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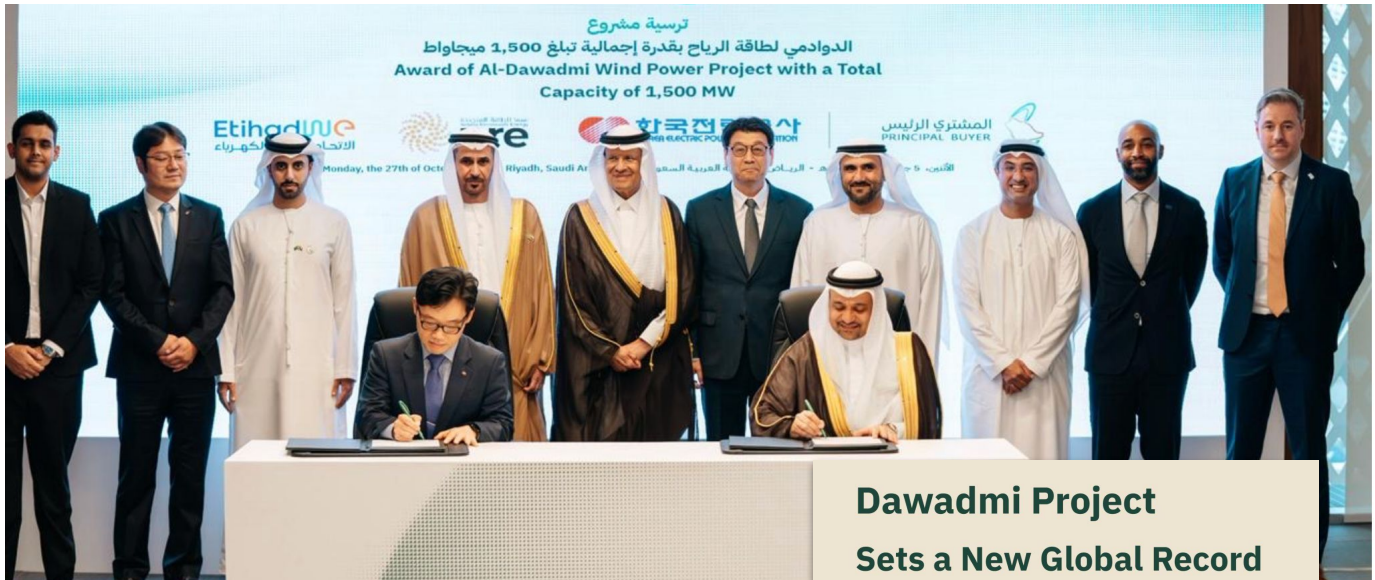
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Dawadmi Project Sets a New Global Record

For the lowest cost of wind power generation



Record generation cost:
5.01 halala per kWh - 1.33 cents per kWh

Project capacity:
1,500 MW



Under the supervision of the Ministry of Energy, Principal Buyer continues to achieve global records in electricity generation costs, surpassing the previous record set by Al-Ghat Wind Project.

Nesma Renewable Energy (NRE), in partnership with Korea Electric Power Corporation (KEPCO) and EtihadWE, achieved the world's lowest cost of electricity generation from wind energy through the 1,500 MW Al-Dawadmi Wind Project in Riyadh. Awarded by the Saudi Power Procurement Company under Round 6 of the National Renewable Energy Program, this achievement reinforces Nesma's position as a key delivery partner supporting the Kingdom's clean energy goals.

This record reflects years of technical development and coordination across lenders, EPC partners, suppliers and government stakeholders, demonstrating NRE's capability to deliver complex large-scale renewable projects in the Kingdom.

NRE extends its appreciation to the project team for their continued contributions toward a more sustainable energy future.

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"This achievement reflects the strength of our partnerships and our commitment to advancing renewable energy in the Kingdom. The Al-Dawadmi Wind Project confirms the Kingdom's growing leadership in sustainable energy. This accomplishment motivates us to continue pushing boundaries and building a cleaner future for generations to come."

