

Supervisory committees ready to welcome candidates, says official

Special mechanism in place for COVID-19 patients to exercise constitutional rights

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Supervisory committees in all four governorates of the Kingdom are ready to receive citizens wishing to run for the upcoming Parliamentary and Municipal Council elections, announced a top election official.

Chancellor Nawaf Abdullah Hamza, the Legislation and Legal Opinion Commission President, Parliamentary and Municipal Elections Executive Director, said the committees will start receiving candidates from Wednesday until Sunday.

Supervisory committees, he said, are authorised to receive nominations for the Council of Representatives and Municipal Councils.



COVID-19 patients wishing to run for the elections should contact the hotline 77277277 to book an appointment with the relevant supervisory committee, fill in the nomination form (available on vote.bh), and attach the required documents

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“Special arrangements are also in place for citizens who had contracted COVID-19 to exercise their constitutional rights,” said Chancellor Hamza.

He urged COVID-positive candidates to contact 77277277 to book an appointment with the relevant supervisory committee. “They should fill in the nom-

ination form (available on vote.bh) and file it with the required documents.

“COVID-positive candidates should also remain in their vehicles upon arrival, as a committee member will verify their identity, collect their nomination form, required documents and candidacy fee,” he added.

The Executive Director further called upon all citizens wishing to run to verify nomination requirements on www.vote.bh.

5 to 9 pm

The centres will receive nominations from 5 pm until 9 pm during the nomination period.

Khawla Secondary Girls’ School in the Capital Govern-

orate is for receiving parliamentary candidates only. Other centres are Al-Hidaya Al Khalifiya Secondary Boys’ School for the Muharraq Governorate, the Yathreb Intermediate Girls’ School for the Northern Governorate, and the Al-Mustaqbal Primary Girls’ School for the Southern Governorate.

To publish candidates’ list on October 10

The list of approved candidates will be published between October 10 and 12, during which potential candidates may challenge the decisions of the supervisory committees. Then, by October 15, the supervisory committees will decide on the challenges. Candidates may

challenge those decisions again at a competent court before October 18. The court will issue its decision by October 25.

Authorities will release the final list of candidates on October 26.

Chancellor Nawaf Abdullah Hamza had earlier announced receiving 14,318 applications from citizens wishing to help organise the election process. He had also said that 265,138 people had checked the voters’ list.

In another development yesterday, the Progressive Platform Society yesterday announced four candidates. Abdul Nabi Salman, Sayed Falah Hashem, Iman Choueiter and Dr Mahdi Al-Shuwaikh will fight the polls.



Al-Asumi re-elected Arab Parliament Speaker

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Adel bin Abdulrahman Al-Asumi was re-elected yesterday as the speaker of the

Arab Parliament for a second term during elections held in Cairo yesterday. Al Asumi thanked Bahrain’s leaders and Arab Parliament members.



UPEACE grants Honorary Doctorate to Shaikha Rana

The University for Peace (UPEACE) yesterday granted Secretary General and Vice Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the Higher Education Council, Shaikha Dr Rana bint Isa bin Daij Al Khalifa with an honorary doctorate. The doctorate was presented during an event held at the UN headquarters in Geneva in the presence of the UPEACE Board of Trustees Chairperson, Former Director General of UNESCO Irina Bokova, UPEACE President Dr Francisco Rojas and representatives of the diplomatic corps. Shaikha Dr Rana is the first Arab woman to receive the Honorary Doctorate and the second Arab personality after the Secretary General of the Muslim World League Dr Mohammed Abdulkarim Al-Isa, from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The honour recognises Shaikha Dr Rana’s role in supporting international diplomacy, boosting friendship and cooperation between peoples and fighting hatred.



ONAM FEST'22 concludes with grand 'Onasadhya'



The Indian Club Onam Fest'22 came to a successful conclusion on Friday with an ‘Onasadhya’ Feast that was enjoyed by around 2,500 people. The sumptuous banquet of 26 items was prepared by celebrity chef Ajith Kumar, specially flown in from India. Piyush Shrivastava - Indian Ambassador to Bahrain inaugurated the feast along with Steven C. Bondy (Ambassador of the United States of America), Paola Amadei (Ambassador of the Republic of Italy), Shazryll Zahran (Ambassador of Malaysia), Abdulnabi Al Sho’ala (Former Minister & Shura Council Member), Yousif Lori (Director of Information & Follow up at the capital Governorate), Khalil Daylami (Philanthropist/ Social Worker), K.G. Baburajan (MD-QEL Holdings), Pambavasan Nair (MD-AMAD Group), Ajith Kumar (CEO - Dadabhai), Soman Baby, Prince Natarajan (Chairman of Indian School), Ijaz Ahmed of Indian Embassy & past presidents of The Indian Club. The Onam Fest'22, was a series of programmes conducted as part of ONAM Celebration, which included a musical night led by reality show artist/ playback singer Abid Anwar, Thiruvathira Competition, Natyolsavam 2022, Payasa Mela, Onappattu Competition, Onapudava Competition, Ona Chanda, Pookalam Competition, Tug of War, Musical Night performed by reality show Artist/Play Back Singer Sudheesh U. Sasikumar, Nadaswaram Fusion, Historic Mega Mohiniyattam performed by more than 100 ladies, Musical Night led by Playback Singer Rahul Sathyanadh, Ghoshayatra competition & Nadan pattu by renowned folk singer Praseetha Chalakudy.

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