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Writes letter to CEC **President Alvi proposes** November 6 as election date

Says Constitution empowers him to appoint poll dates; Alvi calls for polls to be conducted across country on same date; Election to NA should be held by 89th day since dissolution

to Chief Election Commissioner Sikandar Sultan Raja and proposed November 6 as the date for general elections in the country.

In the letter, the president said he had dissolved the National Assembly on the prime minister's advice on August 9.

The president cited Ar-ticle 48(5) of the Constitution, which he said "empowers and mandates the president 'to appoint a date not later than ninety days from the date of the dissolution, for the holding of a general election to the Assembly³

Assembly should be held

ISLAMABAD (INP): by the 89th day of the date a mandatory requirement President Dr Arif Alvi of dissolution of the Na-Wednesday wrote a letter tional Assembly, i.e. Mon-of the Constitution and secday, 6th day of November tion 17 of the Elections Act, 2023", the letter read. 2017", the letter said.

The president recalled Moreover, the Law in the letter that "in an en-Ministry also had the same deavour to fulfil the constiview on the matter, it said, tutional obligations, the adding that all four provin-Chief Election Commiscial governments were of the opinion that the ansioner was invited for a nouncement of the election meeting to devise the modate was the Election Com-mission of Pakistan's (ECP) dalities of implementing the constitutional intent and mandate" mandate.

But in his reply, the "Further, there is a CEC "took a contrary view consensus that to strengthen the federation that as per the scheme of the Constitution and and to promote unity and framework of electoral harmony amongst provinces and to avoid incurring laws, it was the domain of the Election Commission, unnecessary expenses, gen eral elections to the National Assembly and the provincial assemblies must be held on the same day," it further

> 'Credible, inclusive' elections crucial for

Pak: British HC ISLAMABAD (INP) British High Commissioner to Pakistan Jane Marriott Wednesday stressed free, credible, transparent and inclusive elections in Pakistan in a meeting with Chief Election Commissioner (CEC) Sikandar Sultan Raja

in Islamabad The British envoy shared on her account on X formerly Twitter, about the meeting with the CEC at

the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) office in the federal capital. "Important introduc-

tory meeting with Chief Election Commissioner



Chief of Army Staff(COAS) General Syed Asim Munir meeting with Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan during his official visit to brotherly country

COAS lauds Turkish military's efforts to maintain peace in region

Meets President Erdogan, other high-ranking Turkish officials; Turkish leaders acknowledge army, NDMA efforts during quake

Turkish Military's efforts RAWALPINDI (Online): General Syed Asim Munir, NI (M), COAS is on an official visit to the Republic of Türkiye.

The visit is part of the high level mutual visits by both the brotherly countries to enhance the historic diplomatic and military ties. During the visit COAS

called on Recep Tayyip Erdogan, President of Requake that hit Türkiye in February this year. COAS public of Türkiye, Foreign and Defense Ministers, Commander of Turkish visited the Mausoleum of Mustafa Kemal Atatürk in Ankara to pay homage to the great leader and laid flo-General Staff and Commanders of Turkish Land ral wreath in his honour. and Air forces.

During the meetings, COAS emphasized on en-Turkish Land Forces Headquarters, where on his arhancing defence collaborarival he was given a warm welcome and was pretion and training coopera-tion. COAS appreciated

sented with the Guard of for maintaining peace and Honour. COAS was also stability in the region and conferred with the Legion also praised the standards of Merit by the Minister of operational readiness of of Defense and Commander Turkish Armed Forces. Turkish Land Forces in rec-Turkish leaders ac-

ognition of his services toknowledged the efforts exwards promoting defence tended by Pakistan Army relations between two Engineers who worked countries. along NDMA Teams dur-ing the unfortunate earth-During the ceremony

COAS highlighted that, "Pakistan and Türkiye have strong brotherly relations which have always stood the test of times.

Pakistan Army is always willing to extend full support to the Turkish COAS later visited the Land Forces in multiple domains. Pakistan has always stood with their Turkish brothers in times of calamity

Domki visits Headquarters 12 Corps: **Caretaker CM vows** to work together for development & peace of Balochistan

Lauds role of security forces for maintaining peace, development in province; Commander Balochistan Corps Lt. Gen Asif Ghafoor

apprises forum about ongoing strategy for the last one year on instructions of COAS

Independent Report QUETTA: The caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki visited Headquarters Balochistan Corps. The members of in-

vide a safe and conducive enterim provincial cabinet and senior civil administration vironment for it. officers were also present.

ing about the security situa-

The Chief Minister ap-On arrival, the caretaker preciated the performance Chief Minister laid floral of the security forces for wreaths on the martyrs' peace and development in the province and paid rich memorial and offered Fatiha. Later, the caretaker tribute to martyrs as a great Chief Minister and his team sacrifice for the security of were given a detailed briefthe motherland.

ing strategy for the last one

year on the instructions of

the Chief of Army Staff, in

which the socio-economic

development of Balochistan

is the main prong and the

security forces are to pro-

He said that we all will tion of the province and the work together for the peace operations by the security and development of the forces. The Commander province which will also contribute towards peace Balochistan Corps Lt. Genand prosperity of the couneral Asif Ghafoor apprised

the forum about the ongo-

QUETTA: Caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan, MirAli Mardan Khan Domki meeting with Commander 12 Corps Lt. General Asif Ghafoor during his visit to Headquarters Balochistan Corps.

CM takes notice of late arrival of govt. officers

and following the publica-Hence, "in terms of Article 48(5), the general election to the National stituencies was in progress,

GILGIT: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar talks to the media after the inaugura-tion of Cardiac Hospital.

One nation, one law to be ensured No one will ever be allowed to hold society hostage: PM

GILGIT-BALTISTAN (Online): Caretaker Prime

stated

Minister (PM) Anwar ul Haq Kakar has said no one will ever be allowed to hold the society hostage. There is no room for of change continues.

any foreign intelligence agency in Pakistan. our national institutions will take the matters towards improvement. No one should remain under any delusion. Addressing problems of Gilgit-Baltistan is our top priority, he said this while talking to media men after inaugurating OPD services at Cardiac hospital in Gilgit-Baltistan Wednesday ..

People of Gilgit-Baltistan (GB) have welcomed me with great love. GB is bouquet of people of diverse color and race, he added

"We will remove the misperceptions with wisdom. The responsibility for rights rests with the state. We will discharge it in befitting manner. I have come with a message for the people of GB that they should respect rights of each other. Man can never resolve the problems alone. We have to live life together. This is peak of humanity.

He went on to say ac-

cepting the rights of each

The Prime Minister said it is the diversity and scenic beauty of Gilgit-Baltistan that attracts tour-Continued on page 2

It was unanimously

agreed that the Constitu-

Commission of Pakistan.

dates, the general elections



MULTAN: Peoples Party (PPP) Chairman, Bilawal Bhutto Zardari addresses during public gathering meeting held at Muzaffargarh area in Multan.

Interim Federal, Provincial Law Ministers vow to ensure transparent elections

ISLAMABAD (APP): democracy and ensuring The federal and provincial the smooth conduct of eleclaw ministers on Wednesday during a meeting underscored the importance of upholding the principles of tion must be read as a democracy and ensuring the whole and no provision of smooth conduct of elections.

Caretaker Minister for Law and Justice, Ahmad Irfan Aslam convened a meeting with provincial law ministers including Kanwar Dilshad (Punjab), Muhammad Omer Soomro (Sindh), Arshad Hussain (Khyber Shah Pakhtunkhwa) and Kanrani Amanullah (Balochistan).

The meeting was held to discuss matters pertaining to the upcoming general elections to the National and Provincial Assemblies, said a press re-

During the meeting, all to the National and the Law Ministers underfour Provincial Assemscored the importance of blies must be held on the upholding the principles of same day.

Sikandar Sultan Raja at ECP today," Marriot wrote other equal is foundation of society. Respecting each in her post. other is must. People don't The diplomat added remain same. The process

that she and the CEC agreed that it is crucial for Pakistan to witness "free, credible, transparent and inclusive elections in line with the law'

> **PPP** to knock down anti-state

elements in elections: Bilawal

MULTAN (INP): Chairman Pakistan People's Party (PPP) Bilawal Bhutto Zardari has said that his party will knock down the anti-state elements in the upcoming gen-

eral elections. While addressing a gathering of party activists and general public at Syedwala Bypass on Wednesday, he said that PPP contested previous general elections despite challenges like martyrdom of Ms Benazir Bhutto and motives behind the increasthe abduction of Ali Haider Gilani Bilawal Bhutto said that timely general elections

pave the way for their were mandatory but could elimination. be delayed due to some reaa lot the efforts and coop-

Expressing gratitude to eration of United Nations Office on Drugs and Crimes Multan for its unwavering support for the PPP, he (UNODC) a lot, and do exhighlighted its commitment pect that it's support and to democracy. guidance would also remain The PPP Chairman re-

continued in future. called the historic victory These views were expressed by the Governor of Musa Gilani in the byelections, which marked a while speaking to a delegasignificant achievement for tion of UNODC who called the PPP in Multan and on him under leadership of added that Multan had Dr. Jeremy Milson here at never disappointed him. the Governor House on



ISLAMABAD: Minister for Law and Justice, Ahmad Irfan Aslam convened a meeting with Provincial Law Ministers, Mr. Kanwar Dilshad (Punjab), Mr. Muhammad Omer Soomro (Sindh), Mr. Arshad Hussain Shah (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa) and Mr. Amanullah Kanrani (Balochistan), to discuss matters pertaining to the upcoming general elections to the National and Provincial Assemblies.



QUETTA: A delegation of UNODC led by Dr. Jeremy Milson meeting with Governor Balochistan Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar

UNODC's delegation calls on Governor: We have to find out reasons and motives behind increasing social crimes & use of drugs with negative impacts: Wali Independent Report

Wednesday. QUETTA: The Governor

Speaking on the occasion, the Governor said Balochistan, Malik Abdul that the economic poor state Wali Khan Kakar has emis the real cause of all social phasized that we have to find out the causes and issues He said that there have

ing social crimes and use of been more negative impacts narcotics along with their of the civil war on the negative impacts so as to whole region that was continued for last forty years in the neighbouring country In this regard, we value Afghanistan. He said that it is neces-

sary for us to motivate our people to get education so that they may are involved in the economic and social activities. This would not only

reduce the impacts of extremism, but would also bring positivity in the society, adding he believed. In the end, Governor

and guests exchanged commemorative shields

No alliance with **PPP** likely in next elections: Rana

situation.

offices

dance in the government

LAHORE (INP): PML-N Punjab President Rana Sanaullah on Wednesday vehemently denied any possibility of alliance with the People's Party in next elections. "There can be seat adjustment with the PPP on a limited level but there are minimal chances of even such electoral adjustment,'

Rana Sanaullah said. "The PPP's criticism on

the PML-N suit them and they have right to do so,' PML-N leader said. Replying a question, Sanaullah said that as a political party the PTI has right to do politics and they are entitled of it. "The PTI should keep the elements responsible for May 09 incidents, at distance from it," he was

opined. Four killed, 3 injured as vehicle falls into gorge

in Washuk

OUETTA (INP): At least four people were killed and three others injured when a vehicle skidded offroad and plunged into a ravine in district Washuk of Balochistan on Wednesday.

Levies sources said that the accident took place at Kano steep where Basima bound vehicle coming from Khuzdar got out of control due to bursting of trye and fell into a gorge. As a result of accident, four people including women were killed the other day. in the accident while Assistant District Public Prosecutor Washuk Hidayatullah among three were injured.

The bodies and injured were shifted to Sheikh Zayed Healthcare Unit Washuk were condition of of US private sector in oil, Information Technology and other sectors in the two wounded people was stated to be critical.

and employees in offices

Caretaker Minister Information Jan Achakzai says CM has clear stance that unacceptable culture of low attendance in offices must be stopped forthwith

According to the care-taker Minister Information, Independent Report QUETTA: The caretaker the Chief Minister has di-Chief Minister Balochistan, rected heads of all govern-Mir Ali Mardan Khan ment departments to make Domki has taken notice of the late arrival of governall the officers and employees bound to come their ofment officers and employfices in time by taking acees in the officers and dition against those remain rected the administrative absent from their duties or secretaries to take steps for prompt improvement in the come offices late

The Chief Minister's In an official statement warning has come at a time issued here on Wednesday, when the provincial government has been facing sevthe caretaker Minister Information Jan Achakzai eral challenges including ongoing campaign against said that there is a clear smuggling. He said that it is also a stance of caretaker Chief Minister to stop unaccept-

challenge for the governable culture of low attenment to improve the provision of basic services to the people.

He said that low atten-One can hope that the dance of officers and other government employees staff in the offices and dewould pay heed towards layed work there is a serious issue, which is affectthe warning and would start ing the productivity of the coming offices in time, and government departments. perform accordingly.



QUETTA: Qari Maulana Abdul Rehman meeting with Caretaker Information Minister Jan Achakzai

Interim Balochistan Government hails visit of US Ambassador to port city of Gwadar

Independent Report

QUETTA: The Interim Government of Balochistan has welcomed the visit of United States Ambassador, Donald Blome to Gwadar ties

the US private sector can earn huge profit by investing in the oil, IT and mineral sectors in the province. Jan Achakzai said that the government of Balochistan The Interim Minister desires to attract investment Information also said that the US Ambassador would also be warmly welcomed in Quetta.

He

province.

said that Balochistan is not only desirous of having investment ment but is also exploring the investment opportuni-

from government to govern-In an official statement Jan Achakzai said that issued here on late Tuesday night, the caretaker Provincial Minister Information,

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QUETTA: A delegation of Awaran led by Mir Yousaf Mirwani meeting with Balochistan Caretaker Chief Minister Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki

Over 600,000 Afghans came to Pakistan since Taliban takeover

Monitoring Desk

ISLAMABAD: Over 600,000 Afghan have arrived in Pakistan in the two years since the Taliban retook control of Afghanistan in 2021.

According to official government esti-mates, 600,000 Afghans seeking asylum have arrived in the country since the Taliban returned to power, UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) spokesman Qaiser Khan Afridi told Anadolu Agency on Wednesday.

"In addition to the new arrival, Pakistan hosts 1.3 million Afghan refugees who are holding the Proof of Registration Cards is-sued by the government," Afridi said. However, over the last two years, over

16,000 Afghans have returned to Afghanistan through the UNHCR-facilitated voluntary repatriation program, he added.

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In response to a question about Afghan

Council.

Journal

relevant subject

qualification are not available.

service upper age limit shall not apply).

Gender: Both male and female candidates are eligible.

refugees who are legally living in the country and whose refugee registration cards expired in June of this year, he stated that they are in contact with local authorities to extend them

In 2017, the government issued a one-time Afghanistan Citizen Card (ACC) to approxi-mately 880,000 refugees which expired this year. "UNHCR is in talks with Pakistani authorities about extending the registration cards of Afghan refugees," Afridi said, adding that they are hopeful for a positive outcome on this issue. According to Afridi, a positive decision from the authorities will provide relief to Afghan refugees, who are experiencing uncertainty and anxiety due to the expiration of their cards.

Prior to August 20, 2021, Pakistani au-thorities estimated that 500,000 to 600,000 Afghans lived in the country.

Note: Candidates with postgraduate diploma in respective subject shall be appointed as Assistan

OR

Note: Candidates without postgraduate qualification shall be eligible only when persons with higher

Age Limit: 27 to 40 years (In case of the person already in Government Service with at least three years

BDS or equivalent Dental qualification registered/recognized by the Pakistan Medical & Dental

Without any postgraduate qualification, seven years' experience as Demonstrator in the

Credit should be given to the original research work published in the standard Dental/Medical

Professor only when persons with higher qualifications with MDS are not available

Pakistan, UK agree to strengthen institutional coordination to improve ties

LONDON (APP): Paki- bilateral relations and exstan and the United Kingdom on Wednesday agreed to strengthen the institutional coordination for further improving bilateral relations

pressed satisfaction over the current trajectory of the ties The two ministers

agreed to take measures for further promotion of bilateral relations

The bilateral ties were discussed in a meeting between Caretaker Foreign Minister Jalil Abbas Jilani and UK's Minister of State Lord Tariq Ahmed, on the sidelines of 10th Commonwealth Youtu Ministerial Meeting held at the Commonwealth Headquarters.

