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Why decision on Faizabad Dharna case not implemented, all are so much fearful: SC

ISLAMABAD (Online): Supreme Court (SC) has remarked why the decision on Faizabad Dharna case has not been implemented and all are so much fearful. SC has sought implementation report from federal government on decision in Tehreek Labaik Pakistan (TLP) 2017 Dharna case while 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.

The court also gave time to MQM to appoint new counsel in place of Irfan Qadir.

The court while raising question said why the decision in Faizabad Dharna case was not implemented. Why all are so afraid.

Attorney General (AG) has confirmed the decision of withdrawing review petition by federation after PEMRA and Intelligence Bureau (IB). Federation had filed review petition through defence ministry and now Attorney General (AG) Usman Mansoor is saying they are withdrawing Faizabad Dharna review petition. PTI too has withdrawn the review petition.

The Chief Justice of Pakistan (CJP) Qazi Faez

Isa has remarked why are so afraid of speaking the truth. Write it the order for review petition has come from where.

Saying this is not correct, new government or old government. Government remains party is what. Court's time was wasted. The country was kept worried. Now you all are saying the petitions have to be withdrawn. We were sitting perhaps we have committed some mistake in the decision.



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-Sadr.



ISLAMABAD: Chairman Senate Sadiq Sanjrani and Ambassador of the People's Republic of China Jiang Zaidong are cutting cake along with other officials on the occasion of the 74th Anniversary of the Founding of the People's Republic of China.

PSX Welcomes Canadian High Commissioner & Team on their Visit to PSX

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KARACHI: Pakistan Stock Exchange (PSX) welcomed the High Commissioner of

welcomed the distinguished guests to the Exchange. A meeting between the two parties were held



Canada to Pakistan, H.E. Ms. Leslie Scanlon, Counsellor Commercial Mr. Michael Lazaruk, and Trade Commissioner Mr. Athar Abbas, on their visit to PSX. The MD & CEO PSX Mr. Farrukh H. Khan, accompanied by a PSX Board member, Mr. Nadeem Naqvi, and the PSX management team

where matters of mutual interest pertaining to the economy as a whole and the capital markets in particular were discussed. The trade and economic team from the High Commission of Canada was also present in the meeting which enabled a discussion on further development of trade between Canada and Pakistan.

Sirajul Haq says

Caretaker government should prioritize peaceful execution of elections

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KARACHI: Jamaat-e-Islami Amir Siraj-ul-Haq has emphasized that the caretaker government should prioritize the peaceful execution of general elections rather than becoming embroiled in the privatization of national assets and institutions. Speaking at a press conference held at Idara Noor-e-Haq on Thursday, he also called for the constitutional empowerment of local government representatives in Karachi, asserting that the city's challenges could have been resolved if local authorities had been granted the necessary powers. Karachi Emir Hafiz Naeemur Rehman was also present on the occasion.

Haq expressed his disappointment that the Pakistan People's Party (PPP) had governed the province for 15 years, yet it had failed to address even the most fundamental issues in the provincial capital. He noted that the PPP's previous administration had displayed little interest in conducting local government elections, and it was largely due to the efforts of the JI that these elections were eventually held. Haq reiterated the demand for a forensic audit of Independent Power Producers (IPPs), asserting that the government must either renegotiate the agreements with the owners or escalate the matter to international courts should any legal issues obstruct local-level settlements.



KARACHI: Jamat-e-Islami (JI) Chief, Siraj-ul-Haq along with others addresses to media persons during press conference, held at Idara-e-Noor-ul-Haq in Karachi.

PM Kakar pays respects at Roza-e-Rasool (SAW)

MADINAH MUNAWRAH (APP): Caretaker Prime Minister Anwar-ul-Haq Kakar visited Masjid-e-Nabvi (the Prophet's Mosque) in Madinah and paid his respects at Roza-e-Rasool (SAW).

The prime minister offered nawafil at the Roza the Wednesday evening. Afterwards, the caretaker Prime Minister visited the International Fair and Museum of the Prophet (SAW)'s Biography and Islamic Civilization, located adjacent to Masjid-e-Nabvi. Dr Nasir Misfir Al-Zahrani, Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Prophet (SAW)'s Museum, warmly welcomed the prime minister.

Girl's rape in Shikarpur hospital, Health Minister seeks report from MS

KARACHI (INP): Sindh Caretaker Health Minister Dr. Saad Khalid Niaz taking notice of rape of girl in Shikarpur hospital has sought the report from Medical Superintendent (MS).

Spokesman of Health Department said that a girl who was attending her mother admitted in Civil Hospital Shikarpur due to Gastro disease was raped the other day.

