

Bahrain-India relations praised



HRH Premier's Advisor receives the Indian ambassador

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Advisor to His Royal Highness the Prime Minister, His Highness Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, received Indian Ambassador Piyush Srivastava.

The advisor praised the historical relationship and development witnessed by the two countries in various fields, affirming keenness towards more co-operation and wishing the ambassador success to strengthen and support Bahraini-Indian relations.

Four die, two hurt in traffic accident



Four Asians died and two others were injured in a traffic accident involving several vehicles on Wali Al Ahad highway near Hamala towards Buri area. Authorities and paramedical staff were at the scene.

Illegal recruiters fined BD345,000

22 convicted of illegally hiring domestic workers

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Fines of around BD345,000 were issued yesterday by the Minor Criminal Court in cases involving 22 persons convicted of charges related to illegal employment and recruitment of domestic workers.

This was confirmed yesterday by Chief Prosecutor at the Ministries and Public Bodies Prosecution Bader Al Hassan, who said that the total number of cases was seven, and that the court issued fines against them ranging from BDI,000 to BD24,000.

Al Hassan explained that they were convicted of illegally keeping work permits, employing workers without a permit, and recruiting domestic workers without a permit.

In a press statement circu-

lated by the Public Prosecution yesterday, the Chief Prosecutor said: "The Public Prosecution had received several reports from the Labor Market Regulatory Authority (LMRA) about a number of individuals applying for Commercial Registrations (CRs) in order to obtain work permits. Following close inspection of the shops, which the abovementioned CRs were issued under, it was found out that these shops do not engage in any commercial activities."

"It was proven that the defendants were able to obtain and keep work permits without needing them. Reports were also received in relation to the defendants' illegal supply and recruitment of domestic workers, as well as the recruitment of other categories of workers without permit," Al said Hassan, adding that the Public Prosecution had interrogated the accused and referred them to the concerned court for their violation of the Labour Market Regulatory Law.

Call for global co-operation and participation

Bahrain will support all efforts to meet challenges

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International co-operation and active participation are the only and best way to achieve lasting prosperity in the world.

This was the message of Foreign Affairs Minister Dr Abdulatif bin Rashid Al Zayani as he took part in the Arab-Brazilian Economic Forum which was held via visual electronic communication.

In the face of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, the Minister said the world must now realise that genuine prosperity can only be achieved if it is based on common interest and interdependence.

And while countries seek to overcome the repercussions of this health crisis, trade and economic co-operation will play an importance role as the main engine for global recovery, growth and a bright future.

The event was held under the auspices and presence of Bra-



Foreign Minister participates in the virtual forum

zilian President Jair Bolsonaro, with the participation of delegations from the Arab League and Arab Chambers of Commerce, and a number of experts and businessmen from both sides.

Dr Al Zayani delivered a speech in which he expressed his deep appreciation to the Brazilian leader for organising this important economic forum to strengthen co-operation between Arab countries and Brazil amidst the pandemic.

The Minister affirmed that the COVID-19 has changed many concepts and beliefs, and left many economic, social and cultural impacts.

He stressed that the world is

indeed a small village, but the economic impact of the pandemic, and the extraordinary measures taken by all countries to contain the virus and eliminate it to preserve people's health and safety will be tangible for many years to come.

Dr Al Zayani said that "dialogue, co-operation and participation" have always been among the basic principles based on the vision of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

"The trust between peoples and constructive co-operation between them. These principles continue to define how we dealt with various major issues, the latest of which is the signing of the historic declaration to support peace between the Kingdom of Bahrain and Israel, which led to the establishment of diplomatic relations between the two countries, and the signing of agreements for joint co-operation yesterday," said the Minister.

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTER DR ABDULATIF BIN RASHID AL ZAYANI

"Bahrain is confident that it has taken the first step towards a new reality for the Middle East, based on co-operation and not confrontation, and on merging together, not hostility; on peace, harmony and coexistence, which gives new impetus towards resolving the Palestinian-Israeli conflict that has ravaged the region."

The Minister stressed that for many decades, it opens the door to joint efforts to achieve peace, stability and prosperity for all peoples in the region.

He said this ambitious approach would provide new opportunities to increase activity and trade exchanges among the countries of the region.

Further, the Minister affirmed his confidence that Arab and Brazilian companies will be at the forefront of those willing and eager to seize these opportunities provided by the atmosphere of peace and stability.

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The Foreign Minister assured that Bahrain will support all efforts aimed at achieving global solidarity to meet all global challenges.

Derasat head takes part in T20 meeting

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Bahrain Centre for Strategic, International and Energy Studies (Derasat) Board of Trustees chairman Dr Shaikh Abdullah bin Ahmed Al Khalifa participated yesterday in a remote meeting of the Supreme Advisory Council of the Think Group (T20), which is concerned with the G20 Leaders' Summit that will be hosted and presided by Saudi Arabia in November.

The participants discussed proposals regarding their per-



Dr Shaikh Abdullah bin Ahmed during the virtual meeting

ceptions of the topics that will be included on the agenda of the G20 Summit and that are cen-

tered on strengthening multi-lateral efforts as a more effective way to solve global problems, in addition to how to achieve global prosperity.

The T20 is an engagement group that contributes to the G20 by serving as its 'ideas bank', providing it with research-based policy recommendations, facilitating interaction between the G20 and the think-tank and research community and communicating with the broader public about issues of global importance.

The T20 produces a communique that incorporates the recommendations of the T20 task forces which is generalised on the G20 leaders to consider it and incorporate it in the concluding communique of the summit.

The Supreme Advisory Council of T20 consists of 15 members representing high-profile international personalities while the think-tanks affiliated with it comprise prominent experts and members of the international research centres.

Children under six years old exempted from COVID-19 test



Bahrain International Airport announced yesterday through its Twitter account that children under the age of six years are no longer required to undergo a coronavirus (COVID-19) test when travelling through the airport. Left, airport personnel doing disinfection at the airport.

363 new recoveries; two deaths from COVID-19

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Bahrain yesterday logged 363 additional coronavirus (COVID-19) recoveries, along with two deaths, the Health Ministry announced.

The casualties were two Bahrain women aged 60 and 67. The ministry has offered its

condolences to the families of the deceased.

The total survivors from the illness now stands at 74,683 - 68 of which are receiving treatment with 35 in critical condition. The remaining 3,204 cases are stable.

Out of 10,444 tests carried

out yesterday, there were 322 new cases among 97 expatriate workers, 213 contacts of active cases, and 12 travel-related, leaving the country with a total number of 78,546 cases.

Tests conducted rose to 1,628,076



TDT Weekender Sports launch issue to hit the streets today!

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It's finally here!

The Daily Tribune has launched today a first-of-its-kind Bahrain sports weekly newspaper.

Entitled Weekender Sports, it

will be published on Tuesdays as a 16-page, full colour special supplement of TDT.

Weekender Sports will provide thorough local sports coverage of important games played each week, as well as interesting features, interviews, behind-the-

scenes stories, reviews, statistics, schedules, standings, and other relevant information about everybody's favourite sports and players in the Kingdom.

"We are excited to expand our print offerings with this unique sports weekly publication," said

TDT Chairman and Managing Director P Unnikrishnan.

"The Daily Tribune readers always enjoy our local sports coverage. Weekender Sports will give us an opportunity to present more timely stories as well as expand our content. Our new

publication will become synonymous with great sporting stories."

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