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## 'Need to create investment climate'

"THE Kuwait Sovereign Fund is considered the first sovereign fund in the world, and its history dates back to 1953, and it is currently in third place – according to the classification of the Institute of Sovereign Wealth Funds – after the Norwegian Government Pension Fund, which is the largest sovereign wealth fund in the world with a total assets of 1.3 trillion dollars. It is followed by the China Investment Corporation Fund, which has assets of one trillion dollars," columnist **Dr Abdulaziz Ibrahim Al-Turki** wrote for **Al-Jarida** daily.



Dr Al-Turki

"Kuwait announced in July 2021 that the fund's revenues grew by 33% during 2020, and that the revenues of the Future Generations Fund are not included in the budget, but are reinvested in order to obtain a greater future benefit, so that the investment is based on the principle of placing capital with the expectation of obtaining additional income and profits through it to secure and increase the income instead of relying on a single source of income such as oil, as is the case in Kuwait.

"The real investment is based on accurate analysis and reasonable and profitable expectations. These procedures and indicators do not eliminate the presence of some risks and the loss of some guarantees in some cases. The real investor does not put his money in any random investment. Rather, he depends on accurate market analysis, the business sector, and the investment tools he wants to enter, such as stocks, bonds, mutual funds, or real estate, after studying the pros, cons and risks of each type.

"Investment, whether at the level of individuals, institutions or countries, is one of the best ways to develop and sustain wealth, diversify its sources and maximize its returns in the future. Infrastructure and diverting billions of dinars out of Kuwait into the local economy, which suffers from increased liquidity due to the scarcity of investment opportunities for citizens and residents in various sectors of the state.

"Therefore, we have to address the economic, legislative, social and environmental imbalances by creating the investment climate in the country by empowering competencies and using the expertise of the Kuwait Investment Authority, the Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development and the pioneering institutions in the country, to determine their legislative, financial, human and documentary requirements to establish a business environment at home that attracts their sovereign and local investments, within a binding strategic plan to support and develop investment in the national economy in its various sectors through specialized funds that support each sector until it is developed, equipped, prepared, organized and all restrictions removed to receive foreign and local investment funds to ensure the sustainability of returns on invested capital at present and in the future.

"Kuwait has been thinking about diversifying its economy since the early fifties, and the fruit was the first sovereign fund in the world more than 68 years ago, and these investments are still bearing fruit. It adds a high value to the fund's assets so that it climbs to the top of the funds to become the first sovereign fund in the world in terms of wealth, performance and seniority."

### Also:

"The infection curve is still witnessing a noticeable increase in the number of infections with the Corona virus and its newly discovered new mutation Omicron," columnist **Khaled Al-Arafah** wrote for **Al-Anba** daily.

"The daily statistics shows the cases are increasing day by day despite the imposition of the new restrictions issued by the Council of Ministers during the last meeting such as putting on hold social events, to reduce the number of infections.

"We do not yet know the real reasons behind this sudden increase that needs urgent clarification by the health authorities, whether it is because people coming into the country infected with the so-called Omicron strain, or is it an infection that has contributed to its spread by laxity and the failure to implement health requirements that makes wearing a face mask and personal protection a priority?"

"I continue to repeat my previous appeal to the competent authorities responsible for monitoring the

implementation of the requirements in closed places, which I have previously confirmed more than once that they are below the standard, whether they are in commercial complexes or government institutions, in addition to cooperative societies in which the application of health protocols is almost non-existent due to the lack of the supervisory aspect of the committees assigned by the Corona Emergency Committee to monitor the situation and ensure that the requirements are applied on the ground, including checking the wearing of masks and commitment to it within those places.

"Specialists are required in this critical period to focus on awareness programs due to the increase in the number of infections and urge everyone to adhere to the application of health and preventive measures before promoting the third dose, which I personally see that the commitment to wearing a mask, prevention and staying away from overcrowded places while receiving the two doses guarantee the safety of the person from the risk of infection.

