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Justice Qazi Faez Isa sworn in as

29th Chief Justice of Pakistan

The Government and military officials including caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar, Army Chief General Asim Munir, Provincial Governors, Chief Ministers, senators and foreign ambassadors attended the ceremony

Born in Quetta on October 26, 1959, Justice

Qazi Faez Isa is the son of the late Qazi Mohammad

Isa of Pishin, who was in

the forefront of the Paki-

stan Movement and a close

associate of Quaid-i-Azam

the first person from the

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India Muslim League in Balochistan after his return

from London. His father

had served as the only

member on the Central

Working Committee of the

Justice Isa's father was

Muhammad Ali Jinnah.

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Justice Qazi Faez Isa has taken oath as 29th Chief Justice of Pakistan (CJP).

administered the oath.

High-ranking government

and military officials, care-

taker Prime Minister, fed-

eral ministers, senators,

foreign ambassadors, and

other dignitaries witnessed

the oath taking ceremony.

with the recitation of the Holy Quran, following which the notification for Justice Isa's appointment

was read out. The president then administered the

oath to Justice Isa, whose

wife Sarina Isa stood by his

The ceremony began

President Dr. Arif Alvi

(INP):



ISLAMABAD: President Dr. ArifAlvi administering the oath of office to Justice Qazi Faez Isa as Chief Justice of Pakistan, at Aiwan-e-Sadr.

ICCI Business Role Model Awards ceremony:

Governor calls for preparing comprehensive strategy to boost economic system

Independent Report ISLAMABAD: The Governor Balochistan, Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar has underlined the need to prepare comprehensive strategy for strengthening economic system and increasing national yield by grooming effective human resource and accommodate them at the national and provincial level.

The Governor noted with pleasure that Allah Almighty has blessed Pakistan and Balochistan with best human resources, therefore, it is necessary to put into action the policy take new strides of national development soon.

dressing the award distri- priate. bution ceremony held under the auspices of Islamabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry at the federal capital on Sunday. Also present on the occasion were the President ICCI, Ahsan Zafar Bakhtawri, Chairman Founder Group, Khalid Iqbal Malik and former

President, Zafar Bakhtawri and others. Speaking on the occasion, Governor said that the ceremony of the people as-ICCI in view of the present political and economic cir-

The Governor was ad- is well-timed and appro-

He said that this is a fact that Balochistan has immense importance because of its strategic location and there is a very important role of the province in development and prosperity of the country.

Balochistan province

has great prospects of profitable investment as such it is necessary for the investors to fully benefit from these opportunities.

In this regard, we would have to provide all necessociated with the commerce sary facilities and opportuand trade organized by nities to the investors and industrialists to make in

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ing awards under organized by Islamabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Attempts at subtracting Nawaz Sharif from politics have failed: Maryam

LAHORE (INP): Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N) Senior Vice President and party's Chief Organizer Maryam Nawaz said on Sunday that former prime minister and the PML-N supremo Nawaz Sharif stood vindicated, and now it was time for Pakistan's triumph.

of different party wings as part of preparations for giving a warm reception to Nawaz on his homecoming next month, she said that every attempt to subtract former prime minister from politics failed.

"By the grace of Almighty Allah, respect for Nawaz Sharif in people's hearts has increased," she claimed.

Former Punjab Chief Minister and PML-N leader Hamza Shehbaz was also present in the meet-

Maryam was of the view that the people of Pakistan had to pay the price for Nawaz's ouster.

She expressed the hope that from today courts would do justice to the Sharif family. "I pray to the Almighty Allah that justice should be for all.

She opined that preju-Addressing meetings dice against the party supremo was actually against the country and the nation. "What Pakistan needs is a fresh beginning, PML-N's chief organizer said, and stressed the need for ridding the country of politics of confrontation, violence and

> vengeance. She expressed the resolve that after coming to power, the party would develop all parts of the country, including Sindh. "Our war is against inflation, poverty and bad governance," she asserted.

AML chief Sheikh Rashid arrested

ISLAMABAD (INP) Awami Muslim League (AML) leader and PTI ally Sheikh Rashid Ahmed, was arrested by Islamabad po-

lice on Sunday. As per details, Sheikh Rasheed's counsel Sardar Raziq has confirmed that the AML chief has been arrested by men in plain

clothes from his residence. According to reports, Sheikh Rashid Ahmed's two nephews namely Sheikh Raashid Shafique and Shaikh Umar were also arrested along with him from his house located a Bahria Town Phase -II

Islamabad. His lawyer Sarda Raziq said that it is not known in which case Sheikh Rasheed has been arrested However, he asserted that they will take the legal route. According to advocate, no single case has been registered against Sheikh Rashid in the Punjab province.



LAHORE: PML-N Senior Vice President and Chief Organizer Maryam Nawaz presides over the party meeting at Model Town. Former chief Minister Punjab Hamza Shahbaz is also present.

Governor, caretaker CM, CJ BHC, Ministers participate in oath taking ceremony of CJP Independent Report

QUETTA: The Governor Balochistan, Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar, caretaker Chief Minister, Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki, Chief Justice of Balochistan High Court, Mr. Justice Naeem Akhtar

Afghan and other personalities from the province participated in the oath taking ceremony of the new Chief Justice of Pakistan, Mr. Justice Oazi Faez Isa in Aiwan-e-Sadr, Islamabad on Sunday. Governor The

Balochistan and others congratulated Mr. Justice Oazi Faez Isa on assuming the office of Chief Justice of lated him on assuming new responsibilities as CJP. Other personalities at-

tending the oath taking ceremony were included the senior Judge of BHC, Mr. Justice Hashim Khan Kakar, caretaker Provincial Minister for Law, Prosecu-Advocate, Advocate Gen- and civil officers.

eral of Balochistan, Asif Reki, office bearers of Pakistan Bar Council from Balochistan, High Court Bar Association another senior lawyers including Munir Ahmed Kakar, Ali Ahmed Kurd, Qasim Khan Gajezai, Rahib Khan Buledi, Amanullah Kakar, Ayub Tareen, Qari Rehmat Khalil Panezai, Afzai Harifal, Shah Hussain and Ali Ahmed Kakar.

Meanwhile, while meeting the new CJP, Governor and other personalities expressed best wishes for his more success in fu-

It may be mentioned here that the President Dr. Pakistan. He also congratu- Arif Alvi administered oath to the new CJP at the ceremony also attended by the caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar, Chief of Army Staff, General Asim Munir, Governors of other provinces, caretaker Chief Ministers, different political elders, other digtion, Amanullah Kanrani nitaries and high military

Domki greets Justice Qazi Faez on assuming office of Chief Justice of Pakistan

Independent Report

ISLAMABAD: The caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki has congratulated Mr. Justice Qazi Faez Isa on assuming the office of Chief Justice of Pakistan

He also expressed best wishes for the new Chief Justice of Pakistan by per-

sonally meeting him at his oath taking ceremony held Aiwan-e-Sadr Islamabad

It may be mentioned here that the Chief Minister Mir Ali Mardan Domki participated in the oath taking ceremony of CJP along with the caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar and Governor Balochistan, Malik Abdul Wali Kakar.



DUKI: Provincial President PkMPAAbdul Qahar Wadan leading the rally taken out by against illegal cut on Pashtoon population in Digital Population census and other problems of the masses.

Caretaker Provincial Minister Home pays tributes to martyr police cop Syed Muhammad

Independent Report QUETTA: The caretaker Provincial Minister for Home, Captain (Retd) Muhammad Zubair Jamali has paid tributes to the Head constable of police, Syed Muhammad who was martyred by unknown armed assailants in Quetta

on Saturday night. In a statement is used here on Sunday, the caretaker Provincial Minister Home said that head constable Syed Muhammad embraced martyrdom during duty and he set the highest example of dutifulness.

He said that police de-

partment would never forget the brave son who rendered sacrifice of his life in the line of duty.

Balochistan police is the force of custodian of over 1600 brave martyrs like Syed Muhammad. The Minister taking notice of the incident sought report from the concerned high ups. He also ordered to arrest the culprits involved in the killing of Head constable immediately. He prayed for the departed soul besides praying for the patience of bereaved family of the martyr police jawan.

He also said that the elections next year. Barrister

Mehmood Chaudhary expressed these views during a conversation with the Chairman of the Self-Determination Movement International, Raja Najabat Hussain, who met him today at Kashmir House, Islamabad

CJP forms full court for SC Practice and Procedure Act hearing

ISLAMABAD (INP): Chief Justice of Pakistan Qazi Faez Isa on Sunday constituted full court headed by him for hearing the Supreme Court (Practice and Procedure) Act 2023 on Monday (tomorrow).

An eight-judge larger bench of the apex court headed by the former CJP Umar Ata Bandial, had suspended the enforcement of the Supreme Court (Practice & Pro-cedure) Act, 2023 on April 13.

Justice Qazi Faez Isa who sworn in as the 29th chief justice of Pakistan today, has constituted bench for the Supreme Court (Practice and Procedure) Act hear

The Supreme Court (Practice and Procedure) Act 2023—a bill that required the formation of benches on constitutional matters of public importance by a committee of three senior judges will be heard by a supreme court bench on Monday (tomorrow).



ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan Mir Ali Mardan Domki and other high ups participating in CJP oath taking ceremony.

Jazeela appointed 1st-ever woman **SC** registrar

ISLAMABĂD (APP): The Chief Justice of Pakistan (CJP) has appointed Ms. Jazeela Aslam as Reg-istrar Supreme Court (SC).

Likewise, Muhammad Mushtaq Ahmed had been appointed as Secretary to the CJP while Abdul Sadiq is ap-pointed as staff officer, said a press release issued here on Sunday. It said that before her appointment as Registrar SC, Jazeela Aslam was serving as the District and Sessions Judge Okara, and in the same position, she has served in Kasur and Sialkot. She is the senior most lady District and Sessions Juďge in Punjab.

Ali Muhammad says: 'Govt implementing zero tolerance policy against power theft mafia'

IŜLAMABAD (APP) Caretaker Minister for Energy, Power, and Petroleum, Muhammad Ali Sunday reassured that the interim government was implementing a zero-tolerance policy against the power theft mafia in the country and would not spare any person who proved guilty of having connivance with electricity

thieves. While talking to a private news channel, the minister said with strict directives IESCO had launched the crackdown against electricity thieves and their facilitators in all circles, adding that we are collaborating with all related departments and law enforcement agencies on the district level to ensure that the process is carried out swiftly. The crackdown will continue against the elements involved in electricity theft with the cooperation of the relevant departments, he added.

BJP govt can carry out false flag operation to win elections: Sultan

ISLAMABAD (INP): Azad Jammu and Kashmir President Barrister Sultan Mehmood Chaudhry has said that the fascist Indian government led by Narendra Modi can carry out any false flag operation like in the past to win the general

Sultan

PM Kakar leaves for US to address 78th UNGA session

ISLAMABAD (APP): scheduled to interact with Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakai on Sunday proceeded on a tanks.

During this high-level

During his stay, the prime minister will hold meetings with the global leaders on the sidelines of the session, PM Office Media Wing said in a press release. The caretaker prime

minister will also attend an important conference on climate change

PM Kakar is also

Caretaker Prime Minister the international media and

tend the 78th session of the debate, he will engage in United Nations General Assembly (UNGA 78) in range of pressing global is-New York, United States. sues. His address to the UNGA on September 22 is keenly anticipated and is expected to shed light on Pakistan's perspectives on the current global landscape. Caretaker Foreign Minister Jalil Abbas Jilani during this diplomatic mission. further reinforcing Pakistan's commitment to

global cooperation and

multilateralism.

Jan Achakzai meets Deputy **Ambassador of UAE's** invites to visit Quetta



Independent Report

ISLAMABAD: The caretaker Provincial Minister for Information, Jan Achakzai met the Deputy Ambassador of United Arab Emirates (UAE) and Charge d'Affaires, Rashid Al Ali in UAE's Embassy, Islamabad.

During the course of meeting, bilateral relations and matters of mutual interest were discussed between the Provincial Minister Information and Deputy Ambassa-

Moreover, the investment opportunities were also discussed in the meeting between them.

Jan Achakzai also invited Excellency Rashid Al Ali to visit Quetta on behalf of the Government of Balochistan, which he accepted.

Ameer Sirajul Haq to lead dharna:

JI Quetta to stage protest sit-in against inflation in front of Governor House

Independent Report

QUETTA: The Jama'at-e-Islami (JI) has announced to stage dharna (protest sitin) in front of the Governor House on September 24,

The protest sit-in would be staged by the JI Quetta against increasing inflation in the country. the JI's central Ameer Sirajul Haq would lead the dharna.

This was announced by the JI Quetta Amer, Hafiz Noorullah while addressing a news conference here at the Quetta Press Club on Sunday afternoon.

Hafiz Noorullah noted with concern that there is a record inflation in the country. the life of people has been made miserable due to the price-hike, he said adding that they have become disappointed with the care-

taker government as well. The JI Quetta leader particularly referred to the recent increase in the prices of petrol and petroleum products after increasing the tariff of electricity. This would cause more inflation in the country, adding he

Chief Justice of Pakistan Qazi Faez Isa: A jurist par excellence

ISLAMABAD (INP): Justice Qazi Faez Isa on Sunday took oath as the 29th chief justice of Pakistan. Born in Quetta on October 26, 1959, he is the son of the late Qazi Mohammad Isa of Pishin, who was in the forefront of the Pakistan Movement and a close associate of Quaid-i-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah.

Justice Isa's father was the first person from the province to acquire the Bar-at-Law degree and helped establish the All India Muslim League in Balochistan after his return from London. His father had served as the only member on the Central Working Committee of the All India Muslim League from Balochistan.

Begum Saida Isa, Justice Isa's mother, was a social worker and worked in an honorary capacity on the boards of hospitals and ĉharitable organisations which focused on education, children and women's health

After completing his primary and secondary education in Quetta, young Isa moved to Karachi to finish his 'O' and 'A' levels from the Karachi Grammar School (KGS). He studied law from London, where he completed his Bar Professional Examination from the Inns of Court School Law, London.

Justice Isa enrolled as an Advocate of the Balochistan High Court on January 30, 1985, and as an Advocate Supreme

Sports Desk

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India's thumping win over

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Cricket World Cup inten-

sifies over the next few

days as the Asia Cup

comes to an end and two

of the top three teams go

head to head in a bilateral

Pakistan hold onto the

No.1 spot at the end of

Asia Cup 2023 despite

their early exit and India's

thumping win over Sri

Lanka in the final Austra-

lia too squandered their

chance to go on top of the

rankings after the series

ahead in the series before

the hosts launched an im-

pressive comeback and

won three back-to-back

games to complete a series

victory on Sunday. The

loss to Bangladesh ahead

of the final hurt India's

chances of going to the top

of the rankings and even a

record-breaking win, sealed

in just over six overs,

against Sri Lanka did not

see them climb to the top.

fixtures each side will play

ahead of the start of the

World Cup on October 5.

Australia

We take a look at the

Aussies were 2-0

loss to South Africa.

The race to be the

Sri Lanka in the final

LAHORE: Pakistan hold dia (September 22, Sep-

No.1 ranked ODI side at Africa. They will need to

Court in March 1998. He has practised law for more than 27 years before the High Courts of Pakistan, the Federal Shariat Court and the Supreme Court of Pakistan. He became a member of the Balochistan High Court Bar Association, Sindh

coup in Pakistan. submitted to the Supreme

Quetta on August 8, 2016,

Justice Isa was appointed

head of an inquiry commis-

mission found that the sui-

cide blast happened due to

negligence of the govern-ment. The commission

warned the government that

strict action against banned

organisations was neces-

sary to end terrorism in the

part of the three-member

bench of the Supreme Court

which rejected NAB's ap-

peal against former prime

minister Nawaz Sharif and

Shehbaz Sharif in Decem-

proached the Supreme Court against the decision

of the Lahore High Court

in the Hudaybiya Paper

lia in the first ODI in

tralia, India's upcoming

three-match series against

Pat Cummins' side may

prove pivotal in deciding

which team heads into the

World Cup with the No.1

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ries to Australia, Pakistan

will remain the top-ranked

side for the World Cup

Conversely, a 3-0 loss to

Australia will see India slip

to third position and Aus-

Current ranking: First

Upcoming fixtures: No

Pakistan's chances of

Current rating: 115

matches prior to World

obtaining the No.1 ranking

at the start of the World

Cup took a massive dent

when they lost their final

Super Four match at the

matches scheduled for Pa-

kistan prior to the start of

the World Cup, their hopes

of entering the tournament

with the No.1 ranking will

depend on how the India-

and India continue to lose

but the fact these two

each other at the end of the

month means one of them

They could still regain

Australia series goes.

