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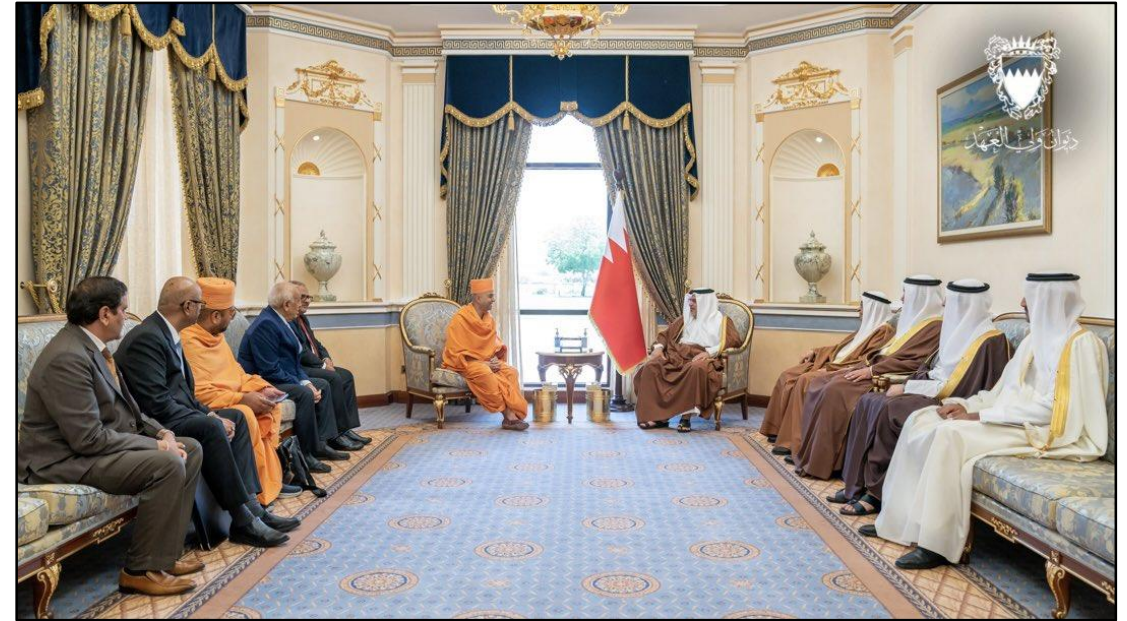
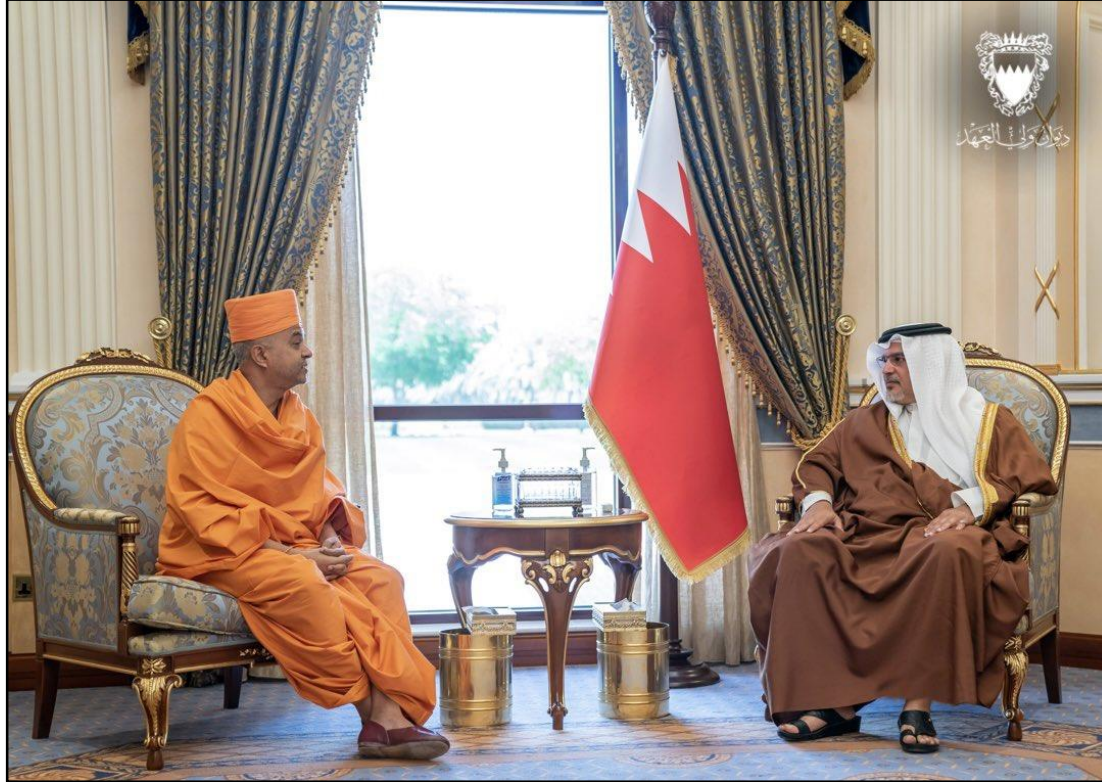
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# VISIT

## BAPS Coordinator called on HRH Crown Prince & Prime Minister of Bahrain

Date- 01/06/2022



HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister of Bahrain Sheikh Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa received the International Coordinator of the BAPS Swaminarayan Sanstha (BAPS), Pujya Swami Brahmavihari Das, accompanied by Ambassador Piyush Srivastava. Brahmavihari Swamiji expressed gratitude to Leadership and Government of Bahrain for allotment of land for the Swaminarayan temple in Bahrain.



