

Tale of torment in Tubli

Expat woman tenant endures seven weeks of harassment ordeal, cry for help falls on deaf ears

● **Building bullying sparks sleepless nights and growing safety concerns among residence**

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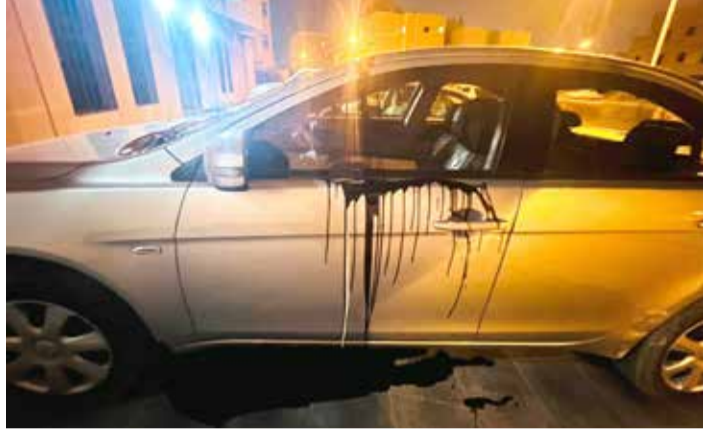
In a distressing turn of events, an expat tenant residing in a building in Tubli has been subjected to ongoing harassment for the past seven weeks.

The tenant, who wishes to remain anonymous, has endured sleepless nights and early morning disturbances caused by the incessant noise from the flat above her residence.

Despite her efforts to seek assistance from the building management, her pleas have fallen on deaf ears.

The tenant initially lodged complaints with the watchmen, seeking respite from the disruptive activities of her neighbors. Unfortunately, her grievances were met with indifference, and no action was taken to address the issue.

Frustrated by the lack of response, she took matters into her own hands and approached the building owner directly, highlighting the disturbance



The tenant's car has been sprayed with white and black paint, causing significant damage



The persistent harassment has severely impacted the tenant's mental well-being, leading to sleepless nights and a state of constant vigilance, affecting both her and her working female roommate.

caused by the neighboring flat. However, instead of receiving support, she faced anger and was advised to handle the situation on her own.

Since making her complaint, the tenant has become the target of harassment by her neighbor. Recounting the incidents of damage she has suffered, she shared her harrowing experiences to The Daily Tribune.

"On February 8, 2024, at ap-

proximately 8 a.m., I discovered that my car's left rear tire had been deliberately slashed with a blade measuring around 6" wide.

"Another incident occurred on February 23, 2024, at 6 a.m., when I found my car covered in black spray paint, causing significant damage."

Police report

She further explained, "In re-

sponse to these safety concerns, I decided to file a report with the Isa Town police station.

"On March 15, 2024, upon returning home after spending the entire day outside, I was shocked to find my car, the building floor area, and the trunk covered in white paint."

Subsequently, she promptly contacted the authorities, who advised her to document the incidents and visit the police station on Sunday, as it was a Friday.

The constant harassment, has taken a toll on the tenant's mental well-being. Sleepless nights and constant vigilance have become the norm for her and her roommate, both working women.

Additionally, another tenant residing in Flat 12 faced a safety issue when their gas cylinder was stolen in January 2024. The lack of safety measures in the building has put not only the victim but also other residents at risk.

Responsibility

Despite the tenant's pleas for assistance, the building owner has failed to take any responsibility for the ongoing harassment.

When she expressed her desire to relocate, she was informed that it was not possible due to the yearly contract.

The police, while intervening in the matter, could only summon the owner to the police station and urge them to install security cameras. However, without concrete evidence, such as CCTV footage, the authorities claimed their hands were tied.

In an effort to protect herself and her property, the tenant has resorted to parking her car in a different building equipped with security cameras.

Appropriate action

The question remains as to why tenants are subjected to such treatment, and why the building owner has not taken appropriate action.

