

# Water supply 'stable'

Many consumers admit purchases 'driven more by fear than by actual shortages'

● **Desalination plant in Kingdom hit by Iranian drone**

● **Shoppers rush to supermarkets to buy bottled water**

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A surge in precautionary shopping was seen at supermarkets across Bahrain yesterday after reports that an Iran drone had struck a water desalination plant in the Kingdom.

Soon after the incident, residents rushed to nearby supermarkets and grocery stores to stock up on bottled drinking water.

Many supermarkets in the Kingdom reported a sudden surge in customers purchasing large quantities of water bottles yesterday, with many shoppers saying they wanted to secure supplies as a precaution.

The rush came despite assurances from the Electricity and Water Authority (EWA) that the



Delivery drivers rush to collect bottled water amid high demand



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— LOCAL WATER SUPPLIER

The Electricity and Water Authority (EWA) has assured that damage to the desalination plant has not affected the operation of the national water network.

that the purchases were driven more by fear than by actual shortages.

“I’m buying water bottles just as a backup. One can’t manage without it,” said a resident speaking to The Daily Tribune while loading multiple packs of bottled water into a trolley. A local water supplier said demand

for bottled water has surged sharply following the incident.

“We are receiving unusually large orders, with some customers requesting between 200 and 500 cans at a time,” the supplier said.

While there is no shortage of water itself, the supply of water cans which comes from Saudi Arabia is under pressure, and

the overwhelming demand is intensifying the strain.

Authorities urge people to stay calm, reassuring that water supply is secure.

While Bahrain depends on desalination because freshwater is limited, officials said production and distribution are running normally.

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— RESIDENT

## Iraq support for Bahrain



HM the King

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His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa received a telephone call from Iraq President Dr. Abdul Latif Rashid, who expressed his country’s solidarity with the Kingdom of Bahrain and condemned the Iranian aggression.

President Rashid affirmed his full support for all measures the Kingdom takes to protect its sovereignty, security, and achievements.

### Appreciation

HM the King expressed his appreciation for the position of the Republic of Iraq and the solidarity conveyed by the Iraqi leader.

His Majesty affirmed that the people of Bahrain uphold the values of tolerance and coexistence, and that the Kingdom will continue to support peace initiatives and all measures that promote security and stability both regionally and internationally.

# Safety advisory for British nationals

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His Excellency Alastair Long, the UK Ambassador to Bahrain, has issued guidance to British citizens residing in the Kingdom amid ongoing regional security developments.

He warned that the situation may persist for some time.

### Options

In a statement published on the British Embassy’s website, H.E. Ambassador Long outlined two primary options for British nationals.

The first is to remain in Bahrain and follow the instructions of local authorities, commending their efforts to safeguard residents and maintain the se-



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curity of civilian infrastructure.

The second option is to leave the Kingdom via the King Fahd Causeway into Saudi Arabia, which remains open to British visitors.

### Travel

The Ambassador advised citizens to consult with their travel companies or airlines regarding available travel arrangements, adding that the embassy is actively coordinating with carriers to support departures.

He also noted that British nationals who remain uncertain about their options can contact the British Embassy directly for guidance, with contact details provided on the embassy website.

## Bahraini families, institutions unite for Kingdom

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Amid the Iranian attacks targeting Bahrain and other Gulf countries, Bahraini families, community leaders, business figures, sports and cultural clubs, and civil society organisations have issued statements emphasising their support for the Kingdom, national unity, and loyalty under the leadership of His Majesty King Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa.

Additional statements were issued by 1,000 Bahraini families, community leaders, business figures, sports and cultural clubs, and civil society organisations, bringing

The Ministry of Interior and its personnel expressed great pride in Bahrain’s dedicated teams, who are leading the efforts with proficiency and a strong national spirit across multiple domains of work.

the total issued statements to 8,500.

The statements confirmed their unity around the national leadership under His Majesty

the King and expressed confidence in the measures taken by the government, led by His Royal Highness Prince Salman bin Hamad Al Khalifa, the Crown Prince and Prime Minister, to confront the Iranian attacks.

They commended the Bahrain Defence Force and its personnel for their high readiness, competence, and vigilance in responding to assaults targeting civilian sites and private property, describing these attacks as serious violations of the principles of good neighbourliness and as a direct threat to regional peace and security.



