

Bahrain attends Iranian president inauguration ceremony

Tehran

The Minister of Foreign Affairs, His Excellency Dr. Abdullahatif bin Rashid Al Zayani, represented the Kingdom of Bahrain at the inauguration ceremony of Masoud Pezeshkian, the newly elected President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, which took place at the Islamic Consultative Assembly in Tehran yesterday.

Present at the ceremony were the Speaker of Iran's Majlis (Parliament), the head of the

judiciary, members of the Majlis, senior officials of the Iranian government, several heads of state and government, foreign ministers, envoys and ambassadors of countries accredited to Tehran.

Dr. Al Zayani conveyed the greetings of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, to President Pezeshkian, and their wishes for Iran and its people further progress and



H.E. Dr. Abdullahatif bin Rashid Al Zayani at the event

prosperity.

He expressed Bahrain's interest in the development of bilateral relations between the Kingdom and Iran, leading to the restoration of normal relations and progress in further enhancing cooperation to serve common interests.

Dr. Al Zayani wished Iran and its people further stability and prosperity.

The Foreign Minister was accompanied by H.E. Dr. Juma bin Ahmed Al Kaabi, the Bahraini Ambassador to Oman.

Price stability success

Bahrain maintains lowest inflation rate among GCC countries in April 2024

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In a report released by the Gulf Statistical Center, Bahrain was found to have the lowest inflation rate among Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries in April 2024, at just 1.2%.

This is in contrast to the overall GCC inflation rate, which rose by 1.3% compared to the same period last year.

Despite the increase, the GCC countries are still recording



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lower inflation rates than the European Union, which stood at 2.6% for the same period.

Oman was reported to have the lowest inflation rate in the GCC at 0.4%, followed by Bahrain at 1.2%.

The report highlighted that the sectors which experienced the highest inflation were housing at 4.9%, followed by culture and entertainment at 3.0%, restaurants and hotels at 1.7%, and food and beverages at 1.3%.

Education saw a 0.8% increase, while goods and services rose by 0.4%.



On the other hand, the health sector declined by 0.9%, communications by 1.1%, and furniture and household equipment by 2.6%.


Among Bahrain's major trading partners, the report found that India had the highest inflation rate at 3.9%, followed by Brazil at 3.7%, the United States at 3.4%, the United Kingdom at 3.0%, and China at 0.3%.

Qatar Amir receives Bahraini ambassador's credentials



His Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, the Amir of the State of Qatar, received the credentials of Ambassador Mohammed bin Ali Al Ghatam, as the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Bahrain to Qatar. The ambassador conveyed the greetings of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, to HH Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, and their wishes for the State of Qatar and its people's further progress and prosperity.



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