Amir reviews Research, Development, Innovation Strategy

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Later, in a press conference attended by the Amir, Qatar’s Prime Minister and Minister of Interior, H E Dr. Khalid bin Mohammed Al Attiyah, and H E Sheikh Hind bin Hamad Al Thani, Minister of State for Defence Affairs, the Amir expressed his appreciation for the work done by the research institutes and the support of QRDI 2030.

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Q END 2030 identifies natural priorities in which BDE can have a locally significant impact, while QRDE 2030 identifies natural priorities in which BDE can have a globally significant impact. The speaker identified a number of opportunities to help in Qatar's economic diversification and growth, and stressed the importance of local innovation and research. He highlighted the need for increased investment in education and training, as well as the importance of collaboration with international partners.

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The Qatar-Kuwaiti Business Forum, held at the headquarters of theب雾霾 Chamber of Commerce and Industry, discussed investment climate and business environment in both countries, as well as a number of enhancement joint investments and exchange opportunities in trade and industry sectors.

The first session, which was titled Investment Climate and Joint Investment Opportunities and moderated by BKhC Chamber Board Member Omar Faisal Al Hiyari, touched on investment climate and opportunities available in both countries. Qatar Free Zones Authority (QFZA) Marketing Manager Fabian Al Marri, the authority’s research director, said Qatar has three free zones which are Ras Al-Bustan, Umm Al-Quwain Free Zone, and Ras Al-Chaif. He added that these zones offer distinctive advantages for foreign investors. He said that the three zones offer distinctive advantages for foreign investors.

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THE PENINSULA

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His Excellency Dr. Hanan Al Kuwari, Minister of Public Health and Public Health and Prevention, said that the conference was held in a very important phase for Qatar’s primary healthcare sector. He highlighted the success and achievements of Qatar’s healthcare sector, noting that Qatar was now preparing for the next phase of the primary healthcare sector.

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The conference was organized in collaboration with the Qatar Primary Healthcare Corporation (PHCC) and the Qatar National Library (QNL). The conference was attended by a number of international experts, including Dr. Ahmed bin Mohammed Al Jadaan, Deputy Minister of Health and Prevention, who highlighted the importance of primary healthcare in Qatar.

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Two Turkish troops killed in Syria strike

ANKARA, TURKEY

Turkey's Defence Ministry said yesterday two Turkish soldiers had been killed in an air strike in Syria’s Idlib province. The other soldiers were wounded in the attack.

The deaths bring to 15 the number of Turkish soldiers killed in Idlib.

An army statement posted on Twitter said Turkey’s military has responded to the attack.

The information is that many as 30 Syrian government soldiers were killed and that five tanks, two armored personnel carriers and other equipment were destroyed.

Turkey’s state-run Anadolu news agency said artillery fire had hit two positions in the Idlib area.

Turkey and Russia back opposition groups in Idlib.

Turkey flew two fighter jets to Idlib where were hit by artillery fire.

Syrian opposition activists reported fighting had continued for a second round according to the report.

Syrian opposition activists confirmed the report, saying insurgents stormed the village of Neizak near the strategic town of Sarakho, both of which were captured by Syrian troops last month.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights, a war monitor, reported casualties on both sides.

Syrian state TV reported that government forces have now cleared the village of Telt.

Three million people have fled the violence, most of whom had warned earlier this week were living in open or in unfinished structures in the nine-year civil war.

Humanitarian Affairs said many families were pitching tents to clear the aftermath of a Syria war monitor, reported an armoured personnel carrier and an armored personnel carrier were hit by a second round.

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Israel’s prime minister Benjamin Netanyahu said yesterday he had approved multiple new settlements.

The Interior Ministry said as many 200 Israeli civilians were killed in the winter, with temperatures often dipping below zero Celsius and snow covering the region. "Almost 170,000 of those newly displaced people are living in the nine-year civil war."

Israel and the occupied Palestinian territories are considered a continuation of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The United Nations has called the conflict "a continuing inter-ministerial humanitarian crisis." The violence has displaced millions of people from their homes to camps in neighboring countries, including Lebanon, Jordan, and Syria.

Netanyahu plans to create new settlements in the area known as the Givat Hamatos neighborhood.

Israel’s Defence Minister Moshe Ya’alon, soaring 140km south of the capital, said the prime minister was "very happy" with the decision. "We are creating a new city with Israeli citizens who died on Wednesday."

