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**ARRAY OF EXCITING EVENTS IN DUBAI
TO CELEBRATE NATIONAL DAY OF KUWAIT**

- *Concerts, fireworks show, culinary and cultural activities among the highlights*
- *Etisalat Beach Canteen, the hub of Dubai Food Festival, will be central location of Kuwaiti National Day celebrations*

Dubai, UAE 21 February, 2018: An array of exciting events and activities will be held in Dubai to celebrate the National Day of the State of Kuwait, which falls on 25 February. The line-up of events for this special occasion reflects the strong and fraternal relations between the UAE and Kuwait and the peoples of both countries.



The celebrations on 24 and 25 February marking Kuwait's National Day will provide families with exciting entertainment options including concerts featuring Miami Band from Kuwait and singer Bader AlShaibi. There will also be the opportunity to enjoy performances from traditional bands, a unique culinary experience dished out by top Kuwaiti chef, Chef Jameela Al Lenqawi, and a fireworks show at the beach.

The importance attached to the Kuwaiti National Day celebrations on 24 and 25 February is evident by the fact that major events like the concert by Bader AlShaibi, culinary sessions by

Chef Jameela and the fireworks show will be held at the Etisalat Beach Canteen, the hub of the annual Dubai Food Festival (DFF).

Ahmed Al Khaja, Chief Executive Officer, DFRE, said: "The range of activities and events that will be held in Dubai to celebrate Kuwait's National Day speaks volumes of the strong relations that exist between the UAE and Kuwait and will further highlight the values and cultural background that we share. We are also delighted that the celebrations marking Kuwait's National Day are taking place during our Dubai Food Festival and at Etisalat Beach Canteen, the festival's central location that is truly tailor-made for families with its own calendar of foodie events and activities."



Dubai International Airport will also mark the occasion by staging a water salute to aircraft arriving from Kuwait while flowers, Arabic sweets and coffee will be offered to Kuwaiti visitors arriving in Dubai, in keeping with the spirit of Arab hospitality and culture. Major tourism attractions, leading malls and theme parks in Dubai will also participate in the National Day celebrations of Kuwait through various family-oriented activities.

The line-up of activities to celebrate the National Day of Kuwait in Dubai

Concerts

23 February, main cultural stage, Global Village

The renowned Miami Band from Kuwait will perform at Global Village, the popular family destination. At the 'Miami Band Live in Concert' the group of highly talented musicians will belt out some of the hits that took them to stardom.

24 February, Etisalat Beach Canteen, Jumeirah Beach behind Sunset Mall

Fans of Arabic music are in for a fantastic treat as the Kuwaiti National Day celebrations in Dubai will feature a free-to-attend concert by regional talent, Bader AlShaibi. The event will be presented by famous Kuwaiti actor Mahmood Bu Sheri.

Celebrate with the Chef

24 February, Etisalat Beach Canteen

Foodies can catch top Kuwaiti Chef Jameela Al Lenqawi in action at cooking sessions and get a wonderful insight into her style of cooking, recipes and techniques that will help them prepare delicious meals for the entire family. Chef Jameela is known for her traditional and modern cooking styles and also regularly offers tips for cooking based on easy and quick recipes.

Fireworks show

25 February, Etisalat Beach Canteen

Visitors to Etisalat Beach Canteen will get the chance to watch a spectacular fireworks show at the beach at 8.30pm, which will bring the curtains down on the Kuwait National Day celebrations in Dubai.

22 February – 10 March

Dubai International Airport

22- 25 February, Terminal 1, 2 & 3

Dubai International Airport will accord a water salute to aircraft arriving from Kuwait while flowers, Arabic sweets and coffee will be offered to Kuwaiti visitors arriving in Dubai. Kuwaiti national songs will also be played in the arrivals section of the airport.

Etisalat Beach Canteen

22 February – 10 March, Jumeirah beach, behind Sunset Mall

Visitors participating in Kuwait's National Day celebrations can also enjoy several other activities that will be held at the Etisalat Beach Canteen, the main destination of Dubai Food Festival 2018. Food-related activities at the Beach Canteen during the two days of Kuwait National Day celebrations include cooking demonstrations and workshops, cookie painting, balloon modelling, chocolate workshop, games and fun activities for children.

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