

UN and Arab agencies praise Kuwaiti authorities for consumer protection efforts

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KUWAIT: The UN Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia and the Arab Competition Network have congratulated Kuwaiti authorities on their efforts to protect consumers against commercial fraud.

The organizations said the measures they introduced have helped to create effective and beneficial competition, the Kuwait News Agency reported on Tuesday.

Kuwait's Competition Protection Agency has made significant progress in the past decade in its efforts to "regulate the local market," Natalya Khaled, ESCWA's economic affairs chief, said during a two-day conference.



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Climate-stressed Iraq must pursue 'green growth', says World Bank

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BAGHDAD: Iraq, a top oil exporter battered by climate change impacts, must diversify its economy and pursue a "greener growth model," the World Bank said on Tuesday.

In a report presented to authorities in Baghdad, the Washington-based institution said \$233 billion must be invested by 2040 to allow Iraq to embark "on a green growth path."

The mostly desert country, after decades of war and turmoil, is also suffering worsening climate change shocks from drought and water scarcity to rising temperatures.



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Protests in Sudan against deal to end post-coup crisis

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KHARTOUM: Hundreds of Sudanese protesters took to the streets on Tuesday to protest a recent deal aimed at ending the crisis caused by last year's military coup.

"No to the settlement," protesters chanted, heading toward the presidential palace in the capital Khartoum.

Near-weekly protests have rocked Sudan since army chief Abdel Fattah Al-Burhan led an October 2021 military coup derailing a transition to civilian rule.

Sudan's short-lived transition was installed following the 2019 ouster of President Omar Bashir.



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[At least 3,774 children killed in Yemen's civil war: UNICEF](#)

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At least 3,774 children have been killed in Yemen's civil war between March 2015 and September 2022, UNICEF said on Monday, a week after it launched a multibillion-dollar global funding drive.

According to the latest statistics published by UNICEF, a further 7,245

children had been maimed in the conflict.

The organization called for an urgent renewal of the ceasefire agreement, which lasted from April until the beginning of October and saw a lull in front-line fighting.



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LONDON: One day, in late February 1986, a young man from Jubail in Saudi Arabia's Eastern Province decided to put his new 4WD through its paces on the sand dunes west of the coastal city. Before very long, however, he made two startling discoveries.

The first was that neither he nor his new car were well suited to dune-bashing, as both man and machine soon found themselves stuck fast in the sand.



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