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Editorial

Digital Transformation...

National Leadership for a New Era

The Oil industry enters a new pivotal era with the launch of the Executive Programme for the Digital Transformation Strategy—a decisive move toward modernising operations and boosting efficiency. Kuwait National Petroleum Company (KNPC) leads this sector-wide transformation through a structured executive programme that actively moves beyond planning into actual execution.

This phased initiative aims at enhancing operational efficiency, streamlining processes, strengthening safety protocols, and utilising data-driven decision-making. The approach aligns with operational demands while elevating the sector's competitive edge. This pragmatic strategy is tailored to the Oil industry operations, positioning digital transformation as a performance-driven tool that delivers tangible, measurable outcomes.

Assigning KNPC to spearhead this initiative demonstrates strong institutional trust in its capacity to manage the digital transformation process, coordinate efforts across Oil Sector companies, and implement advanced digital solutions that boost productivity, lower costs, and enhance process quality while ensuring operational reliability and continuity remain intact.

Beyond this central focus, this edition explores various topics that showcase the sector's broader involvement across different areas. These range from afforestation initiatives and environmental sustainability efforts to recognising Al-Mubarakiya Building's designation as a historical heritage landmark. The issue also honours firefighters and their critical efforts in safeguarding lives and facilities and takes readers on a discovery tour of Kuwait's islands, revealing their environmental and historical significance.

The issue captures a period marked by action, monitoring, and measuring outcomes—where digital progress merges with commitments to environmental protection, cultural preservation, and community welfare. Together, these elements present a comprehensive picture of the Oil Sector's accountability and its diverse contributions to national development.

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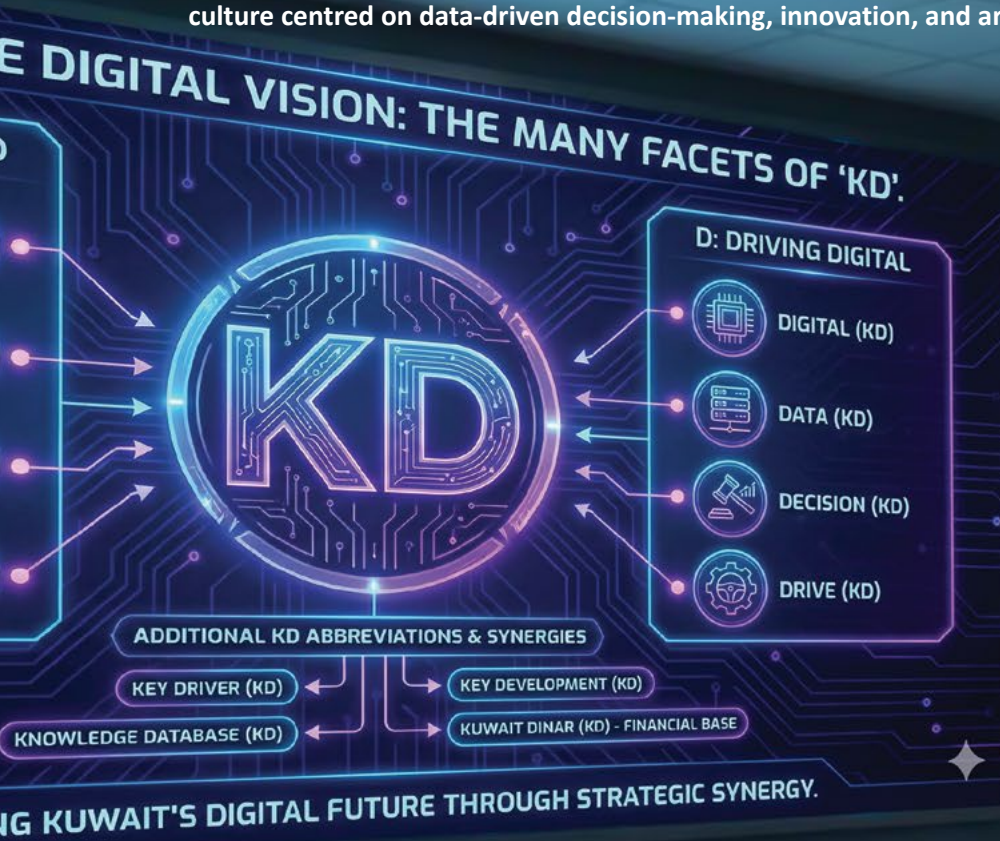


Launch of the Oil Sector Digital Transformation Strategy Executive Programme

KNPC has launched the Executive Programme for Digital Transformation Strategy in the Oil Sector spanning 2026–2031. KNPC will serve as the pilot implementer before extending the programme to sister Oil companies following successful completion.

The inaugural year focuses on evaluating existing initiatives and updating or adapting them to meet operational requirements of the sector and its rapid evolution. This programme represents the culmination of years of strategic planning, persistent effort, and collaborative coordination among stakeholders across the K-Companies.

