

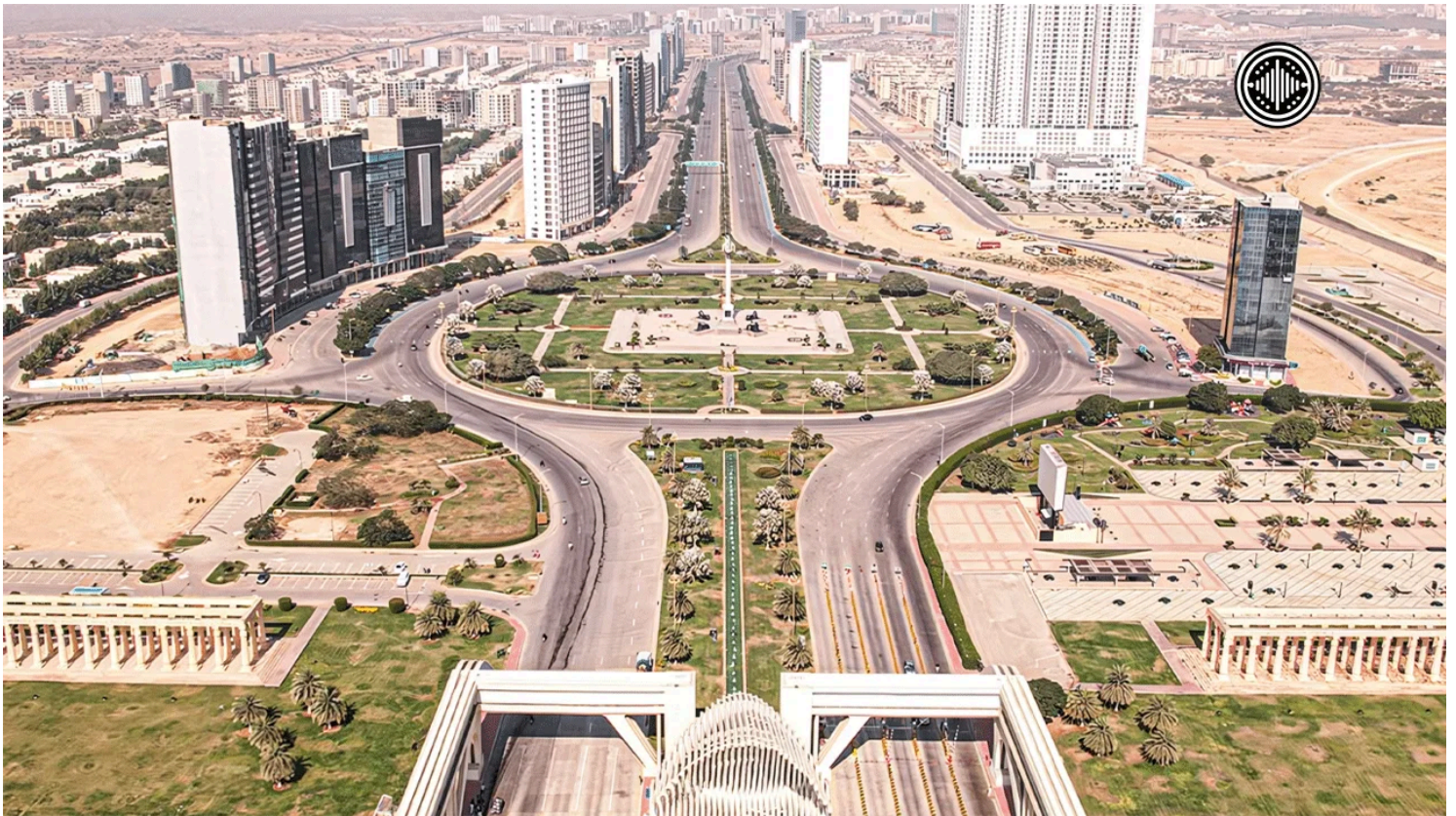
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Bahria Town Faces Uncertainty as Legal Pressure Mounts

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Bahria Town, one of Pakistan's largest and most recognised real estate brands, is facing mounting uncertainty as legal challenges intensify against its founder, Malik Riaz. The growing pressure has raised concerns about a slowdown in the property market, with dealers and investors adopting a cautious approach.

Despite widespread claims on social media of a 50 percent drop in property prices, market data indicates that rates have remained relatively stable. However, property transactions

have slowed considerably in recent weeks, with many buyers waiting for clarity before committing to new deals.

The uncertainty deepened after the National Accountability Bureau (NAB) moved to auction Bahria Town assets. Following the auction, Malik Riaz issued a public statement warning that the company's cash flow had "completely collapsed," making it difficult to sustain operations, provide essential services, or meet salary obligations for its workforce.

According to a report by BBC Urdu, property market insiders have expressed concern that if Bahria Town's offices were to close, the transfer of properties would come to a complete halt until an alternative process is established. This has led some investors, wary of a prolonged impasse, to sell their holdings in the project.

Market experts believe that the current climate of uncertainty is eroding investor confidence. Many are unwilling to inject fresh capital while legal inquiries remain unresolved. The slowdown in transactions has created a wait-and-see environment, with stakeholders hoping for a resolution that will restore stability to one of Pakistan's most prominent real estate ventures.

While the long-term prospects for Bahria Town could improve if legal matters are settled favourably, the short-term outlook remains challenging. The combination of legal pressure, market hesitancy, and operational constraints has created one of the most testing periods in the company's history.

Bahria Town has been a symbol of large-scale real estate development in Pakistan, attracting both domestic and overseas buyers with its modern housing projects, infrastructure, and amenities. Its influence on the property market has been significant, and any major disruption to its operations is likely to have ripple effects across the sector.

For now, the focus remains on the outcome of ongoing legal proceedings and the company's ability to maintain essential functions in the face of financial strain. Investors, buyers, and dealers alike are watching developments closely, aware that the resolution of the situation will determine the immediate direction of Pakistan's high-profile property market.