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## PM for expanding cooperation with Turkiye in multiple sectors

ISLAMABAD (APP): Islamophobia. He appreciated Turkiye's reconstruction efforts following the tragic earthquake of February 2023 and reiterated Pakistan's readiness to continue extending all possible support to the Turkish people.

The prime minister thanked President Recep Tayyip Erdogan and the Turkish leadership for their warm messages of felicitations on his assumption of office.

He said the people of Pakistan enjoyed a historic, cultural and fraternal relationship with Turkiye. President Erdogan enjoyed the same popularity in Pakistan as in his own country. PM Kakar also praised Turkiye for its long-standing and steadfast support to Pakistan on the Jammu and Kashmir issue.

He said in addition to having strong and time-tested bilateral relations, Pakistan and Turkiye shared convergence and close cooperation on a wide range of regional and multilateral issues, including efforts to combat



ISLAMABAD: Interim Interior Minister, Sarfraz Bugti called on Chairman Senate, Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani at Parliament House.

## Bugti, Sanjrani discuss country's prevailing law & order situation

ISLAMABAD (INP): Caretaker Interior Minister, Senator Sarfraz Bugti, called on Chairman Senate, Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani, at the Parliament House and discussed with him the prevailing law and order situation in the country.

During the meeting, Senator Bugti assured Chairman Senate that the caretaker government was committed to maintain peace and stability in the country. He emphasized that no one would be allowed to disturb the peace and security of the country under his watch.

Senator Sarfraz Bugti emphasized the need for collaboration and unity among all stakeholders to address the pressing challenges Pakistan faces. Chairman Senate Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani acknowledged the impor-

importance of a collective effort in ensuring a stable and prosperous Pakistan.

Speaking on the occasion, Chairman Senate Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani acknowledged the vital role of intra-institutional cooperation among government bodies and security agencies to effectively address Pakistan's challenges. He stressed that collaboration, information sharing, and coordination among institutions are paramount in maintaining national stability and ensuring the safety and security of citizens.

Furthermore, the leaders discussed steps taken to restore peace and promote development in the region of Gilgit Balistan. Senator Bugti shared insights into the ongoing initiatives aimed at enhancing security and improving the socio-economic conditions in the area.



QUETTA: BBISE's Chairman Ejaz Ahmed Baloch along with Controller Board Abida Kakar announcing annual result of FSc/FA.

## Hafiza Mariam of Islamia College clinches first position in BISE Intermediate examinations

QUETTA: The student of Islamia Girls College Quetta, Hafiza Mariam clinched first position in the Intermediate's annual examinations of Balochistan Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (BISE).

Hafiza Mariam secured 1045 marks in the Intermediate examinations.

The student of Balochistan Residential College (BRC), Loralai, Shabbir Ahmed and student of Government Degree Girls College KHuzdar, Javeria Shabbir secured second and third positions respectively by obtaining 1044 and 1042 marks.

This was announced by the Controller BISE,

Professor Abida Kakar while addressing a hurriedly called press conference at the Board office on Thursday afternoon.

She declared the result of Intermediate examination for the year 2023 and announced that a total of 95,220 candidates had appeared in the examinations. Out of them, 88,732 candidates could pass the examinations showing pass percentage of 93.20 percent.

The Controller informed that 2780 candidates remained absent during papers of different subjects in the examinations. Moreover, the result of 38 candidates were cancelled because of using unfair means in the annual examinations, she maintained.



ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Prime Minister, Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar exchanging views with Mehmet Pacaci, Ambassador of Turkiye during meeting held in Islamabad.

### PM directs to expedite privatization process of PIA

ISLAMABAD (Online): Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar ul Haq Kakar chaired a meeting on matters related to PIA today. The Prime Minister was briefed on the progress of privatization process of PIA.

The Prime Minister said that process needs to be expedited urgently so as to provide a reliable service to the users and to raise the standards of the national flag carrier to match the global airline standards.

He directed all the relevant stakeholders to find an immediate solution to the matters related to this privatization.

## ECP responsible to conduct elections: Solangi

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Minister for Information and Broadcasting Murtaza Solangi says it is the prerogative of Election Commission of Pakistan to conduct elections in the country under Article 218 (3) of the Constitution.

Talking to the private channel, he said the job of caretaker government is to facilitate and assist the Commission in electoral process.

The Minister said the Election Commission is busy after the approval of census and it has asked to complete the constituencies by 30th of November.

The Minister expressed hope that Election Commission will release the election schedule after completing the constituencies.

