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Fighting rages in Taiz

By: Emad Al-Saqqaf

TAIZ, July 17 — Four people were killed and eight others were shot by machine guns in renewed attacks carried out by the Republican Guards on Friday afternoon against three neighborhoods of Taiz city.

Al-Rawdha, Usaifara, and Al-Sallam areas were the three neighborhoods which were stormed by the Republican Guards, Saleh's loyal forces. The shelling targeted the home of the air-defense commander of the first armored division, Brigadier General Sadeq Sarhan which led to the killing of his son and one of his relatives, according to eyewitnesses.

"The republican guards which stationed next to the Al-Thawra hospital

bombarded our neighborhood in which two shells fell on the house of the Brigadier General Sadeq Sarhan killing his son Abdulrahman, one his relatives and number of citizens in the same area," Noman Al-Yousufi, an eyewitness, told the Yemen Times.

"The government's forces are taking revenge against Taiz and its people because it was the spark of the revolution," he said.

He explained that dozens of families have displaced home from the three areas fearing the bombardment and stray bullets of opposition armed men.

The eyewitness criticized the Joint Meeting Parties (JMP) for the existence of their armed men in residential areas and their attempt to move the conflict to Taiz.

A security source told the Yemen Times that "members of the JMP in Taiz hid heavy and light weapons in such neighborhoods and plotted criminal scheme which targeted the security chief of Shara'ab Ak-Rawna district in an ambush killed him and three of his guards on Friday morning while he was driving from the district to Taiz."

The source explained that the security authority in Taiz has evidence against members of the Islah opposition party who encourage their armed men to kill the policemen and shakes citizens' calm.

The source warned that "police will not stand handicapped and will hit with an iron fist anyone play with homeland's security."

These confrontations took place after

two days of uneasy calm in the city followed re-attacking against the city by Saleh's loyal forces with continuous operations by armed men to fail the cease-fire agreement which was proposed last month by some social figures and businessmen in the governorate.

Similarly, the Yemen Times has learned from well-informed sourced that big military enforcements of pro and anti-regime forces have reached Taiz as a step to move the battles between Saleh's regime and its opponents to Taiz.

Armed clashes erupted in Taiz between Saleh's forces and opposition armed tribesmen with support from the defected soldiers at the end of last May after security forces stormed the protest square, killed over 50 protesters and burned their tents.



Military vehicle burned by armed men protecting peaceful protesters in Taiz.

Yemen's opposition divided over transitional council

By: Ali Saeed

SANA'A, July 17 — A revolutionary youth council in Change Square, Sana'a, announced on Saturday the formation of a transitional council to run the country and put an end to Saleh's 33-year rule.

However, this declaration has uncovered a great division among protest groups and the official political opposition as to the makeup and timing of

the proposed council. Every group involved in the formation of this council formed their own plans, independent of the other groups involved.

The preparatory committee for revolutionary youth in Sana'a headed by the youth and political activist Tawakul Karman is the entity which adopted the council's announcement amid a huge surprise by several revolutionary groups in all squares across the country, including proposed members of the council.

"We didn't hear that we had been placed on this council until one hour before its official announcement," Dr. Mohamed Abdul Al-Malek Al-Mutawakel, one of the proposed members of the council and a JMP leader told the Yemen Times on Sunday. "But, we have neither rejected nor accepted the proposal, it needs to be discussed and developed."

Al-Mutawakel indicated that many revolutionary youths in protest squares and the political opposition represented in the JMP have many different proposals for the transitional council idea but all of it should be discussed together to come out with one unified proposal.

"The announced council proposed only one woman, so where are the women's participation?" he said.

Hussam Al-Sharjabi of the youth revolution civil alliance, another youth protest group in the Change Square of Sana'a told the Yemen Times on Sunday that, "In general we support the transitional council idea, but in details

we have our own proposal and we still discuss it."

Al-Sharjabi criticized the way of the council announcement saying, "It was not discussed with other protest squares and groups."

"I did not know the council, but on the media," Waleed Al-Amari, a youth activist and a member of the Yemen's revolution coordination committee told the Yemen Times.

"It was an autocratic declaration, there were many proposals and visions, but they went on and announced their project," he said.

"We are still discussing a real transitional council and not merely a tool for media hype," he said. "We will wait for the appointed members to meet and see their positions as we learned that most members were not previously informed."

Judge Faheem Abdullah Mohsen, head of Aden's Court of Appeals who was appointed in the council to serve as president of the high judiciary council

said that he was surprised and had not been informed of the plan, according to the state-run Saba news agency.

He explained that he is still doing his duty as a head of Aden's court according to a republican decree issued for his designation.

"This is merely youth dreams and therefore in fact it has no place in politics, the country is still being run by a democratic elected government and managed by the VP Abd Raboo Mansour Hadi according to the constitution," Abdo Al-Janadi, deputy minister of information told the BBC Arabic Channel on Sunday evening.

"The preparatory committee of the revolution youth council decided to make the 16th of July 2011 a different day in the life of the our great people in which decades of injustice, dictatorship and family rule ends and a new era begins based on freedom, justice, equality and respect of human rights," reads the transitional council declaration.

The committee has also declared the

"complete fall of Saleh's regime forever" and proposed 17 national figures to run this council.

The proposed members included abroad opposition figures such as former president of the south Ali Naser Mohamed and Haider Abu Bakr Al-Atas, former prime minister of the first government followed the unification in 1990.

Major general, Abdullah Ali Aiwa, former minister of defense who defected against Saleh was also appointed as the higher chief commander of the armed forces.

The declaration also included members of the traditional opposition known as the joint meeting parties and defected figures of Saleh's ruling party.

"The committee calls on the international community to respect the choice of revolution's youth and to recognize the revolution's institutions and terminate all forms of cooperation or dealing with the remnants of Saleh's regime," the declaration concluded.

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Abyan IDPs face disease, malnutrition

By: Shatha Al-Harazi

SANA’A, Jul. 17 — Abyan’s IDPs in Aden are more likely to get viruses diseases NS tuberculosis due to bad nutrition that is spreading among the residents themselves.

Cholera cases were already found in the IDPs schools according to Ahlam Sofan, program associate at the United Nations Population Fund.

“We are scared of standing water as the IDPs use it for washing their clothes. Using this water increases the chances that diseases will spread,” said Sofan.

