Iran eyes UNESCO status for Siraf, other ancient ports: tourism minister

TEHRAN – Iran seeks to register ancient Siraf port and several other southern seaports on the UNESCO World Heritage list in near future, Cultural Heritage, Tourism and Handicrafts Minister Ali-Asghar Mounesan has said.

“We are developing a dossier [filed to UNESCO] for the global registration of Siraf and several other important ports, which are dotted across Bushehr province [in the southern coastal strip of the country],” Mounesan said on Tuesday.

“The noble people of Bushehr should be working for the registration moves,” Mounesan noted.

He made the remarks during his visit to Bushehr, which is one of the most significant historical regions along the Persian Gulf,拥着 significant monuments from the Elamite, Achaimenid, Parthian, and Sassanid eras.

The historical port of Siraf was the most important Iranian port from the Sassanid period to the 4th century AH. It houses plentiful evidence of Persian mastery and genius in seafaring, international relations, and interaction with other far and cultures and civilizations.

Between 1966 and 1973, the British Institute of Persian Studies conducted seven seasons of excavation and survey at Siraf, which was a major city on the Iranian shore of the Persian Gulf that played a leading role in the network of maritime trade that supplied Western Asia with the products of India, the Far East, and Eastern Africa between 670 CE and 670 CE.

Siraf’s population of about 300,000 during the early Islamic era and this fact shows that it was a large city. However, today, just about 7,000 people live in Siraf in a small area.

The historical and architectural monuments of Bushehr include Islamic buildings like mosques and praying centers, mansions, old towers, casas, as well as gardens.

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Islamic codes not in contrast with women’s progress

BY FARROKH HESEARI

S aid Azari, General Manager of Fartaskh football club Foolad, says that the club had done nothing out of standard measurements in the game against Esteghlal, however, he apologized for the inconvenience caused before the match.

Last Friday, before the Iran Professional League (IPL) match in his southern city Ahvaz, Foolad extended the width of their field to allegedly prevent simultaneous throw of one of the Persians’ players.

Foolad club had also accused of turning the touchline slippery to prevent Nader Mohammadi to throw the long ball. Although the Match Commissioner didn’t take the match restart and allowed the play to continue after the match, Azari apologized for the incident.

“We did nothing against the football laws or international football standards,” Sad Azari said in an exclusive interview with Tehran Times.

“According to IFAB Laws of the Game, the length of the field of play for international matches are minimum 90 meters and maximum 110 meters. We extended the width of Foolad Arena to 72 meters, so it is still less than the maximum standard width. So it was, and is, our legal right to extend our field but it should not have happened in our domestic match, but in our AFC Champions’ League play-off match against UAE’s Al-Ain, we will use the legal right to extend it. We will be with the permission of the Asian Football Confederation,” Sad Azari added.

“However, regarding what happened in the touchline that made it slippery and slipped and believed that it was due to lack of coordination in our club,” Foolad General Manager revealed.

Azari also talked about the Iranian football federation’s proposals for letting the field to be held on 28.

“I personally decided to step aside from the football federation election but follow the news of this election, I changed my position and the federation has invalidated the candidacy of some of the nominees for different positions, however, I don’t know why the federation has not announced the names of disqualified people. I truly shocked that the legend Mohb Mohbali was also disqualified and only his name was announced among the removed ones,” Overall, this election has done a lot to our social status. I have received and the conversations I have had with football lovers, I am optimistic that the football federation’s General Assembly will make a wise choice on Feb. 28. I hope that really good things happen in Iranian football,” Azari concluded.

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American analyst says no difference between Trump and Biden appointments

BY REZA MOHSEFI

TEHRAN – A former U.S. Senate candidate doubts on a presumption that the new American administration under Joe Biden’s presidency would have better performance in regard to Iran and Israel.

Any expectation that the Biden-Harris team will be an improvement on the Trump-Pence team is a it, given the facts that Iran, US, and Persian Gulf affairs, put the value of exported products inside the country within less than three months, he added, IRNA reported.

“Those who believe that this president’s administration will make a clear difference, are unaware of the facts of American politics. This administration will have the same policies, just the difference is the dealings and contacts are different.”

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Iran’s agricultural export up 8% in 10 months on year

TEHRAN – The value of Iran’s agricultural products export has risen 8.4 percent during the first 10 months of the current Iranian calendar year (March 20, 2020 – January 19, 2021), compared to the same period of time in the past year, according to reports, released by the Islamic Republic of Iran Customs Administration (IRICA).

Despite the impact of the new Corona virus pandemic and the domestic measures of the government to combat the spread of the disease, the value of exported products

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Foolad GM Azari clarifies recent controversies

Iran FM heads to Iran amid regional-deescalation drive

Iran has capacity to export homegrown COVID-19 vaccine

TEHRAN – There is a diversity of coronavirus vaccine being produced in Iran, so the ability to export of the product, Mohammed Reza Rahimpour, the head of the Food and Drug Administration, said on Wednesday.

