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KOC Inaugurates Ahmadi Oasis

Inauguration attended by KOC CEO and DCEOs



KOC CEO Jamal Jaafar and a number of DCEOs recently inaugurated the Ahmadi Oasis, which is a newly constructed project that has been added to the list of KOC's environmental achievements.

The Ahmadi Oasis is distinguished by its major design feature that resembles the KOC logo. It should be noted that the oasis can easily be recognized when viewed from above, such as when viewed from an airplane or on applications such as Google Maps.

Another main feature of the Ahmadi Oasis is the large area on which it is situated. The oasis is home to a 3,000m² greenhouse with various plants, Kuwait's tallest fountain, an 800 meter long walking/cycling track, a sports area with soccer, basketball, and tennis facilities, a swan lake, an artificial waterfall, and a

parking lot with a capacity for 120 cars. A major sustainable design feature of the Ahmadi Oasis is the fact that it was mostly constructed with recycled and scrap materials from various KOC operations.

The Export Operations Group oversaw the completion of this environmental project. Recently, the Export Operations Group has placed a renewed emphasis on implementing sustainable projects. Their new slogan, "Our Group is not for export only... But also for greening," reflects this new commitment to environmental initiatives

During the inauguration of the Ahmadi Oasis, a number of Group Managers who were instrumental in the construction and successful completion of the project were honored.





The 4th Kuwait Oil & Gas Summit

Strategic future of Kuwait's oil & gas industry discussed



The 4th Kuwait Oil & Gas Summit was held recently at the Jumeirah Beach Hotel. The event, which was hosted by KPC, served as a forum where oil and gas officials from Kuwait and abroad could discuss the strategic future of Kuwait's oil and gas industry. The event was officially held under the auspices of H.E. Anas Al-Saleh, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance and Acting Minister of Oil of the State of Kuwait.

Dr. Alirio Parra, former Venezuelan Minister of Energy & Mines, patronized the summit and delivered the event's opening remarks. In his speech, Dr. Parra provided an overview of the summit's purpose and touched on a number of issues affecting the international oil and gas industry. He also highlighted the progress and challenges associated with Kuwait's oil and gas industry.

KPC CEO Nizar Al-Adsani then discussed Kuwait's oil industry and the strategies that are being planned and implemented which will allow Kuwait to remain competitive and flexible in the current uncertain environment. In his speech, the KPC CEO also stated that Kuwait will be focusing on the development of Jurassic gas and the petrochemical industry in the future, in addition to adopting the latest technologies related to oil and gas and investing in the Company's current employees.

The 4th Kuwait Oil and Gas Summit featured a number of discussions where a diverse selection of panelists from the global oil and gas sector weighed in on topics that currently affect the industry. In an opening statement at the main panel discussion, KOC CEO Jamal Jaafar mentioned that the only way to survive and thrive in an everchanging world is to adapt to change. He also said that all projections point to energy demands increasing in the coming years, and as such, Kuwait will continue to work toward maintaining its position as a reliable supplier of energy to the world.







2nd Global Forum on Emergency Telecommunication

Communications and Networks Team participated

The KOC Communications and Networks Team recently took part in the 2^{nd} Global Forum on Emergency Telecommunication (GET 2016). Held at Kuwait City's Regency Hotel, the GET 2016 forum discussed trends and emerging technological innovations, financing mechanisms, country case studies, challenges in deploying Information and Communications Technologies (ICTs) in disaster zones, and the role of the private sector and other non-state stakeholders. It also featured a series of exhibits featuring solutions for the most effective use of ICTs in emergencies.

During the event, the Communications and Networks Team delivered a presentation on the KOC Incident Management Unit. They also discussed various activities the Company has made progress with, such as a significant amount of growth and expertise in terms of communication technology.

The Communications and Networks Team also discussed ideas for further enhancement and improvement, and they were also acknowledged by officials from the Ministry of Communications, who maintained that KOC has done much in the way of creating reliable methods for handling emergency situations.

Many local and foreign visitors showed great interest in KOC's stand at the forum during the exhibition portion of the event. Visitors to the stand received excellent explanations and information from KOC employees, who discussed the various communication activities of the Company.





KOC Hosts UNCC Advisory Panel Meeting

Participants discussed Kuwait's Soil Remediation Program

KOC recently hosted the quarterly meeting of the UNCC Advisory Panel that is involved with Kuwait's Soil Remediation Program. The panel is comprised of representatives from the United Nations, KOC, the Kuwait National Focal Point, and other stakeholders.

