

**Bahrain Information Minister Receives Sri Lankan Ambassador**



His Excellency Dr. Ramzan bin Abdullah Al Nuaimi, Minister of Information, received Her Excellency Ms. Shirin Shanika Dissanayake, Ambassador of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka to the Kingdom of Bahrain, at the Ministry's headquarters. During the meeting, the Minister highlighted the growing friendly relations and cooperation between the Kingdom of Bahrain and Sri Lanka across various fields. He emphasized the mutual commitment to strengthening these ties and wished the Ambassador success in her diplomatic duties. For her part, Ambassador Shirin Shanika Dissanayake expressed her gratitude to Dr. Ramzan bin Abdullah Al Nuaimi for the warm reception. She reaffirmed Sri Lanka's dedication to expanding cooperation with Bahrain to achieve shared aspirations, while wishing the Kingdom continued progress and prosperity.

**Southern Governor Receives Saudi Ambassador**



His Highness Shaikh Khalifa bin Ali Al Khalifa, Governor of the Southern Governorate, received His Excellency Mr. Nayef bin Bandar Al Sudairy, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the Kingdom of Bahrain. During the meeting, His Highness the Governor praised the strong, historical fraternal relations between the two nations, noting the significant growth achieved under the leadership of both brotherly countries. The discussion also covered several topics of common interest. For his part, Ambassador Nayef bin Bandar Al Sudairy affirmed the deep-rooted ties uniting the two countries and expressed his desire for continued cooperation at all levels.

**Bahrain Development Bank Celebrates National Holidays**



In celebration of the Kingdom's national holidays and the anniversary of His Majesty the King's accession to the throne, Bahrain Development Bank (BDB) hosted a special internal event at its headquarters on December 11. As the leading bank for small and medium enterprises, BDB organized the gathering to foster pride and team spirit among its employees. The celebration featured a joyful atmosphere with activities including friendly games, competitions, live cooking stations, and entertainment. Food trucks and special photo sessions were also provided for staff from various departments. By hosting this event, the Bahrain Development Bank continues to prioritize employee engagement and honor the national identity that sits at the heart of its mission.

**Chief of Public Security Honors Officers for Heroic Rescue**



His Excellency Lieutenant General Tariq bin Hassan Al Hassan, Chief of Public Security, honored Corporal Mohammed Majid and Police Officer Bilal Akbar from the Special Security Force for their heroic rescue of a three-year-old girl from drowning. The officers provided critical first aid before transferring her to the hospital. The Chief of Public Security praised their rapid response and professionalism, stating that this humanitarian act reflects the authentic values and efficiency of the Ministry of Interior personnel. He emphasized that the Bahraini police remain dedicated to protecting lives and public safety. Lieutenant General Tariq bin Hassan Al Hassan encouraged the officers to continue their sincere service and dedication to humanitarian work, wishing them continued success in serving the nation's citizens and residents.

**Christmas Celebrations Held at St. Mary's Indian Orthodox Cathedral, Bahrain**



St. Mary's Indian Orthodox Cathedral, Bahrain, celebrated Christmas with solemn liturgical services held at the Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam. The divine services were led by chief celebrant H.G. Dr. Geevarghese Mar Theophilos, Metropolitan of the Ahmedabad Diocese and Assistant Metropolitan of the Bombay Diocese. Co-celebrants included Cathedral Vicar Rev. Fr. Jacob Thomas Karayakkal and Assistant Vicar Rev. Fr. Thomas Kutty P.N. During the gathering, His Grace delivered the Christmas message and shared festive greetings with the faithful. Concluding the event, Trustee Saji George and Secretary Binu Mathew Eappen expressed their heartfelt gratitude to all attendees and those who provided support for the successful conduct of the services.

