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EUROPE PAGE 05

UK may reap £70b borrowing from household Covid savings The move would help Chancellor of Exchequer raise money at a time of economic turmoil and alleviate pressure on traditional investors

BANKING PAGE 07

Credit Suisse's \$100bn data leak faces investigation

The Swiss prosecutors are probing suspected acts of corporate spying, violations of banking secrecy laws after information on 18,000 accounts was leaked to to an international consortium of media



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SYRIAN REFUGEES FACE EXTREME WINTER



A Syrian man stands with children in front of a tent at a snow-covered camp for internally displaced people near the city of Afrin, Syria. The refugee camps in the northern Syria are under threat of extreme winter weather following heavy rain and snowfall in the previous days, worsening the plight of thousands of Syrian refugees

World Government Summit to discuss future ideas, strategies

The event will welcome 10,000 international government officials, thought leaders, global experts and decision makers

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The World Government Summit 2023 will be held in Dubai from February 13-15, under the slogan "Shaping Future Governments".

The summit witnesses the participation of presidents, governments, ministers, officials, heads of international organisations and companies, thought leaders, global experts and prominent business leaders from the private sector.

Mohammad bin Abdullah Al Gergawi, Minister of Cabinet Affairs and Chairman of the World Government Summit (WGS) Organisation affirmed that the World Government Summit re-



flects the wise vision of the President His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan and His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai.

Al Gergawi said: "In its 2023 edition, the World Government Summit will witness the participation of 20 presidents, includ-

More than 80 international. regional and governmental organisations will enrich the sessions and forums at World Government Summit in Dubai from February 13-15

ing Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, President of Arab Republic of Egypt; Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, President of the Republic of Türkiye; Macky Sall, President of the Republic of Senegal and Chairperson of the African Union; Mario Abdo Benitez, President of the Republic of Paraguay; and President of the Republic of Azerbaijan Ilham Aliyev.

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Oil market faces production issue in 2024, says Goldman With sanctions likely to cause Russian oil exports to fall and Chinese demand expected to recover; prices will rise above \$100 from their current level of \$80

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Oil will rise back above \$100 a barrel this year and may face a serious supply problem in 2024 as spare production capacity runs out, according to Goldman Sachs Group Inc.

With sanctions likely to cause Russian oil exports to drop and Chinese demand expected to recover as the country ends its Covid Zero policy, prices will rise above \$100 from their current level of around \$80, according to Goldman.

A lack of spending in the industry on production needed to meet demand will also be a driver of higher prices, and this lack of capacity may become a big issue by 2024, analyst Jeff Currie said on the sidelines of a

conference in Riyadh on Sunday. "The commodity super cycle is a sequence of price spikes with each high higher and each low higher," said Currie, who heads commodities research at Goldman. By May, oil markets should flip to a deficit of supply compared to demand, he said. That could use up much of the unused capacity global producers have, which will be positive for prices, he said.



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scrambled for alternatives. Saudi energy minister Prince Abdulaziz bin Salman also used remarks at the Riyadh conference to decry the lack of investment in refining capacity that has left the world undersupplied. He reiterated that Opec+ would remain cautious in deciding when to ramp up output.

Saudi Arabia, along with Russia, brings together Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries and other producers in an effort to balance supply and demand while keeping prices palatable for members. Prince Abdulaziz said Opec+'s efforts at limiting supply had saved oil markets during the plunge in demand during the pandemic.

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Currie reiterated Goldman's view that Opec+ will unwind production limits and look to raise output later this year. An Opec+ market monitoring committee this month recommended that the group keep oil output unchanged.

UAE leaders offer condolences over death of Pervez Musharraf

ABU DHABI / WAM

President His Highness Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan has sent a cable of condolences to President of Pakistan, Arif Alvi, over the death of Former President Pervez Musharraf. HH Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, has dispatched similar cable of condolences to President Arif Alvi.

Dubai sees 14.36mn int'l visitors in 2022

Dubai received 14.36 million international overnight visitors in 2022, growing 97 per cent YoY from the 7.28 million tourist arrivals in 2021, according to the latest data published by Dubai's Department of Economy and Tourism (DET).

The growth, which enabled the emirate to surpass global and regional tourism recovery levels, contributes to the goal of the Dubai Economic Agenda D33 launched by His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, to consolidate Dubai's status as one of the world's top three cities for travel and business.

HH Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai and Chairman of Dubai Executive Council said: "Dubai's ability to rapidly ac-



The remarkable rise in international visitation in 2022 supports the ambitious goal of the Dubai Economic Agenda D33 to double the size of the emirate's economy by 2033

celerate tourism growth. which has marked it out as a clear frontrunner in the international industry, demonstrates the far-reaching vision of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum to transform the emirate into an important global player in shaping the future of vital sectors."

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Meeting discusses ways to support private sector, businesses in Dubai

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DUBAI / WAM

Dubai Customs and Dubai Chambers discussed cooperation to support businesses and the private sector and enhance the emirate's competitiveness following Dubai's strategic plans and vision.

These were the highlights of the meeting between Ahmed Mahboob Musabih, Director-General of Dubai Customs, CEO of Ports, Customs and Free Zone Corporation and Dubai Chambers' delegation headed by Mohammad Ali Rashed Lootah, President and CEO of Dubai Chambers at Dubai Customs

main building. The two sides discussed their shared plans and strategies, including the electronic integration of services and the development of new services to consolidate Dubai's position as



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a major global economic hub in the next ten years and empower the new generation of Dubai traders in different sectors and support their expansion plans.

Dubai Customs and Dubai Chambers had previously signed a memorandum of understanding on integrating the risk engine related to documents of origin and the ATA Carnet.

"We spare no effort to foster

our partnerships with local and external entities, business groups and the private sector as part of the emirate's vision of doubling external trade to AED25 trillion in the next decade, adding 400 new cities to Dubai's network, and attracting more investments," Musabih said. "Dubai Customs provides advanced services to streamline procedures and grow RoI for businesses."

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Sheikha Bodour Al Qasimi, President of the American University of Sharjah (AUS), tours the vibrant, multifaceted campus of the university on Sunday ——WAM

Sheikha Bodour Al Qasimi assumes duties as President of AUS

SHARJAH / WAM

Sheikha Bodour Al Qasimi, the newly appointed President of the American University of Sharjah (AUS), was welcomed for her first official visit earlier this week to the 25-year-old centre of excellence, a leading academic institution in the Gulf region and beyond.

Sheikha Bodour's appointment to the position of President of AUS was announced in an Emiri Decree by HH Dr Sheikh Sultan bin Muhammad Al Qasimi, Supreme Council Member and Ruler of Sharjah, who established the university in 1997, and under whose presidency the institution has grown and flourished to offer over 70 undergraduate and graduate courses as well as four PhD programmes to thousands of students who, today, are channelling their education and training at AUS to shape society through impact-driven contributions.

During her tour of the vibrant, multifaceted campus of the university, the newly elected president noted, "It is a great honour to be steering the future of thousands of bright young minds at this world-class university, which has been boosting Sharjah's global reputation as the UAE's cultural and academic capital for over 25 years. I am excited to be here and look forward to working closely with the university's senior officials, faculty and with our

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students, to carve out new pathways that will broaden horizons and present each and every individual here with brand new possibilities for innovation and excellence.

"As an avid reader, a champion of local and global publishing and an ardent supporter of knowledge creation and consumption in all possible forms, I am in a place I have a natural predisposition towards and a lot to contribute to. The role of education in making a positive impact on the world cannot be overstated, and I am confident that along with the exceptional faculty, students, and alumni at AUS, we will continue to build on the legacy of AUS as we forge new partnerships, develop innovative programmes, and create new opportunities for young minds

Global Tolerance and Human Fraternity Summit opens

ABU DHABI / WAM

The Global Tolerance and Human Fraternity Summit, organised by the Ministry of Tolerance and Coexistence and the Council of Muslim Elders in Abu Dhabi kicks off on Monday.

The two-day summit will be organised under the patronage and presence of Sheikh Nahyan bin Mubarak Al Nahyan, Minister of Tolerance and Coexistence, in the presence of several prominent Arab and global figures.

The summit will be part of the Human Fraternity Festival being held during the country's celebrations for the International Day of Human Fraternity.

The summit will discuss issues related to activating the role of the

The Global Tolerance and Human Fraternity Summit, which wil be attended by the representatives of the Vatican and Al-Azhar, will focus on four main topics: faith, diversity, peace and the planet

Global Tolerance Alliance so that its ideas can be transformed into initiatives and programmes, which various nations and peoples can benefit from to develop relations based on dialogue, coexistence, acceptance of the other, and belief in diversity.

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DUBAI SUPREME COUNCIL OF ENERGY HOLDS 74TH MEET



His Highness Sheikh Ahmed bin Saeed Al Maktoum, Chairman of the Dubai Supreme Council of Energy (DSCE), chairs the 74th meeting of the council, which was held in the presence of Saeed Mohammed Al Tayer, Vice Chairman of the DSCE on Sunday. The meeting reviewed progress of the Green Charger initiative, which was launched by Dubai Electricity and Water Authority (Dewa) to increase the number of electric vehicle charging stations in Dubai and support the transition to environmentally-friendly vehicles. By the end of 2022, the number of green chargers reached 350 with more than 620 charging points across Dubai. The initiative has had a huge impact on the increase of electric and hybrid vehicles. The number of EVs reached 15,100, while the number of hybrid vehicles reached 13,500 by the end of 2022

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Ahmed Al Mulla, Director of Khorfakkan Department of Sewa, confirmed that the authority continues to implement all development projects in Khorfakkan city in all regions, whether in electricity and lighting networks projects, networks modification, or water projects.