The UN said 282 people were killed in the attack.

Early this morning, after the report, the new city of Givat Hamatos was awarded. The UN chief said the Palestinian prime minister was "very happy" with the decision."I am sharing the joy today of the United Nations in Gaza City, yesterday."

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Iran said yesterday that three more people have been infected with the novel coronavirus that originated in central China, following the outbreak in Wuhan, the capital city of Hubei province.

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He said 66% of people voted in 2012.

Erdogan said on Wednesday. "We have heard a general election."

The prime ministers of the four countries, including Syria, were estimated to have brought an end to the war, including the two elderly Iranian citizens who died in the attack.

Iran issued a special pardon to H M Sultan Haitham bin Tarik Amin Mousa, a former head of the National Assembly of Oman. Sultan Haitham bin Tarik Amin Mousa also confirmed the new unit of the establishment in Idlib.

The泪水 was shared by two journalists.

While establishment supports will vote for hardline candidates, many pro-reform fractions are furious over the handling of Nervous House of Representatives against fuel price hikes that were turned political.

A crackdown over the House’s rejection of the government’s proposal to raise the minimum wage, which was turned political.

The government controls the 45-year-old house, which contains 1 million citizens. "We are asked to vote because our citizens are angry," said the prime minister.

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QNA — MUSCAT

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The importance of being honest

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My first experience with a video camera was with a close friend. We were having a hoop session on one of my friends’ farms and asked me to record some verses in praise of God. When he played it back, I could not hear my voice. He had set the camera’s volume incredibly low. When I speak with my friends in private, I use to talk in a calm and soothing manner so that the camera starts rolling, the studio lights are turned on, and the room is placed close and close we hear your words and see your eyes and ears in front of God. We may not even realize that God is looking at us for all our daily actions. We must not be so arrogant as to think that our problems have nothing to do with our relation with God. God says, “Say (O Muhammad) Who rescues you from the darkness of the land and the stormy winds like stormers when you call upon Him in humility and in secret, saying, If He only saves me from this danger, we shall truly be grateful,” (Surah Al Qasas: 86) “Verily God will never change the condition of a person unless He changes their heart.”

I am waiting for Your victory which is in the level of humility and You should try to reach when praying to God for help. Let us be God’s help for protection and guidance. Tadwar... it is what we need to understand and practice. We must achieve tadwar... so that God may change our situation, because, “Verily God will never change the condition of a person unless He changes their heart.”

We have to be simple and easy-looking, but do not make a pretentious show of your simple and easy nature!

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South Sudan’s warring leaders agree to form long-delayed unity govt

AP - 2022

South Sudan President Salva Kiir and rebel leader Riek Machar agreed yesterday to form a unity government, a long-delayed step towards ending 11 years of war.

The two old rivals, who have been bickering for months, have overseen a conflict that has left at least 400,000 dead and forced four million from their homes.

“We have agreed to form the government on 10 days,” Kiir said at the State House in Juba, South Sudan.

Kiir and Machar set aside their differences to sign the deal. The two rivals have been at odds on a range of issues and are hopeful they will resolve them all, Machar said after meeting Kiir.

As the president, I will be appointing the vice-presidents, Kiir said, and I will start by appointing Riek Machar as vice-president in the morning and I will dissolve the government today and then form a new government on the 22nd.

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Tunisia names new govt and avoids risk of early election

Reuters - TUN

Tunisia’s designated Prime Minister Faysal Fakhfakh has formed a new government, avoiding the risk of early elections.

Fakhfakh, a former finance minister, has been tasked with forming a government after the previous one collapsed following a Cabinet vote of no-confidence.

The new government includes members from a range of political parties, including the Islamist Ennahda party, which had been part of the previous administration.

The move comes after months of political unrest and protests over the high cost of living and corruption.

The new government will face challenges in stabilising the country and tackling the economic issues.

South Sudan’s President Salva Kiir Mayardit (left) and his vice-president and former rebel leader Riek Machar meet at the State House in Juba, South Sudan, Friday, Feb. 18, 2022. Machar met with Kiir to discuss the prospects for forming a new government. They signed a peace deal in August 2020 to end the civil war that has raged in the country since 2013, but the agreement has faced many obstacles.

Tunisian Prime Minister designate Faysal Fakhfakh (left), presenting his cabinet list to President Kais Saeed at the Carthage Palace in Tunis, Tunisia, Monday, Feb. 21, 2022.
Seoul reports 1st virus death; 25 million urged to stay home

People wearing face masks as a preventive measure against the coronavirus walk at a subway station in Seoul, South Korea, yesterday.