# BILATERAL DEVELOPMENTS

## Ambassador called on Minister of Information Affairs, Bahrain

Date- 02/06/2022

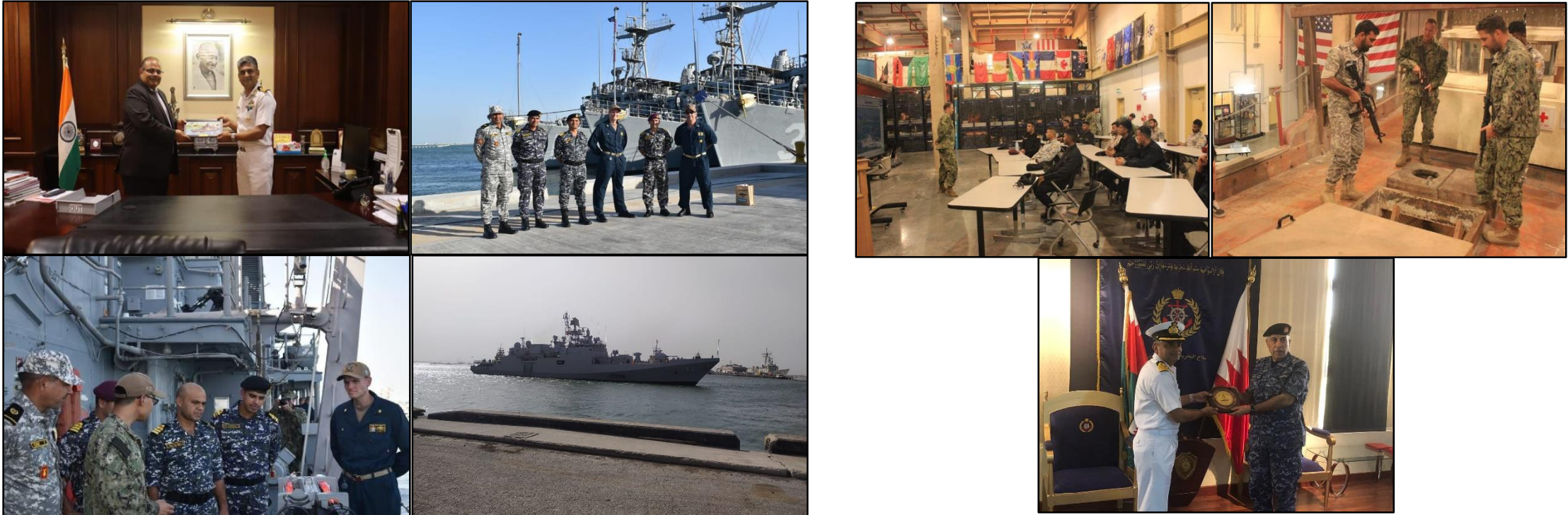


Ambassador Piyush Srivastava called on H. E. Ali bin Mohammed Al Romaihi, Minister of Information Affairs, Bahrain and discussed concerned matters of bilateral cooperation, including the ways to enhance media cooperation between India & Bahrain.

# BILATERAL DEVELOPMENTS

## INS Talwar visited Manama as part of Indian Navy's commitment to Maritime Security

Date- 27/06/2022



INS Talwar visited Manama on 27 June, 2022 as part of Indian Navy's commitment to Maritime Security in the region and reassuring Indian Merchant Men. The Ships Commanding officer called on Ambassador Piyush Srivastava & Rear Adm. Mohammed Yusuf Al Asam, Commander Royal Bahrain Naval Force. The ships crew also interacted & trained with Crew from U.S. Naval Forces Central Command/U.S. 5th Fleet.



# SADHGURU'S VISIT TO BAHRAIN

## Sadhguru visited Embassy of India, Bahrain

Date- 15/05/2022



As part of the Bahrain leg of “Conscious Planet – Save Soil Movement”, Sadhguru visited Embassy of India, Bahrain and began his visit by offering flowers to Mahatma Gandhi. Sadhguru planted a neem tree at the Embassy garden and also met divyang children from Sneha Recreation Centre who presented gifts made by them.



# SADHGURU'S VISIT TO BAHRAIN

## Talk show by Sadhguru in Embassy of India, Bahrain

Date- 15/05/2022



In the Talk program organised at Embassy, Sadhguru spoke about the global 'Save Soil' campaign to address the soil crisis by bringing individuals from all over the world together to advocate for soil health. Prominent Indian and Bahraini dignitaries as well as diplomats attended the Talk.



