Israel spotted in split S.Arabia:

Mossad chief’s visit to Bahrain stokes fears of disintegration

Israel’s Mossad chief, Meir Ben Shabbat, arrived in Bahrain on November 25, 2021, for a three-day official visit to the oil-rich island country. The visit, which was made in the wake of a nuclear deal between Israel, Bahrain, and three other Gulf nations, comes amid fears of a regional arms race.

The visit is seen as a significant development in the context of the 1995 peace treaty between Israel and Bahrain, which was followed by a series of agreements and agreements between the two countries. The visit is also seen as a signal of the continued efforts of the kingdom’s leadership to strengthen regional ties and improve its relations with other countries in the region.

The visit is also seen as an attempt to address the ongoing dispute between Israel and Bahrain over the status of the Temple Mount, a sensitive issue that has long been a source of tension between the two countries.

The visit comes amid a period of increased regional tension, with tensions between Israel and its neighbors reaching a boiling point in recent months.

What are the opportunities for rural tourism in Iran?

Dotted with thousands of villages, rural tourism perfectly suits the trend of many inbound and even domestic travelers who are seeking unique natural experiences, unpolluted landscapes, stay in authentic accommodation, and feel local intensity.

When it comes to rural tourism Iran, which has many pristine yet diverse natural settings, has many to offer to narrow lovers. Rural tourism as well as agro-tourism enjoy a large number of fans in rural areas, and it is a win-win both for local communities, and post-modern travelers who are tracing unique experiences.

Tourists may stay with a rural or nomadic family for a while or enjoy an independent stay and assort them with day-to-day life. It also opens up an opportunity to feel rustic routines, their agriculture, traditions, arts, and culture.

The rural tourism, most of all, sets the ground for economic development in rural areas by creating additional income and employment especially for young people and old women; the prosperity of handicrafts, and more entrepreneurial culture can also improve the social wellbeing in rural areas for instance by stimulating improvements in infrastructure, sanitation, and electricity networks. But, apart from benefits toward community, the preservation of their environmental and cultural asset is of very high significance that should be taken into account in some villages, more tourism could pose threats.

Rural tourism is closely related also to nature tourism and health tourism. Rural communities can act as hosts – or organize – nature and health tours, thereby it fetches income for further tourism infrastructure.

There are thousands of villages in Iran which have immense potential to be turned into prosperous travel destinations. Needless to say that the topography and the water supply determine regions for human habitation, the type, and lifestyles of dwellers in the semi-arid county, which is full of deep gorges and defiles, empty of dwellers in the semi-arid country, which gives the official approval of the Pope and Christianity to the territorial areas. Furthermore, the land is one of the most important provinces of the country's total need, but it will reach 10 percent within the next years.

Irraeyes transmitting electricity to Europe as region’s power hub

By Ehsan Rezvani

Irraeyes, a plan for becoming West Asia’s electricity hub, Iran has been taking serious steps for joining its electricity network with neighbors in the past few years.

The Iranian Energy Ministry has been negotiating with the neighboring countries including Iraq, Russia, Afghanistan, Armenia, and Qatar for the connection of their power networks with Iran to make them feasible to import or transmit their electricity to new markets through Iran.

The synchronization of power grids with the neighboring countries, not only enhances Iran’s electricity exchanges with them, but it will also increase the political status of the region in the country.

So far, Iran’s electricity network has been synchronized with Iraq, and in back in September, the Energy Minister Reza Arifian announced that the electricity networks of Russia and Azerbaijan are the next step for becoming linked with the Iranian grid in the coming months.

“Within the next few months, the study project of synchronization of the electricity network of Iran, Azerbaijan, and Russia will be completed and then the executive operations will begin,” the minister said.

Meanwhile, Arifian and Qatari Minister of State for Energy Affairs Badr Sherda Al-Kaabi held an online meeting in late September to discuss joining the two countries’ electricity networks via sea.

During the online meeting, Al-Kaabi said: “Electricity transfer between the two countries is possible and the proposal should be worked on.”

Now, taking a new step toward becoming the region’s power hub, Iran has inaugurated becoming a bridge between East and Europe for transmitting electricity.
The Zionist regime is the greatest threat to world peace, Iran says

Tehran dismisses Netanyahu’s speech as ‘ridiculous show’

Rafael Grossi says IAEA carried 400 inspections in Iran last year

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Snapback mechanism ‘not triggered’ against Tehran: UN Security Council president

Israel plotting to split S. Arabia: Iran

Deputy Judiciary chief blasts the West for trampling rights of Iranian patients

September 15 at a White House ceremony attended by high-ranking U.S. and foreign officials including President Donald Trump, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, Abdullah bin Zayed, the foreign minister of the UAE, and Mohammad Javad Zarif, the foreign minister of Iran.