Hearing the cries of the girl, the administration of hospital reached the scene and held the youth, the spokesman said.

Pak welcomes efforts for peace in Yemen

ISLAMABAD (APP): Pakistan on Thursday welcomed positive outcome of the dialogue, held in Riyadh from September 14 to 18, between the officials of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Yemen, and the Sultanate of Oman aimed at achieving a road map for the peace process in Yemen. Pakistan also lauded the Saudi initiative of dialogue between the Saudi Defense Minister and the Sana'a delegation.

It reflects the positive intent of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, under the sagacious stewardship of the Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Salman bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud, in standing with Yemen and its people and encouraging the Yemeni parties to engage in a dialogue.

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.

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

RAWALPINDI (APP): Chief of Army Staff (COAS), General Syed Asim Munir on Thursday said the law enforcement actions against a spectrum of illegal activities will continue with full force in collaboration with the law enforcement agencies (LEAs) and the government departments concerned to rid the country of substantial economic losses it suffered persistently due to pilferage done by different methods.

The Army Chief visited Lahore and attended meeting of the Provincial Apex Committee along with Caretaker Chief Minister Punjab, Mohsin Raza Naqvi. During the Apex Committee meeting, the

COAS was briefed about overall security situation, including Law Enforcement Actions against electricity and gas theft, hoarding and foreign currency smuggling, an Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) news release said. The Forum was also briefed on measures taken for the protection of minorities and the progress of operations in the Kacha area. The forum also reviewed the repatriation of illegal foreign nationals.

The Forum was also apprised on progress on SIFC and Green Punjab initiatives. COAS underscored the need for synergy among all relevant departments for the gainful effects of the landmark initiatives.

Two killed, 12 injured as passenger coach rams into tractor trolley

SUKKUR (INP): Two people were killed and 12 others injured when a passenger coach rams into a tractor trolley at Sukkur-Shikarpur road here on Thursday, rescue sources said.

According to details, a Quetta bound passenger coach coming from Sanghar got out of control of driver due to over speeding and rams into a stone laden tractor trolley moving ahead.

Little girl dead, mother injured in firing over 'family dispute' in Karachi

KARACHI (INP): A three-year-old girl died and her mother sustained injuries in firing over a family dispute in Surjani Town, Karachi on Thursday.

According to police, the girl was identified as Jannat and her mother as Meerub.

The maternal grandfather of Meerub told the media in the presence of the Surjani Town station house officer (SHO) that his granddaughter was a divorced woman, and she had a daughter from her first husband.

"Meerub befriended a man, Arif, and she used to hang out with him day and night. Arif had several quarrels with our family members due to his friendship with Meerub," he added.

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 Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK) and the persecution of the minorities in India.

The matter was discussed 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.

He urged the world to put pressure on India to reverse its illegal demographic changes in the occupied territory.

UK Shadow Minister Andrew Gwynne expressed grave concern over the human rights violations and denial of rights to the people of IIOJK. The torture and brutalities being committed by India are unacceptable, he added. Gwynne mentioned the support for Kashmiri cause in the British parliament and underscored the need for putting pressure on India to hold a plebiscite in IIOJK to grant the people of Jammu and Kashmir their right to self-determination.

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The president highlighted that India was trying to change the demographic structure of the IIOJK to transform the Kashmiri people into a minority in their own land.

President Alvi said India was involved in the genocide of Muslims, persecution and suppression of minorities, burning and destroying the churches in Manipur, and the extrajudicial killings of the leaders of minority communities regionally and internationally.

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

Mayor Karachi directs for ample cleaning of city on Eid Milad-un-Nabi

KARACHI (APP): Mayor Karachi Barrister Murtaza Wahab Thursday said that cleaning arrangements should be made in the city in view of the processions on the occasion of 12th of Rabi-ul-Awwal.

He said this while presiding over a meeting with the officers of Sindh Solid Waste Management Board in his office here.

The Mayor Karachi said that plain water mixed with rose water should be sprinkled on the procession routes so that the atmosphere remains fragrant. He will monitor the cleanliness of the roads early in the morning and any negligence will not be tolerated, he added.

Municipal Commissioner Syed Afzal Zaidi, Mayor Karachi Representative for Political Affairs Karamullah Waqasi, Managing Director Sindh Solid Waste Management Board Syed Imtiaz Shah and Dis-

tribut Officers of Solid Waste Management Board were also present in the meeting. A briefing was presented to the Mayor regarding the cleaning arrangements on 12th of Rabi-ul-Awwal.

Barrister Murtaza Wahab said that Rabi-ul-Awwal is a holy month, during this time the sanitation system in the city should be improved and arrangements should be made for timely disposal of waste from garbage collection points.