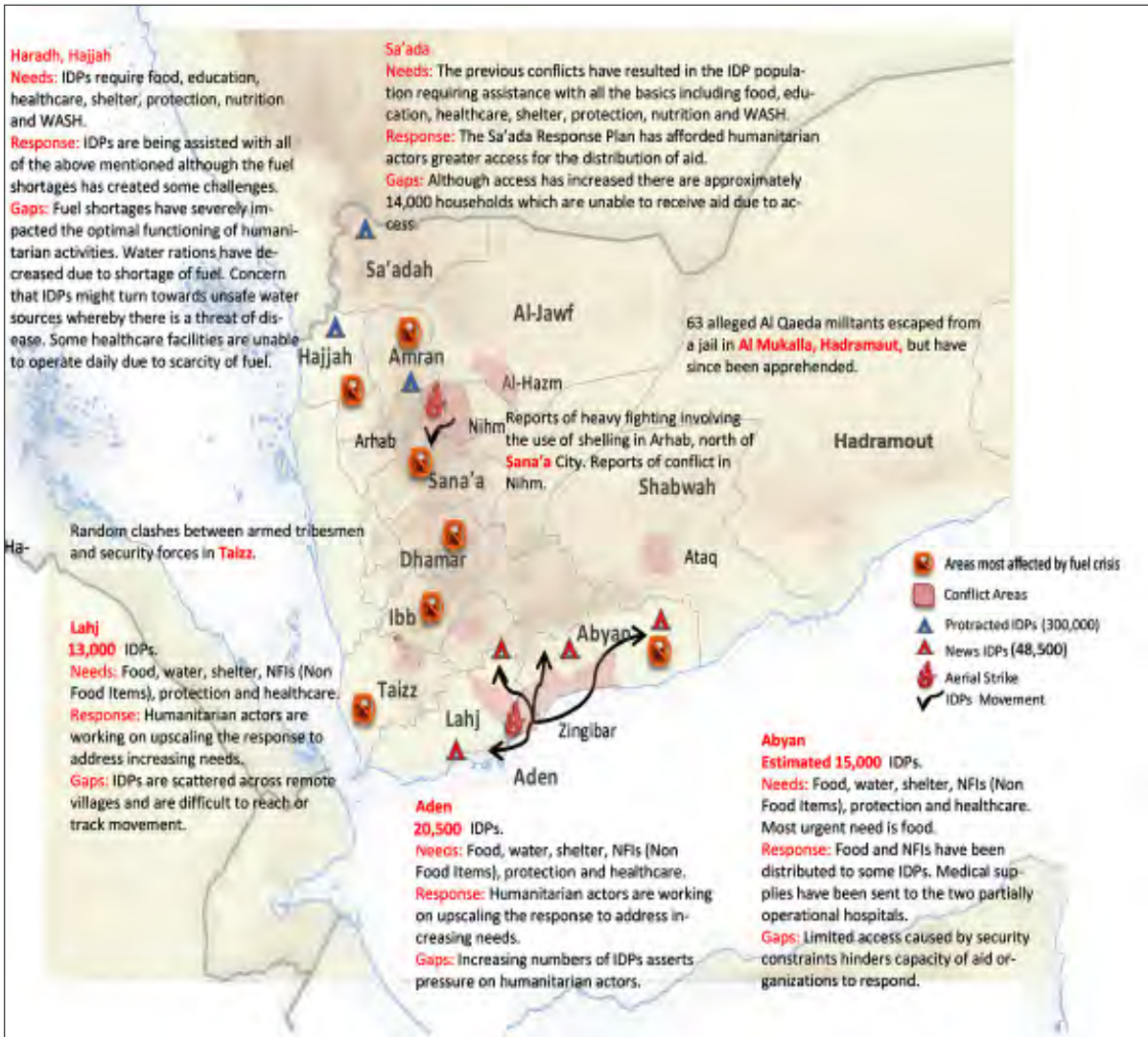
There is also lack of medication for the IDPs. Diabetes patients and people with high blood pressure are suffering the most by not having regular access to health care.

One of the IDPs who lives with his 12 sons and their families in a classroom of one of Aden’s schools told the Yemen Times that he doesn’t have the medicine after spending 45 days in the school.

“I am from Zinjibar, I ran away from death but it seems like we still facing the same threat of death here” said Abu Ahmed.

The Deputy Minister of Information, Abdo Al-Janadi, said that Minister Ahmed Al-Kuhlani was assigned to follow the IDPs situation in Aden and Lahj two weeks ago and that the state is trying its best to solve the crisis.

“Death is better than the life they



[the IDPs] live now” said Al-Janadi in a press conference

According to Sofan who visited the IDPs in Lahj and Aden, the IDPs in Lahj are more organized and will benefit from any aids more than those in Aden as they are given serial numbers by the governorate office so it’s easier to know where they are and reach them.

In Lahj 90% of the IDPs are located in host communities, 5 % are located in schools and 5% rent their own accommodations. They are all registered with the health office of the governorate.

Last week the UNFPA distributed dignity kits to female IDPs. The kits include basic needs for women such as Abayas and undergarments. As the IDPs escaped from Abyan during the shelling and fighting between the state and the armed groups alleged to be Al-Qaeda among them – left with only the clothes on their backs.

“The dignity kits helps women to look decent enough to go out and ask for help from the health office,” said Marc Vandenberg he the UNFPA representative in Yemen.

The IDPs were happy to receive the dignity kits. “We ran without taking any clothes thinking that the war would be over soon and we would return but this wasn’t the case, we have been here for 45 days without any cloths we needed this bag badly,” said Uom Bushra an IDP who received the dignity kit.

However some thought distributing

food or mattresses would be better. “We are not in a position to choose what aid to take. I am happy to have this kit but as long as I need food I would say the kit is unnecessary now,” said another IDP who received the bag.

Although the health office said that the governor gave YR 30 million to aid the IDPs, one of the shelter school supervisors said that so far the aid is coming from international NGOs and local businessmen and nothing from the state.

“We have nothing left to sell but our children, we need money to treat our children,” said one of the IDPs.



IDPs in Aden

Humanitarian aid best practice guidelines updated

ABU DHABI, 27 June (IRIN) — The launch of an Arabic version of the 2011 Sphere Handbook, which sets out best practice in the delivery of humanitarian aid, comes at a time of major political, economic and social change across the Middle East and should help streamline humanitarian responses, say aid officials in the United Arab Emirates (UAE).

“The Sphere Handbook has informed our response to various disaster situ-

ations, most recently those in Yemen, Pakistan and Libya,” Mohammed Khalifa Alqamzi, secretary-general of the UAE Red Crescent Authority, said during the launch in Abu Dhabi on 23 June.

The new Sphere Handbook is also available in Russian, Spanish, French and German.

During the launch of the revised English edition of the handbook in New

York in April 2011, Valerie Amos, UN under-secretary-general and emergency relief coordinator, said: “The Sphere standards are the benchmark for ensuring humane and fair humanitarian assistance to people in need around the world... «I hope that all organizations that provide humanitarian aid will become familiar with the standards and use them.» she added.

Speaking at the Arabic launch, Sul-

tan Al Shamsi, executive director of the UAE Office for the Coordination of Foreign Aid, said it was important for Arab donor organizations to apply agreed minimum standards in their relief operations. “[Arab] aid workers need to be aware of the mechanisms to deliver aid and to be accountable according to these internationally accepted standards,” he added.

According to Khaled Khalifa, head of IRIN Dubai office and Sphere trainer, the “lack of specialized humanitarian studies in Arabic represents a major challenge for Arab aid workers who strive to embrace new theories and practices in the field. The Arabic edition of the Sphere handbook is a good tool which contributes to bridging this gap.”

The Humanitarian Charter, which

describes core principles that should govern humanitarian action, is the foundation of the handbook. The core principles include avoiding exposing vulnerable people to further harm as a result of response, ensuring their access to impartial aid, protecting them from physical and psychological harm due to violence or coercion and assisting them to claim their rights and recover from abuse.

Blacklist of press rights violators declared in Yemen

By: Sadeq Al-Wesabi

SANA’A, Jul. 17 — a blacklist of the press violators in Yemen was declared last Saturday in the presence of several violated journalists.

The blacklist was announced by Mohammed Sadeq Al-Odaini, head of the rehabilitation center and the protection of Press Freedoms CTPJF.

“We monitored about 465 cases of violations against journalists and newspapers since the beginning of this year,” said Al-Odaini.

He indicated that the violations varied between intimidations, physical attacks, confiscation and burning newspapers, detentions and news websites hacking.

The blacklist includes President Ali Abdulla Saleh, Republican Guards, Central Security, Political Security Bureau, Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Information, Moral Guidance Department, state-run channels and newspapers and some officials in the ruling party.

Ebraheem Mujahed, editor-in-chief of a daily-newspaper Akhbar Al-Yawm told the Yemen Times that the time of the declaration of this blacklist is very important.

“We must declare the press violators in Yemen and sue them for their flagrant violations against us,” said Mujahed. “In the past, they were fighting press freedom but these days they are fighting our source of income and try their hardest to destroy us.”