KOC CEO Jamal Jaafar participated in the meeting that was held at the KOC Main Office in Ahmadi. He was accompanied by Ismail Abdulla, DCEO Corporate Services. During the meeting, the two listened to a presentation on the progress that has been achieved through the program and the future plans that are involved. They were also briefed on the various tasks that each of the panel's members have been assigned with.

In a statement he made at the event, Jaafar praised the work that has been accomplished so far and upheld KOC's interest in making more progress in this vital field. The KOC CEO also maintained that the Company has learned a great deal by participating in this program.

The meeting began with a welcoming speech by Team Leader Soil Remediation Support Dhari Al-Gharabally, followed by a visual presentation by a UN representative on the latest developments related to the soil remediation program, especially the first three phases, as well as projects that have been planned for the future.





KOC Participates at 16th Middle East Corrosion Conference

Inspection & Corrosion Team represented KOC in Bahrain

Representatives from KOC's Inspection & Corrosion Team recently participated at the 16th Middle East Corrosion Conference & Exhibition in the Kingdom of Bahrain. The event was held under the patronage of Dr. Abdul Hussain bin Ali Mirza, Bahrain's Minister of Energy.

KOC employees presented five technical papers at the event. The presenters included TPL Snr. Corrosion Specialist Hasan Sabri, TPL Corrosion Specialist Amer Jaragh, and UD Corrosion Engineer Abdulhadi Al-Saleh.

In a statement he made at the event, Team Leader Inspection and Corrosion (S&EK) Abdul Razzaq Al-Shamari maintained that KOC aimed to encourage UDs to be more active in the preparation and presentation of their research and projects. He also said that the PSM Group as a whole was very invested in its UDs and that it constantly encouraged new opportunities for growth.

Meanwhile, Team Leader Inspection & Corrosion (N&WK) Saleh Al-Sulaiman maintained that engineers in training are the future of KOC and that the Company would spare no effort to ensure that proper investments and preparations are made for their benefit.







Quality & HSE Team Organizes Awareness Session

Session touched on bus safety and proper cement disposal

The Quality & HSE Team of the Project Support Services Group recently organized an awareness session for employees and contractors that aimed at explaining the guidelines related to two aspects of public safety.

During the meeting, Faris Al-Mansouri, Quality & HSE Team Leader, emphasized that the aim of the event was to raise awareness among employees and contractors in order to help them better understand the importance of safety, maintaining Company property, and contributing to a work culture that actively seeks to avoid accidents.

The first topic of the event discussed the importance of safety when using mass transit services, such as buses, where the importance of organized and orderly behavior while using buses was discussed. The second subject touched on cement mixers that are used for various projects. There is often a surplus of cement inside the mixer, and many workers choose to discard the extra cement in public spaces instead of disposing the material properly. This has a negative impact on the environment and contaminates the soil, in addition to possibly damaging pipes or other pieces of equipment nearby.

The meeting aimed to develop guidelines for the organization of the two processes before circulating them to the concerned departments where it will become a part of the Company's standard procedures.





CDU Network Holds Second Meeting

Event held at Hubara Center

The Career Development & Planning Team of the Training & Career Development Group recently held the second meeting of the Competencies Development Units Network. The meeting was held under the supervision of Team Leader Bader Al-Hadiah at the Hubara Center. Representatives from all units throughout the various departments attended the meeting.

Al-Hadiah delivered the meeting's opening remarks and upheld the importance of active participation, sharing ideas, and proposing initiatives for further improvement and development in a matter that reflects the interests of the Company and its employees.

Meanwhile, Training Specialist Joy Joseph delivered a presentation on the key performance measure of how to meet development needs, followed by an interactive session that included questions and answers and suggestions from members of the units to develop skills of workers, as well as sharing their experiences in this context.







Awareness Session for New Version of eBeams Held

Organized by the Corporate Solutions Team

The Corporate Solutions Team of the Corporate Information Technology Group recently organized an event to explain the latest updates included in the new version of the eBeams system that KOC will implement soon.

The meeting was held at the Hubara Center in Ahmadi under the supervision of Abdul-Salam Malik, Team Leader of the organizing Team and head of the special taskforce. A number of stakeholders from departments throughout the Company were present.

During the event, TPL Senior Specialist (IT) Syed Asim Hussain explained the elements of the new version of the system and how it will be introduced and applied in the relevant departments, while the representative of the partner company "Praxis Solutions" talked about the features of the new version and what they added to the system. A video about this technology and its benefits was also displayed at the event.

The eBeams system was first implemented at KOC in 2008, and there has been a need to update it recently after the release of a new version. This meeting will be followed by the process of replacing the old version with the updated one through a series of actions and events over the next 18 months.







