

## Prayer Timings

Fajr ..... 03:13 Asr ..... 15:21  
 Sunrise .. 04:48 Maghrib .. 18:46  
 Zohr ..... 11:47 Isha ..... 20:18

# Local

## Expected weather for the next 24 hours:

**By Day:** Hot with moderate to fresh north westerly wind with speeds of 20-50 km/h and a chance for rising dust.  
**By Night:** Hot to rather hot

## Weather

with light to moderate freshening at times north westerly wind and speeds of 15-40 km/h.  
**Station** **Max Exp** **Min Rec**  
 Kuwait City 44 31  
 Kuwait Airport 46 32  
 Abdaly 45 26

Jahra	46	30
Failaka Island	-	-
Salmiyah	40	31
Ahmadi	40	34
Nuwaisib	48	30
Wafra	45	30
Salmiyah	45	28

**VACCINE REGISTRATION WEBSITE:** [https://cov19vaccine.moh.gov.kw/SPCMS/CVD\\_19\\_Vaccine\\_Registration.aspx](https://cov19vaccine.moh.gov.kw/SPCMS/CVD_19_Vaccine_Registration.aspx)

## Boubyan Bank climbs 15 fils, Zain slips

# Kuwait market notches modest gains, volume tapers



The US Ambassador to Kuwait Alina L. Romanowski during the workshop held by Kuwait's anti-corruption body (Nazaha) in cooperation with the US Embassy.

### No letup in fight against corruption: Nazaha

Kuwait's anti-corruption body (Nazaha) vowed on Tuesday to throw its weight behind national efforts to exterminate the scourge, saying such unscrupulous practices constitute a major challenge.

Fighting corruption is a "collective effort" on the part of state institutions and civil society groups alike, the Kuwaiti anti-corruption watch-

dog's deputy chief Nawaf Al-Mohmel told a seminar held in conjunction with the US embassy in Kuwait.

He said Kuwait's anti-corruption body has assembled a strategy to fight all forms of corruption, hailing the plan as an unprecedented endeavor that encapsulates Kuwait's unflinching resolve to fight the scourge.

**By John Mathews**  
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KUWAIT CITY, June 8: Kuwait stocks pushed higher on Tuesday as it continued its winning spree to sixth straight session. The All Shares Index climbed 19.56 points to 6,290.25 pts paced by some of the blue chips and mid-caps.

The Premier Market rallied 23.75 points to 6,838.92 pts taking the month's gains to 98 points while Main Market scaled 10.43 pts. The BK Main 50 sprinted 32.44 points to 5,479.96 pts. The volume turnover meanwhile saw moderate pullback following last session's rise. Over 317 million shares changed hands - down 8 pct from Monday.

The sectors closed mostly in green turf. Energy outshone the rest with 1.54 percent gain whereas Healthcare slid 2.37 pct, the biggest loser of the session. Volume wise, Financial Services continued to top with 134.9 million shares and Banking sector was ahead in value notching KD 21.49 million.

Among the prime movers, sector bellwether National Bank of Kuwait rallied 5 fils to 839 fils on back of 3.8 million shares while Boubyan Bank paced 15 fils after pushing 2.5 million shares Mabanee Co extended last session's gains with 6 fils jump to 721 fils taking the year-to-day gains to 64 fils and Integrated Holding sprinted 16 fils to 446 fils. YIACO Medical climbed 20 fils to 520 fils.

Zain fell 3 fils to 591 fils with a volume of over 4 million and Ooredoo dialed down 2 fils with thin trading, stc was unchanged at 850 fils whereas logistics major Agility gave up 6 fils to close at 931 fils. Humansoft Holding scaled 8 fils partly recouping Monday's losses and Boursa Kuwait Securities shed 11 fils.

National Industries Group added 3 fils on back of 4.5 million shares before closing at 222 fils and Gulf Cable darted 18 fils more than recouping last session's drop. Boubyan Petrochemical Co climbed 9 fils to 912 fils whereas Al Qurain Petrochemical Co stood pat at 396 fils. Mezzan Holding added 2 fils.

