

Bahrain Auto Fair Inaugurated

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Shaikh Hisham bin Abdulrahman bin Mohammed Al Khalifa, Governor of the Capital Governorate, inaugurated the Bahrain Auto Fair 2018 (BAF), the biggest automobile festival in the Kingdom at the Bahrain Financial Harbor yesterday.

The event organized by SolidVision in cooperation with Eleven & Bridge is being held in an area of 20,000 square meters in the heart of Manama under the patronage of Shaikh Hisham.

Simultaneously held with the 4th edition of Bahrain Shopping Festival - Shop Bahrain - the expo is a unique annual forum for all carmakers and car enthusiasts. The event is expected to attract more than 40,000 visitors from all over GCC countries with people of all age groups.

On the occasion, the Governor of the Capital expressed his desire to promote such activities that

contribute to tourism in the Kingdom.

Shaikh Khalifa bin Daij Al Khalifa, Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the event, praised the support provided by the Capital Governorate for the festival, stressing that the support will lead to achieving the objectives of the fest.

Bahrain Auto Fair 2018 is showcasing diverse recreational activities with a test drive area to try out a wide variety of cars - classic and exotic cars, motorbikes and modified cars.

A number of special car modification companies are also on hand to provide visitors with a unique opportunity to modify their cars. A food court with a variety of food and beverages, other exclusive activities such as raffle draws are also organized at the venue.

Car finance companies and banks are also participating in the event. The expo will conclude on January 21.



Shaikh Hisham bin Abdulrahman bin Mohammed Al Khalifa, Governor of the Capital Governorate, at the Bahrain Auto Fair, yesterday

New private school fee regulations outlined



Undersecretary for Educational Affairs and Curricula Dr. Fawzi Al-Jowder with principals

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Under new performance-based criteria, only schools rated "Good" or "Excellent" will be authorised to increase students' fees by five per cent, pending board of directors' approval, Education Ministry Undersecretary for Educational Affairs and Curricula Dr. Fawzi Al-Jowder said yesterday.

This was disclosed after Dr Al-Jowder held a meeting with principals representing high-performing schools to update them on the new fee regulations. The new fee readjustment procedures will take effect at the beginning of the school year 2018/2019, in

line with the ministerial edict dated August 27, 2017.

In case the increase in school fees exceeds the nominal 5pc benchmark, the approval of the school board and parent's council would be required for the hike to be endorsed.

Fourteen private schools are rated as high-performing, out of 73 privately-owned educational establishments.

Dr. Al-Jowder said that any increase would be performance-based, taking into account the review reports, periodically released by the Education and Training Quality Authority (BQA).

He urged representatives of the high-performing school to

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communicate with students' parents before increasing school fees, stressing the ministry's keenness on encouraging private education investment.

The meeting was attended by Assistant Undersecretary for Private and Continuous Education Jaffer Al-Sheikh and Private Education director Ahlam Al-Amer.

BPL 2018 Quiz at ISB today

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HK Sports with Exelon will be organising the preliminary round of the stride BPL 2018 Quiz today at the Indian School Bahrain, Isa town at 6 PM.

The Charu Sharma Quiz show

is part of the Bahrain Premier League and will be held at the Indian School Bahrain on January 25. Bahrain Premier League is the first franchise based T20 cricket tournament held under the patronage of His Highness Sheikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa. The quiz

has brought forth six teams of very bright high school students under one platform to compete against each other in three rounds of exciting game strategy and all the kids have exceptional skills in terms of participation, healthy competition, speed and accuracy.



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