PM says Australians ‘devastated’ by domestic violence

The death was the ninth confirmed from the virus outside mainland China. Other deaths have occurred in France, Hong Kong, Japan, the Philippines and Taiwan.

PM Scott Morrison said yesterday that domestic violence had been “devastating” for some families and that the government was working to ensure that the support systems were in place.

The government has been under pressure to do more to address domestic violence, particularly during the pandemic.

New Zealand’s greens pit teen activist against Ardern for election

The government has faced criticism for its handling of the pandemic, including its decision to ease restrictions too quickly.

Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern is a green party leader and has been under pressure to do more to address climate change and other issues.

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**EDITORIAL**

**Saving Earth, one step at a time**

NOBEL Prize winner and famous American writer Ernest Hemingway said: “The Earth is a fine place and worth fighting for.” But, if to keep it a fine place in the future, we all need to take many urgent steps in our personal capacity and as a society.

A world ahead, for long, tangential issues were not given their importance and left to a far-actioned national government or environment. In recent times, people have woken up to the need to preserve our environment and the dangers posed by pollution be it air, water, or land.

In a bid against wastage and pollution is one step closer to a cleaner planet. Hence, it was heartening to see a bunch of kids, from one of the local schools, kicking off a campaign against plastic bags.

The effort by the students from Qatar Academy Doha’s Science School is truly inspiring. As this initiative, little by little, contributes to the reduction of single-use plastic on our environment, be it in the grocery store or the streets, children can be taught the importance of these small steps in making huge changes. It is also worth noting that some of the biggest initiatives in Qatar have come from the younger generation.

Artisan seasonal market, Torba Farmers Market, which promotes zero wastage and helps avoid plastic pollution, has started new initiatives this season. It was heartening to see the market staff using glass for a refundable deposit. They also have a Mug Service measuring 250 ml for residents to use for their coffee or tea, which promotes zero wastage and helps avoid plastic waste society creates and aim to achieve in the near future.

The Minister said, “Our region’s primary challenge is achieving peace.” He added, “We appreciate all the efforts by the EU to contribute to peace and security in my region.”

Qatar will continue to play a role in the escalating tensions in the Middle East because Qatar believes in the power of dialogue and commitment,” he stressed. “Recently, we witnessed a breakthrough in the US-Taliban peace talks, which have been hosted in Doha for years. This breakthrough serves as a step to the Afghan peace, and hopefully proof that a commitment to negotiation can create results.”

**H E the Foreign Minister said that security in the Middle East is closely linked to international peace and security, adding:** “We need the EU’s diplomatic support getting every Middle East country to the table, enforcing international law, and restoring the world order to keep nations accountable.”

ALL countries in the Middle East need to conclude a binding security agreement, which must be ‘collective and binding’ based on the principles of security, development with rules of governance, dispute resolution and accountability respected by the partners. He indicated that a commitment to non-interference in national affairs.

In a speech before the European Parliament Committee on Foreign Affairs on Wednesday, the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs H E Sheikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman Al Thani underlined that any broad security collective agreement must be based on the principle of non-interference in national affairs. H E the Minister said: “Qatar considers the youth of the Middle East to be its most important development goal. Desperate of our youth and exporters of youth, the world often thinks of our country as a source of workers, and not as a market for investment. Hence, there will be no winner.”

Qatar Airways ranks among the top 10 safest airlines in the world. Our country has been a leader in international and domestic travel, the airline that makes air travel safe, affordable, and comfortable. Qatar Airways is a regional and international airline based in Doha, the capital of Qatar.

Qatar Airways has a large network of destinations, including major cities in the Middle East, Europe, Asia, the Americas, and Oceania. The airline operates a fleet of modern aircraft, including Airbus A380s, Boeing 787s, and Boeing 777s. Qatar Airways is known for its excellent customer service, luxurious cabins, and innovative inflight entertainment options.

In addition to its flight services, Qatar Airways also offers ground services, including cargo handling, maintenance, and technical support. The airline has been recognized for its commitment to safety, punctuality, and customer satisfaction, and has won numerous awards for its performance.

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Top ASEAN diplomats praise China's handling of coronavirus, pledge help

INTERNEWS — AYUTTAYA

Top ASEAN diplomats praised China's handling of the COVID-19 pandemic and pledged continued support for regional cooperation in its fight against the disease.

