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# PM for action against elements spreading chaos in name of religion in Gilgit

Says concentration on self-dependence vital for country's economic revival

Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Tuesday directed the authorities concerned to identify the elements spreading chaos in the name of religion in Gilgit, and take strict action against them.

The prime minister, chairing a meeting to discuss development projects and law and order situation in Gilgit Baltistan, said the security of every citizen was the state's responsibility. In the meeting, the prime minister was briefed about the progress on projects in information technology, health, education, and other sectors, as well as the issues.

He was told that steps had been taken to identify

GILGIT (APP): Caretaker and address the problems minister was also briefed confronting the education about the sowing of wheat sector in all GB districts, and subsidy on the crop. production and potential of particularly Diamer and hydel power in GB as well Astore. The measures taken as the budget.

for the promotion of education sector included the Kakar directed the GB adprovision of food to the ministration and leadership students, reconstruction of to assess the scope of the buildings and rehabilita- ongoing development projects and give a special focus on those of a crucial tion of dilapidated structures, professional training of teachers, and establishnature

Interim Interior Minment of smart schools. The prime minister ister Sarfaraz Bugti, Inwas also apprised of projects in the GB health terim Information and Broadcasting Minister Murtaza Solangi, Gilgit sector including the estab-lishment of a 24-hour helpline to address the is-Baltistan Governor Syed Mehdi Shah, Chief Minissue of mental health. Be- ter Gulbar Khan, GB chief sides the performance of secretary and IG Police,

the environment and tour- and senior officers atism sectors, the prime tended the meeting.



GILGIT: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar chairs a progress review meeting in Gilgit about development in various sectors and situation Prime Minister of law & order in Gilgit-Baltistan.

# **Interim CM Sindh meets** Jamaat Islami delegation

KARACHI (APP): A delegation of Jamaat the interest of the people," he said. Hafiz Naeem com-Islami (JI) led by its Emir of Karachi Hafiz plained against KE and Naeemur Rehman called

on Caretaker Sindh said that neither they Chief Minister Justice have controlled power (retd) Maqbool Baqar theft nor made investand discussed the is-sues of local bodies, ments to improve the generation and distriwater board, and illegal bution system.

construction in the city. The delegation comprised Monem Zafar, Saifuddin, Saleem Azhar, Sadruddin, and said that he held a meeting with the KE authorities on Monday and urged them to improve their system.

Hafiz Naeem said that the transition period of newly elected local bodies has come to an end officially but even then, the elected bodies have not been given power to function in the public inter-

At this, the chief minister said that he action against illegal was taking necessary constructions," he said. was taking necessary measures to strengthen Discussing the is-local bodies all over the sue of water theft in the

Zahid Askari.

est

that they can work in board to improve its system and ensure a proper supply of water to the citizens.

> der the World Bankfunded projects water board was being overhauled.

The caretaker CM said that once the local bodies representatives took over properly and strengthened, they would be able to look after the people of their areas in terms of cleanliness, garbage lifting,

and improving water and sanitation sys-Justice Baqar told

the Jamaat delegation that he had activated "I have given instruc-tions to SBCA and the district administration would be receiving public complaints which he would resolve personally. The Com-plaint Cell has two

local bodies all over the sue of water theft in the phone numbers: province. "We are city, the CM said that he 99207568 and 99207349 strengthening them so has told the water to register complaints.

# **President for enhanced**

# cooperation with China, Venezuela, Colombia

ISLAMABAD (APP): President Dr Arif Alvi on Tuesday called for more robust cooperation with the People's Republic of China in the areas of trade, economy, culture and defence

countries.

highly valued its ties with China as it had always stood by it at difficult times. He said that Pakistan would continue to support

president said that Pakistan

China on all core issues. Highlighting the im-

portance of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), the president said that CPEC would greatly to further strengthen the strategic relations for the mutual benefit of the two contribute to the socio-economic development of Pakistan.

The president made these remarks during his He said that the project had helped in mod-ernizing "our infrastrucmeetings with the ambasture, building our capacity sadors-designate of the People's Republic of China and ensuring a sustainable energy supply". Pakistan was fully committed to timely completion of all projects under CPEC, he and Venezuela (Non-resi-dent), as well as the Republic of Colombia (Non-resident), who presented their reiterated. The president expressed his gratitude for diplomatic credentials and separately called on him at China's unflinching sup-port to Pakistan's sociothe Aiwan-e-Sadr, the President Secretariat Press Wing said in a press release. Welcoming Ambassaeconomic development as well as its principled stance dor-designate of China to on the Jammu & Kashmir Pakistan Jiang Zaidong, the dispute

ISLAMABAD: President, Dr. Arif Alvi exchanging views with Aniq Ahmed, Caretaker Federal Minister for Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony during meeting held at Aiwan-e-Sadr in Islamabad.

# **Home minister terms** Safe City project pivotal for safety of citizens



KARACHI: Caretaker Sindh Chief Minister, Justice (Retd) Maqbool Baqar exchanges views with Jamat-e-Islami (JI) Karachi Chief, Hafiz Naeem-ur-Rehman during meeting held at CM House in Karachi.

Level-playing Info Minister vows to field not

He added that un-

At this, the CM

The Jamaat delegation took up the issue of illegal construction

in the city. The CM told tems them that illegal construction could never be allowed in the city. to keep an eye and take

# resolve all genuine issues of Gilgit-Baltistan

GILGIT (APP): Caretaker tenure as Director General Federal Minister for Information and Broadcasting Murtaza Solangi has expressed all-out support to Gilgit Baltistan government in addressing all genuine is-sues being faced by the re-

Talking to newsmen in Gilgit on Tuesday, he said Caretaker Prime Minister ister today spent a very busy day in Gilgit, attended Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar has directed to resolve the isvarious meetings, interacted sue of wheat subsidy, and with the students, reviewed law and order situation, and the now matter has almost been addressed.

ISLAMABAD (Online):

Islamabad High Court

(IHC) has reserved judg-ment on chairman PTI plea

against hearing of cipher case in Attock Jail./

IHC Aamir Farooq took up

the case for hearing Tues-day. Sher Afzal Marwat

counsel for chairman PTI

read out ministry of law no-

law shifted the court in

Attock jail under what law

and powers. How can the

trial be transferred from

Islamabad to Punjab. Only

Supreme Court (SC) can

transfer the trial to other

province legally. It is not in

the powers of chief com-

missioner or interior secre-

tary to shift the trial to other

province. He argued if trial

appeared in the court.

tification in the court.

Chief Justice (CJ)

Sher Afzal Marwat

He argued ministry of

The Information ongoing development Minister said during his projects.

**<u>Cipher case:</u>** 

**IHC reserves judgment on** 

chairman PTI plea against

hearing of cipher case

in

present.

one time.

Radio Pakistan, he raised voice for the people of Gilgit Baltistan and worked hard for the promotion of local languages of the area.

Replying to a question about Prime Minister's visit to Gilgit, Murtaza Solangi said the Prime Min-

responding to a question regarding the level-playing field available to his party as the two political big-wigs — PML-N supremo Nawaz Sharif and PTI pace of work on various

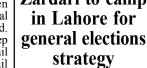
> currently ineligible to contest upcoming general elections owing to convic-tions in separate corrupion cases.

#### Zardari to camp was to be changed then they were to ask from trial judge and it was not asked. There is no reason to keep chairman PTI in Attock jail

as he has been granted bail TOSHĂKHANA CASE. But Imran Khan is under judicial custody at He said there is

malafide intent behind changing the venue of hearing because the notification on changing the venue of hearing was aimed at keep

ing chairman PTI in jail. Additional Attorney General Munawar Iqbal Doggal said notification regarding jail trial was only for one time. When notification was only for one time then his petition has become infructuous. In cipher case the change of venue of court was only for



LAHORE (INP): Former president and Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) Co-Chairman Asif Àli Zardari will reach Lahore tomorrow (Wednesday) to focus on the party's affairs in Punjab.

The former president will participate in party's Central Executive Committee (CEC) meeting In Lahore scheduled for Sep-

tember. PPP chairman Bilawal Bhutto Zardari will also reach Lahore from Multan tomorrow.