With no official ODI

Asia Cup to Sri Lanka.

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Pakistan

If India avoid a white-

ranking.

In a similar vein to Aus-

The NAB had ap-

ber 2017.

Justice Isa was also a

In its report, the com-

sion to find out the facts.



and Life Member of the Supreme Court Bar Association of Pakistan.

Justice Isa became the Chief Justice of the Balochistan High Court on August 5, 2009. He was appointed a judge of the Supreme Court on September 5, 2014.

He strongly opposed taking the oath by judges under the Emergency and Interim Constitutional Order imposed by former President Pervez Musharraf in November

Justice Isa gave milestone judgements in many high profile cases. Let's have a look at those deci-

In 2012, Justice Isa chaired the Memogate Commission. In the scandal, Memogate Hussain Haqqani, then Mill case. A two member

KARACHI: Senior Deputy Convener MQM-P Syed Mustafa Kamal address

Pakistan reclaim No. 1 ODI spot

despite Asia Cup disappointment

Current rating: 113

tember 24, September 27)

in the box seat to be the

No.1 ranked side at the

start of the World Cup af-

ter the series loss to South

whitewash India in the se-

ries to go into the World

Cup as the No.1 ranked

team. However, if Austra-

lia start the series with two

wins, they will go on top

of the rankings until the fi-

match series in India at the

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In fact, a win in the first

ODI will see India upstage

Pakistan to become the

No.1 ranked team across all

three formats of the game.

Asia Cup win and they

could reach the No.1 posi-

Rohit Sharma's side are

coming off a spectacular teams are scheduled to play

tion as early as Friday next would then re-claim the

week by defeating Austra- premier position.

start of the World Cup.

Australia's three-

nal ODI at least.

India

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Australia are no longer

Pakistan's ambassador to division bench gave a split the United States, was acverdict. The case was recused of seeking help from ferred to a referee judge, the United States by exwho supported the division bench judge favouring clospressing fear of a military ing the case. Hence, a He found Hussain 'clean chit' was granted to Haqqani guilty in the report the accused and the case

was closed in March 2014. In its decision, the Su-After the suicide blast in preme Court acquitted the Sharif family of the corruption charge of Rs1.2 billion.

Justice Isa wrote the decision of the Faizabad sitin case in 2017 which displeased many in the power

In February 2017, the Supreme Court took suo motu notice of the problems faced by the residents of Islamabad and Rawalpindi due to the sit-in of the religious organisation Tehreek-e-Labbaik Paki-

The Supreme Court wrapped up in 2019 and directed the government, law enforcers, intelligence agencies and the army's media wing to operate within their mandate.

On Nov 22, 2018 a twojudge SC bench comprising Justice Isa and Justice Musheer Alam had reserved its judgement and closed the hearing of the case that was initiated on a suo motu on Nov 21, 2017 ? after dishing out severe criticism to the attorney general, media regulator and other stakeholders.

In 2015, Justice Isa was among six judges who opposed the establishment of military courts when the full bench of the Supreme Court ruled in its favour.

The dissenting judges were of the opinion that the establishment of military courts was a violation of the independence of the judiciary and basic human

Ironically, the Muslim League-N government hailed the decision (of creating military courts) as a victory for the nation and said it would help eradicate terrorism.

Justice Isa objected to taking suo motu notice by the chief justices.

During the hearing of suo motu notice in Army Public School attack case in Peshawar along with then Chief Justice Saqib Nisar, he had said that the Human Rights Cell of the Supreme Court has no direct authority to convert a petition into suo motu notice.

Justice Isa objected that under Article 184(3), an order of the Supreme Court is necessary first.

During the hearing, Chief Justice Nisar suddenly dismissed the court and after some time when the court resumed hearing, Justice Isa was not sitting on the bench.

Justice Qazi Faez Isa took oath as the 29th chief justice of Pakistan on Sunday after the retirement of Umar Ata Bandial. He was administered the oath of office by President Arif Alvi during a ceremony at Aiwan-i-Sadr in Islamabad. Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar and Chief of Army Staff Asim Munir were also in atten-

This is the lowest total in the history of Asia Cup one-day international

(ODI) history since the

record was previously held

by Bangladesh, who scored

87 runs against Pakistan

sailed through the 51-run

target and completed the

chase in 6.1 overs with 10

scored 23 and 27 runs re-

In response, Blue Shirts

back in 2000.

wickets in hand.

spectively.

Charith

India crush Sri Lanka to secure 8th Asia Cup title

Sports Desk

COLOMBO: India blew away Sri Lanka in the Asia Cup 2023 final on Sunday, first limiting the hosts to a mere 50 runs followed up by a fast-paced chase to secure their eighth Asia Cup

Earlier in the day, Sri Lanka after winning the toss opted to bat first, however, India's Mohammad Siraj blew away the hosts by taking six wickets four of which came in a single over — while conceding only 21 runs.

a delay of 40 minutes due eighth overall. to rain. The collapse started with Jasprit Bumrah removing Kusal Perera in the first over the game.

After the first wicket. it was all about Mohammad Siraj, who completed his fifer in his first three overs of the spell.

Apart from Siraj's sixwicket haul, Hardik Pandya and Jasprit Bumrah bagged three and one wickets each leaving Sri Lanka bowled out at 50 in 15.2 overs.

Only two Sri Lankan batters managed to get into double figures, with Dushan Hemantha scoring an unbeaten 13 and Kusal Mendis adding another 17

This is India's seventh The match started with Asia Cup ODI title and India's Siraj bagged the Man of the Match award for his impressive matchwinning performance. His six victims were Pathum Nissanka, Kusal Mendis, Sadeera Samarwickrama.

> Dhananajaya de Silva and Dasun Shanaka. Meanwhile, India's Kuldeep Yadav won the Player of the Tournament award. The left-arm wrist spinner picked up nine wickets. He took a match-

Asalanka

winning five-wicket haul against Pakistan, followed by a four-wicket haul against Sri Lanka to help India win two games in the Super 4 stage.

Abbasi apologizes for his statement about ZA Bhutto

RAWALPINDI (INP): Pakistan Muslim League (PML-N) leader Hanif Abbasi has apologized for his statement about Zulfigar Ali Bhutto.

According to a private TV channel, Hanif Abbasi apologized to the PPP and its leadership on his social media account.

He said in his statement

on Twitter that Zulfigar Ali

Bhutto was a great leader and he founded the nuclear program. However, after Bhutto, his philosophy was not implemented in

"The background of my statement was related to the performance of the People's Party and I apologize if my statement offended anyone," Hanif Abbasi clarifies.

terms of performance.

Justice Qazi Faez Isa sworn... Continued from page 1

All India Muslim League from Balochistan.

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tice Isa's mother, was a social worker and worked in an honorary capacity on the boards of hospitals and other charitable organisations which focused on education, children and women's health

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ber of the Balochistan High Court Bar Association, Sindh High Court Bar Association and Life Member of the Supreme Court Bar Association of Pakistan. From time to time, he

was called upon by the chief guest. High Courts and the Supreme Court as amicus curiae and rendered assistance in certain complicated cases. He has also conducted international arbitration. Justice Isa took oath as a judge of the Supreme Court of Pakistan on September 5, 2014.

The biggest challenge Justice Isa may encounter during his tenure as the CJP would be unifying the court and restoring the court's credibility, so that no one could point a finger at the court's judgements. The perceived practice

Justice Isa enrolled as of the formation of a particular bench consisting of 'like-minded judges' to hear constitutional matters of public importance has become the basis of criticism of the top judiciary. There has been a general feeling that senior judges were being left out in the formation of benches for desired outcomes of the proceedings.

Sports Desk COLOMBO: All too often ignored in favour of the big name sport stars, cricketing groundstaff who kept the rain-hit Asia Cup running were promised a \$50,000 shared bonus by organisers on Sunday.

Pace bowler Mohammed Siraj, who returned figures of 6-21 to lead India's rout of

'Unsung heroes':

\$50,000 for rain-hit

Asia Cup groundstaff

Sri Lanka by 10 wickets as they clinched their eighth Asia Cup title, also vowed to donate his \$5,000 man of the match prize winnings to those who looked after the

The 50-over Asia Cup is a precursor to the upcoming one-day international (ODI) World Cup, and most of the matches were moved to Sri Lanka after India refused to tour Pakistan due to political tensions.

But rain played havoc and multiple matches in the six-nation tournament were delayed, and some abandoned.

The nearly three-week-long event was only saved by an army of around 100 Sri Lankan groundstaff wearing orange tops, who sprinted out with the covers each time

The team have been hailed the real stars by fans, commentators and players. 'Big shout out to the unsung heroes of cricket!" president of the Asian Cricket Council Jay Shah posted today on X, formerly Twitter, praising their "unwavering

commitment and hard work". Shah, who is also the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) chief, said the

Asian Cricket Council and Sri Lanka Cricket were "proud to announce a well-deserved prize money of \$50,000 for the dedicated curators and groundsmen.' Staff at Sri Lanka's grounds at Colombo and Kandy would get the bonus, he said.

While the cash will be split between scores of staff, it will be likely well received in a country which last year suffered an economic crash that sparked dire food, fuel and medicine shortages, with GDP per capita sinking to \$3,354 "From pitch perfection to lush outfields, they ensured the stage was set for thrill-

"This recognition highlights the critical role these individuals play in cricket's

Yorkshire, Qalandars to launch open trials in UK spiration from the on Oct 1 at Yorkshire's re-

vamped Park Avenue Bradford Cricket Ground.

ISLAMABAD (INP): The Yorkshire County Cricket Club (YCCC) together with the Pakistan Super League (PSL) team Lahore Qalandars are set to launch an open trial opportunity to unearth cricketing talent across the UK.

India's openers Ishan Kishan and Shubman Gill The trials aim to attract aspiring amateur players to demonstrate their cricketing skills in front of a selection panel led by Yorkshire's managing director of cricket Darren Gough alongside representatives from the York-

portunity to travel to Lahore

Open to men and women over the age of 18, the cricketers who demonstrate the most potential on the trial day will be rewarded with the op-

and train at the Oalandars High Performance Centre (QHPC). and learn at QHPC's world-class facilities with

They would get to play

Qalandars' Players Development Programme (PDP) which has engaged over half a million youngsters across Pakistan since its launch in

Speaking on the subject, Gough said, "Our inspiration is taken from the partnership we have with Lahore Oalandars and is an exciting moment as we continue to look to the future with the Yorkshire County the additional opportunity to learn from the PSL 2024. Cricket Club and continue on our journey to make it a club accessible to all.'



OUETTA: Jamat-e-Islami (JI) leader. Hafiz Noor Ali along with others addresses to media persons during press conference held at Quetta press club.

Governor calls for preparing....

Continued from page 1

vestment in the province, adding he stressed.

The Governor appreciated the organizers and participants for holding successful event. In the end, he distributed awards among the participants.

INP adds: The Islamabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ICCI) organized a business role model award ceremony to confer awards on the business leaders of the markets in recognition of their valuable services to the traders.Governor Balochistan Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar was the

Speaking on the occa-Governor Balochistan Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar said that Balochistan is the gateway to Asia from where trade can be done with many countries. He said that due to CPEC, the importance of Balochistan has increased a lot.

He invited the business community to do business and invest in Balochistan because there is great potential for them Balochistan. He said that Balochistan is a poor province and the business community can play an important role in its development by doing business and investing in the province.

He said that the resources of Balochistan are ready to be shared with everyone. He stressed that everyone should play a role to steer the country out of the current crisis. He

the business role model award as it will encourage the business community. At the end of the event, he distributed awards to the business leaders of the markets. President ICCI Ahsan Zafar Bakhtawari said that Pakistan is currently passing through a critical period in history and only the business community can get the country out of the current economic crisis, but the government's support in this regard is very important. He said that the business community plays a key role in the development of the economy by doing business and investment and their only demand is to give them their

rights. He assured that the business community will provide all possible support to achieve the objectives of the Special Investment Facilitation Council eign investment in Pakistan can be better promoted.

He invited all the political parties to ICCI TO present their economic manifesto. He appealed to the Prime Minister and the Army Chief to establish peace in Balochistan so that the province could move towards development and prosperity. He said that Gwadar can change the destiny of Pakistan but development work in it is slow and needs to be accelerated.

Khalid Iqbal Malik. Group Leader ICCI, said that the current conditions

lauded ICCI for organizing are not favorable for business, due to which the business community is also suffering. He said that the interest rate of the SBP is 22% and the prices of petroleum products have reached the highest level in history due to which the business community as well as the people are fac-

ing great problems. He said that it is the era of economic wars and those countries are doing better with strong economies. He stressed that stakeholders should come together and prepare a comprehensive agenda to get Pakistan out of the current difficulties.

Former President ICCI and Secretary General UBG Pakistan Zafar Bakhtawari said that the enemy of Pakistan is conspiring against Pakistan in Balochistan and we all have to defeat it together. He said that Balochistan can so that domestic and for- change the destiny of not only Pakistan but the whole region because the development Balochistan will develop the whole region.

He said that the blue economy of Balochistan can start a new era of development in Pakistan. He said that development and prosperity are being achieved in the world by creating a regional trade block and opening the borders for trade, so now it is time that Pakistan should also try to develop regional trade by opening its borders with the neighboring

countries



QUETTA: Balochistan Commerce Students Association President, Jalil Ahmed along with others addresses to media persons during press conference held at Quetta press club.

Somalia launches National ID System with Pakistan's Help, A Milestone ID4Africa"

The Federal Republic of Somalia has launched a national identification system with the support of NADRA Pakistan, a milestone for the ID4Africa movement, which aims to provide all Africans with a digital identity by 2030.

H.E. Somali Prime Minister Hamza Abdi Barre inaugurated the Somalia National ID on September 16, 2023, during the first National ID conference held by NIRA Somalia in Mogadishu. The event was attended by Somalia's development partners, including Pakistan, the EU, the World Bank Group, the UK, the USA, Gulf countries, ID4Africa, diplomats,

The Prime Minister of Somalia expressed his gratitude to the Prime Minister of Pakistan and NADRA for their support in implementing the Somali National ID system. He also thanked them for their assistance in capacity build-

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ing for NIRA Somalia.

Other dignitaries at the event, including the UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Somalia, Catriona Laing, and the British Ambassador to Somalia,

Nithavrianakis, appreciated NADRA's robust systems and congratulated the governments of Pakistan and

Somalia on this successful accomplishment.

The Somalia National System is part of a multi-million dollar grant extended by the Government of Pakistan to Somalia. It will enable NIRA and the Ministry of Interior Somalia to implement their mandate of enhancing the country's governance, security, and socio-economic development by providing citizens of Somalia with a secure and universally rec-

The system will also facilitate more efficient public service delivery, including social welfare programs, healthcare services, and electoral processes, leading to improved gover-

ognized form of identifica-

to streamline the distribution of humanitarian aid, ensuring it reaches those who need it most promptly. The identity system shall also promote financial inclusion in Somalia by enabling citizens to access banking and financial services easily, fostering economic growth.