He indicated that the aim of these violations is to cost the opposing newspapers big losses. “In addition to confiscating and burning our copies of newspaper, they threaten our journalists and distributors with killing.”

Mujahed said that the tens of thousands of Akhbar Al-Yawm newspaper were repeatedly confiscated, especially in Taiz governorate.



Journalists hope the blacklist will help stop attacks against journalists.

“Security director of Taiz is committed to not entering any copy of our newspaper to the governorate. He ordered to burn the copies of our newspaper,” said Mujahed.

“Our journalists have been attacked and threatened by anonymous sources, our distribution bus was destroyed and one of our journalists was kidnapped,” he said.

Mujahed was in the court last Sunday as Security director of Taiz sued him for libel. “Bringing us to the courts is one of the violations against us. They want to make us depressed and exhausted.”

Mujahed said that the increasing violations against the journalists during the revolution proved that the press has a power and a big role in exposing the regime’s crimes and scandals.

“The remains of the regime don’t accept any word against them,” he said.

“Unfortunately, the state-run chan-

nels and newspapers are working on inciting security to crackdown us,” he said. “The state media support one person [president Saleh] and fight the majority of the Yemenis.”

“Those violators should be prosecuted and suspended from their work,” he said. “Unfortunately, these days Ministry of Information has no role except fighting us.”

International Press Institute IPI Director Alison Bethel McKenzie said in the last March: “The government must stop attempting to control the flow of information about the unrest and violence in Yemen.”

He added, “As the demonstrations in Egypt showed, in this day and age it is not possible to stop the flow of information, only to delay it. The government should instruct its supporters and police to respect the recently passed law protecting journalists from attacks by security forces.

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The way ahead for Yemen

The United States is encouraged that Vice President al-Hadi is using his authority to begin conversations with people across Yemen.

By: Voice of America

Yemen's President Ali Abdullah Saleh along with a half-dozen other government officials remain in Saudi Arabia for medical treatment due to injuries sustained in a June 3rd attack on the presidential palace. For months, anti-government protesters have been holding demonstrations across the country.

The leadership of the ruling General Peoples Congress, or GPC, and the opposition coalition Joint Meeting Parties, or JMP, have signed the Gulf Cooperation Council political transition initiative – everyone but President Saleh himself has signed. The initiative would create a transition government wherein 50 percent of the positions would go to the GPC and 50 percent to the JMP. The transition government would prepare for the peaceful transfer of power and subsequent presidential elections.

Yemeni Vice President Abdu Rabo Mansour al-Hadi is the acting president in Saleh's absence. The United

States is encouraged that Vice President al-Hadi is using his authority to begin conversations with people across Yemen, and the U.S. would like to see those conversations turn into a process of dialogue that peacefully moves Yemen forward.

Demonstrations against the Saleh government have continued for months. Hundreds of protesters have been killed by Yemeni security forces and opposing factions in street battles. President Saleh's refusal to sign a Gulf Cooperation Council-led deal to transfer power to a transitional government sparked violent conflict in Sanaa between his security forces and a powerful tribal group. Over 100 people were reported killed in clashes between May 22 and June 3 when a carefully brokered ceasefire took effect.

The United States deplores the use of violence against protesters in any country and underscores its support for the right to demonstrate peacefully in Yemen.

The United States calls for an immediate, peaceful, and orderly transition in Yemen that allows the Yemeni people to realize their aspirations for a more representative government. Moreover, the United States encourages all sides to engage in dialogue to move Yemen forward peacefully.

Obama has to lead, not act like a punching bag

By: David Ignatius

A prominent Bush administration official was talking privately about Barack Obama last week: He's probably going to win in 2012, this Republican said. He deserves credit for "going big" in the budget talks and capturing the center of the debate. But why isn't he projecting his goals and philosophy more clearly to the country? Why does he so often seem to react, rather than lead?

Given Obama's strengths, this Republican observer continued, his White House advisers should already be thinking about what Obama can achieve in a second term. They should begin drafting plans and policies, but even more, they should be communicating the president's vision. Instead, every day at this White House seems like "The Perils of Pauline," with one cliffhanger after another.

The debt-limit crisis is a scary example of this tendency to follow, rather than lead. Through 2010, the Obama White House kept its distance from deficit-reduction proposals, and when it finally entered the fray, it was in the person of Vice President Joe Biden. One official told me bluntly last year that floating proposals too early was a loser, politically.

So Obama waited. His policy ideas, now they're public, look pretty solid. But rather than uniting the country behind a vision for reforming entitlements and taxes, he looks like a man being dragged into church by a fire-brand preacher named Eric Cantor. The Republicans look bad, but so does Obama.

This communications gap is apparent in foreign policy, too. Obama may

have a vision for why American troops should remain in Afghanistan until 2014, but he doesn't convey it forcefully. This is his war, but he embraces it reluctantly and without clear definition. He places equal emphasis on withdrawing troops and staying the course, which confuses people.

The same is true for the Arab Spring. Obama has had it about right, in policy terms. U.S. strategy is a sensible mix of pragmatism and principle. The U.S. supports movements for democratic change in the autocratic republics, such as Tunisia, Egypt, Yemen and Syria. It respects the more conservative traditions of the pro-Western monarchies and sheikhdoms, such as Jordan, Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Bahrain, Morocco and Kuwait. This distinction isn't complicated; it just needs to be explained.

The administration's caution on Syria makes sense, too. The goal is a transition to a new, democratic Syria without a sectarian war that would be worse than Iraq's. The administration raised the pressure by sending Ambassador Robert Ford to Hama, scene of the horrific 1982 massacre. The message: This time, the world is watching.

Arguments that Ford should be pulled, or that Obama should throw some fiery rhetoric at the Syrian dynamite keg, strike me as very wrong. That said, Obama needs to explain his vision of democratic transition, and work with the Syrian opposition to achieve it, peacefully.

The world looks to America in times like this. Governments and business leaders want a basic framework, so they can make decisions. What they get from the Obama White House, too often, is silence.

"Just tell us what you want," an influential foreign visitor said last week of the Obama administration. It's a

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comment you would hear in most capitals of Europe and Asia. Global leaders are accustomed, after Reagan, Clinton and the two Bushes, to U.S. presidents who have a few basic themes and repeat them, several times a week. From this White House they get a big speech every six months.

I had a chance last week to watch two world-class communicators, TV megastar Oprah Winfrey and New Jersey Governor Chris Christie. It's hard to think of two more different people, but they share a common ability to connect with an audience. Their comments at an Allen & Co. conference in Idaho were off the record. But both express an up-by-your-bootstraps philosophy, and an optimism about America that's infectious.

Christie is an especially intriguing figure. He's the anti-Obama: overweight and seemingly unworried about it, where the president is lean and fastidious; disarmingly frank, where Obama is cautious. Christie is a favorite of tea party Republicans, but I heard enthusiastic comments about him from a half-dozen Democrats. Christie will be a formidable candidate if he runs for president one day.

The Obama White House is blessed, if that's the right word, in having such an irresponsible Republican opposition in Congress. As the debt-limit day of reckoning approaches, the Republican Party will pay for its reckless, round-house swings. But the president needs to start acting like a fighter and a leader, rather than a punching bag.

Six months into revolution, what have protesters accomplished?

By: Ray Moseley

In a country with a 30-year dictatorship, rampant corruption, a discredited opposition, a failed economy and a population dominated by young people, it was inevitable that the youth of Yemen would set in train the wheels of revolution.

They were inspired by the youth of Egypt and they mobilized thousands to come into the streets to demand the resignation of President Ali Abdullah Saleh.

Yet, unlike Egypt's 18-day revolution, theirs goes on into its sixth month. They have seen the president forced to leave the country for hospital treatment in Saudi Arabia after being seriously wounded in a rocket attack on his palace.