He said that the district officers of the Solid Waste Management Board should conduct a self-inspection of all the places in their territorial limits and wherever there is a lack of sanitation, it should be improved immediately. He said that the accumulation of waste at garbage collection points also causes health and sanitation problems in the surrounding area.



ISLAMABAD: Newly-appointed Chinese Ambassador Jiang Zaidong meeting with Caretaker Foreign Minister Jalil Abbas Jilani.

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Accruing more debt

The government has issued new debt of over Rs2.5tr during the first three months of the current financial year to finance its burgeoning fiscal deficit...

This shows that expectations that multilateral and bilateral partners would allow their coffers to flow to help Pakistan's distressed economy...

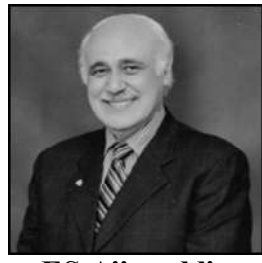
The government is also facing difficulties in securing \$6bn through commercial loans and has dollar bond issues. Chances of achieving the budgeted external financing target of \$17.6bn for its expenditures and of meeting its foreign debt and other payments are slim.

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.

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.

Mounting debt and dwindling foreign exchange reserves are two of our biggest challenges, which, without immediate fiscal reform, could lead to total economic collapse.

Absurd truths



F.S. Aijazuddin

"Well, he would, wouldn't he?" That remark by Mandy Rice-Davies (an English model) became famous in the 1960s. She and her call-girl friend Christine Keeler had become embroiled in the political scandal that brought down John Profumo...

In an odd way, that word 'denial' connects Mandy with Modi. His government denied any involvement in the murder of a Canadian citizen — Hardeep Singh Nijjar, the chief of Khalistan Tiger Force. Nijjar was gunned down in June 2023 within the grounds of the Guru Nanak Sikh Gurdwara in British Columbia...

Canadian PM Justin Trudeau confronted his Indian colleague with this blunt accusation: "Canadian security agencies have been actively pursuing credible allegations of a potential link between agents of the government of India and the killing of a Canadian citizen, Hardeep Singh Nijjar."

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.

Might any future government of a yet unborn Khalistan also demand offshore outposts in Canada, the US, and the UK? For example, the US has Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. Britain still retains Gibraltar, the Channel Islands, Tristan da Cunha, and the Falkland Islands.

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.

He is being reminded that defying UN resolutions consistently for the 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 proof') of Indian involvement is yet another unfortunate example of India's brittle diplomacy.

PM Modi is not inclined to listen to anyone connected with the word Congress, least of all Annie Besant, the first woman president in 1917 of the Indian National Congress. She had cautioned once: "Ref-us-ing is given is a rational position; denial of it outside of our own... experience is absurd."

So, today, the question arises: which area would comprise a hypo-

Peca strikes again



Farieha Aziz

Muhammad Khalid Jamil, bureau chief ABN News Islamabad, was arrested and charged under Section 20 of the Prevention of Electronic Crimes Act, 2016 (Peca) along with Section 505 of the Pakistan Penal Code.

Since 2017, journalists critical of state excesses and policies have routinely been targeted using Section 20. Jamil's case follows the same pattern. But what's alarming is the use of Section 20 in 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.

The language of Section 20 requires the complainant to be a 'natural person' who is the aggrieved party. However, in such cases, it is usually a law-enforcement (LEA) officer or random third party, who operationalises this section of the law. Despite it being a non-cognisable offence, Section 20 routinely features in FIRs against journalists.

20, to gain powers to arrest.

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.

Not only is the letter of the law violated so blatantly, but the person implicated is then condemned to the motions of 'the law' even though the offence is not made out. Process is punishment. But this is not about the law, it's about impunity.

What also requires scrutiny is the judicial practice of remanding citizens into police — in this case, FIA — custody. What can't be investigated after the grant of bail? Aren't investigations conducted into non-cognisable offences? Condemning people into LEA custody in what are blatantly politically motivated and illegal cases only serve as a pressure tactic to silence them and warn others.

Consistent today in political cases is the concealment of FIRs, arbitrary cancellation and postponement of bail hearings. When bail is granted, the same individuals are rearrested in fresh cases the minute they step out of jail.

While courts occasionally provide relief in the few odd cases before them, constitutional courts need to do more than just deal with the case at hand. They need to lay down precedents that extend broader protections and hold to account all those within the state apparatus, who abuse 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.

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 to settle the Section 20 question and, along with it, the wider abuse under Peca and the consistent infringement of due process and freedom of expression.

