

# PAS in bid to prep for development of sports strategy for next five years

Authority launches its first dialogue sessions, workshops



Top and above: Part of the dialogue session and workshops with the authority's employees.

**KUWAIT CITY, June 13, (KUNA):** The Kuwaiti Public Authority for Sports (PAS) on Sunday launched its first dialogue sessions and workshops with the authority's employees in order to explore their opinions and suggestions in preparation for the development of a sports strategy for the next five years (2021-2026).

The head of the strategy development team at the authority, Mahmoud Abel, said in a statement to reporters on the sidelines of the sessions held at the authority's headquarters that the authority seeks to contribute to this strategy, which comes from the directives of the Minister of Information and Culture and Minister of State for Youth Affairs Abdul Rahman Al-Mutairi in developing all elements of the sports system.

Abel added that the strategy aims to keep pace with the global sports renaissance in the field of competitive sports, as it focuses on the development of community and recreational sports to encourage members of society to practice sports for its important role in public health.

### Explained

He explained that this step will create the reasons for the launch and achievement of Kuwaiti athletes internally and externally, especially that "Kuwait has an honorable sporting history and heritage, as well as a wide sports base, modern facilities, capabilities, ingredients, cadres, experiences and systems that enable it to develop and excel."

He stated that these workshops will continue until the seventh of July as the team has devoted this week to meeting with the authority's employees, provided that its sessions and meetings with athletes from officials of the Kuwait Olympic Committee, clubs and sports federations and experts will begin next week.

Abel expressed his hope that these sessions and workshops will result in the best formula, that it will be characterized by participation among all sectors of the state, and that it will be comprehensive in its service to the entire sports system and meet the aspirations of Kuwaiti youth.

In this regard, he valued the support of the General Director of the General Sports Authority, Hammoud Fleiteh, who attended part of the session. He also praised the cooperation of the work team and the Authority's Strategic Planning Department represented by the Director of the Department, Suad Al-Athbi, and the interaction of all sectors and departments of the authority.



HH the Amir with HH the Crown Prince.

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### Audiences of HH the Amir

His Highness the Amir Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received Sunday at Seif Palace His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Meshaal Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah. His Highness the Amir also received the Speaker of the National Assembly Marzouq Ali Al-Ghanim and His Highness the Prime

Minister Sheikh Sabah Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah. His Highness the Amir also received Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defense Sheikh Hamad Jaber Al-Ali Al-Sabah and Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Justice and Minister of State for Nazaha Enhancement, Abdullah Youssef Al-Roumi. (KUNA)

### Condolences

KUWAIT CITY, June 13, (KUNA): His Highness the Amir Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah on Sunday received a cable of condolences from His Highness Sheikh Salem Al-Ali Al-Sabah, Chief of the National Guard, on demise of Sheikh Mansour Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Mubarak Al-Sabah.

His Highness the Amir reciprocated with a message, expressing deep gratitude to His Highness Sheikh Salem Al-Ali for the sincere sentiments of solace on the distressing occurrence.

Also, His Highness the Amir received on Sunday a phone call from Jordan's King Abdullah II bin Al-Hussein.

King Abdullah II expressed his majesty's deepest sorrow and condolences over death of late Sheikh Mansour Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, praying to Allah Almighty to have mercy upon him, grant him the highest status in paradise and bestow patience and solace on His Highness the Amir and his family.

His Highness the Amir expressed deepest thanks and appreciation for King Abdullah's sincere sorrow and condolences, praying to Allah Almighty that his majesty would not grieve a beloved one.

Meanwhile, His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Meshaal Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received on Sunday a phone call from Saudi Crown Prince, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defense Prince Mohammed Bin Salman Al-Saud, expressing condolences on demise of Sheikh Mansour Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah.

In the call, the Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed expressed deepest condolences to His Highness the Crown Prince and the Ruling Family of the

State of Kuwait, asking Almighty Allah to bestow mercy upon his soul.

In return, His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Meshaal expressed appreciation for the sincere sentiments, wishing good health and wellness to Crown Prince Mohammad.

In the meantime, His Highness the Crown Prince received Saturday a telephone call from Bahraini Crown Prince and Premier Sheikh Salman Bin Hamad Al-Khalifa on the demise of Sheikh Mansour Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah.

In the call, Sheikh Sheikh Salman expressed deepest condolences to His Highness Sheikh Meshaal and the ruling family on the sad occasion, asking Almighty Allah to bestow mercy on the deceased's soul.

His Highness the Crown Prince also received a similar call from Tabuk Governor Prince Fahad Bin Sultan Bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud.

In return, His Highness the Crown Prince expressed appreciation for the sincere sentiments, wishing both good health and wellness.