The deals have been widely denounced in the public across the Arab world, especially in Iran, a regional power that is a victim of the policies pursued by the Sunni states. However, on September 25, King Salman of Saudi Arabia called on the United States to re-engage with Iran and to rebuild the UN sanctions on Iran. In a statement, Pompeo announced the return of “all previously terminated UN sanctions” on Tehran, a highly symbolic move which was met with global backlash from U.S. friends or foes alike.

Tehran had described the pressure as “economic terrorism.”

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The Tehran Stock Exchange (TSE) on August 14, the TSE, which is Iran’s major stock exchange, has witnessed drops in its main index every week, except for the week on September 18.

The index of Iran’s major stock exchange, the TSE 100, fell 3.77% to close at 30,245.68 points on August 28, an 11.3 percent drop in the week ended on August 21, and a two percent fall in the week ended on August 28.

According to TSE’s data, the domestic stock market index dropped by 29,314 points, or 9.3%, compared to the previous week.

The TEDPIX index, which tracks market capitalization of listed companies, fell 7% in a week.

The index of Bank Mellat, Iran Khodro Investment Desk, and Parsian Insurance dropped more than 10%, while the indices of Bank Sepa and Mobarakeh Steel Company, which are included in the TEDPIX index, fell more than 9%.

Non-oil trade exceeds $30bln in 6 months

The Ministry of Industry, Mining and Trade announced that the non-oil trade exceeded $30 billion during the first six months of the current Iranian calendar year (March 2021). The figure was $27.4 billion during the same period of the previous year.

“Based on the defined benchmarks, by the end of this [Iranian calendar] year (March 2021), utility units and auxiliary units with a capacity of 10 million tons/year of ethane to be fed to petrochemical plants.”

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Saudia Arabia playing immoral role in the region: Egyptian opposition leader

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By Mohamed Hefnawy

TEHRAN - A prominent Egyptian opposition leader has accused Saudi Arabia of occupying immoral roles in the region while presenting itself as a virtuous Arab state.

In an interview with Tasnim News Agency, Yousr Nour, a lawmaker from the Egyptian opposition, said that Saudi Arabia portrays itself as a virtuous Arab state, but in reality, it has been playing immoral roles in the region.

Nour cited the example of Saudi Arabia’s support for the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt, which was overthrown by the military in 2013. He said that Saudi Arabia’s support for the Brotherhood was an immoral role in the region.

He also criticized Saudi Arabia’s support for the政权 of Colonel Muammar Gaddafi in Libya, which was overthrown in 2011 with the help of Saudi Arabia.

Nour further criticized Saudi Arabia’s role in the Yemeni crisis, saying that it has been supporting the Houthis, who are considered a terrorist organization by several countries.

He also accused Saudi Arabia of playing an immoral role in the ongoing crisis in Qatar, where it has imposed economic sanctions on the country.

Nour called on the international community to hold Saudi Arabia accountable for its immoral roles in the region.

He said, “Saudi Arabia is a virtuous Arab country, but it has been playing immoral roles in the region.”

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TEHRAN – The Cinema Organization of Iran (COI) director Hossein Entezami has appointed Mohammad-Mehdi Tabatabainejad the new director of the 39th Fajr Film Festival.

Tabatabainejad replaced Ebrahim Darghehzadeh, who held the position since 2016.

Tabatabainejad was the director of the Supervision and Evaluation Office of the Ministry of Culture and Islamic Guidance, and was also the director of the Fajr Film Festival.

He said that there is no platform in Iran to guarantee the festival, which is one of the major international festivals of documentary films, for several years.

The special jury award in this section went to “Dead Souls’ Vacation” by Georgian director Keko Chelidze, while “Labyrinth” directed by Oktay Nanuvas won a special mention.

This film is a co-production from Hungary, Portugal, Belgium and Azerbaijan.

The 80th CineDoc-Tbilisi, which started on August 30, is organized by the Nocsor Foundation every year.

Mohammad-Mehdi Tabatabainejad is an undated photo.

Afterwards, the international edition of the festival, which was scheduled to be held in April, was canceled due to the pandemic.

Mourners, groups of Iranian cineastes called on the Cinema Organization of Iran (COI) to allocate the event’s budget to those filmmakers and film organizations affected by the coronavirus pandemic.


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