had reached a new level of understanding.

**Death toll rises to 22, amid growing concerns**

The Israeli military said that 22 people had been killed so far, including children in Gaza, who have fought three wars with Israel and Palestinian militants. Israel’s targeting of rocket sites and sites it blamed for rocket fire and air strikes.

**Protests heat up as Bangladesh faces renewed pressure**

**REUTERS/TANZANIA**

Anti-government rallies recall in Bangladesh’s capital and south yesterday as Bangladesh faced new pressure from the street. The government lifted a blockade on the country and arrested a protester who had blocked a road in Nahr al-Kalb area.

**Lebanon slides deeper into turmoil, no sign of new government**

**REUTERS/ZAYTOUN**

A 33-year-old protester, Lemniscus, was shot and killed during protests in Beirut’s Nahr al-Kalb area, blocking a road in Beirut’s Nahr al-Kalb area. A 33-year-old protester, Lemniscus, was shot and killed during protests in Beirut’s Nahr al-Kalb area.

**Turkish opposition urges presidential rebuff of Trump**

**ANKARA**

Turkey’s main opposition party yesterday urged President Recep Tayyip Erdogan to reject any new US government pressure. Erdogan is set to hold a meeting with US President Donald Trump at the White House.

**Tunisia’s parliament picks Islamist party leader as Speaker**

**TUNIS**

Tunisia’s new parliament yesterday elected Rachid Ghannouchi, leader of the moderate Islamist Ennahda party, as its speaker, sparking concerns about the political establishment.

**Tanzania’s lawmakers split over new president**

**REUTERS/AFROASIA**

Unknown gunmen killed six farmers near Tanzania’s southern border with Mozambique. A senior police officer gave the toll, saying they were killed in an attack on an island in the Ruvuma River that forms the border between the two countries. If confirmed, it would be the latest in a series of ethnic attacks in the area since 2017.

**South Sudan government signs pre-transitional power-sharing agreement**

**AESALMA**

The United States said yesterday it was “gravely disappointed” and would consider its relationship with South Sudan over the failure of its peace efforts.

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Supreme Court rebukes govt over Delhi smog

REUTERS
NEW DELHI

As New Delhi remained shrouded in a toxic smog yesterday, India’s top court wondered if the federal government’s inaction and sought remedial action.

According to the Central Pollution Control Board, pollution levels had touched 500 in some parts of the city, meaning dying for healthy people, not just those suffering from breathing problems.

The whole of North India is suffering and not much has been done by the government," the Supreme Court Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi and Justice A S Bhedia said.

The government had not even bothered to form a task force to look into the problem, the court said.

The Indian capital’s toxic air pollution hit “emergency” levels again yesterday, coinciding with the visit of Britain’s Prime Minister.

Prince Charles visited the Indian Meteorological Department as part of his two-day visit to India. Charles frequently spoke on green issues, was briefed on the status of Nandu, a leading environmental activist.

The princely baby has hailed the “principles” of Sikhism and the contribution of the Sikh community in the UK. The Prince of Wales is expected to visit a Gurudwara in New Delhi to mark the 550th birth anniversary of Guru Nanak Dev, the founder of Sikhism.

TheIndexed measures to clean up the air are needed. “Emergency measures cannot clear the air when there is no wind to blow pollution away. It is a day-to-day battle right now,” the court said.

Def using ‘odd-even’ scheme, if required.

Advocacy organisations have also suggested a scheme like Delhi’s odd-even
cash for green measures.

The court also suggested the city government could extend the “odd-even” scheme to other parts of the city.

The government is considering a scheme that could take advantage of the odd-even system based on licence plates.”

“The top court’s ruling came after the government had asked the court to review its verdict on the entry of women of all ages into the Sabarimala temple.

The court also upheld the verdict of the National Commission foreliminat ing the practice of dowry as wrongful and illegal.

The apex court ruled in favour of those who had argued that the practice was against the constitution and the law.

The case had been filed by a group of women in 1994.

The court had heard arguments from both sides and had allowed the matter to be heard by a new bench.

The new bench had a majority of three judges, led by Chief Justice Ranjan Gogoi.

The court had also extended its order to all other places in the Sabarimala temple.

The court also heard arguments from the government and the Sabarimala temple trust.

The government had argued that the temple is an ancient seat of worship and that women should not be allowed to enter.

The Sabarimala temple is located in the hills of Kerala and is considered a sacred place by Hindu devotees.

