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We're outraged by the barbaric massacre of innocent schoolgirls in Kabul.

By targeting children amid Ramadhan, **#DAESH** again exhibited its inhumanity and abject contempt for Islam and Muslims.

Sharing grief of families, we urge all to end fratricide and jointly eradicate **#ISIS**.



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MFA NEWSLETTER

MINISTER ZARIF HOLDS WEEK-LONG REGIONAL TOUR



Foreign Minister Zarif started his regional tour by visiting Qatar and Iraq on 26 May, followed by Oman on Wednesday, April 28 and Kuwait on April 29.

Dr. Zarif went to Qatar and met with Qatar's Emir, Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, and his Qatari counterpart, Mohammed bin Abdulrahman bin Jassim Al Thani. During his meetings with the Qatari officials, Minister Zarif discussed the approaches to the Hormuz Peace Endeavor (HOPE) and stressed that "Neighbors are Iran's priority."

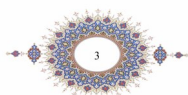
Dr. Zarif arrived in Baghdad on Monday (26 May) for the second leg of his regional tour and was greeted at Baghdad International Airport by Iraqi deputy Foreign Minister Nazar Khairallah. Dr. Zarif met with his counterpart Fuad Hussein. He called for Iraq to play a more prominent role in the Middle East, praised the Arab country's importance in the area, and expressed Tehran's hope that Baghdad's role would result in positive developments in the region.

After meeting with Iraqi President Barham Salih on Monday, Ammar Al-Hakim, head of the Hikma National Movement, Nouri Al-Maleki, Leader of the State of Law Coalition, Adil Abdul-Mahdi, former Iraqi Prime Minister, and Qassim Al-Araji, Iraqi National Security Advisor, Dr. Zarif went to the Kurdistan Region to meet the leader of the Kurdistan Democratic Party, Masoud Barzani, Masrour Barzani, Prime Minister of the Kurdistan Region, Qubad Talabani, Deputy Prime Minister of the Kurdistan Region, Nechirevan Barzani, President of the Kurdistan Region, and Bafel Jalal Talabani, Co-President of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan.

After visiting Qatar and Iraq, Dr. Zarif arrived at the Omani capital of Muscat to discuss regional and bilateral issues. The Minister was welcomed by his Omani counterpart, Sayyid Badr bin Hamad bin Hamood Al Busaidi and Iranian Ambassador Ali Najafi.

In a meeting with Fahd bin Mahmoud Al Saeed, Deputy Sultan of Oman, Minister Zarif discussed the latest developments in relations between the two countries and regional issues of mutual interest.

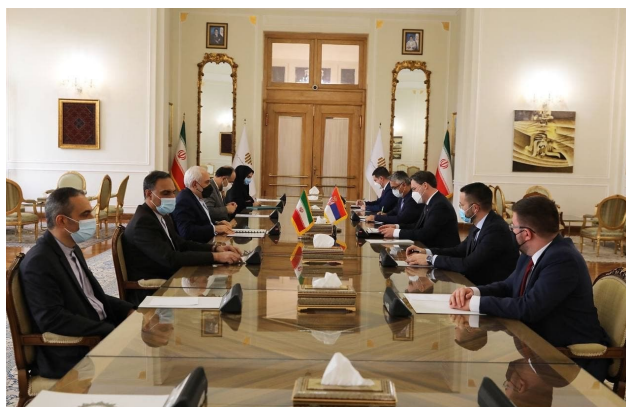
Dr. Zarif finally stopped at Kuwait, meeting with the Kuwaiti Prime Minister, Sabah Al-Khalid Al-Sabah, discussing Hormuz Peace Endeavor (HOPE) — an initiative introduced to the world by President Hassan Rouhani in his speech in the United Nations General Assembly in September 2019. The Minister also met Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Ahmad Nasser.



IRANIAN, SERBIAN FOREIGN MINISTERS MEET IN TEHRAN

Serbian Foreign Minister Nikola Selakovic, who was in Tehran for talks with Iranian officials, met Foreign Minister Zarif on Saturday afternoon, 17 April.