Achieving this milestone required dismantling conventional obstacles and establishing a new institutional culture centred on data-driven decision-making, innovation, and artificial intelligence (AI).





• CEO and DCEOs at the Forefront of the Attendees

Within this framework, a strategic meeting was held at KNPC Head Office Auditorium on 12 January 2026, in the presence of KNPC CEO Wadha Ahmad Al-Khateeb and representatives from Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC) and its subsidiaries, serving as a venue to officially launch the Executive Programme for Digital Transformation Strategy.

The programme, to be implemented over a five-year period, commences in January 2026, with the inaugural year dedicated to evaluating existing initiatives and updating or adapting them to align with operational requirements and dynamic transformations of the Oil Sector. Boston Consulting Group (BCG) will conduct this comprehensive review as Project Management Consultant.

In her opening address, KNPC DCEO for Support Services and Head of the KNPC, KIPIC and KAFCO Digital Transformation Steering Committee, as well as Head of the KPC IT Steering Committee Khuloud Al-Mutairi, emphasised that the programme represents the culmination of years of sustained effort, strategic decision-making, and continuous coordination



• Khuloud Al-Mutairi, DCEO Support Services

among stakeholders across the Oil Sector companies.

“Achieving this milestone required dismantling conventional obstacles and establishing a new institutional culture centred on data-driven decision-making, innovation, and artificial intelligence,” Al-Mutairi added.

She expressed gratitude to KPC officials and subsidiary companies for entrusting KNPC to lead this critical phase under the Digital Transformation Steering Committee's direct oversight. Al-Mutairi also commended BCG for their professional dedication and expertise in supporting this transformative initiative.



A Clear Framework for Digital Transformation

In his introduction, Manager Information Technology, Bassam Al-Shammari, outlined Kuwait's Oil Sector digital transformation governance framework, spearheaded by the Steering Committee at Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC). This structure encompasses multiple committees, including the Refining Sector Steering Committee, which comprises KNPC, KIPIC, and KAFCO. This

committee will spearhead the pilot digital transformation programme before its broader implementation across other Oil companies.

Al-Shammari explained that the Refining Sector Steering Committee incorporates a Sponsoring Committee composed of seven Managers representing various Departments across the three companies. Additionally, a Planning Team and Project Management Office (PMO) have been formed to work closely with Boston

Consulting Group (BCG) in executing the project.

Preparing a Roadmap

Bassam Al-Shammari pointed out that following a 2023 field study, a comprehensive digital transformation roadmap was developed for the Oil Sector. Boston Consulting Group (BCG) was contracted to implement this five-year plan, commencing 13 January 2026. He noted that the current digital infrastructure exceeds twenty years in age.





• The Meeting Featured a Rich Exchange of Fruitful Ideas and Insightful Visions

Al-Shammari emphasised that successful digital transformation and AI adoption necessitate upgrading the data-based infrastructure over the next decade, since data constitutes the economy's new fuel and a key element in preserving the strength of Kuwait's Oil Sector.

"Integrating digital transformation with innovation drives operational excellence, improves energy efficiency, elevates safety and productivity standards and strengthens the sector's competitiveness", he concluded.

Coordination and Ongoing Follow-up

Manager Projects II and Head of the Digital Transformation Project Management Office, Reyad Al-Tourah, explained that his Department coordinates between entities executing the project within KNPC, sister Oil companies, and other stakeholders. "Specialised working groups and committees have been established to monitor implementation stages," he added.



• Ali Al-Baqshi



• Part of the Audience



- The audience while presenting the programme

The Planning Team, led by Shamlan Al-Roomi from the PMO, stated that the programme includes reassessment and implementation of 24 digital initiatives aimed at enhancing operational and administrative efficiency through digital solutions. Most initiatives focus on the refining sector, while others span the entire Oil Sector, ensuring comprehensive digital advancement across operations.

Clear Implementation Phases

Al-Roomi said that the digital transformation process unfolds in distinct phases. The initial 12-month phase encompasses gap analysis and roadmap development, followed by an 8-month scope definition phase. Subsequently, an 18-month pilot

Enhancing Operational Excellence

Kuwait Petroleum Corporation's (KPC) strategy puts accent on implementing digital transformation to enhance operational excellence, innovation, efficiency, and support energy transition.



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project management phase precedes full-scale implementation of digital initiatives, including maintenance and support over 22 months.

BCG representatives presented their implementation plan, leveraging a global

team with specialised expertise in refining sector digital transformation. The approach provides requisite technologies, platforms, and expertise while adopting a structured methodology to ensure successful roadmap delivery through five programme modules.

Planning Team

The Digital Transformation PMO Planning Team includes Team Leader Projects Coordination Shamlan Al-Roomi, Senior Engineer Monira Buhamad, Engineer Mechanical Design Projects Sulaiman Al-Taneeb and Engineer Project Coordination Abdullah Al-Otaibi.



