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Faizabad verdict key to avoiding incidents like Jaranwala: CJP Isa

After IB and PEMRA, defence ministry, PTI and ECP seek to withdraw their pleas; hearing adjourned till Nov 1

was implemented, the Jaranwala incident could have been prevented, said Chief Justice of Pakistan hearing, the Ministry of (CJP) Qazi Faez Isa on Thursday as the Supreme

Court adjourned the hearing on a set of pleas chal- of Pakistan (ECP) filed aplenging the judgment till November 1.

A three-member bench led by CJP Isa and comprising Justice Aminuddin Khan and Justice Athar Minallah was hearing a set of pleas challenging the top court's judgment in the Faizabad sit-in case,

ISLAMABAD (INP): If wherein intelligence agen- were being withdrawn. "It mentation report from the Faizabad sit-in verdict cies were directed not to appears that an order was given to file review petiexceed their constitutional mandates. tions," he observed.

their pleas.

Authority (Pemra).

The CJP wondered as

to why the review petitions

As the outset of the CJP Isa remarked that Defence, the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) and Pakistan without accountability. the Election Commission The truth will be set free, he said, asking "why is everyone scared of tellplications to withdraw

ing the truth about filing review petitions". Online adds: Supreme Similar, applications were earlier submitted by the Intelligence Bureau Court (SC) has remarked (IB) and the Pakistan Elecwhy the decision on tronic Media Regulatory Faizabad Dharna case has

not been implemented and all are so much fearful. SC has sought imple-

PM Kakar

at Roza-e-

MUNAWRAH (APP):

Caretaker Prime Minister

Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar vis-

ited Masjid-e-Nabvi (the

federal government on decision in Tehreek Labaik Pakistan (TLP) 2017 Dharna case while there will be no future for hearing review petition against the decision Thursday.

The court while adjourning the hearing of case till November 01 sought written replies from the lawyers of the respondents till October 27.

The court remarked all respondents were not present today. Another chance is given to respondents in connection with attendance



MADINAH MUNAWRAH: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Hao Kakar visited Masiid-e-Nabvi (the Prophet's Mosque) in Madinah and paid his respects at Roza-e-Rasool (SAWW).



ISLAMABAD: President Dr. Arif Alvi in a meeting with a delegation of the members of the British Parliament and the representatives of the Pakistani and Kashmiri diaspora in the UK, at Aiwan-e-Ŝadr.

Domki felicitates Muslims pays respects on auspicious occasion of **Eid Miladun Nabi (SAW) Rasool (SAW)** M A D I N A H

Rabi-ul-Awwal - auspicious month for Muslims: Governor Kakar

Independent Report follow the teachings and QUETTA: The caretaker actions of the Holy Prophet

unity.

President, British MPs call for an end to India's human rights abuses in IIOJK

ISLAMABAD (APP): President Dr Arif Alvi and the members of the United Kingdom's parliament on Thursday expressed deep concern over the human rights violations in the In-dian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK) and the persecution of the minorities in India

The matter was dis-cussed as the Members of Parliament (MPs) and the representatives of the Pakistani and Kashmiri diaspora in the UK called on President Alvi here at the Aiwan-e-Sadr.

The delegation was led by Chairman of Labour Friends of Kashmir UK, Shadow Minister Andrew Gwynne.

The meeting high-

lighted the need for an ac-rights of its minorities, and took prompt action if any injustice was done to tion by the international community to put pressure on India to stop its human them.

rights abuses in IIOJK. The president highlighted that India was try-ing to change the demo-President Alvi said India was involved in the genocide of Muslims, pergraphic structure of the IIOJK to transform the secution and suppression of Kashmiri people into a mi-nority in their own land. minorities, burning and destroying the churches in Manipur, and the extra-ju-He urged the world to dicial killings of the leaders of minority communities put pressure on India to reverse its illegal demoregionally and internationgraphic changes in the oc-

cupied territory. He said the psyche of UK Shadow Minister India was changing as it had been influenced by the ex-Andrew Gwynne expressed grave concern over tremist Hindutva ideology the human rights violations which aimed to marginalize and denial of rights to the people of IIOJK. The torminorities, particularly the Muslims ture and brutalities being

Pakistan was committed acceptable, he added. to safeguarding the

He mentioned that committed by India are un-

COAS says Law enforcement actions against illegal activities to continue with full force

Underscores the need for synergy among all relevant departments for gainful effects of the landmark initiatives

RAWALPINDI (APP): with Caretaker Chief Min-Chief of Army Staff ister Punjab, Mohsin Raza (COAS), General Syed Naqvi. During the Apex Asim Munir on Thursday Committee meeting, the said the law enforcement COAS was briefed about actions against a spectrum overall security situation, of illegal activities will conincluding Law Enforcetinue with full force in colment Actions against eleclaboration with the law entricity and gas theft, hoardforcement agencies (LEAs) and the government de-partments concerned to rid ing and foreign currency smuggling, an Inter-Services Public Relations the country of substantial (ISPR) news release said. economic losses it suffered The Forum was also persistently due to pilfer-age done by different meth-

briefed on measures taken for the protection of minorities and the progress of The Army Chief visoperations in the Kacha ited Lahore and attended area. The forum also remeeting of the Provincial viewed the repatriation of Apex Committee along illegal foreign nationals.

Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki has felicitated the Muslims on the auspicious occasion of Eid Miladun Nabi (SAW).

In a felicitation message issued here on Thursday, the Chief Minister said that this day of 12th Rabiul Awwal is not only great for the Muslims but also for the whole universe and humanity when the Holy Prophet (PBUH) came in this world as beacon of light and ultimate success of the lims mankind.

He said that with His (PBUH), there was beginning of ending ignorance and darkness from the world.

The Chief Minister with the light of faith, he stressed the need to fully added.



QUETTA: A delegation led by Senior Program Officer United States Educational Foundation Shehram Niazi meeting with Governor Balochistan Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar

Pak-Iran Joint Border Commission meets in Iranian city Mir Java

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border

tries

prove to be fruitful for the

matters for increasing the

limit of business and trade

between the two coun-

spoke at length about the

prospects of bilateral trade between the Iranian

province of Seistan and

Balochistan and Pakistani

It was hoped that the

province Balochistan.

They particularly

Independent Report

QUETTA: The Pak-Iran Joint Border Commission's meeting was held in the Iranian city of Java on Thursday.

The Chief Collector Customs Balochistan, Abdul Qadir Memom led the Pakistani delegation

while Iranian side was represented by the Director General Transit and International Transport, and Ministry of Roads and Urban Development, Javed Hyderi.

Other concerned high ups of both the countries particularly related to the border trade and security matters participated in the meeting.

issues related to the bilat-The Iranian delegation eral trade and others would welcomed Pakistani aualso be addressed amicathorities in Iran and hoped that the meeting would bly.

(PBUH) and promote the phet's Mosque) in Madinah and paid his respirit of tolerance and spects at Roza-e-Rasool SAW) Mir Ali Mardan Domki

The prime minister ofalso said that Eid Miladun fered nawafil at the Roza Nabi (PBUH) has great imthe Wednesday evening. portance for the Muslims Afterwards, the careand it is our good luck that taker Prime Minister viswe are the followers of the ited the International Fair

great Prophet. and Museum of the Prophet Balochistan Governor (SAW)'s Biography and Is-Malik Abdul Wali Khan lamic Civilization, located Kakar on Thursday said adjacent to Masjad-ethat the month of Rabi-ul-Nabvi Awwal is a holy and auspi-Dr Nasir Misfir Alcious month for all Mus-Zahrani, Secretary of the

Board of Directors of the In which the Holy Prophet (SAW)'s Museum, Prophet came to this world warmly welcomed the as the Mercy of the Worlds prime minister. and erased the darkness of The prime minister ignorance and illuminated it

was given a comprehensive briefing about the historical museum, which showcases the life and teachings

of Prophet Muhammad (SAW) as well as the Islamic civilization. **Pak-China ties** to be stronger, more stable,

> says Solangi BEIJING (APP): Caretaker Federal Minister for

Information and Broadcasting, Murtaza Solangi QUETTA: The caretaker has expressed confidence Provincial Minister for Inthat relations between Paformation, Jan Muhammad kistan and China will further strengthen and be-Achakzai has stated that it is aim of the provincome more stable. cial government to estab-In a conversation with

China Media Group's Urdu service in Beijing before his return home province. from an official visit to

traders of both the coun-China, Murtaza Solangi congratulated the Chinese government and people on the 10th anniversary of the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI).

