

What's On

Al Mulla Exchange concludes two amazing events at AIS



Al Mulla Exchange, the leading money remittance company in Kuwait concluded its 162nd and 163rd amazing shows for Indian customers held at American International School (AIS) auditorium located in Maidan Hawalli, Kuwait. The first day of the concert was held on the 12th of October 2018 in the presence of Mr Dipen Sen, Financial controller of Integrated Logistics Co. and the following day hosted the second event in the presence of Mr Nidal Ahmed, owner of Sahara Air Conditioning Co WLL.

The event brought the talented singers Aishwarya Nigam and Leena Bose together, and provided their fans in Kuwait a wholesome entertainment for two days. The duo's songs had the audience swaying to the music. The singers entertained the packed hall for hours and the decorated stage and magnificent lightening were a magical addition to the event. Aishwarya Nigam is a famous playback singer in many Hindi films like "Dabangg", for which he received several awards for this film's song "Munni Badnaam Hui" and the singer

Leena Bose also won many awards for her songs that are liked by a large audience.

The excited audience showed great interaction thanking Al Mulla Exchange for holding such concerts that spread joy among them. Speaking to the media, R Shankar General Manager Al Mulla Exchange, thanked the crowd saying "Al Mulla Exchange has organized many shows in the past to provide our customers entertainment with a homely flavor. Al Mulla Exchange keeps conducting free events for our strong and loyal

customer base, and events of this nature are a token of our gratitude to them."

Al Mulla Exchange surprises its customers with unbeatable promotions all year long. The company offers them loyalty points and free insurance along with quick and safe transactions. They have a total of 82 branches, opened all over Kuwait, which facilitates the process of money transfer, and have launched an online app which allows the customers to remit from and to any place they want and at any time.

NBK concludes training program for KOC employees



Through Group Human Resources and in cooperation with Foreign Corporate, Oil and Trade Finance Group, the National Bank of Kuwait (NBK) concluded a training program held for employees of the Kuwait Oil Company (KOC) to introduce them to the operations of the various departments at NBK and develop their technical skills.

The training program lasted for four weeks and covered several sectors which included an introduction to the services provided by the Bank to its foreign clients, commercial financing, treasury, operations, project financing, syndicated loans, risk management, letters of guarantees and other forms of credit, in addition to anti-money laundering.

"NBK is focused on promoting the culture of banking among those working in the oil sector by introducing to the banking processes and operations, ultimately giving a clear

vision of the banking information that they may require during the implementation of their work," said Emad Ahmed Al-Ablani, General Manager -Group Human Resources, National Bank of Kuwait.

Al-Ablani highlighted the significance of the training program and its content, which contributes to increasing the knowledge of employees who work in sectors that need to deal and complete transactions with the banking sector. He added that the program covered both theoretical and practical training in order to develop the capabilities and skills of the human capital in the oil sector. He stressed on the importance given by NBK to the training of national human resources, as it comes as part of its corporate social responsibility and is an element of pride as NBK ranks one of the largest companies in the private sector in Kuwait to invest in national competencies.

On the other hand, Pradeep Handa, General Manager of Foreign Corporate, Oil and Trade Finance Group, National Bank of Kuwait, said, "We are pleased to conclude the training program for employees of KPC and its subsidiaries. NBK has a strong commitment to the oil and gas sector, supporting its strategy to realize its 2014 vision."

NBK's training initiatives deliver on its vision to invest in the human capital by allocating a team of leading banking professionals to share their expertise and experience to promising talents. The Bank holds these initiatives annually, in line with its aim to uphold its commitment to corporate social responsibility and its belief that such programs have an effective impact and serve the community and the individuals they target. NBK's programs continue to reflect the leadership role it has undertaken for decades in the local sector.

Invitation to Korea-Arab Friendship Caravan

The Embassy of the Republic of Korea in collaboration with the National Council for Culture, Arts and Letters will organize this month the 11th Korea-Arab Friendship caravan. Designed to promote mutual understanding and communication between Korea and the Arab world, the Korea-Arab Friendship Caravan has been



annually held since 2008. The event is hosted by the Korea-Arab Society (KAS) and sponsored by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea and the Korea

Foundation. The event will be on Saturday, October 20, 2018 at 7pm at the Abdurredha Theater in Salmiya. Seating is available on a first come, first served basis.