He explained that the development projects for the transmission and distribution of electricity are continuing in Khorfakkan, where a study and follow-up is currently being conducted to connect two distribution substations 11/0.433 kV with a total capacity of





3000 kVA to the Khorfakkan distribution network to feed the Khorfakkan Corniche development project affiliated with Shurooq and follow up on the new hotel project in the Al Mudaifi area with a total capacity of 17,500 kVA, and the health center project in Yarmouk, with a total capacity of 3,000 kVA.

In the field of electricity and water production in Khor Fakkan, the Sharjah Electricity, Water and Gas Authority completed during 2022 a project to develop and modernise the power plant in the Nahwa area, by completely replacing the existing electric generators with modern ones, according to the latest international systems with a production capacity of 3000 kVA in Nahwa. The electrical network in this region through the city of Khorfakkan, passing through the tunnels, after the operation of the tunnel station, 11/33 kV, according to the strategic plan.

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SEDD, 'Matajer' discuss cooperation

SHARJAH / WAM

Sharjah Economic Development Department (SEDD) received a delegation from "Matajer", one of the most important commercial shopping groups affiliated with Sharjah Holding Company, which was established under a strategic

partnership between Majid Al Futtaim Properties and Sharjah Asset Management. This comes within SEDD's interest to strengthen partnerships with leading companies in the field of retail trade and to introduce them to its ad-

vanced work mechanisms

that it currently follows in

accordance with international standards, in line with its keenness to implement its strategy to contribute to planning and leading the economic development of the emirate and to strengthen the partnership between government and private sectors, which is considered an es-

sential factor for the sustainability of the economic sector in Sharjah.

At the end of the meeting, the delegation thanked SEDD for its efforts to improve economic work in the emirate and praised the clear development methodology pursued by the department.

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During the event, Al Midfa engaged in discussions with several CEO participants on the current state and future prospects of the exhibitions and conferences sector. The talks covered different topics, includ-

ing ways to develop sustainable practices and the need to foster cooperation and integration between exhibition centres globally, as well as the prospects of building strategic partnerships

and organising joint exhibitions. He emphasised that the Expo Centre Sharjah's participation in the Summit aimed to fuel the global efforts being made to advance the exhibition and conferences industry, adding that the

centre looks forward to improving coordination and collaboration with all stakeholders to ensure that the sector can play a vital role in promoting sustainable economic growth.

"With companies around the world spending approximately \$32 billion annually on participating in conferences, the exhibitions and conferences industry has become a significant contributor to economic growth and a key source of national income. The Expo Centre Sharjah's participation in the summit underscores its commitment to contributing to the industry's success," Al Midfa

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Southwest to halve flying time needed for prospective pilots

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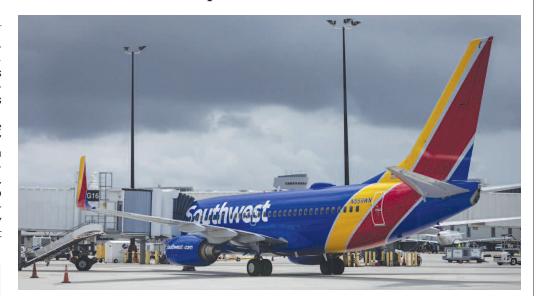
Southwest Airlines Co. will reduce by half the amount of experience prospective pilots must have flying jet or turboprop aircraft as it accelerates hiring this year.

Applicants will need to have 500 hours of "turbine time" starting February 7, down from the 1,000 hours previously required, the airline confirmed. The change, outlined in a memo to pilots, "will allow more highlyskilled aviators the opportunity to pursue a career at Southwest Airlines," a spokeswoman said.

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The new Southwest standard focusing on experience in highperformance aircraft doesn't violate federal regulations, which only specify the requirement for flying time in any type of plane. Federal Aviation Administration rules require that a pilot have at least 1,500 hours of flight time, with slightly lower thresholds if people have military experience or certain academic credit.

Southwest said in a statement that it hasn't changed its flight operations training and "all current and future first officer candidates must pass all elements of the curriculum prior to flying for Southwest."

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Southwest has been hampered by a pilot training bottleneck that's left it unable to fully utilize all of its aircraft. Along with other carriers, it's expanding to take advantage of travel demand that has surged since the spring of 2021 as Covid-19 pandemic waned.

"This is to address the shrinking pool of pilots interested in coming to Southwest," said Casey Murray, head of the Southwest Airlines Pilots Association. "They're having problems hiring them, they're also having trouble keeping them."

The carrier is "having no trouble hiring pilots" and no trouble filling its training classes, Chief Executive Officer Bob Jordan said on a January 26 conference call.

The requirement change was reported earlier by the Wall Street Journal.

Amazon halted Fresh grocery store rollout

Amazon.com Inc. has paused expansion of its line of Amazon Fresh grocery stores as it evaluates how to make the chain stand out to shoppers, Chief Executive Officer Andy Jassy said.

Amazon has owned Whole Foods Market since 2017, but in recent years much of its energy has been devoted to Amazon Fresh, a line of mainstream grocery stores that now number in the dozens after a rapid expansion during the pandemic. The effort to crack the grocery market has long been one of Amazon's biggest bets — and struggles.

'We're doing a fair bit of experimentation with those stores to find the format that we thinks resonates with customers, is differentiated in some meaningful fashion, and where we like the economics," Jassy said.

He added that the company had decided not to expand physical Fresh stores until they complete that evaluation. "We're optimistic that we're going to find that in 2023," and expand more quickly, he said.

The stores struck grocery analysts as an effort to compete with mainstream supermarkets and discounters in a way that a more upscale Whole Foods cannot.

Some Fresh stores are equipped with Amazon's cashierless Just Walk Out technology. They also empha-



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sise in-store pickup of online orders with a prominent customer-service counter.

Jassy made the comments on Amazon's fourth-quarter earnings call with financial analysts. He said Amazon, which has sold food under the Fresh brand online since 2007, had a "a very large" grocery business. He went on to highlight strengths in packaged food, paper products, pet and personal care items, but acknowledged the company has less market share in perishable goods that shoppers often like to eyeball in person.

FedEx, Southwest Airlines jets in close call at Austin airport

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A FedEx Corp. widebody jet flew over the top of a Southwest Airlines Co. plane in Texas after an air-traffic controller cleared the passenger plane to take off from the same runway that the cargo

aircraft was preparing to land on, aviation authorities

The US National Transportation Safety Board has opened an investigation into the close call at Austin Bergstrom International Airport, it said in a statement.

COCA-COLA EMPLOYEES STRIKE IN GERMANY



The employees of Coca-Cola fill a truck with protest posters during their strike in front of the factory site in Halle for a wage increase of 400 euros. The strike was called by the Food and Catering Union

Lufthansa, Air France-KLM in talks to buy UK carrier Flybe

The airlines are interested in the Flybe's seven pairs of take-off and landing slots at Heathrow and five pairs of slots at Schiphol

Deutsche Lufthansa AG and Air France-KLM are in talks to buy bankrupt UK airline Flybe, the Telegraph reported, without saying where it obtained the information.

Flybe ceased operations last month, less than a year after the low-cost airline returned to the skies after an initial bankruptcy in 2020 triggered by the Covid-19 pandemic

Lufthansa and Air France-KLM are considering an offer because they are interested in Flybe's seven pairs of take-off and landing slots at London's Heathrow airport and five pairs of slots at Schiphol in Amsterdam, the *Telegraph* said. Media representatives at Air France and Lufthansa declined to comment.

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The carrier's bankruptcy administrator has just days to work out a rescue and avoid the business being wound down, the Telegraph said.

Lufthansa and Air France-KLM have been competing elsewhere of late. The German carrier last month entered talks with the Italian government to buy a minority stake in ITA Airways, the successor of Alitalia. Air France-KLM also was interested in the ITA stake.

Accessing the slots in Schiphol could be of particular interest given that the Dutch airport, one of Western Europe's four major hubs for decades, plans to limit flights to 440,000 a year from November

Musk's Starlink eyes Philippine rollout

BLOOMBERG

Elon Musk and Philippine tycoon Henry Sy Jr. will introduce their satellite broadband service in the Southeast Asian nation this quarter.

Delays in the production and

deployment of low earth orbit satellites pushed back the venture's plan to start offering high speed, low latency internet in December, Sy's Data Lake said.

SpaceX's Starlink plans to offer its service in the Philippines at an initial price of \$599

per satellite unit and connectivity service at \$99 a month, with download speed of 200 Mbps, the statement said. The use of satellites will be "game changing in connecting" the Philippines' more than 7,600 islands, Data Lake CEO Anthony Almeda said.

Boeing accused of violating 737 Max settlement with DOJ

The US Department of Justice prohibits air craft maker from denying it misled the FAA about the 737 design flaws

BLOOMBERG

Families of 737 Max crash victims say Boeing Co. violated terms of a 2021 deferred-prosecution agreement with the US government when the company pleaded not guilty in Texas last week to a fraud charge tied to its role in hiding flight-control flaws from regulators.

In a motion filed in federal court, lawyers for the relatives claimed the aircraft maker's plea to the criminal charge violates its deal with the US Department of Justice (DOJ), which prohibits Boeing from denying it misled the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) about the 737 design flaws blamed for two crashes that killed 437 people.

"A criminal corporation who has refused to accept responsiBoeing set aside \$500mn to compensate the families of the crash victims, but the bulk of the \$2.5 billion in fines it agreed to pay went to its airline customers

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bility for its crime is more dangerous than one who has so accepted," lawyers for the families told US District Judge Reed O'Connor in the court filing.

Boeing dismissed the allegation as "legally baseless and factually wrong," according to a filing. The company said it has complied with the DOJ agreement for two years, and the not-guilty plea was a procedural necessity that would

allow the case to move forward. "A DPA provides a middle

ground between a criminal conviction and a decision to forego criminal charges," Boeing lawyers said in the filing. "While the DPA is in effect, requiring a defendant to plead guilty to the deferred charge would be contrary to the essence of the agreement, as it would prevent the government from dismissing the charge upon the defen-



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dant's successful compliance with the agreement's terms."

