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# **Interim Govt decides** to evict 11 lacs foreigners residing illegally in Pakistan

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an une first phase, ille-gal residents, in the second phase, those with Afghan citizenship and in the disc citizenship and in the third phase, those with proof of residence cards will be expelled. "Illegally resident

foreigners pose a serious threat to the security of Pakistan" said a source privy to the development and added that the plan for eviction of illegally residing Afghan citizens has also been approved as this lot is involved in funding, facilitating and smuggling terrorists

whereas 7 lacs Afghans have not renewed their



Khan Kakar enquiring about health of injured of Mastung bomb blast during his visit to CMH

No place for terrorists and



who do not renew their vi-ISLAMABAD: The Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar chairs a meeting of the Federal Cabinet.

# Interior minister says

Security personnel involved in smuggling to face court martial

Says apex committee meetings being held to tackle terrorism; "Not right" to say security forces not involved in smuggling; Caretaker govt taking special measures to curb terrorism, hoarding, smuggling

smuggling], it won't be right as the smuggled items are transported via trucks, not camels.

any security personnel found engaged in cross-borexist

acknowledged the involvement of security forces in smuggling activities, stating, "If I say that security

special measures to curb terrorism, hoarding, smuggling, illegal money exchange and other illegal ac-Bugti said that Gen tivities. Asim Munir had warned Addressing a press conference along with caretaker Minister for Information

military personnel that involvement in illegal crossborder trade would not only result in court martial but also lead to imprisonment. He explained that the army had its accountability mechanism, which, while not publicly known, does APP adds: Caretaker

Minister for Interior Sarfraz Bugti on Monday said that on the directions of caretaker Prime Minister Anwar-ul-Kakar, the

control illegal activities. He said on the special reports from the intelligence agencies, an action is being taken against smugglers, hoarders including their facilitators' officials or

civilians in all provinces. Murtaza Solang, Sarfraz Bugti said that ten joint The minister said that check posts consisted of for stoppage for sugar smuggling, the FBR using latest technology, was tracking the transportation of sugar and in the first phase 54 sugar mills had been taken on board whereas the rest were being taken on the system.

National Counter Narcotics Center is being setup to control drugs smuggling, said the minister.

**Governor visits** 

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa to

Presence of virus in environmental samples

### in Pishin matter of concern: **Coverage of polio** immunization campaigns gradually improved in Balochistan: Domki

#### Independent Report

QUETTA: The caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Ali Mardan Khan Domki has stated that the coverage of polio immunization campaign has improved gradually in the rovince

In the August 2023's campaign, the polio teams were succeeded in administering anti polio vaccine to the children while the coverage of the campaign run in May this year remained 100 percent and so in the previous campaign launched in the Quetta block, noted with contentment by the caretaker Chief Minister while speaking on the occasion of start of the country wide polio immunization campaign under National Task Force for

Islamabad on Monday.

The Chief Minister also pointed out that no case of polio has been reported in Balochistan since January 27, 2021.

The last case of polio had been reported from Kila Abdullah, he maintained. However, the polio vi-

rus has been detected in the environmental samples in Pishin district after 28 months, which is a matter of great concern for us.

Mr. Domki also said that the virus detected in the Pishin environmental belongs to Afghanistan.

On finding the virus, the special immunization campaign was launched on an emergent basis in Pishin from September 26.

However, steps are being taken for prevention of the virus and stopping it's spread to other areas. in



ISLAMABAD: Chairman Federal Minister for Interior Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti and Caretaker Federal Minister for Information and Broadcasting Murtaza Solangi addressing a press Conference.

### PM stresses provision of skills to manpower according to contemporary requirements

In the meantime, the ministry has also issued directives to the concerned to compile a record of Afghans living without per-ISLAMABAD (INP): mits and prepare a trans-Federal Caretaker Interior portation plan to bring Minister Sarfraz Bugti anthem to the Afghan border nounced on Monday that

der smuggling will face court-martial proceedings. Bugti's statement follows a similar warning issued by Chief of Army Staff (COAS) Gen Asim Munir, emphasising that security officials involved in crossborder smuggling would be subject to court martial. During a press confer-ence in Islamabad, Bugti

forces weren't involved [in Ministry of Interior took in Sindh and seven in

that Turkiye would over-

come terrorism under the

leadership of President

Recep Tayyip Erdogan. "I am sure that Turkiye would

eliminate the threat of ter-

rorism under the dynamic

President Erdogan,

the president posted on social media platform X,

formerly known as Twitter.

One of the two terrorists

blew himself up in front of

Afsar named

Nadra's

chairman

By M. Ilyas

ISLAMABAD: The federal

cabinet Monday approved the appointment of Lieu-

tenant General Munir Afsar

as the chairman of the Na-

tional Database and Regis-

tration Authority (Nadra).

The federal cabinet ap-

The new chairman Lt

leadership of

Custom officials, Frontier Core and local Police were established in Baluchistan

with special powers of customs clearance, however the number of check posts were not being increased from ten to fourteen.

He said similar fourteen joint check posts are being established in Punjab, ten

#### condemns their facilitators in Pakistan, terrorist attack reiterate Solangi, Bugti in Turkiye ISLAMABAD (APP): President Dr Arif Alvi on

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Federal Minister for Information and Broadcasting Murtaza Solangi said on Monday that it was responsibility of the government to Monday strongly con-demned the terrorist attack ensure peace in the country and assist the Election Comon a Turkiye's government mission of Pakistan (ECP) in conducting free, transparbuilding in Ankara. The ent and impartial elections. president expressed hope

This, he said, during a meeting with Caretaker Minister for Interior Sarfraz Bugti who called on him here. On his arrival at the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Murtaza Solangi welcomed Interior Minister Sarfraz Bugti.

The two ministers discussed matters of mutual interest including law and order situation in the country.

In the meeting, both Murtaza Solangi and Sarfraz Bugti expressed their profound regret over the loss of precious lives in the recent bomb blasts in the country. Both the federal ministers reiterated that there was no place in Pakistan for terrorists and their facilitators

In the meeting, the support of the caretaker government to the Election Commission regarding the elections was also discussed.

the General Directorate of The ministers said that the caretaker government will Security in Turkiye's capiprovide all possible assistance to the ECP in fulfilling its tal Ankara on Sunday. the constitutional responsibility of conducting general elections in the country Lt Gen Munir



KARACHI: Peoples Party (PPP) Chairman, proved his appointment after it received a summary Bilawal Bhutto Zardari addresses the PPP candidates who won the local elections of Sindh, during containing three names meeting held at Bilawal House in Karachi.

### **PPP** 'only' political party that wants timely elections, says Bilawal

KARACHI (INP): Taking a dig at his allies in the erstwhile Pakistan Democratic Movement-led ruling coali-tion, PPP Chairman Bilawal Bhutto Zardari on Monday claimed the PPP was the "only" political party in the country that wanted timely elections

"PPP is the country's only party that wants elections to take place," he said in a press conference in Karachi, lamenting how "socalled" political leaders were coming up with excuses to

delay polls. "You must have seen that sometimes a so-called leader comes on screen and says: 'Delimitation has to happen and until then [elec-

tions can be delayed] Okay let's accept delimita-tion [needs to be done] but the communique stated. that process has been com-Later, a notification pleted so now there should was also issued. which be no issue in giving the date mentioned that his ap-[for polls]. "If not delimitapointment would come into tion, then sometimes someeffect immediately. one begins talking about the weather that 'it is very cold

Gen Mohammad Munir in February and January so Afsar Hilal Imtiaz (Milihow will we contest electary) has vast experience in tions,' while others talk IT related technical develabout the law and order situopment and management in ation," Bilawal said. His Pakistan Army and United statement appeared to be a Nations Mission, according criticism of JUI-F emir to his profile released to the Maulana Fazlur Rehman's media.

concerns over holding elec-Lt Gen Muhammad tions in Balochistan and Munir is an MPhil in Pub-Khyber Pakhtun-khwa at a lic Policy and National Setimewhentheyremain grip--ped curity Management. by intense winter.



