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Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC) and subsidiaries are exemplary in social responsibility. They have a record full of social contributions and initiatives, which has placed them in the top ranks of corporations and organizations supportive of social responsibility in Kuwait.

KPC’s continuous efforts in social service were crowned by its obtainment of the Social Responsibility Award (Government Sector) for 2017 held under the patronage of H.H. the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah and organized by Kuwait Public Relations Society, which confirms its distinction and leading role in this area.

These social responsibility achievements made by KPC motivate us to exert more efforts to enhance our distinct position and build a promising future for our beloved homeland, Kuwait.

KPC and subsidiaries are implementing their social responsibility programs according to a five-year plan placed on well thought foundations based on five axes, namely: contribution to spreading health awareness in the country, supporting people of special needs, caring for the environment, helping achieve traffic safety and supporting education development.

The communication strategy of the oil sector depends on initiatives, including promotion of KPC image at local and international levels, achievement of the objective behind social responsibility for the initiative associated with sustainability, preparation and implementation of a comprehensive program for social responsibility in Kuwait.

In line with the strategy of media integration in the oil sector, K-Pulse magazine will focus in this issue on the axis of social responsibility of the oil sector and its future ambitions in this regard as the new topics tackle models of social contributions by KPC and subsidiaries in service of various segments of the Kuwaiti society.

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Faisal Al-Sabah: KPC aims to enhance its social responsibility locally and internationally

KPC pays great attention to social responsibility and endeavors to consolidate its presence in the Kuwaiti society through adopting and supporting many different social, charitable and humanitarian activities out of its belief that its role does not stop at only exploiting oil resources, but bypasses it so that social contribution becomes part of its consistent business in implementation of the 2040 strategy aimed at consolidating the role of the oil sector towards society’s civil institutions inside and outside Kuwait.

The economic dimensions of KPC and subsidiaries activities integrate with their social responsibility to enhance the name of Kuwait locally and internationally and contribute to the rise and boom of the Kuwaiti society. In addition to that is the major role played by KPC in protecting and supporting the Kuwaiti environment.

To know more about KPC’s social responsibility, communication with partners and the society besides its future objectives in this regard, K-Pulse magazine interviewed Deputy Managing Director for Relations at KPC, Sheikh Faisal Jaber Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah.

Following are the details:

- KPC is credited for starting to embody its commitment to social responsibility with clear-cut fingerprints, would you kindly talk to us about its policy in this regard?

Social responsibility is a basic pillar in sustainable socio-economic development. The society needs confirmation of social solidarity images and building the general conscience of individuals to develop and upgrade it.

Out of this perspective, KPC understood that its social role is by no means less than its economic role. Therefore, it is keen on doing its duty as a main partner in the development of society, out of its existing vision that it should be an integral organization in its activities with a unified corporate thought and an exemplary model in supporting and elevating the Kuwaiti society.

Throughout the previous years, KPC succeeded in

Sheikh Faisal Al-Sabah
embodying its commitment to social responsibility with clear-cut fingerprints through many different social projects and activities, inclusively but not exclusively: youth support activities, paying attention to the young generation, student training, charitable and health institutions support activities, cultural and sports activities, many other events and continuous support of environmental projects.

- KPC obtained the Kuwait Public Relations Society Social Responsibility Award (Government Sector) for the year 2017 which was held under the patronage of HH the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah, would you please talk to us about the award and your future vision for investing this success?

KPC has exerted great efforts in the field of social responsibility, which qualified it for obtaining the Kuwait Public Society Social Responsibility Award (Government Sector) for the year 2017, thus confirming KPC’s success in this field.

In applying social responsibility concepts, KPC has committed itself to a variety of standards represented in respect and responsibility to employees and society individuals, supporting and boosting the society besides environment protection in terms of commitment to the homogeneity of products it offers to the society or through the constant initiatives to address different environmental problems and seeking to achieve the concept of sustainable environment.

The attainment of this award held under the patronage of HH the Amir will undoubtedly be a great motivation for KPC and subsidiaries to continue their successful drive in social responsibility. It will further be an impulse for future strides towards the achievement of social and environmental objectives and executing various social responsibility programs that will enhance the position of KPC and subsidiaries among international oil companies engaged in the same business.
- Communication with partners and the society is part of KPC’s 2040 strategy, would you brief us on the most important plans you are bracing for to achieve that?

Within its 2040 strategy, KPC is targeting more communication with partners and supporting various social projects in service of the Kuwaiti society groups, especially the youth and students, besides developing their potentials through training them and refining their skills with practical expertise as well as qualifying them educationally and functionally. All this coincides with the academic qualification for upbring a generation able to assume its duties in the future in activation of KPC’s mission in supporting and developing the youth and educational drive in Kuwait, considered as part of KPC’s contributions to the service of the society.

KPC will particularly focus on its vital and social role, through contributing to social welfare of many activities and occasions. It will further continue its attention to developing an oil culture within the young generations, spreading awareness of the Kuwaiti oil industry’s nature through launching initiatives and organizing activities aimed to instill an oil culture deep within the youth. Furthermore, KPC will not spare any effort in presenting its objectives, nature of work and role in managing the oil sector activities through its subsidiaries, presenting illustrations on the projects it adopts and the extent of their importance to the economy on the basis that oil is the nerve of economic life in Kuwait.

- “Nafti” project is one of the most significant projects launched by KPC, represented by the Corporate Relations Department, with focus on the young generation, how about the objectives achieved by this project and, what’s new about it?

Nafti (meaning “my oil”) is an interesting project targeting the young generation from the age of 9-13 years. It combines accurate scientific material and awareness activities characterized by a style that stimulates a child’s imagination.

With this project, KPC targets the enhancement of an oil culture within the young generations, spreading awareness of the

“Nafti” Project achieved great success within the Kuwaiti society

Various contributions by KPC at Bayt Abdulla
supporting science curricula at the intermediate stage of the educational system. This is done through bridging the information gap and educating the generation in the absence of easy scientific material about the oil industry in Kuwait and the Arab World, despite its importance in the economic and industrial life.

The project includes holding various oil events, e.g. oil exhibitions at the level of Kuwait, presentations at schools, external events, activities, and oil camps during school vacations.

During the 1st phase of the project, KPC organized many awareness events at the American Cultural Center, Bayt Abdulla, The Avenues and Discovery Mall. Around 33 awareness presentations were held for schoolchildren in addition to printing a child story titled “From Burgan (oil) Field to Japan Ports”. This story focused on exploration, drilling and production activities. It is the first such oil scientific story that addresses young generation. We also launched E-site (Nafti) for oil culture.

In the 2nd phase of the project, KPC held the first oil exhibition at The Avenues. The exhibition gave its visitors a quick glance about the Kuwaiti oil industry and extensive information about the “Nafti” project to enhance this oil culture. Special oil related editions for children and memorial gifts were also distributed.

Within the 2040 strategy, KPC targets further communication with partners and support of social projects in service of Kuwait.

Promotion of the oil culture for the young generation amidst unavailable, simple scientific material related to the oil industry is at the top of our priorities.