Many families are seeking to overturn the deferred prosecution deal, saying they were never consulted before the agreement was reached. Boeing set aside \$500 million to compensate the families, but the bulk of the \$2.5 billion in fines it agreed to pay went to its airline customers. Family members also are urging O'Connor to appoint an independent monitor. Under its deal with DOJ, information about Boeing's compliance is confidential.

A Boeing executive entered the not guilty plea on the company's behalf in Fort Worth, Texas, on January 26. Boeing had avoided the formal arraignment under its earlier deal with DOJ, but O'Connor ordered the hearing after ruling in October that the relatives were legal crime victims who should have been consulted on the deal's terms.

At the arraignment, family members of the victims were able to publicly address Boeing executives for the first time to explain how the crashes had affected their lives.

Attorneys for Boeing and the DOJ also told the judge that an independent monitor was unnecessary because the company has been complying with the terms of the agreement.

UK grid asks coal reserve to prepare as cold snap looms

The UK's grid operator asked one coal-fired power unit to be ready to generate power as it seeks to boost electricity supplies during a cold snap.

The Uniper SE-owned unit at the Ratcliffe plant in central England is warming and will be ready to provide power by 12:25 pm London time on Tuesday, according to a notice by National Grid's Electricity System Operator. Demand is set to surge during a spell of cold weather in



the UK just as falling wind speeds curb power generation

National Grid has asked units in the coal reserve to get ready several times this winter but

as Europe faces a shortage of natural gas has stopped short of requiring asked coal-fired power producers to keep units available this them to generate. The network operator has asked households

to reduce demand during several evenings to help balance supply at peak times. The UK will phase out coal

next year as it seeks to cut emis-

sions. But the government

winter as Europe faces a shortage of natural gas. Using coal means less gas is needed to produce power.

Demand is expected to peak at 40.9 gigawatts at 5 pm on Monday, up from 38.8 gigawatts on Sunday, grid data show. Power for tomorrow rose to £159.30 a megawatt-hour, the highest since January 23 on Epex Spot SE exchange. The contract for 5-6 pm jumped to £210 a megawatt-hour on Epex.

The measure demonstrates how vulnerable Britain remains to colder weather and fluctuations in wind output. The grid operator set aside as much as £395 million to pay coal units earmaked for closure to stay active this winter as reserve capacity.

Enel in talks with PPC for Romanian unit sale

BLOOMBERG

Enel SpA has extended an exclusivity period for talks with Greece's Public Power Corporation S.A. on the potential sale of its Romanian operations until the end of February.

PPC entered an exclusivity agreement with the Italian utility in December in relation to the potential acquisi-

tion of the entire equity stakes held by Enel in Romania. The parties "will inform the market should they enter into a binding agreement on the transaction," the Italian company said.

The announcement comes as Enel grapples with rising debt levels and is part of a broader divestment push to sell as much as €21 billion in assets.

EXPERT MEETING

THE GULF TIME - DATE: 06-02-2023

Notification by Publication
In Appeal No. 2022/1487 Commercial **Sharjah Federal Court of Appeal**

Simar Deep Singh Arora and Mandeep Singh Arora Against the Appellees: Lazer Real Estate FZE, Sharjah Cold store -Sole proprietorship, Muhammad Ali Saeed Abdullah The Appellees: Laser Real Estate FZE, Sharjah Cold Store - Sole

proprietorship, Muhammad Ali Saeed Abdullah are invited, in person or through a legal attorney, to attend the meeting of the Experts Committee (Banking - Accounting) scheduled to be held at (3) pm on Thursday corresponding to 09/02/2023, through conference call vai "ZOOM" program, or by telephone. Note that the contact information for the expert is the e-mail: expertmaher516@gmail.com Yours sincerely,

//Handwritten signature// On behalf of the expert committee Maher Adel Al-Masaeed



The UK will phase out coal next year as it seeks to

cut emissions. But the government asked coal-fired

power producers to keep units available this winter

GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI Dubai Courts Dubai Court of First Instance

Notification of Payment by Publication

In Execution No. 253/2022/18551- Cheques Execution

Execution Applicant **National Bank of Ras Al-Khaimah** Address Correspondence address: TRUST LAWYERS & LEGAL CONSULTANT - located in Sharjah - Al Khan - Al Qasba - Al Hind Tower - Office 1110 - Tel. No. 065505677 - Fax No. 97165505778 - Mobile: 0549946635 - P.O. Box: 29210.

Party to be Notified 1- Deedar Chaudhary Shahid Chaudhary, His capacity: Enforces Subject of the Notification The above-mentioned executive case has been brought against you and you are obliged to pay the executed amount of 15000 dithams to the Execution Applicant or the Court treasury, in addition to the amount of fees to the court treasury.

United Arab Emirates

DATE: 06-02-2023 Issuance Date: 31/01/2023

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES Ministry of Justice

SERVICE BY PUBLICATION REQUEST IN EXECUTION CASE

Respondent Service by Publication Respondent service by Publication

Sharjah Federal Court- Civil Court of Execution - AL MATRAQAH AL

BAYDHA COAL & WOOD .TR - Somaya Konat Samir Mon Tayl

Notice of Payment in Case No. SHCEXCIBOUNCE2022/0000255/Bounced Cheques

ne Convicted: **1- AL MATRAQAH AL BAYDHA COAL & WOOD .TR -**

2- Somaya Konat Samir Mon Tayl
Whereas on the above mentioned date the attached judgment was rendered against you in favour of the Claimant, National Bank of Ras Al Khaimah, in the above-mentioned case.
Whereas the above-mentioned Claimant has submitted a request to execute the said judgment, and paid the charges thereof, and whereas the judgment to be executed is as follows:
Payment of the total claim amount including costs and expenses: AED 245090.0

nerefore, you are obligated to execute the abovementioned execution ond within 15 days as of this notification date. In case you fail, the cour shall take all forced execution procedures prescribed by law against you

Judge Ahmed Talaat Abdel Sadik Mohamed Sharjah Federal Court - Civil Court of Execution

NOTICE

THE GULF TIME - DATE: 06-02-2023

Flybits Technology Limited, whose office is a Private Company at Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) and holding Commercial License number CL 3587, hereby gives notice that its DIFC Private Company shall be wind-up from January 7,

Any queries, claim or objections regarding the proposed closure of the Flybits Technology Limited are requested to be forwarded to Mr. Hossein Rahnama (Director) by telephone at +1 844-359-2487 and in writing to legal@flybits.com. within Fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this notice.

NOTICE

THE GULF TIME - DATE: 06-02-2023

Godrej Mid East Holding Limited, whose office is a Private Company at Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) and holding Commercial License number CL 1910, hereby gives notice that its DIFC Private Company shall be wind-up from September 29, 2022.

Any queries, claim or objections regarding the proposed closure of the Godrej Mid East Holding Limited are requested to be forwarded to Mr. Chirag Khisor Savia (Director) by telephone at Tel: +971 4 6017 900 and in writing to chirag.s@godrejcp.com within Fifteen (15) days from the date of publication of this notice.

NOTICE

THE GULF TIME - DATE: 06-02-2023

To the First Execution Debtor: Tadhamon Group Holdings Limited

Second Execution Debtor: Beat World Investments Limited Subject: Commercial Execution Claim No. 8168 of 2022 - Dubai Courts

A Notice for Publication in Arabic & English

Whereas a claim is filed against you by Tadhamon International Islamic Bank (Plaintiff), represented herein by Al Tamimi & Company Advocates & Legal Consultants and whereas we have been appointed as a judicial liquidator according to the interlocutory judgment handed down or the above Claim; we accordingly invite you to attend the Expert Videoconference Meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, 8 February 2023 at 12:30 PM. Accordingly, kindly attend and be available by video-conference (Zoom) at the scheduled time. You are further kindly requested to provide us, before the meeting time, with all documents supporting your defense via the expert email as stated below. Kindly contact us via Telephone Number: 0589323011, 042206244, Email: intrafinance@intra.ae



THE GUI ETIME Issuance Date: 30/01/2023

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Ministry of Justice SERVICE BY PUBLICATION REQUEST IN EXECUTION CASE

Respondent Service by Publication Fujairah Federal Court- Civil Court of Execution Notice of Payment in Case No. FUCEXCIBOUNCE2022/0002022/ Bounced Cheques

To:
The Respondent: Ronald Kapatent Jasita
Address: Unknown
Whereas on the above mentioned case, a judgment was rendered against you in favour of the Claimant, Dubai Islamic Bank.
Whereas the above-mentioned Claimant has submitted a request to execute the said judgment, and paid the charges thereof, and whereas the judgment to be executed is as follows:
Payment of the total claim amount including costs and expenses: AED 105507.0
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Therefore, you are obligated to execute the abovementioned execution bond within 7 days as of this notification. In case you fail, the court shall take all forced execution procedures prescribed by law against you.

GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI

DUBAI COURTS

Legal notice by publication Number (2023 / 495)

The Notifying party hereby warns the Notified party to pay an amount of 200.000.00 Dollars, or its equivalent amounting 752.000.00 Dirhams (Seven hundred and fifty-two thousand

Dirhams), within a maximum period of 5 days from the publication date of this notice, Otherwise, the Notifying party will be prompted to take legal actions to collect the amount and

By power of attorney: Essa Salem AlQaydi Against

Notifying party: Abdullah Saleh A Alghamdi

Notified party: Sharofdzhon Shafiev



DATE: 06-02-2023

GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI Dubai Courts Dubai Courts of First Instance

In Execution No. 253/2022/17159 - Cheques Execution In Execution No. 253/2022/1/13' - Cleques Execution
Examined before Ninth Execution Department No. 230
Subject of the Execution: Claim for the amount of the bounced cheque No. [12940
Sused by [Emirates NBD Bank] in the amount of [21840] disham, the remaining amou
is AED [209257] [Two hundred nine thousand, two hundred and fifty seven dishams)]
that the total amount of the claim includes fees and expenses is [213958] AED [Tv
hundred thirteen thousand, nine hundred and fifty-eight dishams].

