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Int'l participants at IDEX and NAVDEX 2021 exempt from quarantine on arrival

ABU DHABI, Jan 13: The Abu Dhabi National Exhibitions Company (ADNEC), the organiser of the International Defence Exhibition (IDEX 2021) and the Naval Defence Exhibition (NAVDEX 2021), held under the patronage of the President of the United Arab Emirates, His Highness Sheikh Khalifa bin Zayed Al Nahyan, from Feb 21-25, has received approval from the Abu Dhabi Public Health Centre for all badge holders to be exempted from the 10-day quarantine procedure on their arrival into Abu Dhabi.

This step has been taken to facilitate the arrival of international delegations from all over the world. International visitors to the UAE must present their event badge, printed on A4 paper, at any border, to be exempted from the quarantine, and they will not be required to wear tracking wristbands. Detailed protocols to facilitate the entry of delegations and support their participation, are being finalised in collaboration with relevant authorities

in the UAE, and an update will be published on a later stage.

Matar Saeed Al Nuaimi, Director General of the Abu Dhabi Public Health Centre, part of Department of Health – Abu Dhabi, said: "Through our decision to exempt participants of the IDEX and NAVDEX 2021 exhibitions from the quarantine period, the Department of Health – Abu Dhabi is keen to promote business activity in the emirate. We worked closely with ADNEC as a strategic partner throughout the pandemic on a number of initiatives that ensured the health of the community. Accordingly, we are confident of their ability to implement rigorous precautionary measures including the necessary PCR tests that ensure the health and safety of visitors and exhibitors attending this event.

"Participants exempt from quarantine procedures still must observe the strict guidelines in place before entering the emirate of Abu Dhabi. In doing so, they will ensure the implementation of preventative measures, safe-

guarding the highest standards of health and safety for all residents."

"We will co-ordinate extensively with authorities to facilitate the entry of participants to the conference, supporting their attendance by preserving the health of those around them," Al Nuaimi concluded.

Humaid Matar Al Dhaheri, Managing Director and Group CEO of the Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Company, commented: "This exemption demonstrates how IDEX and NAVDEX are leading the recovery of business activity following the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, it will showcase how Abu Dhabi continues to lead as a regional capital for the business tourism sector. We maintain our support to welcome the world, once again, in spite of the ongoing global conditions caused by the pandemic."

Al Dhaheri added: "This stride demonstrates the UAE's and ADNEC's robust range of flexible infrastructure and operational capabilities, capable

of safely organising a global mega-event. Since the beginning of the pandemic, stringent precautionary and safety measures have been our foremost priority.

"This exemption has been enabled by the continued cooperation and support from our strategic partners and stakeholders. Such support has allowed us to continue to strengthen the position of this event, building on its success and continuing to attract a wider range of visitors and exhibitors. In attracting such a high calibre of international companies, IDEX and NAVDEX will continue to showcase the latest developments in the defence sector."

Through the IDEX, NAVDEX, and the International Defence Conference, ADNEC aims to attract global expertise in the land, sea, and air defence industries, localising knowledge in the UAE. The 15th edition of the IDEX and NAVDEX exhibitions is a distinguished global platform which highlights the national defence sector and

its infrastructure. Further, the exhibitions will showcase the latest in cutting-edge technology in these sectors, following the global innovation trends of the Fourth Industrial Revolution.

A wide raft of health and safety measures have been designed and implemented across IDEX 2021, NAVDEX 2021 and the International Defence Conference, ensuring the safety of all participants. All those attending will be required to follow the social distancing measures and the wearing of face masks is being mandated across exhibition facilities, ensuring the safety of all attending the events.

**About Abu Dhabi National Exhibitions Company (ADNEC)**

Abu Dhabi National Exhibitions Company (ADNEC) is part of ADQ, one of the region's largest holding companies with a diverse portfolio of major enterprises spanning key sectors of Abu Dhabi's diversified economy. ADNEC is a leader in managing and developing international strategic

centres and was founded with a vision to become the leading destination for popular, high-profile international conferences, exhibitions and congresses in the Middle East and North Africa. It owns and operates the Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre, the largest exhibition venue in the MENA region.

In addition, ADNEC also includes ExCeL London, Al Ain Convention Centre, Aloft London ExCeL, Aloft Abu Dhabi, Andaz Capital Gate Abu Dhabi, ADNEC Services LLC, Capital Hospitality, and IDEX LLC.

ADNEC Group is working on developing its network of companies and is on a mission to enhance business tourism in Abu Dhabi by creating a platform that enables event organisers to realise their goals of connecting people via world-class events and venues and delivering best-in-class services to exceed stakeholder expectations.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.adnecgroup.ae>.

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'The Guest Show' presents Dr Hana

This week, 'The Guest Show' on Radio Kuwait presents Dr Hana Jafar, a young Kuwaiti doctor. A woman of many parts, Hana is a doctor, fitness coach and an entrepreneur. She is also the Chairperson of Heroes for Hearts, a non-profit organization that trains and empowers local communities in CPR/AED/First Aid skills. Hana wants to further specialize in psy-

chiatry as she believes mental disorders to be the most common cause of disability in the world. During the pandemic, she carried out research on the effect of Covid on mental health in Kuwait. Hear Dr Hana Jafar on 93.3 FM and 963 AM speak about how she manages so many different hats and keeps them all steady.

