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Trafficking Awareness Campaigns



The Anti-Human Trafficking and Public Morals Protection Directorate has conducted awareness campaigns across Bahrain to highlight the risks of human trafficking and encourage the public to report suspected cases.

The campaigns included distributing awareness materials in several languages and providing information on reporting suspected trafficking cases before or after a crime occurs.

Labour Equality Committee Meets



The Labour Market Regulatory Authority's Equal Opportunities Committee held its regular meeting, chaired by Nora Isa Mubarak, Vice President of Legal Compliance and Protection and chairwoman of the committee.

The committee discussed initiatives to strengthen equal opportunities, develop the institutional work environment and support employees and national competencies. It also highlighted the progress of Bahraini women and the contributions of the Supreme Council for Women over its 25-year history.

Coast Guard Joint Inspection



The Coast Guard conducted a joint inspection campaign in several coastal areas of Muharraq Governorate to enhance maritime safety, address violations and protect Bahrain's marine resources.

Hormuz Must Guarantee Unrestricted Transit

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The Cabinet stressed that any arrangement concerning navigation through the Strait of Hormuz must guarantee free and non-discriminatory transit, as the Deputy Prime Minister chaired the weekly Cabinet meeting at Gudaibiya Palace.

His Excellency Shaikh Khalid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa, Deputy Prime Minister, chaired the meeting, during which the Cabinet reaffirmed Bahrain's position on the principles that should govern any future arrangement concerning navigation through the strategic waterway.



The Cabinet stated that any such arrangement must be based on the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea and adopted by the International Maritime Organization.

It stressed that the right of transit passage must be preserved for all vessels without discrimination, fees or permit requirements. The Cabinet also called for the involvement of all Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states, given the direct connection between the security of the Strait of Hormuz and the security of their supplies.

The Cabinet further affirmed that lasting peace depends on ending attacks, ensuring international accountability and providing redress for resulting damages, respecting state sovereignty, ending support for armed groups and resolving outstanding issues through legal means.

During the meeting, the Cabinet congratulated the winners of the 2026 UNESCO King Hamad Bin Isa Al Khalifa Prize for the Use of Information and Communication Technologies in Education.

It noted that the support and patronage of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa have strengthened the prize's international standing and recognition.

The Cabinet also highlighted Bahrain's achievements in strengthening constitutional institutions and advancing their role in the Kingdom's comprehensive development process under the leadership of His Majesty the King.

Day of Democracy



His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa received a congratulatory cable from Shura Council Chairman Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh on the occasion of the International Day of Democracy.

Shura Council Chairman Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh affirmed Bahrain's commitment to strengthening its democratic progress and the role of constitutional institutions, while highlighting the importance of freedom, justice, the rule of law and human rights.

He also praised the efforts of His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Crown Prince and Prime Minister, to advance cooperation between the legislative and executive branches.

GCC Governors Step Up Banking Cooperation



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As part of the Kingdom of Bahrain's presidency of the 46th Session of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), His Excellency Khalid Humaidan, Governor of the Central Bank of Bahrain, chaired the 87th meeting of the Committee of Central Bank Governors of the GCC on September 14, 2026.

The meeting was attended by His Excellency Jassim Mohammed Al-Budaiwi, Secretary General of the GCC, along with the governors of the central banks of the GCC member states.

In his opening remarks, Humaidan praised the continued



Khalid Ebrahim Humaidan, Governor of the Central Bank of Bahrain

commitment of GCC countries to strengthening cooperation and coordination among their central banks to support financial and monetary stability.



Jassim Mohammed Al-Budaiwi, Secretary General of the GCC

He also highlighted the ongoing development of the financial and banking sector across the GCC, stressing its important role in supporting economic growth

and advancing sustainable development.

The committee discussed several issues related to strengthening cooperation among GCC member states, including recommendations from committees and working groups on the implementation plan for GCC payment systems, supervision and oversight of the banking sector, and financial technologies across the region.

The meeting also addressed the exchange of cybersecurity information within the banking sector and efforts by GCC member states to combat money laundering and terrorist financing.

Tourism Sector Eyes Fresh Partnerships

Bahrain is showcasing its growing tourism potential and investment opportunities at the Arabian Travel Market (ATM) 2026 in Dubai, highlighting its diverse tourism offerings, advanced infrastructure and high-quality projects to international markets.

Minister of Tourism Fatima bint Jaafar Al Sairafi participated in the event, held at the Dubai World Trade Centre under the theme "Travel 2040: New Frontiers Through Innovation and Technology."

Al Sairafi said Bahrain's active participation in ATM reflects the Kingdom's commitment to engaging directly with tour-

ism partners and international markets. She highlighted the importance of using the global platform to promote Bahrain's tourism offerings and strengthen its presence on the regional and international tourism map.

The minister said Bahrain's diverse attractions, advanced infrastructure and high-quality tourism projects can help attract more visitors and investment, while supporting the continued development and competitiveness of the Kingdom's tourism sector. She described ATM as one of the leading global platforms for the travel and tourism industry, providing opportunities to strengthen international coop-



Tourism Minister Fatima bint Jaafar Al Sairafi met UAE Minister of Economy and Tourism Abdullah bin Touq Al Marri for discussions on tourism and economic cooperation.

eration, build partnerships, exchange expertise and explore the latest trends shaping the sector.

The minister added that such engagement supports sustainable tourism growth and helps

enhance the competitiveness of tourism destinations.

Bahrain is participating in ATM 2026 with a pavilion bringing together 28 entities from the public and private sectors.

Interior Ministry Wins Stevie Awards



General Directorate of Criminal Investigation and Forensic Science won two Stevie Awards for its "Munasaha" (Guidance) and "Ta'afi" (Recovery) programmes. "Munasaha" received the Gold Stevie Award in the Thought Leadership Campaign of the Year category, while "Ta'afi" won the Silver Award in the Achievement in Innovative Public Engagement and Community Impact category.

Director-General Major-General Abdulaziz Mayouf Al Rumaihi praised Interior Minister General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdullah Al Khalifa's support for modern and innovative security initiatives, as well as Chief of Police Lt-General Tariq Al Hassan's follow-up.