ISLAMABAD: The Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar addresses the launching ceremony of National Polio Eradication Campaign. Caretaker Chief Minister Balochistan Mir Äli Mardan Khan Domki is also present

### Jan Muhammad Achakzai says: **Interim Govt. fully** prepared to tackle any emergent situation

#### **Independent Report**

are fully prepared to cope QUETTA: The interim with any emergent situaprovincial government is fully prepared and active He said that the conto tackle any emergent

cerned institutions are situation in the province. keeping vigil on the situa-This was stated by the tion round the clock.

caretaker Provincial Min-He asked the citizens ister for Information. Jan to remain calm and keep Achakzai in an official them abreast about the situ statement issued here on ation Aonday.

He also asked the Jan Achakzai referred people to follow the to the forecast by seismic safety measures issued by research institute of solar the government in case of system geometry survey emergency

(SSGS) and remarked that Moreover, the Ministhe advance prediction of ter Information said that the earthquake couldn't be the project government is already taking action However, the natural against the illegal construc-

calamities are the reality. Our emergency ser-

made.

vices including MERS, PDMA, Pak Army, Frontier Corps, Civil administration, Levies, police, Fire ation.



QUETTA: Caretaker Information Minister Jan Achakzai meeting with Caretaker Health Minister Dr. Ameer Muhammad Khan Jogezai

#### **SPH, СМН,** inquire health of Mastung injured

Independent Report QUETTA: The Governor Balochistan, Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar visited the Trauma Center of Sandeman civil hospital and Combined Military Hospital here on Monday.

During the visit, the Governor inquired about the health of persons injured in the suicide attack in Mastung in Friday last.

He went to every injured of the Mastung blast and had interaction with them inquiring about their health

He on the occasion also appreciated the doctors and medical staff on provision of timely and better care of those injured in the blast.

Moreover, during the visit, the Governor directed to provide necessary medi-Brigade and medical teams cal assistance to the injured and other facilities including air mattress, plus oximeter and other necessary equipment in the Trauma centre.

### Woman commits suicide along with

four daughters

QUETTA (APP): A mother and her four young daughters have taken their own lives, allegedly as a result of relentless domestic violence, police said on Monday. They said the woman, a resident of Hazara Town Quetta resorted to consuming poison, tragically bringing her four daughters along with her.

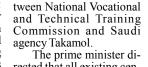
tions as violation of the The dead bodies were building code and constishifted to the civil hospital tution of encroachments Quetta and after medico-leon nullahs and karezat pose gal formalities handed over to heirs. Further probe is serious threat in such a situunderway.

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Monday stressed the need to work on a war footing for the provision of skills to the country's manpower according to contemporary requirements.

He said the professional education and vocational training programs should be prepared at par with the needs of the international market.

Chairing the meeting of the federal cabinet here. the prime minister said steps should be taken to increase employment opportunities of skilled people abroad.

On recommendation of federal ministry of education and professional training, the federal cabinet also approved the service level amended agreement be-



rected that all existing centers of technical education and vocational training should be activated.

On the recommendation of the ministry of education and professional training, the Cabinet also approved the signing of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Area Studies Center, University of Peshawar and Central Asia Research Center of Corvinus University of

Hungary. The Cabinet also extended approval to the name of Summit Bank Limited as Bank Mukarramah Limited on the recommendation of the finance minis-



**QUETTA: Balochistan Chief Secretary Shakeel** Qadir Khan administering drop to a child to formally inaugurate anti polio campaign

### Polio campaign starts in 34 districts of Balochistan

#### Foolproof security arrangements made for the campaign: CS

Independent Report QUETTA: The countrywide anti-polio campaign started in Ouetta and other parts of Balochistan provnce on Monday.

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tion, Syed Zahid Shah, EPI's Dr. Aftab Kakar and other concerned high ups. The Chief Secretary Also attended the ceremony by the representatives of UNICEF and WHO. Speaking on the occasion, Chief Secretary said

Kakar, Coordinator Emer-

gency Operation Center

(EOC) for Polio Eradica-

that it has been targeted to vaccinate over 2.44 million children below five years of age during the seven-day campaign in the province.

He informed that tion of the vital campaign around 11,000 teams have against the crippling disbeen taking part in the im-Also present on the munization campaign for the foolproof security aroccasion were Secretary rangements have been made. Health, Asfandvar Khan

Balochistan, Shakeel Qadir Khan formally inaugurated the immunization campaign by administering antipolio drops to the children at the Chief Secretary's office. Administration of the

anti-polio vaccine to the children marked inauguraPage 02

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### **Faizabad** redux

The memory of the infamous Faizabad dharna of 2017 has returned to haunt Pakistan. When one looks back at the stand-off, which eventually saw the Tehreek-i-Labbaik catapulted into the political 'mainstream', there is little to feel but regret.

As the Supreme Court takes up review petitions against its 2019 verdict in the same case, the TLP is once again on the rampage, this time against minority communities.

Unfortunately, there has been, so far, no attempt by the state to clamp down on their disruptive activities - an approach in line with the security establishment's earlier inclination to allow a free hand to the group. Interestingly, those who had filed the review pleas against the 2019 Faizabad sitin verdict now want them withdrawn.

They include the PTI, which participated in an extended smear campaign against the current chief justice following the judgement, but which now finds it more suitable for his verdict to be implemented without further qualification.

There are also some who do not want the matter to be revisited as this will invariably give rise to difficult questions about the present political constanding

It may be recalled that the Supreme Court's Faizabad ruling had prompted a presidential reference against Justice Isa — a move that was widely seen as a 'punishment' for his attempt to hold the security forces to account.

The judgement was seen as a clarion call for unelected quarters to respect their oath, to stop interfering in the political domain, and to check religious extremists, instead of patronising them.

But none was ever prosecuted for engaging in unlawful political activity, and the TLP was allowed to flourish despite its virulent ideology, which recurrently caused immense embarrassment for the Pakistani authorities in later years.

The political instability seen lately and the repeated attacks on Pakistan's minority communities in recent weeks are just some of the symptoms of the state's failure to implement the Faizabad sit-in verdict

After the Eid Milad-un-Nabi bombings this Friday, many observers have been wondering why Pakistan continues to be targeted by those seeking to shed innocent blood. It would appear that violent extremism continues to find easy outlets here because it ranks so low in our state's priorities.

Consider how the state responded to the Faizabad verdict. When the court excoriated the security agencies for failing to act firmly against those openly spreading hate and advocating extremism, the administration at the time, instead of ensuring that the miscreants were dealt with resolutely, attempted to neutralise the judge who had issued the ruling. As long as terrorists know that our state will turn a blind eye to bigotry and hate, there is little hope for us to be rid of the malignancies that have age the challenge. become embedded in our sociopolitical fabric

# **Refugee question**

has already faced criticism has been resisting setfor its decision to deport undocumented Afghan refugees (Pakistan hosts ghans are also believed to reside in the country). The refugees complain of harassment and police mishandling, claiming that Pakistani authorities have

been slow to approve registrations and visa extension applications. The international community is raising its eyebrow at a country ready to send Afghans, including girls and women, back to a country where human rights violations are extreme.

Pakistan uses deportations as a way to demonstrate it is cracking down on cross-border militancy, while also hoping it serves as a pressure tactic to elicit more support from Kabul to limit this security threat. This is largely ineffective given that most Afghan refugees are legitimately fleeing hunger, conflict and women's rights violations.

