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## 1 Effective Government Administration, Sustainable Diversified Economy, Creative Human Capital



### MS. GHADA ELTAHIR ELTAHIR MUDAWI OF SUDAN THE NEW UN RESIDENT COORDINATOR IN THE STATE OF KUWAIT

The United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres has appointed Ms. Ghada ElTahir Mudawi of Sudan as the UN Resident Coordinator in Kuwait, with the host Government's approval.

Ms. Ghada ElTahir has more than 25 years of experience in humanitarian and development affairs. Prior to her current appointment, she served on different positions at the UN Office of Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs UN OCHA in New York, notably as Deputy Director of the Operations and Advocacy Division, where she was also Acting Director March to August 2022. She has also served as Chief of Eastern and Southern Africa and as Acting Deputy Director for Middle East and North Africa, overseeing OCHA activities in those regions.

### KUWAIT'S MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS WELCOMES UN REPRESENTATIVE, DISCUSSES REGIONAL AFFAIRS

H.E. Sheikh Salem Abdullah Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the State of Kuwait, received a copy of the credentials of Her Excellency Ms. Ghada ElTahir Mudawi, Representative of the Secretary General and RC in the State of Kuwait. The presentation of credentials took place today, Thursday, 19 October 2023, at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, where His Excellency Sheikh Salem extended his best wishes to Her Excellency for success in her duties, including fostering closer relations between the State of Kuwait and the United Nations.

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## SOCIAL LISTENING & STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS WORKSHOP

WHO in Kuwait in coordination with United Nations in Kuwait hosted a dynamic workshop on Social Listening & Strategic Communications.

Participants from WHO GCC countries, Kuwaiti Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Information, KUNA, media personnel, UN Communications Group, and media professionals united to discuss the latest trends in the world of digital media and explore different approaches to communication strategies and tools to apply best practices in the organisations we serve.



## 78<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Representative of His Highness the Amir Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah His Highness Sheikh Ahmed Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah, Prime Minister, during the State of Kuwait's speech before the United Nations General Assembly at its 78<sup>th</sup> session  
Speech by the representative of His Highness the Amir, His Highness the Prime Minister, before the 78<sup>th</sup> session of the United Nations General Assembly.



## 5<sup>TH</sup> BATCH OF PWD EMPLOYMENT CAMPAIGN

Under the patronage & presence of H.E. the Minister of Social Affairs, Family and Childhood Affairs, Sheikh Firas Saud Abdullah Malek Al-Sabah, and with the participation of the Representative of the Secretary-General of the UN and RC, Ms. Ghada ElTahir, the Public Authority for Disabled Affairs, in cooperation with the Human Construction Society for Social Development, launched the 5<sup>th</sup> installment of the Partners for Their Employment campaign.



## SENIOR LEADERSHIP QUALIFICATION PROGRAM FOR THE STRATEGIC LEVEL

An overview of the visit of members of the Senior Leadership Qualification Program for the strategic level No. (4) @kuwaitarmyghq to the UN headquarters in the State of Kuwait, where the members received a lecture entitled (International Organizations and their Impact on Military Operations), which was delivered by Her Excellency Mrs. Ghada ElTahir, representative of the Secretary-General of the UN and RC. In the State of Kuwait, this visit is part of the activities of the first week of the program, which addresses the local, regional & global strategic context.



## PARTNERING WITH THE PRIVATE SECTOR

The IOM Donor Relations Division (DRD) organized an online briefing on "Partnering with the Private Sector" in collaboration with IOM Kuwait and Qatar for private sector companies. Participants were presented with an overview of IOM, its private sector engagement strategy, as well as areas of focus for potential future collaboration.

"Migration will be a way for the private sector to continue to innovate, to continue to spur economic development. Building partnerships is ultimately key to success."

Amy E. Pope  
IOM Director General



## THE SECOND VOLUNTARY NATIONAL REVIEW IN KUWAIT (VNR2)

KUNA: The General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development held a consultative and preparatory meeting on Thursday morning with the United Nations team for the State of Kuwait's participation in the Sustainable Development Goals Summit.

