

# Death sentence for Sudanese murderer

Indian national was brutally murdered by the convict

● **During the hearing, the accused had told court that he committed the act “out of his love for Bahrain”.**

● **To manipulate investigators, he is said to have written slogans on the walls of the apartment to frame a particular sect in the murder and walk free.**

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A Sudanese national was sentenced to death yesterday by the First High Criminal Court for murdering an Indian national in the Capital Governorate last year.

The court also ordered to im-

prison him for five years.

The defendant had earlier confessed to killing the Indian victim, 31 years old Abdul Nahas, after seeing him “walking drunk on the road”.

The gruesome killing was shocking as the 41-year-old tortured his victim, raped him and videotaped the process.

The Defence Attorney, Mohammed Bumtai, pleaded that his client isn't guilty, as medical reports proved he isn't mentally fit at the time when the crime took place, claiming that he wasn't responsible for his actions.

The details of the case show that the defendant had murdered the victim after encountering him on a public road at dawn.

He also sodomised him while he was dying, according to medical reports. The report stated that the victim was strangled to death after he was beaten up.

The defendant told the pros-



Abdul Nahas ... the victim

ecutors earlier that he killed the victim out of his “love for Bahrain” and refusal to see drunk men walking publicly.

He said that he had come to Bahrain in search of a job and that he was a holder of a medical engineering certificate.

“I was looking for a job and my sister works as a doctor at a hospital here. Her employers sponsored me for some time, but I couldn't find a job,” the defendant said in his statements.

“I didn't have any relationship

with the victim. I saw him on the day of the incident at dawn and he was drunk. I was talking with my Bahraini friends on the road and I stopped him.

“I asked him about his religion because I love Bahrain and I don't like to see drunk people walking in public. I ordered him to show me his identity card, but he ran away,” he explained.

The man claimed that he enquired in the neighbourhood and learnt where the victim lived. “I went to his apartment because I wanted to advise him.

“He opened the door for me and I entered the apartment. He locked the door and started attacking me. I responded in self-defence,” he alleged.

Court files showed that the defendant then proceeded with torturing the victim and later killing him.

To mislead investigators, he is said to have written slogans on the walls of the apartment with



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an intention to get people belonging to a certain sect indicted in the murder.

“I decided to pour chlorine on the body of the victim because I saw in movies that they were using chemicals to conceal the traces of crimes.

“I also poured alcohol and powder all around the apartment. Before I left I wrote some slogans on the walls to mislead investigators,” he added.

‘Rapunzel’ event set



An event poster.

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In partnership with the Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities (BACA), the US Embassy has announced the visit of Missoula Children Theatre (MCT) members Adam Ferguson and Grace McGeoch to the Kingdom to present a series of workshops, conduct auditions for children, and perform the popular children's play “Rapunzel”.

The official performance of “Rapunzel” will be held today at the Cultural Hall at 7:00 pm. The event is free and open to the public.

MCT is an American non-profit organisation deeply attuned to the important role the arts play in all communities, a statement issued by the US Embassy said.

MCT highlights the power of creativity, a commitment to excellence, and the belief that theatre facilitates the universal desire to connect, the statement added.

## Court acquits teacher charged with leaking final exam papers

Acquittal ruling came after the teacher proves her innocence before the court

● **Education Ministry discovered the matter and lodged a complaint to the Public Prosecution.**

● **The teacher was accused of divulging secrets by the Public Prosecution.**

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The First High Criminal Court has acquitted a female public school teacher, who was facing trial for allegedly leaking the questions and answers of a final exam, earlier this year.

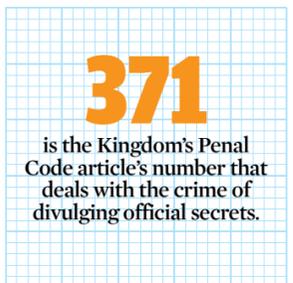
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was proven in the court that the teacher wasn't aware that the exam wasn't conducted and that she immediately deleted it from the parents' WhatsApp group to which she had forwarded them.

As reported by Tribune earlier, the intermediate school teacher apparently took pictures of the finalexam questions of the seventh grade and sent it using WhatsApp to some of her students and their parents before they underwent the exam.

According to Southern Governorate Chief Prosecutor Noor Shehab, Education Ministry discovered the matter and lodged a complaint to the Public Prosecution, which completed its investigation into the matter and referred the case to the criminal court.

Ms Shehab confirmed that the prosecution interrogated the suspect, heard witnesses'



testimonies and viewed the evidence. The woman confessed to her crime after she was confronted with the evidence.

The teacher was accused of divulging secrets, a crime that is subjected to the punishments mentioned in Article 371 of the Kingdom's Penal Code.

Article 371 of the Penal Code stipulates: “A punishment of imprisonment for a period not exceeding one year or a fine not exceeding BD100 shall be

inflicted on a person who divulges a secret entrusted there-to in his official capacity trade, profession or art in conditions other than those prescribed by the law or uses it for his personal benefit or for the benefit of another person, unless the person concerned with the secret allows the divulgence or use thereof.”

However, the article stipulates that the punishment is severe in the case of public servants, similarly to the defendant who's a teacher at a public school.

“The punishment shall be imprisonment for a period not exceeding five years if the perpetrator is a public servant or an officer entrusted with a public service to whom the secret has been confided during, because or by reason of performing his duties or service,” Article 371 states.

‘Bahrain keen on enhancing ties with Asian countries’



Ms Zainal receives Mr Padam Sundas.

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Speaker of the Council of Representatives, Fawzia Zainal, has stressed Bahrain's high-level interest in bolstering Asian co-operation and enhancing bilateral relations at all levels to consolidate common Bahraini-Asian interests during His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa's prosperous era.

While receiving the Nepalese Ambassador to Bahrain, Padam Sundas yesterday, the speaker noted that the relevant Asian legislative councils and parliaments are required to unify and co-ordinate their efforts aimed at achieving the aspirations of Asian countries

and peoples through supporting joint economic and investment projects and coordinating parliamentary stances at international gatherings through the Asian Parliamentary Assembly.

She also discussed with the envoy ways to enhance bilateral parliamentary relations and activate joint parliamentary friendship committees, lauding the distinguished relations between the two countries and their friendly peoples.

Ambassador Padam Sundas expressed his country's pride in its strong relations with Bahrain, and its keenness to bolster co-operation with it.

He also lauded the progress boom witnessed by the kingdom in various fields.

## BRAVE CF ‘London event, a total game changer’

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Amidst Brave Combat Federation high-profile show in London fast-approaching, BRAVE CF President Mohammed Shahid has pointed out that the event will showcase the sport in a different light, and to a new audience, and that this strategy will empower mixed

martial arts in Europe and in the world, changing it for the better.

“When we go to London, we're going to showcase an event capable of connecting people, and we will make sure mixed martial arts is never looked at the same. We want to change perceptions about the sport, we want everyone to see MMA as something



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“Mixed martial arts is not only a great and exciting sport, not only the most global sport out there, not only the fastest-growing, but it is also a sport that has equal power, that can bring government, business, advertisers and revenue-generating industries under one roof, into one sport,” commented Shahid.

Recently, the Sports Ministry of France announced MMA would become legal in the country starting January 1st, 2020.

The news has come at a great time for BRAVE CF, and the promotion has its eyes set on going to a host of different countries, including France, in the next years.