



Compensation plan

Shops hit by Iran attacks seek electricity and water bill relief

Urgent proposal to ease burden of utility arrears

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Parliament has agreed an urgent proposal calling for shop owners, companies and other businesses hit by the effects of the Iranian attacks to be compensated for unpaid electricity and water bills that built up during the disruption.

The proposal was put forward by MPs Khalid Buanaq, Ahmed Al Salloom, Hisham Al Awadhi, Mohammed Al Marafi and Zainab AbdulAmeer.

It calls on the relevant authorities to look into a suitable way of compensating affected businesses, or easing the burden of utility arrears, after trade in some sectors was hit by the regional unrest.

Tensions

Khalid Buanaq said the move came in light of the economic effects caused by “regional conditions and security tensions” on commercial and service activi-



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ty, chiefly where those circumstances led to some businesses slowing down or stopping in part.

He said some shops, firms and companies had been affected “directly or indirectly”, which had harmed their ability to keep up with running costs and other financial duties.

Among the clearest pressures, he said, were electricity bills,

which form “a basic part of the operating costs of commercial establishments”.

In some cases, those bills mounted up while business activity was weakened or partly halted during the exceptional period.

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businesses and improve their ability to keep trading and regain operating stability.

Support

He said the proposal also rested on the state’s wish to support the private sector, which he described as one of the main pillars of the economy and an important source of jobs.

“This proposal aims to enable the competent authorities to study an appropriate mechanism to compensate for, or reduce, the burden of electricity bills on affected businesses,” he said, “in a way that achieves a balance between supporting economic activity and protecting the financial stability of these institutions.”

He added that such a step would help firms harmed by exceptional circumstances and support a stable economic climate for growth and investment.

Bahrain food and medicine supplies fully secured

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Bahrain continues to respond efficiently to the repercussions of the Iranian aggression, security and military forces work around the clock to safeguard the Kingdom and protect its residents.

Captain Abdullah Waheed Al Mannai from the Ministry of Interior said during the National Communication Centre’s daily briefing that all departments remain fully operational, delivering services while simultaneously addressing evolving security developments.

He stressed that operations are being carried out at the highest levels of readiness, reflecting the professionalism and capability of national teams in handling the current exceptional circumstances.

Supply

Amid the situation, Customs Affairs continues to secure the flow of essential goods, including food, medicine and medical supplies. The ongoing efforts aim to ensure market stability and meet the needs of citizens and residents without disruption.

Officials confirmed that supply chains remain intact, supported by efficient customs operations and continuous coordination with relevant entities.

Captain Al Mannai emphasised that public awareness remains a critical pillar of civil protection. He urged citizens and residents to follow official instructions and avoid approaching or touching missile or drone debris.

He also warned against photographing or sharing such materials on social media, stressing the risks they pose to public safety. Any sightings, he said, must be reported immediately through the emergency number 999.

Markets

From an economic perspective, Rawan Janahi, Head of Marketing Campaign Services at the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, confirmed that local markets are stable and well supplied as Eid Al-Fitr approaches.

She noted that livestock shipments continue to arrive regularly, ensuring sufficient availability of meat, poultry and essential food items across retail outlets.

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