The Secretary-General of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development, Dr. Khaled Mahdi, said in a press statement on the sidelines of the coordination meeting that the meeting will discuss and review the achievements made by the offices of international organizations in the State of Kuwait regarding the goals of sustainable development in cooperation with various state agencies.

Dr. Mahdi indicated that the State of Kuwait will participate in the summit on sustainable development goals, which will discuss global developments and future strategic challenges related to the 17 sustainable development goals, measure global strategies, stimulate international cooperation, and accelerate actions to confront pressing global issues.

He explained that the meeting witnessed the participation of representatives from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, heads of United Nations organizations in the State of Kuwait, and the technical team of the General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development, indicating that the heads of non-resident United Nations organizations participated virtually in the meeting.

Dr. Mahdi added that there is structural and substantive integration between the sustainable development goals and the vision of the State of Kuwait 2035, explaining that this

integration made its organization, implementation, coordination and monitoring of the various goals and indicators achievable in addition to being comprehensive and effective.

He stressed that the State of Kuwait renews its firm commitment to the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals agenda and continues its commitment to promoting this agenda as a social goal and a public issue, indicating that the State of Kuwait views these goals as a priority for public policy making.

Dr. Mahdi explained that in July of this year, the State of Kuwait submitted the second voluntary report, which focuses on the national plan and its harmony with the sustainable development goals, the pioneering role played by the State of Kuwait in dealing with the Corona pandemic, and international cooperation with global organizations, especially the World Health Organization.

He said that in the second voluntary report, the State of Kuwait adopted a comprehensive national approach with the aim of enabling all national actors and stakeholders at the public and private sector levels, as well as the academic level and civil society, to participate in the review process and announce their achievements and ongoing programs, describing the second voluntary national review as a national review that belongs to all.



## ENGAGING DIPLOMATIC PARTNERSHIPS: YOUNG AMBASSADORS' PREPARATIONS FOR CLIMATE ACTION INITIATIVE LAUNCH

Young Ambassadors Kuwait team engaging in fruitful discussions with embassies and the United Nations Agencies today, paving the way for the upcoming Young Ambassador Programme launch. Excitement builds as we unite diplomatic efforts for a shared commitment to Climate Action and empowerment of the next generation.

#ClimateDiplomacy #YouthLeadership #Youth4ClimateActionQ8

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The "Young Ambassador Programme" initiative is back for a second season focused around Climate Change challenges and suggested solutions by youth.

The winners will have the opportunity to work with Embassies and UN Agencies in Kuwait and develop leadership and diplomatic skills through mentoring and group activities over the coming months.

The programme provides students a great opportunity to develop and share their ideas to tackle climate change and its impact in Kuwait and beyond.

## YOUNG AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME CLIMATE ACTION

To mark the United Nations Day we are proud to announce the second season of the "Young Ambassador Programme" Initiative.

The British Embassy, in collaboration with the Embassy of Canada and United Nations Resident Coordinator Office invite all high school students (age 15-18)

To partake in this open competition and submit a 60 seconds Video on a Climate Change challenge and suggested solution, for an opportunity to work with Embassies and United Nations

Agencies in Kuwait and develop greater leadership and diplomatic skills through mentoring and group activities over the coming months.

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## YOUNG AMBASSADORS INITIATIVE SEASON 2 ON CLIMATE ACTION: CLIMATE DIPLOMACY & CLIMATE JUSTICE

The United Nations in the State of Kuwait in collaboration with the Embassy of Canada, the British Embassy and other UN Agencies in the State of Kuwait, launched the “Young Ambassadors” initiative season 2 on Climate Action: Climate Diplomacy & Climate Justice. The winners will have the opportunity to work with Emassies and UN Agencies in Kuwait and develop leadership and diplomatic skills through mentoring and group activities over the coming months.

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Minister of Foreign Affairs to the State of Kuwait  
**H.E. GHADA HATIM ELTAHIR**  
Representative of the UN Secretary-General & Resident Coordinator to State of Kuwait

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HAVE THE HONOR TO INVITE YOU TO  
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**60 YEARS OF PARTNERSHIP  
IN DEVELOPMENT, HUMANITARIAN  
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7:00PM - 8:00PM

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## UNITED NATIONS DAY

60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the State of Kuwait Membership to the United Nations.  
Partnership in Development, Humanitarian Assistance, and Peacebuilding Support.