In the meeting, the two

education and climate change sectors. Both Foreign Minister

sides discussed in detail the nity for the two countries.

Judicial remand of Imran Khan extended for 14 days in cipher case

case.

ISLAMABAD (Online): Judicial remand of PTI chairman Imran Khan has been extended for case.

The case came up for hearing before Judge Abul Hasnaat Zulqarinain of special court set up under official secret act in Attock jail.

Judge Abul said that law ministry Hasnaat Zulqarnain has no objection over heard the case on hearing of the case in expiry of 14 days Attock jail. judicial remand of chairman PTI

Zulqarnain the hear-14 days in cipher case. ing of the cipher case took place in Attock jail. The court had requested for holding hearing in jail due to security reasons The authorities Abul said that law ministry

On the request of

judge Abul Hasnaat

On the other hand

Shah Mehmood Qureshi was pre-Shah

case on expiry of his

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Mehmood Qureshi till

to present Shah

September 26.

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special court

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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Age: Age will be calculated on the closing date for receipt of applications. Upper Age Relaxation:

Five (05) years upper age relaxation for the civil servants who have completed two (02) Years continuous government service on regular basis.

Ten (10) Years upper age relaxation for disabled candidates for initial appointment.

III) The candidates who do not fall under the above categories mentioned at S. No. I &II are required to obtain the upper age relaxation would adopt the following procedure:-

a. The candidates who are overage upto three (03) years should apply to concerned Administrative Secretary and upto five (05) years to the Chief Secretary and upto seven (07) years to the Chief Minister for grant of upper age relaxation within closing date for receipt of application forms. Approval of the Competent Authority with regard to upper age relaxation must reach to this Commission before the written examination/MCQs Test positively, failing which the candidates will not be allowed to appear in the exam It is further pointed out that general age relaxation without mentioning the post would not be acceptable The concerned candidates for obtaining the upper age relaxation upto three (03) years are required to submit application to the concerned Administrative Secretary and in case of upper age relaxation upto five (05) & seven (07) years are required to route their applications through S&GAD for a specific post as and when advertised

The candidate who is entitled for age relaxation under more than one categories as explained above, he shall be allowed relaxation in upper age limit in one of the categories as mentioned above, whichever is beneficial to him.

III Local/Domicile Certificate: The candidate should submit local/domicile certificate of his/her district. A married female candidate, not already in Government Service and desires to apply on the basis of local/domicile of her husband, is required to submit the local/domicile certificate of her husband containing her name. In case of in-service candidates, the local/domicile certificate endorsed in service record of department will be accepted.

IV The Government reserves the right not to fill any vacancy or to fill more or less than the number of vacancies announced by the Commission.

V Zonal Allocation: The zonal allocation of vacancies has been made in accordance with the Government of Baluchistan's Recruitment Policy of 1991.

VI Experience: Unless otherwise prescribed in the recruitment rules, the requisite experience (with necessary valid documentary proof) means the post qualification experience gained in a regular, full-time paid job and that of the on job training subject to its relevancy acquired after obtaining the required qualification till closing date. Experience as part time, honorary, apprentice and internee will not be considered/counted as experience."

VII Eligibility: Eligibility of the candidates in terms of Recruitment Rules and the advertised conditions shall be determined after the conduct of screening/professional test/examination . On detailed scrutiny of the applications if they are found ineligible, their candidatures will be cancelled irrespective of the fact whether they have appeared in the examination/test or even qualified therein. On rejection of application of candidates on the basis of their ineligibility, the Commission would inform the applicants. The candidates should therefore, make sure before applying that they are eligible in all respects for the post they have applied for.

VIII Viva Voce Test: The written/MCQs test qualified candidates will be called for Viva Voce Test and the same would be as follows:

Current Affairs: (Last one or two month's important happenings/issues which are highlighted in Print /Electronic Media.

General Knowledge: (Related to Balochistan, Pakistan and International) Islamic/Religious Studies: (Islamic questions regarding day to day issues as Muslim, Holy

Mode of Test: MCQs in the relevant specialty. Note: In case of non-availability of suitable candidate(s) from concerned zone(s) the post(s), will be filled by candidates of other zone(s) on merit basis i.e. All Balochistan. 04. Forty One (41) Posts of Senior Registrar (B-18) in Various Specialties, BMC. Zonal Allocation Specialty Kalat Zhob N/Abad Mekran Quetta Sibi Quetta Disable Womer Total Merit Zone Zone Zone Zone Zone Zone City Quota Quota 02 Gastroenterology 01 01 06 01 01 Surgery 01 01 04 01 01 01 01 Neurosurgery 02 Cardiology 01 01 01 Dermatology 01 02 01 Plastic Surgery 01 05 01 01 01 Medicine 01 01 Tuberculosis 02 Neurology -01 01 04 Radiology 02 01 01 01 Oncology / 01 Radiotherap Urology 03 01 01 01 04 13. Gynecology 01 01 01 01 04 Orthopedic

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Qualification/Experience:

4. Surgery

MBBS OR equivalent Medical qualification recognized by the PMC.

FCPS/MS/MD in the respective specialty OR other equivalent qualification in the relevant specialty recognized/ registered by the PMDC.

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Age Limit: 27 to 40 years (In case of person already in government service with at least three year service upper age limit shall not apply.)

Gender: Both male and female candidates are eligible

Mode of Test: MCQs Test in the relevant specialty.

Note: In case of non-availability of suitable candidate(s) from concerned zone(s) the post(s), will be filled by candidates of other zone(s) on merit basis i.e. All Balochistan.

05.Nine (09) Posts of Senior Registrar ENT (B-18), BMC.

Jilani and Lord Tariq appreciated the services of the overseas Pakistani commu-

They held deliberations over the formulation of a joint strategy to increase bilateral trade, cooperate in

Wednesday. sented as handcuffed

in

mand

FIA special team also reached from Islamabad to Attock Islamabad in cipher jail

Imran Khan was judicial remand. presented in the court on expiry of ju-dicial remand. 9 members of chairman PTI legal team were also present during the hearing.

Law ministry had Mehmood Qureshi issued notification on before it on expiry of hearing of cipher judicial remand.

No one will ever be allowed....

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ists not only from within Pakistan but also Europe and Asia.

Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar

The prime minister said it was the responsibility of the State to ensure the rights of the people. He said every effort

ogy hospital in Gilgit.

said negotiations have been held with the Governor, the Chief Minister and other stakeholders about the constitutional matters of the region. He mentioned that they are working towards finding constitutional solutions to questions related to the region's identity.

He said it will be our effort to help the people of Gilgit-Baltistan stand on their own feet and live a dignified life. He said they are striving to harness the economic potential of the region in various sectors, including tourism, mining and minerals, and power generation, by implementing long-term policies. He said improving road infrastructure in the region is also amongst our priorities.

He remarked improvement in the areas of tourism, energy and others is

our top most priority. The morale of the people of GB is mountains like high, he added.

He said laws will be enforced. Some people are on agenda. We will not allow any one to put jobs on sale.

We have come here to choke the throat of jobs auction

APP adds: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Wednesday said the problems of Gilgit-Baltistan would be addressed through constitutional means, and no 'hostage group' would be allowed to enforce its agenda.

"The rule of One Nation and One Law will be Minister Sarfraz Bugti, Inimplemented and there formation Murtaza Solangi, Chief should be no doubt about it," he told journalists at the Minister GB, and senior opening of the outpatient officials were present.

Prophet's life (PBUH) and period of Khulafa-e-Rashideen). However, a candidate belonging to othe religion would be asked questions according to his/her religion. Pakistan Studies: (1857 to 1947 and 1947 to till date)

BOLAN MEDICAL COLLEGE (Health Department) 01. Four (04) Posts of Assistant Professor (B-18) in Various Specialties, BMC. Zonal Allocation S# Specialty Mekran Zone Quetta City Merit Histopathology 01 **Community Medicine** 01 01 3 Pediatric Surgery 01

Qualification & Experience:

MBBS OR equivalent Medical qualification recognized/registered by the Pakistan Medical Council. ii. FCPS/MS/MD in the respective specialty OR other equivalent qualifications in the relevant specialty recognized /registered by the Pakistan Medical Dental Council.

Three years teaching /practical experience in the respective specialty in the recognized institution in order of the following preference:-

FIRST PREFERENCE: - Teaching experience.

SECOND PREFERENCE: - Practical Experience after post-graduation. THIRD PREFERENCE: - Practical experience before post-graduation.

Gender: Both (Male/Female) are eligible

Age Limit: 27 to 40 years (In case of person already in government service with at least three years service the upper age limit shall not apply).

Mode of Test: MCQs Test in the relevant specialty.

Note: In case of non-availability of suitable candidate(s) from concerned zone(s) the post(s), will be filled

He said every effort	by candidates of other zone(s) on merit basis i.e. All Balochistan.				
would be made to resolve					
the problems of the people	02. One (01) Post of Assistant Professor (B-18) Oral Medicine Dentistry, BMC.				
of GB and provide them	Zonal Allocation Si Kalat Zone 01 G				
with an honourable life.	Kalat Zone 01				
He vowed to focus on	Qualification/Experience:				
tapping the economic po-	I. BDS or equivalent Dental qualification registered/recognized by the Pakistan Medical & Dental				
tential of GB through its					
tourism and energy produc-	ii. MDS(Pak), FCPS or other equivalent postgraduate qualifications recognized/registered by Pakistan				
tion sectors.	Medical &Dental Council in the respective subject.				
Kakar said the road in-	iii. Teaching experience is to be preferred and credit should be given to the original research work published in the standard Dental/Medical Journal				
frastructure of GB would					
be improved to enhance its	<u>OR</u>				
connectivity with the rest	I. BDS or equivalent Dental Qualification registered/recognized by the Pakistan Medical & Dental				
of the country.	Council.				
He mentioned holding	ii. Postgraduate minor diploma in the relevant subject recognized by the PMDC.				
detailed meetings with lo-	iii. Three years teaching experience as Lecturer/Demonstrator in the Dental Teaching Institution after				
cal stakeholders and high-	postgraduate qualification.				
lighted the importance of	iv. Credit should be given to the original research work published in the standard Dental/Medical Journal				
removing mutual misunder-	Note: Candidates with postgraduate diploma in respective subject shall be appointed as Assistant				
standings.	Professor/Senior Registrar only when persons with higher qualifications are not available.				
About financial prob-	OR				
lems faced by Gilgit-	I. BDS or equivalent Dental qualification registered/recognized by the Pakistan Medical & Dental				
Baltistan University, he	Council.				
said following his discus-	ii. Without any postgraduate qualification, ten years teaching experience as Lecturer/Demonstrator in				
sion with the vice-chancel-	the relevant subject with at least three research papers.				
lor, the finance division had	Note: Candidates with BDS qualification shall be eligible only when persons with postgraduate				
been directed to step in.	qualifications are not available.				
As an inclusive ap-					
proach, the prime minister	Age Limit: 27 to 40 years (In case of the person already in Government Service with at least three years'				
said he had directed the care-	service upper age limit shall not apply).				
taker information minister	<u>Gender:</u> Both male and female candidates are eligible.				
to telecast air talk shows on	<u>Mode of Test</u> : MCQs in the relevant specialty.				
Pakistan Television in	Note: In case of non-availability of suitable candidate(s) from concerned zone(s) the post(s), will be				
Gilgiti and Shina languages	filled by candidates of other zone(s) on merit basis i.e. All Balochistan.				
twice a week.	03. One (01) Post of Assistant Professor (B-18) Oral Pathology Dentistry, BMC.				
Earlier, PM Kakar took	Zonal Allocation				
a round of various depart-	Kalat Zone 01				
ments of the hospital where	Qualification/Experience:				
he was briefed about the	I. BDS or equivalent Dental qualification registered/recognized by the Pakistan Medical & Dental				
medical facilities.	Council.				
The 50-bed hospital	ii. MDS(Pak), M.Phil., FCPS or other equivalent postgraduate qualifications				
contains emergency care, an	recognized/registered by Pakistan Medical & Dental Council in the respective subject& MDS (Pak),				
intensive care unit, a	M.Phil., FCPS in allied Clinical subjects.				
children's ward, cardiac sur-	iii. Teaching experience is to be preferred and credit should be given to the original research work				
gery, and treatment sec-	published in the standard Dental/Medical Journal. OR				
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MBBS OR equivalent Medical qualification recognized by the PMC.

FCPS/MS/MD in the respective specialty OR other equivalent qualification in the relevant specialty recognized/ registered by the PMC.

Age Limit: 27 to 40 years (In case of person already in government service with at least three year service upper age limit shall not apply.)

Gender: Both male and female candidates are eligible.

Mode of Test: MCQs Test in the relevant specialty.NoteIn case of non-availability of suitable candidate(s) from concerned zone(s) the post(s), will be filled by candidates of other zone(s) on merit basis i.e. All Balochistan

06.Four (04) Posts of Senior Lecturer (B-18) in Various Specialties, BMC.

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1	Histopathology	-		01	
2	Community Medicine	01	(= 1).	-	
3	Hematology(Pathology)		01	. ×	
4	Physiology		01		

Qualification:

MBBS or equivalent qualification recognized by the PMDC.

D.Sc./Ph.D./FCPS/MS/M.Phil. in the respective specialty OR other equivalent qualifications in espective specialty/subject recognized by the PMDC.

Limit: 27 to 40 years (In case of person already in government service with at least three years' vice the upper age limit shall not apply).

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> **BALOCHISTAN INSTITUTE OF PSYCHIATRY & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES** (HEALTH DEPARTMENT)

Nine (09) posts of Senior Registrar Psychiatry (B-18) Zonal Allocation

Kalat Zone Nasirabad Zone Mekran Zone Quetta Zone Quetta City 02 02 01 02 01

MBBS or equivalent medical qualifications recognized/registered by PM&DC; andb)PM&DC el III post graduate qualification in Psychiatry is required; Orc)Any other equivalent post graduate el III qualifications approved by PM&DC; and

For post of sub-specialty primary preference for PM&DC Level IV qualification in same sub cialty of Psychiatry; OR

Secondary preference for FCPS, MD, MRCP (Psych) or equivalent in Psychiatry. Age Limit: 27 0 years (In case of person already in government service with at least three years' service the uppe limit shall not exceed 55 years).

nder: Both Male and Female candidates are eligible

de of Test: MCQs Test in the relevant specialty

CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS IS 13th October, 2023 (Friday) GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

applications for Initial Recruitment in BPS-16 and above must be submitted online through BPSC's site www.bpsc.gob.pk. No hardcopy of online application is required from the applicants. However se applicants who do not have access to internet facility, are allowed to submit their applications or prescribed form must reach the Balochistan Public Service Commission, Quetta by hand or nail on or before the closing date i.e., 13th October 2023. Application form available at BPSC website ng detailed particulars in the light of prescribed conditions for the post applied for.b)It will be mandatory he candidates to bring original CNIC, Treasury Receipt (Green Challan) and downloaded copy of nission Certificate/Roll no slip at the time of Screening/ Written Test. (The candidates should realize original CNIC and original Treasury Receipt (Green Challan) would be admissible as a valid ument. It is reiterated that the candidates must preserve the original T.R and do not send the same to SC office in advance, so as to avoid any inconvenience at the time of entry in the Examination Is).c)Those candidates who have submitted their application by hand or sent by mail/post, their roll no will be dispatched to their postal address as well as they will be intimated through SMS.d)Admission tificates/Roll no slips for Screening (MCQ's Test/Written test) for posts applied will be placed on the osite of BPSC i.e. www.bpsc.gob.pk. Candidates are advised to frequently visit this website. They will ntimated through SMS as well. e)No extra time is allowed for postal transit etc.

PLICATION FEE: The Candidates are required to deposit the original treasury receipt of Rs. 1000 for 5-18. The amount should be deposited in the State Bank/National Bank of Pakistan only in the vince of Balochistan or Government Treasury authorized to transact business on behalf of vernment of Balochistan under the Head C02101 ORGANOF STATE EXAM.FEE RECEIPT BPSC incorporating the relevant RCO/District-wise Code in Challan. The RCO/District-wise code is lable on the official website of this Commission i.e. www.bosc.gob.nk

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President for implementation of job quota for persons with disabilities

ISLAMABAD (APP): President Dr. Arif Alvi on Wednesday underscored the need for implementation of job quota for persons with disabilities (PWDs) by the public and private sectors.

