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■ Sixteen students, who topped a science talent search examination, were honoured yesterday at an awards ceremony at the Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam. The students topped out of 6,500 from eight schools in Bahrain at the Sastra Pratibha Contest 2014, held by the Science India Forum (SIF) in association with the Indian Embassy. The winners were honoured by Prasara Bharati India additional director-general Dr Manoj Kumar Patairiya. An interactive programme 'Meet the scientist' was also organised after the awards ceremony, where students interacted with prominent scientists from India. Above, students at the forum and, left, SIF president Vinod Manikkara, Mr Patairiya, Indian School principal Palaniswami and SIF UAE president T M Nandakumar.

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■ An art exhibition featuring the work of Bahraini Faika Al Hassan has opened at Albareh Art Gallery in Adliya. 'The Wanderings', held under the patronage of Bahrain Arts Society honorary president Shaikh Rashid bin Khalifa Al Khalifa, features paintings framed within the confines of airplane windows and runs until next week. Above, Ms Al Hassan with one of her paintings.



■ Six employees of Ithmaar Bank have been honoured for their outstanding performance. Hussain Ali Al Rahma and Fadhel Abbas Al Aradi from the direct sales unit, Dalal Habib from Hamala branch, Layla Nabeel from the West Riffa branch, and Mohammed Al Aradi and Ahmed Saif from the Muharraq branch were presented with the "Exceeding Target Award", which included a trophy and a certificate of appreciation. The ceremony, hosted by chief executive Ahmed Abdul Rahim, was attended by retail and private banking general manager Abdul Hakeem Al Mutawa, retail banking assistant general manager Mohammed Janahi, business development unit head Fayza Hasan and other senior officials. Above, the award winners with bank officials at the event.



■ Five accounting students at Bahrain Polytechnic have been honoured for securing third place in an Institute of Management Accounts competition in Dubai. The team worked on a project supervised by polytechnic accounting tutor Shaima Al Ansari. They came third out of 22 teams from 18 countries in the Middle East and North Africa. Above, acting chief executive Dr Mohamed Al Aseeri, centre, with the students and Ms Al Ansari, left.