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KUWAIT: Kuwait's Minister for Electricity, Water and Renewable Energy Dr Jassim Mohammed Abdullah Al-Ostad receiving Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar upon arrival on a two-day official visit to meet the Kuwaiti leadership

Judges calling Musharraf martial law legal should too be put to trial: SC

ISLAMABAD (Online): Supreme Court (SC) has remarked the judges who called Musharraf martial law legal should also be put to trial.

A 4-member bench of SC presided over by Chief Justice of Pakistan (CJP) Qazi Faez Isa took up for hearing former president Pervez Musharraf appeal against his sentence Tuesday.

Hamid Khan presented written arguments against Lahore High Court (LHC) decision in the court.

The CJP expressed displeasure due to lack of preparation when Haroon ul Rashid counsel for Pakistan Bar Council (PBC) gave arguments.

Rashid A Rizvi counsel for Sindh High Court Bar (SHCB) made mention of Pervez Musharraf martial law in his arguments.

Justice Athar Minallah while stopping him remarked Rashid Rizvi Sahb you will go to past how long.

The CJP remarked I have respect for Justice Athar Minallah. But we should go to the past now.

Justice Athar Minallah remarked "go at every cost. Then this Musharraf abrogated the constitution on October 12. He dissolved assemblies. This court gave way to October 12 steps. The judges who termed Musharraf

Martial law legal should also be tried.

He further remarked why the action was taken on November 3 steps. The action will be taken in regard to attack on judges on November 3 then question of fair trial will rise. Was attacking the judges more grave matter than suspending the constitution and dissolving assemblies. We should speak the truth. If any decision has to be abolished then it should be abolished. Which gave way to martial law.

The CJP remarked what happened in the past I cannot abolish it. If we have to become nation then we have to correct future by seeing the past. Lawyers should come and tell why the pictures of the judges who abrogated the constitution are hung here. Why only judge should point out it while sitting here. Media too is responsible for it. They should also be held accountable. Tell us how many journalists were opponent and how were supporters of the martial law. We should learn lesson from the history. We should teach it to children as well. Justice Athar Minallah remarked history then is this whenever some one grows strong, no one speaks against him. When powerful grown weak then Asima Jillani decision comes.

Pakistan fully committed to eradicate polio virus: PM Kakar

ABU DHABI (APP): Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Tuesday appreciated the Gates Foundation's support to the government's efforts to secure a polio-free Pakistan and reaffirmed its unwavering commitment to rid the country of the debilitating virus.

The caretaker prime minister received a telephone call from Bill Gates, co-chair of the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (BMGF) this evening to discuss progress in the ongoing efforts to eradicate polio from Pakistan.

The prime minister is currently on an official visit to the United Arab Emirates, the PM Office Media Wing said in a press release.

During the telephone call, the prime minister and Gates followed up on their discussion in New York when they met on the sidelines of the United Nations General Assembly session in September.

In this regard, the caretaker prime minister briefed Gates on the polio vaccination drive currently in progress across Pakistan. Prime Minister Kakar assured Gates that the Government of Pakistan was fully committed to delivering on the promise of a healthier, safer and financially inclusive Pakistan and counted on reliable partners such as the BMGF in this endeavour.

The issues of malnutrition and maternal health also came under discussion.

PM arrives in Kuwait on two-day official visit

KUWAIT (APP): Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar on Tuesday arrived here on a two-day official visit to meet the Kuwaiti leadership.

Upon his arrival at the airport, Kuwait's Minister for Electricity, Water and Renewable Energy Dr Jassim Mohammed Abdullah Al-Ostad received the prime minister, PM Office Media Wing said in a press release.

Pakistan Ambassador to Kuwait Malik Muhammad Farooq and other senior diplomatic officials were also present on the occasion.

During his visit, the Caretaker Prime Minister will meet Crown Prince of Kuwait Sheikh Mishal Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber Al-Sabah and Prime Minister Sheikh Ahmed Al-Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah.

As a traditional Kuwaiti welcoming gesture, the caretaker prime minister was also presented "Kahwa" upon his arrival.



ISLAMABAD: President Dr. Arif Alvi chairing a meeting on mental health issues in Pakistan, at Aiwan-e-Sadr.

President calls for national policy to address mental health issues

ISLAMABAD (APP): President Dr Arif Alvi on Tuesday emphasized the need for formulation of a national policy to address the mental health issues as 24% population of the country was suffering from various mental health problems.

He stressed upon an institutional framework and public-private partnership to provide mental health services to the people.

The president expressed these views while chairing a follow-up meeting at the Aiwan-e-Sadr on mental health in Pakistan, the President Secretariat Press Wing said in a press release. A detailed presentation by the Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations & Coordination on the National Mental Health App "Humraaz" highlighted that more than 240,000 calls had been received since its launch in April 2023.

Representatives of the provincial health departments, Gilgit-Baltistan, Azad Jammu and Kashmir, Pakistan Psychiatric Society, Tasken Health Initiative, Pakistan Psychological Association, Pakistani American Psychiatric Association of North America, British Pakistani Psychiatrists Association, and other organizations working on mental health attended the meeting via video link. The president appreciated the launching of "Humraaz" that was providing mental health assistance and counselling services to the people in need.

He called for improving the effectiveness of the Humraaz app, besides strengthening the mental health support system in the country.

He highlighted that mental health was a major concern for Pakistan which required coordinated efforts by both the public and private sectors to utilize their expertise.

He further emphasized the need for an integrated approach on all mental health-related programmes and initiatives to effectively address the mental health challenge being faced by the country.

President Alvi stressed upon the need for the capacity building of human resources, besides providing online trainings to overcome the shortage of mental health professionals.

He highlighted that mental health was a major concern for Pakistan which required coordinated efforts by both the public and private sectors to utilize their expertise.



A high level delegation led by Liu Jianming Deputy Party Secretary, Deputy Political Commissar of Xinjiang Production and Construction Corps met with the Caretaker Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, Mr. Madad Ali Sindhi, Islamabad.

Special court decides for jail trial of PTI chairman in cipher case

ISLAMABAD (APP): The special court on Tuesday decided to hold jail trial of the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) chairman in the cipher case and instructed the administration of Adiala Jail for arrangements in this regard.

Special Court Judge Abul Hassan Muhammad Zulqarnain, who heard the case against the PTI chairman under the Official Secrets Act, observed that the next hearing of the case would take place in an open court at the jail where anyone from public or media could come to witness the proceedings.

At the outset of hearing, an official of the Adiala Jail administration submitted a report to the judge and adopted the stance that the PTI chairman could not be brought from the jail to the court due to security issues.

He said the former prime minister was facing serious threats and a letter had been written to the police for deployment of extra force. The report of Islamabad Police was also attached with the report.

The PTI chairman's lawyer, Salman Safdar Advocate, said that on November 23 the court had ordered to produce the PTI chairman and vice chairman before it, and it was the responsibility of the jail administration to comply with the instructions.

