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Mohammed bin Rashid receives Mohammed bin Zayed

Al Ain Times News/Wam:

Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum received this evening at his Zabeel palace General His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Abu Dhabi Crown Prince and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces.

They exchanged greetings on the auspicious last 10 days of the holy month of Ramadan.

Present were H.H. Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown

Prince of Dubai, H.H. Sheikh Maktoum bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Deputy Ruler of Dubai, H.H. Sheikh Hazza bin Zayed Al Nahyan, National Security Advisor, H.H. Sheikh Ahmed bin Saeed Al Maktoum, Chairman of Dubai Aviation Authority and President of Emirates Airlines, H.H. Sheikh Ahmed bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Chairman of the Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum Foundation, H.H. Sheikh Majid bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Chairman of Dubai



Arts and Culture Foundation, H.H. Sheikh Mansour bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Sheikhs, dignitaries and senior officials.

Following Maghreb prayers, Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid hosted an Iftar banquet in honour of Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed and other guests.

Predicted Eid Day:

1st Shawal/31st Aug.
Eid-Al-Fitr celebrations

Al Ain Times News:

It is predicted to have 1st day of Eid Al Fitr on Wednesday 31st Aug./1st Shawal.

The UAE will celebrate Eid-Al-Fitr holidays from Monday, August 29 till Sunday 3rd September 3rd. Private sector employees will be entitled to two-day Eid holiday.

According to a circular issued by Labour Minister Saqr bin Ghobash Saeed Ghobash, all business establishments in the private sector will observe the first and second days of Shawwal as Eid Al Fitr holidays. Workers will be entitled to two days of fully paid leave on the festive occasion.

Meanwhile, the Islamic Crescent Observation Project has said that Eid Al Fitr this year will likely be on Wednesday, August 31 considering that sighting of



the moon is a condition for the beginning of the month of Shawwal.

In most of the Muslim countries, including the UAE, Qatar, Bahrain, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Iraq, where the holy month of Ramadan began on August 1 the sighting of Shawwal moon would be impossible on August 29 due to moonset before or with sunset. As for the rest of the Arab and Muslim world, the moon will be out in those areas after sunset, but the duration would be too short that it could not be seen by the eye or by using telescopes.

Mohammed bin Rashid returns after performing Umrah

Al Ain Times News:

The Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum returned today from the Holy Lands after performing the Umrah rituals. He was accompanied by H. H. Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai and Chairman

of Dubai Executive Council.

Sheikh Mohammed had arrived yesterday in Jeddah, where he was received at the Airport by HRH Prince Misha'1 bin Majed bin Abdulaziz, the Governor of Jeddah and a number of senior Saudi officials. The Vice and his entourage then toured Makkah and visited the tombs of

Prophet Mohammed (PBUH) and his disciples (al-Sahaba) in al- Madinah, and prayed over them (read al fataha). Among those who performed Umrah alongside him were H.H. Sheikh Ahmed bin Saeed Al Maktoum, Chairman of the Dubai Civil Aviation, CEO of Emirates Group, H.H. Ahmed bin Mohammed bin Rashid

Al Maktoum, Chairman of the Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum Foundation, Mohammed Ibrahim Al Shaibani, Director General of Dubai Ruler's Court, Lt. General Musbeh Rashid Al Fattan, Director of The Vice President and Prime Minister and Ruler of Dubai's Office.

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H.H. Sheikh Hamdan presents the Holy Quran Awards

Al Ain Times News:

Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai and Chairman of the executive council of the emirate, attended the concluding ceremony of the Dubai International Holy Quran Award. Sheikh Hamdan attended this esteemed award ceremony along with a number of ministers, senior officials and dignitaries at the Cultural and Scientific Association in Dubai's Al Mamzar area. Khalid Mohammed Algardouz from Libya won the top position in both the Quran and tuneful recitation categories, apart from the Dh250,000 prize money, pushing Nigerian Idris Said Isa and Somali Abdalla Ahmed Moallim Hussein to second and third places.

Contestants who scored 80 per cent and above were rewarded with Dh30,000 each, while those whose performance was estimated at 70 to 79 per cent received Dh25,000 each. Participants with scores less than 70 per cent got Dh20,000 each. Certificates and cash prizes were given away to other participants as well.