The president, during a follow-up meeting on the framework for the classification of disabilities, held at Aiwan-e-Sadr, said that 10 to 12 percent population of the country was facing various forms of dis-

governments, He said that it was the responsibility of the government and private sector Health to employ PWDs, as per (WHO) their skills and qualifications to empower them fiman Rights briefed the nancially.

meeting on the progress The meeting was atmade so far with regard tended by senior officials to the implementation of from the Ministry of Hudisability employment man Rights, Council on quota. Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD), NADRA, the ministry was actively pursuing with the govern-NAVTTC, representatives from the four provincial

Gilgitimplement job quota for Baltistan, AJK and a reprepersons with disabilities in sentative from the World letter and spirit.

The ministry high-Organization lighted that 98 differ-The Ministry of Huently-abled-persons (DAPs) had been provided jobs by the government organizations since March 2023.

The ministry further informed that a master list of potential employers was It was informed that being prepared to seek their support in providing jobs ment organizations to to PWDs.



ISLAMABAD: President Dr. Arif Alvi chairing a meeting on the framework for the classification of disabilities, at Aiwan-e-Sadr.



ISLAMABAD: Russian Ambassador to Pakistan Danila Ganich posing for a group photo graph along with the participants after conference entitled " Pakistan-Russia Relations, and Way Ahead" at Islamabad Policy Research Institute in Federal Capital.

Sajjad Azhar's book 'Rawal Raj' reflects cultural history of potohar says NA Speaker

ISLAMABAD (Online): aspects of Potohar region, Speaker National Assembly and Former Prime Minister of Pakistan Raja Pervez Ashraf attended the launching ceremony of journalist Sajjad Azhar's book 'Rawal Raj' as chief guest in Islamabad press club to-

day Former Federal Minister Pervez Rasheed, prominent Urdu poet Îftikhar Arif and large num-

ber of senior journalists also participated in the event. While congratulating Sajjad Azhar for writing a book on the rich historical to read hundreds of books to write one book. He said

SNGPL says:

212 gas connections

he said, "Potohar is a historical region and peculiarity of this region is that it in his book. has historical importance Later on while re-

across the world. The speaker further said that traditionally and culturally enriched people live in Potohar region. He also said that Sajjad Azhar has enlightened the young generation about cultural aspect of the history through his book. He also said that writing a book is a

Pakistan. He also said that the politics and democracy are

very difficult task, one has interlinked with Elections and whoever wins elections should form government

IHC orders to present FIR record against Ali Wazir on next hearing

ISLAMABAD (Online) Islamabad High Court (IHC) has ordered to present FIR record against Ali Wazir on next hearing of the case on September 18

registered against him.

AC cracks down

against violators

in Secretariat

Sub-Division

ISLAMABAD (APP)

The Assistant Commis-

Islamabad, on the directions

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The single bench of IHC led by Justice Miangul illegal use of gas in Hassan Aurangzeb gave this order during the hear-The regional team also lodged one FIR at the local ing of the petition seeking police station. The regional provision of details of cases against Ali Wazir and his team in Gujranwala disconprotection bail Wednesday.

nected 12 connections on The counsel for peti-tioner Atta Ullah Kundi appeared in the court. illegal use of gas while another 10 connections were disconnected for using compressors. The team fears the petitioner can be arrested on unknown FIR booked Rs. 238,000 against gas theft while also lodging

Jamal Shah, the Caretaker Federal Minister for Nathat Sajjad Azhar has hightional Heritage & Culture lighted the centuries-old Division, and Ehsan Khazaei, the Cultural Councivilization of Rawalpindi

sellor at the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran, sponding to question of discussed the cultural ties journalists regarding return between Pakistan and Iran, of former Prime Minister as well as recent develop-Nawaz Sharif and the holdments like cultural agreeing of General elections, the ments between the two naspeaker said , " it is appretions ciable and good omen that

In their meeting, the Nawaz Sharif is returning two parties explored the cultural connections between Pakistan and Iran, along with recent advancements in these relations. which encompassed cultural agreements between

he two friendly nations.

cultural collaborations ISLAMABAD (APP): arrange diverse cultural events, such as an Iranian film week and other cultural

Pakistan, Iran explore

exchanges. The minister expressed Pakistan's desire to enhance cultural connections with Iran, encompassing areas such as arts, cinema, handicrafts, literature, heritage, and culture.

Ehsan Khazaei, the Cultural Counsellor at the Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran, noted the numerous cultural and historical similarities shared by Pakistan and Iran.

They also conversed about a collaborative film production between the two nations and agreed to convene a delegation-level Additionally, they de- meeting to delve deeper liberated on collaborating to into this matter



ISLAMABAD: Ehsan Khazaei, Cultural Counsellor Embassy of Islamic Republic of Iran called on Jamal Shah, Caretaker Federal Minister for National Heritage & Culture at his office.

IHC scolds Islamabad police for no progress in Sadaqat whereabouts

He took the plea he ISLAMABAD (APP): like this without any Islamabad High Court charges, what message (IHC) reprimanded would be sent to the world? Islamabad Police for not On this occasion, a making any progress in the progress report was sublawmaker Sadaqat Ali Abbassi, who federal police. has been missing for two The report stated that weeks from parliament an advertisement was islodges. Justice Tariq Mehmood Jahangiri heard sued for the recovery of Sadaqat Abbasi and letters the petition for the recovwere written to provincial CTD offices including ery of Sadaqat Ali Abbasi. The judge asked the Gilgit-Baltistan, and Azad police, how it would be Kashmir. It added that a repossible for a person to disquest had been made to colappear from the Red Zone, lect the data of Sadaqat and nobody had any clue Abbasi and the report of his about his whereabouts. WhatsApp messages. All resources were being used to

On this occasion, a

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Ganich for independent mode of payment between Pakistan, **Russia to bolster trade activities**

ISLAMABAD (APP): lateral ties and regional is-Ambassador of Russian sues Federation, Danila Ganich on Wednesday wished for Ambassador said that there an independent mode of payment between Pakistan were excellent contacts at all levels and the underand Russia in an attempt to standings on the political, bolster trade activities. which presently was around \$700 million. military and commerce

Addressing a seminar titled 'Pakistan-Russia Relations and the Way Ahead', organized by the Islamabad Policy Research Institute (IPRI) at the forum titled, Diplomatic Reflections', the Russian Ambassador shed light on different topics pertaining to Ukraine-

kistanis as a whole was supportive of Russia and even during the war in Afghanistan by the erstwhile Soviet Union, there were pockets of support inside Pakistan.

He particularly mentioned the Russian largesse Russia War, Pak-Russia bi- in supporting Pakistan's

against Islamophobia and observed About bilateral rela-tions with Pakistan, the respected. He castigated the West for irrationally advocating freedom of speech and that too when it entails to polarizing the society. Ganich said, "We support counter-terrorism

RASTA

Conference

today

sides were growing. The Ambassador said that Pameasures along with Pakistan, as we understand that your country has paid a great price in the form of 80,000 casualties during the war on terrorism." He said military drills between the two countries, known as 'Friendship', will continue,

stance

cities of Punjab, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Islamabad against gas pilferers In Peshawar, the company disconnected 30 con-

nections on account of direct use of gas and illegal connections while one FIR was lodged. SNGPL's team in Mardan disconnected one

gas connection for using domestic connection for and an episode has been sum of Rs. 108,100 was planned for next year. also booked against gas **3rd PIDE**,

In Sialkot, the com-

commercial purposes. A

two FIRs.

disconnected, Rs. 1.95mln booked against gas theft ISLAMABAD (INP): pany disconnected 38 con-SNGPL's regional teams nections on illegal use of gas continue raids in different and for using compressor.

Sargodha.

Two gas connections were disconnected in Sargodha on and meter tampering while another 3 connections were disconnected on account of

solving global challenges

COMSTECH willing to engage

science community towards

ISLAMABAD (APP): mit, organized by ISC In-The Coordinator-General of COMSTECH, the Ministerial Standing Committee on Scientific and Technological Cooperation for the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), Prof. Dr. M. Iqbal Choudhary, has said that COMSTECH is willing to play a central role in engaging the science community of the Muslim world in research towards solving global challenges.

He was addressing the inaugural session of the United Nations General Assembly's Science Summit on Tuesday, said a message received here. The sum- erty, youth unemployment,

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Research for Social telligence in Science, is a sig-nificant platform for global Transformation and Advancement (RASTA) is all science collaboration during set to host the third twothe UN General Assembly. day PIDE-RASTA Confer-In his address, the ence from Thursday, Sep-Coordinator-General extember 14. pressed gratitude to Mr. This event marks a sig-Declan Kirrane, Managing nificant milestone ir Director of ISC Intelligence in Science, for his pivotal

RASTA's annual calendar featuring an impressive role in promoting global scilineup of sessions and reence collaboration and hostsearch showcases, according the Science Summits ing to a press statement is during the UN General Assued by the Pakistan Instisembly. The Coordinatortute of Development Eco-General highlighted the nomics (PIDE). multiple challenges faced

A total of 20 papers by OIC countries, includwould be presented across ing food insecurity, pov-8 engaging sessions, provid-ing a platform for the exchange of ideas and insights

Ouality research witnesses substantial increase as current year publications reach 29000

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ISLAMABAD (APP): Chairman Higher Education Commission (HEC) Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed has said that the number of universities as well as the quality of research has witnessed a substantial increase in the last two decades.

Talking to APP, he highlighted a substantial transformation in the realm of research with the current year boasting 28,967 publications in Impact Factor Journals.

He said that owing to these factors and many other initiatives a number of Pakistani universities are now featured in World and Asian rankings.

The chairman of HEC also shed light on the remarkable evolution of universities in the country over the past two decades. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed

said that HEC's efforts are underway for improvement in gender parity in higher education institutions, growth in PhD faculty and establishment of Centres of Excellence in emerging disciplines such as Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, Quantum Computing, etc.

The Chairman underscored the revamping of research promotion and commercialisation initiatives and briefed the minis-

from experts in the field. RASTA is the country's largest economic and public policy research network comprising academia and think tanks. structures in the markets, It has been at the forefront roads, green belts, and sideof promoting policy debate and research culture in the walk tracks in the federal capital during the last year. country, the statement added. With a commitment to producing high-quality

around 12,137 items of encroachers have also been evidence-based research confiscated, subsequently that informs public policy these articles are auctioned. RASTA has expanded its Besides, fines worth Rs. influence and now boasts a 4.876 million has also been network of over 60 local recovered from trespassers universities, more than 10 as a penalty," sources in the foreign institutes, and an CDÂ told APP. impressive roster of ap-They said, "Directorproximately 2300 researchate of Enforcement has

ers, academics, practitiolaunched as many as 1,363 ners, and professionals. anti-encroachment opera-The program is guided by a distinguished 26-member Research Advisory Committee, chaired by the Vice-Chancellor of PIDE.



ISLAMABAD: A view of the metro bus as pack with passengers as due to the high ratio of the fares of the public transport people are using such low budget transportation in Federal Capital.

Sri Lanka Tourism Roa 13th September 2023, Serena Hotel - Islama



ISLAMABAD: Chairman Sri Lanka Convention Bureau Thisum Jayasuriya talking with media persons during press conference regarding the " Sri Lanka Tourism Roadshow" at local hotel in Federal Capital.

CDA demolishes over 7k illegal structures in markets, roads, green belts

board in the Islamabad ISLAMABAD (APP): The Directorate of Enforce-Capital Territory (ICT) ment, Capital Development during the last year. The sources said, "Di Authority (CDA) has demolished over 7,000 illegal rectorate was vigorously

undertaking anti-encroachment operations on a regular basis throughout Islamabad in order to curb "During the operation, the illegal constructions in the ICT.

They said the continuous operations were being carried out on a day-to-day basis 24/7 for retrieval of state land from land grabbers and encroachers.

dealt with by the Directorate of Municipal Adminis-

tions carried out across the tion, Islamabad (MCI). **KSrelief distributes** 12,000 food packages in Chitral, Dir districts

ISLAMABAD (APP): King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Centre (KSrelief), in collaboration with the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), has distributed 12,000 food packages to assist individuals affected by the floods in the Lower and Upper Chitral, as well as Dir districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. According to details, this package is a part of the second phase of the Food Security Support Project in Pakistan for the vear 2023-24, according to a Saudi Embassy's statement on Wednesday.

During this second entire month

phase, KSrelief is also distributing 4,400 food pack-ages to flood victims in Police Islamabad to appear before it on September 19 in person in this matter. case came up for hearing before single bench of IHC Sahabatpur, and Washuk in

led by Justice Tariq Jahangiri Wednesday. Bher Islamabad has regis-tered FIR number 517/ packages across Pakistan. Each of these packages 2023 with reference to abweighs a substantial 95 kiduction and recovery of

Sidra Bibi. tial provisions for a family to sustain themselves for an

Expressing his anger, recover the kidnapped Sadagat Ali Abbasi. Directhe said that Islamabad was the face of Pakistan, where ing IG Islamabad and Intenumerous CCTV cameras were operational, and varirior Ministry to submit a reous agencies were working. He asked that if port within a week regarding

the case and adjourned the people start disappearing hearing till September 26.



ISLAMABAD: A stunning view of the travelling cars at the junction and flyover of the Faisal Avenue in Federal Capital.

26 drug peddlers held, narcotics recovered

Independent Report ISLAMABAD: Islamabad Capital Police have apprehended 26 drug peddlers from different areas of the city including those involved in supplying drugs at educational institutions and recovered 8,550 gram hashish and 4,983 gram heroin from their posses-

sion during the last 48 hours Following the special directions of Islamabad Capital City Police Officer ICCPO) Dr. Akbar Nasir Khan, a police spokesperson said that Islamabad Police have intensified the crackdown against the drug peddlers involved in supplying drugs at educational institutions to eliminate this menace from the city. During this crack-down, the Margalla police

team arrested two accused namely Hanook Tanveer and Asif Khan and recovered a total of 980 gram heroin from their possession. Karachi Company police team arrested an ac-

spectively. Likewise, the Ramna police team arrested Sajjad and recovered 510 gram heroin from his possession. Golra police team arrested two accused namely Asif Khan and Afzal and recovered a total of 1021 gram heroin from their possession. Sumbal

cused namely Nabeel

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recovered 560 gram hash-

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Shalimar police team

gram heroin from him.

police team arrested an accused namely Shafi and recovered 1246 gram hashish from his possession. The Industrial Area police team arrested 1 Salamat Masih and recovered 550 gram

heroin from him. Tarnol police arrested Ameer and recovered 225 gram hashish from his possession. Sangjani police arrested Kashmir Khan and recovered 680 gram hashish from his possession.

IG Police IBD to appear before it in person ISLAMABAD (Online): Islamabad High Court (IHC) has raised questions on the performance of police in the case of recov-ery of a woman in Islamabad.

Punjab's Muzaffargarh and Bahawalnagar districts, 5,000 food packages in Sajawal and Dadu districts of Sindh, and 11,000 food packages in Kharan,

Balochistan. In total, this initiative aims to benefit 226,800 people through the distribution of 32,400 food

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Justice Jahangiri remarked this case relates to iustice of peace.

the Municipal Corpora-





an inspection for price checking, and unauthorized use of polythene bags, and ensuring cleanliness in the area

The matter was being

tration working under the administrative control of

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OPINION

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CJP's legacy

It was "bitter" constitutional litigation, the chief justice believes, that ultimately affected the court's performance. But was it just that? Speaking at a the TTP. Reportedly, hundreds of heavily armed milifull court reference held to tants stormed Pakistani semark the start of a new judicial curity posts in Chitral last year, Chief Justice Umar Ata Bandial on Monday regretted after three days of fierce that the Supreme Court had the remote district is far from been pushed into "a trying connormal. Tension continues test". "We sat back and became its victim and suffered in perports of the militants having infiltrated the border arformance," he reflected. Yet the eas of the Kalash valley. The Supreme Court can hardly be latest attacks in the treacherous mountainous region described as having 'sat back' mark an expansion in the while the country's institutions TTP's cross-border operaand political parties were making a mad grab for power.