Murtaza Solangi said 54 days will be provided to all parties for election campaign and Election Act is very clear in this regard.

He said that measures against electricity theft will reduce electricity prices and Ministry of Energy and Ministry of Finance are working on it.

Meanwhile, the Minister, in a statement, expressed his deep grief over the sad demise of mother of Bol News senior reporter Umar Hayat Khan.

Expressing his condolences to Umar Hayat Khan and his family, Murtaza Solangi prayed to Allah Almighty to grant place to the deceased in Heaven and courage to the bereaved families to bear this loss.

## Information Ministry signs MOU with BKT to boost women and youth leadership in Balochistan

ISLAMABAD: The caretaker Provincial Minister for Information, Jan Achakzai signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Executive Director of the Association for Behavior and Knowledge Transformation (ABKT), Ms. Shad Begum, on behalf of the Balochistan Information Ministry on Thursday.

The MoU aims to boost leadership and development among the incredible women and youth of Balochistan. The partnership covers a wide range of areas, from policy to community development, and aims to harness the untapped potential of Balochistan's people, with a special focus on women and youth.

Specifically, the MoU will focus on the following areas: Capacity building for women and youth leaders; Support for women and youth-led initiatives Advocacy for women and youth rights; Networking with international organizations and diplomatic missions



ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Provincial Information Minister Jan Achakzai and Executive Director of ABKT Shad Begum signing a MoU

### SBP keeps policy rate unchanged at 22%

KARACHI (APP): State Bank of Pakistan, Thursday, decided to maintain the policy rate at 22% owing to declining inflation, improving agriculture outlook and economic activity, and positive impacts of administrative and regulatory measures against price hike and speculative activity in commodity and forex markets.

The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) that met here at SBP, stressed on maintaining a prudent fiscal stance to keep aggregate demand in check and termed it necessary to bring inflation down on a sustainable basis and to achieve the medium-term target of 5-7 percent by the end-FY25.

The MPC vowed to continue monitoring the risks to the inflation outlook and take appropriate action, if required, to achieve the objective of price stability, said a statement issued here by the central bank following the MPC meeting.

The MPC decided to keep the policy rate unchanged while taking into account various factors including the latest inflation outturn that reflected a continuing declining trend in inflation from its peak of 38 percent in May to 27.4 percent in August 2023.

### Chairs conference of Commissioners & DCs: CS directs to expedite measures for improving public service delivery all over province

QUETTA: The Chief Secretary Balochistan, Shakeel Qadir Khan has issued standing directives to all divisional commissioners and deputy commissioners to expedite measures for bringing improvement in the public service delivery working hard round the clock.

The Chief Secretary was chairing the conference of divisional commissioners and deputy commissioners here on Thursday morning.

While addressing the conference, Chief Secretary said that the process of delimitation of the constituencies has been started by Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP). In this regard, all the deputy commissioners should follow the directives given by ECP, the Chief Secretary added directing them to complete necessary repair and construction of the polling stations in their respective districts.

## Caretaker CM inquires about health of Hamdullah; directs to shift injured to Karachi

QUETTA: The caretaker Chief Minister, Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki inquired about the health of JUI's leader Hafiz Hamdullah, injured in a bomb blast in Mastung, at the Sandeman Provincial Headquarter Hospital here on Thursday.

The caretaker Chief Minister reached the hospital where he visited the trauma center and inquired about health of the injured JUI leader.

He also expressed best wishes for the early recovery of Hafiz Hamdullah.

He issued directives to the concerned authorities to shift Hafiz Hamdullah and

other injured of blast to Karachi by special plane.

Earlier, Mr. Domki was informed about the treatment of JUI leader and other injured of Mastung blast.

Journalist attacked in Quetta

QUETTA: Unidentified armed men attack senior journalist in Quetta.

According to Police, Abdul Hai Aryan, a senior broadcasting news channel as a news producer and reporter, was attacked and seriously injured in Zhob, his hometown, last night. The wounded journalist was taken to a nearby hospital for treatment. The reasons of the attacked not unknown so far and it was immediately not clear who attacked the journalist. The Quetta Union of Journalists condemned the attack on Mr. Hai as "reprehensible" and demanded immediate action.

## Domki for making sincere efforts to make law & order situation in Balochistan exemplary

Caretaker CM hands over modern software to Home Department for Levies Force Balochistan

QUETTA: The caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki has underlined the need to make sincere efforts for making the law and order situation in the province exemplary keeping the bright traditions of the past alive.