The top ten winners in the Beautiful Recitation contest were named on Friday night. Those are Khalid Algardouz (Libya), Abdulla Abu-Sharida (Qatar), Ahmet Sarikaya (Turkey), Abdul Cader Asmi (Sri Lanka), Sherzat Khizhin (Kazakhstan), Burhoniddini Zarifjonzoda (Tajikistan), Anouar Bou Salah (Morocco), Mohammed Khatibi (Iran), Ebrahim Hamdan (Bahrain) and Abdul Wahid

Ibrahim Bu Melha said the Award, which started with two sections in 1997, has branched out to nine categories in 2011 and saw the participation of 153 countries over its 15-year

history. "This is basically due to the incessant support of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai."

Head of the jury panel Dr. Sheikh Ahmed bin Ali Al Sudais from Saudi Arabia, said the 12-day competition this year saw 78 contestants selected from an original list of 90, after the apology of Kosovo competitor and disqualification of 11 others during initial evaluation for poor performance.

"The award saw a very stiff competition that 45 of the 78 competitors have scored 90 per cent and above."

Eight Nominations for FNC rejected by panel

Al Ain Times News:

The National Election Committee (NEC) has rejected the nominations of eight candidates who submitted their papers for contesting the September 24 elections to the Federal National Council (FNC).

The committee announced the preliminary list of 469 candidates, including 85 women, for the council's 20 seats of the 40-member house.

The committee, after scrutinizing the papers, rejected the nominations of eight candidates due to failure of fulfilling official requirements. The final list will be announced on August 28.

"The announcement of the preliminary list of candidates marks a significant step towards FNC elections 2011. With this step, the members of the electoral colleges assume a key role in terms of participation or choosing their representatives for the Council," said Dr Anwar Mohammed Gargash, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, and Minister of State for Federal National Council and Chairman of the Committee.

On the final and fourth day of



the nomination registration on August 17, a total of 477 members of the electoral colleges submitted their nomination papers — Abu Dhabi 121; Dubai 125; Sharjah 97; Ras Al Khaimah 60; Ajman 34; Fujairah 21 and Umm Al Quwain 19.

According to the preliminary list, four nominations were rejected from Abu Dhabi, one from Dubai and three from Sharjah.

The nominations submitted by a number of candidates have been turned down as they did not fulfill the official candidate registration requirements.

The applications received by August 17 were sent to

the Election Management Committee for scrutiny and review. "Those applications that do not fulfill the official candidate requirements are turned down while only those that meet all requirements are accepted," the committee said in an announcement.

The number of women candidates this year, according to the committee, is much higher compared to the last elections, confirming UAE's focus on enabling them to participate actively in the political life.

"The increase in the number of candidates in this year's elections shows the growing political awareness among the electoral college members.

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Festival of Falconry to be hosted in Al Ain

Al Ain Times News:

The third International Festival of Falconry (IFF) will take place for the first time in the UAE, in Al Ain, between December 10 and 18. The Emirates Falconers' Club will welcome individual falconers and falconry clubs from about 50 countries. They will display their skills with traditional hunting birds.

The festival will be enriched with traditional music and folklore, arts and crafts and a culinary experience and plenty of falcons flying about, as well as a display of Emirati heritage, which will start with falconry and move on to other traditional forms of hunting, with saluki dogs, and the rather forgotten Bedouin-style living. All public activities will take place in and around Al Jahili Fort between December 15 and 18, where an arena will be set for all kinds of falconry-related shows.



The festival will start with a three-day conference, where professional falconers will share knowledge of falconry and hawking. A desert camp will also be set some 40 minutes drive into the desert from Al Ain. Falconers will spend their time with their birds and with each other. Manning the falcons around campfires will be a pleasure and hence, spending the nights in the desert is highly recommended. Dozens of large tents and basic amenities will be provided for this purpose. Lady falconers

will be welcome, too.

The desert camp will also include saluki training, as well as camel and horse rides, which will later be presented in Al Jahili arena shows.

A 13-category falconry photography competition will also take place during the festival. The same goes for the arts and crafts competition, which will include two and three dimensional fine arts, calligraphy, falconry equipment and falconry jewellery and costume.

Al Ain Mall's new phase after 10 years of existence

Al Ain Times News:

The new architecture of Al Ain Mall reflects the rich U.A.E. tradition inside and out offering contemporary, superior quality standards and services in retail and entertainment. A large man-made lake on the second floor surrounded by retail outlets, restaurants & cafes; a heritage souk and new casual dining concepts are some of the major attractions of the soon to be open Al Ain Mall Expansion.

