

Assailant of two women at hotel parking lot loses appeal

● **Man sentenced in absentia for attack in Capital Governorate two years ago has his prison sentence upheld**

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A man convicted of assaulting two women in the Capital Governorate two years ago had his imprisonment upheld by the Minor Criminal Court on Monday.

The man was sentenced in absentia to three months of imprisonment and fined BD200 to suspend the execution of the verdict. The court also ordered him to pay BD450 in compensation to the plaintiff (one of the victims).

According to the victim's attorney Ebtissam Al Sabbagh, the incident occurred at 2.30am on April 17, 2018, near a hotel in Seef District.

Al Sabbagh explained that her client and a female friend were



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in the former's car at the parking lot of the hotel after they finished having dinner at one of the restaurants inside.

“The defendant, along with a male friend, suddenly parked his car near my client's car,” the lawyer said. “He then asked both women to get in the car with him and his friend. An argument erupted after the women rejected the defendant's request.”

She explained further saying: “The defendant then got off the car and proceeded to attack both women by pulling them out of the car, shoving them, and kick-

ing them in different parts of the body, mainly the head. Both victims suffered several fractures and bleeding in the face.”

Medical reports showed that Al Sabbagh's client suffered from bruises, broken bones in the face, bleeding in the sinuses, head pain, and bleeding in the right eye pocket, which required a surgical procedure.

The victim reported the matter to the police the next day and an investigation soon led to the identification and arrest of the attacker.

At the police station, the de-

fendant confessed to the crime after he was confronted with the evidence and footage captured by surveillance cameras at the hotel, showing the entire incident.

Despite his confession at the police station and in the interrogation of the Public Prosecution, the defendant pleaded not guilty and denied all charges before the court. However, the court issued the aforementioned sentence against the defendant, who appealed against the conviction and got his plea rejected on Monday.

Jail term reduced for armed robbery convict

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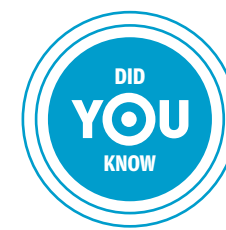
The Supreme Court of Appeal recently reduced an imprisonment sentence issued against a man convicted of armed robbery, from five years to three years in jail.

The court's announcement came after the Court of Cassation ordered the retrial of the Bahraini man, who robbed two Asian men at knifepoint in Sitra in 2017 along with a male accomplice.

According to one of the victim's statements, the culprits stopped them and claimed to be military personnel. The victim told interrogators that one of the men asked for their identity cards.

“He suddenly took out a knife from his pocket and snatched both of our mobile phones,” the victim testified.

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The man earlier appealed against the verdict before the Supreme Court of Appeal, which upheld his punishment. He pleaded not guilty again before the Court of Cassation and it ordered his retrial, in which he got his sentence slashed by two years.

Police attacker loses appeal



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The Supreme Criminal Court of Appeal upheld the maximum punishment previously issued against a Bahraini man who was convicted of verbally and physically assaulting several policemen while resisting arrest in Muharraq last year.

The man, who is in his 20s, was earlier sentenced by a first degree court to five years of imprisonment and was fined BD200. He was convicted of the charges of assaulting on-duty public servants as a result of performing their duties and causing multiple injuries to them, as well as insulting them.

The case unfolded when Muharraq Police Station received a notification reporting a fight between a man and a lady in Muharraq Souq. Officers were immediately deployed to the scene where the defendant was seen being held by two civilians, who were attempting to calm him down.

Court files showed that the defendant yelled at the police when they approached him. He also shoved a policeman

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by hitting him in the chest while attempting to escape from them.

Backup police officers arrived at the scene and the defendant was eventually cuffed after a lengthy blood-stained scuffle with the police.

He reportedly used his head to attack a policeman inside the police patrol vehicle while on the way to the police station. The man also kicked the policemen in the car, causing several injuries to them.

The court decided to issue the maximum punishment against the defendant, citing that the charges are deliberate and connected in one criminal act. He appealed against the verdict, but the court of appeals rejected his plea considering the provided evidence.

Court upholds mugger's punishment

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The Supreme Criminal Court of Appeal recently upheld the punishment of an Arab national who was earlier convicted of mugging an Asian man in Juffair in January of this year and stealing more than BD2,400 from him.

The appellant was sentenced by the First High Criminal Court last April to one year in jail. The court also suspended the execution of the sentence for three years.

He was charged by the Public Prosecution on January 11

of assault and robbery, after he apparently beat the victim, an Indian national, and stole more than BD2,400 from him.

Police investigations mentioned that the man attacked the victim by splashing a liquid material on his face, before stealing the amount from him and fleeing the scene.

According to the victim's testimony, the unknown liquid material temporarily impaired his vision, making it easy for the mugger to steal the money and escape the spot. He added that the assailant also hit him



on the head with the container of the liquid, causing him multiple injuries.

The victim told investigators that the incident occurred in Juffair while returning from

the bank after he cashed a cheque of BD2,419 for the private health centre he worked for.

Police reached the scene shortly, rushed the victim to the hospital and launched a probe, which eventually led to the identification and arrest of the accused.

An eyewitness stated that she saw the defendant running away from the victim, who was struggling to catch up to him. The witness also said she tried to assist the victim, who had sore eyes and was exhausted.

Initiative launched to monitor summer work ban

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The National Institution for Human Rights (NIHR) has launched an initiative to report abuse of workers obliged to work in open spaces between noon and 4pm in July and August.

The initiative follows the Labor Ministry's decision to ban outdoor work under the summer scorching sun.

The NIHR also called on em-



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ployers in the private sector to provide facemasks and ask all workers to use them in the workplace in order to reduce the spread of the coronavirus

(COVID-19) among workers.

It also stressed the importance of taking the temperature of all workers entering and leaving the work sites and upon leaving

their accommodations. Workers with high temperatures should be isolated immediately and the relevant procedures should be activated.

The NIHR called on employers to limit mixing workers in workplaces and to reduce their numbers, particularly in rest rooms, waiting rooms, and changing rooms, as well as in vehicles that transport the workers within the workplace and to and from work sites.

SEA President patronises an AI virtual conference

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A virtual conference titled “Artificial Intelligence and Digital Transformation, an imperative after Coronavirus” is set to be launched under the patronage of the Sustainable Energy Authority (SEA) president, Dr Abdulhussain bin Ali Mirza.

The conference will discuss the investment of artificial intelligence (AI) and solutions it can provide to help in obstacles facing most companies, govern-

ments and individuals in light of the pandemic. It aims to address the major economic recession in many fields, including education, health, judiciary, security and personnel services sectors.

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The GEC Media Group will host the launch, at which a book of the same title will be launched too.

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