

# Bahrain Polytechnic launches first set of masters degree programmes

## ● Boost for labour market

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The Minister of Municipalities and Agricultural Affairs, Wael bin Nasser Al Mubarak, announced the launch of the first set of masters degree programmes offered by the Bahrain Polytechnic ever since its establishment in 2008.

At Bahrain Polytechnic's press conference, Al Mubarak, who is also Chairman of Bahrain Polytechnic's Board of Trustees, said that the programmes include the Master of Science in Engineering (Applied) in Sustainable Energy Systems; Master of Science in Artificial Intelligence, and the Master in International Trade and Strategy.



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comprehensive and sustainable development process," Al Mubarak said.

The programmes were launched to further strengthen efforts to develop human capital, in line with the approach of the Government of Bahrain and are designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in today's rapidly evolving job market, he added.

"The programme has been designed in collaboration with industry experts to ensure that graduates have the knowledge and skills required to succeed in the workforce," the minister said.

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He said that admission for the masters' programmes will start in August, emphasising that the Polytechnic aspires to receive

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research students looking for excellence, creativity, and a modern international education.

## Speaker affirms support for national press

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Council of Representatives Speaker Ahmed bin Salman Al Musallam lauded the role played by the Bahrain press, citing its contributions to highlighting parliamentary achievements in the kingdom.

Al Musallam was speaking as he received yesterday Al-Ayam newspaper Editor-in-Chief, the Bahrain Journalists Association (BJA) Chairman, Isa Al Shayji.

The Speaker highlighted the commitment of the Bahraini press to undertaking its national responsibility by adopting issues that serve the kingdom and its citizens and raising public awareness.

He affirmed parliamentary support for the work of the national press.

## Bahrain, Kuwait expand security cooperation

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Ministries of Interior in the Kingdom of Bahrain and the State of Kuwait have agreed to form joint executive working teams to discuss a number of areas of security cooperation and coordination, including criminal security, cybersecurity, and combating terrorism, in addition to issues of traffic, operations, electronic connectivity, passports, visas, and ports.

The work teams shall submit reports on the results of their work to the Joint Security Committee.

This came during the first meeting of the committee, which was held in the Kingdom of Bahrain over two days, chaired by Chief of Public Security Lieutenant-General Tariq bin Hasan Al Hasan, and Undersecretary of Ministry of Interior in Kuwait Lieutenant-General Anwar Abdullatif Al Barjas.

Chief of Public Security delivered a speech in which he welcomed Undersecretary of



The meeting in progress

the Kuwaiti Ministry of Interior and the accompanying delegation, expressing his pride in the distinguished relations between the two brotherly countries, and extending sincere congratulations to Shaikh Talal Khaled Al Ahmad Al Sabah on the occasion of renewing his appointment as First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior. He praised the success of the Kuwaiti Ministry of Interior in organising the democratic

process for the recent National Assembly elections.

Lt. Gen. Tariq bin Hasan expressed his appreciation for the support of Interior Minister General Shaikh Rashid bin Abdulla Al Khalifa to all public security fields, which contributed to the development of security cooperation regionally and internationally through the activation of agreements and memoranda of understanding.

He also pointed out that the

meeting of the joint security committee came within the framework of the joint approach to confirm the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries' cohesion, and strengthen the historical fraternity ties that unite the GCC states, explaining that the security and regional data and the accelerating challenges in the Gulf region, impose the continuation of the joint approach to protect security, stability and enhance public safety.

## Lanes set for closure today

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The Ministry of Works, in coordination with the General Directorate of Traffic at the Ministry of Interior, announces that the development works of Al Fateh Street at the intersection necessitate the closure of some lanes, according to the following details:

1. Closing the right turn lane from Al Fateh Street towards Juffair Street towards Juffair and diverting traffic to the surrounding roads (Al Ghuraifa and Awal Street entrances).

2. Closing the left turn from Al Mahooz Street to Al Fateh Street towards Manama and diverting traffic right towards Mina Salman for a reverse turn towards Manama.

Work will take place at the aforementioned site starting from today and run for a period of two months.

## Traffic signs and poles installation and maintenance completed

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The Ministry of Works has completed the installation and maintenance of 312 traffic signs and 202 iron and concrete poles from January to June this year, which aims to raise the level of traffic safety and improve traffic flow.

Engineer Maha Khalifa Hamada, Director of the Roads Planning and Design Department at the Works Ministry, said that the ministry periodically conducts a comprehensive survey of the traffic signs, poles and land lines on the road network in the Kingdom.

She added that the ministry prepares an annual program for the maintenance of traffic signs and poles, and repaints the land lines and heights to reduce speed.

Eng. Hamada noted that during the first half of this year, the



The Works Ministry regularly conducts maintenance of traffic signs for public safety

installation and maintenance of 64 reflective mirrors was completed; 470 speed-reducing ramps were repainted; and 189 km of land lines and 67 km of sidewalks were painted.

She pointed out that the ministry has received about 1,625

requests regarding traffic signs and land lines from members of the Municipal Council, citizens and residents through the national system for complaints and suggestions, Tawasul, or through direct contact, during the first half of 2023, which con-



Eng. Maha Khalifa Hamada

tributed to the speed Monitor damaged traffic signs and poles and maintain them as soon as possible.

The Director affirmed that the ministry will spare no effort in carrying out its role to raise the level of safety on the road network to preserve the lives and property of road users.

## LMRA conducts five joint inspection campaigns



The Labour Market Regulatory Authority (LMRA) conducted five joint inspection campaigns in coordination with the Ministry of Interior and the Social Insurance Organization (SIO) in the Capital and Muharraq Governorates. The inspection campaigns included visits to a number of shops and work sites, to determine the extent of compliance with laws and regulations in order to preserve the competitiveness, stability and productivity of the labour Market. The campaigns resulted in reporting violations related to the Labour Market and Residency laws. The cases were referred for legal action. LMRA renewed its call to all members of the society to report violations via the electronic form on the authority's website [www.lmra.gov.bh](http://www.lmra.gov.bh) or by calling the authority's call centre on 17506055.