He said that the BRI has provided new development opportuni-Moreover, the partici-

Eid Milad-un-Nabi (SAWW) to be celebrated with great religious zeal, fervor today

ISLAMABAD (INP): Eid Milad-un-Nabi (SAWW) will be celebrated with great religious zeal and fervor across the country tomorrow Friday.

The day will dawn with thirty-one guns salute at the federal capital and twenty-one guns salute at all the provincial capitals.

Special prayers for the unity of Muslim Ummah and progress and prosperity of the country will be offered in the mosques after Fajr prayers.

Special conferences, events and Mehfil-e-Milad are being arranged to pay respect to the last messenger whose life and teachings are beacon of light for the whole mankind.

A two-day National Seerat-un-Nabi (Peace Be Upon) is commencing in the federal capital in con-nection with Eid Milad-un-Nabi (SAWW). Prominent Ulema, Mashaikh and scholars will participate in the Conference and threw light on various aspects of the life and teachings of the Holy Prophet Hazrat Muhammad (SAWW).

Buildings, streets, roads, mosques and houses are being decorated with colourful lights in connection with the auspicious occasion.

Govt. aiming to establish exemplary educational institutions for women: Jan **Independent Report**

Fatima Binte Mubarak

Girls Cadet College in

Also accompanied

Turbat on Thursday.

Humayun Ajmal wel comed the Minister on his arrival at the college.

During the visit, Principal briefed the Minister about different sections of the college.

He informed that the lish exemplary educacadet college established tional institutions for with cooperation of United women in all districts of Arab Emirates is the first girls cadet college of the province and third of the The caretaker Minister was speaking on occacountry. sion of the visit of Sheikha He told that girl stu-

dents from all over the country including Kech are studying in the college. He said that excellent

academic environment and other necessary facilities have been provided to the students in college, Principal informed fur-



ods.

LAHORE: Chief of Army Staff General Sved Asim Munir attending Punjab Apex Committee. Caretaker Chief Minister Mohsin Raza Naqvi is also present.

Jalil Abbas Jilani fur-

the United States."

(UNGA).

Pakistan's stance on Israel-

Palestine conflict remains

Unchanged: FM Jilani

PTI leader Farrukh Habib, brother, four others arrested

ISLAMABAD (INP): GWADAR(INP): Authori-ties have achieved yet an-Federal Caretaker Foreign Minister Jalil Abbas Jilani other success in their onhas said that Pakistan's going crackdown on the PTI leaders and workers stance on Israel-Palestine conflict has always refollowing the incidents of violence of May 9 as now mained same and the issue they have succeeded in should be resolved as per picking up a party stalwart aspirations of the Palesand former federal minis-ter Farrukh Habib, his tinians Addressing a press conference at the Minisbrother and four others, who had gone into hiding, try of Foreign Affairs on

from Gwadar on Thursday Thursday, he expressed According to reports, serious concern about the all six of them have been human rights violations shifted to an undisclosed occurring in Palestine, and location.

underscored that Al-Quds Confirming the news, should be recognised as the party's spokesman has the capital of Palestine. said that one man dressed in a police uniform and ther stated that Caretaker seven to eight men in plain-Prime Minister Anwaarul clothes came to the place where Farrukh was stay-Haq Kakar had actively ing along with five others participated in several and whisked them away conferences during the without arrest war-United Nations General rants Assembly

The spokesman has expressed the hope that all those taken into custody would be produced in a court of law as per law

eign minister, the caretaker prime minist also had the opportunity to meet various prominent figures, including Bill Gates, the cofounder of Microsoft.

FM Jilani disclosed that he himself engaged in approximately 20 bilateral meetings, took part in a conference focused on addressing damages caused by climate change, and joined a meeting of the US-Pakistani Business Council.

The minister highlighted his participation in various meetings, such as the OIC Contact Group for Jammu and Kashmir. He noted that the OIC Contact Group for Kashmir had unequivocally expressed support for the Kashmiri people and condemned the aggression of Indian forces during the 'PM Kakar engaged in meeting.

productive bilateral meet-"The demand for the ings with the presidents of Iran and Uzbekistan, and resolution of the Kashmir the vice-president of issue in accordance with the United Nations reso-China during his visit to lutions was also put forward," added Jilani. According to the for-

TURBAT: Caretaker Information Minister Jan Achakzai addressing students at Government Degree Girls College

Noor Khetran assumes office of acting DGPR Independent Report

QUETTA: The Director Public Relations, Noor Muhammad Khetran has assumed she office of Director General Public Relations ((DGPR) on Thursday.

After assuming the charge, Mr Noor Khet started performing duties as DGPR. It may be mentioned here that, Kamran Asad, serving as acting DGPR earlier, was posted as Director and Mr Noor Khetran was posted as the acting DGPR in his place.



During the course of meeting, the matters pertaining to Pak-Iran border trade, issues of transport at border, movement of the vehicles and people at the Page 02

F.S. Aijazuddin

'Well, he would, wouldn't

he?" That remark by

Mandy Rice-Davies (an

English model) became fa-

mous in the 1960s. She and

her call-girl friend Christine

Keeler had become em-

broiled in the political scan-

dal that brought down

John Profumo, then a min-

ister in prime minister

Harold Macmillan's cabi-

would, wouldn't he?"

In an odd way, that

word 'denial' connects

Mandy with Modi. His

government denied any in-

volvement in the murder

chief of Khalistan Tiger

Force. Nijjar was gunned

down in June 2023 within

the grounds of the Guru

unprecedented

mence.

of a Canadian citizen –

OPINION

Daily **Independent**



Accruing more debt

The government has issued new debt of over Rs2.5th during the first three months of the current financial year to finance its burgeoning fiscal deficit — the gap between its revenues and expenditures — according to new estimates of a Karachi-based brokerage firm. The new borrowing is nearly 57pc of the total debt of Rs4.4tr it had auctioned during FY23. The issuance of additional debt underlines the government's shrinking tax and other revenues, increased spending and growing reliance on domestic sources to fund its budgeted expenditures as external financing dries up. External financing shrank to its seven-month low of \$316m in August Cumulatively, Islamabad secured external financing of \$3.2bn in July and August, which also includes Saudi deposits of \$2bn and a guaranteed loan of \$508m for the PAF.

net. Mandy had been asked This shows that expectations that multilateral by a reporter outside the and bilateral partners would allow their coffers to Old Bailey why Profumo flow to help Pakistan's distressed economy, followhad denied allegations of ing the IMF's nod to the Stand-by Arrangement, sexual impropriety between were very exaggerated. him and Ms Keeler. She retorted tartly: "Well, he

The government is also facing difficulties in securing \$6bn through commercial loans and has dollar bond issues. Chances of achieving the budgeted external financing target of \$17.6bn for its expenditures and of meeting its foreign debt and other payments are slim. Last year, the government was able to obtain \$10.8bn in external financing and had to impose strict restrictions on im-Hardeep Singh Nijjar, the ports and even on legitimate dollar outflows to avoid defaulting.

The centre has been running a large, unsustainable fiscal deficit of around 7pc of GDP for the last many years, which is the main reason for the accumulation of its huge domestic and foreign public debt, external sector fragility and inflation. The pace of debt accumulation has picked up in recent years. This is especially true for domestic public debt, which has grown to around Rs39tr from over Rs30tr a year ago, because of reduced external inflows. Successive governments have tried to justify the worsening fiscal imbalance on the basis of economic development targets. But these excuses are used only to mask the reality. The fact is that we are in the midst of the worst and longest economic crisis in our history because of the lavish lifestyles of powerful interests at the expense of the people and the well-being of the economy. The World Bank's country chief had alluded to this a few days back when he pointed fingers at the country's military, business and political elites for the economic mess we are struggling to resolve today.

