



Embassy of India

Bahrain

PRESS RELEASE

The Embassy of India hosted the open house on April 29, 2022 between 10:00 am and 12:00 pm where Ambassador Piyush Srivastava spoke directly to the Indian community at the Embassy to address their urgent and non-routine consular and employment issues.

Ambassador expressed his happiness on holding physical open house after a long gap (Mission has been holding virtual open house due to covid protocol so far).

Ambassador informed the community about the mega Indo-Bahrain Cultural Festival being organised by the Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam under patronage of the Embassy, which will be held from May 3 to 14 May, 2022 as part of the Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav and the Golden Jubilee of the establishment of diplomatic relations between India and Bahrain. Ambassador also informed them about the visit of Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudevji of ISHA Foundation to Bahrain for raising global consciousness on save soil event. Ambassador urged community members to participate in the event.

To ease the convenience of the public a special counter was opened to facilitate urgent Consular matters on the Gazetted Holiday on April 14, 2022 to render the Consular services.

Most of the cases which were raised in the last open house have been successfully resolved. These included some of the long pending and complicated cases. Travel ban case of Mr. Cyril Thomas is now closed. The case of two fishermen who were stuck in Bahrain as their passports were with held by their sponsor has also been resolved through the Embassy's intervention. The case of Ms. Smitha (pregnant with 3 children and husband) who had been subject to several travel bans was also resolved. The Embassy assisted in providing Emergency certificate and tickets to distressed people through ICWF.

The open house was held in positive atmosphere. The community members particularly the labourers and workers brought their specific non routine consular issues in front of the Embassy's consular team lead by Ambassador for which solutions were provided at the forum itself. The Embassy looks forward to next open house in physical format.