During the talks, Dr. Zarif touched upon the historical relations between the two countries and highlighted that the Balkans has a significant status in Iran's foreign policy.



The top Iranian diplomat highlighted the need to maintain and expand relations between Tehran and Belgrade on different political, economic, trade and cultural fronts by drawing on innovative and creative mechanisms.

Minister Selakovic, in turn, referred to the existing potentialities in bilateral relations in economic and industrial domains.

The Serbian Minister also said the signing of a cooperation document between the foreign ministries of both countries will be useful for future collaboration between the two sides.

Among other topics on the agenda of the talks were the importance of holding the sixteenth meeting of the two countries' joint economic commission in order to enhance mutual partnership.

MINISTER ZARIF WELCOMES HIS PAKISTANI COUNTERPARTS IN TEHRAN

Minister Zarif met his counterpart from Pakistan Shah Mahmood Qureshi, who was in Tehran for talks with Iranian officials on Wednesday May 21.

While welcoming the visiting Pakistani foreign minister, Dr. Zarif noted that the anniversary of the demise of Muslim writer Muhammad Iqbal Lahori falls on Saadi Day on April 21.

Minister Zarif also said the inauguration of the Pishin-Mand border crossing between Iran and Pakistan, which is the third border crossing between the two countries, is a sign of both sides' determination to expand economic and trade relations.

Dr. Zarif expressed hope that a memorandum of understanding will be signed between Tehran and Islamabad on the establishment of markets along the two countries' borders, and that ground will be broken to construct them as soon as possible.



Minister Shah Mahmood Qureshi, in turn, said Tehran-Islamabad relations are based on deep-rooted historical, civilizational and democratic tenets.

The Minister noted the two countries have common ground on many issues, namely bilateral affairs, regional developments and international issues such as multilateralism.

MINISTER ZARIF VISITS INDONESIA



Minister Zarif discussed trade and economic issues in a meeting in Jakarta on Monday (April 19, 2021) with his Indonesian counterpart.

Dr. Zarif emphasized the importance of finalizing a preferential trade agreement in his talks with Indonesian Foreign Minister Retno Marsudi. Minister Zarif also expressed Iran's readiness to continue negotiations, it said in a statement.

“Supporting the international law as well as exchanging views on the latest developments in the Afghanistan peace process were among other issues discussed in the meeting,” the statement said.

Indonesia's Ministry of Foreign Affairs said the foreign ministers focused on joint efforts to overcome the coronavirus pandemic and accelerate economic recovery.

During his visit, Zarif also met Indonesian President Joko Widodo. The President stressed the importance of Tehran-Jakarta relations, saying he was pleased to see the two countries' presidents have maintained their contacts despite the coronavirus pandemic.

President Widodo also said the two sides should move forward with their consultations to further utilise this potential and boost mutual trade.

MINISTER ZARIF MEETS PRESIDENT ASSAD, FM MEKDDAD FROM SYRIA

An official Iranian delegation headed by Minister Zarif arrived in Damascus on May 12, 2021. Dr. Zarif met with Syria's President Bashar al-Assad and discussed means of developing cooperation in all fields, mainly in the economic sector.

Topics also included political developments in Syria as well as the illegal US presence on the Syrian soil. Zarif referred to the significance of the upcoming presidential elections in Syria in terms of enhancing security.

The Minister asserted Iran's readiness to be an observer during the elections.

Dr. Zarif also met his Syrian counterpart Faisal al-Mikdad. Officials agreed to continue coordination and cooperation between both ministries at the highest levels. Mikdad praised Iran's support to Syria as a key factor in defeating terrorism.

Zarif also announced that Iran will open a general consulate in Aleppo, expressing hope this step would contribute in boosting economic, cultural and trade cooperation between Iran and Syria.

Officials from both countries underlined the importance of coordination in such critical times which Syria, Iran and the entire region is going through.





