

## Bahrain condemns deadly terrorist blasts in Pakistan

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The Kingdom of Bahrain condemned and denounced the bombing that took place in Pakistan.

The attacks targeted a court building in the capital, Islamabad, and a cadet college in the Wana district of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province in the northwest of the country, resulting in the death and injury of several innocent people.

A statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs extended Bahrain's condolences and sympathy to the government and people of Pakistan, as well as to the families of the victims, and wished a speedy recovery to those injured.

## Condolences over Turkiye tragedy

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The Kingdom of Bahrain expressed sympathy and solidarity with Turkiye following the crash of a military cargo plane near the border between Georgia and Azerbaijan, which resulted in the death of its passengers and crew.

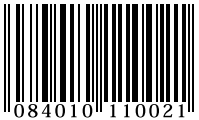
In a statement, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs conveyed the Kingdom's sincere condolences and sympathies to the government and people of Turkiye, and to the families of the victims, over this tragic incident.

## 'Market 2.0' forum

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Under the patronage of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, Bahrain Bourse, in collaboration with the Arab Federation of Capital Markets (AFCM), will host "The Market 2.0" conference on November 20.

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## Strengthening Bahrain-GCC cooperation



His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, affirmed Bahrain's commitment, under the leadership of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, to strengthening GCC cooperation and supporting initiatives that contribute to the progress and development of member states. He highlighted the importance of building and expanding Gulf cooperation across various fields, noting that such collaborative progress reflects the shared vision and aspirations of the GCC leaders. HRH Prince Salman was speaking as he met yesterday with the heads of the delegations participating in the 19th periodic meeting of the leaders of the Shura, Representatives, National, and Ummah Councils of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries, hosted by Bahrain, at Riffa Palace.

# Progress drivers

HRH Prince Salman praises national workforce for 'strengthening our nation'

## His Royal Highness sends email to all government employees

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His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, expressed his deep appreciation to the national workforce for their unwavering dedication across all sectors.

He underscored that they form the foundation of the Kingdom of Bahrain's development.

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all public sector employees, HRH the Crown Prince and Prime Minister highlighted their tireless efforts and vital contributions across government workstreams in advancing the Kingdom's comprehensive development, led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa. "The excellence and creativity



HRH Prince Salman's email recognises the tireless efforts and vital contributions of public employees

of our national workforce are key drivers of enhanced government performance and the realisation of the Kingdom's aspirations," His Royal Highness noted.

He also expressed confidence in the ability of public sector employees to continue presenting innovative ideas and quality initiatives that strengthen government operations and serve the Kingdom's citizens and residents.

"I am confident that your ideas and initiatives will continue to enhance government efficiency and reinforce our commitment to serving the people of Bahrain," HRH Prince Salman said.

The announcement coincides with the launch of the seventh edition of the Government Innovation Competition (Fikra), which provides public sector employees with the opportunity to submit ideas and proposals aimed at improving government efficiency.

## Labour Ministry-Tamkeen partnership

# 'Freelancers Support Initiative' launched for Bahraini job seekers

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The Ministry of Labour has announced the launch of the "Freelancers Support Initiative", in partnership with the Labour Fund "Tamkeen". The initiative is in line with the continuous directives of His Royal Highness Prince

Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, to advance national efforts aimed at creating opportunities for Bahrainis and promoting economic development.

His Excellency Yousif bin Abdulhussain Khalaf, the Minister of Legal Affairs and Acting

Minister of Labour, said that it targets job seekers who wish to pursue freelancing as a professional career path by encouraging their participation in flexible and independent work models within the labour market.

Under this initiative, Bahrainis registered under the Ministry of Labour as job seekers – with up to 12 months of experience – will be assisted in obtaining a virtual commercial registration "Sijili" with the cost of registration fully covered.

They will also receive monthly incentives of BD200 for a period of 12 months, in addition to support for the Social Insurance Organization contribution for 12 months, to empower participants to establish and expand their freelance ventures.

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