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Visit of His Excellency Prime Minister Dr. Jafar Hassan to the Heritage Tourism City Project Site in Jerash

As part of his follow up on the progress of the eco-friendly heritage tourism city project in Jerash, His Excellency Prime Minister Dr. Jafar Hassan visited the site. He got briefed on the detailed plans for the project, which the Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature is following and developing. Mr. Fadi Al-Nasser, Director General of the Society, welcomed and accompanied him on a site tour. During the visit, Engineer Osama Hassan, Head of the Tourism Facilities Development Department at the Society, explained the project's phases and implementation process. His Excellency the Prime Minister also received insights into various aspects of the project and the future steps for its development.

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Visit of the Head of the Royal Hashemite Court to the Yarmouk Forest Reserve

The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature had the honor of receiving a visit from His Excellency Mr. Yousef Al-Issawi, Head of the Royal Hashemite Court and Chairman of the Royal Initiatives Follow-up Committee, to the Yarmouk Forest Reserve. This visit was part of his field tour to inspect the royal initiatives implemented in Irbid Governorate. Mr. Al-Issawi toured several royal initiative projects currently underway in the governorate, including the eco-lodge project in the Yarmouk Forest Reserve. He was welcomed by Mr. Fadi Al-Nasser, Director General of the Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature, accompanied by a delegation from the Society's executive management, along with Mr. Radwan Al-Atoom, Governor of Irbid, Mr. Khaldoun Bani Hani, Chairman of Irbid Governorate Council, and Mr. Yousef Mahamdeh, Mayor of Khalid Ibn Al-Walid Municipality.

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Tree Planting Campaign in Dibbeen Forest Reserve in Collaboration with Gulf Insurance Group (GIG) - Jordan

To promote social responsibility, the Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature, in collaboration with Gulf Insurance Group (GIG) - Jordan, organized a tree-planting campaign in Dibbeen Forest Reserve, with active participation from the company's employees. This campaign is part of the group's commitment to support the environment and increasing the vegetation cover in Jordan, aiming to contribute to national efforts in combating the impacts of climate change on biodiversity and environmental sustainability.

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Organizing a Cleaning Event in Dibbeen Forest Reserve in Cooperation with Novo Nordisk Company

In collaboration with Novo Nordisk, the Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature organized a tree-planting campaign in Dibbeen Forest Reserve, with active participation from the company's employees. This campaign is part of the company's commitment to social responsibility and enhancing vegetation cover in Jordan.

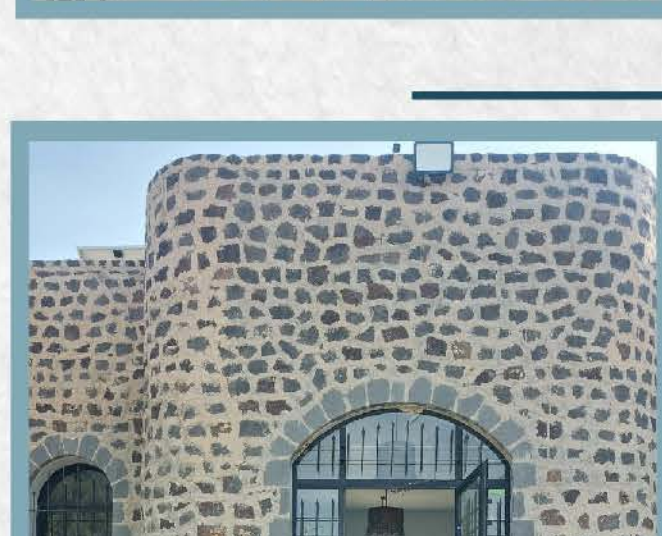
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The Governor of Ajloun visits Ajloun Forest Reserve and Commends Development and Environmental Protection Projects

During a field visit to the Ajloun Forest Reserve, His Excellency the Governor of Ajloun, Mr. Naif Al-Hadayat, reviewed the reserve's main facilities and development projects. The visit highlighted the Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature efforts to promote economic and social development, focusing on supporting ecotourism and protecting natural resources.

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The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature Organized a "Communication Skills and Ecotourism" Training Program in Collaboration with the Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority

As part of its ongoing efforts to enhance the skills of tourism workers, the Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature, in collaboration with the Aqaba Special Economic Zone Authority, implemented a training program titled "Communication Skills and Ecotourism" for employees working in the Wadi Rum Protected Area. The program occurred at the Azraq Wetland Reserve from November 10 to 13, 2024. The program aimed to build the capacity of tourism staff at the Wadi Rum Protected Area, particularly in visitor reception and management. Its combination of theoretical concepts and practical exercises enhanced the participants' competence and refined their skills in dealing with visitors. Additionally, the program empowered them to manage and operate front office departments, such as reception and reservations.

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The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature Organized a "Train the Trainer" Program in Collaboration with the Hanns Seidel Foundation of Germany.

The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature, in collaboration with the Hanns Seidel Foundation, organized a training program titled "Train-the-Trainers for Partners in Jordan and the Region." The program was held at the Azraq Wetland Reserve from November 2 to 7, 2024. The program aimed to prepare qualified trainers with high-level environmental conservation and biodiversity skills while providing participants with essential knowledge of training science concepts. It also sought to develop trainers' skills to meet professional training standards in this vital field.

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The Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature Met with the Chairman of the Irbid Governorate Council

As part of strengthening cooperation, the Royal Society for the Conservation of Nature's met with the Chairman of the Irbid Governorate Council to discuss ways to support nature conservation programs in the Kingdom, particularly in the Yarmouk Forest Reserve.

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Documenting Wildlife in the Burqah Nature Reserve: A Field Survey Reveals Endangered Species and Unique Environmental Adaptations

Wildlife Species Recorded in the Burqah Nature Reserve: Unique Findings from the Field Survey. The field survey has documented a range of unique wildlife species, including several threatened with extinction and those displaying remarkable environmental adaptations. Among the highlights are: **Spiny-tailed Lizard (*Uromastyx aegyptia*):** Classified as endangered by the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), the population of this species has declined by 50% over the past 15 years, and this decline could approach 30% within the next three generations. **Lewis's Spiny Mouse (*Acomys russatus lewisii*):** Known for its remarkable adaptation to desert environments, particularly in areas with black basaltic (volcanic) rock, which helps it conceal itself from predators such as foxes and raptors. **Red Fox (*Vulpes vulpes*):** One of the most widespread predators, the red fox thrives due to abundant food sources and its ability to adapt to human presence. **Arabian Wolf (*Canis lupus*):** The Arabian wolf is a locally endangered predator that attracts significant attention. It is worth noting that the original global range of this animal has decreased by about a third, due to deliberate hunting in response to its repeated attacks on livestock and predation.

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