

Local

Kuwait Times
Established 1961
The First Daily in The Arabian Gulf

THE LEADING INDEPENDENT
DAILY IN THE ARABIAN GULF
ESTABLISHED 1961

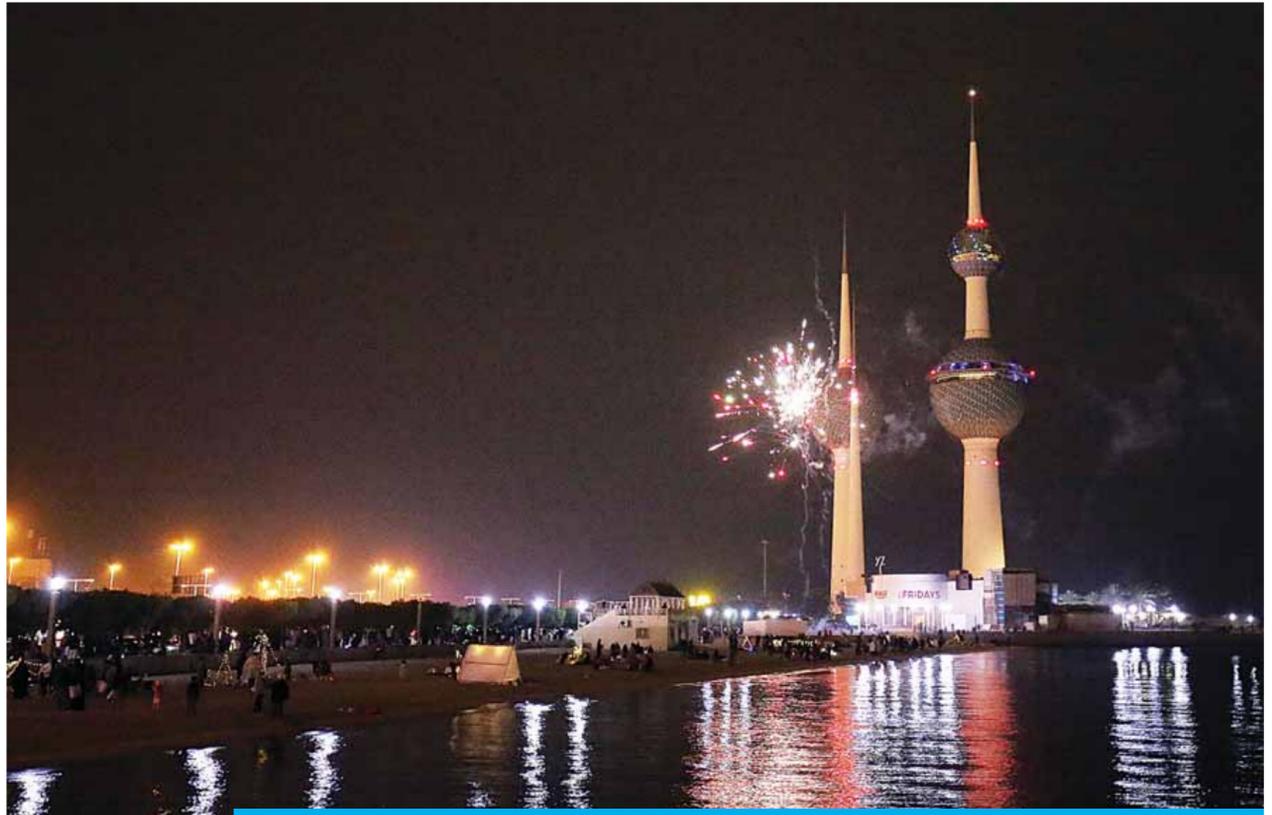
Founder and Publisher
YOUSUF S. AL-ALYAN

Editor-in-Chief
ABD AL-RAHMAN AL-ALYAN

EDITORIAL : 24833199-24833358-24833432
ADVERTISING : 24835616/7
FAX : 24835620/1
CIRCULATION : 24833199 Extn. 163
ACCOUNTS : 24833199 Extn. 125
COMMERCIAL : 24835618

P.O.Box 1301 Safat, 13014 Kuwait.
Email: info@kuwaittimes.com
Website: www.kuwaittimes.net

