

## Reports denied of positive COVID-19 cases among inmates

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The Ministry of Interior's Reformation and Rehabilitation Directorate denied yesterday reports claiming that there were confirmed positive cases of the coronavirus (COVID-19) among inmates.

The directorate said in a tweet that it is committed to the implementation of precautionary measures against COVID-19 as the protection of the health and safety of inmates is a top priority.

Isolation procedures for some inmates were implemented for the safety of inmates, it added.

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR'S REFORMATION AND REHABILITATION DIRECTORATE IN A TWEET

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## Three teenagers arrested for setting house façade on fire

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Three teenagers have been arrested after they deliberately set the façade of a house in Sitra on fire, the Ministry of Interior has reported.

The ministry said that the General Directorate of Criminal Investigation and Forensic Science was able to arrest the three youth, aged between 15 and 18, less than 24 hours after receiving the report.

A search for the teenagers led to the disclosure of their identities, which resulted in their detention.

During questioning, it was found that there were personal disputes with one of the residents of the house, the façade of which was destroyed by the fire.

Legal procedures were completed and the case has been referred to the Public Prosecution.

## Drivers honoured in 'Thank You' initiative



A driver being honoured by a traffic police officer

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Drivers who were seen diligently following traffic rules during the Eid Al Adha holidays were honoured by the General Directorate of Traffic, in cooperation with Al Salam

Bank.

The honouring was part of the directorate's "Thank You" initiative.

The campaign aimed to support community partnership with road users and appreciate ideal drivers.

# Interactive map of Hezbollah terrorist activities launched

● **Washington Institute for Near East Policy issues resource tool on the terrorist operations carried out by the Lebanese Hezbollah terrorist organisation around the world, including acts of terrorism carried out in Bahrain**

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The Washington Institute for Near East Policy has issued an interactive map on the terrorist operations carried out by the Lebanese Hezbollah terrorist organisation around the world, whether through funding, training, or direct implementation.

Hezbollah operations included acts of terrorism carried out in Bahrain, and the interactive map shows the plans of sabotage and international terrorism under which the party operates as a terrorist arm of the Iranian regime.

The interactive map is based on several sources, including extensive visits and meetings

held by specialists and experts from the institute with officials in the Ministry of Interior.

The map contributes to showing the extent of the operations by Hezbollah, a terrorist organisation that tops the global list of terrorism.

According to the institute, Hezbollah, while highly public about its social and political work, goes to great lengths to conceal its illicit pursuits.

"As a result, no single repository of the collected, open-source information about Hezbollah's worldwide activities is yet available," it said. "This deficit has hindered the emergence of a fully informed public debate on the totality of Hezbollah's activities."

"The Lebanese Hezbollah Select Worldwide Activity Interactive Map aims to fill this knowledge gap. A multimedia tool, the map is searchable by numerous modes, and includes photographs, videos, event summaries, linkages among entries, and primary-source documents.

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Hezbollah is a global, multifaceted organisation, engaged in a wide range of endeavours, including overt social and political activities in Lebanon, Syria, and throughout the Middle East; and covert militant, criminal, and terrorist activities around the world, the institute added.

In the words of one Hezbollah operative, the "golden rule" of the External Security Organisation—the entity responsible for Hezbollah international terrorism operations—is "the less you know about the unit, the better".

US National Counterterrorism Center former director Nicholas

Rasmussen described the map as a "tremendous resource".

"It helps draw connections among all the different pieces of Hezbollah-related activity around the world in a way that no other tool I have seen has succeeded in doing," he said.

The tool is designed for policymakers, intelligence analysts, law enforcement officials, journalists, academics, researchers, and students alike.

Founded in 1985, the Washington Institute for Near East Policy says it is today the largest research institute devoted exclusively to the study of the Middle East.

## Northern Governor hails Team Bahrain's COVID-19 fight

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Northern Governor Ali bin Al Shaikh Abdulhussain Al Asfour has praised the efforts made by Team Bahrain, led by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Prime Minister, in committing to combat the coronavirus (COVID-19) and mitigate its spread.

This came during his follow-up of the governorate's sanitisation campaign, carried out in solidarity with national efforts to address the pandemic.

Deputy Northern Governor Brigadier Khaled bin Rabia Sinan Al Dossary was on hand along with other officials from the General Directorate of Civil Defence and the Northern Governorate Police Directorate.



The Northern Governor along with other officials during the sanitisation campaign

The operations were conducted along a number of commercial complexes across the governorate.

The Northern Governor praised the efforts of the vol-

unteers who participated in the campaign, and expressed his appreciation for their service to the Kingdom and its people.

The Northern Governor also

stressed the importance of such activities to continue the fight against the pandemic, in accordance with precautionary and preventive measures issued by authorities.

## Necessary steps taken for public security during Eid holidays

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Police patrols deployed in various areas of the Kingdom during Eid Al Adha were able to successfully enforce precautionary measures against the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic, according to Public Security for Operations and Training Affairs assistant chief Brigadier Dr Shaikh Hamad bin Mohammed Al Khalifa.

Dr Shaikh Mohammed asserted that the Interior Ministry had taken all required steps to ensure the safety of citizens and residents during the Eid holidays. He hailed the cooperation

of the public with the police in carrying out their security-related duties.

Dr Shaikh Mohammed revealed that during the Eid holiday, the police directorates had taken 106 procedures to ensure social distancing and registered 900 violations of not wearing masks at public places. They also organised 23 awareness campaigns about the importance of following precautionary measures.

Northern Governorate Police deployed 25 patrols to take the required steps to prevent gatherings of more than five persons



Police officers carrying out their duties in public places across the Kingdom

at public places, such as beaches, parks and markets. It reported 253 mask-related violations, took 20 steps to ensure social

distancing and four awareness campaigns.

Capital Governorate Police took specific procedures to pro-

tect security and public orders, along with assisting people. It registered 161 masked related violations and took eight procedures to ensure social distancing.

Muharrag Governorate Police took four steps to protect social distancing between people in public and reported 162 mask-related violations. It also conducted 11 field awareness campaigns, including distributing masks among people and gifts for children.

Southern Governorate Police carried out eight awareness campaigns and reported 73 mask-related violations. It

took 34 steps to ensure social distancing.

The Public Security presidency registered 251 violations related to not wearing masks at public places and 40 steps to ensure social distancing in all parts of Bahrain. The Operations Directorate deployed "Najda" (Rescue) patrols, while the Ports Security General Directorate evacuated 171 travellers and facilitated the testing of 840 individuals who arrived in Bahrain.

The National Ambulance Centre dealt with 52 cases of carrying confirmed and suspected coronavirus cases.