

'We won't leave Manama, come what may'

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The labourers and 'free-visa workers' living in dilapidated buildings and congested labour accommodations in Manama and Salmaniya area are unwilling to move out of the place as they believe it would affect their livelihood.

There has been a huge demand from the part of lawmakers, councillors and social workers to move the labour accommodations out of Manama to different places across the Kingdom.

While the demand highlights the safety of workers, the workers are worried about losing jobs and income as people from across the Kingdom come searching for workers in Manama and nearby areas.

“**People approach us for various kinds of work and if we are shifted to some other place they will lose access to us. And this would adversely affect our livelihood.**”

A WORKER

Speaking to Tribune, a worker said on grounds of anonymity. "I don't work for a particular company. People approach us for various kinds of work and if we are shifted to some other place they will lose access to us. And this would



Labourers on one of the streets in Salmaniya area.

adversely affect our livelihood."

Four people died and more than 30 were injured after a building collapsed in a gas cylinder blast in the Salmaniya area last Tuesday.

According to sources, nearly 170 labourers lived in the three-storey building and tens were crammed in rooms, violating the labour laws regarding the provision of accommodation facilities to expatriate workers.

His Royal Highness Prime Minister Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa has ordered an investigation into the incident.

HRH the Premier also directed the Ministries of Interior, Labour and Social Development, Health, Works, Municipalities Affairs and Urban Planning to investigate the causes and submit an immediate report.

Pipeline bombers sentenced

Life in prison for first, second, third, fourth and fifth defendants

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The High Criminal Court yesterday handed down tough sentences to seven members of a terror cell accused of bombing an oil pipeline in Buri.

The court sentenced the first, second, third, fourth and fifth defendants to life in prison and fined them BD 200,000 each.

It also sentenced the sixth defendant

to ten years in jail and the seventh defendant to five years along with a fine of BD 100,000 each.

Moreover, the court decided to revoke the nationality of all the defendants except the seventh suspect.

The defendants were held guilty of establishing and joining a terrorist group, handling, possession and using explosives and detonation of a terrorist blast, receiving training on

the use of weapons and explosives to commit terrorist crimes and financing the terrorist group.

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According to court files, the first and second defendants, who are in Iran, formed the cell and they re-

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cruited its members, two of whom received training on using weapons and bombs at Iran-based military camps owned by the Iranian Revolutionary Guard.

The third defendant was allegedly the field leader of the culprits who bombed the pipeline. He is said to have teamed up with the four defendants who participated in the operation.

The device which was used is said

to have been assembled in Bahrain, while the operation was funded by the Iran-based masterminds.

Only four of the accused are in police custody, as the masterminds along with one of the men who took part in planting the bomb are still at large and being tried in absentia.

Catastrophic

The explosion damaged 30 cars, 38 stores, 28 houses and five public properties, while hundreds of people were evacuated from a nearby hospital and homes in the village.

The Interior Ministry said at the time that the incident that could have had a "catastrophic fallout" if it was not for quick action taken by emergency response teams.

The affected pipeline had to be temporarily closed following the blast, but on November 13, 2017, authorities said supplies to Bapco had resumed as normal via the two unaffected lines.

Imam murder main suspect 'mentally fit'

● It's believed that the suspect committed the crime after the imam alerted the Justice Ministry about his involvement in illegal free visa trade.



Imam Abduljaleel Hamood

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A mental evaluation confirmed that the suspected mosque imam murderer is responsible for his actions, while the High Criminal Court decided that it will issue its ruling on October 31, 2018.

The 35-year-old Bangladeshi defendant admitted earlier to murdering Bahraini imam Abduljaleel Hamood before the High Criminal Court.

He appeared before the High Criminal Court alongside another man accused in the case.

However, the latter, also from Bangladesh, pleaded not guilty, stating that he wasn't aware of his co-defendant's intention to murder.

According to prosecution, the suspect killed the imam by hitting him with an iron rod in the head. He then cut the imam's body into pieces along with the co-defendant before dumping it in plastic bags near the scrapyard in Askar, according to sources.

It's believed that the suspect committed the crime after the imam alerted the Justice Ministry about his involvement in illegal free visa trade.

Indonesia trade expo chance for businessmen

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The Indonesian Embassy in collaboration with Indonesia Business Friendship Society and ASEAN Bahrain Council (ABC) is inviting Bahrain businessmen to participate in the Trade Expo Indonesia (TEI), in Jakarta, which is to be held from October 24 to 28.

The 33rd Trade Expo Indonesia is one of the biggest business-to-business export product exhibitions in Asia, which will have 1,100 exhibitors, 28,000 visitors from 125 countries, with a USD1.5 billion in transaction value.

It will showcase a lot of Indonesian premium export products and services divided in eight zones, which are culinary, craft and lifestyle products, furniture, creative products and services, manufacturing products, strategic industry products, food and beverages products.

The event which will serve as a platform for individuals to explore trade and investment opportunities aims at providing a networking experience that giving an opportunity to meet high-rank government officials and business leaders.

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Ministry of Education
Directorate of Services
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Sr.	TENDER TITLE	TENDER NO	TENDER DOCUMENT FEES (BD)	INITIAL BOND (BD)	TENDER CLOSING DAY DATE TIME
1	Renovation of CCTV system and Maintenance of Alarm Systems Installed at National Charter Monument-Bahrain (NCM)	SL/33/2018	15/-	500/-	Wednesday 31/10/2018 1:30 PM

- Tenderers who are qualified for this kind of works are kindly requested to:
- Contact Electronic Section Section 17278873/17278973 port cabinet no (1) in Ministry of Education Complex in Manama from Monday October 15' 2018 (8:00A.M to 12:00 P.M)
- Quotations should be deposited in the tender box provided at Directorate of Materials - First Floor before 1:30 After Noon on the tender closing date.
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 - 2-Enclose a copy of the Commercial Registration Certificate valid for the current year, and related to the subject tender .
 - 3-Submit the bid with total price and BOQ as tender forms.
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 - 5-Ensure to stamp with the official seal on all the original documents and copies there-of, which form part of the offer .
 - 6-Bidder should perform a site survey at NCM on 28/10/2018 at 8:00 AM at NCM- Gate 339 ·Zellaq Hwy, Riffa -and the Quotation will not be accepted or evaluated without the site survey.
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