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Making them tech savvy

Sharjah punitive dept and Ajman Culture Institution conduct computer courses for inmates

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Sharjah punitive and rehabilitation department, in cooperation with Ajman Culture Institution, concluded a computer education programme for the inmates. The programme aims to qualify the inmates for the International Computer Driving License (ICDL) certification.

The 60-hour course was conducted over a period of two months. Experienced and qualified instructors guided the inmates during the programme. ICDL is a globally accredited certification programme and helps the successful candidates to be eligible for careers in the IT industry.

The initiative, aimed at rehabilitation of the inmates, was launched by the punitive department to impart info-tech expertise to the inmates.

The head of the Sharjah punitive and rehabilitation department, Lt. Colonel Mohamed Aid

Al Mathloun, thanked the Ajman Culture Institution for their cooperation and assistance.

He said that, his department is keen to conduct more programmes like this to reform the inmates in country's jails. Col Mohamed said, "The aim of the department is not only to punish the inmates, but also to help them in reforming themselves and rehabilitate them. If they are equipped enough to find a profession once they are free people, it will help them to stay away from illegal activities."

He also praised the inmates for their enthusiastic participation during the training programme.

"We were surprised to see their enthusiasm. When we introduced the course, we had doubts about the response we would get, but they amazed us," he added.

The director of Ajman Culture Institution, Jamal Al Saeedy, praised the role and the initiative of Sharjah punitive department in reforming the inmates. He also talked about the importance of technology.



An inmate receives the International Computer Driving License certificate after the completion of the course.