

Bahrain Embassy in Egypt to start vaccinating Bahraini citizens

Cairo

The Embassy of the Kingdom of Bahrain in Egypt will start the vaccination process for all Bahraini citizens and students.

The initiative is in line with the implementation of the royal directive issued by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa to start vaccinating Bahraini citizens residing abroad to preserve their health and safety, and support the national efforts led by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, in combatting the coronavirus (COVID-19).

Bahrain Ambassador to Egypt Hisham bin Mohammed Al Jowder, who is also the Permanent Representative to the League of Arab State, lauded the Kingdom's success in dealing with the virus, saying that



Ambassador Al Jowder

the royal directives affirm that Bahraini citizens at home and abroad are a priority.

Bahraini citizens have started signing up for free vaccination at the Embassy in Cairo through its e-platform to complete the necessary procedures. Embassy staff contacted them to inform them of the time and place of receiving their vaccination.

Two Asians held for possessing marijuana and ‘dirty money’

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The Anti-Narcotics Directorate of the General Investigation and Forensic Science announced yesterday the arrest of two Asians, 37 and 38, for possessing marijuana and money suspected to be collected from narcotics selling.

An investigation into received information led to identifying and arresting the suspects and confiscation of



Marijuana the drug.

Legal proceedings were taken to refer the case to the Public Prosecution.

Foreign Minister receives MP Al Nefaie



Foreign Affairs Minister Dr Abdulatif bin Rashid Al Zayani yesterday received the member of Council of Representatives, MP Ibrahim Khaled Al Nefaie. They discussed issues related to parliamentary work, stressing the importance of continuing communication and joint coordination between the executive and legislative branches to serve various national issues and enhance the development process.

‘Speaker’ Ritaj hailed by top lawmakers

Shura Chairman Al Saleh and Speaker Zainal highlight Bahraini youth leadership quality



Chairman Al Saleh and Speaker Zainal with Ritaj

● Arab Child Parliament plays key role in consolidating constructive dialogue among children

● Royal support enables them to serve community and represent country abroad

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Shura Council Chairman Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh and Speaker Fawzia bint Abdullah Zainal praised Al Hidd Secondary School for Girls student Ritaj Ibrahim Al Abbasi for winning the Speakership of

the Arab Child Parliament in its second session.

This came as the Kingdom's legislative leaders received Ritaj yesterday in their respective offices.

Chairman Al Saleh congratulated the student for this honorable achievement that is added to the Kingdom's international achievements at the educational level, where she obtained 52% of the votes, outperforming candidates from 12 Arab countries.

He highlighted the role of the Arab Child Parliament in consolidating the concepts and principles of constructive dialogue among children, educating them to exercise their rights and performing their duties.

Al Saleh affirmed that the capabilities that the youth of Bahrain obtains to achieve leading positions on national and

international levels, which reflects the successful strategies embarked from the vision of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa in caring for the youth and harnessing the youth and their talents.

Ritaj expressed her thanks and appreciation to Shura Council Chairman for his continuous support for children, and motivating them to give and exert efforts in order to enhance the status of Bahrain, praising the efforts made by the Shura Council to develop and modernise legislation related to children.

High royal attention

Speaker Zainal praised the high attention from the government headed by His Majesty King Hamad and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin

Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, for the Bahraini youth by providing them with all the necessary capabilities and support to achieve their aspirations and highlight their talents, enabling them to serve their community and represent their country abroad.

Zainal affirmed the parliament's keenness to enhance parliamentary culture among all segments of society, especially the youth, noting that the parliament continues to provide programmes and activities to raise societal awareness about parliamentary work.

Representatives Council Member and Woman and Child Affairs Committee Chairperson Kaltham Al Hayki, and Women and Child Affairs Committee Vice-Chairperson Bader Al Dosari were present.

518 undocumented OFWs complete COVID-19 vaccine doses

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The Embassy of the Philippines in the Kingdom of Bahrain successfully assisted in the inoculation of 367 undocumented overseas Filipinos in Bahrain.

They were part of the second batch of beneficiaries for its “Libreng Bakuna Para kay Juan at Juana” programme recipients.

They received their second dose of Astra Zeneca vaccine on 31 July at Sitra Mall, bringing the total number of fully vaccinated recipients of the programme to 518.

Philippine Ambassador to Bahrain Alfonso A. Ver, together with other Embassy officials and staff, as well as some Filipino community volunteers, provided assistance during the event by guiding the recipients of the programme and helping them register with the BeAware app of the Kingdom.

The 367 undocumented OFs are among the 360 individuals



Beneficiaries of the Philippine Embassy's vaccination programme

who received their first dose on 3 July, while there were also seven individuals from the 1st batch of recipients who missed their second dose on 16 July but were fully vaccinated last Saturday.

These OFs are now able to register in the comprehensive BeAware health app and avail of all features of the app including an electronic vaccination certificate (“green shield”)

which is required for entry into office buildings, government institutions, malls, restaurants, schools, etc.

Besides having the protection against COVID-19, the Bakuna para Kay Juan at Juana programme also aims to provide undocumented Filipinos a fighting chance in their quest to find employment in the Kingdom.

The green shield or proof of having received the complete

dose of COVID-19 vaccine is now one of the primary requirements of prospective employers in hiring a worker.

The Embassy advises those who were vaccinated during the first and second batch of the vaccination program, but were not able to get their second dose last Saturday, to proceed to Al Hoora Health Centre in Manama to complete their required vaccine dosage.

Indian Ambassador takes part in virtual Open House to interact with community

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The Embassy of India organised the Open House in virtual format on 30 July, during which Ambassador Piyush Srivastava directly interacted with the Indian community for redressal of their urgent/non-routine consular and labour issues.

Ambassador Srivastava commended the government of Bahrain for achieving milestone of 1 million of fully vaccinated population, as well as Manama being declared ‘Health City 2021’

by WHO, the first capital city in Middle East region to have received this honour.

He has also thanked the government for its vaccination campaign, particularly their support to our special vaccination drive of Indian community members, who were unable to get vaccines due to some reasons.

Ambassador encouraged the community members to follow Kingdom's COVID-19 advisory and protocols, as well as to get vaccinated to support Kingdom's efforts in fighting pandemic as



Ambassador Srivastava meets the Indian community online

well as for their own safety.

He also called upon the community members, who are facing any kind of problems in registering for vaccination, to register with the Embassy at the following link: <https://forms.gle/pMT3vlg3o4yVgnES8>

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The Ambassador briefed the community about significantly improved COVID situation in India (daily infection coming down

drastically to around 40,000; recovery rate touching 97%; and vaccination coverage crossing 450 million).

Ambassador Srivastava informed the community that the government of India is issuing vaccination certificates containing QR code along with passport number as well as indication of both doses of vaccines which would be helpful in hassle-free travel for vaccinated Indian citizens, particularly with Covishield/AstraZeneca vaccine, to Bahrain as and when travel restriction eases.