

Bahrain Tables Third Sustainability Review at UN

Minister holds bilateral meetings on HLPF 2026 sidelines

Minister of Sustainable Development and Chief Executive of the Economic Development Board, Noor bint Ali Alkhulaif, held a series of bilateral meetings on the sidelines of the UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF 2026) in New York.

The meetings took place as Bahrain presented its Third Voluntary National Review (VNR), outlining the Kingdom's progress toward achieving the Sustainable Development Goals



and Lebanon's Minister of Information Dr. Paul Morcos. Talks focused on strengthening bilateral ties and sharing expertise in sustainable development.

The minister congratulated Saudi Arabia and Egypt on presenting their own VNRS, praising their national achievements under the 2030 Agenda.

Alkhulaifi also met with UN Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs Li Junhua, exploring opportunities to deepen cooperation with international bodies.

Shura Secretariat Honours University Students

Programme aims to bridge academic learning with professional workplace skills

The General Secretariat of the Shura Council honoured a group of university students who successfully completed a practical training programme across various departments and sections of the Secretariat.

The initiative is part of the Council's efforts to strengthen cooperation with higher education institutions and provide training opportunities that help develop the skills of young Bahraini talents and prepare them for future careers.

Counsellor Ali Abdullah Al Aradi, Assistant Secretary-General for Resources and Digital Systems, said the Secretariat continues to prioritise practical training programmes in line with the directives of Shura Council Chairman His Excellency Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh and Secretary-General Her Excellency Kareema Mohammed Al Abbasi.



workplace experience and enhance their skills.

Al Aradi said university students are important partners in

national development, praising their creativity, new ideas and modern perspectives that contribute to institutional growth.

Shops Told to Display Prices and Replace Faulty Goods

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Shops must give buyers safe, fault-free goods, display prices clearly and tell the truth about what they are selling, Bahrain's Ministry of Industry and Commerce has warned.

In public messages issued under the slogan, 'Know Your Rights. Fulfil Your Responsibility', the ministry said shoppers must be given clear and accurate details about a product's condition, features and price before they buy it.

During sales, traders must show both the old price and the reduced price so customers can see the size of the discount.



inspect goods before signing a delivery note, compare prices across shops and keep receipts and warranty papers.

Consumers were also told to check that sales, prize draws and other promotional campaigns have been licensed, and to read labels, prices and product details before paying.

Complaints can be filed with the Consumer Protection Directorate and should be backed by documents such as receipts, warranties and contracts.

Consumer Protection Law provides for fines of up to BD10,000 for some breaches, while deliberate false advertising can lead to imprisonment. Repeat offenders can also face business closures and, in some cases, removal from the Commercial Register.

The ministry said the campaign was aimed at improving consumer awareness, encouraging fair trading and building trust between buyers and sellers.

Bahrain and France Review Financial, Investment Cooperation

Finance and National Economy Minister Shaikh Salman bin Khalifa Al Khalifa met with French Ambassador to Bahrain Éric Giraud-Telme to discuss ways to further strengthen bilateral cooperation, particularly in the financial, economic and investment sectors.



to deepening bilateral coordination and collaboration in support of shared interests and common aspirations.

The meeting also reviewed several issues of mutual

Flyover push to unlock Salman City congestion

Councillor flags Budaiya junction as one of area's Severe bottlenecks

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A Northern Municipal Council member has called for a new bridge to tackle chronic congestion at the main entrance to Salman City.



had already submitted a formal proposal to authorities.

"Investment in infrastructure is a fundamental step towards accommodating future growth and meeting citizens' needs," he said.

He cited rising vehicle numbers, urban expansion across the Northern Governorate, and the need for better connectivity between Salman City and neighbouring areas as key reasons for the project.



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