

# Bahrain unites for peace in Gaza

Citizens and residents stage sit-in in solidarity with Palestinians, condemning Israeli aggression

● **Sit-in protest in Kingdom shows collective stand taken by Arab and Islamic countries**

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Citizens and residents of Bahrain gathered in front of the Palestinian Embassy building in the Umm Al-Hasam area for a sit-in protest, expressing solidarity and support for the people of Gaza and condemning the Israeli aggression.

The protesters called for the opening of borders to provide essential supplies like medicine, water, and food to the besieged Palestinians.

They also demanded Arab, Islamic and the international community's action to stop the war and the atrocities it is committing against civilians.

Representatives from civil society associations and institutions, as well as the Palestinian ambassador, participated in the sit-in, which saw the Bahraini and Palestinian flags being waved.

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Bahrainis and expatriates show their unwavering support for the Palestinians in Gaza



Palestinian Ambassador Taha Abdel Qadir



dor of the State of Palestine to the Kingdom of Bahrain, expressed gratitude to His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa for his royal directives to provide urgent aid to the Palestinians.

The Ambassador praised the sit-in that showcased the firm and clear official and popular position of Bahrain towards the Palestinian cause and their

rights, including the establishment of an independent Palestinian state with East Jerusalem as its capital.

The ambassador emphasised the need for legitimate resistance in the face of aggression and called on the international community and the United Nations to deliver aid and open safe borders for the people of Gaza.

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unwavering commitment to stand by the Palestinian people during these challenging times. It serves as a symbol of unity and determination to support their rights and advocate for a just resolution to their plight," he said.

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killing of more than 300 children and more than 400 women, requires legitimate resistance in light of the aggression.

Various organisations and groups, including the Bahraini Democratic Youth Society and the General Federation of Bahrain Trade Unions, voiced their unwavering solidarity and support for the Palestinian people, denouncing the genocidal operations and violations of human rights committed by Israel in Gaza.

## Three suspects held with narcotics worth BD17,000

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The Anti-Drugs Directorate has successfully apprehended three individuals, aged between 26 and 35, in two separate incidents for the possession of narcotics.

The Directorate stated in a statement that upon receiving information regarding these cases, the police initiated search operations, investigations, and data collection, which led to the identification and arrest of the suspects who were found in possession of the narcotics. The estimated value of the seized drugs exceeds BD17,000.

Meanwhile, the General Directorate of Criminal Investigation and Forensic Science highlighted that the confiscated items have been secured, and necessary legal measures have been taken in preparation for referring the two cases to the public prosecution.

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The two suspects with the drugs seized from them

rectorate of Criminal Investigation and Forensic Science urged all citizens and residents to report any complaints, observations, or suspicious messages related to drug trafficking and to seek assistance in drug control by contacting the 24-hour hotline at 996, ensuring the complete confidentiality of the information.

## Capital Police arrests domestic worker involved in jewellery theft

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The Capital Police Directorate apprehended a 26-year-old domestic worker after she stole jewellery worth BD5,000 and a sum of money from her sponsor's house.

The police directorate stated that upon receiving a report regarding the incident, they immediately initiated the search, investigation, and collection of information and evidence, which revealed the



involvement of the domestic worker in the theft.

The Capital Police Directorate emphasised that all necessary legal procedures have been taken in preparation for referring the case to the public prosecution.

## Stage set today for public protest to support Palestine

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The Palestine Support Association is organising a public protest entitled "Al-Aqsa Flood" today at 3.30 pm in Al-Saya area opposite the Irish University in Busaiteen.

This stand comes in response to the call of the Holy Qur'an as we watch and follow the crimes of the Zionist occupation in Gaza, which was targeted with its internationally prohibited missiles and weapons; defenseless civilians, including women, children, and the elderly, and their residential areas, homes, hospitals, schools, and markets, which has claimed hundreds of martyrs up to this moment, in violation of all international norms, charters, and laws, as well as human conscience and morals, which were violated with hypocritical and double-standard American Western support.

This stand is nothing but an expression of the state of Bahraini popular anger that rejects these crimes, and rejects any normalisation or rapprochement with an occupying, usurping entity that does not respect human rights, and has no covenant, charters, or human morals.

In conclusion, the Palestine Support Society calls on the Bahraini masses, individuals, institutions and associations, to participate in the stand, to make their voice heard to everyone by supporting the Palestinian people in their defense of the nation's sanctities and the souls of their people.

## Fraudsters get five-year term for BD900 scam

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The High Criminal Court has sentenced two fraudsters to five years in prison and a fine of BD5,000 each for stealing BD900 from a victim through a phone scam.

The court also ordered their deportation from Bahrain after serving their sentence.

The complainant had reported receiving a phone message saying his account details needed updating. A link in the message prompted him to provide personal information, including his bank card number and details. After providing the information, he discovered BD900 had been withdrawn, realising he was the target of a fraud scheme to steal his money.

Investigations implicated the defendants in carrying out the



crime. Prosecutors alleged in 2022, the duo conspired with others to use the victim's electronic signature - his credit card PIN - fraudulently.

They also allegedly worked with others to illegally obtain money from the victim through deception. Posing as employees, they contacted him and

requested his bank card information before accessing his account details in an IT system.

The court found them guilty of collaborating to scam the victim out of BD900. In addition to five-year prison sentences and BD5,000 fines each, they were ordered deported from Bahrain following their jail terms.

## Court orders tenant to pay BD10,000 in overdue monthly municipal fees

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The High Administrative Court has ruled that a tenant of a commercial property owned by the Southern Municipality must pay BD10,000 in overdue municipal fees accumulated over seven years between 2016 and 2023.

The High Administrative Court affirmed that all lands, buildings, and properties located within a municipality's jurisdiction are subject to prescribed municipal fees, except those exempted by a Cabinet resolution. Fees are determined based on the type and purpose of occupancy.

Monthly municipal fees on



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rented properties are set at 10% of the actual rental value recognised by the municipality for that location, regardless of the activity or lease duration.

The Southern Municipality had filed a claim stating the defendant company occupies one

of its properties but failed to pay municipal fees during that period, estimated at BD10,000. Despite demands, the amount due was not settled. The municipality requested the court order payment of outstanding fees plus expenses.