Pakistan should, instead, consider the benefits of welcoming Afghan refugees, as it has historically done. This would be that Pakistan does not condone the extremism and horrific misogyny of the Taliban. It would also position Pakistan well for future international negotiations in which it would want to advocate for Pakistani refugees in other countries to be treated humanely and in accordance

with international laws. As a first step, Pakistan should sign the UN refugee convention, but on the condition that its Western allies provide it with support to comply with non-refoulement requirements (the prohibition on states to return must change our perindividuals to places where they would be at risk). Indeed, refugee management could become a core aspect of our foreign policy. do unto yo Pakistan since 2021 tesy Dawn

ting up a Resettlement Support Centre to enable the US to process re-1.4m documented Afghan settlement applications refugees; an equal number of Afghan refugees and of undocumented Af- relocate them onwards to the US. It argues that an RSC would trigger a flood of Afghan refugees. The US, meanwhile, refuses to handle resettlement cases without an RSC. This is an area for productive engagement between Paki-

anti-imperialists as well as those with an intense devotion to religion. It has seen long-drawn tribal feuds and major demographic transitions. All of Turkey is currently these factors have kept

**Mohammad Ali** 

Babakhel

The south of Khyber

Pakhtunkhwa (KP) has

historically been a turbu-

lent region. It has been a

haven for freedom-loving

Of KP's total area of

South

demographic

the region alive in the news and in history books 101,741 square kilometres, south KP occupies 36,655 sq km, or 36 per cent. The region is administratively divided into three divisions and 12 districts (including the recently bifurcated South Waziristan). North Waziristan's border with stretches over 183km, and it neighbours the Afghan provinces of Khost, Paktia and Paktika, where militants are reportedly concentrated. Wazir-istan's border with Afghanistan stretches over 107km and, further north, Kurram shares a 192km boundary with Af-The world is on a

ghanistan, adjoining Nangarhar, Khost, and difficult trajectory and the number of refugees Paktia. and asylum seekers will After a spike in milionly soar. Our own worstancy and counterterrorism ening security and ecooperations, certain parts of nomic environment and south KP experienced sigsickening levels of relinificant gious intolerance mean changes. People from that Pakistani refugees South Waziristan, North will be among that count. Waziristan, Kurram and If we want to safeguard Orakzai migrated to Tank, our compatriots, we Dera Ismail Khan, Bannu, and Kohat, respectively. D.I. Khan's population grew from 852,995 in the spective on the refugee challenge. Let's not forget the age-old wisdom 1998 census to 1,625,088 of doing unto others as persons in the 2017 census. Likewise, in 1998, Tank you would have them counted 238,216 people, do unto you. -- Courrising to 390,626 in 2017. In

# Southern conundrum

1998, Bannu had 675,667 people, which rose to 1,167,071 in 2017. Displacement and migration simultaneously de-tribalised the local culture while burdening the urban areas of Kohat, Bannu. and D.I. Khan.

Militancy in south KP is a consequence of historical, political and socioeconomic factors. The region lacks linguistic or ethnic homogeneity. Its effective governance req-ui-res a thorough understanding of its history, diversity, and the nature of its tribal dynamics. The Wazir, Bhittani, Mehsud, Kundi, Bangash, Paracha, Afridi, Khattak, Banuchi, Marwat, Gandapur, Miankhel, Turi, Orakzai, and Banuri are its major tribes. Pashto, Seraiki, Hindko, Brahui, and Urdu are the spoken languages. The region also has substantial sectarian diver-

sity, including a significant Shia presence in D.I. Khan, Kurram, Kohat, and Hangu.

South KP is home to conservative tribal communities that feel marginalised, and which Afghanistan shuttle between nationalism and religiosity. Poverty, unemployment and a lack of access to education and basic services have contributed to their sense of general hopelessness, leaving the poverty-stricken youth susceptible to radicalisation and militant recruitment. External actors have exploited the local population's feelings of marginalisation to their advantage.

Furthermore, poor infrastructure has hampered trade and economic development. A long spell of militancy and other factors have disrupted rail and air connectivity: the railway stations in Tank, Bannu, Hangu, Usterzai, and Thal stand abandoned, while the airports in Bannu, Parachinar, and D.I. Khan are no longer operational. Newly constructed roads in the mains the real challenge. former tribal areas have - Courtesy Dawn

however, bridged some distances and improved governance, trade, and the mobility of security forces.

South KP gets very little time and space in Pakistani media. Keeping in view the communication

barriers, radio broadcasts may prove an effective medium of communication in the region and may help counter prevailing extremist narratives. Radio Pakistan has a radio station in D.I. Khan, and FM radio stations are on air in Bannu, Hangu, Kohat, and North Waziristan. In the absence of effective communication, people rely on alternative media external broadcasts, and social media content to get information, but these me--diums often carry provocative conte--nt that may be detrimental to Pak---istan's interests.

Bannu, D.I. Khan, Kohat and Kurram were notified districts during the British era, so all, except Kurram, have cantonments. These districts were established primarily on the basis of their strategic importance; the colonial rulers wanted to improve their control over the tribal areas and improve revenue collection. Because the remaining districts in south KP were established after independence, the infrastructure they inherited was weak, which impacted public service. The mere creation of any more districts will not serve the interests of the state or the public; therefore, infrastructural development, impro-ved public service delivery, and revenue collection should be the key focus areas. The dividends from the 25th Amendment for the newly merged districts have come in the form of a growing realisation and acceptance of different institu-

tions and fundamental human rights. However, resources are limited and expectations high: how to deliver in this context re-

#### Huma Yusuf It has been a bad week for refugees. A debate is brewing on whether the UN's refugee convention is still fit for purpose. A recent Financial Times poll found that 56 per cent of Americans and 60pc of Britons say immigration is too

high. Closer to home, our government interim authorised the deportation of undocumented Afghan Our refugees policymakers should closely follow the evolving global rhetoric on refugees for it will inevitably

affect Pakistan's global It is not surprising that refugees are back in the headlines. According to the UNHCR, the UN refugee agency, as of May this year, more than 110

million individuals were forcibly displaced due to conflict, persecution or human rights violations, of which more than 35m were categorised as refugees.

Pakistan is in a double bind. On the one hand, as the preferred destination for over 2m Afghan refugees, it faces international pressure to sign up to the UN refugee convention (Pakistan is not a signatory and thus does not have national legislation guiding refugee and asy-

lum protocols or nonrefoulement, which is why it can deport vulnerable Afghans without breaching local or international law). On the other, as a (growing) exporter of refugees, it will face mounting pressure to stem the tide as well as aggressive containment approaches. Our economic, security and foreign policies are not adequately equipped to man-

The interim set-up

**Commerce** News

stan and the US: Islamabad can enable Washington to meet its commitments in the wake of its messy Afghanistan exit, while receiving support to manage the influx of refugees in exchange.

the world's largest refugee-hosting country, and knowledge sharing of best practices for refugee/ asylum frameworks could be a key element of the growing partner-ship between the two states. Pakistan could also serve as a valuable interlocutor with allies such as China and the GCC to encourage them to take a greater share of the global refugee population in line with their economic status, an arhumane and demonstrate gument that can only be made from the moral high ground, but that would help sustain the rel-evance of Pakistan's voice globally, and help secure fair treatment for Pakistani refugees later.



SIALKOT: Former President Lahore Bar Association Jameel Akhtar Baig Advocate Expert Economics addressing to a seminar on Tax System and Economic Challenges in Pakistan at SCCI organized by Government Graduate College of Commerce.

