

# Medical negligence probed

Baby girl, 4, allegedly suffers burn injuries after medical procedure at SMC

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An investigation is underway after a four-month-old baby allegedly suffered "burn injuries" following a medical procedure at Salmaniya Medical Complex (SMC).

The baby's mother had filed a complaint against the medical staff at SMC, according to sources.

The child's mother Zahraa has urged the authorities to hold people responsible following the incident.

She said that medical negligence by the healthcare professional resulted in the issue. She claimed that the staff concealed the error.

The Ministry of Health has stated that the incident will be investigated.

The ministry issued the statement after a report was published on February 10 in our sister paper Al Ayam.

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have been taken very seriously in the Kingdom.

Tribune recently reported that the High Administrative

Court upheld the decision of the National Health Regulatory Authority (NHRA) to suspend a dentist for six months after he

allegedly failed to provide necessary treatment to a woman.

The latter suffered severe complications and she needed

surgical intervention to prevent her teeth from falling, according to Prosecutors.

The doctor filed a case against NHRA's disciplinary decision to suspend him for six months following his alleged blunder, which caused his patient to undergo treatment for a longer period.

He pointed out that the patient didn't follow the treatment plan and resorted to another doctor to remove the braces.

The court stated in its ruling that the doctor flopped in his endeavour to handle the woman's case and he failed to deal with the complications that arose during the treatment.

It pointed out to the NHRA's decision, which was taken unanimously by the probe panel.

The Department of Healthcare Professional Regulation manages the registration and licensing, and renewal of licence for all practising health professionals in the Kingdom.

## Charity society planned in Salman City

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A charity society could soon be established in Salman City, according to recent developments.

The Ministry of Labour and Social Development along with MP Fatima Abbas Qasim are working on the project, it is learnt.

Minister of Labour and Social Development, Jameel Humaidan praised the initiative stating that this will contribute positively towards the development of society.

Bahrain has taken many steps to promote the spirit of charity on a national as well as international scale.

Recently, Bahrain Disabled Federation held a charity race, which was a huge success.

Under the patronage of HH Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa, First Deputy President of the Supreme Council for Youth and Sports and President of Bahrain Olympic Committee, Bahrain Disabled Sports Federation held the third Khalid bin Hamad Charity Race in collaboration with Bahrain Athletics Association on at Bahrain National Stadium.

The race was supported by Bahrain Paralympic Committee. The event was organised as part of HH Shaikh Khalid bin Hamad Al Khalifa's initiatives that aim to enable disabled people to integrate with different segments of the society and to spread sports among people who have disabilities.

The race covered various distances as per the category of the participants. It featured a 3-km race for people suffering from fit, a 3-km cycling race for disabled competitors and many others.

## Duo arrested for vice trade

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Two men have been recently arrested for their participation in a human trafficking and prostitution case that involves a female housemaid.

One of the men apparently convinced the victim, who's a female domestic worker, to escape her employer's house, after he offered her a better job, which eventually turned out to be flesh trade.

The first suspect then "sold" her to the second suspect, who detained her, forced to have sexual intercourse with male clients, and collected the money.

These details were mentioned in a press statement announced

yesterday by the Public Prosecution. In the statement, Capital Governorate Chief Prosecutor Nawaf Al Awadhy explained that the woman was initially detained in an apartment in Manama and later sold by the first suspect to the second.

The victim managed to eventually escape and seek help from the police, who arrested both suspects and referred the case to the Public Prosecution.

Mr Al Awadhy added that the prosecution heard the victim's testimony and ordered to admit her in the Expats Protection Centre in Sehla.

The Prosecution also interrogated the suspects, remanded them and referred the case to the concerned court.

## BKS International Book and Cultural Fest 2020 set



Mr Pillai and Mr Karakkal with other BKS officials at the press conference.

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The Bahrain Keraleeya Samajam will host the fifth international Book festival commencing on February 19, 2020 until February 29, 2020, said BKS President P V Radhakrishna Pillai and General-Secretary Varghese Karakkal at a press conference held yesterday.

BKS International Literary and Cultural Fest is one of the acclaimed international book fairs in the GCC, with the participation of over 30 publishers from India and abroad. Prominent national and international personalities grace the 10-day long Book Fair and Cultural Fest.

A consortium of all major publishers in India is participating in this year books festival; thus, provides the opportunities to the book lovers for selecting books of their choice.

The consortium will exhibit books from 50 publishers including the ones from Penguin and most of the prestigious literary publishing houses in India.

Prominent personalities to attend the event this year are Sitaram Yachury, General Secretary of the Communist Party of India Marxist, Jairam Ramesh, Member of Parliament, former minister and writer, C K Padmanabhan, former BJP President, Kerala, Rajdeep Sardesai,

Indian news anchor and editor at the India Today Group, K G Sankara Pillai, Indian Poet, Subhas Chandran, famous writer, Shihab Poythum Kadavu, renowned short story writer, Dr M K Muneer, author, poet and former Minister of Kerala, M A Baby, writer and former Minister of Kerala, Mr Munavar Ali Shihab Thangal, President of Youth league, Mrs K R Meera, Indian Author and Journalist and Mr V R Sudheesh, short-story writer will be attending the 10-day long festival. Omani writer Ms Joka Al Harthi, who is a recipient of Booker Prize, will also attend the Book Fest along with other noted writers of Arab Literature.

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## Announcement

Bahrain Telecommunications Company (BATELCO) B.S.C. would like to announce the opening of receiving the nomination for the candidacy of 4 Board of Directors membership for a three year term (2020-2023) in accordance with Article (27) of the Company's Articles of Association, where the elections will take place in the Annual General Assembly Meeting due to be held on 25 March 2020.

All Candidates must adhere to the Conditions for Membership of the Board outlined in Article (28) of the Company's Articles of Association, and Article (173) of the Commercial Companies Law issued by Decree (21) for the year 2001 and its amendments.

For those interested in nominating themselves shall apply through our website <http://batelco.com/investor-relations/> to fill in the Nomination form and follow the required steps to complete the application not later than 27 February 2020; which is the last date to receive applications.

Candidates' names and profiles will be published on Bahrain Bourse and Batelco's website at least 5 days prior to the Annual General Assembly Meeting . For any enquiries please contact: (17884485), Email: GBS@btc.com.bh