Amir exchanges Ramadan greetings with Somali president

His Highness the Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani exchanged greetings with President Mohamed Abdullahi Farmaajo on the occasion of the holy month of Ramadan, which started yesterday, in a phone call held yesterday. (QNA)

Lanka opposition seeks president's resignation

Sri Lanka's opposition yesterday demanded the president's resignation to join a unitary government "horizontally" and instead be "vertically" split into three "nationalist," "socialist," and "democratic" blocs, according to the opposition lawmaker and former Sri Lanka's ambassador to Qatar, Ahmad Shafi. (QNA)

Amir meets Michael Bloomberg

His Highness the Amir Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani hosted yesterday an Iftar banquet for Their Excellencies members of ruling family and dignitaries, on the occasion of their visit to the country. During the evening, a number of topics of common interest were discussed. (QNA)

Next phase of World Cup ticket sales begins today

*Random Selection Draw sales period will continue until noon on April 28*

Successful applicants will be notified by e-mail no earlier than May 31, 2022, and are encouraged to secure their tickets before midnight on June 1, 2022.

Qatar will take on Ecuador at 7pm local time this year in the group stage matches in particular – were the most popular products on offer, but fans were quick to snap up slots still up for grabs.

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Those wanting FIFA to inform them of the latest information on ticket sales are encouraged to register their interest by visiting the following website: https://www.fifa.com/tournaments/worldcup/qatar2022/registration-geometry

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MoPH, WHO deliver series of health security activities for World Cup ’22

The Ministry of Public Health (MoPH), in partnership with the World Health Organization (WHO), has concluded its series of health and security activities at the Ministry of Public Security, which are a part of preparatory processes for the FIFA World Cup Qatar 2022. The activities were held recently as part of the health security pillar of the three-part security program for the FIFA World Cup in Qatar 2022. The cooperation between MoPH and WHO, under the joint sponsorship of the Ministry of Public Security, is one of the three core pillars of the three-year partnership between MoPH, WHO, and the Supreme Committee for Delivery & Legacy (SC).

Dr Salah bin Fetais al-Marri, Assistant Undersecretary at the Ministry of Transport, Maritime Transport Operations; and Public Health, added, “Our partnership with Qatar and FIFA is a true expression of our regional Vision 2023: Health and FIF A is a beacon of why we must take a risk-based approach to planning for major events and other mass gatherings in order to protect public health. Our partnership with Qatar and WHO is a free approach of our regional Vision 2023: Health for all by 2023 with its call for solidarity and action to make the Region healthier and safer.”

At the beginning of the December, the Secretary-General of the Shura Council Dr Ahmad bin Humam al-Thani and Minister of Interior Sheikh Abdullah bin Hamad al-Thani sent yesterday cables to President of Kosovo Vjosa Osmani to the Shura Council, as part of her trip to the country. The dignitary dealt with the regulation for the Council. After the session, the Council completed the minutes of the previous session. The session were ratified. During the session, the Council completed its discussions on the organizational structure and personnel regulations for the Council. After extensive discussions, the Council approved the structure and personnel regulations.

The Ministry of Endowments and Islamic Affairs launched yesterday the Islamic Network website, which is Arabic, English, French, Spanish and German. The Director of the Department of Advocacy and Islamic Affairs, Sheik Sabri bin Shamsi, referred to the Islamic Network as a comprehensive information site that the department seeks to achieve, including all languages, noting that the Islamic Network has conducted a comprehensive survey of the most important scientific and political issues of speakers, and the percentage of published items on the Islamic Network, especially those related to Islam and Islamic culture, and services preferred by the speakers of those languages. The Islamic Network includes a number of initiatives to support the Islamic language to be included in the Islamic Network package of languages, cases after studying, researching and fulfilling the desires of many researchers, as thousands of fatwas, articles, and various scientific and academic works in still underway to translate many of these contents into other languages, and it is worth noting that the Islamic Network is one of the scientific and academic initiatives that has been supported and developed by the General Secretariat of the General Directorate of Endowments.
MoPH reports 188 new Covid cases

The Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) reported 188 new confirmed cases of Covid-19 during the past 24 hours, raising the total number of cases recorded in Qatar to 360,062.

In a statement, the MoPH said that 165 of the new cases are community and eight among travelers. Another 15 cases are in residents with permissions to work, while 14 cases are in residents without permissions.

The MoPH clarified that there is no need to perform a special examination test for the vaccine and the majority of patients being admitted to hospital are either unvaccinated or had their second dose more than a month ago and have not received a booster dose.