“Nafti (my oil)” project still holds a lot (of meaning); it will continue its events to enrich our children’s minds with scientific knowledge about the oil industry.
The project still holds many issues and will continue its events to enrich our children’s minds with scientific knowledge on the way on how to explore and extract oil through holding many induction oil cultural activities and organizing oil presentations for government and private schoolchildren.

- Through its various social contributions and initiatives, KPC has confirmed being an indivisible part of the Kuwaiti society, will it have fingerprints in social responsibility externally?

KPC aims at enhancing its social responsibility locally and internationally. To succeed in achieving its social mission, KPC has precisely drawn its strategic directions for the upcoming stage.

The social initiatives and projects undertaken by KPC and subsidiaries contribute to placing them in the rank of major global entities and reflect positively on the added value of the society as a whole. KPC has distinctive external contributions in terms of social responsibility through its subsidiaries, such as Kuwait Foreign Petroleum Exploration Company (KUFPEC) known for its various social initiatives in the countries where it is operating and, the same applies to Kuwait Petroleum International (KPI).

Within 2040 strategy, KPC adopts various activities and events that strengthen its socio-economic position inside or outside Kuwait.

- Would you like to add a few final words?

KPC does not measure its success by its economic and financial development only, but also by the benefit it provides for the Kuwaiti society through contribution to encouraging initiatives and partnerships in social responsibility for more advancement and promotion of our beloved homeland, Kuwait.
Various social contributions by Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC)

- Supporting the Kuwaiti Society for the Handicapped to help it perform its duties.
- KPC issued 2 educational books for children, the 1st entitled “Yakhdour and Environment” and the 2nd “Niftan Story”, to create oil and environmental culture.
- Participation in the establishment of “Oil and Gas Exploration Hall” at the Scientific Center. The hall groups 33 items put on display on a 56 square meter area to embody the oil and gas industry.
- Participation in different events held by the Kuwait International Book Fair, an excellent opportunity for communication with all social segments.
- Issuance by the Corporate Relations Department of the “Social Message” book that documents the material and immaterial support by KPC and subsidiaries of the social and humanitarian aspects of life inside and outside Kuwait.
- Presenting Bayt Abdulla guests a various collection of kid toys, out of KPC keenness to implant joy in the hearts of the guests of Bayt Abdulla for Palliative Care of Children and to embody its social responsibility.
- KPC is a partner in Bayt Abdulla. It contributed by building “KPC Land”. It is equipped with the most updated entertainment means needed by kids.
- Sponsoring the annual Dive Festival for the ancestors’ memory and that of the Kuwaiti people’s heroism.
- Organizing various blood donation campaigns.

Within its future strategy, KPC builds various activities and events that consolidate its socio-economic position.

KPC’s role does not stop at only exploiting oil resources; social contribution has become part of its consistent business.
Social Responsibility

It has a record full of many contributions and initiatives with influential role in the society

**KOTC in the 1st rank of companies in support of social responsibility**

KOTC CEO Sheikh Talal Al-Khalid receiving "ISO" Certification

Kuwait Oil Tanker Company (KOTC) places social responsibility at the forefront of its priorities. Therefore, it made many social and environmental contributions and initiatives out of its belief that its responsibility to the society, environment and its employees is a necessity for supporting and developing the Kuwaiti society and helping it achieve sustainable development.

The company derives its vision and strategy in social responsibility from KPC strategy aimed to achieve a leading position and make KPC and subsidiaries exemplary in all fields, including social responsibility.

KOTC has a record full of many social contributions and initiatives with influential role in the society, thus placing it in the first rank of companies supportive of social responsibility in the State of Kuwait.

The matter is the same for the company’s efforts in environment protection, whether in terms of the conformity and commitment of its tanker fleet to local and international environmental conditions or in terms of launching initiatives that serve and address different environmental problems in addition to its obvious contribution to achieving economic development. The company is KPC strategic arm in transporting the Kuwaiti crude oil and petroleum products abroad. It also provides Kuwait with its liquefied gas needs through its gas filling plants in a way that serves local consumption and the national industry.

To know more about KOTC efforts regarding social responsibility and contributions to the
development of the State of Kuwait, K-Pulse magazine interviewed a number of KOTC officials and, following are the details:

**Oil Culture**

As far as caring for youth and the young generation, Team Leader of Public Relations Mr. Abdul wahab Al-Qatami said the company spares no effort in developing, enhancing the young generation expertise and spreading oil culture among them in line with KPC strategy in this regard, pointing out that the company received at its plants students of academic authorities, various universities and finally the students of the Australian College of Kuwait (ACK) at the liquefied gas filling plant in Shuaiba for keeping them informed of the products provided by the company, the technology used at the plant, the security, safety measures and systems applied there.

Al-Qatami explained that the company is further keen on enhancing social responsibility internally as it intends to organize events on different occasions, especially the national occasions in expression of love and loyalty to our beloved homeland, Kuwait besides renewal of nationalistic spirit among all citizens who have closed ranks to love Kuwait and give an incentive for the development of this country, which deserves our devotion while we remember the sacrifices of our fathers and forefathers.

**Vision Strategy**

Regarding contribution to achieving scientific rise, Manager of Fleet Personnel Affairs Group Mr. Abdul latif Al-Azemi asserted that KOTC attaches special importance to sending Kuwaiti students abroad on foreign scholarships out of KPC vision and strategy and the strategy of the company aimed at investing in national human competencies to achieve scientific rise in the maritime field, cope with scientific advancement for pushing forward our homeland, Kuwait and keep a pace with the march of the world around us.

In line with this strategy, Al-Azemi said, the company organized in the middle of this year a scholarship program for 18 students to study at schools and marine colleges in the UK, explaining
that this batch of students is the 1st as a result of partnership inked between KOTC and KOC with the aim of investing in the national human element in the maritime field besides scientifically qualifying and developing this element.

Investing in the elements of education and knowledge is the best investment with guaranteed results as the rise of education and keeping a pace with scientific advancement represent a fundamental structure in the ability of nations to get civilized through foreign scholarship programs for the transfer of scientific knowledge and expertise to benefit from them in Kuwait for the rise of our society, Al-Azemi pointed out.

**Development of Human Competencies**

Talking about developing and training the human element, Team Leader of Supporting Fleet Operations and Security at Fleet Maritime Operations Captain Ahmad Sultan Al-Salem announced that the company attaches special care for the human element which is considered a main pillar in the development of work for the company to attain its strategic objectives out of its belief that human potentials are its real resource in addition to its distinguished fleet regionally and internationally.

“The company exerts great efforts for organizing training courses regularly to develop and train its employees through the use of the most updated training programs and, it applies the system of foreign scholarships for study and training in the best places that provide the best and most updated methods of education in the field of engineering science and maritime navigation internationally,” Al-Salem added.
He explained that KOTC is the main source that provides trained marine manpower and labour force needed by maritime industry in Kuwait in general, announcing that all maritime companies and authorities depend on KOTC for providing them with trained marine labour force as all those working in maritime industry have come out of this great edifice, i.e. KOTC. He indicated that this matter is a national goal in service of Kuwait and, “from this point, the company is an edifice and academy to provide the State of Kuwait with outstanding cadres and competencies working in the maritime field and further is a tower of maritime industry regionally,” he concluded.

