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Kuwaiti doctors prioritized in hiring for hospitals' vacancies

417 Kuwaiti internal medicine doctors in public hospitals

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KUWAIT: Health Minister Sheikh Dr Basel Al-Sabah stressed Kuwaiti doctors will be prioritized when hiring new doctors to cover shortages at various hospitals, especially in view of a lack of Civil Service Commission (CSC) vacancies for non-Kuwaiti doctors. Responding to an inquiry concerning the resignation of 23 doctors, over the past three years, including a female Kuwaiti who moved to the private sector from Sabah Hospital's internal medicine department, he said resignation is an

employee's right, including doctors. He explained that the total number of Kuwaiti internal medicine doctors in various public hospitals is 417.

Integrated system

In other news, well-informed sources said the CSC urged various ministries and state departments to study the condition of their systems and intranets to find immediate solutions for accelerating their system speeds to be able to deal with the new integrated systems for payroll and wages of government employees on various PCs

before the new fiscal year begins. The sources added that some government bodies are very slow in dealing with the integrated system, which delays submitting annual assessments according to schedule.

Staff's children

The Arab Open University (AOU) completed the final touches needed with the Ministry of Education (MoE) to accept its staff's children in public schools starting from the next school year (2019-2020), said educational sources, noting that a meeting was held between AOUE and MoE officials

to discuss the project and its legality.

Technical committee meeting

The Municipal Council's technical committee is scheduled to meet today to discuss a request by the Ministry of Public Works concerning the boundaries of the land allocated for the Mubarak Al-Kabeer port project on Boubyan island. The meeting's agenda also includes the role that can be played by marine public transport in coastal areas, planting trees around jogging areas, the mines washed up by recent rain and supporting entrepreneurs.



Health Minister Sheikh Dr Basel Al-Sabah



KUWAIT: Firefighters pour sand on fuel that spilled from a truck which was involved in an accident on King Fahd Road, to prevent it from catching fire.



Firemen help free a couple trapped inside an elevator in Mubarak Al-Kabeer.



KUWAIT: Thirteen trainees who were promoted to the rank of officer at Kuwait Gulf Oil Company (KGOC) graduated under the patronage of Kuwait Fire Service Directorate's (KFSD) Deputy Director General for Human Resources Development Maj Gen Khalid Al-Tarkeet, in the presence of Director of the Firemen's Preparation Center Col Abdullah Al-Ansari and head of firemen officers at KGOC Khalid Al-Azmi. — By Hanan Al-Saadoun

Fuel truck accident on King Fahd Road

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KUWAIT: Firemen dealt with a gasoline tanker truck that flipped over on King Fahd Road. The driver sustained various injuries. Qurain, Mubarak Al-Kabeer hazardous material and backup centers responded under the command of Lt Col Suhaib Al-Kandari. The gasoline was contained with foam and sand. The driver was taken to hospital for treatment. Meanwhile, firemen tackled a blaze in the basement of a Salmiya building. The basement was used as a store for electrical equipment. No injuries were reported. In a separate case, firemen freed a couple who were trapped inside the elevator of a Mubarak Al-Kabeer building Sunday evening.



Heavy damage caused by a fire reported in the basement of a Salmiya building.

Suicide

An Indian man hanged himself to death, Al-Anbaa reported yesterday. Qashaniya police station received a call about the suicide in Rawdatain, so a patrol was sent with an ambulance. The man used to work for a transport company. His colleagues said he was suffering from financial and family problems.

Conman arrested

Criminal detectives sent an Arab man who works for a mobile phone shop to the public prosecution for illegal financial acts, as he

caused many expats who were in need of cash much trouble, Al-Anbaa reported. He used to offer them KD 120 in cash in exchange of signing contracts stating they received lines with commitment to pay bills for two years. Although the suspect said the complainants were fully aware of what he was doing, they said they were conned and he used them and got their signatures. They said they were surprised they had to pay more than KD 500 in exchange of the KD 120 they received in cash. The suspect said he sold the phones that came with the lines.

Snake in the car

Firemen found a snake in the engine of a vehicle parked in a Mubarakiya parking lot. Firemen took 90 minutes combing the area, only to find it in the engine.

Fashion Week canceled due to 'compelling circumstances'

KUWAIT: A local traditional venue cancelled the Kuwait International Fashion Week in Kuwait less than an hour before it was due to begin last Friday, attributing the cancellation of the event to "compelling circumstances," reported Al-Seyassah daily. Executive Manager of Kuwait International Fashion Week in Kuwait Rabab Al-Hamadi explained that the event acquired good reputation since its launch four years ago, and succeeded in hosting most famous world fashion designers. This

year's event featured participation of a large number of world fashion designers from France, Australia, India, Algeria, Armenia and Lebanon, she noted. However, after receiving all the approvals and licenses and preparing the venue, the event was cancelled just 30 minutes before launch by the venue's supervisors. The organizers estimate their losses at nearly KD 50,000, and suggest that the cancellation hurts Kuwait's reputation regionally and internationally.



KUWAIT: Heavy rain hit Kuwait yesterday, reigniting fears of its impact on roads that have already been in bad shape since last November's floods. The rains were coupled with strong southeasterly winds with speeds that reached up to 60 kilometers per hour. Kuwait is currently affected by the 'Wasam' season, which predates the 'Sarayat' season that is notorious for its weather fluctuations. — Photos by Yasser Al-Zayyat

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May his soul rest in Peace