

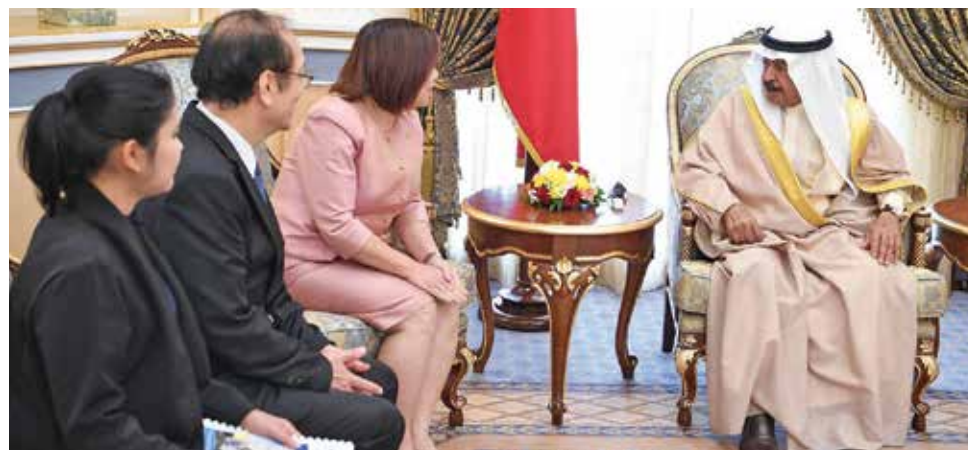
Prime Minister welcomes Thai investment in medical sector

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His Royal Highness Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa has affirmed that the government allocates great importance to the health sector, out of its belief in its role in enhancing the treatment services it provides for the citizens, as well as in supporting its efforts to deliver the best services in this regard.

HRH Prime Minister was speaking as he received the CEO and Managing Director of the Piyavate Hospital, Dr. Witit Arvtavatkun, currently on a visit to the Kingdom.

HRH Premier highlighted the government's desire to



HRH Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa with Dr. Witit Arvtavatkun of Thailand paved the way for Bahraini medical field, welcoming the policies of the Thai health sector to invest in the health sector in Bahrain, and to take advantage of the strong relations between the two friendly countries to consolidate that. HRH Premier lauded the steady progress of

the Bahraini-Thai relations and cooperation in various fields, hailing the role of the private sector in developing bilateral ties through taking advantage of the agreements signed between the two countries in various development fields.

HRH Prime Minister asserted that there are promising opportunities of cooperation between the two countries in many fields that can be developed through partnership between the private sector in the two kingdoms, calling for availing of Bahrain's strategic location and attraction factors to have access to all regional and global markets. HRH Premier expressed the government's

keenness on encouraging investments in the private sector through providing an integrated system of legislation and facilities that motivate investors to invest in such a vital sector, and support the kingdom's policies to become a distinguished destination for therapeutic tourism in the region.

Dr. Witit Arvtavatkun expressed sincere thanks and appreciation to HRH the Prime Minister for continuous efforts to bolster Bahraini-Thai relations. He lauded the Premier's support for the private sector to invest in the medical field, praising Bahrain's progress in the health sector.

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2015-18 Government Action Plan reviewed



The meeting held to review the current Government Action Plan

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As part of preparations for the final government workshop set to take place next month, government officials held a follow-up meeting yesterday during which the current Government Action Plan (2015 - 2018) was reviewed. The meeting was led by the Deputy Prime Minister, His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa.

The Minister of Cabinet Affairs, Mohammed bin Ebrahim Al Mutawa, gave a detailed presentation outlining important initiatives within the current Government Action Plan (2015 - 2018) and associated achievements.

Following the presentation, the Deputy Prime Minister highlighted the importance of continuing to build on these achievements to deliver opportunities for citizens. He

The Minister of Cabinet Affairs, Mohammed bin Ebrahim Al Mutawa, gave a detailed presentation outlining important initiatives taken as part of current Govt Action Plan

also instructed government officials to put forward their final recommendations on key policies and initiatives identified during the series of workshops and coordination meetings held in recent months.

His Highness recognised the important role government officials play in driving forward national development and strengthening government efficiency to meet citizens' aspirations. HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and

First Deputy Prime Minister, had directed government officials during the 2017 Government Forum to lead a series of workshops to identify mechanisms and key priority areas for the government's future goals.

The final workshop, which will also be led by the Deputy Prime Minister, HH Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa, is due to take place in April. Deputy Prime Minister, Jawad bin Salem Al Arrayed, ministers and other senior government officials attended the meeting.