## SHORT DOCUMENTARY FOR THE 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE STATE OF KUWAIT MEMBERSHIP TO THE UNITED NATIONS

Sharing a short documentary produced in collaboration with Kuwait Ministry of Information to mark the United Nations Day and 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Kuwait membership to the United Nations. 6 Decades of Partnership in Development, Humanitarian Assistance and Peacebuilding Support.

## YOUTH CLIMATE EDUCATION INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

DATE: 24/10/2023

UN HOUSE, MISHRIF

5-7PM

Register for our program if you are one of the following:

- Youth (17-30 years old)
- University student or graduate
- Interested in climate change & sustainability
- Looking for a paid internship in Kuwait



## YOUTH CLIMATE EDUCATION INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

@almanakhkw and @germanyinkuwait in collaboration with the United Nations in Kuwait announced a joint "Youth Climate Education Internship Program"!

- This event featured a two hour educational interactive activity where participants will receive a free short course on climate change and sustainability.
- This opportunity is open and inclusive for youth from all nationalities and backgrounds. Registration is required to attend.
- Two students who attend the event were offered a paid internship with AlManakh to conduct field work on climate change and sustainability in Kuwait to further provide educational value and learning opportunities.

## WORLD PATIENT SAFETY DAY

WHO Kuwait bolsters collaboration with stakeholders in the Community Supporting the 'World Patient Safety Day' campaign led by the Ministry of Health.

The central objective of the campaign in Kuwait is to encourage the community to return their unwanted medications to designated collection points, where they will be properly disposed without any adverse impact on the environment or the health of individuals.

After witnessing the overwhelmingly positive response to the campaign in 2022, this year's initiative will be expanded to encompass 20 primary health care centers across Kuwait. The campaign is scheduled to run from September 10<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>, coinciding with 'World Patient Safety Day'.



## SUPPORTING A JUST TRANSITION IN KUWAIT: DECENT JOBS FOR A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE

In the run up to COP28 in UAE, @EUKuwait, @iloarabstates and @scpd\_kw organized an inspiring event called "Supporting a Just Transition in Kuwait: Decent Jobs for a Sustainable Future"

In the fight against climate change, it is vital to ensure that the transition towards a climate-neutral economy does not leave anyone behind. The event had speakers from the Kuwaiti government & civil society, the European Union & the International Labour Organization. The discussions shed light on the importance of strengthening social protection mechanisms and ensuring that future generations in Kuwait have the necessary skills for a just transition.



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## RECOGNIZING EXCELLENCE: KUWAIT STATE PRIZE HONORS OUTSTANDING RESEARCHERS IN HEALTH INNOVATION

The prestigious Kuwait State Prize for Combating Cancer, Cardiovascular Diseases and Diabetes in the Eastern Mediterranean Region, administered by the World Health Organization, was awarded to three distinguished researchers yesterday. This award, established in 2003 with support from Kuwait, recognizes exemplary contributions in these health fields.

Dr. Arif Al Nouryani from the United Arab Emirate:

Recognized for his work in the field of cardiovascular diseases, Dr. Al Nouryani, a German board-certified cardiologist, has headed Al Qasimi Hospital in Sharjah since 2009, where he has introduced more than 50 innovative medical technologies.

Dr. Randa Rabhi Hamada from Bahrain:

In honor of her leadership in cancer research, Dr. Randa is a professor of community medicine at the Arabian Gulf University. She is also a staunch advocate for combating smoking, and topped the list of the top 2% of scientists in the world.

