

Asian jailed for murder

Sentence upheld in murder case

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The First High Appellate Court has upheld the verdict issued against a youth for attacking a 31-year-old Asian over a traffic dispute in Khamis.

A Lower Court had earlier handed down 22 years imprisonment to the youth in the case. The victim suffered permanent disabilities in the attack, according to prosecutors. The accused was charged with attacking the Asian apart from illegally possessing weapon.

A medical report confirmed the disabilities suffered by the victim in the attack after receiving blows at the hands of the accused.

The victim was stabbed to death following a dispute

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The High Criminal Court has sentenced a 38-year-old Asian to 10 years in jail for murdering a fellow Asian.

According to court details, the victim was stabbed to death following a dispute with the accused.

The accused had not pleaded guilty in the court.

Public Prosecutors said that both the accused and the victim were in an inebriated state when the crime happened.

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and suddenly there was a dispute.

“The victim slapped the accused in his face, infuriating him.

“In a fit of rage, the accused took a knife and stabbed the victim, leading to

serious injuries,” the Prosecutors added.

Both the accused and the victim were construction labourers.

The police arrested the accused next day morning.

A witnesses, who was living in the same accommodation facility, which housed the accused and the victim, testified before the court.

He said he woke up after hearing a loud cry and saw the victim lying in a pool of his blood.

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Manama

Labour and Social Development Minister Jameel Humaidan yesterday received board members of the Al Naim Charity Society, led by chairman Hameed Youssef Rahma, who outlined plans to increase assistance to needy families and launch youth-centred educational and training activities.

The meeting focused on challenges facing the Al

Naim Charity Society and the need to facilitate measures so as it could perform its social and charity role and collect donations to help needy families.

The minister commended the contribution of the charity association to providing services and promoting social, humanitarian and charity work, hailing the role of non-governmental institutions in supporting development.

He reiterated the ministry's keenness on supporting NGO-led efforts and alleviating impediments facing them within the framework of law.

He also hailed efforts to consolidate the principles of community partnership between state-run institutions and NGOs in Bahrain.

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Chief of Public Security visits Saudi traffic operation rooms



Maj Gen Al Hassan having talks with Saudi officials.

Riyadh

Chief of Public Security, Major-General Tariq Al Hassan has visited the Operations Room of the General Directorate of Traffic of the Saudi Interior Ministry.

The visit was on the side-line

of the joint security committee meeting between Bahraini and Saudi interior ministries.

Maj Gen Al Hassan was briefed on techniques to control the traffic signals and methods to deal with traffic jams, along with traffic monitoring that included the use of smart cameras across the greater Riyadh to detect violations and

track violators.

He also visited the Unified Security Operation Centres (911) of the ministry that is equipped with state-of-art devices.

The centre is dedicated to providing security services and issuing security reports and statistics for the ministry's various departments, and to following up on

emergency cases.

The Chief hailed the efforts of Saudi police to uphold security, public order and law enforcement through providing the best services.

The Interior Ministry delegation that accompanied Al Hassan included the President of Customs and senior officials.

Entrepreneurs aim to boost quality of life

Riyadh

Seventeen startup businesses, the development of which was supported by Saudi investment company Wadi Makkah's Nomo incubator, were introduced to the public this week during a showcase titled Rabi' Al-Wadi (The Valley's Spring).

Each startup organized various activities during the event, which took place on Jan. 9 and 10, reflecting the services they offer, many of which are aimed at families and improving social responsibility. These included workshops, competitions, consultations, lectures and bazaars.

One of the workshops, titled “Be Your Own Beauty Consultant,” offered women between the ages of 18 and 50 advice on choosing the right outfit to achieve the perfect look and introduced them to techniques for successful shopping



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and closet arrangement. “The Little Robot” workshop, meanwhile, introduced children between the ages of 5 and 14

to robotics. They were shown how to assemble a robot and then given the chance to compete in a robot building

contest.

Other activities included support and advice sessions for mothers about raising children, and an introduction to the mechanisms and benefits of the “Economy of Communion,” an international initiative that aims to tackle social problems by creating businesses designed to become integral parts of their communities.

Dr. Talal Al-Maghribi, the acting CEO of Wadi Makkah, said that the event is designed to help startups incubated by Nomo begin to make a lasting contribution to society and, through the workshops and activities presented by qualified professionals, educate people about ways in which they can improve their lifestyles.

“Seventeen of the startups of Wadi Makkah's incubator have not yet entered the market and will stay in the incubator for 10 more days,” said

Al-Maghribi. “The work of some of these startups is focused on community leadership, while others provide Hajj and Umrah services, in addition to consulting firms for workshops, and auto parts.”

He added that the event gave the startups a chance to introduce themselves and the services they offer to potential customers before they launch.

Wadi Makkah begins an incubator program every six months to develop new businesses, Al-Maghribi said, not all of which make it to the market. Of those that do, some have enjoyed remarkable growth, he added.

The successfully launched businesses include one that provides social media analysis services to ministries, and another that analyzes congestion at Saudi airports. Some have also attracted investment from international companies.