reorganised

HIS Majesty King Hamad yesterday issued a decree on the establishment and organisation of Bahrain Political Development Institute. The newlook institute has a board of trustees, including a chairman, a vice-chairman and seven other members appointed by decrees. His Majesty also issued a decree appointing Shaikh Hamad bin Mohammed bin Hamad bin Abdulla Al Khalifa as Municipalities and Agriculture Ministry director-general for urban planning and Dr Salman Abdulnabi Al Khuzai as assistant under-secretary for agricultural affairs.

Cables for Tunisia

HIS Majesty yesterday sent a cable of congratulations to Tunisian President Zine El Abidine Ben Ali on his re-election. HRH the Premier and HRH the Crown Prince and Deputy Supreme Commander sent similar cables.

Greetings sent

HIS Majesty yesterday sent a cable of congratulations to Austrian President Heinz Fischer on his country's National Day.

Reports approved

HRH the Premier yesterday issued an edict approving the review reports by Quality Assurance Authority appraising the performance of schools, vocational training institutes, universities and national exams reports 2009.

New centre on way

THE Education Minister yesterday received a GCC Education Bureaucommissioned team, led by Dr Mooza Nasser Al Ka'abi, who gave a presentation on plans to set up an education centre.

Vaccination reviewed

PUBLIC Security chief Major-General Dr Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani yesterday chaired the National Committee for Disaster Management to review compelling pilgrims to take swine flu vaccination.

Focus on students

HIGHER Education Council secretary-general Dr Hashemi Al Alawi yesterday received Kuwaiti Embassy cultural attaché Ali Mohammed Al Damkhi and discussed issues relating to Kuwaiti students at Bahrain private universities.

Debate 'illegal'

PARLIAMENT's discussion today on prohibiting dealings with the Zionist entity is unconstitutional, top legal sources said yesterday, our sister paper Akhbar Al Khaleej reports. Citing the Constitution, they said legislative, executive and judiciary powers are separate and parliament cannot discuss an executive matter.

Accident inquiry

AN investigation has been launched by the Labour Ministry into a worksite accident in which an Indian worker was critically injured, reports ANIQA HAIDER. The incident took place at 3pm when Mohammed Imtiaz Ahmad Nasim Ahmad was fixing a bulb in the lamppost along side a highway near Casablanca hotel, Gudaibiya. He lost his footing and fell from a five-metre ladder. He was rushed to Salmaniya Medical Complex, where he was said to be in a critical condition. He works as a civil engineer for Alfadhel



■ His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Deputy King, yesterday received Saudi King Abdullah's adviser and arbitration team chief Dr Bandar bin Salman Al Saud and enquired about pilgrimage preparations. Crown Prince's Court chief Shaikh Khalifa bin Daij Al Khalifa, adviser Shaikh Ahmed bin Khalifa Al Khalifa and Saudi Ambassador Dr Abdulmohsen bin Fahd Al Markh attended.



■ HRH the Premier yesterday received a Siemens delegation to outline plans to set up a Gulf-German joint telecommunications company in Bahrain. Abdulnabi Al Sho'ala attended.



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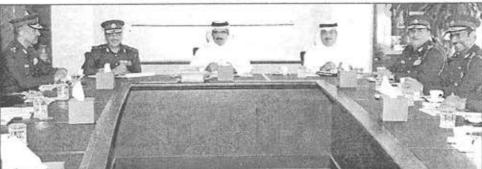


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■ Interior Minister Shalkh Rashid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa yesterday chaired a meeting of the supreme committee in charge of implementing the ministry's plans in line with Bahrain National Economic Strategy 2009-2014. He issued directives to form an executive committee to follow up on progress and performance of specialised teams related to the strategy.



Labour Minister Dr Majeed Al Alawi yesterday received outgoing Omani Ambassador Salem Bayacoub and hailed his role in strengthening relations and co-operation.



■ Information and Culture Minister Sha the proposed Unesco regional heritage a Gulf and Arab gain and contribute speaking on the sidelines of the 15th GC



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