

Young Talent Brings Dramatic Makeup to Life

Sixth-grade student develops cinematic makeup skills through self-learning

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Zainab Abbas Ahmed, a sixth-grade student at Karrana Primary Girls' School in Bahrain, has developed a growing talent in dramatic, theatrical, and cinematic makeup arts. Her journey began in early primary school, and she has since advanced her skills through continuous practice, self-learning, and strong support from her school and family.

Zainab's story highlights the importance of nurturing creative talent at an early age within schools. Supported by the Ministry of Education's focus on empowering student creativity in public schools, her progress reflects how structured encouragement and access to resources can help young students transform hobbies into potential future careers in the arts.

Her interest in makeup artistry began in Grade One, when she started experimenting with simple face painting and basic artistic designs. Over time, her interest developed into a deeper passion for realistic and expressive makeup styles, particularly in dramatic and



"My art teacher played a key role in my journey. She supported me, guided me, and gave me the tools I needed to improve. That encouragement helped me develop my creativity further and explore more advanced techniques."

- ZAINAB ABBAS AHMED

cinematic effects.

The school played a significant role in her development, providing guidance, materials, and opportunities to showcase her work during school events.



This environment allowed her to refine her skills and gain confidence in her artistic abilities.

She continues to develop her skills through practice and learning, balancing her studies with her artistic interests. Her work has already gained attention within her school community, which has given her opportunities to participate in creative activities and school productions.

Dramatic and cinematic makeup is a specialized field often used in theatre, film, and television to create character transformations and visual storytelling effects. For a student at primary level, developing such skills early demonstrates both artistic potential and strong creative discipline.

Her aspirations extend beyond school activities, as she hopes to one day have her name credited in major film, theatre, and television productions. She also expressed interest in using her skills in charitable and community-based initiatives, combining art with social impact.

With continued support and dedication, Zainab Abbas Ahmed represents a new generation of young Bahraini creatives whose talents are being shaped early, pointing toward a promising future in the region's artistic and cultural industries.

New Security Complex Planned for Madinat Salman



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A new security complex in Madinat Salman's Block 580 will ease pressure on public service centres and cut trips between government offices, Northern Municipal Council member Bassem AbuDrees has said.

The Salman City Security Complex, he said, would bring related services into one site, helping residents finish paperwork faster and with less strain on existing offices in the Northern Governorate.

Mr AbuDrees said the project was needed as Madinat Salman grows, with new housing and a rising population adding more demand for nearby services.

He said placing the services in one compound would spare residents repeated journeys between separate government bodies, improving access and reducing waiting time.

The move would also help ease traffic on main roads and busy areas, he added, as fewer visitors would need to trav-



Bassem AbuDrees, Northern Municipal Council member

el from one office to another across the governorate.

The site in Block 580 was chosen after the Ministry of Housing and Urban Planning allocated land for the project. Mr AbuDrees said the plot was fit for such a government facility and matched the area's growth plans.

He said the idea had first been raised by municipal council member Mohammed Saad Al Dosari, who proposed building it in Block 581, before the current site in Block 580 was adopted.

Mr AbuDrees thanked those behind community proposals that serve the public, saying the project would improve services for residents of Madinat Salman and the wider Northern Governorate.

Education Drive Boosts Student Success

Officials say success reflects coordinated national education efforts

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MPs Mohsen Al Asbool and Dr Hisham Al Ashiri praised Bahrain's 96 per cent secondary school pass rate, describing it as a sign of continued progress in the Kingdom's education sector.

The lawmakers said the strong results reflected the combined efforts of students, families and educators, alongside the leadership of Education Minister Dr Mohammed bin Mubarak Juma.

They also praised the minister's decision to personally congratulate top-performing students, saying the gesture encouraged academic excellence and motivated students to achieve more.

The MPs expressed appreciation to His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and His



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Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince and Prime Minister, for their continued support of the education sector.

They added that preparations for the 2026-2027 academic year are already under way, with authorities working on logistical and organisational plans to ensure schools are fully

prepared. The MPs also welcomed the introduction of a new academic calendar, saying it would help families and educators plan more effectively.

They said the 96 per cent pass rate reflects coordinated efforts across Bahrain's education system and wished students continued success in the future.

Hamad Town Traffic Woes Prompt Junction Review Calls

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Daily traffic congestion in parts of Hamad Town has renewed calls for authorities to reconsider plans for a proposed junction aimed at easing pressure on residents.

Municipal councillor Abdulla Al Qubaisi said he is seeking a review of a proposal to construct a roundabout, intersection or traffic island at the



Abdulla Al Qubaisi

junction of Road 3 and Road 30.

He said the alternative location would improve traffic flow and road safety for residents of Blocks 1205, 1018 and 1016, who

use the route daily.

Al Qubaisi urged the Ministry of Works to carry out a comprehensive traffic study, warning that the ministry's current proposal may only benefit a limited section of the area while leaving congestion issues unresolved.

He added that the proposed intersection at Roads 3 and 30 would provide smoother vehicle movement, reduce delays during peak hours and improve access to residential areas for a larger number of residents.

Police Chief receives Canadian security adviser



Police Chief, Lieutenant General Tareq bin Hassan Al Hassan, received the Security Adviser at the Embassy of Canada accredited to the Kingdom and resident in Riyadh, Bridget Fournier, on Tuesday morning. At the start of the meeting, the Police Chief welcomed the Canadian official and highlighted the importance of strengthening joint cooperation and coordination between the two sides.

He stressed that enhanced collaboration and the exchange of expertise in security-related fields would support shared objectives and contribute to improving overall security efforts.

Manama Reaffirms Cooperation with Nepal



Shaikh Hisham bin Abdulrahman Al Khalifa, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Interior for Nationality, Passports and Residence Affairs, met with Tirtha Raj Wagle in Manama.

During the meeting, both sides reviewed the state of relations between Bahrain and Nepal, and discussed ways to en-

hance coordination and cooperation in areas of mutual interest.

Officials emphasised the importance of continued collaboration to support shared interests and deepen ties between the two friendly nations. They also addressed a range of topics and issues of common concern during the discussions.

Bahrain and Pakistan discussed military coordination

National Guard Chief, Lieutenant General Shaikh Mohammed bin Isa Al Khalifa, met the Chief of Air Staff of the Pakistan Air Force, Air Chief Marshal Zaheer Ahmed Babar Sidhu, during an official visit to Islamabad.

During the talks, Shaikh Mohammed praised the continued development of Bahrain-Pakistan relations, highlighting what he described as "advanced levels" of military coop-

eration between the two countries.

He stressed the importance of exchanging expertise and further strengthening coordination across military and defence fields.

The Pakistani Air Force chief welcomed the visit, describing it as significant in reinforcing military ties between the two countries, and reaffirmed Islamabad's commitment to expanding cooperation.

