

Minister Checks Noon Work Ban

Daily inspections ensure worker safety during peak summer temperatures

- Employers praised for strong adherence to the summer midday work ban
- Inspections focus on heat stress prevention, drinking water, rest breaks and occupational safety
- Daily inspections continue, with violations referred for legal action

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Minister of Labour and Minister of Legal Affairs, Yousif bin Abdulhussain Khalaf, conducted a field inspection of several construction sites to assess compliance with the Kingdom's summer midday work ban aimed at protecting workers from extreme heat.

The visit focused on implementing Ministerial Decision No. (5) of 2026, which prohibits outdoor work under direct sunlight and in open areas between 12:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., from June 15 to August 31, 2026.

During the tour, the minister reviewed the safety measures adopted at the worksites and met with occupational safety supervisors to discuss efforts



to maintain safe working conditions. He stressed the importance of continuously strengthening workplace safety to reduce occupational injuries and heat stress during the summer months.

Khalaf commended the high level of compliance demonstrated by companies, noting it reflects employers' awareness of their responsibility to provide a safe and healthy working environment while protecting workers from heat stress risks.

He noted that the commitment also highlights Bahrain's dedication to promoting occupational safety and health

standards while fostering a productive work environment.

The Ministry of Labour's inspection teams continue to carry out daily site visits during the restricted hours to ensure establishments comply with the regulations. Inspectors also verify the provision of heat stress prevention measures, including adequate drinking water, suitable rest breaks, and other occupational safety and health requirements. The ministry said any violations detected during inspections will be referred to the competent judicial authorities for legal action in accordance with the law.

Government Strengthens Investment in Youth Media

Minister praises Youth City 2030 as a platform for nurturing future media professionals



Bahrain's commitment to developing the next generation of media professionals took centre stage as Information Minister Dr. Ramzan bin Abdulla Al Noaimi visited Youth City 2030 at Exhibition World Bahrain, alongside Youth Affairs Minister Rawan bint Najeed Tawfiqi.

Dr. Al Noaimi described Youth City 2030 as one of Bahrain's leading youth empowerment initiatives, noting that its integrated training environment and strategic partnerships have created valuable opportunities to develop skills and discover emerging talent.

He also commended the close collaboration between the Ministry of Information and the Ministry of Youth Affairs, saying the partnership reflects Team Bahrain's unified



approach to implementing initiatives that invest in young people and prepare them for future careers across diverse sectors.

During the tour, the minister visited media-focused workshops and training programmes, where participants gain hands-on experience in journalism, broadcasting and digital media.

Dr. Al Noaimi reaffirmed the Ministry of Information's

commitment to expanding programmes that support young Bahraini talent and strengthen youth participation in the media industry. He said empowering young people is essential to building a modern national media sector capable of producing professional content that reflects Bahrain's identity, values and aspirations while keeping pace with rapid developments in the global media landscape.

New Water Station to Boost Southern Governorate Supply

11.25 million-gallon facility in Wadi Al Buhair to strengthen water security and support growing communities



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A new water distribution station with a storage capacity of 11.25 million imperial gallons is under construction in Wadi Al Buhair, aimed at enhancing water security and meeting the growing demand in Bahrain's Southern Governorate.

Southern Municipal Council Chairman Abdulla Ebrahim Abdullatif said the Hunainiya station will support nearby residential areas, including Blocks 901, 905 and 907, while improving the efficiency and reliability of water distribution as urban development continues.

The project includes a 10 million imperial gallon ground reservoir, a 1.25 million imperial gallon elevated tank serving East Riffa, a main pumping station, utility facilities and advanced operation systems.

The station will connect to the Electricity and Water Authority's control centre through SCADA technology and fibre-optic networks, enabling 24-hour monitoring and faster responses to emergencies.

Expected to be completed by December 2027, the project is set to become a key addition to the Southern Governorate's infrastructure, supporting future housing developments and the needs of expanding communities.



Community Honours Ambassador



The Embassy of India in Bahrain hosted an interaction on Monday evening, bringing together representatives of Indian community associations and painting artists to engage with Ambassador Vinod K. Jacob and reflect on the Embassy's initiatives.

The gathering allowed members of the Indian community to share

their memories, experiences and moments with Ambassador Jacob during his tenure in Bahrain. Representatives from various community organisations expressed their appreciation for his support and active engagement with the Indian diaspora. Artists who collaborated with the Embassy on cultural initiatives also participated, highlighting the

role of art in strengthening cultural ties between India and Bahrain. During the interaction, attendees conveyed their heartfelt wishes and greetings to Ambassador Jacob, thanking him for his dedication to the welfare of the Indian community and for promoting cultural and people-to-people connections throughout his tenure.



Amwaj Avenue Moves Into Construction Phase

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Naseej has officially commenced infrastructure works for its flagship Amwaj Avenue project at the entrance of Amwaj Islands in Muharraq Governorate, marking the start of construction for one of the company's major mixed-use developments.

The groundbreaking ceremony was attended by senior officials, including Bassem bin Yaqoob Al Hamar, President of the Survey and Land Registration Bureau (SLRB); Ahmed Abdulaziz Al Khayyat, Chief Executive of the Urban Planning and Development Authority (UPDA); and Amin Al Arrayed, Chief Executive Officer of Naseej.

Al Hamar said the project reflects the continued expansion of Bahrain's real estate sector and highlights the importance of public-private partnerships in driving urban development.

He stressed SLRB's commitment to supporting developers



through streamlined procedures, faster transactions, and the issuance of title deeds to improve project readiness and strengthen the investment environment.

Al Khayyat described the groundbreaking as a significant milestone, signalling the project's move from the planning stage to implementation.

He reaffirmed UPDA's commitment to promoting sustainable urban development through strategic projects and continued cooperation with private sec-

tor partners. Naseej CEO Amin Al Arrayed said Amwaj Avenue represents one of the company's key mixed-use developments and aligns with its vision of creating integrated and sustainable communities. He praised the support provided by UPDA and SLRB in helping advance the project towards execution.

The first phase of the development will focus on constructing roads, utilities and essential infrastructure.

- Amwaj Avenue Project**
- Project Area: Approximately 125,000 square metres
 - Residential Plots : 253 plots
 - Investment Plots: 27 plots
 - First Phase: Construction of roads, utilities and essential infrastructure
 - Development Type: Mixed-use project combining residential and investment opportunities