

'Labor' finalizes procedures to set up public body for expats

Ministry committed to improve condition of workers



KGL Holding answers Blood Bank's call

KGL Holding in association with the Central Blood Bank of Kuwait organized its 4th Blood Donation Drive on Dec 1, at the KGL Holding Headquarters which was in response to the call made recently in the local media by the Central Blood Bank of Kuwait appealing for more blood donors due to the drop in its blood reserves. This initiative comes in line with the company's commitment to giving back to society within the Corporate Citizenship program to help those who are in need.

The event under the theme "Donate blood today to save a life" was a continuation of the previous successful drives that KGL Holding held during the past years, where the company was recognized by the Ministry of Health for its efforts towards society. Employees from various KGL Holding Business Units participated in the event and donated their blood for a noble cause. The Blood Donation Drive is organized by KGL Holding regularly to encourage humanitarian values among its employees and at the same time, promote a healthy lifestyle.

KUWAIT CITY, Dec 4: The Labor Sector at the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor has finalized the necessary procedures for the establishment of the public authority for expatriate workers which, according to Article Nine of the new labor law in the private sector, should be announced officially in February, reports Al-Mustan Arabic daily quoting Assistant Undersecretary for Labor Affairs Mansour Al-Mansour.

In a recent press statement, Al-Mansour revealed the sector has asked the concerned authorities to give their opinion on the issue to pave the way for its submission to the Cabinet, which will in turn forward it to the Parliament for approval.

Relating allegations that he personally knows one of the nominees for the administration of the authority, Al-Mansour asserted this is under the jurisdiction of the minister of the Cabinet, waiting for the success of anyone who will be appointed to the post.

Commenting on speculations that the opening of the public authority for expatriate workers might be delayed, Al-Mansour dismissed any possibility of postponing the inauguration of the authority, because Article Nine of the new private sector labor law stipulates the need to officially announce the opening of the authority a year after the enactment of the law; otherwise, the cabinet should issue a directive in this regard.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labor remains committed to its promise to improve the condition of private sector workers through the issuance of legislation in their interests, reports Al-Jarida daily quoting Undersecretary Muhammad Al-Kandari.



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