

# BisB, Durrat Al Bahrain to offer **exclusive mortgage** finance package for **Jawharat Al Murjan Villas**

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Bahrain Islamic Bank (BisB), the leading provider of innovative Islamic financial solutions for simplifying money matters in the Kingdom of Bahrain, has partnered with Durrat Al Bahrain to provide exclusive Sharia'a compliant mortgage financing for Jawharat Al Murjan Villas within the prestigious Durrat Al Bahrain development.

This collaboration marks a key step in BisB's ongoing efforts to support homeownership in the Kingdom through innovative and accessible fi-



ncial solutions that adhere to Islamic principles. With construction stage financing now available, prospective homeowners can secure their future residence early in the development cycle.

To make the financing process even more seamless, the Bank is offering a grace period

of up to six months, no need for property evaluation, and the flexibility to treat the reservation fee as the downpayment. Customers will also benefit from competitive rates designed to suit a wide spectrum of financial requirements.

Mr. Faisal Al Abdulla, Chief Retail Banking Officer at BisB,

stated, "Our collaboration with Durrat Al Bahrain underscores our mission to make property ownership more attainable for individuals and families across Bahrain. By offering Sharia'a compliant mortgage financing at the construction stage, we are welcoming customers to invest in high-quality residential

communities such as Jawharat Al Murjan with greater convenience and peace of mind. This initiative reflects how we are focused on designing practical options that support long term financial stability and lifestyle aspirations of our clientele."

Eng. Moaath Al Hasan, Executive Manager - Operations at

Durrat Al Bahrain, stated: "We at Durrat Al Bahrain are pleased to sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Bahrain Islamic Bank to offer exceptional banking facilities for those wishing to join the Durrat Al Bahrain community through ownership in our new project, which represents the fourth phase of the Durrat master plan. We are introducing a variety of villa options under the names Jawharat Al Marjan and Al Yaqoot Villas, designed to suit all preferences."

Notably, the project is located approximately 40 km south of Manama within the renowned Durrat Al Bahrain resort, the Jawharat Al Murjan features around 200 sea-facing luxury villas on the Al Murjan Island 5. Designed for modern Gulf families, the villas range from 650 to 900 sqm of land and offer Three to five bedrooms, generous built-up areas (up to 500 sqm), outdoor seating, and balconies all set amid a resort style environment encompassing marinas, landscaped parks, health clubs, mosques, retail, and dining amenities.

# New round of US-China trade talks **kicks off**

AFP | Madrid, Spain

China and the United States kicked off the latest round of trade talks on Sunday in Madrid, where they are set to thrash out their TikTok dispute and President Donald Trump's promised hefty tariffs.

The Chinese delegation is in the Spanish capital until Wednesday and senior officials, including Vice Premier He Lifeng, will meet with the US delegation led by Treasury

China is the world's leading producer of rare earths, used to make magnets essential to the automotive, electronics and defence industries.

Secretary Scott Bessent.

The Spanish government said Sunday's talks got under way at the Palacio de Santa Cruz, the headquarters of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Trade tensions between Beijing and Washington have been on a rollercoaster ride in 2025, with both sides slapping escalating tariffs on each other.

Tit-for-tat US-China tariffs reached triple digits on both sides at one point this year, snarling supply chains.

Washington and Beijing have since reached an agreement to de-escalate tensions, temporarily lowering tariffs to 30 percent on the United States' side and 10 percent on China's part.

In August, they delayed the threatened reimposition of higher tariffs on each other's exports for another 90 days -- meaning the pause on steeper duties will be in place until November 10.

"The Chinese and US delegations convened here on Sunday for talks on economic and trade

issues," China's official Xinhua news agency said in a report from the Spanish capital.

Top leaders from both countries will also discuss their dispute over the TikTok social media platform during the meetings in Madrid.

China urged the United States on Friday to address their dispute through dialogue.

The deadline for the popular app to find a non-Chinese buyer or be banned in the United States is September 17, after

Trump extended it for the third time.

A federal law requiring TikTok's sale or ban on national security grounds was due to take effect the day before Trump's January inauguration.

Beijing's commerce ministry called on Washington on Friday to "work with China on the basis of mutual respect and equal consultations, to resolve each other's concerns through dialogue and find a solution to the problem", according to a statement.

# American Mission Hospital's three centres receive **NHRA Diamond accreditation**

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American Mission Hospital's three facilities, at Manama, Saar and Amwaj, have been awarded for the third time consecutively, the DIAMOND Accreditation, which is the highest level among accreditations given by NHRA (National Health Regulatory Authority) to healthcare facilities in Bahrain.

After strict inspections, NHRA awards this accreditation only to those facilities that meet 95% or more of the strict Accreditation Standards which define adherence to international best practices in quality and patient safety.

These were given by the Chairman of Bahrain's Supreme Council of Health, His Excellency Lt. Gen. Dr. Shaikh Mohammed bin Abdullah Al



Khalifa, at a ceremony held on Thursday (11 September) at the Royal Saray, Hotel in Seef.

The certifications were received by the Medical Directors of the branches and the QI/RM & IC (Quality Improvement/Risk Management and Infection Control) team.

"Our new facility in A'Ali, the King Hamad American Mission Hospital, had also been awarded a Diamond Accreditation last year, and our Riffa facility is also a Diamond Accredited facility", said Dr George Cheriyan, the Corporate CEO.

The hospital's QI/RM & IC (Quality Improvement/Risk Management and Infection Control) team led by Dr Jameela Al Salman, the Director of Quality oversees the processes and quality standards and their implementation, he added.