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ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif addressing the participants of the dinner reception hosted by him

## CM expresses anger over delay in projects of rehabilitation of 2022 flood affected areas

**Mir Sarfraz Bugti directs to start work on World Bank-funded project of worth 400 million US dollar immediately**

**Independent Report** Quetta: The Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti has expressed displeasure over delay in the projects of rehabilitation of the areas affected in 2022 floods in Balochistan. He directed to Chief Secretary to suspend all the provincial officers responsible for delay in the foreign funded projects and initiate an inquiry against them. In addition to this, the Chief Minister also directed to start work on the rehabilitation projects within 10 days. The Chief Minister was chairing a high level meeting of the Planning and Development department here on Thursday. The members of provincial assembly, Mir Zahoor Ahmed Buledi and Mir Shoaib Naushewani as well as the Chief Secretary, Shakeel Qadir Khan, Additional Chief Secretary Planning and Development, Abdul Saboor Kakar, Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Rashid Razaq, Secretary Finance, Babar Khan, Secretary Planning Lal Jan Jaffar were in attendance. The Chief Minister was briefed about the rehabilitation projects in the 2022 flood affected areas of the province. While expressing his anger over delay in the rehabilitation projects, he particularly directed to start work on the World Bank-funded project of worth 400 million US dollar immediately. Under the project, some 1,60,000 houses would be constructed in the flood affected districts of Balochistan, adding he mentioned. He also vowed to prepare the next public sector development programme (PSDP) as per the requirements instead of personal liking and disliking.

## President Alvi appoints three judges

ISLAMABAD (APP): President Dr Arif Alvi on Thursday approved the appointment of a judge of Supreme Court as well as the Chief Justice of Balochistan High Court. The president appointed Justice Naeem Akhtar Afghan as Supreme Court judge who was serving as Chief Justice of Balochistan High Court. The president approved the appointment under Article 175 A of the Constitution. The president also approved the appointment of senior most judge Justice Muhammad Hashim Khan Kakar as Caretaker Chief Justice of Balochistan High Court. The president made this appointment of the caretaker Balochistan High Court chief justice in accordance with the Article 196 of the Constitution. President Alvi also appointed senior most judge Justice Malik Shehzad Ahmed Khan as Chief Justice of Lahore High Court, in accordance with the Article 175 (A) of the Constitution.



Quetta: Director General High Education Commission Dr. Zahoor Buzai meeting with Governor Balochistan Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar

**FO says: We will welcome mediation from any friendly country for resolution of Kashmir issue**

ISLAMABAD (Online): As the world celebrates International Women's Day tomorrow, we would like to remember the strong women of Kashmir who have faced the brunt of Indian atrocities in Indian illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir. They have endured widespread devastation and confronted obstacles that impede their access to essential needs and their capacity to lead a dignified life. The Kashmiri women widowed and orphaned because of fake encounters by Indian forces do not even get time to mourn for their dead husbands and fathers and are forced to become the sole breadwinners for their families. Women heading households face additional difficulties in the society and face hurdles in finding respectable jobs. Women activists including Huriyat leaders including Aasiya Andrabi, Naheeda Nasreen and Fehmeeda Sofi remain incarcerated in different jails of IIOJK and India.

## PM thanks world leaders for good wishes on assumption of office

ISLAMABAD (APP): Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Thursday expressed gratitude to the world leaders for extending felicitations and prayers for him on the assumption of office. The prime minister took to X to thank the leaders including Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, Amir of Qatar Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Iranian President Dr. Ebrahim Raisi and Kenyan President William Ruto. "I wish to thank my brother, His Royal Highness Prince Mohammed bin Salman bin Abdulaziz Al Saud, Crown Prince and Prime Minister of brotherly Saudi Arabia, for the warm wishes and prayers on my assumption of the office of Prime Minister," the prime minister said. He said that the relations between Pakistan and Saudi Arabia were deep rooted in historical bonds based on mutual respect, religious and cultural affinity and shared values. He expressed the confidence that the fraternal bilateral ties would keep flourishing in the times to come. "Looking forward to working closely with my brother for mutual benefit of the peoples of the two brotherly countries," he remarked. He also thanked Amir of Qatar Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al Thani, Deputy Amir and Qatari Prime Minister for their messages.