Commerce News

Pakistan's economy performs well on external, internal sector

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Finance Ministry on Thursday said that since 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 increased by 14.2 percent while imports grew by 2.1 percent for the same period, according to the monthly economic update and outlook report issued by the Ministry of Finance.



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.

and businesses, as well as a mix of large and small 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.

Moreover, administrative and regulatory action for curbing illegal activities in the foreign exchange market have started to yield desired dividends and narrowing the gap between interbank and open market exchange rates.

Similarly, fiscal performance remains satisfactory at the start of FY2024. It is expected that the economic revival plan and prudent actions - policies including SIFC and IT policy - will attract new investments to create a multiplier effect in the economy for higher and inclusive economic growth in FY2024 and further in the medium term.

According to the report, recent administrative measures aimed at improving the availability of essential food commodities and expected ease in supply constraints has improved the inflation outlook.

Furniture designers meet PFC chief

LAHORE (APP): Pakistan Furniture Council (PFC) Chief Executive Officer Mian Kashif Ashfaq said on Thursday that artificial Intelligence (AI) was transforming the fashion world but the fast growing technology would never be a replacement for designers' "original creativity".



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

Agriculture machinery imports reduced 27.49%

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 as compared to the imports of the corresponding period of last year.

During the period from July-August 2023 agriculture machinery and implements valued at \$8.878 million were imported as compared to the imports of \$11.830 million of the same period last year, according to the data of Pakistan Bureau

Dollar falls by Rs 1.05

KARACHI (Online): Rupee has gained stable position in the face of persistent fall in the value of dollar.

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

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

Pakistan Stock Exchange benchmark KSE100 shares index gained 99 points to close at 46464 points.

Enhanced trade, export volume must for economic stability: President

ISLAMABAD (APP): President Dr Arif Alvi Thursday stressed the need for increasing trade activity and enhancing volume of the country's exports to ensure economic stability.

He expressed these views in a meeting with a delegation of the Islamabad Industrial Association (IIA) led by Muhammad Ahmed, here at the Aiwan-e-Sadr.

President Alvi said investment in information technology and boosting its exports would prove helpful in attaining the goals of development and progress.

The delegation apprised the president of the contribution of IIA in promoting exports of the country. It also highlighted the challenges faced by the traders and businessmen.

Need urged for exploiting potential of biogas production

ISLAMABAD (APP): 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 savings and enhanced energy security, said a press release.

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

economic growth as well as enhance energy security by reducing dependence on imported fossil fuels.

This independence can shield our economy from the volatility of global energy markets and geopolitical tensions, he said adding that the significant potential of biogas as a sustainable energy source can play a pivotal role in improving our economy as it's not only an environmentally friendly alternative but also a valuable resource for job creation.

He said the growth of the biogas industry can alleviate unemployment and boost local economies.

Pakistan's total liquid foreign reserves reach \$13.16 billion

KARACHI (APP): The total liquid foreign reserves of Pakistan reach US\$ 13,161.8 million while reserves held by the central bank stood at \$ 7,636.7 million.

The State Bank of Pakistan, in a statement issued here on Thursday, informed that SBP's reserves decreased by 59 million to US\$ 7,636.7 million on account of debt repayments during the week ended on September 22, 2023.

Meanwhile, net foreign reserves held by commercial banks stood at \$ 5,525.1 million, it added.

Total liquid foreign reserves held by the country.

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

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,

said a press release here.

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 countries.

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).

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LAHORE: Provincial Rehmat-tul-lil-Aalameen (SAW) Conference under the auspices of Auqaf Department Punjab was organized at Alhambra 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 upon the teachings of the Holy Prophet (SAW). If we act upon the teachings of the Holy Prophet (SAW) then our lives will be transformed. It is the endeavour of the whole team that whatever 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 (SAW) never got disappointed. Mohsin Naqvi said that those thinking of disaster of the country are

themselves distracted and driven away from the teachings of the Holy Prophet (SAW). If we are true believers of the Holy Prophet (SAW) then for the sake of Allah Almighty we should shun disappointment. Pakistan 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 27th Ramazan-ul-Mubarak.



KASHMIRE: Participants of awareness walk in 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 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 representing civil society

participated in the walk. The participants carried placards inscribed with promoting tourism and maintaining peace in the beautiful valley of Chitral. Deputy Commissioner Chitral Muhammad Ali and DPO Chitral Ikramullah Khan were the special guests of the World Tourism Day program.

