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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa returned to Bahrain yesterday after a fraternal visit to Morocco, where he met His Majesty King Mohammed VI of Morocco. HM King Hamad and HM King Mohammed VI held talks on the fraternal Bahraini-Moroccan relations, and ways to enhance and strengthen them in various fields. HM the King was welcomed mainly by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister.





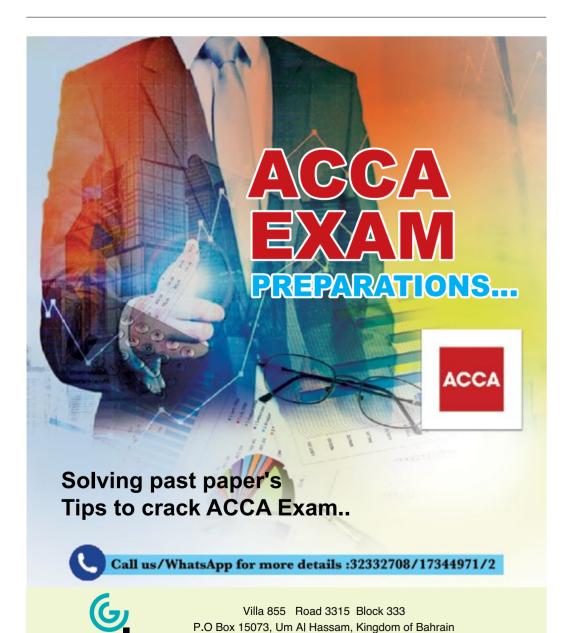
Deputised by His Royal Highness Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa, Southern Governor His Highness Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali bin Khalifa Al Khalifa visited the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to offer condolences on the death of late HRH Prince Bandar bin Mohammed bin Abdulrahman bin Faisal Al Saud. HH Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali bin Khalifa was received on arrival by HRH Prince Khalid bin Fahd bin Khalid Al-Saud and other princes and officials. HH Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali bin Khalifa Al Khalifa conveyed condolences from His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, HRH the Premier and HRH Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Premier to Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud and Crown Prince, Deputy Premier and Defence Minister HRH Prince Mohammed bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, praying to Allah the Almighty to bless the deceased with mercy.



Minister of Works, **Municipality Affairs and Urban Planning Essam Khalaf** yesterday received Bahraini Ambassador extraordinary and Plenipotentiary to Egypt Hesham Al Jowder. He lauded his efforts in boosting relations between both countries, wishing him success in his work. Both sides discussed projects implemented by the Ministry of Works in Cairo. The Bahraini ambassador praised the efforts of the Ministry of Works, Municipality Affairs and **Urban Planning in improving** the kingdom's infrastructure, wishing it further success.



Labour and Social Development Minister, Labour and Social Development Authority (LMRA) Chairman, Jameel Humaidan, commended fruitful co-operation with the Council of Representatives to pass laws in line with national legislations and international labour conventions. Receiving Human Rights Committee Chairman MP Dr Abdulla Khalifa Al Thawadi, he reiterated the Government's keenness on upgrading laws to protect the rights of workers and employers alike. The minister and the law maker discussed co-operation between the legislative and executive branches of government, hailing Bahrain's human rights strides and developed laws that protect workers, improve the work environment and preserve tripartite rights. The lawmaker commended joint work between the Government branch and the legislative branch pass developed labour legislations and improve the work environment.



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## Promoting 'Saris'





Nearly 90 women took part in an event, which saw the celebration of 'great Indian women garment' Sari. It was held as part of Makar Sankranti Haladi **Kumkum Event** at Elite Crystal Hotel in Juffair. The event was organised by Pradnya Subandh and Sunanda Gaekwad along with members of 'Sari Speak', which is a group of ladies who promotes wearing the traditional Indian ethnic attire.