

US President posted a map labelling the Strait of Hormuz as "NEW U.S. Territory," renewing his controversial claim over the strategic waterway. | P6-7

Public Holiday

His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, issued a circular declaring a public holiday to commemorate Prophet Mohammed's birthday.

Under the circular, ministries, government departments and public institutions across Bahrain will close on Tuesday, August 25, 2026.

Back-to-School Deals Get a Boost



The Ministry of Industry and Commerce is continuing the fifth edition of its Consumer Friend initiative, with 11 commercial establishments participating in offers aimed at providing families with wider choices and better value during the back-to-school season.

The initiative covers food and consumer goods, school supplies and stationery, and electrical and electronic devices. The ministry said the programme strengthens cooperation with the private sector while promoting conscious shopping and advance planning.

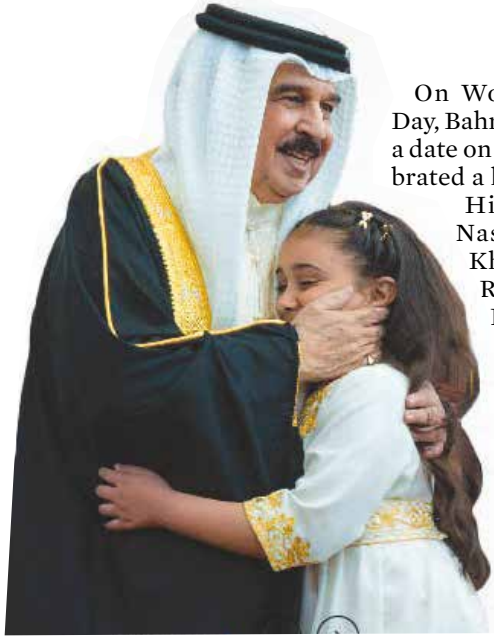
Bahrain Voices Solidarity with Iraq

Bahrain has strongly condemned an Iranian drone attack targeting the private office of the Prime Minister of the Kurdistan Regional Government and the residence of the Director of the Protection Agency in Pirmam, Erbil Governorate.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs described the attack as a dangerous escalation threatening regional security and stability and a violation of international law, the UN Charter and the principles of good neighbourliness.

Bahrain reaffirmed its full solidarity with Iraq and the Kurdistan Regional Government and expressed support for measures aimed at protecting Iraq's sovereignty and territorial integrity and safeguarding the security and stability of the Kurdistan Region.

25 Years of Giving - Bahrain's Humanitarian Heart Beats On



On World Humanitarian Day, Bahrain did not just mark a date on the calendar. It celebrated a legacy.

His Highness Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa, His Majesty's Representative for Humanitarian Works and Youth Affairs and Chairman of the Royal Humanitarian Foundation, said the occasion renews Bahrain's commitment to humanitarian values, giving and solidarity.

Under his leader-

ship, the foundation has transformed from a relief organisation into a comprehensive humanitarian model — one that combines care, empowerment and development, both inside Bahrain and far beyond its borders.

The numbers tell their own story. Over 32,000 humanitarian cases supported. More than 75,000 forms of assistance delivered. A quarter-century of quiet, consistent compassion.

Foreign Minister Dr Abdulatif bin Rashid Al Zayani reaffirmed Bahrain's unwavering support for international humanitarian efforts, describing it as a core value rooted in the

vision of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

Shura Council Chairman Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh echoed that sentiment, saying Bahrain has established itself as a prominent model of humanitarian action — a kingdom that does not just talk about solidarity, but lives it.

Acting Secretary-General Ibrahim Delhan Al Doseri said the foundation's next chapter is built on sustainability and independence — helping people not just survive, but thrive.

Twenty-five years in, Bahrain's humanitarian story is far from over. It is only getting started.

TDT | Manama

When the Royal Humanitarian Foundation was established 25 years ago, its mission was straightforward — help those in need. Today, it has grown into something far greater.



HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa



Ali bin Saleh Al Saleh



Dr. Abdulatif bin Rashid Al Zayani



Ibrahim Delhan Al Doseri

Mother and Three Children Die in Al Ramli Fire

Father returns home to find wife and three young children dead in flat blaze



TDT | Manama

Mohammed Darwish

A 27-year-old mother and her three young children died after a fire broke out at their flat in Al Ramli. The woman's husband, Hassan AbdulAl, was away when the fire started. He returned after the blaze broke out and found his wife and their children, aged five, three and one, dead.

The fire erupted in Flat 14 on the first floor of a residential building in Block 714 before spreading through the home. Civil Defence teams brought the blaze under control and evacuated the building.

The five-year-old child was found with a faint pulse, but efforts to save the child were unsuccessful. The mother and her two younger children also died. AbdulAl was later taken to hospital by ambulance.



"We must ensure families have what they need."

- DR SALMAN MOHSEN, NORTHERN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEMBER



"We must prevent such a tragedy from happening again."

- HASSAN EBRAHIM, MP

The fire forced other residents to leave their homes, with families living in first-floor flats provided with temporary accommodation.

MP Hassan Ebrahim said housing had been arranged for residents who were forced to leave their homes.

"We must stand by the families forced from their homes and make sure they have what they

need after this tragedy," MP Ebrahim told The Daily Tribune.

He offered his condolences to the bereaved family, praised the efforts of Civil Defence crews and called for an investigation into the cause of the fire, along with measures to prevent similar incidents in the future.

Dr Salman Mohsen, a member of the Northern Municipal Council for the fourth constitu-



ency, said the council contacted the Housing Ministry to arrange repairs to the fire-damaged flat.

"We will stay in contact with the families and give them the help they need in the days ahead," he told The Daily Tribune.

Chief of Police Lieutenant-General Tariq Al Hassan visited the scene, where police, Civil Defence crews and representatives from the Interior Ministry, Northern Governorate and Housing Ministry were also present.

The cause of the fire remains unknown, with authorities continuing their investigation into how the blaze started.

New Deputy CEO at REHC



His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, Minister of the Prime Minister's Court and Chairman of the Higher Authority of the Rashid Equestrian and Horse Racing Club, has issued a decision appointing Majid Mohammed Majid Al Majed as Deputy Chief Executive Officer for Operations at the club.

The appointment was made following approval by the Higher Authority of the Rashid Equestrian and Horse Racing Club.

Global Nominations Open



The King Hamad Global Centre for Coexistence and Tolerance has launched the first King Hamad Award for Coexistence and Tolerance, offering a US\$1 million prize with nominations open worldwide until October 10, 2026.

Established under Royal Order (32) of 2024, the award recognises individuals and institutions that have made exceptional contributions to promoting tolerance, coexistence, dialogue and mutual respect, with nominations submitted through the award's official website.

Education Minister highlights early youth development



Education Minister Dr. Mohammed bin Mubarak Juma visited the first "Gadeha Junior" training camp at the Bahrain International Exhibition and Convention Centre, praising summer programmes that help young people make productive use of their time and develop their skills.

The minister reviewed the camp's physical and practical activities, which focus on building physical and mental abilities while promoting discipline, teamwork, cooperation and self-confidence. He also praised the efforts behind the camp and its focus on developing young participants from an early age.