

iGA confirms validity of 'notify me' SMS

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In response to rumours on social media regarding SMS, Information and eGovernment Authority has confirmed that the messages are valid and official, being sent through telecom companies, in collaboration with TRA, as previously announced on 25th September 2019.

To verify the authenticity of the message, the user will be directed immediately to the official National Portal, www.bahrain.bh, which is the only registration platform.

iGA has urged users once again to update their contact details in order to receive official government notifications related to their government transactions via SMS and email

Users must also make sure to enter their correct mobile numbers and emails as the system will carry out an automatic confirmation process prior to registration.



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in instead of by post.

Bahrainis, residents, and GCC

citizens can avail of the service by visiting the National Portal

at Bahrain.bh, or by following the link mentioned in the SMS.

Users must also make sure to enter their correct mobile numbers and emails as the system will carry out an automatic confirmation process prior to registration.

To use the NotifyMe service on Bahrain.bh, users can login with their eKey or ID card, then select 'Register Contact

Details'.

Once the login attempt is successful, the system will request users to enter their mobile numbers and One-Time Passwords (OTP), which they will receive via SMS on the same mobile number.

They can then click on the link they receive by emails to complete the registration process.

Inmate gets three-year jail for attacking prison guard

Accused charged with attacking a prison guard while performing his official duties

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A young defendant who was convicted of beating up a prison guard has been sentenced to three more years in prison by the First High Criminal Court.

According to Prosecutors, the accused had asked the physician on duty at Dry Dock Prison clinic to give him a sedative drug or "else he would commit suicide".

"The doctor rejected his request and asked the prison guard

to take the accused to his cell. The accused turned outrageous and began beating up the guard," the Prosecutors added.

Later a group of prison guards jumped into the scene and handcuffed the accused and took him to his cell.

The accused was charged with attacking a prison guard while performing his official duties.

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A delegation from the Office of the Ombudsman, led by the Director of Monitoring of Prisons

and Detention Facilities, Hamad Salman Taqi, had recently paid a visit to the Dry Dock Detention Centre.

The visit was within the mandate of the Ombudsman Office to follow up on the activities and events provided to inmates and remand detainees to educate them religiously and culturally.

The delegation was informed about the activities, events and programmes provided by the Dry Dock Detention Centre to the remand detainees in various

cultural fields, in line with the directives of the Interior Minister, General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, and the Interior Ministry's officials.

The Monitoring of Prisons and Detention Facilities Director lauded the events and activities, noting that they reflect efforts to consolidate the respect for human rights within the detention facility, and create a positive human environment that encourages detainees to be involved in meaningful activities.

Press award praised

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Minister of Information Affairs Ali bin Mohammed Al Romaihi, the Board of Trustees Chairman of Bahrain Institute for Political Development (BIPD), praised His Royal Highness Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa's patronage of the distribution ceremony of the 4th edition of Khalifa bin Salman Press Award yesterday.

He described the event as an accolade to the impartial and objective national word and its enlightening and constructive role in serving the homeland and citizens as well as promoting noble humanitarian values in the state of law and institutions.

The Information Minister affirmed that honouring the best journalistic works for the fourth consecutive year reflects the government's support to the press and media freedom and its outstanding contribution as a key partner in defending national security and stability and promoting achievements in the prosperous era of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

He pointed out the Information Ministry's keenness to boost the national role of the media and press through seven daily and weekly newspapers, 13 monthly magazines, 124 news bulletins, six TV channels and ten radio stations.

He underscored the role of the competent and well-qualified national competencies in serving the government's action plan and the Economic Vision 2030.

Speaker attends launch of Arab Women's Rights Charter

Abu Dhabi

Council of Representatives Council Speaker Fawziya Zainal paid tribute to His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa for the landmark strides attained, enabling Bahraini women to move from the phase of empowerment to the phase of progress.

She also hailed the vision of Her Royal Highness Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa, Wife of HM the King and Supreme Council for Women (SCW) President, which contributed to Bahraini women's development and progress in all fields.

The Speaker made the statement as she attended the main session to launch the Arab Charter on Women's Rights, under the patronage of Her Highness Shaikha Fatima bint Mubarak, Chairwoman of the General Women's Union (GWU), President of the Supreme Council



Ms Zainal at the session to launch Arab Women's Rights Charter in Abu Dhabi.

for Motherhood and Childhood, and Supreme Chairwoman of the Family Development Foundation (FDF).

UAE Federal National Council (FNC) President Dr Amal Abdulla Al Qubaisi, Arab Parliament Speaker Dr Mishaal bin Fahm Al

Salami, in addition to a number of Arab and international parliamentarians and personalities.

The Speaker highlighted the launch of the National Plan for the Advancement of Bahraini Women, and the Bahraini Women's Day on the 1st of December

of each year, pointing out the centennial of formal education in Bahrain which will be celebrated this year.

She underlined the establishment of equal opportunity units in public and private sector enterprises in support of Bahraini

women's development and empowerment, highlighting the launch of the Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa Global Award for Women's Empowerment.

She lauded the strategic and solid relations binding the Kingdom of Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates, led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al-Khalifa and UAE President His Highness Shaikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al-Nahyan.

She also praised cooperation between Her Royal Highness Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa, Wife of HM the King and Supreme Council for Women (SCW) President and HH Shaikha Fatima bint Mubarak, Chairwoman of the General Women's Union (GWU), President of the Supreme Council for Motherhood and Childhood, and Supreme Chairwoman of the Family Development Foundation (FDF).



Dr Al Nuaimi addresses the session.

Bahrain congratulated over achievements in edu sector

Muscat

Education Minister, Higher Education Council (HEC) President Dr Majid Al Nuaimi led Bahrain's delegation to the 19th meeting of the GCC Higher Education and Scientific Research Ministers' Committee in Muscat, Oman.

Oman's Minister of Higher Education Rawiya bint Saud Al Busaidia addressed the opening ceremony, welcoming ministers and members of the accompanying delegations.

She stressed the importance of the meeting in consolidating the GCC cooperation in the field of higher education and human research.

Gulf Co-operation Council (GCC) Secretary-General Dr Abdullatif bin Rashid Alzayani also addressed the session, thanking the Sultanate of Oman for hosting the meeting of the GCC Higher Education and Scientific Research Ministers' Committee.

He also congratulated the Kingdom of Bahrain on the centenary of the inception of the formal education.