## PM, CJCS exchange views on professional matters of armed forces

ISLAMABAD (Online): Chairman Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee General Sahir Shamshad Mirza called on Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif in Islamabad Thursday. He congratulated the Prime Minister for assuming his office and expressed best wishes for him. During the meeting, views were exchanged on professional matters of the armed forces of Pakistan and the security situation. Meanwhile former caretaker Foreign Minister Jalil Abbas Jilani called on Prime Minister (PM) Shehbaz Sharif Thursday.

## Security forces kill 2 terrorists in separate operations

**Independent Report** RAWALPINDI: Security forces killed two terrorists including a ring leader in two separate operations conducted in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on night between March 6 and 7. The Inter Services Public Relations (ISPR), in a statement, said an intelligence based operation (IBO) was conducted in Khyber district.

## Full court reference held to bid farewell to CJ BHC elevated as SC judge: Judgments of BHC speak of merits & dispensation of justice without fear & favour, says Justice Naeem Afghan

**Outgoing CJ BHC urges district judiciary to make efforts for disposal of civil cases as we have no problem throughout Balochistan in disposal of criminal cases**



**Independent Report** Quetta: A full court reference was held to bid farewell to the Chief Justice, Balochistan High Court (BHC), Mr. Justice Naeem Akhtar Afghan on his elevation as Judge of Supreme Court, in the Auditorium of High Court here on Thursday. All the judges of High Court including senior Judge, Mr. Justice Muhammad Hashim Kakar, Mr. Justice Muhammad Ejaz Swati, Mr. Justice Muhammad Kamran Mulakhail, Mr. Justice Zaheer-ud-din Kakar, Mr. Justice Abdullah Baloch, Mr. Justice Nazeer Ahmed Langove, Mr. Justice Rozi Khan Barrech, Mr. Justice Iqbal Ahmed Kasi, Mr. Justice Shaukat Ali Rakhshani, Mr. Justice Gul Hasan Tareen, Mr. Justice Muhammad Aamir Nawaz Rana and Mr. Justice Sardar Ahmed Halimi. Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Justice Mr. Justice Naeem Akhtar Afghan said that "I can take pride in saying that judgments of High Court of Balochistan speak of merits and dispensation of justice without fear and favour safeguarding the fundamental rights of the citizens of Pakistan as guaranteed by the Constitution." He said that he is leaving the High Court with 4538 cases at the principal seat, 498 cases at circuit bench Sibi, 309 cases at Circuit bench Turbat and 18,738 cases in the district courts.

## Ruling coalition endorses Zardari's nomination for presidency Country's economic crisis to end if we all contribute, says PM Shehbaz

**Our target is to change condition of the nation and we have to present our proposals to friendly countries to attract investment; PPP would support the prime minister as he would work to steer Pakistan on the path of progress, says Asif Ali Zardari**

ISLAMABAD (APP): Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif Thursday said Asif Ali Zardari would be elected as President of Pakistan as coalition partners had overwhelming majority in the National Assembly, Senate and provincial assemblies. Speaking at a dinner hosted in honour of leaders of allied parties, he said Asif Zardari would be the candidate of the allied parties in the presidential election on March 9. The coalition government secured two thirds of the votes in the recent general elections and it would be reflected during the presidential election, he added. He said the coalition federal government was formed again with consensus and unity besides formation of Pakistan Peoples Party government in Sindh, Pakistan Muslim League(N) government in Punjab and a coalition government in Balochistan. "We have to respect mandate of the people," he said adding, "the world is looking towards Pakistan and seeing how the new government will overcome challenges and resolve issues." He thanked his coalition partners, Quaid PML Nawaz Sharif and leaders of allied parties for electing him as the prime minister once again. The Prime Minister said his government was facing Himalaya like challenges and the facts about economy were troublesome. "Our gas and electricity circular debt had hiked to Rs five trillion. The debt of PIA had ballooned to Rs 825 billion. The annual theft of electricity amounted to Rs 500 billion".