Pakistan is facing an existential crisis that has severely impacted the majority of its citizens, especially the low- and middle-income segments and small businesses. ing credible allegations of

Mounting debt and dwindling foreign exchange a potential link between reserves are two of our biggest challenges, which, agents of the government without immediate fiscal reform, could lead to total Canadian citizen, Hardeep economic collapse.

Absurd truths

Singh Nijjar." Modi dismissed the allegations as "absurd"

Gone the previous bonhomie when Tru-d-eau could tease Modi that he had more Sikhs in his cabinet than Modi did. Gone the diplomatic niceties etc)? when Common-wealth members bickered behind closed doors. Gone the

myth that the Sikh diaspora had assimilated themselves — indistinguishable except for their turbans — into the corpus of their host countries.

The repeated demand by a subdivision of Sikhs for Khalistan — a separate nation state — has ensured that it remains as potent and combustible a factor both within India and outside it. India has 16 million Sikhs in its Punjab and 2m within reach of it. Over 8m Sikhs live outside India—800,000 in Canada, 500,000 in the US, another half million in the UK, and the rest scattered across the globe. Khalistan is spoken of loosely as the area that is India's Punjab. The demand for it emanated first from within India, was fuelled from across the border by Pakistan's Gen Ziaul Haq and his like-minded successors. It is now a rallying call among an increas-

Nanak Sikh Gurdwara in ingly affluent Sikh diaspora. To the Sikhs, geogra-British Columbia, on Canaphy and history coincide. dian soil. Earlier in May, the The kingdom of Punjab Khalistan Commando Force chief Paramjit Singh created by the Sikh Maharaja Ranjit Singh in the mid-Panjwar was shot dead by some unidentified assail-19th century remained roughly intact until 1947, ants in Lahore, on Pakiexcept at its fringes and stani soil. Both assassinations took place in earlier when in 1846 Kash-Com-m-onwealth counmir was sold to Raja Gulab tries. The difference Singh of Jammu, making betw-een the two was that, him maharaja of both. In August 1947 Cyril unlike the Pakistanis, the Radcliffe sliced Punjab Canadians reacted with into two. One-third (the veheless arable) went to Indian Canadian PM Justin East Punjab and the larger Trudeau confronted his more fertile became Pakistani Punjab. In 1966, In-Indian colleague with this dian PM Indira Gandhi triblunt accusation: "Canadian security agencies furcated her Puniab to crehave been actively pursuate Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, and a residual

Punjab. So, today, the quesof India and the killing of a tion arises: which area would comprise a hypo-

thetical Khalistan? Only the present state of Indian Punjab? Or would it also include territory in modern Pakistan that contains shrines sacred to the Sikh faith (Nankana Sahib, Punja Sahib, Kartarpur,

> Might any future government of a yet unborn Khalistan also de-Muhammad Khalid Jamil. mand offshore outposts in bureau chief ABN News Canada, the US, and the Islamabad, was arrested UK? For example, the US and charged under Sechas Samoa, Guam, Puerto tion 20 of the Prevention Rico, and the Vir-gin Is-

> of Electronic Crimes Act, lands. Britain still retains 2016 (Peca) along with Gibral-tar, the Channel Is-Section 505 of the Pakilands, Tristan da Cunha, stan Penal Code. The and the Falkland Islands. complaint was made by a technical assistant at FIA Islamabad, accusing Jamil of disseminating an "antistate narrative by sharing

routinely been targeted using Section 20. Jamil's case follows the same pat-

tern. But what's alarning that defying UN resoluis the use of Section 20 in tions consistently for the the ICT jurisdiction after the Islamabad High Court (IHC) struck down the "harm to reputation" portion of it and bound FIA to follow certain procedures, especially in cases against journalists. proof' of Indian involve-Section 20 requires the

complainant to be a "natural person" who is the aggrieved party. However, in

Pan-jwar murders to the carefully crafted murti of Mahatma Modi. Remember, though, Gandhi was the

using cognisable sections alongside Section Courtesy Dawn

Peca strikes again

20, to gain powers to ar- tweet or remarks in the rest.

Section 33 of Peca lays down the requirement for warrants to conduct search and seizure. Peca Rule 8 re-emphasises the requirement for warrants and for a proper chain of custody to be maintained. This too is not done. Instead, individuals are arrested, their devices are seized, they are coerced

merely on paper.

dence. Yet LEAs are able

to repeat their illegal acts

as there exists complete

impunity in the absence of

rule of law and account-

scrutiny is the judicial

practice of remanding citi-

zens into police —in this

case, FIÂ — custody.

What can't be investi-

gated after the grant of

bail? Aren't investiga-

tions conducted into non-

cognisable offences?

Condemning people into

LEA custody in what are

blatantly politically moti-

vated and illegal cases

tactic to silence them and

warn others. What is the

purpose of seizing de-

What also requires

ability.

public domain? Especially when the person doesn't deny making the remarks or posting the content. The purpose then is simply to extract information coercively to use for leverage and blackmail.

Consistent today in political cases is the concealment of FIRs, arbitrary cancellation and into providing their passpostponement of bail words — in breach of Arhearings. When bail is ticle 13 of the Constitution granted, the same indiwhich protects against viduals are rearrested in self-incrimination — to fresh cases the minute gain access to devices and they step out of jail. Prosocial media accounts. tection orders are issued And if passwords aren't divulged, then other illeby high courts but violated with impunity. gal methods are used to Con-t-e-mpt applications pry entry. Section 34 of are filed but amount to Peca requires a warrant for little by way of deterthe disclosure of content rence or accountability. In the tr--ampling of fundadata. This also exists mental rights, the writ of

Not only is the letter the courts also stands of the law violated so blachallenged. tantly, but the person im-

While courts occasionally provide relief in plicated is then condemned to the motions of the few odd cases before 'the law' even though the them, constitutional offence is not made out. courts need to do more Process is punishment. than just deal with the But this is not about the case at hand. They need to lay down precedents law, it's about impunity. By now the abuse under that extend broader protections and hold to ac-Peca is well documented. That the application of count all those within the Section 20 is illegal stands state apparatus, who established in jurispruabuse the law.

The Islamabad High Court struck down the PTI ordinance expanding the ambit of Section 20 and the "harm to reputation" part of the 2016 version of the law introduced by the PML-N, but the "false information" portion was left intact. Separately, the Lahore High Court declared all of Section 20 to be constitutional. An appeal against the LHC order was filed before the Supreme Court (SC) and proceedings in the case were stayed. The case has yet to proceed further. Now is the time to turn to the SC only serve as a pressure to settle the Section 20 question and, along with it, the wider abuse under Peca and the consistent invices and conducting fofringement of due process rensics when the basis of and freedom of expression. booking someone is a -- Courtesy Dawn

Greece and Turkey share the offshore island of Cyprus, divided since 1964 on ethnic lines. The timing of PM Trudeau's disclosure is false misleading and basesignificant. It has taken the less information" through his social media posts on shine off PM Modi's self-X (formerly Twitter). coronation as a leader of South Asia. Worse, it has ists critical of state exdented India's ambition to cesses and policies have

secure a place as a permanent member of the UN Security Council He is being reminded

past 75 years are poor credentials for a seat at its round table. Deflecting an accusation made by a fellow Commonwealth prime minister (who flew over 11,000 kilometres to confront him with 'credible

ment) is yet another unfortunate example of India's brittle diplomacy.

