

Chery Bahrain Hosts 2nd International Skills Contest, Reinforcing Service Excellence

Chery Bahrain hosted the 2nd Chery International Skills Contest, bringing together skilled professionals from across Chery's network in the Middle East. A total of 9 countries participated in this international showcase of expertise, professionalism and service excellence.

Hosting the international competition in Bahrain for the second time reflected the strength of Chery's local operations and the Kingdom's growing role within the brand's wider network. It also provided an opportunity to bring international expertise and best practices into the local market, enabling Chery Bahrain's teams to benchmark their capabilities against wider Chery standards.

Building on the success of the inaugural edition, this year's competition expanded to include both Technician and Service Advisor categories, placing greater emphasis on the complete after-sales journey, from technical expertise to customer service and communication. The competition also encouraged con-

tinuous learning and knowledge sharing among professionals across Chery's service network.

Participants were evaluated through practical and knowledge-based challenges covering key areas of technical and service delivery. Technicians demonstrated their capabilities in areas such as diagnosis, inspection and repair quality, while service advisors were assessed across key stages of the customer journey, including understanding customer needs, service delivery and

communication.

Following the competition, Hamzeh Afsan from Jordan was crowned champion in the Technician category, followed by Ali Hantoosh from Bahrain as first runner-up and Mohamed Hassan from Egypt as second runner-up. In the Service Advisor category, Jameel Ali from Bahrain secured first place, followed by Mahesh Krishnan from Qatar and Amanda Alshair from Kuwait as first and second runners-up, respectively.

The competition formed part of Chery

Bahrain's continued investment in its people and aftersales capabilities. By creating opportunities for its teams to learn, exchange expertise and measure themselves against international standards, Chery Bahrain continues to strengthen service quality and equip its people to deliver a consistently high-quality customer experience, ultimately building greater confidence in the brand.



American Mission Hospital and British University of Bahrain Sign Memorandum of Understanding

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American Mission Hospital (AMH) and the British University of Bahrain (BUB) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to strengthen collaboration in education, healthcare, professional development, research, and community engagement.

The MOU was signed at the King Hamad American Mission Hospital (KHAMH) by Dr. George Cheriyan, Corporate Chief Executive Officer of American Mission Hospital, on behalf of AMH, and Dr. Ebrahim M. Janahi, President of the British University of Bahrain, on behalf of BUB.

The partnership will provide



opportunities for BUB students to undertake internships, practical training opportunities and observation experiences at KHAMH, while facilitating knowledge-sharing through joint workshops, seminars, guest lectures and professional devel-

opment initiatives.

The collaboration will also support joint awareness and community outreach campaigns focused on health, wellbeing and psychology-related knowledge, as well as opportunities for collaborative research, publications and applied studies.

This strategic partnership reflects the shared commitment of American Mission Hospital and the British University of Bahrain to developing future professionals, encouraging knowledge exchange and contributing positively to the wider community.

American Mission Hospital looks forward to a productive partnership that supports student development, advances knowledge, and strengthens community engagement.



Police warn children over fake online profiles

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Parents should promise children they will not punish them or cut their screen time for reporting an online stranger, a senior police officer has said.

Colonel Dr Osama Bahar, head of Hidd Police Station, said children must know they can tell their parents about messages or pictures from strangers without fearing punishment or losing time on their phones, tablets or games.

In a video message published on the Interior Ministry's media platforms, he asked parents to hand the device to their children after making that promise first.

'Tell your beautiful princess and your little man: "I promise, as your father or mother, that I will stand by you and I will not punish you over any word or picture sent by a stranger,"' he said.

He also asked parents to promise that reporting such contact would not lead to less screen time.

Colonel Dr Bahar then addressed children directly.

'Any stranger you do not know, do not talk to them on



any programme, any game or any app,' he said.

If a stranger gets in touch, children should screenshot the messages and pictures, make no reply and show them to their parents.

Colonel Dr Bahar told the story of a boy in the United States who began talking online to



Colonel Osama Bahar
- Head of Hidd Police Station

someone he believed was a girl. Those behind the account learnt which school he attended, where he lived and who his parents were. The boy also sent a picture of himself and received an inappropriate picture in return.

He later discovered that the account was being run by three men from another continent.

'Behind the picture of a pretty girl was a group of monsters who wanted to harm the boy in any way they could,' Colonel Dr Bahar said.

He said something bad later happened to the boy, but did not say what.

Colonel Dr Bahar urged children to think of themselves as brave and smart enough to refuse contact from strangers and tell their parents what had happened.

'A hero is someone who is not afraid, who screenshots everything a stranger sends, does not reply at all and tells his mother and father about anything he receives,' he said.

From The Court

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22 Drug Capsules Recovered From Suspect

An Asian man was arrested at Bahrain airport after authorities received confidential information that he planned to smuggle drugs into the Kingdom concealed inside his body. An alert was issued to air entry points after investigations identified the suspect and his expected arrival.

The man was handed over to the Anti-Narcotics Directorate and admitted hiding the drugs inside his body.

He was taken to a hospital, where 22 capsules were removed in two batches. Bahraini and Gulf currencies were also found in his possession.

Investigations linked him to an organised drug-trafficking network. The Public Prosecution charged him with importing and possessing narcotic drugs for trafficking and personal use. The High Criminal Court will issue its judgment on September 29.

One-Year Jail Term for Offensive Posts

The Lower Criminal Court sentenced a defendant to one year in prison and ordered the confiscation of his mobile phone after he published social media posts containing offensive remarks about Islamic figures.

The case began after the Cybercrime Combating Directorate reported the posts to the Public Prosecution, noting that they had been widely circulated and could incite discord and undermine social cohesion.

The defendant admitted publishing the posts during questioning. The Cybercrime



Prosecution said it would continue to take firm action against the unlawful use of social media, including offences involving religious figures and sanctities.

Two Sisters Jailed Over 77 Stolen-Card Phones

Two sisters have had their four-year prison sentences upheld by the Court of Cassation after being convicted of laundering more than BD21,000 linked to the purchase and sale of 77 mobile phones using stolen credit card details.

The case came to light after an electronics retailer noticed suspicious transactions in which phones were paid for from an Arab country but delivered to people in Bahrain. Investigations traced the deliveries to the sisters, who allegedly received and sold the phones before transferring proceeds to a man abroad.



Financial investigations found that more than BD21,000 was transferred through exchange houses and other individuals to conceal the source of the money. The first defendant, who remains at large, was separately sentenced in absentia to six years in prison and a BD100,000 fine.