

**ECHOES** 

AL HATHBOOR GROUP'S CORPORATE NEWS MAGAZINE VOLUME 26 - ISSUE 1 MARCH 2021 Dear Readers,

"Time is of the essence", they say. The New Normal as we have come to live by is our reality. Across the world, large parts of the global economy have now reopened for business (with social distancing measures in place) since the COVID-19 lockdown was universally announced in March last year. Everywhere have had to adapt extremely quickly to the impact of the pandemic and the crisis strategy deployed by governments & establishments alike. Additionally, all corporate sector companies are avoiding personal meetings and are connecting with their clients through zoom and other internet applications to conduct meetings and proceed with running their business activities. The Al Hathboor Group has fast adapted to these changing times and with new forms of running businesses being set-up, we have seen some interesting news for ourselves in the last few months. This edition of long-standing ECHOES reflects the changes we have undergone as a group whilst holding our essence together – Alive & Strong as always.

We saw some creative formats being introduced in the form of ARTYST, structural changes as well as some new ventures. Read on to know more . . .

Best Regards,
Namita Shrivastava
Manager - Corporate Communications & Marketing

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## AL HATHBOOR GROUP CELEBRATES THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF ARTYST



07 January 2021, Dubai, U.A.E: 'ARTYST', the Premium Fine Arts Store for Artists was revealed at the Al Khawaneej Walk, Dubai, when Pioneer Emirati Artist, Mr Abdul Qader Al Rais graced the occasion as the Guest of Honour in the presence of Emirati Calligraphy Artist, Ms Fatima Al Hammadi, Chairman, Mr Abdullah Al Hathboor, Vice – Chairman, Mr Jamal Al Hathboor, Director, Mr Majid Al Hathboor, and CEO, Jaiganesh V of the Al Hathboor Group.

The Artists of UAE can now enjoy a selection of premium assortment of Fine Arts Brands and access to the full portfolio of Daler Rowney, Canson, Colart, Derwent, FM Brush, Mabef, Sargent Art & much more as ARTYST will house all as a one-stop shop.



#### Mr ABDUL QADER AL RAIS

Mr Abdul Qader expressed: "It is a delight to be here to see premium products being shared under one roof. This is a unique concept & will encourage budding & established artists to come and seek what they desire for all types of Art forms. As a long time consumer of AI Hathboor Products for my paintings, I wish the best for this venture."

Mr Abdul Qader Al Rais is a multi award winning, Emirati painter noted for his abstract art which combines geometric shapes with Arabic calligraphy.

He is a founding member of the Emirates Fine Art Society and the winner of several prizes including the first-ever Sheikh Khalifa Prize for Art and Literature.

He is one of the pioneers of contemporary art in the Emirates, widely exhibited both within the UAE and abroad. His Artwork can be found in Emirati palaces, government offices and the personal art collections of members of the royal family of Dubai.

Al Rais Artworks are showcased on carriages of the Dubai Metro, as part of the Dubai Arts Season and as part of the Abu Dhabi Music & Arts Foundation (ADMAF) Art Collection and is featured in the ADMAF publication 'The Art of the Emirates' amongst others.

#### Mrs FATIMA AL HAMMADI

"This Fine Arts speciality store created keeping the Artists in mind is one-of-a-kind & a great opportunity for all the Artists in this part of Dubai.

Any Artist that is looking for good brands & quality products should come to this store just as I have been a regular user at the AI Hathbtoor Group Fine Art materials for over 20 years."

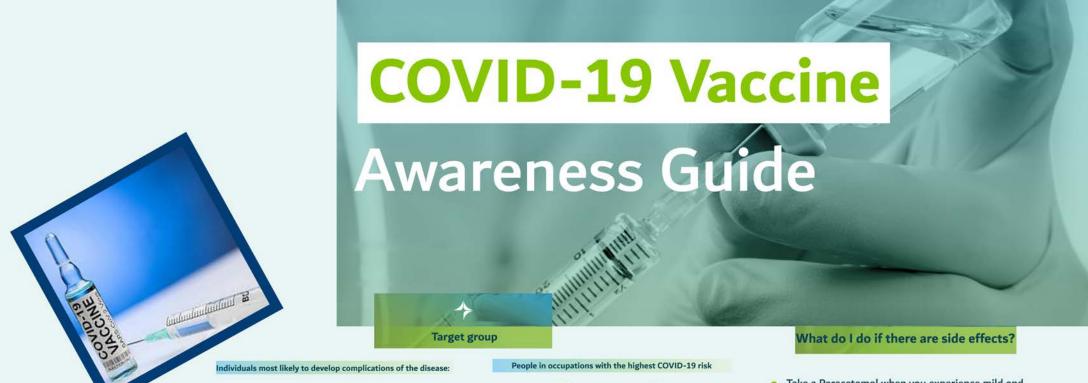
Mrs Fatima AI Hammadi is an Emirati artist with 25 years of experience in Fine Arts & Art of calligraphy that is a mixture between the fine art and arabic letters.

She is the leader of UAE Graffiti artists, the first local graffiti group and has participated in several art projects that entered Guinness World Records including the longest graffiti wall in Dubai in 2017.