Jazeera Airways took a 10 fils lift to 643 fils and ALAFCO was up 6 fils at 243 fils after pushing over 5 million shares. Advanced Technology Company tumbled 64 fils to 415 fils and Independent Petroleum Group jumped 31 fils to 630 fils. NICBM erased 3 fils.

The market opened firm and flitted sideways in early trading. The main index headed north amid buying spurt in some of the counters and scaled the day's highest level of 6,302 points half way into the session. It sagged and drifted listlessly before closing with modest gains.

Top gainer of the day, Thuraya soared 10 percent to 97.9 fils and PAPCO climbed 4.9 pct to stand next. REMAL skidded 17.4 percent, the steepest decliner of the day and Bareeq topped the volume with 33.9 million shares.

Mirroring the day's gains, the winners outnumbered the losers. 69 stocks advanced whereas 51 closed lower. Of the 136 counters active on Tuesday, 16 closed flat. 13,192 deals worth KD 56.6 million were traded during the session.

In the banking sector, Gulf Bank rose 3

US\$/KD 0.30070/80
Euro/KD 0.3664
Yen/KD 0.0027
British £/KD 0.4255
Indian Rs/KD 0.0041
Philippines Peso/KD 0.0063
FTSE +30.26 pts at 18:27 June 08
Nikkei -55.68 pts at closing June 08
Gold 1892.05 per oz (London)
NYMEX crude \$69.55 per barrel
Brent crude \$71.62 per barrel
LIBOR rate 0.12313%

fils to 243 fils on back of 13 million shares while Kuwait International Bank inched 1 fil higher to 220 fils. Kuwait Finance House too dialed up 1 fil after pushing 2.6 million share while Burgan Bank added 2 fils.

Warba Bank rose 4 fils to 252 fils on back of 4.9 million shares whereas Ahli United Bank BSC tripped 1 fil with brisk trading. Commercial Bank paused at 500 fils and Al Ahli Bank edged 1 fil into green. Ahli United Bank was up 5 fils at 289 fils.

Kuwait Cement Co rose 3 fils to 262 fils on back of 1.2 million shares and Kuwait Portland Cement paced 4 fils. Educational Holding Co scaled 15 fils to close at 655 fils and Sultan Centre dialed up 2 fils. Kuwait Foundry Co and Metal and Recycling Co paused at 20 fils and 183 fils respectively. Shuaiba Industrial clipped 1 fil whereas HEJSC dialed up 1 fil.

NAPESCO slipped 5 fils to 905 fils whereas KCPC and Automated Systems Co held ground at 560 fils and 106 fils respectively. Combined Group Contracting Co took in 2 fils and Burgan Company For Well Drilling gave up 2 fils before ending at 173 fils. Kuwait and Gulf Links Transport Co was unchanged at 55 fils whereas PAPCO gained 4.9 fils.

KIPCO ticked 1 fil up to 156 fils whereas National Investment Co dropped 9 fils after moving 4.3 million shares. Al Intiaz Investment dialed down 2 fils and Kuwait Investment Co crept 1 fil into green. International Financial Advisors erased 1 fil after trading 11.2 million shares.

Kuwait Financial Centre (Markaz) was unchanged at 127 fils whereas KMEFIC gave up 3 fils. Gulf Investment House climbed 9 fils to 261 fils whereas KFIC and Unicap Investment dialed down 2 fils each. Al Deera Holding slipped 8 fils to 191 fils.

The market has been upbeat so far during the week sprinting 33 points in last three sessions. It has gained 71 points from start of the month and is up 742 points year-to-date.

# Woman 'killer's' request rejected

Capital punishment day inches closer

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**KUWAIT CITY, June 8: The Criminal Court rejected the requests of the individual against whom a case has been filed for allegedly kidnapping and murdering a Kuwaiti woman Farah Akbar after stalking her using an electronic tracking device. The case has been adjourned to June 21 to submit the final plea of the victim's heirs.**

In Monday's session, the defendant's defense team presented a portfolio of documents and requested a delay, but the court rejected the request. The legal counsel of the victim's family Abdul Mohsen Al-Qattan affirmed that his defense was ready to plead.

