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First step to progress

Cabinet reviews HM King directives to implement government 'priority' programmes

- Aimed at achieving fiscal balance and self-sufficiency
- Providing quality services to citizens and residents
- Achieving Alternative Sanctions Programme objectives

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The Cabinet has reviewed the effectiveness of government programmes aimed at achieving fiscal balance and self-sufficiency as the first step towards the development and sustainability of national wealth and resources. This was part of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa's address at the opening of the National Assembly fifth legislative term's fourth session. The weekly Cabinet meeting



HM the King

was chaired by Deputy Prime Minister, His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Mubarak Al Khalifa, yesterday at Gudaibiya Palace. It commended HM King's address and highlighted the national message it carried particularly in defining the future priorities and foundations for national action. The Cabinet highlighted His Majesty's praise for the continuous development of the government's performance and its



HH Deputy Prime Minister

adoption of the latest administrative and technical practices, in particular the improved oversight of the quality of services provided to citizens and residents as well as raising the efficiency and fairness of the distribution of government support. It also includes the government's interest in improving the skillset of the national workforce, taking care of youth issues, and supporting the further empowerment of Bahraini women.

The Cabinet noted HM King's address on the success of the Alternative Sanctions Programme in achieving its objectives. It emphasised prioritising His Majesty's directives to start implementing the executive mechanisms and the necessary infrastructure for reform centres and open prisons.

The Cabinet also stressed the importance of further strengthening cooperation with the legislative authority in reviewing priority legislation to contribute to securing an environment that supports development and achieves the citizens' aspirations.

The Cabinet congratulated HM the King, and His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, and the citizens of Bahrain and the Arab and Islamic Ummah's on the anniversary of Prophet Mohammed's birthday.

The Cabinet also discussed and approved several memorandums.

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Bahrain campaign to plant more than 50,000 trees, shrubs

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A bold campaign to expand Bahrain's green area by planting more than 50,000 trees and shrubs will be launched by the National Initiative for Agricultural Development (NIAD).

The campaign, "Forever Green", will be under the patronage of Her Royal Highness



HRH Princess Sabeeka Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa, Wife of His Majesty the King and President of NIAD Consultative Council.

It aims to support the state's strategies through coordination with the public and private sectors to sustain the development of the agricultural sector in Bahrain, highlight the aesthetic features of the Kingdom and its interest in agriculture as a historical heritage, and strive to increase and expand the green area.

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Human rights achievements

Royal directives to adopt open prisons programme praised

Cairo

Bahrain has attained many widely-recognised human rights achievements thanks to His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa's directives.

This was emphasised by Arab Parliament Speaker Adel bin Abdulrahman Al Asoomi who highlighted the package of initiatives adopted by the kingdom to consolidate the human rights principles thanks to HM the King's direct support for the state of law and institutions. Al Asoomi was speaking while chairing the inaugural meeting of the second session of the third legislative term of the Arab Parliament, held at the AP's headquarters in Cairo yesterday.

He indicated the steady development of the human rights system in the kingdom, in line with HM the King's directives to begin putting in place the necessary executive mechanisms to adopt the programme of reform



The Arab Parliament session in progress

mation and open prisons, which, he said, represents a pioneering quantum leap resulting from a civilised and enlightened mindset in the field of human rights.

He also shed light on other initiatives currently implemented by the kingdom, such as the alternative sentencing system and the restorative justice for children, which are consistent with the highest international standards of human rights, and have a humanitarian dimension,

which strengthens the kingdom's status in this field.

MP Mamdooh Al Saleh, a member of the Arab Parliament, praised the progress witnessed by the AP, through the establishment of centres and mechanisms that support its work, as one of the main regional and international institutions.

He lauded HM the King's directives to put in place the necessary executive mechanisms for the open prisons pro-

gramme, noting that the scheme represents a quantum leap in the field of human rights, and confirms Bahrain's leadership in it.

MP Al Saleh affirmed that Bahrain attaches great importance to human rights, as reflected in the implementation of the alternative sentencing system and the adoption of the Restorative Justice for Children law, in addition to the quick response of Interior Minister, General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdulla Al

Khalifa, to the royal directives to set up the executive regulations for the open prison system.

He said the protection of human rights is a national policy, and everyone is keen on its success and on the establishment of new humanitarian principles that reflect HM the King's fatherly and humane sense.

The session also featured the inauguration of the Arab Centre for Combating Terrorism and Extremist Ideology.