- Shamlan Al-Roomi



- Monira Buhamad

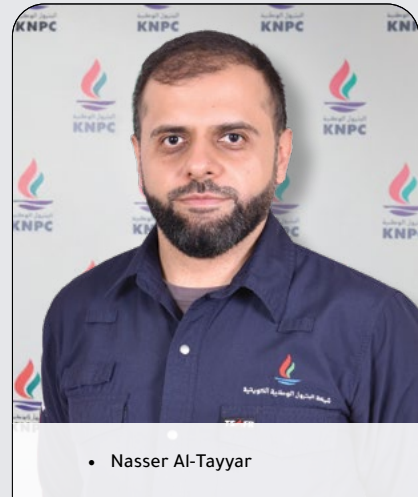


- Sulaiman Al-Taneeb



- Abdullah Al-Otaibi

Installation of Giant Screen with Advanced International Standards



A state-of-the-art large-scale screen has been installed at KNPC Head Office Auditorium, replacing the outdated projector system that suffered from poor ambient light performance and limited display quality.

According to Team Leader Telecommunications, Nasser Al-Tayyar, KNPC and KIPIC have adopted unified, high-level technical specifications for audio-visual display systems across their major facilities while maintaining cost efficiency. “These standards were previously implemented in the Board Room screen,” he added.

“The upgrade initiative is expanding across the Company, with ongoing plans to modernise screens at Mina Al-Ahmedi Refinery (MAA) Auditorium, Mina Abdullah Refinery (MAB) Auditorium, and five primary halls at KIPIC,” Al-Tayyar explained.

He emphasised that this initiative supports a comprehensive plan to standardise technical specifications across both Companies and enhance the readiness of the digital infrastructure in support of digital transformation objectives.

The new screen features the following specifications:

- Large-size LED screen measuring 7 × 4 metres
- 1.5-pixel pitch
- 4K resolution
- High brightness of 800 nits, eliminating the need to dim auditorium lighting during presentations
- Operational lifespan exceeding 100,000 hours
- Clear readability and viewing from all directions and angles across the auditorium
- Picture-in-Picture (PiP) capability

Communications Team

The installation works for the new screens were carried out by Telecommunications Team members:

- Abdulrahman Al-Jimaz - Senior Engineer.
- Jassim Al-Taweel, Engineer.
- Noor Bastaki, Engineer



• Abdulrahman Al-Jimaz



• Jassim Al-Taweel



• Noor Bastaki

Irrigation Based Entirely on Treated Water.. Over 3,500 Trees Planted Across Al-Zour



Along the roads leading to Al-Zour Refinery Admin Building, clear signs of transformation have gradually begun to emerge. An area once surrounded by barren desert, featureless open spaces has evolved into a thriving green environment full of life and vitality. This shift was no accident, instead, it reflects a vision deliberately adopted by Kuwait Integrated Petroleum Industries Company (KIPIC). The Company views afforestation initiative not as mere cosmetic enhancement but as a fundamental component of sustainable development aiming to create a green environment that reflects its broader vision to be the most environmentally friendly “Mega Refinery” in Kuwait.

KIPIC has begun the third phase of its Al-Zour Refinery afforestation project, planting over 3,500 trees along the facility's perimeter fence.

The initiative started with 801 trees of carefully selected species. Neem and acacia varieties line the front perimeter, while willow and sidr trees occupy the rear sections. Species selection and placement were strategically planned to suit Kuwait's challenging

environmental conditions and establish natural windbreaks along the refinery boundaries.

This comprehensive greening effort serves multiple environmental objectives: enhancing plant biodiversity, creating a healthier workspace for employees and visitors, improving air quality, and reducing carbon emissions. Additionally, the trees will stabilise soil and minimise dust and sand dispersion.





• KIPIC General Services Group Family

Utilisation of Treated Water from Unit 76

In support of its sustainability initiatives, KIPIC has successfully implemented treated water from Unit 76 to irrigate extensive landscaping areas within and around Al-Zour Refinery. The Company is currently advancing toward complete reliance on treated water for all irrigation needs, eliminating freshwater usage entirely. Upon completion, Al-Zour Refinery will become Kuwait's only Refinery achieving 100% treated water irrigation.

An Environmental Success Story

The initiative underway at Al-Zour Refinery transcends traditional afforestation. Instead, it's a genuine renewal aligned with the essence of the area. This project has revitalised the surrounding environment, establishing a contemporary model that harmonises industrial operations with natural ecosystems.



