

## Festival for National Action Charter is set

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The Information Ministry will organise a festival at the Heritage Village in Ras Hayyan, marking the Kingdom's celebration of the anniversary of the National Action Charter.

Held between February 14 and 18, the festival will be open to the public from 4 to 10 pm daily.

The Information Ministry's festival is one of the distinguished events that are held in the Kingdom, following the outstanding success of the previous editions, in terms of programmes and visitor turnout.

This year's edition will feature varied events and activities that appeal to all age groups. It will include musical performances by folk bands, a market, restaurants, historical exhibitions and entertainment programmes for children.

## ERRATUM

In the article published yesterday titled "Stage is set for three-day Philippine Outbound Business Matching Mission," the email address should have read: manama.pe@dfa.gov.ph

# Does ChatGPT hold Bahrain's future?

Advanced AI chatbot offers benefits and creates 'negative impact' in many industries

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While there are definitely grounds for concern over the privacy of data collecting, ChatGPT is a potent Artificial Intelligence (AI) system that will alter many industries and has a huge impact on employment in the Kingdom.

IT experts have suggested that by working together and preparing for the changes brought about by ChatGPT and other AI technologies, we can ensure that the benefits are shared widely and that the negative impacts are minimised.

Over the past few weeks, the world has been experiencing an all too rare moment of joy and fear: the arrival of new AI ChatGPT, which takes pretty much any prompt a user throws at and produces what they want, whether code or text.

With its ability to answer medical questions and provide accurate diagnoses, ChatGPT can help improve the healthcare options available to people, potentially leading to reduced costs and improved access to healthcare services.

Speaking to The Daily Tribune, Salman Zainuddin, CEO of Libra IT Solutions and Marketing Manager at Magneto IT



ChatGPT is the latest development in the world of Artificial Intelligence

Solutions, said: "Bahrain has future potential for its program, the healthcare sector, and its workforce of virtual assistants. Let's say it is sometimes surprisingly good to solve questions we are facing in the IT business.

"AI will change the world, not just in Bahrain, and with clear government regulations protecting Bahraini user's data, it will undoubtedly be advantageous for both the people and the government. I don't think there is a negative impact per se; it's just another tool, and whether someone utilises it for good or bad depends on how experienced

they are."

Sajin Hentry, Managing Director of Syskode Technologies, said that the chatbot can be used for programming and data analysis tasks. It can be trained to think and analyse complex data sets and generate useful outputs. This could be a major asset for businesses in Bahrain, as it could be used to analyse customer data and develop better strategies for their products and services.

"Despite the potential for ChatGPT to displace human workers in certain industries, it is important to note that the use of this technology could also



Sajin Hentry



Salman Zainuddin



ChatGPT is a chatbot developed by OpenAI and launched in November 2022. It is built on top of OpenAI's GPT-3 family of large language models.

create new types of jobs that require different skills and ex-

pertise.

"For example, there may be a need for professionals who are skilled in managing and implementing ChatGPT systems, or those who can integrate the insights generated by these systems into business decision-making."

Mr Hentry highlighted that it is possible that the adoption of this technology could lead to the creation of new types of jobs, while also resulting in job losses in certain sectors.

To ensure that the benefits of ChatGPT are shared widely and that the negative impacts are minimised, it will be important for policymakers, employers, and workers to anticipate and adapt to these changes.

## Turkish Embassy accepting donations for quake victims

● Clothing and food, and other items, will be sent to Turkey

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The Turkish Embassy in Bahrain is now accepting donations for the earthquake victims. Currently, more than 11,200 people have lost their lives in the devastating natural disaster.

Thousands of people's homes have been destroyed, whilst hospitals, roads, and critical infrastructure badly damaged, leaving the people of Turkey in desperate need of aid and supplies.

A donation campaign has been launched under the embassy's coordination in Bahrain to collect various items of necessity for the Turkish peo-



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ple to survive after suffering in horrific conditions, streets filled with debris, and freezing temperatures.

The donation campaign will begin on 12 February 2023, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Turkish Embassy. The donations collected in the Kingdom will be shipped to Turkey by Turkish Airlines.

Those who want to help are encouraged to donate items of clothing specific to the winter weather such as coats, raincoats, boots, sweaters, gloves, scarfs, underwear socks, and beanies.

They can also donate equipment such as tents, beds, mattresses, blankets, sleeping bags, gas stoves and heaters, thermos bottles, flashlights, power banks, and generators.

Other equipment such as canned foods, baby formula, diapers, and hygiene products are also needed.

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## Batelco keeping loved ones in Turkey and Syria connected

● All customers to get free calls to Turkey and Syria until Feb. 15, 2023.

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As the world watches the aid and support being de-

livered to Syria and Turkey, a simple call to family members in affected areas offers reassurance to many.

### Support

Batelco announced to all customers with monthly payment, prepayment, and business customers can now contact loved ones in Turkey and Syria at no

cost, as they offer support to keep loved ones and friends connected through a horrific time.

Free calls to Turkey and Syria are now valid until February 15, 2023. Additionally, Batelco posted a heartfelt statement to the victims saying: "Our thoughts and prayers are with those impacted by the devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria."

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