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**ISB to have a fully digital campus**

HYDERABAD: The Indian School of Business (ISB) here, Hyderabadd, has signed MoU with Cisco to build a state-of-art, fully digital, campus in the current financial year. This new campus will be built on the “building for connected campuses,” an architecture where the campus is essentially a company, where all the administrators, business and academic teams have the tools they need for success in a digital era.

It will also ISB to renew its MoU with (Cisco’s connect) to boost student engagement and retention, better management of classroom settings by utilising Wi-Fi access, e-learning, analytics and support innovation and research. This initiative is termed Cisco’s University Digital Connectivity (CUDC) programme, an effort to partner with nations, their universities and academia to foster inclusive growth and internationalise the curriculum.

**NEW DELHI:** Budgetary mobile platform messaging company announced that it will collaborate with Grameen Foundation, Trust; L & India Bulles Housing Finance, for developing artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) applications in the affordable housing industry. The collaboration is in line with the company’s goal to build a strong network of collaboration with Indian universities and research institutions in a statement.

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The home page presents a Sudoku puzzle. Solution for Puzzle #60 is given.
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In addition to Social Security, many individuals rely on retirement accounts such as 401(k)s and IRAs. However, these accounts can be volatile due to market fluctuations, and the unpredictability of future returns makes it difficult to plan for retirement.

Despite these challenges, there are steps that individuals can take to ensure a secure retirement. Some of these steps include:

1. Save early and often: The earlier you start saving, the more time your money has to grow. Even a small amount saved regularly can add up over time.

2. Diversify your investments: Diversification helps to spread risk and can help to mitigate the impact of market volatility.

3. Consider a mix of stocks and bonds: Stocks can provide growth potential, while bonds can provide stability and income.

4. Consult with a financial advisor: A financial advisor can help you create a personalized retirement plan that suits your needs and goals.

As the baby boom generation continues to age, the need for a secure and comfortable retirement becomes increasingly important. By taking proactive steps now, individuals can help ensure a more secure future.
First international aviation academy opens at Saudi Arabia’s KAEC

T he National Aviation Academy of Saudi Arabia (Tayaran) has been inaugurated at its headquarter in King Abdul-Aziz Economic City (KAEC) Prince Sultan bin Salman, host of the event.

The prince said Tayaran is expected to train talented individuals and create synergistic infrastructural fields in accordance with the highest international standards, and would provide sustainable employment opportunities for young Saudi citizens.

He added that the academy is vital to strengthen the Saudi economy and the aviation industry, aiming to provide a clear and transparent strategic plan and strong decision making in order to make great progress in aviation, "with the latest airport projects, the largest freight transport, and many significant international aviation conferences and forums, " he said.

Tayaran’s general manager Capt. Mohammed Al-Sulhaisi, said that the academy would support 1,650 trainees annually, including 1,200 in aircraft maintenance and 450 pilots, making it the largest center of its kind in the Middle East. There are also programmes to sponsor talented students unable to fund themselves. "We have 33 male sponsored students. We see that would eventually open its doors to international students.

In three years, the academy will accept students from around the world. Such an ambitious project grew in the last five years, 56% of the total number of the academy’s students are foreigners.

He added that Tayaran’s training program is designed to train students in Al-Thumama from September 2019, training aircraft and operating drones.

Online aviation is a sophisticated field and not only about the safety and security conditions it demands, but also to detect the cost of the training equipment it requires to ensure the best educational outcomes.

Students can finish their training programs in 36 months.

Travel agent booked

The Mogha police have booked a woman travel agent for duping a local youth of Rs 8 lakh on the pretext of sending him to Germany on work permit.

The complainant Devinder, a resident of the Old Town area, stated to the police that he had been induced by a woman travel agent Nisha to send her a sum of Rs 8 lakh for arranging a work permit for her son Devinder.

Initially, he gave a sum of Rs 8 lakh to her in installments. Nisha claimed that she had arranged a work permit for him and showed some documents after which the complainant sent her the remaining amount.

In the meantime, the complainant came to know that he had been duped with a fraud.

The work permit and visa application were both cancelled and the documents "When I demanded my money back she gave me a cheque for Rs 8 lakh which was not honoured by the bank due to the paucity of funds," the complainant said.

Agreements with various stakeholders aimed primarily at resolving challenges faced by the promotors of single-asset tourism projects, a competent technical committee will be selected to support the One Stop Window System to be fully operational before the end of 2019.

NRI wins Dh15m in Abu Dhabi Big Ticket

A n Irish expatriate from Sharjah became the latest multi-millionaire of the Big Ticket raffle, winning Dh15 million in big money draw in Abu Dhabi.

Sheikhd KS, an Indian national from Sharjah, won with the ticket number 84064044 and is a lucky recipient of the announcement didn’t have his phone as the winning number was called out, trying to call him, despite this he is still rich and cumulatively rich.

Sheikh K purchased his ticket online on April 1, often referred to as April Fool’s Day, but when he and his wife returned home and checked his phone, there will be no joke. Big Ticket is the largest and foremost lottery in the Gulf, with all the cash prizes and big money draw in Abu Dhabi.

These tickets can be purchased at Abu Dhabi Duty Free in Abu Dhabi International Airport Terminal City Terminal Abu Dhabi. Tickets re- main at their usual prize of just Dh50 and if you buy ten tickets you will be given free under buy-one-get-one-free scheme.

CURRENCY BUYING SELLING

British Pound 89.45 92.45
Bahraini Dinar 179.50 189.50
Indian Rupee 7.48 7.60
Japanese Yen 9.00 9.30
Omani Rial 175.40 185.40
US Dollar 1.35 1.38

Monetary authorities can change the currency rates from time to time.

With the Kingdom’s plans to become the leading aviation hub in the region, and a project of the kind in the Middle East, Tayaran’s general manager Capt. Mohammed Al-Sulhaisi, said that the academy would support 1,650 trainees annually, including 1,200 in aircraft maintenance and 450 pilots, making it the largest center of its kind in the Middle East. There are also programmes to sponsor talented students unable to fund themselves. "We have 33 male sponsored students. We see that would eventually open its doors to international students.

In three years, the academy will accept students from around the world. Such an ambitious project grew in the last five years, 56% of the total number of the academy’s students are foreigners.

He added that Tayaran’s training program is designed to train students in Al-Thumama from September 2019, training aircraft and operating drones.

Online aviation is a sophisticated field and not only about the safety and security conditions it demands, but also to detect the cost of the training equipment it requires to ensure the best educational outcomes.

Students can finish their training programs in 36 months.

Travel agent booked

The Mogha police have booked a woman travel agent for duping a local youth of Rs 8 lakh on the pretext of sending him to Germany on work permit.

The complainant Devinder, a resident of the Old Town area, stated to the police that he had been induced by a woman travel agent Nisha to send her a sum of Rs 8 lakh for arranging a work permit for her son Devinder.

Initially, he gave a sum of Rs 8 lakh to her in installments. Nisha claimed that she had arranged a work permit for him and showed some documents after which the complainant sent her the remaining amount.

In the meantime, the complainant came to know that he had been duped with a fraud.

The work permit and visa application were both cancelled and the documents "When I demanded my money back she gave me a cheque for Rs 8 lakh which was not honoured by the bank due to the paucity of funds," the complainant said.

Agreements with various stakeholders aimed primarily at resolving challenges faced by the promotors of single-asset tourism projects, a competent technical committee will be selected to support the One Stop Window System to be fully operational before the end of 2019.