# **President directs National** Savings to reimburse Rs 1.2m to woman fraud victim

President Dr Arif Alvi on Monday directed the Central Directorate of National Savings (CDNS) to reimburse an amount of Rs 1.2 million with profit to a woman victim of fraud. The money was

fraudulently withdrawn from the woman's account through the issuance of a fictitious cheque book and affixing her fake signatures on the withdrawal slip. President Alvi asked CDNS to refer the matter to FIA for proper investigation so that the

may be brought to the book and punished. The president issued these directions while deciding on а representation filed by CDNS (the Agency) against the decision of the Wafaqi Mohtasib directing CDNS to refer the matter to FIA

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Shipping

(APP):

CDNS involved in the scam amount of Rs 1.2 million had been fraudulently withdrawn from her account in 2019 through another cheque book which

was never issued to her. She lodged a complaint with CDNS for investigation and recovery of her defrauded amount, but the matter was for thorough investigation. investigated in a As per details, the complainant Abida Riffat superfluous manner and had alleged that she was could not produce any maintaining a Pensioners evidence in support of her Benefit Account with claim. Feeling aggrieved, CDNS in Rawalpindi. She she approached the Wafaqi

ISLAMABAD (APP): delinquent officials of found out in 2021 that an Mohtasib which asked CDNS to investigate the matter through FIA. CDNS then filed a representation with the President against the Mohtasib's decision.

President Alvi in his decision observed that CDNS in its letter dated 28.12.2021 had admitted that Rs 1.2 million were withdrawn from her account through the fake transaction on 23.05.2019 she was informed that she by affixing a fake signature on the withdrawal slip. He noted that during an internal inquiry conducted by CDNS.

**Revolutionize Agriculture Sector Unity Plantations, Green Corporate** initiative join hands

ARACHI:

Plantations

Independent Report Corporate Initiative (Private) Limited are proud Unity (Private) announce to groundbreaking Master Limited [a wholly owned subsidiary of Sunridge Collaboration Agreement Foods (Private) Limited, that is set to reshape which in turn is a wholly Pakistan's agriculture and owned subsidiary of Unity livestock sector, bolstering Foods Limited, hereinafter food security promoting sustainable collectively referred to as Unity Group] and Green development.

# **Trade deficit narrows** by 42% in 1<sup>st</sup> quarter

ISLAMABAD (APP): exports decreased by The trade deficit contracted by 42.25 per cent during the first quarter the period of last year, PBS data.

by 25.36 per cent and were recorded at \$12.188 \$16.329 billion last year.

September compared to

under review, the month of last year.

activity at **Port Qasim** KARACHI Shipping activity was Shipping activity was reported at the port where fourships namely, Mumbasa Express, MSC Shahar, Dignity and Doha carrying

Containers, Palm oil and LNG, berthed at Container Terminal, Liquid Terminal and Elengy Engro Terminal respectively on Sunday.

Meanwhile two more ships, Amali and Kana scheduled to load/offload the senior official of CDNS Cement and LPG also told APP here on Monday. arrived at outer anchorage.

## **CDNS attains Rs 400b** targets in fresh bond

ISLAMABAD (APP): billion additional annual The Central Directorate of target than the target of Rs National Savings (CDNS) has accomplished a target of Rs 400 billion in fresh bonds in the current fiscal year, from July 1 to 30<sup>th</sup> September. The CDNS surpassed

**PESHAWAR: Members of Pakistan Railway All Union Grand Alliance block** 

railway track as they are holding protest demonstration for acceptance of

their demands, held at Cantt Railway Station in Peshawar.

1300 billion for the previous financial year 2021-22. "The CDNS has set a reviewed saving target of Rs 1.4 trillion for the current financial year (2021-22) which will promote savings culture in the country," he said.

the annual target and achieved the target of Rs In view of the current 1.6 trillion in fresh bonds market trend in the in the current fiscal year, country, the ambitious target had been set to further improve the savings He said this was Rs 200 culture, he said.

# **CPI inflation recorded** at 31.4% in September

during the month of in September 2023 as month of last year, previous month and a Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS) reported on Monday.

increased to 27.4 percent during last month (Åugust) whereas it was recorded at 23.2 percent during increase of 25.0% in the September, 2022, previous month and

ISLAMABAD (APP): according to the PBS data. 21.2% in September The Consumer Price Index (CPI) based inflation basis, the inflation month (MoM) basis, it increased to 31.4 percent increased to 2.0 percent increased to 1.7% in September 2023 as September 2023 as compared to an increase compared to an increase Monday. The urban CPI The inflation had inflation increased to

29.7% on year-on-year (YoY) basis in September 2023 as compared to an

compared to the same of 1.7 percent in the of 1.6% in the previous month and a decrease of decrease of 1.2 percent in 2.1% in September 2022 September 2022. On the other hand, the On the other hand, the rural CPI increased to

33.9% on year-on-year basis in September 2023 as compared to an increase of 30.9% in the previous month and 26.1% in September 2022.

#### PSX marks WIW 2023 **FCCI becomes "First E**with gong ceremony Chamber"

Pakistan Stock Exchange (PSX) along with numerous other exchanges and organisations across the world marked World Investor Week (WIW) 2023 through a gong ceremony held at PSX. The World Federation of Exchanges (WFE), of which PSX is an Affiliate Exchange, spearheads the WIW, the WIW is being held from October 2– 8, 2023.

PSX is holding this event and organising the investor education and WIW for the third protection.

ISLAMABAD (APP): consecutive year, said a press release issued here Monday. Present at the gong ceremony were representatives from the SECP, leading academic institutions, professional bodies, and securities brokers, amongst others. The week-long

activities in World Investor Week are planned to promote the importance of President FCCI. Addressing financial literacy and to Annual General Meeting raise awareness about

(AGM) on the completion of his first year.

of the country of the current fiscal year FAISALABAD (APP) compared to corresponding period of Faisalabad Chamber of last year, the Pakistan Commerce & Industry Bureau of Statistics (PBS) (FCCI) has attained a unique status of "First E-Chamber" reported Monday. The Trade deficit of the country and it is a first from July-September baby step toward the

complete transformation (2023-24) was recorded of FCCI into a dynamic and at \$5.289 billion as against the deficit of \$9.159 billion in Julyvibrant corporate entity, said Dr. Khurram Tariq September (2022-23), showing negative growth the

of 42.25 per cent. During the period

3.78 per cent to \$6.899 billion compared to the exports of \$7.170 billion during the corresponding according to the latest

On the other hand the imports narrowed billion compared to

Meanwhile, on a yearon-year basis, the exports from the country increased by 1.15 per cent in

the exports of the same

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# Naqvi launches special education drive, project of assistive devices distribution to special children

#### **Independent Report**

LAHORE: Caretaker Chief Minister Punjab, Mohsin Naqvi officially launched the special education admission campaign and initiated the distribution of assistive devices for special children at a local hotel.

In his address, Chief Minister Naqvi expressed gratitude towards all those involved in serving special children, emphasizing that it is both a religious and worldly obligation to care for them. He pledged unwavering commitment to the Department of Special Education, assuring prompt approval of all special education projects.

Highlighting the expansion of special centers in areas like Johar Nagvi asserted that the Town, Chief Minister lies Naqvi reaffirmed that endeavors for special children. children will be undertaken

as acts of duty and to collective the devotion. Reflecting on his responsibility of the visit to the Government education department, its Pilot School on Wahdat secretary, and minister in ensuring quality education and improving Road, he expressed personal dismay at the situation. The school, housing 1650 students, had school conditions. Notable figures like Akhtar Rasool, Qari only 60 appointed teachers, with 35 on Election Sadaqat Ali, General Commission duty and the Zaheer, General Bilal, and rest on leave. A mere 10 to General Naveed Anjum had all attended the Pilot 15 teachers were left to educate the vast student School on Wahdat Road population, leading to a which, Chief Minister concerning decline in quality. Chief Minister Naqvi lamented, had been grievously neglected.