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 (PIMP), visited the Punjab Safe Cities Authority (PSCA) as part of their orientation programme. The delegation consisted of 40 officers. Director Public Relations Tauseef Sabih Gondal told the delegation the PSCA's mandate has been extended across the Punjab province. He emphasised that a modern infrastructure like Safe Cities is essential for modern policing. Tauseef Sabih, along with DSP Agha Nasir, provided the delegation with a briefing on functioning of the organisation. The 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): Azad Jammu Kashmir Prime Minister Chaudhry Anwar ul Haq has said that a mega development package for Poonch Division would be announced soon. While addressing a public gathering at Hajera in Poonch division on Thursday the PM said that the issue of inflated electricity bills and shortage of subsidized flour has been resolved amicably. The function was

attended and addressed by senior Minister Colonel (Rtd) Waqar Noor and other Government Ministers including Raja Faisal Mumtaz Rathore, Sardar Mir Akbar and Sardar Saud Sadiq and others. Speaking on the occasion, the PM said that the government was giving a subsidy of about 1500 rupees on a 20 kg bag of flour. He said it was for the first time that the government suspended the notification and withdrew

additional taxes imposed on the electricity bills. The PM said that the incumbent coalition government had increased the salaries of government 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.

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

LAHORE (INP): The Government College University (GCU) Lahore commenced its 22nd convocation ceremony on Thursday, attended specially by Federal Minister for Education and Professional Training Madad Ali Sindhi, former chief justice of Pakistan Tassaduq Hussain Jillani, former deputy speaker of Bahrain Dr. Adil Bin Abdul Rahman, and eminent religious scholar Qari Sohaib Ahmad Meer Muhammad. The two-day event is being held to celebrate the academic achievements of its distinguished graduates. The convocation activities are being led by GCU Vice Chancellor Professor Dr.

Asghar Zaidi. Speaking at the first session, Madad Ali Sindhi expressed his pride in addressing the students of an institution where Allama Dr Muhammad Iqbal once taught and praised the dedication of Vice Chancellor Dr. Zaidi. He emphasised the need for quality education in Pakistan, and said that no nation could make progress without instilling educational skills in its youth. He also commended the efforts of historical GCU in the field of education. Vice Chancellor Dr. Asghar Zaidi highlighted the recent developments at the 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 accountability court on Thursday summoned eight accused, including Punjab Assembly Speaker Sibtain Khan, for October 7 in the Chiniot mines and minerals reference. National Accountability Bureau (NAB) had approached the court for reopening of the reference, closed under the defunct amendments to the National Accountability

Ordinance (NAO), set 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 the accused in the reference.

FIA seizes luxury vehicles owned by showroom owner in Karachi

KARACHI (INP): The Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) Commercial Banking Circle team seized four luxury vehicles in a trade-based money laundering case on Thursday. According to details, the FIA continues to investigate car showroom owners in order to catch 'trade-based' money laundering in Karachi. In the latest action, FIA team raided a car showroom at Khalid bin Waleed road and seized four luxury vehicles including, Land Cruiser, Audi and others. The vehicles were

seized as the showroom owner failed to present proof of import of the vehicles. The officials further said that the car showroom owner was asked multiple times to appear before the FIA team, but he did not. The agency further said notice has been issued to the owners of Karachi's thirteen car showrooms. Earlier, the FIA officials raided the residence of a businessman Aziz Seekha in Karachi in which they recovered a huge amount of foreign and Pakistani currency and prize bonds.

CTO Lahore intensifies anti smog campaign

LAHORE (APP): Chief Traffic Officer (CTO) Captain (ret'd) Mustansar Feroze ordered a 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. The Lahore Traffic Police have mobilised all efforts to eliminate potential smog and environmental pollution. According to an order of the Lahore High Court (LHC).

International News

Jens Stoltenberg meets with Zelensky 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-

ture that were badly damaged in relentless and deadly attacks by Russia last winter. He also reminded the secretary-general of the persistent attacks that often strike civilian areas, including 40 drone attacks overnight. "In the face of such intense attacks against Ukrainians, against our cities, our ports, which are crucial for global food security, we need a corresponding intensity of pressure on Russia and a strengthening of our air defense," Zelenskyy said. "The world must see how Russia is losing dearly so that our shared values ultimately prevail."

Stoltenberg said that NATO has contracts for 2.4 billion euros (\$2.5 billion) in ammunition for Ukraine, including 155 mm Howitzer shells, anti-tank guided missiles and tank ammunition. "The stronger Ukraine becomes, the closer we become to ending Russia's aggression," Stoltenberg said. "Russia could lay down arms and end its war today. Ukraine doesn't have that option. Ukraine's surrender would not mean peace. It would mean brutal Russian occupation. Peace at any price would be no peace at all."