KOC Participates in World Water Day

Importance of water conservation highlighted

As part of its social responsibility efforts, KOC recently celebrated the occasion of World Water Day. The Company's participation aimed to highlight the importance of water conservation by spreading this important information throughout the community. At the invitation of the Director of Kuwait Environmental Public Authority (KEPA) Sheikh Abdullah Al-Sabah, the Company also participated in an exhibition that took place on the occasion that was organized by KEPA.

The exhibition attracted visitors of all ages, including senior officials from various companies to individuals and students. During the event, KOC displayed a video and presented information about the Company's water conservation efforts. The Company also recently held a campaign to raise awareness among employees and contractors, as KOC believes in the importance of creating awareness to improve attitudes in regard to water conservation.

The Company launched the campaign through digital billboards in Ahmadi. Posters were also displayed as screen savers for all Company employees to see. In addition, awareness lectures were provided in collaboration with contractors throughout the Company's worksites.

Participation and organization of these events was facilitated by the Quality & HSE Team, which worked under the guidance of DCEO (MP&TSD) Esam Al-Houti and the supervision of Manager Projects Support Services Group Mohsen Al-Shammari. TL Quality & HSE Faris Al-Mansouri led a group of employees comprised of Anwar Al-Shehab, Dhari Al-Anjari, Eiman Al-Abdulghani, Latifah Al-Mudhhi, Bashaier Al-Mutairi and Aamir Rasheed.





R&T Group Hosts Technical Event

Presentation delivered by developers of the "DAQRI Smart Helmet"

The Research & Technology Group recently hosted a presentation that touched on the details of the world's first "smart helmet." The presentation was delivered by DAQRI, a human-machine interface manufacturing company.

The event was held on the R&T Innovation Day in the presence of R&T Manager Jamal Al-Humoud. Team Leaders and engineers from various departments throughout KOC were also present.

The event began with statements from the R&T Manager and Hussain Al-Ajmi, Team Leader Exploration & Production Information Management. The two discussed the important role research and technology plays for KOC and how that relates to realizing the 2030 KOC Strategic Objective of "Realizing Value From Technology." They also discussed the ways in which the DAQRI Smart Helmet has the potential to improve various processes at KOC.

The DAQRI Smart Helmet is the world's first wearable human machine interface that bridges the gap between potential and experience by seamlessly connecting the engineer to their environment and providing relevant information that connects the individual to their industry. The smart helmet aims to enhance employee productivity, reduce maintenance costs, improve health and safety, and reduce downtime and human error.







Awareness Session on Autism Held at KPC

Organized by Ahmadi Hospital

As part of KOC's interest in contributing to the enhancement of health awareness levels among employees in the oil sector and the community, Ahmadi Hospital recently organized an awareness event that focused on autism. The event was held in collaboration with officials from KPC's HSE department, and it included a lecture on the symptoms of autism and the various therapeutic methods that are used to treat it. The lecture was delivered by Dr. Hadeel Al-Faras, Consultant Developmental Pediatrician at Ahmadi Hospital, who also answered questions from the audience at the event.

On the sidelines of the lecture, Dr. Hadeel pointed out that Autism Spectrum Disorder is a chronic disorder that has no cure at the moment. She also added that it does not mean that the child will not improve his or her various skills, because current treatments have helped greatly in the reduction of some of the symptoms that affect those with the disorder.





HSE Team (D&T) Conducts Health Campaign

"Heartfulness: Healthy Heart, Healthy Crew"

The HSE Team (D&T) recently implemented a health campaign under the slogan: "Heartfulness: Healthy Heart, Healthy Crew." The campaign, which was based on a 10-year data analysis of heart related illnesses from the D&T Directorate crew, focused on benefits associated with a healthy heart and how proper heart health can prolong life.

Team Leader HSE (D&T) Fahad Al-Dhamen welcomed the attendees and encouraged everyone present to participate in the program, which included information about diet, the benefits of yoga, and exercise tips. Approximately 500 rig crew workers benefitted from this program.

The program was conducted at a number of rigs throughout KOC assets over a period of three months. Those who attended the sessions appreciated the information presented. Meanwhile, Al-Dhamen concluded the campaign by expressing gratitude to all those involved in making the event a success.







Visits to KOC Display Center



Ahmad Al-Edwany High School Students

طلاب ثانوية احمد العدواني



Sultan Bu Taiban Boys School Students

طلاب مدرسة سلطان بوطيبان للبنين



Durraa Bint Abi Salama School Students

طالبات مدرسة درة بنت ابي سلمة