> LHC orders police to produce Sheikh within a week RAWALPINDI (Online)

week. HYDERABAD: Pakistan Federal Union of Journalists (PFUJ) President, GM Jamali addresses during Health Insurance Card distribution ceremony held at Hyderabad press club.

### **Drive against** adulteration in food, milk planned: Maani

PESHAWAR (APP): The especially milk. Food Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has planned a comprehensive drive against adulteration in edible commodities, especially milk. Zariful Maani, Secretary Food said that a comprehensive drive was planned utilizing geotagging to ensure the quality of milk and other food items

After a series of consultative meetings covering fresh milk involving stakeholders and (chemical and composition officials, the Secretary of Food has issued directives (composition check), as prioritize food, well as water tests. to

The Secretary, along with the Director General and all officers, will actively engage in the field to ensure transparent quality checks. Hussain, Åltaf

Director of Operations, along with mobile lab testing experts, provided a briefing to the Secretary and conducted real-time time due to request of Sardar Abdul Razzaq tests on milk and water. checks) and processed milk registration of FIR.

responsibility for rectifying these conditions with the administration, not the He called attention

> Higher Department

> > (HEC).

of

Lahore High Court (LHĆ) Rawalpindi bench has ordered police to present Sheikh Rashid within a

The petition against arrest of former interior minister Sheikh Rashid came up for hearing before single bench of LHC led by Justice Sadaqat Ali Khan

here Monday. RPO Rawalpindi Syed Khurram appeared in the court. The court questioned

from RPO Rawalpindi Sheikh Rashid and two other persons with him are where. Will you give it in writing to court or produce

Sheikh Rashid. On being inquired from court, the RPO sought 15 days time more from the court. The court remarked 15 days are too much. This is not ordinary matter. Two days time will be too much Justice Sadaqat Ali remarked I give 7 days

counsel for the petitioner individuals. If Sheikh Rashid is not produced within a week the court will order for



### **KP** Universities bars from granting new affiliation to new institutions, colleges

PESHAWAR (APP): The affiliation Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has barred the public sector universities of the province from granting fresh or new affiliation to any new requirements.

institution, college or programme till finalization of fresh policy by Higher Education Commission According to a letter issued to the public sector

universities, the HED explained that the main BS programme was not reason behind was violation offered at the main HEC policy for campus.

Education universities and granting (HED) affiliation to colleges without having proper qualified teaching faculty, meeting necessary academic and physical

> violating jurisdiction policy whereas some colleges were running BS programmes which were affiliated with such universities where the

### **Social media** campaign against **Governor KP baseless**

PESHAWAR (APP): The media by stating that the personal assistant (PA) to Governor and Mayor of personal assistant (PA) to the governor, Khyber Peshawar had provided Pakhtunkhwa Maaz Fida, unparalleled services to said on Monday that the their citizens and that any campaign of corruption rumors spread on social made against the governor, media were completely Haji Ghulam Ali, and the untrue

mayor of Peshawar, Haji He asserted that the Zubair Ali, on social media governor and the mayor is unfounded. She added of Peshawar deserved that the opponents, despite praise for their devoted using all of their resources, work and approachable would be unable to prove demeanor. opponents tried to any evidence of corruption discredit the mayor's and against either of the two governor's positions, but they countered the

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Зустріч міністрів закордонних справ

в, 2 жовтня 2023

French Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs Catherine Colonna and German

Foreign Minister Annalena Baerbock speak to the media before EU-Ukraine

foreign ministers meeting, amid Russia's attack on Ukraine, in Kyiv, Ukraine.

After Ankara bombing, Turkiye

hits back in Iraq and at home

Turkiye has stepped

The Governor's PA responded to several misinformation with their allegations made on social steadfast.

### It said that some provincial government, a universities of KP were seven-day eradication campaign is

underway in the district. The Commissioner visited Naseer Bagh Road, Regi, Hayatabad, Peshatkhara and other areas to oversee the polio eradication

campaign. **Rescue 1122** handles 572 emergencies in Sep

**DC** oversees

polio eradication

campaign

PESHAWAR (APP)

Deputy Commissioner of

the

polio

Deputy

of the

dera ismail khan (APP): Rescue 1122 on Monday issued a monthly performance report featuring a total of 572 emergencies tackled with response time ranging within seven minutes by the district's emergency service during the last month.

Sharing the report, the spokesman of the Rescue 1122 said, the service provided first medical aid to about 592 The patients and subsequently shifted them to hospitals while tackling different emergencies in September under the leadership of District Emergency Officer Awais Babar.

### Governor for access to RTI thru departmental websites

Independent Report AHORE: Governor Punjab Muhammad Balighur Rehman has asked the Punjab government to speed up access to basic information under the right to information (RTI) law through websites of all provincial departments. Addressing

Oadir Shah, senior judges, lawyers, vice chancellors and principals of various colleges were present on the occasion. Speaking on the occasion, Governor Punjab Muhammad Balighur Rehman said the main purpose of this event is to highlight the importance of Right to Information in the

а ceremony in connection development of the country, with the 'Right to Information Day' at the adding that in the countries where the RTI law is Governor's House here on effectively implemented, Monday, he said it is a level of corruption is low.

He said RTI has a good omen that Pakistan is key role in eradicating among the 125 countries in the world where RTI has corruption in government been implemented as a law. institutions, making the The event was organised by Punjab work of public officials effective and in good governance, adding the RTI Act ensures Information Commission in collaboration with the Centre for Peace and transparency in the Development Initiatives financial and administrative affairs of (CPDI). Chief Information government institutions. Commissioner Mehboob

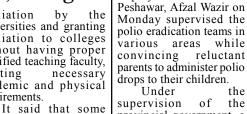


HYFERABAD: Health worker administering polio vaccine drops to a child during a Polio vaccination campaign at Government Hospital at Norani basti.

### 7-day anti polio campaign starts in KP; 7.478mln children to be immunized

PESHAWAR (APP): The polio drops while in the seven-day anti-polio second phase of the campaign, which would campaign started across Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on continue from October 9 to Monday wherein as many 13, all children up to five as 7.478 million children years of age in Bannu and DI Khan divisions would under the age of five would be vaccinated against the be vaccinated. crippling polio disease.

During this campaign, According to the Emergency Operation vitamin A would also be given to children to increase Center (EOC), in the first their immunity, said the phase of the polio campaign, all children EOC, adding that in the first phase of the campaign, in all the districts of Peshawar, under the age of five in Peshawar, Kohat, Mardan, Malakand and Hazara Kohat, Mardan, Malakand divisions would be given and Hazara divisions.



# Biden says there's 'not much time' to keep aid flowing to Ukraine and **Congress must 'stop the games'**

Monitoring Desk WASHINGTON: President Joe Biden said that American aid to Ukraine will keep flowing for now as he sought to reassure allies of continued U.S. financial support for the war effort. But time is running out, the president said in a warning to Congress.

We cannot under any circumstances allow America's support for Ukraine to be interrupted," Biden said in remarks from the Roosevelt Room after Congress averted a government shutdown by passing a short-term funding package late Saturday that dropped assistance for Ukraine in the

done.

battle against Russia. We have time, not

United Arab Emirates.

**Monitoring Desk** 

ABU DHABI: COP28

president Sultan al-Jaber

said on Monday that more

than 20 oil and gas com-

panies were rallying

around his calls to curb

carbon emissions ahead

of a United Nations sum-

mit on climate change

Jaber, who is also head of

United Arab Emirates oil

giant ADNOC, has this

year urged the energy in-

dustry to join the fight

against climate change.