Beyond that, what have they accomplished? And what does the future hold for them, and for Yemen, if the tottering regime of President Saleh's placemen

finally crumbles?

Four young men with intimate knowledge of the youth movement—two of them Yemenis—came together in London on Thursday to discuss these questions at a meeting of the Royal Institute of International Relations.

They provided no firm answer to critical questions about the future, not surprising in a situation that remains in flux. But they were in general agreement that the aims of the youth movement are freedom and democracy, an end to corruption, holding their fragmented country together despite secessionist impulses and helping to end the economic misery that has deepened as a result of the revolution.

All of them expressed disappointment at the failure of the international community to give their movement greater support.

Abdullah Alshamery, editor of the Yemen Voice magazine in Britain, suggested that the lack of support may be due in part to American and other sensi-

tivities about Saudi Arabia's key role in Yemeni affairs. He said the Saudi aim was to keep Yemen stable but not allow it to become too strong or democratic lest that set an example for its own population.

Saleem Haddad, editor of the on-line foreign policy magazine Muftah.org, said the youth movement was not monolithic but from its debates there had emerged a progressive movement calling for democracy. People have taken to the streets, he said, because of the failure of opposition parties to represent the youth, among the main victims of the country's 65 per cent unemployment rate.

Mr. Haddad said the youth movement has three main grievances: exclusion from political life, corruption and violence.

"They had to convince a very divided country to protest," he said. "There is a big focus on transparency and on consensus building, which has a long history in Yemen."

He said it remained to be seen how capable the youth would be in building political coalitions and in grassroots organizing at the village level.

Thanos Petouris, a doctoral candidate at London's School of Oriental and African Studies, spoke about a movement in southern Yemen that is challenging the agreement under which North Yemen and South Yemen united in 1990.

The youth, he said, want to prevent the breakup of the country and recognize that the current political system will need to give way to a federalist structure. But he said the movement is not as visible in the south as it is in the north.

"The youth are the only ones with political legitimacy in all areas of society," he said. "The youth movement does not have a magic wand, but they have the support of the people to move Yemen into the 21st century."

He noted that, in a letter to President Barack Obama on March 17, the youth movement said President Saleh had

turned the south into "a torture chamber" and he and his family had hoarded the wealth of the country.

He said the international community was choosing to ignore the opportunity created by the president's enforced stay in Saudi Arabia.

Abubakr Al-Shamahi, editor of the

London-based Comment Middle East, also expressed disappointment at the international community's lack of support. The message of young people, he said, is that if this community wants to get rid of Al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula, which is based in Yemen, "support us."

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The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, article 1



National Bank Of Yemen

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Youth Talk

Compiled by Mahmood Al-Matari and Safiya Al-Jabry

In this section we talk to young people about their concerns, hopes and dreams. Every week we hit the streets and share what young people have to say right here.

This week's question:

The revolution has come and Yemen is not the same any more, as an individual, what can you do/what do u think should be done to help lift up Yemen once again?

Nabiha Saeed

What should be done is to have peace and unity among ourselves and try to build what we have destroyed in the past five months. Seeing our country going down the drain is one of the saddest things that has happened after the developments we have been seeing in the recent years.

Hamst Amal

First we must recognize that what is happening in Yemen is not revolution aimed for improvement; the aim unfortunately was clear and is sabotage and destruction which is terrible for everybody. All of us are Yemenis and we should support Yemen's unity. Unfortunately we have been divided into many parts like Mutamari, Eslahi, Eshtraki, Huthi, south and north, every part hating the other.

Mohammed Ismail

What we can do for ourselves now is just pray and hope that Allah hears and answers our prayers.

Ahlam Al-Ariqi

The government should listen to the demands of the people and come up with solutions that will satisfy those demands. If this is not done, how will we be able to lift the country up?

Salma Khalil

I've seen several youth initiatives and groups trying to come up with activities to ease the pain of those who have suffered during these past months and they are trying to lessen the tension in cities. This is a big step towards lifting the country.

Next Week's Question:

What is your feedback regarding the president's first speech after his attempted assassination? Was it the speech that you expected?

Follow this section for a new question every week and feel free to reply with your answers or feedback by sending an e-mail to ytyouth@gmail.com. So this is your chance to share your humorous stories, poems or opinions with other young readers!



Residents of Old Sana'a have devised methods to run generator using cooking gas amidst the fuel and electricity shortages.
Photo by Jeb Boone

What alas!

By: Abdunasser Al-Abdali
Abdul_nasser12@yahoo.com

I can never believe
What I see
In my opinion, I disagree
Those who kill
With no mercy
Man or woman
And even a baby
Because of nothing
Except democracy
And to gain some interests
Together with money
Ignoring both crime and tyranny
Hey! Is this strange and also funny?
Or all I see is just a movie
O what alas! What a pity!
What is happening in my country?

Mr. President, the game is over

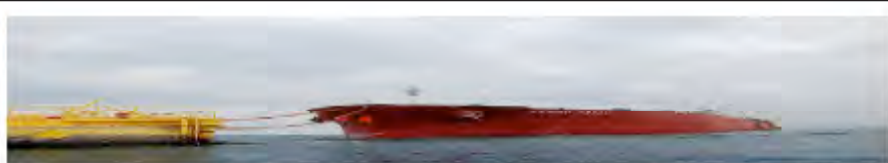
By: Naji Gazali
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I am so eager to listen to Saleh's voice saying "I am fine if you are fine" in his awaited speech to the nation. I am sorry if some readers may take my comment as a joking or mocking statement, but here is some explanation. His famous comments were just stating how we, as Yemenis, became so important and actually could decide whether the president should be fine or not. Only look to the timing of that statement. In fact, I want to say Saleh is mocking us by that statement and lying to us. He knew we are not fine at all, and I don't think he wants to put his fate and wellbeing with our disastrous one.

Yet he might continue to mock us in his awaited speech if he ever utters

another word again in this life. I think there are two expectations of how his speech will be. The first is hostile, with an avenging tone. Speaking of the hands of treason that stabbed him in the back, which will probably create a flashback moment reminding him of the late assassinated President of Yemen, Mr. Al-Humdi, and his brother. Both were slaughtered like chickens and as yet no one has been charged with that act of treason. Or alternatively, he may present himself as a president with a change of heart, who will renounce the presidency and say that he is stepping down under, and I repeat under, the Gulf initiative. He may claim that he agreed to it to bring about peace and order to Yemen, when the real motive is to come back as one of us Yemenis. He may also add to return as leader of the opposition party (yet to be) Al-Mutmar.

Having Saleh in court, or his children, nephews, brothers, and half-brothers, to answer for their crimes or to be prosecuted will not be mentioned. Because it will be given that by agreeing to the Gulf initiative, it gives him clear immunity and no one will dare to challenge it. But we must not wait for his last act to be aired and sink into our ears. We need to take a stand now and tell him, before he utters a word, either you stay in Saudi Arabia for good and we will follow you with court cases and charges, or come back to face us and be charged with murder, treason, stealing public funds, destroying our sovereignty, selling our borders and signing treaties without our permission. We will have an order against you ready to be served. It is our time, Mr. President, it is time for the people to speak. Mr. President, the game is over.



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Job Duties:

- Administers and monitors the marine contract to ensure the safe and efficient operation and maintenance of the marine facilities, offshore and onshore.
- Directs overall shipping program and coordinates the crude oil lifting objectives for the Yemen operation. Liaises with the Government Crude Oil Marketing Directorate and Nexen Marketing on behalf of Nexen's Masila Block operations.
- Leads and monitors all oil movements, custody transfer and onshore export activities. Develops and implements strategies for operational efficiencies.
- Oversees the preparation of shipping forecasts, budgets, manpower and other necessary reports that are sent to senior management, other departments and government agencies.
- Takes lead role in Emergency Response activities related to Terminal facility management and evacuation of Company personnel according to the Company's SESR policies and procedures.
- On behalf of the Operations Manager, serves as Nexen's representative at Governmental and Public functions held within the vicinity of the Terminal Facilities.