Expanding Green Spaces



In support of its plans to create a better surrounding environment, KIPIC has undertaken comprehensive environmental enhancements around Al-Zour Refinery Admin Building, implementing multiple initiatives:

- Establishing aesthetically designed landscaped beds
- Developing green walkways connecting main facilities
- Expanding perennial plant coverage
- Installing advanced irrigation systems for year-round vegetation sustainability
- Creating shaded seating areas for employee respite
- Planting a protective green perimeter to prevent soil erosion and provide natural windbreaks
- Planning shaded pathways for future road users

These expanded green spaces have transformed the industrial landscape, infusing beauty and vitality into the refinery environment. Beyond aesthetic improvements, the initiative demonstrates KIPIC's profound commitment to sustainability and environmental stewardship.

By creating a nature-integrated workplace, the Company enhances employee well-being, reduces the facility's carbon footprint, and establishes a model for environmentally responsible industrial development.



KNPC Building in Al-Mubarakiya.. An Enduring Architectural Heritage

In the heart of Kuwait City, Al-Mubarakiya Building—former Head Office of KNPC—stands as a living testament to the nation's 1960s urban transformation. Over the decades, far from fading into obscurity, the building's significance has intensified following its official designation as a historic heritage building and inclusion in Kuwait's registry of architecturally important structures.

This recognition honours the building's pivotal role in shaping modern Kuwait City's identity and celebrates its unique architectural character, which harmoniously blends contemporary design with regional sensibility. Today, Al-Mubarakiya Building remains an integral component of Kuwait's urban memory, representing a prominent landmark that deserves continued preservation and protection for future generations.



In the mid-1960s, Kuwait was confidently reshaping its commercial centre. In 1964, Dar Al-Handasah won an international competition to design two prominent buildings in the central commercial district: the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Building and Kuwait National Petroleum Company Head Office. Positioned side by side on a single plot, these buildings represented a bold architectural statement reflecting the country's contemporary ambitions and its determination to establish a distinctive modern urban identity at the time.

A Modern Urban Vision

Established in October 1960, KNPC constructed its Head Office in the heart of Kuwait City just few years later. The building embodied a clear vision of modern architecture, reflecting a period of economic prosperity and growing

aspirations for an advanced, progressive working environment.

While embracing modern architectural principles, the design introduced a distinctive local character. The recessed ground floor, clad in glass and translucent stone, created visual lightness and established a direct connection with the surrounding urban fabric.

Most notably, inclined concrete columns were engineered to elevate the building's main mass, producing a striking "floating" effect—an architectural expression unprecedented in Kuwait at the time.

Façades Inspired by Traditional Sadu Patterns

The external shading façades drew inspiration from traditional Sadu motifs, transforming heritage patterns into rhythmic geometric compositions that



• Company's Old Head Office in Al-Mubarakiya

Archival Photos of Meetings Held at Al-Mubarakiya Building



- During Coordination Meetings Held With Kuwait Petroleum Corporation



- Members of Supreme Petroleum Council Visiting Company's Refineries



- Delegation from Romanian Ministry of Petrochemicals Visiting the Company

filtered sunlight and provided exceptional climatic protection.

The three upper floors projected outward, creating shaded spaces reminiscent of the traditional liwan in Gulf architecture—a semi-open transitional zone between interior and exterior localities.

The Head Office established a new paradigm for Kuwaiti institutional office design. The basement housed facilities and services, while the ground floor accommodated reception areas, an exhibition hall, and a small lecture auditorium—an architectural feature particularly distinctive for public institutions during the 1960s.

A Hierarchical Layout of Individual Offices

The first and second floors featured open-plan designs supported by eight

central columns, enabling flexible office layouts and allowing natural light to penetrate deep into the interior. The third floor housed Top Management offices, including a dedicated executive

suite for the Chief Executive Officer with subdivided individual offices reflecting administrative hierarchy. The rooftop mechanical floor ensured operational independence and system efficiency.



A Visual Twinship with the Chamber of Commerce

A large canopy extended over the main entrance, establishing a visual connection between the building and its "twin," the Chamber of Commerce. Although the original master plan envisioned integrating both structures through a shared public plaza, this element remained unrealised.

Structurally, the building employed two rows of inclined columns, a central concrete core, and thick floor slabs. This system provided considerable freedom in internal spatial distribution, façade design independence, and interior planning flexibility. The Sadu-inspired shading elements transcended mere decoration, representing an intelligent environmental response that efficiently mitigated the



harsh desert sun and protected the façades from its intensity.

KNPC Head Office emerged as a defining landmark and urban icon of 1960s Kuwait City. Among the first institutional

buildings to successfully synthesise modernity with local identity, it embodied unprecedented urban, cultural, and architectural ambition while projecting confidence in the nation's future.



- Greening Works at the Company Building in Al-Mubarakiya

Greening the Building

The restoration of KNPC's first Administrative Head Office in historic Al-Mubarakiya is accompanied by extensive landscaping and greening initiatives. These efforts aim to transform the surrounding spaces, creating a new chapter of distinction and environmental enhancement for this significant heritage site.



