



HH the Amir with the ambassador of Saudi Arabia.



HH the Crown Prince with Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanim.



HH the Crown Prince with HH the Premier.



From left: HH the Crown Prince with minister of defense, foreign minister and the interior minister.



KUNA photos

Bid to activate privatization program

KUWAIT CITY, May 19: The Supreme Council for Privatization is preparing a file to activate the privatization program to re-launch the projects, including logistics areas, supporting areas for land ports, transport, transit and major free zones in preparation to submit the same to the Economic Committee of the Council of Ministers to complete the procedures and activate the privatization projects, reports Annahar daily.

The daily has learned from its sources that a new process is expected to be launched to re-evaluate the assets related to state-owned enterprises in the services sector in order to

establish a fair value of their assets and existing projects to be allocated to the privatization program.

All state-controlled services were to be privatized as part of the privatization program of the country's economic sectors. The privatization program was initiated by government services and followed by the education and health sectors.

The sources said that activating the role of the private sector within the program of privatization of government services will create employment opportunities for citizens and will reflect positively on the national economy in general.

Audiences of HH the Amir and HH the Crown Prince

His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received at Bayan Palace Sunday His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah.

His Highness the Amir also received Speaker of the National Assembly Marzouq Al-Ghanim, His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, Chairman of Kuwait's Supreme Judicial Council and the Cassation Court, and President of the Constitutional Court, Justice Yousef Jasseem Al-Mutawaa, in addition to First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defense Sheikh Nasser Sabah Al-

Ahmad Al-Sabah.

In the presence of Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, His Highness the Amir received Pakistani Foreign Minister Shah Mehmood Qureshi.

Qureshi handed in a letter to His Highness the Amir from President of Pakistan Arif Alvi.

The letter commended the high level of cooperation between the two countries and means to develop ties. It also included an invitation to His Highness the Amir to visit Pakistan.

Meanwhile, His Highness the Amir received a letter from Saudi King Salman bin

Abdulaziz Al-Saud, which included an invitation to partake in the 14th OIC Islamic Summit scheduled in Makkah from May 31 to June 1.

Saudi Ambassador to Kuwait Prince Sultan bin Saad Al-Saud handed in the letter to His Highness the Amir.

Minister of the Amiri Diwan Affairs Sheikh Ali Jarrah Al-Sabah attended the receptions of the Pakistani FM and the Saudi ambassador.

In the meantime, His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received Parliament Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanim at Bayan Palace on Sunday.

His Highness also received His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Hamad Al-Sabah.

His Highness the Crown Prince also received on Sunday at Bayan Palace First Deputy Premier and Defense Minister Sheikh Nasser Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah.

His Highness also received Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, Deputy Prime Minister and Interior Minister Let-Gen Sheikh Khaled Al-Jarrah Al-Sabah and Deputy Premier and Minister of State for Cabinet Affairs Anas Al-Saleh. (KUNA)

Kuwait Today Sponsored by: **MUGHAL MAHAL** Everyone's First Choice Since 1985

MUGHAL MAHAL Everyone's First Choice

بوفيه الإفطار اليومي
Daily Iftar Buffet

Hawally 1st Floor - Al-Hoor Complex
Hawally - Beirut St., Opposite of Comm. Bank & Tele Comm. Tower
22626782/3/4 - 97644431

Fahaheel Behind Centerpoint
23911174 / 5 - 97644421

Adult لاأقل 15 سنة 6.450 ك.د.
Child لاأقل 5 سنة 3.750 ك.د.

مطعمنا يقدم لك أفضل وجبة إفطار رمضانية
IRRESISTIBLE RAMADAN

Stand united, don't give ear to rumors, says Al-Qasha'an

'Kuwait's NGOs stand out at time of need'

KUWAIT CITY, May 19: The unstable developments in the region emphasized the need for cohesion of the home front and not to be dragged behind rumors but derive the information from its source, reports Al-Rai daily.

Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Dr Hamoud Al-Qasha'an, told the daily, the atmosphere of the American-Iranian escalation reminds him of the atmosphere in 1985 when the National Assembly was embroiled in a dispute with the government and not long after in about five years Kuwait was invaded.



A group photo from the field tour of the university project.

"The atmosphere of war should tell us that when the name of Kuwait is mentioned, we must remember the word of His Highness the Amir that Kuwait is a safe nation and that Kuwait brings us together," he said.

The Amir, who promotes peace, has distanced himself from any alliances against neighbors or against others. Kuwait is in need of unifying the internal front and showing the world that "we are one bloc. We say to His Highness we are your people who do not disobey you, and we ask Allah to protect Kuwait and protect you."

KU panel inspects College of Education for Women

The committee formed to receive the construction projects of Sabah Al-Salem University held a meeting on Wednesday (May 15) in Shaddadiya in the presence of the Head of the committee and Secretary General of Kuwait University Dr Muthanna Al-Rafaei.

According to a press release, the committee studied the technical studies carried out by the project consultants concerning

the initial handover of the new building of the College of Education for Women.

