



Part of the Shamel 7 exercise. Inset: His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Sabah Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah looks as participants carry out the drill. Prime Minister Diwan photos

PM attends 'Shamel 7' exercise, praises cooperation of agencies

'Coordination between parties at its highest stage'

KUWAIT CITY, Jan 22, (KUNA): Under the patronage and presence of His Highness Sheikh Sabah Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, Prime Minister, the General Fire Brigade carried out on Thursday, the activities of the 'Shamel 7' drill in Arifjan, with the participation of 27 government and private agencies.

The exercise activities were attended by His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Defense Sheikh Hamad Jaber Al-Ali Al-Sabah, His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Interior Sheikh

Ahmed Mansour Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah, His Excellency Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Oil, Minister of Electricity, Water and Renewable Energy Dr. Muhammad Abdul Latif Al-Faris, and His Excellency Minister of Amiri Diwan Affairs Sheikh Mohammed Abdullah Al-Mubarak Al-Sabah, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Minister of State for Cabinet Affairs Sheikh Dr. Ahmed Nasser Al-Mohammed Al-Sabah, Minister of Information and Culture Dr. Hamad Ahmed Rouhaddeen, Minister of Health Dr. Khaled Mhawes Suleiman Al-Saeed, Minister of Public Works and Minister of State for Youth Affairs Ali Hussein Ali Al-Mousa, The National Guard, the General Fire Force, senior state officials and senior army and police commanders, and the Prime Minister's Office.

In a press statement after the exercise, His Highness the Prime Minister expressed his great happiness at being in the field in which comprehensive exercises are held, praising what he witnessed of cooperation and coordination between the participating agencies, whether governmental or private.

His Highness the Prime Minister said that coordination between these parties was at its highest stage and act as a single team in the event of any type of disaster or accident and to deal with it.

In this regard, His Highness referred to the heavy rain that the country witnessed at the beginning of this year, as the concerned authorities applied what was trained in the previous exercises on the ground, adding that this coordination and cooperation from various parties would have avoided and reduced damages.

Support

His Highness praised the plans and scenarios prepared in the exercise, which include all types of disasters and accidents and how to deal with them, stressing that the government will spare no effort in securing all support for conducting such exercises and training and providing all the equipment and tools that help these entities to carry out their work. His Highness the Prime Minister praised the high level of performance today, which came as a result of planning, training and working as one team, expressing thanks to everyone who participated, planned, trained, and contributed to the success of the 'Shamel 7' exercise.

The attendees witnessed the activities of the exercise, which included the implementation of strategies for dealing with crises and natural disasters, simulating accidents, and how various military and civil authorities deal with them.

On his part, Head of Kuwait Fire Force Lieutenant General Khaled Al-Mekrad said that the exercise of Shamel 7 aims to prepare all concerned departments against any natural disaster or crisis in every way possible.

Al-Mekrad expressed, on behalf of all the participating parties, his appreciation to His Highness the Prime Minister, wishing him further success and security and safety for Kuwait under the leadership of His Highness the Amir Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah and His Highness the Deputy Amir and Crown Prince Sheikh Mishal Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah.



The Kuwaiti force partaking in the drill. KUNA photo

Bid to boost preparedness

Arab Gulf Security 3 bolsters cooperation – Kuwaiti official

RIYADH, Jan 22, (KUNA): The "Arab Gulf Security 3" exercise bolsters cooperation and experience exchange on the joint GCC level, said Brigadier General Abdullah Al-Ateeqi, chief of the supreme committee of the Kuwaiti force partaking in the drill, on Saturday.

In a statement to Kuwait News Agency (KUNA), Brigadier General Al-Ateeqi added that the joint tactical exercise, which was launched in the Eastern Province of Saudi Arabia on January 15, with the participation of security forces from all the Gulf Cooperation Council countries, also enhances the unification of tasks and concepts and raises the level of preparedness and readiness to face any emergency situations, address all threats and risks.

Brigadier Al-Ateeqi noted the high capabilities of the

Kuwaiti security force participating in the exercise and its counterparts from the Gulf Cooperation Council countries, which reflects the high security coordination between the GCC countries through diversifying efforts and holding joint that refine the expertise of the Gulf security services.

The joint tactical exercise Arab Gulf Security 3 was launched on January 15, with the participation of a Kuwaiti security force and equipped security forces from all the countries of the Gulf Cooperation Council, with the aim of strengthening the bonds of cooperation between the GCC countries in the security field and raising the level of coordination and the degree of readiness of the security services to address all threats and risks facing the Arab Gulf region.

Focus on Nanotechnology

KISR's Dr Adel Ismael receives '21 TWAS Arab regional award

KUWAIT CITY, Jan 22, (KUNA): Research Scientist of Nanotechnology and Advanced Materials Program at Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research (KISR), Dr. Adel Ismael was awarded the Arab regional award by The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS), for sciences in developing countries for the year 2021.

In a statement, KISR mentioned that the award is given to those who tangibly contribute to the simplification of sciences and the development of strategies that serve the spread of science and technology in developing countries.

The institute added that Dr. Ismael's focus on Nanotechnology and its applications in easing daily life qualified him to win the award. Dr. Ismael's research revolved around producing Nano-sized catalysts to eliminate toxic industrial pollutants like pesticides cyano-



bacteria and organic compounds produced by industries like textiles, chemicals and petrochemicals.

The scientific production also focused on transforming air polluting carbon dioxide into beneficial liquid fuel, as well as producing thin layers of titanium dioxide particles on glass window surfaces to assist self-cleaning applications.

The World Academy of Sciences (TWAS), located in Italian city of Trieste, is an academy established for developing countries, uniting 1,000 scientists in some 70 countries and aiming to promote scientific capacity and excellence for sustainable development in developing countries.



Photos during the Shamel 7 exercise held in Arifjan.