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Pakistan anti-govt protesters block highway

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**Chinese, other students flee HK as violence worsens**

A fire truck houses down embers after bush fires impacted houses and farmland near the small town of Goowral, 600km north of Sydney, Australia, yesterday.

The fire, which started in northern Queensland on Monday, forced the evacuation of hundreds of people from their homes. The authorities are urging residents to stay indoors and avoid going outside as the fire continues to burn.

**North Korea warns US against deals with South Korea**

North Korea's Supreme Deci
dion-Making Body, a body that has never before been mentioned in international news, has warned that any deals with South Korea will be seen as a violation of its sovereignty. The body has also threatened to take military action if South Korea goes ahead with any deals that it sees as threatening its security.

**Catalonia's Rainy barred from flight to Jakarta**

Malaysia Airlines has barred a Catalonia protestor from a flight to Jakarta after he was arrested in Malaysia in connection with a protest in Catalonia. The airline has said that it is acting in accordance with its policies and procedures.

**New Zealand to hold plebiscite on legalising euthanasia**

New Zealand lawmakers yesterday passed a bill that would legalise euthanasia, one of the most controversial issues in recent years. The bill, which was passed with a majority of votes, will now go to the public in a referendum next year.

**Helicopter crashes during Australia fire operation**

A helicopter crashed while fighting a bushfire in northern Australia yesterday, killing one of the firefighters on board. The cause of the crash is not yet known, but the authorities are investigating to determine the cause.

**One dead, six injured in Indonesia suicide bombing**

A suicide bomber blew himself up at a police station in Indonesia yesterday, killing himself and injuring six others. The attacker, who was wearing a suicide vest, had just entered the compound and began shooting before blowing himself up.

The attack comes after a series of similar attacks in recent months, raising concerns about the rise of violent extremism in the region.
**UK’s Labour pledges £26bn in health care spending**

**Reuters**

London’s opposition Labour Party pledged yesterday to spend an extra £26bn (€31bn) on health care if it wins the December 12 election, saying that political paralysis was affecting investment decisions in the sector.

On a campaign trip to central England yesterday, Sir Keir Starmer said that Britain’s largest health trust was announcing 340 jobs cuts and more to come because it can only break the deadlock over its pension deficit with the government.

He called for a “decent” system of funding health care that was based on a mix of taxation and charging and said that the health service had faced a “deadlock” with government over the issue.

**Police clear Catalan protesters from highway**

**AFP**

BARCELONA (Reuters) - Police yesterday managed to disperse Catalan separatist protesters who had blocked a major motorway linking Spain and France, reopening the road to both drivers and trucks after more than 48 hours of intermittent blockades.

The demonstration caused chaos on an artery which is particularly important for cross-border freight transport and is used by some 20,000 lorries per day.

The highway began on Monday morning when hundreds of activists formed a human wall to block the border area of La Jonquera, blocking the AP-7 motorway linking northeastern Spain and southern France.

Organised by activist group Democratic Tsunami, which says it does not depend on separatist parties or civil associations for support, the group had blocked the motorway since Monday.

**Police officers line up as members of Catalan protest group ‘Democratic Tsunami’ block the AP-7 highway in Girona, Spain, yesterday.**

**UK high court blocks strike by Royal Mail staff**

**AP**

LONDON (Reuters) - Royal Mail yesterday won a High Court ruling against a strike by postal workers in England over the festive period.

The union vowed to appeal the decision.

The Court of Appeal declared that the Royal Mail union had no right to refuse to take part in the strike on December 12.

A High Court judge had previously ruled that the postal workers' union had no right to refuse to take part in the strike on December 12.

A Ukrainian anti-corruption group, the National Anti-Corruption Bureau (NABU), said on Monday it had received more than 2,000 whistle-blower complaints related to corruption, including 500 related to the sale of state assets.

**Ukraine watchdog accuses presidential staffer of graft**

**AP**

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**Germany, Netherlands agree to take back IS terrorists**

**ANADOLU AGENCY**

VAN, TURKEY (Reuters) - Germany, the Netherlands and Turkey agreed on Monday to take back IS terrorists at a dispatch meeting in Turkey's capital Ankara.

Turkey and Germany, which have agreed to take back IS terrorists from the group's European countries, have agreed to take back IS terrorists at a dispatch meeting in Turkey's capital Ankara.