Much awaited opening of Al Ain's landmark project – Al Ain Mall Extension and Jumeirah Hotel project – has turned into reality, though with a soft opening the extension has a number of new brand stores for shopaholics and the Hotel is surely to envy. Set to be an authentic lifestyle oasis in Al Ain, this unique mixed use, fully integrated project is a gift to Al Ain & UAE Residents from the owners of



Al Ain Mall – M/s Al Farida Investments Company. The whole development was planned in two phases. Phase one was to expand the retail GLA adding elegant multi-level, upscale retail and catering zones, and phase two was to complement it with a deluxe Five Star Hotel complex to be managed by one of the World's leading luxury hotel chains - Jumeirah International Group.

Mr. Morhaf Kishi, General Manager of Al Ain Mall during he soft opening of phase one in the mid of Ramadan that the grand opening opening is scheduled for October 2011. Phase one added 300,000 sq.ft. of retail space to the existing 500,000 sq.ft. GLA of Al Ain Mall. With the completion of phase 2, Al Ain Mall will have above 1 million sq.ft. of retail GLA making it Al Ain's first Super Regional Mall with 423 retail outlets.

New activities at Al Ain Zoo during Eid

Al Ain Times News:

Visitors at the Al Ain Zoo can get a chance to come up-close and personal with the sanctuary's animal residents through two activities scheduled to start from the first day of Eid Al Fitr holidays.

A Giraffe Feeding station, set beside the Reptile House, will open its gates to let both children and adults feed the long-necked creatures on their own. The venue will also feature a petting zoo, titled 'Elezba', which has been designed as a local farm where visitors can interact with farm animals such as sheep, goats,



camels, llamas, chicken and ducks.

Visitors will be able to touch, pet and feed the animals special snacks available at the food and beverage stall at the farm's entrance.

"The coming Eid holidays mark an exciting change in how visitors see and experience

our zoo. Al Ain Zoo is one of the UAE's favorite wildlife destinations and with new animal encounters and special experiences, it offers a great fun family day out, whilst teaching young visitors more about wildlife and conservation," said Muna Aldhaheeri, manager of the Education Centre of Al Ain Zoo.

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Eid-ul-Fitr ~ One of the most prestigious occasions of the Islamic Calendar

Al Ain Times News / Mehak Alam:

Muslims all around the world celebrate 'Eid ul Fitr on the first day of Shawwal -- the tenth month of the Islamic calendar, following the month of Ramadan (in which the revelation started and ended 20+ years later, and which is also the month of fasting). Following a Lunar calendar, Muslims mark the beginning of the month with the sighting of the new crescent.

The month long fasting of Ramadan culminates into the festival of 'Eid-ul-Fitr, the Festival of Fast-Breaking. It is a festival of joy, family reunion and thanksgiving to Almighty God. The giving of a special charity for this occasion is obligatory. This is known as Zakat. Muslims dress in holiday attire, attend

a special community prayer in the morning, and visit friends and relatives. Greetings of "Eid Mubarak," or "a blessed 'Eid" are exchanged joyfully.

But don't forget to pay Fitr before performing Eid prayer it is best for people to pay it a day before id.

Things to do on Eid

The following acts are prescribed as Sunnah at the beginning of the day of 'Eid-ul-Fitr:

1. To wake up early in the morning.
2. To clean one's teeth with a Miswaak or a brush.
3. To take a bath.
4. To put on one's best

available clothes.

5. To wear perfume.

6. To eat a sweet food, preferably dates, before the Eid prayer.

7. To recite the following Takbir in the low voice while going to the 'Eid prayer:

**Allahu Akbar Allahu Akbar
La Ilaha Ila Allah Wa
Allahu Akbar Allahu Akbar
Wa Lillahi Alhamd**

The 'Eid Prayer

Some rules in this respect are mentioned here under:

1. The Eid prayer is Wajib (obligatory) on every male Muslim.
2. The Eid prayer can be

performed any time between the Ishraq and Zawal.

3. It is preferable that the 'Eid prayer is performed at an open field and not in a mosque. However, if, it is difficult for any reason to perform it in an open field, it can also be performed in a big mosque.

4. No Nafil Salah can be performed before the 'Eid prayer, neither in one's home, nor at the place of 'Eid prayer. Similarly, Nafil prayer cannot be performed after the Eid prayer at the same place. However, it can be performed after one comes back to his home.