# SADHGURU'S VISIT TO BAHRAIN

## Sadhguru talked on Save Soil at Bahrain National Museum

Date- 16/05/2022



Over 6000 Indians & Bahrainis including dignitaries & influencers listened to Sadhguru's talk on "Save the Soil", the global campaign to preserve soil, at Bahrain National Museum. Sadhguru was joined by Ambassador Piyush Srivastava and HE Shaikha Hala bint Mohammed Al Khalifa, Director General, Bahrain Authorities for Cultural Antiquities.

# International Day of Yoga 2022

**Indian Embassy organised the Curtain Raiser event to kick start the celebrations of IDY 2022**

**Date- 03/06/2022**



Indian Embassy organised the Curtain Raiser event to kick start the celebrations of International Day of Yoga 2022 in Bahrain on 03 June 2022. The Yoga protocol was led by the Bahraini yoga teacher Mahmood Mirza Al Oraibi & Indian teacher Rudresh Kumar Singh. The event saw participation of more than 100 Indian & Bahraini yoga trainers & enthusiasts, physical education teachers and Indian community members.



# International Day of Yoga 2022



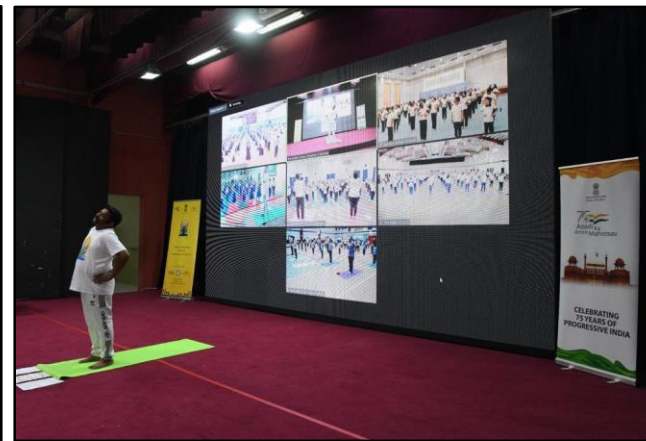
To mark World Bicycle Day, Embassy of India with Bahrain Cycling Association organized a cycle rally coinciding with curtain raiser of IDY 2022. The rally from the Embassy to Bahrain Fort with participation of more than 100 Indian and Bahraini cyclists was flagged off by Ambassador Piyush Srivastava.



# International Day of Yoga 2022

Over 700 students simultaneously joined the celebration of IDY 2022

Date- 21/06/2022



Over 700 students from various nationalities from 7 Indian schools across Bahrain simultaneously joined the celebration of International Yoga Day 2022 as part of Guardian Ring For Yoga . The Guardian Ring For Yoga marks the culmination of the month long yoga sessions performed in the Indian schools of Bahrain with attendance of more than 1500 students.



# International Day of Yoga 2022

Embassy in association with MOH and MYSBHR organized main event of IDY 2022

Date- 21/06/2022



The main event of International Day of Yoga2022 held in association with Ministry of Health, Bahrain and Ministry of Sports and Youth, Bahrain at Isa Sports City saw overwhelming participation of Indian and Bahraini yoga enthusiasts and members of diplomatic corps in Bahrain. The event was graced by Ms. Namat Al Subaie, Advisor, NHRA Bahrain and Mr. Mahmood Abdulsamad, Head of Operations Re-engineering, MYSBHR. Winners of the online quiz by BCICAI & the 8-day yoga challenge by Indian Ladies Association were also honoured during the session.

# International Day of Yoga 2022



Ambassador thanked the Leadership, Government and people of Bahrain for support and facilitation which has been instrumental in ensuring that the IDY celebrations in the Kingdom have witnessed increasing participation over the years. More than 30 events were held during the month to celebrate Yoga in Bahrain under the theme Yoga For Humanity with diverse events and overall participation of about 4000 yoga enthusiasts including youth and students. Ambassador also commended active participation and support of Indian associations, particularly Art of Living Bahrain, BICAS Bahrain & BCICAI, schools, yoga centres, yoga professionals and enthusiasts in Bahrain in IDY 2022 events.



# International Day of Yoga 2022

The Embassy of India, Bahrain celebrated the International Day of Yoga (IDY) this year with two events on 21 June 2022 as part of the “Global Yoga Ring” which envisaged the live telecast of Yoga sessions, progressively from East to West across the world. The events on 21 June was a culmination of more than 30 events throughout the month of June to celebrate Yoga. In partnership with Art of Living (AOL), Bahrain India Culture & Arts Services (BICAS) and Bahrain Chapter of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (BCICAI), the Embassy also held more than 30 events in less than three weeks from the curtain raiser to International Day of Yoga. The yoga campaign in Bahrain this year has stood out with its diverse engagements ranging from schools to organizations to clubs. A special session for specially abled (divyang) children and yoga quiz for more than 350 students from different schools in Bahrain were the highlights.