"This is proven by studies that always recommend wearing a mask even before the vaccine is produced.

"Therefore, it has become necessary for the inspection teams responsible for implementing the health requirements to go to the field and ensure that the visitors in complexes and shops and their owners adhere to these requirements, and the Council of Ministers must clarify the concerned authority which has the right to punish people if they do not adhere to these requirements, similar to other Gulf countries that imposed immediate financial fines.

"Violators must be aware that there is a law that includes penalties and fines, but unfortunately it has not been implemented until today, although its activation will force everyone to abide by these health requirements by tightening penalties and imposing fines on violators, and then we will see how the numbers decrease.

"Finally, for those immunized who have received the Oxford vaccine, what about them now with the third dose, will they be given an alternative vaccine? Some are not convinced by this procedure and need more medical opinions, as well as studies that confirm the absence of conflict between the two types of vaccine, and specialists must also clarify the reasons for not giving a booster dose of the same vaccine mentioned for these cases, as was the case with the Pfizer vaccine, until we are convinced of the correctness of the procedure, and for officials to reassure.

"We want to get rid of the confusion and know why are Oxford doses limited to two doses without reinforcement of the same vaccine, and will we be satisfied with only three, or is there a fourth and fifth on the way? We wait for the answer."

"The reform process is facing obstacles, which are the causes of corruption. Definitely, no reform process will succeed without eliminating the causes of corruption. The causes of corruption come in different levels, the highest of which is the fraudulent acquisition of citizenship," columnist **Saoud Al-Samaka** wrote for **Al-Seyassah** daily.

"In Kuwait, no such thing as fraud was known because of the nature of its people acting based on honor, honesty and the virtue of trusting each other, for which the society was famous along with their rulers.

"Unfortunately in recent years, due to the leniency in handing over the administration of the country to governments that do not have the alphabet of governing responsibilities, and because of the nationality laws, particularly Law 100 of 1980 and Law 44 of 1995, the doors have opened for manipulation of nationality. For governments and ministers, there is no place for the country's interest in their souls.

"Rather, the preoccupation of these souls is how to hold on to their positions as long as possible, in order to continue their corruption. In the shadow of the councils of a nation whose majority is corrupt, the pace of corruption has increased.

"Currently, the country is living on a hot tin with fires lit by the corrupt who sold the country at a cheap price, betrayed it and denied its bounty. Its people are suffering alienation in their own country, where the counterfeiters reached the Council of Ministers and they became a majority in the National Assembly. They turned into lawyers representing counterfeiters and duality, assisted by a multiplied rotten opposition."

— Compiled by **Zaki Taleb**

# Kuwaiti gets 5 years jail for killing family's guard

'Girl buried in loo' case adjourned

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**KUWAIT CITY, Jan 10:** The Criminal Court sentenced a citizen, in his 20s, to five years in prison for beating to death his family's Asian guard.

Case files indicate the citizen used a baton to hit the guard several times in Kabad, so he was charged with beating that led to death.

**Buried in washroom:** The Criminal Court, presided over by Judge Abdullah Al-Othman, adjourned to January 20 the case filed against a Kuwaiti woman who is accused of killing her daughter in the bathroom of an apartment in Salmiya area, and leaving her

body there for five years.

According to the case file, the Public Prosecution charged the woman with intentionally refraining from taking care of her daughter, depriving her of her freedom, and violating the sanctity of the dead.

The accused denied all charges, insisting that she saw her daughter lying on the ground. Noticing that her daughter's hands were cold and her face pale, she knew that her daughter was dead but was afraid to inform anyone.

During the court session, the judge asked if one of her sons was present at the court, and one of them stood. He testified that his mother always told him his sister was locked in a room in the house, and was prevented from going out. One day, he told his mother that he would live in an apartment alone and take his sister with him, but his mother told him that his sister was dead and her body was at home. He then immediately

reported it to the police.