Chairman NADRA Asad Rehman Gilani said, NADRA takes immense pride in the successful execution and launch of Somalia's National Identification System, a testament to the power of collaboration and innovation. This achievement reinforces Pakistan's vision for a more secure and prosperous So-



ISLAMABAD: Students of Christen Community hold national flags in their hands during a rally stands in front of closed gate at Agha Khan road, for attending in oath taking ceremony of new chief justice of

Pakistan (CJP), in Federal Capital. Conference fostering dialogue

World's religions advocate peace, harmony: Aneeq

revisited: Irfan Qadir

ISLAMABAD (APP): our fellow human beings, Caretaker Minister for Réligious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony, Aneeq Ahmed in a recent meeting with Car-must remain vigilant dinal Archbishop Joseph Coutts discussed interfaith harmony, welfare of minority communities and mutual interests. During the meeting, he emphasized that irrespective of any religion in the world, everyone advocates for peace and brotherhood

both Muslim and non-Muslim, as brothers and sisters. In Pakistan, we against those who seek to spread religious discord and thwart their nefarious intentions

Together, we will foil their efforts," he added. Cardinal Archbishop Dr. Joseph Coutts expressed gratitude for Minister Aneeq Ahmed's visit and "All of humanity is acknowledged Pakistan's Allah's creation. We, as Muslims, stand united with the welfare of minorities.

10 to 15 decisions of SC required to be

(Practice and Procedure)

Act 2023 — a bill that re-

quired the formation of

benches on constitutional

matters of public impor-

tance by a committee of

three senior judges will be

heard by a supreme court

bench on Monday (tomor-

headed by the former CJP

on April 13, had suspended

the enforcement of the Su-

preme Court (Practice &

An eight-judge bench

ISLAMABAD (INP): Former attorney general and prominent Supreme Court of Pakistan lawyer Irfan Qadir on Sunday said that the former chief justice had wrongfully suspended the Supreme Court (Practice and Procedure) Act

In comments as Justice Qazi Faez Isa has sworn in as the 29th chief justice of Pakistan on Sunday (today), Irfan Qadir said that the incumbent CJP has to redress the de-

Procedure) Act, 2023. Irfan Qadir said, he cisions taken by the former expected that the suspen-The Supreme Court Act 2023 will be set aside. | parted soul.

opened avenues for innovative and proactive thinking ISLAMABAD (Online): examination of their respecconducting quality research tive topics, thereby contribthat can contribute to the uting significantly to a progress of the country.

deeper comprehension of

the pertinent issues. Dr.

Nadeem ul Haque, Vice-Chancellor of PIDE and

Chairman of the RASTA

Research Advisory Commit-

tee (RAC), stated, "We have only buildings without Pro-

fessors. We cannot call them

Universities that don't have

Professors." This thought-

provoking observation

Pakistan Institute of Devel-Economics opment (PIDE), through its Research for Social Transformation and Advancement (RASTA) program, successfully concluded its 3rd RASTA conference at the Gun & Country Club in Islamabad. The conference encompassed a wide array of research themes, including Urban Development and Industry, Law and Judiciary, Human Capital and Opportunities, Sludge and Dead Capital, Education and Technology, and Public Finance Management and Financial Inclusion. These sessions provided an extensive and multifaceted

highlights the need for a robust educational infrastructure, including qualified fac-ulty, to develop true centres of higher learning.

lining the role of academic institutions in shaping the nation's future. In his concluding remarks, Dr Haque stressed the significance of innovative and creative thinking as a cornerstone of national prosperity. He stated, "Innovative and creative think-

'Universities are not con-

ducting quality research,

which may benefit the country," he noted, under-

ing is crucial for prosperity," emphasizing that such thinking is essential for ad-Furthermore, Dr. dressing the challenges of Haque pointed out that universities need to focus on Haque pointed out the Haque pointed out that universities need to focus on Haque pointed out the Haque pointed out the Haque pointed out that universities need to focus on Haque pointed out the the modern world and driv-

ing the participants said,

weapon to raise a voice

against social injustices and

inequality occurring in so-

ciety through writing. It's a

He said, "In my view,

He said, "Unfortu-

nately, in today's age, pro-

fessional journalists are

only a few. There are many

who now joined social me-

dia and thus claim that they

are the real journalists but

in reality, they don't have

even the basic knowledge of

Point (TRP) which is dis-

heartening,"Asmar Abbasi

true asset of any profes-

sional journalist.

The pen is a powerful

Jamal grieved over death of renowned

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Federal Minister row over the sad demise of the famous Balochi language poet Mubarak Qazi, which occurred late last sion of the Supreme Court (Practice and Procedure) Allah Almighty to grant eternal peace to the de-

Balochi poet

for National Heritage and Culture, Jamal Shah has expressed his grief and sor-Friday night. In a message of condolences on Sunday, the Minister prayed to Allah Almighty to grant

Dinner hosted to pay tribute to services of media persons Ahmed Abbasi while thank-

ISLAMABAD (APP): A dinner reception to acknowledge the services of the print, electronic, social, and digital media persons was held here in a local hotel the other day.

According to details, a dinner gathering of professional journalists and media persons was held to the journalist is the one who honor their services in the follows all the journalistic

One of the prominent story. political, social, and business personalities of Murree the PML-N leader Asmar Ahmed Abbasid graced the occasion as a

Editor of Roznama Ausaf and news channel ABN Mehtab Khan and Senior journalists Javed Saddique and Tikka Khan were the chief guests on the

Speaking on occasion, heart PML-N leader Asmar said.

journalism.' "They are only playing a game of Target Rating

Malik terms quality education key to nation's development

Special Assistant to Prime Minister for Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development, Jawad Sohrab Malik on Sunday emphasized the importance of quality education and called it the most

important for children. During meeting with principals of educational institutions of OPF, the Special Assistant termed the quality education a key to

development of any nation. The purpose of the meeting was to improve the educational quality of OPF educational institutions. Jawad Sohrab Malik assured that the government will take every possible measure to further enhance

the quality of teaching and

ISLAMABAD (APP): research in educational in-

He suggested that measures should be taken to improve teaching methodology, focusing on technology transfer, and starting future-oriented programs. He said that quality education and research play a significant role in the prosperity of any nation and Pakistan has no other option except the promotion of education for dealing with the confronted chal-

He said that all available resources will be utilized and other support to improve the quality of education in OPF schools. He said that measures would be taken to resolve all issues of educational institutions.



ISLAMABAD: Old man waiting for costumers while selling shopping bags at G-6 bazar in Federal Capital territory.

ISLAMABAD: Workers of Capital Development Authority (CDA) is buy in Investigation officer in maid Fatima murder

case changed ISLAMABAD (INP): DIG Sukkur Abdul Hameed Khosa has changed the investigation officer (IO) in the case of murder of Fatima, who used to work as a maid at a haveli in Ranipur area of Khairpur.

DSP Safiullah Solangi has replaced Bachal Qazi, who was previously IO in Police have so far

failed to arrest Pir Fayyaz Shah and Hina Shah. Police have also failed to unlock the pin code of despite the passage of one

It is said that there may be more videos of the little girl in Asad's

Four days ago, on September 13, 2023, Khairpur Police conducted a raid at a home in Khayaban-e-Shamsher in Karachi's Defence Housing Authority (DHA) in search of Fayyaz Shah and Hina Shah, wanted in connection with the murder of a maid,

the cellphone of Asad Shah, KSrelief distributes food baskets among flood affectees in Bhawalnagar

ISLAMABAD (APP): The King Salman Humanitarian Aid and Relief Center (KSrelief) on Sunday distributed 85 tons and 500 kilograms of food baskets to the most vulnerable groups in the Bhawalnagar area of Punjab province affected by floods. The aid benefited 6,300 individuals as part of the project's second phase to support food security in the Republic of Pakistan for the year 2023-2024. During the second phase. 32.400 food baskets will be distributed from August to September 2023.

This project aims to distribute 105,000 food baskets in its four phases, weighing 95 kilograms each, including basic foodstuffs, while the total weight of the entire project is 1.013 tons, benefiting 735,000 individuals from the neediest groups in 37 districts in the provinces of Sindh, Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Gilgit-Khyber Baltistan and Punjab, SPA reported. This aid is part of the relief projects provided by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia through its humanitarian arm. KSrelief.



ISLAMABAD: Children playing with glass balls on the green belt near Sitara Market, in Federal

Bilawal pays tribute to Murtaza

ISLAMABAD (APP): Chairman Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) Bilawal Bhutto Zardari has paid glowing tribute to Shaheed Mir Murtaza Bhutto on his 69th birth anniversary.

According to the press release issued by Media Cell Bilawal House on Sunday, he said in his message on the birth anniversary of Shaheed Mir Murtaza Bhutto, that Mir was a brave and bold personality

He said that the unique style of affable and mingling with people was the hallmark of Shaheed Mir Murtaza Bhutto,

which Pakistanis continue to remember even today. "Like Quaid-i-Awam Shaheed Zulfikar Ali Bhutto and Shaheed Mahtama Banazir Bhutto Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto, Shaheed Mir Murtaza Bhutto will live forever in our hearts," he added.

2 students killed as speeding ruck rams motorbike

ISLAMABAD (APP): At least two students of a private university were killed when a rashly driven truck rammed into their motorbike on the National Highway, near the Halanaka area in the wee hours of Sunday

According to details. rescue sources, the victims identified as Hasnain, 19, and Samiullah, were on their way on a bike when the truck rammed into their two-wheeler, killing Hasnain on the spot, and injuring Samiullah, a private news channel reported.

Critically injured was admitted to hospital, where he could not survive and died of his injuries.

The truck driver fled the scene, leaving his truck on the road. Police reached the scene and took the truck in custody, and

Railways Police arrest around 3,720 accused over violations

ISLAMABAD (APP): Pa- Division, kistan Railways Police claimed to have arrested a total of 3,720 accused due to their involvement in violations of rules and laws and also registered some 3,454 cases against them in eight Railways divisions in one year. "Around 613 cases were registered in Peshawar

Rawalpindi, 1,023 in Lahore, 307 in Mughalpura workshops, 378 in Multan, 197 in Sukkur, 337 in Karachi, and 62 in Quetta Division," official sources in the Ministry told APP on Sunday. They said that the Railways Police Help

in at all the major railway stations across the country and the performance of Railways Police is quite satisfactory during the last year. "The Railways Police has handed over 193 missing boys and 68 girls to their heirs and 263 boys, 154 girls and 43 women who ran away from

Islamabad Police arrest 13 outlaws, recover drugs, liquor and weapons Independent Report possession. The Sumbal

pleasant weather, in Federal Capital.

ISLAMABAD: Islamabad Capital Police (ICP) apprehended 13 outlaws during the last 24 hours from different areas of the city and recovered liquor, drugs and weapons with ammunition from their possession.

Following the special directions of Islamabad Capital City Police Officer (ICCPO) Dr. Akbar Nasir Khan, the Islamabad Capital Police has intensified crackdown against the criminal elements in order to eliminate the crime from the city, a public relations officer said on Sunday.

Acting on the directives, the Karachi Company police team arrested an accused namely Zeeshan Muhammad and recovered 1100 grams heroin from his

police team arrested an accused namely Javed Khan and recovered one 30 bore pistol with ammunition

ISLAMABAD: People are enjoying Sunday Holiday at Faisal Mosque during

from his possession. Likewise, the Tarnol police team arrested two accused namely Adnan Ali and Sajid and recovered one 30 bore pistol with ammunition and 560 gram hashish from their possession. The Sangjani police team arrested an accused namely Tariq Khan and recovered 180 gram heroin from his possession. Similarly, the Shams Colony police team arrested an accused namely Tariq Jamiland recovered 1210 gram hashish from his possession. The Khana police team arrested an accused namely Abdul Hamid and recovered

PMDC issues full registration to 13,888 doctors

ISLAMABAD (APP): Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (PMDC) has issued full registration to further 13,888 doctors, who completed their house jobs successfully. According to an official of PMDC, the council has issued 2,806 registrations to doctors with additional postgraduate qualifications. He said that the Licensing Department of the council during last nine months issued more than 41,004 renewals, and 13,208 provisional registrations to new graduates. He said that around 9,440 good standing certificates were issued to doctors who intended to proceed to work abroad. The official said that the Pakistan Medical Council right after assuming the charge and in very short span of time started working dedicatedly for doctors.

Citizens ask authorities concerned to launch crackdown against 'Beggar mafia ging or by robbing them, said are proper laws in practice both of them show the same of any strict action by the

ISLAMABAD (APP): Citizens from various cities while expressing their utmost concern over a sudden surge in the number of beggars demanded the authorities concerned to intensify the efforts and conduct raids in different areas and take action against organized professional beggars. The main purpose of these mafia is to exploit the citizens and loot them financially by any possible means either through beg-

a group of shopkeepers while talking to a private news channel on Sunday. The number of beggars are being increased with every passing day, adding, hordes of beggars are a common sight at various places such as intersections, traffic signals, hospitals, bus stand, railway station and shopping malls which need to be address on priority basis. should make sure that there professional beggars as dents, adding, in the absence

to discourage this mafia from tightening its roots in society, said a female pedestrian in local bazaar. "The only way to discourage them is that people should give money to relevant charity organizations so that money can be utilized properly," suggested

another citizen. A student commented that the people are confused The concerned department about the actual and the

characteristics, adding, professional beggars should be handed over to social institutions and legal action should be taken against the beggars who are involved in any crime. A city traffic warden also asked that public is requested to discourage such factors as it will not only improve the society. An elderly resident added that beggars are a source of nuisance for resi-

authorities they obstruct the movement of vehicles while seeking alms. Begging should be declared a criminal offense and those who beg despite warnings must be penalized, demanded a motorist. The begging culture is not as simple as it seems, said a female student, adding, there are criminal clans of organized crime like a mafia in cities. The beggars can easily be resettled and can be sent to

one 9mm pistol.

any rehabilitation centers if the administration shows some intent and decides to use its existing available resources, said a social activist Farzana Bari. Children beggars should be sent to government schools and teachers engaged to teach them in the shelter homes, she added. The government should come up with a strict laws to ban begging and to start opportunities for beggars to live with dig-

nity, she suggested

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Hoping for supremacy of Constitution with new CJP

Finally Mr. Justice Qazi Faez Isa was sworn in as the 29th Chief Justice of Pakistan following the retirement of his predecessor Mr. Justice Umar Ata Bandial a day earlier.

President Dr Arif Alvi administered the oath with high-ranking government and military officials including caretaker Prime Minister Anwaarul-Haq Kakar, Army Chief General Asim Munir, senators, foreign ambassadors, and other dignitaries in attendance during the ceremony held at the President House in Islamabad.

Justice Isa's tenure as the country's chief justice will be relatively brief, as he is slated to retire from the top judicial post on October

He took the oath as the apex court's judge on September 5, 2014. Despite being the senior puisne judge, he was not assigned any constitutional case for the past three years following a presidential reference filed against

The newly-appointed top judge of the country was born on October 26, 1959, in Quetta. His father, late Qazi Mohammad Isa, was a prominent leader in the Pakistan Movement and a close associate of Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah.

After completing his initial education in Quetta, Justice Isa pursued O and A levels studies from the Karachi Grammar School. He then moved to London to pursue his higher education in law to complete the bar professional examination at the Inns of Court School of Law.

He joined the Balochistan High Court on January 30, 1985, and became an advocate of the Supreme Court in March 1998. After an emergency was declared during the Pervez Musharraf era in November 3, 2007, Justice Isa decided not to appear before judges who took oath under the in a sense, louder than ac-Provisional Constitutional Order tion. The point I am mak-(PCO).

At the same time, after the decision of November 3 was annulled by the Supreme Court, the Balochistan High Court judges resigned, while Justice and collective behaviour. Is a was directly appointed as the judge of the provincial high court on Augus

He remained associated with the field of law for 27 years before being appointed as a judge in the Balochistan High Court and the Supreme Court. During this time, his assistance was sought in various important cases by different high courts and the Supreme Court, as well as for handling international arbitrations.

For the past five months, Justice Isa — who took the oath as an SC judge on September 5, 2014 — has engaged in chamber work only. As a form of protest following his disagreement with chief justice on suo motu powers, he has refrained from participating in any

In March this year, Justice Isa and Justice Qazi Ameenuddin issued a ruling, stating that hearing of all cases under Article 184(3) should be suspended until the apex court first makes its rules with regards to the SC's Practice and Procedure Act.