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

Warehouse blast near Tashkent airport kills one, injures over 160

Monitoring Desk
TASHKENT: An overnight explosion at a warehouse near the airport in Uzbekistan's capital, Tashkent, killed one person and injured more than a hundred, authorities in the Central Asian country said on Thursday. "A teenager born in 2006 died," the Uzbek health ministry said on Telegram, adding that a further 162 had been injured. The emergency situations ministry said powerful lightning had caused "an explosion, then a fire, which is still burning" in a warehouse in the airport zone. Of those hurt in the

accident, 138 sustained minor injuries and a further 24 were still in hospital in a more serious condition, the health ministry said. Videos circulating on social media showed a column of flames and smoke rising into the night sky. The blast blew out the windows of several houses in the surrounding area and damaged their interiors. Explosions continued to ring out in the hours after the blaze broke out as emergency crews tackled the fire and ambulance staff worked to evacuate those injured, an AFP journalist at the scene witnessed.



German Federal Minister of Defense Boris Pistorius receives his Israeli counterpart Yoav Gallant with military honors in Berlin, Germany.

Germany and Israel sign an agreement for Berlin to buy a US-Israeli missile defense system

Monitoring Desk
BERLIN: Germany and Israel on Thursday signed an agreement for Berlin to buy the sophisticated Arrow 3 missile defense system, designed 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 of Ukraine. Germany aims to integrate the system into wider NATO air defense efforts. Last year, Berlin launched the European Sky Shield Initiative, which now includes 19 countries. Israel secured U.S.

approval in August for the \$3.5 billion deal, which was needed because the system was jointly developed with the United States. German Defense Minister Boris Pistorius and his Israeli counterpart Yoav Gallant signed a memorandum of understanding in Berlin on Thursday for the purchase of Arrow 3. "It is, without exaggerating, a historic day for both our countries," Pistorius told reporters, describing Arrow as "one of the best systems, if not the best."

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 expressed deep concern over the relentless expansion of Israeli settlements in the occupied West Bank, including East Jerusalem. During the last three months, more than 10,000 housing units were advanced, he told the UN Security Council in New York on Wednesday. "Settlements further entrench the occupation, fuel violence, impede Palestinian access to their land and resources, and systematically erode the viability of a Palestinian state as part of a two-state solution," the senior UN envoy said. "I call on the government of Israel to cease all settlement activity and dismantle outposts immediately, in line with its obligations under international law," he added.

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 state nor autonomy without the state, but an autonomy for Corsica and

within the republic," he said in his address to the island's local elected assembly. The island is home to more than 340,000 people and has been part of France since 1768. But Corsica has also seen pro-independence violence and has an influential nationalist movement. In 1998, in an assassination that stunned the country, pro-independence activists shot dead France's top official on the island, Claude Erignac. Other violence has been mostly low-level, often involving bombs planted in cars or

buildings overnight, when no one is inside. Macron didn't go into great detail about what powers might be transferred from Paris to a more autonomous Corsica. He said that he favors changing the French Constitution to recognize "the specificities" of Corsica's island community. A constitutional change would require French parliamentary approval. "This is how we will turn a page that was marked by somber hours and be able to open another."



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

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 abduction and murder of two students, authorities said. Ethnic violence has plunged the northeastern state bordering Myanmar into what many security

experts describe as an intense civil war fought over land, jobs and political clout between its two largest local groups. "Indefinite curfew had to be implemented in Imphal and in some other districts," L. Kailua, a senior police official based in the state capital, told Reuters. More than 80 students were injured in Wednesday's clashes, another police official said on condition of anonymity.

3 people die in a crash involving 4 vehicles in New Hampshire

Monitoring Desk
HOOKSETT: Three people have died following a crash involving four vehicles in New Hampshire, police said. 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.

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

Monitoring Desk
BEIJING: China and Germany will co-host a third financial dialogue in Germany on Oct. 1, the Chinese foreign ministry said on Thursday, resuming high-level talks that had stalled for several years due to COVID-19. Chinese Vice Premier He Lifeng will co-chair the dialogue with German Finance Minister Christian Lindner, ministry spokesperson Mao Ning said at a regular news conference. In the last round of talks in January 2019, China and Germany signed agree-

ments to strengthen coordination in banking, finance and capital markets, and pledged to further open market access and deepen cooperation to broaden economic ties. Since then, the European Union, including Germany, has expressed concerns about being too economically dependent on China. Last week, Germany said it was planning to force telecoms operators to slash the use of equipment from Huawei and ZTE in their 5G networks after a review highlighted an over-reliance on these Chinese suppliers.

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

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 (PBUH) was good tidings for relieving the suffering of humanity adding that the arrival of the Holy prophet Hazrat Muhammad (PBUH) was the greatest and the most blessed event in history.

