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QUETTA: Provincial Ameer of Jamiat-e-Ulema Islam and former Federal Minister Maulana Abdul Wasey meeting with nominated Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar.

## CM greets nation on 76th Independence Day: We have to work together remaining above every kind of prejudices, emphasizes Chief Minister

**Independence Day**  
QUETTA: The Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Abdul Quddus Bizenjo has greeted the entire nation on 76th Independence Day. In a message issued here on the Independence Day, the Chief Minister said that this country came into being due to the great sacrifices of our forefathers, and now its protection, construction and development is our responsibility. We have to work like a united nation forgetting aside our petty differences and remaining above all kinds of prejudices to fulfill that responsibility, adding he stressed. Mir Abdul Quddus Bizenjo regretfully pointed

out that the anti-state forces want to weaken and destabilize the country by creating lawlessness, however, we can foil the nefarious designs of the enemies by forging unity among our ranks, he added. He insisted that we can make Pakistan a great Islamic state by following the sayings of father of Nation, Q u a i d - e - A z a m Muhammad Ali Jinnah and thinking of Poet of the East, Allama Dr. Muhammad Iqbal. He said that on the eve of Jashne Azadi, we should also pay homage to our those martyrs who rendered sacrifice of their lives for defence of the country and its peace. The Chief Minister said that this day re-

minds us that how big blessing of the independence is. He said that the people of Balochistan stand by their Kashmiri brethren in their just struggle. He also strongly condemned the Indian state barbarism and cruelties against the Kashmiris in the Occupied Kashmir. He also said that we have to learn the lesson from the past and play role for development of the country. If we didn't learn any lesson from the past, then the coming generations would never forgive us, adding the Chief Minister asserted. In the end, Mir Abdul Quddus Bizenjo prayed for the safety, development and prosperity of the country.



SIALKOT: The Chief Executive of Istehkam-e-Pakistan Party Jahangir Tareen, along with President Aleem Khan and Dr. Firdous Ashiq Awan addressing to the media in Kobey Chak.

## Caretaker PM Kakar thanks political parties for welcoming his appointment

ISLAMABAD (INP): Caretaker Prime Minister Anwar-ul-Haq Kakar on Sunday thanked the political parties who welcomed his appointment and vowed to fulfill his responsibilities to the best of his ability. He said that he would strive to fulfill his duties to the best of his ability and that he would work for the betterment of the country. The caretaker PM received a stream of congratulatory messages from political leaders on his appointment to the position. Former Balochistan chief minister Jam Kamal, Istehkam-e-Pakistan Party (IPP) leader Fawad Chaudhry, and Balochistan Awami Party (BAP) leader Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti were

among those who met with interim PM at Punjab House to offer their extolments. Fawad Chaudhry said that Kakar's appointment as caretaker prime minister received collective appreciation. He expressed hope that the interim premier would fulfill the "heavy responsibility" that he had been entrusted with. Kakar thanked all the parties who had welcomed his appointment and said that he was grateful to the people who had expressed their good wishes for him. He said that he would strive to fulfill his duties to the best of his ability and that he would work for the betterment of the country.

## All set to celebrate Independence Day with enthusiasm in Quetta, other parts of Balochistan today

**Independent Report**  
QUETTA: All is set to celebrate the 76th Independence Day of the country with national spirit and enthusiasm in Quetta and other parts of Balochistan today (Monday). Different ceremonies and events have been arranged to mark the celebrations of Independence in the provincial metropolis and other district and divisional headquarters all over the province. The main Independence Day ceremony is scheduled to be held at 08:30 AM today at the lawn of Provincial Assembly. The Governor Balochistan, Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar would be the chief guest and hoist the

national flag there. The senior high ranking officials as well as the dignitaries from different walks of life, public representatives and civil society would be participating in the flag hoisting ceremony. Similar different activities have also been planned to mark the celebrations which included the flag hoisting at the High Court of Balochistan. Moreover, the flag hoisting ceremonies would also be held at the offices of deputy commissioners and commissioners in the districts and divisional headquarters respectively. A grand ceremony is also scheduled to be held at the Railway station of Quetta.