Female driver faces manslaughter charge

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The Chief Prosecutor of the Traffic Prosecution Department has revealed that authorities received a report of a deadly traffic collision on busy Salman Road in the capital last week.

According to preliminary details, the incident occurred during evening rush hour near a popular shopping district. Witnesses said the female driver appeared distracted as her vehicle drifted onto the roadside emergency lane at high speed.

Tragically, this is where a jogger in his late 30s was running along the strip at the time to keep fit. The forceful impact from the car struck him down and caused critical injuries.

Emergency responders rushed the motionless victim to the Salmaniya Medical Complex but doctors could not rescue him from the severity of wounds sustained. He was sadly pronounced dead from internal bleeding.

Traffic investigators swiftly handed the case over to public prosecutors after gathering initial testimonies at the crash scene. The female suspect, in her 20s, was then summoned for official questioning about the chain of events.

BD200 million allocated to empower Bahraini workers



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The Council of Representatives unanimously approved an edict to provide partial funding for The Train and Place Programme by a sum of BD200 million after exhaustive deliberations yesterday.

This initiative, operated by The Labour Fund (Tamkeen), aims to facilitate the integration of Bahraini nationals into the labour market.

In an effort to elevate the minimum wage across various sectors of society, the scheme was designated urgent, with the ultimate goal of enhancing the living standards of Bahrainis.

This endeavour is expected to expedite crucial programmes aimed at improving the skills of Bahraini jobseekers, aligning them with the requirements of the labour market and subsequently increasing their productivity, creating in turn more job opportunities for Bahraini jobseekers.

The scheme has been nodded by both the Labour Market Regulatory Authority (LMRA) and the Bahrain Free Labour Unions Federation, signaling

their approval and support.

A sum of BD129 million is expected to be allocated for 13,000 Bahraini employees. As for private institutions set to promote its employees, the scheme will fully cover the intended increment for employees earning below BD1,500 per month over a period of 24 months.

Collaborative effort

"The edict before us is a result of collaborative effort between the legislative and executive branches, arising from their discussions on the state budget. The focus of these deliberations was to prioritise the private sector, particularly in light of the recent salary raise granted to the public sector," MP Ahmed Salloom said.

"It is crucial to bear in mind the significance of judiciously utilising the allocated funds for the Unemployment Insurance System. However, it is equally important to recognise that this initiative aligns with the core objectives for which the Unemployment Insurance System was originally established," MP Salloom added.

"We strive as legislators to enhance the appeal of the private sector to Bahraini youth and foster a smooth integra-

tion of their work with the public sector. This objective becomes even more pertinent in light of the increasing delegation of tasks to technology," MP Jalal Kadhem stressed.

According to official statistics provided by the Ministry of Labour, the number of jobseekers in Bahrain stands at 16,856 with a minimum wage for private sector employees at BD500 for college graduates, BD430 for Diploma holders, and BD350 for Secondary School graduates and below averaging at BD826.

"The recent package of subsidies handles the issue from the top, as demonstrated by the remarkable success of the On-The-Job Training Service (Furas), which has achieved a record high employment rate of 65%," said the Minister of Labour, His Excellency Jameel Humaidan.

"As we celebrated Bahraini Youth Day yesterday, it is essential to cement this celebration by providing our youngsters with genuine employment opportunities. By doing so, we enable them to discover their true potential, lead dignified lives, and ensure their valuable contributions to the development of our nation," said MP Eman Showaiter.



Today BBK Annual Ordinary General Meeting and Extraordinary General Meeting

The Board of Directors would like to remind the Bank's shareholders of the Annual Ordinary General Meeting and Extraordinary General Meeting, which will start at 10 am today, Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at the Gulf Hotel, Al Dana Hall, Kingdom of Bahrain, in order to discuss the meetings' agenda items, which have been already published.

Thank you,
Board of Directors



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