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'Amend electoral constituency system'

Jahra residents seek justice for all

KUWAIT CITY, Aug Scores 27: of Kuwaitis gathered recently in Jahra to demand for the amendment of the electoral constituency system, which allegedly deprives the citizens residing in Jahra of their right to be represented in the Parliament, reports Al-Seyassah daily.

Some of the youths, who participated in the gathering, slammed the self-proclaimed opposition group for focusing on its personal goals, instead of working in the interest of the nation and its people.

Meanwhile, General Coordinator of the gathering Nasser Al-Nabhan disclosed the main aim of the demonstrators is to convey a clear message to the government that the Jahra residents have the right to demand for the re-distribution of the constituencies to ensure justice for all and for the country to have fair and honest elections. He said their demands include allowing each eligible voter to choose two candidates in line with the principle of equality.

Echoing the same sentiments, Attorney Mohammed Al-Fadhli underscored the need to revise the electoral constituency system to guarantee equality amongst citizens. He also expressed disappointment over the announcement made by the Majority Bloc in the annulled Parliament on their intention to boycott the reinstated legislature and submit their resignation, even if they themselves have failed to fulfill their promises.

On the other hand, political activist Mohammed Al-Hajeri lamented what he Kathra manifest project's two main dimensions

Kuwait pavilion shines at Venice exhibition

KUNA photo Kuwait Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Khaled Al-Hamad Al-Sabah received Monday a delegation of the family of Kuwaiti citizen Issam Al-Houti, who was abducted in Lebanon on Saturday. Sheikh Sabah briefed the delegation about the Kuwaiti government and Foreign Ministry efforts to guarantee the safe

release of Al-Houti

The meeting was attended by senior officials at the Foreign Ministry. (KUNA)

Square.

calls the unfair treatment of Jahra residents. He stressed the need to balance the Fourth and Fifth constituencies, while warning HH the Prime Minister Sheikh Jaber Al-Mubarak against paying attention to the demands of the so-called opposition because its members have nothing in mind but to realize personal objectives at the expense of the entire nation.

Moreover, a number of economic politicians, experts and civil authorities had slammed those behind

the Aug 27 rally at the Erada with the emotions of voters. He alleged a lawmaker used They said Kuwait must his position to manipulate stabilize its internal posiprocedures to secure a job tion, especially this time for his wife even if she is when Israel is allegedly still studying abroad. He preparing to wage war asked, "Is this not a way of against Iran. They also squandering public funds. wonder what will happen in How can someone who case Iran presses ahead with claims to be a defender of public money engage in its plan to close Hormuz such acts?"

considering that Kuwait has incurred enormous losses in the botched Dow Chemical deal due to the misdeeds of some MPs.

> Bader Al-Bedan, another political activist, pointed out most of the members of the Majority Bloc in the annulled Parliament are also part of the 2009 National Assembly, so they should gather in the session hall, present a proposal to amend the electoral constituency system, and submit their resignation as they announced

earlier.

VENICE, Italy, Aug 27, (KUNA): The idea of the Kuwaiti pavilion stood out at the 13th International Architecture Exhibition (La Biennale di Venezia).

The pavilion's project was executed by a team of artists and architects, led by young Kuwaiti architect Zahra Ali Baba, and sponsored by the National Council for Culture, Arts and Letters (NCCAL).

All visitors of the 'Kathra' project in the Kuwaiti pavilion, were astonished by the essence of the idea, as the name 'Kathra' (Arabic for abundance), manifests the project's two main horizontal and ground dimensions that have overlapped schemes of urban architectural developments in Kuwait over the decades on their surface.

The architectural project includes Mosaic columns that showcased the interactional aspects in the Kuwaiti society, depicting a pictorial map of cultural and social connections through urban architectural growth

Curator Ali Baba said that the purpose of using the term 'Kathra' is to highlight an important aspect of excessive exuberance phenomenon in a prosperous society and its impact on social relations and interactions human in Kuwait.

On his part, General Coordinator and observer of bilateral foreign relations Mohammad Redha said that 'Kathra' expresses the Kuwaiti vision, which reflects the need for expanding urban architectural and cultural ideas to combine the concepts of heritage conservation and interaction with the current reality.

Furthermore, Redha praised the role of NCCAL, which is believing in the significance of Kuwaiti youth's participation to present the latest architectural concepts.

News in Brief

GFCC board elects woman: Dr Samia Al-Amoudi became the first woman from the GCC to win a seat at the Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) board, Secretary General of the Gulf Federation for Cancer Control (GFCC) Dr Khalid Al-Saleh announced here Monday.

"Al-Amoudi's win is a major breakthrough for Gulf women and proof of the significant development of women in GCC societies," Al-Saleh told KUNA by phone from a conference in Montreal, Canada.

Al-Amoudi is from Saudi Arabia, one of the six founding members of GCC (Gulf Cooperation Council). Al-Saleh, who is also Vice Chairman of the Kuwaiti

Cancer Aware Nation (CAN), said that UICC is considered the largest international organization in this area and includes more than 700 specialized associations

With its headquarters in Geneva, UICC is uniquely positioned to take expert opinion and views of the cancer community to the global stage with official relations with the World Health Organization and special ECOSOC (UN Economic and Social Council). (KUNA)

Donations for Syria banned: Mohammed Al-Kandari, the Undersecretary of Labor has issued a circular banning the collection of donations for Syria, reports Al-Kuwaitiya daily quoting official labor sources.

At a recent meeting with the Acting Assistant Undersecretary for Social Development Ahmad Al-Sawagh and employees of the Department of Charities and Foundations, Al-Kandari was quoted as saying the move is in accordance with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' decision outlawing donations for Syria.

He ordered the charities and foundations to stop collecting donation for Syrians and warned the accounts of violators will be frozen indefinitely.

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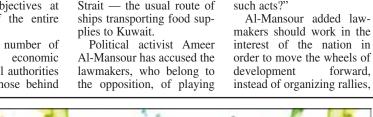
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