



The humble heroes

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Close to 100 beneficiaries of the alternative sentence scheme yesterday did a 'marvellous volunteering act' by contributing towards the Kingdom's democratic strides. They were seen controlling the traffic outside polling booths, guiding voters to the voting area as well as helping the elderly cast their votes, while wearing fluorescent green jackets carrying 'Volunteer' and 'Alternative Sanctions Directorate' on them.

Speaking to The Daily Tribune, a community police officer on election duty, on grounds of anonymity, said these volunteers were doing a brilliant job. "I can't reveal more details. All I could say is that they are doing a brilliant job and their contribution to this democratic process is something really appreciable."

The 'volunteers' could not speak to The Daily Tribune as they said 'they are not supposed to speak to the media'.

Many legal luminaries and political scientists in the region have praised the Kingdom's adoption of alternative penal code, describing the move as an important practice to be emulated at the level of Arab countries and the countries of the region.

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Alternative penalties' beneficiaries assist police personnel during elections



As many as 100 beneficiaries of the alternative sanctions assisted police personnel in helping the elderly to cast their votes. The directorate also followed up on the cases of the 93 beneficiaries who could cast their votes and guided them to the polling stations according to their addresses.

Rights (NIHR) Chairman Ali Al Derazi earlier noted that more than 4,000 people have benefited from the law since

its adoption four years ago.

He looked forward to adopting a new mechanism to expand the number of beneficiaries of alternative punishments, noting that NIHR has developed a plan to involve the private sector in the implementation of alternative punishments.

The Ministry of Justice, Islamic Affairs and Endowments has initiated a new scheme titled "Recovery Programme" for those who have been awarded alternative sentences.

The new programme comprises rehabilitation and training initiatives to those, who have received alternative penalties.

As per the ministry initiative, the Undersecretary for Justice

and Islamic Affairs must implement the provisions of the decision and it shall come into force from the day following the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

Until now, 4,188 inmates have benefitted from the Alternative Sentencing Law, which was introduced in the year 2018.

According to Public Prosecution, the substitution of sentences of imprisonment with alternative sentences follows a judicial process after reviewing the individual, social and economic circumstances of each case, following formal referral by the Verdicts Implementation Directorate of the Interior Ministry.

All cases were each consid-

ered carefully by the relevant judge, and all have had sentences of imprisonment replaced with various types of alternative penalties appropriate to the individual circumstances of each inmate and their case, according to Public Prosecution.

The Verdicts Implementation Directorate has always highlighted that the decree law mentions alternative sentencing as an important tool in the rehabilitation of inmates and their reintegration into society.

A number of Parliamentarians have hailed the humanitarian gesture of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa for the recent special pardon and the release of 160 inmates after they served a period of punishments issued against them. Sixty-nine inmates recently became the beneficiary of Alternative Penalty Law, which is a landmark humanitarian initiative in the Kingdom.

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Election 'violations' probe call

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Many voters have urged the authorities to carry out a thorough probe into several violations that were allegedly committed by various campaign teams.

The violations included campaigns on streets on voting day as well as deploying children as campaigners for various candidates.

Speaking to The Daily Tribune, a citizen, who doesn't want to be named, said: "Where is electoral silence here? I could see active campaigning on the streets on Election Day. There are also many children out there associated with various campaign teams."

"I urge the authorities to take strict action against these teams. The election rules are sacrosanct and no one should be allowed to violate them."

"We are electing our representatives, who will be drafting laws for us. What if their teams emerge as the violators. There has to be some accountability."

Close to 450 election observers yesterday performed their poll duties to ensure that no violation is permitted on Election Day.

The observers are repre-



A photograph allegedly showing a child engaging in the electoral campaign yesterday

sentatives of the Bahrain Lawyers Association, Human Rights Association, Bahrain Transparency Society, Manama Centre for Human Rights, the National Institution for Human Rights and many other related organisations.

The observers are monitoring the entire electoral process to ensure that fairness is maintained at various stages under judicial supervision.

The electoral supervisory committee earlier warned candidates against mudslinging and tarnishing each other's personal image for the sake of electoral victory.

"Such activities will be seen as a grave violation and the candidates if proven guilty will face consequences," the warning said.