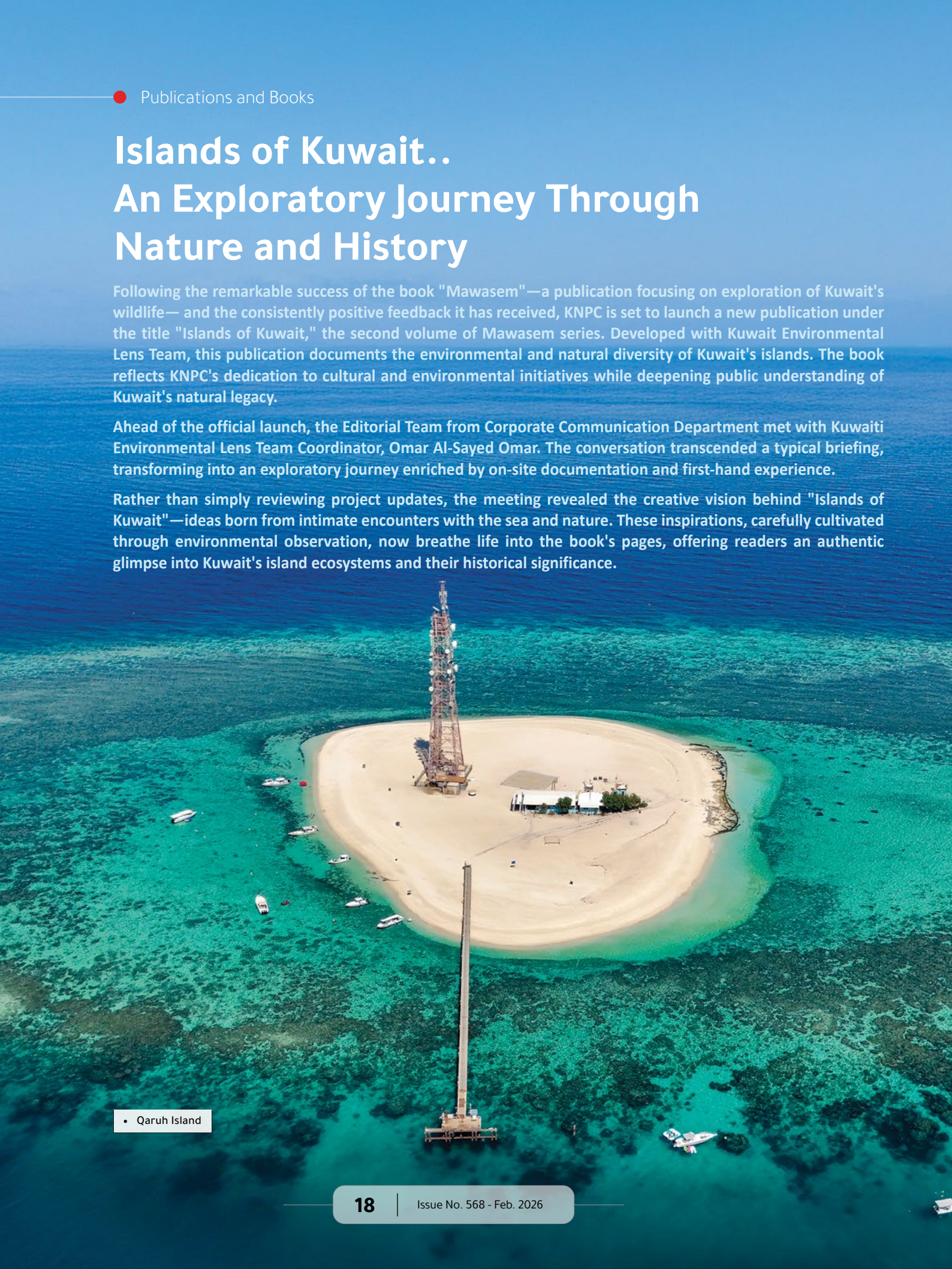
- Olive Tree Adorning the Courtyard of Al-Mubarakiya Building

Islands of Kuwait.. An Exploratory Journey Through Nature and History

Following the remarkable success of the book "Mawasem"—a publication focusing on exploration of Kuwait's wildlife— and the consistently positive feedback it has received, KNPC is set to launch a new publication under the title "Islands of Kuwait," the second volume of Mawasem series. Developed with Kuwait Environmental Lens Team, this publication documents the environmental and natural diversity of Kuwait's islands. The book reflects KNPC's dedication to cultural and environmental initiatives while deepening public understanding of Kuwait's natural legacy.

Ahead of the official launch, the Editorial Team from Corporate Communication Department met with Kuwaiti Environmental Lens Team Coordinator, Omar Al-Sayed Omar. The conversation transcended a typical briefing, transforming into an exploratory journey enriched by on-site documentation and first-hand experience.