No dialogue with India on cross border pollution issue at COP-28

ISLAMABAD (APP): Pakistan and India are grappling with unprecedented risk of exacerbated air pollution causing smog in the region. In contrast, no dialogue would be held between the two neighbouring countries on the sidelines of the world's most critical environmental moot COP-28 to be held in Dubai from November 30 to December 12.

A senior official of the Ministry of Climate Change told APP that the COP-28 was basically a negotiating forum where broader global and regional environmental issues, frameworks and protocols were discussed.

The CJP expressed his annoyance over calling superior judiciary during hearing of a bail case here Tuesday.

Maryam assures youth, minorities of offering chance in next elections

LAHORE (INP): Senior Vice President Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz (PML-N), Maryam Nawaz on Tuesday assured the youth and minorities for offering a chance for bringing them to forefront of politics in next election.

She remarked this while heading a session participated by members and officials of Muslim Students Federation (MSF) and minority wing.

Regarding general elections to be held on February 08, 2024, Maryam Nawaz expressed satisfaction over the performances of the MSF and minority wing.

CJP stops from writing SC as superior judiciary

ISLAMABAD (Online): Chief Justice of Pakistan (CJP) Qazi Faez Isa has stopped from writing Supreme Court (SC) as superior judiciary.

The CJP expressed his annoyance over calling superior judiciary during hearing of a bail case here Tuesday.

She said, "PML-N will increase the role of youth and minorities in politics while mentioning that the youth are the capital of the country and their development will lead to the progress of the country."

The CJP while issuing orders for not calling SC as superior judiciary got written the decision.

The CJP remarked the word judiciary has not been used for SC. As per constitution it should be said as SC only.

On the occasion, MSF and Minority wing appreciated Maryam Nawaz Sharif for extending political opportunities and they pledged to work for the betterment of the country under the leadership of Nawaz Sharif.

Zardari's proposed national govt lacks constitutional legitimacy: Siraj

SUKKUR (INP): Ameer Jamaat-e-Islami (JI), Sirajul Haq has asserted that the proposed national government advocated by Pakistan Peoples Party (PPP) co-chairman Asif Zardari lacks constitutional legitimacy, saying the proposal is designed to perpetuate the dominance of the same feudal and imported technocrats who have held power for decades, thereby preserving the existing status quo.

Speaking at an election convention held at Mehran Cultural Centre on Tuesday, he warned against the victory of former ruling parties in the upcoming elections, asserting that it would signify the defeat of Pakistan.

Sirajul Haq criticized the PML-N's assertion that its leadership would save the country, questioning the track record of those who previously held power.

Govt to support ECP for ensuring free, fair elections: Solangi

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Federal Minister for Information, Broadcasting and Parliamentary Affairs Murtaza Solangi Tuesday said under Article 218(3) of the Constitution, the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) would fulfill its responsibility to conduct fair, transparent and impartial elections and the government would support it.

Talking to media persons here, he said that there were a total of 280 articles in the Constitution, not only the article of elections in 90 days, it also had Article 254.

Govt to provide free SIMs, female abayas to hajjaj: Aneeq

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Minister for Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony Aneeq Ahmed Tuesday said that the government would provide free of cost mobile SIMs with roaming internet packages, female abayas having a Pakistani flag on the backside and 13 Kg suitcases to pilgrims performing hajj this year.

He said a new mobile application has been designed to assist pilgrims, which will provide navigation support and enable constant communication between pilgrims and relevant officials.

Initially available in English and Urdu, the application will later incorporate various regional languages, he said, adding, app will also provide digital training programs to every pilgrim. Minister also disclosed a project that ministry of Hajj with the collaboration of ministry of education have planned to convert city mosques into schools to enrolled out of school children where Imam of mosques will play a leading role.

Talking to a private news channel, minister said that it was a historic step that caretaker government has declared a significant reduction of one lac in government Hajj expenses, adding, further 50,000 will also be reduced in coming few days after which hajjaj will get back their money in their accounts.



ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Federal Minister for Privatisation Fawad Hasan Fawad chairing a meeting regarding signing of Financial Services Agreement for Divestment of PIACL.

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Climate resilience

The IMF's advice to Pakistan to use its resources more effectively and efficiently to build a climate-resilient infrastructure and strengthen its ability to attract climate finance is timely. Pakistan is among the countries most vulnerable to the impact of climate change and the authorities are looking for international support to meet their climate finance targets.

Formulating sound public investment policies and aligning them with national climate adaptation and mitigation goals would be a step in the right direction. The Fund wants the next budget to be a "turning point" for planning mechanisms and investment portfolios based on climate adaptation. At the moment, Pakistan's capital stock and efficiency of public investment are low.

The IMF has underscored the need for improving transparency on climate-related actions in the budget documents by providing information on key aspects of the public investment programme.

It wants the Planning Commission, together with the finance ministry, to come up with a proposal that, after approval, can be included in the next budget, and is encouraging the government to publish its climate-related spending for the ongoing fiscal year.

Pakistan has experienced several climate disasters caused by global warming. The World Bank's Country Climate and Development Report has estimated that 6.5-9pc of GDP will likely be lost by 2050 to climate change, unless the challenge to lessen the impact of increased floods and heatwaves, which are reducing farm yields, destroying infrastructure and lowering labour productivity, is addressed.

Last year's devastating floods, which displaced millions of people in the country and wiped out crops and infrastructure worth over \$30bn, sharply demonstrate the need for greater investments in climate-resilient infrastructure.

With temperatures rising and unpredictable rainfall patterns increasing the risk of floods, cyclones, droughts and heatwaves, it is imperative our policymakers formulate sound development policies to mitigate the risk.

Transparent investments based on demonstrable needs in climate-resilient infrastructure are crucial to alleviating the impact of climate change and the increasing natural disasters the country is witnessing.



By Arifa Noor

Finally, there is a twist in the tale and we have some new political stuff to discuss. And for this, one has to thank Asif Ali Zardari (AAZ), whose candour will allow us to spend a few days away from the usual conjecture over the PTI's fate and PML-N's honeymooning and what it will bring for different members of the Sharif family.

In a surprise interview to Hamid Mir on Geo, which stretched on for two hours, the former president spoke about all things politics, which ranged from the coming election to economic miracles that sugar and agriculture policies can bring.

But as I know very little about the latter, all I could focus on was the political stuff, especially his remarks about his heir and co-chairman, Bilawal Bhutto-Zardari (BBZ). The 30-something, who has been heading this party for 15 years and has travelled the world as foreign minister, needs more training said the father.

The party can try and spin it as much as it wants, but this is a snub, BBZ will not find easy to recover from.

Indeed, in those remarks lay the basic dilemma of both Maryam Nawaz and BBZ, struggling to grow in the shadow of their respective parents. And it appears the growth simply means being sunflower-like and to keep turning their gaze in the direction of their fathers.