Asean leaders met in a virtual summit on Tuesday to discuss the response to the pandemic, which has placed several countries in lockdown and affected the global economy.

"The Asean leaders expressed appreciation to the Chinese government for its proactive and transparent approach in containing the virus," said Wang Yi, China's foreign minister.

China's handling of the pandemic has been praised by Asean leaders, who also expressed support for China's economic recovery efforts.

"China's role in the global economy is crucial," said Indonesia's foreign minister Poputar Amin. "We appreciate China's efforts to help other countries in combating the pandemic."
Merkel slams ‘poison’ of racism after nine killed in German shootings

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UK’s Johnson under fire for flood response as more rain due

Italy govt wins Senate confidence vote on wiretapping reform

France to shut oldest reactors, but nuclear power still reigns

UK police rule out terror in London mosque stabbing

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The London ambulance service said the victim had been taken “to a major trauma centre” after the mid-afternoon stabbing.

A 29-year-old man, who is believed to be holed up at the mosque, was arrested Monday night on suspicion of attempted murder, the London police Said in a statement.

The incident is not being treated as terror related at this time.

The police said the victim was a 78-year-old man and his condition “remains satisfactory”.

A statement issued by the London’s Central Mosque where the attack occurred said the assailant of the stabbing was arrested by worshippers until the police arrived at the scene.

It said the mosque’s management condemned the incident and called on those who call the faithful the prayer for the quick recovery of the elderly man who was stabbed, and no threats were directed at the mosque.

Berlin court jails 3 over 100kg gold coin heist

A Berlin court sentenced three men to multi-year sentences yesterday for the spectacular theft of a 100kg gold coin from one of the German capital’s museums.

State prosecutors today jailed two men aged 25 and 26, who belong to a family notorious for its organised crime, for four and six months respectively and a third, a 21-year-old security guard, for one year. The three had gone free after a sentence of three years and four months for a fourth defendant was cleared of all charges.

Police have found no trace of the 100kg Coke-bottle-shaped coin since the late-night heist in May. It was seen by night twists in Berlin’s State Museum, located close to Chancellor Angela Merkel’s official residence in the German capital.

The ‘Big Maple Leaf’ one of five minted in 2007, is considered the second-largest gold coin after the one million euros issued by the Austrian Kardamir Foundation in 2002.

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Protests as Portugal lawmakers weigh allowing euthanasia

AP — LISE PONTON

Portugal’s parliament debated whether to allow euthanasia and physician-assisted suicide for terminally ill people, with lawmakers deciding on Tuesday to approve draft legislation following a debate in the lower house that lasted more than 12 hours.

The head of state also asked the Constitutional Court to review the legislation. Portugal’s Constitutional Court’s president said “human life is sacred”.

“Each of us. Including those who ended their lives,” he said.

But there is another danger that I would like to mention. The danger of feeling that we are all humans and we are all Ukrainians,” he said.

On Wednesday, several dozen demonstrators also blocked roads near the downtown area to protest the government’s decision.

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Brazil deploys federal forces after senator shot during police strike

AP — RICARDO JUAREZ

A Brazilian senator was shot at by his own submarine to intervene in a strike by police officers demanding higher salaries in the northern state of Ceara on Wednesday, prompting authorities to deploy federal forces.

Seven dead and 15 police officers injured in the shooting.

A video circulating on television showed Gomes being shot at close range. Gomes was taken to a hospital and underwent surgery but eventually died of his injuries.

The shooting occurred during a protest by police officers demanding higher pay and better working conditions.

The incident sparked widespread outrage and condemnation from politicians and civil society groups.

Justice and Public Minister Sergio Moro said in a statement Wednesday night that it would deploy federal forces to help a mandate order. The federal police and federal highway police may have been sent to Ceara to ensure the security of Gomes.

The Brazil Forum of Public Security Officers said a statement that tracks national figures said: “It’s a day of mourning, a day of violence. However legitimate the public security officers’ salary demands are, it’s unacceptable that policemen have spread fear and panic among the population,” a statement from the forum said.
**US President Donald Trump holds a campaign rally in Phoenix, Arizona, on Wednesday.**

President Donald Trump's administration insisted yesterday that new US intelligence chief Richard Grenell would serve without a partisan agenda as Democrats voted to oust the volatile Trump-dependent in the key post.

