<u>Tunisia detains Abir Moussi, prominent opponent of president</u>

TUNIS: Tunisia's public prosecutor detained Abir Moussi, a prominent opponent of President Kais Saied, after she was arrested at the entrance to the presidential palace on Tuesday, lawyers said, the latest arrest targeting Saied's political rivals.

"Moussi was detained for 48 hours in charges of processing personal data, obstructing the right to work, and assault intended to cause chaos," lawyer Aroussi Zgir said.

Authorities were not immediately available to comment.

<u>Paramilitary shells kill 10 civilians</u> in Khartoum: activists

PORT SUDAN, Sudan: Paramilitary artillery that struck a mosque and other civilian buildings in the Sudanese capital killed 10 people on Tuesday, local activists said.

It is the latest incident in which multiple civilians have been killed in Khartoum during nearly six months of war between Sudan's army chief Abdel Fattah Al-Burhan and his former deputy, Rapid Support Forces (RSF) paramilitary commander Mohamed Hamdan Daglo.

Leap into future: Qatar begins construction on mega gas field expansion

RAS LAFFAN, Qatar's state-owned energy giant began construction Tuesday on a project to expand production from the world's biggest natural gas field through an export terminal on the country's northeast coast.

There has been mounting demand for Qatari gas as European consumer nations have scrambled to replace lost Russian deliveries since President Vladimir Putin ordered a full-scale war on Ukraine early last year.

Torture scandal at Syrian military hospital

JEDDAH: Prisoners were routinely abused, tortured and left to die at a Syrian military hospital in Damascus, according to a damning report published on Tuesday.

Sick prisoners sent from detention centers for treatment at the Tishreen Military Hospital rarely received any medical attention. Instead, security forces and even medical and administrative staff inflicted "brutal torture" on detainees, including physical and psychological violence.

<u>Teen girl in coma after Iran metro</u> <u>assault: rights group</u>

PARIS: An Iranian girl aged 16 has been left in a coma and is being treated in hospital under heavy security after an assault on the Tehran subway, a rights group said on Tuesday.

The Kurdish-focused rights group Hengaw said the teenager, named as Armita Garawand, had been badly injured in a run-in on the Tehran metro with female morality police officers.

This has already been denied by the Iranian authorities who say that the girl "fainted" due to low blood pressure and that there was no involvement of the security forces.