So Maryam blows hot when her father is in trouble and is silent when he is basking in the glory of a fourth victory. That politics and public opinion do

The little prince

not allow for periods of fiery leadership followed by dutiful shadowing, is lost on all political parties.

BBZ has been through similar phases of 'now you see him now you don't', so much so that it has been hard for people to view him as an independent player, even when he gave up his part-timing for full-time politicking. And this image refuses to change because the party continues to treat him like a poster boy rather than the man in charge.

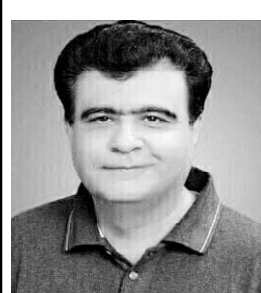
And I say this not because of his father's assertion during the interview that he (AAZ) was the one who would decide the party tickets including the one given to Bilawal but also the manner in which the vote of no confidence played out in 2022.

Bilawal led a long march to Islamabad from Sindh, which was to culminate in the overthrow of Imran Khan. However, once he reached Islamabad, the big three (Shehbaz Sharif, AAZ and Maulana Fazlur Rehman) held a press conference and announced filing the no-confidence motion. And once that was done, few were interested in the speech BBZ gave as his rally reached the capital.

The attention and focus had shifted; if BBZ was really the man around whom the party revolved, this would not have happened.

The more public and direct snub by the father in the Geo interview is simply more of the same, in a way. And as South Asia happens to be a place where the children rarely ever break away from their parents, chances are BBZ will not defy this tradition (the Mughals proved an exception).

But there is a second aspect to the notion that the father and son are not always on the same page. Indeed, it is not a new phenomenon. Back in 2013, it was reported that BBZ had stormed off to Dubai because he didn't see eye to eye with his father and his



By Dr Niaz Murtaza

Why have some elements had an odd addition to making shaky political sand castles that soon collapse? Free polls rejuvenate the political process. Incumbents defend their track record; opponents propose new policy directions and voters decide after hearing both sides. The winners, possessing a credible fresh mandate, tackle state challenges with gusto. Unluckily, polls, being usually rigged, rarely provide such impetus in Pakistan.

Out of 15 national referenda and polls held to date, the 2013 one was largely credible as per both the European Union election report and a Supreme Court verdict. Nine were seen to be rigged to the extent of the final outcome being changed, while three were partially rigged to reduce (1998 and 2008) or up (1977) the winner's margin. Arguably, only one was rigged by civilians (1977). We seem destined to have two rigged polls in a row; the extent of the alleged rigging may exceed that in 2018.

Our political landscape is surreal today. None of the parties have presented credible manifestoes to tackle our serious and multifaceted challenges which threaten an economic meltdown. The sole focus is on roping in electables and smaller parties without regard to ideological affinity. The PML-N, the outgoing ruling party, has a head start in this regard. But this is odd given its poor performance

Making sand castles

in power and the steady stream of opinion polls in which it lags behind. So, one would expect few to align with it given its political liabilities. But defying the natural pull of political gravity, political actors are rushing towards it. Will this political sand castle be more sturdy than those made before by the same hands and minds?

It is instructive to look at the different types of political sand castles or hybrid regimes erected over the decades to give the illusion of civilian rule while ruling from behind and the reasons why they fell. Ayub's entire era is usually seen as military rule. But unlike the other three army rulers, he resigned as army chief after deposing Iskandar Mirza and by January 1960 got elected as president via a rigged referendum to set up our first hybrid regime. After achieving unsustainable and unequal growth, he fell due to age-related health issues, political unrest against his autocratic rule even in the urban areas that benefited most from the unequal growth, economic stagnancy, the impatience of generals with his long rule, and loss of American support.

Unlike Ayub, Zia ruled for eight years directly in uniform before introducing our second hybrid regime prototype: a party-less assembly from rigged polls with a president in uniform. While Zia's death formally ended this experiment, it was failing even earlier due to tensions between the puppet civilian rulers and the puppet pullers, resulting in reduced US support, heightened insecurity and apparent impatience in the ranks with his long rule and political unrest, all of which had led Zia to fire his hand-picked prime ministers. But Zia's successors within the state quickly invented a third hybrid

model without a president in uniform which employed the threat of presidential dismissal of assemblies to keep the civilians in check. Musharraf recycled Zia's second hybrid model after three years of direct rule but with rigged, party-based polls. His system too collapsed for mostly the same reasons as Zia's.

This was followed by two regimes in 2008 and 2013 that won polls without the establishment's help. Yet, a fourth semi-hybrid system was soon devised to keep civilian regimes under control and unstable by engineering crises and dharnas and using the judiciary to dismiss prime ministers. In 2018, many note the third model of poll manipulation was reintroduced, which too fell due to an economic crisis, political unrest and tensions in civilian ranks. Though the space for the first two models has shrunk, one can't say as much about the two newer models.

Are attempts being made to manipulate the electoral scene again, with the PTI facing a bigger crackdown than the PML-N in 2018? Even a cursory analysis shows that any rigged regime led by the PML-N will face the same pressure points and may soon fall.

These pressures include age-related health issues of both Sharif brothers, economic turmoil, security threats, and the inevitable tensions between the twin cities, given the elder Sharif's desire for civilian sway. A divided mandate may make the system more unstable. Thus, the political stability we desperately need seems elusive in the foreseeable future.

The writer is a political economist with a PhD degree from the University of California, Berkeley.

Commerce News

Pakistan to reaffirm commitment, WB's to support people of Pakistan

Independent Report
ISLAMABAD: The World Bank's Regional Vice President for South Asia, Martin Raiser, is in Pakistan to reaffirm the Bank's commitment to support the people of Pakistan. He launched a series of Policy Notes that outline critical policy shifts required for a productive, sustainable, resilient, and healthy Pakistan.

agriculture, and climate change—are the culmination of several months of outreach and engagements conducted across the country under the "Reforms for a Brighter Future - Time to Decide" banner.

They are intended to help inform the public policy dialogue in the context of the upcoming elections.

"Pakistan's economy is stuck in a low-growth trap with poor human development outcomes and increasing poverty. Economic conditions leave

Pakistan highly vulnerable to climate shocks, with insufficient public resources to finance development and climate adaptation," said Martin Raiser.

"It is now time for Pakistan to decide whether to maintain the patterns of the past or take difficult but crucial steps towards a brighter future."

The policy notes argue that Pakistan needs to address its acute human capital crisis—including the high prevalence of stunting and learning poverty—by

adopting a coordinated and coherent cross-sectoral approach to basic services involving both provincial and federal governments.

He suggested Pakistan Improve the quality of public spending and take serious measures to expand the revenue base, ensuring that the better off pay their share. The country to Pursue business regulatory and trade reforms and reduce the presence of the state in the economy to increase productivity, competitiveness, and exports, he said.



Caretaker Federal Minister for IT and Telecommunication, Dr. Umar Saif in a meeting with the World Bank delegation in Islamabad.