The MoPH called for caution and the adherence to precautionary and preventive measures, and to avoid all activities if anyone is showing symptoms of Covid-19 symptoms.
Experts discuss how cities can contribute to climate solutions

The importance of cities adopting a holistic view towards sustainability cannot be overstated. As urban populations continue to grow, cities play a crucial role in addressing climate change and ensuring a sustainable future. Qatar Rail noted that retailers and service providers are committed to sustainability, and Qatar, "the website states.

Retail spaces for upgrabs at Metro stations

Qatar Rail is offering new players an opportunity to open new stores at various Metro stations, it announced. In an advertisement, Qatar Rail said: "Metro stations are available at least 12 Metro stations to the public. Qatar Rail, the Airport, Sports City, Al Udeid, Hamad Hospital, City, Doha, Salmiya, Spiritual Hospital, Qatar Sports City, Barbar Station, and Al Sadd metro stations are open 24 hours a day. The connection is to the Doha Metro via the Lusail and Lusail Trains. Qatar Rail pointed out, operate under the guidance of Qatar Rail, the smallest transport network in the country. Qatar Rail noted that retailers who want to enter the field can start planning now.

Qatar Rail and the Qatar Rail Authority (QRA), in coordination with the Ministry of Municipality and Environment (MME), have issued the guidelines for the establishment of retail spaces in Metro stations. The guidelines are applicable to all metro stations across Qatar, and they aim to promote the development of sustainable retail spaces that align with the Qatar National Plan 2030, the Qatar National Vision 2030, and the Qatar National Strategy for Climate Action 2050.

The guidelines cover various aspects of the establishment of retail spaces in Metro stations, including

1. Location of the retail space
2. Type of retail businesses
3. Size of the retail space
4. License fees
5. Duration of the license
6. Compliance with local laws and regulations
7. Sustainability criteria
8. Customer services

The guidelines are designed to ensure that the retail spaces in Metro stations contribute to the sustainability goals of Qatar National Plan 2030 and the Qatar National Vision 2030. The guidelines also aim to ensure that the retail spaces are accessible to all citizens and promote the development of sustainable and inclusive communities.

Qatar Rail is committed to providing a high-quality service to its customers and creating a positive experience for them. The establishment of retail spaces in Metro stations is a step towards realizing this goal. Qatar Rail is working closely with the Ministry of Municipality and Environment to develop the guidelines and ensure their implementation.

The guidelines are open for public consultation until April 15, 2022. Qatar Rail is encouraging all interested parties to provide their feedback and suggestions. For more information about the guidelines, please visit the Qatar Rail website or contact the Ministry of Municipality and Environment.

Alfa Romeo model recalled

The Ministry of Commerce and Industry (MCIC), has announced the recall of Alfa Romeo Giulia models due to an issue with the airbag system, which may lead to its failure. The MCIC said that it will conduct an investigation into the matter, and if necessary, arrange for repairs or replacements. Customers are advised to contact their dealerships or the MCIC for further information.

The recall affects Alfa Romeo Giulia models manufactured between November 2015 and November 2017. The issue with the airbag system may result in the airbag not deploying in the event of an accident, increasing the risk of injury to the driver and passengers.

Qatar Rail's new guidelines for retail spaces in Metro stations aims to promote sustainable retail in urban areas, aligning with Qatar's commitment to sustainability and environmental responsibility.

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Green Tent begins Ramadan activities

The Green Tent of the ‘A Flower for Ramadan’ campaign, which was opened for the holy month of Ramadan has begun with activities and events that will help all Qataris improve their health and sustainability, the reality of technical, education and vocational training in the Arab world, Olympic values in the line of athletes, the role of financial and business institutions in the transition to a green economy, and the contributions of different communities in Qatar’s modernisation.

The Ministry of Education and Higher Education has launched the second edition of its Ramadan symposium, which is the second key event to follow the first edition of the National Tent symposium. The second edition will host experts in the primary, preparatory and secondary levels and is organized in cooperation with Pioneer Education Center.

The symposium will discuss the history of the Islamic enlightenment and its role in the continuation of its societies, the social, cultural and health role of meals in preparation of the meals and the role of arts in the enrichment of meals.

Preparation meals and preparation techniques will be shared beneficial tips on healthy cooking, creating at home nutritious foods, which are balanced and enjoyed by everyone in the family.

“By preparing a grocery list instead of eating out or just eating something, one will help stick to the plan rather than eat something unhealthy. Preparing a grocery list is one of the strategies to stick to healthy eating. We know that eating a variety of nutritious foods is very large. Therefore, the tent was created to provide meals that are nutritious and balanced”

The second edition will also address issues of water and food security in the Arab world, in addition to the challenges of the Arab family in the era of globalization, and the health role of meals.