'Empowering' people with disabilities in society vital, says KRCS' Dr Al-Sayer

KRCS eyes cooperation agreement with KSCD

KUWAIT CITY, Jan 13, (KUNA): Chairman of the Board of Directors of Kuwait Red Crescent Society (KRCS) Dr. Hilal Al-Sayer underlined Wednesday the importance of empowering people with disabilities in society, supporting and providing them with the necessary logistical and moral support.

Speaking to KUNA after Al-Sayer's meeting with a delegation from the Kuwait Sports Club for the Deaf (KSCD), he said that KRCS strongly believes in the necessity of caring for people with special needs, especially the deaf, as well as their volunteer work to help countrywide.

KRCS is about to make a cooperation agreement with KSCD in the fields of volunteering, first aid and training in sign language, he added, indicating that it is a positive step that will benefit the community.



Khalaf Ahmad Al Habtoor, Founding Chairman, Al Habtoor Group during a reception held to launch Amna Tower to the market for sale.

Khalaf Al Habtoor launches Amna Tower to the market for sale

Khalaf Ahmad Al Habtoor, Founding Chairman, Al Habtoor Group launched Amna Tower to the market for sale at a reception held at the tower, part of The Residence Collection at Al Habtoor City.

Located in the heart of Dubai and at the Dubai Water Canal banks, the 73-storey Amna Tower is the third and last tower in The Residence Collection to be put on the market for sale. It includes 537 luxury units, including four ultra-luxury penthouses.

In the heart of the one million sq ft development, The Residence Collection consists of three luxurious residential towers – Noora, Amna and Meera, with a total of 1,460 luxury apartments within the three high-rise buildings. The high-end homes, which range from one to seven bedrooms boast stunning views of Dubai's famous skyline. Each bedroom boasts an en-suite bathroom. Residents also enjoy the region's largest resort-style pool deck, which spans more than 120,000 square feet.

Khalaf Al Habtoor said, "I am pleased to report that during the pandemic, we have witnessed a healthy demand for real estate within our portfolio, from local and international investors alike.

"Investors trust in the value of Dubai real estate, especially those with a high-quality finish and prime locations.

Al Habtoor added, "We decided to launch the Amna Tower today to confirm our belief in the Dubai market.

"There is nothing like this project anywhere else in the world. It is unique because of its location, directly on The Dubai Water Canal and along Sheikh Zayed Road. It is an unrivalled lifestyle destination with exceptional facilities. Residents get the benefit of having three international hotels within Al Habtoor City. And enjoy La Perle the unforgettable aqua show."

The residential community has exclusive access to first-class amenities, which include the largest swimming pool and leisure deck in the UAE, a state-of-the-art gym, two luxury spas, multiple

restaurants and cafés, the Al Habtoor Tennis Academy – which includes an indoor tennis court for year-round play, and an RTA marine stop on the Dubai Water Canal.

In addition, residents benefit from the three five-star hotels within the Al Habtoor City complex (the Habtoor Palace Dubai, LXR Hotels & Resorts; The V Hotel Dubai, a Curio Collection; and The Hilton Dubai Al Habtoor City), La Perle, the region's first permanent aqua show exclusively choreographed for the complex, and The Atrium and the Boulevard, the vibrant dining epicentres of the complex with a range of international dining options.

To highlight, Al Habtoor City is located in close proximity to Dubai's famous landmarks, hospitals and schools, the Business Bay and downtown area, and a short drive from Dubai's two airports.

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'Solving health challenges in Africa'

Nominations for Al-Sumait Prize 2021 award in 'Health category' now open

KUWAIT CITY, Jan 13: Al-Sumait Prize ([www.AISumaitPrize.org](http://www.AISumaitPrize.org)), Health category, is open to individuals and organizations delivering pioneering and high-impact contributions to solving health challenges in Africa, with a special focus in the 2021 cycle on the utilization of effective frameworks and programs to resolve and manage health crises such as SARS, COVID-19, and infectious zoonotic diseases.

Dr. Adnan Shihab-Eldin, Director General of the Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences-KFAS ([www.KFAS.com](http://www.KFAS.com)), which administers the Prize, said "the 2021 Prize recognizes individuals and institutions who contributed in substantial ways to improvements within the field of Health, including developing health-care systems on the continent, especially for the underprivileged."

With the overarching aim of acknowledging organizations and researchers whose contributions are distinguished by innovation, the fostering of equity, and broad positive impact in the areas of health, education, and food security, the Prize has awarded US\$6 million over the last five years; In 2015 & 2018 the prize was dedicated to Health; in 2016 & 2019 to Food Security; and 2017 & 2020 to Education. The 2021 nomination cycle is dedicated anew to the area of Health.