High Commissioner says: Pak share in \$100billion import market of South Africa quite negligible

FAISALABAD (APP): Pakistan's share in the \$100 billion import market of South Africa is quite negligible and the private sector of Pakistan must aggressively penetrate it under "Look Africa" policy, said Mr. Mthuzuzeli Madikiza, High Commissioner of South Africa.

Addressing the business community in Faisalabad Chamber of Commerce & Industry (FCCI), he said that being an import economy, it offers Pakistan a wide range of products to this market. He said that South Africa is a mineral rich country and Pakistani investors could also avail from this opportunity. He said that Pakistan could export mangoes in lieu of avocado under a barter system but direct contacts between the business communities of two countries are prerequisite.

Responding to a question about law-and-order situation, he said that security issues are similar all over the world. He said that South Africa is more suitable for import and export with other landlocked African countries as it has a well-equipped sea port.

Pak delegation visits Kashgar to explore cooperation

BEIJING (APP): A delegation from Pakistan, led by Nadeem Alam, CEO of Alam Group of Businesses, recently visited the Kashgar Yiwu Shopping Mall Group in Kashgar, China to explore potential collaboration opportunities. Accompanied by Xie Hongjun, Head of Kashgar Yiwu Supply Chain Company, the delegation toured the Kashgar Yiwu International Procurement Center and the Cross-Border E-commerce Marketing Department.

NEPRA holds hearing into KE's distribution, supply licence application

ISLAMABAD (APP): National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) on Tuesday conducted public hearing into K-Electric (KE's) application for grant of distribution and supply licence for next 20 years which has already expired in July 2023.

Rafique Ahmad Shaikh were also present.

Briefing the authority, Chief Financial Officer of KE, Muhammad Amir said that the company's distribution and supply licence had expired in July and they had applied for its extension. Six-month extension in licence had been granted by the authority, he added.

He said that since privatization of KE in 2005, the company showed remarkable performance in generation, distribution, reduction in transmission and distribution losses.

In Court of Abdul Baseer Judge Banking Court Hazara Division Abbottabad

ZTBL Haripur Branch (Plaintiff) Versus (1) Muhammad Sajid (2) Muhammad Soukat sons of Muhammad Ishaq R/o Post Office Bajeda Dobandi Makhan Wali Tehsil & District Haripur (Defendants)

Whereas the ZTBL Haripur Branch has instituted a suit for the recovery of Rs. 281320/- etc due against you under Section-9 of Financial institutions (recovery of Finances) Ordinances, 2001 and dated (06-11-2023). You are hereby summoned to obtain leave to defend the suit within 30 days of the publication of this proclamation. In default where of the plaintiff will be entitled to a degree for the said sum and cost of suit till realization of entire amount.

Next date of hearing is 11-12-2023. (sd/ JUDGE Banking Court Hazara Division, Abbottabad.

In Court of Abdul Baseer Judge Banking Court Hazara Division Abbottabad

ZTBL Haripur Branch (Plaintiff) Versus (1) Aurangzeb S/o Muhammad Aslam R/o Aooli Tehsil & District Haripur (Defendant)

Whereas the ZTBL Haripur Branch has instituted a suit for the recovery of Rs. 1985363/- etc due against you under Section-9 of Financial institutions (recovery of Finances) Ordinances, 2001 and dated (06-11-2023). You are hereby summoned to obtain leave to defend the suit within 30 days of the publication of this proclamation. In default where of the plaintiff will be entitled to a degree for the said sum and cost of suit till realization of entire amount.

Next date of hearing is 11-12-2023. (sd/ JUDGE Banking Court Hazara Division, Abbottabad.

In Court of Abdul Baseer Judge Banking Court Hazara Division Abbottabad

ZTBL Balakot Branch Mansehra (Plaintiff) Versus (1) Badr uz Zaman S/o Bahadur R/o Mohallah Dhari P.O Balakot Bhangian Tehsil Balakot District Mansehra (Defendant)

Whereas the ZTBL Balakot Branch Mansehra has instituted a suit for the recovery of Rs. 554288/- etc due against you under Section-9 of Financial institutions (recovery of Finances) Ordinances, 2001 and dated (06-11-2023). You are hereby summoned to obtain leave to defend the suit within 30 days of the publication of this proclamation. In default where of the plaintiff will be entitled to a degree for the said sum and cost of suit till realization of entire amount.

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In Court of Abdul Baseer Judge Banking Court Hazara Division Abbottabad

ZTBL Baffa Branch Mansehra (Plaintiff) Versus (1) Shazia Bibi wife of Ali Shan R/o Post Office Nokot Tehsil & District Mansehra (Defendant)

Whereas the ZTBL Baffa Branch Mansehra has instituted a suit for the recovery of Rs. 269085/- etc due against you under Section-9 of Financial institutions (recovery of Finances) Ordinances, 2001 and dated (06-11-2023). You are hereby summoned to obtain leave to defend the suit within 30 days of the publication of this proclamation. In default where of the plaintiff will be entitled to a degree for the said sum and cost of suit till realization of entire amount.

Next date of hearing is 11-12-2023. (sd/ JUDGE Banking Court Hazara Division, Abbottabad.

In Court of Abdul Baseer Judge Banking Court Hazara Division Abbottabad

ZTBL Haripur Branch (Plaintiff) Versus (1) Abida Shaheen wife of Javed Iqbal R/o Post Office Panian Tehsil & District Haripur (Defendant)

Whereas the ZTBL Haripur Branch has instituted a suit for the recovery of Rs. 524853/- etc due against you under Section-9 of Financial institutions (recovery of Finances) Ordinances, 2001 and dated (06-11-2023). You are hereby summoned to obtain leave to defend the suit within 30 days of the publication of this proclamation. In default where of the plaintiff will be entitled to a degree for the said sum and cost of suit till realization of entire amount.

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Governor urges students not to become tool of such people who spread hatred

Independent Report
LAHORE: A delegation of students and teachers from Sindh, Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Azad Jammu & Kashmir (Caravan of Goodwill and National Unity) under the auspices of the Idara-i-Nazria-i-Pakistan called on Governor Punjab Muhammad Balighur Rehman at Governor House Lahore, here today. During the meeting, Senior Vice-Chairman of Idara Nazria Pakistan, Mian Farooq Altaf, Member

Board of Governors, Mian Salman Farooq, Secretary Idara-i-Nazria-i-Pakistan, Naheed Imran Gill, Secretary Idara-i-Nazria-i-Pakistan, Muhammad Saifullah Chaudhry, Mr. Usman Ahmed and President of Nazria-i-Pakistan Forum Peshawar, Malik Liaquat Ali Tabsem, were also present. Talking on this occasion, Governor Punjab Muhammad Balighur Rehman said that Pakistan is an ideological state that came into existence under

the two-nation theory. He said that all minorities living in Pakistan are equal citizens of Pakistan and have equal rights. He said that we have to promote love and discourage hatred. He urged the students not to become a tool of such people who spread hatred. Governor Punjab said that there are many positive things in Pakistan. He said that it is a matter of great pride that Pakistani nation is the most philanthropic nation in the world. He said that

there are institutions like Akhuwat and Edhi Foundation, adding that Pakistan is better than many countries of the world. Punjab Governor Muhammad Balighur Rehman said that people and delegations from different walks of life keep visiting the Governor's House, but the delegation under goodwill and national unity caravan is unique in the sense that it is comprised of four provinces.



