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Profil Abdullatif al-Sulaiman (left), co-chair of the steering committee of QCF, and Abdulrahman al-Mannoori, Executive Director, QCF, announcing the results of the QCF 2012 at a press conference.

## Last year's career fair offered openings to over 9,250 nationals

More than 9,250 Qatari nationals were provided employment, training, education and development opportunities in various sectors through Qatar Career Fair 2012. QCF organizing committee officials disclosed at a press conference yesterday.

QCF 2012 will be inaugurated today by HH the Emir, Appointed Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al-Thani, at the Qatar National Convention Centre. The fair offered 14,500 opportunities by over 14 exhibitions.

According to the last year's figures given out by the officials, the government sector performed the best overall with more than 3,645 successfully fulfilled opportunities provided for Qatari. This was closely followed by the education, health and sports sector, which generated more than 1,445 successful opportunities. The energy and industry sector recorded nearly 1,130 successful opportunities, while the business and finance sector had just over 605.

The results were based on data submitted by 127 out of 154 companies that participated in last year's fair, which itself represents a sharp increase compared to the previous year in which

only 70% of participating companies had disclosed their results.

The organizing committee presented the findings based on the data submitted by companies that participated in the fair last year. Overall results showed that 2012 performance was stronger than that of 2011 and 2010, in terms of total number of successful applications, opportunities provided, total number of participating companies as well as number of companies that disclosed the results of their participation. In total, more than 9,250 opportunities were successfully fulfilled across education, employment, training and development categories in the top sector while in 2011, it was just over 5,900 and almost 4,100 in 2010.

QCF2012 also recorded 141 education, employment, training and development opportunities that were successfully allocated for the special needs community, with 44% in the government sector, followed by 25% in the energy and industry sector, 17% in education, health and sports, and 14% in business and finance.

Speaking on the occasion, Abdulrahman al-Mannoori, Executive Director, QCF said: "Although this points to-

ward a general upward trend in terms of year-on-year growth, these findings are based solely on the number of companies that have successfully submitted their results, which vary each year. Nevertheless, overall key performance indicators suggest that QCF has gained momentum each year in terms of the number and quality of companies participating in the key sectors."

The data collated also indicated that in the government sector, 47% of the successfully fulfilled opportunities were in employment, followed by 19% in training, whereas in the education, health and sports sector, majority of the successfully fulfilled opportunities came out of training (54%) and development (20%), in the energy and industry sector 40% of successful opportunities recorded were in employment. The business and finance sector, despite having the lowest number of fulfilled opportunities compared to other sectors, ranked highest in employment, with 45% of opportunities provided being successfully fulfilled. This year the business and finance sector is estimated to have the highest number of opportunities, more than 2,600. Page 8

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Khalid Abdullah Al Sulaitoon, Co-Chairman of the Steering Committee of Qatar Career Fair (QCF); and Abdullah Ahmad Al Mansoori, Director, at the press meet to announce the results and successes of QCF 2012. RIGHT: Preparations in progress for the career fair. SALIM MATRAMKOT



## Nine firms excluded from career fair

Heir Apparent H H Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani inaugurates the fair at QNCC today

BY FAZHINA SALEEM

**DOHA:** The Heir Apparent H H Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani will inaugurate Qatar Career Fair 2013 at the Qatar National Convention Centre (QNCC) today. The six-day recruitment event, exclusively for Qataris, will run until April 6.

The annual event has excluded nine companies this year which failed to disclose results of their previous year's participation.

The event implemented strict rules for exhibitors to submit details about their recruitments, training and development programmes and allowed exhibitors to register only if they had disclosed results of their last year's participation.

A total of 127 companies out of 136 companies, approximately 83 percent that participated in last year's fair, has disclosed their results.

"Nine companies were excluded this year, seven of them did not even apply to participate in the fair and two applications were rejected," said Abdullah Ahmad Al Mansoori, Director, Qatar Career Fair, at a

conference held to announce results of QCF 2012, at Qatar National Convention Centre.

Through Qatar Career Fair 2012, a total of 9,390 opportunities were fulfilled across the education, employment, training and development categories in the key sectors and 47 percent were employment opportunities in the government sector. In 2011 only 5,563 job opportunities were given by all sectors.

According to 2012 results the Government sector has given 3,845 opportunities for Qataris. This was closely followed by the Education, Health and Sports sectors, which offered 2,465 opportunities.

The Energy and Industry sector has recruited 1,580 Qataris, while the Business and Finance sector has hired 606 people.