Dhabi

much time, and there's an tance to the aid has been gaining momentum and the overwhelming sense of urnext steps are ahead, given gency," he said, noting that the funding bill lasts only the resistance from the hard-right flank. until mid-November. Biden While Senate Major-ity Leader Chuck Schumer, urged Congress to negotiate an aid package as soon

as possible. D-N.Y., has begun a pro-The vast majority of cess to potentially consider both parties — Democrats legislation providing addi-tional Ukraine aid, House and Republicans, Senate and House — support Speaker Kevin McCarthy, helping Ukraine and the R-Calif., faces a more dif brutal aggression that is beficult task in keeping the ing thrust upon them by commitment he made over Russia," Biden said. "Stop the objections of nearly half of his GOP majority. He told CBS' "Face on the playing games, get this But many lawmakers Nation" that he supported

acknowledge that winning being able to make sure approval for Ukraine assis-Ukraine has the weapons that they need," but that tance in Congress is growing more difficult as the war grinds on. Republican resis-

> cooperation with EU vital for victory, Kyiv needs defence support

Turkish Energy Minister Alparslan Bayraktar,

right, and United Arab Emirates Energy Minister Suhail al-Mazrouei attend the ADIPEC, Oil and Energy exhibition and conference in Abu Dhabi, "defence support" for Ukraine after the U.S. **COP28** president says Congress left Ukraine war

aid out of a spending bill oil companies support and an election in Slovakia was won by a party 2050 net-zero goal

He was a controversial Ûkraine.

2022. "I am sure that

whose leader said he would end military supplies from army storage to Ukraine hopes to meet a series of EÛ criteria for joining the bloc and

has relied heavily on Western military assistance since Russia's full-scale invasion in February

Ukraine and the entire free world are capable of winning this confrontation. But our victory depends directly on our cooperation with you

ity. The defence ministry nated **Monitoring Desk** ANKARA: Turkiye said it said many militants were unleashed air strikes on mili-"neutralised", a term mostly used to mean killed, tant targets in northern Iraq in air strikes that destroyed and detained suspects in 20 targets — caves, shel-ters and depots used by the Istanbul overnight, hours after Kurdish militants said PKK in Iraq's Metina, Hakurk, Qandil and Gara they orchestrated the first bomb attack in the capital Ankara in years. regions

On Sunday morning, two attackers detonated a up military action against the PKK in northern Iraq over bomb near government the last few years in operabuildings in Ankara, leaving tions it says are conducted them both dead and woundunder self-defence rights arising two police officers. The outlawed Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK) militant group claimed responsibil-

ing from Article 51 of the nited Nations charter. The PKK is desig-

At least 38 injured in police station fire in **Egypt's Ismailia** 

**Monitoring Desk** ISMAILIA: A huge fire broke out at a police headquarters in the Egyptian city of Ismailia on Monday, injuring at least 38 people, according to local media. No fatalities were im-

mediately reported but the building is staffed by soldiers at all hours and hospitals were placed on alert.

Footage on local me-dia showed smoke rising from the entirely blackened multi-storey building. The cause of the blaze, which broke out at

ing to state media.

the headquarters of the Ismailia Security Directorate before dawn, is not yet known. Of 26 wounded who were transferred to a local hospital, 24 had suffered from "asphyxiation"

media reported citing the health ministry. Twelve more were treated at the scene. The

tary emergency services including two planes, accord-

day. and two from burns, local

health ministry deployed 50 ambulances to the scene, which were joined by mili-

its mediation in resolving political crisis Monitoring Desk ALGIERS: Niger has accepted Algeria's offer of

Australia's constitution a mediation to help resolve mechanism for Indigenous its political crisis, Algerian people to advise Parliament state TV reported on Monon policies that affect their lives

terrorist

organisation by Turkiye,

the United States and the

European Union. It

launched an insurgency in

southeast Turkiye in 1984

and more than 40,000

people have been killed in

footage obtained by

Reuters showed a vehicle

pulling up outside the in-

terior ministry's main gate

in Ankara and one of its

occupants quickly walk-

ing toward the building

before being engulfed in an

Algeria says

Niger accepts

On Sunday, CCTV

the conflict.

explosion.

Algeria, which shares a border with Niger, has campaign of Prime Minproposed an initiative inister Chris Hipkins faced volving a six-month transia setback on Sunday when tion period in Niger led by he tested positive for a civilian. COVID-19.

Members of Niger's presidential guard seized power there in July and established a junta.

### UAE holds major oil and gas conference just ahead of hosting UN climate talks in Dubai

**Monitoring Desk** warming to 1.5 degrees Cel-ABU DHABI: The Emirati sius (2.7 degrees Fahrenpresident-designate of the heit) compared with preupcoming United Nations industrial times. While addressing a ma-COP28 climate talks urged

jor international concern, his oil and gas companies Monday to be "central to remarks came at a marquee the solution" for climate oil industry event highlighting the state oil company he change, a message delivered even as the industry boosts oversees - feeding the conits production to enjoy riscerns of those already critical of his appointment while The appeal by Sultan also drawing applause from al-Jaber highlights the gap the same energy firms he between climate activists wants to court at the upcoming COP28 talks startsuspicious of his industry ties and his calls to drastiing in November. "That is cally slash the world's emisour North Star. It is, in fact, sions by nearly half in our only destination," alseven years to limit global Jaber said.



ing global energy prices.

Luxon casting his ballot.

Firefighters try to extinguish a fire at a police headquarters in Ismailia.

### Early voting begins in New Zealand's general election and in Australia for Indigenous 'Voice'

**Monitoring Desk** some engagements over WELLINGTON: Early Zoom.

Hipkins and his liberal voting began on Monday in Labour Party have been lag-New Zealand for the ging behind the opposition National Party, led by Christopher Luxon, in opinnation's Oct. 14 general election, with conservative contender Christopher ion polls..

Luxon on Sunday re-leased a 100-day action Early voting also began in some parts of Ausplan he said would deliver tralia in a referendum that tax relief, rebuild the would enshrine in economy and restore law and order.

"New Zealanders have waited six long years for a government that focuses on In New Zealand, the what matters to them, and gets things done," Luxon said.

In Australia, where voting is compulsory, some 98% of eligible Australians have signed up to

He said he would isolate for five days or until he vote in the referendum on the Indigenous Voice to returned a negative test, but planned to continue with Parliament.

pick to lead COP28, which begins next month, because his country is an OPEC member and a major oil exporter. 'We need a systemwide holistic transformation of entire economies economies that currently

run on the equivalent of 250 million barrels of oil. gas, and coal every single day," Jaber said at an oil and gas conference in Abu



Monitoring Desk

KYIV: A Ukrainian victory in its war with Russia de-

dent Volodymyr Zelenskiy told EU foreign ministers gathered in Kyiv on Mon-day. Zelenskiy also underlined the importance of

pends on cooperation with the European Union, Presi-

## Daily **Independent**, Gwadar

# PM urges every section of society to play role in complete eradication of polio

Launches anti-polio vaccine drive targeting 44 mln children

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Monday called upon every section of the society to play role in complete eradication of polio virus from the country. He said everyone would have to particiister said adding that it was pate in this sacred task to a fact that all the religious ensure safe and healthy future of children of the counpolio vaccine absolutely try. Chairing a meeting of the National Task Force for eradication of polio here, the future of children without disabilities. PM Kakar the prime minister directed the concerned authorities expressing concern over reto engage religious scholars, teachers, parents and all stakeholders to become try, directed to run a spepart of the polio awareness cial anti-polio campaign in areas where the polio virus campaign in the country. He also directed to ensure se-

curity of the polio workers during the anti-polio campaign. Expressing satisfaction over the significant drop of polio cases in the country, the prime minister vowed to continue ef- meeting was informed that the PM House.

forts till complete uproot- compared to the 20 cases ing of this crippling disease from the country. The nation would cel-

ebrate the day when every

child of the country would

be completely safe from

this disease, the prime min-

scholars, including Imam-e-

Kaaba, had declared the

safe and very necessary for

ports of polio virus in the

three districts of the coun-

had been reported.

