

# Owner under remand as inquiry into unlicensed bakery steps up

Bakery was allegedly being run in a highly unhygienic condition

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An unlicensed bakery, which was shut down two days ago for flouting rules continues to be under investigation with its owner now remanded in custody, it is learnt.

The bakery which was being run in an unhygienic environment came under controversy after a video of its unhygienic environment went viral on social media.

The bakery in the Southern Governorate was closed down as it did not possess the required licences to be operational. It reportedly, was also in bad shape.

The owner of the shop has been charged with running a business without the required

paperwork and dealing with food without a permit.

He was also charged with selling eatables that could be harmful to health. Samples of the food will be examined by the concerned authorities, according to the Public Prosecution.

It is not known how long the bakery has been operational. No complaints of food poisoning are known to have been filed against the bakery.

According to sources, the building the bakery was situated in also housed a large number of workers.

“Following what was published on social media about the bakery, an investigation was done. The Public Health Department at the Ministry of Health sent a team to visit the bakery.



A notice pasted on the bakery by Health Ministry officials.



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“During the visit, the shop was found to be unlicensed and being run illegally. The building was also used to house workers.

“The ministry extend its gratitude to the videographer who spread awareness about the bakery with concern about consumer safety,” the Ministry stated.

A similar controversy had taken place in August last year when a citizen videotaped a slaughterhouse in Demistan accusing the business for having poor hygiene standards.

The video was followed by allegations that dogs were being slaughtered at the shop.

The Department of Consumer Protection within the Industry, Commerce and Tourism Ministry carried out an inspection following this, the inspections found the dog meat allegations were baseless. However, the slaughterhouse was found to be unlicensed and unhygienic.

## King Faisal Prize winners named

Riyadh

In the presence of Prince Khalid Al Faisal, Advisor to the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, Governor of Makkah Region and Chairman of the King Faisal International Prize Commission, the General Secretariat of the Prize has announced the winners of its 41st session.

King Faisal Prize for the Service of Islam was given to International University of Africa in Sudan. King Faisal Prize for Arabic Language and Literature was given to Dr Abdelali Mohamed Oudrhiri (Morocco) and Dr Mahmoud Fahmy Hegazi (Egypt).

King Faisal Prize for Medicine was given to Professor Steven L Teitelbaum (US) and Professor Bjorn Reino Olsen (US) and King Faisal Science Prize was given to Professor Allen Joseph Bard (US) and Professor Jean M J

Frechet (US).

The King Faisal Prize for Islamic Studies was withheld because the candidate works did not fulfil the criteria, the commission said.

Launched by the King Faisal Foundation (KFF) and granted for the first time in 1979, the King Faisal Prize (KFP) recognises the outstanding works of individuals and institutions in five major categories: Service to Islam, Islamic Studies, Arabic Language and Literature, Medicine, and Science.

Its aim is to benefit Muslims in their present and future, inspire them to participate in all aspects of civilisation, as well as enrich human knowledge and develop mankind.

KFP winners are evaluated only based on merit and their works are meticulously examined by specialised selection committees.

## ‘Credit card fraud’ arrested

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The Director-General of Anti-Corruption and Economic and Electronic Security announced yesterday the arrest of an Asian with forged credit cards.

The man was arrested after the police launched a probe into the case following a complaint by an international bank, which has a branch in the Kingdom.

The suspect was identified and arrested within 24 hours of the reporting of the case.

The cards, money and devices, computers and smartphones suspected to be used in the forging were confiscated.

He said that legal proceedings are taken to refer the case to the Public Prosecutor.



The suspect along with gadgets and currency notes seized from him.

## Curtain falls on Janadria Festival

Riyadh

Saudi Arabia's National Festival of Heritage and Culture, Janadria, has come to a close.

The festival, in its 33rd Edition, was opened under the patronage of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, on December 20.

The festival, held by the Ministry of National Guard under the theme ‘Faithfulness and Loyalty’ has been a great success for the past 21 days, organisers said.

Janadriya featured an integrated system of cultural, heritage, artistic, sporting and entertainment activities in addition to the pavilions of ministries, agencies and institutions, Gulf Co-operation Council (GCC) countries and Indonesia, the guest of honour. It also featured participations



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vilions.

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and reflected the national unity of the citizens who met in Al Janadria and gained significant insights into the civilisation of the Kingdom.

The event highlighted the Kingdom's history, its status, its achievements, its diverse cultures, the legacy of its people and its place, opening a window on its promising and prosperous future, under the guidance

and support of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud and His Royal Highness Prince Mohammed bin Salman bin Abdulaziz, Crown Prince, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defence.

More than 150 government institutions and sectors took part in the festival.

Visitors to Janadria also learnt about tourist attractions and archaeological areas throughout the Kingdom through the pavilion of the National Authority for Tourism and National Heritage through displaying screens, brochures and publications.

For the first time this year, the General Authority for Entertainment participated with a pavilion in which it presented a definition of its role in organising the entertainment sector.