Address: Correspondence address, Trust Lawyers Sharjah - Al Khan - Al Qasba - Al Hind Tower - C 0655057789 - Mobile: 0549946635 - P.O Box - 29210.

Party to be Notified 1- Fahad Hussain Liyaqah Liyaqah – His Capacity: Enforcee



DATE: 06-02-2023 Service Date: 24-01-2023 Mission No. 24754/2023

GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI Dubai Courts Dubai Court of First Instance

Service by Publication

n Case No. 13222/2022/13 - Labor- Restricted Jurisdiction

Heard Before: Forth Labor First Instance Circuit No. 26
Case Subject: Claim for labor dues of AED (1,301,3000) (One Million: Three Hundred One
fhousand; Five Hundred Dinhams), Itavel licket of AED (2500) and legal interest of %s a
of the date of claim until full payment is affected as well as fees, expenses and attorney?

These, To render an expedite enforceable judgment without both, Ref. Not: ERS-006475

Service Subject: The Plaintiff filed the Case against you to claim for labor dues of AED

A hearing is set therefor to be held on Tuesday, corresponding to 07-02-2023 at 10:00 AM in the remote litigation hall BUILDING, DESC&, Therefore, you are assigned to appear in person, or by your legal representative, and submit your relevant memoranda or documents to the court at least three days prior to the hearing.

GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI

Notification of Payment Order by Publication

Regarding: Execution No. 5919/2022/107 - Commercial Execution

Execution Applicant: NAJMET HAFEET CONTRACTING L.L.C.

Subject Matter of Notification: An execution lawsuit has been filed against you in order to oblige you to pay the sum adjudicated amounting to AED (143,461.9) to the Execution Applicant or the

Court Treasury.
Accordingly, the court will initiate the executive procedures against you in case of non-compliance with the said decision within (15) days from the date of publication hereof.

the legal interest of 12%, in addition to all fees and charges be borne by the notified party. Sincerely,

Notary public //signed// //stamp of the notary public 53: Essa Abdullah AlHumaidan//



GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI

In Execution No. 253/2022/15962- Cheques Execution Examined before Ninth Execution Department No. 230 Subject of the Execution Claim for the value of the bounced by First Abu Dhabi Bank in the amount of (222000) dithoms [Iw

Dubai Courts Dubai Courts of First Instance

Notification of Payment by Publication

Naright - Al Khan - Al Qasba - Al Hind Tower - Office 1110 – Tel. No. 0.65505677 – Fax No. 97165505778 – Mobile: 0549946635 – P.O. Box: 29210. Subject of the Notification The above-mentioned executive case has been brough

against you and you are obliged to pay the executed amount of 226955 dirhams to the Execution Applicant or the Court treasury, in addition to the amount of fees to the cour

Accordingly, the Court will initiate executive proceedings against you in the event o noncompliance with the said decision within 7 days from the date of publishing this Notification.

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THE GULF TIME - DATE: 06-02-2023 **GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI DUBAI COURTS**

Legal Notification by Publication No (510 / 2023)

The Claimants

1 - Shelkha Obaid Attiq Al-Qubaisi

2 - Emirates REIT (CEIC) PLC – Public joint stock company
Against

The Respondent / Shameer Bambinizat Suliman – Indian National – unknown residency address.

Subject: unknown residency address. Subject:

By virtue of this legal notice, the claimants notify the defendant of the necessity to pay an amount of (138,000) dirhams (one hundred and thirty-eight thousand dirhams) the value of the late rent for the period from 20/2/2017 to 1/9/2022. And any new rental amount until the date of the actual evacuation and handing over the leased property free of concerns, plus the payment of water, electricity and communications bills, within thirty days (30) from the date of receiving this notification, otherwise, the claimant will have to take all necessary legal measures to preserve their rights in this regard, with the defendant bearing all fees and expenses, including attorneys' fees and judicial fees, and any compensation or losses resulting from the defendant's non-compliance with what was stated in this legal notice, without prejudice to Any compensation or other entitlements stipulated by law or the lease agreement.

GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI DUBAI COURTS DUBAI COURT OF FIRST INSTANCE Mission No.: 34204 / 2023

Notice By Publication In case No.: 40 / 2023 / 331- Civil

Plaintiff: **Jason Cao King and others** Address: United Arab Emirates- Emirate of Dubai- Deira- Dubai -Al Maso Building- Flat 801
Represented by: Saeed Bashir Ali Al-Barq Al-Aili Required to be announced

1. Leon Anthony Wong in his capacity of: Defendant

2. Muntader Hasani in his capacity of: Defendant

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UNITED ARAB EMIRATES MINISTRY OF JUSTICE

Notification by publication in the enforcement case To notify the Enforcee by publishing in Arabic and

English language Payment notice in case no. AJCEXCIBOUNCE2022/0005670 To: the convicted: Jagjit Ajitsingh Saini Ajitsingh Arjandev Saini Whereas the judgment which a copy of it is attached herewith, has been rendered against you in favor of the plaintiff Kamlesh Kumar Chandan Kumar, Indian national, in the aforementioned case. And whereas the said judgement creditor has requested to execute the said judgement and poid the determined fees thereto, and whereas the judgement to be executed is as follows: Gross fotal inclusive fees and expense: 102425.0.

Therefore you are required to execute what is included and contained in the above-mentioned execution deed, within (15) days with this notification, however in the contained in the above-mentioned execution deed, within (15) day; from the date of notifying you with this notification, however in the event that you fail to do so, the court will take the compulsory enforcement procedures against you, as legally established.

Ajman Federal Court
Civil Enforcement Court
(Signed and stamped with Ministry of Justice seal)

DATE: 06-02-2023

GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI DUBAI COURTS

314/2023/40 Civil Notification No.: 22054/2023 Date: 02/02/2023 Notification Type : By Publication Newspaper Edition Iss Issue Dare Notification Details

Details of the Notification By Publication: To Defendants:

 Yali Zeng
 B G H Vacations Homes Rentals L.L.C.
Unknown Addresses Whereas the Claimant: Issac Qureshi

Filed the case subject matter of which is to claim the Defendant to pay AED 352,538.00, fees, expenses and attorney fees of 12% from the claim date until full payment and the judgment shall be self-executing without bail.

A hearing was set to be held on Thursday 09/02/2023 at 09:00 am at the remote litigation hall BUILDING_DESC&. So, you or your legal representative are assigned to attend the hearing and submit your memorandums or documents to Court at least three days before the hearing.

GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI DUBAI COURTS
DUBAI COURTS OF FIRST INSTANCE

Commission No.: 26426/2023 Notification by Publication In the Lawsuit No.: 190 / 2022 / 140

To be Considered before: Family Department — Third Muslim financial status No. 75

daughter guardian.
The court determined an online hearing on Tuesday, corresponding to 21\02\2023, 8:30 am in litigation hall, in Civil Status building in Garhoud area so you are obliged to aftend whether personally or your approved attorney and you shall submit the memorandums or documents to the court within at least 3 days prior the hearing.



DATE: 06-02-2023 Date of Notification: 1 November 2022 Notification No. 188699/2022

DUBAI COURTS
DUBAI COURTS OF FIRST INSTANCE

Considered in: 8th Execution Circuit No. 229
Subject Matter of Execution: Executing the Judgment issued regarding Case No. 1313/2022 Payment Order to pay the sum adjudicated amounting to AED (143,461.9) inclusive of fees and



UNITED ARAB EMIRATES MINISTRY OF JUSTICE Defendant's Public Notice

Case Management Office Sharjah Federal Court of First Instance Federal Civil Court In Case No. SHCFICIREA2023/0000142 / Civil (Partial)

In Case No. SHCFICIREA2023/0000142 / Civil (Partial)

In the Defendant Rivan Mouhamad

Anonymous Place of Residence:
2. Fanda Sidhique & Cattakath Mohamed Sidhique — Nationality: Indian — Legal

Advisor at the Hird Defendant Company.

2. Fanda Sidhique & Kattakath Mohamed Sidhique — Nationality: Indian — Legal

Advisor at the Hird Defendant Company.

Based on Plaintiff: Mohamad Samir Preis — Nationality: Lebanon

He has sued you and demands it from you.

Fist: Ruling obliging the defendants jointly to pay to the plaintiff an amount of

AED 31.500 (Hirly-one Housand five hundred difnams) and the delay interest
at the rate of 12% from the date of filing the case until full payment.

Second: - Obliging the defendants in pay an amount of AED 25.000, as
compensation to the plaintiff for the material damages he suffered, including
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am - Office No.: (Office of the Case Manager No.: 10) in person or through an
authorized at dromey, and submit a, plea in response to the case with all
of publication in order to consider the case mentioned adone — as a
defendant. Defendants' Public Notice in Arabic and English documents attached within a period not exceeding ten days from the date of publication in order to consider the case mentioned above - as a defendant. Defendants' Public Notice in Arabic and English

GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI

DUBAI COURTS

DUBAI COURTS OF FIRST INSTANCE

Service by Publication (Grievance)

Heard in: Grievances and Summary Proceedings Department No 190 Case Subject: Grievance against the decision issued in the Case No. 510/2022, Commercial Provisional Attachment, plus expenses and fees. Claimant: IT Max Global DMCC

Address: UAE, Dubai, Trade Center First District, Dubai, Sheikh Zayed Road, Latifa Tower, Office No. 1007, next to Zoom Market, Spatial No.

