

GPIC participates in Garden Show

Manama

The Gulf Petrochemical Industries Company (GPIC) is taking part in the Bahrain International Garden Show 2018 as part of its policy of supporting the environment and encouraging steps that would increase the country's green areas.

The show is being held at the Bahrain International Exhibition and Convention Centre from February 22 to 25 on the theme, Food Safety and Human Health.

The show, under the patronage of His Majesty King Hamad, is being held with the support of Her Royal Highness Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa, wife of His Majesty, President of the Supreme Council for Women, Chairperson of the Consultative Council of the National Initiative for Development for the Agricultural Sector and Honorary President of the Supreme Organizing Committee of the show.

Her Royal Highness visited GPIC pavilion during the opening ceremony along with guests and dignitaries. HRH was received by Company President Dr. Abdulrahman Jawahery and the members of the Executive Management.

HRH Princess Sabeeka praised GPIC's efforts to support the environment and the agricultural sector and its growing interest in the environment. She also praised the Company's achievements and applauded its winning local, regional and international



HRH Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa with GPIC President Dr. Abdulrahman Jawahery at GPIC stall

awards in the field.

She also spoke about the Company's safety record and its efforts to encourage community activities and events to promote environmental awareness.

Dr. Jawahery thanked Her Royal Highness for the visit and said it was an opportunity to inform her about the Company's initiatives in the field of environmental care, in particular her patronage of the National Initiative for the Development of the Agricultural Sector, which aims at spreading awareness of an agricultural culture, developing educational and training systems and supporting and

rehabilitating farmers.

Dr. Jawahery said that GPIC is proud of its cooperation with all of the green initiatives launched by Her Royal Highness and comes from its desire to develop green spaces and creating awareness of the importance of the agricultural sector in achieving sustainable development. He said the show is one of the most important events in the Company's calendar and asserted the Company is keen to provide sponsorship and set up a pavilion, where it displays the products it manufactures.

Visitors to the pavilion are introduced on the importance and methods of using fertilizers,

including the premium urea fertilizer produced by the Company, which is exported to the world's leading markets. Samples of this fertilizer are also distributed free of cost to those attending the show, in addition to educational brochures.

Dr. Jawahery thanked the show organizers, in particular the Secretary General of the National Initiative for the Development of the Agricultural Sector, Sheikha Maram Bint Isa Al Khalifa, and praised their efforts to prepare for the event. He also praised those behind the setting up of GPIC pavilion and said it received accolades from the visitors and guests every year.

Entrepreneurship training camp held

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A batch of 27 Bahrainis successfully completed an integrated training programme on entrepreneurship by the Institute of "Ebdaa Hub" under the title "Entrepreneurship Camp".

The ten-day programme ended with participants completing an examination with a professional certification from the British Center for Enterprise Management and Entrepreneurship.

These graduates represent the first batch of the training programme to reach 300 Bahraini entrepreneurs and employees this year, providing them with the basic skills and knowledge required to launch private projects and to further ensure the implementation of the best international standards in management and the various work joints.

The training programme consisted of four basic modules; Fundamentals of Management, Fundamentals of Marketing, and Fundamentals of Financial Accounting, as well as the basic personal skills of the entrepreneur

and entrepreneur.

"The Entrepreneurship Camp is in line with national efforts to stimulate entrepreneurship in Bahrain, encourage entrepreneurship, create jobs, reduce import bills and diversify national economy," stated Khalil Al-Qahri, CEO of Ebdaa Hub.

"Through this camp, we aim to provide a shared space between the gathering of entrepreneurs where they showcase the opportunities and challenges, which will contribute to the exchange of practical knowledge among them and benefit from their experiences," Al-Qahri added.

He pointed out that entrepreneurs in the Kingdom of have opportunities to benefit from the system of support provided to them in addition to laws such as the allocation of part of government procurement from small and medium enterprises, and the launch of the Council for the development of small and medium enterprises, which is currently working on a comprehensive national plan to promote those institutions, 90 per cent of the national economy.



Participants at the training camp

Lulu launches major project in Indian state

Visakhapatnam

Retail major Lulu Group has officially launched one of the largest project of its kind in the Indian state of Andhra Pradesh.

Through a PPP route the group would set up an integrated project, comprising 7000 capacity a world-class convention centre, 2 million sq. feet shopping mall and a luxury hotel on the beach road in the Harbour Park area of Visakhapatnam aimed to making it a global destination for "Meetings, Incentives, Conferencing and Exhibitions (MICE) tourism.

The foundation stone

of the project was laid by Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu in the presence of CM Chandra Babu Naidu, Union Ministers Suresh Prabhu,

Ashok Gajapathy Raju, YS Chowdary, Yusuffali MA, CMD, Ashraf Ali MA, Executive Director, Ananth AV, Director of Lulu Group,

state ministers, diplomats and delegates from across the world.

Once completed, the project will create more than

5,000 direct and indirect employment to another 5000.

"We hope to complete this prestigious project by 2021, said the group's Chairman

& MD Yusuff Ali MA. "It'll also provide a world-class shopping experience to both tourists and the residents of Sunrise state".



Vice President M Venkaiah Naidu unveiling the plaque during the foundation stone laying ceremony of Lulu group mixed use project at the Partnership summit in Visakhapatnam yesterday. Also seen are CM Chandra Babu Naidu, Union Ministers Suresh Prabhu, Ashok Gajapathy Raju, YS Chowdary, Yusuffali MA, CMD, Ashraf Ali MA, Executive Director, Ananth AV, Director of Lulu Group