Iran's Ministry of Foreign Affairs marks
the National Day of South Africa
(April 27)

Iran's Ministry of Foreign Affairs marks
the National Day of Sierra Leone
(April 27)



Iran's Ministry of Foreign Affairs marks
the National Day of Poland
(May 3)



TWIPLOMACY

Supreme Leader Ayatollah Khamenei Hails Labor Forces' Contribution To National Growth On The Occasion Of International Labor Day



Khamenei.ir
@khamenei_ir

Supporting laborers is actually supporting national wealth. A country will have national wealth if its laborers are active and energetic. This national wealth brings sovereignty. Thus, laborers bring independence, power and dignity to a country.

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Minister Zarif Shares A Poem Of Sa'adi On His Birthday Anniversary



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On #SaadiDay, as relevant today as in 1258 CE:

All humans are members of one frame
Since all, at first, from the same essence came.
When time afflicts a limb with pain
The other limbs cannot at rest remain.
If thou feel not for other's misery
A human being is no name for thee.



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Minister Zarif Expresses Iran's Solidarity With Indian People Amid COVID19 Surge In India



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Iran stands in solidarity with India as she braves one of worst episodes of disastrous pandemic, which has become humanity's #CommonPain.

Our condolences to bereaved families & prayers for speedy recovery of all afflicted.

Global coop imperative to end to this global tragedy.



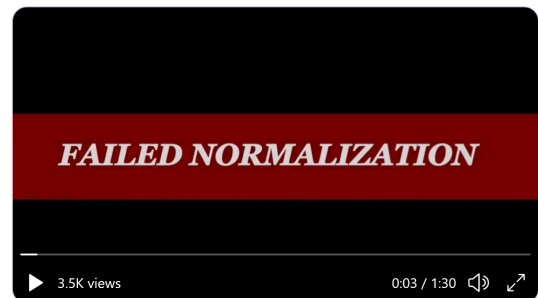
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Ministry of Foreign Affairs Rebukes Some Arab States For Failed Normalization Of Ties With The Israeli Regime



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While even Western institutions acknowledge that the Israeli regime has created an apartheid system & is committing crimes against humanity, normalization of ties w this regime does no good to the #Palestinian people. Palestinians see this normalization a failure. #Quds_is_near



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FEATURE STORY

REMEMBERING MARYAM MIRZAKHANI

(May 12, 1977 – July 14, 2017)

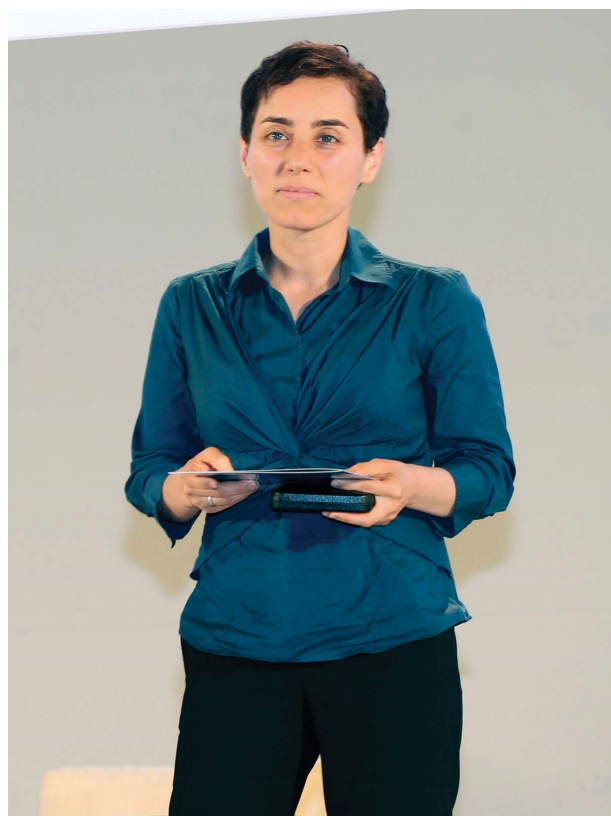
Maryam Mirzakhani was one of the greatest mathematicians of her generation. She made monumental contributions to the study of the dynamics and geometry of mathematical objects called Riemann surfaces. Just as impressive as her theorems was her ability to push a field in a new direction by always providing a fresh point of view. Her raw talent was rare, even among the most celebrated mathematicians, and she was known for having a taste for difficult problems.