"Although this points towards a general upward trend in terms of year on year growth, these findings are based solely on the number of companies that have accurately submitted their results, which vary each year," said Al Mansoori.

Nevertheless overall key performance indicators confirm that QCF

terms of the number and caliber of companies participating across the key sectors", he added.

Qatar Career Fair 2012 has also provided 142 education, employment, training and development opportunities for people with special needs, with a highest number in the government

sector, with 44 percent.

The fair will feature over 145 public and private institutions, which will offer extensive training and recruitment opportunities to Qataris to improve their skills and help the country achieve its development goals.

Employment opportunities will be open to nationals

with varying experiences, from entry-level graduates to qualified and experienced professionals. Younger applicants are encouraged to apply for internships and entry-level positions to develop necessary expertise for the jobs market.

The fair will open its doors to the public from 12 noon to

8pm today. On all other days until Saturday, it will be open between 9am and 6pm. A special day for women only will be held on Thursday from 9am to 6pm. Qatar Career Fair is sponsored by Qatar Foundation, the Amiri Diwan, Qatar Petroleum, Qatar University and the Ministry of Labour. THE PENINSULA

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## Career Fair to open today

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The sixth edition of the Qatar Career Fair (QCF) will be opened under the patronage of the Heir Apparent HH Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al Thani at the Qatar National Convention Centre, in Doha, on Monday.

Over 140 exhibitors are participating in this year's edition of Qatar's biggest career event, which will run till April 6.

Addressing a press conference on Sunday, Co-Chair of the Steering Committee of QCF Khalid Abdullah al Sulaiten said that reports from the 2012 edition suggest a stronger performance from participating companies compared to 2011 and 2010.

"The results indicate that over 9,290 job opportunities were successfully fulfilled across the education, employment, training and development categories in the key sectors. In 2011, this number was just over 5,560, which could have been partially due to lower disclosure of results from participating companies, and almost 4,280 in 2010," he said.

According to him, the finding was based on data submitted by companies that participated in the fair last year.

Sulaiten added that the fair's success should not be based on the employment opportunities only, rather, it should be valued based on the development in the education and training sectors.

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# Know more about your favourite jobs

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All many as 9,290 jobs and educational opportunities were presented at the last edition of Qatar Career Fair (QCF) in 2012 as against 5,560 in 2011 and 4,280 in 2010 marking an increase of more than 100 percent in two years, said QCF organizing committee on the eve of the much-awaited sixth edition of Qatar Career Fair 2013 while announcing the results of the previous editions of QCF.

The Heir Apparent HH Highness Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad al Thani is likely inaugurate the Career Fair at Qatar National Convention Centre on Monday. The fair, which will conclude on April 6, will open its doors to the general public at 10 pm. On all other days until Saturday, April 6, the fair will be open from 9 am to 4 pm. A special day for women only will be held on April 4 from 9 am to 4 pm.

Addressing a press confer-

ence Executive Director of QCF Khalid al Sulaiten said, "Although, the statistics points towards a general upward trend in terms of your on year growth, these findings are based solely on the number of companies that have submitted accurate results, which vary each year. Nevertheless, overall key performance indicators suggest that QCF has gained momentum each year in terms of the number and calibre of companies participating across the key sectors".

Moreover, added, "The government sector has been the main target for the Qatari youth when seeking opportunities, says the report. The 2012 results showed that more than 3,645 opportunities that were seized by students were provided by the government sector."

He, however, added that one of the basic objectives of QCF was to bridge the gap between the Qatari youth and the private sector.

"Long working hours and



A Qatar Career Fair official unveils the statistics of previous career fairs at a press meet, in Doha, on Sunday. (HANDOUT & JOMANA)

lack of job security in private sector are the two major

issues that drive Qatari youth

away from private sector.

Therefore, we encourage private sector companies to not only participate but also to design opportunities for

Qatari that are compatible with those of the public sector", Mansoor pointed out.

Khalid Abdullah al Sulaiten, Co-Chair of the Steering Committee of QCF, however, said that the fair's success should not be determined by employment opportunities offered by it, but on the basis of development in the education and training sectors.

"There is a misconception regarding the objectives of QCF. The fair is not limited to employment opportunities; rather it is about promoting the work and volunteer culture amongst our youth; and our findings show an increase in the education and training sectors suggesting that the fair is successful," he said.

The organizing committee presented findings based on data submitted by companies that participated in the fair last year. Results of 2012 suggest an overall stronger performance from participating companies compared to 2011 and 2010.