The former foreign minister will stay in Lahore for 4 days where the latter will meet with party workers.



Closing ceremony of Joint Naval Exercise Naseem Al Bahr-XIV held at Jubail, Saudi Årabia.

#### available to all political parties: Bilawal

SUKKUR (INP): Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) Chair-man Bilawal Bhutto Zardari has demanded that there should be a level-playing field for all political leaders, maintaining that the political leaders are deprived of equal opportunities to contest the upcoming general elections. He stated this while

aims and objectives of the bell to Punjab Governor, Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman during meeting held at Governor House in Karachi. chief Imran Khan - are SC directs LHC to decide within 30 days case against "There is not a level-playing field for everyone and that is my objection."

# fixation of sugar price ISLAMABAD (Online): Supreme Court (SC) has di-rected Lahore High Court (MIC) to be in the set of t

Additional Attorney General said SC had ordered sugar mills to deposit the (LHC) to decide within 30 days case against fixation of

KARACHI: Sindh Governor, Kamran Khan Tessori briefs detail about the

price of sugar. A 3-member bench of SC presided over by Jushad challenged determina-tion of prices. High court tice Ijaz ul Ahsan took up the case for hearing Tuessuspended the rate fixed by provincial government. There was price of Rs 98

The court maintained the matter is fixed for Sepper kilogram and now sugar tember 20 in high court. High Court should hear the mills are selling it at the rate of Rs 200 per kilogram. The court should order to case on day to day basis and deposit the difference of give decision within 30 price in registrar office.

Justice Ijaz ul Ahsan Justice Ijaz ul Ahsan remarked this case is against remarked the haste in case the interim order of high is of what. High court will give decision after hearing the case. court. Final decision has not come as yet. Case is fixed

# US does not support any political party or candidate in Pakistan, State Department

US State Department spokesman Matthew Miller said that US insists on free elections in Pakistan but does not support any political party or candidate.

days

In the routine news briefing of US State Department on Monday, when asked about the meeting of US ambassador to Islamabad, Donald Blome, with the head of the Election Commission (EC) in Pakistan, he ad-

WASHINGTON (Online): vised the journalist to contact US Embassy in Islamabad.

Matthew Miller said that I will contact embassy

Pakistan.

for specific comments about this meeting. But I will repeat what I have said many times that US does not take a position on the

outcomes of elections in Ambassador Donald Blome met Chief Election Commissioner on August 24

21: Sharif ISLAMABAD (APP): Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) Shehbaz Sharif on Tuesday announced that PML-N Quaid Nawaz Sharif would difference of prices in the return to Pakistan on Occourt. Federal government tober 21

Shehbaz Sharif, in a arrival in the homeland.

#### FIA nabs six illegal money changers; recovers

huge amount PESHAWAR (APP) During an on-going crack-down against illegal money changers and per-sons involved in the business of Hundi across the province, the FIA KP zone on Tuesday arrested six accused including one sues Afghan national from different cities of the province and recovered huge amounts of local and foreign currencies.

According to FIA KP, the crackdowns were conducted in Bannu, Kohat, Dera Ismail Khan, Lakki Marwat, and Abbottabad. The accused were identified as Zaharullah, Abdul Malik, Abdullah Nazir, Badshah Noor, Jahanzeb, and Izatullah.

KARACHI (APP): Sindh caretaker Minister for Home and Prisons Brig. ® Haris Nawaz, on Tuesday, observed that the Safe City Project would enhance law enforcement capabilities, improve emergency response times and deter

criminal activities. The minister, while presiding over a high-level meeting regarding Karachi Safe City Project, termed safety and well-being of citizens as the top priority and said that the authorities concerned must remain steadfast in pursuit of its successful implementation. The meeting was attended by Home Secretary Sindh,

DIGP Special Branch, Asif Aijaz Shaikh; Director IT CPO, Tabasum Abid and a 10-member delegation of NRTC led by Commodore Raheel.

The meeting was in-formed that the Karachi Safe City Project envisaged the installation of a network of latest closed-circuit television cameras in the city for digital surveillance while the project involved all the law-enforcement and emergency services' agencies in the metropolis for a quick and adequate response to tackle any law and order situation.

The National Radio and Telecommunication Corporation (NRTC) offi-Muhammed Iqbal Memon; cial informed the meeting IGP Sindh, Riffat Mukhtar; that under the project.



SUKKUR: Chairman Pakistan People's Party Bilawal Bhutto Zardari talking to media persons after condolence with Shaheed journalist Jaan Muhammad Mahar brothers at his residence.

# Senate committee reiterates commitment to fostering supportive business environ.

KARACHI (APP): The ficer TDAP, Muhammad Senate Standing Committee on Commerce, on Tuesday, reiterated its commitment to fostering a supportive environment for businesses in Pakistan and assured traders and the industrial community of their fullest support for resolving the is-The meeting of the

Senate Standing Committee was held here at Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP). Chairman of the committee Senator Zeeshan Khanzada presided over the meeting while Senator Saleem Mandviwalla, Senator Imamuddin Shouqeen, Senator Muhammad Qasim and Senator Khalida Àteeb attended the meeting, said a statement issued here. Chief Executive Of-

Zubair Motiwala, briefed the committee about trade and investment opportunities in Food, Agriculture, IT and other sectors in Pakistan, the performance of TDAP and outcomes of Pakistan Trade Facilitation Portal. Chairman Committee Senator Zeeshan Khanzada, on the occasion, said that the visit of the Committee and subsequent deliberations underline the Senate Committee's dedication to fostering a supportive environment for businesses in Pakistan. The Committee would remain steadfast in its mission to facilitate economic growth, address challenges faced by the business community, and promote a robust export-oriented sector in the country, he vowed.



Nawaz to

return to Pak

on October



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## G20 summit

Several noteworthy developments occurred at the just concluded G20 summit in New Delhi, reflecting the rapid state of flux the international order is experiencing. The grouping of the world's 19 top economies, along with the EU, just admitted the African Union, while Xi Jinping was conspicuous by his absence, sending an unsubtle message to the host nation as well as Western members of the bloc. Vladimir Putin also stayed away. Though the official declaration denounced the use of force and violation of the territorial sovereignty of any state, there was no express criticism of the Russian invasion of Ukraine, a compromise solution that was reportedly reached to bridge the wide geopolitical differences between members of the grouping.

Another major announcement was the launch of the India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor, a massive scheme described as a modern 'Spice Route' designed to link India with Europe, via the Arabian Peninsula

Termed a "real big deal" by Joe Biden, the project is being seen as a rival to China's Belt and Road Initiative that involves transcontinental transportation, energy and data linkages.

From the aforesaid details, it appears that the G20, as well as the G7, are trying to transform themselves from West-led old boys' clubs to more 'inclusive' organisations ready to invite more states from the Global South. The expansion of BRICS and the SCO may have played a role in these changed priorities, which is why the AU has been courted as a partner. Geo-economics and geopolitics are also at play, with the Spice Route taking an aim at the BRI and the Russia-led International North-South Transport Corridor.

Despite being a G20 member, Beijing was not invited to join the new project linking India and Europe. The scheme will also come in handy by connecting Israel with the Arab states.

The building of multiple transcontinental energy and trade corridors is not necessarily a bad thing, as competition can be healthy, while developing states can prosper by attracting investment and serving as conduits in these expansive networks.

Where Pakistan is concerned, due to our internal issues, we are largely spectators rather than active players in these transnational geo-economic networks.

Unfortunately, we have not even fully utilised the potential that CPEC, a BRI project, was supposed to bring. Pakistan must also realise that despite India's atrocious human rights record in held Kashmir, the West, as well as our Muslim brothers, seem least concerned and are eager to do business with Delhi. The sad reality is that in the international arena, economic heft overshadows morality.

