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CHIEF OF THE NAVAL STAFF VISITS BAHRAIN AND MEETS HIGHEST CIVIL AND MILITARY LEADERSHIP

Islamabad, 15 Dec 24: Chief of the Naval Staff, Admiral Naveed Ashraf, called on the highest civil and military leadership during an official visit to Bahrain. The Naval Chief held meetings with the King of Bahrain, His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, and the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, His Royal Highness Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa. During these meetings, discussions focused on strengthening defence cooperation and reinforcing the historic ties between Bahrain and Pakistan. The King appreciated Pakistan Navy's role and commitment to regional maritime security and stability.

Later, Chief of the Naval Staff met Commander-in-Chief of Bahrain Defence Force (BDF), Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, the Commander of the Bahrain National Guard, General Shaikh Mohammed bin Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa, and the Commander of the Royal Bahrain Naval Force (RBNF), Rear Admiral Ahmed Mohammed Ibrahim Al-Binali. During these engagements, professional matters of mutual interest, including regional maritime security and bilateral defence collaboration, were discussed. The Naval Chief emphasized the importance of enhancing interactions between the armed forces of both countries through joint exercises, mutual visits, and training exchange programs.

Admiral Naveed Ashraf also visited RBNF Ship MANAMA and the Royal Command and Staff College. In his address at Royal Command and Staff College, the Naval Chief elaborated on current and emerging environment in the Indian Ocean Region and highlighted the need for a region-centric maritime security construct.

The Naval Chief's visit is expected to further strengthen and expand defence ties between the two brotherly nations.

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Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Naveed Ashraf exchanging views with Commander of Royal Bahrain Naval Force Rear Admiral Ahmed Mohammad Al Bin Ali at RBNF HQs Bahrain



Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Naveed Ashraf called on His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander of the Armed Forces and Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Bahrain



Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Naveed Ashraf exchanging views with Commander-in-Chief of the Bahrain Defence Force Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al-Khalifa at BDF HQs



Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Naveed Ashraf delivering a lecture at the Royal Command, Staff & Defence College Bahrain



Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Naveed Ashraf presenting souvenir to King of the Kingdom of Bahrain His Majesty King Hamad Bin Isa Al Khalifa at Al Sakhir Palace, Bahrain