



Statement by NIHR on Bahraini Women's Day

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On the December 1 every year, the Kingdom of Bahrain celebrates a distinct national occasion, that is the Bahraini Women's Day, to recall the great role of Bahraini women in contributing to the building and development of Bahraini society through their giving over decades of work to advance various aspects of life, and to define their prominent role that transcended local borders to reach regional and international forums, where women have become an example to follow-up due to their prominent and distinguished role at various levels.

This year's occasion is celebrated under the theme **“Bahraini Women in the National Development, a March of Progress in a Dedicated Nation”**, in honour of the role of Bahraini women, which harmonises with the longstanding presence of women in the national building processes, given the depth of that presence historically, and in view of its gradual, orderly and coordinated development with the progress of the modern Bahraini civil State based on justice and equality in rights and duties between citizens, both men and women.

On the occasion of the Bahraini Women's Day, the National Institution for Human Rights (NIHR) commends the great achievements of Bahraini women in every stage of the modern renaissance in the Kingdom of Bahrain, where Bahraini women are considered a main focus in the development process, due to their contributions and achievements in various political, civil and economic fields, where the Kingdom's efforts are still continuing in the field of promoting women's rights to achieve gender balance through empowering Bahraini women and enhancing their development contributions.

On this occasion, the NIHR states that it works to follow-up commitment to international conventions and treaties emanating from the UN, to which the Kingdom of Bahrain has ratified or acceded, in the field of women's rights, looking forward at the same time to the continuation of effective cooperation with all parties concerned with women's affairs, in order to achieve Sustainable Development Goal 5 on “Gender Equality and Empowerment of All Women and Girls”.