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# India has a bigger role to play in Bahrain: Al Shola



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 FORMER MINISTER FOR LABOUR

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Bahrain attributes prime importance to the visit of Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi mainly because of the existing economic and political situations in the Middle East, said Abdul Nabi Al Shola, the former Minister for Labour.

“Bahrain had a very long relationship with India, and we are doing extremely good when it comes to Cultural

trade and commercial relationships,” the former minister added.

Al Shola, however, pointed out that “it is high time for us to make vital relationship by cooperating in areas related to security and defence.”

The trust India gained during the last 200 years of relationship with us is “much beyond than what we have with other countries,” Al Shola said.

“India for sure is a reliable partner, whom we can trust

100pc.”

The recent investment of Saudi Aramco in an Indian firm, Al Shola said, “is a true example of the trust we have in the development of India.”

The former minister also expressed his appreciation of India’s remarkable achievements in space technology.

Bahrain, he said, can surely explore the possibilities of using such feasible economical research centres with a strategic tie-up with India.



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## Tender board holds weekly meeting, opens 15 tenders

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The weekly Tender Board Council meeting, chaired by Housing Minister, Bassim bin Yacub Al-Hamar, yesterday opened bidding for 15 tenders launched by 10 parties. Tender Board Council is the independent regulator of government procurement practices in the Kingdom.

The tenders were for general construction services for Tatweer Petroleum W.L.L, engineering services for Bahrain Petroleum Company (Bapco), Lawzi PPP Housing Access Roads (issued by the Ministry of Works, Municipalities Affairs and Urban Planning and funded by the Saudi Fund for Development), support and maintenance of Airport Modernisation Programme ICT Package Sys-



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tems at Bahrain International Airport, financing the construction of Salmaniya multi-storey car park for Bahrain Real Estate Investment (Edamah) and the construction of Tubli Educational Garden.

The meeting also opened bid- dings for air conditioning of the main Muharraq Municipality’s building, rental of two advertis-

ing sites, the supply of skilled manpower for Hawar Power and Water Station at Hawar Island, in addition to those of four tenders issued by EWA’s Central Stores Directorate and two by Gulf Air.

Representatives of the entities that issued the tenders of those of the bidding companies attended.