

MUNICIPALITY CONDUCTS INSPECTION CAMPAIGN IN AL-RAI AND SHUWAIKH

KUWAIT: The Municipality's emergency team yesterday conducted a broad inspection campaign in the areas of Al-Rai and Al-Shuwaikh, which focused on sheep pens and food storages. The operation was carried out as a preparatory measure before Eid Al-Adha, where a ton of rancid food was found, a statement by the Municipality noted. Moreover, the search operation also targeted restaurants, shops and storages in efforts to ensure that food served to patrons meets hygiene standards, said Municipal official Ammar Al-Ammar.

Meanwhile, the Environment Public Authority (EPA) has recorded four infractions for several food stores and slaughterhouses that have been operating sans commercial permits, in an impromptu search operation conducted in conjunction with the Municipality. In a press statement, EPA official Dr. Mishal Al-Ibrahim said that the violations have been noted in Al-Rai area, as these places have been found to not meet health and environmental standards.

Furthermore, speaking on lax regulations in such areas, Al-Ibrahim under-

scored the need of further stringent inspection, adding that the operation comes in compliance with the country's new environmental protection law. Head of EPA's public relations department Dr Khaled Al-Enezi noted that some sheep enclosures in Al-Rai area

were found to be unfit to shelter the animals, adding that EPA is hard at work to remedy this issue. He also added that search operations will encompass all of the country's areas and islands to ensure maximal environmental conservation. — KUNA



KUWAIT: Emergency team seen during the inspection campaign in Al-Rai, Shuwaikh areas. — KUNA photos

News

in brief

Kuwait oil price down

KUWAIT: The price of Kuwaiti oil went down 32 cents to \$39.46 per barrel Wednesday after it was at \$39.78 pb last Monday, Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC) said yesterday. The price of crude oil went down at the world market by two percent after an unexpected increase in the US crude reserves. The price of West Texas crude went down by \$1.06 to settle at \$41.71 per barrel while the price of the Brent mix was down by 93 cents to \$44.05 pb. American energy reports stated that the crude oil reserves in the US had increased by 1.1 million barrels in the week ending on August fifth, the third increase in three weeks.

Curricula for 'special needs'

KUWAIT: The Ministry of Education is working on evaluating the educational curricula for students with special needs, developing a new strategy to progress their learning process, said Education Ministry's Assistant Undersecretary for Educational Research and Curriculum, Dr Saud Al-Harbi. The strategy will be ready at the beginning of the next academic year, Al-Harbi said. The strategy is developed in cooperation with the World Bank and it will overcome the difficulties that might face special needs students at schools and learning facilities, he added. The Ministry of Education is developing all branches of learning in Kuwait to help in the overall progress of the country, affirmed the official.



Dr Saud Al-Harbi

International Youth Day

KUWAIT: The world is set to celebrate the International Youth Day today, established by the UN since 1999 to bring awareness to key issues facing youth and protect their rights. This year's youth day is under the theme "The Road to 2030: Eradicating Poverty and Achieving Sustainable Consumption and Production", and will mainly focus on the leadership role of youth. Kuwait pays great attention to this category which forms 72 percent of society, as the country established the Ministry of State for Youth Affairs in 2013 by a decree issued by His Highness the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah. The ministry has adopted more than 400 youth projects, 30 of these have turned into national youth organizations where other youth are employed. The ministry also encourages voluntary work for youth in all fields, as well as supporting their talents in the cinematic and artistic productions' area. Other activities of the ministry include Kuwait's award for youth excellence and creativity, organizing the first ever conference for the Gulf youth and running specialized programs to boost skills of employees in governmental bodies.

Crime

Report

Two Saudis 'bought' Kuwaiti citizenship

KUWAIT: After going through the nationality files, officials discovered that two Saudis bought Kuwaiti nationalities from a citizen for a total sum of KD 45,000. The Interior Ministry Undersecretary for Nationality and Passport Affairs Major Gen Sheikh Mazen Al-Jarrah issued an order to open the archive files during an investigation on the case of two 'citizens' who owned a car rental company and used it to bring in laborers. Investigations showed that the suspects are Saudis who bought Kuwait nationality. The suspects were arrested. One confessed to being a Saudi named HR. He said he made agreement with a citizen named AM in 1975 to add him to his file as his son for KD20,000. The other suspect named (AA) said his friend also bought the nationality from the same citizen (AM) through his brother's file. Detectives went to their residence in Ali Sabah Salem and arrested them after they tried to resist arrest. Both the Saudi suspects are wanted in Saudi Arabia on felony and financial crimes.

Awkward talent

A Kuwaiti man who is good at imitating women voices, took advantage of his talent to lure people into immoral acts. The suspect used to call people at random - pretending to be a woman, after which he apologizes for calling the wrong number. He then lured his victims with sexual advances and insults them with a text message "Welcome you sheep... the person who you want to spend the night with is a man like you." He went as far as creating a website, which he used to exploit his victims. Detectives tracked him after receiving information about him and later arrested him.

KD 450 stolen

A citizen told police in Salwa that KD 450 was stolen from his car. Forensic experts went to the site and took the fingerprints. Investigation is ongoing. —Al Rai

NEW BIDAA ROUNDABOUT DETOUR

By Hanan Al-Saadoun

KUWAIT: Relations and Security Information Department said that a detour on Bidaa roundabout will be opened in the direction of Taawon street towards Messila near Rumaithiya.

Also, the entrance to Al-Qasar area in Jahra will be closed and the alternative loop will be opened for those coming from UN roundabout at dawn on Saturday 13/8.

Interior Ministry Assistant Undersecretary for Special Security Maj Gen Mahmoud Al-Dousary honored none-commissioned officer Abdelhadi Al-Khayat from the specialized training center for taking third place in the Tampa professional body building tournament, in Florida, USA.

