

**BAHRAIN (2019)**
**THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF FORCED OR COMPULSORY LABOUR**
**Protocol of 2014 (P029) to the Forced Labour Convention**

<b>REPORTING</b>	<b>Fulfillment of Government's reporting obligations</b>	Yes.	
	<b>Involvement of Employers' and Workers' organizations in the reporting process</b>	<b>2019 AR:</b> The Government consulted the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the General Federation of Bahrain Trade Unions, and Bahrain Free Labour Unions Federations.	
<b>OBSERVATIONS BY THE SOCIAL PARTNERS</b>	<b>Employers' organizations</b>	No.	
	<b>Workers' organizations</b>	No.	
<b>EFFORTS AND PROGRESS MADE IN REALIZING MEASURES TARGETED BY THE PROTOCOL</b>	<b>Ratification</b>	<b>Ratification status</b>	Bahrain has not yet ratified the Protocol of 2014 (P029) to the Forced Labour Convention.
		<b>Ratification intention</b>	<b>2019 AR:</b> The Protocol is unlikely to be ratified.
	<b>Existence of a policy and / or plan of action for the suppression of forced or compulsory labour</b>	<b>2019 AR:</b> No.	
	<b>Measures taken or envisaged for systematic and coordinated action</b>	<b>2019 AR:</b> The Government of Bahrain formed a national committee of combating TIP. This committee introduced a national referral system to combat human trafficking. This system ensures that victims of human trafficking are identified and provided with all forms of support and protection, including shelter, medical treatment and legal advice.	
	<b>Measures taken or envisaged to prevent forms of forced labour</b>		
	<b>Measures taken or envisaged to protect victims of forced labour</b>	<b>2019 AR:</b> The measures taken include: a) Training of relevant actors for identification of forced labour practices; b) Legal protection of victims; c) Medical and psychological assistance for victims; and d) Appropriate accommodation.	
	<b>Measures taken or envisaged to facilitate access to remedies</b>	<b>2019 AR:</b> The measures taken include: a) Information and counselling for victims regarding their rights; b) Free legal assistance; c) Cost-free proceedings; and e) Capacity building and enhanced resources for the competent authorities, such as labour inspection, law enforcement, prosecution services and judges.	
	<b>Non-prosecution of victims for unlawful acts that they would have been forced to carry out</b>		
	<b>Cooperation with other Member States, international / regional organizations</b>	<b>2019 AR:</b> The Government cooperates with other member States, international and regional organizations. The Government has some agreements and memorandum of understandings with some countries regarding the collaboration to combat TIP. The Government also developed	



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	<b>or NGOs</b>	a cooperation program with IOM.	
	<b>Promotional activities</b>		
	<b>Special initiatives/Progress</b>		
<b>CHALLENGES IN REALIZING MEASURES TARGETED BY THE PROTOCOL</b>	<b>According to the social partners</b>	<b>Employers' organizations</b>	
		<b>Workers' organizations</b>	
	<b>According to the Government</b>	<b>2019 AR:</b> The main obstacle is shortcomings in the legislative framework.	
<b>TECHNICAL COOPERATION NEEDS</b>	<b>Request</b>		
	<b>Offer</b>		