Similarly, a ceremony would also be held at 12:00 Noon at the Balochistan Boy Scouts Association's headquarter. Qazi Azmat Isa would also be chief guest at the ceremony. Meanwhile, in a meeting chaired by the Commissioner had reviewed the security arrangements made for the ceremony. The walk through gates would be installed on the entry and exit points of the Railway Station. The special arrangement would also be made for parking of the vehicles visiting the Railway Station for Independence Day celebrations. The activities to be part of the event are included: firework, food festival, musical show, etc.

## Govt steered country out of severe economic, political crises in 16 months: PM

ISLAMABAD (APP): Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Sunday said his government steered the country out of severe historic economic and political crises and external challenges and protected the interests of the people and the Pakistani state during the 16 months. Addressing the nation, he said time and history would be witness that his government saved Pakistan

from default and the subsequent economic disaster waiting to happen, safeguarded national interests, restored the trust of friendly countries and provided relief to people after the devastating floods. He said after the end of the constitutional tenure of his government, he was handing over power to the caretaker government. "My conscience is clear that I served honestly and transparently and fol-

lowed the constitution." He congratulated Anwarul Haq Kakar for becoming the caretaker prime minister and expressed hope that he would ensure free, fair and transparent elections in Pakistan and protect the right to vote of the people. "The caretaker prime minister is appointed after consultation between him and leader of the opposition Raja Riaz." He thanked the politi-



cal leadership and people for reposing trust in his leadership and government. The prime minister said after the successful conclusion of the agreement with the International Monetary Fund (IMF).

## ISPR says: Two terrorists killed amid swift response to attack on military convoy in Gwadar

**Chinese Embassy condemns terrorists' attack on Chinese Convoy in Gwadar**  
RAWALPINDI (APP): The security forces on Sunday killed two terrorists in a swift response to the attack made on a military convoy in the morning in Gwadar district. The terrorists attacked a military convoy in Gwadar at 1000 hours, an Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR) press release said.

The terrorists used small arms and hand grenades during the activity, however, due to efficient and swift response, two terrorists were sent to hell with no harm to any military or civil persons, it said. The ISPR said, "Security Forces of Pakistan remain determined to thwart efforts of the enemies of peace and prosperity in the country." Meanwhile, Chinese Embassy in Pakistan



QUETTA: A beautiful illuminated view of lighting at Government building on the eve of Independence Day celebrations coming ahead, in Quetta.

## We need to make pledge to strive for stability of the country: Kakar

**Independent Report**  
QUETTA: Greeting the whole nation on the 76th Independence Day, the Governor Balochistan, Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar has emphasized that we need to make pledge to strive for stability and development of the country.

In a statement issued here on eve of the Independence Day being observed today, the Governor said that our political elders and forefathers had struggled to get freedom, and as such it is our collective obligation to make pledge to ensure independence and make conscious efforts for its survival and stability. In addition to this, it is also our and especially of the new generation to remain active for its development, adding he stressed.

Shah in his statement had said that they were unaware that Senator Anwaarul Haq Kakar would be appointed as caretaker Prime Minister. PPP had finalized five names which included Saleem Abbas, Jalil Abbas, Muhammad Malik and Afzal Khan from KP, he added. Shah had further said that it would have been better if someone among them was appointed as caretaker

## Shah's statement about caretaker PM 'fumes' PPP

ISLAMABAD (INP): Former federal minister Khurshid Shah's statement about the caretaker prime minister has 'fumed' Pakistan People's Party (PPP), sources said on Sunday, citing sources. Shah in his statement had said that they were unaware that Senator Anwaarul Haq Kakar would be appointed as caretaker Prime Minister. PPP had finalized five names which included Saleem Abbas, Jalil Abbas, Muhammad Malik and Afzal Khan from KP, he added. Shah had further said that it would have been better if someone among them was appointed as caretaker

PM. The senior leadership of the party has sought an 'explanation' from Khurshid Shah over his statement regarding Anwaarul Haq Kakar. The sources said Khurshid Shah's statement was against the party policy and he expressed his opinion without consulting the PPP's leadership. The PPP leaders have been asked to avoid commenting on the issue of caretaker PM, the sources said. It may be noted Senator Anwarul Haq Kakar was selected as Pakistan's caretaker prime minister. President Arif Alvi also signed the advice forwarded by PM Shehbaz and Raja Riaz in this context.