5. The Eid prayer has neither Adhan nor Iqamah.

After performing the Eid-UL-



Fitr prayer Muslims return back to their homes and then sit and enjoy delicious meals with their family and friends. It is a ritual for people to receive and be guests at one another's place. People

exchange gifts like sweets and money during this occasion. This is also part of the Islamic living that people socialize with each other and enjoy their rewards of fasting the whole month before it.

"Without numbers, life will turn into mere chaos," says Scholar

Al Ain Times News:

As the Holy Quran is from Allah the eternal, so are its miracles which are being discovered every day, and from those is the miracle of the number which proves the prophecy of Prophet Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him).

This was confirmed by Egyptian scholar Dr. Mabrook Atiya as part of the 19-lecture programme of the Dubai International Holy Quran Award — 15th session, at the Cultural and Scientific Association in Al Mamzar area.

In his lecture, Dr. Atiya said, for life to be blessed, it must

be based on numbers which span every nook and corner of a Muslim's life, particularly worship.

"Faith, worship and treatments are all interlinked with numbers which better discipline our life and save us in the Hereafter."

Illustrating, Dr Atiya said without numbers, life will turn into mere chaos. "All nations are asked in the Holy Quran to disbelieve in trinity, as Allah is the one and only one who created every one, and never has a wife or a child," he said, noting that number one is associated with the creator, and hence represents

the basis of Muslims' faith.

Giving details on worship, Dr. Atiya said there are five daily prayers, fasting one full month — 29 or 30 days a year, paying a certain amount for Zakat (obligatory alms), and perform Haj (Pilgrimage) on certain days, and every rite therein are performed for a fixed number.

"Even marriage and divorce are streamlined by numbers; a Muslim may only marry up to four wives in certain cases and on condition of being fair and balanced with them all. He is also permitted to give divorce a maximum of three times."

Dr. Atiya then cited verse 2/261 of the Holy Quran which gives an example of those who spend their money for the sake of Allah are like a seed (of grain) which grows seven spikes; in each are a hundred grains.

"Everything is linked with numbers, particularly the top of all worships which is paying money for the sake of Allah; it is illustrated in numbers." Of the amazing numerical miracles recently discovered in the Holy Quran are the word Life and Death which were both repeated 145 times each.

The same applies to the



words Man and Woman, 24 times each, Righteousness and Evil - 167 each, Life and Hereafter, 115 times

each, Angles and Devil - 88 times each, and many other similar examples have been mentioned during the lecture.

Chicken Biryani- Eid Speciality

Al Ain Times News:

Ingredients

- 4 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 4 small potatoes, peeled and halved
- 2 large onions, finely chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh ginger root
- 1/2 teaspoon chili powder
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon ground turmeric
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 medium tomatoes, peeled and chopped
- 2 tablespoons plain yogurt
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh mint leaves
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cardamom
- 1 (2 inch) piece cinnamon stick
- 2 1/2 tablespoons vegetable oil
- 1 large onion, diced
- 1 pinch powdered saffron
- 5 pods cardamom
- 3 whole cloves
- 1 (1 inch) piece cinnamon stick
- 1/2 teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 pound basmati rice
- 4 cups chicken stock
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 3 pounds boneless, skinless chicken pieces cut into chunks



Directions

1. In a large skillet, in 2 tablespoons vegetable oil (or ghee) fry potatoes until brown, drain and reserve the potatoes. Add remaining 2 tablespoons oil to the skillet and fry onion, garlic and ginger until onion is soft and golden. Add chili, pepper, turmeric, cumin, salt and the tomatoes. Fry, stirring constantly for 5 minutes. Add yogurt, mint, cardamom and cinnamon stick. Cover and cook over low heat, stirring occasionally until the tomatoes are cooked to a pulp. It may be necessary to add a little hot water if the mixture becomes too dry and starts to stick to the pan.
2. When the mixture is thick and smooth, add the chicken pieces and stir well to coat them with the spice mixture. Cover and cook over very low heat until the chicken is tender, approximately 35 to 45 minutes. There should only be a little very thick gravy left when chicken is finished cooking. If necessary cook uncovered for a few minutes to reduce the gravy.
3. Wash rice well and drain in colander for at least 30 minutes.
4. In a large skillet, heat vegetable oil (or ghee) and fry the onions until they are golden. Add saffron, cardamom, cloves, cinnamon stick, ginger and rice. Stir continuously until the rice is coated with the spices.
5. In a medium-size pot, heat the chicken stock and salt. When the mixture is hot pour it over the rice and stir well. Add the chicken mixture and the potatoes; gently mix them into the rice. Bring to boil. Cover the saucepan tightly, turn heat to very low and steam for 20 minutes. Do not lift lid or stir while cooking. Spoon biryani onto a warm serving dish.

