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Kuwait to head 65th session of IAEA General Conference

VIENNA: The Middle East and South Asia group in the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) nominated Kuwait, on behalf of the group to head IAEA 65th Annual Regular Session of the Agency's General Conference, which kicks off today. This session is the first attended in person since the outbreak of coronavirus after the international conferences almost stopped to take place in Vienna, Kuwait's Ambassador to Austria and its permanent envoy to international organizations in Vienna Sadeq Marafi said yesterday. Heading this high-ranking event crowns Kuwait's diplomatic efforts during the last decades and takes in consideration its achievements during the membership of IAEA Board of Governors, Marafi said. He stressed on the importance of IAEA's role in the world, praising the efforts it exerts to promote use of atomic energy for boosting peace in the world. This sixth five-day session is set to tackle IAEA programs for 2022 in using atomic energy for peaceful matters. It is also set to work in boosting the agency's toil in the field of nuclear energy, radiation, peaceful transport and waste disposal, and ways to enhance the agency's activities in the fields of science and technology, nuclear security, nuclear safety and the application of safeguards. — KUNA



Sadeq Marafi

Ambassador releases message on Nepal National Day

KUWAIT: Ambassador of Nepal to the State of Kuwait Durga Prasad Bhandari released the following message yesterday on the occasion of the National Day and Constitution Day of Nepal: "This year, September 19th (3rd Ashwin of Nepali calendar) commemorates the Constitution Day (National Day) of Nepal. The day is declared as the National Day (Constitution Day - Sambidhan Diwas) of Nepal and celebrates the adoption of the new constitution which came into effect from the 3rd Ashwin 2072 of the Nepali calendar (September 20, 2015). To mark this historic occasion, Nepal began to celebrate this day as the National Day of Nepal since 2016. It is the day of historic achievement for the Nepali people. On this happy occasion of the sixth anniversary of the promulgation of the current constitution as well as the National Day of Nepal, I, on behalf of the Embassy of Nepal in the State of Kuwait and on my own, extend sincere congratulations and best wishes to all Nepali brothers and sisters living in the State of Kuwait. At the same time, I am sorry to say that due to adverse situation created by COVID-19 pandemic, we have not been able to celebrate this occasion with the participation of our valued guests, friends and community members as we desired.



Nepal's Ambassador
Durga Prasad
Bhandari

"The relationship between Nepal and the State of Kuwait has always remained cordial and friendly. With the establishment of formal diplomatic relations in 1972, these cooperative relations have expanded significantly for the mutual benefits of the two countries and people. Nepal attaches high importance to its relations with the State of Kuwait. I am happy to note that Nepali nationals working in the State of Kuwait have been helping to further enhance the relations at peoples' level. We have potential to promote business to business cooperation to give added momentum to trade, tourism and investment between Nepal and the State of Kuwait.

"I congratulate the friendly people of Kuwait who have continuously been achieving peace, progress and prosperity under the visionary and able leadership of His Highness Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, the Amir of the State of Kuwait (May God Protect him), His Highness Sheikh Mishal Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, the Crown Prince (May God Protect him) and His Highness Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah, the Prime Minister of the State of Kuwait. Kuwait's contribution in humanitarian field is acclaimed both within and beyond the region. The significant role played by the State of Kuwait in promoting peace, friendship and understanding in the Middle East and Gulf region, has widely been appreciated.

"In the end, I once again would like to congratulate all my fellow Nepali brothers and sisters on this happy occasion of the National Day and Constitution Day of Nepal. Long live the Nepal - Kuwait Friendship!"

Photo of the Day



KUWAIT: This picture taken on September 13, 2021 shows a view from the Jamal Abdulnasser Park in Rawda. — Photo by Fouad Al-Shaikh (To have your picture featured in the Kuwait Times' 'Photo of the Day' section, please send your high resolution, unedited photos to local@kuwaittimes.com, along with the full name and Instagram account, in addition to a description showing the picture's location and date taken)

Zain launches online campaign to reinforce environmental awareness

KUWAIT: Zain, the leading digital service provider in Kuwait, launched #ActivateYourRole, an online awareness campaign on its official social media platforms that aims at raising public awareness towards climate change, sustainability, and preserving natural resources.

Commenting on the new campaign launch, Zain Kuwait's Chief Corporate Communications and Relations Officer Waleed Al-Khashti said: "We launched #ActivateYourRole as part of our corporate sustainability and social responsibility strategy towards the environment. Through this strategy, we are committed to building climate change scenarios that are aligned with the Paris Agreement (2015) to reduce carbon emissions and mitigate physical and environmental risks."

Khashti added: "Zain is well aware of the urgent need to tackle the climate crisis the world is facing today. To achieve sustainable growth, we must protect the environment and preserve its resources."