**Global Responsibility**

KOTC has great interest in local environment through support and participation in activities of this concern. Internationally, it has had great contributions to preserving the international environment through the conformity and commitment of its tanker fleet to international environmental requirements. In view of its efforts and commitment to environment protection locally and internationally, it has recently obtained the International Standard Certification (ISO 50001) in applying Energy Management System from the International Rating Authority (DNV-GL).

**International Awards**

Captain Ahmad Sultan Al-Salem pointed out that the company efforts in training and developing the human element were crowned with obtaining many awards at all levels, inclusively but not exclusively: Maritime Training Award from “Lloyds” International List for the Middle East and Indian Sub-Continent, the Award of Best Oil Tanker Operator in the Middle East and the Best Oil Tanker Operator Award from the International Marine Club.

**Continuous Efforts**

KOTC pursued its efforts in enhancing awareness of the importance of preserving the environment and natural resources through different initiatives, activities and events it organizes throughout the year. In this regard, the company organized the Environment Day under the slogan “Our Sea Is Our Wealth” to enhance environmental awareness of the company employees. Attending this event was CEO Sheikh Talal Al-Khalid Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah, who on this occasion confirmed that the Kuwaiti youth have the competency and ability to launch initiatives aimed to deliver awareness messages for protecting the marine environment in Kuwait and the Gulf countries in general, asserting that KOTC is permanently keen on organizing events that consolidate the concepts of preserving the environment and shed light on the challenges facing the State of Kuwait environmentally.
Social Responsibility

Implementing an ambitious program with various activities for the development of Kuwait

**KNPC: We keep pace with international companies in our social responsibility**

Stemming from its belief that social commitment is an important criterion in evaluating the success of any company along with its operational or financial success, Kuwait National Petroleum Company (KNPC) has always been a frontrunner in dealing positively with the concept of social responsibility.

The company has kept pace with its international counterparts and implemented an ambitious program, which included a variety of activities aimed to serve the community, protect the environment, maintain natural resources, enhance social development, upgrade education, and support people of special needs, as well as cooperating with the authorities and institutions of civil society and non-profit organizations. The company also encourages and endorses cultural and sport activities, and sponsors conferences, expos, seminars and professional workshops in favor of the society.

In order to get acquainted with KNPC’s vision, K-Pulse magazine interviewed Manager Public Relations and Media Mrs. Kholoud Al-Mutairi:

- **How does KNPC view the concept of social responsibility?**

  Social responsibility is a variety of concepts connected with the company’s commitment to moral and environmental conduct, contribution to socio-economic development, continuous improvement of work environment. The company should also be responsible for its operations and decisions in protecting the community interests and ensuring environmental safety.

  The concept of social responsibility is not new to KNPC. Since its establishment in the early 60s, the company has been loyal to its social commitment. It kept constant reaction with civil society institutions, non-governmental organizations and non-profit societies, especially those caring for people of special needs, elderly and youth. It also contributed to bearing the burdens of development, particularly the humanitarian issues.

- **What are the most prominent achievements of KNPC in this regard?**

  KNPC has a good background in preparing sustainability reports. It has already issued 4 reports in which social responsibility practices occupy a notable part. They are audited by a neutral 3rd party, i.e. Ernest & Young International Ltd; the reports mirror the company’s commitment to
the community, the methods and mechanisms of its responsibility thereto, the rest of its partners, stakeholders and its commitment to the environment through limiting emissions and other residues. These reports further cover KNPC contributions to the socio-economic development. It is recalled that the success of the company in this regard has motivated KPC to benefit from the expertise of KNPC, which prides itself in contributing to preparing the 1st sustainability report for KPC in FY 2018/19.

- What are the most significant activities and events implemented by the company as part of a social responsibility program?

Implementing social responsibility concept starts within the company community, including employees and their family members towards whom our commitment begins from KNPC objectives and strategic vision. The company management attaches great importance for providing a healthy and safe work environment for all of its employees. The company spares no effort in expressing its care for the employees’ dependents. This care is evident throughout the variety of our events and activities.

The Public Relations and Media Department at the company prepares an annual integral plan to hold a series of events aimed at recognizing the efforts of the company’s employees, creating a warm atmosphere in the work environment and enhancing effective communication between employees and top management. Following are some of these important activities:
- Honouring employees with long service from 10 up to over 30 years at a ceremony attended by the top management and senior leaders at the company.
- Organizing annual trips for the company employees to perform Umrah rituals.
- Honouring distinguished students of the employees’ children at different educational stages.
- Organizing sport competitions, walk and jogging marathons for promoting health awareness and displaying the importance of sound model of life.
- Organizing a series of medical presentations all year long delivered by a number of specialists, each in their own field. The presentations tackle a variety of interesting topics.
- KNPC attaches special importance to appreciating excellent performance in HSE through “Best HSE Performance” competition organized by HSE at different work sites of the company in presence of DCEO who distributes award cups and trophies and honours the best performing employees in HSE.
- Creating “Cup of Coffee” program that
allows welcoming distinguished employees by the top management members for validating communication between top management and employees.

- **What about the activities pertinent to different social groups?**

The company has a range of social participations and activities for different social groups, especially people of special needs, guests of homes for disabled as well as patients. The company organizes many events all over the year, for instance:

- Launching “Konn Riyadiyan” program executed by the company in cooperation with “Injaz Al-Kuwait” Society. Through this program, the company sponsors training 1,800 students at the Public Authority for Applied Education and Training (PAAET) in addition to government schools.

- Launching “Celebrate your Potentials” program. The company celebrates many events for students of special needs and sick children to give them opportunity to merge with the society, take care of them and meet their needs.

- Organizing a variety of social activities, educational and awareness presentations for school and university students all year long by Corporate Communication Department. Company engineers are there to help, support and enhance health and environmental awareness, security and safety practices for young Kuwaitis of different school stages to promote civilized thinking and develop sustainable ideas of this group being the cornerstone in building promising future for Kuwait.

- Visiting patients at hospitals during Eids and national occasions and distributing gifts thereto.

- Organizing beach cleaning and marine environment protection campaigns plus promoting awareness of the need to preserve the environment.

- The company implemented an anti-bullying program for one complete year, in cooperation with the UN Development Program.

- Implementing major projects for fighting pollution and protecting the environment at KNPC refineries, where large sums of money were allocated only to protect the environment.

- Environmental projects at the company were crowned by implementing the Clean Fuels Project, one of the largest development projects in Kuwait, reflecting KNPC’s commitment to the Kuwaiti environment.

- **Are there any activities for social and national occasions?**

During the Holy month of Ramadan, we can organize many social activities, e.g.“Iftar Saem” tent set up by the company beside its Head Office. This tent accommodates around 900 people
throughout the days of the Holy month on a daily basis. Furthermore, Ramadan competitions are organized throughout Ramadan at “Bayt Al-Wataniya” of the company, including the Holy Quran Recitation competition, a number of sport and entertainment competitions, holding Gargia’an parties, Ramadan goods exhibition for the company employees and their families.

During the previous month of Ramadan, CCD provided consumer requirements for worshippers during “Taraweeh” prayers at many mosques in different governorates. It also distributed meals and water to filling stations customers at the time of “Iftar”.