ICSK donates INR 2.1m to Kerala Distress Relief Fund

The Indian Community School, Kuwait, has magnificently succeeded in generating the feeling of empathy and social commitment among the students through its charity program which instills the feeling of compassion and has succeeded in increasing their awareness and responsibility to the community around them and the world at large.

The Management, staff and students of the four branches of ICSK contributed generously towards the Kerala 'Chief Minister's Distress Relief Fund' and an amount of 21 Lakh rupees was collected for this noble cause. The school tried to arouse the feeling of compassion in the students towards the numerous relentless efforts to rebuild the state which was hit by the worst floods in a century, through videos which depicted the pathetic condition of the people, as almost 50% of the student community did not belong to Kerala.

The amount was handed over to Shri. Pinarayi Vijayan (Hon'ble. Chief Minister, Kerala) at the Chief Minister's office in Thiruvananthapuram, by the Presidents of the school Senates of all the four branches of ICSK and Dr V Binumon Senior Administrator & Principal, on 12th October 2018 at 3.30 pm. They also presented the Chief Minister with a ship shaped memento, symbolizing Kuwait, to show appreciation and gratitude for the initiative taken, with a vision to help the people of Kerala.

The Chief Minister expressed his delight as this is the largest amount of money contributed by any school till now and acknowl-



edged that the students from ICSK are the first ones among the schools from the Gulf Region to donate and visit the Chief Minister to personally hand over their contribution to him for this noble cause. He appreciated and recognized the school for its generous gesture by issuing a letter of appreciation.

As the school is going to commemorate the 60th year of its existence next year, grand, yearlong 60th anniversary celebrations are being organized. The school is planning to conduct many activities during its Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.

ICSK Super Mega carnival will be organized in a more attractive and splendid manner so that more people will attend and more students can get monetary assistance for their education. The carnival which is driven by the altruistic purpose of creating a 'Welfare Fund' - a fund to financially aid underprivileged students - a fund to ensure that economically weak students are not deprived of their fundamental right to education.

AUK RISE Center launches NASA Space Apps Challenge

The Center for Research in Informatics, Sciences, and Engineering (RISE) at the American University of Kuwait (AUK) is proud to organize NASA's International Space Apps Challenge, one of the largest hackathons on Earth, from the 18th to 20th of October, in Kuwait. RISE-AUK will collaborate with Kuwait Projects Company (KIPCO) as a strategic partner to host this event.

The hackathon will occur over 48 hours in 200 cities around the world. The Kuwait competition-which will take place at Marina Hotel, Salmiya-will bring together a variety of expertise ranging from scientists, coders, and space enthusiasts, to graphic designers and business analysts to develop useable solutions to address real-world challenges related to Earth and space. The top two winning projects from Kuwait will qualify to compete against the rest of the world's winners in a second round of project assessment.

Dr. Amir Zeid, Director of RISE-AUK, and Kuwait Country Lead of NASA Space Apps emphasized the importance of establishing links with international technology events of high relevance and benefit to the local community. "The idea of hackathons (programming marathons) is not new to Kuwait. It is increasingly becoming an effective developmental platform to generate young innovations and new

business ideas of local and international significance.

In the previous years, RISE-AUK hosted international hackathons aiming to solve marine problems. This year, we are expanding to Earth, outer space and beyond. We hope to continue this tradition of contributing to the world through utilizing local innovative brains from among our AUK students and Kuwait's youth at large. We treasure KIPCO's strategic partnership on this year's event, and we hope to continue working with them on more youth empowerment initiatives in the future," said Dr Zeid.

On her part, the Director of Corporate Social Responsibility at KIPCO, Abeer Al-Omar shed light on KIPCO's long-term community support strategies, of which youth empowerment gains prime importance as one of the main pillars of social development. Al-Omar expressed, "The Centre Center for Research in Informatics, Sciences, and Engineering at the American University of Kuwait has hosted numerous prestigious events and KIPCO is proud to be the strategic partner of the latest event hosted by them, NASA Space Apps Challenge. We are excited to see the solutions that the participants come up with as KIPCO has always been a strong supporter of empowering youth in their educational and developmental endeavors."