Transport minister meets German envoy

Minister of Minister of Transport and Communications HE Jassim bin Saif Ahmed al Sulaiti met with Ambassador of Ambassador of Germany to Qa-tar HE Hans-Udc Muzel in Doha on Tuesday. The meeting focused on cooperation between Qatar and Germany in the fields of transportation and communications and communications and means tions and means





Major-General Hazza bin Khalil al Shahwani met Military Attache at the British Embassy in Doha Air Commodore Patrick O'Donnell on Iluesday, During the meeting, they exchanged views on Issues of mutual interest and means of enhancing bilateral relations in the military fields. (QNA)

Marri, UN officials discuss relations

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ATTORNEY-GENERAL
HE Dr Ali bin Fetais
al Marri on Tuesday
met with Tegegnework
Gettu, UN Under-Secretury-General and Associate Administrator
of the Control of the Control
During the meeting,
they discussed ways of
strengthening cooperation in the field of training and technical support to the less developed
countries and the establishment of a cooperation
with the Rule of Law and
Anti-Corruption Center.

Dr Marri also met
with Gustavo MezaCuadra, chairman of the
Security committee
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Terrorism Committee.

The two sides discussed ways and mechanisms to combat terrorism in light of developments in the region.

(QNA/New York)

QU survey evaluates welfare of blue-collar workers in Qatar

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THE Social and Economic

THE Social and Economic Survey Research Institute (SESRI) at Qatar University (QU) recently completed the first effort to measure and track the welfare of blue-collar workers in Qatar.

The Guest Workers' Welfare Index (GWWI) was initiated with a closed expert workshop convened at SESRI in January 2016 that brought integether local and international scholars, stakeholders, and policymakers.

The welfare of migrant labourers around the world has received significant attention from the global media and scholarly community. In the Gulf, much of this attention has been directed towards Quara, especially since the an nouncement of the FIFA 2022 Whowever, much of the public discussion of the prob-

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The largest group of respondents came from Nepal (34 percent), followed by India (26 percent), Bangladesh (19 percent), Pakistan (7 percent), Pakistan (7 percent), Bangladesh (19 percent), Pakistan (7 percent), Bangladesh (19 percent), and other countries (4 percent), and other countries (4 percent), and other countries (4 percent), and there of respondents (82 percent) were employed as construction workers (15 percent), cleaners (11 percent), cleaners (11 percent), electricians (9 percent), security guards (8 percent),

carpenters (8 percent) foremen (6 percent) and craftsmen (6 percent).

The survey was conducted during April 2017 and evaluated several aspects of working and living conditions of these workers, including safety and security at working sites and living compounds, human rights and labour rights, finance and remittances, as well as their training the second property of the second property

workshop, SESRI developed the questionnaire which served as the basis for the selection of the variables used in the Index. Then SESRI researchers utilised factor analysis to identify the most relevant variables from the observed data points which became the orre dimensions of the control of the main policy recommendations is to develop programmes for workers so that they are more aware of their rights and have a fuller understanding of the information in their contracts. Going forward, SESRI will conduct the GWWI survey annually,

forward, SESRI will conduct the GWWI survey annually, with the second wave sched-uled this month. The first sur-vey identified many important areas of strength, as well as those in need of improvement, but additional data is needed to measure trends.

Preparations for annual exams completed

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THE examination papers will be printed according to the exact number of students and their seating numbers and the papers' enve-cified timing and under strict regulations and the supervision of independent proctors.

Director of the Department of Students' Data Ibrahim al Kuwari said the ministry has completed its preparations for the end-of-year examinations as the delivery of national examination papers for grade three started on Tuesday in collaboration with the Ministry of art off areas such as Al Shahamil and Al Shahamily. far off areas such as Al Shamal and Al Shahaniya. Kuwari said the national exami-



ials of the Ministry of Education and Higher Education at a press cont nounce the ministry's preparation for the final examinations of the a year 2017-2018 in Doha on Tuesday.

be delivered as per the schedule. Papers are going to be printed by the end of this week.

Qatari education team visits Oman

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A Qatari educational delegation visited the Sultanate of Oman recently as part of the mutual meetings between the two sides regarding the properties of the mutual meetings between the two sides regarding the properties of the properties of the properties of the properties of the Waterseamen of the

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Dr Madiha bint Ahmed al Shaiba-ni, minister of education of Oman, to present the Qatari experience in the system of professional licenses for teachers and school leaders. During the meeting, opinions were exchanged on the policies of professional licenses for teachers and the role of professional devel-opment in raising the efficiency of teaching staff. Dr Shaibani said, "We are keen to benefit from Qatar's experience in this field and other areas of mu-tual interest."

The Qatari delegation also paid a visit to the specialised centre for vocational training for teachers to learn about the centre's expe-

rience and the strategic training programmes implemented by the centre and to learn about their research activities.

The visit included a briefing about the centre and its services and concluded with inspection of the training halls of the school leadership programme.

The Qatari delegation expressed its readiness to communicate with officials and concerned persons at the Office of Professional Licensing for Teachers in the Ministry of Education in Oman to provide all the services and support that may be required in the documentation and implementation processes.



The delegation was headed by Mona Mohammed al Kuwari, educational consultant in the office of the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Education and Higher Education, Iman Ali al Nualimi, head of Professional Licenses for Teachers and School Leaders, and Hudu Ibrahim at Elamadi, consultant of professional licenses.