Furthermore, the company organizes “KNPC Fine Arts “Award competition in which a large number of creative artists participate from inside and outside the company. Valuable awards are distributed to winners during the event, which is held for encouraging artistic talents and enhancing creativity of the company employees, their family members and other people.

- **How do you view social responsibility and its effect on KNPC’s role?**

Social responsibility is the strong link that ties the company to the society. It also helps enhance the society confidence in the role played by the company in contributing to the movement of national economy and pushing forward the development vehicle in the country. It shows the company as an environment-friendly entity, but not a source of danger to it, i.e. interpretation of good citizenship. On the other hand, it increases KNPC ability to attract national potentials and keep local and non-local expertise, which reflects positively on the stability of its performance and operations.

- **What are the most important activities pertaining to social responsibility during this year?**

Since the beginning of this year, a large number of social responsibility events and activities have been organized, including:

- Organizing annual blood donation campaigns under the slogan “Your Donation is Life” aimed at participating in supporting the Kuwaiti Blood Bank storage, helping save the lives of many patients and injured people. The company usually scores record figures in the quantity of blood bags it offers to the Blood bank. During this year, KNPC was honoured by the Ministry of Health for winning the 3rd position among top 10 donors at the level of the State of Kuwait.

- Among the social programs organized annually within our strategy to support employees children of university students is a program for summer training tailored for employees children of university and institute students. This has become a firm tradition of KNPC that allows training of students at various sites of the company according to their specializations for giving them the necessary field expertise.

- HSE Department organized an awareness campaign at fuel stations of the company in cooperation with Local Marketing and Corporate Communication Departments for raising awareness of safety measures among station customers. A team from the refueling stations asked the station customers some questions through a brief questionnaire to fill out during their presence at the station. A team from Corporate Communication Department also gave guidance, distributed awareness leaflets and gifts to those who filled out the questionnaire.
The Company supported various activities inside and outside Kuwait

“KGOC”: Individual and social development is within our social responsibility

Since its establishment, Kuwait Gulf Oil Company (KGOC) has been placing special importance to participation in social responsibility out of its understanding of being influentially present within the society where it is operating.

To achieve that, the company is contributing and participating in various social activities that could develop individuals and the society. KGOC is also exerting great efforts in support of activities aimed at keeping the environment.

Throughout the previous years, KGOC participation in social responsibility developed and expanded to include many initiatives and events in favour of different groups of the Kuwaiti society. These participations included environmental, health, humanitarian and many other aspects for achieving the company’s social objectives in such a way that enhances its presence in the Kuwaiti society as a KPC subsidiary producing hydrocarbon resources.

Proceeding from its keenness on accurately executing its programs and social plans, KGOC formed a committee called “Committee of Social Responsibility” currently headed by Manager of
Commercial Affairs and PR Group Mr. Abdullah Hashem. The committee assumes translating these programs and plans into tangible reality. The company carried out many activities and initiatives through this committee over the previous years.

In regards to supporting non-profit organizations concerned with the environment, the company has provided the Kuwaiti Dive Team with a four-wheel drive vehicle. Represented by its CEO Mr. Abdulnaser Al-Fulaij, KGOC also contributed to supporting the activities of the Environmental Voluntary Foundation and further contributed to the “Coral Reef Protection” campaign in Kuwait Bay and other campaigns to clean Kuwait’s beaches.

As far as health is concerned, a delegation from the company, headed by DCEO Financial and Administration Affairs Mr. Abdullah Mansi Al-Shammari, met last May with H.E. Minister of Health Sheikh Dr. Basel Al-Sabah to coordinate KGOC’s donation of a customized vehicle to facilitate blood donation services in various parts of the country and increase the Central Blood Bank reserves.

During the meeting attended by Health Undersecretary, Dr. Mustafa Ridha, Al-Shammari stated that KGOC always seeks to implement its social responsibility requirements and serve all society groups, specially the health sector, saying that the vehicle provided would be designed with special options to help increase the blood storage of the Central Blood Bank, which will in turn help them to meet the needs of all local hospitals and save the lives of those in need of blood.

Furthermore, KGOC PR Team carried out various health activities, including support of the Pediatric Division at Al-Jahra Hospital and producing an awareness video for kids about the importance of blood donation.

In continuation of its social contributions and out of the company management’s keenness to achieve diversified social contributions, KGOC endorsed activities of the voluntary “Jasmine House” - a project by the Red Crescent, which provides school meals and medical assistance to Syrian children, besides providing all operational expenses of Jasmine House 1st and 2nd projects for the year 2018.
KUFPEC Keen on Boosting Social Awareness in Various Aspects of Life

Leading companies around the world give top priority to social responsibility; many of whom list it among their message and vision due to its importance and contribution in supporting local communities.

To achieve that goal, companies adopt charity campaigns and philanthropic initiatives that benefit societies and individuals alike, especially those located near their areas of operation and activity.

Keeping that in mind, the Kuwait Foreign Petroleum Exploration Company (KUFPEC) harnesses all of its efforts and capabilities to make sure that its upstream activities (exploration, development, and production of oil and natural gas) outside Kuwait support social life, public health and the environment, and that due to the importance it gives to individuals’ safety, and out of its realization that environmental damages often reflect negatively on people’s lives and health, as well as the safety of societies.

Furthermore, KUFPEC is keen on boosting social awareness in various aspects of life. Therefore, it carried out several projects such as organizing awareness campaigns, sponsoring charity initiatives, supporting local communities where its projects operate such as the Wheatstone project in Australia, for example, and releasing publications including the ‘Birds of Kuwait’ and ‘Coral Reefs in Kuwait’ books.

KUFPEC has supervised several social occasions and humanitarian initiatives, such as donating to Somalia during the severe humanitarian crisis it suffered from as a result of the drought in 2011, and donating to flood victims in Pakistan. Moreover, KUFPEC organized a relief campaign in which it invited employees to donate for victims of the Syrian crisis, and also provided a special donation of its own.

KUFPEC’s social contributions also include organizing an open day for people with special needs in Dasman.
School, donating to support students’ activities in Al-Rajaa School, and giving a donation for ‘Al-Takaful’ society for prisoners’ care. In addition, KUFPEC presented donations for Kuwait Fire Service Directorate, and donated some health and safety equipment for the elderly care department, the Farah care home, Kuwait Autism Center and Kuwait Red Crescent Society.

Moreover, KUFPEC sponsored several occasions in cooperation with Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC) and others, including a project to build a department of internal medicine in a hospital in Pakistan.

The Wheatstone LNG project in Onslow, Northwestern Australia, had numerous contributions and social programs, including partnership with Onslow Primary School through a financial support for teachers, and partnership with Onslow’s chamber of commerce to support activities of local society institutions, infrastructure and social facilities.

Furthermore, KUFPEC continues to support the Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia through the partnership agreement it has with this organization that offers humanitarian services for critical cases. The Royal Flying Doctor Service of Australia had applauded KUFPEC’s continued support in a statement it released in 2014.

KUFPEC has released several valuable books and publications to boost social awareness regarding the environment, which directly affect people’s lives. Those publications include the ‘Birds of Kuwait’ and ‘Coral Reefs of Kuwait’ books which highlight Kuwait’s land and marine biodiversity.

