

# Gulf Security Is One and Indivisible

Shura Council Speaker Condemns Terror Attacks Threatening Stability

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Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh, Speaker of the Shura Council, condemned the recent drone attacks targeting Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates,

reaffirming Bahrain's full solidarity with the two Gulf nations.

In separate cables sent to Saudi and UAE parliamentary leaders, Al Saleh described the attacks as dangerous escalations that threaten regional security

and stability and violate international law and United Nations resolutions.

The Shura Council speaker condemned the attack involving three drones launched from Iraqi airspace toward Saudi Arabia, stressing Bahrain's unwaver-

ing support for all measures the kingdom takes to safeguard its security, territorial integrity and citizens.

He also denounced the drone attack near the Barakah Nuclear Power Plant in the UAE, describing it as a criminal act

targeting civilian and vital facilities.

Al Saleh praised the efficiency and readiness of Saudi and UAE air defence systems for intercepting and destroying the drones, saying the swift response reflected both countries'



Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh

strong defensive capabilities and commitment to protecting national security.

# MPs condemn drone attacks on Saudi Arabia, UAE as threat to Gulf security

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Bahraini MPs strongly condemned recent drone attacks targeting Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates, describing them as a threat to Gulf security and a violation of international law.

The statements came after Saudi Arabia intercepted three drones entering its airspace from Iraq, while the UAE reported a drone-related fire outside the inner perimeter of the Barakah nuclear power plant in Al Dhafra.



MP Waleed Al Doseri, a member of Parliament's Foreign Affairs, Defence and National Security Committee, described the attacks as a "dangerous escalation" threatening regional stability and breaching international law and principles of good neighbourliness.

He stressed that Gulf states' security was interconnected,

calling for a firm international stance against hostile and terrorist acts targeting the region.

Fellow committee member Maryam Al Sayegh said the attacks were "hostile and terrorist acts" posing a direct threat to the stability of Saudi Arabia and the UAE.

She reaffirmed Bahrain's support for both coun-



Waleed Al Doseri, MP



Maryam Al Sayegh, MP



Abdulla Al Dhaen, MP

tries and said GCC security remained "one indivisible whole".

Meanwhile, MP Abdulla Al Dhaen condemned the attacks as "cowardly terrorist acts", saying

the targeting of civilian and strategic sites represented a clear violation of state sovereignty and regional security.

He affirmed Parliament's sol-

idarity with Saudi Arabia and the UAE against any threats to their stability and the safety of citizens and residents.

## Proposal for UoB Kindergarten Certificate

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A proposal to introduce a new qualification for kindergarten and nursery workers at University of Bahrain has won backing from Parliament's Services Committee, as efforts continue to strengthen early childhood education in Bahrain.

The university said a Level 5 certificate would be more suitable than a traditional diploma for those entering the sector, particularly school-leavers seeking



Jaleela Alawi, Chairwoman of the Services Committee

recognised training in childcare and classroom practice.

According to the proposal, the programme will cover child development, play-based learning, activity planning and practical training inside approved kindergartens.

The university added that Mohammed Jaber Al Ansari College for Teachers, in coordination with the Ministry of Education, is preparing the course for launch in September 2026.

A Level 6 qualification is also planned for those seeking supervisory and management positions in early childhood education, creating a pathway from entry-level training to senior roles.

The programme will be taught in Arabic and English, with Bahraini applicants receiving priority during admissions coordinated with the ministry.

## MPs Push Job Return Right for Unfairly Dismissed Workers

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A group of Bahraini MPs has proposed a legal amendment allowing courts to order the reinstatement of workers found to have been unfairly dismissed from their jobs.

The draft amendment, submitted by MP Zainab AbdulAmeer and four other lawmakers, seeks to revise Article 104 of Bahrain's Private Sector Labour Law issued under Law No. 36 of 2012.

Under the proposal, courts would be granted direct authority to return dismissed employees to their positions once arbitrary



Zainab AbdulAmeer, MP

dismissal is proven and requested by the worker.

AbdulAmeer said the amendment was intended to provide workers with greater protection and fairness, arguing that financial compensation alone

was often insufficient to address the damage caused by losing employment.

### Stability

She said job security is closely linked to social and financial stability, particularly for workers supporting families, paying loans, and managing household expenses.

The explanatory memorandum accompanying the proposal warned that sudden unemployment could lead to debt, legal disputes and broader social and psychological pressures on families.



Parliament's Services Committee said the proposal would help raise education standards and expand career opportunities for young Bahrainis.

# Nurse Jailed 10 Years for Embezzling BHD 25,750

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The court upheld a 10-year prison sentence against a nurse convicted of exploiting a paralyzed patient and embezzling BHD 25,750 through

electronic banking fraud. The sentence also includes a fine and deportation order.

The High Criminal Court of Appeal (First Circuit) confirmed the verdict, which also imposes a BHD 5,000 fine and orders the defendant's deportation upon

completion of her sentence.

According to case details, the nurse unlawfully took the victim's mobile phone and used the Digital payment system linked to his bank account to carry out a series of unauthorised transfers.

Prosecutors said the total stolen amount reached BHD 25,750, which was initially transferred into the defendant's local bank account before being moved to her home country in Asia. She later returned BHD 3,500 of the funds.

The Public Prosecution stated that the defendant used the victim's electronic verification code, which functions as a digital authentication signature, to access and authorise transactions fraudulently.

She also entered false data into

the electronic payment system to complete the transfers.

The case dates back to 2025, when the victim's son noticed multiple large transactions from his father's account during September and October, prompting a report to authorities.

## Grand Opening of Indian Club Badminton Championship



The Indian Club-Guideline Open Badminton Tournament was officially inaugurated in a grand ceremony in Manama attended by distinguished guests, officials, sponsors, and sports enthusiasts. The event featured symbolic dove releases, highlighting messages of peace and unity, and is dedicated to national leadership and the country's security forces. With more than 300 players from Bahrain and Saudi Arabia participating, the tournament will conclude on Friday with the finals and a prize distribution ceremony. ( By Pradeep Puravankara )

## Prayers And Prosperity



Married women of the Bahrain Odia Samaj (BOS) gathered in Manama on Saturday to observe Sabitri Pooja, praying for the well-being, protection, prosperity, and longevity of their husbands. Rooted in the legendary Hindu mythological tale of Sabitri and Satyavan, the Sabitri Brata reflects the unwavering love, sacrifice, and spiritual strength of a devoted wife. The festival holds unique importance in the Indian state of Odisha, beautifully blending Puranic traditions with local customs. For Odia women, the day embodies devotion, love, and cultural identity. ( By Pradeep Puravankara )