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Bid to raise awareness of human trafficking

'HUMAN Beings are not for Trafficking' was the topic of St Christopher's Cathedral annual dinner held last night at the Diplomat Radisson Blu Hotel, Residence and Spa.

The main speaker this year was Saudi Princess Madawi Abdulrahman Al Saud, who is involved in seeking to bring change in attitudes, policy and legislation towards human trafficking in the GCC.

Princess Madawi is the founder of Ibtissam Foundation in Abu Dhabi, which is involved in a hands-on way in responding to the needs of victims of trafficking.

Migrant Workers Protection Society volunteers gave a presentation at the event.

Princess Madawi gave a short speech on the state of human trafficking in



■ Princess Madawi

the GCC, drawing on her experience and study of the field.

She is seeking to raise awareness of the prevalence of human trafficking, its forms and victims throughout the GCC.

Princess Madawi graduated from the Westminster University in London before completing her Masters in International Law at Sorbonne University and has now moved onto her PhD at Brunel University where she is focusing on human trafficking.

Reflecting on sex trafficking, labour trafficking and organ trafficking, she focused on forced labour and sexual exploitation of women and children.

Moreover, she highlighted the lead taken by the UAE government within the region in recognising the problems and seeking to deal with them.



■ Seef Mall has announced winners of its winter 'shop and win' promotion. Top prize winner was Hasa... long ski trip to the German Alps including hotel accommodation and ski passes, while second place went to... a BD1,000 gift voucher from Spanish clothes shop Massimo Dutti. Muneera Bader, Mohammed Al Tab... Seef Mall gift cards worth BD300, BD200 and BD100, respectively. Above, Mr Mustafa and his family c...



■ Participants at the event

Problems of Nepalese workers highlighted

THE importance of regulating foreign employment sector in the GCC to safeguard the rights of Nepalese workers was highlighted during a high-level meeting.

Nepalese diplomats from Gulf countries gathered in Bahrain yesterday to discuss labour issues facing their nationals.

The two-day conference, called fourth

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Non-Resident Nepali Association Middle East regional meeting, was held at the Best Western Plus, The Olive. Present was Nepalese Labour Ministry foreign employment head Krishna Hari Pushkar, who spoke about safe migration and forced labour.

He said his government was working to implement legislation related to reforms in the foreign employment industry, which constitutes around 25 per cent of the national GDP.

"More than two million Nepalese have gone for foreign employment until the fiscal year 2012/2013," he said.

"Around 1,500 to 2,000 people go for foreign employment daily and 56pc of households in Nepal receive remittance from family members working overseas.

"Remittance totalling 1.19 billion rupees is received in a day in the country."

Problems facing domestic workers were also discussed.

■ Two youngsters from the Em... Life-Fit Fitness Centre in Budaiya... belt. Brothers Faris and Zaki Ahn... first junior members from the c... certification, as the junior black b... tial art. Head coach Hasan Al Sh... "Faris, who is only five years old... the 60 who applied for the test,"... ised by Bahrain Self Defence Fe... fa. Above, Faris, left, and Zaki...



■ Year six pupils from the British School of Bahrain in Hamala held a clothes collection drive in aid of disadvantaged children in Nepal. Students from the school's year 12 and 13 will now distribute the clothes during their community service trip to the landlocked mountainous South Asian state later this year. Above, a group of six senior school students collect the donated clothes from year six pupils.



■ Shoppers at Bahrain City Centre were treated to the spectacle of spontaneous dance... Aéropostale organised 'flash mobs' in the mall to launch their spring fashion collection. The... featured prize giveaways to more than 1,000 customers. Above, some of the 'flas...