

Jordan's King Abdullah II urges 'close cooperation' to address challenges facing Arab countries

RIYADH: King Abdullah II of Jordan has expressed confidence in the success of the upcoming Arab League summit in Jeddah, anticipating the start of a new phase of Arab action based on a solid foundation of economic cooperation that benefits all parties.

During an interview with Ghassan Charbel, editor-in-chief of the Asharq Al-Awsat newspaper, King Abdullah emphasized the need to address political challenges facing Arab nations, the foremost of which being the Palestinian cause.

Millions of children in Turkiye, Syria require aid 100 days after earthquake: UNICEF

AMMAN: More than 6 million children in Turkiye and Syria remain in need of humanitarian aid 100 days after the devastating February earthquakes, the UN International Children's Emergency Fund warned on Wednesday.

The earthquake and aftershocks on Feb 6. left thousands of children homeless and without access to basic amenities such as safe drinking water, schooling and medical care.

"In the aftermath of the earthquakes, children in both countries have experienced unimaginable loss and grief," UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell said.

Arab League summit offers unique opportunity to end Sudan conflict, says Djibouti FM

RIYADH: Arab leaders meeting in the Saudi city of Jeddah for the Arab League summit on Friday will have a "unique opportunity" to resolve the conflict in

Sudan, Mahamoud Ali Youssouf, the foreign minister of Djibouti, told Arab News en Francais.

Sudan, itself an Arab League member, has been rocked by more than a month of fighting between the Sudanese Armed Forces and the paramilitary Rapid Support Forces, displacing hundreds of thousands and killing hundreds.

Concerns over Turkish economy ahead of presidential runoff

ANKARA: As the Turkish presidential elections head for a runoff between incumbent Recep Tayyip Erdogan and opposition challenger Kemal Kilicdaroglu on May 28, the country's weak economy continues to be the main focus of domestic and international attention.

Staggering inflation over the last two years, which stood at around 44 percent in April, and skyrocketing food prices have considerably increased the cost of living crisis in Turkiye.

KSrelief team meets with World Food Programme officials in Sudan

RIYADH: The King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Center's team stationed in Sudan met with World Food Programme officials on Tuesday.

The team met with the head of the WFP in Port Sudan Hafiz Ibrahim and the organization's head of emergencies Abraham Abatneh, and they reviewed the center's work to provide urgent aid to the Sudanese people.

The volume of aid provided through the Saudi air bridge operated by KSrelief that contributes to alleviating the tough conditions faced by the Sudanese people was also discussed.