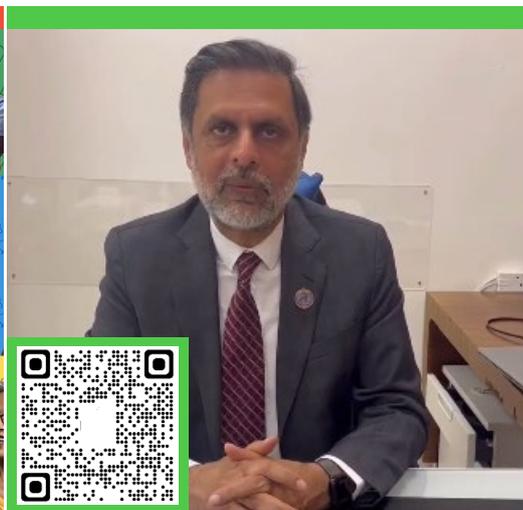
Dr. Afshin Astwar from the Islamic Republic of Iran:

In recognition of his research in the field of diabetes, Dr. Astwar is a professor of epidemiology and has contributed to diabetes control policies and raising public awareness of this disease.



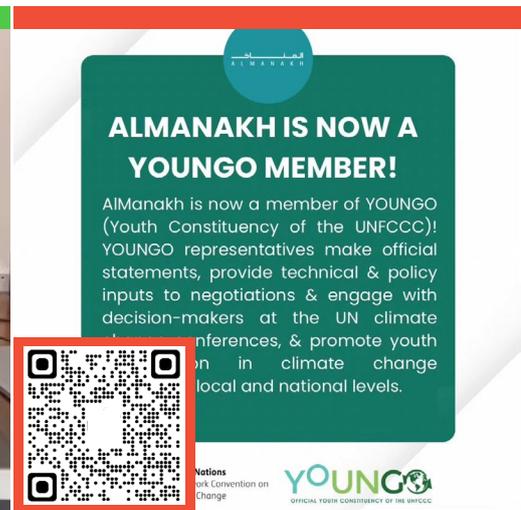
## SAFE DISPOSAL OF MEDICATIONS

In an attempt to raise awareness and spread community action on the safe disposal of medications, Healthy cities in Kuwait are campaigning together to collect all unused and expired medicines from the community for disposal through safe and healthy means to both humans and the environment.



## FORGING A STRATEGIC ALLIANCE: KUWAIT'S PRIORITY ON HEALTH, AIDED BY WHO PARTNERSHIP

The unwavering commitment to a strategic partnership between the highest leadership of WHO & Kuwait has paved the way for the CO to set health as a top priority at the government's agenda.



## ALMANAKH A YOUNGO MEMBER

We extend of sincere congratulations to @almanakhkw as they become a member of the official Children and Youth Constituency of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change @youngounfccc network! Well done...way to go...and looking forward to active @youngolcoys Local Conference of Youth In Kuwait. For interested registered Youth NGOs and Initiatives check out more information here [linktr.ee/YOUNGO](https://linktr.ee/YOUNGO). UNFCCC?fbclid=PAAaacV48cdBF1cR9xwAlgNgrm\_Vu1qFeo6Jjaf1xyvcjDRaDQobD-nNv87Wc



## MINES AND THEIR REPERCUSSIONS ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Under the patronage of His Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Sheikh Salem Abdullah Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, the Kuwait Oil Company hosted the International Day for the Prevention of the Use of the Environment in Wars and Military Conflicts, which was organized by the Kuwait Society for Environmental Protection under the slogan "Mines and their Repercussions on the Environment." It was attended by a number of company officials, led by the Director of the Relations Group. Public and media Muhammad Al-Basri.

The event, which was held at the Ahmed Al Jaber Oil and Gas Exhibition, began with a speech by the sponsor of the occasion, His Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs, delivered on his behalf by Minister Plenipotentiary Abdulaziz Al-Jarallah, in which he indicated that celebrating this day is an annual reminder of the international community's commitment to protecting the environment as a basic pillar of peace and sustainable development.

Al-Jarallah stressed that the State of Kuwait suffered from the use of the environment as a tool of war after the burning of oil wells ignited by the forces of the former Iraqi regime before their withdrawal from Kuwaiti territory in 1991, which caused one of the worst man-made environmental disasters in the twentieth century. Therefore, the State of Kuwait You are fully aware of the risks of these violations.