‘Birds of Kuwait’

The ‘Birds of Kuwait’ book includes 400 pages that contain detailed information about Kuwait’s resident and migratory birds. It offers information about the times of their passage, when they can be seen, their breeding locations, places where they come from and migration donations. It also shows the sites where birds are found in Kuwait, including beaches, heights, reserves and plains.

The book plays an important role in boosting social awareness regarding the importance of protecting Kuwait’s biodiversity, which helps maintain the presence of resident birds and frequent passage of migratory birds that take Kuwait as an important stop during their journey.

‘Coral Reefs of Kuwait’

KUFPEC’s ‘Coral Reefs of Kuwait’ showcases Kuwait’s coral reefs and marine biodiversity. It features photographs taken by professional photographers, volunteers and amateurs. This publication is more than just an illustrative book for pictures taken underwater, but a complete reference for coral reefs in Kuwait.

The importance of those publications lies in focusing on sharing with society information regarding the environment and biodiversity, and presenting to the public valuable and detailed information about coral reefs and marine species. They also contribute to increasing social awareness, and explain individuals’ social responsibilities to protect the land and marine biodiversity, especially considering that environmental awareness needs to be improved through dedicated and consolidated efforts by civil and social institutions.

While boosting social awareness is not easy, it is not an impossible task. It can be done by encouraging readers to actively participate in documenting and protecting the environment, increasing their sense of responsibility towards the environment, instilling the sense of true belonging to the environment and inspiring them to understand the deep connection between humans and nature. This alone is enough to motivate individuals and the society to learn how to protect the environment from all kinds of risks.

Improving general knowledge and awareness regarding wildlife and marine life undoubtedly makes people more keen on protecting their biodiversity. Furthermore, such endeavors encourage officials, decision makers and individuals to exert extra efforts to protect wildlife and biodiversity that enrich Kuwait’s environments, focus on green projects that give priority to environmental protection and prevent activities that are harmful to the environment to ensure a healthy life for people and all living beings alike.

While social responsibility takes into account benefiting both individuals and the society, its main goal is to maintain balance between the social, economic and ecological systems, because the environment is the basic foundation for everything, and there is no healthy life without a healthy environment, and vice versa.
"PIC" Issues Fifth Sustainability Report

The Petrochemical Industries Company (PIC) issued on 16th August 2018 its 5th sustainability report. The “Sustainability” concept explains the responsible use of natural resources along with the ability to work, produce and develop to keep natural resources for the upcoming generations.

PIC started its journey in this regard in 2013, together with launching its own sustainability objectives. The company will carry on taking important steps to achieve its objective represented in contributing to materializing a bright sustainable future for the advancement of the Kuwaiti and regional societies.

PIC sustainability report (2017-2018) titled “Modelling a Sustainable Tomorrow” focuses on the company contribution to keeping the environment and developing commercial business, out of KPC and PIC strategy.

Great Attention

In this regard, PIC CEO Mr. Mohammad Al-Farhoud underscored the great attention given by the company’s management for presenting this report to internal, external partners and the local society. The report helps in renewing the company’s full commitment to the concept of sustainable development, supporting social welfare, and developing human resources for a better future. Al-Farhoud voiced his pride in the safe and effective work practices adopted by the company to merge sustainability in all of its work aspects to develop a sustainable operational model grouping economic, social and environmental elements in the decision-making measures.

Al-Farhoud added that “issuing this report by the company year after year for the 5th consecutive year confirms PIC’s capability of putting objects and individuals to accountability and follow-up besides measuring the indexes of economic performance, environment and social responsibility, which enables the company to upgrade performance regarding such topics”.

Environment Protection

For his part, DCEO Olefins & Aromatics Mr. Sulaiman Sultan Al-Marzouqi expressed his pride in the company’s work force and the national proficiencies that contributed to preparing this report. Adding that the report enhances the company’s ability to measure the economic performance indexes and those of environment and social responsibility. Al-Marzouqi alluded that the company displays great and continuous commitment to topics related to environment protection and keenness on the safety of its employees and society where it operates, which helped enlarge work horizon, follow-up a balancing strategy between the aspects of economic, social, environmental and governance requirements.

Sustainability reports provide information on companies or establishments in environmental, social and economic fields. Such information has become
largely important at present and, the reports measure the performance of companies and establishments in terms of achieving the objectives of sustainable development, disclosing such performance and shouldering responsibility before the internal and external parties concerned. These reports provide all authorities concerned with a reference on the performance of such a company or establishment in these fields according to special indexes and criteria, which helps measure the contributions provided by these authorities within the framework of achieving sustainable social development.

The sustainability report should provide objective and precise information about the company’s performance regarding sustainable social development, inclusive of positive and passive contributions.

According to the global initiative for report preparation, sustainability reports-based on report preparation directives- should be prepared in such a way that discloses the results that took place during the period covered by the report within the course of the company’s commitments, strategy and administrative methodology.

These reports can be used for the following purposes:
- Comparing the performance inside the installation with the performance of other installations within a time framework.
- Showing how the installation affects and gets affected by the expectations regarding sustainable development.
- Identifying the level and evaluating the performance special for sustainability related to laws, criteria, rules, performance criteria and voluntary initiatives.

All documents of the framework for report preparation are developed through a methodology seeking to get identical views by creating dialogue between models of the parties concerned, inclusive of companies, workers, investors, civil society, accountants, academics, etc. All documents are subject to test and continuous development.

The global initiative framework for report preparation is meant for using it as a framework generally agreed upon regarding preparing reports special for companies’ economic, environmental and social performance. This framework has been designed for its use to suit all installation types, whatsoever their size, location or the sector where they operate.

Taken into account were all practical problems faced by the installations and the circumstances of work in their different projects starting with small up to large projects geographically located anywhere.

The framework includes general contents and other contents special for certain sectors. Those contents were agreed upon by a large group of concerned parties from all parts of the world so that they go generally implemented in connection with submitting reports on the installation performance regarding sustainability.
Ahmadi City Development…
A leading project adopted by KOC

Ahmadi City has been associated with oil wealth in general and Kuwait Oil Company (KOC) in special for decades, since this city forms the source of wealth enjoyed by the State of Kuwait.

This fact made KOC attach special attention to this city, which fostered it since establishment for eight decades and it still includes many of its administrative, technical and other facilities. Over time, the city has become an exclusive responsibility of the company, which assumed its management and development together with maintaining its character, heritage and spirit.

Out of its social responsibility, KOC launched a few years ago a comprehensive plan for the city’s development aimed at rebuilding it into a smart modern city - able to cope with the technological developments witnessed worldwide to reflect positively not only on the Kuwaiti oil industry, but also on the inhabitants of the city, the governorate and Kuwait in general.

The Start of a Journey
The idea of Ahmadi City development emanated from KOC’s desire to provide the best features and services for its employees, and further to keep pace with renewal and development of the oil sector facilities, and to improve the level of necessary
Most important projects of the plan are building 1,960 new houses for KOC employees and building the new road North of Ahmadi.

services in the city through developing service facilities and commercial installations.

Work on executing the plan actually started four years ago in February 2014 after forming the Main Higher Committee for Rebuilding Ahmadi City chaired since then by DCEO for Corporate Services, by virtue of his post.