Grenell, the ambassador to Germany where his blunt criticism of the government triggered the so-called ‘Iranian situation’ in which he was asked to resign, was named yesterday by Trump as acting director of national intelligence.

He will supervise 17 agencies including the CIA, taking charge after Trump's controversial appointment of William Barr, who was confirmed by the Senate-confirmed intelligence community, on which he was named yesterday.

The president has every confidence that Ambassador Grenell will perform his new duties with distinction,” she said in a statement yesterday.

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That's not to say everything is rosy. Bloomberg appeared to be rocked by the loss of a member of his campaign team, veteran pollster Karl Rove, who has been serving as an advisor to the former New York mayor. Bloomberg’s pollster, Robby Mook, and chief strategist,汇瀚一等，were dismissed in January when the campaign announced a shake-up in its strategy.

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DTI leads Philippine business match-making mission to Qatar

The Philippine Department of Trade and Industry’s Export Marketing Bureau (DTI-EMB) in coordination with the Philippine Trade and Investment Center’s office in Doha, conducted an Outbound Business Matching Mission (OBMM) in Doha, Qatar from February 24 to 26, 2020. The OBMM aims to develop and expand business relationships with business, government, and multilateral organizations in Qatar and strengthen local understanding of the current economic conditions and business opportunities. The mission is also anchored on the DTI-EMB’s aspiration to engage with high-level political, targeted market intelligence and business matching and focused training packages of support that will be made available to the Philippine food, food ingredients, and beverages sectors and encourage innovations on major Philippine commodities and the product.

The Qatari mission includes representatives from 11 companies and associations. Additional new opportunities for Philippine food, food ingredients, and beverages are also available in the MENA region. It is expected to generate new business leads and partnerships among Qatari businesses.

The business delegation is composed of manufacturers and exporters from the following companies and associations

1. Al Dar Meat Industry Co. (KSA)
2. Al Gheity Meat Co. (KSA)
3. Al Haidari Meat and Seafood Co. (KSA)
4. Al Raheem Meat Co. (KSA)
5. Al Ras Green Meat Co. (KSA)
6. Al Sadiq Meat Co. (KSA)
7. A.A. Food Industry Co. (KSA)
8. Abdul Hadi Mecheab (KSA)
9. Abdul Rahman Food Industry (KSA)
10. Al Tayar Food Co. (KSA)
11. Al Wasim Mecheab (KSA)

Among the companies, there are: Meat Importers, Meat and Seafood Importers, Meat Exporters, Meat Wholesalers, Meat Retailers, Meat Processors, Food Ingredient Manufacturers, and Food Ingredient Suppliers.

The mission’s activities include an introduction and presentation of the Philippine Halal Export Development Center and Trade and Industry Development Specialist Al-Mahdi I. Jul Ahmed to attendees. Attendees will also be able to meet with companies and associations and conduct one-on-one meetings to discuss business opportunities.

Furthermore, the DTI-EMB will conduct a “How to do Business in the Philippines” presentation and will be available to assist the Qatari companies in conducting due diligence on potential business partners.

NBK Heavy Equipment signs off 2019 successfully

Nasser Bin Khaled Heavy Equipment, a subsidiary of NBK Group, signed off 2019 successfully and looking forward to 2020.

“In 2020 we plan to expand relationships with clients in the Middle East and Africa, will conduct an Outbound Business Mission to Qatar, in cooperation with the Philippine Department of Trade and Industry, and expand our activities, increasing our dominance in the markets”, said Eyad Rashid, General Manager of NBK Heavy Equipment.

The addition of the new Forklifts, Zoomlion Forklifts and D’Avino, to the NBK Heavy Equipment’s entry to the Qatari market, increasing its already strong product offering in mobile cranes, tower cranes, and more. Meanwhile, Italian company D’Avino specialized in Skid Steer and Backhoe Loaders, is set to join NBK Heavy Equipment’s presence, increasing its already strong product offering in mobile cranes, tower cranes, and more.

“With the presence of our clients and partners in Qatar, NBK Heavy Equipment is actively pursuing opportunities in the construction industry through Montenegro Hydraulic Breakers and Case Construction’s range of Skid Steer and Backhoe Loaders. Additionally, new opportunities for MTU Rolls Royce Solutions (Previously known as MTU Onsite Energy, in providing complete turnkey solutions for DQG’s boost of its impact in the market. Holding key partnerships with many leading global manufacturers of heavy equipment and operating a well-staffed field force and service center, NBK Heavy Equipment is actively collaborating with enterprises and building Qatar’s future.”

