

Punjab Governor says: Govt determined to completely eradicate polio from the country

Independent Report LAHORE: Dr. Christopher Elias, Head of Polio Oversight Board delegation called on Governor Punjab Muhammad Balighur Rehman today at Governor House Lahore. Secretary Health Punjab Ali Jan, representatives of UNICEF and World Health Organization were also present.

measures for the complete elimination of polio. Governor Punjab further said that after 2018 unsatisfactory Lot Quality Assurance Sampling result was a cause of concern.



LAHORE: Dr. Christopher Elias, Head of Polio Oversight Board delegation in a group photo with Governor Punjab Muhammad Balighur Rehman at Governor House.

Punjab govt following zero tolerance policy to ensure peace during Muharram

MULTAN (APP): The Punjab government has a zero-tolerance policy to ensure exemplary peace on the occasion of Muharram-ul-Harram. Caretaker Punjab Chief Minister Syed Moinudin Naqvi has formed a special cabinet committee for monitoring the law and order situation.

Punjab. He said that the Punjab government wants the cooperation of scholars of all schools of thought for peace. The district administration has assigned full powers for peace.

He resolved easily with the best coordination. Provincial Minister for Health, Dr Javed Akram said that Muharram teaches us tolerance, patience and brotherhood.



RAWALPINDI: View of badly damaged vehicles struck by an out of control Dumper Truck near Lahore High Court Bench at Swan area in the outskirts of the city.

Mother dies, 3 people injure in a car, m/c collision

MANAWALA (Online): A mother died and 3 people including daughter and son were severely injured as a result of collision between motorcycle and car on Manawala Nankana Road. A high speed bus went out of control and collided with a truck in Nankana Motorway M3 near Colony Canal.

KP minister directs to introduce online financial system in TEVTA

PESHAWAR (Online): He issued these directives while presiding over a high-level meeting here in the headquarters of Technical Education and Vocational Training Authority (TEVTA) on Monday.

UoP's Department of Journalism plays key role in KP's uplift: Feroze

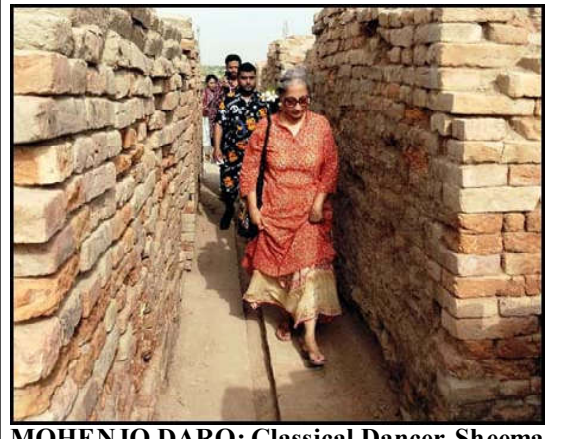
PESHAWAR (APP): Journalism Bakht Zaman, Assistant Professor Journalism Syed Irfan Ashraf and others were also present on this occasion. The caretaker minister said that the profession of journalism plays a huge responsibility in the uplifting of society and the country.

Two policemen injured during exchange of fire in Katcha area

DG KHAN (APP): Two constables and an outlaw here on Monday got injured during exchange of fire between the accused and police in the Katcha area. Other unidentified accused succeeded to escape the scene by crossing the river, the police said.

Naqvi expresses satisfaction over healthcare facilities being provided at RIC

Independent Report RAWALPINDI: Caretaker Chief Minister Punjab Moinudin Naqvi on Monday expressed satisfaction with the medical facilities being provided at Rawalpindi Institute of Cardiology (RIC). During his visit, the CM in detail inspected the hospital's emergency, CT scan, X-ray room, Fluoroscopic, and other departments of the institute.



MOHENJO DARO: Classical Dancer, Sheema Kirmani along with her team are visiting and expressed keen interest in the historical ruins of the World Heritage Monuments of Mohenjo Daro

WWF President urges action on climate change

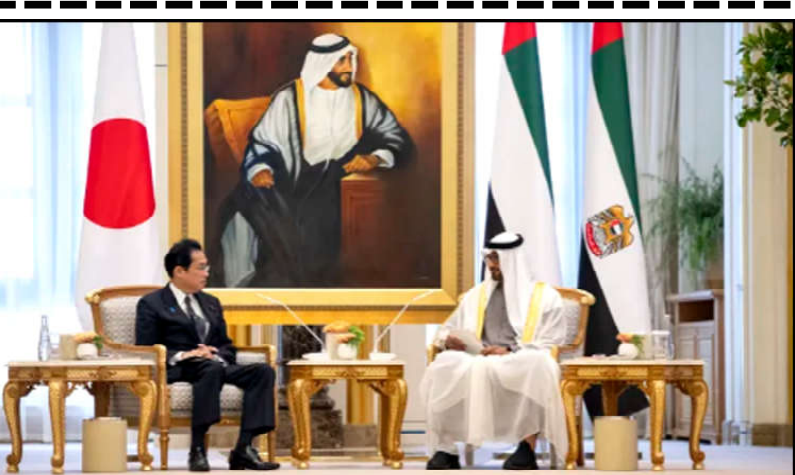
LAHORE (Online): Climate change is no longer a future issue, we are experiencing it right now, said Adil Najam, President of WWF International, who is also a globally recognized academic and policy expert. He was addressing an invited talk on "Now or Never: The Urgent Need to Take Climate Action for a Sustainable Future" at GC University Lahore. Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Asghar Zaidi was also present.