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Qatar Charity’s ‘Ramadan Supply’ to reach 16,000 families in Qatar

Qatar Charity (QC), with the support of philanthropists in Qatar, continues to distribute coupons to low-income households, widows, and expatriate families to enable them to purchase enough basic food items for the holy month of Ramadan.

This comes as part of the ‘Ramadan Supply’ project, which is expected to benefit 16,000 families in Ramadan. Most of the coupons were distributed before Ramadan, and will continue to be distributed until the first week of this holy month.

The ‘Ramadan Supply’ project aims to support low-income families by providing them with food essentials. Commercial complexes are contracted to provide low-income families with Ramadan supplies. The families receive food supplies against the coupons.

It is worth mentioning that Qatar Charity implements many important Ramadan projects like mobile Iftar for workers and Iftar for expatriate households, in addition to the ‘Alaqraboon’ Assistance, which is a financial aid to help those in debt and humanitarian cases facing emergency circumstances.

Qatar Charity, as part of its ‘Ramadan of Hope’ drive, continues to provide water to worshipers in dozens of mosques in the country, in cooperation with the Ministry of Endowments and Islamic Affairs.

Qatar Charity, as part of this project, provides water to the worshipers during the ‘Taraweeh’ prayers (Ramadan night prayers). This project is one of Qatar Charity’s projects implemented annually, as part of Qatar Charity’s Ramadan drive.

The project, which has been implemented for many years, seeks to provide water to worshipers in 36 mosques in the country, and is expected to benefit 242,000 people.

Qatar Charity urges benefactors to donate to this project and other Ramadan projects being implemented as part of the ‘Ramadan of Hope’ drive. One can easily donate through Qatar Charity’s website, app, branches and collection points located in malls and commercial centers, in addition to requesting a “Home Collector” and dialing 44667711 to donate.

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Webinar to focus on ways students can overcome fear of exams

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The webinar, which has been conducted by Dr Rajeev Thomas, an international motivational speaker and author, will be conducted by Dr Rajeev Thomas, an international motivational speaker and author, will help them overcome the fear of examinations.

“Today’s ‘Exam Phobia’ is a serious concern among students, and this webinar aims to address the issue of stress and the fear of future as well,” a press statement noted. “Owing to the Covid-19 pandemic, students are required to be online, which has been reported to present increased anxiety about examinations,” said Dr Thomas. “The fear of consequences and the pressure of expectations from parents and the school add to stress, and many students are not equipped to handle this stress nor possess the skillset to overcome them.”

Dr Thomas added that he was conducting a similar webinar titled ‘Pariksha pe Charcha’, meaning a ‘discussion about exams’, which was telecast live to Indian students and school communities across the globe. He addressed questions from students who brought up the issues of stress and the fear of exams.

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Jaidah Group organises UD Trucks Extra Mile Challenge

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UD Trucks’ factory in Ageo, Japan where the driving test will be held.

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Qatar’s plan to hold first carbon-neutral FIFA World Cup earns praise

D irector-General of the Global Green Growth Institute Dr Frank Rijsberman has affirmed that this year’s World Cup in Qatar will set an important legacy for Qatar and those who visit.

“In a statement to Al-Sharq newspaper, Rijsberman said that the World Cup will serve as a step forward for Qatar in its pursuit of green growth and that it will provide an opportunity to showcase the country’s commitment to sustainability.

“The World Cup will be the first carbon-neutral event in Qatar and the region,” Rijsberman said. “The carbon footprint will be offset by funding renewable energy projects and providing financial support for Qatar’s efforts to achieve green growth.”

Rijsberman added that the World Cup will provide an opportunity to demonstrate Qatar’s commitment to the Paris Agreement and its efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

He also pointed out that Qatar’s pursuit of green growth is consistent with the country’s Vision 2030 development strategy, which aims to diversify the economy and reduce the country’s dependence on hydrocarbons.

Rijsberman said that Qatar’s efforts to achieve green growth are not limited to the World Cup, but extend to other areas such as renewable energy, infrastructure, and transportation.

“Qatar is making significant progress in achieving its green growth goals, and the World Cup will serve as a milestone in this process,” Rijsberman said.

He added that the World Cup will also provide an opportunity to showcase Qatar’s commitment to social responsibility and to the well-being of its residents and visitors.

According to Rijsberman, Qatar’s efforts to achieve green growth are supported by international organizations such as the United Nations and the International Renewable Energy Agency.

“Qatar’s efforts to achieve green growth are recognized by the international community, and the World Cup will serve as a platform to showcase Qatar’s commitment to sustainability,” Rijsberman said.

He added that the World Cup will also provide an opportunity for Qatar to attract investment in green technologies and to promote the country as a hub for green innovation.