According to the charges leveled by the Public Prosecution against the accused in this case, the latter kidnapped the victim from her home area in Sabah Al-Salem on March 13 and forced her to accompany him to another place. The perpetrator knew his victim's movements through a tracking device he had installed in her car.

Lawyer Al-Qattan demanded the imposition of the maximum penalty prescribed by law on the accused, and to obligate him to pay the victim's family temporary compensation of KD 5,001 for the moral and psychological damages they incurred.

**Case adjourned:** The Criminal Court adjourned to August 22 the money laundering case filed against a former MP and four Iranians who have been accused of smuggling a quarter of a billion Kuwaiti dinars obtained through "real estate fraud" in fictitious projects. The court also decided to release them on bail of KD 1,000 each.

During the session, the defense counsel of the plaintiffs Lawyer Ali Al-Attar had demanded a temporary civil compensation of KD 5001. Lawyer Al-Attar has been appointed by 165 people who suffered financial losses of more than KD 11 million.

## Consent from sponsor must for expats to hire domestic worker

KUWAIT CITY, June 8: An expatriate cannot bring a Filipino domestic worker into the country except with the approval of his sponsor, reports Al-Rai daily.

Despite the breakthrough achieved in the file of recruiting domestic workers from the Philippines, the situation is different for expatriates who are now required to obtain the approval of the sponsor, and provided their salary is in the range of 2,500 dinars in order to be able to recruit workers.

The information, that expatriate families are not allowed to bring domestic workers from the Philippines has come as a shock to some.

However, the Philippines Ambassador to Kuwait, HE Mohd. Noordin Pendsina N. Lomondot, confirmed there is no decision to reject the requests from foreigners, but the issue is linked to several conditions.

He explained in a statement to the daily, that "the embassy receives recruitment requests from all citizens and residents inside Kuwait, but there are additional conditions and documents that are required from those (families residing in Kuwait) wishing to bring in Filipino workers, in order to ensure the financial rights of workers, and also to ensure that the worker does not leave Kuwait without the knowledge of the embassy when the contract ends."

He stated that "among the additional documents required of non-Kuwaitis, is a certificate from the resident's sponsor that he does not object to bringing a domestic worker from the Philippines, and a salary certificate to determine his ability to fulfill the labor obligations," and said the recruitment request may be rejected if the salary is low as mentioned in the work permit.

MoH approval must

## PCR tests from any lab accepted

KUWAIT CITY, June 8: The Ministry of Education said the result of the PCR tests issued by any laboratory accredited by the Ministry of Health will be accepted, provided PCR test report does not exceed 72 hours before the start of the first round of exams for the Grade 12 students, reports Al-Seyassah daily.

The ministry said in a press statement that the commitment of students to the specified hours according to the schedule prepared in advance for the PCR examination in all educational areas helps to complete the test in time without waiting for the last minute and at the same time it will help avoid crowding at the schools.

The sources said the ministry is working to facilitate the procedures and protect the safety of everyone, and called on the male and female students to adhere to the schedule for take the PCR test, which has been arranged alphabetically, as well as in schools designated for taking the swab by the Ministry of Health team according to each educational region.

On the other hand, the Director of Educational Affairs of the Mubarak Al-Kabeer Educational Zone, Amal Al-Ru-

Entry visas eyed

## Hope for teachers

KUWAIT CITY, June 8: The Ministry of Education has started taking action about the situation of 1,900 teachers who are stranded abroad, reports Al-Rai daily quoting a source from the educational sector.

According to the source, the ministry will provide its interior counterpart with the necessary information like the expiry date of these teachers' residency permit in order to issue temporary entry visas for them to pave way for their return in batches starting from August and until the opening of the new academic year in September; taking into account the quarantine period for those who have not been vaccinated against coronavirus.

waited, inspected yesterday the PCR test center in Jaber Al-Ali High School, to check on the application of health requirements and precautionary measures before the start of paper exams for the Grade 12 students for 2020/2021 academic year.

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