

Citi Alumni hosts annual event, presents awards

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For the sixth year in a row, Citi Bahrain hosted its annual Citi Alumni Network Event at the Four Seasons Hotel.

Atiq Rehman, Middle East and Africa Chief Executive Officer of Citi, CEO for Citi in Bahrain, Qatar and Kuwait, Usman Ahmed and other seniors attended the event.

This year, Citi Bahrain presented the 2018 "Citi Distinguished Alumni Award" in Leadership and Ingenuity to Hani Al Maskati. Al Maskati began working at Citi in 1984 and left in 2000 to co-found Zawya in London, the Arab world's first business and finance portal. He currently serves as a Director of Zawya Limited.

The second award presented was the Community Involvement Award. This award is presented to an alumnus who gave a significant contribution to the improvement or enhancement of their community through direct engagement. This year's awardee was Madeeha Al Hulaibi.

November unsettled, warmer than normal

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November was slightly warmer than normal this year with the kingdom also experiencing unsettled weather and heavy showers during the month, according to the latest met data.

The month, Bahrain's Meteorological Directorate said, was wet with 5 rainy days, accumulating 29.2 mm of precipitation at Bahrain International Airport and 8 times more than the long-term normal for November which is 3.8 mm.

The highest monthly rainfall ever recorded during November was 146.8 mm which occurred on November 1940, while the highest daily rainfall ever recorded during November was 57.6 mm which occurred on 19th November 2000.

Thunderstorms occurred on 3 days. Unsettled weather affected the kingdom on the 11th of No-

ember producing heavy rain showers with thunderstorm and strong gusts.

Visibility dropped to 800 meters at Bahrain International Airport and gust reached 35 knots. Also, a total precipitation of 33.6 mm fall at Shakir Airbase with gust reached 33 knots on the same day.

The total monthly precipitation recorded for November 2018 at Sitra Island was 37.2 mm whereas the total precipitation at King Fahd Causeway was 34.8 mm, at Durrat Al Bahrain was 19.0 mm and at Shakir Airbase was 45.4 mm.

Light rain was also reported in some areas on the 8th of November. The mean temperature of the month was 24.9 C which is 0.6 C above the long-term normal.

The mean maximum temperature of the month was 27.5 C which is 0.2 C below the long-term normal. The highest tem-

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occurred on 15 November at Bahrain International Airport was the highest temperature of the month

perature recorded during the month was 32.5 C which occurred on the 15th of November at Bahrain International Airport.

The mean minimum temperature of the month was 22.7 C which is 1.5 C above the long-term. The lowest temperature recorded was 18.9 C set on the 30th of November at Bahrain International Airport but recorded 16.3 C on the 29th of November at Durrat Al Bahrain.

The mean relative humidity



Representative picture (courtesy of Daily Express)

for November was 69% whereas the mean maximum relative humidity was 79pc and the mean minimum relative humidity was 56pc.

Northwesterly winds ac-

counted for 34pc with gusts reaching 35 knots on the 11th of November at Bahrain International Airport. But reached 37 knots on the 25th of November at Durrat Al Bahrain.



From right, Anwar Murad - Deputy CEO at Al Salam Bank-Bahrain, Hanan Al Ammadi Director of Administrative and Financial Affairs of the Supreme Council for Women and Muna Al Balooshi - Head of Human Resources and Administration at Al Salam Bank-Bahrain on the occasion of Bahraini Women's Day celebration. The Bank extended its support to the Supreme Council for Women in celebration of Bahraini Women's Day which was held on 3 December at the Manama Municipality building under the patronage of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.



Wireless Licensing, Frequency & Monitoring team from the Information & eGovernment Authority during a group photo session. The Information & eGovernment Authority (IGA) - presented by the Wireless Licensing, Frequency & Monitoring Directorate - took part at the Bapco Bahrain GT Festival 2018 organised by the Bahrain International Circuit from 30th November to 1st December. Its participation included managing radiocommunication systems, providing and protecting frequencies from harmful interferences. Inset, Hassan Mohamed Hassan - Wireless Licensing, Frequency & Monitoring Director at the Information & eGovernment

"As One" sweeps Bahraini audience

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Korean Film Festival began on an emotional note with the screening of 'As One' or Korea, which is a 2012 critically acclaimed production of two female Ping pong players.

The movie which left the Bahraini audience in tears over the sentimental and love-above-all spirit was the official opening film for the Korean Film Festival, now in its 5th edition.

The Film Festival was hosted and organised by the Korean Embassy in Manama.

'As One' portrays the life of two female Ping pong players, one belonging to North Korean National Team and the other to the South Korean National team, who - forced by sudden unexpected circumstances, end up teaming together, regardless of their countries'



In pictures, the film festival



The Korean film festival is hosted in Theatre 13, Seef 1 Cineco every Wednesday of the month of December with a free admission and a snack on the third week film, courtesy from the Korean Restaurant "Da Rae Jung".

political situations, to win the Championship.

Over 150 guests and moviegoers attended the opening and Korean embassy distributed free Korean snacks to the audience to enjoy the savoury taste of Spicy Chicken, the Korean style, with the movie.

The Bahraini audience is promised yet three more movies: the supernatural thriller "Along with the Gods" on 12 December 2018, the comical thriller "Midnight Runners" on 19 December 2018, and the Family romantic comedy-drama "My Brilliant Life" on 26 December 2018.



Arab reading challenge book fair begins

● The fair at the Education Hall in Isa Town will remain open until Friday

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Opening up a whole new world of knowledge, Education Minister Majed Al Naimi opened the "Arab Reading Challenge" book fair seeking to inculcate the love of reading in the hearts of young people.

"This fair is part of the efforts exerted by the ministry to continue to achieve honourable results in the important Arab competition, initiated to encourage students in all Arab countries to pay attention to reading," the minister said.

The initiative was launched by His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice President and Prime Minister of the United Arab Emirates and Ruler of Dubai.

"The Ministry is particularly



Minister with children during the fair



An interactive session with children during the book fair

keen on participating actively in such leading initiatives and educational programmes across the region and the world," Al Naimi said.

The ministry is seeking to increase the number of public and private school participants in the competition, he added. "We have succeeded over the past editions to increase the number of Bahraini students participating to more than 50,000, of whom 4,570 successfully completed all the requirements that include reading and summarising 50 books."