

Ariana Grande splits from fiancé

Singer Ariana Grande and "Saturday Night Live" star Pete Davidson have called off their engagement. The couple ended their engagement over the weekend, TMZ reported on Sunday. **P13**

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Consensus on CR fees hike

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The Chairman of the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI) Sameer Nass yesterday said that following lengthy discussions with the government officials a consensus was reached, according to which the fees for new Commercial Registrations will be BD50 with BD100 for up to three activities, while additional business activities will be charged BD 100 each.

Mr Nass explained that the initial proposal of the chamber was to keep the new fees within the range of neighbouring Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries at BD100 for new Commercial Registrations and BD75 for the renewal.

He explained that the Chamber had formed an action group headed by the second vice-chairman Mohammed Al Kooheji to carry out a study on the impact of inflated CR fees on business owners and the general business atmosphere in the Kingdom.

He underlined that the study was carried out on the basis of a questionnaire apart from roundtable discussions it held with businessmen in the country.

Elaborating on the study, Mr Nass explained, "Of the total CRs in Bahrain, 83.24 per cent are involved in running between one and three business activities, while the remaining 16.76pc run more than three business activities."

Inspect labour camps

Strict legal action against providing substandard accommodation facilities to labourers

The directive follows the building collapse in the Salmaniya area last Tuesday, leaving four dead and more than 30 injured.

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The Cabinet chaired by His Royal Highness Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa yesterday gave directives to Labour and Social Development Ministry to cooperate with the Interior Ministry and Ministry of Works,



HRH the Premier chairs the Cabinet.

Municipalities Affairs and Urban Planning to conduct frequent inspections to all labour accommodation facilities in the Kingdom to ensure the safety of labourers.

As per the directive, strict legal action will be taken against those responsible for providing substandard accommodation facilities to the labourers across the Kingdom.

The directive follows the building collapse in the Salmaniya area last Tuesday, leaving four dead and more than 30 injured.

The building, which was home to over 170 labourers, collapsed following a gas cylinder blast.

HRH the Premier reviewed the steps taken by the ministries of Labour and Social Development, the Interior, Works, Municipalities Affairs and Urban Planning and Health after the disaster.

He commended the efforts exerted by the various directorates of the Ministry of Interior, particularly the Civil Defence, as well as those of the relevant ministries, to deal with the incident.

Among other things, the session welcomed Bahrain's election as member of the UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC), expressing pride in the International Community's confidence in Bahrain.

The Cabinet approved the agreement reached between the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry (BCCI) and the Ministry of Industry, Commerce and Tourism on the fees of the business activities which HRH the Prime Minister had ordered the postponement of their implemen-

tation for two six-month periods until the two sides reached an agreement.

Under the agreement, a fixed BD100-fee will be imposed on the first three business activities, and BD 100-fee for each additional one.

The session endorsed a draft resolution amending the provisions of the executive regulations of the Decree-Law on the Establishment and Organisation of Industrial Zones promulgated by Edict 1/2000.

LAND OF TOLERANCE

Indian Premier Modi tweets praises for Bahrain

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His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister yesterday retweeted a remark made by Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi describing Bahrain as the land of tolerance and peaceful coexistence.

Mr Modi had posted a video link along with his tweet which



HRH the Crown Prince



Mr Modi



A screenshot of the video posted by Mr Modi.

showed Bahraini artist Noor singing a song that portrayed Indian heritage.

The song, Vaishnava Jana To is one of the most popular Hindu bhajans, written in the 15th century by the poet Narsinh Mehta in the Gujarati language.

The bhajan, which was very close to the heart of India's father of the nation Mahatma Gandhi, speaks about the life, ideals and morals to be followed in one's life.

"Bahrain is a model of religious moderation and peaceful coexistence where Mahatma Gandhi's principles are embodied. The walls of Arad Castle were chanted with Noor singing," Mr Modi tweeted.

Hailing the tweet, HRH the Crown Prince retweeted: "We are proud of Bahrain's long and rich heritage of moderation and peaceful coexistence. I hope you



A screenshot of the Twitter page.

can see her soon in person at a special concert at Arad Fort."

Noor, a Bahraini singer, is trained in Arabic and Carnatic music.



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