

# Technology enhancing Bahrain quality of life

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Technology is inevitable in people's lives nowadays, and especially in today's world, it plays a critical role in the continued functioning of society.

Bahrain has a solid digital infrastructure and also recognises that the digital government transformation is key to the emergence of a knowledge-based economy and the modernisation of the public sector.

The effects of technology appear in every sphere of human life, such as entertainment, communication, living, educa-

tion, working, and so on. It helps people to do new things, or to better perform everyday tasks. People use advanced technology to perform shopping, food delivery, transportation and health care. This saves a lot of time in this fast-paced world.

Speaking to The Daily Tribune, Dr. Nidhi S. Menon, Assistant Professor at University of Technology, Bahrain, said:

"E-learning system has brought an exciting revolution especially in the education sector in Bahrain. As a result, students get interactive learning and

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resource-based knowledge through the internet.

"As well as enhancing the class experience, technological tools such as virtual class rooms, augmented reality, videos, Robots help to foster collaboration and promote intellectual curiosity among students.

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Dr. Menon further explained: "Our classrooms can be enhanced by using apps and techs

in order to explain what is important, to expose them to technological advances and provide them with a platform to experiment, and experience those advancements to encourage them to pursue these careers."

"It is imperative that universities collaborate with industry experts to increase research and development (R&D) and to better understand emerging technologies and what their economic impact is.

"These initiatives will give students an opportunity to learn more about the fast-paced world of business and keep their minds updated on the latest development," she said.

According to reports, digital transformation is a pillar of Bahrain's Economic Vision 2030, an ambitious national development plan focused on the principles of sustainability, competitiveness and fairness.

Moreover, the Government's Digital Government Strategy 2022 highlights the commitment of transforming its services through emerging technologies, helping to create a better life for citizens and residents.

## Bahrain and Hungary enhance ties through medical exhibition

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As Bahrain makes tremendous strides to develop its medical sector and boost tourism in the country, distinguished companies from Hungary have participated in a significant exhibition in the Kingdom.

The exhibition, under the patronage of Lieutenant-General Dr. Shaikh Mohammed bin Abdullah Al Khalifa, Chairman of the Supreme Council of Health, featured nearly 25 Hungarian medical start-ups and specialist companies.

The aim of the event is to encourage competition among healthcare providers in the Kingdom to deliver the highest quality care as well as for Bahrain and Hungarian companies and medical professionals to mesh strategies and engage with distributors.

Speaking to The Daily Tribune, Tamas Hovany, Chairman of Bahrain-Hungary Relations, Friendships & Business Society, said that as the Kingdom puts forth efforts to become the center of excellence regarding the medical field in the GCC, Hungary can most certainly become a strong player in this.

"The expo's idea is to show

Bahraini companies how Hungarian companies can effectively contribute with new technologies, innovation, and medical equipment. This will lead to an increase of investments to the Kingdom," Tamas said.

He noted that by organising expos or conferences as such, this establishes stronger relations between both countries and encourages innovation and new ideas.

"We can build new hospitals, bring manpower, doctors, nurses, and medicines to help contribute to this exciting time, if necessary," he said.

Most importantly, he noted that the most crucial aspect of all is to work together.

"As countries collaborate and work together, we are able to brainstorm and bring different ideas to the table, which could lead to great opportunities for both countries. There may be certain fields where one country lacks, however, the other can add value. It is all about brainstorming and working together to transform countries," Tamas voiced.

When speaking about the future of relations between Bahrain and Hungary, Tamas highlighted his hope for the future.

## Court rejects doctor case against work transfer

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The High Appeals Court upheld an administrative decision to move a doctor serving at Salmania Medical Complex to another section.

The doctor filed a case against this decision, terming it arbitrary and illegal. But the High Appeals Court responded to this claim by stating that the administrative authority has

the right to move employees as required by the interest of work.

The plaintiff stated in his complaint that he was serving at the hospital as a medical doctor for 10 years, but received an email requesting him to move to the emergency section at the end of last year. He initially appealed



this decision in the Civil Bureau, which rejected his complaint for the same reasons.

The Court of First Instance had also declined his complaint after the Ministry of Health's lawyers presented the reasons behind this decision which were found to be for the work interest.

## Man acquitted of embezzlement

● **Court cancels two-year jail term**

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The High Appeals Court cancelled the punishment of two years in prison each that was issued against an employee involved in embezzling medicine and medical equipment from the pharmacy in which he was serving in.

The defendant was sentenced to two years and obliged to pay BD34,000 to his workplace after being found guilty of embezzling medicine and equipment. However, the High Appeals Court overturned the Court of First Instance's decision, citing that the accounting expert's report was not convincing.

The plaintiff is said to have submitted the report of its accounting expert as part of the evidence against the defendant in addition to a complaint

raised by one of the employees who accused the defendant of embezzling equipment and medicine.

Moreover, a confirmation from the defendant that he had received the medicine and the equipment was also submitted to the court. However, the defendant's lawyer challenged the accounting expert's report adding that this couldn't be counted as evidence as he was not hired by the Public Prosecution or the Court to handle this task,

let alone that he was already an employee at the plaintiff company.

"Moreover, the accounting expert was already paid by the company before embarking on the task, and he didn't even listen to the defendant's statements. The report was one-sided and lacked credibility," the lawyer said.

Based on the above, the Court overturned the initial decision to hold the defendant guilty and acquitted him.



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