

HRH Prince Salman attends Husain Ali Yateem biography launch

His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, outlined Bahrain's history across trade and industry, during which the Kingdom has achieved continued successes that have strengthened its regional and global standing. He emphasised that Bahraini business families represent a key foundation of the Kingdom's national progress and comprehensive development, led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa. HRH Prince Salman was speaking as he attended yesterday the launch of the biography of Husain Ali Yateem and the inauguration of its accompanying exhibition. Husain is one of the leading figure in the Kingdom's commercial sector, referencing his significant contributions that have played a prominent role in supporting the national economy. The biography documents key milestones in Husain Ali Yateem's business career and his contributions to Bahrain's commercial sector. The launch event coincides with the release of two books detailing the life of Husain Ali Yateem. The books titled "Husain Ali Yateem: The Brighton Student, The Sage of Manama", and "Husain Ali Yateem: The Three Palm Trees, A Biography of Transformations", highlight his role in the economic transformations of Bahrain and the region, leading to social changes over the past century.

The Supreme Council for Environment Leads National Oil Spill Response Exercise



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The Supreme Council for Environment (SCE), in collaboration with Bapco Refining — a subsidiary of Bapco Energies, Gulf Petrochemicals Industries Company (GPIC), and Aluminium Bahrain (Alba) — has successfully conducted Jahezya 2, a comprehensive oil spill response exercise at Bapco Refining's Sitra Wharf.

The exercise was carried out to evaluate the effectiveness of oil spill response plans and capabilities across all participating entities.

It aimed to strengthen operational readiness and enhance coordination between the Supreme Council for Environment and key participants in managing marine environmental incidents and safeguarding Bahrain's coastal ecosystems.

Plan

Commenting on the execution of 'Jahezya 2', Amna Hamad Al Rumaihi, Chief Executive Officer of the Supreme Council for Environment: "The exercise is part of a comprehensive national plan to elevate preparedness and enhance the efficiency of oil spill response. This exercise supports the continuous development of the Kingdom's emergency contingency plans, with regular drills conducted to measure effectiveness and ensure that all parties are equipped to deliver a swift, coordinated, and effective response to environmental emergencies."

"Supervised by the SCE and conducted in coordination with the National Committee for Civil Emergency Management, the exercise simulated an oil spill scenario at Sitra Wharf, enabling stakeholders to assess re-



United for a comprehensive oil spill response exercise at Bapco Refining's Sitra Wharf



porting protocols, containment strategies, and site rehabilitation procedures.", Al Rumaihi added.

She also highlighted the SCE's commitment to strengthening national preparedness and enhancing technical and human capabilities in responding to oil spill incidents.

She also praised the robust collaboration between government and industrial partners, which is vital to safeguarding Bahrain's marine environment.

Dr. Abdulrahman Jawahery, Acting Managing Director of Bapco Energies and Chief Exec-

utive Officer of Bapco Refining stated: "The successful execution of 'Jahezya 2' represents a significant milestone in advancing the national environmental emergency management capabilities. This initiative is aligned with Bapco Refining's commitment to sustainability, operational resilience, and the protection of Bahrain's coastal and marine ecosystems."

"The exercise exemplifies a strong model of national collaboration, uniting the Supreme Council for Environment, Bapco Refining, GPIC, and Alba within an

integrated operational framework. Such cooperation is essential for strengthening technical and field readiness, enhancing interoperability, and upholding the highest standards of marine and coastal protection," Dr. Jawahery added.

Priority

Dr. Jawahery also highlighted that regular response drills remain a top priority for Bapco Refining, as they reinforce communication, operational integration, and the reliability of national emergency infrastructure. The exercise was designed

with comprehensive objectives to validate emergency plans, improve coordination among organizations, and ensure full compliance with Bahrain's national oil spill response regulations, thereby enhancing overall preparedness and operational response capabilities.

He expressed his appreciation to the participating entities, highlighting that the collaborative efforts significantly enhances the efficiency and overall effectiveness of environmental emergency response, contributing to the Kingdom's ongoing

commitment to sustainable environmental stewardship.

Participation

Eng. Yasser Abdulrahman Al Abbasi, Chief Executive Officer of GPIC, stated: "GPIC's participation in the joint oil spill response exercise 'Jahezya 2' reflects our steadfast commitment to supporting national efforts to protect Bahrain's marine and coastal environment. We remain dedicated to enhancing our practices to align with the highest international environmental standards."

Mr. Ali Al Baqali, Chief Executive Officer of Aluminium Bahrain (Alba), expressed pride in Alba's participation in 'Jahezya 2', stating: "Since Alba's early operations in the 1970s, and with our long-standing reliance on maritime logistics through the Sitra marine terminal, protecting Bahrain's coastal and marine environment has been a core pillar of our sustainability ethos, and an integral part of our national responsibility."