

NBB awards USD 500,000 to 50 winners in February Thara'a draw

Rewarding 50 winners with USD 10,000 each

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The National Bank of Bahrain (NBB) has announced the results of



its February 2026 Thara'a Prize Account draw, rewarding 50 winners with USD 10,000 each. The full list of winners is available on NBB's website and social media channels.

Full transparency

The draw was conducted in the presence of representatives from the Ministry of Industry and Commerce (MOIC), along with internal and external auditors, ensuring full transparency and regulatory compliance.

Designed to encourage smart

financial habits, the Thara'a Prize Account continues to provide customers with unique opportunities to achieve their personal goals while saving. This draw further reinforces the programme's commitment to delivering tangible value to its account holders.

Subah Abdullatif Al Zayani, Chief Executive – Retail Banking at NBB, said, "Seeing 50 of our customers walk away with exciting prizes is a testament to the trust they place in us. Each win represents a moment

that can make a difference in someone's life, and that is what Thara'a is all about. With the 2026 campaign well underway, we look forward to marking many more milestones with our customers."

2026 Thara'a campaign

As the 2026 Thara'a campaign continues to unfold, customers are encouraged to keep saving and increasing their deposits for a chance to win valuable rewards from a prize pool of USD 6 million, featuring six luxury

seafront villas and cash prizes in the millions.

Seafront villa

With the May grand prize draw approaching, one winner will take home a seafront villa while 100 others will each receive USD 10,000.

To participate, customers can open or manage their Thara'a Prize Account through the NBB App, by visiting any of the Bank's branches, logging on to nbbonline.com, or by calling 1721 4433.

Khalid Al-Ameen: Iran's aggressive targeting of Gulf states signals a looming global fertilizer crisis

Gulf countries account for approximately 45% of global urea fertilizer exports



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Notice to Shareholders Change of the General Assembly Meeting voting and attendance Format

Dear Shareholders,

Please be advised that the General Assembly Meeting of Bank of Bahrain and Kuwait B.S.C. scheduled at 10:00 am on Tuesday, 31 March 2026, at the Four Seasons Hotel – Al Manama Hall, Kingdom of Bahrain will be held as is and in light of the current regional developments virtual attendance is available if physical attendance is not possible through the Bahrain Clear eAGM platform.

All shareholders and proxy holders whether attending physically or virtually wishing to attend the meeting and exercise their voting rights need to access the meeting portal through the following link: <https://eagm.bahrainclear.com/en/>

To participate in the meeting:

1. Visit the portal and select the Company's logo to access the meeting page, where the agenda, reports, proxy form, registration options, and user guide are available.
2. Once registration opens, select the appropriate option (Shareholder Registration or Proxy Holder Registration).
3. Complete the required details, upload the necessary supporting documents, and submit the registration for approval.

Important:

- Proxy holders must submit the proxy form electronically at least 24 hours prior to the meeting through the same portal.
- Approved shareholders and proxy holders will receive their login credentials via SMS and email prior to the meeting.

For any assistance regarding registration or access to the meeting, shareholders may contact the support team through the contact details available on the eAGM portal.

Tariq Jaleel AlSaffar
Chairperson

Notes:

1. All shareholders who intend to attend the meeting, or whomever they authorize, are kindly requested to register in advance to receive the invitation and the meeting link, by adhering to the required steps as per the following link: <https://eagm.bahrainclear.com/en/>
2. Registration of the attendance for the shareholders and proxyholders electronically will start on 26/3/2026 and shall close 24 hours before the meeting time by visiting the above link of Bahrain Clear.
3. Adopting electronic voting exclusively in voting on all agenda items.
4. Electronic copies of the meeting documents will be available on the meeting date at the company website <https://www.bbkonline.com> and at Bahrain Clear website <https://eagm.bahrainclear.com/en/>
5. For any other inquiries related to the Ordinary General assembly meetings, please send an email to the Group Corporate Secretariat CorporateSecretariat@bbkonline.com.
6. The meeting will be recorded electronically, in audio and video, for record-keeping purposes.
7. We recommend you to attend the e-meeting from your computer or laptop in order to have better quality service; also, you have the option to attend the meeting using your tablet or smartphone (Mobile).
8. It is not possible for the shareholder to change his/her vote after he/she has voted, and this is based on the resolution of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce No. (63) of 2021 regarding measures for meetings by electronic means and the conditions and controls of the electronic voting system in the general assembly of the joint-stock company.

● We are committed to coordinating with international partners to develop urgent solutions to ensure continued fertilizer flows to global markets

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The Chairman of the Food Committee at the Bahrain Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Khalid Ali Al-Ameen, called on international organizations to take urgent action to address an unprecedented global fertilizer crisis resulting from Iran's blatant targeting of the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) countries.

Al-Ameen explained that the Gulf region accounts for nearly 45% of global urea exports, making any disruption to production or transportation through the Strait of Hormuz directly impactful on international

tional markets and fertilizer prices, with potential repercussions for the agricultural sector and global food security.

He warned that rising fertilizer prices and declining availability in global markets could place increasing pressure on the agricultural sector worldwide, potentially affecting the supply of wheat and other staple grains. He noted that fertilizer prices have risen significantly in recent times due to unjustified Iranian actions in the Strait of Hormuz, increasing agricultural production costs and placing growing strain on global food security.

Ameen further highlighted that the Kingdom of Bahrain produces substantial quantities of ammonia, urea, and methanol, with the majority of its production exported to global markets. He noted that Bahrain's annual exports reach most continents, including Europe, Asia, the Americas, Africa, and Australia, underscoring the Kingdom's position as a key player in the global fertilizer market through an extensive network of partnerships and international cooperation.

He added that the Bahrain Chamber, in coordination with GCC chambers and international partners, will work on developing urgent solutions to ensure the continued flow of fertilizers to global markets amid current challenges. He emphasized that these efforts come at a time of sharp increases in global fertilizer prices and disruptions in supply chains due to escalating geopolitical tensions, making cooperation among international and regional organizations essential to safeguarding global food security and supporting the agricultural sector, a critical pillar for economic stability and global food markets.

Top WTO official sounds fertiliser warning over Middle East war

AFP | Yaounde, Cameroon

Disruptions to fertiliser supplies caused by the Middle East war pose a double threat to global food security through scarcity and high prices, a top World Trade Organization official has warned.

"Fertilisers are the number one issue of concern today. If there is no more fertiliser, there is an impact on quantities but also on prices," WTO Deputy Director-General Jean-Marie Paugam told AFP in an interview

in Yaounde.

"The effect compounds the following year: harvests shrink and prices rise."

The Gulf's ample supplies of natural gas, a key ingredient in artificial fertilisers, have made the region a major manufacturer.

But production has been severely impeded by the war, with some major facilities forced to shut down.

Major food exporters such as India, Thailand and Brazil depend on the Gulf for urea, a

nitrogen-based fertiliser, making them vulnerable.

Because the war is only a few weeks old, there is currently no fertiliser shortage, Paugam said.

"But if fertilisers from the Gulf do not circulate, we will feel a direct impact on supplies to major producer countries just as planting seasons begin for the crops that will be harvested next year," he said.

"If the Strait of Hormuz is blocked for three months, the impact will be significant."