The ministry potentially in the pharmaceutical sector is so great that which was introduced to the determinant of the vaccine was produced around the production ability.

The Iranian Foreign Ministry is issued a statement saying that during the Wednesday meeting Zarif and Hossieni discussed a range of issues related to the latest development in bilateral relations and regional and international issues. It stopped short of providing any details about these issues.

On the other hand, the Iranian Foreign Ministry also avoided providing details.

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Saudi forces attack protest against bin Salman’s economic policies

Reports coming out of Saudi Arabia say Riyad’s forces have attacked a group of protesters who were out on the streets in the city of Buraidah in Qassim Region to denounce the regime’s economic policies. Clashes erupted between Saudi troops and the protesters who were out on the streets of Buraidah, 100 kilometers north of the Saudi capital.

“The city of Buraidah in the Al-Qassim region witnessed clashes between hundreds of young people gathered, and [the demonstrations] led to clashes with Saudi security forces,” media personality Hosian Mortada tweeted on Monday night.

Footage of the protests circulated online, showing hundreds of young people visiting their anger over taxes, coronavirus-related economic policies, rising poverty and unemployment in Saudi Arabia. The protesters chanted slogans denouncing any form of tax charged during the spread of the coronavirus.

The local police confirmed that a number of protesters were arrested and several others were treated and their cases were handed to the region’s attorney general.

Sources reported that the Qassim Region governor had ordered the military and police to be on alert, fearing an escalation of unrest and protesters’ security while they were performing their duties.”

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Iranian women Paralympians’ busts unveiled

TEHRAN – Busts of Iran’s women Paralympic medal winners were unveiled on Wednesday at the Sports Federations for the Disabled headquarters in Tehran.

On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of establishment of Iran’s National Paralympic Committee (NPC), the busts of Seyyed Afzal Ahradi, Azam Khodayari, Laleh Zandi and Zara Najmavi were unveiled.

Also, the memory of Para archer Razieh Hussein met with his Iranian counterpart Mohammad Jawad Zarif and Iran’s sports security official Ali Shamsabadi. The foreign ministries of Iran and Paralympians’ were expressed about the details of the discussion.

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Including missiles in nuclear deal will stymie chances of fruitful negotiation: professor

BY MOHAMMAD MAZHARI

TEHRAN – Relocation of vaccines, suggested by former American ambassadors of political science from the University of South Alabama, is of the opinion that any efforts to include Iran’s defensive missile capabilities in the nuclear deal will hinder any “chances of a fruitful negotiation.”

“Attempts to include Iran’s missile program in any future nuclear deal and in the absence of a comprehensive regional security structure to counter Iran, which system of Iran’s national security will stymie chances of a fruitful negotiation,” Enrico tells the Tehran Times.

Last week, US Secretary of State Antony Blinken said the Biden administration will return its commitments to the 2015 nuclear deal after Tehran first returns to full compliance.

Also, so far Germany and France, two members of European trio (E3), who are party to the nuclear deal, have proposed including Iran’s missiles program in the nuclear deal.

But Enrco tells that “The E3 is simply showing flexibility in the dark or simply hoping Iran will ultimately succumb to their threats.”

“Some European Union has an inflated opinion of themselves when it comes to their foreign policy weight,” Enrco tells the Tehran Times.

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BY REZA MOSHEFI

TEHRAN – A former Iran football official said that Iran’s football federation General Assembly would make a wise choice on Feb. 28. Iran’s football federation General Assembly will make a wise choice on Feb. 28. Iran’s football federation General Assembly will make a wise choice on Feb. 28. Iran’s football federation General Assembly will make a wise choice on Feb. 28.
Leader says women's achievements in social, cultural, scientific, political, and economic fields have been unprecedented ever since the Islamic Revolution.

The longer the U.S. delays its decision to observe UN Resolution 2231 the “more mistakes” it will be making, President Rouhani warns.

Rouhani: No change to JCPOA content and no new member

Iran is against foreign intervention in Iraq: Rouhani

General Hatami says Iran intends to upgrade its fighters

Baghdad trying to stay away from Iran-US competition: analyst

Aircraft carrier Nimitz leaves Persian Gulf for home
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Former Iranian defender Ali Ansari dies of coronavirus

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U.S. should take the first step to revive JCPOA, Russia says

Iranian foreign minister meets high-ranking Iranian officials
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Over 200 companies to participate in Iran Plast expo

Iran discusses ways for using its frozen assets with Iraq

Oil Ministry, APEC discuss problems of oil, gas, petchem contractors

Liquidity rises over 26% in 9 months

Home appliance manufacturing to post a record high in this calendar year

In the meeting, Hemmati called Iran-Iraq relations "very important" and said Tehran attaches great importance to the expansion of trade with Iraq.

Shaking a long broker and an ancient cultural and religious heritage, Iran and Iraq have become strong economic and political allies since the fall of Saddam Hussein in 2003 and Iran has played a significant role in a major round of meetings in the Arab country.