Rijsberman concluded by saying that the World Cup will be a milestone in Qatar’s pursuit of green growth and that it will set an important legacy for Qatar and those who visit.

Qatar hopes two-month truce in Yemen will extend to a permanent ceasefire

Q uatar is looking forward to the two-month truce agreed between the parties to the conflict in Yemen, which started on the first day of Ramadan, and the second in September, to allow the parties to negotiate a political solution. Qatar is hoping that the truce will lead to a permanent ceasefire in Yemen.

Qatar has been working to broker a peaceful resolution to the conflict in Yemen, which has been ongoing since 2015. Qatar is hoping that the truce will pave the way for a political solution to the conflict.

Qatar has been working on a number of initiatives to promote peace in Yemen, including hosting several rounds of talks between the parties. Qatar has also provided financial and humanitarian aid to Yemen.

Qatar hopes that the truce will lead to a permanent ceasefire in Yemen, which will be a significant step towards a political solution to the conflict. Qatar is committed to working towards a peaceful resolution to the conflict in Yemen, and it is hoping that the truce will be extended to a permanent ceasefire.

The truce in Yemen is seen as an important step towards a political solution to the conflict in Yemen, and it is hoped that it will pave the way for a permanent ceasefire. Qatar is committed to working towards a peaceful resolution to the conflict in Yemen, and it is hoping that the truce will be extended to a permanent ceasefire.
Shanghai extends Covid lockdown as test results under review

**Background**

Shanghai will remain under lockdown for another 11 days after an extension of a mass test was announced today, media said.

The extension, which follows several months of testing, was announced by the Shanghai Municipal Covid-19 Prevention and Control Office.

The city, which has previously lifted lockdowns, will instead carry out Covid-19 tests for all of its 25 million residents at the same time.

The decision comes after some people were left waiting in queues for hours, with shortages of food and medicine.

**Current Situation**

The government has extended the lockdown to allow for more testing before any further easing of restrictions.

The city has already implemented strict measures such as lockdowns, which have been lifted in some areas.

However, the latest extension has led to criticism from people who are still struggling to access food and medicine.

The government has said it is prioritizing testing before any further easing of restrictions.

**Future Projections**

The extension will last for another 11 days, which is expected to bring about positive changes in the city's overall situation.

The measures are expected to continue until the city's Covid-19 situation improves.

The government has also said it will continue to provide food and medical aid to those in need.
As foreign digital firms leave Russia, local providersounce

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Etqan TV show highlights Qatar’s achievements

The Etqan show has been launched on Qatar TV, showcasing various aspects of the country and its achievements. The show will be telecast at 6.35pm daily during the holy month of Ramadan.

Describing it, Qatar TV tweeted: “Etqan is a programme that will shed light on the achievements and the greatness that Qatar has witnessed in the past two decades.”

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“The programme sheds light on Qatar, under the title Qatar ... An Extension of Islamic and Arab Civilisation.”

He tweeted a video showing him sitting behind the steering wheel of a 1980s old school bus belonging to the country’s educational authorities back then, to announce the launch of the Etqan show.

The inaugural episode was a prelude to what was to come.

“From today, we will go into detail about several topics, in search of the secrets of Qatar’s excellence in many fields, in the name of Allah and with Allah’s blessing,” he said. “The lifestyle in the past was simple, beautiful and rich thanks to the goodness of the contemporaries of that period.”

“Almighty bestowed upon us many good things, pearls, and oil, and these things were the spark that was used to light the path of the future,” al-Kuwari said.

“Today, thanks to Allah, we have distinguished ourselves in many matters and fields, in health, economy, aviation, security and education,” he said. “We are the sons of two nations blessed where we are today.”

“The first is, without a doubt, the generous from Almighty Allah, and the second is the knowledge that, had it not been for our adherence to it, we would not have reached where we are today,” al-Kuwari said.

The programme will feature specialists in various fields.

Al-Kuwari said in the video, that “in this series, we will follow the path of pride and glory, which started from simplicity and reached the global level.”

“This award has attracted immense interest from the world’s largest energy companies, many of which have greatly benefitted from their equity stakes in the current 77mn tonnes per year of capacity,” said Energy Intelligence.

The award will be presented to HE al-Kaabi at the annual Energy Intelligence Forum, which will be held in October.

The selection process for the “Energy Executive of the Year” award – formerly known as the “Petroleum Executive of the Year” award – is administered by Energy Intelligence. The group gathers nominations from the heads of the world’s 100 largest oil and gas companies and stakeholders, as determined by the annual Energy Intelligence Top 100 rankings. Winners are chosen by a vote of the selection committee, comprised of previous award winners and senior industry executives.

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