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UAE: Immediate Gaza truce need of the hour

ENDING CYCLE OF VIOLENCE A PRIORITY, GARGASH SAYS

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Israeli army, which has led to a significant number of civilian casualties in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank.

More than 40,000 Palestinians, including 39,699 in Gaza and 617 in the West Bank, have been killed since Gaza-Israel war began on October 7.

In Washington, National Security Council spokesman John Kirby said Israel and Hamas are

A true path to Palestinian self-determination is irreplaceable, hence an immediate ceasefire in Gaza and an end to the cycle of violence in the region are priorities, said Dr. Anwar Mohammad Gargash, Diplomatic Adviser to the UAE President.

"No reasonable voice can deny the urgency of an immediate ceasefire in Gaza, ending the cycle of violence, regional escalation, and the destructive logic of aggression and retaliation, while acknowledging the failure of policies that have delayed the establishment of an independent Palestinian state," Dr. Gargash said in a post on his X account.

"There is no alternative to a genuine path that guarantees the right of the Palestinian people to self-determination and breaks the cycle of instability in the region."

At a meeting of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) in Jeddah, Waleed Al Khareiji Saudi Arabia's Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs expressed the kingdom's deep concern over the escalating violence perpetrated by the

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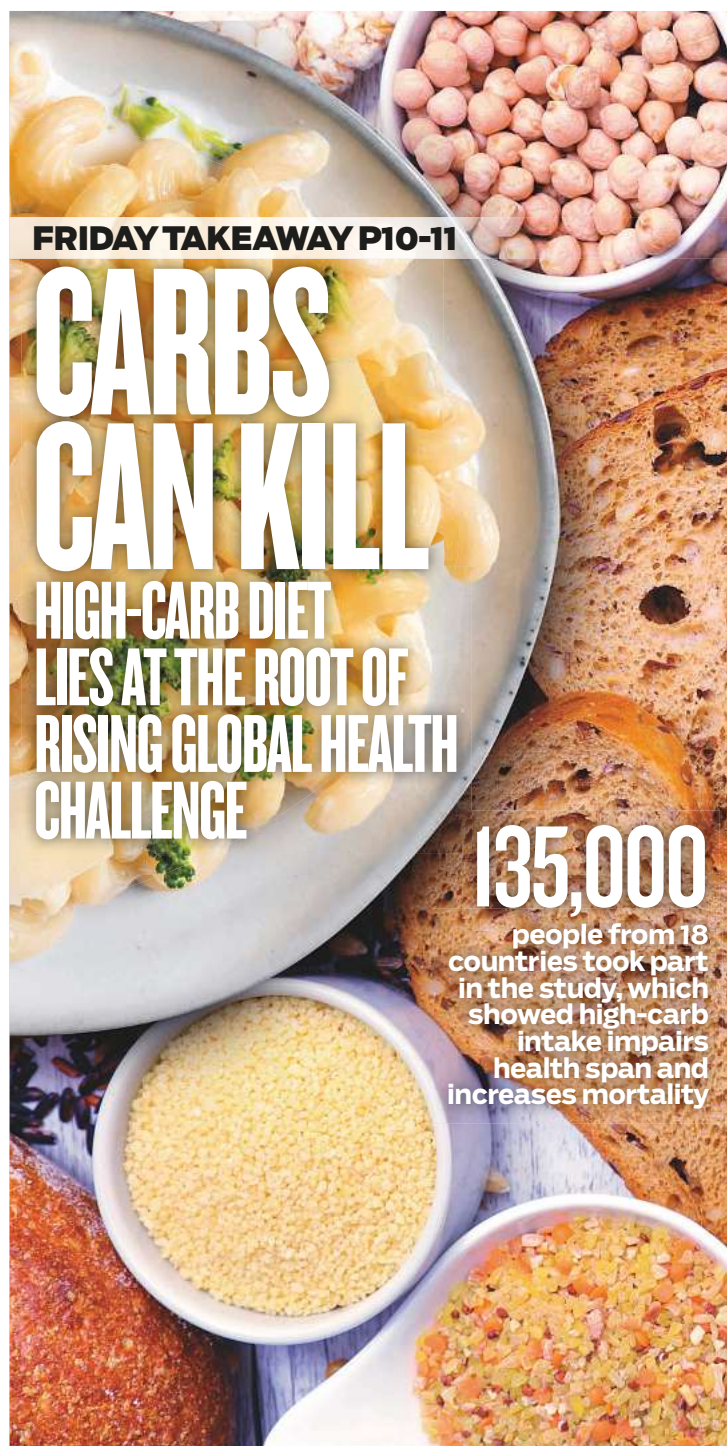
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Heading out for a quick business trip or a short family vacation? If so, you can take advantage of Dubai International Airports' (DXB) newly announced summer car park offer, slashing prices on long-term parking.

Starting from August 15 until September 15, Dubai Airports is offering a special summer discount on long-term parking across Terminal 1 Car Park B, Terminal 2, and Terminal 3.

Typically, parking your car at the Dubai airport for three days would cost between Dh300 to Dh400. However, with the upcoming summer offer, you can park for the same period for just Dh100. Parking for seven days will cost Dh200 and Dh300 for 14 days.

To book your parking spot in advance, visit the website mawgif.com/dxb booking and choose the terminal you will be flying from. Then, enter your travel details, including your arrival and departure dates and times. After selecting your preferred spot, provide your details, including your full name, email address, mobile number, and plate number.



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135,000

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UAE suspends 32 gold refineries in money-laundering crackdown

Plants committed a total of 256 violations, averaging 8 per refinery

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The UAE decided to temporarily suspend activities at 32 gold refineries as part of a series of inspections related to the trade and industry of precious metals and gemstones to ensure compliance with anti-money laundering legislation in the gold sector.

These inspections, carried out according to a clear office and field inspection mechanism, led to the temporary suspension of operations for

32 gold refineries in the local market. This suspension, which affects 5 per cent of the gold sector in the country, took effect from July 24 and will last till October 24, 2024.

Suspicious transactions

These refineries committed a total of 256 violations, averaging 8 violations per refinery. The most notable infractions included failure to implement necessary risk identification measures, failure to report suspicious transactions to the Financial Information Unit when required, and failure to screen customer databases and transactions against names on terrorist lists.

Abdullah Ahmad Al Saleh, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Economy, said: "The UAE is steadfast in its commitment

to developing a comprehensive legislative and regulatory framework to combat money laundering. We are dedicated to achieving the highest levels of compliance with responsible gold supply chain due diligence regulations by aligning with the best international practices in this field."

He added that the ministry is dedicated to enhancing its control role over designated non-financial business and professions sectors in the country. This includes the trade and manufacture of precious metals and stones, real estate brokers, corporate service providers, and auditors. The ministry is intensifying inspection campaigns to ensure the highest levels of compliance with the country's anti-money laundering legislation.

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