

Bahraini Pilgrims Complete Hajj Rites

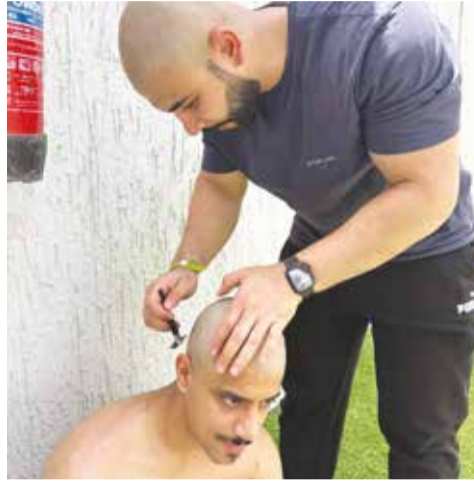
Pilgrims Return Fulfilled, Lawmakers Offer Praise

Bahraini pilgrims performed the stoning of Jamrat Al Aqaba on Wednesday morning, marking the first day of Eid Al Adha after an overnight stay in Muzdalifa. The sacred atmosphere was defined by devotion, calm and a deep sense of spiritual fulfilment.

Pilgrims moved through the day's sequence without pause — stoning the Jamra, slaughtering their Hadi, shaving their heads, exiting Ihram, and completing Tawaf Al Ifada. The entire process flowed smoothly, supported by a comprehensive and well-organised network of services that eased crowd movement and made each ritual accessible.

"All Pilgrims Are Safe"

Hajj campaign operators reassured families back in Bahrain that all pilgrims were well. Movement toward the Jamarat and surrounding areas was described as gradual, safe and orderly, with pilgrims directed in managed waves across multiple levels. Roads in Mina showed remarkable ease of movement



throughout the day.

Several Bahraini Hajj campaigns documented pilgrims completing their Eid day rites in an atmosphere of spirituality, peace and joy — with visible happiness among those who had fulfilled one of Hajj's greatest obligations on the Day of Sacrifice.

Pilgrims will spend tonight in Mina as they continue stoning the Jamarat across the remaining days of Tashreeq, completing the final stages of their pilgrimage.

Hajj Success Draws Praise From MPs

MPs Praise Saudi Arabia's Flawless Management of Hajj 1447

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Three Bahraini Members of Parliament praised Saudi Arabia's handling of the 1447H Hajj season, crediting meticulous planning, advanced technology, healthcare readiness and security coordination for enabling millions of pilgrims to perform their rites safely and calmly.

MPs Mar-

yam Al Sayegh, Abdulla Al Dhaen and Waleed Al Dosari congratulated Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman and Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman on the season's success. Ms Al Sayegh described Saudi Arabia as a global model in managing mass gatherings, highlighting the expansion of holy sites, infrastructure renewal and smart crowd management as achievements every Muslim could take pride in.

Mr Al Dhaen praised the kingdom's "high efficiency and professionalism" in running the world's largest annual human gathering, singling out the Ministries of Hajj, Interior and



Maryam Al Sayegh, MP



Waleed Al Dosari, MP



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Health for their contributions. He also commended Bahrain's own Hajj mission for its early coordination with Saudi authorities. "Bahrain and Saudi Arabia are one body," he said, calling their cooperation a model for Arab and Gulf collaboration.

Mr Al Dosari said the season reflected sound planning, smart services and steady development — consistent with Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030 ambitions to continuously raise Hajj standards.

The three MPs also thanked Justice and Islamic Affairs Minister Nawaf Al Maawda and Bahrain's Hajj mission committees, and prayed for pilgrims to return safely with an accepted Hajj.

Shura Council Praises Saudi Arabia's Successful Hajj Organization

The Shura Council praised the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia for the successful organization of this year's Hajj season, highlighting the high level of coordination, safety, and services provided to pilgrims.

The Council commended the efforts of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques, King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, and Crown Prince and Prime Minister Prince Mohammed bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud for their continued commitment to improving Hajj services and ensuring pilgrims' comfort and safety.

It noted that the smooth management of crowds, advanced healthcare and security measures, and the use of modern technologies reflected Saudi Arabia's extensive experience in organ-



izing one of the world's largest religious gatherings.

The Council also praised the Bahrain Hajj Mission for its efforts in caring for Bahraini pilgrims and coordinating closely with Saudi authorities to facilitate the performance of Hajj rituals in a safe and organized environment.