Quetta: Chief Minister Balochistan Mir Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti chairing a high level meeting of the Planning and Development department

## SJC declares Justice Mazhar Naqvi as guilty of misconduct

**Supreme Judicial Council opines former judge "should have been removed from the office of Judge"**

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Supreme Judicial Council (SJC) on Thursday declared Justice Saeed Mazhar Ali Akbar Naqvi as guilty of misconduct and recommended for his removal from the office of judge. SJC rendered its opinion in respect of the nine complaints against Justice Mazhar Ali Akbar Naqvi under Article 209(6) of the constitution, said a press release. It said that The Supreme Judicial Council (SJC) met on 29 February 2024 and 1 March 2024. The SJC deliberated upon the matter and was of the opinion that if a reply or clarification is issued by or on behalf of a judge it does not violate Article-V. However, since concerns have been expressed by judges it was agreed that the following be added to article-V of the Code of Conduct: "However, if an allegation is publicized against a judge he may respond to it." Therefore, Article-V of the Code of Conduct is amended to read as under: "Functioning as he does in full view of the public, a judge gets thereby all the publicity that is good for him. He should not seek more. In particular, he should not engage in any public controversy, least of all on a political question, notwithstanding that it involves a question of law. However, if an allegation is publicized against a judge he may respond to it." The press release said that SJC considered six different complaints, in chronological order, and in respect of five of the opinions expressed by the members to whom it was referred. Allegations are leveled against judges of the supreme court and high courts and the same are publicized. A number of judges have expressed concern that if they respond to such allegations the same may be construed as misconduct because the code of conduct, dated 2 September 2009 issued by the SJC, in its Article-V states that a judge should not seek publicity. The SJC deliberated upon the matter and was of the opinion that if a reply or clarification is issued by or on behalf of a judge it does not violate Article-V. However, since concerns have been expressed by judges it was agreed that the following be added to article-V of the Code of Conduct:

## BA sessions summoned on March 8 & 9

**Independent Report** Quetta: The sessions of Balochistan Assembly have been summoned on March 8 and 9 in Quetta.

According to an official notification issued here by the Balochistan Provincial Assembly secretariat on Thursday, the Governor Malik Abdul Wali Khan Kakar summoned the session of assembly at 11:00 AM on March 8. The newly elected members of the provincial assembly would take oath of their membership in the assembly session. Moreover, the Speaker Balochistan Assembly summoned the session on March 9.



Quetta: Provincial President Pakistan Peoples Party Mir Changez Khan Jamali, MPAs Nawab Sanaullah Khan Zehri, Mir Sadiq Umrani and Mir Ali Madad Jattak talking with mediemen

## Writ of state to be maintained for restoration of peace: Balochistan Levies, Police and Constabulary would be put on modern lines, announces CM

**Independent Report** Quetta: The Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti has announced that the Balochistan Levies, Police and Constabulary would be put on modern lines for restoration of peace in the province. He also announced to introduce the modern training courses for increasing professional capacity of the civil forces. The Chief Minister made these announcements while presiding over meeting of Home and Tribal Affairs department here on Thursday. The Chief Secretary Balochistan, Shakeel Qadir Khan, Inspector General of Police, Abdul Khaliq Sheikh, Inspector General Prisons, Shujauddin Kasi, Additional Chief Secretary Home, Zahid Saleem, Additional Inspector General of Police, Jawad Ahmed Dogar and Director General Levies, Naseebullah Khan Kakar. The overall law and order situation was also reviewed besides reviewing the performance of department. Certain important decisions were also made in the meeting. Speaking on the occasion, Chief Minister pledged to maintain writ of state for restoration of peace in the province. During the course of meeting, rich tributes were paid to Assistant Commissioner Mach who fought bravely against the terrorists. The Chief Minister announced to confer the highest civil award of the province on Assistant Commissioner Mach.





# PM announces Rs 7.5bln Ramadan relief package for poor people

ISLAMABAD (APP): Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif Thursday announced a historic subsidy based Ramadan relief package 2024 of Rs 7.5 billion for the poor and middle classes.

He was chairing a high level meeting on Prime Minister's Ramadan Relief Package and Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP).

Senator Ishaq Dar, Ahad Cheema, Shiza Fatima Khawaja, Romina Khurshid Alam and high ranking officials attended the meeting.

The PM was given a detailed briefing on the Ramadan relief package.

During Ramadan ul Mubarak, under the package more than 39.6 million families will be provided edible goods on lower rates.

Under the Benazir Income Support Programme, 88 percent of the eligible families will be given 19 edible items including flour, rice, pulses, ghee, cooking oil, sugar, sherbet and milk on lower than market rates. The rate of subsidy on these goods would be 30 percent which was more than the inflation rate.

