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GWU launches ‘Cyber Pulse Academy for Women and Family’

The General Women's Union (GWU) has launched the “Cyber Pulse Academy for Women and Family” during its participation in the proceedings of the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS). This initiative aims to enhance women's global role in safeguarding the digital space, marking a step that strengthens the UAE's efforts to foster international cooperation in this vital field. The launch of this global initiative comes in recognition of the escalating challenges in the virtual world and stems from women's societal responsibility as the primary pillar for ensuring the security and stability of families. Furthermore, it aims to build a solid digital immunity that begins within the family, equipping women with the knowledge that transforms them into a protective societal shield, safeguarding their children and surroundings from the dangers of the digital space. The initiative builds on the “Cyber Pulse for Women and Family” programme, launched under the patronage of Her Highness Sheikhha Fatima Bint Mubarak (Mother of the Nation), Chairwoman of the General Women's Union (GWU), President

of the Supreme Council for Motherhood and Childhood, and Supreme Chairwoman of the Family Development Foundation (FDF). This initiative was the fruit of a strategic and exceptional cooperation between the GWU and the Cybersecurity Council. Noura Khalifa Al Suwaidi, Secretary-General of the GWU, said the academy reflects the belief that protecting society begins with strengthening family awareness. She said it would serve as an international platform to train women and expand global awareness of digital safety. She added, “The academy represents an international platform for qualifying community cadres capable of transferring knowledge, in order to enhance the awareness of global women's social responsibility in the field of digital safety. This enables them to become active contributors to spreading the culture of safe internet use, thereby supporting the efforts of the UAE as an active international partner in building a safe and sustainable digital environment for the family.” Dr. Mohamed Hamad Al-Kuwaiti, Head of Cybersecurity for the UAE Government, stated,

“Digital risks are evolving rapidly, and they cannot be confronted through technological tools alone, but rather through an aware individual who knows how to protect themselves, their family, and their surroundings. “Through this academy, we are establishing a knowledge and training path that contributes to raising the cyber readiness level within the family and supports the role of women in spreading a responsible digital culture that transcends geographical borders.” Salooma Al-Breiki, Project Manager of the “Cyber Pulse for Women and Family” at the GWU, explained that the academy was designed to empower women to exercise their societal role with confidence and competence, through a training model that combines awareness with practical application. “We were keen to design flexible training tracks that meet the needs of countries wishing to join the initiative, with the goal of building an international network of specialised trainers dedicated to spreading awareness,” she added. The academy serves as a global platform

for countries wishing to join the international network, where registration requests are received through official nominations from member states to ensure the recruitment of cadres capable of bearing societal responsibility and creating a sustainable positive impact. The academy offers 13 training and awareness pillars covering the most prominent issues of cybersecurity and digital safety. The academy was announced during the Leadership Dialogue session titled “Cyber Trust: Strengthening Security in the Digital Age,” during the participation of Eng. Ghaliya Ali Al Menhali, Head of Strategic and Development Affairs at the GWU, in the presence of a number of ministers, senior officials, international leaders, and global experts. Through this initiative, the GWU reaffirms its commitment to strengthening the role of women in safeguarding families and communities within the digital space, while preparing a generation of informed and capable professionals equipped to fulfill their societal responsibilities. WAM

Dubai-based entrepreneur wins award in Mumbai

DUBAI: Dubai-based entrepreneur Shabbir H. Mithaiwala has been recognised for his entrepreneurial leadership and contribution to the UAE’s architectural glazing and luxury interior solutions sector at the Midday Showbiz Icons 2026 in Mumbai. Mithaiwala, the founder and CEO of Glass R Us Industries LLC was honoured with the Entrepreneur & Visionary Award 2026. The award was presented by Mangal Prabhat Lodha, Maharashtra’s Cabinet Minister for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, along with philanthropist, singer and social advocate Amruta Fadnavis, celebrating entrepreneurs who have demonstrated vision, innovation and sustained business excellence. The recognition marks another milestone in Mithaiwala’s entrepreneurial journey, which spans nearly four decades. What began as a family business rooted in traditional glass craftsmanship has evolved into one of the UAE’s recognised names in premium architectural glazing, curtain wall systems and bespoke interior glass solutions. Under his leadership, Glass R Us Industries has expanded its capabilities to serve luxury residences, landmark commercial developments and high-end hospitality projects across the Emirates. Talking to Gulf Today, he said “I am deeply honoured to receive this award and sincerely thank the organisers and the distinguished jury for this recognition. This achievement belongs equally to my family, our dedicated team and our clients, whose trust and belief have made every milestone possible. Receiving this honour in Mumbai, where my journey first began, makes this recognition especially meaningful as I continue building our vision from Dubai.” Founded on a legacy of craftsmanship dating back to 1986, the family’s business steadily transformed alongside the region’s evolving construction landscape. In 2013, Mithaiwala established Glass R Us Industries LLC in Dubai with a clear ambition—to create innovative architectural glazing and bespoke glass solutions that meet the exacting standards of modern luxury developments. Over the years, the company has grown in