Rather than simply reviewing project updates, the meeting revealed the creative vision behind "Islands of Kuwait"—ideas born from intimate encounters with the sea and nature. These inspirations, carefully cultivated through environmental observation, now breathe life into the book's pages, offering readers an authentic glimpse into Kuwait's island ecosystems and their historical significance.



• Qaruh Island

Kuwait's islands stand out for their unique natural features captivating researchers and photographers alike, in both photographic and visual aspects. Northern islands feature clay-rich soils, while southern islands boast pristine waters and vibrant coral reefs—ideal habitats for seabird colonies and diverse fish populations.

Failaka Island bridges north and south as a living historical monument, preserving a profound civilisational heritage. Its valuable national artifacts tell essential stories from Kuwait's collective memory.

A Challenging Journey into the Documentation of Kuwait's Islands

Documenting this journey, however, proved to be far from easy. Underwater photography demanded specialised aquatic drones, precision technology,

and skilled photographers capable of capturing marine biodiversity through their lenses. The task grew more arduous during scorching summer months, coinciding with tern breeding seasons. These migratory birds utilise Kuwait as a crucial stopover before departing for Central Asia in September, following breeding periods from June through August.

The challenges go far beyond the practical demands of fieldwork; they extend to environmental threats linked to human activity. Plastic pollution directly endangers coral reefs—ecosystems requiring centuries to develop—and disrupts bird breeding in natural colonies like Kubbar Island.

Yet amid these challenges emerged a hopeful development: the past decade revealed significant progress in



• Omar Al-Sayed Omar - Kuwaiti Environmental Lens Team Coordinator

environmental consciousness among island visitors. This growing awareness has positively influenced conservation initiatives, contributing meaningfully to biodiversity protection efforts.

Mawasem: A Book Documenting Various Components of Kuwait's Environment



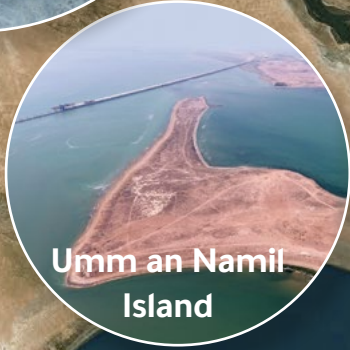
In 2021, KNPC launched the inaugural volume of "Mawasem," a comprehensive documentation of wildlife throughout Kuwait. This publication examines the environment within the broader Arabian Peninsula context, presenting an authentic alternative to common misconceptions of the region as desolate and barren. Instead, it reveals remarkable richness and diversity in both terrestrial and marine ecosystems, alongside varied plant species.

The book's primary objective is documenting Kuwait's environmental components while making them accessible to general audiences. It provides scientifically validated content serving as an essential reference for researchers and nature enthusiasts alike. Readers gain profound insights into Kuwait's terrestrial and marine ecosystems,

discovering the wealth of avian species, flora, and natural resources. The publication delivers realistic portrayals of Kuwait's environment across seasonal transformations, with particular emphasis on diverse migratory bird populations.

"Mawasem" represents a collaborative achievement between KNPC and Kuwait Environmental Lens Team, showcasing exceptional photography that captures wildlife beauty, marine creatures, and botanical diversity throughout seasonal cycles. The title itself—"Mawasem," meaning seasons—reflects the book's core focus on seasonal transitions, including bird migrations, wildlife mating behaviours, and plant growth patterns.

This publication stands as a valuable contribution to scientific knowledge, enriching both Kuwaiti and Arab libraries.



The nine islands of Kuwait embody quiet resilience, each harbouring distinct ecological treasure. Bubiyan Island commands attention through its expansive mudflats and shallow coastal waters, sustaining biodiversity that defies simple capture by a fleeting lens. Kubbar Island represents a particularly compelling narrative—a modest sanctuary hosting four seabird species, including terns that navigate thousands of kilometres annually to reach this protected refuge.

The islands of Kuwait stand as a hidden narrative of untold secrets and enduring challenges, demanding rigorous scientific investigation and comprehensive recording. Environmental stewardship transcends institutional boundaries; it requires collective commitment from all who call Kuwait home—citizens, residents, and governing bodies alike. Only through shared dedication can we

safeguard these irreplaceable ecological and historical assets, ensuring their

preservation and continuity for future generations.



• Umm al Maradim Island

Kuwait Environmental Lens Team... Ambassadors of Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Documentation

Kuwait Environmental Lens Team is a volunteer organisation committed to environmental conservation through biodiversity documentation and public awareness. Comprising volunteers passionate about nature and environmental photography, the team focuses on documenting Kuwait's wildlife—including bird species, migratory birds, and island ecosystems—while educating the public about the nation's rich biodiversity.

The Team has established official partnerships with several Kuwait governmental bodies to implement collaborative projects monitoring wildlife and enhancing community environmental awareness. Team members have also represented Kuwait at prominent local and international platforms, including wildlife photography exhibitions at Expo 2020 Dubai and Expo Doha, showcasing environmental diversity and conservation importance.