Therefore, if we want to be part of these global trade networks, and if we want our voice heard where issues such as Kashmir are concerned, we need to first address our internal inadequacies

approach.

dered female participa-By Hamza Shahzad tion in society and pre-

When it comes to gender equality Pakistan's Gender Index is the lowest, it is 241 out of 142. We cannot avoid the fact the gender equality indicator of Pakistan is the and lowest. Being part of an mortalities. However, ultra-religious and male-

Balochistan who are dominated society, it is leading the way in pronot favorable for women to grasp at an executive moting female education level. Balochistan, a reand making efforts to gion known for its rich provide quality and cultural heritage and skilled education to girls. wonderful landscapes, is DrQuratulainBakhtiyari ,Razia Sultana Baloch, also home to irrepressible and trailblazing Zubaida Jalal, Rahima women who have been Jalal, gradually breaking barri-DrShadhidaJaffery are just a few of the inspirers and making their ing women working to mark in leadership roles. ensure that girls in Despite facing several challenges, including Balochistan have access cultural norms and to socio-economic differ- women understand the ences, women in importance of education Balochistan are resisting in empowering women

the odds and evolving and bringing about posias leaders in various sective change in society. They serve as role modtors

Historically, women els and inspirationfor of Balochistan have others in Balochistan, played a crucial role in and beyond. By advowars. The most iconic cating for female educaname is MirzadiBanadi tion, these women are Rind, who led the group working towards a future supporting the Mughals where women can lead against the Afghans in and alter societies for the battle of Chunsa the better. back in the 16<sup>th</sup> century. In the mid-17<sup>th</sup> century,

women have been gradu-Mai Chaagli ruled ally dismantling histori-Lasbela, she ruled cal gender constraints, Lasbela for decades. In actively participating in arts and music, women politics, and challenging also played their part in traditional norms. His- parties have established the best way possible. If torically, they were women's wings to adwe look in literature we marginalized in political dress their concerns and

find, RabiaKhuzdari, affairs, excluded from empower them politi- Balochistan are break- aspiring athletes. who captivates the decision-making roles, cally leading to progress ing gender barriers people with her poetic and absent from key po- in addressing women's across diverse fields, sitions during the It is clear that there region's governance unare significant chal- der Khan's rule. Over stands out with higher Balochistan's first fe- an International Woman lenges facing women in time, they made incre-Balochistan when it mental progress, secur- likely due to its higher lit- tendent of Police (ASP) Secretary of State. ing limited political roles comes to education and empowerment. The instate affairs. However, male-dominated male dominance perapproachand cultural sisted within political obstructions have hinparties, limiting female in-

volvement. vented girls from receiving education. is lack of education leads to a lack first woman elected to chal society. of economic opportunithe Balochistan assemties, as well as issues such as child marriages maternal for health.

This milestone inthere are women in enter politics, despite obstacles posed by tribal and cultural norms. Today, women are increasingly visible in various political parties, integrating into the heart regional of politics. Today, the landand scape is rapidly changing, with women becoming members of various political parties.

Their active participation is integrating education.These them into the core of regional politics. Dr. DurroshumAyesha's election as Naseerabad's first-ever chairperson in the 2023 local body elections marked a significant achievement in a region known for its challenges for women. Other remarkable female politicians from the Naseerabad division, including RubabaBuledi also challenging In Balochistan, stereotypes.Baloch women, once deprived

of economic, social, and political rights, now share equal status with men. Nationalist political

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Breaking barriers and leading the way issues in Balochistan. female representation, ures like Zubaida Jalal, FazilaAliyani became the a predominantly patriar-

**Balochistan's trailblazing women:** 

These women have bly and later served as pursued political office, the first female minister championed women's rights, and worked toward greater representaspired other women to tion in decision-making bodies

Women Balochistan are making significant strides across various fields. Ayesha Zehri broke barriers as the first female deputy commissioner Sana cracy. sumed the role of the first and courage. female additional deputy commissioner revenue in

Gwadar. first Assistant Commisnow serving as DC Naseerabad. Minorities with Maria Shamoon being the first female Assistant Commissioner from the Christian community

and RahatJamali, are women are driving enwith leaders like DeedarMengal, Roshan KhursheedBarocha, Hamida Ali Hazara, and Lubana Farooq creating jobs and boosting the region's economy. Women

Turkish

Ambassador

calls on finance

minister

ISLAMABAD (APP):

Turkish Ambassador

Mehmet Pacaci called on

Caretaker Federal Minister

for Finance, Revenue,

Economic Affairs, and

Privatization Dr. Shamshad

statement issued by the

finance ministry, both sides

discussed various avenues

for strengthening economic

ties and shared mutual

commitment to fostering

closer relations between

**Rupee** gains

of

the two nations.

According to a press

Akhtar here Tuesday.

including law enforce-The Makran region ment. Pari Gul Tareen, vocate, was honored as male Assistant Superin- of Courage by the US eracy rate. Influential fig- in Quetta, exemplifies MansooraKakar and Roz this trend. MahjabeenSheran, and ZakiaJamali, hailing players, champion MeenaMajeed have from Usta Muhammad, paved the way for other achieved the distincwomen, demonstrating tion of becoming the serving as role models A turning point ar- their capacity to be po- first commissioned fe- for aspiring athletes. De-rived in 1971 when tent agents of change in male Naval officer from spite facing intense first commissioned fe- for aspiring athletes. Dethe region, overcoming cyber trolling and socideveloped hometown. IrumKakar, a com-

mando in the female heights. anti-riot force of Balochistan, followed ship in the footsteps of her Balochistan face obsti-Shaheed elder brother, who served in Quetta's cluding resource limi-Anti-Terrorist Force tations, cultural restricand martyred in 2013.

These 48 lady commandos in the ARF's first batch defy societal in norms, redefining perwomen and showcas-MahjabeenUmrani as- ing their determination

These remarkable (2020-2024). women deserve recognition for their inspiring coupled with the Gov-BatoolAsadi, hail- achievements, serving ing from the Hazara as ideals of empower-Community, became the ment and motivation. seeks to enhance gen-Hamna Malik, a desioner in Quetta and is voted media practitio- public sector. ner, leads an NGO that e m p o w e r s access to education are also represented, Balochistan's youth. and opportunities, NimraPirkani, a fervent Balochistan's women youth activist, energies positive change.

Anita Jalil Baloch, Balochistan's first fe-Balochistan's male vlogger, triumphed leaders; they are trailover challenges to be- blazers reshaping their trepreneurship and come a top vlogger in communities and reeconomic development, Pakistan. Nahida Khan gion, evident in their represents the Pakistan achievements across Women's Cricket Team, politics, education, breaking barriers in and entrepreneurship. sports. KalsoomHazara, ShahidaAbbasi, and NargisHazara are gold medalists in Karate, Balochistan's progress in setting an example for and empowerment.

Advocate JalilaHaider, an outspoken women's rights ad-Lt. Bakht, female football women's sports in their Pashtun community, challenges of her under- etal pressure, these shining stars defy stereotypes and soar to new

Women in leaderroles in nate challenges, intions, and political obstacles. However, their determination remains unwavering. In October 2020, the provincial Balochistan's bureau- ceptions of Balochistan cabinet approved the Balochistan Gender Equality and Women **Empowerment** Policy

This initiative, ernance and Policy Project Balochistan, der integration in the

With increasing are poised for significant contributions to various fields.

They are not just Celebrating and supporting these accomplishments can foster

# PTCL, DynaSys join hands to take IoT & Satellite **Communications to next level**

ISLAMABAD (APP): P a k i s t a n of NASTP. Telecommunication Company Limited (PTCL) and DynaSys Networks (DynaSys) announced the signing of two Memoranda of Understandings (MoUs) IoT platform and end-user devices with PTCL's Cloud at a ceremony held at the and cybersecurity partnership with National Aerospace infrastructure as well as Science and Technology wired and wireless IoT and satcom needs of Park (NASTP) in transmission networks. our business partners. at a ceremony held at the and Rawalpindi.

The signing ceremony in a fully assimilated and was jointly chaired by first-of-its-kind IoT Aamer Ejaz, Group Vice service that would be President, Carrier Services, PTCL & Ufone 4G and Ali Akhtar, Founder and CEO, DynaSys Networks, said a news release.

