

HM King greets Equatorial Guinea

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa sent a cable of congratulations to President Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo of Equatorial Guinea, on his country's Independence Day.

HM the King wished good health and happiness to President Mbasogo and progress and prosperity to the people of Equatorial Guinea.



HM the King

HRH Prince Salman issues edict to amend executive regulation provisions promulgating Civil Service Law

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His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, yesterday issued Edict 54 of the year 2021, amending some provisions of the Executive Regulation of Decree-Law 48 of the year 2010 promulgating the Civil Service Law, issued by Edict 51 of 2012.

Article (1):

The text of item (5) of the first paragraph of Article (18)

of the Executive Regulation of Decree-Law 48 of 2010 promulgating the Civil Service Law, issued by Edict (51) of 2012 shall be replaced by the following:

"5) The secondment shall be for a period of one (1) year that can be renewed for a maximum period of three (3) years. Exceptionally, the secondment may be renewed for periods not exceeding in total three times this period in order to perform the tasks of the shared services."



HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister

Article (2):

The term "Bureau" shall replace the term "Bureau" wherever mentioned in the Executive Regulation of Decree-Law 48 of 2010 promulgating the Civil Service Law, issued by Edict (51) of 2012.

Article (3):

Two articles, (26 bis) and (30 bis) shall be added to the Executive Regulation of Decree-Law 48 of 2010 promulgating the Civil Service Law, issued by Edict (51) of 2012.

HH Deputy Prime Minister receives Bahrain Ambassador to Sudan



Deputy Prime Minister His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa received newly appointed Bahraini Ambassador to Sudan Abdullah Rabea Saeed Rabea. The Deputy Prime Minister congratulated the Ambassador for obtaining the royal trust, wishing him success in performing his diplomatic duties and developing relations between Bahrain and Sudan. The Ambassador expressed his appreciation to the deputy prime minister for the guidance regarding his diplomatic mission and serving the interests of the Kingdom and its people.

BDF Chief receives Finance Minister



Bahrain Defence Force (BDF) Commander-in-Chief Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa received the Minister of Finance and National Economy, Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, at the BDF General Command. The Commander-in-Chief welcomed the minister, and discussed with him topics pertaining to areas of the ongoing cooperation and coordination between the BDF and the Ministry of Finance and National Economy.

Life back for 'Little India' in Manama

Colourful cultural activities marking Golden Jubilee of Bahrain-Indian relations launched in style

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From Bab Al Bahrain, where the entrance to the ancient city of Manama with all its cultural and historical heritage, cultural activities to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of diplomatic ties between the Kingdom of Bahrain and the Republic of India were launched yesterday evening.

In attendance were Bahrain Authority of Culture and Antiquities (BACA) President Shaikha Mai bint Mohammed Al Khalifa, Foreign Affairs Consular and Administrative Affairs Undersecretary Tawfeeq Al Mansoor and Indian Ambassador Piyush Srivastava, in addition to prominent diplomatic presence as well as active personalities in both the Bahraini and Indian communities and those interested in cultural affairs.

"Culture has always brought us together to celebrate our common heritage and history and today we celebrate fifty years of diplomatic relations between Bahrain and India," said Shaikha Mai on the occasion.

"With life returning to normal in Bahrain, Little India is back to Manama to open new horizons for cultural exchange between the two nations and through our programme we present Indian culture with all its antiquity and beauty for all visitors to Manama."

Al Mansoor stressed the depth of the existing relations between Bahrain and India.

He noted the strength of the ties between the two nations across various fields.

"This occasion is another achievement in the relations between the two nations as we cel-



BACA President Shaikha Mai, fourth from left, and Indian Ambassador Srivastava, fifth, with officials and guests



Indian Ambassador Srivastava delivers a speech



Shaikha Mai addresses the attendees



A jewellery stall



Indians and Bahrainis take part in various activities



A huge crowd enjoying the night

brate today not only fifty years of official diplomatic ties but centuries of deep-rooted friendship," he stated.

Activities

The opening ceremony kicked off with a light show of the Indian flag on the facade of Bab Al Bahrain, where the Bahrain Police Band presented a musical show.

Audiences at Bab Al Bahrain will be treated to evenings of

Bahraini and Indian musical performances at Bab Al Bahrain until October 19.

The celebration then moved to the beat of the Bahrain Police Band to the "Made in Bahrain" store - where Indian artist Jaywant Naidu will perform traditional Indian folklore - followed by the inauguration of the "Little India" market passing through the various beautiful elements of Bab Al Bahrain.

This continues on a daily basis until October 19 from 6pm

until 9pm where various Indian and Bahraini products, dishes and handicrafts will be showcased. The Mohammed Bin Faris band presented a folklore musical show of the most beautiful authentic traditional Bahraini music.

Following the tour through Manama, which also includes a visit to the traditional Indian temple, activities moved to the Cultural Hall where a traditional folklore performance by Indian artist Jaywant Naidu, at 8 pm

was held as part of the International Bahrain Musical Festival - in its 30th edition.

During the performance, artist Jaywant, along with other musicians, performed classical northern India music on the guitar - a musical instrument he started learning to use when he was 8-years-old.

The programme to celebrate the Golden Jubilee of diplomatic relations between Bahrain and India includes two lectures at the Bahrain National Museum on the relations

between the two nations - on October 13 at 7pm presented by speaker Bob Thaker and October 17 at 7pm by speaker Yousif Sallahuddin.

Meanwhile, interactive activities will start on October 15, with a photography tour in Little India organised by BACA in collaboration with Photo Bahrain and Fujifilm at 5pm.

On October 16, the Art Center will host two workshops on the hard of hand-block printing which will be supervised by Kala Foundation for Artistic Design.