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USD	81	GBP	81	EUR	1000
AFN	184.51	AFN	142.81	AFN	594
AFN	142.81	AFN	146	AFN	594
EUR	81	AFN	118.73	AFN	247
AFN	184.51	AFN	247	AFN	24.6

## James Webb Telescope fully deployed in space



The James Webb Space Telescope has completed its two-week deployment phase, unfolding its huge, gold-plated, flower-shaped mirror panel as a ready to study every phase of cosmic history.

Engineering teams cheered back the Space Telescope as it reached its final position in the 6.5-meter (21-foot) mirror was deployed.

"I'm emotional about it... what an amazing achievement," says James Webb, a senior NASA engineer, said during the live video feed on Saturday as engineers worldwide celebrated.

"We see that beautiful pattern out there in the sky now."

More powerful than the Hubble Space Telescope, the \$10-billion Webb will scan the cosmos for light streaming from the first stars and galaxies formed 13 billion years ago. To accomplish this, NASA had to outfit Webb with the biggest and most sensitive mirror ever launched - the "golden eye" as it is called - and a sunshield that is 20 meters wide and 12 meters high. The telescope is in operational configuration, it was completed Friday.

Unfolding has been a complex and challenging task - the most daunting such project ever attempted, according to NASA.

The Webb launched off in an Atlas 5 rocket from French Guiana on December 25, and is heading to its orbital point, 1.5 million kilometers from Earth.

Though Webb will reach its operational destination, known as the second Lagrange point, in a matter of weeks, it will take about another five and a half months of testing to go.

The next steps include aligning the telescope's optics, and testing its scientific instruments. Flight controllers in Baltimore began opening the primary mirror on Friday, unfolding the left side like a book.

This mirror is made of beryllium, a lightweight yet sturdy and cold-resistant metal. Each of its 18 segments is coated with gold, which allows it to reflect infrared light. The segments, called table-top segments, must be adjusted in the days and weeks following launch.

"It's not only the telescope, but the best people in the field, the best people in the world, who are working on this," said NASA Administrator Bill Nelson.

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## Wall of rock collapses on Brazil's Furnas lake, kills seven

At least seven people have died and nine were seriously injured when a wall of rock collapsed on to boats carrying tourists on a weekend, said up to 30,000 on holidays.

The people hurt in the accident had broken bones and cuts, but serious conditions in hospital with head and facial injuries.

Furnas Lake, which was created by the damming of the Furnas River, is a popular tourist attraction in the state capital of São Paulo, 130 miles north of São Paulo.



## Jailed Iranian writer Baktash Abtin dies after contracting COVID

Baktash Abtin, an Iranian poet and journalist, died of COVID-19 after contracting the virus while in prison.

Abtin was arrested in 2019 and sentenced to 10 years in prison for "propaganda against national security."

The 48-year-old was transferred to a hospital from the Evin Prison in mid-December and was placed in a medically induced coma a week before his death on Saturday in an attempt to help him recover from a severe case of the coronavirus.

Right-wing parliamentarianism wanted time in offering him medical assistance when he first showed symptoms of the disease more than two weeks ago on Friday, PEN America and Human Rights Foundation said.

Abtin was held in a cell with other prisoners in a prison with the best medical care, and he was able to see his family and receive visits from other prisoners in a prison with the best medical care, and he was able to see his family and receive visits from other prisoners in a prison with the best medical care.

Penalty officials said that the wall was about 100 meters high and 500 meters long.

Officials suggested the rock face coming loose could have been caused by heavy rains which had caused flooding in the area and forced about 1,000 people out of their homes.

A rescue team including a helicopter and members of the Brazilian Navy rushed to Furnas Lake. The latest official toll is "seven dead and three missing," said officials in Copacabana.

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## Saudi Arabia COVID-19 daily figures decrease, 3,068 new cases recorded in 24 hours

Saudi Arabia recorded 3,068 new COVID-19 cases over the past 24 hours, the Ministry of Health announced on Saturday.

The daily number of new cases is a decrease from 3,177 recorded on Friday.

The ministry added that the death toll has reached 3,892 as of January 8 after two more consecutive recorded deaths were recorded, while a total of 545,771 patients have recovered, with 793 more registered in the last 24 hours.

The Kingdom's health authorities have administered over 52 million vaccine doses as of January 8, reaching 52,053,327, according to the health ministry.

Health authorities recently updated recovery periods for those who test positive for the virus. For vaccinated individuals, the recovery period has been reduced to seven days while the unvaccinated recovery period is 19 days.

## Haathi piracy of ships off Yemen coast was planned by Iran's IRGC: Arab Coalition

The Arab Coalition said on Saturday that the Iran-backed Houthis continue to violate international maritime law in the Red Sea, according to the coalition.

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## Pakistan snow: Deadly weather traps hundreds of drivers

At least 21 people have died after heavy snow trapped them in their vehicles on a road in Pakistan.

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## Keeping the city clean everyone's responsibility



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