According to Soylu, around 1,149 IS terrorists are currently being detained in Syria — including 136 people who joined the terrorist group in 2018 — and 466 surrendered, Soylu said. In addition, the group had previously surrendered 136 people who joined the terrorist group in 2018.

In the next few weeks and months, terrorism-related cases could start flooding in many parts of the country, and we simply have no available to fund it.

Germany, the Netherlands and Turkey are currently discussing the possibility of taking back IS terrorists from the group's European countries. The German government promises of extra social care services, the health service has warned it faces a growing and ageing population, leading to a growing and ageing population, leading to a growing and ageing population.
Venice flooded from rising tides and rain

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VENICE

Venice's mayor declared a state of emergency after "apocalyptic" floods swept through the ancient city, flooding its historic basilica and immersing squares and centuries-old buildings.

The authorities were turned into a sea of mud as streets and canals were flooded. Boats turned into rafts and cars plunged into muddy mires as the city's historic canals went out of control.

It was the highest level since the flood of 1966 but with rising water levels creating a regular threat to the lagoon, city mayor Luigi Brugnaru was quick to blame climate change for the disaster.

"Venice is on its knees," he said on Twitter. "The damage will be hundreds of millions of euros."

The reason for climate change appears to have been driving rains and strong winds, as well as a raised sea level from the melting glaciers.

A plaque at the Higher Education Ministry bearing a graffiti that reads "Financial insecurity kills" on the university wall. At Lille university a "financial insecurity kills" on the blazon in a Facebook post on Paris and Lille over the desperate situation of students demonstrated in Lyon, in critical condition in hospital.

Unfortunately, a student who set himself on fire over financial problems, in Lyon.

The French government has said in a statement that Alexei Burkov, who says he is cyber security expert, will be extradited to Canada to face charges of hacking.

Burkov, who was arrested in 2019, is accused of using a network of hackers to steal financial information from more than 150,000 customers around the world.

His arrest marks a major victory for the United States, which has been investigating Burkov for years.

Burkov and his associates are accused of using stolen card numbers to make fraudulent purchases, including high-end electronics and luxury goods.

The US Department of Justice has charged Burkov and two of his co-conspirators with racketeering, money laundering, and identity theft.

Burkov's extradition to Canada is expected to take place in the next few months as the two countries work to finalize the legal issues.

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**New revelation at Trump impeachment hearing**

**AP/ WASHINGTON**

The top US diplomat in Ukraine, in an explosive public testimony at the historic impeachment hearing against Donald Trump, levelled a stark new accusation yesterday about White House efforts to pressure Kiev to curb its Democratic rival Joe Biden.

In his testimony, the acting US ambassador to Ukraine, told the House Intelligence Committee that he was told Trump cared more about the probe into his likely 2020 rival than he did about Ukraine.

**AP**

**Justice Department rolls out new program to combat gun violence**

**AP/ NEW YORK**

Attorney-General William Barr announced a new initiative that would better enforce the US gun background check system, coordinate state and federal gun laws and prosecute quickly databases to show when a defendant can't possess a firearm because of mental health issues.

The push, known as Project Guardian, was being unveiled at a news conference in Memphis, Tennessee, alongside officials from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, on the same day public impeachment hearings against President Donald Trump began in Washington.

As part of the program, US prosecutors will coordinate with state and local law enforcement officials to consider federal charges in cases where suspects arrested for weapons possession, is believed to have used a gun to commit a violent crime, or drug trafficking offenses or is accused of being a violent gang member.

"Gun crime remains a pervasive problem in too many communities across America," Barr said in a statement.

The program "will strengthen our efforts to reduce gun violence by allowing the federal government and our state and local partners to better target offenders who use guns in crimes and those who try to buy guns illegally," he said.

The initiative requires agents in charge of ATF offices across the country to create new guidelines or review the protocols already in place to bring federal charges against people who try to obtain a gun from a firearms dealer.

Prosecutors will particularly focus on offenders who have violated previous court orders, on illegal gun traffickers, or on those who have faced domestic violence charges.

US attorney’s offices will also be required to quickly input information so that people who can’t own guns for mental health reasons can’t access firearms.

The attorney general is also calling on the country to adopt programs that could stave off potential threats and consider recertifying court-ordered mental health treatment, in some cases, to give law enforcement officials the legal right to own firearms for mental health reasons.

The Trump administration has come under scrutiny in recent weeks for failing to pass some mass shooters from buying guns because of background checks conducted on the gun shop’s behalf.