Amaan Lafayette, CEO, Nesma Renewable Energy

NIT Signs New Contract with SEC (National Grid SA)



Nesma Infrastructure & Technology (NIT) has signed a new contract with SEC (National Grid SA), valued at approximately 150 million SAR, for the construction of two 380kV double-circuit overhead transmission lines.

This project comes as part of our ongoing efforts to support the development of the Kingdom's energy infrastructure and to enable its renewable energy goal.



“Building on decades of experience in power and transmission, NIT is honored to support SEC (National Grid SA) in delivering strategic infrastructure across the Kingdom. These projects mark another step in our shared journey to power Saudi Arabia's future in line with Vision 2030.”

Eng. Salah Alsunaïd, CEO, Nesma Infrastructure & Technology

Nesma Reaches Financial Close for Jubail–Buraydah Project



Project Facts:

Transfer Capacity: 650,000 /Day of Desalinated Water	Storage Capacity: 1,634,500 Cubic Meters of Water	Distance: 587 Kilometers
Model: Build, Own, Operate and Transfer (BOOT)	Concession Term: 35 Years	Expected Commercial Operations : 2029

Project Features:

Beneficiaries:	Over 2 million beneficiaries with Desalinated Water
Availability:	No less than 98% that reinforces Sustainability of water sources in both regions.
The first transportation water pipeline :	To transport desalinated water between the Eastern Region and the Al-Qassim Region, with the possibility of reverse pumping.
Includes water storage:	to ensure safety and high levels of continuous water supply.
Enhancing local content:	by 45% in a period of Construction and 70% in the operating period

Nesma, alongside Al Jomaih Energy & Water and Buhur for Investment, has successfully achieved financial close for the Jubail–Buraydah Independent Water Transmission Pipeline Project, with a total investment of SAR 8.5 billion. Given the scale of the project, the financial close was extremely challenging, calling for coordinated teamwork and collaboration from the different entities of Nesma Co, including Nesma Renewable Energy and Nesma Water and Energy.

The project will transport 650,000 m³/day of desalinated water through a 587 km pipeline developed under the BOOT model, with commercial operations expected in 2029. It will serve more than 2 million people and support the goals of the National Water Strategy. Nesma is the appointed Technical Member of the consortium and once constructed Nesma shall Lead the Operation and Maintenance of the project for the next 35 years. This will be a landmark project and the biggest Water Transmission PPP in the region ever.



“This achievement demonstrates what can be accomplished when national expertise unites behind a shared goal. Nesma is proud to contribute to a project that supports Saudi Arabia’s vision for sustainability, resilience and long-term prosperity.”

Faisal Al-Turki – President

NDIGITEC Explores the Future of Packaging at Dubai Industry Seminar

NDIGITEC, in collaboration with BOBST and ESKO, held its third major industry seminar in Dubai after successful editions in KSA and Kenya. Under the theme “The Future of Packaging: Empowered by Regional Visions” the event explored how intelligent, sustainable and human-centered packaging is shaping the future.

Industry Insights

BOBST's Dennis Hughill presented the company's latest advances in vacuum metallization, highlighting the blend of design excellence, technical innovation and environmental responsibility.

ESKO's Robert Bruce introduced “The Future of Flexo” and showcased ESKO Quartz, an intelligent platform powered by AI, IoT and smart automation.

NDIGITEC CEO Vatche Kavlakian demonstrated how creativity, AI and integrated production technologies are transforming regional packaging capabilities.

A Night of Vision and Collaboration

Guests were welcomed with a red carpet, networking cocktail and gala dinner featuring performances by Bella Papikyan, Raisa Knusel and Tina. The evening also included an inspiring keynote by Ajit Nawalkha, who shared his perspective on conscious leadership.