With a 45-year-long career in the legal field, Justice Isa possesses a rich background. Prior to his judicial appointment, he contributed articles on various topics, such as the Constitution, law, Islam, and the environment, to Pakistan's leading English news publications.

He also co-authored a book, 'Mass Media Laws and Regulations in Pakistan', in 1997. Additionally, Justice Isa authored the report 'Balochistan: Case and Demand' published by the Pakistan Institute of Legislative Development and Transparency (PILDAT)

On his becoming new CJP, senior journalist Mazhar Abbas described the new chief justice's decision to form full court to hear the petition against the Practice and Procedure Act as the beginning of a new era.

In a statement, Mr. Abbas said that "finally the full court was formed to hear an important case of Practice and Procedure Act, the first headed by new Chief Justice of Pakistan, Justice Qazi Faez Isa on Monday. It was also termed rarely watch TV and many as beginning of a new era and one hope to see rule of law and supremacy of the Constitution.

Needless to mention the CJP Justice Isa stood firm, fought the good fight and won despite pressures and malicious propaganda as Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed said despite pressures and malicious propaganda.

The nation expects him (CJP) to passionate in their appreserve, protect & promote Quaid's commitment to Rule of Law, constitu- sues I make them address tionalism, minority rights, since Pa- as if they were emplo-yed kistan itself is a product of democracy! in a newsroom. Iney ask thoughtful questions and so

Sino-US competition



Muhammad **Amir Rana**

The US is cautiously rebuilding its relationship with Pakistan, focusing on critical areas and communities considered vulnerable. The recent visit by US Ambassador Donald Blome to Gwadar is an indication of how the US is strategically approaching its ties with Pakistan. This development is likely to raise concerns in Beijing, which has significant regional economic and strategic investments.

If this visit is part of a broader US regional strategy, it could foster mistrust in Beijing regarding Pakistan's state institutions. When Saudi Arabia revealed its plans to construct an oil refinery near Gwadar. Chinese analysts viewed it as a US manoeuvre to gain a strategic foothold in the area opments in the context of tor involvement.

through one of its reliable PTI head Imran Khan's ex-Gulf partners, thereby countering China's initiatives. In October last year,

the US ambassador visited

Azad Jammu and Kashmir, which stirred concerns in India. His recent trip to Gwadar is also likely to have caught Beijing's attention. According to a press release from the US embassy in Islamabad, the Gwadar visit aimed to explore trade and development opportunities. During his meeting with the Gwadar Chamber of Commerce, Ambassador Blome discussed the potential for US trade and investment in various sectors. The statement emphasised America's long-standing partnership with Balochistan, including providing aid during the floods that occurred last

The US embassy further highlighted its comprehensive assistance to Pakistan — from restoring cultural heritage sites and providing humanitarian relief after the 2005 Kashmir earthquake to most recently offering "over \$66 million in cash, food, and health assistance" as devastating floods swept through the country.

Many see these devel-

ploitation of the cipher saga; however, the US strategy in the region was crafted long before. The US is also investing in cultural and educational initiatives, ranging from Muzaffarabad to Gwadar as the US presser says that in the educational sector, American support is bolstering programmes at the Baloch-istan University of Information Tech-nology, Engineering and Management Sciences and the Sardar Bahadur Khan Women's University. Additionally, the US empowers the next generation by developing literacy and educational materials in Balochi and various

identity and culture, adopting a mindset of victimhood. They may feel oppressed due to their religious, cultural, racial or linguistic identity. US diplomacy and aid appear to be focused on these sensitivities, targeting specific areas and communities for engagement. In contrast, China's approach is centred mainly on development, opting to collaborate primarily with secure sectors and with public sec-

Nations in crises often

become sensitive about their

local languages.

China has constructed schools in Gwadar and initiated several other welfare projects. However, US development efforts tend to receive more attention due to their extensive partnerships with NGOs. This is a weak point in China's development model, one from which they could learn from both the US and European nations, although such engagement would likely entail higher costs.

The US appears to be

effectively intervening and enhancing its reputation in areas where China faces security challenges and a negative public perception. This suggests that the geopolitical competition between the two nations will likely intensify in the coming months and years. Amid this unfolding dynamic, two critical points must be addressed concerning the impact and role of state insti-

Pakistan faces a complex set of economic and strategic challenges, making it essential for the country to balance its relations with both the US and China. However, state institutions must carefully assess and evaluate the risks associated with failing to maintain this

tionable. Pakistan has long been

equilibrium.

tegic or political.

There may be legiticoncerned about America's mate concerns about US neutrality, but Washington strategic and geo-economic partnership with India. It derives significant leverage aims for a moderate level of from its political optics. engagement with the US, For example, its involvelargely because of its depenment in Azad Jammu and dence on defence and textile pleased Kashmir Rawalpindi, while its visit exports, but also because of the need for geopolitical balto Gwadar was well-received in India. Such dipance. While Islamabad's policymakers generally lomatic manoeuvres highfavour closer ties with the light perceived weaknesses US, this preference raises in Pakistan's state instituconcerns for China. None-Although America's theless, the partnership between the US and Pakistan

strategic interests are inis mutually beneficial and creasingly aligning with India's, many observers in entails minimal costs — fi-Delhi nancial, trade-related, stra-New view Washington's partnership Pakistan seeks to avoid with Pakistan not only an armed conflict with Inthrough a historical lens dia, a stance that aligns well but also as a strategic move with US interests. The US to counterbalance India. has often played a role in Concurrently, CPEC has defusing tensions between altered the dynamics of the the two nations, leading Pa-Sino-Pakistan relationship, significantly influencing bikistan to trust America's capacity for diplomatic inlateral US-Pakistan ties. The US is trying to create tervention in complex issues a balance by investing more in public diplomacy, with India more than it trusts any other country. While which is impacting China's China has been a mediator image in Pakistan. Finally, in other regional tensions, such as between Saudi the Chinese ambassador in Arabia and Iran, its ability town may have brought a to act impartially in the innew strategy for public diplomacy. -- Courtesy tricate relationship between Pakistan and India is ques-

Stay hungry, stay foolish



Ghazi Salahuddin

There was this 'gentleman' in the Moliere play who was delighted to learn that he had been speaking in 'prose' all his life without knowing it, in the context of the literary distinction between poetry and prose. In any case, we too utteror read or hear – words all the time.But some words stand out and may speak, ing is that words matter. Words have the power to move people and inspire action and, even, change the course of individual lives

I had to dabble with these thoughts, though not with much academic finesse, in a presentation on and the value of words in Pakistan: 'Unity-Faiththe 'power of words' in a the world of communicasession of the Second Na- tions, I was reminded of the ferred to this slogan to untional Media Fellowship title of Jean Paul Sartre's derline the fact of how the observed at the Quaid-eworkshop on Wednesday in Karachi. This project is Karachi workshop on Wednesday in Large biography – which is, simply, 'The Words'. Half of violated and the message of

Commission on the Status of Women (NCSW), in collaboration with UNFPA and CEJ-IBA.

Obviously, media professionals need to have a certain level of proficiency in using words – in fact, language – to meaningfully engage with their readers. viewers or listeners. This becomes a challenge in a society where the reading culture is nearly extinct and educational standards are very poor. On this subject. I become rather emotional while expressing my dis-may over our intellectual deprivations

But on this occasion, I am using my encounter with the media workshop only as a peg to underline a few references that I had made while speaking on the 'power of words'. Otherwise, there are scores of examples of how leaders and writers and media professionals have used words to create an impact and raise the emotions and spirits of the people.

sponsored by the National it is on reading and the other half on writing.

One of my favourite aphorisms about journalism is that it is literature in haste. There is usually a literary flavour in reports. comments and headlines that communicate a story or an idea in an effective manner. Then, there are words that become songs

slogans

and

catchphrases.

There are words that live in the minds and hearts of the people. There have been speeches made by leaders at a critical moment in the lives of their nation that have changed history. What a fascinating subject this is and one can think of numerous examples from recent times. There are headlines that became memorable and quotations from speeches that became a part of the vocabulary of

the common people.

One example I cited were the three words that Ouaid-e-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah had used to generate popular As for the importance enthusiasm for the cause of Discipline'. Actually, I re-

the Quaid can be distorted. During Zia's time. they arbitrarily changed the

order of the words and put Faith before Unity and Discipline, translating Faith as Eman. During the Quaid's lifetime, the standard Urdu translation of the three words was: Ittehad-Yaqeen-e-Mohkam-Tanzeem. This is how it is indelibly sketched on the postage stamp released by the Pakistan Postal Service on the first death anniversary of the Quaid on September 11, 1949. The postage stamp was valued at

The original order of words and their Urdu translation was also inscribed on the 'Teen Talwar' monument in Karachi - though the words are now nearly erased However the slogan in its distorted form is formally used, particularly within military precincts and nobody seems to mind it, which is another measure of our collective apathy and lack of respect for truth and incontrovertible facts of history.

three annas.

Incidentally, the 75th death anniversary of the Founder of the Nation was Azam House Museum in on the most famous line ish"

number of speeches were made on the man and his mission. But there was certainly no mention of how his iconic exhortation that has a definite message has been violated.

speeches I invoked was made in Washington D C on August 28, 1963 – 60 years ago. Its refrain were four words that had a bearing on the civil rights movement in the United States. You guessed it; it was Martin Luther King Jr who stood before a gathering of 250,000 people and roared: "I have a dream". Imagine the power and the reach of these four words.

Finally, I felt happy to talk about the speech that the late Steve Jobs, then CEO of Apple Computer, made at Stanford University in 2005. It is perhaps the best and most admired commencement speech made in America. Turged the young participants to got to find what you

Here, I have to focus Karachi on Monday and a with which he closed his TheNews

address: "Stav hungry. Stay foolish". What does this mean? Steve Jobs spoke about a magazine that he loved in his youth. When it stopped publication, there was a photo-Anyhow, one of the graph on the back cover of the final issue, depicting an early morning country road. Beneath it were the words: "Stay

Hungry. Stay Foolish".

It was their farewell message as they signed off. Said Steve Jobs: 'And I have always wished that for myself. And now, as you graduate to begin anew, I wish that for you". So, he signed off: "Stay hungry. Stay foolish"

These two sentences or four words are seen to have meant that we should never stop learning and should always try new things

We cannot be sure that our young people, being who they are in this Google it and imbibe its chaotic and unjust socimessage in earnest. The ety, have the confidence entire speech is quotable, as well as the capacity to chart their own path to the young that "you've success and glory. Yet, Steve Jobs would still whisper in their ears: "Stay hungry. Stay fool--- Courtesy

What's the point?



Muna Khan

One of my favourite parts about teaching is learning from students. Whether it's something inane like who is Ducky Bhai to important issues like climate change and all things related to gender, I think teaching has helped me understand what urban youngsters care about. In the last few weeks, I've learned the news industry isn't on their care list, neither is any political party — including the

these students. When shown his official portrait, they did not recognise Asim Munir and when told it's the army chief, only one student correctly guessed his name. They could not believe Altaf Hussain had the power to shut down a city over a phone call. That too rotary because they have only known mobile phones as a normal form of communication. They did not know the reference to Pink Floyd in the great headline by the Hindu on the launch of Chandrayaan 3: "India lights up the dark side of the moon." They could not remember when they last held a physical newspaper. Their trust in most institutions is broken.

They are not hopeful. Please do not mistake this as an attempt to mock or worse, disrespect them. They are some of the brightest students I've taught and, also, more comproach to hypothetical isin a newsroom. They ask

victim, the oppressed, the turnout figures aren't limunderdog. While they may dislike the current state of tries. "Plummeting voter the media, they want it to turnout in Europe", which improve because they understand just how big a threat disinformation poses to society. We'd be lucky to employ any of them in our newsrooms. But most of them want to leave Paki-

Although it is a media literacy class, I try to link things back to democracy for example, how access to fair and diverse reporting benefits audiences and allows them to make better informed decisions when it comes to voting. I remind them they are a large demographic and have the power to influence policies with their vote. But the other day in class, when I suggested everyone vote even if just for the experience, Let me help you place one student asked: what is the point?

I had no answer. All the pundits tell us that deals have been set and preparations are underway for the PML-N to return to power. It explains other parties' posturing on holding elections as soon as possible because they know they've lost a seat at a table decided by others and are preparing strategies to save face.

I invite any of their leaders to my class to convince my students to vote, let alone for them. There is a huge disconnect between parties and this youth bulge which free laptops will not fix. Despite the growth in

the global voter population and the number of countries that hold elections, the global average voter turnout has decreased significantly since the early 1990s, according to a report by the International Institute for Democr-acy and Electoral Assistance. Interestingly, that decline "has occurred in parallel with the emergence of many negative voices about dying to leave this country. the state of democracy

far, always side with the around the world". Low ited to developing counhas the largest number of established democracies, "is a worrying phenomenon" it adds

There are 'significant' gender differences in voter turnouts; female participation was lowest in Pakistan. To remind, women were banned from voting in KP's constituency PK-23 in Shangla in the last election One of the reasons for

low turnouts is "economic hardship [which] can result in voter apathy and lead people to withdraw from politics and focus on meeting their basic needs" At the rate fuel prices are rising in Pak-istan, folks may not even be able to afford commuting to their polling stations.

Many countries have mandated compulsory voting which will of course result in higher turnouts. I'd like to once again use this space to call for the inclusion of 'None of the Above' as an option. In January I wrote: "NOTA is a vote bank, they send a message to the political establishment and can mobilise change." NOTA will be less bloody. At some point, the injustice of social and economic divides will turn violent. History

tells us this. In the last election, Pakistan had the largest percentage of young people ever recorded in its history, according to a UNDP report. Their votes matter but if you speak to lots of young folks, they think it's a sham.

I believe NOTA's inclusion in the next election will give the disenchanted an opportunity to send a resounding message to the establishment and their civilian political party enablers. Listen to young people, most of whom are literally -- Courtesy Dawn



Chaudhry

Life in developed countries pivots around the rule of law. Every citizen is subjected to the same laws, and no one is above the law. However, despite full consensus on the validity of the rule of law, there are always implementation gaps.

Take the US, whose founding fathers stressed on equality of all men, freedom and liberty, human rights and the rule of law. Even so, slavery and racial discrimination continued in the US for a long time. American society struggled for two centuries to fill the gap between theory and practice of the rule of law, including a civil war in the 1860s and a civil rights movement led by Martin Luther King in the 1960s.

Europe's case is no different. Centuries ago, voices were raised questioning the divine rights of kings. The 17th-century political theorist John Locke argued that every person has natural rights to life, liberty and property. For its time, this was a revolutionary idea; ever since, many European thinkers have contributed to liberalism and enlightenment with strong support for the rule of law. Europeans from various walks of life struggled hard against tyranny and discrimination for centuries before they succeeded in establishing the European Union, which holds together diverse societies through adherence to universal human rights and the

rule of law. Another example is that of China, which has

attained rapid economic progress, thanks mainly to meritocracy and strict enforcement of the laws through a complex web of local people's congresses overseen by the Communist Party.

In sharp contrast, a disturbing international trend worth recognising is that unilateralism is on the rise and multilateralism on the retreat. When big powers violated international law with impunity, such as the US invasion of Iraq in 2003 and the Russian invasion of Crimea in 2014, international law was undermined. This trend is proving deleterious for the rule of law both at the international and national levels.