His Highness the Crown Prince also received Saturday a telephone call from Amir of Qatar, Sheikh Tamim Bin Hamad Al-Thani on the demise of Sheikh Mansour Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah.

In the call, Sheikh Tamim expressed deepest condolences to His Highness Sheikh Meshaal and the ruling family on the sad occasion, asking Almighty Allah to bestow mercy on the deceased's soul.

In return, His Highness the Crown Prince expressed appreciation for the sincere sentiments, wishing good health and wellness to His Highness Sheikh Tamim.

### Expenses from June 6-10 hits over KD 7mn

## CSC adopts new mechanism in bid to speed up appointments

KUWAIT CITY, June 13: Undersecretary of the Civil Service Commission Bader Al-Hamad revealed the CSC has adopted a new mechanism and urges the government institutions to speed up appointments of national cadres who are registered in the central employment system, reports Al-Qabas daily.

Al-Hamad told the daily the number of the unemployed has decreased to nearly a third in recent years, as a result of a series of measures taken by the CSC.

The CSC stated at the moment there are 6,169 Kuwaitis of both sexes who are registered in the system and are waiting for a job.



The latest statistics released by Kuwait

Credit Bank (KCB) revealed that the expenses from June 6-10 reached KD 7,420,349; while the number of loan payments transferred online totaled 1,251, reports Al-Anba daily.

The statistics indicated that 53 customers benefited from the 'smart loan' service through artificial intelligence technology; and the number of customers who benefited from the service related to creating an account on the credit bank portal using the 'My Identity' application of the Public Authority for Civil Information (PACI) reached 1,184.

The bank implemented 690 engineering statements, issued 118 decisions, responded to 258 inquiries through social media and received 1,037 calls through the call center.

## KOTC only entity authorized to import gas cylinders and regulators – KGAC

### DHAMAN Joins the National Database of Nursing Quality Indicators by American Nurses Association

Health Assurance Hospitals Company (DHAMAN) announced the signing of an agreement to join the National Database of Nursing Quality Indicators (NDNQI) developed by the American Nurses Association (ANA).



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DHAMAN Corporate Director for Nursing Services Tina Baramakian said: DHAMAN primary healthcare centers are currently considered the first medical centers in Kuwait to join this international database.

Baramakian noted that DHAMAN continues to develop its healthcare quality platform in line with international standards to provide the highest professional levels in the nursing field, thus advancing

nursing care services for patients and community following evidence-based practices guidelines.

Baramakian said that this program is based on collecting and evaluating data related to nursing care from the primary health centers registered in NDNQI, then benchmarking it against reports and results of similar size and scope facilities around the world, to ensure providing high standard services at DHAMAN in comparison to similar facilities globally.

KUWAIT CITY, June 13: Kuwait General Administration of Customs (KGAC) has banned the import of gas cylinders and regulators except those imported by Kuwait Oil Tankers Company (KOTC), reports Al-Rai daily.

KGAC decision number 61 of 2021 is based on an official letter that KOTC sent in May, affirming it is the only entity authorized to import and distribute liquefied gas cylinders and their accessories.

The administration affirmed that the liquefied gas regulators and pipes approved by the company comply with international safety standards and are subject to several checks to ensure their suitability for safe use, while the company's logo is affixed to these products to protect consumers from the risk of trading with unaccredited entities.

Accordingly, the company requested for the abovementioned ban to protect lives and public properties.

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Algerian Ambassador Bouheddou, casts his vote in the legislative elections of his country.

### 60th 'versary an opportunity to boost ties: Algerian envoy

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KUWAIT CITY, June 13: The Algerian Ambassador to Kuwait, HE Abdelmalek Bouheddou revealed coordination between Kuwait and Algeria to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between both countries through a program that will be agreed upon later.

He expressed his hope that this precious anniversary will constitute a favorable opportunity to give a new impetus to the deep-rooted relations and take them to a higher pedestal at all levels and areas.

This came in a press statement made by the Algerian envoy on the sidelines of the elections at the Algerian embassy to elect members to the National People's Assembly (the lower chamber of the Algerian Parliament).

The ambassador added: "For this purpose, the embassy harnessed all material and logistical capabilities to ensure the smooth conduct of the electoral process under the supervision and control of the Independent National Election Authority, and also took all the health and preventive measures required during the poll at the embassy and inside the voting office, in accordance with the health protocol and preventive requirements put in place by Kuwait to prevent the spread of COVID-19 infection.

He went on to say, "I take this occasion to extend my sincere thanks and gratitude to the Kuwaiti authorities, who provided us with all the assistance and facilities in order to organize this election date in the best conditions. I also expressed our satisfaction for the distinguished level of relations between Algeria and Kuwait."