Minimum Requirements:

- University degree in petroleum engineering discipline or, / and the international going Master Mariners certificate Class one with dangerous goods endorsement.
- Minimum of 12 years in experience in oil Terminal operations and associated Marine Operations.
- Business experience with strong commercial acumen.
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- Safety and environment practices and emergency response procedures.
- Extensive knowledge and the implementation of International Codes and Standards relating to oil measurement and Terminal marine systems.



OIL MOVEMENT OPERATOR

**Position#1120 Terminal – Hadhramout Blk (14)
For Yemeni Nationals Only**

Basic Function:

Carries out a variety of operating tasks at the loading Terminal. Including gauging tanks, starting and shutting down pumps, starting up and shutting down reverse osmosis (RO) units, carrying out routine sampling and testing of water and monitoring the power generators. Ensures that work is carried out in accordance with safety and environmental standards. Trains and Coaches (Operator/Trainees) on skills ladders.

Job Duties:

- Carries out visual inspections of all receiving, loading and related plant and equipment at the Terminal on a regular planned basis. Includes checking such equipment as power generators, air compressors, carrying out area checks, logging inspection results, reporting all defects and equipment failures to enable work order to be raised.
- Ensures that all equipment used in loading operations such as generators, booster pumps, metering systems, cargo loading pumps and associated equipment functions efficiently and safely. Includes carrying out visual checks and logging parameter readings on a continuous basis during loading, and taking appropriate action to rectify faults and abnormalities as authorized. Notifies his Supervisor or Foreman as necessary.
- Carries out a variety of routine maintenance tasks. Includes such work as checking and replenishing lubricating oil in pumps, cleaning up minor oil spills, changing filters in the R.O. unit, carrying out chemical cleaning of R.O. plant, checking for leaks and rectifying as necessary.
- Drains water from crude oil tanks.
- Carries out gauging checks on tanks.
- Accompanied by surveyor and government representative, checks and gauges tanks from which oil will be loaded to export tankers, checks meter readings and passes information to the Foreman / Lead Operator.
- Monitors potable water distribution throughout the site, conducting daily checks of chlorine content. Ensures that water storage tanks are kept at normal operational levels includes starting and stopping of R.O. units.
- Starts and stops diesel transfers to the Day tank to ensure that operational levels are kept constant.
- Carries out other similar or related duties such as test running fire water pumps, stroking motor and hand operated valves for opening and closing capability, pigging the sea line, retrieving pig from the main oil pipeline, batching diesel fuel from the main oil pipeline, pumping waste oil from slop tanks to crude tank and draining water from slop tanks, and assisting in the training of junior staff.
- The Oil Movements Operator shares responsibility for the safety and security of the Terminal operations staff.
- The Oil Movements Operator shares responsibility (with all other Terminal staff) for implementing and supporting the Responsible Care program and its initiatives.
- The Oil Movements Operator shares responsibility (with all other Terminal staff) for supporting the Process Safety Management (PSM) program.
- Participates in other PSM elements within the Terminal, including Hazard Identification.

Minimum Requirements:

- Secondary school.
- Good knowledge of English.
- Valid Yemeni driving license.

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For the Year Ended 31 December 2019

13.a - Unsettled balances

This amount represents deposits that have over 15 years left and have not been claimed by the beneficiaries. The amount of the amount is due to the resolution of the business in foreign currency at the year-end rate. Management regularly reviews the likelihood of these amounts being claimed and based on the outcome of such review it considers the amount not should be transferred to the liability of Finance as it accords with the amount shown in the Bank's books at 31 of 1999.

13.b - Provisions for off-balance sheet financial position items

	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
	179,369	179,369
Balance at beginning of the year	115,355	114,482
Realisation of opening balance in foreign currency	3,940	2,381
Provisions charged during the year (note 23)	37,370	60,796
Provisions written back during the year (note 23)	(64,960)	(18,295)
Balance at end of the year	91,614	159,364

14 - INCOME TAX

	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
	179,969	179,969
Balance at 1 January	174,580	524,347
Charged for the year in the statement of comprehensive income (note 14.a)	510,580	714,580
Red during the year	(374,580)	(624,957)
Balance at 31 December	475,969	714,580

14 - INCOME TAX (CONTINUED)

14.a - Charge For The Year

The income tax charge for the year has been calculated at the basic rate of 20% (2018: 20%) of profit for the year.

14.b - Prior Year Tax Assessments

The Bank received on 31 May 2019 the final tax assessment for the income tax, liability for the financial year ended 31 December 2018.

14.c - Income Tax on Provisions for Liabilities of Loans and Advances

In accordance with article 40 of the Decree Law No. 38 of 1991, which came into effect on 27 December 1991, and Article 7-4 in the Income Tax Law No. 77 of 2014, any interest (or bonus) on loans and advances made by a Bank in compliance with the regulations of the Central Bank of Yemen is not subject to the provisions of any income tax law and are allowable as a deduction in the calculation of the taxable income.

14.d - Income Tax on Suspended Payments

Suspended interests are considered part of the provision for liabilities (provisions) in accordance with the provisions of Article 15 of Bank Law No. 38 of 1991 and Article 14-4 of the Income Tax Law No. 77 for 2014 which states that provisions for loans on loans and advances provided by banks in accordance with the provisions of the Central Bank of Yemen is not subject to provisions of any income tax law and are allowable as a deduction in the taxable income.

15 - EQUITY

15.a - Share Capital

	Number of shares 1,000 shares	Value of shares YR	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
Share Capital			179,369	179,369
Authorized	10,000	1,000	10,000,000	10,000,000
Unissued into call up	10,000	1,000	10,000,000	10,000,000

15.b - Profit Distribution

In accordance with the provisions of the Public Corporations' Regulations and Companies Law No. 38 of 1991, the annual profit of the Bank shall be allocated as follows:

- 15% to statutory reserve
- 15% to general reserve
- 50% to the Government (or its share of profit)
- 20% to employees' bonuses and
- 20% to employees' contributions.

16.a - Surplus On Revaluation Of Property Reserve

The difference between the revalued amount of the financial asset and its holdings and bank built up as of 31 December 1998 has been credited to this account and included in equity.

16.b - Statutory Reserve

In accordance with article 12-1 of the decree law no. 38 of 1991, 15% of the net profit for the year is transferred to the statutory reserve and the balance of this reserve transfer to the capital. The final dividend for the year ended the prior approval of the Central Bank of Yemen.

16.c - General Reserve

The balance of the reserve can be paid for the purposes approved by the bank.

16.d - Cumulative Changes In Fair Value Reserve

In accordance with the provisions of MAS 39 Financial Instruments - Recognition and Measurement, the difference between the fair value and the book value of the "available for sale" investments are recognized in the cumulative changes in fair value and they are not collected, disposed of, or used may be determined to be required, in which case the cumulative gain or loss previously recognized is allocated to the statement of Comprehensive Income.

16 - CREDIT ACCOUNTS AND OTHER COMMITMENTS, NET

Credit related commitments include commitments to extend credit, standby letters of credit and guarantees, which are designed to meet the requirements of the Bank's customers.

Commitments to extend credit represent contractual commitments to make loans and financing facilities. Commitments generally have fixed expiration dates or other termination clauses and require the payment of a fee. Since commitments may expire without being drawn upon the total potential payments do not necessarily represent future cash requirements.