For her part, the President of the Association, Dr. Wijdan Al-Oqab, in her speech in the role of the Kuwait Oil Company as the association's strategic partner, in the November 6 event held annually, stressing that Kuwait has incurred and continues to incur huge amounts of money in order to cleanse the country of mines and the remnants of the Iraqi aggression in 1990, pointing out that history records that the highest number of mines planted Per square kilometer were detected in Kuwait, amounting to 92 mines. The event also witnessed the honoring of participants and sponsors, the awarding of the Environmental Champions Medal, in addition to a tour of the exhibition held on the sidelines of the event.





## ENERGY-FOOD-WATER NEXUS, SPOTLIGHTING THE ARAB STATES

Kuwait fund and UNDP Kuwait lead a vital session during @cop28uaeofficial on the Energy-Food-Water Nexus, spotlighting the Arab States. Along with a productive high-level discussion with Mr. Waleed Al-Bahar, Acting Director General of KFAED, and Dr. Abdallah Al Dardari, UNDP Assistant Secretary-General and Director of the Regional Bureau for Arab States UNDP, discussing the empowerment of our partnership, increasing of joint efforts, and humanitarian aid, while paving the way for future collaborations-aligned with Kuwait's net-zero commitment, venturing into the carbon credit market, and fostering sustainable development.

Dr. Abdallah Al Dardari emphasized the urgency of integration to tackle water scarcity, intensive energy use, and food shortages. A comprehensive panel, including H.E. Eng. Tawfeek Al Sharjabi, Minister of Water and Environment – Yemen, discussed key challenges and unveiled 'The Impact of Climate Change on Human Development in Yemen' report.

The session's outcomes: a holistic Nexus approach understanding, global awareness boost, collaborative frameworks, and actionable recommendations for resilient societies. A crucial step toward sustainable development and peace in crisis-affected areas.



## EMPOWERMENT OF KUWAITI WOMEN

KFH Group and UNDP Kuwait led a fruitful dialogue at COP28 as Dr. Abdallah Al Dardari, UNDP Assistant Secretary-General and Director of the Regional Bureau for Arab States, and KFH Group delve into areas of climate finance, ethical, and Islamic finance, this marks a significant move toward leveraging Islamic finance for global sustainability.

Embracing principles of social justice, economic equity, and environmental stewardship, Islamic finance emerges as a powerful tool in the fight against climate change. Global Islamic Finance institutions play a pivotal role in addressing climate challenges and promoting sustainable investment practices.

## WHO & KUWAIT FUND PANEL INSIGHTS AT UN CLIMATE CONFERENCE

Excerpts from the participation of the World Health Organization Office, in cooperation with the Kuwait Fund for Development, in a panel discussion entitled 'Climate Action for Health: Building Evidence, Energy Transition, and Supporting the Resilience of Health Systems', among the side events at the UN Climate Change Conference currently being held in Dubai.



## UN MEETINGS: KUWAIT'S COMMITMENT TO GLOBAL PEACE & COOPERATION

The Secretary-General of the United Nations Antonio Guterres, the representative of His Highness the Amir Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, received His Highness the Prime Minister Sheikh Ahmed Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah and his accompanying delegation on the sidelines of the meetings of the 78<sup>th</sup> session of the United Nations General Assembly.

The representative of His Highness the Amir also conveyed to the Secretary-General of the United Nations the greetings of His Highness the Amir Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah and His Highness the Crown Prince Sheikh Meshaal Al-Ahmad

Al-Jaber Al-Sabah and their affirmation of the State of Kuwait's support for the efforts of the United Nations to achieve its goals in strengthening international peace and security.

His Highness affirmed the State of Kuwait's commitment to its established foreign policy and its principles based on supporting the efforts of the United Nations and the constant pursuit of reaching a just and comprehensive peace in various regional and international issues.

17 Goal, 5 Priorities, 1 Vision

# Elected members 2024-2026

## ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL

Congratulations to Kuwait & the newly elected members of the United Nations Human Rights Council UN HRC.

This decision reflects the importance of UN Member States in the promotion and protection of all human rights around the world.