How to save money on Eid?

Al Ain Times News:

Like always Eid brings with itself a fresh breeze of happiness, love, brotherhood and time to enjoy the blessings of Allah the Merciful.

Women on one hand are the one who do more work on Eid days when it comes to household responsibilities yet on the other hand they are the ones who do lots of shopping to get dressed -up and to look good on this occasion.

we today bring in some handy tips on how to look good on Eid and how to save money as well.

Some money try to spend a lot on their dresses as well as on their accessories during Eid and similar festivals.

It is good to wear and out on new dresses on Eid but a person should limit the expenses as well. A good way is to try using and exchanging each others jewellery or else wearing old pieces of jewellery with your new dresses. This way you could save almost 50% of your expenses that you usually can't afford to. Try buying minimal jewellery that



goes along very well with 2-3 dresses as this is handy and is also a saving tip.

Then comes the make-up doing session. Try wearing minimal make-up this Eid which is taking place in the hotted days where it's good to stay fresh and clean instead of stuffed with loads of make-up and look opposite of pretty which a woman never likes to be.

Try to wear comfortable shoe and sandals and again try to buy one that goes along with at least 2-3 dresses. Buying and opting for Silver, Golden, black and red ones always keeps one on the safer side of emptying the pocket.

Go to parlors but for things that you can't afford doing at

home. Like for instance don't spend too much money on your manicure and pedicure - come on do it well when having a shower.

Try to do your facial and exfoliate yourself every once in a week to stay fresh, clean and beautiful. This saves a lot of money as well as your prestigious times in waiting for your turn at beauty parlours.

Try to cook some different sorts of sweets yourself so as to save huge amounts while buying them as it also adds in some feelings and love for your near and dear ones when you cook something for them.

Try following these simple tips to enjoy Eid while having something in your pockets!

My Fashion Statement!

I want Henna!

Al Ain Times News:

Eid the most beautiful and embellished occasion around the world. All muslim women apply henna to celebrate Eid. This business of henna application is not a waste when it comes to Eid season high demand.

For some women it is a must while other due to busy schedules and adoption of western sort of a life style take it as an art that should not be practiced a lot.

So for women out there we bring in some tips to match-up with the art and essence of celebration by applying unique style and stay in the lane of henna lovers even when you feel a bit embarrassed in your office for your painted fingers (Joke).

Try to just paint tips of your

fingers the upper most part of the phalanges. As it looks classic, traditional and also is a minimal application that doesn't consume much of one's time and fades away quickly.

On the other hand if you wish to add in some more patterns just use designs that are meant for the palm as the outer part is exposed and in case you want to avoid people noticing your hands when you share an elevator then painting your palms is the best solution.

Some women try to make floral patterns around their fingers only this looks beautiful and gives a unique touch to your hands making them look leaner and beautiful at the same time.



It's better for women who want their henna to fade away quickly not to apply any oil or lemon sugar syrup on the freshly dried henna as this leaves behind a greater impact that lasts for a long time. Follow these tips and enjoy henna - the most important cosmetic for women of all generations.

Female Facial Freaks!

Al Ain Times News:

Depending on your skin type, here are some great masks to try. For oily skin, use some plain Milk of Magnesia, rub it on and let dry, then rinse with lukewarm water. It absorbs oil wonderfully!

For Normal/combo skin, mix one egg and 1/2 cup cooked instant oatmeal and a teaspoon olive oil until smooth. Spread on your face and leave 15 minutes, and then rinse.

For dry skin, mix one egg yolk, one teaspoon honey, a teaspoon olive oil, and some vitamin E oil, if you have it. Smooth on and leave on for 15 minutes. Then rinse in lukewarm water and pat dry. If your skin is a bit dry you can put a dab or two of either olive oil or any other light oil (or plain Crisco ®, if you want something heavier) on your moist skin after washing or a mask, and your face is set without the \$\$ some people spend for the same look.