16 - CREDIT ACCOUNTS AND OTHER COMMITMENTS, NET (CONTINUED)

Standby letters of credit and guarantees commit the Bank to make payments on behalf of customers contingent upon the failure of the customer to perform under the terms of the contract.

The commitments or total of transactions for which there were corresponding customer liabilities, as of the reporting date, consisted of the following:

	As at 31 December 2019		
	Gross commitments	Covered by margin	Net commitments
	179,369	179,369	179,369
Contingent letters of credit:	5,012,110	5,012,110	5,233,540
Letters of guarantee - Commercial	5,663,673	1,589,981	4,874,214
Letters of guarantee - Correspondent banks	10,407,721	-	10,407,721
Credit cards	38,485	3,461	35,024
Cheques purchased	18,569	3,824	14,745
Total credit accounts and other commitments	26,136,558	6,609,376	22,666,181

	As at 31 December 2018		
	Gross commitments	Covered by margin	Net commitments
	179,369	179,369	179,369
Contingent letters of credit:	11,238,368	5,164,711	6,233,057
Letters of guarantee - Commercial	5,295,095	1,483,986	3,711,109
Letters of guarantee - Correspondent banks	8,775,408	-	8,775,408
Credit cards	37,031	11,382	25,649
Cheques purchased	102,154	13,293	88,861
Total credit accounts and other commitments	25,393,368	6,658,382	18,013,025

17 - INTEREST ON LOANS AND ADVANCES AND DUE FROM BANKS

	31 December 2019	31 December 2018
	179,369	179,369
Interest on loans and advances to clients and banks		
- Loans and advances to customers	1,510,262	1,230,280
- Other facilities	149	1,414
Mutuals borrowed	1,399	18
Total interest on loans and advances to clients and banks	1,511,810	1,231,712
Interest on accounts with foreign currency		
- Current accounts	4,320	3,021
- Call accounts	-	541
- Deposits	163,080	163,074
Interest on accounts with foreign banks	180,123	173,027
Interest on accounts with local banks		
- Reserves placed with the Central Bank of Yemen		
- Total interest on accounts with banks	180,123	173,027
Total interest on loans and advances and due from banks	1,691,933	1,404,739

18 - CREDIT OF DEPOSITS

	2019	2018
	179,969	179,969
Interest on current and saving accounts	2,883,971	1,883,209
Interest on time deposits	4,834,587	3,444,705
Interest on deposits	7,718,558	5,327,914

(All figures in Lakhs of Rupees)			
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For the Year Ended 31 December 2017			
19.	COMMISSIONS AND FEE INCOME ON BANKING SERVICES		
Commission on		2016	2015
		₹1,000	₹1,000
Documentation of bills of exchange		112,128	172,144
Letters of guarantee		353,407	202,871
Transfer of funds		18,858	36,226
Acceptances		12,700	16,225
Others		446,338	338,690
Interest on			
Banking services		16,862	11,232
Other services		48,328	45,228
		₹1,014	₹536
	Other commissions and fee income on banking services		
		₹1,014	₹536
20.	LOSS/(GAIN) ON FOREIGN CURRENCY TRANSACTIONS	2016	2015
		₹1,000	₹1,000
Revaluation differences on foreign currency transactions		(245,176)	(54,228)
Gain on foreign exchange (including forward)		5,328	62,125
	Total (loss) / gain on foreign currency transactions	(162,134)	(12,103)
21.	OTHER OPERATING INCOME	2016	2015
		₹1,000	₹1,000
Provision for losses on loans no longer required (note 7.4)		626,671	338,125
Provision for off-boarding of financial product items no longer required (note 7.3.4)		34,508	68,225
Provision for outstanding recording limit no longer required (BCCU-Lender localization)		1,128	
Surplus income		14,837	13,625
	Total other operating income	₹676,144	₹409,975
22.	GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES	2016	2015
		₹1,000	₹1,000
Salaries, wages and related benefits		1,126,612	1,028,144
Depreciation of property, plants and equipment (note 7.2)		36,857	51,125
Rent		30,118	38,225
Electricity and water		45,228	48,125
Repairs and maintenance		22,332	21,225
Telephone, telefax and postage		22,128	22,125
Transportation and automobile		18,858	21,225
Printing and publications		30,858	47,225
Computer maintenance		1,412	52
Training		42,428	38,125
Taxes and government fees		104,228	48,125
Consultancy		13,628	13,625
Stationery and printing supplies		29,822	23,625
Consultancy fees for programme for development and improvement of the Bank		30,841	33,625
Other general and administration expenses		128,812	83,125
	Total general and administration expenses	1,669,681	1,688,725
23.	PROVISIONS	2016	2015
		₹1,000	₹1,000
Provision for losses on loans and advances (note 7.4)		463,882	1,661,825
Provision for off-boarding of financial product items (note 7.3.4)		27,328	68,225
Other provisions		43,446	45,225
	Total provisions	1,044,656	1,735,275
24.	TAXES	2016	2015
		₹1,000	₹1,000
Income tax		150,656	68,125
Corporate tax		(180,656)	(85,125)
		30,000	
25.	BASIC EARNINGS PER SHARE	2016	2015
		₹1,000	₹1,000
Profit for the year	₹1,000	1,079,874	1,438,125
Weighted average number of shares	Share	8,000	8,000
Basic earnings per share	₹1	278	180
26.	RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS		
In its ordinary course of business, the Bank conducts transactions with certain of its directors, senior management, and their families or households in which they own 20% or more of its capital and who were customers of the Bank during the year.			
The pertinent business transacted in the financial statements are as follows:		31 December	31 December
		2016	2015
		₹1,000	₹1,000
Board members and persons related to them			
Loans and advances, loans		27,421	14,125
Customers' deposits		11,628	11,625
		2016	2015
		₹1,000	₹1,000
Interest income for the year		1,427	1,425
Interest expense for the year		848	848
27.	CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	31 December	31 December
		2016	2015
		₹1,000	₹1,000
Cash on hand and reserve balances with the Central Bank of Yemen (note 4)		11,840,735	1,052,125
Cash with Banks (note 4)		21,833,718	28,752,125
Temporary bills with the Central Bank of Yemen (note 4)		42,688,128	52,687,125
Reserve balances with Central Bank of Yemen (note 4)		(18,228,628)	(3,057,125)
Temporary bills making (after three months, not of unsecured) (note 28)		(14,586,643)	(11,423,125)
Cash from banks making after three months (note 28)		(3,607,660)	(3,726,125)
	Total cash and cash equivalents	88,945,650	67,995,125
28.	NATURES OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES		
	As at 31 December 2016		
		Over 1 year	Over 1 year

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Yemen running dry as water shortage reaches extreme levels in Africa and the Middle East



During intense water shortages, small amounts of water must be carried long distances to be used.

By: Rola Tassabehji
For Green Prophet

For years now, Green Prophet has been reporting on the growing water shortage situation in Africa and the Middle East and its economic and geopolitical implications. However, the scale of the problem and the need for urgent international coordination to secure this basic commodity is becoming more urgent today as stories and pictures from Yemen warn of an inevitable social collapse in the middle of political uncertainty.

According to a recent report from Maplecroft, the Gulf nations are among the countries with the least available water per capita. The "water stress index" identifies areas of water stress by calculating the ratio of domestic, industrial and agricultural water consumption, against renewable supplies of water from precipitation, rivers and groundwater.

In a new ranking of 186 countries, the water stress index rates 17 countries as 'extreme risk,' with the Middle East and North African (MENA) nations of Bahrain (1), Qatar (2), Kuwait (3) Saudi Arabia (4) Libya (5), the disputed territory of Western Sahara (6), Yemen (7), Israel (8), Djibouti (9) and

Jordan (10) topping the ranking.

