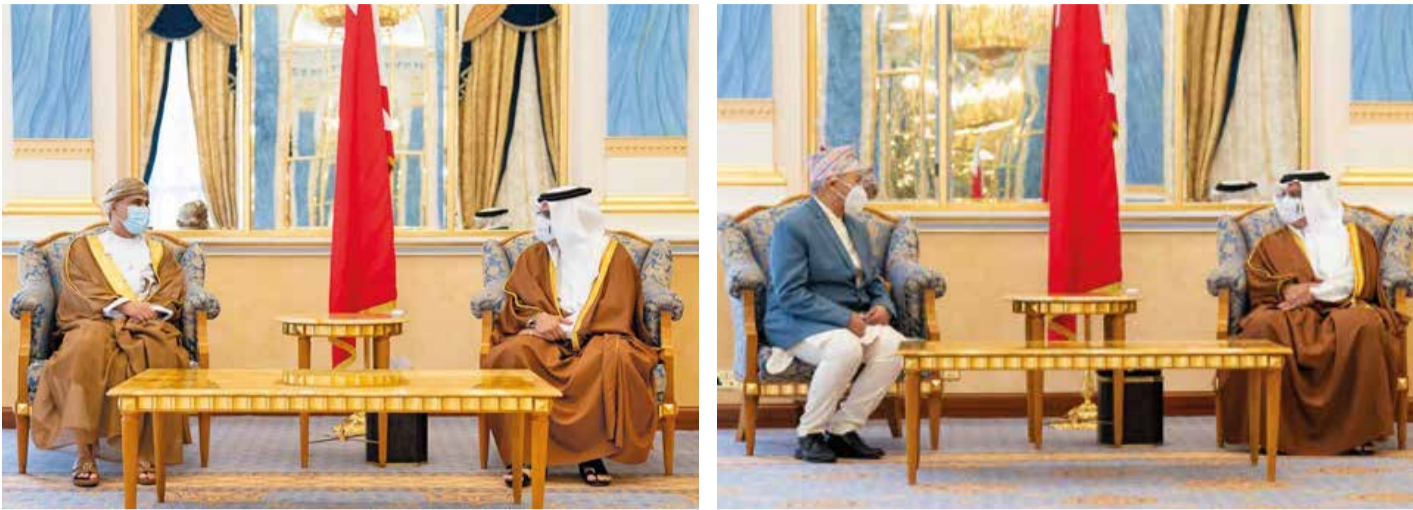


HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister receives outgoing Ambassadors



His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, yesterday received, from left above, the outgoing Ambassadors to the Kingdom of Bahrain, Abdullah bin Rashid Al Mudailawi of Oman and Padam Sundas of Nepal, to mark the end of their tenures. HRH Prince Salman highlighted Bahrain's commitment to strengthening long-standing bilateral ties with Oman and thanked Ambassador Al Mudailawi for his contribution to achieving our countries' mutual goals. The Ambassador expressed his appreciation for His Royal Highness's support of efforts to foster good relations. HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister highlighted the importance of continuing to develop the strong ties that exist between Bahrain and Nepal. He wished Ambassador Sundas' success in his future assignments. Finance and National Economy Minister Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa was present on both occasions.

Bahrain keen to enhance opportunities for wider cooperation with Thailand

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Bahrain is keen on strengthening opportunities for wider joint cooperation with Thailand. This came as the second semi-annual meeting to discuss the outcomes of the Joint Committee of Bilateral Cooperation between the two countries was held yesterday. The session was chaired by Foreign Ministry Undersecretary for Political Affairs Dr Shaikh Abdulla bin Ahmed Al Khalifa and Thai Foreign Ministry Deputy Permanent Secretary Dusit Manapan. Dr Shaikh Abdulla stressed Bahrain's keenness to enhance strategic partnership with friendly countries, hailing close historical relations steadily-growing ties binding both



The meeting in progress

countries. He praised the distinguished level of relations between the two countries. Thai Foreign Ministry Deputy Permanent Secretary affirmed his country's aspiration to enhance friendly relations and cooperation with Bahrain, wishing the Kingdom further progress and prosperity. The two sides also exchanged views on issues of common interest during the meeting.