International News

Xi tells ex-Philippine president Duterte to promote ties with China

Monitoring Desk BEIJING: China's President Xi Jinping told former Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte to continue to promote cooperation between the two countries, after bilateral relations cooled with Duterte's successor seeking closer ties with Washington.

Washington has pledged to defend the Philippines, which allowed the U.S. access to four additional military bases this year, angering Beijing. Marcos also said granting U.S. access to the bases was a defensive step that would be "useful" if China attacked democratically governed Taiwan, which China claims as part of its territory.



Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida and Emirati President Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan met at Qasr Al Watan in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.

Japan's prime minister visits the UAE as part of a Gulf trip focused on energy and commerce

Monitoring Desk DUBAI: Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida visited the United Arab Emirates on Monday as part of a swing through the Arab Gulf states focused on energy and commerce. He met with Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the president of the UAE, which will be hosting the COP28 U.N. climate summit later this year.



Rescuers search through the rubble of a collapsed five-story apartment building in Cairo, Egypt.

A 5-story apartment building collapses in Cairo and kills at least 9 people

Monitoring Desk CAIRO: A five-story apartment building collapsed Monday in the Egyptian capital of Cairo, leaving at least nine people dead, authorities said, as rescuers searched through the rubble. Building collapses are common in Egypt, where shoddy construction and a lack of maintenance are widespread in shantytowns, poor city neighborhoods and rural areas.

China's economy misses growth forecasts

Monitoring Desk HONG KONG: China's economic growth missed forecasts in the second quarter of the year, adding to worries over surging youth unemployment and a weak property sector and raising the likelihood the government will double down on support for the faltering post COVID-19 recovery.

Exclusive-USAID chief to announce over \$500 million in aid in visit to Ukraine

Monitoring Desk WASHINGTON: U.S. aid chief Samantha Power is set to announce more than \$500 million in humanitarian assistance for Ukraine on Monday during a visit to the war-torn country, where the United Nations says some 17 million people need help following Russia's invasion.

will announce the assistance to respond to the needs of Ukrainians affected by Russia's invasion of Ukraine, according to an announcement shared in advance with Reuters. Tens of thousands of Ukrainian civilians and soldiers on both sides have been killed and millions have fled their homes since Russia launched its invasion of Ukraine on Feb. 24, 2022, triggering Europe's

biggest land war since World War Two. The aid, which will be provided through the United Nations and other non-governmental organization partners, will increase support for those who have been displaced or otherwise affected by the war with emergency food assistance, health care and safe drinking water, among other assistance, according to the announcement.

Erdogan says he believes Putin wants continuation of grain deal

Monitoring Desk ISTANBUL: Turkish President Tayyip Erdogan said on Monday that he believed Russian President Vladimir Putin wants the continuation of a deal allowing the export of Ukrainian grain through the Black Sea, after Moscow suspended its participation.

July, aimed to alleviate a global food crisis by allowing Ukrainian grain blocked by the Russia-Ukraine conflict to be exported safely. Russia suspended its participation in the deal on Monday, the Kremlin said, adding that the part of the agreement concerning Russia had not been implemented. "Despite the statement made today, I believe Russian President Putin wants the continuation of this humanitarian bridge," Erdogan said, adding that the two men would speak on Erdogan's return from his trip to Gulf countries on Wednesday.

US special envoy Kerry holds talks in China aimed at reviving climate diplomacy

Monitoring Desk BEIJING: US climate envoy John Kerry held four hours of talks with his Chinese counterpart in Beijing on Monday, reviving stalled diplomacy on reducing planet-warming emissions. Climate talks between the two biggest greenhouse gas emitters came to a halt last year after Nancy Pelosi, then speaker of the US House of Representatives, enraged Beijing by visiting self-ruled Taiwan, which China considers to be part of its territory.

EU may update climate pledge to show faster progress on CO2 goals

Monitoring Desk BRUSSELS: European Union countries are debating whether to update their climate pledge ahead of this year's COP28 summit, to show they expect to exceed their current goal for CO2 emissions cuts, a draft document showed. The 27-country EU has one of the most ambitious climate targets among major economies - having agreed in law to cut its net greenhouse gas emissions by 55% by 2030 compared with 1990 levels. A draft document, seen by Reuters, said EU countries may notify the United Nations that they can reach a 57% emissions cut. The text was in brackets, indicating it is not yet agreed by all countries.