NBK Heavy Equipment, founded in 1975, has played an integral role in supporting the construction sector by providing the most reliable machines and equipment across four distinct sectors: Construction, Earth Moving, & Compaction; Power Generation; Marine & Offshore; and Landmark & Natural Handling. The division also has a Rental Department, select machinery and a well-equipped Parts & Services Department.

Qatar’s investment in Jordan الاسد

Qatar investment in Jordan stocks at the end of January, 2020 reached 175mn dinars, equivalent to $47mn. In terms of the ownership of securities by nationality, Qatari investments are ranked third among that from the Arab countries in the Jordanian Stock Exchange. Statistics provided by Jordan’s Securities Depository Centre revealed that Qatar investors held 384,057 million financial paper at the end of January 2020. It also showed that the number of Qatar investment contributions in securities ownership reached 384,000 contributions.

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Stage set for Super Slam II in Qatar

Action from the QNB Stars League match between Al Shahania and Al Arabi at the Al Arabi Stadium yesterday. The match ended in a goalless draw. Al Shahania and Al Arabi now have nine and 20 points respectively after the Round 15 match. It was Al Shahania’s second defeat and Al Arabi’s 11th drawn encounter. Al Arabi had beaten Al Shahania 2-1 in the first leg of QSL.

Leipzig leave Spurs a Champions League mountain to climb

Tottenham need another Champions League escape act to reach the quarter-finals after Timo Werner’s penalty earned RB Leipzig a deserved 1-0 last 16, first leg win in London.

Spurs captain Hugo Lloris kept his side in the tie with a string of important saves, but last season’s finalists faced a huge task to turn the tie around in Germany on March 10.

Without the firepower of injured Harry Kane and Son Heung-min, Giovani dos Santos’ free-kick that struck the post was the closest Spurs’ mentor’s men came to scoring in the night.

Tottenham upset the odds in stages last season, but were lacking in ideas and energy compared to the Bundesliga champions.

After receiving the news that Son could be sidelined for the rest of the season by a fractured right arm on the eve of the game, Mourinho compared his side’s progress for the rest of the season to hanging from a fourth-floor building by the balcony. The hosts could easily have fallen flat on their face inside the first 90 minutes.

RB Leipzig amazingly passed up four chances to open the scoring, Patrick Schick blazed a shot wide from the edge of the box before Werner’s effort was blocked by Lloris turned Angelino’s driven shot onto the post, then had to be alert again to deny Werner adding to his 21 goals this season from close range.

Also weathering that early storm, Spurs went close to the other end through Steven Bergwijn. The Dutch international has enjoyed an impressive start to his Tottenham career and forced Peter Gulacsi to save his first effort.

There was still time for Lloris to complete his hat-trick when Werner’s effort beyond Zentti kept the Bourbon Vidor Gate in the second minute of added on time.

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Quetta off to a winning start in PSL

The Quetta Gladiators began their Pakistan Super League (PSL) 2020 campaign on a winning note registering a three-wicket win over Multan. Twenty-one-year-old Quetta Gladiators’ emerging pick, stemmed three dots beyond the boundary and stroked five fours in the innings to see his side home against the Shaheen Stars.

Earlier, Multan had the better start of the tournament being bowled out for 134, half-brightened by six fours and four sixes. After the loss of the first wicket, Ahmad Shahzad and Shaheen’s ‘A’ star, Ahmed Qattan, were able to put 128 on the board before the opening batsman was out on 27 runs.

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Al Mouj Muscat Marathon

Runners in action during the opening round.

Oman’s Al Mouj Muscat Marathon set a new record of entries every year since its inception in 2012 and this year will be no different.

The popular two-day event which started today in the Oman capital saw a record number of participants, with a total of 10444 participants from 106 nations taking part in the event of running.

In perfect running conditions, with average temperatures ranging between 27°C and 42°C on beautiful coastal course along the Muscat shoreline, athletes will take part in full marathon event today, along with the half-marathon, marathon relay and 10km run.

The Kids Run over three distances and the Senior run will be held tomorrow.

First held in 2012 the Muscat Marathon was originally organised by the Muscat Road Runners. The inaugural grand prize event attracted 15,000 – a total which would have seemed impossible prior to the recent edition.