India, which started its independent life as a pluralistic, secular and democratic country, has changed gears, with Modi's administration seeking to create a Hindu state that has constricting space for minorities. Non-Hindu citizens are likely to resist this blatant discrimination on the basis of religion, which in turn could lead to significant commotion in Indian soci-When we look at Pa-

kistan, it also suffers from large gaps in theory and practice of the rule of law. Fortunately, the theory itself is sound. Islam, the majority faith in Pakistan, enjoins harmony. The life of the Prophet (PBUH) illustrated the values of peaceful coexistence of faith-based communities and tolerance. The Constitution also grants the right of freedom of religion to every Pakistani citizen under Articles 20 and 36. Jinnah's speech on Aug 11, 1947, made it clear that every citizen of Pakistan, whether Muslim, Hindu or Christian, would be free to go to their places of wor-

Yet, we see elements within our own society that consistently challenge sometimes they even take

The rule of law false pride in breaking the law. From self-serving feudal lords to corrupt public office holders to religious extremists, some segments of Pakistani society have developed a flawed sense of entitlement over and above the law of the land. If Pakistan is to become a developed state, governed by the rule of law, all citizens must be treated as equal before the law, regardless of ethnicity, faith, race or cultural disposition. Our leaders should act as role models by giving up overt displays of entitle-

ment around public offices. Our governance model should embrace a genuine separation of powers between branches of the government (legislative, executive and judicial) for effective checks and balances. The French political Montesquieu had postulated in the 18th century that uniting these powers could lead authoritarianism, as amply witnessed by Pakistan in its short history.

We also need an independent judiciary that can withstand the political winds and restore people's confidence in the rule of law; and an education system that teaches children at an early stage about their civic rights and responsibilities as equal citizens of Pakistan.

One caveat to all that is said above is that the law itself must be clear, universal in application, consistent across equivalent cases, easily knowable to the people, formulated after consultations and due diligence, and without retroactive effects.

Applying law inconsistently and using it to harass political opponents undermines public faith in the rule of law. As Montesquieu said, there is no greater tyranny than that which is perpetuated under the shield of the law the rule of law. Sadly, and in the name of justice. -- Courtesy Dawn

Naqvi reviews measures for elimination of smog

Caretaker Chief Minister Mohsin Naqvi, during a meeting held at his office on Sunday, reviewed measures being taken for

elimination of smog.
The meeting decided to make the urban roads dust-free for eradication of smog and roads would be washed for the prevention of smog.A task had been assigned to Lahore Waste Management Company (LWMC) to wash the roads of Lahore while

launch a crackdown against those involved in selling substandard fuel.

The meeting was informed that financial assistance will be provided with the collaboration of World Bank so as to make the industries environment friendly. The CM ordered to ensure implementation of Smog Prevention & Control Rules 2023 and sought a comprehensive plan from all departments concerned to bring down

institutions for two months on committing frequent violation of anti smog policy. An advance affidavit should be taken from the farmers to prevent them from burning the residue of rice and other fields. Mohsin Naqvi directed that Vehicle Inspection and Certification System (VICS) and other relevant institutions should ensure issuance of Transport Fitness Certificate.

Deputy Commissioners smog at the lowest level. He put forth their proposals have been directed to directed to seal the and recommendations in the meeting.Professor Doctor Sajid Rasheed Ahmad Principal College of Earth Environmental Sciences Punjab University said that motorcycle rickshaw was the main cause of environmental pollution. Professor Doctor Sajid Rasheed stressed that a long term policy was essential for the elimination of smog. Kilns should be transferred to agricultural waste instead Environment experts

The Task Force formed on

the special directives of Commissioner Rawalpindi Division Liaquat Ali

Chatta to take action

against illegal housing

societies has accelerated its

ongoing operations against

According to a RDA okesman, the district

administration, local police, and Rawalpindi

Development Authority

(RDA) had jointly

launched a grand operation

against illegal housing

those violating the rules.



LAHORE: Caretaker Chief Minister Punjab Mohsin Naqvi offering Dua after inaugurating extension project of Police Helpline Centre at Liberty.

PESHAWAR: Advisor to CM on Health Dr. Riaz Anwar addressing a meeting during his visit to Khyber Eye Foundation.

had heard numerous

commendations about the

convinced that Khyber

Eye Foundation is a

reputable brand, and it

serves as a beacon of hope for the less fortunate."

He further added, "This hospital is a

testament to your hard

work and dedication, and I

token of appreciation.

rigorous evaluations and

have received approval

from the Land Use and

Building Control Council,

underlining their importance and alignment

with regulatory standards.

To ensure the effective implementation

of these plans in their true

spirit, the Provincial Land

Úse Plan Project (PLUP),

Urban Policy & Planning

Unit, Planning & Development Department

in collaboration with the

World Bank sponsored

Khyber Pass Économic

Corridor Project (KPEC)

of the Government of

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa,

organized a comprehensive

two-day event. This event

served as a platform to

unite all key stakeholders

who will play pivotal roles

in the successful execution

of the Land Use Plans and

the Land Use and Building

Control Act 2021. These stakeholders include

members of the Provincial

Land Use and Building

Control Council, the

Planning and Development

from

He stated, "I am now

facility

acquaintances.

to address it.

KP leads the way in

sustainable land use

planning, building control

land

and

Peshawar,

CM aide visits Khyber **Eye Foundation**

PESHAWAR (Online): expressed his satisfaction Special Assistant to with the hospital's Caretaker Chief Minister performance, noting that he Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on Health Dr. Riaz Anwar on Sunday visited Khyber Eve Foundation and expressed satisfaction over the healthcare initiatives.

C h a i r m a n Muhammad Adnan Jalil and esteemed board administrators, welcomed

Dr. Riaz Anwar and all accompanying guests. During the visit, all guests were given a tour of assure you that I am always the Khyber Eye Foundation and received a detailed presentation about the hospital's operations. available to contribute to the progress of this institution. Whenever there is a challenge, I will be here

C h a i r m a n Muhammad Adnan Jalil Muhammad Adnan Jalil
briefly expressed his Dr. Riaz Anwar was thoughts, emphasizing the honored with a shield as a foundation's importance as a charitable institution and its provision of free healthcare services to the underprivileged and needy individuals in the region.

Dr. Riaz Anwar, the Special Assistant Health,

foundation's growth, received a shield for his relentless efforts.

PESHAWAR (Online): In

a significant stride towards

sustainable development,

the Provincial Government

of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

has achieved a milestone by

introducing the first-ever

Land Use Plans for six

districts. These districts

Charsadda, Mardan,

Nowshera, Abbottabad,

and Swabi, all of which

have been grappling with

rapid urbanization and

development challenges.

This groundbreaking

initiative is in line with the

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Land Use and Building

Control Act 2021 and aims

to ensure the judicious

utilization of land and its

The primary objective of these Land

Use Plans is to prioritize

the responsible use of land

resources. By doing so, the

government seeks to

promote sustainable

growth and development

within the region. The

invaluable resources.

responsible

include

management

DC orders PHA to beautify city

FAISALABAD (APP) Deputy Commissioner (DC) Abdullah Nayyar Sheikh has directed the Parks & Horticulture Authority (PHA) to evolve a comprehensive planning for city beautification.

During his visit to PHA Complex, he said that the government was contemplating to make Faisalabad a model city Therefore, the city should be made attractive from al aspects, he said and directed the PHA officials to ensure plantation in a scientific manner in green belts and parks of the city.

He said that main roads of the city including canal road should be beautified by using all available resources for rehabilitation renovation of its green belts

Additionally, former Chairman Mr. Muhammad and intersections. Director General PHA Zameer Hussain and Ghayur Sethi, who played a significant role in the others were also present on the occasion.

Four illegal wagon, bus stands sealed

MULTAN (APP): District administration sealed four illegal wagons and bus stands during an operation conducted at Vehari

According to official sources, the illegal wagon and bus stands including Rajput Travels, Madeenah Flying Coach, Wains Transport and Hussain Travels were sealed by the officials of the district

administration. In response to directives from Deputy Commissioner Umar Jahangir, the officials district administration took swift action against illegal bus stands established at Vehari Chowk.

A coordinated effort involving the police, civil defence, and district administration team resulted in the sealing of unauthorized

The operation was led by Additional Deputy Commissioner Revenue Faizan Ahmad Riaz, with the support of Secretary RTA Rana Mohsin and Assistant Commissioner Headquarters Shabbir Laghari.



Task Force accelerates

operation against illegal

housing societies

RAWALPINDI (APP): there, weapons, and their

permission of local police.

members, was formed last

KARACHI: Jamat-e-Islami (JI) Karachi Chief, Hafiz Naeem-ur-Rehman addresses to media persons during press conference held at Idara-e-Noor-ul-Haq in Karachi

Federal health dept for combating dengue in KP

has commended the exemplary efforts of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa their respective health Health Department in departments participated combating dengue and has directed other provinces to undertake similar actions.

In a high-level meeting, Federal Health Minister Dr. Nadim Jan praised the effective and timely efforts of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Health Department in issued here on Sunday.

He also emphasized adopting measures against dengue similar to implemented in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

All Provincial Health

PESHAWAR (APP): The Ministers, Secretaries, the Federal Health Minister Director-General of Amir Vhon Probi online in the meeting to discuss various critical healthcare topics.

However. from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Advisor on Health Dr. Riaz Anwar, Secretary Health Mahmood Aslam Wazir, Director-General Health Services Dr. Shaukat Ali, controlling dengue, and other officials according to a handout participated.

In accordance with statistics provided at the the importance of other provinces adopting reported the most dengue cases—2.627—followed by Punjab (1,961), Sindh (1,014), and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (234 instances).



MULTAN: Head Muhammad Road is currently undergoing expansion to ensure smoother traffic flow. This vital route connects several cities in South Punjab, Balochistan, and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK).

LDA organises family cycling event

provide with healthy activities to citizens, the Authority organised a grand family cycling event, here on

The event was organised on the directions of Commissioner Lahore Muhammad Ali Randhawa by the LDA with the help of private sector.

The cycling event was held to combat smog, to promote a healthy environment and encourage positive civic activities, said Commissioner Lahore and DG LDA. He said the family cycling event started from Liberty Chowk, passing through Main Boulevard Gulberg, Zahoor Elahi Road and concluded back at Liberty

Commissioner city's annual calendar.

LAHORE (APP): To Randhawa led the ride and completed the track. Cycling groups, families, Lahore Development children, a large number of (LDA) citizens and media houses also participated in the event. Officers from the LDA, MCL, district administration, police, PHA, LWMC, and Rescue-1122 also participated in the family cycling event.

The commissioner said that the purpose of the event was to raise awareness environmental pollution in the city. "Lahore is our home and citizens should come forward to promote a healthy environment,'

the commissioner said. He stated that a green line has been designated for bicyclists from Liberty Roundabout to Zahoor Elahi Road. Cycling events will be included in the

US diplomat underscores strong partnership between US, people of Sindh

private guards allegedly involved in criminal activities. The Task Force was also taking action Karachi against those who had underscored the strong illegal arms and recruited partnership between the guards without the United States and the people of Sindh. He The four-member explored opportunities to task force, comprising enrich development, trade RDA Director General as and commercial ties and chairman and Additional showcased the strength of Deputy Commissioner our people-to-people Revenue, Superintendent of Police Saddar, and Chief relationships, the cornerstone of our bilateral Officer District Council as

relationship.
As co-host of the second Green Shipping roundtable, Schofer underscoring the crucial role of sustainable shipping

roundtable stakeholders discussed opportunities to reduce carbon emissions in the port, shipping and logistics sectors in Pakistan.

Port authorities, industry, and other key actors in the ports and shipping value chain discussed how to promote stated, "Through events

KARACHI (APP): United States Deputy Chief of Mission Andrew Schofer's The Green Shipping dialogue on climate action and exploring innovative solutions to strengthen Pakistan's climate resilience." He praised the attendees' commitment and engagement to support a sector-wide transition to more sustainable shipping

practices. The visit included a stop at Lincoln Corner environmentally friendly and sustainable shipping practices and ways to support the Green Shipping Challenge at COP28. Andrew Schofer

He highlighted the

22 bags of banned gutka recovered from car

MIRPURKHAS (APP): A team of CIA police found 22 bags of banned gutka locally called safina betel nut in a car Mirpurkhas on

Sunday According to officials, on the instructions of SSP Mirpurkhas Adil Memon, CIÂ Police led by in-charge CIA Inayat Ali Zardari, raided the area of Kot Ghulam Muhammad Police Station late at night and recovered 22 bags of banned gutka safina from the car.Police arrested Abdul Waheed Brohi, a

Amir Khan Brohi.

PU inks MoU with DRAP on research, training

cooperation for research and training in the relevant field and to promote beneficial relations, the Punjab University and Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan (DRAP) have signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU). PU Vice Chancellor Prof D r Khalid Mahmood and the MoU in a ceremony organisations. The main held at the PU.Principal PU objectives of this College of Pharmacy Prof collaboration are to emment

dignitaries

secretary Provincial Quality Control Board community pharmacy, pharmaceutical consultant, regulators and faculty members were present. According to the

MoU, the collaboration would allow the academia to share its research in the field of pharmaceutical sciences, Chief Executive Officer appropriate utilisation by DRAP Asim Rauf signed the regulator and other from activities



KARACHI: Sunni Tehreek (PST) Chief, Sarwat Ijaz Qadri addresses during ceremony in connection of the 12th Rabi-ul-Awwal Eid Milad-un-Nabi, the birthday anniversary celebration of Holy Prophet Muhammad (PBUH) held at Qadri House in Karachi

SPLA seeks representation in steering committee

HYDERABAD (APP): A meeting of the Provincial Executive Council of Sindh Professors and Lecturers Association (SPLA) Sunday demanded representation of the association in the steering committee to institute reforms in the education system.

The meeting, chaired by the association's President Prof Munawar Abbass, discussed the issues of the five-tier service structure, revision of the SNEs, seniority list and conduct of the board exams before the onset of the hot summer season.

The meeting welcomed the caretaker Sindh Education Minister Rana Hussain and Secretary Education Sadaf Anees Shaikh on assuming the charge.

The office bearers and the council's members of SPLA at the meeting expressed hope that the incumbent government would considerately address their issues.

They also called for conducting the exams of matric and intermediate classes by the month of April to spare the students and the teachers from the conduct of the exams in the hot summer season which set off from the month of May.

Workers union demand payment of salaries

Hyderabad Development Authority (HDA) Mehran Workers Union has deplored that eight employees of HDA's subsidiary Water and the Sindh government once Sanitation Agency (WASA) have died in the current year without being paid their salaries.

President Muhammad Azam Rajput in Latifabad here on Sunday, said thousands of workers of WASA, which was

HYDERABAD (APP): for the last 8 to 9 months. Rajput said WASA had adopted a practice of or twice a year.

The Union's General Secretary Muhammad Aslam Abbassi said they A meeting of the demanded that the union, chaired by its authorities should put an end to mismanagement which had marred the

He requested the Sindh Government to pay responsible for water the water and drainage bills supply and drainage, had which were owed by its not received their salaries government departments.

101 new dengue infections reported in 24 hours

is grappling with a concerning upswing in dengue fever cases, as the latest report from the Health Department revealed a staggering total of 2,858 confirmed cases across 36 districts this

Lahore leads with 1,088 cases, followed by Rawalpindi with 592, Multan with 318, and Gujranwala with 106. In Lahore reported 31 new cases, Rawalpindi 39, Multan 12, Gujranwala 11, and Toba Tek Singh 2. One with health department.

LAHORE (APP): Punjab new case each was reported in Attock, Narowal, Nankana Sahib, Okara, Sargodha and Jhang. Currently, 100 dengue

patients are receiving treatment in various hospitals throughout Punjab, with 56 of them in Lahore. Fortunately, there have been no denguerelated fatalities reported this year. Secretary Health Punjab Ali Jaan Khan emphasised the importance the last 24 hours alone, of maintaining clean and dry surroundings as a preventive measure and urged citizens to cooperate



HYDERABAD: Members of Jeay Sindh Mahaz are holding protest demonstration for demanding expelling Afghan refugees from province, held in Hyderabad.

