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HM King thanked by UN Secretary General



HM the King
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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa has received a cable of thanks from United Nations Secretary General António Guterres in reply to HM's congratulations on UN Day. HM the King also sent a cable of congratulations to Suriname President Chan Santokhi on his country's Independence Day.

Create more investments!

HRH the Prime Minister reviews bilateral partnerships with Indian External Affairs Minister

Dr Jaishankar hails Bahrain support towards expanding cooperation

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The Kingdom of Bahrain is committed to bolstering relations with India to increase investment opportunities between the two countries. This was emphasised by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, as he met yesterday India's External Affairs Minister Dr Subrahmanyam Jaishankar at Riffa Palace, on the sidelines of the Minister's visit to the Kingdom.

During the meeting, the Indian External Affairs Minister conveyed the condolences of Indian President Ram Nath Kovind, to His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and HRH the Crown Prince and



HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister with Minister Jaishankar

Prime Minister on the passing of HRH Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa.

HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister stressed the strength of ties between Bahrain and India, noting that bilateral cooperation continues to accelerate across various sectors.

He said that exchange of visits bolsters joint cooperation, which in turn advances further development and prosperity for both countries and their people.

In this regard, HRH the Crown Prince welcomed the ongoing cooperation and coordination between Bahrain and India in

combating COVID-19.

They also reviewed bilateral partnerships and methods to reinforce them.

HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister lauded the role played by the Indian community within Bahrain, and their efforts contributing towards the King-

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HRH THE CROWN PRINCE AND PRIME MINISTER

dom's economic development. For his part, Dr Jaishankar expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to meet HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, and highlighted HRHs' ongoing support towards ever expanding bilateral ties.

Present in the meeting were Foreign Affairs Minister Dr Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani and Finance and National Economy Minister Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa.

World mourns

Soccer legend Maradona dies of heart attack

Reuters | Buenos Aires



Maradona

Diego Maradona, widely regarded as one of the greatest soccer players of all time before drug and alcohol addiction marred his career, died at his home in Argentina after suffering a heart attack, his lawyer said. He was 60.

Beloved in his homeland after leading Argentina to win the 1986 World Cup and adored in Italy after taking Napoli to two Serie A titles, Maradona was a uniquely gifted player and charismatic figure.

He died four years to the day after one

of his political heroes, former Cuban leader Fidel Castro, and 15 years to the day after another troubled but talented football folk hero, George Best.

Maradona had recently battled health issues and underwent emergency surgery for a subdural haematoma several weeks ago.

He suffered a heart attack at his home in the outskirts of Buenos Aires on Wednesday, acquaintances of the former player said. His death was confirmed by his lawyer.

In Buenos Aires, people began pouring

onto the streets to mourn the nation's favourite son, gathering in the San Andres neighbourhood where he lived and also in La Plata where he had lately been technical director for local team Gimnasia y Esgrima.

The Argentine government has declared three days of mourning. President Alberto Fernandez said in a tweet, "You took us to the highest point in the world, and made us immensely happy. You were the greatest of all. Thank you for having been with us, Diego. We will miss you all our lives."

BAHRAIN COVID-19

TOTAL CASES

86,354

ACTIVE CASES

1,510

DEATHS

340

DISCHARGED

84,335

NEW CASES

169

CRITICAL

12

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