It is worth mentioning that a citizen in his twenties had submitted a report to the Salmiya police station, in which he stated that he had a quarrel with his mother because she killed his sister in 2016 and kept her body in the bathroom of the apartment where they lived in Salmiya area.

**KD 2,000 stolen:** An unidentified Egyptian has filed a complaint with the Shuwaikh Industrial Police Station, accusing a thief of breaking into his car and stealing money, reports Al-Rai daily.

In his complaint the Egyptian said, he parked his car near a mosque, and went to complete his work, when he returned he found the window of the car broken and documents and 2,000 dinars missing.

Police have lifted fingerprints from the car.



## JOINT OPERATIONS WAFRA

SAUDI ARABIAN CHEVRON INC. (SAC) - KUWAIT GULF OIL COMPANY

Joint Operations (Saudi Arabian Chevron Inc. / Kuwait Gulf Oil Company), announces the under-mentioned Public Tenders for procurement of materials.

Kuwaiti and Saudi Merchants, registered with either Company wishing to participate in any of the under-mentioned Tenders are invited to collect the Tender documents from Purchasing Section, Purchasing & Logistic Division, Administration Building, Ground Floor, Joint Operations, Wafra, during the official working hours from **11 JAN 2022** up to **7 FEB 2022** for a non-refundable fee mentioned against each tender. Tender Fees to be deposited in the National bank of Kuwait (NBK) Account No. 1001132057. Saudi Suppliers can collect the tender documents from Saudi Arabian Chevron office in Al-Khobar Telephone No.: (013) 8645104 - Fax No.: (013) 8985436

The closing date for the following Tender will be on **Monday, 14 FEB 2022 @ 09:00 AM.**

S.NO.	TENDER NO.	MATERIALS	FEES ( IN KD )
1	2762932	MISC VALVES (GATE - CHECK - BALL)	5
2	2762934	SAFETY AND PERSONAL PROTECTION MATERIALS	5
3	2763719	MISC FISHER ITEMS	15
4	2764835	S/F BORNEMANN PUMP	5
5	2765688	S/F HOUTTUIN BV SHIPPING PUMP	5
6	2765912	S/F LUFKIN, AMERICAN & LEGRAND PUMPING UNITS	15
7	2766510	FLAME ARRESTORS (TANKTECH - ENARDO - ROTEGO)	5
8	2766934	PIPES SMLS INTERNALLY COATED (TK-236 SYSTEM A)	50
9	2769721	MISC VALVES (BALL - GLOBE - CHECK - GATE)	25
10	2769723	PIPE FITTINGS	25
11	2769727	INSERT SLEEVES, TUBOSCOPE VETCO INTL OR CCB INTERNATIONAL	35
12	2769729	PIPES SAWL INTERNALLY COATED (TK-236 SYSTEM A)	100
13	2769731	MISC PIPES (SMLS, SAWL, ERW, STAINLESS STEEL)	35

### Notes:

Gate Passes are required for Suppliers entering JO-Wafra Administrative Offices to collect the tender document and gate pass processing time is 48 hours. Please fill request for gate pass along with legible copies of Authorization letter, Civil ID, Car Registration, Supplier Registration (KGO or SAC) to e-mail [HBJH@chevron.com](mailto:HBJH@chevron.com) at least 48 hours prior to arrival.

For additional information, you may contact: Telephone No.: 23982614 - Fax No. : 23981315

'Switch to digital'

## Mol launches archive system, e-messaging

KUWAIT CITY, Jan 10, (KUNA): The Kuwaiti Ministry of Interior (Mol) announced on Monday the launch of the electronic messaging and archive system in the General Department of Criminal Evidence and the General Department of Service Centers.

