

elite memorizers who are the same people claiming the same prizes every year. Another case is donations to the Ministry of Health of wealthy countries only for the sake of showing off the name of the donor. On top of that, after a while, they remove his name and put another! That's a true story, where the charity money of our late father was offered to equip a ward in a hospital. We were surprised to find that other good people had already donated for this same cause, but as they had passed away, they planned to remove their name and replace it with the new donor. How can we donate and remove the name of a good man just to replace it with another? Frankly, I didn't feel that doing such thing would be fair to the former donor.

Besides, let me ask the Minister of Health, is it possible that Kuwait, with all its money and donations sent abroad, is unable to equip the wards of its own hospitals?! Therefore, I believe that the charitable vision that Kuwait really needs is one of caring for the young, promoting creativity and reading, fostering national unity, renouncing sectarianism, caring for the family, and educating the community to carry out its duty towards its country. The redirection of some of our donations to our own country and towards its flourishing is more rewarding than donating to the buildings of rich countries that have more money than they know what to do with. This does not mean looking down on our traditional charity work, but we need re-engineering to provide sustainable benefits to the community.