Invitation to attend the Ordinary and Extraordinary General Assembly Meeting (referred to as the "Annual General Assembly").  
For Al Abraaj Restaurants Group Company B.S.C. (referred to as the "Company")

The Board of Directors of the Company is pleased to invite the Company’s shareholders to attend the Annual Ordinary General Meeting and Extraordinary General Meeting scheduled to be held at 11:00 AM (Bahrain time) on Monday, 30th March 2026, via Zoom, to discuss and approve the agenda items listed below. In the event that a quorum is not reached for the meeting to proceed, the second meeting will be held on Tuesday, 7th April 2026. If a third meeting is required, it will be held on Tuesday 14th April 2026, at the same time and on the same platform. Please refer to the notes below and the proxy form for further details and information on participation and registration.

First: The agenda for the Ordinary General Assembly meeting is as follows:

1. Approval of the minutes of the previous Ordinary General Assembly meeting of the company held on 27th March 2025.
2. Discussion to approve and acknowledge the Board of Directors’ report on the company’s activities for the financial year ending 31st December 2025.
3. To review the external auditor’s report for the financial year ended 31st December 2025.
4. Discussion to approve and acknowledge the audited financial statements for the financial year ended 31st December 2025.
5. Approval of the Board of Directors’ recommendation to allocate profits for the financial year ending 31st December 2025, as follows:
  - A. Transfer of 10% of the net profit of 77,746 Bahraini Dinars to the statutory reserve in accordance with Article 224 of the Commercial Companies Law.
  - B. Transfer of the amount of 699,716 Bahraini Dinars to retained earnings.
6. Approval of the reappointment of the company’s auditors for the financial year ending 31st December 2026, and authorization of the Board of Directors to determine their fees (subject to obtaining the approval of the Central Bank of Bahrain).
7. Notification of transactions that took place during the financial year ended 31st December 2025 with any of the related parties as described in the Note 26 of the audited financial statements, in accordance with Article 189 of the Commercial Companies Law.
8. Approval to repurchase the company’s shares (treasury shares) not exceeding 10% of the total issued shares for the purpose of supporting the liquidity, subject to the approval of the Central Bank of Bahrain.
9. Discussion and approval of the Corporate Governance Report for the financial year ending 31st December 2025, regarding the company’s compliance with the requirements of the Central Bank of Bahrain and the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.
10. To absolve the members of the Board of Directors from liability for the financial year ended 31st December 2025.
11. To discuss any other matter that may arise in accordance with Article 207 of the Commercial Companies Law.

Second: The agenda for the Extraordinary General Assembly meeting is as follows:

1. Approval to amend Article (4) "Objects of the company" of the Company’s Memorandum & Articles of Association for the purpose of adding a "general trading" activity ISIC4 code 469-1 according to the procedures followed before the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and subject to the approval of the regulatory authorities.
2. Approval to authorize the Chairman of the Board of Directors or his deputy to take all necessary actions to implement the above, and to sign the amendment to the company’s articles of incorporation and bylaws on behalf of the shareholders before the Notary Public in the Kingdom of Bahrain.

### Please Note:

1. Any shareholder whose name is registered in the company’s shareholder registry on the date of the meeting has the right to attend in person or to authorized other shareholders or others to attend on his behalf via proxy, provided that the proxy is someone other than the Chairman, members of the Board of Directors, and employees of the company, without prejudice to the right of proxy to first-degree relatives, in accordance with the provisions of Article (203) of the Commercial Companies Law.
2. If the shareholder is a legal person (a company), the authorized person who attends the meeting must submit a proxy form from the shareholder authorizing him/her to attend and vote on his behalf, and the proxy form must be in writing and issued by the authorized person in the company and stamped with the company’s seal.
3. Proxy Forms can be obtained from the website for the Share Registrar [www.bahrainbourse.com](http://www.bahrainbourse.com) or the Company’s website [www.alabraajgroup.com](http://www.alabraajgroup.com) or from the office of Bahrain Clear Company – Bahrain Financial Harbor, 4th Floor, Phone: +973 17108833, Fax: +973 17228061, email: [registry@bahrainbourse.com](mailto:registry@bahrainbourse.com).
4. Proxyholders shall present an identity card with signature as proof of identity.
5. Please e-mail the completed and signed Proxy Forms (digitally signed or scanned copy of the physically signed Proxy Form) to [registry@bahrainbourse.com](mailto:registry@bahrainbourse.com) at least 24 hours prior to the AGM.
6. Registration for the AGM: Registration for participation in the virtual AGM will take place on Sunday, 29th March 2026. Attendees will be sent a registration link followed by access details to attend the AGM.
7. For any inquiries, you may contact Investor Relations at +973 1759 6161 or email [ir@alabraajgroup.com](mailto:ir@alabraajgroup.com)

On Behalf of the Board of Directors

  
Hamad Rashed Isa

Chairman