

SHISHAVAC
US\$250
www.shishavac.com

THE NARGILEH SMOKING EXPERIENCE has advanced little over the past few hundred years or so (except for the creation of those little individually-wrapped sanitary tips). But could this sleek-looking machine represent the future? The snappily-titled Shishavac promises to use modern technology to banish forever the peripheral nuisances of preparing a nargileh. It features an nearly instant smokeless lighter for natural charcoal, a pump that will start the smoke for you, and a special filter system to clean the hoses and remove harmful particles that can build up in them over time.



ZAIN E-GO WIRELESS BROADBAND

Contract prices vary
www.zain.com

ACCESSING THE INTERNET WHILE out and about can be a time-consuming process—find a decent Wi-Fi spot, buy a JD20 pre-paid card (even though you only want to log on for a couple of minutes), scratch the back of the card to reveal a 67-digit pin code, and laboriously type in the numbers. Frankly, it makes a mockery of the vision that the Internet should be accessed as easily as turning on a tap. Now Zain has introduced e-Go, a new 4G wireless Internet service with speeds of up to 5Mbps. But best of all is the tiny plug-and-play USB device available with the service, which you can attach to your laptop to access the Internet instantly over great swathes of the Kingdom.



MANGO RADIOS

From US\$220,
www.artaware.com

TECH FIRMS ARE STARTING to compete to see who can come up with the 'greenest' gadgets and gizmos. But they'll all have to go some way to create a device more eco-friendly than the Mango radio. Each one of the chunky, retro devices is handcrafted in Indonesia from naturally harvested wood, and for every tree used in the manufacturing process, a new one is planted. The company behind the AM/FM radio is Areaware, an achingly hip New York-based company that uses recycled and salvaged materials to build its quirky product range. Now, if there was only something good to tune in to ...

