

# Monitoring system launched to tackle municipal violations

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Shaikh Khalid being briefed on the monitoring system.



Shaikh Khalid with senior government officials and dignitaries.

## Manama

Shaikh Khalid bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, Deputy Prime Minister and Chairman of the Ministerial Committee for Development and Infrastructure Projects, yesterday launched an internal system to monitor and follow-up all types of municipal violations.

The system provides an integrated database about violations and checks the status of the existing ones where the inspectors are through an electronic portal and smart devices.

The launch comes amidst the Ministerial Committee approving the "mobile monitoring system" and its application across all municipalities after it was confined to the capital during the trial phase.

During the inauguration at Gudaibiya Palace, Shaikh Khalid expressed thanks to all the people involved in designing the

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system that will provide several unprecedented services and enhance municipal work.

He directed that the system be made available to all ministries and government entities that include inspection.

"The government, headed by His Royal Highness the Prime Minister, and supported by His Royal Highness the Crown Prince, Deputy Supreme Commander and First Deputy Premier has a special interest in raising the efficiency and effectiveness of the public sector through reviewing and updating the engineering and government services and their integration between the authorities, and strengthening oversight accountability and transparency, in compliance with the provisions of

the government's Action Programme (2019-2022)," Shaikh Khalid said.

"Among these operations are municipal inspection systems that alert about violations before they happen, which reduces the occurrence of violations as much as possible. They also ensure the proper implementation of the law in case they do happen," he said at the inauguration ceremony.

These systems used to be traditionally managed, and required entering data and details after monitoring violations in different locations, he added.

"Thanks to modern technologies and innovations, the tasks of inspection and monitoring are more accurate and achieve the highest degree of compliance with laws and regulations," Shaikh Khalid added.

## Kuwait's GCC role lauded

Manama

Kuwaiti Foreign Minister, Dr. Shaikh Ahmed Nasser Al Mohammed Al-Sabah, yesterday received the outgoing Secretary-General of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), Dr Abdullah bin Rashid Al Zayani.

Dr Shaikh Ahmed Nasser Al-Mohammed praised the tremendous efforts exerted by Dr Al Zayani throughout his tenure as GCC Secretary-General, recalling with pride his unwavering and commendable efforts to develop the GCC Secretariat-General at all levels so as to enable the GCC to achieve the goals of its noble mission of enhancing its joint action, as well as to meet the aspirations of GCC people for strengthening the pillars of security and peace across the region.

Dr Al Zayani valued highly the remarkable role played by the State of Kuwait to consolidate security in the region, in addition to its support for strengthening GCC action to be able to confront challenges faced by the region and its peoples.

He lauded Kuwait's leading role at various international gatherings, as well as the prestigious status it enjoys at the global level.

Dr Abdullah bin Rashid Al Zayani, who has been appointed the country's new foreign minister, has had successful careers as a technocrat, academician and a diplomat.

Dr Al Zayani became Secretary-General of the GCC on April 1, 2011. Prior to his appointment, he was advisor at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs with the rank of Minister, chairman of the Joint Steering Committee between Bahrain and the United Kingdom and chairman of the ministry's Development and Regulation committee.

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Bahrain Olympic Committee (BOC) Deputy President His Highness Shaikh Isa bin Ali Al Khalifa visited Shaikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman Al Khalifa, who is undergoing medical treatment at a hospital in Germany and got reassured about his health. HH Shaikh Isa bin Ali Al Khalifa wished Shaikh Mohammed bin Abdulrahman Al Khalifa quick recovery so as to return to Bahrain in good health. Present were Khalid Jama'an and Mohammed bin Daina were also present.



Council of Representatives Speaker Fawzia Zainal stressed strong bilateral relations binding Bahrain and India, led by His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa and Indian President Ram Nath Kovind. The Speaker made the statement as she received yesterday Indian Ambassador Alok Kumar Sinha, hailing India's deep-rooted history and civilisation and longstanding democracy, cultural diversity and keenness on respecting the rights of all citizens and consolidating the values and co-existence. She stressed the two countries' keenness on strengthening bilateral relations and supporting joint cooperation, hailing the role of the Indian expatriate community in the Kingdom of Bahrain. She hailed India's solidarity with the Bahrain, reiterating the Kingdom's support to Indian and joint stances against terrorism and interference in other countries' internal affairs.