She became an icon without wanting to be. She was the first woman and first Iranian to win the Fields Medal, considered the highest honor in mathematics. For women, Mirzakhani was a role model, pursuing a successful career in a male-dominated field. For Iran, she represented the country's tradition of intellectualism. And for young scientists, she was a calming force that rose above the pressures of academia. She died aged 40 from breast cancer on 14 July.

Mirzakhani was born in May 1977 in Tehran. She attended school there and twice won gold medals for Iran in the International Mathematical Olympiad. Mirzakhani gained a bachelor's degree in mathematics in 1999 from the Sharif University of Technology in Tehran. She left to do doctoral work in the United States and earned her PhD in 2004 from Harvard University in Cambridge, Massachusetts, under the supervision of Curtis McMullen. She turned down a junior fellowship there to become a Clay Mathematics Institute research fellow at Princeton University in

New Jersey. She became a full professor at Stanford University in California in 2008, by which time she was considered a leader in the fields of hyperbolic geometry, topology and dynamics. She stayed at Stanford until her death.

Despite the fame and attention she received, Mirzakhani remained humble and grounded, always avoiding the spotlight. She listened to the work of other mathematicians with excitement and asked forward-looking questions that hinted at possible new directions. At conferences, she could be found talking with graduate students and Fields medallists alike. She generously shared her ideas with the community and helped others to further their careers. (Source: Nature)





Society & Culture

PHILANTHROPISTS DONATE 71% MORE TO SUPPORT ORPHANS



Iranian benefactors have made cash contributions amounting to 15 trillion rials (about \$357 million) to orphaned children over the last [Iranian calendar] year (March 2020 – March 2021), an increase of 71 percent year on year.

The Imam Khomeini Relief Foundation currently covers 147,000 orphaned children and 260,000 children with families who cannot afford to bring them up on their own, IRNA quoted Alireza Asgarian, deputy director of the Foundation, as saying on Saturday, May 15, 2021.

“We anticipate that donations will increase by 100 percent this year and exceeds 25 trillion rials (about \$595 million),” he noted.

Over the past four months, 60,000 benefactors have been added to the whole supporters, he added.

In May 2020, the head of Imam Khomeini Relief Foundation, said there were 710,265 active philanthropists in the country who support orphans.

IRANIAN PIANIST RELEASES SINGLE IN SYMPATHY WITH AFGHANISTAN SCHOOL ATTACK VICTIMS

Iranian pianist Bardia Sadrenoori has released a single titled “Afghan Child” in memory of the children killed in the terrorist attack on the Sayed Al-Shuhada School in Afghanistan.

The single has been composed based on the melody of the song “My Land” made by Davud Sarkhosh, the Rad No-Andish Art and Cultural Institute announced on Sunday.

In a statement published by Sadrenoori, he refers to his 2019 music video “Child Worker” expressing his uncompromising dedication to children.

He said, “I wrote an introduction for the video stating that child laborers are children that possess the same purity and aspirations of childhood.

“In a world that claims to protect human and children’s rights, the heart of every free human being aches when innocent children with all their childhood aspirations are butchered in the worst possible way as a result of all the political games, inefficiencies, and the trading of death for personal interests.”



FOREIGN STUDENTS IN IRANIAN UNIVERSITIES MORE THAN TRIPLED



In 2013, some 18,000 foreign nationals were studying in Iranian universities, now the figure has increased by 3.2 times, reaching up 58,000, Mojtaba Sedighi, deputy minister of science has stated.

Afshin Akhoundzadeh, head of the office for non-Iranian students at the Organization of Student Affairs, said in April that students from 133 countries are currently studying in Iranian universities.

Some 25,000 of the students are studying in universities affiliated with the Ministry of Science (4,000 with scholarship, 16,600 without a scholarship, and 10,000 through the Iranian national university entrance exam), while 25,000 others are receiving education in Azad University, and about 2,000 in medical universities.