Commenting on the prominence of the Prize, Dr. Daniel Gustafson, member of AISumait Board of



Trustees representing the FAO, said: "The Al-Sumait Prize is unique and vital in the way it calls attention to the innovations and the dedication of outstanding individuals and institutions who have contributed to the development of food security, education and health in Africa. The integrity and care that goes into the selection process facilitates this recognition, not only for the annual winners, but for every nominee who makes it through the screening process."

The specific conditions for eligible nominations as well as the Al-Sumait Prize nomination form can be accessed at [www.AISumaitPrize.org/nominations/](http://www.AISumaitPrize.org/nominations/)

Initiated in 2013 by the late Amir of the State of Kuwait, His Highness Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, the Al-Sumait Prize for African Development is designed to reward innovative and inspiring initiatives and research by individuals and organizations that address the challenges facing the African continent. The award commemorates the legacy of Dr. Abdulrahman Al-Sumait, a Kuwait physician who dedicated his life to helping less fortunate individuals and communities in Africa to face the challenges of development in the continent.

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Al-Sayer deeply thanked and appreciated KSCD for its achievements in international sporting forums, raising the nation's flag high and highlighting Kuwait's sporting status.

Similar statement expressed, Deputy Chairman of KSCD Khaled Zaman mentioned the great societal role that KRCS plays towards all groups of Kuwaiti society, including the deaf.

Zaman pointed to the importance of cooperation with KRCS in spreading the culture of volunteering, also first aid.

He underlined KSCD's ability to interact with various community initiatives, especially with regard to the deaf, indicating the importance of their participation in volunteer work with several Kuwaiti institutions.

Another parallel statement to KUNA, Secretary General of KSCD Anwar Al-Harbi confirmed that people with special needs in general, the deaf in particular, are an integral part of society, as they must be cared for and supported through their involvement in volunteer work to serve the nation.

KRCS supports all humanitarian efforts for those in need and impacted without hesitation to provide aid to those with special needs and are deaf, inside and outside the country, Al-Harbi pointed out.

Saudi Crown Prince announces beginning of 'THE LINE' project

RIYADH, Jan 13, (KUNA): Saudi Crown Prince Mohammad bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud and Chairman of the NEOM Company Board of Directors, announced Sunday the beginning of "THE LINE" project.

Quoted by Saudi Press Agency (SPA), the Crown Prince described the project as a revolution in urban living at the northwest of NEOM, and a blueprint for how people and planet can co-exist in harmony.

As a project "THE LINE", is a 170km belt of hyper-connected future communities, without cars and roads and built around nature, is a direct response to some of the most pressing challenges facing humanity today such as legacy infrastructure, pollution, traffic, and human congestion.

A cornerstone of Saudi Vision

2030 and an economic engine for the Kingdom, it will drive diversification and aims to contribute 380,000 jobs of the future and SAR 180 billion (the equivalent of USD 48 billion) to domestic GDP by 2030.

The Crown Prince said: "Throughout history, cities were built to protect their citizens. After the Industrial Revolution, cities prioritized machines, cars and factories over people."

He added "in cities that are viewed as the world's most advanced, people spend years of their lives commuting. "By 2050, commute durations will double. By 2050, one billion people will have to relocate due to rising CO2 emissions and sea levels. 90 percent of people breathe polluted air.

Kuwait IICO distributes aid to 440 Syrian refugee families in Jordan

AMMAN, Jan 13, (KUNA): The Kuwaiti International Islamic Charitable Organization (IICO), in cooperation with the Kuwait "Tarahom" volunteers' team, launched on Wednesday winter relief project to distribute aid to about 440 Syrian refugee families in Jordan.

Kuwait Ambassador to Jordan Aziz Al-Daihani told KUNA during the distribution ceremony, held in the capital Amman, that Kuwait, led by His Highness the Amir Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, pursues its humanitarian

approach, based on supporting and helping people within the framework of humanitarian projects and programs around the world.

Today's ceremony, which witnesses securing winter needs for the Syrian refugee, comes within a series of humanitarian activities and programs carried out by Kuwaiti institutions, affirming Kuwait's "pioneering" position in the field of relief work, he said.

For his part, the general supervisor of assignment to IICO office in Jordan, Ziyad Abu Talib, said the relief project for the winter season

includes distribution of 440 bags containing blankets, heating devices and fuel to the families of Syrian refugees and a number of poor families most in need in various regions of Jordan.

IICO has coordinated with the Jordanian Ministry of Social Development and 16 local charitable societies accredited by the Kuwaiti Ministry of Foreign Affairs to provide a list of the names of those who are eligible from these families.

For his part, Director of the (Sweilleh) Center for Community

Services of the Jordanian Islamic Charitable Center Youssef Othman said in a similar statement that this is the 12th relief campaign that the organization is carrying out in Jordan in cooperation with Kuwait to support Syrian refugees since beginning of the Syrian crisis in 2011.

Othman expressed thanks and appreciation to the Kuwaiti leadership, government and people for the continuing provision of aid to the Syrian refugees, praising Kuwait's stances and its generous path towards its brothers.



Kuwait Ambassador to Jordan Aziz Al-Daihani is seen during the distribution of aid.



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