The United Nations General Assembly has elected 15 members of the Human Rights Council (UN HRC) for the term 2024-2026:

- Albania
- Brazil
- Bulgaria
- Burundi
- China
- Côte d'Ivoire
- Cuba
- Dominican Republic
- France
- Ghana
- Indonesia
- Japan
- Kuwait
- Malawi
- Netherlands



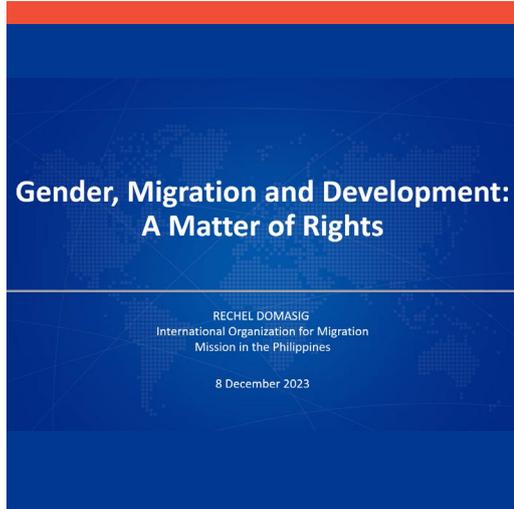
## RESIDENT COORDINATORS GLOBAL MEETING

The Representative of the United Nations Secretary-General and Resident Coordinator Ghada ElTahir joined this week more than 120 Resident Coordinators around the globe at the RCs Global Meeting for a thought-provoking dialogue! With Deputy Secretary-General and UN Leadership across the organization who all came together for an Open Exchange to discuss the journey towards achieving the Sustainable Development Goals at the country level.

This year's meeting is of particular significance, view the ongoing instability and the series of unfortunate events in 2023 around the world, as it is dedicated to showcasing the remarkable contributions of the Resident Coordinator System to the advancement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) across the globe. Resident Coordinators came prepared to exchange experiences, share practices challenges and achievement, as well as to brainstorm innovative ideas to push the agenda forward.

As the session drew to a close, there was a palpable sense of unity and shared purpose among the RCs. The session had successfully gathered a wealth of knowledge and

content on the contributions of the Resident Coordinator System to the advancement of the SDGs. This collective wisdom would fuel their efforts in the year ahead, inspiring them to continue their mission to create a better, more sustainable world for all, which once again proven to be a beacon of hope and progress, demonstrating the unwavering commitment of the UN and its dedicated Resident Coordinator Offices to the global pursuit of the SDGs.



## UNICEF ANNOUNCES THE IMPLEMENTATION OF 'BACK TO SCHOOL' ACTIVITIES IN YEMEN

Shaikh Abdullah Al Nouri Charity Society and UNICEF Gulf concluded "Back the first fundraising campaign for UNICEF in Kuwait early this year, to support children in Yemen. UNICEF announced recently the start of the implementation phase of this campaign to improve children's access to equitable education and learning opportunities, after eight years of war that left many in poverty and out of school, through the provision of basic education services, rehabilitating damaged schools, provision of school bags and stationery as well as building the capacity of teachers and facilitators for effective delivery of basic education.

## MIGRATION, DEVELOPMENT, & GENDER

IOM Kuwait in coordination with IOM Philippines and in partnership with the Philippines Embassy organized a webinar on "Migration, Development, and Gender". The webinar, which took place on the 8<sup>th</sup> of December with the participation of members of the Philippines community in Kuwait, aimed to mark the UN global initiative of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence and shed light on some of the issues related to migration, gender & linkage to development.



## KUWAIT CONTRIBUTES TO UNICEF'S EMERGENCY RESPONSE TO CHILDREN IMPACTED BY THE EARTHQUAKES IN TÜRKIYE AND SYRIA

The State of Kuwait has contributed US\$17 million in humanitarian funding towards UNICEF support for delivering essential education, nutrition, water, sanitation, and hygiene services and supplies to earthquake-affected children and families in Türkiye and Syria.

Millions of children in Türkiye and Syria have been affected by the deadly earthquakes that struck in February 2023. The situation remains dire for them. In Syria, the water and sewage infrastructure was severely damaged putting 6.5 million people at elevated risk of waterborne diseases, including cholera.

An estimated 51,000 children under the age of five are likely to suffer from wasting. Thousands of schools were impacted and 1.9 million children have had their education disrupted, with many schools still being used as shelters.