Fifty-seven percent of the international students are studying for a master's degree, 27 percent for a bachelor's degree and 15 percent are educating to receive a Ph.D., while the remaining one percent study at other levels.

Law, Persian literature, and computer engineering are the top three fields of study for foreign students in Iran.

IRANIANS DONATE 40% MORE BLOOD AMID PANDEMIC

Despite the prevalence of COVID-19, blood donation has increased by 40 percent since the beginning of the current [Iranian calendar] year (March 21), compared to the same period last year, Peyman Eshghi, head of Blood Transfusion Organization has stated.

Earlier on April 6, 2021, Bashir Haji Beigi, spokesman for the Blood Transfusion Organization said that some 15,039 plasma units have been donated since April 2020 by patients who have been recovered from COVID-19 throughout the country.

While blood donation in 70 countries still depends on replacement or paid donors, Iran is the first country in the region that has enjoyed voluntary blood donation by 100 percent since 2007.



More than 85 percent of all donated blood worldwide is used to produce blood products, while the rate is 65 percent in Eastern Mediterranean countries. Iran ranks among the highest-income countries in terms of converting more than 97 percent of the blood donated by people to plasma-derived medicinal products (PDMP).



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Palestine is a yardstick for justice. Few measure up.

But Iran has proudly stood with Palestinian people—who resist the brutality of an apartheid regime

[#QudsDay](#) is yearly reminder of moral imperative of global solidarity for Palestine

[#DemocraticSolution](#)=[#PalestineReferendum](#)





TRADE AND ECONOMY

IRAN TO INVEST \$5.3B IN AFGHANISTAN'S TRANSPORT, INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Iran has reached a primary agreement with Afghanistan to invest \$5.3 billion in the country's transportation and infrastructure projects, an official with the Iranian Transport and Urban Development Ministry announced.

According to Iranian official, the two sides are discussing the details of the mentioned projects to determine the Iranian contractors that are going to implement them.



Completion of the Herat to Mazar-e-Sharif Railway Project with a total investment of \$2.2 billion is one of the projects that is planned to be conducted by Iranian companies.

“This route can provide a rail link between Iran and Central Asia and China. The length of this railway is 656 kilometers and it has been officially announced that this railway will be implemented and put into operation by the Iranian private sector,” the Iranian official explained.

IRAN-RUSSIA TRADE AT \$2.62BN IN YEAR TO MARCH: IRICA

Iran's customs office IRICA says Russia was responsible for a bulk of trade between Iran and members of the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) in the year to March 20.

IRICA chief Mehdi Mir Ashrafi said on Wednesday (May 12) that Iran's trade with Russia had amounted to nearly \$2.626 billion in value terms over the past calendar year.

Mir Ashrafi said, however, that Iran had posted a trade deficit of \$1.608 billion with Russia in the year to late March, saying that imports from Russia reached over \$2.116 billion over the period, an increase of 19% compared to the previous year.

Iran's exports to Russia also increased by 10% year on year in late March to nearly \$510 million, he said.

The IRICA chief said trade with Russia had accounted for 77% of Iran's total trade with the EAEU, a bloc of countries with which Iran has been in a preferential trade arrangement since October 2019.



IRAN'S ANNUAL PETROCHEMICAL EXPORTS UP 13%

Iranian exports of petrochemical products increased by 13 percent in the previous Iranian calendar year (ended on March 20) compared to the preceding year, general secretary of Iran's Association of Petrochemical Industry Corporation (APIC) said.

According to Ahmad Mahdavi Abhari, last year 11 new petrochemical complexes went operational across Iran which increased the country's petrochemical output by about 10 percent.

Abhari noted that despite the obstacles created by the U.S. sanctions, the Islamic Republic does not have any problems for exporting petrochemical products, saying: "Based on a predetermined procedure, the transfer of petrochemical revenues into the country is underway."

He further mentioned the continuous development of the country's petrochemical industry and said: "This year too, we will witness a great surge in the production and export of petrochemical products in the country."

