

Driver jailed for reckless driving

● For endangering public safety

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The Seventh Minor Criminal Court has issued two separate rulings convicting a defendant of driving against traffic, causing injury to a person, damaging property, and obstructing traffic on a public road, according to a statement by the Attorney General and Head of the Traffic Prosecution.

In the first case, the defendant was sentenced to two years in prison, to be served immediately.

The court also ordered the suspension of his driving license for one year following the completion of his sentence and the confiscation of the vehicle involved in the incident.

In the second case, the defendant received an additional six-month prison sentence, also to be served immediately.

Investigation

The rulings follow an investigation launched by the Public Prosecution after a video clip circulating on social media showed the defendant driving recklessly and in the wrong direction, while dangerously pursuing another vehicle.

His actions endangered his own life and the lives of others on the road.

Upon concluding its investigation, the Public Prosecution referred the defendant to the Minor Criminal Court, which issued the two convictions.

Authorities reiterated their commitment to taking strict legal action against reckless driving and violations that endanger public safety.

Court sets maintenance cut-off at son's start date



Jassim Al Essa, the father's lawyer

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A court has amended a ruling on child maintenance, deciding that a mother should stop receiving support for her son from the date he began work at the Ministry of Interior rather than the earlier date set by the court of first instance.

The High Sharia Court issued its judgment yesterday, bringing to a close a legal wrangle over whether maintenance should cease from July 2024 or from 30 September, the latter being the confirmed date the son started his job.

Enhancing health and public safety

MP Jalal Kadhém: New narcotics crimes prosecution a step towards sharper justice

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A new prosecution dedicated to drug crimes has been set up in Bahrain, a move MP Jalal Kadhém said would strengthen action against offences that threaten health and public safety.

He said the decision to form the Narcotics Crimes Prosecution pointed to a push for more focus and sharper tools in handling such cases.

It is expected to improve investigations, speed up proceedings, and help bring offenders to justice more efficiently.

Kadhém praised the Public Prosecution, headed by Dr Ali bin Fadhel Al Buainain, for a string of steps taken in recent years.

These, he said, have kept pace



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with changes in the nature of crime and the methods used to deal with it.

Programmes

He also spoke in support of programmes aimed at protecting children, women and families.

Community support, prevention and reintegration, he added, were all part of the same picture.

He welcomed the creation of a specialised pleadings unit within the Public Prosecution.

The aim, he said, was to raise the quality of arguments brought



MP Jalal Kadhém

before the courts.

Accurate rulings

Staffed by trained legal teams, it would focus on preparing and delivering stronger cases, which in turn could lead to clearer and more accurate rulings.

Kadhém said Parliament



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He said the goal was to meet the public's call for a system of justice that is both fair and effective.

Campaigns intensified to arrest residency violators

● Interior Ministry cracks down on illegal labour

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As part of the Ministry of Interior's ongoing efforts to combat the issue of illegal labour and ensure compliance with the Kingdom of Bahrain's residency laws and regulations, the General Directorate of Criminal Investigation has carried out inspection campaigns across various governorates.

Since the beginning of this year, these campaigns have resulted in the arrest of 1,844 individuals for violating residency rules and 156 individuals wanted in connection with various security-related cases.



Inspection campaigns in full swing across various governorates

The General Directorate affirmed that the necessary legal measures have been taken against those arrestees, who were referred to the Public Prosecution.

It also confirmed that inspection campaigns will continue to be intensified in different areas of the Kingdom to tackle resi-



dency violators.

The Criminal Investigation Media Division stressed the importance of continuing to promote community partnership in support of efforts to address violations of residency laws.

It also urged the public to co-operate with security author-



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ities by reporting any related information through the hotline 17718888 or the Main Operations Room (999).

All information will be handled with strict confidentiality.

Lawyer loses appeal over forged debt claim

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A forged debt claim by a lawyer against his former client has ended in a prison sentence and the loss of the falsified document, after the Court of Cassation upheld the lower rulings.

The lawyer was convicted of faking a debt acknowledgment for BD1,000 and attributing it to his client, claiming the money was a loan.

Prosecutors said he forged the signature on the document, knew it was false, and then used it to claim money that had originally been entrusted to him in his legal role.

The funds had been given to him to handle the client's case against a previous employer.

The Lower Criminal Court sentenced him to one year in prison for all connected charges, set bail at BD100 to suspend the sentence, and ordered the forged document to be seized.

The lawyer appealed, and the High Criminal Court of Appeal reduced the sentence to six months after acquitting him of embezzling the client's money.

BD100

Bail set by the Lower Criminal Court to suspend the lawyer's sentence.

Bahrain hit by dusty weather and strong winds

● Public urged to exercise caution

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The Kingdom of Bahrain has been experiencing dusty weather conditions and strong winds since yesterday afternoon, leading to reduced visibility across several areas, particularly on roads and in open spaces.



A moderate dust wave covers the Kingdom's skies

The unstable weather was expected to persist until the evening hours.

The Coast Guard Command at the Ministry of Interior advised seafarers to exercise caution

due to the risk of strong winds, which may affect maritime navigation and overall safety at sea.

Earlier in the day, the Meteorology Department at the Ministry of Transportation and Telecommunications issued a warning, forecasting strong winds and dusty conditions continuing into the evening.

Authorities continue to monitor the situation and urge the public to remain vigilant and follow official weather updates.