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Nuwaiseeb Power Plant set to get dual-fuel supply lines

Kuwait's Ministry of Electricity, Water and Renewable Energy intends to construct fuel lines feeding the Nuwaiseeb Power Plant for generating electricity and distilling water using two types of fuel gas and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG). The fuel lines project is part of preparations for the Nuwaiseeb Power Plant, which is aimed at securing the electricity grid. This is one of the important future projects that will supply the grid with around 7,200 megawatts and 180 million imperial gallons of water in two phases - the first has a capacity of 3,600 megawatts. The project to construct fuel pipelines is expected to be tendered in the current fiscal year in accordance with established procedures and regulations as a limited and non-divisible public tender.

Kuwaiti oil company borrows $1bn as it pursues Africa projects

Kuwait's Independent Petroleum Group (IPG) is borrowing KD326.6m ($1bn) to fund its operations as it pursues new projects in Africa. IPG signed credit facility renewal agreements with four commercial and Islamic banks with the aim of financing the company's ongoing oil activities. IPG was formed in 1976 and listed on the Kuwait Stock Exchange on 10 December 1995. The company markets petroleum products and crude oil and develops petroleum logistics facilities to facilitate its business objectives. In April 2025, IPG was awarded oil construction contracts in Sudan and Mozambique with a combined value of around $50m. The project in Port Sudan on the Red Sea involves the construction of oil storage tanks with a value of nearly $30m. The second contract includes building liquefied petroleum gas tanks in Matola near the capital city of Maputo.

Kuwait's oil sector taps AI for smarter and safer production

KOC is currently developing its oil fields using the latest technology, in cooperation with international companies, including artificial intelligence methods and techniques, which are among the most important technologies globally for increasing oil production. KOC is also focusing on training its staff in exploration and drilling operations with digital transformation technologies and reliance on artificial intelligence. The primary goal of this technology is to reduce errors, which inevitably leads to lower operating costs and prevents accidents, as well as increasing and

sustaining production and saving time and effort. KOC entered the world of artificial intelligence in 2020, when it first began experimenting with this technology, and their artificial intelligence program was among the mechanisms that KOC relied on in the offshore explorations announced in 2024.

Kuwait introduces fines up to KD 500,000 in push against money laundering

Kuwait has issued Decree No. 10/2025 introducing amendments to Law No. 106/2013 concerning the combat of money laundering and the financing of terrorism. The new decree updates specific provisions to reinforce the implementation of United Nations Security Council (UNSC) resolutions under Chapter VII of the UN Charter, particularly those related to combating terrorism, its financing, and the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction. Under the revised article, the Council of Ministers shall issue the necessary decisions to implement relevant UNSC resolutions. These decisions may include listing or delisting individuals or entities, freezing funds and other assets, and prohibiting transactions with natural or legal persons, with the decisions will be effective from the date of issuance and not affecting the rights of those acting in good faith.

Incheon, TAV advance in race to run Kuwait's Terminal Four

The Central Agency for Public Tenders (CAPT) has announced that South Korean company Incheon International Airport Corporation and Turkish company TAV passed the technical evaluation for the operation and management of Terminal Four (T4) at Kuwait International Airport. This evaluation was part of a comprehensive assessment conducted by the Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) in a bid to enhance the operation, management and overall service quality at Terminal Four. The scope of work includes training, maintenance and development initiatives. CAPT reviewed the file in its latest meeting and reconsidered the request of the DGCA to examine the results of the technical evaluation submitted by the bidding companies.

Key economic metrics improve in Q2 but regional conflict triggers uncertainty

Recent data point to a pick-up in key activity metrics after a slowdown in Q1 2025. The ramp-up in Israel-Iran hostilities has sharply increased regional uncertainty, while also pushing oil prices back above the forecast for 2025 of $70/bbl. Estimates still sees Kuwait's non-oil GDP growth at 2.5% in 2025, though a lengthy regional conflict that adversely affects economic activity and confidence could weigh on the outlook. Together with higher oil production as OPEC+ accelerates market resupply, the rise in oil prices has lowered the probability of a fiscal deficit larger than the forecast of 8% of GDP this year, but it is not expected to make the Kuwait government deflect from its ongoing fiscal consolidation program. One upside risk to

growth is the potential approval of the housing finance ('mortgage') law, which could begin to unlock higher household borrowing and consumer spending.

Kuwait downstream company seeks higher budget for depot

State-owned downstream operator Kuwait National Petroleum Company (KNPC) has requested approval for a larger budget for its planned project to develop a new fuel depot in Kuwait's Al-Mutlaa area. Lebanon's Consolidated Contractors Company (CCC) submitted a low bid of KD357.3m ($1.16bn) for the project ahead of a deadline of 22 December 2024, but the project has yet to be approved by KNPC's parent organization, Kuwait Petroleum Corporation. Five companies submitted bids for the project, with only KD1.1m ($3.6m) between the two lowest prices. The bidders were CCC (Lebanon) – KD357.3m, Sinopec Luoyang (China) – KD358.4m, Heisco (Kuwait) – KD384.5m, Larsen & Toubro (India) – KD413.7m, Open Tower General Trading & Contracting Company (Kuwait) – KD505.5m.

Kuwait Energy tenders Iraq pipeline project

Kuwait-based independent oil and gas company Kuwait Energy has tendered an oil export pipeline project in Iraq. The pipeline will have a diameter of 20 inches and the tendered contract will use the engineering, procurement, construction and commissioning contract model. The deadline for submitting bids is 25 June 2025. Kuwait Energy was established in 2005 and is an independent Middle East and North Africa-focused oil and gas exploration and production company with a registered office in Jersey. Its head office is in Bahrain and it has additional offices in Kuwait, Cairo, Basra and Sana'a. Those offices oversee the company's main operations in Egypt, Iraq, Yemen and Oman. Kuwait Energy entered Iraq through two licensing rounds in 2010 and 2012. Its assets in the country include stakes in oil and gas fields in Siba, Block 9 and Mansuria.

With Regards,

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