The ceremony was attended by senior officials from both organizations, along with the leadership

ISLAMABAD (APP):

The sale of cars during the

first two months of the

current financial year 2023-

24 has dropped by 50.35

percent as compared to the

same month of last year, a

Pakistan Automobile

Manufacturing Association

were sold during the

months under review as

opposed to 19,358 units in

the same months of last

(PAMA) said.

vear.

recent data released by

The MoU on the subscriptions. Internet of Things (IoT) establishes the technical framework for the integration of DynaSys'

This would culminate PTCL, a market leader in in a fully assimilated and commercially available to customers across Pakistan. The mission

statement on IoT both reaffirmed by organizations is to jointly become Pakistan's largest IoT service provider with the remotest parts of the the first to one million country.



end-user

telecom, is proactively playing its role to bridge the digital divide to bring positive change in the lifestyle of people. Such partnerships will help achieve that objective

active

by providing futuristic, innovative and costeffective solutions even in

### Shipping activity at **Port Qasim**

ARACHI (APP): Four hips namely, MSĆ Rania, Maersk Boston, Ice Fighter and Limra scheduled to load/offload Containers, Condensate and LPG, berthed at Container Terminal, Oil Terminal and SSGC Terminal espectively on Monday.

Meanwhile two more ships, Maersk Columbus and Hafnia Pegasus

during last 24 Hours. Ă total of eight ships

during the last 24 hours, out of them, three ships, MSC Rania, Maersk Boston and Limra left the port on Tuesday morning, while an edible oil carrier Hua Wei 8 is expected to sail on same day afternoon. Cargo throughput of 180,983

tonnes, comprising 119,211 tonnes imports cargo and 61,772 tonnes export cargo, including containerized cargo carried in 3,419 Containers (1,456 TEUs Imports and 1,963 TEUs export) was handled at the



ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Federal Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, and Privatization, Dr. Shamshad Akhtar exchanging views with Dr. Mehmet Paçacý, Turkish Ambassador during meeting held at Finance **Division in Islamabad.** 

# LCCI President, FTO officials distribute tax refund cheques

LAHORE (APP): Lahore (Appraisement) Moneeb Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI) President Sarwar, Commissioner IR CTO Lahore Khalid Farooq Kashif Anwar along with the officials of Federal Tax Mian, Commissioner IR Lahore Naveed Khalid, Ombudsman (FTO) distributed the cheques of tax refunds here at Lahore Director Internal Audit Customs Saima Aftab and Director Intelligence and Chamber on Tuesday. LCCI President Investigation Customs

Saima Shahzad were Kashif Anwar, Advisor In prominent among others present on the occasion. charge FTO Adila Rehman, The FTO representatives were of the view that the FTO ensured implementation of its decisions in true sense of words. They lauded efforts of the LCCI President Kashif Anwar, who is also Customs Chief Collector the Advisor to FTO, for

# **Cotton arrival** grew by 49.37 %

ISLAMABAD (APP): Cotton crop arrival in the local markets has witnessed about 49.37 percent growth during the first week of current month (September) as compared the arrival of the same month of last year. proper and fair rate of By September 01, returns to growers across the

2023 about 3.041 million county cotton bales were arrived in from Sindh Province, he said also grew by 57.84 percent local markets as compared the arrival of 1.539 million bales of same month of last as the province harvested year, said an official in the over 1.901 million of cotton bales as against the arrival of 801,772 bales. Ministry of National Food and

Rs1.28 against **US Dollar** ISLAMABAD (APP) Pakistani Rupee on Tuesday gained Rs1.28 against the US dollar in the interbank trading and

closed at Rs299.88 Research.Talking to APP against the previous here on Friday, he said that day's closing Rs301.16. encouraging trend in local cotton output was mainly However, according attributed to the provision to the Forex Association of certified quality seeds as of Pakistan (FAP), the well as incentives introduced buying and selling rates by the government to ensure of the dollar in the open market stood at Rs29

and Rs30 respectively. The price of the The of crop arrival Euro decreased by Rs1.53 to close at Rs321.49 against the last day's closing of Rs323.02, according to the State Bank of Pakistan (SBP)

# **Malaysian PM evinces** keen interest in Pak **Halal products**

ISLAMABAD (APP): Malaysian Prime Minister Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim formerly Twitter. on Tuesday visited the Pakistan Pavilion at the 19th International Halal Showcase (MIHAS '23) in Kuala Lumpur, and evinced a keen interest in the Pakistani Halal products.

Pakistan High Commissioner Syed Ahsan Raza Shah extended a warm welcome to the Malaysian prime minister upon his arrival at the Pakistani Pavilion, Pakistan High until September 15.

Commission in Kuala Lumpur said on X,

Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim got a briefing about "Made in Pakistan" from High Commissioner Ahsan Raza Shah. He praised the high quality of Pakistan's Halal food.

A total of 42 countries, including Pakistan, are taking part in an international expo, which is scheduled to run



LAHORE: All Pakistan Anjuman-e-Tajran Chairman, Naeem Mir addresses to media persons during press conference, at Lahore press club

# **BAJK** remittances surge to Rs 4.6 bln

(APP): The Bank of Azad Jammu and Kashmir has entered into an agreement with two more companies, Instant Cash and International Money Exchange, for immediate collection and payment of remittances or home remittances from around the world while, in a short span of three years, BAJK remittances increased from Rs.800 million to Rs.4.60 billion This success became possible due to the strong

trust of the overseas

diaspora around the world

and the effective strategy

review meeting Bank AJK

officials held under its

Chief Executive Officer

Khawar Saeed regarding the

promotion of the bank's

business here on Tuesday.

Officer said that the bank

The Chief Executive

This was said in a

of the organization.

M U Z A F F A R A B A D has signed agreements with 2 more credible companies after Western Union for quick and timely collection and payment of remittances from all over the world.

Earlier, the bank signed agreements with RIA and Money Gram.

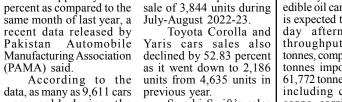
He further said that special desks have been set up in the bank's designated branches. The bank spokesperson while releasing details said that the State-owned financial institution's remittances in the year 2019 were only 800 million rupees, which increased to 4.60 billion rupees on 31 December 2022 and 3.94 billion rupees in 8 months of the current fiscal year. This increase was the highest ever since the bank's inception. The CEO said that It is expected that remittances will increase to 6 billion rupees in December 2023

SIALKOT: President Chamber of Commerce Abdul Ghafoor Malik addressing the meeting of Government Excellent Pilot High School Old Boys. carrying Containers and Cars' sale drops 50% Gas oil also arrived at outer anchorage of the port during July-August were engaged at PQA berths The breakup figures showed that 700 units of Honda Civic and City were

sold during July-August 2023-24 as compared to the

Suzuki Swift's sales

also decreased by 11.48 percent as its sale went down to 755 units from 853 units last year.



port during last 24 hours.

Advisor Income Tax FTO Khalid Javed, Director FTO Nazim Raza, FBR Chief Commissioner IR RTO Lahore (Inland Revenue-Regional Tax Office) Amjad Farooq, (Enforcement) Mirza organising this ceremony Mubashir Baig, Collector at LCCI.

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### ndependent Wednesday September 13, 2023

# **Induction of quality**

# faculty in AJK-run medical colleges ordered

MIRPUR (AJK) (APP): In order to improve occasion, the prime Azad Jammu Kashmir Prime Minister Chaudhry Anwaar ul Haq on Tuesday directed for the immediate formation of a immediate formation of a University of Health and joint recruitment Sciences Lahore (UHSL) expenses. committee recruitment of quality the three medical colleges has to justify its academic staff in AJK- of Azad Jammu Kashmir existence", the PM said, based public-sector shall medical colleges in the light recomm of the recommendations of the UHSL (University of Health Sciences Lahore) team.

extraordinary meeting of to fix the salaries and other the Governing Body of allowances of the faculty state-run Medical Colleges and staff members of the in AJK held here in the State metropolis

new development projects on University road.

