



# Sustainable Development Goals



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Cities are hubs for ideas, trade, culture, science, production, social development, and other human activities. They play a crucial role in enabling people to achieve social and economic advancement. It is essential to mobilize support to ensure that policymakers are convinced of the need to include access to information in national and regional development plans.

As part of its cultural and social responsibility and its pioneering role in supporting literary and artistic activities, Alnoor University, represented by Alnoor Center for Cultural Heritage, contributed to sponsoring the cultural and musical evening “Maqamat Al-Tajalli,” organized by Baytuna Foundation for Culture, Arts, and Heritage, the cultural window of Alnoor University, at the historic Beit Al-Tutunjji in the city of Mosul. This support comes as a confirmation of the university’s commitment to strengthening cultural identity and preserving civilizational heritage through sponsoring events that contribute to reviving musical and literary heritage and providing refined creative spaces for the community. The evening witnessed distinguished attendance and remarkable interaction, as poet Dr. Walid Al-Sarraf and musician Dr. Khalid Mohammed Ali presented an artistic experience that combined the beauty of poetry with the depth of the Iraqi maqam, reflecting the authenticity of Mosuli art and its rich cultural legacy. Alnoor University continues to uphold its academic and humanitarian mission through supporting culture and the arts and actively contributing to building a conscious society that preserves its heritage and celebrates its creativity.



Under the patronage of Lieutenant General Dr. Uday Samir Halim, Director General of Traffic, the activities of the 52nd Traffic Week were launched in Nineveh Governorate under the slogan “Slow Down... We Are Waiting for You,” in the presence of the Technical Deputy Governor of Nineveh, the Mayor of Mosul, the Nineveh Police Commander, a number of members of the Nineveh Provincial Council, as well as directors of service departments and a distinguished group of official and academic figures. The event, organized by the Nineveh Traffic Directorate in cooperation with Alnoor University, included a workshop entitled “Road Accidents and Ways to Reduce Them,” which aimed to enhance traffic awareness among members of society and shed light on the main causes of accidents and the mechanisms for reducing them in a way that contributes to protecting lives and minimizing losses. The activities also witnessed official honoring ceremonies in recognition of distinguished efforts in the field of traffic work and scientific research. Lieutenant General Dr. Uday Samir Halim honored a number of researchers and participants in the scientific workshops in appreciation of their scientific contributions and efforts in supporting and developing the traffic sector and promoting concepts of traffic safety. The honoring ceremony also included recognizing the family of one of the martyrs of the Traffic Directorate staff in loyalty to his sacrifices and appreciation of his service to the community. For its part, Alnoor University honored the Director General of Traffic with the university shield in appreciation of his prominent role in supporting scientific and awareness initiatives and strengthening joint cooperation between academic institutions and government bodies. These activities come within the framework of cooperation between the Nineveh Traffic Directorate and Alnoor University, reflecting the integration between governmental and academic institutions in spreading traffic culture and supporting initiatives aimed at protecting society and improving public safety standards.



Alnoor University concluded the activities of “Alnoor Week for Fieldwork and Skill Development” with a distinguished honoring ceremony, during which participating students were recognized in appreciation of their efforts and active engagement in the field activities, in addition to honoring the supervising professors in recognition of their academic and supervisory role in the success of the events. The university presidency affirmed that this week comes within Alnoor University’s vision of promoting applied learning, developing skills, and building students’ capabilities in a manner that aligns with labor market requirements and community service.



Alnoor Radio at Alnoor University hosted the Chairman of the Education Committee in the Nineveh Provincial Council, Mr. Subhan Jajan Al-Hadidi, as part of the “Awareness” program. During the meeting, a number of issues related to the current state of education in the province, prospects for developing the academic environment, and strengthening cooperation between educational institutions and bodies concerned with educational affairs were discussed. The guest was received by the Assistant Presidents of Alnoor University for Scientific and Administrative Affairs, in the presence of several deans of the university’s colleges and the Scientific Advisor of Alnoor University. The meeting also addressed the role of academic institutions in supporting scientific development and serving the community, in addition to emphasizing the importance of continuous communication between the university and official institutions in a manner that contributes to advancing the educational process in Nineveh Governorate.



