

## Sayyid Al-Hakeem Calls for National Unity Government, Realistic Programs to Advance Iraq, Serve Its People



During a major electoral rally of the National State Powers Alliance in Wasit Governorate, Sayyid Ammar Al-Hakeem, Head of the National State Powers Alliance, praised the province's special status, describing it as "a land that lies at Iraq's heart, just as it lies in the hearts of its people." H.E. lauded Wasit as a land of abundance, trade, and kindness, a true oasis of coexistence between Shiites, Sunnis, Arabs, and Feyli Kurds.

H.E. highlighted Wasit's longstanding reputation as a cradle of moderation, intellect, and culture, recalling that it is the land of Al-Mutanabbi, Saeed ibn Jubayr, noble tribes, and distinguished families. H.E. further commended the people of Wasit for opening their homes to the Mujahideen during the struggle against dictatorship, and for once again standing in defense of Iraq after 2003 against new forms of Ba'athist and terrorist threats. He also noted the deep historical connection between the Al-Hakeem family and the province.

H.E. reviewed the political, social, and security challenges Iraq and the region have faced, including periods of isolation and misunderstanding of Iraq's post-2003 political experience. H.E. affirmed that Iraq has now overcome those challenges, stressing that the next phase requires wise choices to ensure lasting stability, and encouraging broad, active, and conscious participation in the upcoming elections.

H.E. explained that the National State Powers Alliance's program centers on achieving political stability as the key to security and economic stability, ultimately fostering public satisfaction and closer unity between citizens and the political system.

H.E. underscored the importance of economic reform through revitalizing productive sectors, particularly agriculture, industry, tourism, investment, and technology. H.E. reaffirmed support for agriculture in Wasit, rejecting policies that halt agricultural activity under the pretext of water scarcity, and instead called for practical solutions such as negotiation to secure Iraq's water share, adoption of modern irrigation technologies, use of groundwater, and seawater desalination.

H.E. also stressed the need to improve essential services including water, electricity, healthcare, education, and infrastructure, emphasizing that religious and social values form

the foundation of a cohesive society. Addressing all electoral lists, H.E. said, "November 11 is not the end of the road—do not burn the bridges of communication," underscoring that dialogue and cooperation remain vital for the next four years of public service.

On foreign policy, H.E. called for balanced regional and international relations that strengthen Iraq's global standing, asserting that "Iraq must be a pivot, not a follower." H.E. emphasized the need for a government of service, not crisis; a government of actions, not words; a government for the citizens, not for the officials.

H.E. warned against candidates who spend vast sums of money on elections, cautioning that such spending often masks ulterior motives to recover those funds later. H.E. urged voters to support candidates who emerge genuinely from the people and can maintain direct communication with them.

H.E. concluded by calling for the formation of a strong, transparent, and honest government guided by clear programs, capable leadership, and sound relations—one that safeguards public funds and upholds the highest standards of integrity. H.E. reaffirmed that Iraq needs a government of unity, not division, stressing that the National State Powers Alliance is fully prepared for this task with its clear vision, structured plans, and competent leaders.