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Interior Minister says Balochistan attacks aimed at sabotaging upcoming SCO summit

Says no operation underway in Balochistan; Vows stringent actions against those who did not accept state

ISLAMABAD (Agencies): Minister for Interior Mohsin Naqvi on Friday said that the horrific attacks in Balochistan, wherein dozens including security personnel lost their lives, was a "plot to subvert" upcoming Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit to be hosted by Pakistan next month. "A lot of people are in anguish as they don't want Pakistan to host the [SCO] meeting," he said, adding that the August 26 incident was a "conspiracy to sabotage the summit". Naqvi further said that no operation was being launched in Balochistan while "stringent action would be taken against those who did not accept the state and took up arms".

Speaking at the 342nd Senate session after Senators Jan Muhammad, Dr Zarqa Taimur, Bilal Ahmed Khan and opposition leader Shibli Faraz's different opinions over the Baluchistan issue, he said that the Apex Committee reviewed the decisions of the National Action Plan (NAP) resolutions and coordinated with the federal and provincial institutions, adding "Parliament is supreme and will remain supreme". Giving details of the last day's meeting of the National Action Plan's Apex Committee chaired by Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif in Quetta, he said that dialogues could only be made with those who respect the Constitution of Pakistan and salute the national flag.

Naqvi added: Minister for Interior Mohsin Naqvi on Friday said that no operation was going on in Balochistan and stringent



ISLAMABAD: Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif meets the President of Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam (F) Maulana Fazal ur Rehman, in the Federal Capital.

Balochistan Disaster Management Commission meets: CM Bugti directs to make advance necessary measures more effective in case of natural disaster

Meeting decides PDMA to make assessment of whole year to handle situation of natural disaster in better manner; quarantine centers established during COVID-19 in Taftan to be brought under arrangement of PDMA

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QUETTA: The Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti has directed to the concerned authorities to make the advance necessary measures more effective in case of the natural disaster.

He also directed to ensure protection of the link bridges for maintaining the communication links in case of the natural calamity.

The Chief Minister was chairing the crucial meeting of Balochistan Disaster Management Commission here on Friday.

The leader of Opposition in provincial assembly, Mir Younas Aziz Zehri, Member of the Commission and Member Provin-

cial Assembly, Mir Zafarullah Zehri, Chief Secretary, Shakeel Qadir Khan, Additional Chief Secretary Planning and Development, Hafiz Abdul Basit, senior Member Board of Revenue, Kambar Dashti, Secretary Communication and Works, Lal Jan Jaffar and other concerned high ups.

The Director General Provincial Disaster Management Authority, Jehanzaib Khan briefed the participants about agenda points.

Addressing the meeting, Chief Minister directed to make more effective the process of collection of scientific data in order to cope with the situation of natural disasters.

Besides, he also di-

rected to start study in month of February every year about the flood situation caused due to the rains in the province.

Meanwhile, the meeting decided that PDMA would make assessment of the whole year to handle the situation in better manner.

It was also decided not to create unnecessary vacancies in the disaster management villages established in the divisions.

The meeting also decided to bring the quarantine centers established during COVID-19 in Taftan under arrangement of PDMA.

Meanwhile, certain important decisions were made about the PDMA affairs in the meeting.

Talks with enemies of Pakistan out of question No leniency to those who sow seeds of hatred in Balochistan: PM Shehbaz

Says terrorists to be made an example to accomplish journey of progress; Vows to defeat Pakistan's adversaries through collective efforts

ISLAMABAD (Online): Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif has said talks with the enemies of Pakistan stand out of question.

"The youths of Balochistan are being lured through a narrative. Jawans of Pakistan army are chasing terrorists day in day out, he said this while addressing meeting of federal cabinet here Friday.

I reviewed law and order situation during my visit to Quetta. I met the family members of Shuhada. The family members of Shuhada were in great courage. Corps commander Quetta gave detailed briefing on situation in the province. What hap-

pened in Balochistan it was extreme of terrorism. Khwarji and terrorists are sowing seeds of hatred in Balochistan and are being funded from abroad. But those sowing seeds of hatred will find no place.

He expressed the resolve that enemies of Pakistan will be crushed through collective efforts of the nation, armed forces and the law enforcement agencies.

He said the Chief Minister launched a number of development projects in the province.

He held the announcement of global rating agency Moody's about Pakistan economic outlook reflects that the country's economy is moving towards upwards

trajectory.

He assured that the federal government would extend support for capacity building of the Levis force.

He said the Federal government will implement the proposals put forward by the provincial political leaders.

The Prime Minister said the government is also taking effective measures for development of youth. He said ten percent additional quota has been allocated for Balochistan in the schemes like laptops and agricultural training in China. He said the federal government will spend fifty-five billion rupees to convert agricultural tube wells on solar energy in Balochistan.