Shaping Tomorrow

The seminar highlighted the power of collaboration between NDIGITEC, BOBST and ESKO, uniting innovation, creativity and purpose to shape a smarter and more sustainable future for packaging.



Nesma Security Receives Recognition from the Metro Project

Nesma Security received recognition from the Metro Project and the Royal Commission for Riyadh City for its role in identifying and stopping an individual involved in cable and metal theft at the project site. The acknowledgement, delivered in Riyadh, reflects the strong performance and vigilance of the Nesma Security team, which has been honored multiple times for its contributions to this major national project.

NW&E: South Bahrain Water Station Visit

Nesma Water & Energy's (NW&E) solar project at the South Bahrain Water Station was recently visited by His Highness Yasser Bin Ibrahim Humaidan, Minister for Electricity and Water in Bahrain.

The station features a 1.4 MW solar installation equipped with advanced technology and robotic cleaners for efficient operation and maintenance. The project was delivered by Nesma Water & Energy in a joint venture with Almoayyed Electrical.



Nesma Co. Hosts Zakat & Tax Workshop

Nesma Co. hosted a Zakat and Tax workshop presented by KPMG, with 40 employees from various Nesma companies in attendance.

The session covered key ZATCA topics, including Zakat and Income Tax, VAT, E-invoicing, Transfer Pricing and Customs.

This workshop reflects Nesma Co.'s commitment to strengthening compliance awareness and ensuring employees remain up to date with the latest regulatory requirements.



Spacemaker Hosts Movie Day for Factory Employees

Spacemaker organized a movie day in collaboration with Play Cinemas to support employee well-being and offer a refreshing break from the work routine. Approximately 200 factory employees have participated so far, with additional groups scheduled to participate in the coming weeks.



NTC News:

NTC Hosts Meeting to Support Waqf Al-Sabeel

Nesma Training Center (NTC) provided its facilities for an introductory meeting between Waqf Al-Sabeel and Global Solutions Company, the Golden Partner of Odoo. The session focused on enabling Waqf Al-Sabeel to activate the system across its branches in the Makkah region.



NTC Hosts YLC Future Skills Program

Nesma Training Center (NTC) hosted the Young Leaders Community (YLC) for two sessions of the *Future Skills Program*, an initiative supported by the Salem Bin Mahfouz Charitable Foundation.



The program aims to equip university students with essential personal, professional and digital skills to prepare them for the job market. Across both sessions, 24 participants took part in activities designed to strengthen communication, teamwork, self-leadership and data-driven decision-making while helping them build a clear career path.

NTC Hosts Premarital Counseling Program

Nesma Training Center (NTC) hosted the Jeddah Marriage Association for a two-day Premarital Counseling Program delivered by Dr. Saleh Al-Sarhan, with 45 participants in attendance.

The program equipped young men and women preparing for marriage with essential skills in communication, conflict resolution, and shared responsibilities, helping them build a stable and fulfilling family life.

At the end of the sessions, the Jeddah Marriage Association honored Nesma Training Center for its support and contribution to community-focused initiatives.



NUI Marks World Diabetes Day

Nesma United Industries (NUI) held a World Diabetes Day awareness event in collaboration with Dallah Hospital, offering medical checkups, nutritional consultations and health guidance. More than 150 employees participated, supported by five specialists from Dallah Hospital.

The initiative reflects NUI's commitment to promoting employee well-being and a healthy workplace culture.



Congratulations!

Newborns



A new baby boy for **Nessreen El-Gandy**, Purchasing Officer, Namat.

Marriage



Marriage of **Mohammed Eskender**, Procurement Assistant Manager, Nesma Co.

Certificate



Sara Alhussami, Business development manager, Nesma Orbit, completed the course Project Management Professional (PMP) from the Project Management Institute.

Employee of the Quarter



Abdulwaheed Abdulmajeed, General Labour, was recognized as the Nesma Water & Energy Employee of the 3rd Quarter, 2025.

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