Homemade Facial Scrub Instead of Soap

This is for the ladies who wanted a homemade facial mask. First, clean your face with water only. Never use

soap. You can open your pores with hot compresses (washcloth). For a facial scrub, moisten oatmeal to a "goo", and use it to scrub your face (not around your eyes). Wash off with cool water. You may also make a paste of the oatmeal and allow it to dry; remove with cool water. You may also beat an egg white, put it on your face and let it dry, and then rinse with cool water. Sliced fresh cucumber placed on your closed eyes will reduce bagginess and dark circles. To make your hair shine, rub in some regular mayonnaise and shampoo out after 15 minutes.

Honey for Best Facial

The best facial mask that I have found is honey. Use a warm cloth to open pores, smear on the honey, leave on 15 to 30 minutes, rinse off with warm water, and then use cold water to close pores. Use for 3 days in a row and then once



a week. Sometimes I mix a little ground oatmeal with the honey, which makes a great mask.

Exfoliating Mask

For an easy exfoliating mask, mix three tablespoons olive oil or any good oil and one tablespoon kosher salt mix and gently rub into dry skin. Do not use around eye area. This works great on elbows and feet, but it can also be used on cheeks and forehead

She climbs over all hurdles

Al Ain Times News:

Austrian climber Gerlinde Kaltenbrunner became the first woman to conquer all 14 8,000-metre summits without artificial oxygen on Tuesday, when she reached the top of the K2, her team announced.

"Summit reached!! At 6:18 pm local time, Gerlinde reached the summit of K2," Kaltenbrunner's husband and frequent climbing partner Ralf Dujmovits said in an update on her website.

Kaltenbrunner, 40, is the third woman only to climb all 14 highest summits but the first to do so without artificial oxygen.

She had already attempted the 8,611-metre (28,251-foot) K2, on the border between China and Pakistan, six times before but had to turn back each time before the summit.

On Tuesday, she was accompanied on her way to the top by the Kazakh climbers Maxut Zumayev and Vassiliy Pivtsov, and Darek Zaluski of Poland.

The team had set off on this expedition over two months ago, with the plan to attack the K2 - the world's second tallest mountain after Mount Everest, but considered much more dangerous - from the Chinese north side for the first time.



Kaltenbrunner had so far only attempted the summit from the Pakistani side.

On Tuesday morning, the team had to abandon a first attempt to reach the summit due to the intense cold and set off again at 7:30 am local time, with cloudless weather helping their ascent, Dujmovits said in an update on her website.

Dujmovits had been following the climbers' progress from their base camp by radio and binoculars.

In 2009, Kaltenbrunner gained fame when she came close to being the first woman to scale all "eight-thousanders".

She eventually lost the three-part race to South Korea's Oh Eun Sun, who was followed

shortly thereafter by Spain's Eudne Pasaban.

Doubts have been raised however over whether Oh really conquered Mount Kanchenjunga.

Tuesday's victory marks the end of Kaltenbrunner's 8,000-metre-summit race that began in May 1998 with her escalation of Cho Oyu on the border between Nepal and Tibet.

Austrian President Heinz Fischer congratulated Kaltenbrunner, praising an "incredible effort".

The first person to scale the world's 14 highest peaks in 1986 was the Italian Reinhold Messner.

A Pakistani patient looking for financial aid

Al Ain Times News:

A Pakistani mother of five from Dubai is seeking financial help for her husband's liver transplant in India.

Bushra approached Khaleej Times to draw the attention of the generous and caring communities for the liver transplant of 44-year-old Malik Mohammed Arif, the family's only bread winner who is suffering from Hepatitis C and unable to work for over two years.

According to the Dubai Health Authority report dated July 26, Arif was diagnosed at Rashid Hospital with hepatic encephalopathy and decomposed liver disease in

May 2009.

He has a known history of chronic liver disease, Hepatitis C, type II diabetes mellitus and hypertension, the report said.

Arif is on medication and is planning to go to India for possible liver transplant, it added giving details of his medicines.

"We have ready donor in India and the doctors at three hospitals are waiting for us. But, we can't afford the Dh200,000 (INR2.5 million) cost of the transplant," said Bushra with tears flowing down her cheeks.

She said that Manipal Hospital in Bangalore, MIMS Hospital in

Kozhikode and another hospital in Andhra Pradesh are ready to carry out the transplant, all she needs is financial means to proceed.