Foreign Minister receives Thai Foreign Ministry Deputy Permanent Secretary



Foreign Affairs Minister Dr Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani received in his office at the Ministry yesterday the Deputy Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Kingdom of Thailand, Dusit Manapan, on the occasion of his visit to the Kingdom of Bahrain to take part in the follow-up meeting of the Bahraini-Thai Joint Committee. The meeting affirmed the deep-rooted friendly relations between Bahrain and Thailand, which are constantly developing thanks to the mutual keenness of both countries to enhance bilateral cooperation in various fields.

HM King's Advisor for Diplomatic Affairs receives outgoing Omani Ambassador



Advisor to His Majesty the King for Diplomatic Affairs Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmed bin Mohammed Al Khalifa received outgoing Omani Ambassador Abdulla bin Rashid Al Mudailwi. The Advisor praised the efforts made by the Ambassador and his role in strengthening ties between the Bahrain and Oman and enhancing bilateral cooperation for the benefit of the two countries, wishing him further success in his future duties. The Ambassador expressed his gratitude for the support and cooperation he received from all officials, wishing the Kingdom further progress and prosperity in all aspects.

Cabinet approves memorandums

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The Cabinet approved the following memorandums during its weekly meeting yesterday.

1. A Memorandum by the Ministerial Committee for Legal and Legislative Affairs regarding amending the provisions of the decree-law regarding medals, to create the Prince Salman bin Hamad Medal for Medical Merit.
2. A Memorandum by the Ministerial Committee for Legal and Legislative Affairs regarding a draft resolution on financial regulations for government health institutions, aimed at balancing financial and accounting transactions and managing the cycle of revenues and expenditures within them.
3. A Memorandum by the Ministerial Committee for Legal and Legislative Affairs on a draft resolution on employee regulations across government health institutions, which includes hiring and job specifications, as well as evaluating performance and training.
4. A Memorandum by the Ministerial Committee for

Financial and Economic Affairs and Fiscal Balance, regarding the Kingdom of Bahrain's contribution in support of the international response to COVID-19 and the provision of vaccinations.

5. A Memorandum by the Minister for Shura Council and the Council of Representatives Affairs regarding regulations aimed at enhancing cooperation with the Legislative Authority.
6. A Memorandum by the Ministerial Committee for Legal and Legislative Affairs regarding the government's response to a proposal submitted by the Council of Representatives.

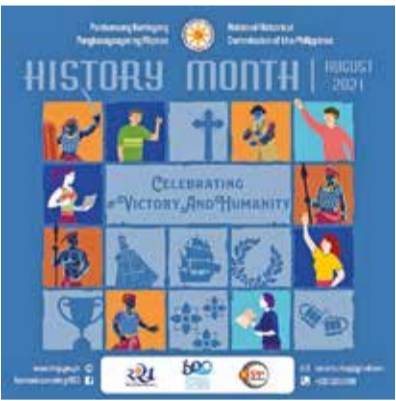
The Cabinet also reviewed a memorandum by the Minister of Labour and Social Development regarding labour market indicators for the first half of 2021. The report noted the outcomes of government initiatives to protect the labour market from the repercussions of the global pandemic, as well as the role of the National Employment Programme (2.0) in providing sustainable employment opportunities for Bahraini citizens.

Philippine Embassy celebrates 'victory and humanity' in history

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The Embassy of the Philippines in the Kingdom of Bahrain and Sentro Rizal-Manama join the nation in celebrating the National History Month this August with the theme, "Celebrating Victory and Humanity". The Embassy is pleased to share the activities prepared by the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP) to celebrate, particularly to Filipinos residing and working in the Kingdom.

The celebration gives special attention to the country's pre-colonial ancestors who exhibited victory and humanity five centuries ago and how they inspired Filipinos throughout generations. The Embassy and Sentro Rizal-Manama also join the Philippines' Department of Foreign Affairs and our neighbours in celebrating the 54th anniversary of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN).



Higher Education Council Secretary General praises role of Bahrain Polytechnic



Secretary General of the Higher Education Council and Deputy Chairperson of the Higher Education Council Board of Trustees, Dr Shaikha Rana bint Isa bin Daij Al Khalifa, received yesterday Acting Chief Executive of Bahrain Polytechnic, Dr Rim Al Buainin, who informed her about the college's preparations for the new academic year, its academic programmes and the goals to be attained in the next years. Dr Shaikha Rana praised the role of Bahrain Polytechnic and the tangible efforts of Dr Al Buainin to develop the college's practical programmes.