

PAD to issue permanent certificates to people with severe disabilities

'Panel to monitor possessions of ex-PIFSS chief, his wife'

KUWAIT CITY, July 3: Finance Minister Nayef Al-Hajraf announced during his recent interview in the program, "Asher Ella Asher (9:50)," that a committee was formed to determine and monitor the possessions of former Director General of the Public Institution for Social Security (PIFSS) Fahad

Al-Raja'an and his wife in and outside the country, reports Al-Rai daily quoting parliamentary sources who expressed satisfaction over such a decision.

Sources pointed out the decision was made possible through governmental-parliamentary cooperation as it came in line with the proposal of

MP Abdullah Al-Kandari to form a committee whose members are from various concerned authorities; such as the Fatwa and Legislation Department, PIFSS, State Audit Bureau (SAB), Central Bank of Kuwait (CBK), Public Authority for Agriculture Affairs and Fish Resources

(PAAAFR), as well as the ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Justice and Ministry of Interior in a bid to recover public funds.

Sources added the proposal of Al-Kandari is part of his calls to address public fund files after signing the request to reaffirm confidence in

the minister.

Public Authority for the Disabled (PAD) will start issuing lifelong (permanent) disability certificates to individuals with severe disabilities as per a planned schedule, reports Al-Anba daily.

It called on all people with disabili-

ties to update their mobile numbers, as they may receive a text message about the issuance of new permanent certificates if they are eligible, even though their existing certificates are valid, and they will have to receive the certificates from any branches of the authority after receiving the text message.



The toppled car of the woman.

Photo by Rizk Taufiq

Female driver injured as vehicle topples

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A Kuwaiti woman sustained several injuries when her vehicle toppled in South Surra area.

According to security sources, when the Operations Room of Ministry

of Interior received information about the accident, securitymen, paramedics and firefighters rushed to the location and discovered that the woman was trapped inside her vehicle. They pulled her out of the vehicle, and paramedics referred her to Mubarak Hospital for treatment.



The vehicle on fire on Fahaheel road.

Photo by Iehab Qurtal

No casualties as vehicle catches fire

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Fire engulfed a vehicle on Fahaheel Road, resulting in material losses but no casualties. According to a press release, when the Operations Room of Ministry of Interior received infor-

mation about the accident, fire-fighters, securitymen and paramedics rushed to the location.

Fire-fighters extinguished the fire within a short time. Investigations have been launched to determine the cause of the fire.

Man cleared of attacking cabbie, damaging car

Court quashes 10-year prison term, acquits Syrian of human trafficking

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KUWAIT CITY, July 3: The Court of Appeals, presided over by Judge Nasr Al-Heyd, overruled the verdict of the lower court which sentenced a Syrian to 10 years in prison with hard labor, and instead acquitted him of human trafficking.

The higher court also relegated the charge to misdemeanor for helping his brother escape from the country, an act punishable by one year in prison.

The court based its ruling on the fact that the Constitutional Court nullified an article related to the Human Trafficking Law.

According to the case files, the Public Prosecution charged the defendant and others of human trafficking. The accused are said to have helped and facilitated the escape of a Syrian businessman - the brother of the defendant - from Kuwait to Iraq in return for \$20,000.

Representing the defendant was Attorney En'am Haydar who argued that the prosecution failed to follow proper legal procedures, and violated international law and protocols on human trafficking, in addition to the

fact that her client did not break any law since there is no substantial evidence linking him with the accusations hurled against him.

Meanwhile, the Court of Appeals nullified the decision of the Court of First Instance, which sentenced a Kuwaiti man to four years in prison with hard labor for attacking a taxi driver and damaging his taxi in a two-car collision. The appellate court thereby refrained from pronouncing punishment against the man.

The case file indicated the defendant caused permanent damage to the finger of the plaintiff and the slap on his left cheek has weakened the rate of his hearing. By estimation of a specialized committee at Zain Hospital, the rate of disability in the body of the plaintiff is 1 percent. This conclusion was documented in report of the General Department of Criminal Investigations and forensic medicine. The man also damaged the taxi deliberately in his bid to hurt the taxi driver.

Lawyer of the defendant Ali Al-Harz prayed the court to scrap the previous ruling, citing inconsistent statements with the technical proof. He argued that some of the claims were illogical and frivolous allegations.