One of the Team's most notable scientific contributions is a bird of prey and endangered species tracking project, developed in partnership with Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences (KFAS) and Environment Public Authority.



• Kuwait Environmental Lens Team



• Omar Al-Sayed Omar

● From the site

Firefighters...

A Frontline of Defence on High Alert

As morning shifts begin at Oil facilities, firefighters start their day with focused preparation. Equipment inspections, emergency response plan reviews, and readiness for sudden calls are routine. Within moments, calm can transform into full alert. These daily tasks reflect a mission demanding unwavering vigilance, strength, and commitment. There's no room for complacency in work requiring deep responsibility and constant readiness to protect lives and critical infrastructure.





In this high-risk field, firefighters at KNPC and KIPIC form the safety framework's cornerstone, safeguarding lives and property amid inherently hazardous operations involving flammable and explosive materials. Their role extends beyond fire suppression to encompass prevention, preparedness, and rapid response across diverse incidents and emergencies, making them indispensable guardians in an industry where vigilance is paramount.

Figures That Reflect the Scale of Responsibility

At KNPC, 468 firefighters operate across six main fire stations and two auxiliary stations at various job levels. Additionally, the External Emergency Call Reception Centre (165), based at Shuaiba Fire Station, serves as the primary hub for emergency reports.

At KIPIC, Al-Zour Refinery employs 157 firefighters distributed across three strategically positioned stations covering tank farms, refinery operations, and liquefied gas areas, ensuring swift response and effective intervention in the event of any emergency.

Specialised Teams

Firefighters at both Companies operate within specialised teams trained to elite standards and equipped with cutting-edge technology equipment. They regularly execute emergency response plans, conduct periodic drills, monitor safety standard compliance, and ensure facility and personnel readiness for potential incidents.





From the Ground to the Field

In terms of operational readiness, KNPC maintains 37 multi-purpose firefighting vehicles supported by extensive light equipment. Al-Zour Refinery operates 20

vehicles, including primary firefighting units, foam and water tankers, mobile command centres, hose recovery vehicles, dry powder rescue units,

and support apparatus. All assets undergo rigorous regular inspection and maintenance, ensuring complete operational readiness.

12 Training Programmes

KNPC prioritises comprehensive training, with firefighters completing 12 certified programmes accredited by International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC), alongside specialised local courses designed to enhance operational competence and field readiness.

Similarly, Al-Zour Refinery firefighters undergo rigorous training aligned with National Fire Protection Association requirements. Programmes include regular assessments and specialised courses at KNPC's Training Centre or internationally when necessary. Core modules encompass firefighting fundamentals, rope and rescue techniques, operation of dry powder, foam and water units, fire monitors, and mobile command centres. Field drills occur four times monthly, complemented by monthly and annual performance evaluations, ensuring personnel maintain peak readiness for emergency response.





The Beating Heart of Safety Operations

The Central Control Rooms at both Companies serve as the nerve centre of safety operations, monitoring emergency alarms and coordinating real-time field responses. They function as vital links between firefighting teams and management, meticulously documenting incidents to enable performance analysis and procedural improvements.

Control Rooms oversee technical systems including smoke and heat detectors and surveillance cameras, reflecting unwavering commitment to the highest safety and security standards across all facilities.

Ultimately, firefighters remain the frontline of defence within and beyond oil installations, embodying dedication and responsibility through days filled with training, inspections, and constant readiness. They demonstrate that safety transcends procedures—it represents courage and commitment permitting no compromise.