Over Justice Bandial's tenure, the apex court found itself stumbling from one controversy to another, starting from its overturning of the National Assembly deputy speaker's decision to throw out a no-confidence vote against then PM Imran Khan. At the time, the decision was widely hailed for having put to rest the doctrine of necessity. However, it also set a precedent for the court to go beyond established boundaries as it attempted to do 'justice'. Shortly after, the apex court 'rewrote' the Constitution by nullifying lawmakers' power to defy party lines. Given the po-litical consequences of the dition to this bandwagon is the India-Middle East-Eu-rope Economic Corridor

versy followed. It, therefore, surprised no government says that India, one when, barely a year later, Saudi Arabia, the United the court's internal differ- Arab Emirates (UAE), ences spilt out into the pub- France, Germany, Italy, the European Union (EU) and lic domain. The court had the US have announced to overstepped once again by build the India-Middle Easttaking up petitions against Europe Economic Corridor (IMEC). election delays while the high courts were still hearing the to stimulate conomic devel the Middle East and Eu- revenue, were Chinese" matter. As some of the judges put their foot down to protest their institution's 'transgressions', matters started to unravel quickly. While the PDM government tried to flame the divisions within the court, the chief justice failed to restore unity within his ranks. Progress on key cases quickly stalled, and justice was put on the back-burner Children are a country's as the change of guard loomed closer. As Chief Justice Umar Ata Bandial prepares to hang up his have not given sufficient robes, he has started feeling the weight of this legacy he leaves behind. It is difficult not der 18 years in households, to empathise with him. Less than two years ago, he ¹²million child labourers in was celebrated for being a the country. A study in 2003 showed that eight per "soft-spoken man of integrity" and a "competent judge" who was "learned and fair-minded". But the same people who once live in poverty, with some 24pc below the poverty spoke so highly of Justice line. For families in such Bandial later ruthlessly assailed his capabilities, with of family planning, every some accusing him of "fixing" benches with "like-minded ents. Instead of sending judges" and running a "oneman show". It cannot be easy for anyone to see their reputation — achieved through an hensible scenario where entire lifetime's work — be children are birthed solely for financial gain. The conruthlessly attacked and re- ditions under which these duced in such a manner. But such a thing is perhaps unavoidable now, given the judicialisation of our politics. The incoming chief justice should take the experience of cated and financially stable the incumbent and those im- 14-year-old Rizwana, who mediately before him as a worked as domestic help warning. A ruthless commitment to fair play could help him Rizwana's parents did not avoid a similar end next year.

The TTP's new battleground field. The two Afghan prov- organised and better inces house the largest sanc- equipped with sophisti-The impunity with

tuaries for the outlawed Pakistani militant group. With reports of the

militants amassing on the border and tensions building up in the region for some time, the raid didn't come as a surprise. According to some reports, the attacks were led by TTP head Noor Mehsud. The timing of the attacks seemed well calcu-

lated as the country celebrated Defence Day on Sept 6. The clashes left casualties on both sides. While there has been a

significant rise in cross-border raids in the former tribal regions, incidents of terrorist violence have also escalated in recent months, taking a huge toll on Pakistani security forces. The militants have virtually declared a war on the Pakistani state. The TTP is not only active in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa but has also extended its operations to the troubled Balochistan province. Meanwhile, the latest incident in Chitral has added to our security concerns. We are now back to the

cated northwestern part of Pakistan that borders pre-2016 situation, or even Afghanistan's Kunar and worse, with the resurgence Nuristan provinces has beof militant violence. The the most lethal attacks in come the TTP's latest battlemilitants appear more recent years.

equipped with sophisticated weaponry. Scores of Pakistani soldiers reportedly lost their lives in August, the bloodiest month, in clashes between the security forces and the militants, with targeted attacks

in various parts of KP and Balochistan Such a high number of casualties is alarming. The situation is getting worse with reports of tacit support for the TTP from some Afghan Taliban commanders. A

major concern for the Pakistani security forces is the militants acquiring modern weapons left behind by the Nato forces and the former Afghan army With the interim Af-

its soil, security challenges ing are reports of the Afghan tacks inside Pakistan. There was strong evidence of their involvement in the raid on lier this year. It was among

which such attacks are being carried out against the security forces also raises questions about our own strategy to deal with the existentialist threat. Growing political and economic instability in the country also seems to have given impetus to the militants. The se-

curity forces now seem overstretched, with the expansion of militant operations along the long and porous border with Afghanistan.

Some reports quoting TTP sources maintain that the worsening sectarian tension in the nearby area of Gilgit-Baltistan has also been the reason behind the latest TTP incursion into Chitral. The militants are reportedly regrouping under the TTP banner in the area.

difficult.

Given

Indeed, the Chitral incident cannot be seen in isolation. Cross-border infiltration and clashes are not a new phenomenon in the region. The neighbouring Afghan provinces of Kunar and Nuristan have long been known as the centre of Al Qaeda-backed, religiously inspired militancy. The area became a safe haven for Pakistani militants fleeing from military operations in this country. The return of cross-border attacks are a

grim reminder of the grow-Taliban rule in Afghanistan helped them reorganise. ing TTP threat to national There have been sevsecurity

Indeed, the return of eral incidents of cross-bor-Taliban rule across the border clashes in the district in the past. But the Sept 6 raid der has been a major factor was the most serious, with in the resurgence of milia large number of militants tant violence in the councrossing over. A top TTP try but the absence of a commander told The clear strategy has also helped the TTP regain Khorasan Diary, a digital some of its lost space. The news platform, that several villages have fallen to the policy of appeasement has militants. The claim has not come back to haunt us. been verified. The area where the infiltration took place is believed to be more vulnerable because of its inhospitable terrain. The mountainous region is cov-

It was a serious mistake on the part of the state to engage in so-called peace negotiations with the outlawed group on the persuasion of the Afghan Taliban administration in 2021. ered with snow for much of The terms of engagement the year, making cross-bor-

der movement extremely were set by the militants. It is that policy of ap-Chitral's peasement that the country geostrategic location the is now paying for. Indeed, rise of the militant threat we must put pressure on the Afghan Taliban adminthere is a serious security concern for Pakistan. The istration to take action region not only borders against the militants oper-Afghanistan but also ating from its soil, but more Tajikistan and China importantly, we have to set through the Wakhan Corour own counterterrorism ridor. Because of its sensipolicy in order. There still tivity, there is a large presseems to be some confuence of Pakistani security sion over how to deal with forces in the region. But the rising TTP threat. The the tough terrain makes it Chitral incident is yet another wake-up call for our harder to completely stop policymakers. -- Courthe infiltration. The latest tesy Dawn

ghan Taliban administration refusing to take action against TTP sanctuaries on for Pakistan have exacerbated. What is most alarm-Taliban also joining the TTP in some of the terrorist atthe security post in Zhob district of Balochistan ear-

Navigating economic corridors

opment through enhanced rope", a jubilant Indian preconnectivity and economic mier said. He called it an "historic" agreement. The integration between Asia. the Arabian Gulf. and Eu-European commission president, Ursula von der rope. The IMEC comprises two discrete corridors, the Leyen, described it as "much more than just a rail-way or a cable"..."It is a east corridor which connects India to the Arabian Gulf via green and digital bridge sea and the northern corridor which links the Arabian across continents and Gulf to Europe. Like other civilisations' corridors, the IMEC also

There is unprecedented optimism in Indian includes a railway line via the Middle Eastern counmedia and policy circles. tries - the UAE, Saudi Unnecessarily and as per their habit to bring Pakistan Arabia, Jordan and Israel into every discussion, the and a sealine linking Indian ports with the Port of Haifa Hindustan Times came up in Israel to European ports. with the heading: "Meltdown in Pakistan over his-Upon successful fruition, it is expected to provide a retoric India-Middle East-EU corridor: 'Wake-up call'". liable and cost-effective cross-border 'ship-to-rail It is a brave initiative transit network' to suppleindeed, but it is too early to ment existing maritime and celebrate or dismiss it. As road transport routes.US compared with the BRI, several transnational infrastructure-building initiatives have been announced dur-

President Joe Biden has labelled the initiative "a real big deal" and a "game-chang-ing investment". Critics say ing the last decade or so, but this is a direct challenge to none has dwarfed the Chi-Chinese President Xi's signese 'project of the century' nature Belt and Road Initiathus far. tive (BRI). PM Modi has

China is a global develstated that it will give a new opment actor and particudirection to connectivity larly in the realm of mega

Similarly, in infrastructurebuilding, Beijing is a global leader as it has completed numerous mega projects at home and abroad. Owing to this, among the 20 largest construction contractors. 14 are Chinese, while six are from the EU and there is none from the US.

A recent study illustrates that during the last 20 years, Beijing has financed over 13,000 projects worth \$843 billion in 165 countries. According to the China Power Project of the Washington-based Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), under the BRI banner, China has been working in 138 countries mit held in Cornwall in the with a combined GDP of UK in 2021, where he came up with the Build Back Bet-\$29 trillion and some 4.6 ter World (B3W) plan.

billion people or about 61 per cent of the global population.

According to the erican Enterprise focusing on physical infra-American Institute's China Global Instructure such as fibre optic vestment Tracker, financing cables, clean transport corridors and clean power and implementing more than 4,000 large projects in transmission lines. The initiative announced that with diverse sectors, China's overseas investment and strong commitment from EU

By any metrics. China has ing democratic values and global footprints when it high standards, good govercomes to financing and exnance and transparency, ecuting equal partnership, green and infrastructure clean, resilient infrastrucprojects.

ture, and catalyzing private-In contrast, the response of other bilateral or sector investment. multilateral actors has re-Japan's Partnership for Quality Infrastructure mained lacklustre. To counter the rising role of Investment is another initia-China, the US and its allies tive between the World Bank and the government of in the Group of Seven (G7) came up with their own ini-Japan to support the devel-opment of infrastructure tiatives. "China has its Belt and Road Initiative, and we that is resilient, inclusive. sustainable, and supports think that there's a much more equitable way to proeconomic growth. All these economic vide for the needs of coun-

tries around the world". US initiatives must be wel-President Biden stated after comed as they aim to inthe end of the 47th G7 sumcrease regional trade and connectivity and bring people, services and goods together. They must not be viewed from a zero-sum Similarly, the EU-led perspective as economic Global Gateway project, announced in 2021, aimed at corridors should not be used for geopolitical competition by major powers. Hence, how the latest corridor in the form of the IMEC will fare depends on multiple factors. Raising financing is just one element, bringing participating countries to agree to a clear roadmap link-



Zahid Hussain

It was the most audacious

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There were some re-

We are living in an era of 'corridorization', 'economic corridor' being the new buzzword. The proponents of these 'corridors' claim that they are vital for increasing regional connectivity and trade. The latest adcourt's interventions in these (IMEC), announced during the 2023 G20 summit held cases, criticism and controin New Delhi. The official statement of the Memorandum of Understating (MoU) released by the US

It has been envisioned that the IMEC is expected

infrastructure, Beijing has and sustainable development. "In times to come, the done wonders. According to corridor will become an efone research study. fective medium for eco- 2017, seven of the ten largnomic integration of India, est construction firms, by

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Abused at work



most precious investment. But in Pakistan, poor chil-

dren don't fall in this category. Even after 75 years of existence, we as a nation importance to child rights. Child domestic labour refers to hiring children unwith or without a salary. Figures from 2016 showed the country. A study in cent of all child labour was related to domestic work. It is also estimated that

around 40pc of Pakistanis situations, survival is the primary goal. Due to lack child born becomes an additional burden on the parthem to school, they are sent to work. In some households, having more children means more income, leading to a reprechildren work is often irrelevant, as long as the parents receive a monthly sal-

The situation is even more disheartening when child rights violations occur in the homes of edufamilies. The recent case of in the home of a well-todo judge is an example.

called to take her home, they discovered she had been brutally abused. The responsibility for this situation lies with the judge and his wife, Rizwana's parbrought her from her village, and all those who silently watched her work without questioning the circumstances. It seems that our state is blind to

these issues. Children are often preferred over adult domestic workers because they can be paid lower salaries, take up less space, require less food, and are easily controlled and threatened. It is ironic that employers often justify hiring children by claiming that they are helping them live their lives. Employing a child for work is not a favour; it is a crime. It robs them of their precious childhood. It denies them their right to education, trapping not only them but also future generations in a cycle of exploitation.

The proportion of sue. girls involved in domestic labour is much higher than boys, perpetuating gender inequality and limiting future opportunities for girls. For these children, the stress from excessive workloads leads to anxiety, and the loneliness of being away from home can result in depression. Constantly comparing their lives to those of their employer's children can cause low selfesteem and a sense of hopelessness. It can lead to feelings of jealousy, aggression, and cause conduct disorders. In some households, making these children work beyond their capabilities is not the end of it, as they are subjected to abuse physical, sexual and psy-

chological. Another recent case is that of nine-year-old Fatima, who was sexually abused in the haveli of a pir or spiritual leader. Sadly, she succumbed to her injuries. It was later from exploitation and abuse. revealed that many other

girls were living in the house as domestic workers. These girls are given as gifts to these pirs and feudal lords, and parents receive nominal amounts of money ents, the trafficker who in return. Heartbreaking stories of child domestic labourers treated as slaves by their monstrous employers and often losing their lives come to light every now and then. Pakistan has ratified conventions on child

Just a few days after the elected president of Chile, labour and has laws in place to address this issue. his close friend and com-Punjab was the first provrade Salvador Allende, had ince to pass a law specifimet a violent death in his cally targeting domestic workplace, the man delabour in 2019, which scribed by Gabriel García banned children below 15 Márquez as "the greatest poet of the 20th century, in years old from working as domestic labourers. Sindh any language" lay on his bed does not have a specific law in a Santiago clinic, ailing for child domestic labour, and distraught. but when the Sindh Child Matilde, had left his bed-Protection law was amended in 2021, child side to return to their home labour in domestic and in Isla Negra to collect some commercial settings was books that Pablo Neruda included in the definition wished to take with him to of child abuse, making it Mexico, where he had been more than just a labour isinvited to retreat by the

In 2020, a domestic Echeverria. She received a labour law was passed in phone call from Neruda, Islamabad Capital Territory who sounded unusually as well. Despite having agitated. She rushed back, various laws on child rights, fearing the worst. there is inconsistency in the Matilde had tried to shield definition of the upper age limit for a child in each law. her husband from the worst To address this confusion, news about the atrocities it is crucial to establish a unfolding in the wake of the unified definition of a child Sept 11, 1973, coup. But he could not be denied acas anyone below 18 years old. This will help clarify cess to his friends, and when the age criteria across all she returned, a highly dislaws. Furthermore, child tressed Neruda informed her: "They're killing domestic labour should be people, they're handing banned and criminalised, with the offence being their bodies over in pieces. added to the Pakistan Pe-The morgue's full of the dead ... Ďidn't you know nal Code as a non-bailable and non-compoundable ofwhat happened to Víctor fence. We cannot afford to Jara? He was one of those lose more children like they tore to pieces, they destroyed his hands ... Oh my God, that's like killing Zohra, Tayyaba, Kinza, Rizwana and Fatima. Our society, lawmakers and a nightingale. And they say government must prioritise he kept on singing and singing, and that drove them wild." action on poverty alleviation, population control,

His information was free compulsory education and protecting children reasonably accurate. Víctor Jara was arguably the most -- Courtesy Dawn potent symbol of the cul-

construction since 2005 has reached \$2.27 trillion. Similarly, since the launch of the BRI, China has invested or lent over \$1 trillion to more than 100 countries who are signatory to the initiative.

member-states, the Global Gateway would aim at moing the UAE and Saudi bilizing investments of up Arabia with Israel via Jorto 300 billion euros between dan is also contingent on the 2021 and 2027. The EU political situation of the pledged that key principles volatile Middle East. -would be adhered to includ- Courtesy TheNews

Silencing a songbird

accompanied — and in some ways facilitated — Popular Unity's ascent to power in 1970. He was an internationally acclaimed theatre director who had, since his deprived childhood, also been deeply immersed in Chilean folk music, and eventually started writing his own songs to supplement the vast repertoire he had imbibed from his mother and his broader milieu.