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Leveraging our blessings for progress



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In so many ways, Bahrain has had a blessed November and a future-looking one at that. We started the month with the visit of His Holiness the Pope and the Grand Imam of Al Azhar. Then we had the magnificent Air Show where the cutting-edge technologists of the aviation world converged at Sakhir to compare their state-of-the-art technologies and take civil and military aviation to the next level. There was also the exciting news that four Bahraini students and their teacher have been selected to attend a Space Camp in Alabama, USA, and learn the ropes of what it takes to become astronauts.

This is an investment in Bahrain's growing interest and development of its space research facilities through the National Space Science Agency (NSSA).

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All of these markers of a country's progress is tied together by the shining thread of peace and development that the vision of His Majesty the King and the actions of HRH the Crown Prince and PM and his Cabinet gives to us. It is in the spaces of peace and inclusion that the citizens and residents find their inspiration and contribute to the forward movement of Bahrain.

As citizens and residents of this land, we have been empowered to serve not just Bahrain but mankind as a whole. Each one of us has a role to play in the vast stage of life and the universe and no part of it is too insignificant. Your using recyclable cloth shopping bags on your grocery run saves millions of fish in the long term; your cutting back on food waste helps to build a sustainable food consumption pattern globally. Let us remind ourselves of the blessings that have been showered upon us and pledge to keep the momentum of advancement going.

(Captain Mahmood Al Mahmood is the Editor-in-Chief of The Daily Tribune and the President of the Arab-African Unity Organisation for Relief, Human Rights and Counterterrorism)

Ministry of Industry and Commerce



Inviting the shareholders of Delmon Poultry Company B.S.C. to attend the Ordinary General Assembly Meeting - CR (10700):

In view of the annulment of the results of the election of the members of the company's board of directors for non-compliance with the requirements set by the Commercial Companies Law and its executive regulations, and in accordance with Article (198) of the Commercial Companies Law, the Ministry of Industry and Commerce invites the shareholders of Delmon Poultry Company B.S.C. to attend the Ordinary General Assembly scheduled to be held at 10:30AM on Sunday, 4th December 2022, in Awal Hall in the Gulf Hotel. In the event of a lack of a quorum, the second meeting will be on Sunday, 11th December 2022, provided that the third meeting, if necessary, will be held on Tuesday, 20th December 2022 at the same time and in the same order above.

The item on the agenda of the Ordinary General Assembly will be as follows:

1. To Re-elect (7) Board members for the term 2022-2025.

Important notes for shareholders:

- You can obtain a proxy card by visiting the company's website www.dawajen.bh as well as on the Bahrain Bourse website www.bahrainbourse.com
- Any shareholder registered in the company's shareholder register has the right to attend in person or to delegate in writing any person on his behalf to attend the meeting and vote on his behalf, taking into consideration that this agent is not the chairman and members of the board of directors or the employees of Delmon Poultry Company.
- The proxy (proxy card) should be submitted at least 24 hours prior to the meeting to Kfin Technologies (Bahrain) W.L.L (Office No. 74, 7th Floor, Zamil Tower, PO Box 514, Tel: 17215080, Manama, Kingdom of the two seas). The proxy card can be submitted by hand, mail, or fax No. (17212055) or e-mail bahrain.helpdesk@kfintech.com Or submit it with Delmon Poultry Company B.S.C. (Building 701, Road 101, Block 1012, PO Box 20535, Hamala, Kingdom of Bahrain) through the company's email - Mrs. Alya Al Khayat on: alyaa.s@dawajen.bh before the deadline. Please note that the proxies submitted after the deadline are not valid for the purpose of the meeting.
- In case that the shareholder is a "company" the agent attending the meeting must present an authorization letter from the shareholder, and the authorization must be in writing and issued by the person who is authorized to the company and stamped with the company's seal and submitted before the deadline for depositing the proxy.
- You can view the information regarding each candidate for membership of the Board of Directors contained in Article (174) of the Commercial Companies Law on the company's website www.dawajen.bh starting from the date of the invitation to hold the ordinary assembly meeting.
- Shareholders are requested to abide by the instructions to ensure a fast and smooth procedure for the meeting in line with laws and regulations.
- In the event of any inquiries, please contact the company on the following numbers : 17608272 - 17608282 or through the company's email: alyaa.s@dawajen.bh

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