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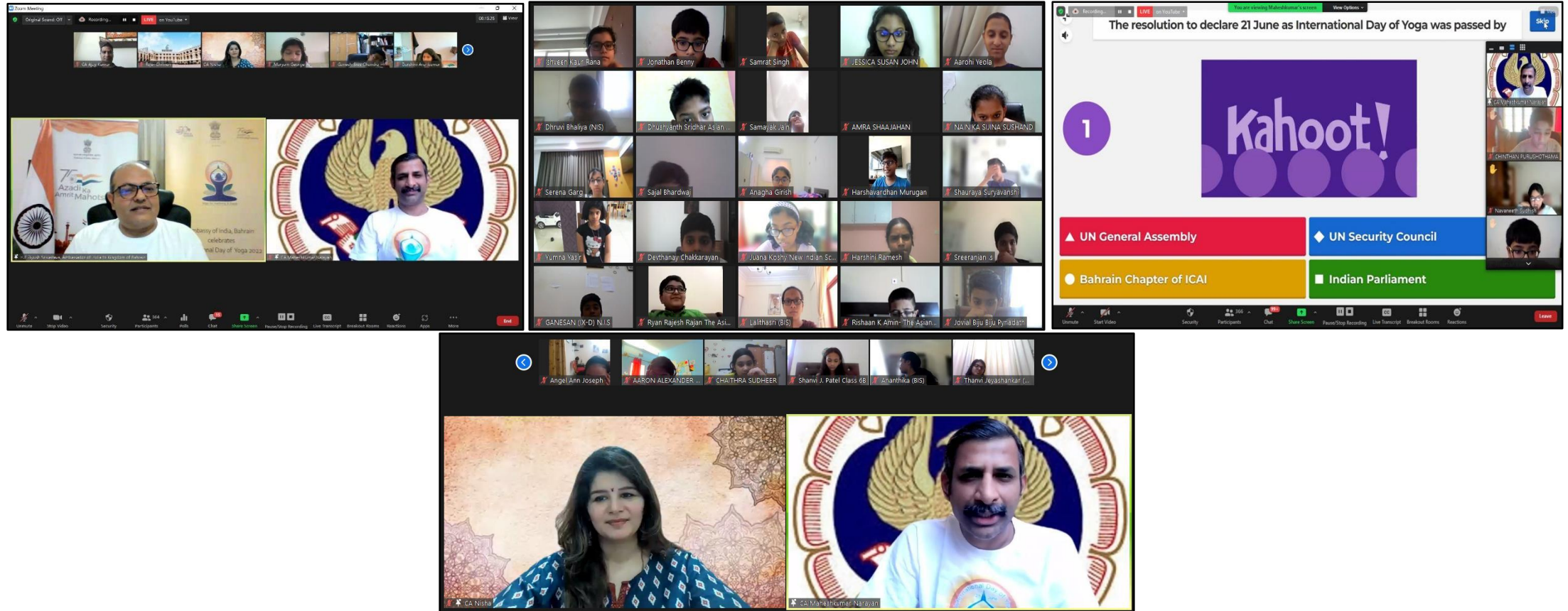




# International Day of Yoga 2022

## Embassy of India and BCICAI organized quiz on Yoga

Date- 17/06/2022



‘Yoga is a gift of India to mankind’, Ambassador Piyush Srivastava said during the Yoga Quiz organised by Bahrain Chapter of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India in association with Embassy of Bahrain as part of International Day of Yoga2022 celebrations in Bahrain. The event saw participation of over 350 children.



# AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV- ICONIC WEEK CELEBRATION

**10-day India-Bahrain Dance and Music Festival kick-started at Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam**

**Date- 03/05/2022**



10-day India-Bahrain Dance and Music Festival kick-started on 3 May 2022. The mega Cultural Festival was organised by Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam in association with Embassy of India, Bahrain, as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Iconic Week Celebration.

# AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV- ICONIC WEEK CELEBRATION

## Indo-Bahrain Dance & Music Festival jointly inaugurated by Indian Ambassador & DG, BACA

Date- 04/05/2022



The 10 day long 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Music Festival' was jointly inaugurated by H. E. Sheikha Hala bint Mohammed Al Khalifa, DG of Culture & Arts, Bahrain Authority for Cultural Anitquities and Ambassador Piyush Srivastava in the presence of Bahraini dignitaries, diplomats and members of Indian community.



# AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV- ICONIC WEEK CELEBRATION

## Minister of Labour & Social Development attended Indo-Bahrain Dance & Music Festival

Date- 13/05/2022



The 10th day of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Iconic Week Celebration 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Music Festival' was attended by H. E. Jameel bin Mohammed Ali Humaidan, Minister of Labour and Social Development, Bahrain as Chief Guest. Indian classical instrumental performance led by Mysore Nagaraj and Dr Mysore Manjunath on the violin was the highlight of the event. The artists were accompanied by Thiruvaroor Bhakthavalsalam on mridangam, Alappuzha R Karunamoorthy on tavil and Giridhar Udupa on ghatam.

# AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV- ICONIC WEEK CELEBRATION

Sarod maestro Ustad Amjad Ali Khan performed, as part of the 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Musical Festival'

Date- 11/06/2022



Sarod maestro Ustad Amjad Ali Khan, along with Amaan Ali Bangash and Ayaan Ali Bangash gave a scintillating performance at Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Iconic Week Celebration 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Music Festival'. A Souvenir by BKS Bahrain was also released during the event. A packed audience including members of the diplomatic corps, Bahraini dignitaries, and Indian community members attended.



# AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV- ICONIC WEEK CELEBRATION

## Bhajan by Anup Jalota, as part of the 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Musical Festival'

Date- 03/05/2022



Anup Jalota, the 'Bhajan Samraat' of India performed in the Curtain Raiser event of 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Musical Festival'. Amb Piyush Srivastava & other dignitaries from Bahrain attended the event.

# AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV- ICONIC WEEK CELEBRATION

Performance by Asha Sharat, as part of the 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Musical Festival'

Date- 04/05/2022



The inaugural event saw the scintillating dance performance of renowned Indian Actress and Classical Dancer Asha Sharath, who presented renditions of Indian epics.



# AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV- ICONIC WEEK CELEBRATION

Fusion music performances led by Padma Vibhushan Umayalpuram, , as part of the ‘Indo-Bahrain Dance & Musical Festival’

Date- 05/05/2022



The 3rd day of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Iconic Week Celebration ‘Indo-Bahrain Dance & Music Festival’ witnessed fusion music performances led by Padma Vibhushan Umayalpuram on Mridangam, Keyboard maestro Stephen Devassy, Violinist Attukal Balasubramanyam & Flutist Amith Nadig.

# AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV- ICONIC WEEK CELEBRATION

Performance by Abhishek Raghuram , as part of the 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Musical Festival'

Date- 08/05/2022



On the 5th day of Indo-Bahrain Dance & Music festival at Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam , music lovers were captivated by pure Indian Carnatic performances of vocalist Abhishek Raghuram, Violinist Vidwan H N Bhaskar, Mridangam player Vidwan Patri Satishkumar & Ghatam player Sukanya Ramgopal.



# AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV- ICONIC WEEK CELEBRATION

**Performance by South Indian vocalist Nityasree Mahadevan, as part of the ‘Indo-Bahrain Dance & Musical Festival’**

Date- 10/05/2022



On the 6th day of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Iconic Week Celebration ‘Indo-Bahrain Dance & Music Festival’, South Indian vocalist, Nityasree Mahadevan performed at Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam. Tanujasree on vocals, Raghavendra Rao on violin, Praveen Sparsh on mridangam & Sukanya Ramgopal on ghatam accompanied the Carnatic singer.

# AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV- ICONIC WEEK CELEBRATION

## Dance Ballet on Buddha's life, as part of the 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Musical Festival'

Date- 11/05/2022



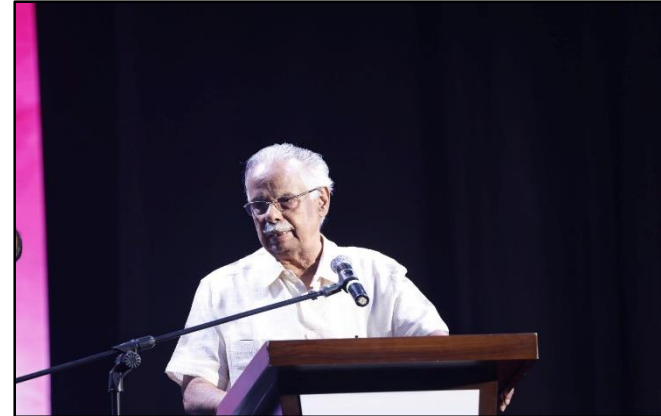
7th day of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Iconic Week Celebration 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Music Festival' saw a Dance Ballet 'Buddha The Divine' led by Vidyasree featuring 60 dancers from Indian community at Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam. The event also featured music composition by Palakkad Sreeram & lyrics by L Sampathkumar.



# AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV- ICONIC WEEK CELEBRATION

**Carnatic vocal performance, as part of the 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Musical Festival'**

**Date- 12/05/2022**



The 8th day of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Iconic Week Celebration 'Indo-Bahrain Dance & Music Festival', witnessed a Carnatic vocal performance led by singer & music director M Jayachandran. Dr. Mustafa Al Sayed Secretary General, Royal Humanitarian Foundation and 2022 ONV Malayalam literature awardee Mr. T. Padmanabhan also graced the function.

# BUSINESS EVENTS

## Embassy of India virtually participated in the Haryana Plywood Conclave

Date- 17/05/2022



Embassy of India virtually participated in the Haryana Plywood Conclave organized by Foreign Cooperation Department of Haryana and presented opportunities available & way forward to increase our plywood export to Bahrain. India is the 2nd largest exporter of plywood to Bahrain.



