**Statement of the Kingdom of Bahrain**

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**Delivered by: Third Secretary/**

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**Mr. President,**

* The Kingdom of Bahrain warmly welcomes the delegation of India, and thanks them for their presentation.
* We welcome India’s efforts to the promotion and protection of human rights since its last review, and we commend its initiatives during the outbreak of the Covid-19 Pandemic, and its efforts in addressing violence against women and girls.

**In spirit of the constructive cooperation, we offer the following recommendations:**

1. Consider further efforts for rural infrastructure development with a view to eliminate poverty.

2. Continue efforts to expand universal health coverage and ensure social security for all Indians.

3. Continue efforts to combat trafficking in persons and support and protect victims.

The Kingdom of Bahrain wishes India a successful review.

**Thank you, Mr. President**