

# Grooming finance professionals

Labour Ministry, BIBF extend MoU to train job seekers by three more months

● Bahrainis urged to take up more jobs in Finance and Banking sector

● The sector is witnessing continuous growth

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Bahrain needs more finance and banking professionals, who could boost the sector and add value to the national economy, said Labour Minister.

"This also calls for the need to devise more training programmes that could attract Bah-



A group photo session after signing the deal extension

rainis into the sector," Jameel Humaidan said.

Humaidan was attending the signing of a three-month extension to the memorandum of understanding (MoU) to train job seekers remotely with the Labour and Social Development Ministry and the Bahrain Institute of Banking and Finance (BIBF).

Central Bank of Bahrain (CBB) Governor, Rasheed Mohammed Al-Maraj, BIBF Director-General, Dr Ahmed Abdulghani Al-Shaikh, and officials from both sides were present.

The minister said the sector is witnessing continuous growth and is opening up more opportunities.

"We need to have qualified Bahraini professionals to take up the job opportunities in various

disciplines in the sector," the minister said.

Labour Ministry's Undersecretary, Ahmed Jaffar Al-Hayki, and BIBF Director-General signed the deal.

**Trained 391 job seekers**

Since its signing in June last year, the MoU contributed to training 391 job seekers in the financial and banking sector.

Commenting, CBB Governor Al Maraj praised the cooperation between the Labour Ministry and BIBF for creating suitable training programmes.

Al Maraj also expressed CBB's keenness to coordinate with BIBF in training programmes.

BIBF Director-General said that all participants in the specialised training sessions received free training.



Global Organisation of People of Indian Origin global President Sunny Kulathakal presented a memento to Indian Ambassador Piyush Srivatsava yesterday. The ambassador evinced keen interest in the activities of 33 years old Gopio and, the Gulf Who's Who Directory Bahrain edition published by Kulathakal. He assured full support and wished best wishes for all such ventures.

## Nabih Saleh gets new BD3.5m water station

● Project costs BD3.5 million

● Station entirely powered by solar energy

● Upper tank has one million gallon capacity

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Minister with other officials during a visit to the new station

Electricity and Water Authority has announced the completion of a BD 3.5 million Water Distribution Station in Nabih Saleh.

Work is currently underway to launch the solar panel system on the upper reservoir, which would power up the entire facility.

"702 solar panels are being installed, which could produce about 253 kilowatts (maximum) of clean electrical energy," said EWA chief, Shaikh Nawaf bin Ibrahim Al Khalifa.

"Energy thus produced satisfies the needs of the station," Shaikh Nawaf said adding, "surplus electricity will flow to Kingdom's electricity distribution network."

A one-million-gallon upper tank, with accompanying pipelines and valves, and a building for electrical devices, control devices and a water chlorination system were constructed, as part of the project.

The upper reservoir is covered with aluminium sheets, taking into account the urban

character of the region.

The development came as Electricity and Water Affairs Minister, Wael bin Nasser Al-Mubarak, the CEO of the Electricity and Water Authority (EWA), Shaikh Nawaf bin Ibrahim Al Khalifa, and Capital Municipal Council Chairman, Saleh Tarrada, yesterday visited the Nabih Saleh Water Distribution Station.



The station is within EWA's plans to develop and expand water distribution networks, in line with the directives of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister.

The project increases EWA's storage capacity and strengthens the water distribution network in the Nabih Saleh region. It also meets the needs of housing and service projects there.

"EWA will continue to implement more development projects to enhance the quality of its services," the minister said.

Nass Contracting Company constructed all of the station's facilities and supplied it with the latest mechanical, electrical, control and communication equipment from leading companies.

Ahmed Mansoor Al-Aali covered the upper reservoir and installed solar energy cells. A UK consultancy firm, Mott MacDonald, oversaw the construction of the station.

## Caricature of corona lands Bahraini student top honour

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Bahraini students are continuing to prove that they are a cut above the rest when it comes to creativity.

Ali Hussain Al Muharraqi, Muhammad Ishaq, Noura Jalal, Zainab Al Momen, Khalil Ibrahim, the achievers list is growing at record speed.

Joining them in making Bahrain proud yesterday was Zahra Abdul Latif Abdullah.

Zahra is a student of Al-Hidd Secondary School for Girls.

She took first place in caricature competition held as part of Sheikhha Latifa bint Mohammed Awards for Childhood Creativity.

Coronavirus pandemic was the event's theme, this year.

"I dedicates the victory to my dear country, which nurtured and encouraged me with several talented and creative students," said Zahra.

She also thanked the Ministry of Education for the support.



"I joined the ministry's Center for the Care of Gifted Students, under the supervision of Zainab Swar."

Zahra also belongs to an artistic family. "My older sister has previously participated in several foreign events."

"I am also dedicating this win to my teachers at Al-Dair Primary and Preparatory School for Girls Shaima Murad, Nariman Abdullah, and A. Manal Youssef."

"They gave me constant motivation and encouragement." My teacher, Prof. Ibtisam

Flamerzi, of Al-Hidd High school also helped me a lot."

"I had previously participated in many Ministry of Education events, including the Children's Art Exhibition, the Teacher's Day Competition, and national events, which gave me many accolades and prizes," Zahra said.

When asked about her plans, Zahra said she is looking forward to work as an engineer to benefit from her capabilities in the technical field.

She is also planning to study more in art and participate in global events.



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