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General photo during the presentation.

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Move aims to attract investors

KUWAIT CITY, Nov 7: The traffic crisis has escalated recently, which prompted all concerned parties to think of developing immediate and long-term solutions to solve this crisis and mitigate its impact, which is increasing year

after year, reports Al-Rai daily.

Since the Public Authority for Roads and Land Transport is one of those concerned parties, it has developed several solutions for areas that suffer from frequent traffic jams, most notably the creation of new entrances and exits in these areas, linking them with highways, in coordination with the General Traffic Department, in parallel with accelerating the revival of the metro project as one of the long-term solutions, which can solve a large part of the crisis, especially in densely populated areas.

An official source at the Public Authority for Roads and Land Transport told the daily, "The authority will begin during the coming period an economic feasibility study for the metro project to move it again, in contrast to the study prepared by the Public-Private Partnership Projects Authority, which concluded that the project's implementation cost will be high to the investor, compared to the profitable returns that the project can generate.

The source added, "PART will take into account the feasibility study prepared by the Partnership Projects Authority and build on it, but with simplification of some procedures, with the aim of encouraging investors and expanding the base of participation in this project," noting that the Authority will follow the steps in preparing the study for the railway project.

Implementation

He stated that the authority is considering reducing the number of metro tracks, so that the first phase of its implementation is limited to areas with high population density, so that the financial return of the project is suitable for the investor, noting that the authority's initiation in preparing a feasibility study for the project is subject to the completion of the process of transferring all employees from the Ministry of Works and appointing a general manager and filling all vacant positions.

The source pointed out that the authority considers itself a key partner in developing perceptions and proposals that would reduce traffic congestion, as it had previously presented its perceptions and proposals regarding the problem of congestion in the Sabah Al-Salem area (block 1), and has already started implementing the first solutions to this problem through building entrances and exits for this plot in order to achieve the smooth flow of vehicular traffic in that area.

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of brigadier who are below 50 years old as a way of rationalizing expenditures. He pointed out that this is a violation of Article 100 of the relevant law (number 32/1967).

He also asked for clarification of the allegation that Kuwait Army will increase the salary of Bangladeshi military personnel by 30 percent at a total cost of KD 28 million. He requested for a copy of the relevant contract and he wants to know if 1,000 Bangladeshi military personnel have been assigned to technician jobs.

He inquired if it is true that the Kuwait Army commander-in-chief did not implement the ministerial decisions on the promotion of several officers. He demanded for details like the number of such ministerial decisions not implemented in the last six months and reasons for non-implementation.

MP Muhammad Hayef Al-Mutairi asked Minister of Education and Higher Education Hamad Al-Adwani about the reasons behind the delayed implementation of the proposal to add the Holy Quran to the curricula of kindergartens and if the necessary steps were taken such as questioning those behind the delay.

MP Marzouq Al-Hebeini also asked

'Kingdom of Civilizations'

IWG and Embassy of Jordan hold Jordanian Cultural Day

KUWAIT CITY, Nov 7: The International Women's Group (IWG) in Kuwait and the Embassy of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan held a Jordanian Cultural Day on Sunday, November 6, 2022 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel under the title "Kingdom of Civilizations" in the presence of a number of distinguished guests.

Mrs. Ghada Shawky, President of the International Women's Group and wife of the Ambassador of the Arab Republic of Egypt, began her speech by welcoming the guests to this special event, referring to Jordan as one of the most wonderful countries in the Middle East. Famous for its archaeological sites, home to some of the world's oldest cities and natural wonders, from the Baptismal Site (Al Maghtas), the iconic mountain city of Petra and the ancient Roman ruins of Jerash, to the UNESCO-listed Wadi Rum natural area known as the Valley of the Moon. The country's stunning nature with its geographical diversity is world famous, with mountains, desert and the Dead Sea as one of the most wonderful natural and spiritual landscapes in Jordan, being the lowest point on earth and famous for its very important mineral products, also known for its black mud to treat the skin.

H.E. Mr. Saeer Abu Shattal, Ambassador of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan to the State of Kuwait delivered a welcome speech during which he paid tribute to the President and Board Members of the IWG and their contributions for giving all diplomatic missions in the State of Kuwait an opportunity to highlight their respective country's culture and traditions supported by the Kuwaiti Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He also took the opportunity to highlight the strong bilateral relations between Jordan and Kuwait.

Diplomatic relations

The two brotherly countries celebrated 60 years of diplomatic relations last year. These historical ties were built by multiple agreements of cooperation covering all aspects of commercial, economic and cultural matters. H.E. added that the well-established bond between the two countries has grown stronger and has been recognized by the two leaders, H.M. King Abdullah II and H.H. Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, where they helped pave the way for many collaborations. At the end of his speech, he extended on behalf of himself and all the Jordanians their best wishes for the continued good health and well-being of HH Amir Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Mishal Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, and the dear people of the State of Kuwait.

from Africa and small island nations. "Africa should not pay for crimes they have not committed," Central African Republic President Faustin Archange Touadera said, adding that rich nations were to blame for the climate problem.

"Climate change is directly threatening our people's lives, health and future," said Kenyan President William Ruto, speaking on behalf of the entire African continent, which he said is looking at \$50 billion a year in climate change damage by 2050. He said his country is choosing not to use many of its "dirty energy" resources, even though it could help the poor nation financially, and has instead opted for cleaner fuels.

Loss and damage "is our daily experience and the living nightmare of millions of Kenyans and hundreds of millions of Africans," Ruto said.

Seychelles President Wavel John Charles Ramkalawan said, "Like other islands, our contribution in the destruction of the planet is minimal. Yet we suffer the most." He called on wealthier countries to assist "in repairing the damage you caused to us."

Barbados Prime Minister Mia Mottley called for a massive overhaul of international development loans and a 10% tax on fossil fuel companies, which she said made "\$200 billion in profits in the last three months."

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KISR wins invention patent from US

KUWAIT CITY, Nov 7, (KUNA): The water research center at Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research (KISR) has won a patent from the US Patent and Trademark Office for innovating a technology for desalinating water and simultaneous air cooling.

The patent has been recorded in the names of the inventors, Dr. Hassan Abdulraheem and Dr. Mansour Ahmad.

KISR said in a statement on Monday that the two inventors embarked on the creative work to find solutions for water scarcity in arid countries by using a highly saline solution, characterized with high osmosis pressure, capable of pumping salt-free water from the sea through a permeable panel.

The involved KISR team of scientists has provided the convincing scientific evidence of the innovated technology.

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