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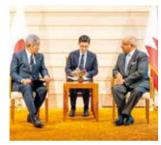
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HRH CP, PM's Japan visit unlock fresh opportunities

- Bahrain and Japan deepen ties with landmark agreements across key sectors
- Bilateral relations strengthened through high-level talks
- Bahrain and Japan chart new horizons with strategic partnerships

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transport were among the key areas of focus as His Royal gan an official visit to Japan.

PM held talks with His Majesty Emperor Naruhito, His Imperial Ishiba, the Prime Minister of figures.



Highness Crown Prince Fumi- commitment to unlocking mu- witnessed the signing of several hito, His Excellency Shigeru tually beneficial opportunities. agreements before attending a Japan, and other senior officials, Japan's preparations for Expo Bahraini delegation. in addition to leading business 2025 Osaka, describing the Separately, HRH the CP, PM

During a meeting with HE vative solutions to global chal-

Later, HRH the CP, PM and sectors, and stressed Bahrain's the Japanese Prime Minister HRH the CP, PM also praised dinner banquet in honour of the

event as a platform for inno- held discussions with His Maj-

esty Emperor Naruhito at the Imperial Palace, His Imperial Highness Crown Prince Fumihito at the Akasaka Imperial Residence, and with a delegation from the Japan Association of Corporate Executives (Keizai Doyukai). Talks were also held with HE Takeshi Iwaya, Japan's Minister for Foreign Affairs.

His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Minister of the Prime Minister's Court, and senior officials attended the meetings.



In 2024, Japan imported goods from Bahrain worth about US\$426 million. The largest portion of this was mineral fuels, oils and distillation products, which alone accounted for over US\$220 million.

The deals signed

Bahrain and Japan sealed a series of cooperation agreements across key sectors during high-level meetings in Tokyo.

Space

The Bahrain Space Agency and Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency (JAXA) will partner on joint projects, R&D, training, and knowledge exchange. The deal was signed by Dr. Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Hiroshi Yamakawa, President of JAXA.

Civil service

♦ he Civil Service Bureau and the Japan International Cooperation Center (JICE) agreed to cooperate in human resources management for the public sector. The agreement was signed by Dr. Al Zayani and Yamana Kenji, Senior Vice President of JICE.

Digitisation

he Information and e-Government Authority (iGA) inked a deal with Japan's Digital Agency to exchange expertise in e-government and digital transformation. Dr. Al Zayani and Masaaki Taira, Japan's Minister for Digital Transformation, signed the agreement.

Intellectual property:

♦ he Ministry of Industry and Commerce and the Japan Patent Office will collaborate under the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) programme. The deal was signed by HE Abdulla bin Adel Fakhro, Minister of Industry and Commerce, and Futoshi Yasuda, Deputy Commissioner of Japan Patent Office.

Air transport:

consultation document on air transport services and direct flights was signed by HE Ahmed Al Doseri, Bahrain's Ambassador to Japan, and Miyazawa Koichi, Director General of Japan's Civil Aviation Bureau.