

Kuwaiti PM affirms support for women's issues

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H.H. the Prime Minister Sheikh Nasser Al-Mohammad Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah affirmed Sunday overall support for women's issues, stressing the crucial role females play in development.

H.H. the Premier said that in a press statement after patronizing the three-day Arab women's festival organized by women's affairs committees in the Kuwaiti Cabinet and Arab Inter-Parliamentary Union (AIPU) under the slogan "Arab women in the 21st century: concerns and aspirations." He hoped such festivities would greatly contribute to boosting women's roles and activities in all fields.

On her part, head of Kuwait's women's affairs committee Sheikha Latifa Al-Fahad Al-Sabah said Arab females have an abundance of expertise and achievements that boosted their overall self esteem.

Addressing the forum, Sheikh Latifa said Arab Women Connect is an organization working to boost cooperation, communication and coordination in all fields, urging non-member nations to join the network to boost its role and activities.

While noting that the forum groups many female figures from around the world, she stressed empowering women to be involved in all disciplines, occupations and tasks.

AIPU's Deputy Speaker and Lebanese MP Bahiya Al-Hariri said the last decade was the age of awakening for Arab women who have become active members in economic and political organizations throughout Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) nations.

Next March 8, Gulf women's day celebration will be held in conjunction with International Women's Day in Beirut, she noted.

Gulf women's day is originally celebrated on February 1 in conjunction with Arab Women's Day.