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Training Device and cabin crew of an expansion

# Bahrain set to become centre for CA exams

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**MANAMA:** Bahrain will be soon accorded approval as a centre for chartered accountancy examinations organised by Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI).

This was announced by ICAI president Atul Gupta during a virtual seminar organised by the Bahrain Chapter of ICAI, the national professional accounting body of India.

Mr Gupta also informed the audience of the decision by India's External Affairs Ministry to treat overseas chapters of ICAI at par with other apex trade and industry organisations for the purposes of economic engagement and consular facilitations.

The chief guest for the seminar was Indian Ambassador Piyush Srivastava, who highlighted the good relations that existed between Bahrain and India and also appreciated the positive role played by Indian chartered accountants.

Also present was KPMG Bahrain manag-



Mr Kumar

ing partner Jamal Fakhro who said the accounting and auditing profession will continue to play important role in business community and urged practitioners to uphold the highest standards of accounting and auditing in whatever they do.

This was the first seminar organised by the new executive committee of BCICAI led by chairman Ajay Kumar, who hailed the decision of ICAI to roll out an international curriculum by the end of the year, which he said would go a long way in furthering the institute's globalisation.

During the seminar, Bahrain-based Assure Consulting managing director P S Balasubramanyam conducted a technical session on the 'Future of Internal Audit'.

The event also featured a panel discussion on 'CA-The profession of the Future' which brought together chairmen of the five regional councils of ICAI in India, and the session was moderated by BCICAI vice-chairman TV Santhosh.

The virtual seminar was attended by over 150 participants.

# Bank launches mobile application



Mr Murad

managing expenses easily and accessing their account at any time. We want our services to go beyond the customer, reach the whole household and cater to the family's banking needs. As the world adapts to the new reality we find ourselves in, banking needs to be more inclusive and innovative to deliver results for all stakeholders."

The app was developed and designed by an in-house Bahraini team in just four months, three of which

bank's digital strategy. Owing to this, the bank already had the necessary digital infrastructure in place to ensure

a seamless transition to the 'new normal' before the pandemic had even come into full force.