In 1969, he won joint first prize at the first festival of Nueva Canción Chilena — Chilean New Song — with Plegaria a un Labrador (Prayer to a Worker). It was a genre he had helped to propagate, following in the footsteps of Violeta Parra. The festival was held at Estadio Chile, where Jara returned four years later as a prisoner of the junta that snuffed out with extreme prejudice the very idea of a more equitable and humane

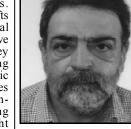
nation country's president, Luis Sept 11, Jara bid farewell to his family and drove off to his workplace, the State Technical University, despite knowing that a mili-On doctors' orders, tary coup had been launched. Curfew prevented him from returning home, and the following day Jara and hundreds of fellow teachers and stunearby stadium, which was serving as a concentration camp for political prisoners. He was recognised and singled out at the gate, abused in the vilest terms, and brutally assaulted. That was just the preamble to at least three days of extreme torture before an officer blew out his brains, and then encouraged his underlings to fire their machineguns into the assassinated avatar of an aborted dream. When his widow located his body among the hundreds of unidentified corpses in the city morgue two days later, guided by a yo--ung communist who

tural revolution that had risked his life to in--f-orm her, it was riddled with 44 bullet holes. Thanks mainly to Joan Jara and her associates in Chile and abroad, eight former military officers were sentenced five years ago, among them possibly the beast who had battered the hands that gently strummed the guitar. The alleged chief perpetrator, however, remains at liberty in Florida.

Goaded to sing after his initial torture, Victor had defiantly burst into a verse of Venceremos, the Popular Unity theme song. And before he was plucked away from fellow detainees for his final ordeal, he scribbled an anti-fascist poem that, miraculously, was smuggled out of the stadium and soon enough rang out in various parts of the world.

Unaware of all this, Neruda died on the eve of his scheduled departure for Mexico. Some evidence has lately emerged to suggest that he was poisoned, but it

On the morning of remains inconclusive and the whole truth may never be ascertained. It's fairly obvious that an outraged and outspoken Neruda would have been an unpleasant prospect for the Pinochet junta. But whether or not it played any role in silencing the poet, the recent Nobel laureate-unlike Allende or Jara — could not be denied dents were marched to the a proper funeral. As armed soldiers and police looked on, deterred from action by dozens of foreign correspondents, the hundreds of funeral marchers recited Neruda's verses, then burst into the Internationale, before raising slogans that invoked (and immortalised) not just Neruda but also Allende and Victor Jara. Half a century later, the outstanding poet's last journey still reflects both the final embers of Popular Unity and the first sparks of the relentless resistance that eventually thwarted the neoliberal aspirations of the US-backed military clique. -- Courtesy Dawn



Mahir Ali

The poet's wife,

Daily Aoice of Masse, Independent

Thursday September 14, 2023

He said that only one

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Governor KP says: Quality education, research studies imperative for sustainable economic progress, development

PESHAWAR Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Governor, Haji Ghulam Ali here Wednesday said that the quality higher education and research studies in universities were vital for sustainable economic progress and development of the country.

Briefing newsmen about the fiscal analysis of KP universities 2021-2024 report prepared by the Governor's Secretariat KP here, the Governor said that no country could achieve goals of economic prosperity and development unless it equipped its people with an ornament of quality universities by the past higher education and

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(APP): concentrated on excellent percent was being spent on research work. He said the research based education research work which was very low compared to generates employment international standards. opportunities and alleviates poverty in The Governor said that in last four to five months, society. The Governor said that a total of 34 public eight universities in KP were sector universities were providing quality higher functioning without a vice education to students in chancellor while VCs of KP despite financial additional constraints.

universities are going to Haji Ghulam Ali said retire shortly. He said that that the revenue of most of the former PTI government public sectors has done great injustice universities was decreasing with the universities after passing an act that complicated the and expenditures were increasing due to poor planning and wrong appointment of vice chancellors and KP's selection of sites for the establishment of new domiciled human resource for induction in public governments sector universities

LAHORE: Governor Punjab Muhammad Balighur Rehman in a group photo with IT trainers under the aegis of Akhuwat Foundation at Governor House.

P&D directed to take land acquisition into account in foreign funded projects

PESHAWAR (APP): the imposition of Section Advisor to KP Caretaker IV, a strategy should also CM on Planning & be evolved for land Development (P&D), acquisition in the land Communications Works, and Public Health Engineering (PHE), Dr. Syed Sarfaraz Ali Shan has directed the authorities of the P&D Department to take into account the procedure of land purchase, expenditures, and other required processes in the feasibility reports of development funds for the purpose.

scarcity districts of the Plaza province.

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He further directed that the expenditure in all the ongoing provincial, federal, and foreign-funded development projects should be as per the schedule utmost efforts should be made for timely spending of the released

He directed

that the projects that are

near should be given full

attention while separate

156 Kg hashish, 96 Kg opium PESHAWAR (APP) Excise Intelligence Bureau (EIB) here Wednesday foiled a bid of narcotics smuggling and recovered hashish and opium from a car near Motorway Toll

EIB recovers

Acting on a tip-off, a team of EIB started checking vehicles near the toll plaza. During checking 96 kilograms of opium and 156 kilogram hashish were recovered from a private V-8 vehicle.

incident.

coordinated action. Smugglers also resorted to firing at EIB team and escaped from the scene after abandoning the

and six persons sustained

minor injuries in the

registered in Excise Station

Peshawar Region and an

investigation is underway. Meanwhile, Director

General Excise and Narcotics Control, Akmal

Khattak appreciated the

performance of EIB team

The case has been



GILGIT: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar -ul-Haq Kakar interacts with the doctors and para-medical staff of Cardiac Hospital.

Equipping youth with IT education is the need of hour: Baligh

Independent Report Governor LAHORE: Punjab Muhammad Balighur Rehman attended ceremony the ceremony of distribution of certificates of appreciation to IT trainers under the aegis of Akhuwat Foundation here at Governor House Lahore today as a special guest.

Addressing the ceremony, Governor Punjab Muhammad Balighur Rehman said that information technology has become an integral part of modern life and equipping the young generation with information technology education is the need of the hour. He said the target of

be achieved by increasing Akhuwat Foundation was IT software exports. Governor Punjab said that offering free courses to students in Akhuwat Foundation is designing. marketing, web and mobile doing a good job by giving free IT training to the applications development. youth.

He said that such people and institutions which are working for the welfare of the people are the bright face of the society which needs to be shown to the world. Governor Punjab said that in our society, deficiencies, flaws, and negative things are highlighted, while there are many good things in our society that also need to be highlighted. Governor Punjab added that he was economic development can happy to know that

Caretaker home minister for speeding up operations against criminals

KARACHI (APP): Sindh in the Katcha (riverine) Caretaker Minister for areas of the province, Home and Prisons Brig. ® Haris Nawaz while on Wednesday

presiding over a high-level meeting on law and order directed law enforcement agencies to speed up intelligence-based operations against street criminals, drug dealers, land grabbers and comb out illegal immigrants from the city, through mutual

ordered to evolve a joint General Pakistan Rangers

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execution of daily trial of accused on May 9

LAHORE (Online): Caretaker government of the meeting to ensure Punjab has decided to implementation of decision ensure implementation of of decision of daily trial in jail in respect of accused of mayhem in jail. May 9 tragedy.

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daily trial of perpetrators of May 9 He has also ordered to

It was also decided in

Chief

Meeting was held submit all the challans of under caretaker Punjab Lahore within 3 days on Chief Minister Mohsin incident of May 9 Naqvi in Lahore. It was told in the

The progress on briefing given in the issues related to events of meeting that construction May 9 and Jaranwala was and renovation of 9 churches in Jaranwala has reviewed.

Caretaker Chief been completed. Minister Punjab Mohsin Caretaker Naqvi has directed a team Minister Punjab Mohsin consisting of 3 ministers Naqvi has directed to and senior officers to visit complete the construction Jaranwala and submit and renovation of 13 more churches in 2 weeks.



PESHAWAR: Khyber Pakhtunkhawa Governor Haji Ghulam Ali add ressing a Press conference regarding financial situation of Universities. Caretaker Provincial Minister for Education Dr. Qasim Jan is also present.

China-Pak Belt and Road Joint Laboratory to be established in KP varsities

Two bodies found

Bodies of two persons were found from different parts of the area of Thikriwala police station.

Police spokesman said here on Wednesday that some passersby witnessed corpse of a 35-year-old man lying near on Wednesday. Lunda Bridge on Ring Road Chak No.64-JB and be established in five

informed the police. designated universities of Meanwhile, body of

Pakistan including UET Peshawar, UET Lahore, a 30-year-old youth Mehboob Elahi was found NED Karachi, NUST and from the Dera of his friend BUETEM Quetta. Ahmad Raza in Chak No.64-JB. with Secretary Relief and

The police took both bodies into custody and shifted them to mortuary

PESHAWAR (APP): The Shehreyar, VC University Southeast University of Science and Technology, (SEU) Naniyang, China's delegation and Prof. Dr. Bannu, Prof. Dr. Khair-uz-Zaman, VC University of Iftikhar Hussain, Vice Chancellor UET Peshawar Peshawar, Prof. Dr. Jehan Bakht. The senior officials from PDMA KP, Center discussed the possibility of establishing the "Chinafor Disaster Preparedness Pak Belt and Road Joint and Management, UoP, Laboratory for Smart China Study Center UoP and Civil Engineering Department UET Disaster Prevention of Department UET Peshawar gave their major Infrastructure" here presentations. The laboratory will

Prof. Zhou Dong from SEU said, the Civil Engineering Department SEU is ranked "A+" as a first class discipline, declared by Ministry of The delegation met Education, China.

He said that the Rehabilitation KP Abdul cooperation between SEU Basit, Deputy Scientific and Pakistani universities

according to a news release He vowed to take the

operation against the lawbreakers to its logical conclusion. The meeting was held here at the office of the Home Minister and attended by Sindh Home Secretary, Muhammad

Iqbal Memon, IGP Sindh Riffat Mukhtar; Addl.IGP Karachi Khadim Hussain The Home Minister Rind, Deputy Director

He said that these courses will provide entrepreneurship opportunities to the youth, adding that they can earn a handsome amount of money by working on line.

Governor Punjab further said that former Prime Minister, Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif distributed laptops among students on merit in 2013, so that our youth can progress in the field of information

technology and compete with the world.

FAISALABAD (APP)

schemes particularly of

foreign-funded projects. He issued these directives during a briefing regarding foreign-funded of the plan next week so projects here on Wednesday. The meeting was attended by Chief P&D Akhtar Rahman and other planning officers.

strategies should be adopted for the long-term Ĥe said that besides, projects.

ICRC, Hilal Ahmar conducts workshop for students at WUS

Rehman,

CAPITAL CITY POLICE

LAHORE

any identification parade is

carried out in rape cases: SHC

where. It is not known you

months. But you should do

good thing with people of

cheque is given to

investigation officer through one hand and is

withdrawn from him

through other hand.

Investigation officers say

funds are not provided to

them. Therefore, why

should we spend money on

investigation out of our

He further observed

Sindh while leaving.

(Online): has not occurred any

Sindh High Court (SHC) will be where after 6

high level meeting at his office in Lahore.

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Justice Amjid Ali Sahito of

has remarked neither any

investigation is carried out

nor any identification

parade is conducted in rape

cases. The bail plea of one

Nazim accused in rape case

came up for hearing before

SHC Wednesday. IG Sindh Riffat

Mukhtar appeared on

Justice Amjid Ali Sahito remarked "IG Sahb

what devastation has taken

place in Sindh in 15 years own pocket.

court's orders.

(APP): PESHAWAR International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) and Hilal Ahmar (Red Crescent), in collaboration with the Department of Journalism, conducted an informative workshop for students at Women's University Swabi (WUS). The workshop was aimed at equipping students of the Journalism, Management Science, Urdu, Pak Studies, and Psychology departments

with skills to create effective humanitarian content during times of

crises and disasters. The event featured distinguished speakers who shared their expertise training and insights on the crucial role of media and communication during weapons disasters. Aezaz Ur Rehman, ICRC

Communication Lead, Ishaq and a resident of district Haripur, was apprehended during an emphasised the importance of accurate and timely communication in crisis.

During the search of staggering array of weaponry.

LAHORE: Capital City Police Officer (CCPO) Kalashnikov ammunition Lahore, Bilal Saddique Kamyana presides over a

was held in South Punjab Secretariat on Wednesday regarding infrastructure development in Katcha

Sindh, and senior officers strategy for commenting a grand operation against the of other law enforcement further investigation was dacoits and their facilitators and intelligence agencies.

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for postmortem while under progress, he added.

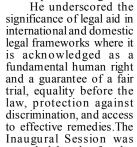
Advisor, Ministry of are part of the "Belt and Science and Technology Road" initiative based on (MOST) Islamabad, Raja talent cultivation.

UNDP, KP Judicial Academy train women lawyers in legal aid

PESHAWAR (APP): The Muhammad United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) in collaboration the Khyber with Pakhtunkhwa Judicial Academy, has organized a two-day pilot training for women lawyers on representing legal aid clients from 13 to 14

September. This initiative brings together young 20-female lawyers from Peshawar. Caitlin Chittenden, Senior Rule of Law and

Justice Reform Specialist at UNDP welcomed the and participants highlighted the objectives remarks, opening



Director General (Acting)

laid emphasis on legal aid.

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attended by the faculty members and directors of the Academy. The two-day training program aims to provide participants with an orientation of District of the sessions. In his Legal Empowerment Committees (DLECs)



PESHAWAR: Youngsters' enjoying bathing on Kohat Road.

Mayor Karachi directs KMC's Land dept to conduct survey of land

KARACHI (APP): Mayor Karachi Barrister Murtaza Wahab on Wednesday directed the land department to conduct an immediate survey of their land at Sharea Faisal, I.I Chandrigar Road, University Road, and Sindhi Muslim Society.

He expressed these views while presiding over an important meeting of KMC departments related to revenue collection.

He said that to ensure revenue from KMC assets, recovery departments must ensure implementation of

spokesperson for Political Âffairs Karamullah Waqasi, Municipal Commissioner KMC Syed Afzal Zaidi, Finance Advisor Ghulam Murtaza Bhutto, Head of Revenue departments, and other officers were also present. He said that PD

Orangi should get possession of 2600 yards of KMC's land within 30 days and the challans of the Land Department, Katchi Abadi, PD Orangi, and State Department regarding land must based on the QR code. The Mayor Karachi said that instructions within 30 the State Department days.Mayor Karachi's within 30 days.

LHC moved against not announcing date for election

LAHORE (Online): Secretary South Punjab Petition has been filed in Capt. ® Saqib Zafar, Additional IGPolice South Lahore High Court (LHC) against not announcing the Punjab Maqsood-ul-Hasan date for general election. participated in the meeting The petition has been

The tenure of the

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while Chairman P&D Punjab Iftikhar Ali Sahu filed by Azhar Siddique chairman Judicial Activism joined the meeting through video link. RPO DG Khan, Panel making federal government and others RPO Bahawalpur, DPO Rahim Yar Khan and DPO respondents. The petitioner has

Rajanpur participated in taken plea in the petition that President of Pakistan the meeting virtually. Additional Chief Secretary (ACS) South has to announce the date for election as per

Punjab Capt. ® Saqib Zafar constitution. told the meeting that under the directions of caretaker assembly has expired since several days but the date Punjab Chief Minister, a plan had been finalized for for general election has not been announced. the development.

LANDIKOTAL: Customs clearing agents, leaders, political leaders,

businesspersons and people are holding protest demonstration against the

closure of Pak-Afghan Torkham border, held at Khyber Bazar in Landikotal.

GILGIT: Provincial Ministers Gilgit-Baltistan addressing a press conference regarding the Prime Minister visits to GB at CM Secretariat.

Meeting decides to establish two base camps, 19 check posts in Katcha area

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(APP): area. Additional Chief MULTAN Important decisions have been taken to maintain law and order on permanent basis in Katcha Area of South Punjab as two base camps and 19 check posts will be constructed for the police in Rahim Yar Khan and Rajanpur districts.