LAHORE: A delegation of students and teachers from various provinces (Caravan of Goodwill and National Unity) under the auspices of the Idara-i-Nazria-i-Pakistan in a group photo with Governor Punjab Muhammad Balighur Rehman at Governor House.



PESHAWAR: Governor Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Haji Ghulam inaugurates central library in Shaheed Benazir Bhutto University Shringal Dir Bala.

CM envisions economic triumph as historic agreements with UAE unveil new era of partnership

Independent Report
LAHORE: Punjab Caretaker Chief Minister Mohsin Naqvi affirms that the historic agreements between Pakistan and the UAE are poised to bolster the economy, elevating mutual relations to unprecedented heights. In his message from the United Arab Emirates, Naqvi anticipated positive effects soon as the implementation of these agreements takes effect, signaling the commencement of a new era of economic cooperation. According to a handout issued here on Tuesday, the Pakistani

delegation experienced a warm reception in the UAE, with a special welcome extended to them. Chief Minister Naqvi deemed the meeting with the President of the United Arab Emirates, Sheikh Mohammed bin Zayed Al Nahyan, as highly valuable. He applauded the commendable efforts of the Prime Minister of Pakistan and acknowledged the praiseworthy role played by the Army Chief in facilitating these significant agreements. Highlighting the transformative impact of the investment agreements on mutual relations, Chief Minister Naqvi

emphasized that the UAE's investment will diversify into key sectors such as energy, port operations, wastewater treatment, food security, banking, and financial services. This substantial investment is anticipated to pave the way for economic stability in Pakistan, heralding a new era of economic partnership between the two nations. Chief Minister Naqvi underscored the enduring historical and brotherly relations between Pakistan and the UAE, asserting that these ties have withstood the test of time.

CM KP decides to involve NAB in project cycle

PESHAWAR (APP): As an important step to make the officials working in development projects more confident as well as to ensure the completion of projects in a timely and transparent manner, Caretaker Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Justice @ Syed Arshad Hussain Shah has decided to involve NAB representatives in project cycle including conception, planning and execution of development projects. He directed the quarters concerned to send a formal letter to the higher authority of NAB in this regard. He was presiding over the 15th meeting of the

Board of Directors of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Urban Mobility Authority (KPUMA) held here at Chief Minister's House on Tuesday. Caretaker Provincial Minister for ST&IT Dr Najeem Ullah, administrative secretaries of concerned departments, DIG Traffic Police, MD KPUMA, CEO Trans Peshawar and other board members attended the meeting. Touching upon the need and importance of the decision regarding the involvement of NAB representatives in the project cycle, the chief minister said that the whole exercise will not

only ensure transparency in the development works but also give confidence to the working officers, resultantly, they will not feel any hesitation and fear regarding implementation of the projects. The chief minister directed that all matters related to development projects should be kept fair and transparent in all respects from the very beginning so that implementation of projects is not delayed due to fear of accountability in the future. "This process will help to ensure the completion of development projects within the stipulated timelines".

Minister advocates prudent resource use, focus on higher education, cost efficiency

PESHAWAR (APP): During a recent session of the Peshawar Public School and College Board of Governors, Provincial Minister for Elementary, Secondary and Higher Education, Dr Muhammad Qasim Jan, emphasized the necessity of improving educational institutions' performance within limited resources. He highlighted the importance of a strategic plan to reduce unnecessary expenses and endorsed an austerity policy. The minister stressed the need to prioritize higher education for youth and suggested the implementation of contract-based and fixed-pay recruitments after the retirement of employees in model schools and colleges. Tough decisions were deemed essential to address budgetary challenges. At the meeting, the Board of Governors decided to revise the fee structure for Peshawar Public School and College's students. The new monthly fees were established at Rs 3,820 for nursery to fifth grade, Rs 4,250 for sixth to tenth grade, and Rs 7,150 for eleventh and twelfth grade. Additionally, a 25% ad-hoc relief for Grades 1 to 16 and a 20% ad-hoc relief for Grade 17 and above employees.

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UNICEF offers aid package to 105 schools in flood affected areas

RAJANPUR (APP): In a laudable endeavour to uplift education in the aftermath of floods, the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF) has delivered a transformative aid package to 105 schools across the district. The assistance includes an array of essentials such as books, solar panels, and various other articles vital for bolstering school infrastructure. District Literacy Officer Muhammad Abu Bakar Siddique, talking to APP expressed the ongoing commitment to advancing education and enhancing literacy levels in Rajanpur. Siddique fervently urged parents to actively participate in this initiative

by enrolling their children in schools operating under the Literacy Department. Highlighting recent initiatives, UNICEF's distribution of school bags, books, notebooks, solar panels, fans, batteries, and sports equipment would surely facilitate the kids. This comprehensive support aims not only to restore normalcy in the learning environment but also to create a conducive atmosphere for educational growth, he added. Providing a snapshot of the educational landscape in Rajanpur, Siddique revealed that 825 schools are currently operating under the auspices of the Literacy Department. This educational lifeline caters to the aspirations of 23,680 students.

Govt making efforts to promote culture, tourism of KP: Shah

PESHAWAR (APP): Provincial Minister for Information and Tourism, Barrister Feroze Jamal Shah Kakakhel here Tuesday stated that the government was making incessant efforts to promote culture, tourism and project the natural beauty of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. He added that the day is not far when tourists from around the world would visit KP to witness its beauty

throughout the year. He addressed a painting exhibition, culture showcase, and art display organized by the Department of Art and Design at the University of Peshawar in collaboration with the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Culture and Tourism Authority (KPCTA) for students of merged districts, providing opportunities to showcase their work.