In addition, the Council com-

mended Bahraini authorities for dedicating the necessary resources to support pilgrims throughout the Hajj season.

The Shura Council further praised pilgrims for adhering to regulations and organizational guidelines, describing the success of this year's Hajj season as a source of pride for the Islamic world.

Ban Lifted on Shaari, Safi and Andaq Fishing Starting June 1

Seasonal fishing ban ends after two months of marine conservation efforts

The Supreme Council for Environment in Bahrain has announced the end of the seasonal ban on fishing for Shaari, Safi and Andaq fish in the Kingdom's territorial waters, effective Monday, June 1, 2026.

The ban, which began in early April, was introduced as part of Bahrain's national efforts to protect marine resources and promote environmental sustainability.

The council said the General Directorate of Marine Resources remains committed to preserving ma-



international environmental standards.

The authority noted that the measures are designed to maintain a balance between benefiting economically from marine resources and ensuring their long-term sustainability.

The fishing restriction was implemented under Decision No. (2) of 2024 concerning the prohibition of catching Shaari, Safi and Andaq fish. The council said the regulation aims to protect fish stocks, restore ecological balance and support the rehabilitation of Bahrain's marine ecosystem.

Officials added that such initiatives contribute directly to safeguarding marine resources for future generations.

Eid Greetings Exchange



The Capital Governor, His Excellency Shaikh Khalid bin Humood Al Khalifa, received well-wishers on the occasion of Eid Al-Adha at the Governorate Council in Gudaibiya. Dignitaries, members of the legislative authority, community leaders, and residents gathered there to exchange greetings and congratulations.

The attendees extended their heartfelt Eid greetings to Bahrain's wise leadership, praying that the occasion brings continued prosperity, blessings, and stability to the Kingdom and its people. They also expressed hopes for lasting security, development, and well-being across the nation.

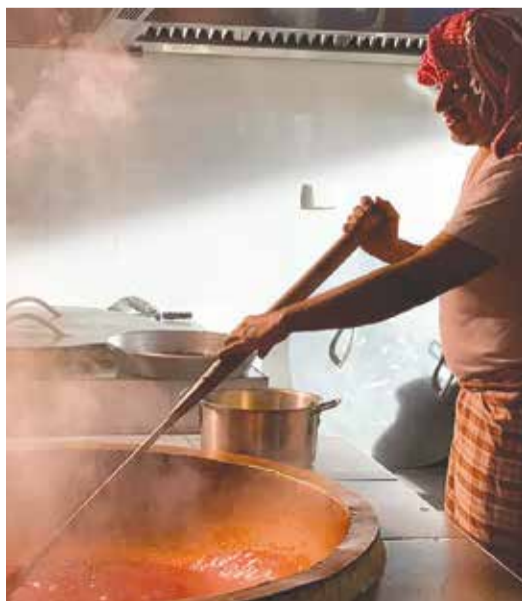
Turkish Snacks Join Bahraini Eid Trays

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Lower-priced Turkish and Chinese snacks are being added to Bahraini Eid trays this year, with shopkeepers saying families are buying them for their price, range and ease of serving.

The Eid 'qadooa', long part of Bahraini family tables during the holiday, still leans on halwa, nuts, fruit and mathai (or mettai). But sellers say ready-packed savoury snacks have become a common addition for households receiving guests.

Abdulla Isa, owner of Qalay Al Youm, said nuts were still



selling well, while demand had risen for Turkish and Chinese crisps and crackers.

He said a 250-gram pack sells for about 500 fils and can contain around 15 kinds, making it an easy purchase for families looking to widen the spread without paying much.

Still, Bahraini halwa has held its place on the Eid table.

Mr Isa said halwa remained one of the main items in the qadooa, along with Bahraini mathai, which he said has a

special standing with Gulf families.

Saleh Al Halwachi, owner of Al Halwachi Sweets, said his shop sells a range of Bahraini sweets, including halwa, mathai and khanfarroosh, all made in-house.

He said the shop is known for khanfarroosh filled with halwa and pistachios, as well as halwa cut into cubes for easier serving.

Mr Al Halwachi said Bahraini halwa is made mainly from sugar and starch, cooked in a special pot over a low flame for up to an hour until it reaches its familiar thick texture.

Online orders, he added, are led by khanfarroosh with halwa, a popular Bahraini sweet bought often during feasts and family gatherings.