As many as three armored vehicles will also be purchased for the police Planning and Development department Punjab has approved Rs

1.94 billion in this regard. An important meeting



operation. Shafiq's vehicle with registration number AXQ/ 687, law enforcement officers uncovered a

The team confiscated items including 3 Kalashnikovs, 17 30-bore

pistols, 6 Kalashnikov magazines, 34 pistol magazines, 410 rounds of

Justice Amjid Ali

Sahito while moving to IG

Sindh remarked why the

funds for the investigation

are not provided directly

to police station instead of

providing them to every

district. When fund is

provided to the police

station then they will be

held accountable for

investigation. People of

Sindh are setting their eyes

on you.IG Sindh Riffat

Mukhtar told the court

things will be seen changing

in Sindh within two to four

months

and a staggering 3900 rounds of pistols. Neither any investigation nor

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Gohar says enough fertilizer stock for upcoming 'Rabi' crop

yields.

production.

providing

fertilizers on time.

ISLAMABAD (Online): the upcoming 'Rabi' Federal Minister for season. Commerce, Industries & Production, Dr. Gohar Ejaz expected to adequately has categorically stated meet the agricultural that there is no shortage of demands for the entire Fertilizer in the country for season, ensuring that the upcoming Rabi crop.

He expressed these resources to boost their views while presiding over a meeting of the Fertilizer Review Committee here in the Ministry of Industries & Productions.

The meeting was attended by the Federal Secretary for Industries Mr Asad Řehman Gilani, fertilizer prominent manufacturers, and ministry officials.

During the meeting, Dr. Gohar Ejaz announced that there is a substantial 3.3 million-ton stockpile

government would make every effort to ensure that This surplus is fertilizers are accessible to farmers at the governmentfixed rates.

farmers have the necessary prices.

Furthermore, the minister emphasized that minister assured that gas supply to the fertilizer taken against any industry would be individuals or entities maintained at full capacity, found selling fertilizer at guaranteeing uninterrupted exorbitant rates, ensuring that fair pricing prevails in This commitment the market.

aims to support the Dr. Gohar Ejaz agricultural sector by concluded the meeting by essential affirming his commitment to addressing the issue of

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One of the key uninterrupted gas supply highlights of the meeting to the fertilizer industry in was Dr. Gohar Ejaz's the upcoming cabinet of fertilizer available for announcement that the meeting.

This initiative seeks to protect farmers from the burden of soaring fertilizer In a stern warning, the ISLAMABAD: Dr. Reza Amiri Moghaddam, Ambassador of Islamic Republic of Iran, called on Federal Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, strict actions would be

& Privatization Dr. Shamshad Akhtar at Finance Division. **PTCL** achieves seamless go-live of SAP S/4HANA for enhanced efficiency, growth

> **Independent Report** ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Telecommunication Company Ltd (PTCL) has successfully implemented SAP RISE with SAP S/ 4HANA, marking an innovative digital transformation within the

telecom sector. This strategic move is poised to modernize PTCL Group's corporate operations, fostering efficiency, effectiveness, and a culture of digitization said a news release

The official go-live ceremony took place at PTCL HQ in Islamabad, graced by the presence of senior management from PTCL & Ufone 4G, as well as distinguished figures SAP Rise with SAP S/ from SAP, IBM, and 4HANA in Pakistan, with

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Amazon Web Services (AWS). The ceremony also included appreciation certificates for team members involved in this transformation. PTCL & Ufone 4G,

pioneers in Pakistan's telecom sector, became the first to leverage a blend of top-notch SAP ERP solutions, facilitated by the SAP S/4HANA Private Cloud. This collaboration is monumental transformation that will optimize resource

allocation, real-time data insights, streamlining business processes, and bridging organizational information silos.

This is so far the largest customer go-live on successfully executing this monumental task.

Further hike in interest rate to be disastrous for economy: Mian Zahid

(INP): from one hundred to one Chairman of National hundred and fifty basis Business Group Pakistan, points as it thinks it will Pakistan help reduce in flation while also stabilising foreign and Intellectuals Forum, and exchange reserves. All Karachi Industrial However, the central

Alliance, and former bankers should also provincial minister Mian consider that the interest Zahid Hussain has rate was raised to 22 expressed serious concerns percent in April and was over the reports of increase not cut last month, which in interest rates by State disappointed the business community, the business

In a statement issued leader added. on Wednesday, he said that He said that a further

IBM their implementation partner and AWS as their hosting partner. While appreciating successfully teams implementing the

transformation process, Jafar Khalid, Group Chief Technology Officer, PTCL & Ufone 4G, said, "We are immensely proud to have guided PTCL Group on its operational journey, leading the way in this initiative within the region.

This journey is set to establish a new standard and drive Pakistan's telecommunications sector towards improved operations and advancement. All our partners have played a significant role in

SNGPL disconnects 20 gas connections over illegal

compressor use MULTÂN (APP): Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) has disconnected 20 Sui gas connections during an ongoing drive against compressors. According to SNGPL official sources, the campaign against illegal usage of compressors and giving illegal extensions issued here. was underway across the region. The task force was

The raiding on a daily basis at various places to ensure gas to domestic

IT Minister, CEO Karandaaz discuss collaborate in steering Pak towards digital economy

ISLAMABAD (APP): nearly 30 million people Caretaker Federal Minister are currently using. This collaboration IT and Telecommunication, Dr aims to propel Pakistan Umar Saif and CEO towards a digitized Karandaaz, Waqas Ul economy where digital discussed Hassan

a digital economy.

economy.

Dr.

payments will become the collaborating methods in norm, enabling people to steering Pakistan towards make purchases conveniently.

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During a meeting In this transformative between the minister and endeavour, he said, the the CEO of Karandaaz cash will gradually give decided to introduce a way to digital payments, digital payment system making it easier for into the country's citizens to conduct transactions and participate in the digital Umar Saif

expressed his enthusiasm economy. The minister said the for this partnership, emphasizing that Karandaaz and State Bank initiative is poised to have a significant impact on Pakistan's economic Pakistan have successfully implemented landscape, heralding the a payment system that dawn of a digital era



LAHORE: Workers making bamboo swings near Bhatti Gate.

SBP holds Art Exhibition to commemorate 75 years of its inception

KARACHI (APP): A artists incorporated the unique art exhibition titled essence of Pakistan's cultural heritage, social А Kaleidoscope of Dreams' aimed at celebrating the 75progress, and aspirations of the people of Pakistan.

year journey of SBP and Dr Inayat Hussain national speaking at the occasion development, and providing a platform for said that art has an enchanting ability to talented young artists of capture the essence of the the country to envision a times we live in. progressive future began Appreciating the high standard of the artwork in Deputy Governor State Bank of Pakistan Dr. the exhibition, he noted that as we traverse through Inayat Hussain inaugurated the various pieces the exhibition that will displayed, we can vividly remain open to the general observe how the young public for two weeks, artists have interpreted and according to a statement responded to the changing

world around them. Such exhibitions not exhibition provide an showcases the exceptional only talent of emerging artists, opportunity for art lovers to appreciate the works of

Ghurki added that based on research of more than 2,500 years, while Pakistan in its Himalayan range is enriched with naturally growing herbs medicines, saying that global market for herbal pharmaceutical industries. Their proper utilisation reach US\$107 billion by could

military sectors, both the

brotherly nations should

also collaborate in the area

of traditional medicines and

conventional medicine

experts, so that they could

learn from the experience

millions of people in both

countries, who could not

ISLAMABAD: PTCL and Ufone 4G Group Chief Technology Officer, Jafar Khalid, Managing Director SAP Pakistan, Iraq and Afghanistan, Saquib Ahmad and senior offcials in group photo during ceremony to mark the

successful implementation of SAP Rise with SAP S/4HANA to enhance the efficiency and growth of PTCL, held at the PTCL Headquarter in Islamabad **PCJCCI** keen to collaborate with China for producing herbal medicines

(APP): regulators in the country. Pakistan-China Joint China was pioneer in the Chambers of Commerce and Industry (PCJCCI) world of herbal treatments Moazzam Ghurki said on Wednesday

Finance, Privatization Wednesday. lead to

finance ministry, the socioeconomic discussion focused on billion by 2026, creating a development of individuals fortifying the existing tie

and

boosting

statement added.

Pakistan, Iran vow to nurture economic advancement ISLAMABAD (APP) Ambassador of the Islamic

Republic of Iran, Dr. Reza President Amiri Moghaddam called Businessmen on Federal Minister for Revenue. Economic Affairs, & Dr. Shamshad Akhtar here on According to a press statement issued by the

Both sides reaffirmed

mutual

their dedication to

cooperation and nurturing

economic advancement, the

Rupee gains

Rs1.06 against

US Dollar

ISLAMABAD (APP):

Pakistani Rupee on

Wednesday gained Rs1.06 against the US dollar in the

interbank trading and closed at Rs298.82 against

the previous day's closing

However, according

vast room for Pakistani and the country. Following the Pak-China cooperation herbal medicines. in the economic and

that the joint chamber was

keen to collaborate with

China for producing herbal

medicines was expected to

the next year and US\$178.4

LAHORE

President

In a think-tank session held here at the PCJCCI Secretariat, he said that almost 30,000 herbal medicines, cosmetic and healthcare production companies were operating in Pakistan and to empower the sector, the of each other to benefit government should set up a specialised herbal research institution to afford costly treatment at develop the industry and the prevailing modern educate the health system of health.

Iftikhar Sahu says: **Drone technology vital** to shield cotton crop from pests attack

innovative response.

Secretary

underscored

MULTAN (APP): Punjab Agriculture Secretary Iftikhar Ali Sahu said that drone technology was being employed to safeguard cotton crops from the threat of whitefly infestation. During a field visit to Tehsil Jampur in Visit to fensil Jampur in District Rajanpur on Wednesday, Sahu highlighted the efficiency of drone approach, enabling the widespread application of protective measures through spray in a short period a short period.

Sahu Secretary Sahu emphasized the utmost priority is being given to cotton surveillance, monitoring, and insect prevention to achieve optimal production levels. The rise in cotton whitefly attacks, he attributed to hot weather and fast growth, resulted this to heat and humidity.

to the Forex Association of Accompanied by key Pakistan (FAP), the buying and selling rates of the officials including D i r e c t o r - G e n e r a l Agriculture Pest Warning dollar in the open market

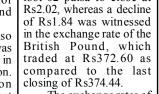
stood at Rs297 and Rs300 Punjab Rana Faqir Ahmed, Consultant Agriculture Extension Dr. Muhammad respectively. The price of the Euro decreased by 53 paisa to close at Rs320.96 against Anjum Ali, and Director the last day's closing of Agriculture Extension DG Rs321.49, according to the Khan Mehr Abid Hussain, State Bank of Pakistan Sahu (SBP) the

of Rs299.88.

The Japanese Yen significance of cotton lost 02 paisa to close at cultivation, essential for farmers' prosperity and the national economy. Secretary Sahu also

disclosed that cotton was sown on 937,000 acres in Dera Ghazi Khan Division. closing of Rs374.44. A target of 1.4 million

cotton bales has been set for this year, with comprehensive efforts underway to achieve it. Whitefly outbreaks, linked respectively.



The exchange rates of Food Corporation (FMC) Pakistan will make the Emirates Dirham and the Saudi Riyal decreased by 29 paisa each to close at Rs81.35 and Rs79.66 coordinated efforts to promote modern trends



KARACHI: Citizens are refill their gas cylinder with LPG gas at a shop as residents are facing shortage of Sui Gas, at Lines area in Karachi.

interest rates were already increase of one or one and so high that any further increase would prove impossible to do business between the two nations delving into opportunities for future disastrous for the economy. Mian Zahid Hussain economic partnership.

in Islamabad

Bank.

said that the policymakers before making a decision in this regard should consider its implication.

He said the central bank was considering increasing the interest rate maintained.

for many, which will close many businesses and increase unemployment. The move will also increase the burden of interest on the government,

which is already 7200 billion rupees annually, he

supply consumers, under the directions of General Manager SNGPL Rashid Ishaq. The teams removed six connections in Multan City, one in Shujabad, one

in DG Khan, seven in Mian Channu, and five in Khanewal over the illegal use of compressors and extensions.

nailing from all four provinces, Gilgit-Baltistan the younger generation but and Azad Kashmir. also act as a stimulus to the Through diverse artistic progress and development expressions, the young of local art.

Resurgence:

Pakistan's

here on Wednesday.

SECP registers 2,847 companies in August witnessing 20% growth

ISLAMABAD (INP): provincial departments, The Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan (SECP) registered 2,847 new companies in the month of August 2023, taking the total number of registered companies in the country to 200,629.

The incorporations recorded 20.6% increase as compared to the same period last year and 99.7% were registered online. The total capitalization of recorded at Rs. 3.5 billion. Moreover, as a result of integration of SECP's registration system with FBR and various

2,776 companies were registered with FBR for registration of NTN, 83 companies with EOBI, 46 companies with PESSI/ SESŜI, and 49 companies with excise and taxation department.

Out of the total incorporations, the information technology sector took the lead with 415 companies, followed by trading with 392, real these companies was estate development & construction services (324), tourism (125), mining & quarrying (119), ecommerce (111), education (98).



KARACHI: Fishermen are busy in cleaning and cutting into pieces at the unhygienic environment of the Fish Harbor, which may cause the spread of diseases in people of Provincial Capital.

411 power pilferers charged Rs 37.236m fine: LESCO

LAHORE (INP): Keeping Company (LESCO) cases were continued its anti-power while six theft operation on the arrested. seventh consecutive day and managed to find 411 The company's spokesman told the media here on Wednesday

electricity thieves had with its commitment to end been filed with the the evil of electricity theft, respective police the Lahore Electric Supply stations, out of which Company (LESCO) cases were registered accused

LESCO The inspection teams connections pilfering disconnected two electricity in all its circles agricultural, 12 commercial of operation. 397 domestic connections and charged 757,824 units of detection bill amounting to Rs 37.236

that applications for the million to all the electricity first information reports pilferers, caught on the (FIRs) against all seventh day of operation.

UAF, FMC to make coordinated efforts for precision agriculture FAISALABAD (APP): Manager HR Hussam

PTCL Group President & CEO, Mr. Hatem Muhammad Bamatraf called on

Caretaker Federal Minister for IT and Telecommunication, Dr. Umar Saif

University of Agriculture Faisalabad (UAF) and Khalid, Secretary Mudassar Hasan, Brand Manager Machinery Ahmed Kamal, Research Development and including precision agriculture in addition to

control white fly, fall armyworm, pink bollworm, locust, fruit fly, termites and other pests. Both institutions would also work to limit

toxic effects on agriculture in order to ensure Maximum Residual Levels This was stated

during a meeting held between UAF Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. Iqrar Ahmad Khan and FMC Managing Director Haseeb Aslam whereas Chairman Entomology UAF Department Prof. Dr. Muhammad Jalal Arif, FMC Manager Research and Development Amir Bashir Malik, Director

Residual Levels (MRL). efforts have to be made to foreign exchange by increasing its exports. He said that UAF has been given the status of Agri-Tech Park by the Special Technology Zone

Sales Akram Khan,

Coordinator Waheed Al Hasan were also present in the meeting. UAF Vice Chancellor Prof Dr. Iqrar Ahmad Khan said that Pakistan's agricultural exports are being rejected due to toxic effects exceeding Maximum were engaged at PQA He said that joint

berths during the last 24 hours, out of them four solve this problem so that ships, Maersk Columbus, Pakistan can earn more Cap Andreas, Lindsaylou and Sea-peak Galicia are

expected to sail on Authority. He said that UAF and FMC will work jointly on precision including agriculture agricultural drone

Wednesday.A cargo volume of 151,439 tonnes, comprising 90,367 tones imports Cargo and 61,072 tonnes export cargo, including containerized

cargo carried in 3,000 Containers (2,400 TEUs Imports and 600 TEUs technology in order to raise the productivity and to increase the profitability. export) was handled during last 24 hours.

Port Qasim KARACHI (APP): Three ships namely, Maersk Columbus, Chemroad Rose and Chem Bulldog, carrying Container and Palm oil, berthed at Qasim Company

International Container Terminal, Multi-Purpose Terminal and Liquid Cargo Terminal respectively on Monday.

Shipping

activity at

A total of 08 ships

Meanwhile three more ships, Cap Andreas, MSC Ellen and OM with Containers and LPG are also arrived at outer anchorage of the Port Qasim during last 24 hours.

