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## Scam calls alert

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The Anti-Cyber Crimes Directorate of the General Directorate of Anti-Corruption and Economic and Electronic Security has warned of scam calls asking people for their One Time Passport (OTP).

It said that the scammers seek through these phone calls to access the passwords of online banking services.

The directorate said that banks don't ask for passwords through phone calls or text messages.

## Iran clamps down on school protests

Iran has begun arresting teenage schoolgirls and students who have taken part in anti-regime protests following the death of Mahsa Amini, according to The Times.

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# Pope visit is like a 'dream come true'

Bishop Hinder commends Bahrain as 'model for peaceful co-existence' of different faiths

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Bahrain is a model for the peaceful coexistence of the many different faiths who live and work side by side, thanks to the Kingdom's religious freedom and openness to a pluralistic world.

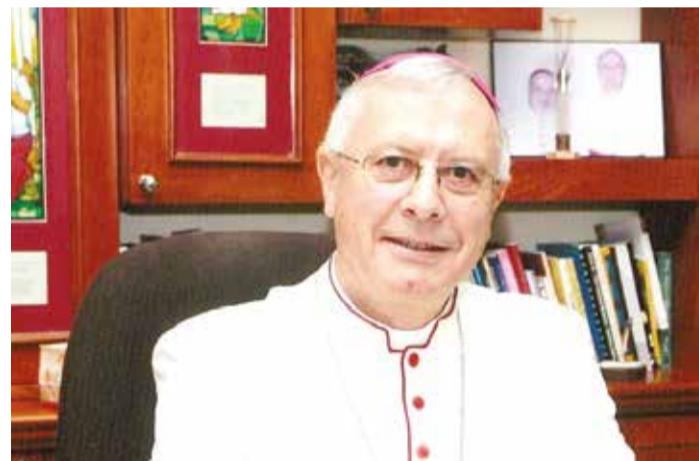
This was according to a leading bishop in an interview with the Crux, well-known for its coverage of the Vatican and the Catholic Church,

"For many of the Catholics in Bahrain, who have been eagerly awaiting this visit since the King of Bahrain personally invited the Pope, this is like a dream come true," Bishop Paul Hinder, the Apostolic Administrator for the Vicariate Apostolic of Northern Arabia, said ahead of the historic visit by Pope Francis to Bahrain upon an invitation from His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

Highlighting Bahrain's unique religious composition and tolerance, Bishop Hinder noted: "The Kingdom has been very

welcoming to the expatriate Christian community and provides a climate of openness and tolerance for people of different beliefs to practise their faith.

"Bahrain is a vibrant community with a rich cultural mix – a model for peaceful co-existence of the many different faiths who live and work side by side in the island nation."



### Schedule

The Pope will visit Bahrain on November 3-6 and will take part in the Bahrain Dialogue Forum: The East and The West for Human Coexistence".

The Forum, on November 3-4, is within Bahrain's keenness and strategic direction to build bridges of dialogue between leaders of faith and leaders of

thought, culture and media, in cooperation with Al Azhar, the Catholic Church, the Muslim Council of Elders, and international institutions concerned with dialogue, human coexistence and tolerance.

### Relations

Bishop Hinder said that relations between Bahrain and the Vatican have progressed greatly

in recent years.

"In 2014, His Majesty King Hamad presented a model of the Cathedral of Our Lady of Arabia to Pope Francis and also extended an invitation to the Pontiff to visit the Kingdom. This was followed by visits of the Crown Prince His Royal Highness Prince Salman in 2020 and the King's representative who again renewed the invitation in 2021," he told the Crux.



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### 'Heartbreaking' loss

## 477 whales die in New Zealand strandings

**Wellington**

Some 477 pilot whales have died after stranding themselves on two remote New Zealand beaches over recent days, officials say.

None of the stranded whales could be refloated and all either died naturally or were euthanised in a "heartbreaking" loss, said Daren Grover, the general manager of Project Jonah, a non-profit group which helps rescue whales.

The whales beached themselves on the Chatham Islands, which are home to about 600 people and located about 800 kilometres (500 miles) east of



Dead pilot whales line Tupuangi Beach in New Zealand's Chatham Archipelago New Zealand's main islands. The Department of Conservation



**Scientists don't know exactly what causes the whales to strand, although it appears their location systems can get confused by gently sloping sandy beaches.**

Beach and another 245 at Waihere Bay on Monday.

The deaths come two weeks after about 200 pilot whales died in Australia after stranding themselves on a remote Tasmanian beach.

Whales stranded on Ocean Beach at Macquarie Harbor on the west coast of Australia's island state of Tasmania, Sept. 21, 2022.

"These events are tough, challenging situations," the Department of Conservation wrote in a Facebook post. "Although they are natural occurrences, they are still sad and difficult for those helping."

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