Photo of the Day



KUWAIT: Fireworks near Kuwait Towers on New Year's Eve. —Photo by Yasser Al-Zayyat

Banks meet global cybersecurity standards

KUWAIT: The Central Bank of Kuwait (CBK) commended several local banks after being recognized by the International Organization for Standardization for compliance with ISO 27001: 2013 requirements for information security management. This certification comes out of keenness to develop the banking business in Kuwait in accordance with the best international practices and in light of the need to achieve the highest levels of efficiency in information security management. Kuwait's monetary authority said in a statement. It will also enhance work efficiency and safety means for policies applied in relation to cybersecurity requirements set by CBK. CBK described this standardization as one of the most prominent globally, saying it contributes to the assessment of expected risks and provides technical or operational solutions which contribute to the management of risks effectively and efficiently. Meanwhile, it said that Kuwaiti banks whom have not yet obtained this certification are currently working to fulfill these requirements. —KUNA

Pakistan imports first low sulfur diesel shipment from Kuwait

KUWAIT: The Kuwait Petroleum Corporation's (KPC) International Marketing declared on Friday exporting the first low sulfur diesel shipment to Pakistan on board of Al-Salam-2 owned by the Kuwait Oil Tanker Company. The KPC said that it is the first shipment exported to Pakistan, adding that Pakistan State Oil held an official festival on this occasion in the presence of corporation's representative in Karachi. The move came after making unremitting efforts by the KPC's International Marketing to keep pace with changes in characteristics of oil products at different global markets, it noted. It also came in coincidence with operating the various production units in the environmental fuel project in the Kuwait National Petroleum Company. Pakistan is a strategic market for the KPC as Kuwait is considered the largest supplier of diesel to Pakistan's market. —KUNA

Kuwaiti singer Mufarrej documented folklore: Minister

KUWAIT: Kuwait Information Minister Abdulrahman Al-Mutairi said yesterday that iconic singer Abdulaziz Al-Mufarrej, also known as Shadi Al-Khaleej, contributed to documentation of folkloric songs and "genuine Kuwait tradition." Mutairi, also Minister of State for Youth and head of the National Council of Culture, Art and Letters (NCCAL), said that Mufarrej "is highly regarded within the artistic movement in Kuwait, Gulf and Arab regions because of his distinguished works he presented throughout the years." Mutairi made the remarks while visiting Mufarrej, who is also the board chairman of Kuwait artists society, at his home to inquire about his health condition. Kuwaitis, he said, remembered Mufarrej as a lead singer in national

operettas and indeed "setting an example in giving." The minister urged young artists to follow the lead of those iconic artists like Mufarrej. Mufarrej thanked Mutairi for his visit which showed his support to artists.

Effective contributions

Separately, Minister Mutairi mourned with great sorrow writer Saudi bin Jemran Al-Ajmi and poet Mullaq Al-Mutairi who have passed away. In a press statement, the minister recalled the effective contributions and great roles made by the two deceased in enriching culture, poetry and literature. Poet Mutairi took charge of Al-Jahra popular arts group and was famous for his popular poems that highly widespread inside and outside Kuwait, he added. Ajmi was a renowned historian who presented the first radio program on the desert's people in Kuwait in 1961, he noted.

The writer has several books in both literature and history that have enriched literature movement in the country, the ministry pointed out. He expressed his sincere condolences to the relatives of the two deceased,



KUWAIT: Information Minister Abdulrahman Al-Mutairi visits singer Abdulaziz Al-Mufarrej. —KUNA

and the cultural and artistic families. He prayed to Allah Almighty to bestow mercy on the deceased's souls, and bring solace to their families. —KUNA

Kuwait Times
ESTABLISHED 1961
THE FIRST DAILY IN THE ARABIAN GULF

STAY CONNECTED

Read Kuwait Times now on your phone for **FREE**

Send Subscribe to **+965 944 88888**

Enjoy the first daily paper in Kuwait on your phone

P.O. Box 1301 Safat, 13014 Kuwait
Tel: 24833199 - 24833358 - 24835616/7 | Fax: 24835620 - 24835621
E: info@kuwaittimes.net



KUWAIT: Kuwaiti riders take part in a horse jumping competition in Kuwait on January 2, 2021.

—Photos by Yasser Al-Zayyat