## Balochistan CM contacts political leaders for name of Caretaker CM

QUETTA (APP): Balochistan Chief Minister Mir Abdul Quddus Bizenjo on Sunday contacted political leaders to develop consensus on the name of the Caretaker Chief Minister. In this regard, he also contacted with Balochistan opposition leader Malik Sikander Khan Advocate and discussed on the establishment of caretaker government. Chief Minister talked with Chairman Senate, Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani and Balochistan Awami Party (BAP) Mir Khalid Khan Magsoo about setting up of caretaker regime in the province. The Chief Minister also contacted the senior political leadership of the province saying that soon progress was expected in the name of caretaker Chief Minister in Balochistan by consultation of political leaders including opposition leader.

According to Mengal, the chief of his own faction of Balochistan Awami Party (BNP), said his letter was a continuation of the one he had written on July 22, 2022 and, unfortunately, the issues mentioned back then were still persisting. Expressing his dismay, the BNP-M head said notwithstanding the situation being faced in Balochistan, it was a surprise that they [Nawaz and others] had been unable learn from what

## Two traders killed, as many abducted by dacoits in Dera Bugti

LAHORE (INP): Sardar Akhtar Mengal, the seasoned Baloch nationalist leader, isn't happy with the appointment of Anwaarul Haq Kakar as caretaker prime minister as he wrote a letter to Nawaz Sharif - the PML-N supremo - saying that force was being used to solve Balochistan's problems instead of finding a political solution. Mengal, the chief of his own faction of Balochistan Awami Party (BNP), said his letter was a continuation of the one he had written on July 22, 2022 and, unfortunately, the issues mentioned back then were still persisting. Expressing his dismay, the BNP-M head said notwithstanding the situation being faced in Balochistan, it was a surprise that they [Nawaz and others] had been unable learn from what

had they faced. A solution to the current problems was being found in consultation with the establishment, instead of politicians, he remarked. According to Mengal, they still remember the injustices of Gen Ayub Khan to Gen Pervez Musharraf, but his [Nawaz's] party has forgotten the conspiracies hatched and unconstitutional acts committed by Gen Musharraf and Gen Bajwa so quickly. Making the undemocratic forces more powerful by weakening the democratic institutions will prove to be the last nail in the coffin of democracy, Mengal warned. He also told Nawaz that the legislations introduced against the human rights concept would ultimately be used against them [PML-N] in future as they had not considered.

## Dollar hits Rs302 in open market

KARACHI (INP): The US dollar hit 302 against the rupee in the open market, going beyond the boundaries marked by the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to keep the difference in open and interbank exchange rates in the range of 1 per cent to 1.5 per cent, says media reports. "The US dollar rates kept fluctuating during the day and reached as high as Rs302," said Zafar Paracha, general secretary of the Exchange Companies Association of Pakistan. On Friday, the dollar traded at Rs296 in the open market Mr Paracha said the dollar rate was higher than the prices being quoted in the media. Some currency dealers said the dollar's appreciation was not mainly because of the currency's shortage but due to uncertainty surrounding the caretaker government. "The perception about the interim government in the currency market is that it will be independent of any political pressure.



KABUL: Leaders of Jamiat-e-Ulema Islam (Nazriati) Maulana Abdul Qadir Luni, Syed Haji Abdul Sattar Shah Chisti, Haji Hayatullah Kakar and others meeting with Afghan Foreign Minister Maula Ameer Khan Mutaki.

## CM Bizenjo calls Kakar; greets him on nomination as caretaker PM

**Independent Report**  
QUETTA: The Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Abdul Quddus Bizenjo has congratulated Senator Anwarul Haq Kakar on his nomination as the caretaker Prime Minister. The Chief Minister telephoned Anwarul Haq Kakar and expressed best wishes for his success in future. While speaking to Anwarul Haq Kakar, the Chief Minister expressed the belief that the caretaker Prime Minister would ensure holding of the free and fair elections according to his constitutional mandate. Mir Abdul Quddus Bizenjo also said that his becoming caretaker Prime Minister is a matter of pride for Balochistan. He prayed that may Allah Almighty succeed him fulfilling his constitutional mandate and responsibilities. During the course of conversation, the Chief Minister and designated caretaker Prime Minister also discussed political and other related matters. The caretaker Prime Minister also thanked the Chief Minister for expressing best wishes for him.

forces and terrorists, besides four terrorists being sent to hell, and one terrorist was apprehended, said an Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) news release issued here Sunday. The martyred soldier was identified as Sepoy Muhammad Shoab (age 24 years, resident of District Kohat), having fought gallantly embraced Shahadat during an intense exchange of fire.