# BUSINESS EVENTS

**Kerala Tourism in association with Embassy of India, Bahrain organized a roadshow and B2B event**

**Date- 20/05/2022**



Yalla Kerala ! A paradise 4 hours away from Bahrain. Kerala Tourism in association with Embassy of India, Bahrain organized a roadshow and B2B event aimed at attracting tourists from Bahrain. Kerala Tourism delegation was led by K S Srinivas IAS, Principal Secretary. A bouquet of new tourism products from Kerala including ayurvedic and wellness programmes, backwater and hill stations, caravan, cultural and monsoon tourism were presented to more than 75 tour operators from Bahrain. Speaking on the occasion, Ambassador Piyush Srivastava expressed happiness over revival of tourism and said that as there is no restriction for travel between India and Bahrain, more Bahrainis would like to explore these opportunities.

# BUSINESS EVENTS

## Embassy organized a B2B meeting and networking event with the NASSCOM delegation

Date- 23/05/2022



Bahrain India Society & Bahrain Technology Companies Society in association with Embassy of India, Bahrain and Bahrain EDB organized a B2B meeting and networking event with the NASSCOM delegation. The event was attended by a large number of Bahraini companies from the sector. NASSCOM delegation comprised of leading Indian IT companies including HCL Technologies, ITC Infotech, Tata Consultancy Services, Mastek Limited, Nagarro Software and Addteq Software India Private Limited.



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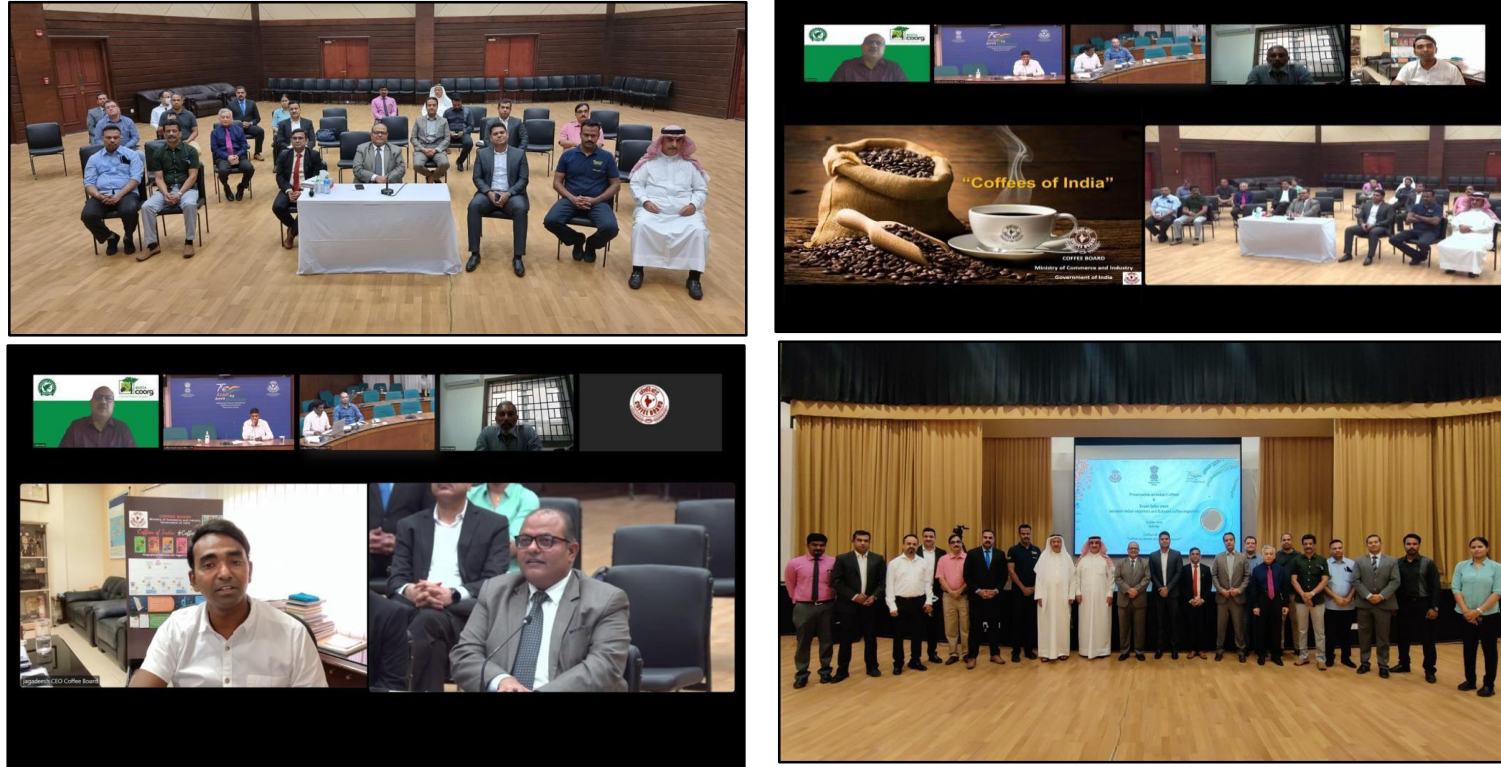


The event was addressed by Mr. Abdulnabi Alshola, founding President BIS Society, Mr. Musab Abdullah, Bahrain EDB, Mr. Abdulrahman Juma , Bahrain India Society, Mr. Rashid Al Snan BTECHBH Mr. Ravi Kumar Jain, Embassy of India and Mr. Mayank Gautam NASSCOM.

