

HM King issues decree appointing undersecretary

Assistant Undersecretary for Housing Projects named

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa yesterday issued Royal Decree (73) of 2022, appointing an undersecretary

and two assistant undersecretaries at the Social Development Ministry, based on the proposal of the Minister of Social Development and after the approval of the Cabinet.

Under the decree, Sahar Rashid Al Mannaa was appointed as Undersecretary at the Social Development Ministry.

Enas Mohammed Al Majed was appointed as Assistant Undersecretary for Community



HM the King

Development and Zainab Salman Al Uwainati as Assistant Undersecretary for Welfare and Social Rehabilitation, at the same ministry.

The Social Development Minister shall implement the provisions of this decree, which takes immediate effect, and will be published in the Official Gazette.

His Majesty also issued Royal Decree (74) of 2022, appointing Ali Abda Ali Al Salman as Assis-

tant Undersecretary for Housing Projects at the Ministry of Housing and Urban Planning, based on the proposal of the Minister of Housing and Urban Planning and after the approval of the Cabinet.

The Minister of Housing and Urban Planning shall implement the provisions of this decree, which comes into force immediately, and will be published in the Official Gazette.

BDF ceremony for new recruits

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The Bahrain Defense Force (BDF) held a graduation ceremony for new recruits.

The ceremony included a summary on the course and the stages of training, including theoretical materials and practical applications.

Economy to benefit from new Exhibition World Bahrain key role: Dr Qaedi

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The new Exhibition World Bahrain in Sakhr will add significant value to the investment ecosystem in the Kingdom and maximise the contribution of the tourism sector in the national economy.

This was emphasised by Bahrain Tourism and Exhibitions Authority (BTEA) CEO Dr Nasser Qaedi, adding that it will have a tangible impact on revitalising business tourism, aside from its distinct design as a one-of-a-kind architectural structure inspired by Bahrain's long history.

"The Exhibition World Bahrain reflects Bahrain's commitment to enhancing the Kingdom's position as an internationally prominent business tourism destination. We are looking forward to an eventful season filled with large functions from various industries that will be held under one roof at the completely new exhibition center," he said.

The inauguration of the center coincides with the launch of three major annual exhibitions.

They are Jewellery Arabia 2022, the largest jewellery exhibition in the Middle East; the Arabian Perfumes Exhibition, which is held for the first time in Bahrain; and Cityscape's Exhibition, which is also one of



Dr Qaedi

the largest real estate events in the Middle East.

The exhibition has a total area of 308,700 square metres to accommodate various types of events. It consists of ten exhibition halls with varying ceiling heights and a total area of 95,000 square meters, each with its own technical services and storage space, as well as independent exits and entrances.

All these characteristics make the center the best choice for hosting multiple recurring events and exhibitions at the same time, especially since the space of the exhibition halls at the Bahrain World Center exceeds the capacity of the Bahrain International Exhibition and Convention Center in the Manama area by six times.

'Ride of a lifetime' for Kerala cyclist

Fayis Asraf Ali in Bahrain on way to London as final destination after crisscrossing 35 countries on bicycle

On track to completing 30,000km road adventure

IT expert arrived in the Kingdom on November 20

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The Kingdom is a stopover for a bizarre adventurer! IT expert and cyclist from Kerala, Fayis Asraf Ali, is in Bahrain enroute to London which is set to be his final destination after crisscrossing 35 countries.

From the South Indian state of Kerala, Ali is biking his way to London to cover 30,000km. After departing Thiruvananthapuram on August 15 where state Education Minister V Srivankutty flagged off his journey, he arrived in the Kingdom of Bahrain



Fayis Asraf Ali is on a noble mission

on November 20.

Speaking to The Daily Tribune, Ali said: "I was working as an engineer in Saudi Arabia, but my father was ill, so I resigned and stayed at home and couldn't find any job. I used to take care of my father. After my father passed away in 2018, I started visiting my wife in Mangalore

because I was feeling so lonely. It was at this point that I discovered my passion for cycling.

"I began my first voyage by cycling 104 days from Kerala to Singapore. I was really motivated and convinced that I could complete a lengthy bicycle tour, so I chose to cycle to London. Bahrain is presently the sixth

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country on my route, and I will be departing on Friday to continue.

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Ali says that to make extraordinary achievements, one has to make several sacrifices.

"I do not want to go back to work, and I want to achieve something extraordinary before I depart from this world," he stated.

Joint inspection campaign



The Labour Market Regulatory Authority (LMRA) conducted a joint inspection campaign in the Muharraq Governorate, in cooperation with the Nationality, Passports and Residence Affairs (NPRA) of the Ministry of Interior and the Muharraq Governorate Police Directorate. The campaign resulted in reporting a number of violations related to the Labour Market and Residency laws and were referred for legal action. LMRA stressed its commitment to report any violation through a continuous and intensive inspection plan, in cooperation with the relevant government entities. The LMRA renewed its call on all members of the society to support the efforts of government agencies to address illegal labour practices, calling on the public to report violations by filling the electronic form on its website www.lmra.bh or calling the authority's call centre on 17506055.

Court stories

Case to overturn NPRA decision dismissed

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The High Administrative Court dismissed a lawsuit seeking to overturn the decision made by Nationality, Passport and Residence Affairs (NPRA) to deny a foreigner entry visa to the Kingdom of Bahrain.

The Court confirmed the state's authority over its territory is absolute, stressing its right to receive foreigners or not to allow them to be received within its territory.



The plaintiff had filed a complaint in which he requested the jury to overturn the defendant's decision to deny an application for authorisation to issue a visit visa to one of his friends for a

duration of one or two weeks. In his claim, he stated he had applied to be the guarantor of his friend while paying all his expenses during his stay. However, that request was denied without reason.

He complained about that decision, but that appeal was also denied. As a result, he filed a claim citing the law's violation in the decision.

However, the Court underlined that the state has absolute authority over its territory and

that through this right, it has the ability to receive or deny foreigners entry into its territory, or to allow them to stay on its territory or not, and to deport those that it deems undesirable to stay there so that it can maintain its territorial integrity and ensure its safety.

Additionally, the state, according to the Court, is given the right to evaluate what is harmful to its internal and external affairs. Therefore, it rejected the defendant's lawsuit.

Civil Court orders man to return BD4,550 borrowed from friend

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The Civil Court obligated an Asian man to pay the sum of BD4,550 that he borrowed from a friend and repaid with a bounced cheque.

According to court files, the plaintiff, a hospital worker, and his friend asked him to borrow BD4,500 to help with a company

project.

The plaintiff did not hesitate to get a bank loan, and in return, he received a post-dated cheque issued under the defendant's company's name.

However, the cheque that he received from his friend for the value of the loan was not processed due to nonsufficient funds in the company's account.

When asked for the money, the defendant refused payment, so the plaintiff filed a criminal complaint accusing him of issuing a bounced cheque.

However, the criminal order fined him BD100 only. This prompted the plaintiff to file a civil suit against the defendant and the company in whose name the cheque was issued.

The court stated that the cheque was drawn for the account of the company owned by the defendant, as evidenced by the company's commercial registration.

He is the sole person authorised to sign on the company's behalf. The court obligated the defendant to pay the plaintiff an amount of BD4,550.