Subsidy of Rs 77 per kilo would be given on the 20 kilogramme flour bag and Rs 70 subsidy on every kilogramme of ghee.

The Prime Minister's Ramadan relief package would be distributed among the needy families through 4775 utility stores across the country and the supply would continue till the end

of Ramadan.

Those who would face any difficulty in registration for the Ramadan relief programme, would be facilitated and registered at the spot and their complaints would be resolved.

The prime minister said it was priority of the government to distribute edible items to the poor and low income class on lower than market rates.

He said no compromise would be made on the quality of the edible items being provided under the relief package.

The quality of the eatables would be strictly monitored, he added.

The prime minister said it would be ensured that the people should not face any difficulty while



Pakistan Navy contingent presenting salutation to Commander-in-Chief of Russian Federation Navy onboard PNS TABUK during Doha International Maritime Defence Exhibition 2024.

## Pakistan Navy participates in Doha International Maritime Defence Exhibition-2024

**Independent Report**  
ISLAMABAD: Pakistan Navy Ship PNS TABUK and Submarine PNS/M KHALID visited Doha, Qatar to participate in Doha International Maritime Defence Exhibition (DIMDEX-24). Upon arrival, Pakistan Navy Units was received by Defence Attaché of Pakistan at Doha and Senior Officials of Qatari Emiri Naval Force (QENF). The PN mission was led by Cdre Mazhar Bashir, commander submarines.

During the visit, Mission Commander called on high level dignitaries including Commander of Qatari Emiri Naval Forces, Maj Gen Abdullah Hassan Al Sulaiti. Various high level Military and Naval leadership including Commander-in-Chief of Russian Federation Navy, Admiral Nikolay Evmenov and Turkish Fleet Commander visited PNS TABUK. During the interactions, matters of mutual interests were discussed and enhancement of bilateral ties in all spheres was re-affirmed. Taking the opportunity, Mission Com-

## Bugti reiterates resolve to solve issues of zamindars at earliest

**Independent Report**  
QUETTA: The Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti has reiterated his government's resolve to solve the issues being faced by zamindars of province at the earliest.

He said that he had expressed his resolve to resolve the issues being faced by the zamindars besides development of the agriculture sector.

He vowed to take up the issues of zamindars with federal government with ground reality and arguments.

The Chief Minister was speaking to the representative delegation of zamindars who called on him under leadership of

leader of Pakistan Peoples Party, Sardar Noor Ahmed Bangulzai here on Thursday.

Also present on the occasion were member of provincial assembly, Mir Muhammad Sadiq Umrani and other leaders of PPP including Agha Shakeel Durrani.

The Chief Minister said that the government of Balochistan has decided to form committee for all the resolvable issues of the province with federal government, he added.

He also said that the controversial issues of subsidy and arrears would be resolved between QESCO and zamindars with mutual understanding.



QUETTA: President National Party Dr. Abdul Malik Baloch meeting with Chief Minister Balochistan Mir Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti. MPAs are also present on the occasion.

## Pakistan urges UNSC to ask Taliban to cut ties with TTP, eliminate terrorism

UNITED NATIONS (APP): A top Pakistani diplomat has called on the UN Security Council to join Pakistan in demanding that the Taliban authorities terminate their relationship with the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), which is responsible for persistent attacks against Pakistan's military and civilian targets.

"Left unchecked, the TTP, supported by Al-Qaeda and some State sponsors, could soon pose a global terrorist threat," Ambassador Munir Akram warned the 15-member Council on Wednesday.

Speaking in a debate

on the situation in Afghanistan, the Pakistani envoy said, "The Afghan Interim Government's failure to control the TTP and other terrorist groups erodes its claim of full control of its territory that it asserts in order to secure international recognition." He also urged the UN to call on the Afghan Interim Government to prevent such cross-border attacks and infiltration by the TTP and other terrorists into Pakistani territory.

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Regarding the reported border incidents, the exchange of fire by Pakistani security forces was always in response to cross-border attacks by the TTP and its affiliates against Pakistan's border posts and installations.

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QUETTA: MPA Meena Baloch meeting with Chief Minister Balochistan Mir Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti.

## Consultative meeting marks milestone toward drafting MHM policy for Balochistan

QUETTA (APP): Stakeholders representing various sectors and government line departments convened for a consultative process to draft a comprehensive Provincial Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) Policy on Thursday.