China at 2014 was the first time it had occupied its position as one of the dozen top events in Oman's sporting calendar – and a growing presence on the world’s international sporting calendar – with the involvement of established event managers Oman Sail and the support of title sponsor Al Mouj Muscat – the convener, water回答 destination.

With another record entry in 2019 – featuring more than 8,000 runners representing 103 nationalities – this year’s edition is set to be his biggest.

We are incredibly proud to have built on the vision and foundations of the race originally created by Muscat Road Runners,” Oman Sail’s CEO, David Graham said: "The Peninsula Oman Sail has worked to develop the profile of this international event, our focus has also been on increasing local participation. I am delighted that the nation has embraced running and the number of Omanis competing in the Al Mouj Muscat Marathon has increased year-on-year.

"The event has created new opportunities for people across the country to challenge themselves with new distances, become more confident in their abilities and aspire to improve on their achievements with each race. I would like to thank the Ministry of Sports Affairs, the Oman Olympic Association, Muscat Municipality and the Royal Oman Police for their ongoing support and guidance." Graham added.

The total number of runners (714 male and 3320 female) includes 1573 Omani nationals. Meanwhile, former world record marathon champion Paula Radcliffe returned for a second year as an international ambassador for the marathon’s ninth edition.

The iconic British runner is joined in 2020 by a high-profile group of Omani athletes, who are also promoting the event globally.

"Over her career, Radcliffe – who won both the London and New York marathons on three occasions – has been European champion over 10,000m and in the cross-country and held the Women’s Marathon World Record for 10 years.

Among her numerous accolades are IAAF World Athlete of the Year (2002), AWB World Athlete of the Year (2002, 2003 and 2005) and BBC Sports Personality of the Year. Radcliffe will introduce and flag-off the start of the race itself today.

Oman starts joining the high-profile event as ambassadors include Ali Al Habsi, national football team goalkeeper and the Sultan’s most successful female tennis star Fatima Al Bahnani.

Olympic show-jumping silver medalist, Sultan bin Touq, racing driver Ahmed Al Harthi, country’s top spiner Barakat Al Harthi, and Musab Al Harthi. Olympic sailing contender are the other Omani ambassadors.

Qatar Open: German Siem takes early lead

German Marcel Siem, a four-time European Tour winner who서 pre section leadership at the end of the first round of the Qatar Open Amateur Golf Championship at the Doha Golf Club (DGC). Yesterday the first day of the three-day championship, the 35-year-old shot eight under 68.

England’s Brandon Robinson Thompson is two strokes behind the leader. American Kevin Evers is at the third place and another German Max Schmidt is at fourth place. While South African Bryce Easton and Swedish golfer Niklas Lemke are joint fifth with four others at the end of the first round.

The German, who last fall eligibility to play on the European Tour last season, was on fire at the DGC.

“It was a little low in the afternoon. But it was calm in the evening. Overall the conditions were very nice. Usually greens are a little firmer during the Qatar Masters, but here they were a bit softer. Roughs are also not as high as usual... it played a little easier today. So overall it was a bit easier.”

Siem said while talking to journalists. Siem disqualified himself from the French Open last October after he thought that preferred lies were in place for the opening round.

The German lifted cleaned and placed his ball five times on the front nine at Le Golf National incurring a two-shot penalty for each infraction.

According to the rules, he had shot 1-over 37 across the opening nine holes.

“I am happy with my score. But I don’t know what’s coming. I have a good chance in the last few holes with the difficult wind. But as we all know, this course is always difficult to play and still we have to have a little care.”

Talking about his qualification and his experience in Doha, he said: “It was a costly mistake. It was hard unfortunately. That was a little too much for me as I disqualified myself.”

This year his best finish in three events in the Emirates Tour has been a tied fourth at the South African Open. Siem’s biggest victory came in China at the 2018 BMW Masters, which propelled him to a career-high seventh place finish in the Race to Dubai. He also has a World Cup win on his CV after partnering Germany and the New Zealand German Barnhard Langer to glory in the Badalona in 2009.

“I am feeling more confident with a couple of events ended this year to play. Playing challenge alter 18 years is not nice. It’s like when you miss one class in school, you have to go back. I have to go through the season with playing 10-12 challenger and irrotation events on the new. I have to fight through this holes and the next year 2020 will be good again.”

France’s Tom Santa, who caddied two under and playing fifth on the leaderboard is leading the amateur section of the championship.
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