

Housing revocation overturned over lack of evidence

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The High Civil Court of Appeal overturned a lower court ruling that had revoked a citizen's entitlement to a housing unit and ordered him to vacate the property, after finding no evidence that he had abandoned it for six consecutive months.

The court confirmed that the legal condition for revocation—continuous absence from the property for more than six months—had not been met.

According to case details, the Ministry of Housing issued a decision in 2025 to withdraw the unit, claiming the beneficiary had violated housing regulations. However, the court found that official movement records showed the citizen remained in Bahrain during the disputed period.

The appellant's lawyer, Reem Al Mahari, argued that her client continued paying utility bills and carrying out maintenance work, further proving the property was not abandoned. She also requested official travel records to support the case.

Wheels Without Borders

A Porsche Cayman R Journey from Bahrain to Norway

● **Fahad Eid Adam explores the world in his own vehicle**

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A Porsche Cayman R, 22,000 kilometres, 22 countries, and one ambitious driver—Fahad Eid Adam. From the deserts of Bahrain to the snowy peaks of Norway, Fahad's Grand Tour pushed the limits of endurance, passion, and engineering.

"I couldn't believe that my dream was now a reality. That I had driven all the way from my home in Bahrain to Norway in my own Porsche," he said. Adam's journey is not just about distance; it's about exploring the world in his own vehicle, connecting with people, and proving the Cayman R's versatility across extreme climates and terrains.

The toughest challenge came during a non-stop 26-hour drive across Iraq. "I had no idea what

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we might have to face," he said. Despite the uncertainty, he and co-driver Hamad Ramadhan pushed forward, experiencing generosity and warmth from locals along the way.

Milestones

Europe offered breathtaking roads and milestones. Driving Romania's legendary Transfagarasan highway, parking at the Porsche Museum in Germany, and staying at unique accommodations in Norway created unforgettable moments. "I decided to drive it myself and, in a Porsche, and it was incredible!" Yet the adventure was not



Fahad Eid Adam with his Porsche Cayman R in Turkey



The Bahraini Cayman R Across 22 Countries

22,000

The distance Fahad Eid Adam has covered so far travelling across 22 countries.

without setbacks. Switzerland brought a major mechanical issue. "The last country I had the issue in the car... it was the most

expensive country. This is something I will not forget because it was a really bad moment for me."

Challenges

Even with challenges, Adam's ambitions continue to grow. "It would be one million kilometers."

So far, he has covered 22,000 kilometers across 22 countries, gaining international attention. Future plans include routes to Japan and the USA, aiming to cross 100 countries. Beyond mileage, he seeks human con-

nection. "I don't just want to have fun... I want to meet people, bring cultures together and share experiences."

Every kilometer reinforces his love for Porsche and fuels a mission to explore continents, meet fellow enthusiasts, and inspire others in the global Porsche community.

With thousands of kilometers still ahead, Fahad Eid Adam continues to chase a dream powered by passion, resilience, and a vision without limits. His journey proves that ambition knows no borders.

New 2026–2036 strategy to transform Bahrain's universities

● **Study in Bahrain drive**

● **Global university partnerships**

● **Higher education reforms**

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The Kingdom of Bahrain is moving forward with plans to strengthen its position as a regional and international hub

for higher education, according to the Ministry of Education and the Higher Education Council.

The update was provided in response to a parliamentary question submitted by Nancy Dina Eily Khaduri regarding national initiatives aimed at improving the quality, competitiveness, and global reach of the Kingdom's higher education sector.

National strategy

Officials highlighted the National Strategy for Higher Education and Scientific Research (2026–2036) as the key framework guiding development in the sector. The strategy focuses



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democratic reputation abroad. Among the major initiatives is the Global Standards Index, which encourages Bahraini universities to improve their

standing in international rankings such as QS World University Rankings and Times Higher Education (THE).

The "Study in Bahrain" campaign was also highlighted as a key effort to position the Kingdom as a safe and high-quality education destination, aimed at attracting outstanding international students.

Academic Cooperation

The authorities noted ongoing efforts to strengthen partnerships with leading global institutions, expand joint degree programs, and support the establishment of international

university branches in Bahrain.

The introduction of student visa facilities has further supported the growth of international enrolment and helped create a more diverse academic environment.

Bahraini higher education institutions are increasingly participating in international education exhibitions, conferences, and research forums, enhancing the Kingdom's visibility in the global academic community.

Universities are also being encouraged to host international conferences and engage more actively in global research collaboration platforms.

Hope to Young Boy

● **Story of inspiration**

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As part of the "Rest Assured, Bahrain Is Safe" initiative, the Royal Humanitarian Foundation, in collaboration with the UAE-based Make-A-Wish Foundation, fulfilled the wish of 8-year-old Zain Saleh Adnan, who suffers from cystic fibrosis.

The initiative aims to promote reassurance in society and strengthen national solidarity, coinciding with the Foundation's 25th anniversary.

Wish

The wish was granted in the presence of senior officials, and the child received the gift he had long hoped for, bringing him and his family great joy. Despite his health challenges, Zain's courage continues to inspire those around him.



Zain Saleh Adnan receives the gift from senior officials

Special prayer meeting



The Kerala Christian Ecumenical Council (KCEC) organised a special prayer meeting at St. Paul's Mar Thoma Parish in Bahrain, praying for global peace and the continued safety and stability of the Kingdom of Bahrain. The gathering included special prayers for HM King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, HRH Crown Prince and Prime Minister Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, members of the Royal Family and the Bahrain Defence Force. (By Pradeep Puravankara)