## INTERLINKAGES BETWEEN CLIMATE CHANGE, MIGRATION & HEALTH & THEIR IMPACTS ON HOST SOCIETIES & TEMPORARY CONTRACTUAL WORKERS IN THE GULF

The International Organization for Migration (IOM) under the auspices of H.E. Sheikh H.E. Sheikh Salem Abdullah Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the State of Kuwait, hosted a two-day workshop on the interlinkages between climate change, migration and health, and their impacts on host communities and temporary contractual workers in the Gulf countries.

The workshop aimed to provide a platform for participants to deepen understanding of the health impacts of climate change both for host communities and temporary contractual workers in the sub-region, to exchange initiatives and good practices of the measures to respond to vulnerabilities arising from climate-induced occupational health risks on these groups, as well as to identify key areas of intervention and action in the lead-up to COP 28.



## INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS DAY (IMD)

IOM Kuwait marked the International Migrants Day in Kuwait, in coordination with the Integrated Community Center (ICC). Participants engaged in activities that enabled them to talk about their experiences, discuss challenges as well as future prospects and opportunities.

The event, which was organized and funded through private sector donations, aimed to honour the migrant workers' resiliency, contributions and embrace their social and cultural diversities.

# WHO supplies cross Rafah border to Gaza



## FROM WHO BRING VITAL AID TO GAZA

En route to Rafah border, 4 trucks from WHO bring vital aid to Gaza:

- Trauma supplies for 1200 ppl
- Portable trauma bags for on-the-spot stabilization for 235 ppl
- Meds for chronic diseases for 1500 ppl
- Essential health supplies for 300,000 ppl for 3 months

## UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY ADOPTS RESOLUTION: URGENT HUMANITARIAN CEASEFIRE AND ACCESS DEMANDED FOR GAZA

In favour: 153  
Against: 10  
Abstentions: 23

The UN General Assembly just adopted a resolution demanding an immediate humanitarian ceasefire in Gaza, immediate and unconditional release of all hostages, and humanitarian access.

## UN SECRETARY-GENERAL'S PLEA FOR ACCESS AT RAFA CROSSING

"We must stop this dramatic impasse. We absolutely need to move the trucks as quickly as possible, and as many as possible."

United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres says allowing aid through the Rafa crossing at the Egyptian border could mean the difference between life and death for people living without essential supplies or services in Gaza.

## WFP CALLS FOR SUSTAINED ACCESS TO GAZA AS HUMANITARIAN CONVOY BRINGS FIRST FOOD SUPPLIES ACROSS BORDER.



WFP welcomed today's opening of the border crossing between Egypt and Gaza, which enabled a first convoy of trucks to bring in urgently needed food, water and other supplies provided by the Egyptian Red Crescent and the United Nations for hundreds of thousands of Palestinians.

## WFP CALLS FOR SUSTAINED ACCESS TO GAZA AS HUMANITARIAN CONVOY BRINGS FIRST FOOD SUPPLIES ACROSS BORDER

Cindy McCain, the Executive Director of WFP, emphasized the urgent need for continuous and safe access for humanitarian aid in Gaza, stressing that while this initial convoy was a crucial step, more aid convoys were necessary to address the catastrophic conditions in southern Gaza. WFP had additional emergency food stocks of 930 metric tons awaiting access into Gaza to replenish rapidly depleting supplies.

Since the start of the crisis, some 520,000 people have received WFP food assistance. WFP is expanding its operation to support 1.1 million people in Gaza in the next two months.

Assistance includes fresh bread delivered daily to Gazans in UN shelters in areas where access is allowed. WFP supplies flour to contracted bakeries, which produce bread for distribution. However, in recent days many bakeries have stopped working because of lack of power and fuel.



## UN KUWAIT MOURNS COLLEAGUES LOST IN GAZA CONFLICT: REST IN PEACE

Today the United Nations in Kuwait joined the United Nations family worldwide to observe a minute of silence to mourn & honor more than 100 colleagues killed in Gaza since the start of the conflict..may they rest in peace.

We will never forget