Punctuality of trains

reached 92 percent in last

four months; official

the

towards

customer facilitation.

platform lets customers

plan the trip, check train status, choose and

purchase seats, order car

rental, meals and

refreshments and book

hotels," the official added.

passengers, he said that a

mobile application 'Pakrail live' had been launched for

real-time tracking of trains.

high-capacity/high-speed hopper trucks had been

inducted in the current

fleet for swift movement/

unloading of coal and new

high-capacity high-speed

rolling stock coaches and

wagons were being

The official said the

facilitate

"The

The overall punctuality ratio of trains has

improved from 76 to 92

percent in four months

owing to close monitoring

and stern measures taken

by Pakistan Railways at

the divisional and ministry

punctuality of trains and

concrete measures taken by

the department in last four

months, the number of

passengers has increased by

over 20 million, which is ample proof of the

department's

achievement," an official in

the Ministry of Railways told APP on Sunday.
The official said that

the department had taken

several steps to end the deficit of the department

including the introduction procured.

levels."With

Sindh Government approves Rs. 1.1 billion for development in SITE Hyderabad

Abdul Řasheed Solangi visited the secretariat of the Hyderabad Chamber of Small Traders and Small Industries (HCSTSI) on the invitation of the Chamber. During the visit, he informed the chamber that the Sindh government has approved 1.1 billion rupees for reconstruction of roads and drainage systems in

SITE Hyderabad. He emphatically said that as soon as the government releases said amount, tenders will be issued for it, but along with this, a committee will also be formed consisting of representatives of this chamber and the SITE industries to oversee the infrastructure works at the SITE. The government will release the money to the tenderers upon their satisfactory report.

According to a statement issued here on Sunday, he expressed these

questions of the business community during his visit to the Secretariat of the Hyderabad Chamber of Small Traders and Small Industry (HCSTSI).

He said that the SITE was established in 1950 on 1264 acres with 497 industries where thousands of people were employed. He said that last week he visited SITE Hyderabad along with MD Site and met industrialists and investors and heard their problems, and during that visit, we personally witnessed the deteriorating situation

Hyderabad. The industrialists and investors stated the problems like blocked drains, sewage water entering the industries, and the destruction of the drainage system, and they demanded that measures be taken for rehabilitation and reconstruction of roads and

He appreciated that the recommendations of Economic Zone.

KARACHI: People gather for purchasing goods during Sasta Bazar

organized by Pakistan Markazi Muslim League (PMMA), as the price of

daily used general items have touched up to sky due to price hiking, in

greener, more economically

advances soft loans to

both industrial and domestic sectors for

solarisation and providing

financial support to

businesses and households

looking to invest in solar

energy systems, we can

achieve several critical

energy and by facilitating

its adoption through loans,

we can reduce energy costs

for both industries and

people of Rawalpindi.

relevant departments, and

the target to start work on

this project within the next

He directed the

36 days should be fixed.

visit next week, and local

especially invited, and

the authorities to have a site

He ordered the

He said solar power

objectives.

and is increasingly becoming a

viable energy source—

Govt urges to provide

soft loans for solarisation,

combatting climate change

ISLAMABAD (APP): mitigate these threats and Chairman Pakistan Hitech transition towards a

Sunday urged the government to offer soft loans for promoting government initiative that

households are major cost-effective source of

However, he firmly households, thereby

believed that we have a improving the economic tremendous opportunity to well-being of our people.

Dadocha dam to help

overcome water shortage

in Rawalpindi: Liaqat

overcome the water Director of Development

shortage in Rawalpindi, to set time-lines for all the

instructed the revenue residents should be

had

these

Hybrid Seed Association(PHHSA)

solarisation, mitigating the

emerging hovering threat of

climate change across the

of industrialists, he said

Pakistan, like the rest of the world, faces significant

challenges from climate change, said a news release

"Industries

contributors to greenhouse

gas emissions, which

RAWALPINDI (APP):

Commissioner

Dadocha Dam would help

Rawalpindi Division,

According to a Commissioner Office

department to estimate the

Liaquat Ali Chatta.

spokesman,

Commissioner

challenges", he added

issued here.

exacerbate

Talking to a delegation

Shahzad Ali Malik on solar power.

the Hyderabad Chamber of Small Traders and Small Industries have always been presented with complete statistics and practical suggestions, and only with the help of these recommendations and suggestions has the Sindh government approved one

billion 10 crore rupees. He said that monthly meeting of al stakeholders will be convened at the chamber secretariat every month to review the infrastructur maintenance of the SITE He further said tha

government was looking for another industrial zone around Hyderabad with 1700 acres of land on Tando Muhammad Khan Road The construction of an industrial zone will also start there soon. Along with this, there was a great opportunity industrialists

capitalists to set up industries in the Dhabei

Academia,

industry,

progressive

farmers agreed

to organize

Banana Festival

at SAU

HYDERABAD (APP)

Academia, industry and

progressive farmers have

started intensive efforts to

find a market for

agricultural products in

Karachi to increase demand

and export opportunities

for agricultural products in

the agro-based industry of

this industrial hub of the

country, while the stakeholders also agreed to

increase the production of

banana fiber and other by-

products on a commercial

basis for access to

agricultural products in

domestic and international

release issued by the

University's spokesperson

on Sunday, a high-level

meeting of academicians

industrialists, progressive

farmers and social activists

was held under the

chairmanship of Dr. Fateh

Marri, vice chancellor of

meeting

Sindh Agriculture University Tandojam.

discussed the upcoming Banana Festival 2023.

TECHSAEEN, briefed the

meeting about the Banana

Festival and proposed that

the Festival should be

organized in the first week

of November at Sindh

Agriculture University

Tandojam. The participants

agreed on the venue and

schedule and suggested that

Mohsin Iqbal, CEO of

The

According to a press

markets.



PESHAWAR: Members of Qaumi Watan Party (QWP Women Wing) are holding protest demonstration against massive unemployment, increasing price of daily use products, inflation price hiking and the highly inflated electricity bills, held at Peshawar press club

Business community hopeful of pulling the country out of difficulties: Siddiqui

HYDERABAD (APP): The President Hyderabad Chamber of Commerce and Industry (HCCI) Adeel Siddiqui has said that the business community was hopeful of pulling the country out of the present difficulties by striving hard to improve the national

He expressed these views while addressing at the oath-taking ceremony of the newly elected office bearers of Hyderabad glass bangles association here on

Adeel Siddiqui said that the glass bangles industry was among the oldest industry of On this occasion, Hyderabad. Haji Farid ud President Hyderabad

ISLAMABAD (INP): In

2023, a whopping 540,000

Pakistanis have decided to

opportunities abroad.

the rise, with more than

90,000 leaving their homeland in just August

of life are joining this

migration. Among them,

there are 232,749 laborers,

118,172 drivers, and even

5,589 engineers, 5,216 accountants, 2,261

district administration

Lahore imposed a total of

Rs 940,000 fine on various

factories over release of

environmental pollution

and posing threat to living

beings. In an operation,

conducted in different

areas of the city, the

inspection teams sealed

seven industrial units out

of which five in tehsil

Shalimar and one each in

tehsil City and Cantt for

causing smog and

environmental pollution.

Furthermore, seven case

were got registered while

chemical

dangerous

substances,

looking for a brighter (39,479).

This trend has been on

People from all walks

Din Siddiqui established Indus Glass Works which counted among glass, utensils, glass bangles and fountain manufacturing ompanies in Asia.

He said Hyderabad was famous for bangle industry but if the name of glass bangle industrialist was included in the top ten names then it would be a matter of pride for us. He urged the traders community to unite for the improvement of the business. Adeel Siddiqui said that the HCCI was working for the welfare of traders and we would not let them alone.

When we talk about

But the majority fall

Saudi Arabia is the

skills, some are highly qualified (15,052), and others are highly skilled

into the skilled (197,719)

and semi-skilled (57,516)

categories. Unskilled workers make up the biggest chunk, with 238,865 individuals.

top choice for many, with

251,655 Pakistanis heading

with 147,960, followed by

arrested over violation of

the smog standard

operating procedures

media on Sunday that the

administration was taking

violators. He added that six

brick-kiln owners were got

arrested and a kiln was

sealed besides imposing Rs

0.6 million fine during the

Commissioner Lahore

Rafia Haider took notice of

He said that Deputy

action against

A spokesperson for

Over 90,000 Pakistanis

embark on overseas

job quest in August

doctors, and 1,012 Arab Emirates comes next

Rs 940,000 fine

imposed on industrial

units causing smog

LAHORE (APP): The two accused were also got

(ŜOPs).

causing the department told the

environment

current month

It's a diverse group Oman (39,901) and Qatar

Glass Bangles Dealers Association Yameen Siddiqui and General Secretary Nadeem Siddiqui assured their support to serve the business community and said that the would should play its role in uplifting the bangle industry

President Adeel Siddiqui administered oath to the newly elected office bearers. Former MPA Nadeem Siddiqui, Senior Vice President HCCI Najam ud Din Qureshi, Vice President Awais Khan, Vice President Anjuman-eothers were also present on

NCPgoods worth over Rs 155 m seized in DIK DERA ISMAIL KHAN

(APP): The district police and Customs authorities have seized non-custom paid (NCP) items worth over Rs 155 million here in different actions taken in the limits of Darazinda police station.

According to a Police spokesman, a joint team of Darazinda Police Station and Customs Department conducted an operation on Darazinda Road. During this, a huge quantity of NCP-imported clothes and Cigarettes was recovered

Earlier, GILGIT: Assistant Commissioner Gilgit Capt (R) Adil Ali along with Price Control Committee visiting markets and checking the quality and rates of daily usage items.

Tajiran Nabeel Siddiqui and the occasion.

LESCO recovers Rs 130.67m from 4,808 defaulters in five days

Lahore Electric Supply Company (LESCO) has recovered a total of Rs 130.67 million from 4,808 chronic defaulters in all its circles during the last five days of its recovery campaign, in collaboration Tehsildars

A LESCO spokesman told the media on Sunday that for the recovery campaign started on September 13, the Lahore Division's Commissioner had assigned additional

Engineer Shahid Haidar has also designated four senior officers to assist them in defaulters.

He said that during the five days of recovery campaign, recovered a total of Rs 130.67 million from 4,808 chronic defaulters in all its circles. He elaborated Chief Engineer O&M (T&G) Zafar Iqbal with the support of Tehsildar City Mujahid Zia and Tehsildar Shalimar Noreez Humayun charge of Tehsildar recovered outstanding dues Recovery (from LESCO of Rs 16.67 million from defaulters) to relevant 493 defaulters in Northern



LAHORE: Customers selecting and purchasing second-hand clothes from a roadside vendor.

Rs 181.6m fine imposed on 4741 power pilferers in 10 days

MULTAN (APP): The grand operation launched by MEPCO against power oilferers continues on the 10th day, with as many as Rs 181.6 million in fines imposed on 4741 power pilferers so far during the ongoing drive across the

region.

1933 cases were registered against power pilferers out of 2561 applications sent to police stations concerned, while 64 outlaws were nabbed by MEPCO teams along with

police.
A Rs 155.3 million

KP transport deptt urges govt to release Rs 1 bn for BRT

PESHAWAR (INP): The the letter highlighted Transport Department of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) has urged the constituted an inquiry secretary finance to release Rs 1 billion for bus rapid transit (BRT). In a letter the

Transport Department has sought Rs 1 billion from the Finance Department for BRT wherein the Department Finance releases Rs 66.24 million for BRT in 2022-23. "Funds have been

lapsed due to non-use money issued to run BRT,"

Department has also committee to investigate funds lapses. Besides reviewing the department has also requested to immediately release Rs1 billion for BRT to run its

Earlier, it was reported that the Peshawar Bus Rapid Transit (BRT), which caters to 300,000 commuters in the provincial capital on a

affairs without any break.

Govt plants 1.5 mln olive saplings on 11,000 acres

million olive plants have been planted under the promotion of olive cultivation project phase-II, across the country to strengthen the national efforts to enhance the output of domestic edible oil for reducing the reliance on the imported commodity as well as to save much-needed foreign exchange.

caps from a roadside vendor.

Talking to APP, Promotion of Olive Cultivation project's scientific officer Dr Waqas Cheema said that through this initiative, 75,000 acres of land mainly culturable waste in all provinces and autonomous regions of AJ&K and Gilgit Baltistan

LAHORE (APP): Over 1.5 will be brought under olive the grafting of already

LAHORE: Customers selecting and purchasing

cultivation. The government of Pakistan is committed to promoting olive cultivation and its value chain in

Pakistan, he said. It is worth mentioning here that under the PSDP project "Promotion of

programme, a flagship Olive cultivation on commercial Scale in Pakistan, Phase-II" is being implemented from 2021-22 for three years till 2023-24. "Despite shortages of

funds under PSDP programme, we have brought 1100 acre under olive cultivation, through this flagship initiative. Special focus is given to

present 5 million wild olives after a detailed survey and study and make it a fruitful economic asset for the farmers and country," he added.

Moreover, water

saving technology such as Drip Irrigation System is also being installed along with olive plantation in areas with low water delta, he added.

Though olive cultivation has continued in the country for the last decade in Pakistan, yet there are certain missing links or spaces in the value chain. For addressing the missing links, a new project was conceptualised for technical assistance to

the Pakistani olive sector. Moreover, it is worth mentioning here that the government also imparting training through 47 programmes to around 2,800 farmers and olive stakeholders. In this connection over 1.2 million olive plantation is underway in a campaign across the country to strengthen the national efforts to meet the local

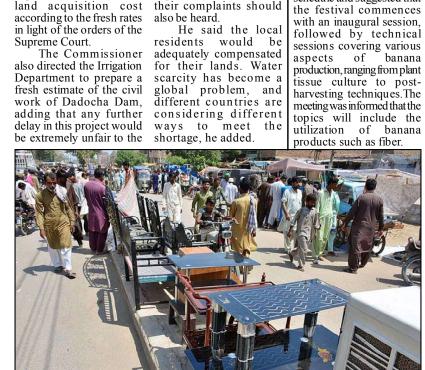
In this regard, olive plantation would be carried out over 8,900 acres across the country, besides conducting a campaign on wild olive grafting across the four provinces including Gilgit Baltistan and Azad Jammu and

edible oil consumption.

Kashmir to attain oil for local consumption, said Dr. Hassan Tariq, National Project Director Olive Cultivation Programme. He told APP that so

far olive plantation had been completed over 40,400 acres, and about 8,900 acres of land would be brought under olive cultivation during the current spring plantation campaign, which will help expand the area under olive production. Meanwhile, the government in collaboration with other stakeholders provincial governments would graft over 2 million wild olive trees, he said, adding that wild

olive trees.



HYDERABAD: A vendor displaying the used furniture to attract the customers on the footpath at Latifabad.

Kim invites Putin to North Korea as his Russian trip wraps up

Monitoring Desk wrapped up his trip to Russia on Sunday, solidifying the close rapport with Vladimir Putin and stoking Western apprehensions over potential arms transbetween Pyongyang and Moscow

amidst the Ukraine crisis. Kim's extensive trip to Russia's far eastern region, commencing on Tuesday, centred significantly on military affairs. His entourage was mostly comprised of military officials, and he engaged in emblematic gestures such as the exchange of rifles with Putin and a tour of a fighter jet manufacturing plant in Komsomolsk-on-Amur.

Before his departure, Kim received gifts from a regional governor, including

a 'Geran-25' reconnaissance drone with vertical takeoff," as reported by TASS, the Russian news agency. The governor of the Primorye region also presented Kim with a bulletproof vest and special attire designed to evade detection by thermal cameras.

On Sunday, a video capturing Kim's departure was disseminated by Ria Novosti, accompanied by a "departure ceremony" at the Artyom-Primorsky-1 station. Kim bid adieu to a Russian delegation led by Natural Resources Minister Alexander Kozlov and waved from his train as it embarked on a journey covering approximately 250 kilometres towards the bor-

Both Russia and North Korea, historically aligned, are grappling with

volvement in the Ukraine conflict and North Korea for its nuclear tests. Kim's visit, his maiden official foreign trip since the advent of the pandemic, has heightened Western concerns about the prospect of Moscow and Pyongyang flouting sanctions to engage

in arms trade.