The initiative, supported by the German development agency GIZ, underscores the collective commitment to address a crucial aspect of women's health and hygiene.

Participating in the event were representatives from diverse sectors, including senior politician and Member Balochistan Assembly (MPA) Ms Rahila Durrani, Commissioner Income Tax Balochistan Rehmatullah, Ms Zulaikha Buledi, Hashim Khan, and Ms Rabia Baloch (GIZ), Ms Shazia Nazir and Ms Falak Naz (Unicef), Mr Ejaz ur Rehman, Mr Qahir Agha, Dr Saadullah, Dr Rukhshanda and other shared their views on the topic.

This diverse representation emphasized the importance of a multi-sectoral approach for the successful implementation of the forthcoming MHM policy.

MPA, Ms Rahila Durrani emphasized that MHM is vital for the overall health and well-being of women in Balochistan, noting that cultural sensitivity is paramount in crafting effective policies.

While highlighting the importance of government ownership, she assured the participants of every possible support for the legislation on MHM and its policies.

## Ghazala thanks Zardari for bringing justice to 3rd generation of Bhutto

QUETTA (APP): Deputy Speaker Balochistan Assembly Ghazala Gola thanked former President Asif Ali Zardari for bringing justice to the third generation of Bhutto on Thursday. In a statement issued here, Provincial President of Pakistan People's Party (PPP) Women's Wing Ghazala Gola said that the leadership and workers of Pakistan People's Party were succeeded by the decision. The opinion of the Supreme Court has proved that the execution of Shaheed ZAB.

## CM directs to shifts offices of all PDs & Field Officers in respective sites

**Independent Report**  
QUETTA: The Chief Minister Bugti has directed to shift offices of all Project Directors and Field Officers in the respective sites of districts.

While chairing a meeting in the Chief Minister secretariat on Thursday, the Chief Minister said that he would pay surprise visit to all divisions and districts frequently.

Stern action would be taken against those officers who were found absent from their place of postings, adding he warned. He exhorted the project Directors and officers not to make provincial capital as their permanent place, rather perform their duties remaining present there.

He also directed to utilize all their capabilities for resolving the issues being faced by the masses.

## Orders to return all from other provinces. CM takes notice of misuse of official vehicles

**Independent Report**  
QUETTA: The Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti has taken strict notice of the misuse of official vehicles and ordered to return all those vehicles present in other provinces.

According to an official circular issued here on Thursday, the Chief Minister expressed his displeasure on misuse and unnecessary use of official vehicles and imposed ban on the use of vehicles of Balochistan government

from outside the province. Under the ban, the official vehicles of Balochistan would not be used in other provinces. However, no objection certificate would have to be acquired by the vehicles proceeding for official duties, it was announced in the circular.

As per the order, no officer could use the official vehicles for personal use out of the place of posting.

The Chief Minister asserted that no one would be allowed to misuse the government resources.

## President grants special remission to children, women prisoners

ISLAMABAD (APP): President Dr Arif Alvi on Thursday announced special exemption in the punishments of woman and child prisoners on humanitarian grounds.

The remission would be applicable to women and children sentenced for two years or less, and the ones with less than two years of sentence left to complete, a President Office news release said.

The reduction in sentence would not apply to the prisoners involved in murder, espionage, and anti-State activities. The other categories without remission included convicts of adultery, theft, dacoity, kidnapping, terrorism, narcotics and foreign nationals, it added.

President Alvi approved the remission in sentence for prisoners in accordance with Article 45 of the Constitution.

## MPA Rahila for portraying Pakistani Art and Culture on Japan's pattern

QUETTA (APP): MPA Rahila for portraying Pakistani Art and Culture on Japan's pattern Rahila Durani, a member of the Balochistan Assembly and a former speaker of the provincial assembly, said on Thursday that Japanese calendars perfectly capture their art, way of life, sports, cultural history, and environment. "Pakistan has a diverse and vibrant culture; the only need is to portray the beautiful art and landscape of our country on the pattern of Japan," she remarked at the opening ceremony of the Japanese Calendar Exhibition.

The exhibition was organized by the Pak-Japan Friendship Society (PJFS) in collaboration with the Consulate-General of Japan Karachi here at the Pakistan Japan Cultural Centre Quetta.