"My husband was a partner in a land technical business in Dubai until he was diagnosed with decomposed liver in 2009. Our five children, two daughters and three sons aged 8 to 14, are out of school because he is not able to work for over two years," Bushra said.

"His condition is getting worse as he has started to vomit blood. I have to get things moving fast to save his life," she said. She can be contacted on 0558832914.

HAAD Monitoring Adverse Reaction of Medicines

Al Ain Times News:

To monitor the Adverse Reactions to medicines and to minimize the occurrence of Medication Errors, the Health Authority – Abu Dhabi (HAAD), the regulatory body for the health care sector in the Emirate of Abu Dhabi, organized a Pharmacovigilance workshop aimed at 50 medical centre and clinic representatives in Abu Dhabi and Al Ain. The Pharmacovigilance program is to help the detection, assessment, understanding and prevention of adverse effects or any other drug related problems.

An Adverse Reaction (AR) is a harmful or an unintended response to drugs, where as a

medication Error (ME) is any preventable event that may cause or lead to inappropriate medication use, while the medication is in the control of the health care professional, patient, or consumer. It can be either due to a human or system error.

According to HAAD the Pharmacovigilance Program aims to improve patient care and safety in relation to the use of medicines and to help in the risk – benefit assessment of medicines, encouraging safe, rational and more effective use. In addition it promotes better understanding, education and provides for clinical training in the area of drug use.

According to HAAD statistics for the year 2010, the total reports received from the



program reached to 1380 reports out of which 825 report were on Adverse Reactions to medicines and 555 reports on Medication Errors.

Adverse Reaction reports provide HAAD with the first alert of a problem with a drug. Even though it cannot be regarded as definitive, it indicates the need for further enquiry or action. However, several regulatory interventions are instituted by HAAD further to the analysis of these reports by PV centre:

1. Issuing a safety alert to all health care professionals regarding the use of the particular pharmaceutical product.

2. Withdrawal /recall of the drug from the Abu Dhabi market place (in coordination with MOH and National PV committee) in case of serious incidence involving product quality/safety

3. Adding a new side effect to the product leaflet (in coordination with MOH) or issuing a regulatory circular

restricting the use of the product by Healthcare Professionals.

4. In some cases, changing the labels or packaging of a product that may look similar to an existing product (package) in the market which cause confusion and contribute to Medication Errors while dispensing.

As for the reported Medication Errors, HAAD has assigned a team to investigate and propose remedial measures to prevent the occurrence of similar incidents in other health facilities. Analysis of the reports showed that Adverse Reaction were most common with the use of antibiotics and anti-inflammatory drugs.

The most common patient age range in which AR is reported lie within the 18-60 yrs range. Followed by the age group from between 2-12 years.

The program protects the confidentiality of the patient and the reporter to the fullest extent of the law and no such information is used in anyway against them.

Al Ain Police abides form illegal parking

Al Ain Times News:

The Al Ain Traffic and Patrols Department of Abu Dhabi Traffic and Patrols Directorate has asked motorists to strictly abide by traffic rules and refrain from parking their vehicles randomly on road near mosques while going for Taraweeh prayers during the holy month of Ramadan.

Astatement from the department said roads should be clear so that ambulance, emergency and civil defense vehicles could move unhindered in the event of emergencies. Major



Mohsen Saeed Al Mansouri, acting Chief of Al Ain Traffic and Patrols, urged drivers to consider other people's rights before parking their vehicles illegally.

Al Mansouri asked motorists to park their cars in the designated parking lots and not to park behind other vehicles parked rightly, so that they do not obstruct the way of other drivers who want to drive away.



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HAAD board revamped by Sheikh Mohamed Bin Zayed

Al Ain Times News:

General Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Crown Prince of Abu Dhabi and Deputy Supreme Commander of the UAE Armed Forces, has issued an executive order structuring the Board of Directors of the Health Authority - Abu

Dhabi (HAAD) under the chairmanship of Mohammed bin Sultan bin Ghannom Al Hamili.

Zaid Dawud Siksik, Saif Badar Al Qubaisi, Khalid Abdullah Al Qubaisi and Dr Maha Taisir Barakat are the board members.

Al Hamili is currently working as the Executive Director of the Abu Dhabi Finance Department and is a member of a number of boards set up by the government. The HAAD board will have a tenure of three years and is renewable.

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