

# Nightclub brawl lands three friends behind bars

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A violent nightclub fight between three friends ended up with all of them landing behind bars, with the High Appeals Court confirming their jail term.

The primary defendant was sentenced to two years in prison, while the other two received one-month terms each.

The incident occurred in the early morning hours following a verbal dispute between the defendants and two victims. According to court records, the argument escalated, prompting intervention by security personnel. Despite their efforts, the situation deteriorated as the victims attempted to leave the premises.



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The third defendant physically assaulted the second victim, resulting in injuries including

swollen ankles, bruising, abrasions, and a cut on the lip. Currently, the first defendant

lifted and forcefully threw the first victim to the ground, while the second defendant kicked

him as he lay on the floor. This assault caused the victim to lose consciousness and sustained se-

vere injuries, including a skull fracture, internal bleeding, and a subdural hematoma. He underwent surgery to reposition brain tissue and was left with a 10% disability.

During the investigation, the first defendant admitted to lifting and throwing the victim but claimed his intention was to break up the altercation. The second defendant confessed to kicking the victim after he was thrown, and the third defendant acknowledged attacking the second victim. Security footage corroborated these statements, clearly showing the defendants' involvement in the assault.

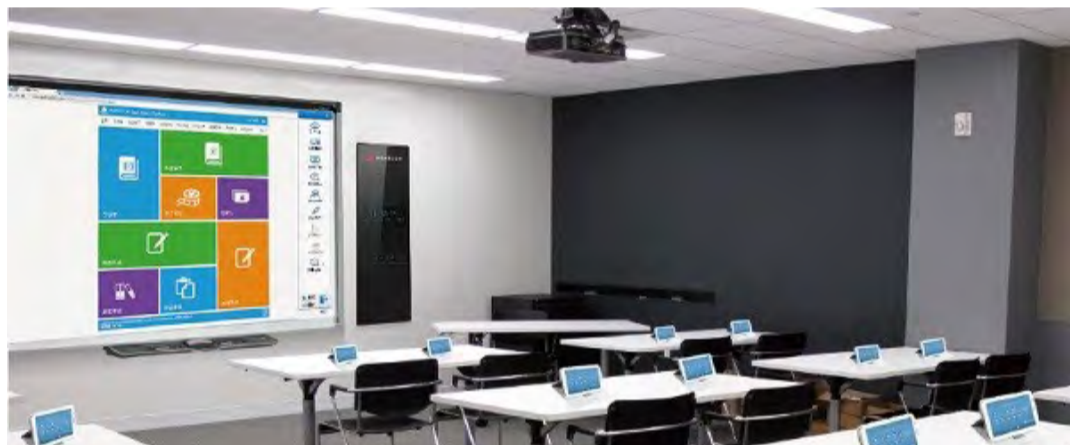
Considering the gravity of the injuries and the corroborating evidence, the court affirmed the initial sentences.

# Higher education sees record faculty growth, rising female representation in 2024: iGA

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Bahrain's higher education institutions are experiencing a significant surge in faculty numbers, according to the Information & eGovernment Authority (iGA). This increase reflects both the rising demand for higher education and the expansion of the country's academic landscape.

As of 2024, the number of faculty members has reached 2,137, the highest level since 2019. Of this total, 65% (1,405) are employed in public institutions, while 34.2% (732) work in pri-



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ivate sector institutions.

A notable trend in the latest report is the growing representation of female faculty members. Women now make up 46.8% of the total faculty, amounting to 1,002 individuals. In contrast, male faculty members account for 53.1%, with a total of 1,135.

The distribution of male faculty is nearly equal across both public and private sectors: 52.5% (738 individuals) in public institutions and 54.2% (397 individuals) in private institutions. Female faculty representation is slightly higher in public insti-

tutions, at 47.4% (667 individuals), compared to 45.76% (335 individuals) in the private sector.

The overall growth in faculty numbers has been substantial, with an 8.5% increase from 2023 to 2024 and a notable 16.2% rise compared to 2019. Over the past five years, faculty numbers have steadily increased from 1,839 in 2019 to 1,969 in 2023.

The public sector has seen a 6.4% increase in faculty members from 2019 to 2024, while the private sector has experienced a more significant growth of 41% during the same period.