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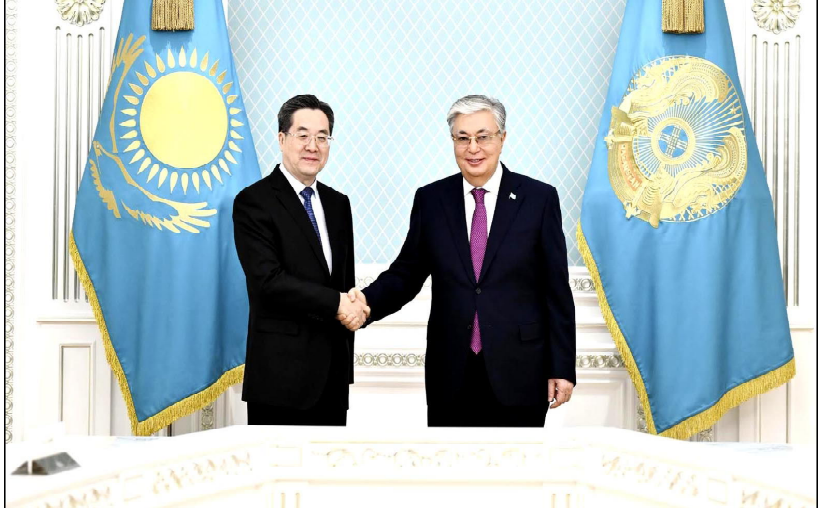
Truce between Israel and Hamas extended for two days

GAZASTRIP, Palestinian Territories (AFP/APP): A truce between Israel and Hamas will be extended by two days, mediator Qatar said hours before the pause was due to end Tuesday, as more hostages were freed from Gaza in exchange for the release of dozens of Palestinian prisoners. "The Palestinian and Israeli sides have reached an agreement to extend the humanitarian pause in Gaza for two additional days under the same conditions," Qatar's foreign ministry said in a statement on X, formerly Twitter. Militant group Hamas also confirmed the extension, though there was no official word from Israel. The extension came as 11 more hostages were freed from Gaza, along with the release of another 33 Palestinian prisoners—the last exchange under the existing deal. The extension of the truce was welcomed internationally, with UN Secretary General Antonio Guterres calling it "a glimpse of hope and humanity in the middle of the darkness of war". The truce has paused fighting that began when Hamas militants poured over the border into Israel, killing 1,200 people, mostly civilians, and kidnapping dozens, according to Israeli officials. Israel's retaliatory ground and air operation in Gaza has killed almost 15,000 people, mostly civilians, ac-

ording to the territory's Hamas government. Late Monday, 11 hostages arrived in Israel, the country's military said. "Our forces will accompany them until they are reunited with their families," it said in a statement, adding that the military "salutes and embraces the released hostages upon their return home". Most of the group are dual nationals, with Argentinians, Germans and French among those released, and all 11 were from the Nir Oz kibbutz, the community said. The releases brought "a sigh of relief to our community, however we remain deeply concerned about our loved ones that are still held hostage," kibbutz official Osnat Peri said. Images released by the Israeli military showed French-Israeli child Eitan Yahalomi reunited with his mother, who gripped him tightly to her. Shortly after the arrival of the hostages was confirmed, Israel's prison authority said 33 Palestinian inmates had been released. In east Jerusalem, prisoner Muhammad Abu Al-Humud called his release "an indescribable joy" and kissed his mother's hand as he entered his home, while crowds in the West Bank town of Beitunia waved green Hamas flags to greet those arriving on a coach.



ABU DHABI: Caretaker Prime Minister Anwaar-ul-Haq Kakar visiting the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque



ASTANA: Chinese Vice Prime Minister Ding Xuexiang meeting with Kazakhstan President Kasym-Jomart Tokayev

APHC expresses concern over detainees' plight in jails

SRINAGAR (INP): The All Parties Hurriyat Conference (APHC) has expressed concern over the plight of illegally detained Hurriyat leaders and activists, languishing in notorious jails of India and occupied Jammu and Kashmir for the past many years. According to Kashmir Media Service, the APHC spokesman in a statement issued in Srinagar de-

nounced the unabated arrest spree launched by Indian forces in nook and corner of the occupied territory in the garb of cordon and search operations and said that more than four thousand leaders and activists belonging to the Kashmir resistance movement had been put behind bars on baseless charges. Terming the arbitrary arrests as the worst example

of political vendetta, the spokesman said that such repressive policies were aimed at changing the freedom narrative of Kashmir, which had remained a distant dream of Indian fascist regime since its illegal occupation of the territory in 1947. The spokesman hailed the steadfastness and valour of the illegally detained Hurriyat leaders and activists.

Iran's Raisi in Turkey to forge joint response to Gaza war

ANKARA (AFP/APP): Iranian President Ebrahim Raisi makes his first official visit to Turkey on Tuesday, hoping to paper over past differences and forge a forceful joint response to Israel's actions in Gaza. Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan has emerged as one of the Muslim world's most vocal critics of Israel's onslaught on Gaza in response to Hamas October 7 attack. He has branded Israel a "terrorist state" and called Hamas "a liberation group". Erdogan has also suggested trying Israeli politicians and military commanders in the International Criminal Court in the Hague. But past meetings between Muslim and Arab leaders—including talks this month in Riyadh—have failed to find common

ground over what immediate economic and political steps to take. Analysts believe that Raisi will pressurize Turkey to move past the rhetoric and cut its blossoming trade and energy relations with Israel. "Iran expects Turkey to end its direct and indirect trade with Israel," Istanbul's Centre for Iranian Studies director Hakki Uygur told AFP. "Turkey, on the other hand, has taken an attitude that cares about separating political and commercial issues." According to Gaza's Hamas-led government, nearly 15,000 people—mostly civilians and including thousands of children—have died since Israel began to retaliate for Hamas's unprecedented cross-border attacks in which Israel says 1,200 people died.

N.Korea defends satellite launch at UN as Kim takes images of White House

UNITED NATIONS, United States (AFP/APP): North Korea's ambassador made a rare appearance at the UN Security Council on Monday to defend his country's launch of a spy satellite, as leader Kim Jong Un studied images including of the White House and Pentagon. Western powers, Japan and South Korea have said North Korea violated Security Council resolutions by launching the satellite last week. The totalitarian state has said that its new eye in the sky has already provided images of major US and South Korean military sites, as well as photos of the Italian capital Rome. On Monday it took "in detail" images of the White House and the Pentagon in Washington, according to state-run KCNA news agency, which said Kim was reviewing the photos. He also counted some aircraft carriers at a military base and a shipyard in the neighbouring state of Virginia, the report said.

At the Security Council, North Korea's ambassador to the United Nations, Kim Song, complained that other countries faced no restrictions on satellites. "No other nation in the world is in the security environment as critical as the DPRK," said Kim, using the North's official name, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea. "One belligerent party, the United States, is threatening us with a nuclear weapon," he said. "It is a legitimate right for the DPRK as another belligerent party to develop, test, manufacture and possess weapons systems equivalent to those that the United States possesses or is developing." He mocked US charges that satellite technology also helped North Korea hone its missile capacity, questioning whether the United States put satellites into orbit "with a catapult." The US ambassador, Linda Thomas-Greenfield, rejected North Korea's as-

sertion it was acting in self-defence and said that joint US-South Korea exercises were "routine" and "defensive in nature." "We intentionally reduce risk and pursue transparency by announcing the exercises in advance including the dates and the activities, unlike the DPRK," she said, adding that the drills did not violate Security Council resolutions. South Korea's spy agency said that Russia, eager for assistance in Ukraine, helped North Korea on the satellite following a summit between Kim and President Vladimir Putin. The United States said last month that North Korea has delivered more than 1,000 containers of military equipment and munitions to Russia. Russia and China, North Korea's main allies, have put forward a resolution, opposed by the United States, to ease sanctions on Pyongyang as part of an effort to encourage dialogue.

