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Press Release on virtual meeting between Minister for Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship of India and Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports of Kingdom of Bahrain on 23 December 2021.

Hon'ble Minister for Education and Skill Development and Entrepreneurship of India, Shri Dharmendra Pradhan and H.E. Mr Aymen Tawfiq Almoayyed, Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports, Kingdom of Bahrain held a virtual meeting on 23 December 2021.

- 2. Both Ministers praised the deep rooted, historical and multifaceted relations between India and Kingdom of Bahrain and the continued high level engagement between the two sides despite challenges posed by COVID 19 pandemic.
- 3. The discussions focused on opportunities for the young entrepreneurs of both countries, and the need for skilling and upskilling the youth to be employable in tomorrow's labour market. H.E. Aymen Tawfiq Almoayyed briefed about various initiatives taken by Government of Bahrain in skilling and upskilling of youth with focus on employability and vocational aspects of education. He also appreciated the role of Indian diaspora in Bahrain in the Kingdom's economic development. Hon'ble Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan briefed about India's National Education Policy 2020 which gives focus on skilling & vocational training to suit an ever-changing work place characterized by technological revolution and job pattern changes. Appreciating various initiatives of Bahrain as briefed by Minister Aymen Tawfiq Almoayyed, Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan stressed on collaboration between the two countries in these areas, and on learning from each other's experiences.

- 4. Both sides agreed to form a Joint Task Force comprising of officials from both sides to formulate concrete proposals in the areas of education and skill development and sharing of each other's experiences. Some of the areas identified included: Technology, Innovation, Artificial Intelligence, Virtual Reality, Energy and Fintech.
- 5. Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports of Bahrain extended an invitation to Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan to visit Bahrain. Hon'ble Minister accepted the invitation and also invited H.E. Mr Aymen Tawfiq Almoayyed to visit India at the earliest convenience.


