

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

“One-stop travel”

The “One-stop travel” system with Bahrain and the United Arab Emirates becoming a good move and faster travel formalities at the entrance airport is widely welcomed. The Gulf Cooperation Council rolled out a one-stop travel system related to all travel procedures like immigration, customs, security checks at the departure airport itself to avoid repeating the same procedures again. It could be expedited for investor visa holders and GCC Resident visa holders also to be considered due to the present air travel situation across the region. It reduces time and efforts for more comfortable travel if all entry and exit formalities take place at the single point during the airport departure itself.

Considering the present airspace connectivity in the GCC, to include GCC residents also in “one-stop travel” facilities to get benefits would be a great relief from a long-standing queue in the airport and eliminate repeated inspections at check-in points at their destination airport as usual. Presently, Bahraini travelers can feel that departing from Bahrain airport to Dubai is a more relaxing prior experience due to entry check without repeating at the exit point.

Later, but not far away, in the near future, expect other GCC airports to also complete all travel check-in formalities at the entry airport and, upon arrival at the destination airport, can proceed directly as if arriving feels like a domestic destination on an easy way faster process without any delay or queue for investor visa holders and GCC resident Visa holders as well on the next stage of implementation to consider priority basis one by one.

Sunil Thomas Ranny

Peaceful nights please, not midnight chaos

I am a new mother living in Juffair, and I recently saw your post about noisy vehicles and the strict action being taken across Bahrain against disturbing vehicle noise. I felt compelled to write because I genuinely support this initiative and appreciate that the issue is being taken seriously.

What really struck me was reading the comments under your post and seeing how many residents from different areas expressed the same concern. It was eye-opening to realise how widely this problem is experienced. People living in areas such as Karbabad and Amwaj were describing similar situations, late-night reckless driving, drifting, and loud motorbikes in the early hours of the morning.

From my own perspective as a new mother to a 3-month-old baby, this issue feels even more personal. At this stage, sleep is already very fragile, and even small or sudden noises can disrupt an entire night. When these disturbances happen repeatedly, it becomes extremely difficult to maintain any sense of rest or routine. I can only empathise with other families, especially those with young children, elderly members, or individuals who have early work commitments and depend on quiet nights to function the next day.

I sincerely hope that the enforcement measures being introduced continue to be implemented firmly and consistently across all affected areas.

Thank you for highlighting this issue and giving residents a platform to voice their concerns.

Melissa Fernandez

Heat Is Not the Answer to Tooth Pain

Many people mistakenly believe that all pain responds the same way to heat. While a warm compress may help ease joint or muscle discomfort, it is not suitable for tooth pain, particularly when the cause is infection.

As an oral and maxillofacial surgeon, I often see patients who have tried applying heat to an aching tooth, only to return the next day with severe facial swelling and worsening pain. Heat causes vasodilation, increasing blood flow to the area. While this may aid healing in some conditions, in dental infections it can aggravate the problem and may allow the infection to spread beyond the tooth.

What begins as a simple toothache can progress into facial cellulitis, deep space infections, or in rare but serious cases, life-threatening complications that can affect swallowing and breathing. These situations are often preventable with timely dental treatment.

Another concern is self-medication with antibiotics. Some patients begin taking over-the-counter antibiotics without proper consultation, while others stop after only a few doses once symptoms improve. This can lead to incomplete treatment, recurrence of infection, and contribute to antibiotic resistance.

Tooth pain should never be dismissed or treated casually. Pain is usually a sign of an underlying problem that requires proper diagnosis and care. Rather than relying on heat or temporary home remedies, patients should seek prompt dental attention so the root cause can be treated safely and effectively.

Dr Abhishek Ghosh

How Corner Parking Endangers Road Safety

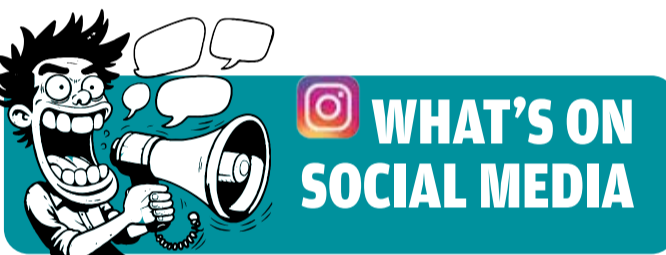
I would like to draw attention to a common yet dangerous practice seen across many neighborhoods in Bahrain: cars being parked on the corners and turning points of cut roads.

While this may seem convenient for some drivers, parking at road corners significantly decreases visibility for motorists approaching a turn. This often leads to near-misses and, in some cases, avoidable accidents, especially on narrow residential streets where children, pedestrians, and cyclists are present.

I believe this issue can be addressed through clearer road markings, designated “no parking” zones near corners, and increased public awareness about the risks involved. Stricter enforcement of existing traffic regulations would also encourage better parking habits.

A small change parking a few meters away from a turning point, can make a big difference. Improving visibility at corners will help ensure safer roads for everyone in Bahrain.

Moni Biswas



Fleeing home but still paying rent?

