

Shocking act of ‘animal cruelty’

Public outrage erupts after teen filmed hurling kitten against wall in Muharraq

● Incident prompts police complaint and demand swift justice

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A teenager was filmed throwing a kitten against the walls of a residential building in Muharraq, in a video that has drawn widespread public anger and triggered a police complaint by the Bahrain Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

The video, shared widely online, shows the young cat being hurled repeatedly inside the stairwell of what appears to be a block of flats.

The teenager, whose identity remains unknown, is seen striking the animal without any visible provocation.

The Society responded by lodging a formal complaint with



The disturbing footage shows the teenager abusing the kitten

the police in Muharraq, urging an urgent investigation and calling for action to be taken against the boy shown in the footage.

Chairman Mahmood Faraj said the video documented clear abuse and called for the law to be applied in full, regardless of the boy's age.

Basic decency

“What we saw goes against the grain of basic decency,” he

said. “There must be consequences. Without that, there is every chance we’ll see more of the same.”

He also warned against brushing such behaviour aside.

“Turning away sends a message. And it’s the wrong one,” he added.

Calls for legal action were echoed by users on social media, many of whom posted messages of outrage beneath copies of the

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video.

Animal welfare campaigners described the clip as disturbing and urged a firm response from the authorities.

The Society confirmed that it had handed over the footage to the police as part of its complaint.

Investigators are expected to try to establish the teenager's identity and determine the circumstances of the incident.

Rashid participates in Italy’s global ‘East Meets West’ Art Exhibition



Artist Rashid Al Khalifa, left, with Roberto Dipiazza

Rome

Artist Rashid Al Khalifa, President of the RAK Art Foundation, participated in the international art exhibition “East Meets West,” which was recently opened in the Italian city of Trieste.

The event is part of an ongoing artistic project that aims to promote cultural exchange and foster dialogue between Eastern and Western artistic traditions.

On the sidelines of the event, artist Rashid Al Khalifa met with Roberto Dipiazza, Mayor of Trieste, who expressed his appreciation for Rashid Al Khalifa's work and his artistic vision.

Lightness

The exhibition, held at the historic Palazzo Tergesteo, explores the concept of “lightness” through three thematic pillars: Art and Life, Art and Music, and Art and Philosophy.

It features works by a diverse group of artists from various cultural backgrounds, offering a creative and immersive experience that celebrates

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the convergence of East and West.

Commenting on his participation, artist Rashid Al Khalifa said: “I believe that art has the true power to transcend cultural and linguistic boundaries and create a human dialogue that crosses borders. My participation in this project stems from a deep conviction in the importance of supporting international artistic initiatives. The RAK Art Foundation is fully committed to backing projects that open new avenues for cross-cultural exchange and shared creative exploration.”

BSA takes part in global workshop

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A delegation from the Bahrain Space Agency (BSA) took part in a joint workshop organized by the United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA) and the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), titled “From ITU Filing to UN Registration: The Life Cycle of a Satellite.”

The two-day event, held across Vienna and Geneva, focused on deepening understanding of the international regulatory framework governing satellite operations — from pre-launch radio frequency coordination to post-launch registration with the United Nations in accordance with international space treaties.

His Excellency Dr. Moham-



med Ibrahim Al-Asiri, CEO of

the Bahrain Space Agency, emphasized the significance of the workshop.

“The sessions addressed critical areas of the space industry,” he said. “They covered satellite frequency registration with the ITU, spectrum and orbit resource management, and legal obligations related to space object registration under UN treaties.”

Sixth batch of ‘Pinay Ikaw Na’ dressmaking program



A dressmaking training course for Filipinos was held at the Majestic Hotel in Bahrain. It was the sixth batch of the Pinay Ikaw Na (PIN) dressmaking training program, in collaboration with the Philippine Embassy, Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA), and Migrant Workers Office (MWO). Participants showed their technical skills and creative abilities as they proudly presented their inaugural project, a balloon skirt, during their third challenging training exercise. Having become proficient in the skirt expose technique, the participants progressed to pattern making and cutting square pants, a more complicated garment design. The exercise highlighted not only the technological skill of the future designers but also their own personal creative interpretation of current trends. The seven-Friday training course is designed to embrace students with progressive learning. Following the introductory third week, which is devoted to theory of dressmaking then basic pattern making and cutting, the course advances towards the making of various simple dresses. The last learning phase will be the designing and making of their graduation gowns, a Filipiniana or a Maria Clara traditional fashion gown, as evidence that they are masters in learning the skill sets as they go through.