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Panel Discussion at Kuwait University

It was a pleasure for me to participate in a panel discussion yesterday alongside Dr. **Ashwin Fernandes** on the role of scientific research in ranking academic institutions at the Fourth Scientific Research Conference, organized by **Kuwait University**. The panel was expertly moderated by **Dr. Bibi M. Alajmi**.

Scientific research is pivotal in ranking academic institutions, serving as a key indicator of quality and impact. Metrics such as the volume and quality of published research, citation counts, and contributions to groundbreaking discoveries are essential for evaluating academic performance. High research output not only enhances an institution's reputation but also attracts funding, top faculty, and talented students. Additionally, research collaborations and the ability to secure patents further strengthen an institution's standing in global rankings, reflecting its influence on both academia and society.

The panel discussion was highly engaging, and I extend my gratitude to Dr. Bibi for her excellent moderation and to my esteemed colleague, Dr. Ashwin Fernandes, for his valuable contributions.

Under the patronage of His Excellency, the Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research, Prof. Nader Al-Jallal, and Kuwait University President, Prof. **Dina Al-Mailem**, the conference was held under the theme "Research Collaboration: The Impact of Scientific Research on Strategic Planning and Academic Ranking."

Many thanks to **Noriah Al-Kandari**, Assistant Vice President for External Research Collaboration and Consultation, and Chairperson of this conference, for the kind invitation.

Thank you 🙏 my beloved Kuwait 🇰🇼 for the wonderful time and opportunity.

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