PM Modi is not inclined to listen to anyone such cases, it is usually a law-enforcement (LEA) connected with the word officer or random third Congress, least of all Annie party, who operationalises Besant, the first woman this section of the law. Depresident in 1917 of the Inspite it being a non-cogndian National Congress. isable offence, Section 20 She had cautioned once: routinely features in FIRs "Ref-us-ing to beli-e--ve against journalists. Peca until proof is given is a ra-Rule 7(5) requires an intional position; denial of all vestigation officer to seek outside of our own ... experience is absurd." It will the permission of the competent court for investigatake time to repair the damtion under Section 155 of age done by the Nijjar/ the CrPC. While the FIA

is required to do this for Section 20. it does not. Instead, FIRs are registered victim, not the assassin. --



Farieha Aziz

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Pakistan's economy performs well on external, internal sector

ISLAMABAD (APP): the report said. The Finance Ministry on Thursday said that since performance the beginning of FY2024, Pakistan's economy stepped up on the recovery path and Pakistan's economy performed well on the external and internal sectors. In August FY2024, month-on-month exports multiplier effect in the increased by 14.2 percent while imports grew by 2.1 percent for the same period, according to the the medium term. monthly economic update and outlooks report issued report. by the Ministry of Finance.

On the external front, the current account deficit and aligned indicators are showing some developments in August,

Similarly,

Moreover fiscal administrative an administrative and regulative action for curbing remains satisfactory at the start of illegal activities in the FY2024. It is expected that foreign exchange market the economic revival plan have started to yield and prudent actions desired dividends and policies including SIFC and narrowing the gap between interbank and open market IT policy- will attract new investments to create a exchange rates.

Similarly, fiscal economy for higher and performance remains satisfactory at the start of inclusive economic growth in FY2024 and further in FY2024. It is expected that the economic revival plan According to the and prudent actions policies including SIFC and

recent administrative measures IT policy- will attract new aimed at improving the investments to create a availability of essential multiplier effect in the economy for higher and food commodities and expected ease in supply inclusive economic growth constraints has improved in FY2024 and further in the inflation outlook. the medium term.



Caretaker Minister for National Food Security and Research Dr. Kausar Abdullah Malik is addressing a workshop on Climate-Resilient High Yielding and Quality Rice Development at National Agriculture Research Centre (NARC), Islamabad.

FCCI president says: Economic diversification vital for sustained growth

FAISALABAD (APP): President Faisalabad Chamber of Commerce & industry (FCCI) Dr. Khurram Tariq has said that economic diversification is vital for sustained growth of economy.

He was addressing a function of Association of Certified Chartered Accountant (ACCA) as the chief guest. He stressed the need for diversification of economy and said that it was meant for having a training and education diverse range of industries programs to ensure that

Furniture Council (PFC) and businesses, as well as Chief Executive Officer a mix of large and small Mian Kashif Ashfaq said on businesses. "A diversified economy is less likely to be severely impacted by a downturn in a particular sector," he added. He also underlined the need for skilled workforce, adding that a well-educated and well-trained workforce is essential for economic growth and resilience. He said that governments and businesses should invest in

Thursday that artificial Intelligence (AI) was transforming the fashion world but the fast growing technology would never be a replacement for designers' "original creativity", Talking to a delegation of furniture designers and manufacturers led by Ms Nida Ejaz, he said Fashion

Furniture

designers meet

PFC chief

LAHORE (APP): Pakistan

innovator Calvin Wong had developed the Interactive Design Assistant for Fashion (AiDA).

ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Federal Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs, Dr. Shamshad Akhtar chaired the Cabinet Committee on State-owned Enterprises (CCoSOE) held at Finance Division in Islamabad.

Agriculture machinery imports reduced 27.49%

Commerce News

ISLAMABAD (APP): The imports of agriculture machinery and implements during the first two months of the current financial year reduced by 27.49 per cent of the corresponding period of last year.

During the period from July-August 2023 agriculture machinery and implements valued at imported as compared to the imports of \$11.830 million of the same period data of Pakistan Bureau of last year

of Statistics.Meanwhile, agriculture and other chemicals group imports into the country during the first two months of the current financial year as compared to the imports reduced by 15.48 per cent as compared to the imports of the imports of the corresponding period of

last year. \$8.878 million were agricultural chemicals last year, according to the billion in the same period

Need urged for exploiting potential of biogas production

ISLAMABAD (APP): economic growth as well as Chairman Pakistan Hitech Hybrid Seed Association (PHHSA) Shahzad Ali

Malik Thursday stressed the need to exploit the potential of biogas to overcome energy issues and enhance dependency on environmental fuel production in the country. Talking to a delegation of industrialists he said that the use of biogas offers a

multitude of economic benefits, including cost an savings and enhanced energy security, said a creation. press release.

He said It also aligns with our commitment to sustainability and can alleviate unemployment serve as a catalyst for

enhance energy security by reducing dependence on imported fossil fuels. This independence

bank stood at \$ 7,636.7 can shield our economy million. from the volatility of global Pakistan, in a statement energy markets and geopolitical tensions, he issued here on Thursday, said adding that the informed that SBP's significant potential of bioreserves decreased by 59 million to US\$ 7,636.7 gas as a sustainable energy source can play a pivotal million on account of debt role in improving our repayments during the week ended on September economy as it's not only 22, 2023. environmentally friendly alternative but also foreign reserves held by

a valuable resource for job He said the growth of the biogas industry can

Total liquid foreign reserves held by the and boost local economies. country

Enhanced trade, export **Dollar falls** by **Rs** 1.05 volume must for economic KARACHI (Online): stability: President

ISLAMABAD (APP): e-Sadr. President Alvi said President Dr Arif Alvi investment in information Thursday stressed the need technology and boosting its for increasing trade exports would prove activity and enhancing helpful in attaining the goals volume of the country's exports to ensure economic progress. stability.

He expressed these views in a meeting with a delegation of the Islamabad Industrial Association

delegation The country. It also highlighted the challenges faced by the (IIA) led by Muhammad

technology and boosting its

of development and

SAPM says: Pakistan assures ILO, EU to fulfill commitments regarding labour standars

Ahmed, here at the Aiwan- traders and businessmen.

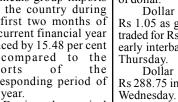
ISLAMABAD (APP): Special Assistant to the Prime Minister (SAPM) on Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development, Jawad Sohrab Malik Thursday assured International Labour Organization (ILO) and European Union (EU) that Pakistan would fulfill commitments regarding compliance of fundamental labour standards including elimination child and forced labour, freedom of association and gender discrimination.

He was speaking as a chief guest at launch of National Report on the General Scheme of Preferences Plus (GSP+)' organized by the ministry, countries.

The SAPM reiterated that Pakistan was cognizant of the challenges regarding labour rights and committed to overcoming them.Pakistan was on a journey to becoming an ethical and responsive global partner and the GSP+ was a critical part of that journey, he added. He also emphasized the need of close cooperation and coordination amongst all partners to comply with international convention of labour rights successfully for uninterrupted benefits from the GSP+ status which was imperative for export of goods to EU

said a press release here.

KARACHI (APP): The total liquid foreign reserves



During the period from July-August 2023, costing \$1.439 billion were imported as against the imports of \$1.702

position in the face of persistent fall in the value of dollar.

Rupee has gained stable

Dollar lost price by Rs 1.05 as greenback was traded for Rs 287.90during early interbank trading on

Dollar was closed at Rs 288.75 in inter bank.on Wednesday. Trading took a positive start in stock

market Pakistan Stock Exchange bench mark KSE100 shares index gained 99 points to close

at 46464 points. **Pakistan's total** liquid foreign reserves reach **\$13.16 billion**

of Pakistan reach US\$

13,161.8 million while

reserves held by the central

Meanwhile,

commercial banks stood at

\$ 5,525.1 million, it added.

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Pakistan has to progress and Pakistan will progress InshaAllah: CM Naqvi

Says we all make a claim of love with the Holy Prophet (SAW) but do not act upon the teachings of the Holy Prophet (SAW).

