

Organization holds 41st general conference

Kuwait wins senior post at UNESCO's executive board

Kuwait ranks sixth in terms of risk of extreme temperatures

'Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, UAE among hottest countries'

KUWAIT CITY, Nov 27: Fitch, the credit rating agency, has ranked Kuwait sixth in the world in terms of risks of exposure to extreme temperatures and drought, reports Al-Rai daily.

According to its report, the physical risks of climate change in the

world represent an increasing threat to countries and governments.

Kuwait was ranked the hottest country in the world during the period between 2011 and 2020.

In the index related to the ability to adapt to climate change, it was ranked 71st globally out of 121 countries, indicating that the lower the country's rating, the less adaptive it was.

Countries' current exposure to natural disasters and extreme weather conditions provides a strong indication of which countries are most vulnerable to the physical risks of climate change.

The countries with the highest current average annual temperatures are Bahrain, Qatar, Benin, UAE and Ghana (2011-2020). Based on the hottest month, the hottest countries are Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, UAE, Iraq and Saudi Arabia.

In general, Fitch suggested that increasing temperatures would be more harmful to countries that are already suffering from high temperatures.

It stated, "For example, high temperatures make working outdoors less productive or even unbearable, and the increasing costs mitigate its effects".

In addition to the foregoing, the agency highlighted that Kuwait is among the countries that are most vulnerable to rising temperatures during the period between 2040 and 2059.

Based on certain models, Fitch expects the UAE, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Qatar and Bahrain to witness the highest increase in the number of extremely hot days (maximum temperature exceeding 40 degrees Celsius) during the period between 2040 and 2059, with Kuwait experiencing the hottest months among them.

Al-Yacoub sheds light on 'endowments' in Kuwait

FEZ, Morocco, Nov 27, (KUNA): The Kuwaiti Awqaf Secretariat General has worked out a modern system for overhauling and activating the waqf sector, a visiting Kuwaiti official has said.

Maareb Al-Yacoub, director of funds at the secretariat general, said personnel's efforts at the department have been focusing on updating waqf funds and projects.

Al-Yacoub was speaking to KUNA on sidelines of the ninth International Congress on Medicine History, themed, "awqaf and health care in the Moroccan experience and comparative experiences."

She indicated that these funds have been set up to promote development enterprises, according to Islamic laws. She singled out the Waqf Fund for Health Development that supports various health services particularly those that serve citizens of special needs and environmental projects.

The State of Kuwait is a pioneer at the level of awqaf and investment of proceeds for backing development and boosting solidarity among nationals.

The Kuwaiti example at this level is worth being followed at the international level, Al-Yacoub noted.

PARIS, Nov 27, (KUNA): The State of Kuwait has been elected uncontested for the post of the deputy executive president of UNESCO's executive board, the State of Kuwait Permanent Delegate to the UN organization Dr Adam Al-Mula said on Friday.

Al-Mula told KUNA after a board's meeting that Kuwait won the senior seat after the board Arab Group named it to fill the second top position

in the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).

The board elects six deputies for each group that comprises six blocs.

Kuwait won a seat in the executive board for 2021-2025 during the 41st general conference.

The executive board is empowered to endorse UNESCO's budget, draw up programs, strategies and plan ventures.



KUNA photo

Kuwait's Permanent Representative to UNESCO Dr Adam Al-Mulla.



Ambassador and Mrs Joice Sibi during inauguration of exhibition.

Envoy pays floral tribute to statue of Gandhi

Constitution Day of India marked

KUWAIT CITY, Nov 27: The Embassy of India in Kuwait celebrated the Constitution Day of India (Samvidhan Divas) on November 26, 2021 in commemoration of the adoption of the Constitution on November 26, 1949, by the Constituent Assembly of India adopted the Constitution of India, which came into effect on January 26, 1950.

The ceremony started with paying floral tribute to the statue of Mahatma Gandhi at the Embassy premises by Ambassador of India to Kuwait His Excellency Sibi George.

In his opening remarks to members of the Indian Diaspora and representatives of Indian associations, the ambassador underlined the importance of the Constitution in making the nation one of the biggest democracies of the world and upholding the democratic values. He also shared that due to this Constitution, Unity in Diversity can be seen across the length

and breadth of India; also with the very same constitution, which upholds social, economical and political equality to an individual; India has been able to make commendable achievements in scientific and economic fields. The speech was concluded by reading of 'Preamble of the Indian Constitution'.

During the event, a video clip on '26/11 attack' was screened showing Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India paying homage to martyrs of the ghastly terror attack on financial capital of India-Mumbai in addition to a documentary on 'Making of Constitution of India'.