**Dengue; five KP** 

districts declared

high risk zones

fever cases, the authorities

in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on

Tuesday declared five districts as high-risk zones.

According to the authorities in the Health

including Peshawar, Mardan, Swabi, Charsadda

and Battagram were among

the risky zones with regard

to dengue fever spread.

Khyber

Department

for the after a detailed visit to all submit its recommendations to the be allowed to play with the Chairman Governing Body. During the meeting, an

Executive Committee headed by the Chief He was chairing an Secretary was constituted medical colleges. Speaking on the

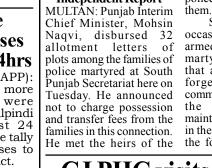
reducing "Every institution or state entity adding that no one would future of students.

He said that violation of merit won't be tolerated under any circumstances. The PM said that the UHSL team must prepare a detailed report vis a vis improving the quality of education and resolving other issues of key concern.

> 23 more dengue cases surface in 24hrs RAWALPINDI (APP) As many as 23 more dengue cases were reported in Rawalpindi during the last 24 hours, raising the tally of confirmed cases to 38 in the district.

District **Coordinator Epidemics** KARACHI: Commuters are facing inconvenience Prevention and Control (DCEPC), Dr Sajjad Mehmood, during traffic jam due to construction works of Sajjad Tuesday said that, among the new cases,15 cases had arrived from Potohar town urban, five from Chaklala Cantonment, and one each from Municipal Corporation PESHAWAR (APP): In the authorities said adding that and wake of a surge in dengue in Peshawar district 38 cases Cantonment area.He said 97 patients were admitted to district of dengue virus infection were reported followed by Mardan with 32 cases, Swabi 19 cases, Charsadda hospitals of which 52 were confirmed cases 14 cases and Battagram with while 386 12 dengue cases. Till date, discharged treatment. Dr Sajjad informed that the the authorities said the cases Pakhtunkhwa, five districts of dengue fever have been reported from 20 districts of district administration the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. had registered 53 FIRs,

A few cases of dengue in some of the districts engue fever spread. The number of people Lakki Marwat, Khyber, the violations of dengue SOPs during affected with dengue virus Tor Ghar and Haripur were has reached to 165 in the also reported in the last the last 24 hours. province, the health couple of days.



Rawalpindi for 115 different categories of prisoners.

He was accompanied by Caretaker Provincial Law Minister Justice retired Irshad Qaiser, were after District and Sessions Judge Peshawar, Ashfaq Taj, and IG Prison Usman Mehsud Usman Mehsud, Jail Superintendent along with issued tickets to 16, other judicial officials. sealed eight premises, Chief Justice visited and a fine of Rs 43,500 the Women's Barracks, was imposed against

where he applauded the provision of video-link facilities for female inmates.

armed forces and police martyred heroes saying that alive nations never forget their heroes. He commended the services of police the for and transfer fees from the maintaining law and order families in this connection. in the province adding that He met the heirs of the the force had acted with

GILGIT: Caretaker Prime Minister, Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar exchanging views with Gulbar Khan, Chief Minister Gilgit Baltistan during

CM distributes 32 plots allotments

letters among police martyred families

police martyr and consoled

# **CJ PHC visits Central** Jail, issues release orders for 115 prisoners

He attentively listened to the issues faced by female prisoners and issued immediate resolution. immediate release orders

toured the newly constructed ward within the jail premises, which functions as a hospital.

He paid visits to ailing inmates and ensured their medical care.

Additionally, he visited a factory within the jail where prisoners were involved in leatherwork, shoemaking, and stitching, imparting valuable vocational skills. Furthermore, the Chief Justice attended a handicraft and painting class within the jail premises.

dacoits from the Kacha Speaking on the occasion the CM termed area Provincial Minister.

Azfar Ali Nasir, IGP, Dr Usman Anwar, ACS South Punjab, Saqib Zaffar, Addl IG South Punjab, Maqsood ul Hassan, Commissioner Multan Division, Aamir Khattak, RPO, Sohail Chaudhary and other officials were present.

gallantry for eradicating

National News

### Security beefed up in Peshawar

PESHAWAR (APP): The City Capital Police on Tuesday beefed up security measures across the provincial capital following the special instructions of CCPO Peshawar Syed Ashfaq Anwar

Ashfaq Anwar urged people to cooperate with the police and security forces at pickets and during snap-checking to maintain

According to SP Cantt Waqas Rafiq, the divisional SPs along with other units were deployed to monitor the checking process at the blockades, and police officials were directed to take indiscriminate action against the use of tinted glasses in vehicles, unregistered vehicles, and pillion riding.

terrorism court (ATC) on Tuesday started the process of declaring four peace in the city. Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) leaders including

Mian Aslam Iqbal and Mussarat Cheema, as proclaimed offenders in a case of attacking Askari Tower, during May-9 violence. the prosecution to publish a proclamation in the newspapers for the appearance of the suspects on October 13.

## Governor emphasizes to provide financial aid, scholarships to the deserving students

**Independent Report** LAHORE: Punjab Governor, Muhammad various fields. Balighur Rehman presided over the meeting of the Board of Governors of Principal David Dowdles Sadıq Public School will bring more Bahawalpur was held here improvements in the today at the Governor House. In the meeting, the Punjab, while presiding financial plan was also more than 20 percent, approved in the meeting.Speaking on the occasion, Governor Punjab Muhammad Balighur economic problems of the Rhman said that Sadiq country, adding that Public School is a prestigious institution. many students and may Students who graduated deprive them of studying from this institution are in the institution.

rendering outstanding services for the country in

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He hoped that Sadiq over the meeting of the Board of Governors approved the annual budget of Sadiq Public School 2023-24. A 5-year saying that people are suffering from financial problems due to the economic problems of the increase in fees may affect



PESHAWAR: Iran's Consul General in Peshawar, Ali Banafshekhah meeting with Khyber Pakhtunkhawa Haji Ghulam Ali.

### Askari Tower case: ATC starts process of declaring 4 PTI leaders proclaimed offenders

LAHORE (APP): An anti-ATC Judge Abher Gul Khan initiated the process on an application filed by the police for the purpose.

The investigation officer of Gulberg Police Station had filed the application with a plea to start the process of declaring Mian Aslam Iqbal, Jamshaid Cheema, Mussarat Cheema and Ghulam Abbas as proclaimed offenders for not joining investigation and judicial proceedings.

PESHAWAR (APP): Chief Justice (CJ) Peshawar High Court (PHC) Muhammad Ibrahim Khan on Tuesday visited Central Jail Peshawar and issued

meeting held in Gilgit.

**Independent Report** 

International News

instructions for their The Chief Justice

# N. Korea's leader is in Russia to meet Putin, with both locked in standoffs with the West

Monitoring Desk SEOUL: North Korea's Kim Jong Un rolled into Russia on an armored train Tuesday to see President Vladimir Putin, a rare meeting between isolated leaders driven together by their need for support in esca-lating standoffs with the West.

Kim is expected to seek economic aid and military technology for his impoverished country, and, in an unusual twist, appears to have something Putin desperately needs: munitions for Russia's grueling war in Ukraine.

