

KARACHI - Traders of Karachi want Rangers security in all city markets where sharp increase in extortion cases bring trading activities at halt. Business persons who belong from the local markets said if the interim government would not take serious action against extortionists, they will start sit-in protest at MA Jinnah Road after three days. ♦

The decision was took place in All Karachi Tajir Ittehad meeting presided by Atique Mir chairman AKTI at Aram Bagh Market.

Speaking to the meeting, Atique Mir said extortion becomes a main business of the city where traders got threats through cell phone, receipts or at home where no one available to give them protection and security and many of them receiving live threats. ♦ He said usually extortionists follow the traders when they go back to their home and also terrify them by firing on their shops. He demanded the government to start operation against extortionists.

Atique said if interim government will not take serious action against those elements, AKTI will announce boycott of upcoming election.

Participant of the meeting said extortionists have captured whole the city where no one safe by these criminals. Most of the traders receive receipts of hundred of thousands rupees, resultantly they stop or wind up their businesses due to unexpected and poor law and order situation.

The meeting was attended by Voice Chairman Akram Rana, General Secretary Sharjeel Goaplani, Ansar Baig Qadri, Abdul Ghani Akhoond, Ahmad Shamsi, Zubair Ahmad and other embers of AKTI.

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