

NIHR Statement on the Occasion of World Environment Day

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On the occasion of World Environment Day, the Kingdom of Bahrain joins the international community in celebrating this annual event, observed on June 5 each year. It is one of the most prominent global initiatives aimed at shedding light on the most urgent environmental challenges and their impact on human health and ecosystems. This day presents a vital opportunity to promote a culture of sustainability and environmental responsibility, and to encourage policies and practices that strike a balance between development needs and environmental preservation — ensuring a healthier present and a safer future for generations to come.

This year, the United Nations has selected the theme “Beat Plastic Pollution” for World Environment Day, to highlight the environmental threats posed by plastic pollution, which now represents one of the most serious risks facing our planet. The theme calls for strengthened international cooperation to develop effective solutions for reducing excessive plastic use, encouraging recycling, and adopting environmentally friendly alternatives.

On this occasion, the National Institution for Human Rights commends the Kingdom of Bahrain’s continued efforts to protect the environment and curb plastic pollution. These efforts include the development of a legislative framework that promotes the preservation of natural resources and reinforces the principles of environmental sustainability, as well as active engagement in numerous regional and international initiatives aimed at combating pollution and fostering environmental awareness within society.

The National Institution for Human Rights reaffirms its commitment to monitoring and evaluating Bahrain’s compliance with international agreements and treaties related to the human right to live in a healthy and safe environment. It also calls for intensified national and global efforts to implement the necessary measures to address plastic pollution, and for continued legal and educational support to safeguard environmental rights. These efforts are essential to ensuring a safe and healthy life for all individuals and to advancing sustainable development and the well-being of future generations.

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