



Statement by the NIHR on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

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In 25th November every year, the States of the world, including the Kingdom of Bahrain, celebrate the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. This year, the UN inaugurated a campaign entitled (Leave No One Behind: End Violence against Women and Girls), with a view to raise global awareness and mobilize efforts and energies to make a real change for women and girls who are vulnerable to violence around the world.

The Kingdom of Bahrain has devoted its efforts to addressing all acts that may harm, minimize or humiliate women, thanks to the continuous efforts and action of the Supreme Council for Women, chaired by Her Royal Highness Princess Sabeeka bint Ibrahim Al Khalifa, the wife of the King of Bahrain, as well as through Bahrain's ratification of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) and its registration of some reservations that are contrary to Islamic law.

On this occasion, the NIHR calls on the concerned parties and civil society organizations to combat all forms of violence against women, which constitutes a serious form of violation of human rights, and affirms its full support for all that would enhance women's status, respect and enjoyment of all civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights and advantages, in compliance with the Islamic principles and the essence of Islam, traditions and customs.

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