Education vital for progress of country: Education Minister

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Federal Minister for Education and Professional Training, Mr Madad Ali Sindhvi said that education plays a vital role in the progress of a country. Addressing a conference on the topic of "Revolutionizing higher education: reconciling required & acquired learning" held at International Islamic University, Islamabad (IIUI) here on Tuesday, the Education Minister said that the digital revolution has changed the learning methods, while hurdles of time and place for education are no longer an issue. He emphasized the

use of technology in teaching and learning. The Minister opined that education is the best way to make society strong, stable, and prosperous. Madad Ali Sindhvi was of the view that education must be a top priority of our nation. This international conference is being organized by the Faculty of Education of IIUI in collaboration with IQRA University and Intentional Centre of Excellence. Around 50 papers are being presented by national and international scholars in the conference. The participants of the conference debated on reimagining a traditional

degree path and integrating skill-based education in higher education, which may help in address the issue of how to change lives by addressing long-standing educational issues such as inequality, learning poverty, economic insecurity, and the exclusion of youth from the job market who are not in degree programmes. Prof. Dr. Mukhtar Ahmed, Chairman Higher Education Commission (HEC), said that no country may progress unless it invests in education. He said that Youth have the potential to change the fate of a nation. He added that Paki-

stan has won maximum scholarships for Europe in previous year. "Things have changed, we have to buckle up and catch up with the rest of the world" said Dr. Mukhtar adding that technology and AI based learning are the prime choices to excel. He referred to the global pandemic saying that it exposed the conventional education, while he also appreciated of the response of HEC. He called for equal opportunities for all three sectors of education mentioning primary, vocational and higher education.



ISLAMABAD: Federal Minister Madad Ali Sindhvi attended the opening ceremony of International Conference on Revolutionizing Higher Education: Reconciling required and Acquired Learning" by IIUI.



ISLAMABAD: Caretaker Federal Health Minister Dr. Nadeem Jan administering polio drops during polio campaign.

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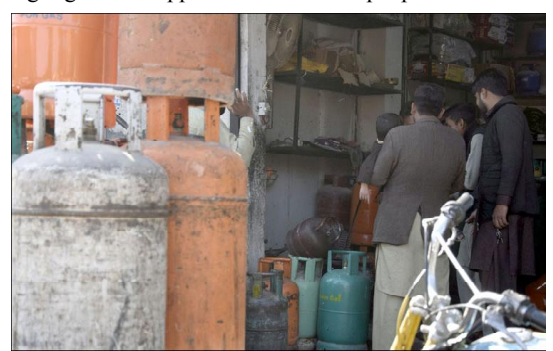
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Wasi Shah announces substantial progress in tourism development app

ISLAMABAD (APP): Minister of State for Tourism and Special Assistant to the Prime Minister on Youth Affairs, Wasi Shah, announced substantial progress in the development of the tourism app, emphasizing its potential to significantly boost both domestic and foreign tourism, leading to a substantial increase in revenue here on Tuesday. Addressing a high-level meeting also attended by Additional Foreign Secretary Middle East, Special Investment Facilitation Council (SIFC) and Economic Diplomacy Rizwan Saeed Sheikh, and DG Overseas Pakistanis Ahsan Wagan, the Minister of State highlighted the app's status

as Pakistan's largest tourist information platform, providing comprehensive details on archaeological sites and tourist destinations with a single click. The participants also revealed efforts to secure foreign funding for the state-of-the-art app. During the extended meeting, IT companies provided a detailed briefing on the app's features. Wasi Shah expressed confidence that the ongoing efforts, combined with digitalization, would revolutionize Pakistani tourism. He emphasized the app's potential to make information on Pakistan's tourism, history, and cultural heritage easily accessible to people worldwide.



ISLAMABAD: People are refilling LPG gas cylinder in a shop at sector G-11 in Federal Capital.

Parents urged to ensure vaccination of children

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Federal Minister for Health Dr Nadeem Jan on Tuesday urged parents to ensure vaccination of their children during the ongoing polio immunization drive. Addressing the launching ceremony of the third nationwide polio vaccination campaign, Dr Nadeem Jan said that poliovirus has paralyzed five children this year. He added all these children deserved a healthy life and future. "We cannot allow a vaccine-preventable disease to continue to harm our children like this," he said. He said that protect-

ing children's well-being was a collective responsibility. He said, "Every country that has eliminated polio so far has done so with the support of communities, parents, religious leaders, and social organizations." "We need the same in Pakistan, for communities to join the government in its fight against polio." The event was held in Islamabad Model School, I-8/1, where school children presented a short tableau in cultural costumes of provinces. The minister officially launched the campaign by giving polio drops to children under five year of age.

Dr Nafees calls on Railways Minister

ISLAMABAD (APP): Executive Director, COMSATS University Islamabad (CUI), Dr. Mohammad Nafees Zakaria here Tuesday called on Caretaker Minister for Railways, Communication and Maritime Affairs, Asif Ashraf Tarar. The matters related to mutual understanding came under discussion during the meeting, said a press release issued here.

Solangi says: Noor Jehan melodies to be aired on PTV on 23rd anniversary

ISLAMABAD (APP): Caretaker Minister for Information and Broadcasting Murtaza Solangi on Tuesday said the national television would start airing melodies of Madam Noor Jehan from December 1 to pay tribute to the Melody Queen in the wake of her 23rd anniversary. The death anniversary of Pakistan's iconic music legend, Melody Queen Noor Jehan is observed on December 23 every year. "Starting Friday, December 1, PTV will air melodies of Madam Noor Jehan on her 23rd anniversary. We will dedicate one of her songs each day at 2300 hours (11 pm) till 23rd. There is more. Stay tuned," the minister wrote on X formerly Twitter.

Polio teams bask in support of Islamabad's top officials

ISLAMABAD (APP): In a testament to the unwavering commitment to eradicating polio, Islamabad's top officials, including Deputy Commissioner Irfan Nawaz Memon, descended upon the field to lend their support to the ongoing polio vaccination drive. Under their guidance, Assistant Commissioners and Magistrates meticulously monitored the teams' progress, ensuring that every child in their respective subdivisions received the life-saving drops. Their presence served as a beacon of hope, inspiring the polio workers who are tirelessly working to protect our communities from this debilitating disease. Assistant Commissioner Rural Zukhruf Fida Malik and Assistant Commissioner Nellore, taking the lead in this crucial effort, ventured into the Inkaar NA.