The committee conducted a field tour of the building to examine it and ensure it is ready to be received.

Dr Al-Rafaei explained that the committee approved the handover of the building, taking into consideration the observations recorded by the members of the committee.

This will be the first college to be handed over, and it will be followed by other colleges including College of Arts, College of Science, College of Engineering and Petroleum, College of Business Administration and College of Life Sciences.

He affirmed that classes will begin in the new buildings of the aforementioned colleges by the first semester of the 2019/2020 academic year.

Higher education's request to allocate KD 2.5m approved

KUWAIT CITY, May 19: The Ministry of Finance has approved the request of its higher education counterpart to allocate KD 2.5 million for fiscal 2018/2019 to cover the expected scholarships deficit in order to settle overdue fees, reports Al-Rai daily.

The Ministry of Finance is said to have asked for copies of the concerned universities' demands or

documents supporting the request for allocation of the above-mentioned amount.

The Ministry of Higher Education has also provided the Ministry of Finance with a copy of the request of the Cultural Office in Washington for allocation of \$50.4 million which is equal to KD 11.6 million.

documents supporting the request for allocation of the above-mentioned amount.

The Ministry of Higher Education has also provided the Ministry of Finance with a copy of the request of the Cultural Office in Washington for allocation of \$50.4 million which is equal to KD 11.6 million.

Prayer Timings

Fajr	03:23
Sunrise	04:54
Zohr	11:44
Asr	15:20
Maghrib	18:36
Isha	20:04

Beacon N6	-	-	4ft	NW
Qaruh Island	28	27	4ft	NW
Umm Al-Maradem	36	26	4ft	NW
Sea Island Buoy	-	-	-	-
Salmiyah	29	27	4ft	NW

4 days forecast - Marine

Monday, May 20

Expected weather:.....Hot
Sea state.....Slight to moderate
Wave height.....2-5ft
Max Temp.....37C
Min Temp.....27C
Wind Direction.....VRB-SE
Wind Speed.....08-38 km/h

Tuesday, May 21

Expected weather:.....Hot and partly cloudy and relatively humid specially over coastal areas with a chance for blowing dust
Sea state.....Slight to moderate
Wave height.....1-5ft
Max Temp.....39C
Min Temp.....29C
Wind Direction.....NW-SE
Wind Speed.....10-38 km/h

Wednesday, May 22

Expected weather:.....Hot
Sea state.....Slight to moderate, rough at times
Wave height.....2-6ft
Max Temp.....41C
Min Temp.....29C
Wind Direction.....NW
Wind Speed.....12-42 km/h

Thursday, May 23

Expected weather:.....Hot
Sea state.....Slight to moderate, rough at times
Wave height.....2-6ft
Max Temp.....42C
Min Temp.....30C
Wind Direction.....NW
Wind Speed.....10-40 km/h

Tide times at Shuwaikh Port

1st high tide:	10:10
2nd high tide:	20:59
1st low tide:	15:25
2nd low tide:	04:27
Sunrise:	05:21
Sunset:	18:15

Recorded yesterday at Kuwait Airport

Max temp:	36°C
Min temp:	29°C
Max Rh:	86%
Min Rh:	28%
Max Wind:	SE 43 km/h
Total Rainfall in 24 hrs:	0 mm

Recorded yesterday at South Dolphin

Min/Max/ Air Temp -/ -/ -	C
Min/Max Rel Hum - / - / -	%
Wind Direction/Wind Speed.....	N / - km/h
Prev Wave Dir/Max Wave Ht.....	N / - ft
Min/Max Sea Surface Temp.....	- / - C
Sea Current.....	Upwelling

— Directorate General of Civil Aviation, Meteorological Department

Cohesion

Head of the Department of Geography at Kuwait University Dr Obeid Al-Otaibi told the daily, "the cohesion of the internal front is one of the most important necessities of the renaissance of the society, its unity, growth and stability."

He pointed out that "the enemies are always concerned about disrupting the internal stratum of any society and want to dismantle, weaken and control it and its problems."

"There is a national unity law. Thank God, we are all united and



Dr Hamoud Al-Qasha'an

Maha Mitlaq Mohammad Al Jami, 57 years old, buried on Sunday. Condolences: Firdous, Block 8, Street 1, Avenue 3, House 70, Tel. 99800207. **Fatima Ibrahim Ahmad Al Zayed**, 35 years old, buried on Sunday. Condolences: (Men) at the cemetery only. Tel. 66717122. (Women) Faiba, Block 6, Al Telmisani Street, House 7. **Jassem Mohammad Habab Al Khaldi**, 74 years old, buried on Sunday. Condolences: (Men) Rabiya, Block 4, Abdullah Mohammad Al Khaldi, House 38, Tel. 99765101. (Women) Zahra, Block 8, Street 810, House 32. **Eqbal Ahmad Zaid Al Sarhan**, 69 years old, wife of Bader Sulaiman Ejail Al Tayar, buried on Sunday. Condolences: Khaldiya, Block 3, Salem Bin Bouqamaz Street, House 22, Tel. 99222393.