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# Speaker Al-Ghanem confirms depth of Kuwait-Saudi ties

## Welcomes the upcoming visit of the Saudi Crown Prince



KUWAIT: The ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Sultan Bin Saad bin Khalid Al-Saud held a reception on Sunday on the occasion of the national day of his country. It was attended by HH Sheikh Nasser Al-Mohammed, the Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanem, ministers, ambassadors and a large number of dignitaries. —Photos by Yasser Al-Zayyat



KUWAIT: National Assembly Speaker Marzouq Al-Ghanem affirmed on Sunday the depth and solidarity of the Kuwait-Saudi relations, as he congratulated King Salman bin Abdulaziz and Crown Prince Mohammad Bin Salman, along with the Saudi people on the occasion of their national day. In a statement to the press during the embassy's national day celebrations, Al-Ghanem welcomed the upcoming visit of the Crown Prince Mohammad Bin Salman to Kuwait.

On the occasion of the 88th national day, Kuwait's Deputy Foreign Minister Khaled Al-Jarallah congratulated the Saudi leaders, praising the achievements of the Kingdom in political, economical, investments and energy areas, citing Saudi Arabia's membership of the G20 economic group. Al-Jarallah pointed to the critical political role played by Saudi Arabia on the international and regional arenas, as a major country considered by all.

He added that the Saudi citizen has received the care and attention of the Saudi leadership as the 2030 vision is being implemented, paving way for a bright future for the kingdom. Al-Jarallah also welcomed Prince Mohammad bin Salman's historic visit to Kuwait towards developing relations for greater coherence. The most important issues that will be raised during the visit will be bilateral matters, and regional files of common concern, stressed Al-Jarallah. —KUNA



## Alghanim Industries employees donate to Kerala Relief Fund

KUWAIT: Employees of Alghanim Industries, one of the largest privately owned companies in the region, concluded a donation campaign to support victims of the recent Kerala floods. The collected funds were donated to contribute to the efforts towards rebuilding homes and facilities in the devastated South Indian state.

The company's internal donations campaign lasted over two weeks, giving employees the options of donating directly from their salaries or in cash, in special boxes distributed around Alghanim Industries offices across Kuwait. Additionally, Alghanim Industries operations in India participated in the campaign; employees at the company's Kirby and Rockwell factories and offices came together in support of the cause.

In a statement to the press, Kutayba Y Alghanim, Chairman of Alghanim Industries said: "I would like to extend my deepest sympathies to those affected by the tragic floods in Kerala. Many have lost their homes and some have lost their lives. Our organization, Alghanim Industries, launched an employee donation drive to support the people of Kerala and help them rebuild their lives. We were heartened by the empathy and

compassion shown by our employees, who have contributed to these efforts. Giving to those in need is an inherent trait within Kuwaiti society and I am pleased that our company can play a role in our nation's long heritage of giving back."

"In solidarity, our company will be matching the amount donated by our employees and contribute to the relief efforts in the friendly state of India," he added. Described as the worst flooding to hit Kerala in more than a century, the heavy downpour in August killed more than 370 people and displaced over 1,000,000. The floods waters destroyed homes, dams, bridges, and roads, forcing people into relief camps.

Throughout its operations around the world, Alghanim Industries is committed to its belief in giving back to the community as part of its corporate social responsibility strategy. Its long-term local and regional partners include the Kuwait Red Crescent and the United Nations Higher Commission for Refugees. Alghanim Industries previously held employee donation campaigns to support victims of the Nepal earthquake in 2015, and to aid the victims of Typhoon Haiyan which struck the Philippines in 2013.



Kutayba Y Alghanim



An image of the flooding damage in Kerala.

## Massive car fire in Eqaila due to faulty wiring

By Hanan Al-Saadoun

KUWAIT: The Interior Ministry's Relations and Security Information Department commented on a

video clip on social media about a fire in several cars outside an Eqaila mall. It said a call was received about a fire in a car due to faulty wiring, which spread to two other vehicles. No injuries were reported.

### ATM break-in

Police arrested a suspect who attempted to break into an ATM at night. Detectives located the suspect in Naseem, where he was arrested and confessed to the charges. The tools he used, along with the clothes he was wearing during the crime, were found.

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