Represented by Mohammed Ahmed Ali Abdul Rahman Bu Hashen

Summoned: LEADING BAKERES LL.C — Capacity: Respondent Service subject: The Claimant has filed the abovementioned Grievance whose subject is grievance against the decision issued in the Case No. 510/2022, Commercial Provisional Attachment, plus expenses and fees.

Accordingly, the hearing dated Tuesday, corresponding to 21/2/2023, at 10:00 am, in the remote litigation hall BUILDING_DESC

is set for its examination. Therefore, you are instructed to submit any

briefs or documents to the court on or before three days from the hearing date. Failing which, the judgment shall be as in presence.

In the case No. 72/2022/483- Commercial Grievance



UNITED ARAB EMIRATES MINISTRY OF JUSTICE Defendant's Public Notice Case Management Office Sharjah Federal Court of First Instance Federal Civil Court in Case No.: SHCFICIREA2023/0000270 / Civil (Partial)

At the request of the Plaintiff Ars Kb General Trading LLC represented by Arif Ahmed Khan Aziz Ahmed Khan as the company's manager It has filed a case against you and is demanding it from you First: Registering the case, determining the nearest hearing for its consideration, and notifying the defendant of the legally attached regulations and documents. Second: Obliging the defendant to pay an amount of AED 11,550 in addition to interest at the rate of 12% from the date of the claim until full payment and obliging firm to pay less and expenses and for attorney's fees.

You are assigned to attend the hearing of 07/02/2023 before the Case Management Office Sharjah Federal Court Civil Court of First Instance at 08:30 am - Office No: (Office of the Case Manager No: 10) in person or through an authorized attorney, and submit a plea to the case with all documents datached within a period not exceeding ten days from the date of public defendant's notice shall be executed by publication in Arabic and English.

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GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI DUBAI COURTS DUBAI EXECUTION COURT

208 / 2022 / 2126 Execution, civil

Published Notice Details

1_ Hisham Ezzi Issi, unknown place of residence Execution Applicant Moosa Rent A Car LLC

amount of (40,973 dirhams), including fees and expenses. procedures against you in the event of non-compliance

with the aforementioned decision within 15 days from the date of publication of this announcement.

Notice no: 2023 / 21741 Notice Date: 02 / 02 / 2023 GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI DUBAI COURTS **DUBAI COURTS OF FIRST INSTANCE**

<u>In Case no.: 242 / 2023 / 40 - Civil</u> i: Twelve Case Management Department no. 859 ect: Claim to oblige the two defendants to pay Case subject: Claim to oblige the two defendants to pay an amount of (13200 Dirhams), the fees and expenses, in addition to the legal needs of 3% from the claim date until full payment. Merging of dispute control of the control of



Date of Notice: 01/02/2023

Presented in: Fifth Case management department No. 404
Subject of Case: Claim to charge the defendants jointly to pay to Plaintiffs an amount of (AED 3.577.00) in the way that the honorable court thinks it will be general, comprehensive and appropriate to redress material and moral damage that has occurred to him for what defendants committed and legal interest 12 % of due date on 26/05/2021, fees, expenses and Attorney's fees.

2. Muntader Hasani in his capacity of: Defendant Subject of Case: Plaintiff has filed the lowsuit and its subject is to claim to charge the defendants jointly to pay to Plaintiffs an amount of (AED 3.577.000) in the way that the honorable court thinks it will be general, comprehensive and appropriate to redress material and moral damage that has occurred to him for what defendants committed and legal interest 12 % of due date on \$150.000 for the purpose and Althomytic for



Notification date: 25-01-2023

Muslim financial status

status No. 75

Subject matter of the Lawsuit: Stripping the guardianship and appointing the Plaintiff as her minor daughter guardian.

The Plaintiff sANA KAYUM SABOOWALA

Address: UAE: Emirate of Dubai, Bur Dubai — Dubai — Sheikh Zayed Street — Latifath Tower — Apt. floor 37, office 3707

To be notified: 1- MOHAMED AAMIR OBEDULLA,

at its capacity as a Defendant

Subject matter of the Notification:

We would like to inform you that the Plaintiff has filed a Lawsuit against you, which subject is:

Stripping the guardianship and appointing the Plaintiff as her minor daughter guardian.

The court determined an online hearing on Tuesday, corresponding to



GOVERNMENT OF DUBAI DUBAI COURTS **DUBAI COURTS OF FIRST INSTANCE** Mission No.: 2023/32110





11/50/49/.
Recipient: Rock Wall Technical Services LLC. Capacity: Defendant
Subject of Notification: Filed a claim against you for the abovementioned and for othe
reasons concluded by the Court, the Planitiff requests to rule against the Defendant in 9/9/2020 until full payment. Second: oblige the Defendants to pay fees, expenses and attorney fee. Ses Tuesday 07/02/2023 at 9:00 am at the remote hall has been defined. According are obliged to appear before the court or your legal representative and submit all and document to the Court within a period not exceeding 3 days prior to the ses





We have filed the above-mentioned executive lawsuit against you and obligated you to pay the executed



TREASURY minister Andrew Griffith met with market makers who deal in UK government bonds

UK may reap £70b borrowing from household Covid savings

The move would help Chancellor of the Exchequer Jeremy Hunt raise money at a time of economic turmoil and alleviate the pressure on traditional investors

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The UK Treasury is exploring a significant increase in the bonds it sells to retail investors, a move that analysts say may draw in as much as £70 billion (\$85.8 billion) for financing deficits in the coming years.

The move would help Chancellor of the Exchequer Jeremy Hunt raise money at a time of economic turmoil and alleviate the pressure on traditional investors, who are being asked to shoulder record sales of UK debt.

Luring in savings from households, which traditionally have limited access to the gilt market, would tap into some £1.7 trillion in deposits that swelled up when pandemic lockdowns prevented spending on leisure, hospitality and tourism.

"There is plenty of cash in the household sector in the UK that could potentially be put to work in other ways," said Imogen Bachra, head of UK rates strategy at NatWest Markets. "We do see scope for some borrowing to be financed via bills and, more innovatively, through heavier reliance on retail investors."

She said under the most optimistic scenario, the Treasury could raise up to £70 billion from households and short-dated bills. The more likely outcome is more in the range of £40 billion to £50 billion.

That's still more than double the most previously raised through National Savings & In-



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vestments, the government bank that links with consumers. NS&I sells premium bonds and tax-free savings accounts and fed £23.8 billion to the Treasury in 2020-21

Treasury and DMO staff met with banks to discuss using NS&I, to boost state funding from ordinary investors in 2023-24, a person with knowledge of the discussions said.

Treasury minister Andrew Griffith met with market makers who deal in UK government bonds, known as gilts, and the DMO on Jan. 23 to discuss funding needs for the next financial year and concerns that soaring sales could outstrip investor

For the DMO, the move would bring in badly needed new buyers at a time when gilt sales are soaring. About £305 billion of gilts are due to be issued in the 2023-24 fiscal year. The Bank of England also is shedding £80 billion of gilts from its quantitative easing portfolio this year,

including £45 billion of direct sales. Mark Capleton, a bond strategist at Bank of America, said he expects as much as £35 billion to be raised through NS&I next year, which is "very large compared to past years." He said this would be about "diversifying the funding options" to help with a "very large financing need coming up."

The financing plans of the DMO, which handles government debt sales, will be unveiled alongside the Treasury's annual budget on March 15.

"The gilt market is deep and liquid, with a good track record of responding smoothly to increases in gilt supply," a Treasury spokesperson said. "As a complement to support government financing, NS&I regularly reviews its products to ensure that it continues to balance the interests of savers, taxpayers and the broader retail financial services sector."

Officials and the banks discussed the "potential for retail investors to contribute more significantly to meeting the overall financing requirement," according to minutes from the meeting with Treasury officials released by the DMO.

It also said that gilt investors had suggested to the Treasury that "a greater contribution could be made to meeting the financing requirement by a combination of more Treasury bill issuance and higher retail financing."

French PM offers concession in battle over pension reform

BLOOMBERG

Emmanuel Macron's government may offer another concession on plans to raise France's retirement age from 62 to 64, seeking to secure a parliamentary majority amid a massive public backlash.

The government is considering another carve-out so more people can retire before they turn 64, Macron's Prime Minister Elisabeth Borne said in an interview with the JDD newspaper on Sunday. Debates on the proposal start on Monday at the National Assembly and unions are planning fresh strikes and protests for Tuesday.

The concession offered by Borne would add to other provisions designed to allow people who began working at a young age to retire earlier. If the latest change is accepted by parliament, people who began working between 20 and 21 years old could retire at 63, she said.

The move aims to sway lawmakers from the conservative Republicains party, whose support Macron's centrist bloc needs for a majority.

"With this bill, as with others, we are looking for agreements," Borne said in the interview with JDD. "I want to find a majority - that's what I've been working on throughout recent weeks and months."

Macron's government is under pressure to rethink the president's signature economic reform as more people join protests and opinion polls show the French overwhelmingly reject the reform.

His government could still use a constitutional provision known as the 49.3 to proceed without a vote in parliament,



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but that would risk further stoking anger. Last week, Finance Minister Bruno Le Maire said getting a majority is a question of "political legitimacy."

for Tuesday

The change to allow more people to retire at 63 would affect around 30,000 people a year in France with an annual cost of between €600 million (\$648 million) and €1 billion. The government and parliament will have to find ways of financing the new measure to ensure the pension system still eliminates its deficit by 2030, Borne said.

It's not clear the proposed changes will be sufficient to sway those currently opposed to the reform. Speaking on France Info radio on Sunday, the deputy leader of the Republicains, Pierre-Henri Dumont, said the concession is not broad enough.