The General Department of Relations and Security Media stated in a press statement that the inauguration of the system comes on the instructions of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior Sheikh Ahmad Mansour Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah, and the follow-up of the Undersecretary of the Ministry of Interior Lieutenant-General Sheikh Faisal Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah to switch to the digital system.

The statement added that the General Department of Information Systems has implemented a strategy for developing and automating the documentary cycle and applying electronic messaging and archives to all sectors of the ministry.

It explained that the launch of the system comes as a continuation of what has been accomplished in the information and communications technology sector, the General Administration of Residency Affairs, the General Administration of Nationality and Travel Documents, the Central Administration of Entry and Exit Procedures, and the General Administration for the Execution of Judgments.

It indicated that the rapid development, unprecedented growth and great challenges in information technology require keeping pace with these major shifts and advancing the level of services while developing the capabilities and skills of the human element.

According to the statement, the Director General of the General Administration of Information Systems, Brigadier Tariq Al-Dousari, confirmed that the launch of the messaging and electronic archive system in the sectors of the Ministry of Interior is a qualitative leap and a proactive step that aligns with the government's trend to switch to the digital system.

**Who's kid is it?:** The Public Relations and Security Media Department of the Ministry of Interior announced an 8-year-old who was found wandering in Dahiyat Abdullah Al-Salem has been handed over to the area police station, reports Al-Rai daily.

The child was found by a citizen and he allegedly does not carry any identification papers. Following the find, the Emergency Medical Services personnel affiliated to the Ministry of Health were contacted and the boy was taken for a checkup to ensure he is in good health.

In partnership with Al Asimah Governorate to renovate one of Capital's main entrances

## Zain invites Kuwait's creative minds to design monument at Capital's heart

**Zain invites Kuwait's architects, designers, and anyone passionate about urban design to propose their ideas for designing a monument that reflects Kuwait's rich culture, history, and identity. The company is set to cover all costs of building the monument at the heart of the nation's capital.**

The invitation comes as part of Zain's partnership with Al Asimah Governorate for the renovation project of one of the Capital's main entrances, specifically the islet between Abdullah Al Salem and Al Shamiya areas. Last year, Zain (the national operator) was selected to renovate and maintain this entrance, a step that reflected the role of private sector companies in achieving social sustainability projects in partnership with the public sector.

As Zain strongly believes in the talents of the youth, the company has invited architects, designers, and anyone passionate about urban design to share their ideas through [zainkuwaitcity.kw.zain.com](http://zainkuwaitcity.kw.zain.com) to build a monument that reflects Kuwait's rich history, culture, and heritage. Zain will select the winning design based on a number of quality standards, and will cover the expenses of building the project.

The project is the fruitful result of a



joint collaboration between the public and private sectors and will contribute to renovating the capital's entrance as a first step into beautifying all of the district's areas. Zain will explore the final design of the monument that it will build in the location by inviting Kuwait's creative minds to join and pitch their ideas. After selecting the most unique proposal, the company is set to build the monument and renovate the entire islet.

in line with its core objectives that aim at shouldering the advancement of the community as a whole on all levels, where the company reaffirms the principal of partnership through similar efforts with the aim of contributing to the further progress of national goals and serve the country's developmental efforts.

### Terms and Conditions:

• Submissions must be made through [zainkuwaitcity.kw.zain.com](http://zainkuwaitcity.kw.zain.com).

- The monument's design must reflect Kuwait's culture, history, and/or identity.
- The design's size must not exceed 10x10m.
- Applicants must attach a sketch, photo, or video that clearly showcases all aspects of the design.
- Applicants may provide the design's idea only, and Zain will take care of executing the project.
- In case the winning design's owner wishes to execute the project themselves, they must complete the process within three weeks.
- Zain has the right to accept or refuse any submitted designs.
- Zain has the right to change any details within the selected design if needed.
- Zain will cover the expenses of executing the project based on the winning design, noting that there are no monetary rewards/compensation for the winning design's owner.
- Submissions are open from 10-24 January 2022.