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Iran to build largest vaccine factory in ME

The director of the vaccine production group of Execution of Imam Khomeini's Order said that Iran is building the largest vaccine production site in the Middle East, and some countries have even requested to purchase the Iranian vaccines."

<https://www.isna.ir/news/99112015512>

Production capacity of 12m doses of Iranian corona vaccine from May

Tabarsi, member of Iran's National Coronavirus Combat Taskforce said:

"The Iranian vaccine "COVIran Barakat" is higher than international standards. We did not expect this level of effectiveness from this vaccine. From May this year, we will be able to produce 12 million doses."

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Tehran subway expands free COVID-19 testing program

Five metro stations are offering coronavirus tests free of charge to the Tehrani citizens, Farnoush Nobakht, director of Tehran Urban and Suburban Railway Operations Company, said. On January 9, free coronavirus tests started at two metro stations. Now, the service has been expanded to three other stations and will continue until February 11, he explained.

"The clients will receive the test result after 20 minutes, and if it confirms positive, the person's information will be announced to the health department to undergo treatment measures," he stated.

<http://farsnews.ir/news/13991115000300>

Iranian version of ventilator unveiled

Iran has succeeded in producing a domestically-made ventilator. This device can be used to receive complete information about the respiratory status of patients of different ages. It is very

necessary to have this device for COVID-19 patients with heart diseases. Iran can now export this ventilator.

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Iran buys 16m doses of foreign Covid-19 vaccines

First Deputy Speaker of the Islamic Consultative Assembly:

16 million doses of the vaccine have been imported from various countries such as Astrazeneca, India, Russia, Cuba and China. In the first phase, the vaccines will be used for medical staff.

<https://www.isna.ir/news/99111813555/>

Iran to unveil first national subway train

Iran will be unveiling the first "national subway train" in a ceremony next week. Some of the advantages of producing this national train are reducing costs in mass production of domestic wagons, establishing a railway design and engineering centre, increasing the employment level of knowledge-based companies and reducing the cost of construction of metro wagons by 5%.

<https://www.isna.ir/news/99111511569/>

Eight new passenger aircrafts in Iran

In an interview with Tasnim, head of the aviation organization said that eight Western aircrafts made in 2004 and 2005 have arrived in the country, but they are not flying yet. He also added that this aviation organization has prepared the infrastructure and received the flight licenses and is training the technical personnel and about 16 more aircrafts will be the country by the end of the year.

<http://tn.ai/2445395>

Producing "Tara"; six cars a week from next week

The CEO of Iran Khodro Industrial Group has announced that the production of Tara will increase to six cars daily from next week. At this stage, two Tara cars are manufactured weekly.

<https://www.isna.ir/news/99111611901/>

Self-sufficiency in agricultural technology

According to Ministry of Agriculture Jihad, Iran, which used to depend on foreign countries for the development of modern greenhouse technology, can now complete projects using domestic knowledge and export its technology.

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Giant Kaman 22 drones to join Iran air force soon: cmdr.

The Commander of the Islamic Republic of Iran Air Force (IRIAF) has said that home-grown giant "Kaman 22" drones will join the Iran combat forces before the end of this year in the Iranian calendar. Kaman 22 is able to carry 300kg explosives.

<http://fna.ir/f2hjon>

Iran opens shoulder-fired missile, hybrid solid fuel facilities

Major General Mohammad Hossein Baqeri, the Chief of Staff of the Iranian Armed Forces, opened factories producing advanced shoulder-fired missiles and hybrid solid fuel for various missiles used in ground warfare, according to Tasnim news agency.

After inaugurating the missile factory, he described it as "one of the most unique plants in the region producing short-range air defence missiles." Pointing to sophisticated and modern laser and optical technologies for navigation and control used in these missiles, the commander said, "Man-portable rocket launchers for air defence purposes can be employed by troops in various tactical conditions."

<https://mehrnews.com/xTHMq>

UN envoy on Yemen visits Iran to discuss political solution

The United Nations special envoy on Yemen, Martin Griffiths, has begun a two-day visit to Iran to discuss issues related to the Yemen crisis. During his first visit, the UN official is expected to

meet with senior Iranian officials, including Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif, according to a statement issued by the Office of the Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for Yemen. “The Special Envoy for Yemen Martin Griffiths has begun today a two-day visit to Iran where he is scheduled to meet with Foreign Minister Javad Zarif and other Iranian officials,” the statement said.

“The visit is part of the Special Envoy’s diplomatic efforts to support a negotiated political solution to the conflict in Yemen that meets the aspirations of the Yemeni people. The Special Envoy’s immediate priority is to support agreement between the parties to the conflict on a nationwide ceasefire, urgent humanitarian measures and the resumption of the political process,” the statement continued.

