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# IT graduates honoured in Dubai

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SHEIKHA Manal Bint Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, wife of Sheikh Mansour Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, Minister for Presidential Affairs, President of the Dubai Women Establishment honoured on Saturday the first batch of Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid IT Education Project graduates during a ceremony which was held in the club premises.

Under her initiative and along with the strategic partnership with Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid IT Education Project the club has organised series of ITEP training courses for ladies only, the courses included the basics of computer, file management, operating system and special courses in MS Office.

Chairperson of Dubai Women Establishment Moma Al Marri, addressed Sheikha Manal's support and congratulated to the graduates by saying: "The leaders focused on technol-

ogy as a key development area, this created extensive growth opportunities for the country and helped in faster integration with the world community, today the UAE is one of the leading countries in the region in the ICT sector. Several major global IT houses

have their regional headquarters in the UAE."

The effective role played by Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid IT education project which was launched by the Vice President, Prime Minister of UAE and Ruler of Dubai His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin

Rashid Al Maktoum, as a key component of a comprehensive strategy to build a knowledge-based society in the UAE.

Sheikha Manal presented the certificates and congratulated the graduates by saying "Dubai Ladies Club recognises the

importance of this project and offers this programme to women, today these brilliant women receive the ICDL certificate after successfully completing the programme. They have shown their potential for achievement and success."

Amal Bel Hasa, Deputy Director of His Highness Sheikh Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum IT Education Project, said: "We are proud of the excellent results we have achieved together with Dubai Ladies Club. We hope the women will benefit from gaining an IT proficiency, which has become a vital element in our daily lives at home and everywhere."

"We look forward to expanding the programme to all parts of the UAE and the GCC region."

The club is starting to register the new batch of the ICDL programme applicants and is compiling comprehensive packages and programmes for advanced and beginners.



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