

## Workshop reviews fight against corruption

● Event held in cooperation with United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

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Chief of Public Security Lt. General Tariq bin Hasan Al Hasan opened the “UN Convention Against Corruption” and the recommendations received by the Kingdom of Bahrain at its first and second sessions’ workshop.

The workshop was organised by General Directorate of Anti-Corruption and Economic and Electronic Security in association with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime. A number of representatives of relevant authorities in the Kingdom participated.

Al Hasan asserted that the workshop comes in implementation of the directives of His Excellency Interior Minister General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa to review the United Nations Convention Against Corruption and follow-up on developments in the recommendations received by the Kingdom of Bahrain in the report of the UN Convention Against Corruption in the first two sessions.

Participants also discussed the measures taken in this regard, praising the achievements made by the Kingdom in combating corruption in cooperation with the UN Office on Drugs and Crime and local and international partners. Also, he stressed on the significant attainments of the Kingdom in combating corruption.

## Temporary roundabout

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The Ministry of Works announced that the improvement works on Janabiyah Highway necessitate constructing a temporary roundabout at its junction with Avenue 35.

The closure will be effective starting from tomorrow for a period of three months.

## Slow lane closure

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The Ministry of Works announced as part of the resurfacing works on Shaikh Khalifa bin Salman Highway on Wali Al Ahd Flyover necessitate closure of the slow lane for the southbound traffic to Zallaq and two lanes will be provided for traffic movement.

The closure will be effective starting from today at 11pm to Sunday at 5am.

# ‘People of determination’ given priority in Bahrain

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa’s humanitarian approach places people of determination among national priorities, as reflected in the kingdom’s plans, programmes and strategies.

This was emphasised by Council of Representatives Speaker Ahmed bin Salman Al Musallam.

He indicated that the legislative and executive branches and NGOs are doing their utmost, with Team Bahrain, supported by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, to support people with special needs by enabling them to participate effectively in developing the state of law and institutions and contribute to enriching the kingdom’s comprehensive development process.

While addressing that the Parliamentary Forum for People of



Speaker Al Musallam speaks at the forum

Determination 2023, held yesterday under his patronage, Al Musallam stressed that the Representatives Council has promoted community partnership in all its programmes and plans.

He noted that the Representatives Council has always confirmed the need to preserve the rights of people of determination by meeting their needs and providing them with the

requirements of decent living, including education, housing, health, work, care and supportive services, based on the provisions of the National Action Charter and the Constitution.

He added that the draft-law on the 2023-2024 general state budget, approved by the Representatives Council yesterday, proved anew the great interest the legislative and executive

branches attach to people with special needs.

He unveiled the Representatives Council’s launch of the “Empowerment of People of Determination Prize”, which will recognise initiatives and programmes launched by official and civil entities and individuals to serve people with special needs.

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- AHMED BIN SALMAN AL MUSALLAM, COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES SPEAKER

## Beautification and afforestation projects in full swing

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Municipalities Affairs and Agriculture Ministry Undersecretary, Shaikh Mohammed bin Ahmed Al Khalifa, visited Janabiya intersection project’s second phase, and the project to beautify and develop the intersection of Shaikh Isa bin Salman Highway and Shaikh Salman Highway.

Shaikh Mohammed said that the Ministry has made significant achievements in road aesthetics projects by planting environment-friendly trees and green spaces in various governorates, contributing to achieving the goals of the Kingdom’s afforestation plan.

Shaikh Mohammed explained that the beautification and afforestation projects at the main intersections contribute significantly



Shaikh Mohammed is being briefed about the Janabiya intersection project’s second phase

to the implementation of the afforestation plan.

He noted that the plan aims to double the number of trees by 2035, to contribute in Bahrain’s vision to reach zero neutrality by 2060.

The undersecretary highlight-

ed the ministry’s efforts to work on road aesthetics around the Kingdom, increase afforestation, and implement sustainable projects that contribute to preserving the environment, and to help achieve Bahrain’s comprehensive development

process.

The undersecretary was briefed on the work process of Janabiya intersection project’s the second phase, which extends over 130,000 square metres.

He pointed that the second phase of the project includes

planting 8000 sqm of plants and 4000 sqm of floral trees.

Shaikh Mohammed was also briefed on Shaikh Isa bin Salman Highway and Shaikh Salman Highway intersection project, which includes planting around 224,000 square metres.



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## Sri Lankan Embassy holds 10th anniversary celebration



Sri Lankan Ambassador Wijeratne with dignitaries at the cake-cutting ceremony

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The 10th anniversary of the establishment of the Sri Lankan Embassy in the Kingdom of Bahrain was celebrated with a cake-cutting ceremony at its premises in Mahooz.

The event was presided by the Sri Lankan Ambassador

Reethisri Rakhtiya Kumari Wijeratne Mendis and was attended by several dignitaries including ambassadors from other countries and guests from local government bodies.

The event was also attended by the Under-Secretary for Consular and Administrative Affairs from the Foreign Ministry Dr Mohammed Ali

Behzad and LMRA Director of Communications Mr Hussain Rasool who commended the bilateral relations of both countries.

The Sri Lankan envoy talked about the ties between the countries and emphasised Sri Lanka’s dedication to reinforcing the relationship and cooperation between the nations.

## Meeting held to ensure health welfare at detention facilities



Dr. Al Hammadi with Ramzy

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The Detention and Facilities Visitation Committee at the National Institution for Human Rights (NIHR) held its 24th regular meeting, under the chairmanship of Dr. Malallah Jaffar Al Hammadi and attended by committee member Hala Ramzy.

The meeting reviewed the

previous resolutions and recommendations of the committee, as well as the actions taken regarding them.

The panel discussed the outcomes of its recent visit to the Bahrain Multiple Sclerosis Patients Society to be informed about the health conditions of MS patients, in accordance with international human rights standards.