<https://b2n.ir/x20935>

Production capacity of Iran's petrochemical products will reach 133 million tons: Iran oil minister

Iran oil minister, Bijan Zangeneh, has announced that the production capacity of Iran's petrochemical products in 2026 will reach 133 million tons and annual revenue will become \$ 35 billion.

<http://www.isna.ir/news/99111914053>

Iranian made tractors in European countries

The CEO of Iran Tractor Manufacturing Company said that tractor export capacity was very high, and this industrial product was exported to different world regions. This company has succeeded in producing 18,500 tractors and exporting 1,800 units worth 500 billion Tomans this year. He also added that neighbouring countries buy Iranian-made tractors and use their brands to sell them to European and Arab countries.

<http://fna.ir/f2i7ag>

Leader: Iran will reverse nuclear steps if U.S. lifts all sanctions

Leader of the Islamic Revolution says that Iran will reverse its nuclear steps only if the United States lifts its sanctions in a way that Iran can verify them. “Iran will return to its JCOPA obligations once the U.S. fully lifts its sanctions in action and not in words or on paper, and once the sanction relief is verified by Iran,” Ayatollah Khamenei said during a meeting with commanders, pilots, and staff members of the Islamic Republic of Iran Air Force (IRIAF).

In his remarks, the Leader said it was the “definitive and irreversible” policy of the Islamic Republic that the United States ought to first fully eliminate the sanctions before Iran could reverse its retaliatory measures.

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Zarif: Finalization of Iran-China 25-Year Deal Not Far Away

Iranian Foreign Minister Mohammad Javad Zarif expressed optimism about the finalization of a 25-year agreement with China in the not too distant future. Speaking to the IRIB, Zarif said his Chinese counterpart, Wang Yi, has announced recently that Beijing was finalizing a proposal for the 25-year agreement with Tehran.

“I believe we’re not far away from the finalization of the agreement,” he added. Asked about Iran’s role in the Caucasus, Zarif pointed to the US’ pressures and the attempts to bypass Iran in that region, saying one of the proposals made by Iran and China in the 25-year agreement, at least for now, is that Iran should be part of the transit routes in the region.

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An Iranian among the recipients of academy awards for 17 scientific and technical achievements

Dr. Babak Beheshti, an Iranian professor at the New York Institute of Technology, has been one of the recipients of the 2021 Academy Award for Scientific and Technical Achievement.

<https://www.isna.ir/news/99111914674>

IRGC Navy Equipped with 340 New Speedboats

The Islamic Revolution Guards Corps (IRGC) Navy in a ceremony at Bandar Abbas port in Southern Iran on Monday received 340 new speedboats with the capability to fire different missiles and rockets and support diving operations.

<https://www.iribnews.ir/00Cdh8>

IRGC has been able to fulfil its responsibility for the security of the region, especially in the Strait of Hormuz: Iran Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces

Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran says that the IRGC navy has been able to fulfil its responsibility for security in the region, especially in the Strait of Hormuz. He also added that the new speedboats have high manoeuvrability, and radar evasion capability and plays an irreplaceable role in establishing peace in the region while the country is under sanction.

<https://tn.ai/2448884>

Iran's Victory against US at World Court

Iranian President Hassan Rouhani has felicitated the country's people on the recent ruling of the International Court of Justice (ICJ) in rejection of the US preliminary objection to Iran's lawsuit on Washington's violation of the 1955 Treaty of Amity. In a statement released, the International Court of Justice (ICJ) — also known as the World Court — rejected the arguments made by Washington that the lawsuit was outside the jurisdiction of the tribunal.

Tehran had filed the case with the ICJ in 2018 after then US president Donald Trump unilaterally pulled out of the 2015 nuclear deal, called the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA), and reinstated anti-Iran sanctions. The lawsuit said the US sanctions against Iran violate the 1955 Treaty of Amity, Economic Relations, and Consular Rights between the two countries, causing “hardship and suffering” and “ruining millions of lives.”

<https://www.alef.ir/news/3991115134.html>

Iran FM Tweets following the victory in World Court

Iranian Foreign Minister, Mohammad Javad Zarif in a message described ICJ ruling on Iran as a legal victory, saying it is high time for the US to comply with international obligations.

"The @CIJ_ICJ just dismissed all US preliminary objections in the case brought by Iran over unlawful US sanctions," Zarif wrote in his Twitter account. "Another legal victory for Iran following 3 Oct. '18 Order. Iran has always fully respected int'l law," he added. "High time for the US to live up to *its* int'l obligations," he reiterated.

<https://twitter.com/JZarif/status/1356981774476320771>