

HM King returns after official visit to France



His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa returned to the Kingdom of Bahrain following an official visit to France at the invitation of President Emmanuel Macron. During the visit, HM the King held talks with President Macron and attended the signing of the joint defence cooperation agreement between Bahrain and France. HM King Hamad was received on arrival by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, along with senior members of the royal family and several officials, and the Ambassador of France to the Kingdom.

New Bahrain stamp album up for sale

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Bahrain Post has announced the release of the new Kingdom of Bahrain stamp album for sale.

The album is issued as part of the annual album series through which national postal issues are documented.

The new Kingdom of Bahrain stamp album includes a comprehensive collection of stamps and postal cards issued between 2021 and 2025.

The collection reflects a range of national, cultural and historical occasions and highlights the rich heritage of the Kingdom of Bahrain as documented through postal issues.

Bahrain Post explained that the album is available at the Philatelists' Office at the Postal Museum for a price of BD 26.

Royal praise

for McLaren Mastercard Formula 1 Team

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His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, yesterday attended the unveiling of the McLaren Mastercard Formula 1 Team's new MCL40, at the Bahrain International Circuit (BIC).

He affirmed that the successes of the McLaren Mastercard Formula 1 Team have contributed to the Kingdom's comprehensive development, led by His Majesty King Hamad bin

Isa Al Khalifa.



2026, ahead of the Formula 1 Gulf Air Bahrain Grand Prix 2026, to be held in April.

HRH Prince Salman stressed the importance of unified efforts in implementing plans and programmes, which strengthen the Kingdom's success in the upcoming Gulf Air Bahrain Grand Prix 2026.

His Royal Highness thanked Bahrainis across various sectors for their efforts in contributing to the success of the Kingdom's hosting of Formula 1 races.

the Crown Prince and Prime Minister highlighted the support of Bahrain Mumtalakat Holding Company (Mumtalakat) to McLaren, contributing to the team's recent successes, and noted the continued intensification of efforts to meet the Kingdom's far-reaching goals.

Design

His Royal Highness commended the team's personnel for their role in delivering the sophisticated design of the new vehicle and wished the team further success in the 2026 Formula 1 season.

He also commended the efforts of the organisers of the Formula 1 Pre-Season Testing



Global outrage over Israel plans for West Bank

AFP | United Nations

International outrage was growing yesterday at Israeli plans to tighten the country's grip over the occupied West Bank, with the United Nations chief saying he was "gravely concerned".



HRH Prince Salman at the unveiling of the McLaren Mastercard Formula 1 Team's new MCL40