PROTEST AGAINST BURNNG OF KORAN



Demonstrators hold placards at a rally in Hamburg, against the burning of a copy of the Quran by the Swedish politician Rasmus Paludan in Hamburg —DPA

Mike Ashley eyes £100m bet on UK malls

BLOOMBERG

British billionaire Mike Ashley is in advanced talks to buy two UK shopping malls valued at a combined £100 million, The

Times newspaper reported.

Ashley's Frasers Group Plc is lining up bids for The Mall in Luton — a town just north of London — and the Overgate Shopping Centre in Dundee, Scotland. The deals would value the malls at about £70 million

and £30 million respectively, the report said, without saying where it got the information.

Frasers declined to comment when contacted by Bloomberg News.

The clothing retailer is hunting for bargains as the UK consumer industry struggles to recover from lockdowns during the coronavirus pandemic that shuttered shops and malls. The reported valuation for the Overgate mall would represent

a big loss for Legal & General Group Plc, which paid Land Securities Group Plc £125 million

for the site nine years ago.
Frasers' interest in buying the Overgate mall was first reported by the trade publication React News, the Times said.

Purchasing either asset would mark Ashley's first ownership of a shopping mall — a prospect that could unnerve his retail rivals, who would end up as his tenants.

Danaher takes interest in life sciences company Catalent

New Jersey-based firm provides delivery technologies and development solutions for drugs, biologics among others

BLOOMBERG

Life sciences company Danaher Corp. has expressed takeover interest in contract manufacturer Catalent Inc., according to people familiar with the matter.

The overtures by Danaher in recent months valued Catalent at a significant premium, the people said, asking not to be identified because the matter is private. It's unclear how Catalent will proceed or whether it's receptive to a takeover offer, the people said. A deal isn't imminent, they added.

"As a matter of company policy, Catalent does not comment on market rumors or speculation," a representative said in an emailed statement.

A representative for Danaher didn't immediately respond to a request for comment.

Catalent, based in Somerset, New Jersey provides delivery technologies and development solutions for drugs, biologics and consumer health products. The manufacturer has gained prominence during the coronavirus pandemic, helping to produce more than a billion Covid-19 vaccines and treatments in partnership with companies including Moderna Inc.,



A deal uniting Danaher and Catalent would be one of the largest transactions this year, in what's been a sleepy market for dealmaking

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Johnson & Johnson and AstraZeneca Plc.

The company's shares more than tripled in the first year of the pandemic but have fallen about 60% since their peak in

September 2021. They closed at \$56.05 on Friday, giving the company a market value of about \$10 billion.

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Europe risks new age of protectionism in joining US subsidy race

The EU has defended rules-based order, even as the US has grown hostile toward constraints it adopted as WTO member

BLOOMBERG

Joe Biden's clean technology law has dragged the European Union into a subsidy fight that may trigger a transatlantic trade war, just as the allies are joining forces against Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

The EU has always defended the global rules-based order, even as the US has grown increasingly hostile toward the constraints it adopted as a member of the World Trade Organization. But Biden's \$500 billion in new spending and tax breaks to boost domestic green industries over the next decade may prove to be the final straw.

The EU unveiled its Green Deal Industrial Plan this past week in an effort to accelerate the development of its clean

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technology sector through massive investment aid and tax credits. The European legislation is still being negotiated, but if it follows in the US footsteps it could make the WTO even



The EU's competition chief Margrethe Vestager has cautioned that too much national support for companies could disadvantage smaller and poorer countries

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ers embark on new era of confrontation with no holds barred.

The big problem we have at the moment is that some of the instruments countries are using to fight climate change are contrary to the norms of international trade," Arancha González Laya, former executive director of the International Trade Centre and former Spanish foreign affairs minister, said in an interview. "I am concerned that we are entering into a period where a new form of interdependence, which is climate change, will be tackled with purely nationalistic approaches.'

CHINA'S RISE

The most recent phase of globalization accelerated in the 1990s following the disintegration of the Soviet Union and the

spread of US-led trade values across the world. China's entry into the WTO in 2001 helped supercharge the global economy by 76% over the following 20 years and raised some 1 billion people out of poverty. But the shock of China's meteoric rise brought pain to foreign workers — particularly in regions with labor-intensive manufacturing like electronics, apparel, tires, steel and aluminum.

Former President Donald Trump blamed the WTO for failing to curb China's worst trade abuses and policymakers in Washington broadly accept that the organization is unfit for purpose. As the US became disaffected with the trading system it developed, it caused disharmony between Washington and Brussels.

India opposition attacks Modi on silence over Adani allegations

India's main opposition party ramped up the pressure on Prime Minister Narendra Modi over his silence on the Adani turmoil and planned a nationwide protest on Monday to highlight the risk to small investors.

"What action has been taken, if ever, to investigate serious allegations made over the years against the Adani Group?" Jairam Ramesh, general secretary of the Congress party, said in a statement. "Is there any hope of a fair and impartial investigation under you?," he said, referring to Modi.

India's opposition parties are trying to corner Modi after an explosive report by US-based short seller Hindenburg Research accused Adani's companies of fraud to inflate revenue and stock prices. The tumult has become a national issue, with lawmakers disrupting parliament to demand answers as Adani's interests often intertwine with the nation's growth plans. The market value of the group has almost halved since Hindenburg's allegations, which have been repeatedly denied by the conglomerate.

The Congress party said that the "serious" allegations faced by billionaire Adani's empire questions the "quality and sincerity" of investigations that Modi has pledged to fight corruption. The party has planned protests on Monday to highlight the risks to investors because of the exposure of state-owned institutions in Adani's businesses and draw attention to the tycoon's close links with

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman said on Saturday that Indian regulators



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"will do their job" in dealing with the allegations against the Adani Group and the recent market turmoil won't impact the nation's economic fundamentals.

plans

The party will protest in front of the offices of Life Insurance Corporation and State Bank of India, general secretary K. C. Venugopal said in a statement. "The government can't jeopardize the hard earned money of the people of India to profit the crony friends of the prime minister."

LIC is an investor in five Adani companies, with stakes ranging from 1% to 9%. Its investments total 364.75 billion rupees (\$4.5 billion) in Adani Group companies, the insurer said earlier in a statement.

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US downs Chinese balloon, prompting Beijing protests

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The US shot down an alleged Chinese surveillance balloon off the South Carolina coast on Saturday, injecting new tension into relations with Beijing which called the move an overreaction.

President Joe Biden said he ordered the Pentagon on Wednesday to down the balloon as soon as possible "without doing damage to anyone on the ground." The military decided the best window was on Saturday while it was over the Atlantic within US territorial waters, capping days of waiting as it traversed the country.

News of the balloon entering US airspace led Secretary of State Antony Blinken to postpone a visit to China to meet with President Xi Jinping and

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China didn't get advance no-



US President Joe Biden addresses supporters at the winter meeting of the Democratic National Committee meeting held in Philadelphia

tice of the plan to shoot down the balloon. US officials communicated to Beijing that they'd reserve the right to take such action, but didn't follow up with more details about the plan once it was decided.

"They successfully took it down and I want to compliment our aviators who did it, and we'll have more to report on this a little later," Biden told reporters.

The balloon, along with another observed transiting Central and South America, had surveillance equipment not usually associated with standard meteorological activities or civilian research as claimed by China, a senior US administration official said on Saturday.

Its route over the US near many potentially sensitive sites also contradicted the Chinese government's explanation that it's a weather balloon, the official said.

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Defense Secretary Lloyd Austin said China was using the balloon "in an attempt to surveil strategic sites in the continental United States" and the US plan to take it down involved "closely monitoring its path and intelligence collection activities."

Officials expect US-China relations to be difficult moving forward, but said that both countries have reasons to put the incident behind them. The second Chinese balloon spotted in Latin America that defense officials said was also conducting espionage activities is not a concern to the US, a person familiar with the matter said.

US officials expect to learn more about the balloon's capabilities from a recovery operation under way off the coast, where US vessels are on site.

A single missile from an F-22 fighter jet brought down the balloon at 2:39 p.m. Eastern time, using the first available opportunity to bring it down without harming Americans, according to two senior officials who briefed reporters. The F-22 was flying at about 58,000 feet when it fired an Aim-9X Sidewinder missile at the balloon at between 60,000 and 65,000 feet, the officials said.

That followed an odyssey that took it into Alaskan airspace on Jan. 28, into a swing over Canada two days later and back over the US on Jan. 31. The overflight had intelligence value to the US by allowing officials to study and scrutinize the balloon and its equipment along the way, a defense official said. The US also took steps to mitigate the balloon's intelligence gathering, the official said.

The military action shows that the administration is "responding effectively to the PRC's unacceptable violation of our sovereignty," Austin said in a statement, referring to the People's Republic of China.

Pervez Musharraf, former military ruler of Pakistan, dies at 79

Decorated for actions during two wars with India, and despite his rambunctious and hot-headed style, he became a general in 1991

BLOOMBERG

Pervez Musharraf, the former four-star Pakistani army general who governed the South Asian nation for nearly a decade after coming to power in a 1999 bloodless coup, has died. He was 79.

He died after a long ailment in Dubai, said Raza Bokhari, a former spokesman and close

Musharraf, who was Pakistan's fourth military leader, was a polarizing and divisive figure. He ruled through the turbulent period after September 11, 2001 and attempted to appease American demands during the war on terrorism.

"India has a strategy of strangulating Pakistan economically, isolating it internationally and weakening its army — we have to counter that," he said in a 2018 interview in his penthouse apartment in Dubai, where he lived in self-exile for most of his life after being forced to resign the presidency in 2008.

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in return for military support. Musharraf also drew criticism for constitutional and human rights violations and was blamed for failing to tackle widespread violence in the later years of his rule.

