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Emir congratulates president of Slovakia

THE Emir His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al Thani sent on Tuesday a cable of congratulations to President of Slovak Republic Andrej Kiska on the occasion of his country's national day. (QNA)

Emir congratulates Uzbek president

THE Emir His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al Thani sent on Tuesday a cable of congratulations to President of Uzbekistan Dr Islam Karimov on the occasion of the anniversary of his country's Independence Day. (QNA)

Algerian minister meets Qatari envoy

ALGERIAN Minister of Post, Information Technology and Communication Iman Houada Ferroun met with Qatar's Ambassador to Algeria HE Ibrahim bin Abdul Aziz al Sahlawi in Algiers on Tuesday. Talks during the meeting dealt with bilateral relations between the two countries and means of developing them. (QNA)

Tanzanian vice-president meets Qatari envoy

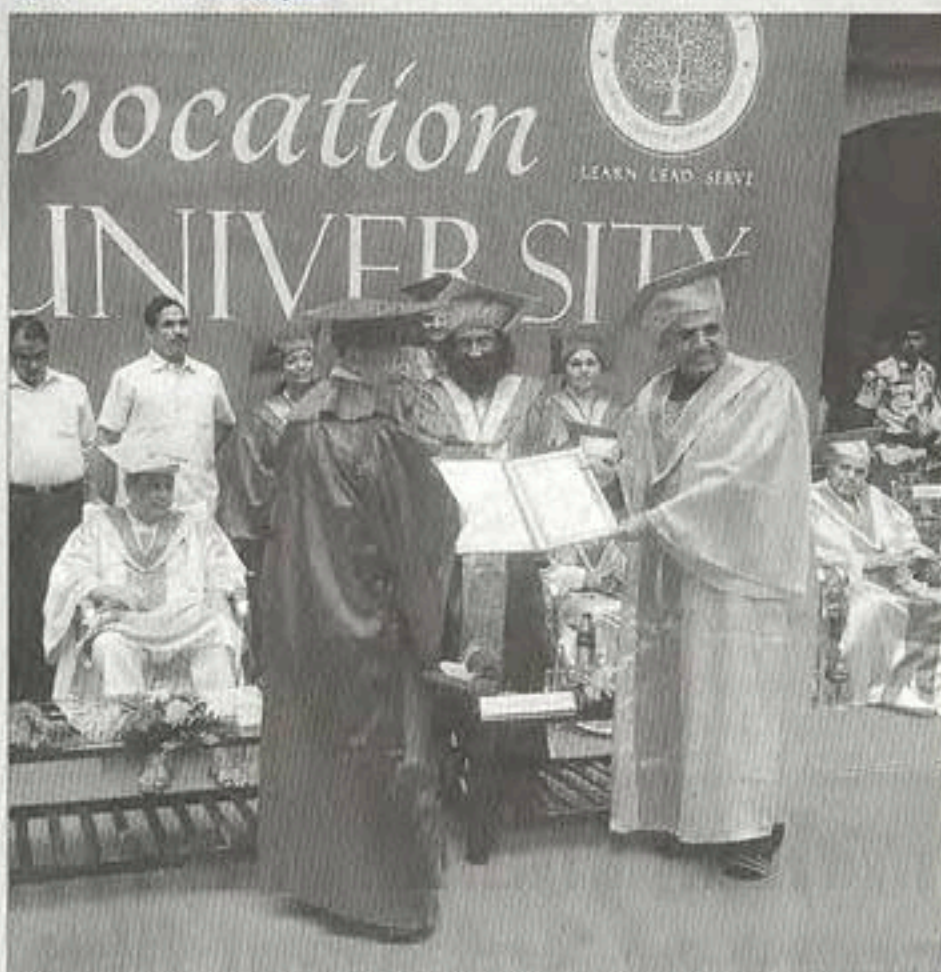
TANZANIAN Vice-President Mohamed Gharib Bilal met with Qatar's Ambassador to Tanzania HE Abdullah bin Jassim al Moudadi in Dar es Salaam on Tuesday. During the meeting, they discussed bilateral relations between the two countries and ways of enhancing them. (QNA)

Serbian minister meets Qatari envoy

MINISTER of Education, Science and Technological Development of Serbia Srdjan Verbic has met with Qatar's Ambassador to Serbia HE Sheikh Mubarak bin Fahad al Thani in Belgrade on Tuesday. During the meeting, they discussed bilateral relations and ways of enhancing them. (QNA)

Paraguayan official meets Qatari envoy

Qatar Tribune



INDIAN UNIVERSITY FETES SEETHARAMAN: Doha Bank CEO Dr R Seetharaman was on Tuesday conferred PhD degree in 'Green Banking and Sustainability' by Sri Sri University based in eastern Indian state of Odisha's capital Bhubaneswar. The PhD degree was presented to Seetharaman by the Vice Chancellor of the University Dr Nand Lal at the second convocation of Sri Sri University in the presence of Chief Minister of Odisha Naveen Patnaik and Sri Ravi Shankar, lifetime president of the university. (TNN)

'Completely cool' stadium to seat 40,000 spectators

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THE venue will accommodate 40,000 spectators and be completely cooled, including the field of play, all seats and concourses. The redevelopment will allow the stadium to host group stage, round of 16 and quarter-final matches.

Work continues to advance with a priority placed on health and safety practices on site, with around 3,300 construction workers having completed a total of 3,234,709 man-hours worked without recordable accidents.

The skeleton of the new stadium is on track for completion by the end of the year. Meanwhile, a new tent which will cover approximately 70 percent of the stadium was fabricated in the USA and is currently being assembled in Mexico. It will soon be shipped to Doha to be fixed using cabling made in Germany. So far around 42,000 cubic metres of structural concrete have been poured.

Ghanim al Kuwari, SC

Competition Venues Executive Director, said: "With this renovation, the stadium will not only be refurbished, but also enhanced with new features, maintaining its position as a global sports centre and also improving its role as a focal point for the local community."

The venue will house the 3-2-1 Qatar Olympic and Sports Museum. Food courts, shops, multi-purpose rooms, VIP lounges and a health centre will also be available on the upper and lower concourses to be built in the East wing. In addition to this, a new road network along with two new metro stations in the surrounding area will connect the stadium to public transport.

A joint venture between Midmac Contracting and a subsidiary of the Belgian Besix Group, Six Construct, is overseeing the main contractor works on the stadium. Dar al Handasah and Projacs are the Design and Project Manager Consultants respectively.