2022, only two cases had been reported this year, which was mainly due to the continuation of antipolio campaigns at the national level. The prime minister appreciated the ministry of health, National Task

Force, provincial governments and administration, and law enforcement agencies for their tireless efforts in eradicating polio virus from the country. Meanwhile Caretaker

Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Monday launched the five-day antipolio vaccination drive tar-geting around 44 million children across the country.

We are grateful to the international partners for The prime ministe initiated the campaign by their active participation and key support in Pakistan's National Polio administering anti-polio vaccine oral drops and vi-Program," he added. The tamin A to children, here at

Wali Khan Kakar has stressed the need to estabreported in the country in lish an Artificial Intelligence Laboratory in the province as it would determine new avenues of innovation and modernity. The Governor was

speaking to the caretaker acquainted about the modern technology. Provincial Minister for Information, Jan Achakzai

Independent Report

QUETTA: The Governor Balochistan, Malik Abdul



Governor stresses need to

set up Artificial Intelligence

laboratory in Balochistan

technical institutions, be-

sides other matters of mu-

sion, Governor said that ac-

tually technology is the ba-

sis of economic and social

Speaking on the occa-

The Governor said

tual interests.

who called on him here at that the bright future of Pakistan is linked with the Governor House on Monday. Balochistan

During the course of Therefore, it is neces meeting, they discussed the latest political situation, sary to divert the attention of national and international investors towards the existrole of modern technology ing opportunities of prof-itable investment in the in sustainable development, c o m p l e t e itable in operationalisation of the province.

# Aneeq Ahmed says: Solution to all contemporary issues lies in Seerat-un-Nabi

ISLAMABAD (APP): vered Prophet's exemplary Caretaker Minister for Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony, Aneeq Ahmed on Monday said that the solution to all contemporary is-sues lied in the Seerat of Prophet Muhammad (Peace Be Upon Him). Addressing as chief

guest, he expressed his appreciation for the first-ever Seerat Conference organized within the Federal Tax Ombudsman Secretariat, emphasizing that Allah Almighty had exalted the mention of His beloved Prophet, which would endure until the Day of Judgment. He said, "The excellent moral values exemplified by the Prophet (Peace

in Balochistan this month,

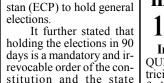
ror for both individuals and nations. He said the Holy Quran sternly warns those who did not implement its system on Allah Almighty's land. Federal Tax Ombudsman, Dr. Asif Mahmood Jah organized

of Prophet (Peace Be Upon

Him), should serve as a mir-

the Seerat Conference themed 'Solving Contemporary Issues in the Light of the Prophet's Secrat' within his department. The conference brought together tax officials and employees for a

Be Upon Him) are the same values that guide us today." competition of Naats and The minister said the re- speeches on the Seerat.



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ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar launched the National Polio Eradication Campaign by administering polio drops to child.

### Chairman HEC assures to resolve issues of universities: Sustainable measures being taken to remove educational and social backwardness: Amjad Rasheed

**Independent Report** QUETTA: The caretaker Provincial Minister for Finance, Amjad Rasheed has stated that sustainable measures are being taken to resolve the issues of masses and remove the educational and social backwardness from the province.

Maal there. Surely the people of the province would benefit from the fruits of measures being taken on directives of urged him to expand the the caretaker Prime Miniscircle of social programme ter Anwaarul Haq Kakar for the assistance of poor and Chief Minister, Mir people living in the remote Ali Mardan Khan Domki. areas of the province.

Amjad Rasheed mentioned that he had meeting with heads of all three institutions on directives of the Prime Minister. ethics remained the stan-

This was shared by dard for humanity. He said the Minister Finance while the Holy Quran, which is speaking to the Chairman the first book on the Seerat

PTI urges CJP

to ensure timely

general elections

ISLAMABAD (INP): Pa-

kistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) on Monday appealed

Chief Justice of Pakistan

(CJP) Justice Qazi Faez Isa

to step in and order that the

general elections be held in

the country within 90 days.

PTI core committee meet-

ing stated that only 36 days

have left for the caretaker

government and the Elec-

tion Commission of Paki-

structure must maintain the

sanctity of the constitution

The declaration of the

spoke about the establish-Higher Education Commisment of technical institusion and other personalities tions for the skilled youth during his visit to the federal capital on Monday. in the province besides giv-Amjad Rasheed also

ing them access to the visited the Neftech head means of livelihood availoffice and Pakistan Baitul able abroad. Maal and Executive Direc-On this, the Neftech tor and head of the Baitul Director assured to expand

the training programmes all Speaking to the head the province. of Pakistan Baitul Maal, the While during the caretaker Finance Minister

course of meeting with Chairman HEC, the matters about issues being faced by the universities were discussed. The release of grants for the universities He pointed out that was also discussed during

the meeting. The Chairman HEC the poor people are facing immense problems due to poverty in the remote arassured that the progress eas of the province. would be ensured for re-During meeting with

solving the financial and the Executive Director of administrative matters of Neftech, the Minister the public universities.



**OUETTA: Provincial Advisor for Irrigation Mir** Danish Lango meeting with Provincial Sports Minister Nawabzada Jamal Khan Raisani

# In all 4867 connections found involved in power pilferage, 158 arrested so far: QESCO

is continued by the Quetta

Electric Supply Company

ince. This was informed by

the spokesman of QESCO

while sharing detail of the

Company's crackdown

against the power pilferers

and defaulters.

**Independent Report** QUETTA: In all 4,867 elec-tricity connections have so He said that 1255 aptricity connections have so

QUETTA: Senior Advisor for Overseas Pakistanis Federal Ombudsman ambassador retired Fouzia Nasreen visiting One Window Facilitation Desk at Quetta Airport

### **Caretaker Minister LG calls** for ensuring provision of health facilities to masses

**Independent Report** OUETTA: The caretaker Provincial Minister for Local Government, Sheikh Mehmoodul Hasan Mandokhail has stated that medical is a sacred profession and as such it should be ensured to provide necessary facilities to the masses.

He said that he would be approaching the concerned authorities on the issue of lack of medicines in the hospitals.

the patients. Also present on the occasion were the former Senator, Sheikh Saeedul Hasan Mandokhail, District

Health Officer, Dr. Muzaffar Shah, Medical Superintendent, Dr. Noorul Haq and other concerned. Several patients on the occasion complained

about the lack of medicines in the hospital. Speaking on the occa-

sion, caretaker Minister said that it is included in

Chairman **CII** calls on **PM Kakar** ISLAMABAD (APP) Chairman Council of Is-

called on Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar here on Monday During the meeting, Qibla Ayaz paid tribute to the prime minister on successfully representing Pakistan in the United National General Assembly (UNGA).

The chairman of the Health Cards to be launched

Council informed the prime minister about the current status of religious harmony

in the country. He also invited PM

lamic Ideology Qibla Ayaz

1st installment released to Health dept:

The caretaker Minister was speaking on occasion of his visit to the District Headquarter Hospital Zhob on Monday.

The Minister visited different sections of the hospital and inspected the services being provided to added.

government's priorities to Kakar to attend the genera provide healthcare facilities meeting of the Council of Islamic Ideology. to the masses. For the purpose, huge

said the Islamic Ideology funds are being spent to Council had been playing bring improvement in the active role in maintaining healthcare facilities in the public sector hospitals, he law and order and religious harmony in the country.

announces Chief Secretary The prime minister Independent Report OUETTA: The Chief Secretary Balochistan, Shakeel

Qadir Khan has announced that the Health Cards would be launched by end of this month in the province.

million

While speaking to the is sure that the same would media persons on occasion be started on any date durof inauguration of the antiing this month. polio campaign at his office on Monday, the Chief Sec-Health Card programme retary said that all the iswas already launched in sues in way of launch of the different other provinces. Health Cards have been rehowever, it was pending in solved. He also informed Balochistan. that after resolving the is-

and implement its purpose. The PTI core commitsues, the first installment of tee declaration also stated the programme has also that the Supreme Court is been released to the Health

responsible for maintaining department, he added. the sanctity of the Consti-The Chief Secretary tution, adding that the said that he is not going to Chief Justice of Pakistan give an exact date for the should intervene in view of Health Cards, however, he the sensitivity of the situation.