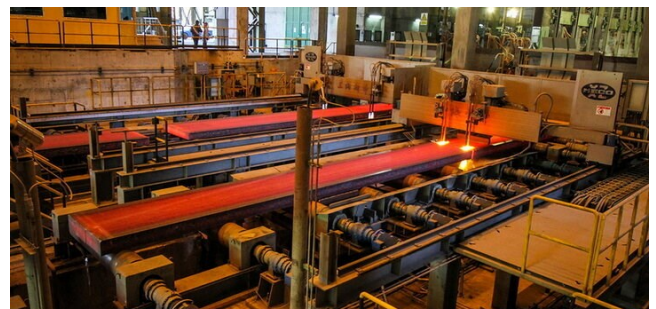
According to the National Petrochemical Company (NPC), the second leap of the petrochemical industry is going to be realized in the current Iranian calendar year (started on March 21) to boost the country's annual petrochemical revenues up to \$25 billion.



IRAN RANKED WORLD'S 10TH LARGEST STEELMAKER IN Q1 2021: WSA

Iran was ranked the world's tenth-largest steel producer in the first three-month of 2021, Iranian Mines and Mining Industries Development and Renovation Organization (IMIDRO) announced referring to the data released by the World Steel Association (WSA).

According to the WSA's data, Iran produced 7.5 million tons of crude steel in Q1 2021, registering a 10.7 percent growth compared to the same period in 2020.



The Islamic Republic's steel output stood at 2.6 million tons in March, indicating a 10.7 percent rise year on year.

Based on the mentioned data, the world's top 64 steel makers managed to produce 648.9 million tons of steel in the mentioned three months to register a 10 percent rise from the figure for the last year's same period.

Producing 271 million tons and 29.6 million tons of the product, China and India stood at the first and second places in the said period, respectively, while Japan stood at third place producing 23.7 million tons of crude steel.

The U.S., Russia South Korea, Germany, Turkey, and Brazil took fourth to ninth places, respectively.



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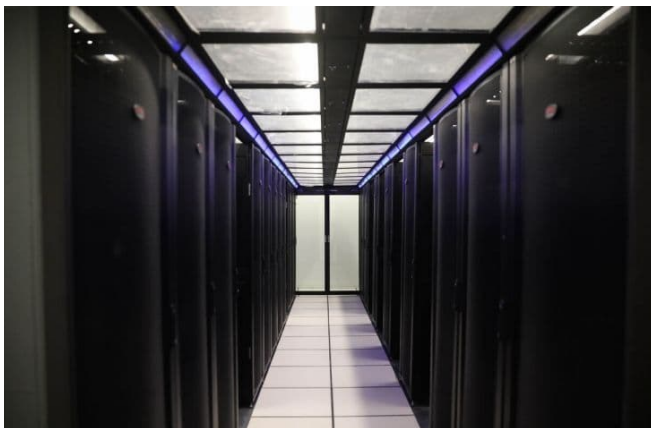
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

IRAN UNVEILS ITS STRONGEST DOMESTIC SUPERCOMPUTER

Iran has unveiled a supercomputer – its strongest till date – developed domestically by Tehran’s Amirkabir University of Technology (AUT).

The supercomputer – named Simorgh after a mythical Persian bird – has a performance capacity of 0.56 petaflops at the moment and will reach one petaflops in two months.

The supercomputer is said to be wholly designed and built by a team of Iranian engineers, who developed the country’s first supercomputer a decade ago, but some of its hardware has been imported.



The supercomputer will offer large-scale data analysis services for a variety of state-run and private scientific research, according to its developers. Among other things, it will be used in analysing artificial intelligence, crunching traffic and weather data, and image processing.

Amirkabir President Ahmad Motamedi said in addition to servicing the government, the supercomputer aims to provide a reliable infrastructure to companies with a focus on private firms.

“At the moment, knowledge-based companies have offered good platforms but they don’t have good infrastructures inside the country, which leads them to use infrastructures outside the country,” he said during a press conference in the capital Tehran on Sunday.

