

His Highness Shaikh Isa attends Royal Ascot horse racing festival

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His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa yesterday attended the third day of Royal Ascot 2018, the annual horse racing festival held in Berkshire, UK.

His Highness offered his best regards, on behalf of His Majesty King Hamad, to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and extended congratulations to the organisers for hosting another successful edition of



The first Royal Ascot was in 1768 and since its inception a British monarch has attended every year



HH Shaikh Isa

the long-standing sporting event.

His Highness also highlighted the strong bilateral ties between Bahrain and the United Kingdom, and noted both countries' shared commitment to preserving equestrian traditions.

Continue boosting combat readiness: BDF



BDF commander during an inspection visit

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BDF Commander-in-Chief of Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa yesterday stressed the need to continue boosting the combat and administrative readiness and promote training programmes at various weaponries and units.

While paying an inspection vision to a BDF unit, the Com-

mander-in-Chief also underlined the importance of dedication in fulfilling duties professionally and competently to further enhance capabilities to confront all challenges.

Shaikh Khalifa lauded the dedicated efforts of the General Command to develop the capabilities of all BDF personnel and further modernise the units by equipping them with cutting-edge technologies.

Allegations denied

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Bahrain has denied allegations being circulating on social media about relations with Israel, stressing that there was no statement from Bahraini officials in this regard and that these reports are merely

false allegations.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs affirmed in a statement Bahrain's full commitment to the unified Arab stance and Arab peace initiative, which set out the foundations of a comprehensive and just peace in the region.

Police clamps down on tinted glass on cars

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The traffic police have clamped down on cars with tinted glass and curtains over the past five months.

The General Directorate of Traffic reported 5,097 violations during the period running from January until May.

"The clampdown aims at protecting the safety of road-users and ensuring compliance with rules and regu-

lations," said Traffic Deputy Director-General Colonel Mohammed Ali Daraj.

He announced that a group of violators had already been referred to the Public Prosecution to face charges, vowing zero tolerance against such traffic violations.

The General Directorate of Traffic tolerates a 30 per cent tinting of side windows (Zero-one) and a zero-zero tinting of front windshields.

Bahrain, UK ties built on mutual respect: HRH CP

HRH the Crown Prince meets HRH the Duke of Cambridge

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His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa yesterday affirmed that the ever-developing bilateral relations between Bahrain and the United Kingdom are built on mutual respect, and a shared pursuit of safety, stability and prosperity.

The Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister said this while holding a meeting with Prince William, the Duke of Cambridge.

The meeting took place during HRH the Crown Prince's attendance at the official hand-over ceremony for the UK's new Defence and National Rehabilitation Centre (DNRC), which



HRH CP during a meeting with Prince William, the Duke of Cambridge

was held at the Stanford Hall Estate near Loughborough.

During the meeting, HRH the Crown Prince highlighted the importance of further enhancing military, diplomatic and

economic ties which span over 200 years

Following the meeting, HRH the Crown Prince along with HRH the Duke of Cambridge, the Duke of Westminster, the

Prime Minister of the United Kingdom Theresa May, the Lord Lieutenant of Nottinghamshire Sir John Peace and General Sir Tim Granville Chapman attended a lunch banquet.



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HRH CROWN PRINCE



The Commander-in-Chief of the Bahrain Defence Force (BDF), Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, received yesterday the outgoing Commander of Combined Task Force 151 (CTF 151), Rear Admiral Daisuke Kajimoto, in the presence of the Japanese Ambassador to Bahrain, Hideki Ito. The BDF commander-in-chief commended the efforts exerted by Rear Admiral Daisuke Kajimoto throughout his tenure, wishing him every success in his future assignments.



Works, Municipalities Affairs and Urban Planning Minister, Essam Khalaf meeting Turkish Ambassador to Bahrain Kemal Demirciler. They discussed the possibility of the participation of Turkish companies in the reconstruction projects, as well as a proposal to establish an exhibition to promote investment opportunities in both countries. Training and coordination opportunities were also discussed. The ambassador praised the strong relations between Bahrain and Turkey and expressed his appreciation for the efforts exerted by the Ministry of Works in the field of infrastructure in various governorates of Bahrain.



Al Noor International School celebrated the Graduation Ceremony of its eleventh batch of Grade 12 (Thawjihiya) Bahraini Section students who achieved 100 per cent pass in the Ministry of Education Examinations at The Diplomat Hotel on Wednesday. The Chief Guest, Jameel Humaidan, Minister of Labour and Social Development, handed out the certificates along with Ali Hasan, school's founder Chairman. The School Chairman Ali Hasan and Principal Amin Hulaiwah congratulated the students. Out of 46 students who appeared, 8 students obtained more than 90 per cent marks.

Newspaper's report on stalled projects refuted

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The Committee for the Settlement of Stalled Real Estate Projects, which has a judicial capacity, yesterday said it has taken "no decision on the sale of the 'Sunset Hills' and 'Marina West' projects".

The committee refuting a newspaper report, in this regard, further affirmed that it has not taken any decision so far.

The committee also urged to obtain information from their correct sources and not to publish reports except through the statements it issues.

The panel said it is currently examining the projects referred to it and will announce its decisions once they are taken.

It is worth noting that the Ministerial Committee for

Juffair Views, Sunset Hills, Amwaj Gates and Marina West are among the projects referred to the Ministerial Committee for Construction and Infrastructure

Construction and Infrastructure had referred a number of stalled projects, including Juffair Views, Sunset Hills, Amwaj Gates and Marina West, to the Committee for the Settlement of Stalled Real Estate Projects.

The latter auctioned the Juffair Views project and distributed the sale proceeds to creditors.