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### CONDENSED INTERIM STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT JUNE 30, 2024

	(Unaudited) June 30, 2024 BD	(Unaudited) December 31, 2023 BD
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and deposits with the Central Bank of Bahrain	250,001,075	309,901,326
Balances with banks and financial institutions	558,182	380,359
Balances with Head Office and other branch	40,378,190	24,637,684
Investments at amortised cost	8,941,263	8,896,194
Financial assets measured at fair value through other comprehensive income ("OCI")	3,556,690	-
Loans and advances	145,129,599	101,582,283
Interest receivable	2,325,169	2,323,172
Other assets	124,181	65,224
Premises and equipment	349,085	143,684
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>451,363,434</b>	<b>447,929,926</b>
<b>Liabilities and Head Office Funds</b>		
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Due to banks and financial institutions	11,165,097	8,653,093
Due to the Head Office and other branch	196,449,512	194,116,784
Customers' deposits	214,792,824	217,447,248
Interest payable	2,341,430	2,540,825
Other liabilities	1,225,669	1,669,024
<b>Total liabilities</b>	<b>425,974,532</b>	<b>424,426,974</b>
<b>Head Office Funds</b>		
Head office capital	15,000,000	15,000,000
Unremitted profits to the Head Office	10,388,902	8,502,952
<b>Total Head Office funds</b>	<b>25,388,902</b>	<b>23,502,952</b>
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### CONDENSED INTERIM STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME SIX-MONTH PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	(Unaudited) June 30, 2024 BD	(Unaudited) June 30, 2023 BD
Interest income	14,501,442	11,594,002
Interest expense	(11,789,910)	(9,259,267)
<b>Net interest income</b>	<b>2,711,532</b>	<b>2,334,735</b>
Fee and commission income, net	918,491	408,924
<b>Operating income</b>	<b>3,630,023</b>	<b>2,743,659</b>
Other income, net	93,226	36,156
General and administrative expenses	(1,753,889)	(2,181,016)
Allowance for expected credit losses, net	(83,410)	847,406
<b>Profit for the period</b>	<b>1,885,950</b>	<b>1,446,205</b>
Other comprehensive income	-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>	<b>1,885,950</b>	<b>1,446,205</b>

### CONDENSED INTERIM STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN HEAD OFFICE FUNDS SIX-MONTH PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	Head office capital BD	Unremitted profits to the Head Office BD	Total BD
Balance at January 1, 2024 (Audited)	15,000,000	8,502,952	23,502,952
Profit for the period	-	1,885,950	1,885,950
<b>Balance at June 30, 2024 (Unaudited)</b>	<b>15,000,000</b>	<b>10,388,902</b>	<b>25,388,902</b>
Balance at January 1, 2023 (Audited)	15,000,000	4,329,304	19,329,304
Profit for the period	-	1,446,205	1,446,205
<b>Balance at June 30, 2023 (Unaudited)</b>	<b>15,000,000</b>	<b>5,775,509</b>	<b>20,775,509</b>

### CONDENSED INTERIM STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS SIX-MONTH PERIOD ENDED JUNE 30, 2024

	(Unaudited) June 30, 2024 BD	(Unaudited) June 30, 2023 BD
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Profit for the period	1,885,950	1,446,205
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Depreciation on premises and equipment	40,291	52,099
Depreciation on right of use of asset	35,186	33,123
Allowance for expected credit losses, net	83,410	(847,406)
Investments at amortised cost	(8,368)	(8,367)
Interest expense on lease liabilities	5,531	1,309
Provision for end-of-service benefits	43,584	50,638
<b>Net cash generated before changes in operating assets and liabilities</b>	<b>2,085,584</b>	<b>727,601</b>
<b>Changes in operating assets and liabilities</b>		
Statutory reserve deposits	375,000	(590,000)
Balances with banks and financial institutions	(177,823)	-
Loans and advances	(47,260,177)	21,588,187
Interest receivable	(1,997)	345,841
Other assets	(58,957)	(26,086)
Due to banks and financial institutions	2,526,997	2,026,011
Due to the Head Office and other branch	2,332,728	36,550,858
Customers' deposits	(2,654,424)	(4,153,520)
Interest payable	(199,395)	(86,761)
Other liabilities	(699,563)	(96,131)
	(43,732,027)	56,286,000
Interest paid	(5,531)	(1,309)
<b>Net cash flows (used in) / generated from operating activities</b>	<b>(43,737,558)</b>	<b>56,284,691</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Redemption of bonds	-	13,267,878
Purchase of premises and equipment	(13,515)	(274)
Repayment of principal portion of lease liabilities	(33,672)	(37,977)
Proceeds from disposal of premises and equipment	-	2,210
<b>Net cash flows (used in) / generated from investing activities</b>	<b>(47,187)</b>	<b>13,231,837</b>
<b>Net change in cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>(43,784,745)</b>	<b>69,516,528</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	328,859,791	244,449,642
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period</b>	<b>285,075,046</b>	<b>313,966,170</b>

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These statements have been extracted from the financial statements of Mashreq Bank psc Bahrain Retail Branch for the period ended June 30, 2024, which were reviewed by Deloitte & Touche - Middle East (Bahrain) and approved for issue on August 29, 2024 by the management and signed on its behalf by Mr. Ahmed Dayyat, Country Head