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Meeting with Velora Management on Employment Opportunities for Sri Lankan Skilled Workers

H.E. Ambassador Arusha Cooray and the Head of Chancery, Ms. Priya Nagarajah, recently met with the Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Jubran AlBreiki, the Chief Human Resources Officer, Mr. Faisal Al Mulla, and the Manager of Recruitment, Ms. Nazia Shaikh, at the Velora Headquarters in Abu Dhabi to discuss potential collaboration on opportunities for Sri Lankan skilled workers in the UAE.



Strengthening Collaboration with Burjeel Holdings for Healthcare Workforce Recruitment

The Ambassador and Embassy officials held a productive engagement with the Management of Burjeel Hospital in Abu Dhabi on advancing the recruitment of skilled Sri Lankan health professionals.

The Embassy conveys its sincere appreciation to Mr. Anas K., Regional Director of Human Resources, Ms. Renju Joe, Regional Director of Nursing, and Mr. Nivil Varghese, Regional Manager of Business Development of Burjeel Holdings for their constructive insights during the discussion.

The Embassy looks forward to continued collaboration with Burjeel Holdings to expand meaningful employment pathways for Sri Lankan healthcare talent in the UAE.



Ambassador Welcomes Newly Appointed Maldivian Ambassador to the UAE

H.E. the Ambassador of Sri Lanka welcomed the newly appointed Maldivian Ambassador to the UAE, H.E. Mr. Thoriq Ibrahim. The meeting reaffirmed the warm and longstanding ties between Sri Lanka and the Maldives, reflecting a shared commitment to continued partnership.

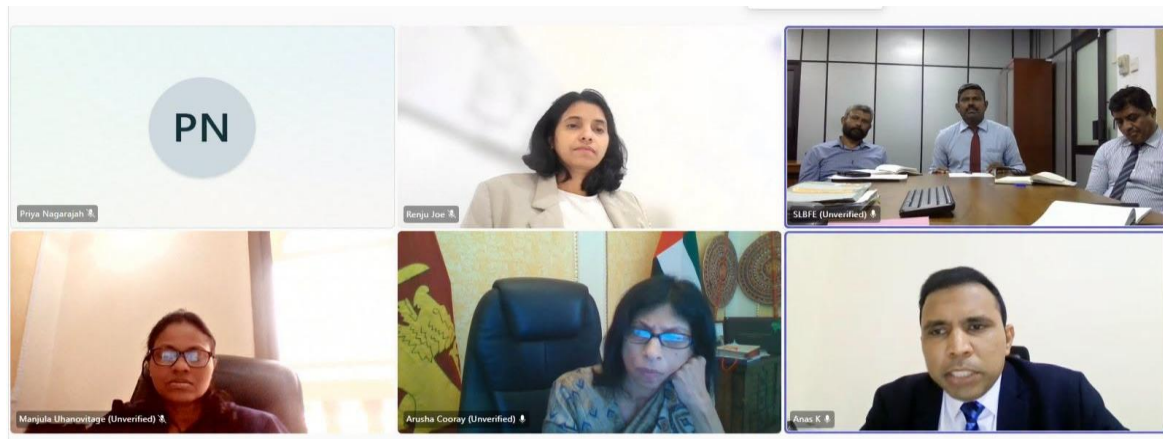
Discussions centred on strengthening bilateral relations and advancing collaborative initiatives in the UAE. Both sides expressed readiness to explore new avenues of cooperation that support sustainable development and mutual economic growth.



Collaborative Discussions on Expanding Employment Pathways for Sri Lankan Health Professionals

The Embassy of Sri Lanka in Abu Dhabi facilitated a productive meeting with Burjeel Holdings, the Sri Lanka Foreign Employment Agency, and the Sri Lanka Foreign Employment Bureau regarding the advancement of recruitment for skilled Sri Lankan health workers seeking opportunities in the UAE.

The engagement highlighted a shared commitment to strengthening professional pathways, and supporting the growing demand for qualified healthcare talent.



Ambassador Meets UAE Senior Diplomatic Advisor to Strengthen Sri Lanka–UAE Relations

H.E. the Ambassador of Sri Lanka met with H.E. Dr. Anwar Mohammed Gargash, Senior Diplomatic Advisor to His Highness, the President of the United Arab Emirates, for a constructive discussion on advancing Sri Lanka–UAE relations. The meeting reaffirmed the longstanding partnership between the two countries and highlighted a shared commitment to deepening cooperation.

The discussions focused on strengthening tourism promotion, expanding trade and investment ties, and exploring new avenues for bi-lateral collaboration to strengthen the ties between the two nations. Both sides expressed readiness to continue working closely to enhance opportunities that benefit the peoples of Sri Lanka and the UAE.



Strengthening Sri Lanka's Global Profile Through the World CIO 200 Summit 2026

The Embassy of Sri Lanka in Abu Dhabi and Consulate General in Dubai are pleased to share that their facilitation efforts have led to a major milestone for Sri Lanka's MICE sector, following a recent meeting held to review the plans for the event. The World CIO 200 Summit, proposed by HTP Global (UAE), is scheduled to take place in Colombo from September 22–24, 2026, bringing together over 200 global CIOs from more than 50 countries.

This significant gathering will be organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Science and Technology, Ministry of Digital Economy, the Sri Lanka Tourism Promotion Bureau, SLASSCOM, ICTA, and other key stakeholders, ensuring a high impact event.

This platform will significantly elevate Sri Lanka's profile by showcasing the country's talent, economic direction, and investment potential to a global audience, further strengthening its position as a premier destination for MICE tourism and beyond.



Visit to Murdoch University

The Ambassador, Dr Arusha Cooray visited Murdoch University Dubai and met with Professor Michael Gallimore, Dean and Academic President, and Mr. Mohammed Banatri, Executive Director of the university. They discussed opportunities for deeper academic collaboration and future joint initiatives that could strengthen Sri Lanka-UAE educational ties.



Participation in National Integrity Week 2026: Promoting a Culture of Integrity

The Consulate General of Sri Lanka in Dubai and the Northern Emirates participated in the inauguration of National Integrity Week 2026, held under the theme “A Culture of Integrity – A Clean Sri Lanka,” which was launched this morning by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

In support of this important national initiative, the Consulate General will implement a number of programmes and activities to achieve the objectives and tasks set out under the National Integrity Week programme, while promoting integrity, accountability, transparency, professionalism, and ethical public service among its staff and in its engagement with the Sri Lankan community in the United Arab Emirates.



Consul General of Sri Lanka Bids Farewell to the Consul General of India

The Consul General of Sri Lanka to Dubai and the Northern Emirates, Mr. Alexi Gunasekera, bid farewell to H.E. Shri Satish Kumar Sivan, Consul General of India to Dubai and the Northern Emirates, at a farewell reception to mark the conclusion of his distinguished tenure in the United Arab Emirates.

During the occasion, Consul General Gunasekera conveyed his sincere appreciation for the close cooperation and friendship extended by H.E. Shri Satish Kumar Sivan throughout his tenure, which contributed significantly to further strengthening the longstanding ties between Sri Lanka and India, as well as the cordial relations between the two Consulates in Dubai.

Consul General Gunasekera wished H.E. Shri Satish Kumar Sivan every success in his new appointment as the Consul General of India in San Francisco.