## One soldier martyred amid eliminating four terrorists in Bajaur IBO

RAWALPINDI (APP): A soldier of the Pakistan Army embraced martyrdom during an intelligence-based operation (IBO) conducted on the night of August 12-13 in the general area Charming, Bajaur District on the reported presence of terrorists, while four extremists were killed in an intense exchange of fire. During the operation, an intense fire exchange occurred between the security



QUETTA: Participants of jawanan Itihad Balochistan take part in the rally in connection with the Independence Day celebration.







GILGIT: Chinese delegation paying tribute to their relatives who lost their lives during the construction of Karakoram Highway (1959-77) during their visit to Chinese Graveyard Daniyor.

## Alvi urges nation to remain steadfast, work hard for country's uplift

ISLAMABAD (APP): President Dr Arif Alvi has urged the entire Pakistani nation to remain steadfast and work wholeheartedly for the development of the country.

"There is a need to unite to cope with the social, political, economic and security challenges facing the nation today. So, let's resolve that we will not hesitate to offer any sacrifice for the security, prosperity and development of the country," the president said in a message on the occasion of the 76th Independence Day anniversary.

The president congratulated all compatriots on Pakistan's 76th Independence Day anniversary, adding that on this day, they paid tribute to the sacrifices rendered by their founding fathers and workers of the Pakistan Movement.

This day also gave the opportunity for introspection, he said, stressing that they should reflect on the nation's progress so far, prevailing challenges, and opportunities for growth.

"It is a time to renew our commitment to building a stronger and more prosperous Pakistan as envisioned by the Father of the Nation. I urge my fel-

low countrymen to work for the welfare and uplift of deprived sections of our society. Let's pledge to uphold the principles of democracy, freedom, equality, tolerance, forgiveness, socio-economic justice and moral and ethical values, as enunciated by Islam," a press release quoted the president as saying.

He said 76 years ago, on this day, Pakistan gained independence after the historic struggle of the Muslims of the sub-continent under the dynamic leadership of Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah.

The Muslims of India wanted a homeland for themselves where they could freely order their individual and collective lives in accordance with the teachings of Islam, he added.

"The stories of those people, who faced hardships, endured oppression and braved immense challenges to reach Pakistan, serve as a source of inspiration for our future generations.

We should value the sacrifices of our forefathers for the creation of Pakistan and work for the prosperity of our people," the president observed.

## 33 CDWP, 12 ECNEC meetings held in 16 months

ISLAMABAD (APP): Ministry of Planning, Development and Special Initiatives has launched a 16-month performance report while highlighting its key achievements made from April 2022 to August 2023.

The 29-page report contained details of achievements made by the ministry from April 19, 2022 to August 9, 2023, a news release said on Sunday. During the period under review, the Planning Commission managed to hold 33 meetings of the Central Development Working Party (CDWP) and 12 meetings of the Executive Committee of the National Economic Council (ECNEC).

A large number of development projects and schemes of strategic signifi-

cance were considered and approved during this period, said the report.

The report emphasized that special attention was given to the Public Sector Development Programme (PSDP) as the Planning Ministry increased the PSDP from Rs500 billion to Rs1150 billion for 2023-2024, overcoming financial limitations while ensuring transparency through the PSDP Portal, which provides digital access to 1.1 trillion worth of PSDP data.

While highlighting the performance of the CDWP, the reports said that CDWP-approved projects showed the sensitization of priorities to carry out national development schemes. After the infrastructural projects, the

## 41 member delegation visits China Yadgar

GILGIT (APP): A 41-member Chinese delegation here on Sunday visited China Yadgar to commemorate the dedication and valor of those who lost their lives during the construction of Karakoram Highway (KKH) from 1959 to 1979. The delegation also included 15 engineers and workers who physically participated in the construction of the KKH, besides their family members.

On this occasion, they paid tributes to their loved ones and placed wreath of flowers on the graves of the deceased. Their relatives placed the national flag



QUETTA: Chief Executive Officer QESCO Engineer Abdul Kareem Jamali presides over the meeting to review performance of Field Operation Officers.

## Anti-state elements can't affect public joys and enthusiasm of Independence Day, says CM

**Independence Day**

QUETTA: The Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Abdul Qudus Bizenjo has condemned the incident of firing by terrorists in Gwadar on Sunday.