Mol seizes 300-kg drugs, 929K narcotic pills & 889 liquor bottles in Q2 of 2019

Woman accuses health center employee of molestation

KUWAIT CITY, July 3: More than 300 kilograms of drugs, 929,000 narcotic pills, and 889 liquor bottles were discovered during the second quarter of this year.

In a press release, Ministry of Interior explained that 159 kilograms of hashish, 679 kilograms of methamphetamine (shabew), 12.7 heroin, 23 marijuana, 58.5 chemical drug, one gram of cocaine and six grams of betel leaves.

Assistant Undersecretary for Criminal Security Affairs at Ministry of Interior Major General Khaled Al-Dayeen said the Criminal Security Sector represented by Drugs Control General Department (DCGD) are exerting tremendous efforts to enhance program to fight this disease of drug use, affirming that the sector will continue to hold campaigns against drug users.

He also appreciated the efforts exerted by the ministry to face this challenge with the support and guidance of Minister of Interior and Deputy Head of the Council of Ministers Lieutenant General Khaled Al-Jarrah.

Major General Al-Dayeen affirmed that the Criminal Security Sector, with the support of security authorities, foiled attempts to smuggle drugs via the borders, reduce the activities of drug promoters, and curb local manufacturing.

Woman molested: A Tunisian woman has filed a complaint with a police station accusing an 'employee' of a health clinic of molesting her, reports Al-Rai daily.

In her complaint to the police station, the woman said the suspect approached her and got involved in a conversation with and suddenly touched her body. She added, she screamed for help and the suspect just left the place.

A case has been filed against the suspect and police have requested to see the CCTV footage to arrest the man and see what actually happened.

7-year-old drowns: A 7-year-old boy drowned into a swimming pool of a chalet, reports Al-Rai daily. The incident which happened in the suburb of Mina Abdullah was reported to the police by the victim's uncle.

Acting on information an ambulance was sent to the scene of the incident and the boy was rushed to the area hospital but doctors could not save him.

Forged passport used: Immigration officers at the Kuwait International Airport have arrested an unidentified Bangladeshi worker for attempting to leave the country on a forged passport, reports Al-Rai daily.

According to the security sources the man was earlier deported from the country and he changed the data on the passport and was able to enter the country.

At the time of entry he was not caught because he had apparently put henna on his finger and the machine at the airport failed to read his data.

He was arrested while leaving Kuwait and referred to the concerned authorities for legal action.

Seized before travel: An unidentified Kuwaiti who was wanted by law has been arrested and referred to the Criminal Investigation Department, reports Al-Rai daily.

According to security sources the suspect was arrested at the Kuwait International Airport when he was about to leave for summer vacation after authorities discovered there was a travel ban on him.

He was reportedly wanted by law in a kidnapping case. He has been handed over to the concerned authorities.

Egyptians held for fighting: Two unidentified Egyptians who were seen throwing punches at each other and exchanging insults have been arrested and detained at a police station in Hawalli, reports Al-Rai daily.



Firemen putting out the blaze to the chalets.

KFSD photo

Fire engulfs prefabricated chalets at construction site

Fire engulfed some prefabricated chalets at a construction site in Sabah Al-Salem area.

According to a press release, when the Control Room of Kuwait Fire Service Directorate (KFSD) received information about a building under construction on fire, fire-fighters rushed to the location with securitymen and paramedics and discovered that some prefabricated chalets at the construction site were on fire.

They extinguished the fire before

it spread further, and launched investigations to determine its cause.

Meanwhile, a young girl sustained burns and injuries in a fire that broke out in her family home in Thajer area. Two firefighters also sustained burns while fighting the fire.

In a press release, the Public Relations and Media Department of Kuwait Fire Service Directorate (KFSD) explained that the Control Room of KFSD, after receiving information about the fire incident,

dispatched firefighters to the location. Upon arrival, they discovered that the fire broke out in a room on the second floor of the house, and smoke had spread throughout the house and the surrounding areas.

Firefighters immediately rescued a girl who was trapped inside the house and referred her to the nearest hospital for treatment. While extinguishing the fire, two firefighters had sustained burns and they were also referred to the hospital for treatment.



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