On this occasion; winners of 'Arts Exhibition' organized by the Indian Women Network (IWN) were also felicitated. This was followed by the inauguration of the exhibition on 'Making of Constitution of India' by the Ambassador and Madam Joice Sibi at the Embassy library.

Total value of subscription not revealed

Local, Kuwaiti banks among investors of Bahraini & Saudi sukuk and bonds

KUWAIT CITY, Nov 27: According to official sources, local and Kuwaiti banks are among the investors who subscribed to the sukuk and bonds offered by Bahrain, which raised \$2 billion from them on Wednesday in Bahrain's second international bond issuance this year, by selling one billion dollar sukuk for 7 and a half years at a price of 3.875 percent, and conventional bonds of one billion dollars for a period of 12 and a half years at a price of 5.625 percent, reports Al-Rai daily.

While the sources did not reveal the total value of Kuwaitis' subscription to Bahrain's sukuk and bonds, given that it is difficult to limit them to all banks, they indicated that the subscriptions executed in these instruments were for the benefit of the banks and their clients, companies and individuals, with orders valued at tens of millions of dollars.

In a related development, the sources said local investors submitted applications to subscribe to the sukuk that Saudi Arabia offered last week, as part of Saudi's international programs for issuing sukuk and international bonds.

They stressed that the requests for investment in Saudi sukuk were for the account of local banks and for the benefit of individuals and companies of their clients in the sukuk, in which the total number of subscription requests reached more than 11 billion dollars, the coverage ratio exceeded more than 3.5 times the total issuance, and the total offering amounted to 3.25 billion dollars divided into two slides.

The sources did not reveal the volume of Kuwaiti subscription to the Saudi sukuk, but they insinuated that the sums of some individual subscribers ranged between one million and three million dollars.

Some faculties hold elections

KU celebrates 55th anniversary

KUWAIT CITY, Nov 27, (Agencies): Many qualified employees in different state sectors had graduated from Kuwait University, the University's Secretary General Dr Mardhi Al-Ayyash said.

His remarks came during a press conference on Saturday, in celebration of the university's 55th anniversary.

Celebrating the anniversary came in time with the students' return to schools after staying at home for about a year and a half, due to the coronavirus crisis, he noted.

University elections, student conferences and debates also resumed, Al-Ayyash added.

Since its establishment, Kuwait University had always exerted efforts to provide proper education and encourage scientific research that serve the country's development requirements and the Kuwait vision 2035, he said.

Meanwhile, the Higher Committee for the Student Associations and Student

Elections Associations at the Kuwait University has disregarded university laws and regulations, due to the end of the legal period for the date of the elections but some faculties are expected to hold their elections next week despite the regulations, reports Al-Anba daily.

The sources said that according to the regulations of scientific societies, Article VII (2), informed sources informed Al-Anba daily rules and regulations stipulate that the general assembly be held at the invitation of the administrative body within thirty days from the beginning of the academic year and invites the administrative body, and for the first time in the history of the union work 6 scientific societies - education, medicine, public health, dentistry, architecture and pharmacy - at the Kuwait University did not set the date for holding elections during the legal period, which began at the start of the academic year on October 24 and ended on November 23.

KRCS distributes 521 shelter bags, 538 food baskets in Yemeni camps

KUWAIT CITY, Nov 27, (KUNA): The Kuwait Red Crescent Society announced recently the distribution of 521 shelter kits and 538 food baskets, and the operation of two mobile clinics in the targeted camps for a whole month in Yemen, in cooperation with the Response Foundation for Humanitarian and Relief Works to help the displaced Yemenis and provide their basic needs.

Director-General of the Kuwait Red Crescent Society Abdul Rahman Al-Oun said in a statement to Kuwait News Agency (KUNA) that this aid will contribute to helping the displaced in the Governorates of Shabwa and Ma'rib and providing their needs for food, shelter and health.

He added that the assistance provided by the association comes within the framework of the continuous efforts of the State of Kuwait in support of the Yemeni people through its relief, development, service, health and social initiatives, indicating that Kuwaiti aid is continuous to provide relief to the displaced and needy families throughout Yemen.

He explained that there have been more than 20,000 displaced people since the beginning of last September in those areas, calling on international organizations and humanitarian relief bodies to meet the urgent humanitarian needs due to the high displacement movement.

Al-Aoun praised the permanent support of the people of Kuwait, which constantly contributes to strengthening the activity of the relief association to serve the brothers in Yemen.



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KRCS distributes food baskets and shelter kits.

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