Cipher case: He mentioned that the **Court summons** Imran, Qureshi on Oct 4

> ISLAMAABD (Online): Special court set up under official secret act has summoned PTI chairman Imran Khan and Shah Mehmood Oureshi on October 4 in cipher case.

Judge Abul Hasnat Zulgarnain of special court has issued notice following the filing of challan in court. Judge Abul Hasnat

Zulqarnain has remarked Energy the statements of witnesses are enough for issuing the notice to accused persons. Chairman PTI Imran Khan and Shah Mehmood Qureshi are imprisoned in Àdiala jail.

Notice is issued to superintendent Adiala jail with reference to appearance of Imran Khan and Shah Mehmood Qureshi in the court. Superintendent Adiala jail should present Imran Khan and Shah Mehmood Qureshi in court on October 04.

**Gilani blames** PTI govt's poor policies of recent wave of terrorism

MULTAN (APP): Former Prime Minister, Senator Syed Yusuf Raza Gilani, on

Replying to women ournalist issues, she said the Ministry of Human Rights has included in its 100-day plan on a priority basis that women journalists should be given representation in health card and housing schemes ensuring a

plications have been subfar been involved in the pilferage and some 158 armitted against the power rested on the same charges pilferers in the province. as the extensive campaign

Out of them, 380 FIRs have been registered against the thieves while (QESCO) all over the prov-158 arrested so far on the charges of pilfering. These FIRs have been registered i.e., 66 in Quetta, 89 in Loralai, 65 in Khuzdar, 93 in Sibi, 46 in Pishin and 21 in Makran.

Over Rs. 120 million According to QESCO have been charged fine to spokesman, the crackdown is continued without any the power pilferers and over Rs. 88 million have discrimination in all areas against those involved in been received from them.

Muhammad Ali, Zhang discuss mutual interest issues

tions, according to a news ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Federal Minister for Power and Petroleum, release received here on Monday. Both sides ex-Muhammad Ali has held a pressed their willingness to significant meeting with the Vice President of China Naenhance future cooperation in the vital energy sector. ADIPEC, renowned as one tional Petroleum Corporation, Mr. Zhang, during the sidelines of the Abu Dhabi of the world's largest en-ergy events, is currently ergy events, is currently International Progressive underway in Abu Dhabi, attracting participation from Congress (ADIPEC). The discus-2,200 companies and featuring 30 country pavilions sions revolved around various issues of mutual inter- that showcase cutting-edge est between the two na- energy strategies.

### **Mushaal Malik assures** journalists to attend long standing issues

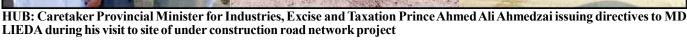
ance and housing quota.

discussed in detail.

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and implementation of gen-ISLAMABAD (APP): Prime Minister's Special der policy in the media industry. Women journalists Assistant on Human Rights (SAPM) Mushaal Hussain in the delegation also dis-Malik assured WJAP delcussed issues such as imegation to resolve their longproving workplaces, prostanding demands including tection from online and health card, wages, conveyoffline threats, and equality in salary structure.

She expressed these Special Assistant for Human Rights Mashal views during a meeting held Malik assured full support Prime Minister Secretariate here on Monfor the practical solution of day. On the occasion, proball the problems of women associated with the profeslems faced by women journalists and possible measion of journalism. Those sures to resolve them were accompanying Fauzia Kalsoom Rana in the delegation were Ms Rehana Bukhari, reporter at APP, correspondent Germany media organization Deutsche Welle Ismat Jabin, reporter of 24 News Rozeena Ali, Rukhshanda Taj Baloch from APP Balochi Service, reporter Umbreen from News One, freelance journalist Afshan Oureshi, freelance journalist Sabahat Khan associated with DRF and DW. editor of Credible News Paof WJAP for gender audit kistan Anila Mahmood.



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QUETTA: Balochistan Chief Secretary Shakeel Qadir Khan presiding over a meeting regarding Price Control Mechanism

#### **People urged to** Mustafa Khokhar verify their voter indicates to registration via SMS announce new

ISLAMABAD (APP): Aspiring voters can confirm on their registration status on the voter lists by sending their Computerized National Identity Card (CNIC) number to 8300 as the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) allows eligible citizens to register, transfer, or correct their voting details until October 25th. According to an ECP official, after sending SMS to 8300, an automated response will be generated, furnishing information such as the name of the electoral area, block code, and serial number. Each registered voter has the option to verify their details by visiting the District Election Commissioner's office in their respective area, where the complete electoral roll is accessible.

The addresses and contact information for the DEC's offices across the

party this month four provinces can be found the Election ISLAMABAD (Online) Commission's website. He Former PPP leader and mentioned that voters have former senator Mustafa the option to download Nawaz Khokhar has given Form-21 (for voter registraindication for announcing tion or transfer), Form-22 new political party in this (for raising objections or month. addressing omissions in Talking to a private

voting), and Form-23 (for TV channel here he said this correcting personal details). is a proposal that new party These forms can then be announced after election. be submitted to the appro-But to my view the anpriate offices of Form Regnouncement should be made istration Officers and Asbefore election. We will ansistant Registration Officnounce party in October. ers. He mentioned that citi-He said whispers are zens can obtain information in the air about the changes by dialing the ECP helpline in Senate. He held these are at 051-8848888, where whispers that change

ers filled with Iranian diethey will receive responses should come in Senate besel were being smuggled to from a tele-computerized fore return of Nawaz Sharif parts of Balochistan when system. It is important to in Pakistan so that he rethe action was taken. mention here that the ECP mains satisfied. May be Receipts of a private had removed restrictions on former finance minister fuel station were also convoter lists nationwide, en-Ishaq Dar is made chairman abling eligible individuals to Senate. Terming the Nawaz register, transfer or update Sharif return a deal Nawaz their voting information Sharif return is under a deal until October 25th. 100 percent.



#### **Customs seizes two tankers** filled with Iranian diesel GWADAR (INP): Pakistan Anwaarul Haq Kakar di-Customs has foiled a bid to smuggle Iranian diesel, worth Rs40.4 million in Gwadar, Balochistan on Monday. Customs Intelli-

QUETTA: Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam (JUI-F) Provincial

Chief, Maulana Abdul Wasay addresses to media

persons during press conference.

Gwadar, seized two oil items. The caretaker pretankers filled with 80,000 mier issued the directives Iranian diesel worth Rs40.4 while chairing a high-level meeting regarding smuggling DG Customs Faiz control in border areas. Ahmed said the two tank-Caretaker Federal Minister for Trade Gohar Ejaz, Minister for Interior Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti, Min-

ister for Petroleum Muhammad Ali, Advisor to the PM Ahmed Cheema, federal secretaries, Federal

Board of Revenue chairman and high level officers of law enforcement agencies Monday, blamed the poor attended the meeting. policies of the former government of Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) for the recent string of terrorism in the country. Gillani during his visit to a private university told reporters that level playing should be given to all political parties except

those who were involved in 33 percent quota for them. Apart from this, the the May 9 attacks. All poministry's support was aslitical forces had agreed to frame a National Action Plan sured for the fulfillment of (NAP) when they were left the long-standing demands with no option.

rected the customs authorities and law enforcement agencies to strictly curb the smuggling of sugar, petroleum products, urea, agrigence during an action in cultural products and other