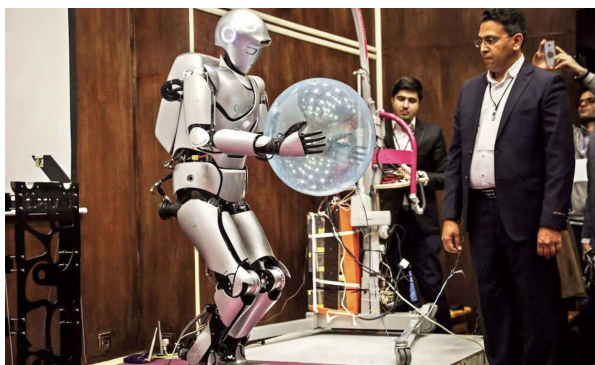
The supercomputer is said to comprise 42 racks in an area of approximately 250sq meters (2,690 sq feet) based on the TIA-942 standard and is projected to be upgraded to 84 racks laid out in an area of 400sq meters (4,305 square feet).

ICT Minister Mohammad Javad Azari-Jahromi said that work on the next supercomputer has already started, and it will have 100 times the capacity of Simorgh.

He said in a tweet the supercomputer will be named Maryam, after the late world-class Iranian mathematician Maryam Mirzakhani, to “thank the efforts of our Iran’s girls in the ICT field”.

A Stanford University professor, Mirzakhani passed away in 2017 from breast cancer at the age of 40. In 2014, she was honored with the Fields Medal, the most prestigious award in mathematics, becoming the first woman and the first Iranian to receive it. (Source: Al Jazeera)

IRAN'S SURENA AMONG TOP HUMANOID ROBOTS IN 2020



Plasma the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) has chosen Surena IV humanoid robot among the top 10 humanoid robots of 2020.

The fourth version of Surena was unveiled during a ceremony in Tehran University December 2019.

The robot has taken four years to be developed. It stands 170 cm tall, weighs 70 kg, and is able to walk at the speed of 0.7 km/hr.

It can move around the sides, backward and on rough surfaces while remaining upright on uneven ground and is able to lift objects, recognize faces, shake hands, and also kick a soccer ball.

Surena also has the ability to detect 100 voice commands in addition to listening, speaking and converting text into speech; visual ability and the ability to recognize 100 different objects are other features of this robot.

Surena was a Parthian spahbed ("general" or "commander") during the 1st century BC. He was the leader of the House of Suren and was best known for defeating the Romans in the Battle of Carrhae.

TEHRAN'S AMIR KABIR UNIVERSITY AMONG TOP IN GLOBE

The Times Higher Education Impact Rankings (THE) of 2021 announced that Tehran's Amir Kabir University and 26 other Iranian universities are in the list of the 1,115 most influential world universities.

THE said that Amir Kabir University, ranking 48 in the world, has been the top Iranian university on the list.

The Times Higher Education Impact Rankings are the only global performance tables that assess universities against the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We use carefully calibrated indicators to provide comprehensive and balanced comparison across four broad areas: research, stewardship, outreach and teaching, according to THE official website.



In relevant remarks last December, Head of the Islamic World Science Citation Center (ISC) Mohammad Javad Dehqani said that 74 Iranian universities and research centers have ranked among the top 1 percent of the world's top universities with the highest impact.

IRAN STARTS MASS-PRODUCTION OF HOMEGROWN COVID19 VACCINE

The first batch of COVIRAN BAREKAT, equaling 300,000 doses of the first homegrown COVID-19 vaccine manufactured by the Headquarters for Executing the Order of the Imam, was unveiled in a ceremony on May 11, 2021. WELL DONE!





SPORTS

IRANIAN GRECO-ROMAN WRESTLERS CLAIM ASIA TITLE IN KAZAKHSTAN



Team Iran staged a superb performance at 2021 Kazakhstan Asian Championship in Kazakhstan, claiming the Asia title.

The Iranian Greco-Roman wrestling won 4 gold, 2 silver, and 3 bronze medals, ranking first in Asia.

The 34th Almaty Asian Championship ended in Kazakhstan's capital city with Iranian athletes gaining 4 gold, 2 silver, and 3 bronze medals and 194 points, making them the top winners of the latest Asian competitions quite mightily.