Following their rendezvous at the Vostochny Cosmodrome, Putin expressed optimism about deepened collaboration with North Korea and potential military cooperation. Russia is purportedly interested in procuring North Korean ammunition to support its operations in Ukraine, while Pyongyang seeks Russia's assistance in advancing its censured mis



Cuba's President Miguel Diaz-Canel and Brazil's President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva review an honour guard at the Revolution Palace during the G77+China summit in Havana, Cuba.

US national security adviser held 'candid, constructive' talks with Chinese foreign minister

Monitoring Desk WASHINGTON: White

House national security adviser Jake Sullivan met with Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi in Malta this weekend, Beijing and Washeconomies seek to stabilize and foreign policy.

The White House troubled relations.

Both sides held "candid, substantive and constructive" talks during multiple meetings held Sept. 16-17, according to separate statements from the White House and the Chinese foreign ministry published Sunday.

Sullivan's meeting with Wang was the latest in a series of high-level discussions between U.S. and Chinese officials that could lay the groundwork for a meeting of U.S. President Joe Biden and Chinese President Xi Jinping later

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DERNA: Aid groups have

warned of growing risk

posed by the spread of dis-

ease that could compound

the humanitarian crisis in

Libya, as hopes of finding

more survivors fade days

after deadly flooding.
Sunday's flood sub-

merged the port city of

Derna, washing thousands

of people and homes out to

sea after two upstream

dams burst under the pres-

sure of torrential rains trig-

gered by the hurricane-

have been reported, with

officials in the east of the

divided country giving dif-

ferent estimates, and one

speaking of at least 3,840

Aid organisations like

Islamic Relief and Doctors has lost someone they

Conflicting death tolls

strength storm.

Aid groups sound alarm

in Libya as hopes

dwindle for survivors

this year. Sullivan last met Wang

ienna in May. China's foreign ministry said both sides agreed to maintain high-level exchanges and hold bilateral ington said on Sunday, as consultations on Asia-Pathe world's two largest cific affairs, maritime affairs

added that both sides "committed to maintain this strategic channel of communication and to pursue additional high-level engagement and consultations in key areas ... in the coming months". Washington said Sullivan "noted the importance of peace and stability across the Taiwan Strait". while Wang cautioned the United States that the Taiwan issue is the "first insurmountable red line of Sino-U.S. relations", according to the Chinese foreign ministry statement.

have warned that the up-

organisation's deputy di-

rector of partner develop-

this, diseases can quickly

spread as water systems

are contaminated," he

added. "The city smells

like death. Almost everyone

and medicine"

EU urges Iran to reconsider barring of IAEA inspectors

Monitoring Desk BRUSSELS: The European

Union urged Iran on Sunday to reconsider its decision to bar multiple International Atomic Energy Agency's inspectors assigned to oversee Tehran's atomic activities, noting such oversight was part of the Iran nuclear deal.

Iran's move was a re ponse to a call led by the United States, Britain, France and Germany at the IAEA last week for Tehran to cooperate immediately with the IAEA on issues including explaining uranium traces found at undeclared sites. "The European Union is highly concerned by the ... decision by Iran to withdraw the official designation of several experienced IAEA inspectors to monitor and nuclear verify its programme,"the spokesman for EU foreign affairs Peter Stano said in a statement.

Newborn baby found dead on migrant boat off Italy's Lampedusa

coming period could see the Monitoring Desk spread of disease as well as MILAN: The Italian Coast grave difficulties in deliver-Guard found a newborn ing aid to those most in baby dead on a boat carrying migrants to the Italian Islamic Relief warned island of Lampedusa durof a "second humanitarian ing a rescue operation crisis" after the flood, point-ANSA news agency re ing to the "growing risk of ported on Saturday.

water-borne diseases and The baby was born shortages of food, shelter during the trip and died soon after birth, ANSA re-Thousands of people ported, adding that around don't have anywhere to 40 migrants were on the sleep and don't have food," said Salah Aboulgasem, the

Earlier this week, a five-month-old baby boy drowned during a rescue operation off Lampedusa after a boat carrying migrants across the sea from North Africa capsized.

Nearly 126,000 migrants have arrived in Italy this year, almost double the figure by the same date in



Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni and European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen visit the port where migrants arrive, on the Sicilian island of Lampedusa, Italy.



North Korea's leader Kim Jong Un walking with Russia's Defence Minister Sergei Shoigu as they look at aircraft during a visit to Knevichi airfield near Vladivostok, Primorsky region.

Rescue SDGs to ensure better future for all: UN chief

Monitoring Desk

UNITED NATIONS: UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres Saturday rallied a diverse cross-section of civil society actors to use their passionate voices and energetic grassroots networks to help rescue the anti-pov-erty Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and fight for the better future every person deserves.

With world leaders set to convene next week for the annual high-level opening of the General Assembly, the UN's complex in New York City was host to an energetic range of actors – from youth groups

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KHARTOUM: Flames

gripped the Sudanese capi-

talon Sunday and paramili-

tary forces attacked the

army headquarters for the

second day in a row, wit-

nesses reported, as fighting

happening around the army

headquarters with various

types of weapons," wit-

nesses told AFP on Sunday

from Khartoum, while oth-

ers reported fighting in the city of El-Obeid, 350

regular army and the para-

military Rapid Support

Forces (RSF) intensified on

Saturday, resulting in sev-

eral key buildings in central

Battles between the

kilometres south.

'Clashes are now

raged into its sixth month.

tivists, and business leaders – looking to boost support for the Goals ahead of the SDGs summit.

The summit on September 18-19, to be held on the sidelines of the 193member Assembly's 78th session, will mark the midpoint of the SDGs, between their 2015 launch and their 2030 deadline. The SDGs are a call to

inequality, protect the planet, and ensure that all people enjoy health, justice and prosperity. Pakistan's caretaker

Prime Minister Anwaarul Haq Kakar, who will adand women organisations, dress the SDGs summit on to mayors, community ac- Monday, is expected to call

In social media posts

verified by AFP, users

shared footage of flames de-

vouring landmarks of the

Khartoum skyline, including

the Greater Nile Petroleum

Oil Company Tower — a

conical building with glass

facades that had become an

emblem of the city. Users

mourned Khartoum, a shell

of its former self, in posts

their windows blown out

and their walls charred or

April 15 between army

chief Abdel Fattah al-

Burhan and his former

deputy, RSF commander

Mohamed Hamdan Daglo,

Since war erupted on

pockmarked with bullets -

continuing to smoulder.

that showed buildings -

Central Khartoum in

flames as war rages

across Sudan

financing in support of the SDGs. As things stand, officials said, the Goals and UN member countries' promise when they adopted the 2030 Agenda to 'leave no one behind' are in serious trouble: despite some progress, over the years widespread implementation gaps have emerged across all 17 Goals, which aim to action to end poverty and tackle everything from poverty, hunger and gender

> cation and clean energy. Lagging public interest in achieving the Goals, geopolitical friction and perhaps most critically, the global coronavirus pan-

equality, to access to edu-

Three killed in Turkish drone strike on YBS fighters in northern Iraq

Monitoring Desk

MOSUL: A Turkish drone strike in northern Iraq on Sunday killed three fighters from the Sinjar Resistance Units (YBS), a militia affiliated with the Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK), Iraqi security sources said.

Three YBS fighters were in their vehicle in the Sinjar area when the drone strike hit them. two security sources told Reuters.

There has been a longrunning Turkish campaign in Iraq and Syria against militants of the PKK, YBS and the Syrian Kurdish YPG militia, which are all egarded as terrorist groups by Ankara



Thousands of South Korean teachers rallying for new laws to protect them

Romania plan to boost Ukraine grain transport achievable

Monitoring Desk BUCHAREST: Romania's plan to double the monthly transit capacity for Ukrainian grain through its Constanta port to four million metric tons in the coming months remains achievable, the country's Trans-Minister Sorin port

Grindeanu said on Friday. Constanta on the Black Sea has become Kyiv's largest alternative export route, with grains arriving by road, rail or barge across the Danube.

Ukraine, one of the world's biggest grain exporters, has already exported more grain via possible.

2022, though volumes have fallen recently as Russian attacks on its Danube river ports prompt Ukrainian exporters to turn to road and rail routes. Russia, which abandoned a deal that lifted a de facto Russian blockade of Ukraine's Black Sea ports in mid-July, has since repeatedly struck Jkrainian river ports that lie across the Danube from European Union and NATÔ member Romania.

Constanta than it did in

'The level of transit we want to reach in the coming months is four million tons and such a thing is

Italian police find stolen treasures at Australian university museum

Monitoring Desk SYDNEY: Italian art detectives have found stolen ancient treasures at a leading Australian university, including an artifact likely smuggled out of the country under piles of pasta, the

institution said on Friday. Australian National University (ANU) said on Friday it was working with the "specialist art squad" of Italy's Carabinieri military police to return the priceless pieces

The looted works discovered within the university's classics museum included a 2,500-yearold amphora depicting Greek champion Heracles fighting the mythical Nemean lion.

Italian police discovered an old Polaroid photo of the Heracles vase while investigating an unnamed art thief, which led them to believe it had been illegally plundered before it was sent to Australia.

The Canberra university said it had bought the vase in "good faith" at a Sotheby's auction in 1984, and was "proud" to work with Italian investigators to see it returned to its right-

Poland imposes EU ban on all Russian-registered passenger cars

Monitoring Desk WARSAW: Poland began to enforce a European Union ban Sunday on all Russian-registered passenger cars seeking to enter the country — the latest in a series of sanctions on Russia in punishment for its war against Ukraine.

Under the EU's decision, motor vehicles registered in the Russian Federation are no longer allowed to enter the territory of the 27-member

"A car registered in Russia has no right to enter Poland," Polish Interior Minister Mariusz Kaminski said Saturday, announcing the ban that took effect hours later at midnight.

iPhone 12 update for France **Monitoring Desk**

PARIS: Apple said on Friday it would update the iPhone 12 in France after regulators raised concerns over electromagnetic radiation emitted by the devices.

France had ordered a halt to sales of the device after finding that it emitted more electromagnetic waves than permitted. "Apple has assured me that it will implement an update for the iPhone 12 in the next few days," said France's digital minister Jean-Noel Barrot in a statement.

Upheavals in Xi's world spread concern about China's diplomacy

Monitoring Desk

BEIJING: The disappearance of China's defence minister, the latest in a string of upheavals in the country's top ranks, is stoking uncertainty about President Xi Jinping's rule as an internal security clampdown trumps international engagement.

The growing unpredictability could affect the confidence other countries place in the leadership of the world's second-biggest economy, diplomats and analysts say.

Defence Minister Li

Shangfu, who has missed

least one foreign counterpart since he was last seen in late August, is under investigation in a corruption probe into military procurement. Reuters reported on Friday. Newly installed Foreign Minister Qin Gang vanished with scant expla-nation in July, the same month as an abrupt shake-

up of the military's elite Rocket Force, which oversees China's nuclear arsenal. As Xi, China's commander-in-chief has focussed inward, he caused concern among foreign diplomats this month by missing a Group of 20 summit

meetings including with at in India. Plane crashes in

Brazil's Amazonas

state, 14 killed Monitoring Desk

SAO PAULO: Fourteen people on a small jet died when the plane crashed in Brazil's northern Amazonas state on Saturday, the state's governor said.

The accident took place in the Barcelos province, some 400 km (248 miles) from the state capital, Manaus. "I deeply regret the death of the 12 passengers

and two crew members who were victims of the plane crash in Barcelos on Saturday," said Wilson Lima, Governor of Amazonas state on X, formerly known as Twitter. 'Our teams have been

working from the outset to provide the necessary support. My sympathy and prayers go out to their families and friends."

The Manaus Aerotaxi airline issued a statement confirming that there had been an accident and that it was investigating but offer-

We count on respect for the privacy of those involved at this difficult time and will be available to provide all necessary informa-tion and updates as the investigation progresses," the

statement said. The Brazilian Air Force (FAB) said in a statement that investigators from the Accident Investigation and Prevention Center (CENIPA) had been called in to begin an investigation into the reasons for the crash of the small aircraft, an Embraer Bandeirante with the regis-tration PT-SOG.

In an interview with O Globo newspaper, Governor Lima said that the bodies had already been removed from the aircraft and that the victims were Brazilian tour-

Lima also added that the region faces heavy rainfall and the most likely cause of the accident was an error ing no details about deaths in the route taken at the time of landing.

Protesters demand that Japan save 1000s of trees by revising a design plan for a popular Tokyo park

Monitoring Desk

kyo formed a human chain the great-grandfather of unday to demand the gov- Emperor Naruhito. Critics ernment save thousands of trees by revising its plan to redevelop a popular downtown park.

Demonstrators, many wearing green shirts and holding up signs saying, Save Jingu Gaien," demanded the Education Ministry take action even though the landowner is one of its agencies.

Tokyo Gov. Yuriko Koike approved the plan in February, a move that would allow developers real estate company Mitsui Fudosan, Meiji Jingu shrine, Itochu Corp. and the ministry-affiliate Japan Sports Council — to build a pair of 200-meter (650foot) skyscrapers and an 80-meter (260-foot) tower.

That would require cutting down nearly 3,000 trees at Jingu Gaien, one of Tokyo's most historic and beloved green areas. The plan would also raze and rebuild a historic baseball stadium where Babe Ruth played and change a rugby field to one with artificial

well-known 150 gingko trees lining a century-old decision-making process.

promenade built to com-ГОКУО: Protesters in To- memorate Emperor Meiji, and environmental activists say the gingko trees will be under threat from any construction right next to

"I just had to come and do something to stop tree-cutting that could start this month," said Nahoko Shirakawa, holding a handmade sign. "I cannot just sit around and see the demise of 100-year-old gingko

Rochelle Kopp, a movement leader who operates a Tokyo management consulting company, said the ministry should protect the Gaien as a natural cultural heritage site. She said the ministry also should designate the area as a scenic site as a way of protecting it. Sunday's protest came after a United Nations-affiliated conservancy issued a "heritage alert" for Tokyo's Gaien area. A senior member of the International Council on Monuments and Sites, or ICOMOS, said Friday that the plan goes against a global fight against climate Also at stake are the change and raised questions of transparency around the

Lawmakers push to separate disaster relief funding from aid for Ukraine

Monitoring Desk WASHINGTON: As the funding fight in Congress intensifies, there's a push

to pass urgently-needed disaster relief funding separate from more controversial aid for Ukraine. In the wake of several deadly natural disasters

across the U.S., the Federal Emergency Management Agency says it needs more President Joe Biden

sent a request to Congress for \$40 billion of supplemental funding for disaster relief and aid to Ukraine. Senator Rick Scott is pushing to vote on the issues separately.

"This needs to get done. It needs to get done separately. It needs to get done in a bipartisan manner," Scott said.

"There's no logic to putting them together. One is taking care of Americans, another is helping Ukraine win a war

against Russia." Three injured follow-

ing house explosion in Blue

Supporting Ukraine is becoming more controversial among U.S. lawmakers. Congresswoman Marjorie Taylor Greene is one of a growing number of Republicans who are against sending more aid. "I'm a no on any

spending for Ukraine, that's one of my red lines,' Greene said. Democrats are push-

ing to keep the funding tied together. Congressman Pete Aguilar says separating it would cause delays. "These are both ur-

gent. Timing matters here in D.C.," Aguilar said. 'Separating bills and running dual tracks, that takes Congress only has un-

til the end of the month to pass their annual budget or risk a government shutdown. But House Speaker Kevin McCarthy is pushing to pass a stopgap measure to give them more time to negotiate.

Domki urges Chairman

PARC to introduce

World leaders to address Global South's concern over poverty, Inflation, debt at UNGA session

taker Prime Minister, Anwaar-ul-Haq, will join nearly 150 world leaders in next week's UN General Assembly to deliberate about key international peace and security issues as well as Global South's concerns over growing poverty, inflation and debt burden.

