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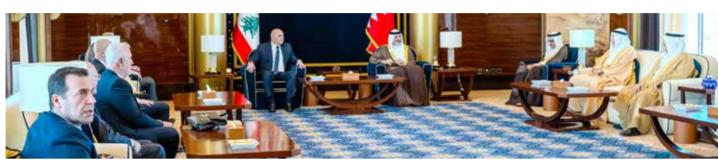
# HM King and President Aoun set for key talks today

Lebanese leader arrives to bolster **Bahrain-Lebanon** bilateral relations

Pressing regional and international developments part of discussions

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ebanese President Joseph terday on an official visit aimed at and beyond. strengthening bilateral relations.



Lebanese President Joseph Aoun is warmly welcomed by HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Khalifa and senior Bahrain officials

tion ceremony will be held in the Lebanese leader's honour.

#### **Mutual concern**

The high-level talks are ex-L'Aoun is set to meet His pected to focus on strengthening Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al political, economic, and cultural Khalifa today to discuss pressing cooperation between the two regional and international devel- countries, as well as exchangopments. President Aoun arrived ing views on matters of mutual in the Kingdom of Bahrain yes- concern across the Middle East

Upon his arrival, President HM the King is scheduled to Aoun was warmly received by Palace, where an official recepbin Hamad Al Khalifa, Personal brotherly bilateral relations



meet him today at Al Qudaibiya His Highness Shaikh Abdullah Bahrain and Lebanon flags line the national road, symbolising strong and

Khawly, Chargé d'Affaires of the opment across the Arab world." Embassy of Lebanon to Bahrain.

#### **Brotherly ties**

for the invitation extended by hanced cooperation and shared HM King Hamad, President prosperity, while reaffirming Aoun described the visit as a Lebanon's commitment to Arab testament to the longstanding solidarity.

and brotherly ties between Lebanon and Bahrain.

He emphasised the importance of this opportunity to deepen collaboration in key sectors including economy, investment, and tourism, particularly at a time when the region faces evolving challenges requiring

unified and strategic responses. "The visit reflects our mutual desire to expand strategic part-Representative of His Majes- nerships that serve the interests ty the King; His Excellency Dr. of both nations," President Aoun Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani, stated. "Lebanon deeply values Minister of Foreign Affairs; H.E. Bahrain's support at various inter-Salman bin Isa bin Hindi Al national and regional platforms, Mannai, Governor of Muharraq and its continued efforts in pro-Governorate; and H.E. Mirna moting peace, stability, and devel-

President Aoun noted that his meetings with His Majesty and senior Bahraini officials would Expressing his appreciation help lay the groundwork for en-

### **Kingdom condoles** with Bangladesh over plane crash

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs expressed the Kingdom of Bahrain's sympathy and solidarity with Bangladesh following the crash of a Bangladesh Air Force plane on a school and university campus in the capital, Dhaka, which resulted in the death and injury of a number of people, including children.

The Ministry expressed the Kingdom's utmost condolences and sympathy to the government and people of Bangladesh, and to the families and relatives of the victims, extending its wishes for a speedy recovery for all the injured.

## **Russia downplays** expectations for new Ukraine talks

AFP | Moscow

Moscow yesterday once again downplayed expectations for a third round of peace talks with Ukraine and did not confirm the date for a meeting in Istanbul set for today by Ukraine.

That came after the Kremlin on Monday said that the two sides were far apart in their visions on how to end the war.

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# Inclusive Education

School upgrades include ACs, buses, and cleaning staff

Bahrain's new initiative adds 23 dedicated classrooms for students with autism and intellectual disabilities, marking the largest single-year inclusion effort in its public school history.

#### Autism support expanded

Transport lines increased

Hygiene staff doubled

**Mahir Haneef** TDT | Manama

ublic schools across Bahtry's largest ever expansion in inclusive education this Bahrain's education history. September, with new infrastrucservices, the Minister of Educa- Dr Juma said. tion confirmed yesterday.

to major reforms targeting students with autism, intellectual disabilities, and other special needs. The initiative, backed by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince and Prime Minister, aims to improve support services across all government schools.

As part of this reform, 23 fully equipped and furnished classrooms dedicated to students with autism and intellectual disabilirain will witness the counties will be opened. This marks the biggest such expansion in

"These new classrooms come ture, dedicated classrooms for in addition to the existing ones students with disabilities, and and reflect our growing comsweeping upgrades in school mitment to inclusive learning,"

His Excellency Dr Mohamed sive educational plans are be- ly equipped to meet safety and more than 50,000 across the ventive checks are under way bin Mubarak Juma said the ing developed to better support accessibility standards. 2025-2026 academic year will students with special needs, be "qualitatively different" due underlining the ministry's paring expanded for the general ronments, nearly 6,000 new year's launch expected soon.



H.E. Dr Mohamed bin Mubarak Juma

He added that comprehen- special needs, with each bus ful- ernment transport services to ongoing maintenance and pre-

Transport lines are also be-

allel focus on inclusive and student population, including high-quality education delivery. new routes serving recently The ministry has also finalised developed urban areas. These plans to increase the number of changes will raise the number school buses for students with of students benefiting from gov-

Kingdom.

air-conditioning units are being installed in public schools. This adds to the 5,000 units already fitted last year. Special teams have been assigned to inspect and ensure the efficient operation of cooling systems before the new term begins.

Another major upgrade involves increasing the number of cleaning staff in every public school. From the upcoming year, each school will have four to nine cleaners, up from just two to four in previous years. This change is expected to significantly improve hygiene standards and the overall school en-

Dr Juma praised the ministry's internal teams for accelerating preparations ahead of the new academic year. He said at all government schools, with To improve school envi- further details on the school