

## Organs of 21-year-old Iranian boy save lives of seven



IRNA – Mehdi Emami's organs were donated through a transplant after his brain death was confirmed at a hospital in northeastern Iran. The donation saved lives of seven individuals, said Morteza Rasti Sani, the director of Sabzevar University of Medical Sciences in Sabzevar in Razavi Khorasan Province, on Sunday. After a car incident, Mehdi was rushed to the hospital but he could not regain consciousness and faced loss of brain function, Rasti Sani said. One of his kidneys and his pancreas were transplanted into the body of a 31-year-old man. His other kidney was transplanted into a 40-year-old woman. Mehdi's liver was donated to a 20-year-old patient, his corneas were transported to a national eye bank of Iran and parts of his skin were given to a hospital to treat burn victims, Rasti Sani added.

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## Iranian Kazemizad wins American music award



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Iranian composer Aydin Kazemizad was honored at the Akademia Music Awards in the United States for his album 'Hajastam O Vajastam.' Kazemizad is the first Iranian musician to receive the Akademia Music Awards

in the Children's Music Album category, according to reports from International Affairs Department of the Institute for the Intellectual Development of Children and Young Adults. Speaking about the album, Kazemizad expressed, "This album is the result of years of effort, study, and my experience in teaching and direct education of children through music, move-



ment, and play, aiming to enhance various skills and abilities in children." He emphasized his dedication to creating and arranging a variety of practical songs for children. Kazemizad added, "In this album, I tried to create and arrange songs from the perspective of children and their needs, while also understanding children's music on a global scale. I am very happy that the outcome

of these efforts has brought global recognition to me and my country in the field of children's music. I hope this result becomes a turning point in the global production of music for Iranian children." "This buoyant album from Kazemizad is the kind of children's music many of us unconsciously sought out long ago. 'Hajastam O Vajastam' is a heartfelt masterpiece

with phenomenal guitar and instrumental stylings," the album description reads. The audio album 'Hajastam O Vajastam' was composed by Kazemizad, with lyrics by Mustafa Rahmandoust. The album is tailored for children aged four and above. Kazemizad has already won the Bronze Medal for 'Hajastam o Vajastam,' at the Global Music Awards.

## Iranian researchers produce polymer vital for making medicines

Iranian researchers at the University of Tehran have produced a polymer widely used in medical and pharmaceutical fields to meet domestic needs amid problems caused by Western sanctions restricting the import of medicines and medical supplies to the country. The copolymer, called poly lactic-co-glycolic acid or PLGA, is an environment-friendly chemical compound that is widely used in medical, pharmaceutical and research fields, including in producing surgical sutures, said Mohsen Shahrourvand, the chairman

of the Polymer Engineering Department at the Caspian Technical Faculty of the Tehran University, IRNA wrote. He said that PLGA is also used in producing drug delivery systems (DDS) required for certain medicines that are currently imported to Iran. Because those DDSs are not produced domestically, Iranian pharmaceutical companies have to import PLGA at a high price, he added. PLGA is globally priced at 100 dollars each gram for research activities and 10 to 20 dollars for medicinal purposes, Shahrourvand said, adding that the Iranian

knowledge-based company in charge of producing PLGA is currently working on getting required permissions to sell the product in internal and international markets. He said that Iranian researchers have already managed to produce PLGA in labs. Now, with the mass production of this polymer, the current monopoly on its production by a handful of countries in the world will be broken as well, Shahrourvand noted, adding that PLGA is currently produced by the US, Germany, the Netherlands, China, and India.

## Iranian cinemas thrive with sales of \$2.8m in one month



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Iranian cinemas reported sales exceeding \$2,842,460 in a one-month period from December 22 to January 20. The cities of Tehran, Shiraz, Mashhad, Isfahan, and Karaj emerged as the country's top-selling cinema hubs. Iran's cinema sales experienced a growth of over 100,000 compared to the previous month. The highest sales day was on January 12, with over \$200,000 in revenue. Moreover, December 26, attracted the highest audience, with 238,289 attendees. Among the top-selling films in December were 'Hotel,' leading with sales exceeding \$775,600, followed by 'Hawaii' with sales surpassing \$590,460, and 'Beach Villa' with sales over \$503,960, claiming the first three spots in this month's sales chart.

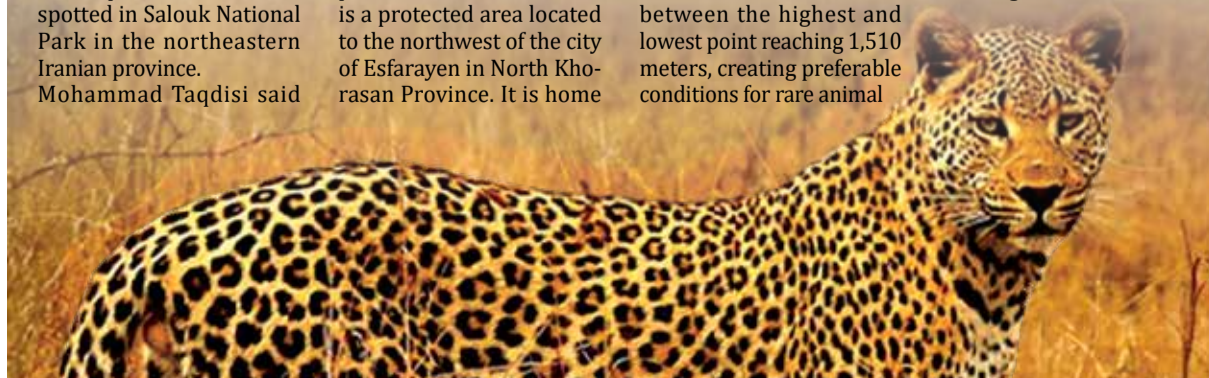
## Three Persian leopards spotted in NE Iran

An official at the Department of Environment Protection in Iran's North Khorasan Province said that one Persian leopard and two leopard cubs have been spotted in Salouk National Park in the northeastern Iranian province. Mohammad Taqdisi said

the recently-seen leopards would increase the species seen in the protected area to six based on a previous tally of the wildlife in the park. Salouk National Park is a protected area located to the northwest of the city of Esfarayen in North Khorasan Province. It is home

to a variety of plant and animal species. This protected area is divided into two mountainous and lowland landscapes with elevation difference between the highest and lowest point reaching 1,510 meters, creating preferable conditions for rare animal

species. More than 100 animal species have been identified in Salouk National Park, according to official government figures.



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