

MINISTER JREISSATY: THE MINISTRY OF LABOR WORKS WITH ALL ITS CAPACITIES & CAPABILITIES

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When the previous Minister of Labor Charbel Nahas resigned, the name of Salim Jreissaty was very familiar to the media because of his unique and distinguished position in the field of Law. In his new position at the Ministry of Labor, Minister Jreissaty, a good communicator, handled with care all the problems, and tried to resolve them. Taken into consideration the political situation, there were many unsolved files while others remained untouched.

“Human and Health” magazine tried to discuss some of the issues with Minister Jreissaty. His answers related to the long standing cases in the Ministry of Labor were brief but sharp. He made it sure that subjects are addressed according to their relevant priorities, especially the firing of workers, rights and workers benefits along with the organization of foreign workers.

He pointed out that the ministry is working hard with all its available capacities in spite of its limitations. He added that: “We can’t claim that there’s a preplanned shortage and insufficient numbers of inspectors which leads to the delay of work”.

He mentioned that the Retirement and Social Protection Law is being under study. The Ministry is only the custodian of the National Social Security Fund and has no direct power over this institution. “We can only monitor the work and I don’t want to talk much about this subject” he said.

He promised to put out the latest new final version of the new Labor Law in a very short time. He mentioned that the Ministry is not influenced by political interference and will not allow any abuse of the right of workers and servants. He also noted, regarding the subject of organizing the work of foreigners, that it was given the utmost care, especially concerning the chaotic situation of the Lebanese work market.



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