Beware fake maids offices, Kuwaitis & expats warned

‘Overlook ads on social media’

Asian selling drugs for inmate

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KUWAIT CITY, Aug 31: A Bangladeshi expatriate was arrested in Farwaniya area for selling drugs on behalf of a Central Prison inmate.

According to security sources, when securitymen received information about a Bangladeshi expatriate involved in drug peddling, securitymen placed him under observation. After confirming the information and taking necessary legal measures, the suspect was arrested in Farwaniya area in possession of pieces of hashish wrapped in papers.

When questioned, he confessed that he is selling the drugs on behalf of a Central Prison inmate and received a share from the earnings. He was referred with the hashish to the Drugs Control General Department for necessary legal action.

Meanwhile, police are looking for an unidentified Egyptian for deceiving his Kuwaiti friend, reports Al-Rai daily.

The suspect reportedly lured the Kuwaiti to join his auto parts and accessories business and after getting KD 4,500 from him, switched off his cell phone and changed his address and disappeared.

Cleanup of Kuwaiti islands

The Directorate General of Coast Guards, in collaboration with Kuwait Municipality, recently conducted a clean-up drive on Kuwaiti islands in the North — Kubbar, Um Al-Maradim and Garuh — where waste materials that damage the marine environment were removed.

In a press statement, Assistant Undersecretary for Land Border Affairs at the Interior Ministry Major General Zuheir Al-Nasrallah affirmed the safety of the people and marine environment on these islands are one of the priorities of the Borders Sector. He stressed the clean-up drives on Kuwaiti islands will result in health and social benefits for those who frequent these places.

He confirmed the sector will continue such campaigns, in cooperation with relevant authorities, to remove anything that damages the marine environment. He added, affecting the water and endangering marine life.

In a press statement issued by Ministry of Interior, the department stressed that citizens and expatriates should not entertain the advertisements that are posted on social media by such illegal offices as they aim to earn money by cheating people.

It explained that the Department General for Residency Security recently noticed a large number of complaints being lodged by Kuwaitis and expatriates against bogus domestic workers’ offices which advertised on social media about providing housemaids. These offices are not registered under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and were being run without the permission of the ministry and other concerned authorities.

In the statement, these offices used to hand over domestic workers, receive money and then keep their mobile phones switched off after reaching an agreement with the domestic workers to run away from the families so that they can be sold to others. There is a large number of such bogus offices which carry on such businesses using domestic workers who have been reported by the sponsors as absconding.