She has partaken in more than 25 national exhibitions, along with international ones in London, Berlin and Sri Lanka.







Frontliners in the public

and private sector

and vital positions

## Vaccination Program Awareness

Senior citizens

chronic diseases

rtension, obesity and people with a BMI of 35 or more.

The Ministry of Health and Prevention (MoHAP) has been working with the country's Government for the National Vaccination Programme and is encouraging citizens and residents to 'choose to vaccinate' to protect the nation and beat the pandemic. Please note that as per the government recommendation, our Board of Directors have instructed all the eligible Al Hathboor Group employees to take the Vaccination following the awareness guideline issued by the health authority. As per the health authority announcement, you should take an appointment for the vaccination using the Mobile App of the DHA. We request you to share with the HR department the message you have received from the health authority once you have done the first shot of the vaccination.

- Take a Paracetamol when you experience mild and moderate side effects.
- Use a cold compress to relieve pain at the injection site.
- If you have mild and moderate symptoms that persist for longer or severe symptoms, despite the use of Paracetamol, you should adhere to the following:
- Book a telemedicine appointment with the Doctor
   For Every Citizen initiative:

You can book this appointment through the following methods:



By using the DHA app



By contacting the DHA's toll-free number 800 342 (Choose "COVID-19 Vaccine" from the main list and then click on number 3)

 For emergencies, head to the nearest health centre or hospital.





### **FAREWELL**



#### **EMEESCO & GMES BID FAREWELL**

The GMES & EMEESCO Team bid farewell to Muhammad Naeem P, our employee since 1996! He retired after serving as a Driver on 31-12-2020 after 34 years of long & loyal service. He has been part of the Team as he first joined GMES-DXB and later transferred to Emeesco. On behalf of our management & EMEESCO, a small farewell party (as per the Covid protocol) was organized & he was presented with a memento to mark this glorious service.



# Al Hathboor International featured in Gulf Madhyamam on December 11, 2020



## **EMPLOYEE CORNER**

Maria Do Ceu Santimano De Souza, a Goan-born Portuguese national is the most fashionable lady in our Organisation. The youngest sibling of 4 brothers and 4 sisters, she has been a PA to the Chairman and Board of Directors for two decades and takes pride in serving not only the Big Bosses but has a close rapport with their families and has witnessed most of the siblings blossom through their childhood, getting married and having their own families! She speaks volumes of the late Mr Saif Obaid AlHathboor who was a thorough gentleman, peaceful, business-oriented and love for Spain and she can now see the roots sown by the sons who take care of the business with pride and prosperity! She recalls the first year at the Al Hathboor Get-together party where she sang and played the guitar for the function and dedicated the song "Viva La Espanha" to him. She has the acumen and charm in discharging her responsibilities as the Office Manager, never differentiating the employees as she says we are all equal in the eyes of God and from dust we come and to dust we go! Maria is talented, multilingual and can organise any event without any pressure! For 16 years her family organised Goan inter-village tournaments during the Holy Month of Ramadan for the Goan community and always had the Consul from the Indian Consulate, Dubai presiding over the function besides the press and sponsors as Chief Guests. Her culinary abilities are extra-ordinary and one feels in awe how she manages her home, office and social life, being a mother of 4! She says every birthday and festival is a celebration and she likes to have the family gathering in her home a tradition she carries of her loving mum who was the backbone of the family and a very good hostess who could cook a buffet and now Maria has been blessed with this talent! Music is in her blood - they had a family band 8 + parents performing in the '60s. Christmas in 2020 had to be a subdued celebration due to Covid-19 restrictions yet she had her family, a table spread with delicious food topped with a stuffed roasted turkey, house beautifully decorated and though there was no Santa Claus - there were gifts a-galore! Christmas is a time of spiritual reflection on the important foundations of the Christian faith. "To give up one's very self - to think only of others - how to bring the greatest happiness to others - that is the true meaning of Christmas as it is the true meaning of love" and is her motto in everyday life! The holly tree is a symbol of Christmas. The sharp leaves are said to symbolize the crown of thorns worn by Christ, while the berries represent His blood. The evergreen quality of the tree is metaphoric for eternal life. We have observed her decorative skills when we had the Christmas staff get-together in 2019. During the lockdown period, she also started a small garden in her apartment! A glimpse of which can be seen here as we fondly extend our good wishes to evergreen Maria!





Maria has two dogs - Rocco and Ricky who are additions to the family since 13 years.





**Christmas Celebration** 





Jean Bonsaudo

Grenvile Pitchen

Sam Kunjumon

Vinod Vaniya

Ziabudeen Muhamad

Kamarul Hussain Mohamed Riyal

Bade Lal Kannaujiya

Ram Babu

Pothuluraiah Yadala

Adnan Ali

**Azim Abbas** 

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Senior Executive - Treasury

**Retail Sales Executive** 

**Sales Coordinator** 

**Design Engineer** 

**Category Manager – Automotive Products** 

**Laundry Operator** 

**Laundry Operator** 

**Laundry Assistant** 

**Laundry Assistant** 

**Assistant Manager** 

**Area Sales Supervisor** 

Warehouse Assistant

Driver

**Corporate Office** 

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