

He defeated darkness to wear black gown

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He became blind at the age of 10, but never lost sight of his goals in life.

Abdulrazzaq Abdulmohsen, a successful lawyer, says darkness never prevented him from realising his potentials. "If you have faith in yourself you can overcome any obstacle in life," he said.

Recalling his tough days, Abdulmohsen said, "I was a primary-school student in Saar, I could see everything, until I reached fourth grade. During the first semester, my sight was weak, and things got worse in the second semester. I was transferred to the Saudi Bahraini Institute for the Blind, as I was not allowed to continue at the regular school."

Abdulmohsen continued his studies up to middle school there before moving to Naeem Secondary School. "I graduated from high school earning 88.2 per cent, and then I joined the University of Bahrain, specialising in law. I graduated after four years with a grade



Adv Abdulmohsen in his office

of 2.8, in 2011, and now I am studying my Masters in law."

Abdulmohsen attended all exams orally. "The final exams were written

on the Perkins machine in Braille and the papers were corrected by the Saudi Bahraini Institute for the Blind."

Describing the difficulties he faced,

the lawyer said, "There were many difficulties that I faced. As a student I could not interact as a normal child. I was harassed by friends. But there were



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lot of support as well. The support first came from my family and then from my teachers and friends."

He said the biggest difficulty was the lacking of freedom of movement. "It is the biggest difficulty faced by a blind man. But I have made up my mind to overcome this."

Like other law graduates, starting a career wasn't easy for Abdulmohsen. "After trying hard, I found a lawyer who was willing to train me and then I did an internship under Nawaf Al Sayed. Later, I joined his office and started to work and attend sessions in courts. I worked with him for two years."

As a lawyer, Abdulmohsen feels the profession is superior to all other jobs. "I am certainly enjoying the job. Despite being a disabled man I have made a mark in the legal profession and I will continue towards the path of progress."

To all youngsters, he got only one advice. "Follow your heart and chase your dreams. It doesn't matter you have any disabilities or weakness, if you have determination and plan of action."

Homely tastes sold here!

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A Bahraini couple has opened a shop in Qalali to help low-income families in the area.

Various food items prepared by these families are sold at the shop, which has a growing number of customers.

Speaking to Tribune, shop owner Ibrahim Al Kuwari said, "The idea behind the shop is to create a source of living for people from low-income families in the area. Initially three families were giving us food items and now it has increased."

"We sell home-made grape leaves, as well as, cakes, cabbage, juices and salads. Once you enter the shop you will find a variety of main dishes, sweets, appetisers, salads and drinks," he said.

Mr Al Kuwari said special care is given to ensure the quality of food items and the prices of these items are decided in consultation with the families.

The shop also has rent a shelf scheme. "The rent for a cooled shelf is BD40, while for the outer shelf is BD30. After getting shelves, the participants can decide as to what he can offer the shop."

Mr Al Kuwari said there is a strong demand for homemade food stuffs in the Kingdom and customers come to the shop from across the country.

The shop has a strong presence in social media with a large number of followers.



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The Dazzlers Gavel Club, Bahrain, held an investiture ceremony at Park Regis Hotel on June 16. The new executive committee members are Counsellor Toastmaster Nikitha Krishnadas, President-Leah Lukose, Vice President Education-Nandana Chandrasekhar, Vice President Membership- Ishani Anoop, Vice president Public Relations- Pranav Ranjith, Secretary-Gouri Bindu, Treasurer- Siva Krishnan, Sergeant At Arms- Manav Prasanth and Toastmaster Diviya Ramesh.