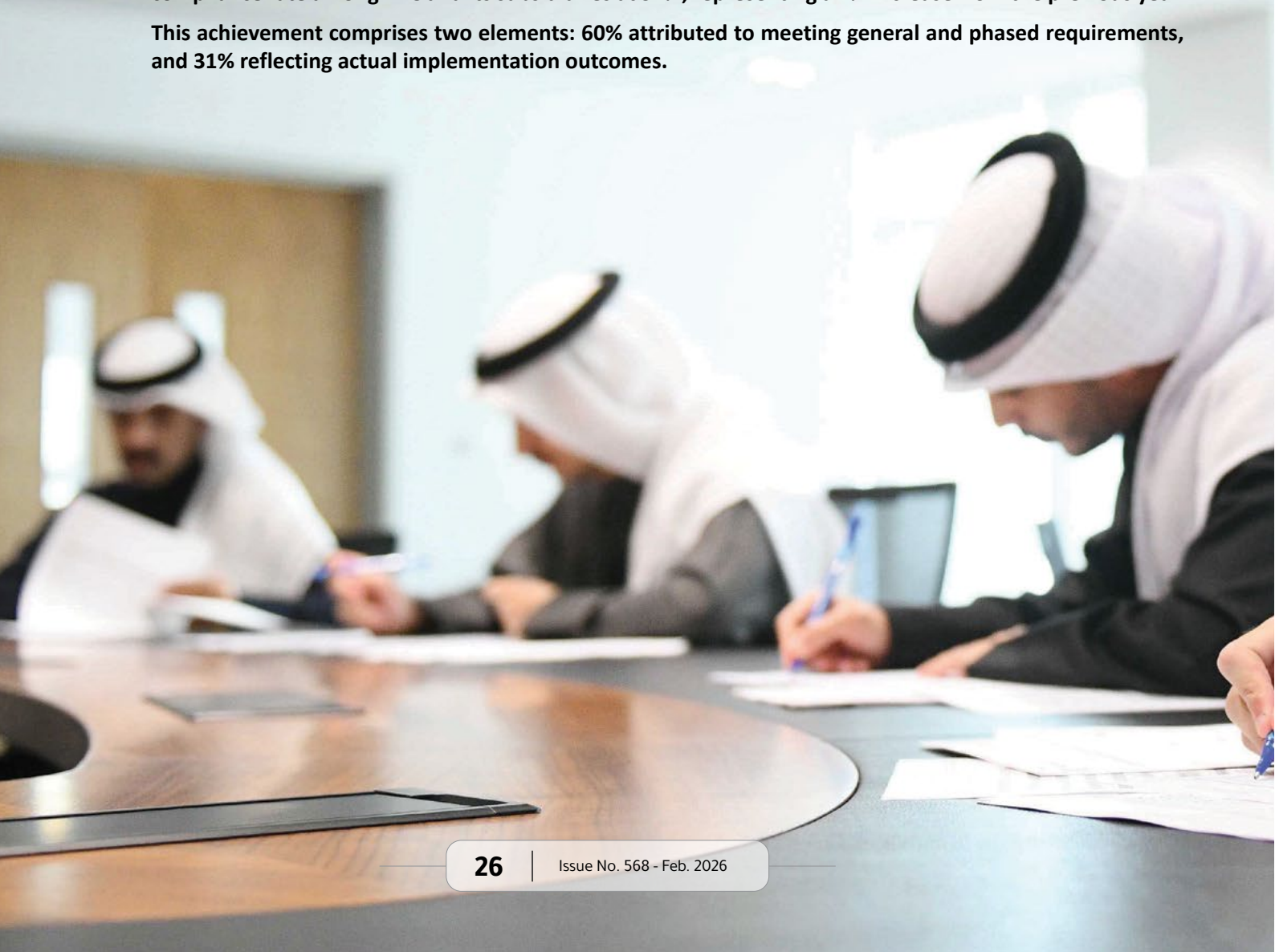
“KNPC” At the Forefront of Local Content Promotion

Kuwait Petroleum Corporation (KPC) implements a comprehensive local content strategy to strengthen domestic economic contributions within the Oil Sector. This initiative encompasses workforce localisation in contracting and supply agreements, prioritising local private sector companies in procurement and contracting opportunities, fostering private sector participation in corporation operations, and promoting the use of KPC outputs for developing downstream industries. Through these measures, KPC and its subsidiaries position themselves as pivotal catalysts for national economic development.

Since 2004, KNPC has pioneered local content promotion through the "Mechanism to Support the National Industries in the Oil Sector." The Company launched the ground-breaking "Partnership" programme targeting local suppliers, contractors, and manufacturers—an initiative subsequently adopted across all KPC subsidiaries.

Since then, KNPC has maintained leadership in this domain, consistently achieving record-breaking performance year after year. In fiscal year 2024/2025, the Company attained the highest local content compliance rate among KPC and its subsidiaries at 91%, representing a 2% increase from the previous year.

This achievement comprises two elements: 60% attributed to meeting general and phased requirements, and 31% reflecting actual implementation outcomes.



Compliance Rate

91%

Phased and General Requirements Items

60%

Achievements Items

31%

Achieved Objectives



Overall Kuwaitization Rate in Contracts Eligible for Kuwaitization

2024 → 2025

21% → 21%

Average Rate in the Oil Sector 2025 =

16%



Total Domestic Spending Rate (excluding local agents) of Total Overall Spending

2024 → 2025

68% → 66%

Average Rate in the Oil Sector 2025 =

66%



Number of Local Private Sector Participations in Existing and Future Oil Sector Operations (One Opportunity) Filling Stations



Financial Value of Feedstock Quantities Sold for Establishment of Subsequent Processing Industries

KD 10,931,475.315



Number of Investment Opportunities Approved Under the Local Content Programme (12 opportunities):

- Sulfur-Based Industries (2 opportunities)
- Converting Catalysts into Metals
- Fuel Delivery
- Maleic Anhydride Product
- Sulfur-Based Industries (4 opportunities - new)
- Carbon Dioxide
- Calcined Coal
- Linear Alkylbenzene Compound

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