

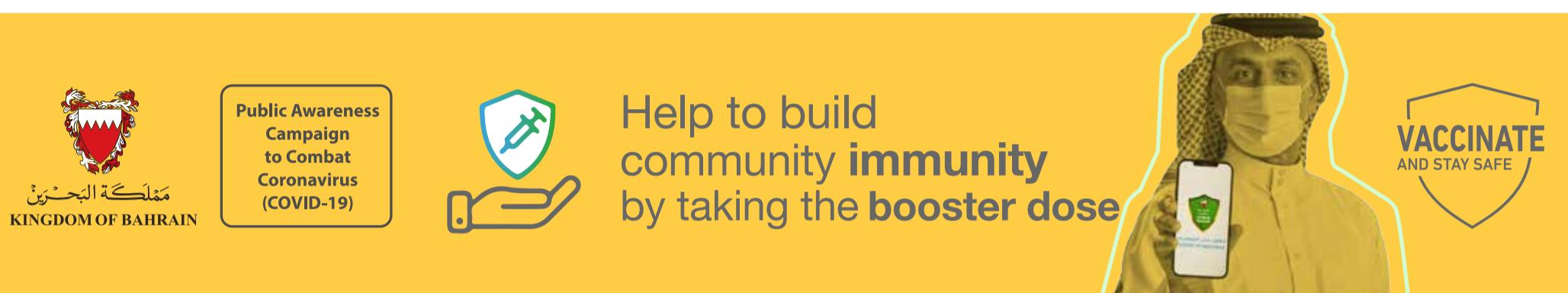


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## HM King greets Niger President

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa sent a cable of congratulations to President Mohamed Bazoum of Niger on his country's Independence Day. His Majesty wished the president best wishes for good health and happiness on this national occasion.

## Hijri New Year holiday announced

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His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, yesterday issued a circular regarding the 1443AH Hijri New Year holiday.

The circular stipulates that the Kingdom's ministries, agencies and official institutions will be closed on Monday, 9 August, corresponding to the first day of Muharram.

## UAE approves Sinopharm COVID-19 vaccine for children between 3 and 17

**Abu Dhabi**

The UAE's Ministry of Health and Community Prevention has approved the emergency use of Sinopharm vaccine against the coronavirus (COVID-19) for children between 3 and 17 years old.

The approval follows a trial involving 900 children in Abu Dhabi.

"The decision comes after clinical trials and extensive evaluations and is based on the emergency-use authorisation and local evaluations," the Ministry said.

The adoption of the Chinese vaccine is within the framework of strengthening the efforts of the Emirates to combat the COVID-19 and emphasising its proactive approach by

taking care of the health and safety of the members of the community.

The UAE, which has among the world's highest immunisation rates, was already providing the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine for children aged 12-15.



For children's protection

Last update - 9:00 pm  
2 August 2021

## Individuals vaccinated

### (First dose)

1 1 1 0 8 6 7

### (Second dose)

1 0 5 8 7 1 0

### (Booster dose)

1 5 3 4 5 7

Aged 40 and above  
and those with comorbidities

1 2 6 3 7 3 (49.5%)

Total of this Category 254,870

# Protecting human rights

Bahrain supports efforts to intensify global fight against serious problem of trafficking in persons

**● Cabinet stresses need to unify international efforts to strengthen regional maritime security**

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Bahrain is committed to strengthening cooperation with the international community in fighting people trafficking.

During yesterday's weekly meeting, chaired by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, the Cabinet expressed its appreciation for the active role played by the Ministry of Interior and responsible authorities to address this serious global problem.

The Kingdom has joined the international community in celebrating the United Nations World Day against Trafficking in Persons on 30 July.

In addition, the Cabinet stressed the importance of protecting international maritime traffic from threats that adverse-



HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister chairs the Cabinet meeting



ly impact global trade, stressing the need to unify international efforts, to further strengthen regional maritime security.

The Cabinet commended the meeting that took place between His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and HRH the Crown Prince, in which HM the King

emphasised the importance of further strengthening GCC ties and unity to advance the development of member countries.

The Cabinet noted HM the King's statement that the "Al-Ula Declaration" had reaffirmed the commitment of GCC Member States to the goals of the GCC

Charter, through integration and strengthened cooperation amongst the six GCC Arab nations. The Declaration reflects the aspirations of GCC citizens for a return to joint GCC cooperation, greater integration and cohesion.

The Cabinet emphasised the

importance of mutual respect amongst the citizens of GCC member states and responsible media discourse to be compatible with the social values, Arab customs and traditions that consolidate the unity and common purpose of GCC citizens.

The Cabinet extended its best

wishes to HM the King, HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, and the citizens and residents of Bahrain, as well as to the Arab and Islamic nations, on the occasion of the new Islamic Hijri year 1443 AH.

It commended the Kingdom's achievements in mitigating the impact of COVID-19, and extended its gratitude to Bahrain's citizens and residents, for their responsibility in adhering to necessary precautionary measures.

The Cabinet noted the importance of continuing to responsibly follow these measures in support of Team Bahrain.



**Trafficking in persons, also called human trafficking, is a crime and a human rights abuse. The three most common forms of trafficking in persons are: sex trafficking, forced labour, and child soldiering.**