This meeting is a chance for the North Korean leader to get around crippling U.N. sanctions and years of diplomatic isolation. For Putin, it's an opportunity to refill ammunition stores that the war the Razdolnaya River, takhas drained.

ing it away from North Korea's official Vladivostok. The South Korean Central News Korean news agency Agency said Kim boarded Yonhap later published a his personal train bound for photo it said showed the Russia on Sunday aftertrain in Ussuriysk, a city about 60 kilometers (about noon, accompanied by members of the ruling party, 40 miles) north of government and military. Vladivostok that has a siz-His final destination is unable ethnic Korean popula-

certain. Many had assumed tion. Kim and Putin would meet A green train with yellow trimmings, resembling one used by North Korean in Vladisvostok, a Russian city close to the border where the two leaders had leader Kim Jong Un on his previous travels, is seen their last meeting in 2019, steaming by a slogan which and which Putin is visiting reads "Towards a new victhis week for an economic tory" on the North Korea

But Kremlin spokesman Dmitry Peskov confirmed only that Kim has entered Russia, and state news agency RIA-Novosti Fangchuan in northeastern later reported his train had China's Jilin province on Monday, Sept. 11, 2023. headed north after crossing

border with Russia and China seen from China's Yiyanwang Three Kingdoms viewing platform in

**Hillary Clinton** returns to the White House

for arts celebration

**Monitoring Desk** WASHINGTON: Former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton returns to the White House on Tuesday to speak at an arts event in what will be

her first public appear-ance at the U.S. presiden-tial residence and work-place since her 2016 elec-tion loss to Donald

#### Trump. Clinton will attend an event with first lady Jill Biden to celebrate Praemium Imperiale Laureates, recipients of a global arts prize by the Japan Art Association for lifetime achieve-

A former senator and first lady, Clinton, a Democrat, was the first woman to be a major U.S. political party's presidential nominee. Prior to that she served as the top U.S. diplomat under President Barack Obama

out force to reunite the island with the mainland. "This year, the Chi-

nese Communist Party has aggressively expanded its armaments and continued to build various types of fighter jets and drones." Maj. Gen. Huang Wen-Chi, the assistant deputy chief with the General Staff for

Intelligence of Taiwan's Defense Ministry, said during a news conference releasing the biennial report. Defense Ministry said it

finally leaves India

after plane troubles

Canadian

**Monitoring Desk** 

Prime Minister Justin

Trudeau belatedly left In-

dia on Tuesday after an air-

craft breakdown forced a

two-day extension of his

rocky visit to New Delhi

leaders of 20 leading econo-

mies on Friday and was due

to return home on Sunday

after laying a wreath at a

memorial to Indian inde-

pendence leader Mahatma

Gandhi

Trudeau arrived in India for the meeting of the

for the G20 summit.

OTTAWA:

portant military bases along the coast ... are being continuously updated," he added.

Beijing, which hasn't ruled three military airfields in China's southeastern Fujian province - Longtian, Huian and Zhangzhou – that have recently been expanded. The closest one to Taiwan, Longtian, is only 217 kilometers (135 miles) from the capital, Taipei.

Over the past year. Beijing has stepped up mili-tary activities around Taiwan, including by sending warships and warplanes on a near-daily basis.

The latest dispatch of Chinese warplanes and warships came after the United States and Canada sailed warships through the Taiwan Strait in a challenge to Beijing's territorial claims.

> Mali rebels claim control of northern military camp Monitoring Desk

August, clashes triggered in part by the departure of a United Nations peacekeeping mission.

## Putin signals he expects long war in Ukraine, is not betting on Trump Monitoring Desk

The court directed

Speaking for several

the combat capability of VLADIVOSTOK: Russian their armed forces.

Putin said many po tential mediators had Tuesday indicated he was asked him if Russia was bracing for a long war in Ukraine, saying that Kyiv ready to stop fighting but could use any ceasefire to rearm and that Washington said that Russia could hardly do so when it was facing a Ukrainian counwould continue to see Rusteroffensive. sia as an enemy no matter

For there to be any chance of talks, said Putin, Ukraine would first have to cancel its self-imposed lehours at an economic forum gal ban on peace talks and in Russia's Pacific port city explain what it wanted.

"Then we shall see," Putin said.

Russia controls about 18% of Ukrainian territory, including Crimea which it annexed in 2014, and a swathe of eastern and southern Ukraine which it seized after invading Ukraine on Feb. 24 last year in what it called a special

The war has sown devastation across cities and the countryside, and killed or injured hundreds hostilities "to replenish of thousands of combatants their resources and restore and civilians.

#### in the attacks. Only when Ukraine was exhausted when it came to men, equipment and ammunition would it talk peace, he said in reply to questions from a Russian military operation. television presenter acting as amoderator. But he said Kyiv would use any cessation of

Iran's Raisi: five US citizens detained in Iran 'in full health'

**Monitoring Desk** have not been disclosed. As part of the prisoner swap WASHINGTON: Five U.S. citizens detained in Iran, deal first made public on Aug. 10, the United States who are expected to be has agreed to the transfer swapped for five Iranians of \$6 billion in Iranian funds imprisoned in the United from South Korean to Qatari States as early as next week, are "in full health," Iranian accounts, where they can be spent only on humanitar-ian goods. Allowing the five President Ebrahim Raisi said in a television interview to leave Iran would remove on Tuesday. "They are very healthy and, according to a major irritant between our latest information, they are in full health," Raisi told Lester Holt of NBC Nightly Washington and Tehran, which remain at odds on issues from the Iranian nuclear program to Tehran's sup-News in an interview taped port for regional Shi'ite miin Tehran on Tuesday, the litias. The prisoner exchange U.S. television network could take place as early as said. The five U.S. citizens next week according to eight expected to be released include Siamak Namazi, 51, and Emad Sharqi, 59, as Iranian and other sources familiar with the deal, negotiated in indirect U.S.-Iran well as environmentalist talks mediated by Qatar. One Morad Tahbaz, 67, who also source familiar with the talks holds British nationality, the has previously said the U.S. administration has said. Swiss embassy, which rep-The identities of the fourth and fifth Americans resents U.S. interests in Iran.

forum.

French President Emmanuel Macron meets Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of Bangladesh at her office in Dhaka, Bangladesh.

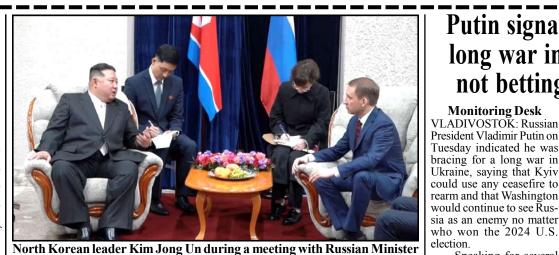
# **Foreign rescuers join** Morocco quake race against time

Monitoring Desk TALAT NYACOUB: Moroccan rescuers supported by foreign teams on Monday faced an intensifying race against time to dig out any survivors from the rubble of mountain villages after the country's strongest-ever earthquake.

The 6.8-magnitude quake struck the Atlas mountains late on Friday southwest and two technicians coordiof the tourist centre of nating with Moroccan au-Marrakesh. It killed at least thorities before starting to dig, as a helicopter flew overhead. 2,862 people and injured over



ment in the arts.



of Natural Resources and Environment Alexander Kozlov upon his arrival in Khasan in the Primorsky region, Russia.

#### of Vladivostok, Putin said Taiwan says China is bolstering coastline Ukraine's counteroffensive against Russian forces had military bases facing the self-ruled island so far failed and the Ukrainian army had sustained heavy losses of 71,000 men

#### **Monitoring Desk**

TAIPEI: China is continuously bolstering its military bases along the coastline facing Taiwan, the selfruled island's Defense Ministry said in a report Tuesday, as Beijing steps up military activities around the territory it claims as its

Taiwan said it will

continue to monitor the Chinese activities around the island and bolster its defenses in response. Earlier on Tuesday, Taiwan's

had spotted 22 Chinese warplanes and 20 warships near the island over the previous 24 hours — part of military harassment by

Huang pointed to

firmed to AFP that the Ca-

nadian G20 delegation was

aboard the flight

The information we have received is that all im-**Canada PM Trudeau** 

However, a mechanical BAMAKO: Tuareg rebels fault detected during prein northern Mali said on flight checks resulted in the Tuesday that they had grounding of his plane by seized control of a military the Canadian Armed Forces camp in the town of and he was stranded along Bourem, a further sign of with his entire delegation. Air the unravelling of a 2015 peace accord that had kept traffic tracker Flightradar24 showed Royal Canada Air Force plane CFC01 taking fighting between the rebels and the army at bay. A rebel alliance called the Coordi-nation of Azawad Moveoff from Delhi airport shortly after 1pm local time (0730 GMT). ments (CMA) has been fighting the army since Trudeau's press secretary Mohammad Hussain con-

# **CM directs for resumption** of suspended work on **Ghotki-Kandhkot bridge**

KARACHI (APP): Care- Indus. The project length Admin building, Toll taker Sindh Chief Minis- is 25 km and the 1.2 km Plaza, Toll Collecting ter Justice (retd) Maqbool Baqar Tuesday directed the Works & Service department to resume the suspended work on the Ghotki-Kandhkot bridge within a week and instructed law enforcement agencies to provide security to the crew working there.