The most important projects included in the development plan are building 1,960 new houses for KOC employees, constructing a new 2-side road known at present as “North Ahmadi Road”, revamping many infrastructures and existing installations besides many other projects that include many areas.

To be acquainted with the achievements up to now of the plan, its details and the nature of future phases, K-Pulse magazine interviewed Team Leader Corporate Projects (2) of the Ahmadi Projects Group, Mr. Wael Behbehani, whose team assumes the execution of Ahmadi City Development Plan phases and activities. Behbehani explained that his team has several kinds of projects, of which the most prominent (at present) is Ahmadi City Development Plan, including development of infrastructure, houses, entertainment places in the city that include the Park, Sports City and Ahmadi Stadium.

Four Hundred Offices

“There are also projects of medical nature, including a dental clinic at Ahmadi Hospital and the ICU building,” Behbehani said. Moreover, the team is also assuming the construction of office buildings in two types: permanent and temporary offices to be added to the existing office complex for service of Groups and Teams, to cope with the company’s expansion and the increasing number of employees.

Behbehani illustrated the idea of those offices, saying that in addition to the fixed buildings, there are Modular Offices for providing temporary places for employees till they move to permanent buildings, adding that there is a new contract in this course for building 400 offices.

North Road

As for the quality of development works, Behbehani affirmed that the team groups employees in charge of work improvement and has ISO Certification that covers all of the team activities. The team is responsible for updating, establishing and developing works that go according to a guide prepared especially for contractors and fixed tender forms for present and future projects. Behbehani further explains that most projects assumed by his team are set up in Ahmadi City, except for some offices of departments concerned with the areas of Operations and Fields.

As for what has been completed within Ahmadi City Development Plan, he said the new road (North Ahmadi Road) that links Ahmadi City from the north to King Fahd Road (Road 40) at the intersection with Adan Hospital Road was quickly completed and is used at present, commenting that the road helped reduce traffic jam from the main access at Ahmadi Governorate building.

Smart City

As for residential buildings, Behbehani disclosed that Ahmadi City Development Plan includes building around 2,000 residential units with facilities, sport centers, shopping centers and co-op societies in service of inhabitants besides mosques. The team leader pointed out that the city infrastructure will change it into a smart city in line with development and that there will be a center that controls all parts of the city, e.g. water, sanitary sewers, lighting, traffic, etc.

Talking about the plan phases, he alluded that the project was in four phases that go simultaneously,
but the company did not wish to demolish all houses and rebuild them to avoid evicting the residents. Therefore, he said, it was decided that work goes in two phases and vacant locations would be identified for building after which residents can move there during the first phase, and during the second phase building in place of the old houses will take place and residents will move from the remnant houses.

**Vacant Locations**

He said the first phase is in progress at present and it includes building 160 houses for the company employees, while the second phase will be divided into two sub-phases, namely: (2a) and (2b), pointing out that the first includes building of houses for Junior employees and its contract tender will be invited soon at a time the second phase will be building of houses for Senior employees and its contract tender will be invited in six months.

While the two phases will include building in vacant locations, the third and fourth phases will be in already built places having infrastructure, because KOC does not want to change the historic and heritage landmarks of Ahmadi City. Behbehani adds that the company will sign a contract with a contractor and an international consultant to assume design and management without change in the basic spirit and, this is under preparation.

As for the time of completion and whether there is commitment to the plan, Behbehani pointed out that there is some delay in the third and fourth phases because KPC requested a feasibility study from KOC to discuss the possibility of involving the

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**Great support and follow-up by Ahmadi Governorate officials and keenness on speedy completion of the project**
private sector in a part of Ahmadi City Development and the nature of participation, in case it took place. Actually, the study is under preparation, which will cause delay for one or a little more than one year, he said.

As for the extent of response by Ahmadi residents being third party concerned with the plan for their city development, Behbehani said “by nature, not all reactions were positive, as some adhere to what they have and there are many memories perhaps tying some to their surroundings, but on the other hand the majority of inhabitants want to see the city changing and, there is enthusiasm for that along with some worry about the alternative house during the temporary period, which is normal and justifiable”.

In this connection, he announced that the plan meets great support and follow-up by Ahmadi Governorate officials, in addition to great keenness on speedy completion of the project within the framework of endeavours to let Ahmadi regain its youth.

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KIPIC Inaugurates First CEO Award for HSSE

Out of its keenness on implanting interest in the issues of Health, Safety, Security and Environment (HSSE) deep in the employees, their children and contractors, Kuwait Integrated Petroleum Industries Company (KIPIC) launched its CEO first such HSSE Award scheduled to be organized annually.

This award has seen an outstanding turnout of participants and formed a committee grouping several managers to supervise the organization’s process. In addition, it comes in confirmation with KIPIC’s senior management placing HSSE issues among the priorities that promote performance inside the company.

During the celebration of awarding the attendees by several governmental authorities’ representatives, KIPIC’s former Chief Executive Officer Mr. Hashem Sayed Hashem affirmed that the effective contributions by the employees to improve HSSE performance through efforts and initiatives had greatly affected the company’s performance, preservation of resources and assets and protection of the environment.

Mr. Hashem said: “We are proud of the competitive outcome toward one another for The CEO Award for HSSE in its first edition. Thank you, fellow colleagues, for your enthusiasm and participation. This has created an outstanding platform for keeping colleagues informed of KIPIC’s various projects and initiatives. In addition, this will provide KIPIC employees with the opportunity to establish their supportive ideas that will affect the organization’s performance positively”.

He further continued “the inauguration of the award by KIPIC is a confirmation of its steady endeavors towards commitment to HSSE principles, encouragement and motivation of employees in all departments and facilities of the company for reaching optimal performance through positive competition and participation,” adding that “the same applies to employees’ families and contractors”.

Hashem announced that the creation of an environment that encourages initiatives is beneficial to the optimal operation of our installations, a guarantee for product quality, reduction of costs, limitation of operation impacts on the environment and preservation of the health and safety of the employees, contractors and installations.

He expressed his ambition for more effective participation by the employees and contractors dominated by positive competition and enthusiasm to provide the best initiatives that improve the level of performance. He also extended thanks to the members of the Permanent Committee for the CEO Award and
the Arbitration Panel for their efforts.

Mr. Abdulla Al-Awadhi, HSSEF Group Manager, Chairman of the Permanent Committee for the CEO Award stated that “the award represents added value to achieve sustainable development in the company and creates a competitive work environment that motivates the employees and contractors for positive participation”.

He explained that KIPIC is keen on involving the employees’ children in the CEO Award to develop a culture of environmental protection and expand their knowledge on the Safety and Security issues at a young age because “They are the future of this country”.

Mr. Al-Awadhi thanked the senior management for adopting this important event, understanding the importance of HSSE and increasing its awareness, which has helped promote the performance level inside the company.

He concluded by saying that: “our aim is to achieve excellent performance in HSSE by applying the international standards connected with the operations at all KIPIC sites. Additionally, we aim to spread a culture based on commitment to HSSE principles among the employees and contractors because our priorities are to protect lives, installations and the environment,” adding “I hope to see all the participants next year and I encourage the continuous devotion to helping spread the good in our beloved homeland”.