In an interview filed in New York in 2011, Carvajal was accused of being an al-Qaeda operative. He was also charged with providing an al-Qaeda al-Qaeda operative in the early 2000s. Carvajal was convicted and removed. But in 2008, he was reinstated.

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**Venezuelan former intelligence chief arrested in Spain**

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Bolivia senator assumes interim presidency

ANATOLIA RUSBAS ALBERA

Bolivia yesterday announced its interim president, who will take the country to early elections in 90 days after long-serving leader Evo Morales resigned.

Jeanine Anez (pictured), a member of the Democratic Union Party and second vice-president of the Senate, assumed control as head of state in a session of Bolivia’s Legislative Assembly.

Despite failing to garner a majority of the vote in the legislature due to a boycott by members of Morales’ Movement for Socialism party, Anez declared herself president.

Anez said the country has allowed her to assume the post of interim head of state after the resignation of the president and vice-president.

She pointed out that she would do her best to ensure peace in the country and would hold general elections as soon as possible. She is expected to take the country to early elections in 90 days.

Anez is known for her anti-Morales politics and has served for 10 years as an opposition lawmaker. Morales supporters meanwhile continued protesting in the capital, La Paz.

Ousted leader Evo Morales issued a statement on social media on Anez’s interim presidency, calling it the “worst and sneakiest coup in history.”

“A right-wing coup plotting senator assumes himself first as president of the Senate and then as president of Bolivia without holding a legislative majority,” he said.

Morales also addressed opposition leader Carlos Mesa, a former president of Bolivia who played a major role in his resignation, and Luis Fernando Camacho, a far-right leader of the Pro-Santa Cruz Civic Committee.

“Carlos Mesa, you are destroying democracy and massacring the people. This is your legacy to history. Fernando Camacho, dividing Bolivia is not a regional honour. Stop running Bolivia,” Morales said.

A supporter of Venezuela’s President Nicolas Maduro fights with an opposition leader Juan Guaido’s supporter outside the Venezuelan embassy, in Brasilia, yesterday.

Guaido, Maduro supporters face off in Brazil

AFP BRAZIL

Military police surrounded Venezuela’s embassy in Brazil yesterday as rival supporters of Venezuelan opposition leader Juan Guaido and President Nicolas Maduro faced off inside in a struggle for control of the diplomatic compound.

Officials inside the 7 Venezuelan consulates, diplomatic headquarters to the legitimately accredited representation in Brazil yesterday. “Upon entering the head-quarters, we could verify that a group of officials was living in the official residence.”

“We need help, we need the immediate activation of all social movements and political parties,” Meregve said.

Supporters of the Venezuelan president yelled “Viva Maduro”. Venezuelan Foreign Minister Jorge Arreaza condemned what he described as an invasion of the embassy.

Georgia set to execute man convicted of fatally shooting store clerk

REUTERS ATLANTA

The state of Georgia is scheduled to execute a man today who was convicted of fatally shooting a convenience store clerk before stealing the man’s gun in Georgia.

Ray Cromartie, 52, is scheduled to die by lethal injection at 7pm EST (0000 GMT) at Georgia Diagnostic and Classification Prison in Jackson for the killing of Richard Slysz in 1994.

On April 7 that year, Cromartie borrowed a gun from his friend Thaddeus Lucas and his friends Corey Clark and Wilson in the face, court papers showed.

Three days later, Cromartie and his friends Corey Clark and Thaddeus Lucas went to Junior Food Store in Thomasville, Georgia, and shot and wounded store clerk Dan Wilson in the face, court papers said.

“Two men tried to open the cash register but were unsuccessful,” Cromarite told the court papers.

The two men opened the cash register but were unsuccessful. Cromarite then took two pucks of Budweiser beer and fled with Clark,” according to court papers.

Cromartie was arrested three days later. During the trial, Clark and Lucas testified against him. Both men pleaded guilty in a lesser charge.

Cromartie has maintained his innocence, insisting that he did not fire the gun.

The Supreme Court of Georgia halted Cromarite’s execution two weeks ago to determine whether the execution order was properly filed.

A circuit court judge issued a new execution order on November 1.
Three experts speak at WCM-Q Grand Rounds

DIABETES WALKATHON TUESDAY

Qatar Diabetes Association (QDA), a member of Qatar Foundation, is hosting a Diabetes Walkathon tomorrow (Friday) from 2pm to 5pm, in Oxygen Park, Education City.