He issued these directives while presiding told that the 18.7 km apover a meeting of the Works & Service Department to review the progress of ongoing uplift schemes here at CM House.

The meeting was at-tended by Chief Secretary Dr. Fakhre Alam, Chairman P&D Shakil Maqnejo, PSCM Agha Wasif, Secretary Finance der problem. Kazim Jatoi, Secretary Works Nawaz Sohoo, and other concerned officers.

Secretary Works rity of the workers en-Nawaz Sohoo told the CM that Ghotki-Kandhkot bridge project has been launched on PPP mode for

Rs 33995 million. It informed that the handbridge over the River construction of the at the earliest.

Staff room, and Weigh bridge length. Giving the progress Bridge was still awaited

of the work on the from DC, Ghotki due to bridge to the CM, the the delayed disburse-Secretary of Works said that it was started from the landowners were obboth sides, , but due to structing the ongoing the kidnapping of two site activities. employees of the project, work was suspended in June 2023.

The CM Sindh was proach roads to the sure compensation for land bridge have been com- acquisition and start the pleted. work. He added that the

construction of Thull Link told that Link Road, M-9 Road connecting N-55 to National Highway is a 22 Thull Road has also been km, four-lane dual carcompleted by 95 percent riageway. and now the work has The project has been

been suspended tempostarted on PPP mode for rarily due to law and or-Rs1.96 billion. Work on

Justice Baqar diproject has been comrected the Chief Secrepleted, excluding intertary to ensure the secuchange (M9 interchange) by 90 percent gaged there and get the The project is being executed by NHA. suspended work started The CM Sindh di again within a week and

rected the Works depart-The CM Sindh was ment to resolve the design issues of the interchange would have a four-lane ing over of land for the and complete the project

ment of compensation The Chief Minister directed the Chief Secretary to talk to the Senior Member of the Board of Revenue (SMBR) to en-

> The Ambassador designate of the People's Republic of China, Mr. Jiang Zaidong, presenting his diplomatic credentials to President Dr. Arif Alvi, at The CM Sindh was Aiwan-e-Sadar, Islamabad. **Bilawal pays tributes**

# to 11 martyred party workers of Zia regime

KARACHI (APP): Chair-Warayo Langah, Shaheed man of Pakistan People's Party (PPP) Bilawal Bhutto Shahnawaz Shaheed Habibullah Zardari has paid glowing trib-ute to 11 workers of his party Leghari, Shaheed Didar Khokhar, Shaheed Zameer who were martyred in 1983 during General Zia's regime Hussain Jagirani, Shaheed Eiaz Hussain Khunharo and at Khairpur Nathan Shah Shaheed Manzoor Ahmed (KN Shah) town of district Dadu. The PPP Chairman, Chandio, will live forever in our hearts," he added. in his message on their 40th Bilawal

Bhutto Zardari said that the tree of martyrdom anniversary here, said that the Jiyalas of democracy in Pakistan has been watered by the lead-ership of the PPP and its K N Shah were martyred for demanding the restoration of workers with their blood. He said that during the

democracy in the country. "The martyrs of the K N Shah tragedy, Shaheed Abdul Ghani Abro, Shaheed MRD, the Jiyalas under the leadership of Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto Abdul Aziz Lakher, Shaheed Nizamuddin fought and made sacrifices Naich, Shaheed Abdul Nabi with determination, cour-Khoso, Shaheed Allah age, steadfastness.

# **CM Gilgit Baltistan** briefs PM Kakar about development projects

GILGIT (APP): Chief Minister Gilgit Baltistan Gulbar Khan on Tuesday called on Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar and apprised him of the progress on the ongoing uplift projects.

sector in Gilgit Baltistan.

The chief minister



## PM Kakar condoles death of Senator Rana Maqbool

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Prime Min-Khoso, ister Anwar-ul-Haq Kakar on Tuesday expressed grief over the death of Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed.

The prime minister prayed for the departed soul's rest in peace and grant of patience to the bereaved family. Senator Maqbool passed away today after a protracted illness.

**Rashid refuses** to appear **before NAB** team in Al-Qadir

Trust case

RAWALPINDI (INP) Former federal interior minister Sheikh Rashid Ahmed on Tuesday refused to appear before the NAB (National Accountability Bureau) investigation team in the £190 million scandal.

exchange programs. The understanding came during a meeting be-Rashid sent a letter to tween Caretaker Minister the NAB investigation team for National Heritage and showing his inability to oblige Culture Jamal Shah and a it. The former federal minishigh level Turkiye delegater wrote in his letter that he tion led by their Ambassahad no knowledge or any indor to Pakistan Prof. Dr. formation about the Al-Mehmet Pacaci who called Qadir Trust and the £190 on him in Islamabad on million case. Moreover, he Tuesday was not a witness in the Al-Oadir Trust case.

SC rejects

review petition

to include

Musharraf

name in ECL

ISLAMABAD (Online): Supreme Court (SC) has

rejected review petition to

include former president

Pervez Musharraf name in Exit Control List (ECL).

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# **President condoles over** destruction by floods, dam collapse in Libya

President Dr Arif Alvi on Tuesday expressed condolence over the massive destruction caused by the floods in Libya which also led a dam to collapse. The president ex-

pressed grief over the loss of lives and properties in the Libyan city of Derna and assured that Pakistan stood with the people and the State of Libya in that hour of calamity.

SLAMABAD (APP): the people and the Government of Pakistan go to the people of Libya in this difficult situation," the president said and urged the international community to extend humanitarian assistance to the coun-

President Alvi conveyed condolence to the victims' families and prayed for peace of the departed souls and strength for the bereaved "The sympathies of ones to bear the loss.

Governor directs for effective strategy to control street crimes in Karachi

**Independent Report** 

KARACHI: Sindh Governor Kamran Tessori has directed to prepare an effective strategy to control street crimes in Karachi.



Talking to Additional IG Police Karachi Khadim Hussain Rind in Karachi on Tuesday, he directed for measures to improve law and order.

## Pakistan, Turkiye agree to further strengthen bilateral ties

ISLAMABAD (INP): Pa- Jamal Shah said that the frakistan and Turkiye have ternal relations between agreed to further strengthen Pakistan and Turkiye are an bilateral relations by initiunprecedented manifestaating cultural and literary tion of brotherhood and love, which cannot be compared.

Jamal Shah said that Pakistan values and respect the evergreen relationship with Turkiye as the two brotherly countries always supported each other in every need of the hour.

The Minister desired to further strengthen cooperation in literary, cultural, Cinemas, film, tourism and other matters of mutual interest so that the effectiveness and recognition of this relationship may become

Federal Minister deeper and stronger.

During the meeting,

matters of mutual interest

focusing on bilateral rela-

tions came under discus-

sion

GILGIT: Caretaker Prime Minister, Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar interacts with school students at the display stalls of various science, technology and artis-

#### **Conspiracy to topple Benazir Bhutto govt:** SC rejects appeal pleas plea for Aamer of retired army officers

tic projects, at Chief Minister Secretariat in Gilgit.

report him.