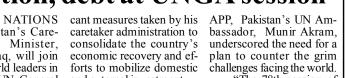
With the high-level segment of the 193-member Assembly's 78th session beginning Sept 19, hundreds of New York Police Department (NYPD) personnel on Sunday began erecting roadblocks and check points around UN Headquarters in Manhattan to turn the area into a high security zone to protect the visiting world leaders.

PM Kakar is scheduled to arrive in New York tomorrow at the head of the Pakistan delegation to UNGA. He will address the Assembly on Sept 22, the first Pakistani caretaker premier to do so. Caretaker Foreign Jalil Abbas Jilani will also be here.

In his address, the prime minister will outline Pakistan's perspective on a range of regional and general issues of concern, including the Jammu and Kashmir dispute. He will also elaborate on the significaretaker administration to consolidate the country's economic recovery and efforts to mobilize domestic and external investment.

In addition, the prime minister will hold bilateral meetings with counterparts from various countries as well as with the heads of international organizations, philanthropic organizations and corporate leaders. he also has a number of media engagements. US President Joe Biden, as leader of the host country, will be the second speaker on Tuesday, the opening day of the annual gathering of world leaders who take the pulse of the planet and tackle global challenge. The list of speakers indicates the presence of 145 Heads of State and Government, 6 Vice Presidents, 4 Deputy Prime Ministers and 38 Ministers or Chiefs of Delegations-

This year's theme is restoring trust and reigniting global solidarity", but the credibility of the UN is currently being undermined by geopolitical conflicts, divisions and paralysis at the Security Council, as economic, humanitarian and climate-related crises



The 78th session of the General Assembly is meeting in a complex intermarked by conflicts, especially in Europe and Africa, growing great power tensions in Asia, a slowing global economy, 60 developing countries in financia distress, and as yet no clear strategy on how to address started. The war is exacer veloping economies and ad-





ISLAMABAD: Balochistan Governor Malik Abdul Wali Kakar and Sindh Governor Kamran Tessori participating in the dinner hosted by Khyber Pakhtunkhawa Governor Haji Ghulam Ali.

Mushaal expresses concern for continued human rights violations in IIOJK valley

Special Assistant to Prime Minister (SAPM) on Human Rights and Women Empowerment, Mushaal Hussein Mullick on Sunday expressed serious concern over the plight of illegally detained Hurriyat leaders in the Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir

Talking to a private news channel, she urged the United Nations to play an active role in their release and asked India to stop systematic human rights violations in IIOJK. She said changing the

demography of the territory by granting voting rights to Indian citizens in the internationally recognized disputed territory is a big violation of international law.

Independent Report

QUETTA: The caretaker

Provincial Minister for In-

formation, Jan Achakzai

has extended heartiest con-

gratulations to Mr. Justice

Qazi Faez Isa on assuming

In an official state-

Jan Achakzai praised

the office of Chief Justice

ment issued here on Sun-day, the Minister Informa-

tion expressed best wishes for the new Chief Justice

of Pakistan.

of Pakistan.

She said it is highly unfortunate that the Modi regime has closed doors of all peaceful means to resolve the long-pending Kashmir dispute by resorting to the worst kind of extremism and fascism and converting the occupied territory into a military garri-

Kashmir dispute by implementing its relevant resolutions to protect the lives of the people of IIOJK Mushaal said the Indian government was prolonging the illegal detentions

son. She added it is the re-

sponsibility of the UN and

all relevant Human rights

organizations to settle the

of Kashmiri political prisoners who have been put behind bars for peacefully struggling for the political resolution of the Kashmir

mination despite the im-

tive propaganda against him

that was based on bad in-

expect very realization for

resolving the issue of pend-

ing cases in the judiciary

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Chief Justice belongs to

Balochistan. He said that

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congratulations to CJP

Justice Qazi Faez Isa

Council resolutions. The worsening situa-

tion in Indian illegally occupied Jammu and Kashmir needs urgent international attention and the world community must act immediately to protect Kashmiris from Modi's onslaught

Kashmiri families, whose loved ones are in Indian jails, cannot think of any occasion of joy and happiness because they are worried about the health of their loved ones in filthy and congested Indian jails, she added. Replying to a question, she said Indian Army had a long history of gross human rights violations and fake encounters

Ex TTP Swat commander killed in IBO

SWAT (INP): Former commander of banned TTP Swat Naik Muhammad alias Naiko was killed in intelligence based operation (IBO) of security forces.

According to details, on an intelligence tip-off Pakistan army and CTD conducted a successful operation at Fizaghat in Swat

The killed terrorist commander was close accomplice of former TTP Chief Mullah Fazalullah. He was also the head of team which used to flog women in early days of militancy.



QUETTA: Deputy Commissioner Quetta Lt (retd) Saad Bin Asad visiting

Nawaz Sharif remedy for sufferings of Pakistani people: Hamza Shehbaz

LAHORE (INP): Former Nawaz Sharif always Chief Minister of Punjab and Vice President of Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz Sharif (PML-N) Hamza Shehbaz has said Nawaz Sharif is the cure for the sufferings of Pakistan

and the people. Addressing the meeting of party organisational wings, Punjab former chief minister Hamza Shehbaz said whenever the people made Nawaz Sharif the he said. prime minister, the people

got relief. 'Nawaz Sharif is the

worked for Pakistan," he said.

president said Nawaz Sharif was the sure solution to all the problems of Paki-'The plan of honor,

exaltation and development of Pakistan lay only with Nawaz Sharif. Nawaz Sharif is the name of service, honor and honesty,'

He further said the people were not making Nawaz Sharif the prime cure for the sufferings of minister but they were en-Pakistan and the people as suring their own happiness.

Zubair Umar and Ata Tarar

will leave for Pakistan this

Amjad Pervez will file the

Azam Nazir Tarar and

re-arrested on terror charges LAHORE (INP): Pakistan

Pervaiz Elahi

Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) President Pervaiz Elahi was re-arrested in a terrorism case shortly after the Lahore court discharged him in Master Plan case.

Elahi was presented before the duty judicial magistrate today a day after he was detained by the ACE. Sources said that Elahi will be moved to Adiala jail from Lahore in

the evening.

On Saturday, the Anti-Corruption Establishment (ACÉ) Punjab took Pervaiz Elahi into custody a day after ATC had granted him bail in the Federal Judicial Complex (FJC) attack

The former Punjab chief minister was re-arrested by ACE team soon after his release from Adiala

Killers of scholars will be exposed soon, Aneeq

KARACHI (Online): Caretaker Federal Minister for Religious Affairs Aneeq Ahmed has said that insulting the Quran and the Prophet (peace be upon him) is unacceptable, measures are being taken to prevent insulting content on social media.

Killing of scholars and attacks on them is a very serious issue, the investigative agencies have reached the suspects involved in these incidents, very soon the names of the killers will be brought before the public. He expressed these views while talking to the media after meeting former Reut-e-Hilal Committee Chairman Mufti Muneebur Rehman in Karachi on Saturday. The Caretaker Federal Minister said that the problems faced by country.

modern Agriculture techniques to people the green belt of Balochistan, but still the

Independent Report ISLAMABAD: The Chairman Pakistan Agricultural Research Council (PARC), Dr. Ghulam Muhammad Ali called on the caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki here on Sunday.

During the meeting, the Chairman PARC briefed the caretaker Chief Minister about the steps taken for food requirements in view of the increasing population and technical projects of the Council all over the including production targets are not encouraging.

He stressed that the PARC has to play its role for introducing new mod-ern agricultural techniques to the people associated with agriculture in the areas. For the purpose, the Council would have the wholehearted support and assistance, he added

The chairman PARC welcomed the suggestions of caretaker Chief Minister and assured that the service



Balochistan.

While speaking on the occasion, Mr. Domki appreciated the services of PARC and said that its overall performance is satisfac-

In addition to this, it is also necessary to ensure sustainable use of the natural resources by adopting modern technic in all the provinces for increasing the agricultural production, adding he stressed.

The Chief Minister

of Council would be expanded to maximum districts of the province.

Meanwhile, the President of Islamabad Crime and Court Reporters Association and Editor Investigation of the prominent media group, Saghir Ahmed Chaudhary also met the caretaker Chief Minister

Balochistan the same day.
Speaking to him, Mr. Domki said that the resulted oriented steps are being taken in the available time mentioned that a large portion of local people is associated with agriculture in Balochistan.

Governor KP hosts dinner for Sindh, **Balochistan Governors**

PESHAWAR (APP): Gov- bilateral relations and coop-Khyber ernor Pakhtunkhwa, Haji Ghulam Ali on Sunday hosted a prestigious dinner in honor of the Governors of Sindh and Balochistan

The dinner ceremony took place at the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa House in Islamabad which was participated by Governor Sindh Kamran Tessori and Governor Balochistan Abdul Wali Khan Kakar.

cial administration, and financial matters of their respective regions.

The event also served as an opportunity for the three Governors to enhance development across the country.

eration between their prov-The meeting high-

lighted discussions on promoting economic activities, creating business opportunities, and strengthening trade ties to boost national economic stability.
Additionally, they

delved into the administrative and financial challenges faced by universities in providing quality higher edu-During the dinner, the cation. The ceremony not Governors engaged in dis- only celebrated the cultural cussions regarding the over- diversity and unity of Pathe importance of collaboration and dialogue between provinces to address common challenges and foster

NA Speaker says: **Upholding constitution &** rule of law supreme; key to socio-economic progress

ISLAMABAD (Online): enced legal expert."He ex-Speaker National Assembly and Former Prime Minister of Pakistan Raia Pervez Ashraf extends warm felicitation to Chief Justice Mr.justice Qazi Faez Isa for being sworn in as the 29th Chief Justice of Pakistan. In his congratulatory message, the Speaker said, "chief Justice Mr. justice Oazi Faez Isa is a seasoned and most experi-

pressed his hope that judi-ciary under his maverick and sagacious leadership, would dispense justice while upholding constitution and law of lands supreme. Speaker National Assembly Raia Pervez Ashraf also expressed that all organs of state including Parliament, Executive and judiciary should work in consonance to ameliorate the sufferings.



QUETTA: Central President of Anjuman Tajiran Balochistan Abdul Rahim Kakar addressing during a ceremony of newly elected members of Alamdar Road Uint.

10 Afghan Daesh supporters held in Islamabad crackdown

ISLAMABAD (INP): In a policy would cover the Afcrackdown on foreign immigrants staying illegally in Islamabad, a task force formed by intelligence agencies has rounded up 10 Afghan nationals.

Sources said that those taken into custody were the supporters of a militant outfit, Daesh, and they were residing in different areas of the federal capital. They revealed that those arrested also had national identity cards (NICs) with them. Addressing a press conference in Islamabad most recently, Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar ul Haq Kakar said that an effective policy had been put in place to stop Afghans from entering Pakistan ille-

ghans without documents, and those who had created fake identities. He made it clear that

illegal refugees would be sent back to their countries. 'If someone wants to come to Pakistan, it should be through legal paths and through the issuance of visas," he said. Similarly, presiding over a meeting in Islamabad on Friday to review progress on the government's plan to crackdown on those involved in illegal practices, the prime minister said that the government would return all "illegal" Afghan immigrants to curb smuggling of goods and foreign currency so that the fast deteriorating country's gally. He clarified that the economy could be revived.

are holding protest demonstration against the Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill 2023, held at Lahore press club. PAF contingent concludes participation in multinational air exercise Bright Star-2023

LAHORE: Members of Tehreek e Labbaik Ya Muhammad S.A.W Pakistan

(PAF) contingent concluded its successful participation in the multinational tri-services air exercise, Bright Star 2023, held at Mohammed Naguib Mili-

tary Base in Egypt. This two-week-long exercise brought together a total of 30 countries, including prominent participants such as Pakistan, United States, United Kingdom, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Jordan, Greece and Qatar, said a PAF press release issued here Sunday.

The exercise showcased the exemplary performance of PAF's contingent and its state-of-the-art JF-17 Thunder fighter jets. commitment to regional and international cooperation but also underscored its capabilities and prowess to operate in diverse and chal-

lenging environments. Since its inception in 1977 as a bilateral training event between the United States and Egypt, the Bright Star Exercise has grown into a remarkable multinational initiative, promoting combined force interoperability and shared learning among participating nations to counter regional hybrid

Pakistan Air Force, with its commitment to regional stability and international cooperation, actively

presser, the JI Karachi chief

said that youth would take

to 15 designated points on

Tuesday evening and jam

all designated points by

lambasted the caretaker

government and dubbed it

a continuation of the legacy

of the previous coalition

government, a press release

taker government has in-

creased the PoL prices for

the third time in just a single

the PoL and electricity

prices at a time when the

US dollar has been losing

its value was quite illogical.

realized that the people are

on the brink of their toler-

ance. He said that the coun-

try has been run by mafias

He said that the care-

He added that raising

The rulers should have

The JI leader strongly

turning off their vehicles.

QUETTA: Caretaker Provincial Home Minister

Capt (retd) Muhammad Zubair Jamali being wel-

Hafiz Naeem gives

call for Karachi

shutdown tomorrow

KARACHI (INP): Jamaat-

e-Islami (JI) Karachi chief

Hafiz Naeemur Rehman has

given a call for citywide

shutdown on September 19

(Tuesday) to protest

against the inflation and in-

press conference today,

Hafiz Naeemur Rehman

appealed Karachiites for an

all-out protest in the city

on September 19 by jam-

ming all major arteries in

Karachi. Later in the day,

the JI leader also presided a

sit-in protest at Shahrah-e-

products prices or face the

music, the JI leader told the

caretaker government at a

press conference held at

Îdara Noor-e-Haq, the JI

Karachi headquarters, here

on Sunday. Later in the day,

the JI leader also presided a

Reduce the petroleum

Faisal

While addressing a

flated electricity bills.

comed during his arrival to Nasl-e-Nau Hazara.

This participation not only highlighted PAF's emphasizing the profound strategic significance of this collaborative endeavor. The PAF contingent

comprising dedicated air and ground crews, demonstrated exceptional capabilities during the exercise, highlighting the prowess of the pride of Pakistan, the JF-17 Thunder aircraft. Through rigor ous training and realistic aerial warfare scenarios PAF reaffirmed its operational readiness and its commitment to tackling contemporary strategic challenges. The PAF's distinguished engagement in this prestigious event stands as a testament to its resolute dedication to the

cause of global peace. Corrupt policing system main hurdle to development

KARACHI (INP): Pasban Democratic Party (PDP) Chairman Altaf Shakoor here Sunday said that our corrupt and outdated policing system is the main hurdle to over development as this system instead of fighting crimes is promoting them.

He said we inherited our policing system from our British colonial rulers and failed as yet to develop it as per our own needs. He said this system is filthy and corrupt in its core from top to bottom.

He said in fact our policemen are paid salaries from the taxpayers money for looting and fleecing them. He said all sorts of mafia in our country are backed, supported and protected by police officers He said when the common man says that our cop is the biggest thief it is not very far from the truth.

Altaf Shakoor said

corrupt police are involved in all sorts of crime from peddling drugs to encroaching upon and selling government lands. He said hoarding, smuggling and black marketing is not possible without overt and covert support of the police department. He said our traffic police loot drivers more than regulating traffic on streets. He said sadly our police stations have become dens of bribery. Altaf Shakoor demanded an overhaul of the police depart



evening.

LAHORE (INP): Pakistan Muslim League (PML-N) President, former Prime Minister Shahbaz Sharif and former Finance Minister Ishaq Dar will return to Pakistan next week.

Self-exiled former premier Mian Nawaz Sharif's legal team chief Azam Nazir Tarar left for Pakistan after making an important consultation in London.

Other legal team mem-

case of Nawaz Sharif in Islamabad High Court. Zubair Umar, Ata Tarar. Malik Ahmed Khan, and Saiful Mulok Khokhar will participate in the reception committee for Nawaz Sharif's return home.

QUETTA: Members of NADRA Employees Bahali Committee are holding protest demonstration for acceptance of their demands, held at Ouetta press club.

and the mafias will be the sit-in protest at Shahrah-efirst ones to escape if the ment on modern lines. Speaking at the country defaults.

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