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Health Ministry employs 'only five psychologists'

Acute shortage coincides with the fact that there are 149 unemployed Bahraini trained psychologists

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here are only five Bahraini psychologists who're officially working under the Health Ministry, Tribune has learnt. And this means that one psychologist is in charge of 124,000 citizens.

This acute shortage coincides with the fact that there are 149 unemployed Bahraini trained psychologists, according to sources.

tween a psychologist and psychiatrist, according to Health Ministry, is that the latter is authorised to prescribe medications while a psychologist treats patients by suggesting changing their behaviours without prescribing any drug.

A Health Ministry source told Tribune: "The education of a psychiatrist is based on bioscience and brain and neuroscience sciences, while a psychologist's education mainly depends on behavior study.



The functional difference be- The shortage of psychologists has led to delay in the treatment of many cases, sources say.



provide assistance to individuals and families on how to deal with psychological problems and can also give consultations to couples and families."

The source mentioned that Bahrain needs at least 60 psychologists in its public hospitals and health centres to cover the existing shortage, adding that each centre should have at least one psychologist, while five or more should be available in each hospital.

The source blamed the long-waiting periods for psychological consultations on the shortage of staff saying: "The "The mental health services in delay in treating some cases Bahrain are provided both psymakes their treatment more chiatrists and psychologists. A difficult. Most of these casmedical team that consists of psyes deteriorate because of the chiatrists and psychologists usulong-waiting period before beally treats patients suffering from ing seen by an expert." "Many graduates of psychol-

"In addition to psychiatrists ogy in Bahrain are unemployed. graduates from the University and psychologists, there is a In 2013 alone, 40 psychologists of Bahrain and other univergraduated their master's from sities, are unemployed and all professions working in the field the University of Bahrain. Most of them are qualified to work of mental health in Bahrain, of them studied in the fields of as psychologists," the source such as sociologists who can family guidance and psycholog- added.

The mental health services in Bahrain are provided both psychiatrists and psychologists. A medical team that consists of psychiatrists and psychologists usually treats patients suffering from severe psychological problems.

SOURCE

ical guidance.

"According to Labour and Social Development Ministry's list of job seekers, 149 psychology graduates and 215 sociology

Court issues first 'undo damage' ruling

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In a first-of-its-kind rul-ing by a Lower Criminal Court, a Bahraini man convicted of robbery was ordered to pay BD1,500 to his victim within three months instead of serving jail time.

The defendant benefited from a new "undo damage" ruling which gives judges the power to replace imprisonment issued against criminals with a compensation to repair the damage inflicted on their victims.

The defendant is said to have stolen a bike worth BD1,500, which he later sold for BD70 only.

His involvement in the robbery was discovered thanks to security cameras installed in the area where the crime occurred.

"I was drunk and I hitchhiked because I wanted to return home. A driver offered me a lift and he dropped me after a short distance," the defendant told prosecutors.

"I saw the bike inside a building unattended. The key was hidden under the seat. I rode it to my house and used it for 17 days. I sold it later for BD70."

The defendant will have now to pay BD1,500 to the victim who purchased it for BD1,800 one year ago.

Visa forgery case adjourned to communicate with LMRA

The employee was put on trial on forgery charges. During questioning before the **Public Prosecution**, she branded the accusations against her as malicious.

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he High Criminal Court pocketing the money. cused of visa forgery to October school for nearly 20 years, dur- another man went to the Prosecution to communicate crime. with the Labour Market Regulatory Authority (LMRA). trial for issuing 17 work visas for sponsorship. foreigners using her employers'



school management and this is the reason why they have accused me of doing this. DEFENDANT

has adjourned the case According to court files, the again. of a female employee ac- woman was working at the

the school, but he provided them with official documents confirming his claims.

The female employee was responsible for registering work- collecting BD3,400. ers for the school, and when she admitted to obtaining the visa for her own benefit.

"I got the visa for the Arab woman for BD200 because I was going through financial crisis," the employee told her superiors, pledging not to repeat it

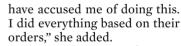
Shortly after, however, inquiry, but this time it in-Her wrongdoing was discov- volved an Arab man. The employee was questhem she did it only twice. and sold them for BD200 each, licious.

was quizzed on the reasons, she al on forgery charges. During and this is the reason why they inquire about the issued visas.

They were stunned by the questioning before the Public have accused me of doing this. truth of that the employee ob- Prosecution, she branded the I did everything based on their tained 17 visas under the school accusations against her as ma- orders," she added.

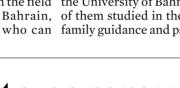
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The High Criminal Court "There were disputes between asked the Public Prosecution to The employee was put on tri- me and the school management communicate with the LMRA to





30, 2018, to assign the Public ing which she committed the school and made a similar

ered after a man went to the The defendant, an employee school to enquire about the rea- tioned again by the owners at a private school, is standing son behind an Arab woman's of the school and she told

The school administration But, this time the owners commercial registration, sell- informed him that the woman went to the LMRA and ining them for BD200 each and in question wasn't employed by quired about this.

Asian woman jailed for selling drugs

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police net following a successful opera- was staying with her. tion, which saw her selling drugs to an undercover police officer, it is learnt.

shabu across the Kingdom and an undercover officer was assigned to nab her.

The officer contacted the woman and she of-

fered to sell him shabu for BD20. Subsequently, the woman was arrested.

Upon inspecting the house of the suspect, pon Asian woman drug seller landed in the lice officers discovered that an illegal resident

Both women were put on trial before the High Criminal Court. While the suspect re-The defendant is said to have been selling ceived three years sentence, the illegal resident was handed down six months in jail followed by immediate deportation. The suspect was also fined BD3,000.

The Directorate of Maintenance & Services invites quotations for the following tender :

Tender Title	Tender No.	Initial Bond	Tender Fees	Closing Date		
				Day	Date	Time
Printing Magazine (Al Bahrain AL Thaqafia)	P7/2018	BD 500/-	BD 15/-	Monday	29 October 2018	9:00

- Those who are Capable and want to participate in the above tender has to call the Administration Services Section (Tel: 17298734) or (17299876) or (17299875) or (17299878) during the working hours on 15/10/2018. Last date for collection Tender documents is 29/10/2018 and to Enclose with his offer the Initial Bond for the amount specified above, or at the rate of 1% of the tender value whichever amount is lesser, provided that no initial bonds value shall be less than BD. 100/- . The initial bond should be in the form of a Certified Cheque, Bank Guarantee, cash or Insurance Policy valid for the duration specified in the tender documents.
- Offers should be deposited in the tender box provided at Bahrain National Museum.
- This tender should comply to the provisions of the General Tenders Regulations, no. (36) for the year 2002, and it's executive Regulations No. (37) for the year 2002.
- In addition these conditions has to be considered:
 - Enclose copy of the Commercial Registration Bill, for the current year, and has to be 1. included/matched with the tender subjects.
 - 2 Form no. (MOC 02) is to be filled completely, mentioning the Total Tender Value and Unit Price (accordingly).
 - Enclose a certificate of compliance with the employment percentages for Bahraini manpower issued by the Ministry of Labour.
 - 4. All tender documents (Original / Copy) which has been submitted with the offers should be stamped with the companie's Stamp
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