

All 15 Israel Supreme Court judges to hear judicial overhaul petitions

JERUSALEM: The Supreme Court on Monday said all 15 judges in a historic first would take part in a hearing on arguments against a law Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's religious-nationalist coalition passed as part of an overhaul of the judiciary.

The Supreme Court agreed to discuss on Sept. 12 petitions to strike down a bill ratified last week that limits its powers to void some decisions made by government and ministers, setting the scene for a constitutional showdown.

El-Sisi reiterates Egypt's firm position in support of the Palestinian people

CAIRO: Egypt's President Abdel Fattah El-Sisi has reiterated his country's firm position in support of the Palestinian people.

El-Sisi made the remarks during a meeting on Monday with Mahmoud Abbas, the Palestinian president, who is visiting Egypt.

The meeting of El-Sisi and Abbas followed Sunday's meeting of several Palestinian factions' general secretaries in Egypt's New Alamein City.

Lebanon State Security calls for parents' vigilance to protect youngsters from harassment

BEIRUT: Lebanon's General Directorate of State Security has called on parents to be more vigilant in protecting their children and adolescents from harassment and abuse.

Schools and universities are also being urged to raise more awareness among children, young women and men on how to take precautions and protect themselves from harassers.

Most Indian sectors open to Arab investment, minister says

DUBAI: Most investable sectors of the Indian economy are now open for 100 percent share ownership under the automatic route for businessmen and firms in the Arab region, India's Minister of State for External Affairs Dr. Rajkumar Ranjan Singh has said.

The automatic route allows entities outside India to invest in the country without prior government approval, Emirates News Agency reported on Monday.

UN: Nearly one third of oil on Red Sea FSO Safer tanker transferred

AL-MUKALLA, Yemen: The UN has said that nearly one third of the oil on Yemen's deteriorating Safer tanker has been transferred to a new tanker, as Yemenis expressed optimism about the operation to salvage the vessel.

The UNDP administrator, Achim Steiner, said on Sunday that 360,000 barrels of oil were pumped from the aging tanker to the replacement tanker.