# BUSINESS EVENTS

## Embassy of India, Bahrain & Coffee Board of India organized a hybrid B2B meeting

Date- 15/06/2022



Embassy of India, Bahrain & Coffee Board of India organized a hybrid B2B meeting & presentation on Indian coffees. About 20 representatives of leading Bahraini coffee houses, roasteries & importers joined the meeting physically in the Embassy while approx 20 Indian coffee exporters attended virtually. The B2B meeting was addressed by Ambassador Piyush Srivastava & Mr. K G Jagdeesha, CEO & Secretary Coffee Board. The Embassy has brought out a booklet containing information about GI tagged coffees of India and details of Indian coffee exporters.



# BUSINESS EVENTS

## BIS Society organized a business networking luncheon

Date- 23/06/2022



Bahrain India Society, an important driver of India-Bahrain trade & economic activities, organized a business networking luncheon featuring a talk by H.E. Zayed bin Rashid Al Zayani, Minister of Industry, Commerce and Tourism in which he praised solid India-Bahrain relations and spoke about ways forward to further strengthen it. H.E. Piyush Srivastava, Ambassador of India & patron of Bahrain India Society and Mr. Abdulrahma Juma, Chairman BIS Society were also present in the event which was attended by more than 100 leading Bahraini & Bahrain based Indian businessmen and professionals.

# EVENTS

## Anand Kumar, famous mathematician interacts with students and education fraternity

Date- 06/06/2022



Mr Anand Kumar, famous mathematician, educationist & mentor, best known for his Super 30 programme, interacted with the students & education fraternity of Indian Schools in Bahrain in an event organized by Salaam Bahrain at Indian School premises. The event was attended by H.E. Dr. Shaikha Rana bint Isa Al Khalifa, Secretary General, Higher Education Council as Chief Guest, H.E. Mr. Abdul Nabi Al Shoala, Ambassador Piyush Srivastava, Heads of Missions of ROK and Nepal and members of Indian community. Ambassador commended Salaam Bahrain and other partners for organizing this motivational session, which was attended by close to 1000 students, teachers and principals of various Indian schools in Bahrain.



# EVENTS

## Bahrain Odias in association with Embassy of India held Utkal Divas celebration

Date- 22/05/2022



Bahrain Odias in association with Embassy of India held Utkal Divas celebration at Cultural Hall as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. A live sand art performance by Sudarshan Pattnaik and a dance performance by Gajendra Panda highlighted the rich culture of Odisha. An exhibition of 75 traditional handicrafts from Odisha were exhibited to commemorate Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav , all sourced from the indigenous tribes of Odisha. The event was graced by Indian & Bahraini dignitaries and members of the diplomatic corps.



# EVENTS

## Annai Tamil Mandiram organized the Tamil Debate Show

Date- 01/06/2022



Annai Tamil Mandram (ATM) organized the Tamil Debate Show at Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam. Dr.Suad Yaseen, Chairman of Board of Directors of Al Yassin Training Center and Mr Ravi Shanker Shukla, Second Secretary, Embassy of India, Bahrain attended the show as Chief Guests.



# EVENTS

## Bahrain Media City (BMC) Film Society inaugurated

Date- 07/06/2022



Bahrain Media City inaugurated BMC Film Society in the presence of H. E. Ahmed Abdul Aziz Alkhayath, Undersecretary, Ministry of Works, Bahrain as the Chief Guest and Shri Ravi Kumar Jain, Second Secretary, Embassy of India, Bahrain as the Special Guest. Mr. Madhupal, Indian Film Actor & Chairman of Kerala Film Welfare Board, Prof. Gopinath Muthukad and Mr. Sajive Nambiath were also present in the event as Guest of Honor.

# EVENTS

## Ambassador Piyush Srivastava inaugurated Mango Fest organized in 8 superstores of Aljazira

Date- 15/06/2022



Ambassador Piyush Srivastava in presence of Mr. Abdul Dawani, Chairman , Aljazira Supermarket inaugurated Mango Fest organized in 8 superstores of Aljazira from 13-20 June 2022 with support of Embassy of India, Bahrain & The Agricultural and Processed Food Products Export Development Authority, India. Ceremony was joined virtually by APEDA officials. Several GI tagged mangoes varieties, especially from eastern and northern part of India, will be on shelf during the festival. The Embassy has brought out a booklet containing information about 12 Indian GI mangoes.



