

Dust Wave Warning



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Bahrain is expected to see a gradual change in weather over the coming days, with stronger north-westerly winds starting Wednesday, the Meteorological Directorate said.

Wind speeds are expected to rise to moderate to active levels from 6 May. They may become strong at times between Thursday and Saturday.

Parliament Session Postponed

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The Council of Representatives decided to cancel today's regular session and hold a special session on Thursday.

According to parliamentary sources, the General Secretariat informed members shortly before via text message about the cancellation and the rescheduling of the agenda to Thursday's session.

Online Speech Probe



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Anti-Cybercrime Directorate arrested a 20-year-old man for the alleged misuse of social media.

The ministry said the individual posted online comments that publicly insulted a figure considered sacred by a religious community.

The directorate reiterated its call for responsible social media use, urging users to respect laws and avoid publishing or circulating any material that violates legal provisions.

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'Aerial Intercept'

Washington reports naval clashes with Iranian forces as it escorts commercial shipping through the strategic waterway. | P8

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Royal Family Council renews pledge of loyalty to the King



HM the King, in the presence of HRH Prince Salman, receives a formal declaration of loyalty from Shaikh Salman bin Khalid Al Khalifa

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa led a meeting of the Royal Family Council

in Manama on Monday, with HRH Crown Prince and Prime Minister Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa in attendance. Shaikh Salman bin Khalid Al

Khalifa, Director-General of the Royal Family Council, presented a formal declaration of loyalty to His Majesty the King.

The document underscored

the royal family's firm support for the king, highlighting unity and steadfast backing amid current regional developments.

It stressed a collective commitment to protecting national stability, preserving unity, and standing firmly behind the Kingdom's leadership.

Bahrain Condemns UAE Attack

Leaders reviewed regional security developments

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa held a telephone call on Sunday with United Arab Emirates President Shaikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, in which he strongly condemned the "terrorist Iranian attacks" targeting civilian sites and facilities in the UAE.

The king expressed "strong condemnation and denunciation" of the attacks, calling them a dangerous escalation that threatens regional security and stability, and a "blatant violation" of principles of good neighbourliness and international laws and conventions.



UAE President Shaikh Mohamed bin Zayed Al Nahyan

HM King Hamad stressed that the security of the UAE is an integral part of Bahrain's own security, reaffirming Bahrain's full solidarity with the UAE and its support for all measures Abu



HM the King

Dhabi takes to safeguard its sovereignty, security, stability, and national assets.

He also conveyed his sincere wishes for a swift recovery for those injured in the attacks.

Foreign Ministry warns

Bahrain called for international action and restraint after expressing strong concern over missile and drone attacks targeting civilian sites in the UAE.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs described the incidents as a serious escalation that threatens regional stability, warning that continued attacks risk widening tensions in an already volatile Middle East.

It urged the international community, including the UN Security Council, to respond firmly to prevent further escalation and to safeguard civilian infrastructure, maritime routes, and global energy supplies,

while stressing the importance of upholding ceasefire commitments and international law.

Attack In Hormuz

Meanwhile, the foreign ministry denounced the use of two drones against a vessel operated by the Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC) while it was transiting the strategic waterway, describing the attack as a "flagrant violation" of international law, the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea, International Maritime Organization regulations, and UN Security Council Resolution 2817.

SECURITY AND STABILITY

Government Reviews Diplomacy Efforts

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Deputy Prime Minister, HE Shaikh Khalid bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, chaired the weekly Cabinet meeting at Gudaibiya Palace on Sunday, where ministers reviewed national developments, regional diplomacy, and government initiatives.

The Cabinet reaffirmed the importance of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa's recent address to the media, describing it as a guiding framework for protecting Bahrain's interests, strengthening security and stability, and sustaining national development.



HE Shaikh Khalid bin Abdullah Al Khalifa

Ministers stressed that all government entities continue to implement royal directives, highlighting that safeguarding Bahrain's security and stability remains a shared national re-

sponsibility.

The Cabinet also expressed appreciation for the support shown by Bahraini and GCC families and tribes following the King's address, as well as solidarity from allied countries and international organisations in support of Bahrain's sovereignty and security measures.

It commended the positions of several Arab and GCC leaders and organisations, including Morocco, Saudi Arabia, the UAE, Kuwait, Jordan, Egypt, Syria, Yemen, Lebanon, the GCC General Secretariat, and the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation, for their backing of Bahrain.

Ukraine President Lands in Manama



Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelensky arrived in Bahrain on Sunday for an official visit. Foreign Minister Dr. Abdullatif bin Rashid Al Zayani and other senior officials received him at Bahrain International Airport.