

## Sayyid Al-Hakeem from Karbala Emphasizes Moderation Importance, Urges Conscious, Active Elections Participation



In the holy governorate of Karbala, Sayyid Ammar Al-Hakeem, Head of the National State Powers Alliance, met with a group of tribal sheiks and dignitaries from the noble Al-Shuraifi family and the people of Karbala. His Eminence affirmed that Karbala stands as a symbol of dignity, where tyrants have fallen throughout history, and that Iraq, despite having endured political, social, and security crises, has now overcome many of its challenges, restoring its security, social harmony, and regional and international relations, alongside a growing movement toward reconstruction.

H.E. noted that while the journey remains long, Iraq continues to advance and aspires to move forward at a faster pace, reiterating that the country stands at a crossroads and that choices made now will shape its future. H.E. stressed the importance of upholding moderation and centrism, embracing all components of society, and working earnestly to serve the people and overcome obstacles. H.E. explained that the slogan #DoNotWasteIt serves as a reminder of the sacrifices, challenges, and tears that accompanied the nation's achievements, emphasizing that gratitude for blessings is the surest path to their preservation and growth.

H.E. underscored the vital role of the Parliament, expressing disapproval of the increasing absenteeism among members, and called for sustained communication with the public and closeness to their concerns. H.E. urged intensified and focused efforts, reminding that outcomes are defined by their conclusions, and called on all to renew their determination, continue working diligently, and participate widely, effectively, and consciously in the upcoming elections. H.E. affirmed that genuine national projects begin on November 11 and do not end there.

H.E. warned against excessive spending on electoral campaigns, as such practices raise suspicions and provoke legitimate questions—"Where did the money come from?" and "How will it be recovered?"—calling instead for the election of candidates who present productive, strategic programs and who are genuinely committed to democracy and Iraq's future.