

Bahrain Teachers College to hold virtual entrance test

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The Ministry of Education is holding a virtual entrance examination for Bahrain Teachers College's Bachelor's programme applicants for the academic year 2020/2021 on Sunday and Monday.

Applicants are required to prepare a computer with a digital camera, or a computer and a mobile phone with a camera, connected to the internet, as well as a speaker and a microphone.

Applicants should also register their account on the "Microsoft Teams" application using the link sent to their e-mails.

For inquiries, applicants can call the Human Resources Department on the hotline number 17278222.

Court reinstates nationality of three involved in forming a terrorist cell

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Three men, who are serving prison sentences after being convicted of arson and terrorism-related charges, got their Bahraini nationality reinstated following an appeal.

The Cassation Court, Bahrain's Highest Court, reversed an earlier decision to strip them of their nationality but kept their prison terms unchanged.

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The trio was among 14 men involved in the case, all of whom received seven years in jail.

The defendants appealed the initial sentences, but the Cassation Court confirmed the rulings except for reinstating their citizenship.

The Bahraini men were part of a mob who hurled Molotov cocktails and metal rods at officers and Sitra Police Station in 2017.

All of the defendants were convicted of arson, rioting, possessing Molotov cocktails and explosives.

The defendants were found guilty based on their confessions and evidence collected from the scene.



The Commander-in-Chief of the Bahrain Defence Force (BDF), Field Marshal Shaikh Khalifa bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, during an inspection visit to a BDF unit. The commander-in-chief reviewed the unit's latest equipment and was briefed about its development stages and training plans, in addition to all military aspects and workflow.

Jaffaria Waqf reschedules Ashura meeting



Jaffaria Waqf (Endowment) Directorate (picture courtesy of AlAyam)

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Bahrain's Jaffaria Waqf (Endowment) Directorate yesterday announced rescheduling the annual meeting of the heads of Hussainia by two more days to Sunday.

The meeting, in preparations for Ashura season, was originally scheduled to take place yesterday with the participation of official bodies, procession coordinators, those associated with the organisation of Muharram season, virtually amid the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

However, in a statement on social media, the directorate announced postponing it to 16 August 2020, 10 am, without specifying reasons, AlAyam report said.

The annual meeting was scheduled for Thursday following a decision last week, which also followed the authority refuting allegations that it held the meeting without sufficient participation.



Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr Abdullahif bin Rashid Al Zayani, receiving Piyush Srivastava, who handed him a copy of his credentials as Ambassador-designate of India to Bahrain. The Minister praised the historical ties between the two countries, stressing Bahrain's interest in advancing these relations and wishing the Ambassador success in his duties. Ambassador Srivastava expressed India's pride in the strong bilateral ties and expressed his utmost interest in boosting these relations further. He also thanked Bahrain for the care and attention accorded by the government to the Indian community, especially during the outbreak of Covid-19.



One more COVID-19 death

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Bahrain's ministry of health yesterday announced the death of a 57-year-old Bahrain citizen, the latest casualty to the Kingdom's COVID-19 battle.

Yesterday's fatality also brings the number of COVID-19 related deaths in the Kingdom to 167.

Announcing the death on its Twitter handle, the Health ministry expressed condolences to the family of the deceased. There are currently 77 COVID-19 patients in the Kingdom who are receiving treatment, out of which 40 patients are in a critical condition.

As of yesterday, a total of 3,379 active coronavirus pa-

tients are there in the Kingdom, of which 3,339 cases are in a stable condition, health-wise.

The Ministry also announced carrying out 11,036 COVID-19 tests yesterday, raising the total number of tests conducted in the Kingdom, since the detection of the first case in February, to 944,798

The newly detected cases yesterday includes 154 expatriate patients, 305 new contacts of active COVID-19 cases and three travel-related cases.

The ministry also reported 344 recoveries yesterday taking the total number of people cured of their coronavirus infection here to 42,180



Commander of the US Naval Forces Central Command, US 5th Fleet Vice Admiral James Malloy during a visit to the Royal Bahrain Naval Force. Commander of Royal Bahrain Naval Force Mohammed Yusef Al Asam received the American Commander.

BD1 million embezzlement: Court adjourns trial

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A trial of two sisters' charged with embezzling more than BD1 million has been adjourned to summon prosecution witnesses.

The First High Criminal Court adjourned the case to August 18.

The women are accused of illegally collecting funds from 38 investors in Bahrain and GCC countries, after promising to invest it in forex markets, between 2015 and 2017.

Police arrested the duo after receiving multiple complaints about their activities.

Investigators found that the women were not licensed to collect funds in the Kingdom

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or owned a registered investment company.

During interrogation, one of the accused confessed to collecting more than one million Bahraini dinars from the victims.

The funds were collected promising to invest it for them in the forex market.

The Public Prosecution charged the duo with investment fraud, receiving money without a license from the Central Bank of Bahrain or other competent authorities to engage in activities for which the funds are collected.

They were also accused of embezzlement, wasting the victims' money and practising commercial activities without a permit.

Attacking cop with sword: Court postpones verdict

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The First High Criminal Court here yesterday put off its verdict to August 25 in the case of a twenty-year-old man accused of assaulting a police officer with a sword, while resisting arrest.

Court files say the accused attempted to attack a deputy Corporal with a sharp sword while they were attempting to arrest him from his apartment in the



Representative picture (Courtesy of AlAyam)

eastern Aker.

The officers were acting on a tip-off received that a suspect wanted by the Criminal Investigation Department and convicted in several cases is holed up in an apartment there.

Police officers, who cordoned off the area, managed to catch the suspect, who put up stiff resistance and assaulted officers using a sharp sword.

The suspect tried to stab the Dep-

uty Corporal to take his life but was restrained by officers using force.

The Deputy Corporal sustained several injuries forcing him into bed rest for more than 20 days.

The public prosecution charged the accused with resisting arrest, attacking a law enforcement officer while performing his duties and injuring him and possessing a weapon without a licence.

Man forges wife's signature to buy a car, court adjourns retrial

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The First High Criminal Court adjourned the retrial of a Bahraini man convicted of forging his wife's signature to buy a car to Tuesday.

The man was earlier sentenced by the same court in absentia to five years in jail. However, he submitted an objection to the court based on which a retrial was allowed.

The court adjourned the retrial to summon prosecution witnesses for the hearing.

According to court files, the man forged his wife's signature in the official documents of the General Directorate of Traffic in Interior Ministry to complete the procedures of purchasing a car from a third party.

The woman, who was unaware of her husband's action, got a shock of her life after discovering, through the Directorate's smartphone app, that a vehicle registered in her name has amassed BD500 in fines for violating traffic rules.

The wife reportedly asked her husband to rectify the matter, according to her statements, but the man disregarded her requests, encouraging her to file a complaint against him.

During interrogation, the man confessed to purchasing a car for BD2,500 by forging his wife's signature on the ownership transferring documents, as he wasn't able to use his name because of accumulated unpaid fines.