The event is under the theme of ‘Dare to care’ and it aims to raise awareness that reducing the risk of diabetes starts at home and also raise awareness of diabetes and promote the importance of regular exercise to help prevent type 2 diabetes, and manage all type of diabetes.

There will be educational booths offering tips on healthy living, risk screening, how to prevent diabetes complications and many fun filled sport activities for everyone to enjoy, and all attendees will receive a cap and T-shirt for participating in the event.

Dr Abdulla AlHamayari, executive director of QDA, said: “We are very pleased with the great participation and support of our health partners; Qatar Biomedical Research Institute, Primary Health Care Corporation, National Diabetes Strategy, Ministry of Public Health, Qatar Metabolic Institute, Tobacco Control Center at Hamad Medical Corporation and Cardiac Rehabilitation Department at Heart Hospital.

Dr Al Hamayri said: “In addition to raising awareness about type 1 and type 2 diabetes, we focus on pre-diabetes; people in a category of higher than normal blood glucose but below the threshold for diagnosing diabetes. People with prediabetes are at high risk of developing type 2 diabetes. Therefore, it is our duty in the health field to target this group so that they can avoid diabetes. And the research studies from different parts of the world, including Finland, USA, China and India, have established that lifestyle modification with physical activity and or healthy diet can delay or prevent the onset of type 2 diabetes.”

This year’s campaign comes as part of the Qatar Primary Care Network’s efforts to increase public awareness about diabetes and its complications, to encourage people to adopt healthier lifestyles and to provide resources and support to those affected by diabetes.

Dr Algrafee also outlined possible associations between gum disease and diabetes and chronic kidney disease, rheumatoid arthritis and Alzheimer’s disease. However, he said that while associations between gum disease and these conditions have been observed, little evidence of causal links have been established.

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Three experts speak at WCM-Q Grand Rounds

Three leading experts in their respective fields of medicine spoke at Weill Cornell Medicine–Qatar (WCM-Q) Grand Rounds to discuss gestational diabetes, the links between gum disease and gestational diabetes, and how doctors can work sensitively with terminally ill children and their families.

In Cristina Vlahos of the Department of Psychology at Sidra Medicine gave a presentation titled ‘The Dying Child: Special Considerations in Working with Terminally Ill Pediatric Patients and Their Families’. In which she spoke about the emotionally charging task of speaking honestly and sensitively about mortality in order to minimise distress as far as possible.

Addressing an audience of physicians, pharmacists, nurses and allied health professionals, Dr Vlahos said that existing research into the different levels of understanding that children of different ages have of mortality and discussed how to talk to children about what is going to happen. It is very important to be very straightforward, when speaking about death with children, and to avoid euphemisms. It is also very important to take it slow in order to let the child absorb what they are hearing in terms of questions, and to provide reassurance that they will be cared for.

Visiting expert Dr Hatem Algrafee, a specialist endocrinologist based in London, UK, presented on ‘Gestational diabetes and systemic conditions: does a relationship really exist?’ Dr Algrafee said that the risk factors that make gum disease more likely included smoking, poor oral hygiene, nutrition, certain medications, genetic predisposition and a number of systemic diseases. He then discussed the links between gum disease and diabetes, saying there is a direct relationship between the severity of gum disease and diabetes complications. So if you have a patient who has uncontrolled diabetes, it will negatively affect their gum disease, and if you have a patient who has stable diabetes, the chances are that they will react to treatment in exactly the same way as someone who is non-diabetic.

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E-cigarettes more harmful to heart than tobacco

Researchers have found that electronic nicotine delivery systems, such as e-cigarettes might be just as harmful to the heart, than traditional cigarettes. The study co-author, John Koh, lab manager at start-up DeNova Sciences, said, “We can see that the industry is moving towards animal-free testing’’ Koh said. “‘So we really want to offer a solution to testing on the skin without using animal or human skin.’ The team has accelerated the manufacturing process by using a printing machine to put in precisely patterned layers that mimic human skin. Each tiny piece of skin takes less than a minute to print, which is the distinctive quality of this project. The mixture is then incubated for about two weeks, as the skin cells multiply and gain opacity, turning into a whitish membrane. The skin can be used to test the toxicity or irritation potential of a substance, and the permeative qualities of active ingredients in products like cosmetics. The team is now focusing on developing skin that includes Asian pigment cells to test the whitening effects of cosmetics and skincare products.