

**Kate Winslet held her breath underwater for 7 minutes for 'Avatar' sequel: Cameron**

Filmmaker James Cameron says Oscar-winning actor Kate Winslet was "excited" about doing the underwater scenes for "Avatar" sequel. **P14**

**Will far-right hijack of EU elections finish off liberal democracy?**

# THE DAILY tribune



**Baftas 2019: Roma and The Favourite win big**

**Sisi takes helm at African Union**



www.nbr.gov.bh

## Ensure effective implementation of VAT 80008001

For inquiries & complaints

@BahrainNBR

**Mega tourism projects set Riyadh**

Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince Mohammed Bin Salman launched yesterday mega tourism projects in the ancient city of Al Ula, that includes a resort designed by a renowned French architect and a nature reserve, both called Sharaan.

Jean Nouvel, the French architect who designed Louvre Abu Dhabi, will build a resort in the mountains of Al Ula as part of a plan launched on Sunday night to transform the home of ancient civilisations into a destination for visitors from around the world.

**Pope Francis praises UAE Dubai**

Pope Francis has praised the UAE, describing it as a "modern country looking to the future without forgetting its roots."

Speaking in a video message broadcast Sunday at the first day of the World Government Summit in Dubai, he said he hoped his visit to the UAE last week was the start of change.

"I carry in my heart the visit I just made to the UAE and the warm welcome I received," he said.



HRH the Crown Prince chairs the meeting.

# Jobs for all plan

**HRH the Crown Prince hails EDB efforts towards creating large number of new jobs last year**

● **HRH the Crown Prince stressed the EDB's efforts in attracting international investments during last year.**

● **The EDB Board stressed prioritising skills, infrastructure and legislative development to support emerging companies.**

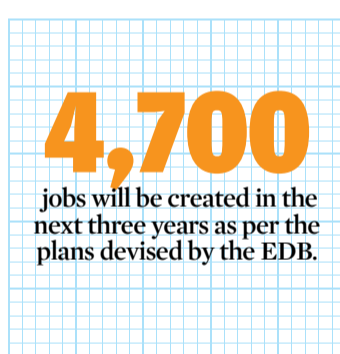
**Manama**

**H**is Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown

Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and Chairman of the Economic Development Board (EDB) yesterday chaired the EDB board meeting held at the organisation's headquarters at Bahrain Bay.

During the meeting, HRH the Crown Prince emphasised that Bahraini citizens continue to be placed at the core of the Kingdom's development plans, in line with the vision of His Majesty King Hamad, and noted that the creation of high-quality jobs is a key component of the Kingdom's inward investment efforts.

HRH the Crown Prince went on to highlight the EDB's achievements during 2018, focusing in particular on efforts to further develop the Kingdom's key sectors by boosting co-operation between the public and private



sectors.

HRH the Crown Prince further noted the EDB's efforts in attracting international investments during last year.

HRH the Crown Prince stressed that, in line with its mandate to accelerate economic development and diversification, the EDB should continue to prioritise foreign investments and build on its

achievements during 2018.

Khalid Al Rumaihi, EDB Chief Executive, then gave a presentation on the organisation's achievements during last year.

He noted that the EDB was able to exceed its targets during 2018, successfully attracting foreign investments of BD 314 million from 92 local and international companies.

He added that these efforts will contribute to the creation of more than 4,700 jobs in the next three years.

Mr Al Rumaihi went on to outline the Board's intention to target inward investment by further strengthening and actively promoting Bahrain's supportive and competitive business environment. His Excellency noted the Bahrain's strategic development plan will contribute to

provide high quality jobs across the Kingdom's strategic sectors.

He went on to highlight the results of an EDB survey into the effects of the fourth industrial revolution (industry 4.0), a trend of automation and data exchange in manufacturing technologies.

In this regard, Mr Al Rumaihi identified a number of challenges faced by the Kingdom's industrial and manufacturing companies and concluded by proposing solutions to overcome these obstacles.

For its part, the EDB Board stressed that prioritising skills, infrastructure and legislative development to support emerging companies - especially in the FinTech sector - will help the Kingdom continue to attract robust investments in industrial technology and other sectors.

TRAGIC END

## Student's body washes ashore on BFH beach

TDT | Manama

**I**n a suspected suicide, the body of a 22-year-old expatriate student was found washed ashore on Bahrain Financial Harbour beach yesterday.

The deceased was identified as Prabha Subramaniyan, a student of the University of Bahrain. She was also an alumnus

of Indian School Bahrain.

Confirming the incident, the Interior Ministry said on its Twitter handle that it has launched a probe into the death.

"A body of an Asian woman, 22, found in the sea in the Bahrain Bay area. An investigation has been launched to know the reason behind the death," the ministry said.

Sources said Prabha's father is a known businessman. "She is survived by her father, mother and an elder brother," sources added.

Last May, a 14-year-old student attempted suicide by jumping off his school building. Tribune spoke to leading psychiatrists Anisha Abraham and Mariam Alamadi, who said the young are committing suicide due to their inability to face challenges in the early stages of life.

"Students should be assessed for their level of suicide risk and a treatment plan should be put in place," they added.

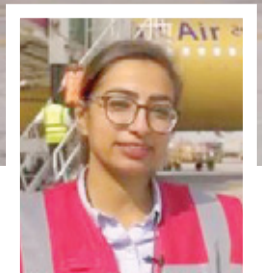


Prabha Subramaniyan

**In a first**



Aysha Al Sulaiti became the first Bahraini woman to be appointed as the marshal officer at the Bahrain International Airport. The 25 years old aircraft engineer works for Bahrain Airport Company.



02 Celebrating confluence of cultures

03 Mental health test for Sudani accused of murdering Indian

04 Civil society faces legal action 'over unpaid power, water bills'



6 084010 110021 >