# EVENTS

## Ambassador Piyush Srivastava inaugurated Sahodaya Principals Conference

Date- 26/06/2022



Ambassador Piyush Srivastava inaugurated the 34th Gulf Sahodaya Principals Conference organized by the Bahrain Chapter of CBSE Schools. The event was joined virtually by more than 200 principals from across the gulf region & senior functionaries of CBSE. Ambassador praised CBSE schools for providing quality education to students across GCC countries and for helping Indian diaspora by providing continuity & affordability in education. Ambassador said that with implementation of New Education Policy, CBSE schools must strive to establish 'Brand CBSE' and 'Brand India' in GCC educational landscape.

# NEWS BRIEFS- INDIA

## PM Narendra Modi and Bundeskanzler Olaf Scholz co-chaired the 6th IGC

Date- 03/05/2022



PM Narendra Modi and Bundeskanzler Olaf Scholz co-chaired the 6th IGC. Agreed to expand the India-Germany Strategic Partnership further to a partnership for a) Shared Values and Regional and Multilateral Interests & b) Green and Sustainable Development.



# NEWS BRIEFS- INDIA

## PM Narendra Modi and PM Jonas Gahr Støre Norway met in Copenhagen

Date- 04/05/2022



PM Narendra Modi and PM Jonas Gahr Støre Norway met in Copenhagen. Leaders reviewed bilateral ties and explored ways for expanding collaboration in areas like blue economy, green shipping, renewable energy, infrastructure investment and health.

# NEWS BRIEFS- INDIA

## The 2nd India-Nordic Summit commenced

Date- 04/05/2022



The 2nd India-Nordic Summit commenced. A boost to the multifaceted cooperation with the Nordic region in areas like emerging technologies, investment, clean energy, Arctic research and more.



# NEWS BRIEFS- INDIA

Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in the 14th BRICS virtually

Date- 23/06/2022



Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in the 14th BRICS Summit virtually. Emphasised strengthening intra-BRICS cooperation in political, security and economic areas as well as P2P exchanges.

# NEWS BRIEFS- INDIA

## Prime Minister of India met UAE President and Ruler of Abu Dhabi

Date- 28/06/2022



PM Narendra Modi arrived in Abu Dhabi and met UAE President and Ruler of Abu Dhabi Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan.



# NEWS BRIEFS- INDIA

## PM participates in Quad Leader's Summit

Date- 24/05/2022



Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in the The Quad Leader's Summit with PM Albo MP of Australia, PM Kishida of Japan and President Joe Biden of America.

# NEWS BRIEFS- INDIA

## The Special ASEAN- India Foreign Ministers' Meeting in New Delhi concluded

Date- 16/06/2022



The Special ASEAN- India Foreign Ministers' Meeting in New Delhi concluded. A greater focus on trade and investment growth, physical and digital connectivity, defence and security, climate action and green growth and more people to people exchanges constituted the new agenda.



# NEWS BRIEFS- INDIA

## ASHA of India has been conferred the WHO Award

Date- 22/05/2022



The Accredited Social Health Activist (ASHA) of India has been conferred the World Health Organization Director-General's Global Health Leaders' Award.

# NEWS BRIEFS- INDIA

## CIET and NCERT India won the 2021 UNESCO King Hamad Bin Isa Al-Khalifa Prize

Date- 19/06/2022



Central Institute of Educational Technology (CIET) and NCERT India won the 2021 UNESCO King Hamad Bin Isa Al-Khalifa Prize! The award is global recognition of the strides made by CIET in the field of Information and Communication technology.



# NEWS BRIEFS- INDIA

## India sent first consignment of earthquake relief assistance to Afghanistan

Date- 23/06/2022



First consignment of India's earthquake relief assistance for the people of Afghanistan reaches Kabul. Being handed over by the Indian team there.

# OPEN HOUSE

## Embassy organised the Open House on 27 May 2022

Date- 27/05/2022



Embassy of India has organised open house on 27 May, 2022, in physical format after a period of almost 2 years. Ambassador expressed his gratitude to the LMRA & immigration authorities for all the support and cooperation in resolving various labour related matters. Ambassador also thanked Indian associations including ICRF, BKS for their efforts in reaching out to needy Indian nationals. Six deserted Indian housemaids were sheltered and successfully repatriated. Ambassador also congratulated all 18 candidates from Bahrain who have been granted scholarships under scholarship programme for diaspora children (SDPC) for AY 2020-21 for persuing their higher studies.



# OPEN HOUSE

## Embassy organised the Open House on 24 June 2022

Date- 24/06/2022



Embassy of India has organised open house on 24 June, 2022, in physical format for second time after a period of almost 2 years. Earlier, the open house was being conducted in either hybrid or virtual mode. Ambassador thanked the Bahraini Govt authorities as well as appreciated community members, organizations and volunteers for their continued support as a result of which a number of consular matters were resolved. The case of two fisherman from Tamil Nadu, who were stuck in Bahrain have been successfully repatriated to their hometown with Embassy's intervention. Also the long pending case of Mr. Mohammed Murslin was resolved.