



Press Release

The United Nations Celebrates the International Day of Volunteers

On the occasion of the International Day of Volunteers (IVD) that falls on the fifth of December, the UNDP / United Nations Volunteers is organizing a ceremony under the auspices of H.E. Minister of Social Affairs on 6th December at 10:30 am at the UN House, Main Conference Hall – B1.

Dr. Mona Hammam, UNDP Resident Representative and UN Resident Coordinator, Mr. Mohamad Kdouh, representing the Minister, Director of the Volunteers Unit at the Ministry of Social Affairs will deliver speeches in the presence of big number of local and international volunteers who participated in spreading out the volunteers work in several fields.

During the ceremony, 2 categories of volunteers will be honored as making a contribution to supporting Human Development through volunteerism. In addition, a series of activities will be organized in Akkar and Mount Lebanon, including the following:

1. Reforestation of a burnt forest and clearing of an old foot road essential for the protection of the forest against fire – Ein Yakoub, Akkar, 5th December.
2. Display of the illusion play at the theatre of the Catholic National School – Sheikh Taba, Akkar, 4th December.
3. Display of “Ibtissam” film on poverty in North Lebanon follow by discussion with students – Harar High School, Akkar 7th December.
4. Community Millennium Development Goals activity in Hammana and Akkar on 18th and 19th December.

Volunteer work helps building strong societies and strengthening civil societies to have mutual values.

For more information and to conduct interviews with national and international volunteers, please contact UNDP, Tel: 01-978702