Furthermore, Mr. Abdul Hakim Al-Smael, Manager of Major Projects Group-Liquefied Gas Import Project stated that “this award will take place annually and marks the first award ceremony that demonstrates the senior management’s concerns in HSSE”.

**Participating Groups**

Mr. Dhari Al-Gharaballi, Team Leader of HSSE Systems, confirmed that the CEO HSSE Award was established from the company’s management’s interest in creating a culture of HSSE issues. As Mr. Al-Gharaballi stated “interest in these issues will promote performance inside the company”.

He explained that participation in this award was offered to employees, employees’ children and contractors. The award for the employee’s participation is divided into three categories. Firstly, it falls under H & E, following the S & S and lastly is Awareness category.

Al-Gharaballi pointed out that any employee who made performance activities related to those issues
were granted the opportunity to apply to participate in this Award. In addition, participation forms and instructions were handed to the employees and awareness campaigns were organized to encourage fellow colleagues to take part in the Award. According to Mr. Al-Gharaballi, “In fact there is no insufficient participation as every effort small or big by the employees, their children or contractors is encouraged and is seen to make a difference”.

The Contractors executing the company’s projects that have grown interest in HSSE issues will result in benefiting the company. Moreover, they can apply through coordinating with managers, whereas the children participants will be given the task to draw out the issues in order to help them understand these issues from young age.

Al-Gharaballi confirmed that KIPIC integrates the impact and attaches importance to the employees’ children. Keeping the children aware of HSSE principles will help them develop these ideas into lifestyle habits. An example of these are waste recycling, learning how to take of the environment, and fastening the safety belt.

Fortunately, the participants of the employees’ children in the CEO HSSE Award had a tremendous turnout. They were categorized into three age groups, firstly from ages 5 to 9 years old, following 10 to 14 years of age, and lastly ages 15 to 18 years old.

Ms. May Al-Saad, a local Artist, supervised the artistic works of KIPIC employee’s children. She has stated that the children gathering in this event creates an inspired opportunity for discovering their talents and educates them on current HSSE issues in the country. Ms. Al-Saad stated that “The large turnout of children has been extraordinary. Drawing has always been the first language for children before they have been able to speak and write, this allows them to develop their skills as well as learn in the process”.

Award Winners:
(Winners of 1st position)
- Project for containment of the oil slick leaking into the neighbouring regional waters.
  Ibrahim Al-Awadi - Team leader, Major Projects.
  Hanan Al-Qanaei – Senior Environmentalist, HSE Systems.
  Yousef Sha’aban Ghadanfari – Senior Fire Engineer, HSSEF Group.
  Paul Edgar – Manager, HSE (contractor).
  Michael Silva – Manager, Security (contractor).

Health and Environment Group
- Water Mouth Changing Project in Liquefied Gas Project.
  Fahd Ahmad Bu Zaber – Team Leader-Major Projects Group (Liquefied Gas).
  Sahib Yousef Al-Quoud – Major Projects Group (Liquefied Gas).
  Abdulla Mohammad Joma’a Rashed - Major Projects Group (Liquefied Gas).
  Hmoud Saoud Al-A’abhoul - Major Projects Group (Liquefied Gas).

- Water Flow Control System Project.
  Faye Al-Mazkour – Team Leader, Public Relations Group.
  Adel Abbas - Public Relations Group.
  Sharida Al-Sharida - Public Relations Group.
  Mohammad Al-Boloushi - Public Relations Group.
  Meshari Al-Modaiheem - Public Relations Group.
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The company attaches great importance to educate young generations... all participations were useful.

**Security and Safety Group**
- **Flange Joint Changing Project.**
  Musaed Mohammad Al-A’arada – Team Leader, Major Projects Group (Liquefied Gas).
  Fahd Bu Zaber – Team Leader-Major Projects Group (Liquefied Gas).
  Sahib Yousef Al-Quoud – Major Projects Group (Liquefied Gas).
  Hmoud Saoud Al-A’abhoul - Major Projects Group (Liquefied Gas).
  Salman Hisham Al-Mazidi - Major Projects Group (Liquefied Gas).

- **Project of Installing Surveillance Cameras at the Head Office.**
  Mohammad Hassan Al-Kandari – Team Leader, IT Group.
  Waleed Al-Mujaibel - IT Group.
  Abdul Wahhab Al-Ibrahim - IT Group.
  Bader Mohammad Bastaki – Financial Group.
  Naem Abbas - HSE Group.

**HSSE Awareness Group.**
- **HSSEF Group Initiative Project.**
  Hamad Mahmoud Qabazard – Team Leader, Safety.
  Sanjif Kumarjin – HSSEF.
  Baraj Parasam Pondhadi – HSSEF.
  Vikas Mahadiv Jadhav – HSSEF.
  Mahmoud Salah Nasser Mohammad – HSSEF.

- **KIPIC Giving Initiative Project.**
  Abdul Rahman Al-Olayyan – Manager, HR and Career Development.
  Sara Moayyad Al-Tarkit – HR and Career Development Group.
  Fatima Abdul Al-Sumaiti - HR and Career Development Group.
  Fatima Abdul Hadi Bu Sagher – Public Services Group.

**Contractors**
Khalid Anwar Al-Awadi – Manager, Major Projects Group.
Nawaf Al-Ahmad – Team Leader, Major Projects Group.

**Kids and Youngsters.**
KOC Reaps Award of 4th Arab Forum for Renewable Energy

Kuwait Oil Company (KOC), represented by its Energy Optimization Committee, reaped the award of the 4th Arab Forum for Renewable Energy recently hosted by Kuwait in presence of H.E. the Oil Minister and Minister of Electricity and Water Bakheet Al-Rasheedi. This came after KOC had got the first position in electricity consumption optimization in 2018 through its project “Smart Cool ECO3”.

This winning crowns the company’s constant efforts in the area of energy and its endeavors for rationing and saving its sources, besides depending on renewable energy sources in its different operations.

The efforts exerted by KOC come in compliance with the instructions by H.H. the Amir Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah as regards reducing dependence on traditional energy sources and heading for renewable sources. KOC, including all of its directorates, takes those instructions as an objective for which it earnestly seeks to effectively contribute to achieving it.

Winning this award by KOC is a national and regional achievement equally, because it is the first time a Kuwaiti side comes first in this area so that this achievement is added to KOC record full of projects and creative ideas stemming from the national cadres loving their homeland, especially that it is the first award recorded in the name of Kuwait in this annual competition established 10 years ago, to be a gate and real breakthrough towards reaping more awards in regional and international competitions and conferences to bring high the name of Kuwait and KOC in various international forums. This award is the biggest such at the pan-Arab level as it meets great attention by the Arab League under whose patronage it is annually held.

“Smart Cool”

“Smart Cool ECO3” is one of the Permanent Energy Committee projects for saving electricity
and water at KOC. It is a product for improving the efficiency of energy consumed during the operation of the air condition A/C that, in its normal position (without using the system), consumes 5 times double the necessary energy at the start of its operation.

The system saves over 15% of the energy used by the compressor and thermal pump systems according to a high-level system that intercepts the signals between the compressor and thermostat to organize afterwards the times of compressor operation and improve the operation efficiency.

