

Mohammed briefed on plans for development of women

Khaleej Times - 13 January, 2007

His Highness Shaikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Vice-President and Prime Minister of the UAE and Ruler of Dubai, yesterday paid a visit to the new headquarters of the Dubai Women's Development Society in Al Hamriya, Dubai.

Shaikh Mohammed was accompanied by Shaikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Chairman of the Dubai Executive Council, Mohammed Abdullah Al Gergawi, Minister of State for Cabinet Affairs, and other officials.

A warm welcome was accorded by members of the society to Shaikh Mohammed upon arrival.

At a meeting with Shaikha Amina Humaid Al Tayer, President of the society, and Fatima Al Falasi, Director-General, and other members, Shaikh Mohammed was briefed on the current and future plans and programmes of the society as well as its vision of women's development and the promotion of their active political, family, social and economical roles in the overall development process in the country.

Shaikh Mohammed stressed that national families receive his personal attention and financial and moral support.

Later, Shaikh Mohammed toured various sections of the building and acquainted himself with the services offered by the society including teaching seniors, family consultation, computer teaching programmes and Holy Quran memorisation.

He was also briefed on the daily activities of UAE national female volunteers.

Shaikh Mohammed also visited the Shaikha Latifa bint Mohammed bin Rashid Award's hall where he viewed children's artistic creations.

At the conclusion of the visit, Shaikh Mohammed was briefed on "Half Moon", an ambitious project aimed at establishing family values based on Arab and Islamic traditions.

Considered by officials as the first of its kind in any Arab country, "Half Moon" focuses its efforts on raising awareness of potential husbands and wives on different marriage and family issues through the media, university communities and ad campaigns.