Independent Report LAHORE: Provincial Rehmat-tul-lil-Aalameen (SAW) Conference under the auspices of Auqaf Department Punjab was organized at Alhamra Hall

today. Caretaker Chief Minister Punjab Mohsin Naqvi was the chief guest. Ulema-e-Karam and Mashaikh from all schools of thought, leaders of Christians, Sikhs, Hindus and other religions participated in the Provincial Rehmat-tul-lil-Aalameen (SAW) Conference. Caretaker CM Mohsin Naqvi while addressing the Provincial Rehmat-tul-lil-Aalameen (SAW) Conference said that we all make a claim of love with the Holy Prophet

(SAW) but we do not act themselves distracted and upon the teachings of the driven away from the Holy Prophet (SAW). teachings of the Holy Prophet (SAW). If we act upon the

If we are true believers of the Holy teachings of the Holy Prophet (SAW) then our lives will be transformed. It is the endeavour of the whole team that whatever we time is available we should vigorously serve the masses. We are the believers of the Holy Prophet (SAW) and will not be disappointed ever. Pakistan will take off.

A lot of atrocities were perpetrated on our beloved Holy Prophet (SAW). Conspiracies were hatched but the Holy Prophet never got

Mohsin Naqvi said that those thinking of disaster of the country are Ramazan-ul-Mubarak.

Prophet (SAW) then for the sake of Allah Almighty should shur disappointment. Pakistar has to progress and Pakistan will progress InshaAllah. Pakistan is built to move forward and the sacred homeland will definitely move forward.

If we all put our part in the progress of our country then Pakistan will move forward quite ahead of other countries.. The foundation of both Riasat-e-Tayyaba and Pakistan was laid on 27

PIMPD trainee officers visit Safe

Cities office LAHORE (APP): The officers, undergoing training as part of the 12th induction training course at the Punjab Institute of Management and Professional Development (PIMPD), visited the Punjab Safe Cities

Authority (PSCA) as part of their orientation programme. The delegation consisted of 40 officers.

Punjab province. He emphasised that a modern infrastructure like Safe Cities is essential for modern policing.Tauseef Sabih, Karachi

along with DSP Agha Nasir, provided the delegation with a briefing on functioning of the organisation. delegation visited various departments.



LAHORE: Madad Ali Sindhi, Caretaker Federal Minister for Education and Professional Training awarding degrees to successful students during 22nd convocation of Government College University at Government College University.

Anwaar Ul Haq says:

AJK to announce mega development package for Poonch Division soon

MIRPUR (AJK) (INP): attended and addressed by Azad Jammu Kashmir Prime Minister Chaudhry Anwar ul Haq has said that other a mega development package for Poonch would be Division announced soon.

While addressing a others public gathering at Hajeera Speaking on the occasion, the PM said that in Poonch division on the government was giving Thursday the PM said that the issue of inflated a subsidy of about 1500 electricity bills and rupees on a 20 kg bag of shortage of subsidized flour has been resolved flour. He said it was for the first time that the amicably. government suspended the The function was notification and withdrew

FIA seizes luxury vehicles owned by showroom owner in Karachi

KARACHI (INP): The seized as the showroom owner failed to present Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) Commercial proof of import of the ve-Banking Circle team seized The officials further four luxury vehicles in a trade-based money launder-

said that the car showroom ing case on Thursday. owner was asked multiple According to details, times to appear before the the FIA continues to inves-FIA team, but he did not.

The agency further tigate car showroom owners in order to catch 'tradesaid notice has been issued based' money laundering in to the owners of Karachi's thirteen car showrooms. In the latest action,

Earlier, the FIA offi-FIA team raided a car showcials raided the residence of room at Khalid bin Waleed a businessman Aziz Seekha road and seized four luxury in Karachi in which they revehicles including, Land covered a huge amount of Cruiser, Audi and others. foreign and Pakistani cur-The vehicles were rency and prize bonds.

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additional taxes imposed on the electricity bills. The PM said that the senior Minister Colonel

(Rtd) Waqar Noor and Government incumbent coalition government had increased Ministers including Raja the salaries of government Faisal Mumtaz Rathore, Sardar Mir Akbar and Sardar Saud Sadiq and employees despite facing financial constraints.

He said that the government bore a burden of 19 billion rupees in this regard.

Regarding the appointment of an ADC in the area, the PM said that a formal notification to fill the vacancy will be issued in a couple of days.

CTO Lahore

intensifies anti

smog campaign

LAHORE (APP): Chief Traffic Officer (CTO)

Captain (retd) Mustansar

crackdown on smoke-

emitting vehicles, on Thursday. In a statement,

he said that environmental

and air pollution causes

viral diseases. Therefore,

transporters should run

their vehicles on roads only

after proper repair and

checkup. The violators will

be taken to task, he warned.

Police have mobilised all

efforts to eliminate potential

smog and environmental

pollution. According to an

order of the Lahore High

Court (LHC).

The Lahore Traffic

Feroze

ordered

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Minister attends GCU's convocation, praises its role in education development

LAHORE (INP): The Asghar Zaidi.

Government College University (GCU) Lahore Speaking at the first session, Madad Ali Sindhi commenced its 22nd expressed his pride in convocation ceremony on addressing the students of Thursday, attended specially by Federal attended an institution where Allama Dr Muhammad Iqbal once Minister for Education and taught and praised the Professional Training dedication of Vice Chancellor Dr. Zaidi. He Madad Ali Sindhi, former chief justice of Pakistan emphasised the need for Tassaduq Hussain Jillani, quality education in former deputy speaker of Pakistan, and said that no Bahrain Dr. Adil Bin Abdul nation could make progress Rahman, and eminent without instilling religious scholar Qari educational skills in its Sohaib Ahmad Meer youth.

He also commended The two-day event is the efforts of historical being held to celebrate the GCU in the field of education. Vice Chancellor academic achievements of Dr. Asghar Zaidi highlighted the recent its distinguished graduates. The convocation activities are being led by GCU Vice developments at the Chancellor Professor Dr. university.



KARACHI: Members of Insaf Lawyers Forum are holding protest demonstration against high handedness of police department, held at Insaf House in Karachi.

Chiniot mines reference: Court summons PA speaker, others

LAHORE (APP): An Ordinance (NAO), set accountability court on Thursday summoned eight accused, including Punjab Assembly Speaker Sibtain Khan, for October 7 in the Chiniot mines and minerals

Muhammadi.

reference. Accountability Court Judge Zubair Shahzad Kiyani issued the orders on the reference, submitted by National the

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on Thursday.

Accountability Bureau (NAB).NAB had approached the court for reopening of the reference, closed under the defunct amendments to the the accused in the National Accountability reference.

aside by the Supreme Court.

An accountability court on October 6, 2022 had returned the Chiniot mines and minerals reference to NAB with an observation that it lacked jurisdiction to proceed further in the case after the

amendments introduced to the NAO. Besides Sibtain Khan, Salman Ghani, Muhammad Aslam, Abdul Sattar Mian, Imtiaz Ahmad Cheema and others had been named as



(SAW)

disappointed.

connection of Polio Eradication Campaign led by Farukh Shahzad Qureshi, Deputy Commissioner Kashmore, in Kashmore.

World Tourism Day celebrated in Chitral

CHITRAL (APP): On the participated in the walk. The occasion of World Tourism Day, wonderful programs were conducted in Chitral, with the day being celebrated with great enthusiasm, and a walk was organized on this occasion in which a large number of people related to tourism participated.

Students from schools and government officials the World Tourism Day representing civil society program.

participants carried placards inscribed with promoting tourism and maintaining peace in the beautiful valley of Chitral. D e

Commissioner Chitral Muhammad Ali and DPO Chitral Ikramullah Khan were the special guests of

The

Director Public Relations Tauseef Sabih Gondal told the delegation the PSCA's mandate has been extended across the

Jens Stoltenberg meets with Zelenskyy to discuss battlefield & ammunition needs in Ukraine

Monitoring Desk KYIV: NATO Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg met with President Volodymyr Zelenskyy to discuss the status of the war and needs of troops on Thursday, the day after Russia accused Ukraine's Western allies of helping plan and conduct last week's missile strike on the Black Sea Fleet's headquarters on the annexed Crimean Peninsula.