Meanwhile, the population of the Middle East is expected to double to over 600 million in the next four decades. Add to that the changing climate change patterns expected to cause increased drought and flooding, and the water shortage situation is predicted to become more intense and permanent than past water shortages.

But of all counties in the region, the one coming closest to running dry is Yemen. As reported by Green Prophet recently, the food situation has been exacerbated by months of fighting to overthrow the current president Ali Abdullah Saleh. Directly linked with the food insecurity is the water shortage as agriculture is the primary use of water. Past predictions that Yemen may be the first country to run out of water are no longer implausible. According to a report drawn up by the Washington Centre for Strategic and International Studies, within six years the city of Sana'a will have run out of water completely.

Other recent reports confirm that 19 out of the nations 21 aquifers are no longer being replenished. Consumption in the Yemeni capital exceeds by a factor of four the amount of water fed back into the underground reserves by local rainfall. Tap water is available only once every four days in Sanaa, a

capital of 2 million people, while in Taiz, a southern city, tap water is available only every 20 days. Meanwhile nearly half of all Yemenis live under the poverty line set by the World Bank at \$2 per day and don't have access to proper sanitation, with more than 50 percent of children said to be malnourished.

The crisis is blamed on a number of factors, including inefficient irrigation techniques, increase in domestic consumption (the population of the region is set to double, from 24 to 48 million, over the next 17 years), corruption and poor resource management policies.

The problems created by the shortage of food and water in Yemen are exacerbated by the population's dependence on qat, an extremely profitable crop which requires extensive irrigation and is so widespread that it takes up some 40 % of the country's water resources.

While other "water-deficit" countries like the UAE and Saudi Arabia can afford to invest in desalination plants, build underwater reservoirs, or buy land from other countries to secure food for their own people, in the long run these countries are as sensitive to the effects of depleting aquifers and declining home grown food production as Yemen. But time is running out faster for Yemen.

HEALTH WATCH

By: Dr. Siva

This weekly column disseminates health information to readers in Yemen and beyond. Dr. Siva currently works at Aden Refinery Company Hospital. Lifestyle diseases and cancer prevention are his special interests. Complementary medicine and naturopathy are his passions.



The genetics of prostate cancer

According to the National Cancer Institute, one in six men will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in their lifetime. The risk is even higher in African-American men. The majority of cases of prostate cancer are sporadic, which means that one person in the family developed prostate cancer by chance at a typical age of onset.

About 20 percent of prostate cancers are familial, which means there is a father or brother also affected, at typical ages of onset. Familial cancers may be due to a combination of genes and shared lifestyle factors or environmental exposures (multifactorial inheritance). On the other hand, some of these histories can represent a chance occurrence of sporadic cancers. A familial history may also arise due to a single gene mutation (hereditary cancer) that has reduced penetrance (a mutation associated with lower cancer risks and later onset of cancer). In general, with familial cancer, close relatives have a modestly increased risk of developing the cancer in question. The chance that genetic testing will be beneficial in further assessing cancer risks is usually small. Studies have found a trend of an increased chance to develop prostate cancer, with an increasing number of family members. In other words, the more relatives you have with prostate cancer, the higher the risk. Which relatives are affected also influences risk:

- Relatives With Prostate Cancer
- Prostate Cancer Risk
- Father diagnosed with prostate cancer at any age
- 2 to 3 times higher (than the average population risk)
- Brother diagnosed with prostate cancer at any age
- 3 to 4 times higher (than the average population risk)
- 2 or more first-degree relatives (father, brother, or son) diagnosed at any age
- 5 times higher (than the average population risk)

- 1 second-degree relative (uncle, grandfather) diagnosed at any age
- 1.5 to 2 times higher (than the average population risk)

Approximately 5 percent of all prostate cancers can be attributed to a cancer susceptibility gene that is inherited as a dominant trait (from parent to child). Genetic heterogeneity has been observed with prostate cancer, which means that more than one gene has been implicated in its cause. At present, there are many continuing research studies to determine the specific mechanism of how gene mutations contribute to an increased susceptibility for prostate cancer; clinical testing is not available at the time of this writing.

10 early signs of prostate cancer that often go unnoticed

Sadly, many men don't find out they have prostate cancer until the cancer has spread, making it more difficult to treat. This is because in the early stages, prostate cancer often doesn't have many symptoms. That's a problem because prostate cancer is the second most common kind of cancer in American men, after skin cancer.

The good news is that there are signs to be alert for. If you or a man in your life notices any of these changes, it's important to head to the doctor for a checkup sooner rather than later.

1. Difficulty urinating. This may take the form of feeling like you have to go and then nothing comes out, stopping mid-stream, or having to go more often. Another sign is difficulty stopping, which often takes the form of extended dribbling, or the feeling that you still have to go even when you're done. Because the prostate gland surrounds the urethra -- the tube that carries both urine and semen -- even a very small tumor in this location can interfere with urination or ejaculation. The prostate gland becomes enlarged in many men as they age, and this enlargement can cause similar urinary problems, as can benign inflammation of the prostate. So there may be no need to worry, but only a doctor can sort out one from the other.

2. Pain while urinating. Again, the problem may be a prostate tumor pressing on the urethra. However, pain while urinating is also a symptom of infection of the prostate, known as prostatitis, and of benign prostatic hyperplasia (BPH), which is non-cancerous enlargement of the prostate gland.

3. Blood in the urine. This sign is less common, but is a reason to go straight to the doctor. It doesn't have to be very much blood; all you might notice is a pinkish tint or smear. Some types of urinary tract infections can cause blood in the urine as well, but the doctor will need to perform tests to distinguish.

4. Difficulty getting or keeping an erection. Yes, this one's really hard to talk about. But if it's not happening when you want it to, or things get stuck "half-mast," it's time for a checkup. (Female partners need to tread delicately around this one, but if it's happening often enough to interfere with your sex life on a regular basis, find a moment to introduce the subject in a kind and non-threatening way.) A

prostate tumor can prevent the blood flow increase to the penis that allows an erection to happen, or it can prevent the erection from sustaining to ejaculation. Enlargement of the prostate and BPH can also cause this, so don't panic, but do talk to your doctor.

5. Blood in the semen. This sign, like blood in the urine (#3) is often not described very clearly. It's not a large amount of blood, more like just enough to make semen pinkish or streaked, according to men with prostate cancer. Gals, you can help with this one too; if you notice an odd color to semen after sex, speak up.

6. Chronic constipation and other intestinal issues. The prostate gland is located below the bladder and in front of the rectum, so a tumor in this location can interfere with digestive functions. However, it's sort of a chicken-and-egg situation; chronic constipation can contribute to an enlarged prostate by putting pressure on the gland, as well as vice versa. Chronic constipation and intestinal problems can also be an early indicator of colon cancer. A good general rule is, if you're suffering from constipation, gas, or other intestinal symptoms that don't go away when you modify your diet, talk to the doctor.

7. Frequent pain in the lower back, hips, or upper thighs. The most common sites for prostate cancer to spread are the lower back, pelvis, and hips. Unexplained pain and tenderness in this area is a sign of trouble. One way to distinguish this type of pain from run-of-the-mill sciatica and lower back pain is that it may feel deeper and more like a dull ache. However, experts say any lower back or hip pain that doesn't go away is a reason to see the doctor.

8. Having to pee in the middle of the night. This is one of the sly symptoms that men diagnosed with prostate cancer say they now look back and remember. If you find yourself waking more than once a night urgently needing to go, a trip to the doctor and a PSA test is in order.

9. Leaking or dribbling urine. Here's one almost no one talks about, but we need to. It's basically the male version of urinary incontinence, which typically occurs on a small but still noticeable scale. Longer bathroom trips while you wait for the dribbling to stop or leakage on the way to the bathroom are the telltale signs. Women, if while doing the laundry you notice that his pants or jeans smell like pee, delicately suggest a visit to the doctor.

