The introductory letter of Tammuz organization for social development

- The name: Tammuz organization for Social development
- The Identity: Humanitarian, Social, Non-governmental, developmental, Non-profitable organization, working for the publics with no ethnic, religious, or ideological considerations.
- The slogan of the organization: along with people to advocate their needs and defending their rights through a persistent and continuous activity.
- The foundation date: May 1997 in Erbil city.
- The Headquarter: Baghdad, Alwihsa quarter; as well as sub-branches in Erbil, Basra, Nasiriya and Babil.
- E-mail: tammuzftsd@yahoo.com,
- Website : www.tammuz.net
- The official registration: the organization is registered officially in the ministry of planning and the Civil society under the number 1Z2642
- The administrative Committee: (7) members.
- The number of the employees: there are (10) employees working in the organization, plus (30) ones who are working in the usual projects of the organization.

The goals of the organization:

1- Identifying the human rights and democracy for the people and the civil society establishments.
2- Disseminating the knowledge and awareness, propagating for election, and participating in monitoring the election.
3- Assisting the deported, displaced families and the families who have members missed in the war.
4- Contributing in assisting the orphans, vagabond, and the needy who are in urgent need for help.
   The organization holds projects of maternity and childhood care.
5- Presenting the services and the medical assistance as well as opening the medical centers for the families.
6- Holding projects to educate the adults the concepts of Reading, Writing.
7- Contributing in disseminating the educational, healthy, and legal awareness in the society. The organization is educating the individuals the concepts of health, education, as they are considered the basics where a good civil society respects the human rights and democracy rests on.
8- Exerting to activate the woman role in society by means of disseminate the equality, justice in all the rooms of life.
9- Embracing the skills and hobbies of the youth generation to develop and set them for future.
10- Contributing in naturalizing the society to retrieve and construct what has been destroyed through out the war and the conflicts.

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11- Working to alleviate the social-economical agony of the families by means of disseminating the social synergy.

12- Encouraging the environment care and knowledge as they are considered the vital sources of wealth.

13- Coordinating and collaborating with all the associations and organizations that have the same goals of our organization on the national and the international level.

The major relationships: The organization has direct relations with:

- The German (Friedriche Ebert) association.
- The Canadian (Alternatives) organization.
- The Sweden (Olof Palme) International Institute.
- The Sweden (ABF) organization.
- The Iraqi farmers’ federation in Sweden.
- The Iraqi cultural house in Sweden.
- The British (British Council) organization.
- United Nations (UNAMI, UNOPS, and UNIFEM).
- The Norwegian (NRC) organization.

Tammuz organization is a member in:

- The Iraqi Democratic Future Network.
- The Arabic network of non-governmental organizations.
- The IKNN non-governmental organization.
- The Arabic network (ANHOR) for human rights and citizenship education.
- The Iraqi (for Integrity) alliance.
- The Iraqi Women network.
- The Alhayat Iraqi Network.

The major courses and conferences that the organization participated in:

The organization participated in many courses, conferences, seminars held inside Iraq and abroad that included the following activities:

Building the capacities of non-governmental organizations, monitoring the elections, the constitution and democratic society issues, democracy and the principles of human rights, civil society, courses to qualifying the women leadership, and media courses. The organization participated as well in intensive courses to receive the concepts of gendering, forming pressure groups, the ways of monitoring the human rights violations, and the ways of diminishing the violence against women.

