

Lower Criminal Court fines two BD 500 for renting CR

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The Lower Criminal Court has imposed fines on two individuals, a Bahraini and an Asian national, for violating Commercial Registration (CR) laws.

Both the men were fined BD500 each for their involvement in breaching CR regulations by renting the document.

A Commercial Registration certificate (CR) is a legal document issued to investors upon registering their establishment in the Kingdom of Bahrain with the Ministry of Industry & Commerce.

Case files say the Bahraini man allowed the Asian national to utilise his CR in exchange for a monthly fee, thereby contravening commercial laws in the country.

Upon investigation, it was discovered that the Asian national had been using the CR details of the Bahraini man to operate a business under a lease agreement.

Prior to taking legal action, the Ministry of Industry and Commerce had issued a warn-



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ing and a one-week deadline to the Bahraini man, urging him to rectify the violation. However, he failed to comply with the authorities' instructions.

During interrogation, the Asian national admitted to paying BD50 as monthly fee to the Bahraini man for operating the business. He also confirmed that

he was responsible for settling the EWA bills and other associated fees.

As a result, the Lower Criminal Court imposed fines on both individuals and mandated them to bear the expenses of publishing the judgment.

In Bahrain, it is against the law for a business owner registered in the commercial register to engage in commercial concealment, which involves selling or renting out the commercial registration (CR) or leasing a commercial shop to a non-Bahraini individual.

Commercial concealment refers to the act of enabling a non-Bahraini to carry out a commercial activity that is prohibited for them, such as using the personal data, license, or commercial registry of a Bahraini or someone of similar status. These actions, which lead to commercial concealment, are considered criminal offences due to the fact that the government of Bahrain has granted the right to conduct commercial business exclusively to the registered business owner and not to be extended to others.

Bahrain aims to set new record for most hearing tests in 12-Hour

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Bahrain is embarking on a ground-breaking attempt to break the record for the highest number of hearing tests conducted within a span of 12 hours, under the patronage of Lt. General HH Shaikh Nasser bin Hamad Al Khalifa.

The event, titled "Hear the World," aims to screen a maximum number of individuals in the time frame and shed light on Bahrain's commitment to staying at the forefront of medical technology.

The initiative seeks to raise awareness about hearing problems, stressing the importance of regular check-ups and early diagnosis.

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said that by undertaking this record-breaking endeavour, Bahrain is demonstrating its dedication to promoting public health and advancing medical practices.

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High Criminal Court adjourns verdict in corruption Case

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The High Criminal Court adjourned a corruption case involving two senior government employees to the 31st of this month to pronounce its verdict.

Standing accused in the dock are a department head and supervisor at the Ministry of Municipalities.

The pair stand accused of forging official documents to approve building permits, misusing their authority.

Investigators allege that the department head instructed the supervisor to falsify a report, enabling the company to obtain the necessary documents for electricity and water connections in a building that deviated from the approved blueprint.

Coast Guard rescues man after Jet Ski overturns in Muharraq Marine area

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Announced through a tweet that the Coast Guard Marine Patrols quickly came to the man's aid, rescuing him and safely transporting him to shore.

According to the tweet, the individual is now out of danger and in good health.

High Shariat Court grants equal rights to wives in bitter dispute over social Housing Unit

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A heated legal dispute over the ownership of a social housing unit between the two wives of a deceased man has ended with the High Shariat Court granting equal ownership to both women.

The conflict originated when the man's first wife received a house from the Ministry of Housing after his passing, but she refused to allow entry to the second wife.

According to court documents, the first wife had previously agreed in writing with



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the Ministry of Housing to grant access to the second wife and her children, but she failed to honour this agreement.

Consequently, the second wife sought justice by approaching the court. Her lawyer argued that she had every right to benefit from the house, pointing to the commitment made by the first wife to the Ministry of Housing.

The Court ruled in favour of the second wife, acknowledging her right to occupy the property as she was raising her two children who were fathered by the deceased man.

Top AI expert expresses concerns over Bahrain's limited presence in TED talks

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A prominent Artificial Intelligence Expert in Bahrain has expressed concerns over the lack of Bahraini participation in internationally-led TED talks, which have gained popularity for their viral impact, reaching millions of viewers and sparking discussions across diverse communities.

Dr Eshaa Al Khalifa, the CEO of SayG and a well-known figure in academia and the women's TED community, highlighted the importance of raising awareness among Bahraini citizens about the significance of attending international TED talks.

In an exclusive interview with The Daily Tribune, Dr Eshaa emphasised the importance of TED conferences that bring together experts, scientists, technologists, and business professionals to share ideas and create societal awareness.

"TED" stands for Technolo-



gy, Entertainment, and Design, which were the initial focus areas when the conference was first established in 1984. However, TED Talks now cover a wide range of topics, including science, business, psychology, education, art, and more.

Dr Eshaa pointed out that Bahrain was the sole representative from the Arab region at a recent international TED



TED Talks follow a format of short, powerful speeches typically lasting around 18 minutes or less. Speakers are invited to share their ideas, experiences, and insights with the goal of spreading knowledge and fostering meaningful conversations. The talks are known for their engaging storytelling, thought-provoking content, and ability to present complex ideas in a concise and accessible manner.

rain to apply for international TED conferences, mentioning that while Bahrain hosts a limited number of local TED Talks, their quality is on par with conferences held abroad.

She suggested that the reason for the lack of Bahraini representation might be due to organisers not actively pursuing international opportunities.

Dr Eshaa further explained that attending international TED conferences can be challenging, as the majority of attendees are accomplished and influential figures in business and society.

How to apply?

The application process typically involves submitting a

resume that highlights an applicant's accomplishments and contributions to society, science, or technology.

Dr Eshaa expressed optimism about Bahrain's development across various industries and its technological advancements. She believes that there are many potential Bahraini participants who simply need encouragement and greater awareness of TED conferences.

"Considering how Bahrain is developing across all industries and how many organisations are making technological strides, I think there are plenty of potential Bahrainis who just need a little encouragement and awareness."