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Supreme Court (SC) on ISLAMABAD (Online): of SC read out the judgment Supreme Court (SC) has which was reserved on upheld sentences of two February 15. Tuesday dismissed a petiretired army officers in-The court dismissed tion regarding the postmorvolved in the conspiracy to the appeal pleas of Colonel tem of prominent TV hos topple government of ® Azad Minhas and Colo-Dr Aamer Liaqat who died former Prime Minister nel ® Inayatullah against in June 2022. (PM) Benazir Bhutto. their sentences. A three-member bench Proceedings was initi-ated against both of the headed by Justice Ijaz ul It is pertinent to mention here the petitioners had Ahsan heard the case. At the resorted to SC in 2016 afarmy officers under the outset of hearing, Justice Ahsan remarked that after charges of their involvement ter their. petitions were rein conspiracy to topple passing of so much time the jected by Lahore High Benazir government in petition had become ineffec-1995. Court. tive. The body would have The appeal plea against The Field Court Mardiscomposed now after lapse of years, he added. Dania the sentences of Colonel ® tial had sentenced Azad Azad Minhas and Colonel ® Minhas to two-year and Aamer's lawyer said that they wanted to submit more Inayatullah. Both former Inayatullah to four-year army officers came up for imprisonment, with hard documents if the court hearing before SC. labor. They were also disgranted some time in this re-gard. The reasons of the Judge Muneeb Akhtar missed from duty. death of Aamer Liaqat could be identified through the postmortem. However, the lawyer prayed the court to grant permission to withdraw the case. The court rejected the request and dismissed the case. SC declares land acquisition for **Dadocha Dam** as legal

# Liagat's postmortem

SC dismisses

also briefed the prime min-

education and health sectors, PM Office Media Wing said in a press release. The prime minister

was given a briefing on the development of tourism On the occasion, the chief minister presented the

traditional tunic and a cap ister about the public wel- of Gilgit Baltistan to the fare projects, particularly in caretaker prime minister.

DALLAS TEXAS: Ambassador of Pakistan to the United States, Masood Khan Meets Congressman Keith Self.

JI to approach SC to ensure elections within 90 days: Siraj

DIR LOWER (INP): Ameer Jamaat-e-Islami (JI) Sirajul Haq has said his party would approach the Supreme Court to ensure that elections are held within the constitutionally mandated period of 90 days.

Addressing a press conference in Dir Lower on Tuesday, he also conveyed his desire to engage with other political parties in order to establish a consensus on the date for the general elections

Sirajul Haq emphasized that the government must address the public demand to reduce the power tariff; otherwise, the JI would consider resorting to options such as organizing a long-march to Islamabad or wheel-jam strike.

He underscored that double profits, despite the the recent successful shutfact that the price of sugar ter-down strike sent a clear should not exceed Rs90. He message to the government credited the JI's mass movethat the masses were unment against inflation for willing to bear the burden prompting the government of exorbitant electricity to take action against power theft. He appealed to the bills. The strike, he said, has people to stand united in also provided the government with an opportunity the pursuit of their rights to initiate renegotiations to achieve even better outwith Independent Power comes

during the meeting. Ambassador and the

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Supreme Court (SC) on Tuesday declared that the acquisition of land for the construction of Secretary General exchanged views on issues slated for discussion during the forthcoming OIC An-Dadocha Dam as legal and nual Coordination Meeting instructed for a fresh esti-(ACM) and the Islamic mation of its value to pay Summit including, inter alia, compensation to the ownthe Jammu and Kashmir dispute, Palestine, Afghaniers The apex court, in a stan, Islamophobia inci-12-page order written by Justice Mansoor Ali Shah, dents of desecration of the Holy Quran and COMSTECH Islamabad said that the notification for acquiring the land for (OIC's Ministerial Standing public interest could be is-Committee on Scientific sued in the official gazette and Technological Coopera-It said that the notification tion), etc. Ambassador issued for acquiring of the Fawad Sher noted that Pa-

**ISLAMABAD:** Caretaker Minister of Federal Education and Professional, Madad Ali Sindhi chaired a high powered meeting to take effective measures to curtail the spread of drugs in the academic institutions of Pakistan.

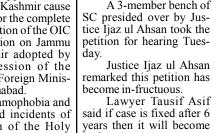
## **Permanent Representative** of Pakistan to OIC calls on OIC Secretary General

JEDDAH (Online): Permaposition and has traditionnent Representative of Paally played an active role in kistan to the Organization steering OIC's response to of Islamic Cooperation all important issues.

(OIC), Ambassador Syed Ĥe thanked the Secre-Mohammad Fawad Sher tary General for OIC's uncalled on the OIC Secretary wavering support to the General, H.E. Hissein Jammu and Kashmir cause Brahim Taha at the OIC and urged for the complete General Secretariat in implementation of the OIC Jeddah, today. A wide range Plan of Action on Jammu of issues were discussed and Kashmir adopted by the 48th Session of the Council of Foreign Minis-

ters in Islamabad. On Islamophobia and the repeated incidents of desecration of the Holy Quran, he reiterated Pakistan's strong condemnation of these despicable incidents. The Secretary General

appreciated Pakistan's robust engagement with the OIC and its effective participation in addressing challenges confronting the Muslim world. He stated that the OIC highly valued Pakistan's contributions on issues of collective concern



in-fructuous. Later the SC dismissed the petition being infructuous

It is pertinent to mention here former president Pervez Musharraf who was facing several case including high treason case had died on February 05, 2023.

> 190 pound case: NAB summoned Zaidi, Khalid Maqbool and Farogh on Sept 14 ISLAMABAD (Online): NAB has summoned former Minister Ali Zaidi to investigate 190 million

pounds scandal against Chairman PTI and others. According to details,

National Accountability Bureau (NAB) Islamabad has summoned Ali Zaidi on September 14.

Sources said that Former Federal Minister Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui and Farogh Naseem have also been summoned on nouncement, the candidates September 14.

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India using its judiciary tool to stifle dissenting voices in IIOJK: Speakers

MIRPUR (AJK) (APP): tive to the United Nations Geneva presided and mod-Speakers at a webinar caserated the event. The paneltigating India for using the ists include : Barrister Abdul judiciary as a tool to stifle Majeed Tramboo PR IHRAAM, Ms Tazeen Hassan Justice for all dissenting voices in the Indian illegally occupied Jammu and Kashmir said Canada, Ms. Marry Scully that denying fair trial to note Rights defender from Kashmiri prisoners raises a big question mark over the USA Syed Faiz Naqashbandi APHC leader, Advocate Parvez Shah APHC leaders Indian judiciary's impartiality as well as its credibility. and Wasantha Yapa Bandara Member of Sri Lanka par-The event hosted on the sidelines of the 54<sup>th</sup> ses-sion of the UNHRC by the liament speakers while refer-World Muslim Congress ring to article 10 of the Uniwas co-sponsored by the versal Declaration of Human Rights, said, "As per the Universal Human Rights Council late Monday, said UDHR, every prisoner is entitled to an impartial and a message here on Tuesday. public hearing when his or

World Muslim Congress permanent representaher rights are at stake"



ISLAMABAD: Ambassador of Azerbaijan, Mr. Khazar Farhadov calls on Caretaker Minister for Planning Development and Special Initiatives, Muhammad Sami Saeed.

# Sindh University extends last date for online examforms submission

HYDERABAD (APP): The Controller of Annual ure) up to September 15, 2023 with late fee of Rs. 10,000/-. Meanwhile, the Examination University of Provost Boys Hostels University of Sindh has informed Sindh Jamshoro has informed that the varsity that the varsity management has extended the last date up management has extended last date for submission of online examination forms to September 28, 2023 for submission of fee of re-allotfor annual examination of M.Com., M.Sc. and MA ment as well as fresh allot-(Previous and Final) of afment of the hostel rooms. filiated colleges up to September 15, 2023. The eligible hostlers can According to an-

download the challan forms from e-portal and later submit the same at any branch of the Habib Bank Limited, he said and maintained that allotment to hostlers will be treated canceled if they failed to submit the fee within time

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KARACHI: NASTP Project Director Technology Air Commodore Dr. Tauseef-ur-Rehman, Ali Akhtar, CEO Dynasys and Aamer Ejaz, Group VP Carrier Services PTCL and Ufone 4G, along with senior officials of all three organizations during the signing ceremony between PTCL and Dynasys for development of IoT and SatCom Services in Pakistan, held in Karachi.

Fund (IMF) concerning costly agreements. The JI chief urged the government to combat power theft and reduce power sector losses, while also ending the practice of providing free electricity to government employees, which burdens the less privileged. He criticized the government's in-

Producers (IPPs) and the

International Monetary

electricity bills.