HOT-HEADED GENERAL

Born on August 11, 1943, in Delhi, Musharraf emigrated to Pakistan with his family to the port city of Karachi after the British partition of the subcontinent in 1947. From 1949 to 1956, he lived in Turkey, where his father was a diplomat.

After joining Pakistan's army at age 18, he was commissioned in the artillery regiment in 1964 and later became a commando. Decorated for actions during two wars with India, and despite his rama controversial referendum in April that year in which he got 98% of the vote. Nawaz Sharif and former Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto of the Pakistan Peoples Party were barred from contesting the poll

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bunctious and hot-headed style — which led to multiple disciplinary actions — he became a general in 1991.

In 1998 then-Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif surprised the top brass by elevating Musharraf to chief of army staff after forcing General Jehangir Karamat to step down over a disagreement about security policy. Sharif believed Musharraf — who wasn't from Punjab province, the traditional recruiting ground for officers would be a pliant army chief.

It was not to be. In 1999, Pakistani troops infiltrated Kargil, an Indian-controlled

district in the disputed region of Kashmir — provoking fighting and nearly a full-scale war before Sharif ordered a climbdown in the face of US pressure. Sharif maintained that the operation was ordered without his knowledge. Musharraf disputed that, and the conflict led to an irreparable strain between the pair.

BLOODLESS COUP

In October that same year. Sharif sacked Musharraf as he was returning from a visit to Sri Lanka. The military leadership defied Sharif's orders and led a coup that toppled his government.

Musharraf claimed Sharif didn't allow his plane to land in Pakistan. The general refused to let the pilot fly to nearby India, and the aircraft touched down in Karachi with barely seven minutes of fuel left.

Economically, the military-led government sought to reduce overseas debt. In the last Asian default before Sri Lanka's delinquency in 2022, it froze repayments, forcing a downgrade of Pakistan's credit rating to D. Musharraf also used his newfound US support to get loans and grants from Western countries and international lenders.

INDIA TALKS

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As head of the military, Musharraf arguably was the Pakistani leader who got closest to settling the country's long-running disputes with India. He traveled there for a series of talks with Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee in a bid to reach a reconciliation between the nuclear-armed neighbors.

According to Musharraf, Vajpayee had in principle agreed to a four-point solution to settle claims to the disputed Himalayan region of Kashmir, which was split during partition.

Musharraf later blamed the Indian cabinet for failing to ratify it after the agreement broke down hours before a planned signing ceremony.

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DUBAI COURT OF FIRST INSTANCE Regarding Case No. (93) of 2022G Dubai <u>Bankruptcy Procedures</u>

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Bassed on the resolution of the esteemed Dubai Court of First Instance with regard to Case No. (93) of 2022G, bankruptcy procedures, issued on 30/01/2022G, in which the esteemed court decided to accept the request to open bankruptcy procedures for Mr. Mohammed Saeed Nasser Nowalia Al-Yamahi with regard to commercial debts resulting from The wholly owned establishment, KSK Real Estate - a sole proprietorship establishment, in accordance with License No. 712372, issued by the Department of Economic Development in the Emristed Dubai and wholly owned by him, in Case No. (93) of 2022G, Dubai Bankruptcy Procedures.

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The Delegated Expert: Mr. / Osama Ahmed Ali Malik Accounting expert al Dubal Courts - Registration No. (145) Chartered Accountant - Registration No. (961) //Signed in handwriting// Seal //The official seal was affixed//

Kyiv expects new Russian offensive this month

The main directions of Moscow's attack are likely to be from east and south: Oleksii Reznikov

BLOOMBERG

Ukraine's government expects Russia's new offensive to start this month, defense minister Oleksii Reznikov said at a press briefing in Kyiv. The one-year mark of Moscow's invasion of its neighbor will be Feb. 24.

Reznikov said the main directions of Russia's attack are likely to be from the east and south. He discounted the possibility of an invasion from the north, saying Ukraine doesn't see signs of Russia amassing a large enough strike force there.

Ukraine is amassing reserves ahead of Russia's expected offensive, he said.

Meanwhile. Chancellor



Civilian targets in the southern Kherson regions were shelled more than 60 times from multiple launch rocket systems, according to the General Staff

Olaf Scholz dismissed concerns that Germany's supply of battle tanks could make his nation an active party to the war with Russia. Western allies also have a "consensus" with Ukraine's leader that weapons pro-

vided to Kyiv will not be used to attack Russian territory, he said.

"We have carefully weighed every arms shipment [to Ukraine], coordinated them closely with our allies, first and foremost Ukraine's Black Sea port city of Odesa and the surrounding area are still struggling with power outages, the energy group DTEK said

with the United States," Scholz told Bild. "This joint approach prevents an escalation of the war."

Scholz said there was a "consensus" involving Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskiy that weapons provided by Western allies would not be used to strike Russian territory.

At least two missiles launched from Belgorod in Russia struck residential areas and a university building in Ukraine's northeastern city of Kharkiv early Sunday, causing extensive damage and wounding at least five people. The UK assessed that Bakhmut in Donestsk, the scene of months of fierce fighting, is increasingly isolated by Russian advances.

Ukraine's Black Sea port city of Odesa and the surrounding area are still struggling with power outages, the energy group DTEK said. Over the past day, Ukrainian troops repelled assaults near 9 settlements in the Luhansk and Donetsk regions in the east, Ukraine's General Staff said on Facebook.

CORPORATE ESPIONAGE and banking secrecy are frequently invoked in white-collar prosecutions in Switzerland

Credit Suisse's \$100 billion data leak faces investigation

Swiss prosecutors are probing suspected acts of corporate spying, violations of banking secrecy laws after information on 18,000 accounts was leaked to media

Swiss prosecutors are investigating a data leak involving thousands of former Credit Suisse Group AG clients who'd reportedly held \$100 billion with the bank, in a case set to further discourage whistleblowing in the secretive country.

The Attorney General's Office confirmed it's investigating suspected acts of corporate espionage, breach of trade secrets and violations of banking secrecy laws after the information on 18,000 accounts was leaked to an international consortium of media, the OCCRP. The journalists went on to publish a series of exposes last February under the tagline "Suisse Secrets" which reported that the client roster included drug barons and kleptocrats.

The probe needed sign off from the federal government because the espionage allegations are considered a "political infraction," the AG's office said. The bank declined to comment.

Bern's blessing for the investigation highlights the lengths Switzerland goes to in order to protect banking secrecy, a principle enshrined in Swiss criminal law. The probe is also likely to intensify international criticism of Switzerland's tendency to prosecute the whistleblower rather than the criminal activity exposed in the leak.

"This decision is disappointing but not surprising," Drew Sullivan, the OCCRP Publisher, said. "Switzerland has aggres-

BLOOMBERG

Paytm, India's leading digital

payments brand, posted a nar-

rower third-quarter loss after

its drive to add customers

through December shrank to

3.9 billion rupees (\$48 million)

The net loss in the quarter



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- When the leaks were published a year ago, the bank issued a statement saying that approximately 90% of the reviewed accounts were closed or were in the process of being closed

Paytm sees narrower loss after growth push boosts sales

sively defended its bank secrecy to the benefit of organised crime and corruption. Clearly whistleblowers have benefited the public more."

An anonymous whistleblower gave the information to German newspaper Sueddeutsche Zeitung, which shared the data with a non-profit journalism group and dozens of other news organisations

from 7.8 billion rupees a year

earlier, the company said in a

statement. Revenue from oper-

ations rose 42% to 20.6 billion

rupees, while total costs

offering to attract more cus-

tomers, seeking to convince in-

vestors of its earnings

Paytm is growing its product

climbed at a slower pace.

worldwide. But Tamedia, publisher of the respected Swiss-German daily Tages-Anzeiger which has worked on such collaborative projects in the past, said it couldn't work on Suisse Secrets because of a risk of falling afoul of the bank secrecy

Oliver Zihlmann, the head of Tamedia's Research Desk and a member of the International

potential. Its shares have

plunged 76% since its high-

profile \$2.5 billion initial public

offering in late 2021, on con-

cerns over mounting losses and

intensifying competition from

Alphabet Inc.'s Google Pay,

Amazon.com Inc.'s Amazon Pay

and Walmart Inc.'s PhonePe,

and several smaller fintech

Committe of Investigative Journalists, says this risks being a PR disaster for Switzerland especially if media figures themselves are singled out for

"Imagine journalists from international media get summonses in the course of the proceedings because they dared to report that CS catered to oligarchs," Zihlmann wrote in the paper. "That would be a disaster for Switzerland's

Corporate espionage and banking secrecy are frequently invoked in white-collar prosecutions in the Alpine nation, where whistle-blowers have few protections and are typically obliged to first go to their employees with their complain tor risk legal problems.

Swiss prosecutors have repeatedly gone after local bank employees such as informants Herve Falciani and Rudolf Elmer for breaking secrecy laws despite their revelations leading to major tax investigations in France and Germany.

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The reports "appear to be a concerted effort to discredit not only the bank but the Swiss financial marketplace as a whole, which has undergone significant changes over the last several years," the bank said.

In a July interview, Paytm

"We will soon achieve our

founder Vijay Shekhar Sharma

pledged a shift in focus from

next milestone of becoming a

free cash flow generating com-

pany," Sharma said in a letter to

shareholders.

growth toward profitability.



The Bank of America (BofA) is seeking to reward its best employees while keeping a lid on costs. The firm has already been forced to scale back on hiring plans, even

BofA CEO pay falls to \$30 million for 2022

BLOOMBERG

Bank of America Corp (BofA) Chief Executive Officer Brian Moynihan's total compensation declined 6.3% to \$30 million for his work in 2022, a year in which profit tumbled and the shares sank.