Khashti further explained: "We are keen on supporting any efforts that serve sustainability and environmental goals, as we believe this is a crucial topic that affects everyone. Zain's social message seeks to tackle the most important issues and reinforce the role of individual efforts like preserving natural resources, decreasing consumption, recycling, and other concepts that will contribute to reducing the impacts of climate change."

Khashti continued: "Through this campaign, we use our social media platforms to spread facts that many people might not have heard of before. These facts show the shocking impacts of climate change on our health and on the environment around us. We hope this message encourages positive change and brings more efforts towards achieving sustainable goals in Kuwait."

Khashti concluded: "Our part does not stop at raising awareness and supporting environmental

programs, but also extends to reducing our own footprint. Zain continues to exert more efforts into reducing the environmental footprint of its operations, including preserving natural resources, reducing energy consumption, recycling waste, implementing green solutions for water and electricity management, monitoring the company's overall effects on climate change, and more."

Zain is keen on launching such initiatives that contribute to preserving Kuwait's environment, as well as encouraging volunteering, recycling, and taking part in social activities for all age groups within the community. The company will spare no efforts to contribute to spreading positive awareness for a better environmental culture in the society.

Throughout recent years, Zain took major steps to tackle the impacts of its own environmental footprint by setting a number of goals to lower carbon emissions, reduce waste, spread awareness, as well as identifying the threats and opportunities related to climate change.

In 2019, Zain became a member of the team responsible of tackling the impacts of climate change within the GSMA. The company's long list of efforts in sustainability areas also led it to become a member of the Community Development Program (CDP), especially when it took the decisive step to reveal the impact of its operations on the climate, such as its energy consumption rates and greenhouse gases emissions. Zain successfully managed to become a member of the CDP with an advanced B rating, making it the first telecom operator in the MENA region to receive this rating in combating climate change.

Zain is committed to contributing to regional and international efforts to help with the policies and regulatory reforms, such as the ones stated as part of the Paris Accord that was drafted by the United Nations. This is done through setting goals



to lower emissions, reducing waste, coordinating with Sustainability Developmental Goals (SDGs), as well as other joint efforts.

Eleven-year old pens first adventure story

By Jaimon George

Eva Mary Hormise, a student of class six could not hold back the words that were gushing out from within her. First it was just an idea, then it gained form and shape and grew into a fully-fledged children's novel spread over 125 pages.

The novel narrates the story of six teenagers and their incredible adventure that takes them closer to their dream. Eva's debut novel titled 'The Csirars out on a Magical Adventure', has Carter Owen, the son of business tycoon John Owen and Glidey Owen as the protagonist. The novel that begins in San Francisco ends in the mega city of New York. However, the dream land that the youngsters are trying to set their foot in is the focal point in the novel.

The key to the magical world of this fabulous novel lies in Carter's own words, "I'm a normal boy, or was a normal boy. Circumstances made me a 'savior'." The novel opens up an enchanting world of unique imagery and is sure to take children on a spectacular magical journey. The amazing depiction of how children react to adults' behavior patterns makes this book an interesting read for children, as well as a great reading experience for adults. This novel surely opens a door to the thought process and ideas of the new generation.

The novel is available on all online retail plat-



Eva Mary Hormise

forms including Amazon.

Eva is a student at Rajagiri Christu Jayanthi Public School, Kakkanad, Kochi, in the southern Indian state of Kerala. She is also the winner of RJ Hunt Radio Super Star that was organized by noted publishing house Harper Collins India. It took Eva eight months to complete this novel. She is the daughter of businessman Hormise Issac Vithayathil and Riya Syriac who is a software engineer. She has a two-year-old brother, Eric.

Revealing that she got the idea for her novel in her sleep, Eva says her dream is to pen even more interesting novels and stories in the future.

Ambassador to meet Indian senior citizens

KUWAIT: Indian senior citizens in Kuwait who are planning to leave the country for good are invited to meet Ambassador of India to Kuwait Sibi George and share their experience during their stay in the Gulf state, the Indian embassy said in a statement yesterday.

"There are many senior Indian nationals, who are returning to India after completing their professional career having spent considerable time in Kuwait," the embassy wrote in the statement. "All senior citizens (aged above 60 years) along with their spouses who are returning on completion of their stay in Kuwait are invited to meet the Ambassador individually to share their experiences during their stay in Kuwait. They may also share valuable thoughts and ideas for further improving the welfare of the Indian community in Kuwait and also for further promoting the bilateral relations between India and Kuwait. All senior citizens irrespective of the nature of their job are welcome to join."

"Those desirous of meeting the Ambassador before their final departure may please send an email message with their contact details and proposed date of final travel to socsec.kuwait@mea.gov.in, well in advance, so that appointments can be scheduled accordingly," the embassy indicated.