



Kingdom serves as regional hub for meteorology

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His Excellency Dr. Shaikh Abdulla bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, Minister of Transportation and Telecommunications, has underscored Bahrain's commitment to strengthening human safety and environmental sustainability.

He noted that the ministry is upgrading meteorological systems with advanced satellites, radars, and artificial intelligence, and cooperating on international initiatives such as "Early Warnings for All."

Dr. Shaikh Abdulla bin Ahmed was speaking as the Kingdom of Bahrain joined Arab states in marking Arab Meteorology Day, held under the slogan "Meteorology... for human safety and global sustainability."

Young man dies in Samaheej house fire

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A 23-year-old man died of suffocation after a fire broke out in a house in Samaheej yesterday.

Civil Defence teams rescued six other individuals from the scene, the Ministry of Interior confirmed.

The victim, Fouad Mahdi Abdullah Daif, who suffered severe smoke inhalation, was rushed to hospital by the National Ambulance service, but efforts to save his life proved unsuccessful.

Authorities said investigations are underway to determine the cause of the blaze.

Unite for peace

HM King affirms Bahrain's support for Qatar, urges 'immediate' ceasefire and dialogue



HH Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad represents HM the King at the summit

His Majesty calls for Arab solidarity amid Israeli strike

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa affirmed the Kingdom of Bahrain's strong condemnation of the Israeli attack on Qatar, describing it as "a violation of sovereignty, security, and stability, as well as of international law and the Charter of the United Nations."

In a speech delivered on his behalf by His Highness Shaikh Abdullah bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Personal Representative of

HM the King, at the Emergency Arab-Islamic Summit in Doha, HM the King expressed the Kingdom's solidarity with Qatar and called on Arab and Islamic nations to intensify collective efforts to end the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.

"The Kingdom of Bahrain affirms its steadfast position calling for an immediate end to the war, the protection of civilians, prevention of displacement, the prompt release of hostages and detainees, and unimpeded delivery of humanitarian aid to the people of the Gaza Strip," HM King Hamad said.

Condolences

His Majesty extended condolences to the Amir of Qatar, His Highness Sheikh Tamim

bin Hamad Al Thani, following the deaths of Qatari National Security Force members in the Israeli attack.

He praised Qatar's mediation efforts, alongside Egypt and the United States, to secure a ceasefire and the release of hostages.

United stance

Warning that the aggression "poses a grave threat to regional stability and undermines peace efforts," HM the King stressed the need for a united Arab and Islamic stance.

"Our nations are called upon to stand in solidarity with the State of Qatar, unite their voices, and urge the international community to uphold its responsibilities," he said.

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port for the two-state solution, His Majesty welcomed the UN General Assembly's adoption of the "New York Declaration" on Palestine.

Direct negotiations

HM the King said: "The Palestinian cause remains central to resolving the conflict in the Middle East. This necessitates direct negotiations leading to a just settlement and the establishment of an independent, viable Palestinian state alongside Israel, as stipulated in the Arab Peace Initiative of 2002."

Bahrain stage set for Russian Film Festival

From Sep. 18 to 20

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As part of the Russian Seasons, and in cooperation with the Bahrain Authority for Culture and Antiquities (BACA), the Russian Ministry of Culture and ROSKINO are organising the Russian Film Festival from 18 to 20 September 2025 at Reel Cinemas Bahrain - Marassi Galleria.

The festival opens on Thursday, 18 September 2025, with Finist, the First Warrior, a film inspired by Russian folklore, at 7 pm.

On Friday, 19 September 2025, two films will be shown: Cats in the Museum by Vasily Rovensky at 12 noon, followed by The Spirit of Baikal by Mikhail Raskhodnikov at 3 pm. On Saturday, 20 September 2025, two more films will be screened: Red Ribbons by Dmitry Belosokhov at 12 noon, and Hockey Dads by Andrey Bulatov at 3 pm.

Cultural ties

The Russian Film Festival highlights the strong cultural ties between the Kingdom of Bahrain and the Russian Federation.

Throughout 2025, several cultural venues in Bahrain are hosting a range of Russian cultural events, including performances, workshops, and seminars.

All screenings are open to the public, with advance registration available through the online link <http://rff2025.bh>.

The Russian Seasons began in January at the Bahrain National Theatre as part of the 19th Spring of Culture Festival.

MyHassad

Bahrain's biggest prize pool unveiled by KFH

BD5.5m scheme aims to boost savings

BD 5.5m total prizes

BD 1.1m top prize
2,200 winners rewarded

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220 fils (includes VAT)



Kuwait Finance House (KFH) has unveiled its newly designed MyHassad savings scheme with Bahrain's largest prize pool, valued at BD 5.5 million.

Dr. Shadi Zahran, Group Chief Executive Officer - Bahrain, said the programme reflects KFH's broader vision. "The reimagined MyHassad sav-



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ings scheme is a direct reflection of our 'Beyond Horizons' philosophy. By offering the largest prize pool in Bahrain, we are not just rewarding our cus-

tomers; we are investing in their future and reaffirming our commitment to driving innovation and value within the Kingdom's financial landscape. This initiative underscores our dedication to exceeding expectations and creating unparalleled opportunities for our clients."

The scheme features an individual prize of BD 1.1 million and a monthly grand prize of BD 101,000. More than 2,200 customers will be rewarded through elite and special prizes distributed throughout the year.

Deputy Group Chief Execu-



KFH's MyHassad scheme has been one of Bahrain's longest-running prize-linked savings programmes, operating for over two decades.

utive Officer - Retail Banking Mohamed Zakout said the scheme was intended to go beyond cash rewards. "With the country's biggest individual prize and rewarding over 2,200 winners, we are creating more life-changing moments than ever before," he

said, adding that the bank aimed to help customers turn savings into milestones such as home ownership and family security.

Accounts can be opened with a minimum deposit of BD 50 through the KFH Mobile App or at branches.