Alnoor University received the prominent media figure Dr. Majid Al-Samarrai during an academic visit to the university, where he was welcomed by the Assistant President of the University for Scientific Affairs, Professor Dr. Ismail Abdulwahab, and the Scientific Advisor of the University, Professor Dr. Munir Al-Badrani. The visit included a special meeting during which a number of issues related to the media and its role in building societal awareness and strengthening academic and media discourse were discussed, in addition to the importance of developing university media work in line with modern developments and contributing to highlighting the scientific and cultural activities of educational institutions. Dr. Majid Al-Samarrai also participated in a special interview on Alnoor Radio, where he addressed several topics related to media and academic affairs, emphasizing the importance of integration between academic institutions and media outlets in serving society and disseminating knowledge. This visit comes within Alnoor University's commitment to academic and media openness and its efforts to host prominent scientific, cultural, and media personalities in a manner that enhances its academic and community presence.



In academic partnership with Alnoor University, the Iraqi Engineers Association / Nineveh Branch organized the Iraqi Engineer's Day celebration under the slogan "Engineers: Builders of Iraq." The event was attended by a wide range of official, academic, engineering, and community figures, reflecting the esteemed status of the Iraqi engineer and his historic role in building the nation and shaping its future. The celebration featured a comprehensive program highlighting the journey of Iraqi engineering throughout history, beginning with the ancient civilization of Nineveh and the distinguished Assyrian engineering heritage, and extending to the vital role Iraqi engineers play today in reconstruction efforts, the implementation of strategic projects, and the development of infrastructure as well as educational, healthcare, and service institutions. The event also included official speeches emphasizing the importance of supporting engineering competencies and strengthening their contribution to development and reconstruction. In addition, top engineering students from the universities of Nineveh Governorate were honored, alongside the families of martyred engineers who sacrificed their lives in service of Iraq and the engineering profession. Success stories of distinguished engineers who made significant contributions in their respective fields were also presented. During its participation as the academic partner of the celebration, Alnoor University reaffirmed its commitment to supporting scientific and professional activities and enhancing partnerships that serve the community and empower young engineering talents, based on its belief that the Iraqi engineer has always been, and continues to be, one of the fundamental pillars of construction and development in Iraq. The celebration concluded in a distinguished atmosphere that reflected appreciation and gratitude for every engineer who contributed to building the nation, reaffirming the Iraqi engineer as a symbol of dedication, creativity, and hope.



In cooperation with the local government of Nineveh Governorate and upon the gracious invitation of the Deputy Governor of Nineveh, Mr. Khalid Abdul Karim Al-Obaidi, Alnoor University participated in welcoming a high-level governmental delegation from Baghdad and several Iraqi governorates on a visit aimed at showcasing the remarkable progress taking place in the city of Mosul and highlighting its cultural and tourism potential. The visit commenced with a cultural evening hosted by Baytuna Foundation for Culture, Arts and Heritage, the cultural platform of Alnoor University, where the cultural and artistic atmosphere reflected the depth of Mosul's rich heritage and the role of academic and cultural institutions in preserving and revitalizing its authentic identity. The delegation also toured the historic quarters of Old Mosul and several of its heritage and tourist landmarks during an evening visit, where the city's restored vitality blended with the fragrance of history, illustrating the profound cultural legacy of Nineveh Governorate. The tour included visits to heritage sites, traditional markets, and scenic locations overlooking the Tigris River. Members of the delegation expressed their admiration for the city's atmosphere and its significant cultural and tourism assets capable of attracting visitors from across Iraq and beyond. Alnoor University reaffirmed its commitment to supporting initiatives and activities that promote the cultural identity of Mosul and strengthen cooperation with governmental institutions, thereby reinforcing the city's status as a center of knowledge, culture, and history while reflecting the authenticity and cultural diversity of Nineveh.



### College of Law and Political Science

Assistant Lecturer Ari Rostam Boghos, a faculty member in the Department of Political Science at the College of Law and Political Science, Alnoor University, participated in a panel discussion organized by the University of Duhok in cooperation with the European Union on the topic of protecting the heritage and identity of communities in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. During the event, he delivered a presentation highlighting the major common and community-specific challenges facing these groups and put forward a set of security, economic, educational, and cultural recommendations based on a scientific and practical perspective aimed at addressing these challenges and strengthening the protection of cultural heritage and identity.