Syed Feroz Alam Shah, Honorary Technical Advisor Federal Board of Investment and founder member of PJFS, Syed Nadeem Shah, Honorary Consul General of Japan, members of provincial assembly, and civil society were in attendance.

MPA Durani praised that "The Pakistan Japan Friendship Society and the Japanese Consulate in Karachi have done a great job representing Japanese culture in the calendars that are on exhibit."

"I have visited Japan multiple times, and each time I am very amazed by their artistic and cultural offerings. "Students are taught art, ethics, and a way of life until class three," she said, praising the world's special approach to education. Addressing the ceremony, Syed Feroz Alam Shah, Honorary Technical Advisor Federal Board of Investment and founder member of PJFS, Syed Nadeem Alam Shah said Japan has launched number of uplift projects in Pakistan.



NEW YORK: Ambassador Masood Khan inaugurates the event "Pakistan Heritage and Resolution Month" being organized by New York Police Department.

## New York Police holds Pakistani heritage month

*Masood Khan says it reflects growing US-Pak ties*

NEW YORK (APP): The New York City Police Department (NYPD) Wednesday organized the first-ever 'Pakistan Heritage and Resolution Month' at its headquarters, with Ambassador Masood Khan congratulating over 600 Pakistani-American police officers serving the force for their dedicated work in keeping the city safe.

The NYPD is the largest and one of the oldest municipal police departments in the United States, with approximately 36,000 officers and 19,000 civilian employees. The ambassador, who was the chief guest at the largely attended event, said that the holding of 'Pakistan's Heritage & Resolution Month' in connection with the 'Pakistan Day' carried a special significance and reflected the strength of decades-long Pak-US relations. It is the first time NYPD is organizing such a ceremony, sponsored by the Pakistani-American Law Enforcement Society and Pakistan's Consulate in New York to commemorate Pakistan's heritage and to pay tribute to Pakistani officers' contributions. "The growing visibility and outstanding performance of Pakistani-Americans in all walks of life reflects the huge potential of our people. It is also indicative of the deepening bonds between Pakistan and the United States," said Ambassador Masood Khan. The function was attended, among others, by Mayor of the New York City Eric Adams, First Deputy Commissioner Tania Kinsella, Chief of NYPD Jeffrey Maddrey, United States District Judge of New Jersey Zahid Qureshi,



QUETTA: Students are holding demonstration in connection with the school admission campaign organized by the Pashtunkhwa Students Organization (PSO), at Quetta press club.

## BBISE determined to end copying culture from Balochistan: Abida Kakar

QUETTA (APP): Controller of Balochistan Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (BBISE) Quetta Abida Kakar said that the BBISE was determined to eliminate copying culture from examination centers in Balochistan. She expressed these views on Thursday while visiting at established center of Islamic Model High School Quetta and other centers.

She was accompanied by Deputy Controller Munawar Hussain, Assistant Secretary, Zahoor Mengal, Superintendent Abdul Aziz and others during visiting of the centers.

The Controller took action against 12 students and rejected their papers after founding them in cop-

ies despite her issued warning to the concerned staff. Controller Balochistan Board Abida Kakar said that no one would be allowed to copy and seat duplicate boys and girls. She said that the provincial government has taken emergency measures to prevent duplication saying that the Balochistan Board was taking important steps to prevent further duplication.

She said that directions had been issued to concerned officers to visit centers for taking action against those students involved in duplication.

The controller said it was our prime responsibilities to control copying culture for interest of quality education.

## Sindh govt has recruited army of law officers: CJP

ISLAMABAD (Online): Supreme Court (SC) has reserved judgment on the matter of appointment of 7 officers of grade-17 in forest department Sindh.

The Chief Justice of Pakistan (CJP) Qazi Faez Isa rejected the reply of chief secretary Sindh declaring it highly disappointing.

The CJP remarked Sindh government has employed army of law officers. Pension is paid to judges and government employees out of pockets of oppressed people.

The CJP gave these remarks while presiding over a 3-member bench of SC during the hearing of case pertaining to appointment of 7 officers of grade 17 in Sindh forest department Thursday.



QUETTA: Deputy Speaker Balochistan Assembly Ghazala Gola, MPA Raheela Durrani and others addressing participants of a ceremony held in connection with World Women Day.