The president said due to Holy Prophet (PBUH), the humanity was honoured with the reward of guidance and mercy from Allah Almighty. He said Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) was brought to this world as the 'mercy for all the worlds'. He said the life of the Holy Prophet (PBUH) was an embodiment of obedience to Allah Almighty, justice, 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 doomsday.

"In the whole life of Holy Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), 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 Allah Almighty, social justice, human rights, gender equality and welfare of the poor reflected the comprehensiveness and universality of the message of Islam.

He 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 citizens."

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

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

Meanwhile Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar urged the nation to obey the Holy Prophet (PBUH)'s teachings of brotherhood and compassion besides following his message of unity to become 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.



KARACHI: An illuminated view of Kanzul Eman Masjid decorated with colorful lights in connection with Eid Milad-un-Nabi (PBUH) celebrations.



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

PMDC signs MoU with Hub Salt, Geological survey of Pakistan

ISLAMABAD (APP): As 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 organize 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".

Govt takes proactive measures to stabilize economy: Finance Minister

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Minister of Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs Division, Dr Shamsad 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 Finance and Revenue which met in the Parliament House, said a press release issued here.

The Minister said that 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 increased 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 industry. The government has relaxed import restrictions, leading to the opening of LCs for imports and the backlog of import payments (Jan-Jul) has now been cleared."

Similarly, foreign investors have been allowed to repatriate profits (withheld since 2022), with \$ 49.2 million repatriated during Jul-Aug, an increase of 74 percent.

The caretaker government has taken appropriate actions to stabilize the volatility and speculation in the exchange rate market.

There should be any difference between dacoits, state: SC

ISLAMABAD (Online): Chief Justice of Pakistan (CJP) Qazi Faez Isa expressed annoyance over Additional Advocate General (AAG) Punjab Sana Ullah Zahid and government officers in the matter of land compensation.

Sana Ullah Zahid expressed intention to tender resignation over court's attitude.

Justice Athar Minallah controlled the matter remarking government officers don't work and AG Punjab despite being a good lawyer became disturbed due to them.

A 3-member bench of SC presided over by the Chief Justice of Pakistan (CJP) Qazi Faez Isa took up the case for hearing Thursday.

During the hearing of the case Justice Athar Minallah remarked the court had issued order one year back.

The CJP remarked we and you are paid salaries out of people pockets. Our performance is nil. There should be some difference between the dacoits and state.

Justice Athar Minallah remarked we are being told after one year the process of payment of compensation is underway.

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

Dr. Nadeem says: Govt to take action against smuggled drugs

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Federal Minister for Health Dr. Nadeem Jan issued an order to start a crackdown against counterfeit, unregistered, and smuggled drugs.

According to a spokesperson of the Ministry of Health, the minister directed that the sale storage and distribution points of all such medicines should be stopped immediately.

Dr Nadeem Jan said that strict legal action should be taken against the elements involved in these unregistered fake medicines.

ECP unfreezes voter lists nationwide for registration, corrections

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) has immediately lifted restrictions on voter lists nationwide, allowing eligible individuals to register, transfer, or rectify their votes till Oct 25.

Following the unfreezing of electoral lists, eligible individuals now have the opportunity to update their voter information.

He urged all eligible citizens to ensure the correctness of their voter registration, modifications, and transfers, and align their particulars with their computerized national identity card details by October 25, 2023.

According to the ECP spokesperson's statement, the electoral rolls were suspended on July 20, this year by invoking clause 39 of the Election Act 2017.

Rangers arrest facilitators of robbers of riverine areas

KARACHI (APP): The Pakistan Rangers Sindh and Police in a joint intelligence based operation arrested three alleged facilitators of criminals and robbers of riverine areas of Khairpur and Ghotki.

According to spokesman for Rangers on Thursday, the arrested were identified as Noor Ali Shahani alias Nooro, Ali Gohar Chachar and Akbar Ali Chacher were facilitators of criminals and robbers of the riverine areas.



KARACHI: Governor Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Haji Ghulam Ali meeting with Sindh Governor Kamran Khan Tessori at governor house.

Action to be taken against those who sell unhygienic loose edible oil: Agha

Independent Report
KARACHI: Office bearers of the loose edible oil sellers association called on Director General Sindh Food Authority Agha Fakhr Hussain said that those selling unhygienic loose edible oils were not entitled to any exemption.

Indiscriminate action would be taken against those who sell harmful loose edible oil across the province.

He also assured the office bearers of the association of his full cooperation.

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World Rabies Day: Dog sterilization centers opened in three KMC hospitals

KARACHI (APP): Mayor Karachi Barrister Murtaza Wahab said that dog sterilization centers had been opened in three KMC hospitals because Rabies problems can be solved by sterilizing dogs.