Zelenskyy said that Stoltenberg agreed to make efforts to get NATO members to help provide additional air defense systems to protect Ukraine's power plants and energy infrastruc-

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BERLIN: Germany and Is-

rael on Thursday signed an

agreement for Berlin to buy

the sophisticated Arrow 3

missile defense system, de-

signed to intercept long-

range ballistic missiles. The

development is the latest

step in Berlin's bid to

strengthen its air defenses

following Russia's invasion

tegrate the system into

wider NATO air defense

efforts. Last year, Berlin

launched the European Sky

Shield Initiative, which now

Israel secured U.S.

includes 19 countries.

Germany aims to in-

of Ukraine.

ture that were badly dam-Stoltenberg said that aged in relentless and deadly NATO has contracts for 2.4 billion euros (\$2.5 billion) attacks by Russia last winter. He also reminded the in ammunition for Ukraine, secretary-general of the perincluding 155 mm Howitzer shells, anti-tank guided sistent attacks that often strike civilian areas, includmissiles and tank ammuniing 40 drone attacks overnight. "In the face of such intense attacks against becomes, the closer we be-Ukrainians, against our come to ending Russia's cities, our ports, which are

crucial for global food security, we need a corresponding intensity of today pressure on Russia and a strengthening of our air de-fense," Zelenskyy said.

timately prevail.

German Federal Minister of Defense Boris

Pistorius receives his Israeli counterpart Joav

Galant with military honors in Berlin, Germany.

Germany and Israel sign an

row 3.

the best.

render would not mean The world must see peace. It would mean bruhow Russia is losing dearly tal Russian occupation. Peace at any price would so that our shared values ulbe no peace at all.

Israeli settlements

'systematically erode' viability of Palestinian state, says UN envoy **Monitoring Desk** UNITED NATIONS: UN

Special Coordinator for the Middle East Peace Process Tor Wennesland has ex-

pressed deep concern over the relentless expansion of Israeli settlements in the occupied West Bank, including East Jerusalem.

During the last three months, more agreement for Berlin to buy a than 10,000 housing US-Israeli missile defense system units were advanced, he told the UN Security approval in August for Council in New York on the \$3.5 billion deal, Wednesday.

which was needed be-"Settlements furcause the system was ther entrench the occujointly developed with pation, fuel violence

the United States. German Defense impede Palestinian ac cess to their land and Minister Boris Pistorius resources, and systemand his Israeli counterpart atically erode the viabil-Yoav Gallant signed a ity of a Palestinian state memorandum of underas part of a two-state standing in Berlin on Thurssolution," the senior UN envoy said. "I call on the gov day for the purchase of Ar-

"It is, without exagernment of Israel to gerating, a historic day for cease all settlement acboth our countries,³ tivity and dismantle out-Pistorius told reporters, posts immediately, in describing Arrow as "one line with its obligations of the best systems, if not under international law," he added.

"The stronger Ukraine KYIV aggression," Stoltenberg said. "Russia could lay down arms and end its war Ukraine doesn't have that option. Ukraine's sur-



NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy attend their press conference in Kyiv, Ukraine.

Macron proposes limited autonomy for France's Mediterranean island of Corsica

Monitoring Desk PARIS: French President Emmanuel Macron proposed granting limited autonomy for Corsica on Thursday in a modest step toward nationalist sentiment

on the Mediterranean island. In a speech he described as "an outstretched hand," Macron said: "Let us have the audacity to build a Corsican autonomy within the republic."

"It won't be an autonomy that is against the Claude Érignac. Other viostate nor autonomy withlence has been mostly lowout the state, but an aulevel, often involving tonomy for Corsica and bombs planted in cars or

within the republic," he said buildings overnight, when no one is inside. in his address to the island's Macron didn't go into local elected assembly.

great detail about what The island is home to powers might be transmore than 340,000 people ferred from Paris to a more and has been part of France autonomous Corsica. He since 1768. But Corsica has said that he favors changalso seen pro-independence ing the French Constitution violence and has an influto recognize "the specificiential nationalist moveties" of Corsica's island ment. In 1998, in an assascommunity. A constitusination that stunned the country, pro-independence tional change would require French parliamentary apactivists shot dead France's top official on the island, proval

"This is how we will turn a page that was marked by somber hours and be able to open another."

India imposes curfew in strife-hit areas of Manipur state

Monitoring Desk NEW DELHI: India imposed a curfew in the capital and some areas of its restive state of Manipur on Thursday, after scores of students were injured in violence following protests against the alleged abducprotests tion and murder of two students, authorities

Ethnic violence has plunged the northeastern state bordering Myanmar into what many security nymity.

said.

HOOKSETT: Three people have died following experts describe as an intense civil war fought over land, jobs and political clout between its two police said.

largest local groups. "In-definite curfew had to be implemented in Imphal and in some other districts," L. Kailun, a senior police official based in the state capital, told Reuters. More than 80 stu-

dents were injured in Wednesday's clashes, another police official said on condition of ano-

3 people die in a crash involving 4 vehicles in New Hampshire **Monitoring Desk**

a crash involving four vehicles in New Hampshire,

An SUV side-swiped two vehicles on a road and rear-ended a third on Route 3 before it crossed the road and hit a tree stump on Wednesday afternoon, police said in a news release.

The SUV driver and two passengers were taken to a hospital, where they were pronounced dead.

Warehouse blast near **Tashkent airport kills** one, injures over 160

accident, 138 sustained mi-TASHKENT: An overnight nor injuries and a further 24 explosion at a warehouse were still in hospital in a near the airport in more serious condition, the Uzbekistan's capital, health ministry said.

Tashkent, killed one person Videos circulating and injured more than a on social media showed hundred, authorities in the a column of flames and Central Asian country said smoke rising into the night sky.

The blast blew out the "A teenager born in 2006 died," the Uzbek windows of several houses health ministry said on in the surrounding area and Telegram, adding that a furdamaged their interiors.

ther 162 had been injured. Explosions continued The emergency situato ring out in the hours after the blaze broke out as tions ministry said powerful lightning had caused emergency crews tackled "an explosion, then a fire, the fire and ambulance which is still burning" in a staff worked to evacuate warehouse in the airport those injured, an AFP journalist at the scene wit-

Of those hurt in the nessed



French President Emmanuel Macron addresses the Corsican Assembly in Ajaccio, as part of a three days visit in the southern French island of Corsica.

China, Germany resume high-level financial talks after COVID-19

Monitoring Desk ments to strengthen coordi-BEIJING: China and Gernation in banking, finance many will co-host a third and capital markets, and financial dialogue in Ger-many on Oct. 1, the Chipledged to further open market access and deepen cooperation to broaden econese foreign ministry said on Thursday, resuming high-level talks that had nomic ties. Since then, the European Union, including stalled for several years due Germany, has expressed to COVID-19. concerns about being too economically dependent on Chinese Vice Premier He Lifeng will co-chair the China. Last week, Germany dialogue with German Fi-

said it was planning to nance Minister Christian force telecoms operators to Lindner, ministry spokesslash the use of equipment person Mao Ning said at a from Huawei and ZTE in regular news conference. their 5G networks after a In the last round of review highlighted an overreliance on these Chinese talks in January 2019. China and Germany signed agreesuppliers.

Daily **Independent**, Hub

PMDC signs MoU with Hub Salt, Geological survey of Pakistan

a part of building the mineral-driven economy by the Government of Pakistan, the Pakistan Mineral Development Corporation (PMDC) under the control of the Ministry of Energy signed a MoU with Hub Salt and Geological Survey of Pakistan (GSP). Engr. Asad Ahmad,

Managing Director, PMDC along with Dr. Sajjad Ahmad, Director General, GSP, and CEO Hub Salt Ismail Sattar signed the agreement, said a news release.

Geological Survey of Pakistan (GSP) would provide support to PMDC in mineral exploration, encompassing assessment, identification, grading, mineral and rock evaluation, resource assessment, and environmental assessments both Parties will jointly or-

Ullah Zahid and govern-

ment officers in the matter

pressed intention to tender

resignation over court's at-

Minallah controlled the

matter remarking govern-

ment officers don't work

and AG Punjab despite be-

ing a good lawyer became

SC presided over by the Chief Justice of Pakistan

(CJP) Qazi Faez Isa took

up the case for hearing

A 3-member bench of

disturbed due to them.