According to an official hand out issued here, the Chief Minister noted with contentment that no

human loss was occurred in the incident.

He paid tributes to the security forces on taking the terrorists to task in retaliation. The Chief Minister said that the security institutions are active to foil the nefarious designs of the terrorist elements and their perpetrators.

He said that it is joint resolve of the masses and institutions to establish sustainable peace all over the province including Gwadar.

He said that the anti-state elements can't have an effect on the public joys and enthusiasm of Independence day.



QUETTA: Pakistan flags, bunting, printed shirts and other items are being sold on roadside stalls in connection of Independence Day of Pakistan coming ahead, at Bacha Khan Chowk in Quetta.

## Anwaar Kakar cannot hold 'transparent' elections: Aimal Wali

QUETTA (INP): Awami National Party (ANP) has raised reservations about the transparency of the elections under the supervision of caretaker PM Anwaarul Haq.

On Saturday, the name of Senator Anwaarul Haq Kakar, a leader of Balochistan Awami Party (BAP) was approved by the president on the advice of PM Shehbaz Sharif, after reaching a consensus in his meeting with Opposition Leader Raja Riaz.

Awami National Party President Aimal Wali Khan claimed there was no role of PM Sharif and Raja Riaz

## Two workers lose lives in mine incident

QUETTA (INP): In a tragic incident, two workers on Sunday lost their lives due to a lethal build-up of toxic gas within a mine at Hamai district, Balochistan.

According to the Levies force, the incident took place within the confines of mines area no 151, Block no. 4. The suffocating grasp of poisonous gas proved fatal and the two miners lost their lives as a result. The deceased were close relatives, hailing from Shangla, Swat

## NA Speaker condemns terrorists' attacks on Army in Gwadar, Bajaur

ISLAMABAD (APP): Speaker of National Assembly Raja Pervaiz Ashraf on Sunday condemned the attack by terrorists on the convoy of security forces in Gwadar and Bajaur. The Speaker expressed regret over the martyrdom of Sepoy Mohammad Shoaib during the encounter of security forces against terrorists in Bajaur, a news release said. The Speaker expressed his heartfelt condolences to the family of Sepoy Mohammad Shoaib.

Raja Pervaiz Ashraf said, "Inimical elements are trying to sabotage the peace of the country. The whole nation is standing

## Anwar Kakar resigns from senate, BAP membership

ISLAMABAD (INP): Designated Prime Minister Anwarul Haq Kakar resigned from his senate, Balochistan Awami Party (BAP) membership.

According to sources, Anwarul Haq Kakar said that he is quitting his senate membership as his basic responsibility is to hold transparent elections.

Furthermore, the designated prime minister said that consultation regarding the caretaker cabinet has been started, sources added.

A day earlier, Senator Anwarul Haq Kakar was selected as Pakistan's caretaker prime minister, PM Shehbaz and Riaz have sent advice regarding Kakar's appointment as the caretaker prime minister to President Alvi, the statement added.

## PPP urged nation to void hate, division: Bilawal

KARACHI (APP): Chairman of Pakistan People's Party (PPP) Bilawal Bhutto Zardari on Independence Day has urged the nation to work together to end the hatred and division from society as well as work hard to make Pakistan a country that other nations of the world can give examples of its democracy and prosperity.

While extending greetings to the nation on Independence Day, he expressed good wishes for all Pakistanis. He said that today is the day to pay homage to Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah and his companions, who struggled for freedom under his leadership and made sacrifices. "August 14 symbolizes making the impossible possible through peaceful political and democratic struggle," he said adding that the Day is also the occasion to ask ourselves whether today's Pakistan has succeeded in achieving all goals that our founding fathers had set and dreamed of at the time of its establishment.

"In the light of the vision of the Quaid-e-Azam,



QUETTA: President of Muslim League (N) Balochistan Sheikh Jaffar Khan Mandokhail along with others cutting cake to celebrate Independence Day.

