

# Realty broker wins appeal in BD2000 advance refund case

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A real estate broker has won an annulment of a lawsuit seeking him to return a BD2000 advance taken in an apartment sales deal that failed to materialise.

The Civil Appeals Court decision came in an appeal challenging an earlier verdict allowing the broker to keep the advance as the buyer failed to fulfil contract terms.

The plaintiff had approached the Court demanding the broker return the BD2,000 advance he paid for purchasing an apart-



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ment worth BD120,000. The contract was such that the purchase should happen in a month.

During the hearing, the plain-

tiff said he was shocked to learn that the broker had sold the apartment to another party, despite signing the deal.

"This happened after completing all required procedures to obtain a mortgage loan from Eskan bank," the plaintiff told

the Court. "The broker, however, told me that he sold the chosen property to another, and now I have to pay a new advance to buy

another," he said.

The Court, however, found, based on witness testimonials, that the plaintiff was required to make full payment within a month to realise the deal.

The plaintiff failed to do so, and it took him four months to arrange the deal amount, the Court found.

Considering this, the Court of the First Instance ruled in the defendant's favour, which prompted the plaintiff to challenge the verdict.

The High Civil Appeals Court rejected the appeal and confirmed the initial ruling.

## Court orders legal heirs to settle debts of deceased company owner

Verdict in a case seeking BD8040 against cheques signed by person before death

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The Third high Commercial Court yesterday ordered the legal heirs of a deceased company owner to clear the cheques he signed for BD8040 and presented to another company before passing away.

The Court also ordered the defendants to pay the plaintiff a 1% interest on the owed amount from the due date.

The Court also ordered the defendants to pay the plaintiff BD268,500 towards lawsuit expenses and BD20 attorney fees.

Case files say the company owner had signed and presented two cheques for BD8040 to another company in return for some commercial before his



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death.

However, when the compa-

ny presented the cheques for collection, the cheques got

bounced.

The defendant notified the company heirs of the cheques but failed to get a positive response.

Further investigators ordered by the Court found out that the company owner had died and the defendants were the legal heirs based on his legal heirship certificate.

After the defendants turned out as the heirs of the defendant, authorities asked them to fulfil the claim.

The Court confirmed in the verdict that the deceased's property becomes heritable only after paying his debts. The remaining property, movable or immovable, is heritable, as per Islamic Sharia law.

## Stocks sufficient, prices stable: official

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Markets in the Kingdom have sufficient stocks of foods, said a top Industry ministry official, who also termed the availability and prices of basic commodities and products as "stable".

The official also warned stringent actions against those found guilty of price manipulation, monopoly, commercial fraud or any illegal practices.

This came as Abdulaziz Al-Ashraf, an Assistant Undersecretary for Control and Resources at the Ministry of Industry, commerce and tourism, held an inspection campaign to ensure price stability and availability of food stock in the markets.

The campaign covered various commercial markets and outlets for food and other commodities in the governorates of the Kingdom.

Al-Ashraf said the campaign found the availability of commodities and products in the



markets stable, with sufficient food stocks.

"Traders are keen to ensure goods and products from multiple sources in the market," he said.

Shops, he said, are also providing offers and discounts to all.

The public can report complaints regarding price manipulation, commercial fraud or any illegal practice through the National System for Suggestions and Complaints "Tawasul or Inspection@moic.gov.bh or WhatsApp: 17111225 or call centre: 80001700.

# Get ready for 'Bahrain Beach Festival'

Events begin next thursday at Bilaj Al Jazayer beach

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"Bahrain Beach Festival", aimed at boosting the potential of Bahrain as a beach tourism destination, will open next Friday from one of the most beautiful beaches in the Kingdom, Bilaj Al Jazayer, announced Bahrain Tourism and Exhibitions Authority.

The festival,

which continues until the 27th of August 2022 will also reach famous locations like the "Marassi Al Bahrain" beach and "Water Garden" City beach.

The 3-kilometre-long Bilaj Al Jazayer beach, located approximately 5 kilometres southwest of the Bahrain International Circuit, was reopened to the public last year after receiving a stunning makeover. It is part of the mixed-use mega

project "Bilaj Al Jazayer development".

"Live musical performances, activities and games for children, mobile restaurants, sports and aquatic events are on the line up the festival aimed at attracting domestic and international tourists alike," said Fatima bint Jafar Al Sairafi, the Minister of Tourism.

The authority is working on presenting rich programmes during the Bahrain Beaches Festival, details of which



the ministry will announce later.

"We intend to turn this season into a milestone in the busy tourism events programmes implemented by the authority throughout the year and increase tourist and visitor numbers," Al Sairafi added.

Bahrain Beach Festival supports the goals of the tourism strategy 2022-2026, which comes within the economic recovery plan and prioritises marine facades and activities, along with business tourism, sports tourism, recreational tourism, medical tourism, and cultural tourism.

Located on the Southwest coast of Bahrain, the Bilaj Al Jazayer development includes a string of hotels, entertainment and leisure facilities, restaurants, and retail and residential components.