The board granted Moynihan \$1.5 million in salary and \$28.5 million in stock-based incentive awards, the Charlotte, North Carolina-based lender said in a filing. A year ago, Moynihan's compensation was boosted 31% to \$32 million as the firm set a record for profitability.

The pay package follows an industrywide focus on compensation and other expenses amid a slump in dealmaking and concern about the impact a potential recession would have on Wall Street revenue.

Bank of America is seeking to reward its best employees while keeping a lid on costs. The firm has already been forced to scale back on hiring plans, even as it added headcount in the fourth quarter. Net income in 2022 fell to \$27.5 billion from a record

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\$32 billion a year earlier. This year, the firm is awarding a pool of restricted stock to employees who earn up to \$500,000 to retain workers. It is the sixth year the bank has paid such awards, which now total more than \$4 billion.

Moynihan, 63, was promoted to CEO in 2010 in the wake of the global financial crisis, and has steered the lender through the pandemic. He has signalled his interest in staying on for years to come.

Other US finance companies have turned to layoffs, with executives touting the need to cut costs in a challenging economic environment. That's caused some bank leaders to take a hit to their pay.

SBI profits top estimates amid decline in bad debt

BLOOMBERG

State Bank of India's (SBI) quarterly profit rose 69% from the previous year, surpassing analyst estimates, amid heightened interest in the lender's exposure to billionaire Gautam

Net income was 142.1 billion rupees (\$1.74 billion) in the three months through December, as bad-loan ratio nar-

rowed and income from loans rose, according to a statement from the bank. That beat an average estimate of 133.2 billion rupees in a Bloomberg Lenders are grappling with

the fallout from the crisis engulfing Adani as his conglomerate's shares and bonds tumble to new lows, heightening concern about the Indian tycoon's access to financing.

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boosted revenue.

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ANZ bank chief sees a 'lot more rate rises' coming in Australia

The comments from CEO Shayne Elliot come ahead of an interest rate decision by the central bank on February 7

BLOOMBERG

The chief of one of Australia's largest commercial banks warned strength of the nation's economy suggests that markets and home owners should brace for "a lot more rate rises." The comments from Aus-

tralia & New Zealand Banking Group Ltd. (ANZ) Chief Executive Officer Shavne Elliot in local newspapers come ahead of an interest rate decision by the central bank on February 7. The overwhelming majority

of economists surveyed by Bloomberg project a 25 basis points hike to 3.35% in the Reserve Bank of Australia's (RBA) benchmark rate. Money markets pricing suggest it will peak mid-year after another increase of similar size.

"The economy is in really ro-



bust shape and actually households are in much better shape than people think," the Australian newspaper cited Elliott as saying at an event in Adelaide. "There are probably going to be more rate rises than people think," he said.

A separate story in the Saturday Telegraph newspaper described RBA Governor Philip Lowe as a "dead man walking," with little prospect of being reappointed for another term

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in the top job.

Lowe's previous guidance that he didn't expect to raise rates until 2024 wrong-footed many borrowers last year when inflationary pressures proved too strong and he led the RBA to rapidly lift the benchmark from a record low of 0.1%.

Deputy Governor Michele Bullock would be a potential candidate for the top job, according to the report.

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BMW wants to hitch a hydrogen ride at future truck stations

Oliver Zipse - the CEO of the German luxury carmaker sees the zero-emissions technology as a climate-friendly option for as many as 30 percent of its customers

MW AG is hop ing to piggy back on future hydrogen fuelling stations for trucks to help solve the protracted issue of building an expensive infrastructure network for cars powered by the alternative fuel.

The German luxury carmaker, pushing on with plans for hydrogen models even as EVs proliferate, last year started production of fuel-cell systems for a small test fleet of cars. BMW Chief Executive Officer Oliver Zipse sees the zero-emissions technology as a climatefriendly option for as many as 30% of its customers.

"The key is to build combined hydrogen gas stations for passenger cars and trucks," Jürgen Guldner, who leads BMW's hydrogen technology program, said in an interview. "It's much easier to set up hydrogen stations for larger truck fleets as logistics operators already show interest in this."

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costs in EVs. Significant and costly technical hurdles remain, prompting rival Mercedes-Benz AG to phase out making the GLC fuel cell SUV in 2020 to concentrate on battery-powered cars. Audi shelved hydrogen testfleet plans for the same reason.

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refuelling, according to Bloomberg NEF. In the same period, investments in public EV charging alone exceeded \$24 billion. Volvo AB, which formed a

venture with Daimler Truck Holding AG in 2021 to lower the cost of hydrogen trucks, said carmakers joining in on hydrogen infrastructure would help



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speed its rollout. The world's two biggest truck-makers plant to start making hydrogen fuel cells from 2025.

"The more we are who can unite around this network, the faster it will happen," Volvo CEO Martin Lundstedt said. "It will probably be similar to what we see in the case of diesel. There vou have coordination and piggy-backing even if there are specific pumps and such."

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In August 2022, BMW started producing fuel-cell systems for a fleet of fewer than 100 hydrogen-powered iX5 SUVs as part of a two-year test in Europe, US and Asia. CEO Zipse sees hydrogen cars as the preferred option for drivers frequently making longer journeys who'll struggle with patchy charging infrastructure for battery-only cars.



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While BMW still pursues its increasingly outlier position on hydrogen, making the cars on its "Neue Klasse" electric-vehicle underpinnings from 2025 remains up in the air. Costs need to come down to the level of purely-battery powered cars for mass production, Guldner

"Currently, our hydrogen tanks have a large diameter," he said, which wouldn't fit into vehicles made on the "Neue Klasse" vehicle architecture. "We'd need to shrink hydrogen tank cylinder diameters considerably to fit them."

Samsung targets double-digit growth in its Galaxy S23 sales

The Korean tech giant is focusing on the quality components while expanding in nations like China where it's lagged Apple

Samsung Electronics Co is counting on demand for premium devices to drive doubledigit growth in sales of marquee Galaxy phones in 2023, despite signs the global market may contract a second straight year.

The world's largest smartphone maker, which warned this week that a record smartphone slump may persist well into 2023, expects to outpace the industry by focusing on quality components while gradually expanding in countries like China where it's lagged Apple Inc.

Global smartphone shipments fell by the most in about a decade in 2022, but the market for high-end gadgets dominated by Apple and Samsung has held up better during the downturn. Samsung took the wraps off the latest iteration of its closest iPhone competitor, the S23, with better cameras and battery life.

"We expect that the challenges will continue this year, but we will achieve doubledigit growth once again," TM Roh, president of Samsung's mobile business, said in an in-



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terview ahead of the unveiling. "Even in the midst of those challenges, we were able to expand market share in 2022 and will sustain that trend as it's our main priority."

Hoping to woo consumers, Samsung kept prices for the S23 stable despite rising material costs and major upgrades in the camera. But one big unknown is China.

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PLANS TO GO ALL-ELECTRIC BY 2030



Mercedes-Benz employees lay brake lines on an S-Class at the "Factory 56" plant in German city of Sindelfingen. The luxury carmaker plans to go all-electric by 2030. The transition will necessitate massive changes to the brand's current lineup of mostly combustion-powered vehicles

Google invests \$400m in ChatGPT rival

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Alphabet Inc.'s Google has invested almost \$400 million in artificial intelligence (AI) startup Anthropic, which is testing a rival to OpenAI's ChatGPT.

Google and Anthropic declined to comment on the investment, but separately announced a partnership in which Anthropic will use

Google's cloud computing services. The deal marks the latest alliance between a tech giant and an AI startup as the field of generative AI — technology that can generate text and art in seconds — heats up.

The deal gives Google a stake in Anthropic, but doesn't require the startup to spend the funds buying cloud services from Google, said the person who asked not to be identified because the terms were confidential.

"AI has evolved from academic research to become one of the biggest drivers of technological change, creating new opportunities for growth and improved services across all industries," Thomas Kurian, chief executive officer of Google Cloud, said in a statement.

Ford slides as CEO says \$2 billion profit left 'on table'

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Ford Motor Co. shares tumbled the most in four months after the carmaker missed earnings expectations, blaming poor execution and continued supply shortages.

The results show Ford is struggling to balance the transition to electric cars from combustion vehicles. The company is counting on strong sales of gas-burning F-Series pickups and Bronco sport utility vehicles to help foot the \$50 billion that CEO Jim Farley has committed to developing and building EVs.

The automaker reported fourth-quarter profit excluding some items of 51 cents a share, short of the 62-cent average of analysts' estimates. On that

basis, earnings before interest and taxes came to \$2.6 billion.

Ford is expanding its costcutting efforts, now looking to eliminate "considerably more" than the \$3 billion in annualised expenses previously targeted by mid-decade, Chief Financial Officer John Lawler told reporters on a call.

Additional job cuts will be part of that, he said. In August, Ford eliminated about 3,000 positions, most of which were in the US, and the German union IG Metall warned last month that it's expecting about 3,200 more jobs will be cut across Europe.

In an interview with David Westin on Bloomberg TV, Lawler said "everything is on the table" when asked about



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Ford faces about \$5 billion worth of headwinds this year,

Lawler said, listing factors ranging from lower profit from its lending unit to higher spending Ford aims to increase production of EVs to 600,000 annually by the end of this year and reach a 2-millionvehicle yearly run rate by the end of 2026

With competition in the EV segment accelerating and arowth slowing, Ford was forced to cut prices on its plug-in pony car, the Mustang Mach-E, in response to deep price cuts by market leader Tesla

on incentives. He expects Ford's pricing to be "flattish" even as average new-vehicle prices drop around 5%.

Ford anticipates a "mild" recession in the US this year and

a "moderate" one in Europe. For this year, Ford forecast adjusted earnings of \$9 billion to

\$11 billion before interest and

taxes, compared with an average estimate of \$9.94 billion. The company earned \$10.4 billion on that basis in 2022.

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