At the end of the games the Iranian athletes Pezhman Pashtam, Nasser Alizadeh, Mahdi Bali, and Ali-Akbar Yusefi won the gold medals of the 77, 87, 97 and 130-kilogram weights, Mahdi Mohsen-Nezhad and Meysam Delkhani won the silver medals of the 60 and 63-kilogram weights, and Puya Dadmarz, Hossein Assadi and Amin Kaviani-Nezhad won the bronze medals of the 55, 67 and 72 kilogram weights.

In general ranking of the teams, too, Iran mightily ranked first with its 194 gained points, while the host team of Kazakhstan and the Kyrgyzstan teams ranked 2nd and 3rd respectively with 156 and 153 points.

IRAN'S DIZIN TO HOST 2021 WORLD GRASS SKIING COMPETITIONS

International Ski Federation (FIS) selected Iran to host the 2021 edition of World Grass Skiing Championships.

These competitions will be held in Dizin Ski Resort in the northern Iranian Alborz mountain range, almost 70 km of capital Tehran and the exact date of these competitions will be announced in future.

The 2019 edition of World Grass Skiing Championships for men, women, juniors and adults kicked off on Aug 22, 2019 in Dizin Ski Resort in the north of the capital city of Tehran.

In that competitions, Dizin Ski Resort, the best and biggest ski resort in Iran and in the Middle East region, hosted 20 skiers from Austria, Italy, the Czech Republic and Slovakia as well as 21 Iranian athletes.

Dizin and Shemshak Ski Resorts among many others in Iran are two famous ski resorts in the country, which is on the list of the hottest places in the world.





FOREIGN MISSIONS IN IRAN

Poland Embassy Releases Book On Iranian-Polish Relationships From 1918 To 1939



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@PolandMFA published a new book on "Poland-Iran. Diplomatic, consular, trade and cultural relations in 1918-1939" by Aleksander Wasilewski:



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Documents and photos from Polish and Iranian archives tell the story of diplomatic, commercial and cultural relations between the two countries in the interwar period: gov.pl/web/dyplomacja...

India Embassy Thanks Minister Zarif For Sympathy Over Surge of Coronavirus



Thank you, Excellency @JZarif for your kind words of solidarity in our hour of crisis, and for keeping us in your prayers. With collective efforts, we will prevail over this global pandemic. 🇮🇳 🇮🇷
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Iran stands in solidarity with India as she braves one of worst episodes of disastrous pandemic, which has become humanity's #CommonPain.

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Italian Ambassador Meets Iran's National Volleyball Team Ahead of National League in Italy's Rimini



Giuseppe Perrone
@Assafir_Perrone

Good luck to the #Iranian Men's National #Volleyball Team @IRIVF for the Volleyball Nations League @FIVB to be held in Rimini from May 25. And thanks to coach #AleKno and assistant coach #Totolo for graciously hosting me at today's training session.
@federvolley #VNL2021



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British Ambassador Commemorates Ferdowsi Day



Rob Macaire @HMATehran · 23h

از آنجایی که سفارت در خیابان فردوسی واقع شده است، ما همواره نسبت به این شاعر بزرگ که نقش سازنده ای در تاریخ و زبان فارسی داشته است احساس نزدیکی داشته ایم.
امروز با آوردن چند بیت از آثار بی نظیر ایشان یاد میکنیم.



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Rob Macaire @HMATehran

Replying to @HMATehran

As the Embassy is on #Ferdowsi Street, we have always felt a close affinity with the great poet who played such a founding role in Iranian culture and language. Today we remember his timeless works, like this famous poem

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DISCOVER IRAN IN PICTURES

BREATHTAKING SCENERY OF SPRING IN OWRYAD VILLAGE

Located in the west of Zanzan province, Owryad Village has a pristine and beautiful nature and always hosts tourists from different parts of the country in different seasons. (Photo credit: MEHR News Agency)





HAPPY INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY (12 May)

During #COVID19, nurses around the world are showing courage & dedication and suffering personal sacrifice to care for others.

They should be able to work in a safe environment and have access to healthcare, especially when they are on the frontlines of the pandemic response.

Painting by: Chiara Fiori

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