



His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa, Deputy Prime Minister, with the newly-appointed Ambassador of Tunisia to Bahrain, Salim Ghariani. Shaikh Mohammed praised the distinguished fraternal ties fostered by the two countries' and mulled ways to enhance cooperation



Commander-in-Chief of the Bahrain Defence Force (BDF), Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa during his inspection visits to BDF sections and units. He was informed about their training programmes, as well as combat preparedness and administrative readiness. Field Marshal called on everyone to continue exerting dedicated efforts to defend the nation, and champion the Right.

# Camping popularity on the rise

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Camping season in the southern governorate recorded a 75 per cent jump in registered users, which according to the Southern Governor also ended safely with 42pc fewer security cases and 25pc fewer accidents.

The data was revealed by Southern Governor during a briefing to Interior Minister General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdullah Al Khalifa in the presence of governors from all other governorates.

The minister issued directives to review the season's report to tackle various issues to ensure more successful camping season next year.

During the meeting which discussed governorates-related



Interior Minister during the meeting

issues and projects, the Southern Governor presented a proposal to organise an awareness programme for the youth in the summer, including traffic and cyber awareness.

The minister affirmed the importance of coordinating with the authorities concerned to organise those programmes. HH the Southern Governor also presented a report on the governorate's weekly majlis and

the implementation of its various projects and suggestions in cooperation with the bodies concerned.

Muharraq Governor focused on the role of a community partnership between his governorate, the NGOs and clubs to run awareness programmes and projects to promote security culture and safety of all members of society.

The Capital's Governor pre-

sented a report on his governorate's efforts to strengthen the concept of community partnership and field visits. As the head of the committee of the Maan (Together) programme against violence and addiction, he also highlighted the success of the project and its expansion to cover sports halls and malls.

The Northern Governor focused on the projects being carried in cooperation with the bodies concerned.

The minister highlighted the importance, for the governorates, of regular interaction with citizens and their integration with various organisations to meet the people's aspirations and make them the main partners for development.

The meeting was also attended by the Assistant General Coordinator of the Governorates.



Foreign Affairs Minister Shaikh Khalid bin Ahmed bin Mohammed Al Khalifa with Italy's Undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Guglielmo Picchi. The minister stressed Bahrain's keenness to develop mutual coordination with Italy on various issues

# Boosting energy ties



Dr Mirza with German ambassador Kai Boeckmann

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Bahraini and German experiences when combined would pave the way for attaining great strides in boosting energy efficiency in both countries, said Electricity and Water Affairs Minister Dr Abdulhussain Mirza.

The minister was holding a discussion with German Ambassador Kai Boeckmann, who said Germany is looking forward to welcoming experts from Bahrain.

The visit, the German ambassador said, would help learn from the German experience in developing energy efficient buildings and dealing with the challenges of climate change. He added a German

delegation would visit Bahrain.

The ambassador invited Dr Mirza, on behalf of the German Economic Energy Affairs Minister, to participate in the fifth session of the Berlin Dialogue for ministers and decision makers on the transformation of energy next month.

Dr Mirza thanked the ambassador for the invitation and said the Bahrain government pays great attention to encouraging the use of clean and green energy.

The ambassador thanked the minister and officials for the welcome and hospitality, stressing readiness to strengthen this cooperation between the two countries.



Public Security Chief Major-General Tariq Al Hassan and Ministry of Interior (Moi)'s Undersecretary Shaikh Nasser bin Abdulrahman Al Khalifa with the King Hamad University Hospital (KHUH)'s CEO Major-General Dr Shaikh Salman bin Atiyatallah Al Khalifa. They reviewed ways to enhance cooperation to improve services as part of the National Ambulance Project and decided to organise an exercise to evaluate the preparedness of the concerned personnel to implement the project in all governorates



Officials during the Bahraini-British Military Committee meeting held at the UK Defence Ministry's headquarters. Bahraini delegation to the meeting which concluded on Wednesday was headed by Defence Affairs Minister Lieutenant General Abdullah bin Hassan Al Nuaimi, while the British side was headed by Major General Giles Hill, Assistant Chief of Staff for Military Cooperation.

# Bahrain, Kuwait conclude Taawun4 drill

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The Joint Commands Drill (Taawun4) held with the participation of Bahrain and Kuwait concluded yesterday.

On behalf of the National

Guard Commander General Shaikh Mohammed bin Isa Al Khalifa, the National Guard Staff Director Major-General Shaikh Abdulaziz bin Saud Al Khalifa attended the conclusion of the Joint Commands Drill

(Taawun4). Shaikh Abdulaziz said "Taawun" helped increase the level of readiness and security vigilance in the protection of oil installations.

He stressed that this drill reflects the depth of mili-

tary cooperation between the two branches of the National Guards. The ceremony was held in the presence of Kuwait National Guard's Undersecretary, Lt-General Hashim Abdulrazzaq Al Refai.

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