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Kim Jong Un meets Putin in Russia as missiles launch from North Korea

Monitoring Desk MOSCOW: North Korean leader Kim Jong Un and Russian President Vladimir Putin met for a rare summit on Wednesday at which they discussed military matters, the war in Ukraine and possible Russian help for the secretive Communist state's satellite programme. Putin showed Kim around Russia's most advanced space rocket launch site in Russia's Far East and discussed the possibility of sending a North Korean cosmonaut into space. Kim, who arrived by train from North Korea, asked detailed questions about rockets as Putin showed him around the

Vostochny Cosmodrome. After the tour, Putin,

70, and Kim, 39, held talks inherit their victories and for several hours with their traditions and vigorously ministers and then discussed world affairs and possible areas of cooperation one-on-one, followed by an opulent lunch of Russian "pelmeni" dumplings stuffed with Kamchatka

crab and then sturgeon with mushrooms and potatoes. Kim raised a toast with a glass of Russian wine to Putin's health, to the victory of "great Russia" and to Korean-Russian friendship, predicting victory for Moscow in its "sacred fight" with the West in the Ukraine war.

Advertisement · Scroll to continue "I firmly believe that

the heroic Russian army such intentions. and people will brilliantly

demonstrate their noble dignity and honour on the two fronts of military operations and building a powerful nation," Kim told Putin. 'The Russian army and people will certainly

win a great victory in the sacred struggle for the punishment of a great evil that claims hegemony and feeds Russian President Vladimir Putin and North Korea's leader Kim Jong Un an expansionist illusion, examine a launch pad during their meeting at the Vostochny cosmodrome Kim added, raising his glass outside the city of Tsiolkovsky, about 200 kilometers (125 miles) from the U.S. and South Korear city of Blagoveshchensk in the far eastern Amur region, Russia. officials have expressed concern that Kim could provide weapons and ammunition to Russia, which has expended vast stocks in more than 18 months of war

the bloc should grow to over 30 members in Ukraine. Moscow and **Monitoring Desk** Pyongyang have denied BRUSSELS: The European Union's chief executive said Wednesday that her services will launch a major series of policy reviews to ensure that the 27-nation

bloc can still function properly as it invites in new migration decisions. members in coming years. European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen said that the EU must prepare to grow to more than 30 members. Ukraine, Moldova and countries in the Western Balkans are

larly in Serbia and Bosnia. Some countries in the region among those in line. have waited for years to join

Even at 27 strong, the world's biggest trading bloc and have sometimes seen

Taliban say Chinese envoy appointed to Kabul in first ambassadorial appointment since takeover

comment.

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tions surrounding President Biden and his son Hunter Biden, as the House KABUL: A new Chinese of Representatives returns from its summer break facing a looming deadline ambassador presented his to avoid a government shutdown while spending talks continue on Capitol Hill credentials to the Taliban's prime minister in Kabul on Wednesday, Afghan offi-**US okays fund** cials said, adding it was transfer to Iran the first appointment of a foreign envoy at the ambassadorial level since the Taliban took power in 2021. The Taliban have not been officially

in a statement. recognised by any foreign government. It was not immediately clear if Wednesday's appointtion foreign ministry spokesman confirmed he ment signalled any steps was the first ambassador appointed since August by Beijing towards formal 2021 when the Taliban took over as foreign forces

istry did not immediately withdrew.



EU chief announces major review saying

union," von der Leyen told EU lawmakers in Strasbourg, democratic backsliding and France. "In a world where size they've routinely voted and weight matters, it is against foreign policy and clearly in Europe's strategic interest." At the same time, Still, pressure is she said, "we need to look mounting for Europe to closer at each policy and see open its doors. Concerns how they would be affected." Von der Leyen said the have been raised about Russia's influence in the commission's reviews will Western Balkans, particuexamine how each policy sector in areas like the economy,

energy, agriculture or migration would need to be adapted in the event of expansion.

Fire at Vietnam kills 56 **Monitoring Desk**

HANOI: A fire at an apartment block in Vietnam's capital Hanoi has killed 56 people, among them children, and injured 37, police said on Wednesday respond to request for Mohammad Hassan Akhund, the Prime Minister of the Islamic Emirate of Afghanistan,

Wednesday. The fire broke out during the night in a nine-story building, home to accepted the credentials of Mr Zhao Xing, the new Chinese ambassador to about 150 residents, ac-Afghanistan, during a cercording to the official emony," said the Taliban Vietnam News Agency administration's deputy spokesman, Bilal Karimi, (VNA), which said the blaze was contained by 2 a.m. (1900 GMT).

Television images wed firefighters showed equipped with hoses and ladders at the scene by night, while a column of thick, dark smoke billowed from the building by day.

Iraq asks Sweden

to extradite man

who desecrated

Holy Quran

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STOCKHOLM: Baghdad

has asked Sweden to extra-

dite Iraqi refugee Salwan

North Korea fires two ballistic missiles with leader Kim away in Russia

Monitoring Desk SEOUL: North Korea fired

into the sea. Japan's Chief Cabinet Secretary Hirokazu two ballistic missiles off its Matsuno told reporters east coast, South Korea's that Japan had lodged a pro-Joint Chiefs of Staff and the test against North Korea Japanese Coast Guard said through diplomatic chanon Wednesday, just hours nels in Beijing. before leader Kim Jong Un was expected to meet Presi-

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Both missiles fell in the sea outside Japan's exdent Vladimir Putin in clusive economic zone (EEZ), he added.

The nuclear-armed was abroad for a rare trip, North has conducted regu-No details on the size lar launches of everything or range of the missiles were from short-range and cruise immediately available. But missiles to massive interabout five minutes after the continental ballistic misfirst launch warning, siles (ICBMs) that can Japan's Coast Guard restrike the continental ported the missile had fallen United States.

drone impacts" between

three localities, including

Nufaru, the ministry said.

An investigation will be car-

ried out after samples are

collected and examined by

are the third such discov-

Wednesday's findings

experts, it said.

NATO member Romania finds more suspected drone fragments near its border with Ukraine

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Russia.It was the first such

launch to occur while Kim

analysts said.

BUCHAREST: NATO member Romania found what appear to be new drone fragments near its porder with war-torn Ukraine on Wednesday, in the third such finding in the past week, the Ministry of National Defense said.

ery on Romanian soil since Two helicopters from last Thursday. They come the Romanian Air Force during sustained attacks by were deployed with spe-Russian forces on Ukraine's cialist teams to Nufaru and Danube ports as Moscow Victoria in the eastern aims to disrupt Ukraine's Tulcea county where "fragability to export grain to world markets. While it's unclear ments that could have come from a drone" are spread whether Romania has deterover an area of "several tens mined where or when the of meters," the ministry

said in a statement. drones were launched, Romanian President Klaus It said in a separate statement that it has noti-Iohannis said of drone fragfied the General Inspecment findings on Saturday that they were "similar to those used by the Russian torate for Emergency Situations about areas near the border that could be at risk army." Iohannis said it inof incidents as Russian dicated there has been "an forces attack Ukraine's absolutely unacceptable Danube River ports across violation of the sovereign the river from Romania. airspace of Romania, a Emergency authorities NATO ally, with real risks

have received phone calls to the security of Romanian 'about possible cases of citizens in the area.'

Japan's new cabinet reflects PM's focus on gender and defence Monitoring Desk

Minoru Kihara, a pro-Tai-TOKYO: Japanese Prime wan politician who has vis-Minister Fumio Kishida ited the democratically-govas picked a woman as for- erned island in the past and

"I do think this sends

The choice of Kihara

Venezuela The two countries also signed deals on the economy and trade, science and technology, civil aviation, and aerospace.

U.S. House Speaker Kevin McCarthy (R-CA) calls for an impeachment in-

quiry into U.S. President Joe Biden while delivering a statement on allega-

lations between China and

Venezuela said it actively supports China's Belt and Road Initiative to boost global trade infra- zens were freed from prison structure. Chinese state

in prisoner deal **Monitoring Desk** WASHINGTON: The United States confirmed on Monday it had signed off on the transfer of \$6 billion in frozen Iranian funds

from South Korea, paving the way for five US citizens to leave Tehran. The two countries an-

nounced last month, after protracted negotiations, a deal in which the US citi-

and put under house arrest.

Secretary of State

recognition of the Taliban. China's foreign min-

ties between the two countries. China's President Xi Jinping signed the deals with Venezuela President Nicolas Maduro after a meeting in Beijing. Xi pointed out that

in Washington, U.S.

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BEIJING: China and Ven-

ezuela signed several bilat-

eral cooperation docu-

ments focused on various

areas including economy,

trade and tourism. China's

state broadcaster China

Central Television (CCTV)

In promoting stronger

said on Wednesday.

China, Venezuela sign

agreements on economy,

trade, tourism

the two countries are partners with shared development_state media reported highlighting that both are "good friends with mutual trust."

Xi also noted that next year will be the 50th anniversary of the estab-lishment of diplomatic re-as the BRICS mechanism and the United Nations.

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BEIJING: China outlined

on Tuesday a raft of mea-

sures for strengthening in-

tegration with Taiwan, in an

indication that Beijing aims

to expand links with the

self-ruled island that were

severed during the Covid-

19 pandemic. China claims

the democratic island as

part of its territory and re-

lations have soured since

Taiwan's independence-

leaning President Tsai Ing-

wen came to power in 2016.

coronavirus curbs gummed

up trade and other exchanges

during the pandemic. The

document jointly issued on

Tuesday by the ruling Com-

munist Party's Central Com-

mittee and the State Council

consists of more than 20

"opinions" for laying a "new

path towards integrated de-

velopment" between Taiwan

and the culturally similar Party

Ties drifted further as

with the expectation they upcoming conference in will fly out of Iran once the China next month. China funds are moved to an achas said it has signed Belt count in Oatar. and Road cooperation agreements with more than Antony Blinken notified 150 countries and over 30 Congress that he had gone international organizaahead on a key part of the tions

media said, referring to the

agreement, signing a waiver Maduro said Venezuthat will shield banks inela is also willing to closely volved in the transfer from communicate and cooper-US sanctions. ate with China within mul-The money transfer is tilateral frameworks such

'a critical step in securing the release of these five US citizens", a State Depart ment spokesperson said.

China outlines new South Korea's measures for Taiwan Yoon picks ruling party lawmaker 'integration' as new defence mainland province of Fujian.

minister They include making **Monitoring Desk** it easier for Taiwanese SEOUL: South Korean

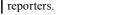
people to live, work, study and do business in Fujian President Yoon Suk Yeol as well as encouragement for has named Shin Won-sik, a companies in the province ruling party lawmaker and to hire staff from Taiwan. retired three-star general, as his new defence minister, They also call for the coastal city of Xiamen to the presidential office said

speed up integration with on Ŵednesday. The nomination comes amid North Korea's Kinmen and Matsu, two groups of islands that lie just a few miles off the coast flurry of missile tests, inof mainland China but are cluding the latest just hours earlier and as North Korean governed by Taiwan.

The United States leader Kim Jong Un met recognises Beijing diplo-Russian President Vladimir matically over Taipei but Putin.

maintains de facto relations with Taiwan and supports its right to decide its own future. "Solving the Taiwan issue and realising the complete reunification with plenty of experience of the motherland is the unin both defence policy and strategy," Kim Dae-ki, Yoon's chief of staff, told swerving historical task of the Chinese Communist

"He (Shin) is the right person to ... establish our security capability against North Korea's advancing nuclear and missile threats



HIS SIGN HAS TUST LIKE MY PAY

Demonstrators protest at a picket line outside of St Thomas' Hospital as junior doctors strike over pay and conditions, in London, Britain.



A Taliban administra-

People carrying a banner saying "No to the mine. Yes to life" take part in a anti-lithium protest in Covas do Barroso, Portugal.

US pullout from Kabul strengthened **IS: ex-Centcom chief** Monitoring Desk

headed Cen-t-com - which is responsible for operations WASHINGTON: The miliin Middle East, Cen-tral Asia tant Islamic State group (IS) and parts of South Asia has become a more enduring threat than Al Qaeda during the withdrawal. His command included both Afafter the US withdrawal ghanistan and Pakistan. from Afghanis-tan, Gen Kenneth Frank McKenzie, Asked how he viewed Gen Kurilla's warning of an IS former head of the US Central Command, said in television interviews last week. Gen Erik Kurilla, the

curr-ent Centcom chief, had voiced similar apprehensions in a rec-ent interview, saying that the IS could carry out an "external operation" against the United States in less than six months. Gen McKenzie, who retired in April last year, (fighting terrorists).

Suu Kyi's son worried about his mother's health

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LONDON: The son of Aung San Suu Kyi, detained Myanmar's former leader, said he was hopeful. "extremely worried" about his mother's health, saying she was struggling to eat and was being refused permission to see an outside

been detained for more than two years has experienced bouts of dizziness and vomiting, and is suffering from a serious gum disease. her son, Kim Aris, who lives in Britain, said.

"I am extremely wornot allowed visitors. ried about the state she is

att-ack within "six months" McKenzie said he believed the IS had always wanted to attack Americans on their soil. "It's a core tenet, a core belief of theirs," he added. "As a result of our from

withdrawal Afgha-n--istan, it is now far more difficult for us to pursue those obj-ectives

Momika, who stoked international outrage by desecrating the Holy Quran, he and his lawyer said on Tuesday. Earlier, Swedish police questioned Momika

in connection with the extradition request. "To be extradited to another country, the law (in Sweden) dictates that the crime has to be a crime in both Sweden and Iraq," David Hall, the

lawyer, said. **Olson's sentencing**

postponed

Monitoring Desk WASHINGTON: The

hearing of a misdemeanour case against former US amin," he said. "She is not as bassador Richard G. robust as she once was. If Olson, which was schedshe is unable to eat, then uled on Tuesday, has been things are not looking very postponed, court sources said

Aris, 45, who in 1991 The Washington Post as a teenager collected the reported this week that Olson's sentencing was scheduled for Tuesday, and he could face up to six months in prison under respond-ed to his repeated and honourable career should exempt him from

which was scheduled to sentence Olson on Tuesday, has not announced a new date

eign minister and appointed belongs to a Japan-Taiwan interparliamentary group. as defence minister a politician who has worked to build ties with Taiwan in a message that Japan is seeking stability in Taiwan Wednesday's new cabinet alongside the United line-up

The choices, among States," said security expert 11 new faces and five Takashi Kawakami at Takushoku University in women, spotlight a focus on gender equality and a the capital. stronger line on defence, as Kishida battles sagging ratas defence minister is not ings and with his term as an anti-China move, but inleader of the ruling Liberal dicates a closeness with Democratic Party (LDP) Taiwan, he added.

from

neighbour.

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its

China claims Taiwan set to end next year. Both ministers face as its own territory and will the task of navigating ties

be sensitive to any shift in with China that soured af-Japan's stance on the island. Kihara will also overter Japan began releasing see efforts to bolster into the Pacific Ocean treated radioactive water Japan's military in a plan to double defence spending wrecked Fukushima nuclear power over the five years to 2027 and grapple with funding plant, angering its the buildup as tension rises "This is a cabinet that in East Asia over China's finds its strength in military expansion and

change... I've appointed maritime disputes. ministers who are people of The new foreign minister is Yoko Kamikawa, a action to execute the three former justice minister who pillars of economic, social, and diplomatic policies," oversaw the execution of Kishida said at a news conkey members of the Aum ference held Wednesday Shinrikyo doomsday cult responsible for the deadly

Kishida said the new sarin gas attack on the Todefence minister will be kyo subway in 1995.

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pared 169,000 tons in the

corresponding period in

August. It had shipped

146,000 tons in the corre-

crossing points in Septem-

ber were those between

Ukraine and Poland," it said

exports by rail via the

Ukrainian-Polish border

had also increased by 14%

over the past week.

"The most active

Brokers said the grain

sponding period in July.

Wednesday.

in a report.

Ukraine increases farm exports by rail and truck as Black Sea ports blocked - brokers

+33.49%, over the last KYIV: Ukraine, which has week," it said. had to find different ways Spike Brokers said traffic through Hungarian to export its grain since

Russia quit the U.N.-brokered Black Sea grain and Slovak borders had also increased. export deal in mid-July, is "As of September 10, stepping up road and rail the average daily transfer of shipments, brokers said on grain cargo is 498 wagons per day. Over the past

Spike Brokers said week, the overall figure in-188,000 metric tons of agcreased by +34 wagons per ricultural goods were exday, or by 7.33%," the broported by lorries in the kers stated. Sept. 1-11 period, com-

Before Russia's invasion in February 2022, eastern European countries were not among the main importers of Ukrainian grain, but the export of Ukrainian grains and oilseeds to Poland and Romania rose sharply last year, Ukrainian customs data showed. Ukrainian authorities warned on Tuesday the country could seek international arbitration over restrictions on its grain exports after Poland said it

Romanian border would continue to block crossings are used for 114.8 domestic imports of Ukraiwagons of grain per day, up nian grain even if Brussels +28.8 wagons per day, or lifts a ban.



