



Investment Incentives

Complete guide to investment incentives in Bahrain. Tax holidays, free zone benefits, Tamkeen grants, foreign ownership rules, and EDB support programs.

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INVESTMENT INCENTIVES

Discover the full range of incentives that make Bahrain one of the most business-friendly destinations in the GCC.

CORE INVESTMENT ADVANTAGES

0% CORPORATE TAX

No corporate income tax for most businesses. Only hydrocarbon companies pay a 46% tax on net profits from oil and gas activities.

0% PERSONAL INCOME TAX

No tax on personal income, capital gains, wealth, inheritance, or gifts. Employees take home 100% of their gross salary (before GOSI).

100% FOREIGN OWNERSHIP

Full foreign ownership permitted in most sectors. No requirement for a local partner or sponsor in most business activities.

SUPPORT & GRANT PROGRAMS

TAMKEEN

Bahrain's Labour Fund offering:

- Wage subsidies for Bahraini employees (up to 70%)
- Training and development funding
- Enterprise support programs for SMEs
- Business mentorship programs

EDB (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD)

One-stop shop for investors offering:

- Fast-track licensing and company setup
- Investor aftercare and landing support
- Free zone facilitation
- Connection with government entities

STARTUP BAHRAIN

Ecosystem for entrepreneurs and startups:

- Al Waha Fund of Funds (\$100M)
- Tenmou angel investment
- Flat6Labs accelerator programs
- Co-working spaces and incubators

INDUSTRIAL INCENTIVES

For manufacturing and industrial operations:

- 10-year customs duty exemptions (BIIP)
- Subsidized industrial land leases
- Discounted energy and utility rates
- 0% duty on raw material imports for manufacturing

PRIORITY SECTOR BENEFITS

FINANCIAL SERVICES

CBB sandbox, Islamic finance hub, insurance licensing

TECHNOLOGY & ICT

Startup visas, AWS region, data protection framework

HEALTHCARE

NHRA streamlined licensing, medical tourism initiatives

REAL ESTATE

Foreign freehold ownership, RERA regulation, Golden Visa

READY TO INVEST IN BAHRAIN?

Let us structure your entry to maximize available incentives and minimize tax exposure.

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