## PBF felicitates Kakar as 8th caretaker PM

QUETTA (APP): Pakistan Business Forum (PBF) Balochistan chapter extended heartfelt congratulations to Anwaarul Haq Kakar on the appointment as 8th interim Prime Minister of the country. In a joint statement issued on Sunday, Chairman PBF Balochistan Engr. Daroo Khan Achakzai, Vice Chairpersons of PBF Zubaida Jalal, Sana Durrani, Secretary General Balochistan Bashir Agha and district presidents of PBF Balochistan hoped that PM Kakar would now prioritize some of the urgent economic issues being faced by the country and pay special attention to the problems being suffered by the business & industrial community of Balochistan since long. They also advised the Prime Minister to come up

## Flag-lowering ceremony attracts large crowd at Wagah border

LAHORE (INP): A large crowd took part in the flag-lowering ceremony held at the Wagah border on the eve of 76th Independence Day of Pakistan.

People from all walks of life attended the flag-lowering ceremony in which Rangers performed the parade. On the occasion, the public chanted slogans in favour of the country and the atmosphere of Wagah border echoed with "Pakistan Zindabad" slogans during the ceremony.

Preparations are in full swing to celebrate the 76th Independence Day with great zeal in the country.

A large number of stalls are being witnessed at the main avenues, markets and streets of all cities and towns of the country.

National flags, pin badges, green and white dresses, toys and other accessories have been put on display on the stalls.

## Ashrafi terms national flag a symbol of unity, solidarity

ISLAMABAD (APP): Pakistan Ulama Council Chairman Hafiz Muhammad Tahir Mahmood Ashrafi, on Sunday underscored the significance of Pakistan's national flag as a symbol of unity and solidarity. Speaking at a press conference held at the central office of Bait-ul-Aman, Ashrafi who is also the President of International Interfaith Harmony Council categorically stated that disrespecting the national flag should not be tolerated and called for stringent measures against those allegedly involved in this heinous crime.

He further stressed

## U.S. Envoy felicitates people of Pak on 'I-Day'

ISLAMABAD (APP): U.S. Ambassador to Pakistan Donald Blome on Sunday congratulated the people of Pakistan on its 76th Independence Day.

In his statement, issued by the U.S. Embassy in Islamabad, the Ambassador said that the past year has been a testament to the strength of our relationship.

He said "We worked together on health, energy and climate to support the Pakistani people's recovery from last year's floods.

Looking forward, the U.S.-Pakistan Green Alliance is a transformative initiative between our two countries that will address environmental challenges, and create new jobs, industries and livelihoods for our people, he added.



QUETTA: Muslim League (PML-N) leader, Malik Abdul Ghani addresses to media persons during press conference held at Quetta press club.

## Great nation celebrates Independence Day in grand manner: Samina

QUETTA (APP): Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri on Sunday said that August 14 is our Independence Day and we will celebrate the Independence Day in a dignified way.

The so-called well-wishers focused on their personal development and prosperity instead of the development and prosperity of Balochistan, due to which Balochistan was left behind in the race of development.

On this occasion, she congratulated the entire nation on Independence Day and said that Pakistan was achieved after a long struggle and sacrifices, but even today there are elements in Balochistan who do not appreciate the blessing of independence and Pakistan.

Some are playing in the hands of their enemies, but history is a witness that the nations who did not value freedom were left behind.

We should value freedom; she said that we will celebrate independence with national dignity and pride.

Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri expressed these views while addressing the ceremony.

She added that after independence, our dear country Pakistan has seen many setbacks. For this purpose, our young men also offered sacrifices of their lives which can never be forgotten.

All of us will have to play our role to fight against our enemies. She said that our elders have made eternal sacrifices to get this country.



QUETTA: A view of sewerage water accumulated on Sirki Road Gawalmandi Chowk which creating problems for motorists need attention of concerned authorities.

## Ali Hassan greets nation on occasion of Independence Day

QUETTA (APP): President of Pakistan People's Party (PPP) Hub district Mir Ali Hassan Zehri has congratulated the nation on the occasion of the 76th Independence Day of Pakistan.

He said that August 14 is our Independence Day and we should celebrate our Independence Day proudly. We all should thank to Allah for being a citizen of a free country.

He expressed these views while addressing an event organized regarding Independence Day on Sunday.

He said on this occasion that great nations celebrate their Independence

## Five burnt to death as car catches fire after overturns

HARIPUR (INP): Five people were burnt to death when a car caught fire after overturning here on Sunday, rescue sources said.

According to details, driver of an over speeding car lost control over the steering and it turned turtle near Jharikas Interchange in district Haripur of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

The car caught fire after the accident and five people present in the car were burnt to death.

Bodies of the deceased stated to be hailing from district Bannu were moved to hospital.