Egypt cancels World Youth Forum in light of global challenges

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CAIRO: In response to a host of global economic challenges, this year's World Youth Forum, which was set to start later this month, has been canceled, its organizers said on Saturday.

Instead, the budget for the event, which was to be held in the Egyptian town of Sharm El-Sheikh, will be used to fund the implementation of five development initiatives aimed at young people in Egypt and beyond.



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<u>Teachers</u>, <u>lawyers protest against</u> <u>Palestinian Authority</u>

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RAMALLAH: The Palestinian Authority is facing protests from school teachers and lawyers over a number of grievances.

Palestinian sources told Arab News that a strike by doctors might follow,

which will destabilize the status of the PA.

The teachers' movement called on parents not to send their children to schools, and on students to only attend when their demands were met.

On Sunday morning, thousands of students returned to their homes because of the strike.



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Rising demand promotes excellent winter tourist season in Luxor

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CAIRO: Special one-day trips have helped to boost tourism in the Luxor governorate in southern Egypt during the current winter season. The increase in numbers has helped traffic toward the Karnak and Luxor temples.

The winter season continues until April and the weather conditions have been ideal for touring between the ancient temples and tombs in east and west Luxor.

A one-day trip from Hurghada to Luxor to sample the archaeological attractions has played a major part in helping to boost tourism traffic to places such as the historical city of Thebes.



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How political obstruction violates Beirut blast survivors' right to truth, justice and reparations

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DUBAI: When a massive explosion tore through the port of Beirut on Aug. 4, 2020, killing more than 215 people, Lebanese officials promised a swift investigation that would bring the culprits to justice within days.

Since then, the inquiry has repeatedly stalled, with its lead investigator Tarek Bitar accused of insubordination for resuming his probe into the blast and charging several top officials.



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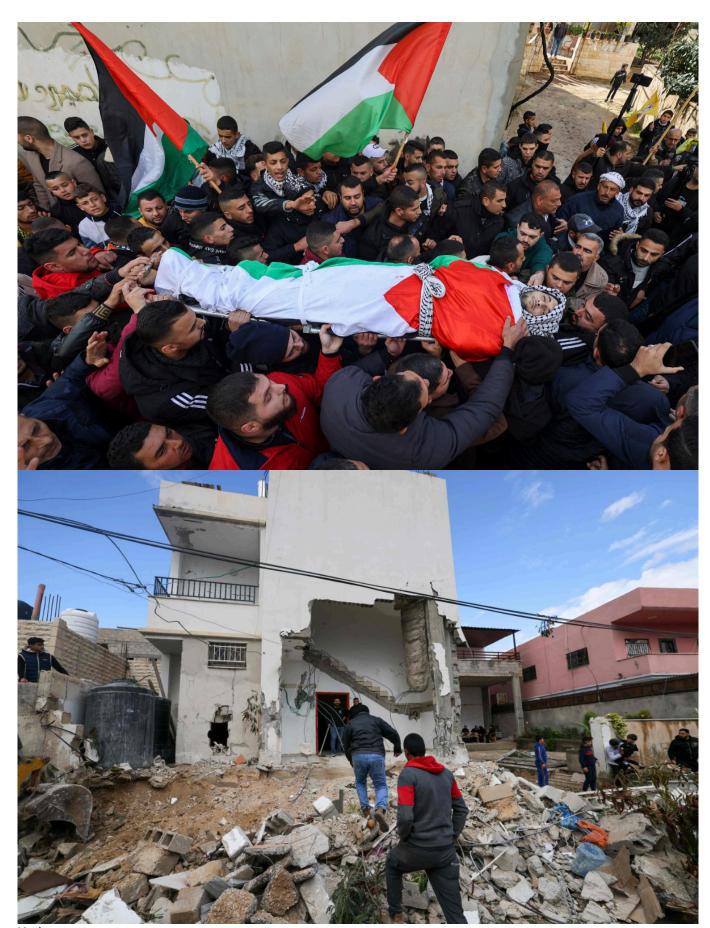
UN urges end to 'illogical escalation' between Israel, Palestine

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RAMALLAH: The UN High Commissioner for Human Rights has urged an end to the "illogical escalation" between Israel and Palestine.

Volker Turk warned that recent measures taken by Israel would "lead to more violence and bloodshed."

In a statement distributed in Geneva, Turk said: "I am afraid that the recent measures taken by the government of Israel only serve to fuel more violations and abuses, especially the decision to facilitate obtaining permits to carry weapons."



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