10. You're over 50 and have risk factors. Since early prostate cancer most often has no symptoms at all, men who are at risk need to talk to their doctors and have regular PSA tests and rectal exams (sorry!) whether they notice anything odd happening or not. Family history - especially a father who had prostate cancer -- being overweight, eating a high-fat diet, being of African-American descent, and smoking all increase your risk of prostate cancer. Another one many men don't know: If the women in your family have a history of breast cancer, you may carry faulty genes that increase your prostate cancer risk.

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By: Sadeq Al-Wesabi

Mohammed Al-Emad, 29, is known for his big photographic documentation of the revolution since the beginning of the uprising in Yemen.

Al-Emad is called by many protesters and many media people as 'the photographer of the revolution' because of his huge photos of the revolution and pro-democracy protesters.

In any event belonging to the revolution you will find Al-Emad there

taking pictures enthusiastically. He has taken tens of thousands of photos of protests and marches since the beginning of the revolution five months ago.

Al-Emad who graduated from the Faculty of Mass Communication at Sana'a University has documented some crimes of the security forces against 'peaceful protesters'.

He documented all events of the revolution voluntarily and He provided many newspapers and news websites with his pictures freely.

"I take photos for marches, festivals, revolutionaries, tents of protesters and everything in the change square in Sana'a to show all



Mohammed Al-Emad

people and international community our peaceful revolution and our friendly manners," said Al-Emad.

"What I'm doing is a free service for the protesters and our revolution."

Despite his noticeable efforts into the revolution, Al-Emad described his contribution to the revolution as a small.

He was subjected to several attacks and several difficult situations because of his presence in all revolutionary activities and all rallies.

"During the marches, thugs always chase me to prevent me from taking picture," he said. "They scream: photographer! Photographer! And suddenly I see many thugs chasing me with their batons. Fortunately, I could run away from them many times,"

Al-Emad was repeatedly attacked and hit by so-called thugs but he could run away from them.

"They are too afraid of photographers and they always target them. They want to hide their heinous crimes against the protesters," said Al-Emad.

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Youth volunteers help rebuild Al-Hasaba

By: Shatha Al-Harazi

Hundreds of young volunteers went to clean up the war torn area of Al-Hasaba on Saturday. Putrid smells of dead bodies or other severed body parts still lingered in the area where the Yemeni Government and the Hashidi tribal confederation engaged in a 13 day war.

"My colleague found a hand of a dead human being among the rubble. It's disgusting how anyone can live this way," said one of the volunteers.

The area which witnessed the most intense violence in the capital Sana'a is still unsecured as the truce that was made by a Saudi mediator is expected to be broken. Hundreds of residents were displaced from the area and have come back to find their homes destroyed.

Life in Al-Hasaba has yet to return to normal. To help rebuild the area, young volunteers who organized by the Eyoon initiative, had the idea to initiating the clean-up and rebuilding of the area themselves instead of waiting on the state to take the initiative.

For two weeks, several people warned members of the group not to put their lives at risk by entering the still volatile area. Once the volunteers has finished their days work, heavy gunfire was heard close by the area. Before they took cover, a six year old ran out the rubble to tell them to calm down.

"Don't be scared," he said. "This is a normal shooting between the tribesmen and the government. We hear it every day," added the child.

In every street, armed tribesmen still hold positions behind barricades and sandbags. Chewing qat, they await any return to violence.

When the volunteers started cleaning the streets, residents were amazed and thankful and several joined the volunteers for the clean-up.

"This event taught the residents how to rely on themselves and they liked what we did, they might have thought that it's impossible to make the neighborhood the way it was and that's why they didn't clean it before we do," said Randa Hussein, one of the volunteers.

"You did what we should have done ourselves, we highly appreciating what you are doing, it would normally cost us one million and half YR to clean this dirt only," said a Al-Hasaba local council member to the volunteers.

Painting was another part of the campaign that was meant to take place only at one of the schools. To cover the bullet holes and RPG damage to the Al-Rahma school where the fighting began, volunteered painted over the damage.

In the school the volunteers integrated with the military college stu-

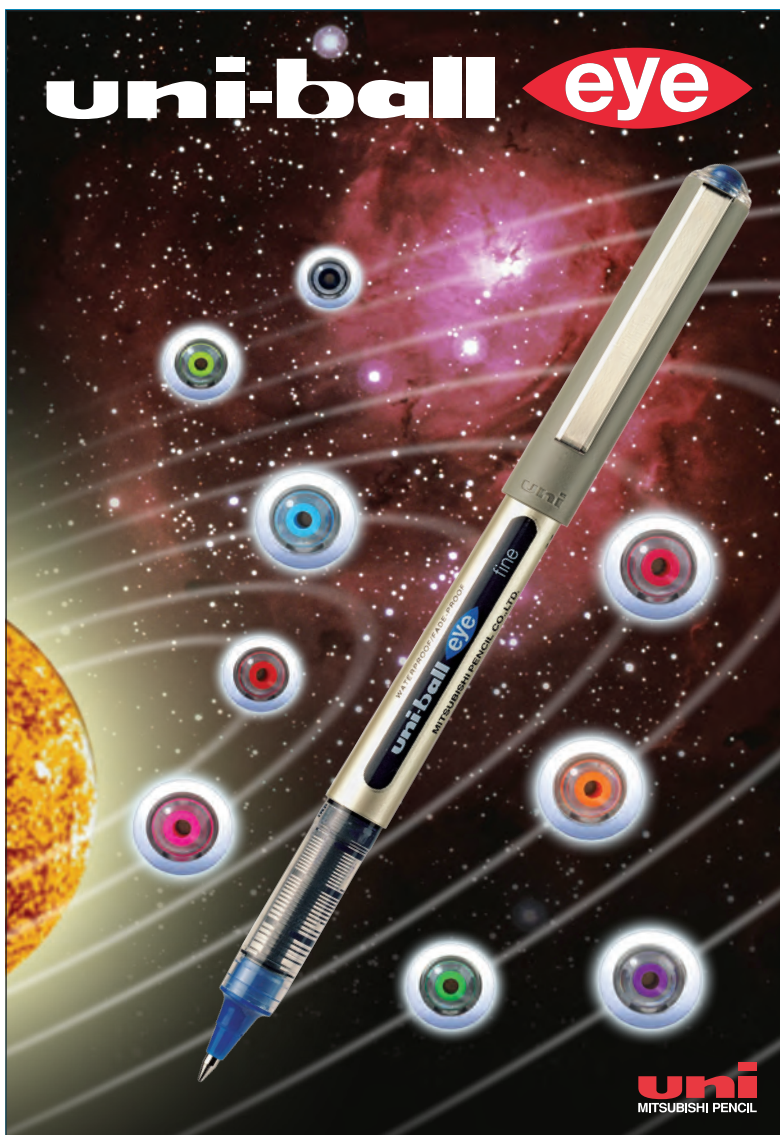


Youth volunteers painting on the bullet effects in Al-Rammah school which have been left behind following the Al-Hasaba war.

dents who were located at this school to protect and to fight the tribes from. The soldiers who had to prepare for exams showed their respect to what the volunteers where doing in a small debates between the soldiers and the volunteers on why do the soldiers obey orders to fight the tribes in a civilian neighborhood, the soldiers nicely said "All what we know is to obey our leader in it's our responsibility to protect

the governmental buildings" although the volunteers didn't agree on what he said they didn't judge him but respect his point of view which is another value that is not found easily in the capital these days.

"I went back to my life with more respect to these soldiers although I don't agree on what they said, but it was the first time that we get closer to them and see their misery" said a volunteer.



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