

Hope Promoted as Path to Peace and Coexistence



Bahrain marked the International Day of Hope with a renewed call to promote tolerance, dialogue and lasting peace, as the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the King Hamad Global Centre for Peaceful Coexistence and Tolerance highlighted hope as a foundation for building inclusive societies.

His Excellency Dr. Shaikh Abdullah bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, Minister of Transportation and Communications, said Bahrain's vision places hope at the centre of collective action based on trust, mutual respect and solidarity. He added that hope remains a key principle of Bahrain's Declaration on Freedom of Religion and Belief, supporting human dignity and peaceful coexistence.

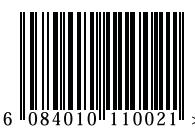
Mawrooth Brings Heritage Experience



The Bahrain Inherited Traditional Sports Committee (Mawrooth) will participate in Youth City 2030, presenting its "Heritage School" programme to introduce young people to Bahrain's traditions and strengthen national identity.

The interactive programme will feature lessons on Bahrain's land and maritime heritage, including pearl diving, traditional fishing, rowing, Arabian horses, falconry, salukis and camel culture. Mawrooth Chief Executive Tariq Juma Salem said the initiative reflects the committee's commitment to preserving heritage and passing it on to future generations.

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Record-Breaking Youth City 2030 Kicks Off Today

From 5,309 to over 6,000—Youth City 2030 sets new benchmarks this summer

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Bahrain's Youth City 2030 officially opens today, marking its 15th and largest-ever edition, which offers 256 training programmes and more than 10,650 training opportunities for young Bahrainis.

The milestone launch followed an inspection visit by Marwan Fouad Kamal, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Youth Affairs, who toured the city's facilities to verify the readiness of the programmes, facilities, and organising teams before the opening.

This year's edition, organised by the Ministry of Youth Affairs in partnership with the Labour Fund (Tamkeen), is set to attract over 6,000 participants aged nine to 35—up from 5,309 in 2025. The programme lineup includes over 150 new training offerings, with opportunities rising sharply from 6,953 last year.

Five Centres, 105-Plus Partners

Youth City 2030 operates across five main centres—Entrepreneurship and Leadership, Arts and Culture, Science and Technology, Media and Digital



His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa visited Youth City 2030 during last year's edition.

Programmes	: 256 (150+ new)
Training opportunities	: 10,650
Participants expected	: 6,000+ (aged 9-35)
Centres	: Entrepreneurship & Leadership Arts & Culture Science & Technology Media & Digital Innovation Sports City
Partners	: 105+ public, private and civil society organisations
Strategic partner	: Tamkeen (Labour Fund)
Founded	: 2010, by Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa

Innovation, and Sports City—supported by more than 105 public, private, and civil society partners.

Kamal said the initiative con-

tinues to reflect the vision of HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, His Majesty the King's Representative for Humanitarian Work and Youth Affairs, by



investing in Bahraini youth and preparing them for the future.

A Vision Since 2010

Founded in 2010 on the initiative of HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Youth City 2030 was established to discover youth talent and position young Bahrainis as the first choice in the labour market.

Kamal urged young people to make full use of the training opportunities on offer, expressing confidence in the teams behind what has become one of Bahrain's flagship national youth initiatives.



Bahrain in Talks Over Formula One Return in October

Grand Prix could slot in between Baku and Singapore, but green light hinges on easing of US-Iran tensions

Bahrain is in active discussions over the possible restoration of its Formula One Grand Prix this season, with October 3 and 4 emerging as the most likely dates if regional tensions continue to ease.

Noor Alkhulaif, Minister of Sustainable Development and chief executive of the Bahrain Economic Development Board, told Reuters that no decision had been reached, but the kingdom remained under consideration. She said any return would first require a meaningful reduction in tensions between the United States and Iran.

Formula One sources told Reuters the race would slot between the Azerbaijan Grand Prix in Baku and the Singapore Grand Prix on October 11, giving organisers a narrow but work-



Noor Alkhulaif, Minister of Sustainable Development



Regional tourists made up around 90% of Bahrain's 15 million visitors last year, nearing pre-war recovery levels.



ble window. F1 chief executive Stefano Domenicali had previously confirmed the sport was seeking to reinstate at least one of the two cancelled Middle East rounds, telling Sky Sports an announcement would follow once conditions allowed. Sky Sports reported Bahrain as the stronger of the two candidates.

A final call must be made

ahead of the championship's summer break in August to allow teams, race staff, and logistics firms sufficient time to prepare. Alkhulaif also noted that tourist arrivals from nearby countries had recovered to near pre-war levels, with regional visitors accounting for roughly 90 per cent of the 15 million people who travelled to Bahrain last year.

Bahraini Woman Dies in Saudi Bus Accident



The Bahrain Embassy in Saudi Arabia is closely following up on a bus accident involving a Bahraini family travelling from Makkah to Madinah, in coordination with the relevant Saudi authorities.

An official source at the embassy confirmed that the accident resulted in the death of a Bahraini woman and injuries to three citizens. The injured individuals are reported to be in stable condition and are receiving the necessary medical care. The embassy is providing consular support and working to complete procedures, including facilitating their return to Bahrain.

In a separate incident, a vehicle carrying a seven-member Bahraini family was involved in a traffic accident in Hawtat Bani Tamim, located about 160 kilometres south of Riyadh. The accident resulted in the death of a child, while the remaining family members are receiving treatment at Hawtat Bani Tamim Hospital. The embassy continues to coordinate with Saudi authorities to follow up on their condition and related procedures.

The earlier bus accident involved 18 passengers travelling from Makkah to Madinah. Two of the injured citizens remain under treatment at King Fahd Hospital in Madinah, accompanied by their mothers, while 13 Bahraini citizens are preparing to return to the Kingdom.

Two-Week Bridge Lane Closures Begin



Some lanes on Shaikh Isa bin Salman Bridge will be closed in stages for a period of two weeks.

The closures are part of planned works. Road users are urged to follow traffic instructions, comply with directional signs and use alternative routes where necessary to ensure smooth traffic flow.