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of land compensation.

Justice

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liamentary delegation at Parliament house

There should be any

difference between

ISLAMABAD (APP): As ganize training programs, workshops, conferences, seminars, and events related to research, innovation, and commercialization, especially in the field of Geological Sciences. The MoU with Hub

Salt envisions the establishment of a state-of-the-art Pink Rock Salt Crushing and Packaging facility for export purposes under the theme of "Pink Prosperity

The Pink Rock Salt facility is exclusively dedicated to export salt base products to international markets which will contribsubstantially to ute Pakistan's foreign revenue. This endeavor is expected to not only bolster economic growthbut also cast a spotlight on the nation's unique Pink Rock Salt on the international stage



ISLAMABAD: MD Pakistan Mineral Development Corporation Engr Asad Ahmad and CEO Hub Salt Ismail Sattar signing MoU for projects on Thursday.

President greets nation, Ummah on blessed day of Milad-un-Nabi (SAWW)

PM urges nation to follow Prophet (SAWW)'s teachings of compassion, unity

ISLAMABAD (APP): President Dr Arif Alvi on Thursday felicitated the Pakistani nation and the Muslim Ummah on the blessed day of Milad-un-

Nabi (Peace Be Upon Him). In a message on the occasion of 12 Rabiul Awal, he said the arrival of Prophet (SAWW) was good tidings for relieving the suffering of humanity adding that the arrival of the Holy prophet Hazrat ISLAMABAD: Chairman Senate Muhammad Muhammad (SAWW) was Sadiq Sanjrani in a group photo with British par-

the greatest and the most blessed event in history. The president said due to Holy Prophet (SAWW), the humanity was honoured with the reward of guidance and mercy from Allah Almighty. He said Prophet Muhammad (SAWW) was brought to this world as the

Sarfaraz Bugti visits FF Steel

taker Federal Minister for the Interior, Sarfaraz

here on Thursday.

The CJP remarked there should be transparent attitude with the courts. Joking with justice system industry.

The court said the court issued order on November 17, 2022. The counsel for Punjab government

human rights, gender equal-'mercy for all the worlds'. He said the life of the ity and welfare of the poor Holy Prophet (PBUH) was reflected the comprehenan embodiment of obedisiveness and universality of ence to Allah Almighty, justhe message of Islam. He tice, compassion, and love towards human beings.

He said Holy Prophet (PBUH)'s teachings are universal and undying source of guidance for the mankind and present solutions to uncountable challenges being faced today and to be faced till the doomszens

"In the whole life of Holy Prophet Muhammad (SAWW), we find a perfect model not only for faith and worship, but also for all aspects of life." President Alvi said teachings of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) with regard to the oneness of Al-

message of unity to become said Pakistan was a country with different cultures and religious diversity. "We should give importance to this diversity and should work diligently for the promotion of unity and better understanding. among the fellow citi-

The president said after the establishment of the Islamic State in Madinah by the Holy Prophet (PBUH),

the rights given to the nonmuslims and the agreements with the followers of other religions should be kept in mind by all Pakistanis. being.

Meanwhile Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-

an example of tolerance and coexistence. The prime minister, in his message to the nation on Eid Milad-un-Nabi (PBUH) 1445 Hijri, extended his greetings to the whole of the Pakistani nation as well as the Muslim

> world He said the Muslims were fortunate to be the followers of the Holy Muhammad Prophet (PBUH) who was the embodiment of all traits being imitable for every human

Haq Kakar urged the nation

to obey the Holy Prophet

(PBUH)'s teachings of

brotherhood and compas-

sion besides following his

\$563 million received under PERP

NEW YORK (Online): Pakistan's Permanent Representative to United Nations, Munir Akram said that immediately after the flood, an urgent appeal of \$816 million was made under the Pakistan Emergency Response Plan but \$563 million has been received.

Pakistan allocated 2.7 billion dollars from its local vice. resources for the comple-

tion of various projects. In the United Nations General Assembly, an informal meeting was held in Pakistan last year on the disastrous floods of 2022, under Dennis Francis, President of United Na-

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Govt takes proactive measures to stabilize economy: Shamshad

Caretaker Minister of Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs Division, Dr Shamshad Akhtar on Thursday said the caretaker government has taken proactive measures to stabilize the economy and build market confidence.

The government's stabilization efforts are anchored around the IMF stabilization package, he said in a briefing to the Senate Committee on Faience and Revenue which met in the Parliament House, said a press release issue here.

Benazirabad district.

ISLAMABAD (APP): the IMF disbursed \$ 1.2 billion in July 2023. She said this has also

led to the disbursement of \$ 3bn in bilateral assistance (KSA \$ 2bn, UAE \$ 1bn). As a result, the SBP FX reserves have in-

creased to \$ 7.6bn (1.5 months of import cover) in September, from \$ 4.5bn (0.9 months of import) in June.

She said the government has normalized trade and investment flows.

"We have removed the import ban that badly impacted the availability of raw materials for the indus-The Minister said that try.

Bilawal honors party workers on their death anniversary

ISLAMABAD (APP): Chairman of Pakistan People's Party (PPP) Shaheed Ghulam Mustafa Chandio, Shaheed Pir Bux Chandio, Shaheed Urs Bilawal Bhutto Zardari has paid glowing tribute to the Chandio, Shaheed Siddique Chandio, Shaheed Gulab Chandio, Shaheed Hashim 16 workers of the party on their 40th martyrdom an-Khaskheli, Shaheed Janib Khaskheli, Shaheed Miro niversary who, during the Khaskheli, Shaheed Ali Gul Movement for Restoration of Democracy (MRD), were brutally killed by Khaskheli, Shaheed Muhammad Ramzan General Zia Regime on September 29, 1983, in village Khaskheli, Shaheed Mehboob Ali Solangi, Shaheed Allah Punhal Chandio of Shaheed Rakhio Solangi and Shaheed Hussain Bux Manganhar According to the were brave democratic and political activists. "Huress release issued by manity will forever be Media Cell Bilawal House, ashamed of the Zia regime's he said the party workers, Shaheed Tharoo Chandio, atrocities on PPP workers. Shaheed Rajab Ali Chandio, whose only crime was to

Quetta Traffic Police FM Radio Service 88.6 launched

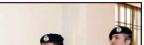
Shaheed Ali Sher Chandio, call for the restoration.

Independent Report had been launched by Sindh QUETTA: The Quetta police 10 years ago. He Traffic Police launched the noted that the launch of FM Radio 88.6 Service in Radio Service was delayed the provincial metropolis due to the lack of resources and remoteness of the aron Thursday. The Inspector Gen-

eral of Police Balochistan, Despite all odds, we Abdul Khaliq Sheikh for-mally launched the FM Serstarted Radio service in the Traffic police, adding he mentioned.

He said that the listen-Speaking on the occa-sion, the IGP said that the ers would be able to know Traffic FM service has been about the flow of traffic in started by Traffic Police in specific areas. order to improve flow of

He urged the people to



dacoits, state: SC ISLAMABAD (Online): the case Justice Athar Chief Justice of Pakistan Minallah remarked the (CJP) Qazi Faez Isa excourt had issued order one pressed annoyance over vear back Additional Advocate Gen-

The CJP remarked we eral (AAG) Punjab Sana and you are paid salaries out of people pockets. Our performance is nil. There should be some difference between the dacoits and Justice

Athar Minallah remarked we are being told after one year the

process of payment of compensation is underway.

said a miscellaneous applidepreciation and shortage

lah Almighty, social justice, PESHAWAR (APP): Care-

day

Ahmed Bugti paid a visit to FF Steel's head office with an aim to revitalize and fortify the economic prospects of the steel sector. said a press release issued

During his visit, the minister put special empha sis on comprehending the economic landscape and its repercussions on the steel

The notion of the discussion highlighted the key indicators to help the economy with political instability, massive currency

of raw materials.

