



Iman Al Barwani, Manager - Corporate Communications, Petrogas E&P interacting with the children from Child Care Centre and on the right, children potting-a-plant while the teachers keep watch.

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### **Petrogas E&P organises Orphanage Day**

Petrogas E&P, a subsidiary of MB Group of Companies recently organized a special day for the children of Child Care Centre at the newly opened Jungle Restaurant in Qurm. The Child Care Centre, which was established in 1995 is located in Al Khoud and is the only orphanage in the Sultanate. The Centre looks after about 120 children, both boys and girls from different age groups.

This event saw the participation of some 100 children. The event started with much fanfare when the children entered a room specially decorated for them with balloons and ribbons. The children enjoyed themselves in an evening filled with fun and laughter. The high point of the evening was when Spongebob enthralled the children with his wit and charm.

As a special treat, the children were given a tour of the Jungle restaurant where they encountered creatures such as a dinosaur, peacocks, crocodiles etc. These life like creatures created much curiosity among the children and the guides educated them about these animals. The children found the extinct dinosaur the most fascinating.

After the tour, the children were given a small talk on eco sustainability and each student was encouraged to pot- a-plant, which they could take home with them. The kids thoroughly enjoyed this experience while learning the importance of having a healthy self-sustaining eco system.

Jean Denis Bouvier, CEO, Petrogas E&P, was present at the event and enjoyed the happy and playful attitude of the participants. He says, “This is an annual event in Petrogas social contribution calendar and this third edition is probably the best so far. Spending time with the children is such a learning experience and it is a privilege to be given the opportunity to modestly contribute to education and well-being. I am very happy to have seen several employees joining in with their children and contributing to the success of the party as we encourage them to carry out community involvement outside the work place.”

Iman Al Barwani, Manager – Corporate Communications, Petrogas E&P, says, “We are extremely happy with the response from Child Care Centre. At Petrogas, we undertake such activities where we spend some time with under privileged children and impart education in a full-filled environment. It was wonderful seeing these children let go of all inhibitions and have fun. We are glad we were able to bring a smile to their faces. We would also like to thank the Jungle restaurant for their support and co-operation in putting together this wonderful event.”

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