“Smart Cool ECO3” gives its user many features that on the whole act to achieve the optimal objective behind establishing the company’s Optimization Committee, as it helps optimize and save the energy used inside the company installations, whether oil installations or in the houses of Ahmadi zone, too, thus making annual saving rates up to 1447042.5 Kilowatt (k/w).

“Smart Cool ECO3” carries an environmental aspect not less important than energy saving rates. It is environment-friendly as it limits greenhouse gas emission by an annual rate up to 221.53 tons of (CO2).

The system enjoys many additional features making its use easier. It is made to match with all A/Cs and thermostat systems besides its fixing easily and quickly without need to stop the conditioning system at the time of fixing while this does not impact the guarantee special for those systems, besides the quality of manufacture which is not largely affected by temperatures, humidity or other climatic factors.

After completing the theoretical part of the product, Energy Optimization Committee at the company moved to the practical and experimental perspective and, “Smart Cool ECO3” was fixed in all A/Cs in Burgan Complex building and each of Gathering Centers (1), (2), (11) and (19) as a first phase proving its great success at all levels and achieving its objectives represented in preserving the conditioning system and reducing electricity consumption, especially in summer, besides minimizing carbon emission.

Work is in process on the 2nd phase of the plan related to cooperation with different teams concerned in preparation for fixing the product in all the company buildings during next F/Y for realizing the highest rate of saving electricity and reaching environment-friendly buildings and houses.
"KOTC": House gas organizers and cylinders are completely safe

Kuwait Oil Tanker Company (KOTC) is KPC’s strategic arm that transports abroad the Kuwaiti crude oil and different petroleum products. It further provides Kuwait’s needs of liquefied gas, house consumption needs of gas cylinders and the national industry needs through “Shuaiba” and “Umm Al-Aish” plants for gas filling.

The company persistently strives to provide services to the Kuwaiti society with the utmost quality and safety for consumers. Therefore, it is keen on providing the highest specifications for all of its products and services.

For more information about safety and quality specifications adopted by KOTC in all of its products, and to learn more about the ideal way to handle them, K-Pulse magazine interviewed Manager Liquefied Gas Filling Branch at “Umm Al-Aish” Eng. Yousef Al-Khamis and Manager Liquefied Gas Filling Branch at “Shuaiba” Eng. Ahmad Al-Baddah.

Wrong Information

At the beginning, Eng. Al-Khamis called for the need to extract any news or information on the safety of gas cylinders from the specialized authorities concerned and from their reliable sources, whether through the official pages of these authorities at different sites or through the officials in charge for confirmation before publishing the news to avoid drifting behind wrong information published or circulated by some visitors of different social media sites.

“The videos recently published across social media talking about leakage in the gas organizer are sourced from non-specialized and non-experienced people,” he said, pointing out that all such videos are untrue and some people regretfully use social media badly in publishing erring information, which shakes the confidence of consumers.

In case of circulating any information about the safety of gas cylinder -even though untrue-
the company reacts with such information and communicates with the concerned authorities topped by General Fire Department to confirm whether the information is true or untrue.

**Only Authority**

Al-Khamis explained that KOTC is the only authority in Kuwait with the right to import gas cylinders, organizers and hoses used for them, pointing out that the products imported by the company are global and are made with the same quality and specifications for many countries worldwide, adding that the company cooperates largely with the Kuwaiti Ministry of Commerce and Industry and the General Customs Department to prevent any manipulation and ensure non-entry of imitated or unlicensed products to the local market.

Nonetheless, despite the great efforts and strict measures taken by the company in cooperation with other authorities, some individuals still succeed in introducing some of these products to the local market, Al-Khamis mentioned, urging consumers not to buy any product void of KOTC logo which guarantees the product quality and conformity with the specifications for consumer safety. He made it clear that “all gas cylinder accessories are available at gas branches spread in all Kuwaiti governorates, licensed and authorized by the company, for which it is better to buy them at the authorized places to ensure non-manipulation”.

As for security conditions that should be observed by consumers, Al-Khamis called for the need to abide by the instructions for using the cylinder and organizer as explained in the inner leaflet inside the organizer box, saying the leaflet contains correct information in many languages with images, including Arabic, English, Filipino and Urdu to ensure consumer safety.

Al-Khamis went on to say that some mistaken steps by consumers cause serious results, including the usage at home of “high pressure organizer” special for restaurants. In addition, some people do not change the “gas organizer” after the expiry of its virtual age limited to 6 years, warning against the use of long hose to avoid any damage as the suitable distance between the cylinder and cooker should be around 1.5 meters and the same should be observed regarding “gas hoses”.

For his part, Eng. Ahmad Al-Baddah talked about means of safety in gas cylinders, explaining that there is cooperation and coordination between the company and the General Fire Department for following-up any developments or new requirements special for the standards of quality and safety in using gas cylinders and accessories. He pointed out that all gas cylinders in Kuwait and other accessories used therein (organizer and hose) are designed and manufactured according to the highest global and
European standard specifications and that these products are used in all European and many other countries, indicating that the authorized measures and standards of gas organizers are developed every 3 years by the European Specifications Authority (in case there were any remarks or addition of new features that increase the factors of quality and safety). He also said the latest development of “gas organizer” specifications was in 2013 when the European countries endorsed new measures that could develop and raise safety level in case the gas flow rose to a rate higher than the flame regular rate owing to a cut of the gas hose connected to the cooker or for any other reasons resulting in sudden flow. In such a case the organizer automatically stops the gas flow from the cylinder. This feature exists in the new organizers used in Kuwait, he said, pointing out that the 2nd added feature is represented in the inability to fix or unfix the organizer from the cylinder in case it was operating. These features did not exist in the old organizer, but came into execution early in 2016, he explained.

Means of Safety

Al-Baddah explained that the news circulated about a hole in the new “gas organizer” causing gas leakage was untrue and those who gave the information are not aware of its function and benefit. This hole, he said, is a safety factor in the gas organizer and was existing in the old organizer, but unapparent and without which the organizer does not operate because it has other technical purposes, including equating the gas pressure in the cylinder with the outer pressure so that the gas reaches the cooker properly. He mentioned that such gas organizers are not only manufactured for the State of Kuwait, but by international factories for many world countries and are subject to strict global measures and specifications.

Al-Baddah added that a gas cylinder passes through different stages at the factory before it reaches consumers. Various checks are carried out before filling to confirm the cylinder suitability for this purpose. That is done by the latest devices and technologies and, upon confirming that the cylinder is good, it enters production line for filling, he said. In case it was not suitable, it is turned to maintenance for repair and preparation for filling, Al-Baddah commented.

After the cylinder filling, it is also examined again very accurately to confirm its safety and quality and non-existence of any leakage therein before it comes out to the consumer market, he mentioned, adding that all safety checks and pressure tests are made automatically in an organized way through production lines with the latest globally used devices and technologies without human intervention. Therefore, there is no way for human error. Afterwards, commercial guarantee from the factory is placed on the cylinder. That is the plastic cover on top of the cylinder that goes to sale outlets and consumers. To confirm the gas cylinder safety, a consumer should take delivery of it at the gas branch (warehouse) with the commercial guarantee on it, which is the warranty of the cylinder safety, he concluded.

Guidelines for using gas cylinder organizer

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