Shabbir H Mithaiwala is the founder and CEO of Glass R Us Industries LLC. Jamil Khan, Senior Reporter

sustainability, Glass R Us Industries has positioned itself as a trusted partner for architects, designers and developers delivering premium projects. Today, the company specialises in advanced facade glazing, curtain wall systems, custom-engineered glass installations and bespoke interior applications tailored for luxury villas, penthouses, hospitality developments and commercial spaces.

Clear, partly cloudy weather likely today

ABUDHABI: The National Centre of Meteorology (NCM) expects today’s weather to be clear to partly cloudy, and humid at night and on Sunday morning over some coastal areas. Winds will be southwesterly - northwesterly light to moderate in speed, active at times eastward, and their speed ranges between 10 to 20, amounting to 35 km/h. The NCM added that the waves in the Arabian Gulf will be light to moderate, and the first high tide occurs at 11:19, the second high tide at 21:47, while the first low tide will be at 14:04, and the second low tide at 06:01. In the Sea of Oman, waves will be light, and the first high tide occurs at 07:36, the second high tide at 17:39, while the first low tide will be at 12:39, and the second low tide at 01:16, the NCM reported. Maximum temperatures, according to the NCM will range between 44°C and 36°C and minimum between 32°C and 27°C. Gulf Today, Staff Reporter

First ultra-fast charging station for e-taxi opened

DUBAI: Dubai Electricity and Water Authority (DEWA) and “Dubai Taxi” company have completed the first phase of establishing exclusive charging points for the electric taxi fleet belonging to Dubai Taxi Company. Saeed Mohammed Al Tayar, MD & CEO of DEWA, and Abdul Muhsen Ibrahim Kalbat, Chairman of Dubai Taxi Company, inaugurated the station, which includes 24 next-generation ultra-fast charging points with a capacity of 360 kilowatts, at “Dubai Taxi” company headquarters in Muhaisnah 4. Recently, DEWA provided 46 EV charging points at the car park of Al Shera’a, its new headquarters, supporting its commitment to sustainability and green mobility. Gulf Today, Staff Reporter

Dubai Health signs deal to advance quality of care

DUBAI: Dubai Health has announced a strategic collaboration with Rush University System for Health, one of the leading United States-based academic healthcare systems, ranked among the nation’s top institutions for quality, patient experience, and safety. The agreement is intended to leverage the respective expertise, capabilities, and resources of both academic health systems to support improved patient outcomes and foster continuous learning, in alignment with international best practices. The agreement was signed by Dr. Amer

Sharif, Chief Executive Officer of Dubai Health and President of Mohammed Bin Rashid University of Medicine and Health Sciences, and Dr. Omar Lateef, President and CEO of Rush University System for Health and Rush University Medical Center, in the presence of Dr. Alawi Al Sheikh-Ali, Director-General of Dubai Health Authority. The collaboration outlines areas of cooperation spanning clinical programmes and care models, quality and patient safety, performance management, digital health, research, and innovation activities.

It also encompasses education, training, and workforce development across medical, nursing, allied health, and leadership domains. Dr. Amer Sharif said, “We value the opportunity to engage with Rush University System for Health, which brings together two academic health systems united in a shared commitment to advance health for humanity.” He added: “Through meaningful knowledge exchange and mutual learning, we look forward to delivering better outcomes for the communities we serve while supporting the development of qualified talent across

disciplines and reinforcing Dubai’s position as a global healthcare destination.” Dr. Omar Lateef, said, “This strategic collaboration creates incredible opportunities to view safety, quality, and the patient experience through a global lens - one that fosters a culture defined by best practices over geographic location. While each system has developed a worldwide reputation for excellence, we have much to learn from one another, with the ultimate beneficiaries being our patients.” WAM