The caretaker Chief Minister was speaking to the caretaker Provincial Minister for Home, Captain (Retd) Muhammad Zubair Jamali and Additional Chief Secretary

Home, Saleh Muhammad Nasar who called on him here on Thursday.

During the course of meeting, the matters about law and order situation, overall administrative affairs were discussed.

Speaking to them, the caretaker Chief Minister said that protection of life and property of the masses is our topmost priority for all available resources are being mobilized.

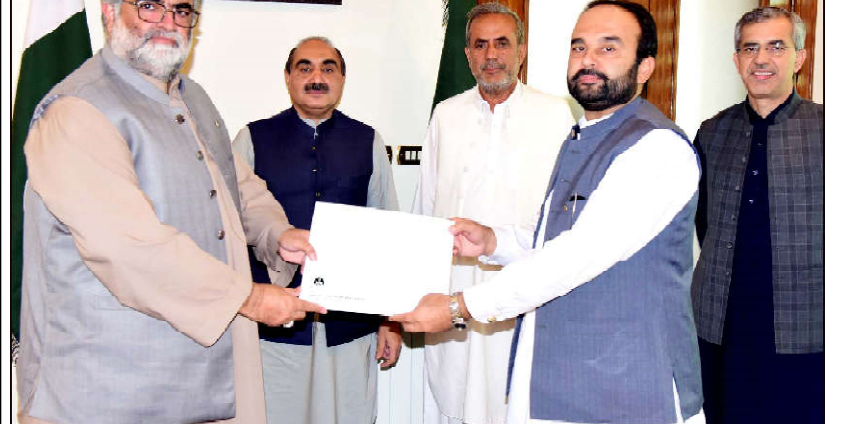
Mr. Domki said that Balochistan is the custodian of peaceful traditions, patience and tolerance, and we need to make efforts with good intention to keep these traditions alive.

The Additional Chief Secretary Home briefed the caretaker Chief Minister about the steps being taken for restoration of peace in view of the regional situation in different areas of the province.

Meanwhile the caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki handed over the modern software consisting of more than 60 features to the Home Department here on Thursday.



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## No relief for Imran, Qureshi in cypher case

ISLAMABAD (APP): A special court on Thursday dismissed the post arrest bail petitions of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf chairman and Vice Chairman Shah Mehmooq Qureshi in the cypher case registered under the Official Secrets Act.

However, the court granted interim bail to PTI leader Asad Umar in the same case against surety bonds of Rs 50,000.

Special Court's Judge Abul Hasnat Zulqarnain announced the verdict which he had reserved earlier after hearing arguments from the two sides.

At the outset of hearing, the petitioner's lawyer Salman Safdar Advocate said that an officer of Interior Ministry was the complainant in the cypher case against the PTI chief. The prosecution had to prove that what was the original and copy versions of the cypher, and that how his cli-

## Hafiz Hamdullah among 11 injured in road side bomb blast in Mastung

Governor, Caretaker CM condemn attack; direct to bring culprits to justice

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According to the sources of Police and district administration Mastung, the bomb blast occurred at the road side on main Quetta-Karachi highway in Mastung area when the vehicle of JUI leader Hafiz Hamdullah was passing through there.

As the powerful device went off with a big bang, it caused damages to the vehicle carrying the JUI leader and his other associates. As a result, Hafiz Hamdullah and four other persons riding in the vehicle sustained injuries.

Some of the passers-by were also injured in the blast, the reports suggested.



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## Governor Balochistan chairs 11th meeting of BUIITEMS's Senate

QUETTA: The Governor Balochistan, Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar presided over the 11th meeting of Senate committee of Balochistan University of Information Technology, Engineering and Management Sciences (BUIITEMS) here on Thursday.

Also present in the meeting were the caretaker Provincial Minister Education, Dr. Qadir Bakhsh Baloch, Vice Chancellor BUIITEMS, Dr. Khalid Hafeez, Vice Chancellor of Sardar Bahadur Khan Women University, Professor Sajida Noreen, Secretaries, Akbar Hanif and Abdul Hafeez Jamali, Principal Secretary to Governor,

Hashim Ghilzai, Additional Secretary Finance, Mumtaz Langove, Director HEC, Dr. Zahoor Bazzi and other members of the BUIITEMS Senate.

Speaking on the occasion, the Governor said that he is pained while seeing the financial issues being faced by the public sector universities of the province. However, these hardships can easily be overcome by preparing a comprehensive strategy, adding he stressed.

He said that it is a fact that the campuses of university have been established in different districts under political pressure without taking correct view of the prevailing circumstances in the past.



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