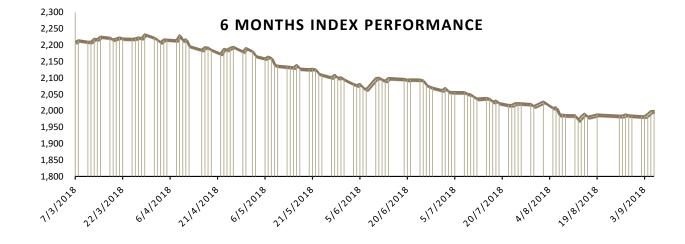


Amman Stock Exchange

	Close	% Change	Year-to-Date (YTD)	Daily Volume (shares)	Daily Turnover (JOD)
AMMAN SE GENERAL INDEX	1,991.80	-0.03%	-6.35%	2,677,168	2,266,556



Best Performing Compar	nies	Worst Performing Companies		
	% Change		% Change	
OFFTEC HOLDING GROUP PLC	4.65	JORDANIAN PHARMACEUTICAL MAI	(3.57)	
REAL ESTATE & INVESTME/THE	4.35	JORDAN MASAKEN FOR LAND & IN	(4.68)	
BARTER CO FOR INVESTMENT & T	3.57	ZARA INVESTMENTS	(4.94)	
ARAB INTERNATIONAL HOTELS	3.00	SOUTH ELECTRONICS	(7.14)	
MASAFAT FOR SPECIALIZED TRAN	2.78	EMMAR INVESTMENTS & REAL EST	(7.69)	
Top Traded Companies by Volume (Shares)		Top Traded Companies by Value (JOD)		
SURA DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTM	661,691	SURA DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTI	301,44	
ARAB EAST INVESTMENT	299,002	SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	173,79	

186,430

175,650

153,170

SURA DEVELOPMENT AND INVESTI	301,447
SPECIALIZED INVESTMENT COMPO	173,794
ARAB EAST INVESTMENT	152,359
ARAB BANK PLC	144,412
JORDAN PETROLEUM REFINERY CC	126,732

* Source: Bloomberg

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Tafileh ministerial meeting shut down upon citizens' angry outbursts

Citizens in Tafileh on Saturday angrily interrupted various ministers during a discussion session held at Tafileh Technical University over the controversial new income tax law, drawing the session to a forced close when the ministers abruptly left the stadium. Among the ministers present were Minister of Health Mahmoud Sheyyab, Minister of Agriculture Khaled Hneifat, and State Minister of Legal Affairs Mubarak Abu Yamin, who were seen in a video that went viral on social media being subjected to angry remarks by locals. In the video, the three ministers were interrupted by a group of citizens, after which Hneifat was heard saying "message received. We will carry your comments back to the Prime Ministry" before leaving the premises with the other ministers. Most of the remarks expressed by the protestors did not seem to concern the income tax law itself, while some were made with a seemingly lack of understanding of it. "I can't buy my children clothes, your excellencies. My salary is JD300!" a citizen shouted in the session. "We will never accept any version of any income tax law!" another person shouted as a reply to ministers' remarks about the International Monetary Fund pressuring the government to pass a tax law in exchange for a loan.

'Right arm' of main suspect in tobacco case brought back

Minister of State for Media Affairs and Government Spokesperson Jumana Ghunaimat on Saturday announced that the security agencies had managed to bring back "Raed Mohammed Hamdan", whom she identified as "the right arm of the main suspect in the tobacco case" Awni Mutee. Ghunaimat said that the government had instructed the security agencies to secure the repatriation of Hamdan, and the General Intelligence Department managed, through intelligence channels, to accomplish the mission. The minister did not elaborate on the charges against Hamdan or in which country he was, but said in a statement that he left the Kingdom on July 23, 2018, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. The Interpol issued in late August an International Red Notice against Mutee, a Jordanian businessman who reportedly fled the country to Lebanon in July, one day ahead of a crackdown on an alleged illegal tobacco manufacturing and smuggling factory. Mutee is wanted on six charges including carrying out acts of endangering public safety and security, carrying out acts that would change the country's economic entity and endangering the basic conditions of society, according to the Interpol Red Notice. Other charges added by the Red Notice include joint customs

* Source: Bloomberg, Jordan Times, Zawya

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