Iraq relies heavily on Iran to feed several power plants across the country, while Iranian electricity exports also account for a large part of the country's power supply. Iran currently meets nearly 50 percent of Iraq's requirements for megawatts (MW) of electricity, while the country imports around 1.2 billion cubic feet per day (Bcf) of gas through the pipeline.

For his part, Zanganeh delivered a speech in the meeting in which he emphasized that new agreements are going to be signed between the two countries and added: "We are ready to implement the previous agreements in the fields of electricity, gas, and water, and to formulate new agreements in this field in order to develop cooperation between the two countries."

Further in the meeting, Iraqi Trade Minister Ali Ahmed Al-Jubouri, emphasized the significance of modern technologies in the development of economic relations between the countries, and said: "In today's world, the digital economy is very important and the existing obstacles and problems in the way of the development of extensive trade relations between the two countries can be overcome by.

The liquidity growth rate has been two to one in the country considering the outflow of the Tehran Chamber of Commerce, Industries, Mines and Agriculture (TCCIMA), which criticized the unbridled liquidity growth in the country and raised the need to establish a dialogue between the government and the private sector in many economic and industrial sectors.

During a meeting of the TCCIMA's board of representatives, the TVCIMA Head Mohammad Ahmadnejad emphasized that liquidity is the most important factor that is shaping the country's economic conditions.

According to Khosravi, while the current trend continues, the liquidity growth will reach about 8 percent and 8.4% in the next calendar year (March 20, 2021).
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The following is the text of the interview.

It is necessary for Americans to resume the JCPOA negotiations to prevent war.

The United States must return to the JCPOA, and implement its terms, after the nuclear deal is re-established. For the Biden administration to return to the negotiation table, the previous party to the JCPOA, the United States, should reverse its stance against the JCPOA. By reverting to the original point of view, the United States can return to the negotiation table.

President Bush stated that the JCPOA was a security principle. In addition, with few exceptions, Senator Lindsey Graham's state of exception, President Trump's attack on Iran, the establishment of a peaceful political, economic, and political relationship between Iran and the United States. Trump's unilateral withdrawal of the US from the JCPOA was a violation of the treaty terms. The United States' withdrawal from the JCPOA should have been the basis of a complete re-escalation of the JCPOA. Trump's current form will not dissipate. That is why Biden should tell Iran it has no right to utilize its rights as a signatory to international law as the basis of their actions.

In the case of the Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT), even if Iran is not a signatory, the United States and Iran is concerned, Operation Ajax in 1953, the assassination of President John F. Kennedy, the launching of a false flag incident which would be penned in History as a quintessential phenomenon.

In short, Iran's demand that the party is to raise the ante.
Iran eyes UNESCO status for Siraf, other ancient ports: tourism minister

TEHRAN – Iran has begun efforts to secure UNESCO status for Siraf, one of the world’s oldest ports and the site of a number of historically significant cultural sites, as well as for two other ancient ports: Bandar Abas and Chir Kitabsh, according to Mohammad-Hassan Talebian, the Tourism Minister.

The announcement came on the final day of the third tourism conference of Iranian Studies, which was held in Tehran, and was held under the auspices of the International University of Iran. The conference aims to highlight the cultural and historical richness of Iran, and to promote tourism in the country.

The tourism minister said that Iran has a wealth of cultural and historical sites that are of international significance, and that the country is making efforts to promote these sites to the world. He added that Iran is making efforts to secure UNESCO status for these sites, and that the process is already underway.

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90% of Chabahar coral reefs are dying: official

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A greater exposure to air pollution at the very start of life was associated with a detrimental effect on people's cognitive skills up to 10 years, a recent study has found.

Researchers at the University of Edinburgh noted the general intelligence of more than 100 people aged approximately 70 years using a test they had all completed at the age of 10.

The participants then repeated the same test at the ages of 50 and 70 years.

A record of where each person had lived their whole life was used to estimate the level of air pollution they had experienced in their early years.

The team used statistical models to analyse the relationship between a person's exposure to air pollution and their thinking skills.

They also considered lifestyle factors, such as socio-economic status and smoking.

Findings showed exposure to air pollution in childhood had a small but detectable association with worse cognitive change through the ages of 10 to 70 years.

This study shows it is possible to estimate historical air pollution and explore how this relates to cognitive ability throughout life, researchers say.

However, it was not possible to tell how much exposure people had up to 10 years of age.

For this study researchers used a model called the EMEP/EEA atmospheric chemistry transport model to determine pollution levels -- known as statistical fine particulate matter (PM2.5) concentrations -- for the years 1990, 1995, 2000, and 2010. They compared these historical findings with contemporary modelled data from 2003 to estimate life course exposure.

The participants were part of the Lothian Birth Cohort 1936 study, a group of individuals who were born in 1936 and took part in the Scottish Mental Survey of 1947. Since 1993, researchers have been working with the Lothian Birth Cohorts to chart how a person's thinking power changes over their lifetime.

Health ministry pursuing to provide medicine for SMA patients

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He added that medicine provision for all patients have been hindered, but it can be said that this year's medicine shortage is one-third of last year's.

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