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MoH readies team for medical support during elections

KUWAIT: Dr Khaled Al-Saeed, Health Minister, said that the ministry is ready and prepared for the upcoming parliamentary elections in Kuwait, to be held on Sept 29. He said that medical staff and ambulances have already been assigned for the polling stations. Al-Saeed was speaking on the sidelines of the opening of a symposium on Islamic medicine and its effectiveness in fighting the use of drugs in the society, an event held on Wednesday by the Islamic Organization for Medical Sciences (IOMS). He said that timing of the symposium was appropriate, as it was held at a time when the "society needs to recognize the illegal usage of drugs, so that efforts can be intensified to stop it."



Dr Khaled Al-Saeed



Ahmad Al-Shatti



Dr Mohammad Al-Jarallah



KUWAIT: Dr Khaled Al-Saeed with other officials at the Islamic Organization for Medical Sciences symposium. —KUNA

Al-Saeed also commended the efforts carried out by the Ministry of Interior and added that the Ministry of Health was studying the issue of drug usage and was trying to spread awareness about the problem among young people and adults in the country. He said that, "prevention is better than treatment and if we apply

internal scrutiny which in most cases is religious scrutiny, it will serve as a strong foundation to combat this problem in our society," adding that "IOMS is a rich source of information on this subject."

Dr Mohammed Al-Jarallah, Head of IOMS, said that the act of criminalizing drugs, served as a strong moral foundation for prohibiting the use of drugs in the society, adding that "the organization must work in cooperation with regional and international agencies to combat this problem." He also highlighted the crucial role played by Islamic forums in confronting the issue of illegal drug usage in the society and said that the

IOMS was keen to work with the heads of Islamic countries and relevant Arab and Gulf organizations to put up a joint fight against the problem. Al-Jarallah said that, "the ministries in Kuwait as well as the local institutions play a major role in combatting this problem, especially the security officers," but he urged lawmakers in the National Assembly as well, to bring in stricter laws to fight the issue.

Meanwhile, Ahmad Al-Shatti, Director of Al-Ahmadi Health District, said that the symposium was held as a

response to the drug crisis in the country. He said that he hoped Islamic values would help to fight this social evil in the country, adding that the meeting also discussed 12 working papers on the legal, preventive and rehabilitative measures to be taken and reviewed some of the achievements already made by the country, noting that "fighting the illegal use of drugs was a shared responsibility between individuals and institutions." He said that the symposium hoped to use religion to raise awareness and spread knowledge in the society. —KUNA

Alghanim Industries and INJAZ-Kuwait conclude summer program

KUWAIT: Alghanim Industries (Kutayba Alghanim Group) recently concluded its second annual summer internship program organized in partnership with INJAZ-Kuwait. The graduation ceremony took place at the Chairman's Club in KIPCO Tower and the second graduating cohort were celebrated by CEO of Alghanim Industries Samir Kasem, CEO of INJAZ-Kuwait Laila Hilal Al Mutairi, in addition to executives from both organizations.

Commencing in August, the summer internship program followed a series of rigorous interviews with hundreds of applicants. Following the competitive application phase, the human resources teams [NVI] from Alghanim Industries and INJAZ-Kuwait carefully selected the best prospects and examined their interests, capabilities, and expectations before matching them with the appropriate field at Alghanim Industries.

In alignment with the country's vision of

encouraging nationals to join the private sector as part of the 'New Kuwait 2035' initiative, the internship program is tailored to transform local talents into promising professionals. One of the key goals in designing and executing the program is to supply a direct and interactive path with the professional world for the youth to learn from. With the program's successful completion, Alghanim Industries and INJAZ-Kuwait are eager to continue facilitating greater relations between the youth and the private sector.

The annual summer internship program reflects the Alghanim Industries' dedication to developing the youth's potential as it provides interns with an opportunity to utilize their skills, hone their talents, and acquire professional experience in a proactive and dynamic workplace. Throughout the 5-week internship program, students were trained then assigned different projects, working closely with professionals in different fields to accomplish a variety of day-to-day tasks.

Alghanim Industries and INJAZ-Kuwait mark a continued partnership in providing educational and professional opportunities for Kuwaiti youth. Enriching the relationship between education and professionalism within young individuals is at the



KUWAIT: Participants at the Alghanim Industries and INJAZ-Kuwait graduation ceremony.

core of the partnership, with activities ranging from seminars and training programs to internships and direct exposure to work environments. Through the support of leading private sector

entities such as Alghanim Industries, INJAZ-Kuwait has trained thousands of students with educational programs on entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and work readiness.

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