

Road worker dies after trench wall collapses in Al Lawzi

Civil Defence Force rescues another trapped inside the mud, several workers injured in the accident

- Works Ministry opens an investigation, expresses regret
- Offers condolence to the deceased's family
- Mishap occurred at a rainwater drainage project site
- Incident occurred yesterday evening

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A road construction worker lost his life, while civil defence forces rescued another when a trench wall collapsed, trapping them under a pile of sand.



The accident site



Civil Defence Officer at the accident site

The mishap also caused injuries to several other workers at the site. The incident occurred yesterday evening at a rainwater drainage project site on Street 26 in the Al-Lawzi area.

Rescue officers said the sand wall collapsed on the workers

while they were working inside a hole dug at the site.

The National Ambulance team reached the scene immediately and gave necessary medical assistance to injured workers at the site.

In a statement, the Works Ministry expressed deep regret over the painful incident.

The ministry said the mishap occurred while the workers were inside a trench dug for establishing a rainwater drainage project on Street 26 in the Al-Lawzi area.

The minister offered condolences to the family members of the deceased.

Works Ministry officials said they are investigating the incident with other government agencies. The statement said the ministry took legal measures in coordination with the Ministry of Interior.

Arad Mall nearing completion

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Development of the Arad Commercial complex has reached its final stages and will open doors by the end of this year.

The announcement came during a visit of Wael bin Nasser Al Mubarak, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Agriculture, yesterday to the mall.

Shaikh Mohammed bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, the Under-



Minister during a visit yesterday to Arad complex

secretary for Municipal Affairs, Shawqia Humaidan, Assistant Undersecretary for Joint Municipal Services, and several officials were present.

The complex, whose works are in partnership with the private sector, houses several shops and commercial establishments.

The tender board had awarded the project to Ramez Trading and Marketing Company.

The project is on an area of 11,000 square meters.

Induction programme for new lawmakers begins today

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An induction programme for the newly elected lawmakers will kick off today.

Assistant Secretary-General for Committees, Sessions and Parliamentary Support at the Council of Representatives, Yahya Ali Al-Mulla, said the programme for the sixth Legislative Term continues until the seventh of December.

The programme, organised by the Secretariat-General of the Council of Representatives, aims to prepare the newly-elected MPs to carry out their legislative and supervisory role.

Discussions and lectures on parliamentary work will focus on MPs' legislative and oversight competence, as well as on their rights and duties.

The focus will also be on work mechanisms, the procedural session and the Council's sessions, formation of parliamentary committees and their work mechanisms.

The induction programme will also highlight the financial and economic indicators of the general budget, the Fiscal Balance Programme, public debt management, the work of the parliamentary delegation and the parliamentary friendship committees.

Cartier's descendant concludes Bahrain visit

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Francesca Cartier Brickell, a direct descendant of the Cartier family and an independent historian, has concluded her visit to Bahrain.

The Bestselling author of 'The Cartiers', which chronicles the history of her family and its role in the jewellery trade was hosted by the Bahrain Institute for Pearls and Gemstones (Danat).

Her visit comes a century after her great-grandfather, Jacques Cartier, first arrived on the island.

Brickell also found time for a book signing ceremony and a lecture during her visit to the Jewellery Arabia exhibition.

During the lecture, Francesca talked about the aspects of the family connection found by Cartier in the Arabian Gulf region and the Kingdom of Bahrain in particular.

Her travel itinerary also included visiting Muharraq and the diving and natural pearl extraction areas.

Cartier Brickell also sat for a rephotography session, where she sat in the same position her grandfather, Cartier, sat in 1912,



Francesca Cartier Brickell visiting various places in the Kingdom

along with the grandchildren of those who appeared in the 110-year-old photo.

The CEO of the Danat Institute, Noora Jamsheer, said, "The visit helped us to recall and reflect upon the rich history concerning pearl extraction and trade."

"The Cartier family have played an important role in converging artisanship with gemstone procurement, resulting in the finest jewellery in the world," said Jamsheer.

Layal Boushahri, the Director of Marketing and Communications at Danat, stressed the desire to undertake further international friendship-building initiatives as part of its mission

to revive the pearl sector in the Kingdom of Bahrain – and enhance the sector's contribution to the national economy.

After graduating with a degree in English Literature from Oxford University, Francesca studied French Literature at the Sorbonne in Paris before moving on to a career in finance as a financial analyst and later a fund manager (Barclays, Royal Bank

of Scotland). She has worked in London, New York and Asia but a few years ago took the decision to leave her work in the City to focus on her book.

Francesca has spent the last decade tracking down original source material across the world and meeting people connected with the family and its business.



Francesca Cartier Brickell's great-great-great grandfather founded the firm in 1847 and her late grandfather, Jean-Jacques Cartier, was the last of the family to manage a branch of the business.



Bahrain Tourism and Exhibitions Authority yesterday represented Bahrain in the 117th session of the Executive Council of the United Nations World Tourism Organisation held in Marrakesh, Morocco. Dr Nasser Ali Qaedi, CEO of the Bahrain Tourism and Exhibitions Authority, headed Bahrain's delegation to the meeting which had 250 participants, including ministers and senior officials. Dr Qaedi participated in a panel discussion on "Small and Medium Enterprises and Digital Futures", where sessions focused on developing the tourism sector, creating jobs, and training programmes and adopting initiatives to support the growth and progress of tourism. Dr Ali Qaedi also held discussions with Ahmed Aqil Al-Khatib, Minister of Tourism of Saudi Arabia, and congratulated him on his appointment as Chairman of the Executive Council of the World Tourism Organization and the election of Saudi Arabia as Chairman of the Council to be the first Gulf country to occupy this position. Dr Qaedi also met with counterparts from United Arab Emirates, Morocco, Armenia, Brazil, Mauritius and South Korea.