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Chairman WAPDA, project high up meet: Diamer Bhasha dam & Dasu Hydel power project to change destiny of Pakistan, says CM GB

ISLAMABAD: The Chief Minister Gilgit Baltistan, Gulbar Khan has stated that two mega projects of Diamer Bhasha dam and Dasu Hydel Power project would prove to be important milestone in removing the scarcity of water and power in the country and thus would change its destiny forever with their completion. He noted that the



people of Diamer district of Gilgit Baltistan are also affected and are giving sacrifice too in the larger interest of the country. The joint efforts of WAPDA and government of Gilgit Baltistan are important for accelerating speed of work on these mega projects and resolving the issues of the people affected due to them. He said that the dwellers of Diamer would have to migrate from the area at large scale leaving the lands of their ancestors. We have

to value their sacrifice and as such resolve their issues on priority basis. In view of this, it is unavoidable to ensure timely execution of the commitments and pledges made with the affectees of mega project, stressed the Chief Minister Gilgit Baltistan while speaking to a delegation comprising the Chairman WAPDA, Lt. General (Retd) Sajjad Ghani and high ups of Diamer Bhasha Dam project, who

called on him in the Gilgit Baltistan House Islamabad the other day. Also present in the meeting were the members of cabinet of Gilgit Baltistan belonging to Diamer. During the course of meeting, matters were discussed about the implementation of the projects of confidence building in the Project area, establishment of vocational institute for promotion of technical education, payment of the household and provision of jobs besides others. He

Mahmood asserted that addressing the menace of climate change required a comprehensive, whole-of-society approach, positioning it at the forefront of national priorities. He highlighted the importance and urgency accorded to this issue in the National Security Policy (2022-26), which called for mobilizing a cohesive national response and building a climate-resilient Pakistan. The Director General also highlighted Pakistan's proactive role on the international stage, raising awareness about the global dimensions of the climate threat faced by the country. Emphasizing the pivotal role of the media, he acknowledged its unique capacity to educate the public on the causes, impacts, and potential solutions of climate change through accurate and evidence-based reporting. In her remarks, Aisha Khan emphasized the crucial need to comprehend the meaning of climate change to fully grasp its impact.



ISLAMABAD: Women busy in shopping at weekly bazaar Peshawar Mor.

Speakers underscore media role in educating masses on global climate debate

ISLAMABAD (APP): The speakers at a roundtable discussion on the climate change and role of media on Tuesday underscored the media's role as crucial in educating the masses on the climate debate taking place at the global level. The Centre for Strategic Perspectives (CSP) at the Institute of Strategic Studies Islamabad (ISSI), organized a Round Table discussion on "Climate Change and the Role of Media", a news release said. The keynote speaker at the event was Chief Executive of the Civil Society Coalition for Climate Change (CSCCC), Aisha Khan, Foreign Office Spokesperson, Ambassador Mumtaz Zahra Baloch and Secretary, Ministry of Climate Change and Environmental Coordination, Asif Hyder Shah were among the prominent speakers. Director CSP, Dr. Neelum Nigar in her introductory remarks stated that the acknowledgment of

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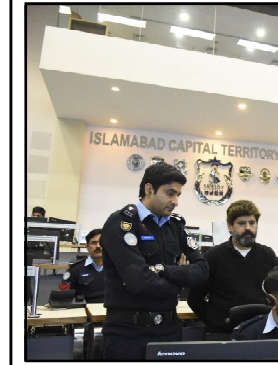
Moreover, other certain important matters were also discussed and decisions made during the meeting. The meeting was informed that the Cadet College would be inaugurated in Chalas on March 1, 2024. Speaking on the occasion, Chief Minister GB directed to take prompt action on the payment of the leftover lands of Diamer Bhasha dam project. On this, the Chairman WAPDA assured to make payment to the affectees agreeing with the Chief Minister. Those who were present in the meeting were included the members of GB cabinet including Mushtaq Ahmed, Muhammad Anwar, Shah Baig and Rehmat Khaliq besides other concerned high ups.

Chief Minister and members of cabinet of Gilgit Baltistan were briefed about the measures so far taken for development and construction of the project area. It was decided in the meeting to proceed further the early implementation on proceeding on water supply and sanitation scheme in Chalas area of Diamer. In addition to this, the establishment of the vocational institute would also be ensured.

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NADRA delegation visits Safe City Islamabad

ISLAMABAD: According to the details, on special directives of the Islamabad Capital City Police Officer (ICCP) Dr. Akbar Nasir Khan, the SSP Safe City welcomed the Delegation of National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) officers, a public relations officer said. He said that the delegation visits the command and control center, the data hub unit, modern technology-equipped cameras, and the Police operations center hall. They were fully



briefed about the procedures and benefits. Furthermore, the delegation was informed that Safe City Islamabad is playing a significant role in various departments through modern techniques, including the Police Operations Center, Emergency Control Center, Data Hub Unit, Dispatch Control Center, E-Challan System, and the

"Pucar-15" helpline. He emphasized that the delegation was also apprised of the functionality and benefits of the Safe City cameras in the city. The modern cameras of Safe City are playing a crucial role in ensuring the safety of the city and preventing crimes and safeguarding the lives and property of citizens. 42% of crimes are resolved through the Safe City Command and Control Center. Face recognition cameras have been installed at the entry and exit points of

the city which are playing an important role in identifying suspicious elements, he maintained. Delegation acknowledged the modern technical system of the Islamabad Capital Police and its benefits. The delegation expressed special gratitude to CPO Safe city and Traffic and his team for this successful visit.

Chairman MWM says: UN, OIC fail to stop Israeli aggression against the Palestinian people

ISLAMABAD (Online): Chairman Majlis Wahdat Muslimen (MWM) Pakistan Allama Raja Nasir Abbas Jafari has said that the United Nations (UN) and the OIC completely failed in ending the Israeli aggression against the Palestinian people. United Nation has also lost its credibility like the League of Nations, the United Nations has continuously failed to implement its resolutions, the OIC and the Arab League are also equal participants in the Israeli atrocities on the Palestinian people. Israel's illegal occupation of Palestinian land is a serious violation of the United Nations Charter. Seven thousand children and women martyred, but

the United Nations has not played any effective role in this massive massacre. This time, Israel badly damaged in the battlefield, its empty hands against Hamas were swollen, to erase this fear, it kept raining tons of gunpowder on the civilians every day, but defeat was its destiny. The Palestinian victims were in the grip of this mad wolf for four generations, but now they have received such a strong punch on the face that their bloodthirsty teeth and jaws have been broken. If it had not the US support, it would have ceased to exist, even now Israel will not be able to stand for long in front of the persistence and determination of the Palestinians.

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that the construction of the Police Community Center aimed to benefit not only the police officers and officials but also their families in the future. Elaborating on the welfare measures, he mentioned the initiation of various projects to ensure maximum relief for police personnel across all sectors. He stressed that these efforts would not only elevate the morale of the police force but also enhance the well-being of their families. Further steps for the welfare of police personnel and their families are being actively pursued, aiming to provide additional facilities and address their concerns effectively, he added.



ISLAMABAD: Senator Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo, Chairman Senate Committee on rules of procedure and privileges presiding over a meeting of the committee at Parliament House.