

HH the Crown Prince and HH the Prime Minister send greetings

# HH Amir congratulates Spain, Equatorial Guinea on national days

## Kuwaitis studying in Egypt decry suffering over financial burdens

NUKS demands increase in financial allocations

**KUWAIT CITY, Oct 12:** A number of Kuwaitis studying in Egyptian universities revealed that they are suffering due to their heavy financial burdens, stressing that the government's financial support covers only a small part of their basic needs, reports Al-Qabas daily.

The National Union of Kuwaiti Students (NUKS) in Egypt called on

the concerned officials in Kuwait to reconsider the financial allocations granted to Kuwaiti students in Egypt.

Vice-President of the union Nawaf Al-Mutairi told the daily that Kuwaiti students in general suffer from the high cost of living and financial obligations every month.

Al-Mutairi added that the union, as a representative of the students, demands an increase in financial allocations, including the social allowance, due to the high cost of living in Egypt; where a Kuwaiti student spends an average of KD700 per month as the rent ranges from KD200 to KD300, in addition to tuition fees that should be paid in US dollars for non-Egyptians and other educational services.

He explained the Kuwaiti students are also suffering due to the delayed disbursement of their monthly subsidy.

### Demand

He urged the Education Affairs Committee in the National Assembly to demand for an annual travel ticket allowance and monthly housing allowance for students who shoulder their own expenses, because they pay the universities in addition to their personal expenses, which worsen the suffering of their families.

On the other hand, Nawaf Al-Ali, a student at the Faculty of Law, said: "The monthly rent is a huge burden due to the high rental fee, as the cost of renting a small apartment in a medium area is about 7,000 Egyptian pounds; while it exceeds 15,000 Egyptian pounds in high-end areas, which is equivalent to KD300. This is in addition to monthly bills like electricity, gas, public service, cleaning and others which exceed 5,000 Egyptian pounds."

Al-Ali added: "During the past years, Egypt witnessed a remarkable increase in the cost of services, living expenses, university fees and other study related expenses. A Kuwaiti student spends more than KD1,000 per month for his studies. Despite that, government support for Kuwaiti students remained as it is - without any change for quite some time now."

**KUWAIT CITY, Oct 12, (KUNA):** His Highness the Amir Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah sent on Tuesday a cable of congratulations to Spain's King Felipe VI on his country's National Day.

His Highness the Deputy Amir and Crown Prince Sheikh Meshaal Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah and His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Sabah Khaled Al-

Hamad Al-Sabah sent similar cables.

Meanwhile, His Highness the Amir sent on Tuesday a cable of congratulations to the President of Equatorial Guinea Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo on his country's National Day.

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HH the Deputy Amir while receiving Sheikh Nasser Al-Mohammad.

### HH Deputy Amir receives Sheikh Nasser

His Highness the Deputy Amir and Crown Prince Sheikh Meshaal Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah received Tuesday at Bayan Palace His Highness Sheikh Nasser Al-Mohammad Al-Sabah. (KUNA)

### Oun inquires about Amir's health

## Deputy Amir receives phone call from Lebanese president

**KUWAIT CITY, Oct 12, (KUNA):** His Highness Deputy Amir and Crown Prince Sheikh Meshaal Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah on Tuesday received a phone call from Lebanese President Michel Oun.

In the phone call, Oun inquired after His Highness Amir Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah's health, wishing His Highness the Amir good health and wellbeing, and the people of Kuwait further development and prosperity under the

leadership of His Highness the Amir. The phone call also revolved around bilateral relations between the two countries and updates regarding the political situation in both regional and international domains.

On his part, His Highness Sheikh Meshaal reassured President Oun on His Highness the Amir's health, expressing thanks and appreciation for the latter's phone call which represents the strong historical relation between the two countries.

### MoH gets nod to buy medical consumables

**KUWAIT CITY, Oct 12:** The Ministry of Health has got the nod from Central Agency for Public Tenders (CAPT) to purchase medical consumables for insulin pumps for people suffering from diabetes and receive treatment in government hospitals worth up to 1.25 million dinars, reports Al-Qabas daily.

The sources said these pumps work to adjust insulin doses, and help automatically to maintain the high blood sugar levels, and at the same time protects the

patients should there be a sudden drop in the blood sugar levels. On the other hand, the sources indicated that the Ministry has obtained the approval of the concerned authority to supply an industrial medical substance which is used to stop bleeding, at a cost of up to 337,000 dinars, and added, the Ministry will not hesitate to import the latest medical devices and supplies to all specialized centers and hospitals since the aim is to develop the level of health care provided to all patients.



One of the tour operators during an interaction.



Ambassador addressing tour operators.

### Ambassador addresses tour operators, travel agents

## India opens doors for adventure, culture, wellness, nature, tourism

**KUWAIT CITY, Oct 12:** The Embassy of India in Kuwait organized an event under the title 'Consultations with Stakeholders in the Tourism Sector' at the embassy premises, says a press release issued by the embassy.

During the event the Ambassador of India to Kuwait HE Sibi George addressed the tour operators, travel agents and planners in Kuwait and briefed them about the opening up of tourist visas to India. He highlighted the potential of India as

a post COVID-19 tourism destination for any Kuwaiti traveler seeking nature, adventure, and culture or wellness.

He invited Kuwaitis to visit India and to lure the tourists the ambassador highlighted the diverse tourism destinations in India, such as Jammu & Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh, Goa, Kerala etc through short video documentaries.

He added, India has announced the opening of tourism visas for foreigners travelling on charter flights to India as of

October 15, 2021. Tourist visa for passengers travelling on other flights will also be issued beginning November 15, 2021.

In 2019, the ambassador said, 10.93 million foreign tourists visited India, which saw a growth of 3.5% over previous year. He went on to say India is now ready to welcome tourists from all over the world, after the break induced by COVID-19 for over 18 months.

The event was attended by a big number of major tour operators in Kuwait.


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