

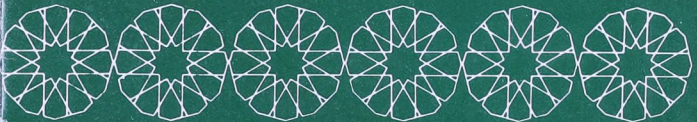
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STRUCTURE & FUNCTIONS :

The man and Environment Affairs sector aims at consolidating collective effort by the member states in the pertinent areas dealing with man and the environment. such areas include : Education, Health, Human Ressources, Culture and Social Affairs areas.

Functions :

The functions of this sector are :

- To prepare the draft for the joint effort strategy between the council's member states, where by sectorial strategies in areas of education, health, human resources, culture and social affairs are fully integrated.
- To conduct studies as requested by the councils main organizations and by the specialized ministerial committees regarding man and environment affairs.
- To make relevant plans and programmes in the said areas, and to appraise their performance in comparison with laid down objectives.
- To cooperate with International, Arab and regional organizations engaged in the areas of the development of man and environment.

THE STRUCTURE :

1. EDUCATION DEPARTMENT :

The Education Department is one of the leading departments in this sector. Its dual functions general and high education are launched from within the councils mandatory objectives and aimed at attaining the ultimate unity of the Gulf area to the conceivable extent of total integration of its peoples, by erasing, in

the process all the superficial differences, obstacles and hinderences.

Hence the functions of the education department have been set as follows :

a. To consolidate and deepen the ties, connections and existing modes of cooperation between staff members of the education and instruction families in the council's member states.

b. To undertake the formulation of uniform systems in the area in order to reach the intended level of unity in educational policies, materialize the formation of the integrated Gulf personality by erasing differences between the Gulf citizens and adopting a uniform system for students enrollment in all levels of education in the various standards and numerous specializations, and ultimately standardizing the educational ladder in all the Gulf area.

c. To cooperate with Arab, regional and international organizations concerned with education and instruction.

d. To prepare educational seminars and meetings, and to participate in conferences and meetings dealing with the aspects of general and higher education.

e. To make analytical studies of the situation of the national teaching personnel; to establish sound basis for their selection and tuition, and to encourage young students to enroll in the teaching profession by eliminating their apparent current refrain from this profession.

2. HEALTH DEPARTMENT :

The health department undertakes such programmes as shall interpret the objectives of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf into physical achievements in the health field; by coordinating the efforts of the health institutions in the member states and by arranging meetings between their responsible health officers for agreeing on collective policies and programmes.

The health department consists of the following sections :

1. Treatment Section
2. Protective medicing section.
3. Medicines.

The functins of the Health Department include :

— Participation in making necessary studies and research plans for the health strategy draft, in liaison with other departments and relevant ministerial committees and their sub-committees; to appraise the performance of health development plans and programmes in liaison and collaboration with the concerned state institutions; to identify implementation area-problems and to recommend on means of overcoming such problems.

— To compile and classify the necessary data, information and statistics for the preparation of the health strategy.

— To convene scientific seminars and meetings and to contribute to conferences and meetings dealing with health affairs.

3. HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT :

The human resources department coordinates the activities of institutions and organizations in the member states which are concerned with human resources : (Ministries of Labour and Social Affairs, Civil Service Bureaus and training institutions). The human resources department carries out it's function through the following sections :

1. The civil service section-which deals with preparing draft plans and programmes aimed at realizing the objectives of the human resources strategy in the civil service field.
2. Man power planning section.
3. Labour and Labourers Section.
4. Employment & Training strategy section.

The functions of the above sections include :

— **Compiling, classifying and analysing the necessary statistics, data, and informations for the preparation of the sectorial strategy for employment and man-power development.**

— **Participating in the preparation of the plan for conducting the studies and researches necessary for the compilation of the draft of the sectorial strategy for human resources.**

The endeavours of the human resources department emanate from the objectives of the Cooperation Council to develop human resources in the member states as provided for in the council's charter and economic agreement.

4. SOCIAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT :

The social affairs department, as one of this sectors main administrations, performs its functions through the following three sections.

1. The Social Affairs Section compiles and processes studies, researches, statistics and effective programmes for providing essential services to the hadicapped, the aged, the juvenile and the orphans.
2. The Social Security Section oversees extention of necessary aid to the poor and non-earning families.
3. The Social Welfare Section deals with social activities including social clubs and societies.. etc.

4. In addition, the Social Affair's Department recommended the formation of a social development section. The objective's of this section shall aim at the overall development of the society and its resources, in addition to giving special attention to rural and urban social centers, and to the quality of service they render. The administration of this section shall contain in its prelaid objectives, the preparation of studies, researches, plans and programmes that will be of relevant and functional concern to the social administrations and institutions in the member states of the Cooperation Council. It shall also deal in presenting recommendations, initiating working plans, and participating in convening confernces for responsible officers in the member states, where-in resolutions and recommendations, dealing with the area's social development, may be made to the ultimate benefit of its citizens.

5. CULTURE DEPARTMENT :

This Department handles :

a. Drafting the culture strategy plans with in the framework of the social strategy of the member states.

b. Calling up on the concerned responsible officers in the member states to agree on the priorities of the departments undertakings and to form the appropriate committees to handle such undertakings.

c. Participating in culture oriented conferences, and convening cultural meetings and seminars.

d. Cooperating with international Arab and regional organizations on cultural affairs.

e. Interpreting the culture strategy into proposed plans project and programmes, and ultimately appraising the performance in relation to the initial strategic objectives.

The culture department operates through the following sections :

1. Museums and Archeology Section.
2. Arts Section.
3. Fine Arts Section.

Hereunder are some of the functions of the above sections :

— To follow-up the resolutions of specialized ministerial committees and their sub committees on matters dealing with museums, archeology, literature and fine arts and to evaluate the performance of the laid down plans and programmes as compared with the strategic objectives, in collaboration with state institutions specializing in

this field, and by identifying implementation problems, initiating adequate correction courses and reporting on such negative and positive aspects.

— To conduct, in liaison with other sections, the necessary studies on the sectorial strategy for archeology, museums, arts and fine arts with in the frame work of the culture strategy.

— Compile classify and analyse the necessary statistics, data and information for the preparation of the draft for the sectorial strategy for archeology, museums, arts and fine arts with in the context of the culture strategy.

6. INVIRONMENT PROTECTION DEPARTMENT :

The InvIRONMENT Protection department compiles classifys and analyses the necessary statistics, data and information for the preparation of the strategy for joint work between the member states in the cooperation council, in the area of invIRONMENT protection and development. It also suggests adequate plans, projects and programmes for the realization of the invIRONMENT protection strategy, in liaison and collaboration with concerned organizations in the member states. It also follow up the performance of such endeavours, compares results with laid down objectives, indentifies implementation problem areas and makes recommendations, as adequate, for over coming such problems in addition to reporting on all such activities.

7. YOUTH & SPORTS DEPARTMENT :

The youth & sports department works towards realizing collaboration and liaison between the

activity programmes dealing with youth and sports in the council's member states. It also draws a unified policy for developing and raising the standards of such activities, through joint cooperation between youth organizations in the member states.

The youth and sports department contains the following sections :

1. The society section.
2. The cultural section.
3. The sports section.

The above sections follow-up the work of the committees which branch out of the ministerial committee for youth and sports, and coordinate the inter-committee activities in the social, cultural and sports fields.

4. The national activities section includes scouting activities sports associations and olympic committees.

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