



Bahrain's business and political elite at Ambassador's reception in honour of Minister E. Ahamed.

Bahrain-India ties celebrated

At a reception hosted by Indian Ambassador Balkrishna Shetty for Indian Minister of State for External Affairs E Ahamed, the Ambassador announced the formation of the Bahrain India Society (BIS) under the chairmanship of former Labour and Social Affairs Minister Abdulnabi Al Sho'ala. The Society, which has 25 founding members is expected to strengthen the ties of friendship between the two countries.

Al Sho'ala thanked the ambassador

Bahraini Ambassador to India Ghassan Sheko, Ambassador Shetty and Minister Ahamed.



for taking the initiative in establishing the society.

"We are grateful to the Social Development Ministry for approving the registration of the society," he said.

"The founding committee will meet soon after the completion of the re-

maining official procedures to elect the new office-bearers.

"The committee includes prominent Bahraini and Indian community and business leaders."

The society, said Al Sho'ala, has already received enthusiastic response from the leadership and people of both countries.

"The founding committee is confident of taking the cordial and friendly relationship between our two countries to new heights at all levels, not only at leadership levels but also at a people to people levels," he added.

"We are natural partners, and we hope the new society will become an effective channel in creating even greater understanding between the two nations."

On the anvil are exhibitions, conferences and promoting of twinships between Bahraini and Indian cities.

The reception was attended by prominent members of both communities.



"Congratulations" says Minister Ahamed to Chairman Al Sho'ala of the BIS.