He said this while talking to media at his participation as chief guest in the awareness walk organized jointly by KMC, Indus Hospital, Infectious Disease Society Pakistan, Dow University of Health Sciences, CDR Health Department Government of Sindh at People's Square on the occasion of World Rabies Day on Thursday.

The Mayor Karachi said that anti-rabies injection should be done immediately instead of home remedies for dog bites.

Banks to open on Sept 30 for tax collection

KARACHI (INP): State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) Thursday directed all banks to keep their authorized branches open on Saturday (September 30) in order to facilitate the taxpayers in payment of government duties and taxes.

The decision has been taken on the request of Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) to facilitate the collection of taxes through ADC's Over-the-Counter (OTC) facility, said a statement issued here. All the branches of all banks opening on Saturday- shall observe extended working hours till 5:00 p.m. for the purpose, it added.



LARKANA: Commissioner Larkana Division, Abdul Waheed Shaikh presiding over a divisional meeting on the Eradication of Polio at his office in Larkana.

Pakistan Navy celebrates World Maritime Day

Independent Report
KARACHI: Pakistan Navy celebrated World Maritime Day (WMD) 2023.

The theme of WMD for this year is MARPOL at 50 - Our commitment goes on; that reflects the International Maritime Organization's (IMO) long history of protecting the marine environment from impact of shipping through a robust regulatory framework. In his message on World Maritime Day, Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi emphasized on aligning national objectives with the ongoing global shift towards sustainable and green marine practices with determination, commitment, and resolve.

Karachi remains among world's most polluted cities today

KARACHI (INP): Karachi remains among the most polluted cities in the world on the Air Quality Index (AQI) on Thursday.

Karachi was measured to have 175 reading of particulate matter on the air quality index.

The weather in the city will remain hot and dry and the maximum temperature will be bracketed between 34 to 37 degree Celsius.

It is to be mentioned here that AQI as high as 151-200 is considered unhealthy, while an AQI reading between 201 to 300 is more harmful and AQI rate over 300 mark is extremely hazardous.

According to experts, the air becomes heavier in the winter as compared to summer, causing poisonous particles in the atmosphere to move downwards.



KARACHI: Members of Ahle-Sunnat Wal Jamaat are protest demonstration for acceptance of their demands, at Karachi press club.



HYDERABAD: Commissioner Hyderabad Khalid Haider Shah laid an awareness walk to reduction Polio, at Government Shah Bhitai Hospital Latifabad, Hyderabad.

DC for zero tolerance against individuals disrespecting holy Prophet

HYDERABAD (APP): Deputy Commissioner Hyderabad Tariq Qureshi on Thursday said that all Companions of Prophet Hazrat Muhammad Mustafa (PBUH) were praiseworthy and no blasphemy in reverence of the Holy Prophet would be tolerated. He expressed these views while talking to a delegation led by Maulana Taj Muhammad Naahiyoon in his office at Shahbaz Building.

DC said that last day few anti-social elements tried to sabotage the peace of the city and interfaith harmony. However, district administration while taking notice of such practice arrested such elements with the help of the Police and other related agencies and also registered cases.

He urged ulema to play their Pivotal role in maintaining the law and order situation in Hyderabad.

He said that SSP Hyderabad Amjad Ahmed Shaikh had been directed to take strict action against anti-social elements involved in spreading incoherence.

Laser light targeting planes at Lahore Airport endangers flights' safety

KARACHI (INP): Following an increasing number of incidents of laser light being thrown on planes at Lahore's Allama Iqbal International Airport, national as well as international airlines have conveyed to the air traffic controller their concerns about the flights' safety, it emerged on Thursday.

As many as 10 such incidents have been reported so far. Similarly, heavy lights installed at shopping centers and restaurants have also been declared dangerous for planes.



KARACHI: VC LUMS Dr Tariq M Jadoon giving prize to a winner of essay competition held by Pakistan Navy on occasion of World Maritime Day.

All possible steps would be taken to equip Safoora Town with municipal facilities

TMC Safoora's balanced budget of Rs 54.96 crore approved unanimously

Independent Report
KARACHI: The budget meeting of Safoora Town Council was held under the presidentship of TMC Chairman Safoora Rashid Khaskheli.

He was accompanied by Municipal Commissioner Munawar Hussain Mallah and other officers.

In the meeting, a balanced budget of Rs 54.96 crore was presented in front of the Town Council for the financial year 2023-24, which has been approved unanimously, Rs 14.55 crore has been allocated for development expenditure, Rs 91.1 million for contingencies, Rs 77 million for maintenance expenditure and Rs 236 million allocated for establishment.