Sanjrani stresses

strengthening

Pakistan-UK

parliamentary ties

ÍSLAMABAD (APP)

Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani,

here on Thursday high-

lighted the importance of

strengthening parliamen-

tary ties between Pakistan

and the United Kingdom to

facilitate mutual learning and

The chairman ex-

collaboration.

The Chairman Senate



Ahmed Omer Ahmedzai,

the Sub-Committee of the

Senate Standing Committee

on Petroleum meticu-

lously reviewed the initia-

tives and endeavors un-

dertaken by oil and gas

companies in both the

public and private sectors

concerning corporate so-cial responsibility (CSR) in

committee, Prince Ahmed

Omer Ahmedzai empha-

sized that efforts should not

be confined solely to

Balochistan but should en-

compass the entire nation

of Pakistan. He also

stressed the imperative

presence of all Pakistan's oil

and gas companies in the

Convener of the sub-

Balochistan.

QUETTA: Former Opposition leader in Balochistan Assembly Malik Sikandar Advocate and former Federal Minister Prince Essa Jan meeting with Governor Balochistan Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar

Sub-Committee reviews

initiatives taken by oil &

gas companies in Balochistan

ISLAMABAD (INP): ergy (Petroleum Division)

Chaired by Senator Prince provided a comprehensive

Thursday. During the hearing of cation has been filed

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UTHAL: Caretaker Provincial Advisor Irrigation Mir Danish Lango talking with mediamen

Minister urges govt servants to serve public diligently

Engineer

present.

taker Local Government in the modern era cannot be Minister Mehmood Al denied. The architects of Hasan Mandokhel, on Thursday said government officers are the servants of the people urging them to serve public diligently. He expressed these views during his visit to Zhob campus of University of Balochistan and addressing a meeting held at DC office

Zhob. The minister inspected various departments of the IT section. He said that the students should pay attention to the acquisition of knowledge. He said that the importance

pressed these views during OUETTA (APP): Care- of information technology a meeting with a delegation from the British Parliament. The delegation included Shadow Minister the future should work and MP Naz Shah, Sam harder to acquire modern knowledge.

Terry MP, Andrew Gwynne MP, and Raja Prior to this, Professor Abdul Salam Lodhi Najabat Hussain, Chairman of the Jammu and Kashmir briefed the minister on the Self Determination Moveissues facing the university. International ment The minister assured to (JKSDMI). During the solve the problems faced by the university. Mehboob meeting, both parties engaged in constructive dis-Ahmad Achakzai, DC Zhob, Naseer Mandukhel, cussions regarding a range of topics aimed at strength Vice Chairman District ening bilateral relations. Council Maulvi Ibrahim, Sultan

Mandukhel, Muhammad Asif Mandukhel were also

BTTN held seminar vehicles on occasion of Eid Milad-un-Nabi(SAWW)

(APP): QUETTA Balochistan Think Tank Network (BTTN) organized an in-house seminar at its Conference Hall on the occasion of Eid- Milad-ul-Nabi (SAW). BTTN head Brig Agha Ahmad Gul ® said the life of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) is full of guidance. One can learn a lot from him. Common amnesty at the time of the Conquest of Mecca is a great act of forgiveness, teaching us to also learn to forgive.

Also, the wisdom he showed at the place of Hudaibiya where he

reached a treaty with the Quraysh to perform Hajj peacefully the next year rather than warring with the Quraysh is what speaks voltails, investigations by FIA umes of his leadership and statesmanship characterism, said a press release. Earlier, Asadullah Raisani formally began the event byquoting one of the famous Hadith of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), "An Arab has no

superiority over a non-Arab nor a non-Arab has any superiority over an Arab; also, a White has no superiority over a Black nor a Black has any superiority.

Money laundering: FIA seizes four luxurious

KARACHI (INP): The Commercial Banking Circle team of Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) continues investigations into trade-based money laundering case and seized four luxurious vehicles here on Thursday. According to de-

> against car showroom owners, in order to catch 'tradebased' money laundering in Karachi was in progress. The FIA in the latest action raided a car show-room at Khalid bin Waleed Degree Girls College Turbat on Thursday. road and seized four luxury vehicles including, Land and writers have played Cruiser. Audi and others. The

vehicles were seized as the consciousness and awareshowroom owner failed to present proof of import. Balochistan

Independent Report On the occasion, he announced to give Scholarshis and 60 laptops to the students of the col-

public holidays on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, namely the 29th, 30th, and He also assured to 1st of October, 2023.

Earlier, the Principal of Girls College, Professor Gul Baloch received the Minister upon reaching col-

Minister about the issue of lack of funds for fuel being faced by the college.

the matter by speaking to the concerned authorities.

overview of its operations tions General Assembly in the province of Pak condemns Balochistan, highlighting the substantial funds alloterrorist attack cated for the province's beton Bahrain terment. Senator Saadia Abbasi expressed reservadefense force tions regarding the dimin-

ISLAMABAD (APP): Pakistan on Thursday condemned the terrorist attack on Bahrain Defense Force position on the Southern border of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia which resulted in the martyrdom of two Bahraini personnel and injured others. "We extend deepest condolences to the Kingdom of Bahrain, its brotherly people and families of the martyrs. We pray for full recovery of the injured members of the Bahrain Defense Force.





today



He said that FM radio fic Radio service while service is being started from moving on the roads. Moreover, the IGP

The IGP said that raalso talked about the acdio service is very necestion taken against nonsary in the traffic police. customs paid vehicles be-He recalled that Traf- sides the vehicles parked

fic police FM Radio service wrongly. 306 more connections disconnected Crackdown continues against power pilferers and defaulters

Independent Report moved in different areas of QUETTA: In all 306 electhe province. The spokesman intricity connections of the formed that in all 339 FIRs

Over Rs. 110 million

pilferers and defaulters were suspended as the exhave been lodged against those involved in the power tensive crackdown is continued by the Quetta Elecpilferage At least 127 electrictric supply company (QESCO) all over the provity pilferers have also been arrested so far from differ-

ince including Quetta. According to the spokesman of QESCO, apent areas plications were submitted have been charged fine on to the concerned police staaccount of the power theft, tions for action against 42 the QESCO spokesman informed further. electricity thieves in the province.

Out of the total fine, Moreover, 34 transover Rs. 75 million have so formers of the defaulters far been collected, he menand pilferers were also retioned.

Senate body expresses concerns about sale data on dark web

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Senate Standing Committee on Information Technology and Telecommunication Thursday expressed concerns about the sale of Pakistani public data on the Dark web and instructed the safeguarding of public data, including NADRA and banks. lic awareness on the cyber Chairman of the Comsecurity in Pakistan.



ishing impact of these ex-

penditures over the years,

despite the significant sums

allocated to their policies.

ergy (Petroleum Division)

explained that these funds

are administered by the so-

cial welfare committee,

chaired by a nominated of-

ficial, and executed by the

district government. It was

emphasized that this falls

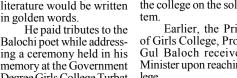
outside their jurisdiction,

and political factors often

The Ministry for En-

QUETTA: Members Board expressing their views during emergency meeting of QESCO Board of Directors

QUETTA: The caretaker Provincial Minister for Information, Jan Achakzai has stated that the services rendered by renowned poet help conversion of the ex-Mubarak Qazi for promoisting electricity system in tion of Balochi language and the college on the solar sysliterature would be written in golden words.



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important role in creating He assured to resolve ness among the people in

Receiving Center has been established at the ECP Secretariat with the purpose of receiving objections related to constituency delimitation from concerned individuals. These centers will remain in operation without any interruptions until the deadline

tariat in Islamabad to facili-

tate the public, will con-

tinue to operate during the

According to a state-

ment from an ECP spokes-

person, the Representation

for objection submissions on October 27, 2023.



QUETTA: Officers and officials of Directorate of Public Relations greet Muhammad Noor Khetran on assuming charge of Director General Public Relations

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