The major activities in the field of education, capacity building and rehabilitation:

In the field of Education:
• The scholar support project (HOLD MY HAND) which focused on the assistance of the orphans, and the kids of missed and war victims since 1998.
• Supplying Salahuddin, Suleimanya, Baghdad, Mustansiriya universities with the scientific books.
• Executing the project of qualifying the women leadership in cooperation with UNIFEM.
• Providing the medical appliances for some of Baghdad, Erbil, Suleimanya and Basra hospitals.
• Holding rehabilitation and cultural centers for youth from both centers in Alwiha, Huria, Sadre quarters as well as in Babil, Nasirya provinces. These centers are specialized in teaching computer science and general culture.
• Implementing the project of the peaceful synergy and symbiosis among the strata of the society.
• Implementing educative campaigns in the Iraqi governorates. The campaigns included distributing banners and posters about the goals of the campaign.
• Executing the project to succor the displaced families. The project presented financial support to 120 displaced families in Basra.
• Participating in the world campaign of education within (the Iraqi alliance to support the world education campaign).
• Holding public carnivals in Baghdad, Thi-Qar and Babil to back the world campaign of education.
• Handing out 1000 posters to support the world education campaign in Baghdad, Babil and Thi-Qar.
• Holding two dialog workshops in Erbil to discuss the education status in the Kurdish region.
• Reviving the activity of (Big Lesson) in the classes of two schools in Babil governorate to clarify the concepts of the World Campaign to Support Education.
• Holding literacy courses and computers-learning in Babil province.
• Incepting two centers for literacy in Baghdad in the cooperation with Baghdad provincial council.
• Holding a series of workshops regarding the the education in some of the Iraqi provinces.

In the field of Health:
• Inaugurating public dispensaries in Baghdad, Erbil, as well as a (Psychotherapy center) in the capitol; Baghdad.
• Providing some medications for the hospitals of Erbil, Baghdad, and some psychological therapy centers in Baghdad.
• Publishing health scaffolding banners and flyers in Babil governorate.

In the filed of development and rehabilitation:
• Inaugurating OLOF PALME center in Baghdad of rehabilitation and capacities building to qualify the civil society cadres.
• Organizing the project of the media center for youth. The purpose of this project to train teenagers on the principles on media principles.
In the field of monitoring the regional elections:

- Survey and questionnaire of the various issues of society.
- The organization equipped 5600 observers to monitoring the Iraqi constitution election in all Iraq.
- Holding more than 500 seminars and workshops concerning the constitutional education and holding various seminars to enhance the women role in the election. The organization also held seminars to discuss the constitution draft.
- Publishing some 50000 educative hand-outs about the constitution.
- Holding 12 dialog workshops to discuss the proposed constitutional amendments in six provinces at the south and middle of Iraq. The participation shortly after these dialog workshops in organizing the conference of the constitutional amendments which took place in Baghdad.
- Handing out financial assistance for the modest families.
- Holding 800 workshops in cooperation with Iraq Democratic Future network (IDFN) to train the election observers.
- Holding 20 workshops to train the media observers.
- Monitoring the process of counting and registration during the elections of the governorates councils.
- Holding workshops in Baghdad, Erbil, Thi-Qar Babil governorates to discuss the draft of Non-governmental organizations.
- Holding 800 workshops in cooperation with IDFN to train 20000 observers preparing for the election all over Iraq.
- Monitoring the process of updating the voters register in the governorates councils’ election of 2009.
- Holding 120 workshops to train observers for the updating period of the voters’ record and the Kurdish parliamentary election 2009.
- Observing the process of updating the voters’ record preparing for the parliamentary election of 2010.
- Finishing the observation preparations for the parliamentary election 2010.

In the social field:

- Holding a series of workshops regarding the ways of poverty in some of the Iraqi provinces.
- Holding a series of workshops regarding the food coupons for families in some of Iraqi provinces.

Note: there is an appendix contains the major activities and accomplishments of the organization in the field of electoral education, constitution importance, referendum, the Iraqi High election commission role in the election.
The future strategies of the organization:
The organization has a future plan aims at building the capacities and qualifying the people to found democratic, flourishing country where the principles of human rights prevail. The future plan of the organization is to disseminate the principles of urbanization and citizenship to have prosperous, flourishing country.
We are working to release the human capacities and developing his\ her skills to upgrade the level of development in the society and raising the social standards of consolidative work in the field of civil society.

For more information, you can visit our website
www.tammuz.net