As tensions disrupt daily life, many tenants are leaving their homes suddenly - but rent obligations don't simply disappear. While leases remain legally binding, exceptional cases may be considered, leaving tenants and landlords to navigate a difficult balance between safety, law, and financial strain.

TOP COMMENTS

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Sometimes humanity can be a bit more than just legal. Nobody expected or prepared for this situation; it all happened so suddenly. Some people lost their jobs but can't leave the country. It's not something you can explain simply in terms of legality. We've all been hoping for a good tomorrow every day since February 28th, and we should give a chance to whoever's been affected by this situation.

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For 1 and half months we are searching flat and rent are really very high . It's really not affordable especially in this difficult situation and tough time... landlord and brokers are very stubborn for reducing the rent

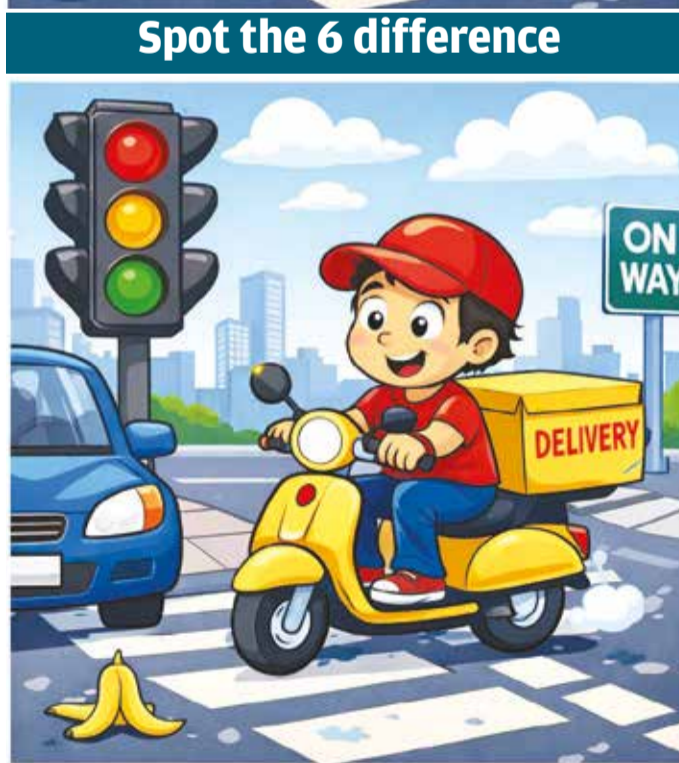
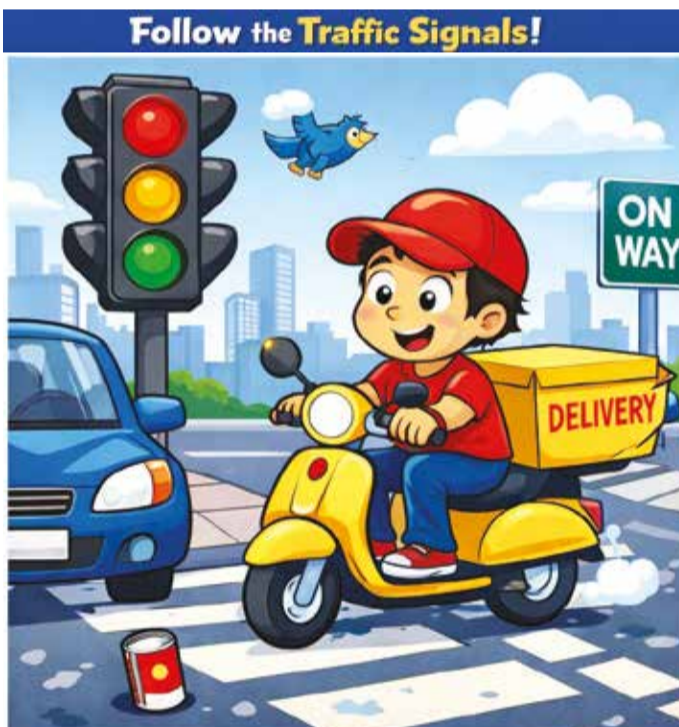
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Companies paying half salary if you don't want they will terminate your contract and our bills still remain the same how can we cope ?

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Tenants have rights during wartime which they might not otherwise have. Force majeure typically applies to renters during wartime, as war is generally listed as a “superior force” in contract law that excuses nonperformance of obligations. However, its application is not automatic; it depends heavily on the specific language of the lease, the jurisdiction, and the extent to which the war renders the performance of the lease impossible rather than just more difficult. In Bahrain, where Bahrainis have lost employment due to the war and thus lost their income, a judge may very well find force majeure to apply. By the same argument, the owners of the rental properties are losing income because their tenants cannot pay and the property owners could be defaulted on bank loans. Again, force majeure may very well apply. God willing, Trump and Israel's war against Iran will be officially ended soon. I have already paid the March fee, but my child did not attend even a single day. Now nurseries are asking for April fees as well. Nursery kids are too young to benefit from online classes – they mainly need care and physical interaction. I kindly request that fees be reconsidered or adjusted during this period.

PICTURE OF THE DAY



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