

UK probes report of universities working with Iran on drones

LONDON: Britain's government said Wednesday it was investigating allegations that UK universities have collaborated with Iran on drones and other sensitive technology despite a legal ban.

With Russia accused of unleashing Iranian-made attack drones in Ukraine, Prime Minister Rishi Sunak was grilled in parliament about the report by the Jewish Chronicle newspaper earlier this month.

Dozens hurt in protests against wind turbine project in Golan Heights

RAMALLAH: Dozens of residents in the occupied Syrian Golan Heights were injured in clashes with Israeli security forces attempting to suppress protests by the owners of land targeted for confiscation in a wind turbine project.

Clashes erupted after landowners protested against the plans, and representatives of the Israeli company responsible for the development stormed the land, backed by police, preventing locals from entering it.

NYU Abu Dhabi develops fast test for COVID-19

DUBAI: Researchers from NYU Abu Dhabi have developed a sticking plaster that can detect COVID-19 infections in "real time."

Blood is drawn from a pinprick to a finger, the plaster is applied, and then embedded gold "nanoparticles" indicate the presence of antibodies.

The researchers said that results were almost immediate, the method is affordable, and the test could potentially be modified to detect as-yet unknown pathogens in future pandemics.

Israeli Bar Association holding elections

RAMALLAH: Elections for the Israeli Bar Association were held Tuesday against the backdrop of controversial judicial reforms.

The two strongest candidates for the chairmanship of association are Amit Becher, the interim head of the organization and head of the "Hope for the IBA" slate, and its former chairman, Efi Nave.

Trial begins of 9 suspects accused of killing 4 police officers during riots in Jordan

AMMAN: The trial of nine suspects accused of killing four police officers during riots in Jordan last December began at the country's State Security Court on Tuesday.

The officers died during rioting and acts of terrorism in the southern city of Maan, on the Desert Highway, between Dec.16 and 19, 2022, according to police reports. Col. Abdelrazzaq Dalabeeh was shot and killed while he and fellow officers attempted to restore order in Al-Husseinieh district. He was posthumously awarded an honorable promotion to the rank of brigadier.