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MoSA to 'link' charities to automated system in bid to fill some control gaps

Scientific bureaus to be established in Kuwait

KUWAIT CITY, Oct 16, (Agencies): The mechanization of the Ministry of Social Affairs that links charity organizations to an automated system will fill some control gaps related to overseas money transfers, reports Al-Qabas daily quoting informed sources.

They explained that charity organizations currently make money transfers abroad through a dedicated system under the supervision of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Ministry of Social Affairs has nothing to do with the process for various reasons. At the same time, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' control system is strict regarding foreign transfers in order to combat financing of terrorism, money laundering and other suspicious operations.

The Ministry of Social Affairs, through the new automated system, will work on filling the oversight gaps related to monitoring remittances and link them to automated licenses, and other procedures.

Director of the Charitable Societies Department in the Ministry of Social Affairs Abdulaziz Al-Ajmi revealed, "The mechanization of charity work and linking the ministry with charity organizations will

happen at the end of this year. The mechanization will create a link between the Ministry of Social Affairs, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and charity organizations. There will also be a mechanism to link remittances".

Regarding the general assemblies for the charitable organizations, Al-Ajmi said the assemblies have been allowed to hold their meetings as per the instructions from the Cabinet and the health authorities after a long hiatus.

He indicated that these organizations will hold their general meetings in order to approve the financial and administrative reports and other procedures, until the end of November.

In this context, Al-Ajmi said, "Under the guidance of the Minister of Social Affairs Dr. Mishaan Al-Otaibi, work has been carried out to intensify efforts towards the localization of charity work. The ministry has worked towards directing the projects of some associations inside the country".

Meanwhile, Scientific bureaus -- affiliated with pharmaceutical and medical equipment companies -- will be established in Kuwait to supervise, follow up, and update information of products and services introduced to the public, said an official at the Health Ministry Wednesday.

Assistant Undersecretary for Drug and Food Control Dr. Abdullah Al-Bader told KUNA that the decision was the first of its kind in the country, which will allow for better pharmaceutical services as well as developing national medical staff through promising and lucrative job opportunities.

Bureaus will be tasked with following up the latest developments and research in pharmaceutical and medical devices, he indicated, adding that such entities will help regulate products and provide the best services as well as chances for work.

Dr. Al-Bader added that the bureaus would act as representatives and agents of medical products and devices in Kuwait, helping to provide transparency and accurate information on services.

The bureaus will also be obliged to license and register said medical products and devices, he affirmed.

National cadres will also benefit from the job opportunities associated with the establishment of the bureaus, said Dr. Al-Bader who affirmed that this came in line with New Kuwait's 2035 Vision.

The memorandum clarified that a number of foreign students were exempted from paying tuition fees -- the highest-ranking candidates in the admission assessment, emphasizing this opportunity is only for those who meet the admission requirements and depending on the availability of slots in different courses.

According to the memorandum, scientific research indicates that the diversity of the composition of individuals and their cultural backgrounds could enrich innovation and provide a suitable environment for better problem solving; while enhancing productivity and the academic process.

Committee submits official memorandum

Move to encouraging int'l students enroll at KU

KUWAIT CITY, Oct 16: The Committee for Improving University Classification has submitted an official memorandum to the administration of Kuwait University on encouraging international students to enroll at the university starting from the second semester of the 2021/2022 academic year in order to improve its classification in the global indicators for higher education institutions, reports Al-Qabas daily.

The daily obtained a copy of the memorandum in which the committee recommended the admission of non-Kuwaiti students to scientific and literary courses, stressing these students will be required to pay tuition fees.

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A photo from 'Our Message to You' campaign.

Campaign divided into series of 6 short films

ABK sponsors 'Our Message to You' ... a CSR initiative by Ministry of Social Affairs

KUWAIT CITY, Oct 16: In line with its ongoing corporate social responsibility strategy to empower the communities in which it operates, Al Ahli Bank of Kuwait (ABK) announced the sponsorship of 'Our Message to You', a campaign by Kuwait's Department of Media & Public Activities and the Ministry of Social Affairs & Labour.

'Our Message to You' initiative is a public awareness and education campaign designed to raise social awareness about Kuwaiti laws and regulations to protect the community, especially the elderly, orphans, and youth. The campaign, which is divided into a series of six short films, will educate the public on the importance of compassion and support for all segments of society.

Mr Fawzy Althunayan, General Manager of Board Affairs at ABK, said: "We are very pleased to sponsor 'Our Message to You', which is a unique initiative by Kuwait's Department of Media and Public Activities and

the Ministry of Social Affairs & Labour. This programme highlights the sector's efforts in fostering the elderly, orphans, and youth. Additionally, it provides key services, laws, and regulations to protect these specific segments and it educates the public. The Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour also supports these groups' social, health, and personal affairs, ensuring that they live in a safe ecosystem. The roles played by all in Kuwait is vital, and we will ensure that we continue supporting them for a better and more prosperous Kuwait."

ABK's sponsorship stems from its commitment to community-driven initiatives and its devotion to bringing positive change to the groups in need and raising social awareness within the communities it operates.

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Rahma Int'l 'finances' basic edu project in Yemen's Lahj

ADEN, Oct 16, (KUNA): The Yemeni Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor signed recently an agreement with Altwasul for Human Development, a Yemeni NGO to construct a basic education school in the southern governorate of Lahj.

The project will be financed by Rahma International, a Kuwaiti charity active in humanitarian fields across the world over the past four decades.

Speaking to reporters after the signing ceremony, Yemeni Minister of Social Affairs and Labor Mohammad Al-Za'noun appreciated the assistance offered by the Kuwaiti government and people to the Yemeni people in the areas of education, health and water. He extolled Rahma International and its local partner Altwasul for their contributions to the projects that meet the basic needs of the Yemeni people.

"The new school will serve generations of students in Bir Nasser village, and thereby immortalizing the name of Kuwait," Al-Za'noun pointed out.

"The school will spare students the trouble of road accidents while going to schools in remote hardly accessible areas," he added.

AP honors young Kuwaiti girl

CAIRO, Oct 16, (KUNA): The Arab Parliament (AP), headed by Adel Al-Asousi, on Saturday honored Kuwaiti young girl Ghala Al-Mutairi who had recently taken over as Second Deputy Speaker of the Arab Parliament for Children.

Speaking to KUNA on the occasion, Al-Mutairi said she was proud of having been awarded during the opening session of the second session of the Arab Parliament's third legislative term, and of having been invited to attend its sittings. She boasted that Kuwait has always been a "birthplace for creative people", citing the recent win by three Kuwaiti children of senior posts of the Arab Parliament for Children as a relevant clear-cut paradigm.

"Now that the State of Kuwait takes much care of its children, efforts in this regard would ultimately contribute to generating an aware and leading generation, given that today's child is unquestionably tomorrow's future," she said.

The Arab Parliament for Children, based in Sharjah in the UAE, is an opportunity for children to express their opinions, issues and needs. It also includes many meetings and various entertainment and enrichment activities.

Recommendations of children arising from it are submitted to the Cairo-based League of Arab States for the purpose of discussing them and shedding light on the reality of children's life in the Arab world.

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