The 78-year-old Nobel laureate, who has military

recently detained and the

mother who was under house arrest at the time, has had no contact with his mother since she was most

Nobel peace prize for his

federal sentencing guidelines. His lawyers, however, argued that his long have not

requests. "There is no way imprisonment. The US federal court, of communicating with her," he said. "She is not even allowed care packages. She is not allowed access to her legal counsel. She is

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PM directs to reconstruct, improve GB's communication infrastructure

HUNZA (APP): Caretaker region. The delegation ap-Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Wednesday directed the authorities concerned to formulate a strategy to reconstruct and improve the communication infrastructure of Gilgit-Baltistan.

The prime minister, in a meeting with socio-political leaders of Hunza and visit to Hunar Kohn project of Karakorum Area Development Organization (KADO), assured for early resolution of electricity-related issues faced by the

ism sector of the region. prised the prime minister of They requested the the issues pertaining to deprime minister to order esmand and supply of electablishment of aerial contricity in Hunza, allocation nectivity with different of additional seats for parts of Gilgit-Baltistan. Prime Minister Kakar Hunza in the GB Assembly in proportion to the directed the GB chief secpopulation and other matretary to utilise all-out reters. The prime minister sources for early resolution instructed for formulation of the issues. of a strategy for generation

of electricity in coordination with the power sector. at KADO's Hunar Kohn project and rehabilitation The GB's political leadership briefed the prime center for the special perminister about the challenges confronting the tour-

The prime minister ex-member of GB Assemalso visited the digital hub

bly Rani Attiqa, members of GB Assembly Col. (Retd) Ubaidullah Baig and Dilshad Bano, and other socio-political leaders at-

KADO's services for the

welfare of local population.

while interacting with the

freelancer students of

Hunar Kohn project, said

the passion of GB youth

for development was ap-

Mir Ghazanfar Ali Khan,

Prime Minister Kakar,

Former GB Governor

He lauded the tended the meeting.

preciable.

Kashmiris to stage anti India demo during Modi's address to UNGA: Sultan

MIRPUR (AJK) (APP): on Wednesday, Barrister Sultan said that the protest Azad Jammu and Kashmir demonstration being staged in front of the UN General President Barrister Sultan Mahmood Chaudhry has said that the Kashmiri Assembly was meant to diaspora community would expose India's nefarious hold an anti-India protest designs in the region besides demonstration in front of seeking the the UN office in New community's attention towards the fast deteriorating York on September 26 when Indian premier Narendra Modi will be political and human rights situation in the Indian ocaddressing the UN General

cupied territory of Jammu and Kashmir. Urging the Kashmiri The anti-India protest, he said, would be at-tended and addressed by expatriate community to settle in America and other the representatives of the parts of the world to make it a success, the AJK presi-Kashmiri expatriate community hailing from differdent said that arrangements ent parts of the world. for this demonstration have

Govt using resources to solve problems of masses: Hassan

been finalized.

QUETTA (APP): Care- of the area in detail. taker Balochistan Minister The minister said that for Local Government and the provincial govern-Rural Development Mehmood-ul Hassan ment believed in serving the people and that all Mandukhel on Wednesresources would be used to solve their probday said that the caretaker lems in a short period saying that in this regovernment is using all available resources to gard, any kind of omission solve the problems of the ple. He expressed these tolerated.

views while talking to He said that governformer Nazim Javed Ahmad ment officers and employ-Khan, the provincial leader ees should consider themselves as servants of the of Muslim League-N called people and ensure the soon him at his office here. lution of their problems and departmental action will be

formed the minister about the problems of the Railtaken against non-performway Colony and the people ing officers.

Independent Report

QUETTA: The Governor

Balochistan, Malik Abdul

Wali Khan Kakar has stated

that the day of September

12 would be written in the

of us. In this regard, the Governor thanked care-

Independent Report

QUETTA: The district ad-

ministration continued

crackdown against the

hoarders and profiteers of

During the course of

During the raid, some

475 tons of sugar was re-

CNS highlights importance of maritime security under prevailing threats

Pakistan Navy's offshore patrol vessel launching ceremony held in Romania



Ocean Region.

APP

adds:

ISLAMABAD: President Dr. Arif Alvi in a group photo with a delegation of Tang Chinese International

Education and Technology (Pvt) Ltd led by Mr. Song Jianving, which called on him, at Aiwan-e-Sadr.

ROMANIA (INP): Launching Ceremony of state-of-the-art Offshore Patrol Vessel, PNS HUNAIN (Desig) being built for Pakistan Navy was held in Romania.

global

On the occasion as the these multipurpose and chief guest, Chief of the Naval Staff, Admiral highly adaptive platforms will further strengthen combat capability of Pakistan Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi highlighted the impor-Navy Fleet in safeguarding tance of maritime security maritime frontiers under the prevailing con-

PM withdraws chairmanship of CCIT from finance minister ISLAMABAD (Online): Caretaker Prime Minister (PM) Anwar ul Haq Kakar has withdrawn chairmanship of Cabinet Committee for Intergovernmental Transaction (CCIT) from finance minister. Sources said the PM while reorganiz-

ing the committee has accorded approval to appoint minister for privatization as chairman of committee.



launching ceremony of the most modern offshore patrol vessel, Pakistan Navy Ship HUNAIN (Desig), being built for Pakistan Navy was held at M/s DAMEN Shipyard Galati, Romania, on Wednesday.

Chief of the Naval Staff Admiral Muhammad Amjad Khan Niazi was the chief guest at the ceremony, tional maritime threats to energy and trade highways a Pakistan Navy news release said. passing through Indian

Speaking on the occa-He expressed his consion, the Naval Chief highlighted the importance of fidence that induction of maritime security under the prevailing conventional and non-conventional maritime threats to energy and trade highways passing through the Indian The Ocean Region.

Jamal Raisani says **Emerging talent of Balochistan to be** fully supported

Independent Report QUETTA: The caretaker Provincial Minister for Sports, Youth Affairs and Culture, Nawabzada Jamal Khan Raisani has assured that the government would not only support the emerging talent of the province, but it would also sent the players abroad for nec-

Jamal Raisani was ad-

complex on Wednesday. He paid tributes to the players who brightened the name of Balochistan at the national level winning medals in different sports.

Also present on the occasion were the Secretary Sports, Muhammad Ishaq Jamali, Director General Sports, Durra Baloch, Assistant Directors

Munammad Asii Langove

and Muhammad Asif

Stadium.

Air Chief vows to enhance Pak-Azerbaijan inter-military ties ISLAMABAD (APP): Air skills and foster greater interoperability between

Area Development Authority's 'Hunar Khun' facility.

HUNZA: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar visits Karakoram

Chief Marshal Zaheer Ahmed Baber Sidhu has reaffirmed his steadfast determination to further enhance the existing inter-military cooperation with Azerbaijan particularly in the fields of training and defence aviation

He expressed the resolve while talking to Am-



bassador of Republic of address common security Azerbaijan Khazar challenges Farhadov in Islamabad on

Wednesday On this occasion, he expressed admiration for offered full cooperation for PAF's notable achievecomprehensive training ments in nurturing a vibrant

being held at Air Power Centre of Excellence, the Air Chief emphasized the pivotal role of joint aerial drills between the respective air forces to foster mutual learning and effectively

the two air forces

Wednesday. According to police,

indiscriminate fire. He was the principal of Jamai Abu Bakar Islamai, Gulshan Iqbal. The CTD and Crime

shells from the crime scene out of which four shells were of 9 mm and seven of 30 bore. The shells have been sent for forensic analysis.

Former Nazim in-

people

According to SSP armed persons riding on a

Assembly Religious scholar shot dead in Karachi KARACHI (INP): A religious scholar has been assassinated in the Gulistan In a statement issued Johar area of Karachi, on

In the backdrop of upcoming major air exercise some unknown armed persons riding a motorcycle opened fire on Maulana Ziaur Rehman who was taking a stroll in the park near the FBR building in

Gulistan Johar. He died instantly as a result of the

Scene Unit recovered 11

The police hoped that they would be able to iden

Ambassador of Azerbaijan in the vicinity. Irfan Bahadur, eyewitnesses informed that two

motorcycle opened indis-

will attend

tify the target killers with the help of CCTV cameras

programs in order to and progressive domestic strengthen their technical aviation industry.

criminate fire on the **Balochistan Customs seizes** maulana. 2359 sugar sacks, 28000 **Caretaker PM** liters of foreign petrol

ment Unit.

during raid.

RAWALPINDI: H.E. Wada Mitsuhiro, Ambassa-

dor of Japan called on Minister for Defence, Lt.Gen AnwarAli Hyder (Retd) at Ministry of Defence.

Minister seeks media

Caretaker Minister for Ré-

ligious Affairs Aneeque

Ahmad on Wednesday

urged the media and reli-

gious scholars to play their

due role in countering the

negative agenda of hostile

elements poised to disrupt

country through different tactics, he said while talk-

ment was organizing the

conferences in major cities

to promote interfaith har-

mony, peace, and tolerance,

Anti-state elements

He said the govern-

peace in the country.

ing to PTV.

he said

QUETTA (APP): At least 2350 parcels of sugar and 28000 liters of foreign petrol and diesel, 127 cartons of foreign cigarettes and 9 non- customs paid vehicle were recovered after foiling bid of smuggling by Quetta Custom Darakhsan, Field Enforcement Unit and FIA's Anti Corruption Quetta in joint operations in Balochistan on Wednesday. According to the spokesperson of Pakistan Customs Superintendent Dr. Atta Bareach, Darakshan Field Enforcement Unit and Federal Investigation Agency (FIA)'s anti-corruption Quetta Circle took action against

Gen Assembly the sugar, petrol, diesel and meeting, Munir 9 non-customs paid ve-hicles of Quetta Customs. WASHINGTON (Online) The team conducted Pakistan Ambassador to US successful raid at a ware-Munir Akram said that house near Bhosa Mandi

In his remarks, the

Caretaker Prime Minister and seized about 2350 par-(PM) Anwar-ul-Haq Kakar cels of sugar which would is coming to attend General be smuggled. Despite 28000 liters of foreign Assembly meeting. He told that caretaker petrol diesel was recovered

PM visit to US will be very from an oil tanker by the busy. PM will participate Luckpass Field Enforcein 5 summit meetings. In a statement Munir Meanwhile, 127 car-

Akram said that how will tons of foreign brand cigadelegation from Occupied rettes including 9 non-cus-Kashmir come? tom paid vehicles were re-They have been locked up. The people of covered near Afghan Border by Taftan Rifle and Occupied Kashmir will be Sindh Regiment at Nokundi represented by delegation of Azad Kashmir.

He said that wherever international meetings are held, if Pakistan does not participate then it is not right. Whoever is PM or Foreign Minister he represents Pakistan.

Journalist shot dead, protest held against murder SHEIKHUPURA (INP) motorcyclists Armed gunned down a journalist and injured three others in Madina Market of

role to counter negative Muridke district Sheikhupura on Wednesagenda of hostile elements day. Police said that two ISLAMABAD (APP): communities are participatarmed motorcyclists'

sprayed bullets at journalsugar in the provincial meist Ámanat Ali Chouhan tropolis on Wednesday. killed him on the spot and injuring three others. action, the administration Heavy contingent of team raided two godowns at Sariab road on late Tues-

Commenting on the Jaranwala tragedy, he said, the state was responsible for protecting the life and crime scene property of every citizen.

are trying to vitiate the peaceful atmosphere of this electronic media should come forward to create awareness among youth for the bright future of Pakistan. The minister said that

Pakistan had the full potential to make progress in every field and that it was the responsibility of every citizen to play a constructive

The Hindu, Sikh, role in the peace and pros-Christian, and Muslim perity of this country.

remarked.

ing in these conferences to spread the message of peace, tolerance, and harmony among the masses, he police headed by District Police Officers (DPO) reached the scene and collected evidences from the

covered stored in two Quetta city

day night.

QUETTA: A delegation led by President All Quetta Milk Shops Association meeting with Commissioner Ouetta Division Hamza Shafqaat

a delegation who called on him led by Vice Chancellor of Balochistan University of Information Technology, Engineering and Management Sciences (BUITEMS)

Information Technology Initiative Programme: Day of 12 Sept. to be written in golden words in Balochistan history, says Governor

> Vice chancellors of all universities, civil servants, trader and commerce people and others on extending wholehearted cooperation.

The Governor was history of province regarding launch of the Informaspeaking to a delegation tion Technology Initiative. who called on him led by He said that participa-Vice Chancellor of Balochistan University of tion of the people belonging to different walks of life Information Technology, in the very successful Engineering and Manage programme of IT Initiative

is a matter of honour for all During the course of meeting, the Governor shed taker Chief Minister light on different aspects of Balochistan, Mir Ali conducting free course of



here at the FIFA House lo- associations, coaches and

OUETTA INP): Sabi Harnai railway line could not be restored and the Harnai passenger rack also moved back. According to this news agency, former railway minister Saad Rafique, Balochistan Governor, former federal antinarcotics minister Shah Zain Bugti, including the

Shah Zain Bugti participated online in the inauguration ceremony in the Ministry of Railways, while former Railway Minister Saad Rafiq participated in the inauguration ceremony online from Lahore. A day after the inauguration of the train, on August 8, it was announced that the track is not complete, so the train will be run after the track is fully functional. The locomotive that came with it had gone back on the same day.

After the section was not fully restored, the train The spokesman of Pakistan Railways, while was stopped a day later, and now the racks (coaches) giving a stand, said that the of the passenger train were rack of Harnai passenger has been brought back.



parliamentary leaders of

Balochistan, after 17 years

inaugurated the Harnai pas-

senger section on the Sibi junction on 7th August

also recalled

Jamal Khan Raisani distributing cash prizes among player who won medals

Senate delegation visits Geneva for attending WTO's Public Forum

ISLAMABAD (INP): A three-member delegation of Senate of Pakistan is visiting Geneva to attend World Trade Organization's Public Forum at the invitation of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU). The delegation led by Leader of the House, Senator Ishaq Dar, comprises Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah and Senator Kamran Murtaza. The Senate delegation visited United Nations conference on Trade Development and (UNCTAD) Secretariat and was received and welcomed by Deputy Secretary Gen-

briefed them on key tracks of UNCTAD's work in the areas of technical assistance, research and analysis, and consensus building on key global trade and development issues.

Leader of the House, Senator Ishaq Dar appreci-ated UNCTAD's contribution in highlighting global development challenges and the technical, policy and capacity building support it has provided to Pakistan. He commended UNCTAD's advocacy efforts for addressing systemic imbalances embedded in the global financial architecture including for debt relief for developing countries

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hoarders.

in 34th National Games

Pak Navy seizes huge cache of narcotics at sea

KARACHI (APP): The Pakistan Navy in an intelligence-based counter-narcrackdown against the cotics operation alongwith the Anti-Narcotics Force As a result of the (ANF) seized approxitimely action, the price of matelý 782 kilogrammes per kilogram sugar has (Kgs) of narcotics at the come down to Rs. 160 in Àrabian Sea on Wednesday. The apprehended

drugs were stowed in hidden compartments of a fishing boat that was successfully intercepted by a Pakistan Navy Ship, a news release said.

The estimated value seized narcotics is US \$ 235 million in the international market. The seized drugs were subsequently eral UNCTAD, Mr. Pedro handed over to ANF for Manuel Moreno who further legal proceedings.



Mardan Domki, his cabinet, IT/AI for unemployed

youth of the province. Moreover, there was also discussion on progress of the IT Initiative Programme.

Meanwhile, certain important decisions were also made in light of the recommendations of the participants

ment Sciences (BUITEMS),

here on Wednesday. Quetta district admin

recovers 475 tons of sugar, seals 2 godowns

godowns. The administra-tion sealed the godowns. Further action is being taken against the hoarders. Meanwhile, the general public circles have ap preciated the district administration for launching