QUETTA: Chief Minister Balochistan Mir Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti presiding over meeting of Disaster Management Commission



QUETTA: Federal Minister for Interior Mohsin Naqvi in a meeting with Governor Balochistan Jaffar Khan Mandokhail in Governor House Quetta.

Governor calls Chairman NHA, asks to ensure timely completion of Zhub bypass project

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QUETTA: The Governor Balochistan, Sheikh Jaffar Khan Mandokhail has called Chairman National Highway Authority (NHA) Shehryar Sultan and asked him to timely execute the Zhub bypass project after starting work on it immediately.

He said Zhub is an important city of Balochistan, which connects it with other provinces through the national highways.

He stressed that timely completion of the bypass is very necessary because of its strategic location and it's own big population.

He said that the completion of Zhub bypass would increase access to other provinces, promote

PM meets Maulana Fazal to discuss political situation of country

ISLAMABAD (APP): Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif on Friday visited the residence of President of Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam (F) Maulana Fazal ur Rehman.

Maulana Fazal ur Rehman warmly welcomed the prime minister.

The prime minister expressed best wishes for Maulana Fazal ur Rehman.

During the meeting, the two sides discussed overall political situation of the country.

PM Shehbaz Sharif was accompanied by Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Ishaq Dar, Federal Minister for Interior Syed Mohsin Raza Naqvi and Federal Minister for Information and Broadcasting Attaulah Tarar.

18-inches diameter pipeline swept away: Sui gas supply suspended to Quetta, Pishin, Ziarat, Kalat and Mastung

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QUETTA: The sui gas supply was suspended to Quetta as well as Pishin, Ziarat, Kalat and Mastung after the gas pipeline swept away in the Mach area on late Thursday night.

The sources of Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) told that the 18-diameter inch gas pipeline was swept away in the flashflood in the Mach area.

The situation caused gas suspension to Quetta and different other areas of the province from Mach area.

Security forces kill five terrorists in Balochistan

RAWALPINDI (Online): Security forces have killed five terrorists and three others injured during three intelligence based operations in Kech, Panjgur and Zhob districts of Balochistan.

According to ISPR, sanitization operations will continue until all perpetrators, facilitators and abettors of cowardly acts of 26th August are brought to justice.

Security forces of Pakistan, in step with the nation, remain determined to thwart attempts at sabotaging peace, stability and progress of Balochistan.

Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif has appreciated the soldiers and of-

Naqvi meets Governor Balochistan

QUETTA (APP): Federal Interior Minister Mohsin Naqvi met with Governor Balochistan Jaffar Khan Mandokhail at the Governor's House Quetta on Friday.

During the meeting, the interior minister and Governor Balochistan condemned the recent terrorist attacks in Balochistan and expressed solidarity with the families of the martyrs.

The interior minister said that immediate measures would be taken at all levels to establish peace and security in Balochistan. He highlighted that the Apex Committee has decided to hold talks only with those who lay down their arms and recognize the Constitution of Pakistan.

37 casualties reported in Balochistan: PDMA declares 10 districts of Balochistan calamity-hit in current Monsoon rains

PDMA authorities request humanitarian partners to remain in coordination while extending support to flood affected areas

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QUETTA: As many as 10 districts of Balochistan have been declared calamity-hit in view of the current Monsoon rains.

According to an official notification issued here the other day, the Provincial Disaster Management Authority (PDMA) Balochistan has declared the following district calamity-hit.

The districts are included: Kalat, Kachhi, Ziarat, Jaffarabad, Sohatpur, Usta Muhammad, Lasbela, Awaran, Loralai and Chaghai.

In the official letter to the humanitarian partners, the PDMA official said that

Pakistan, Bangladesh agree to work closely for South Asia's progress

ISLAMABAD (APP): Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Friday held a telephone conversation with Chief Adviser of Bangladesh government Professor Muhammad Yunus wherein two leaders agreed that there was a need to work closely for the progress and prosperity of the people of both countries.

During the conversa-



QUETTA: A large number of people standing on gas shop to filling their gag cylinder. According to an SSGC spokesperson, the damage to the pipeline has resulted in the suspension of gas supply to Quetta, Mastung, Kalat, Kolpur Machh, Pishin, and surrounding areas.

Decision makers not worried for country: Imran Khan

RAWALPINDI (Online): PTI founder Imran Khan has said decision makers have no worries about the country while the secret agencies have been assigned to eliminate PTI.

He said this in an informal talk with the journalists after hearing of 190 million pounds reference against him and Bushra Bibi in Adiala jail Rawalpindi.

He cautioned there is mammoth threat of provincialism. Protest was got staged in Punjab against terrorism in Balochistan.

Political parties can unite people and not the army. PTI is the only party in the country which is existing in all the

12 more Khwarji terrorists killed in 'extensive' Tirah Valley IBOs

RAWALPINDI: At least 12 Khwarji terrorists were killed in ongoing intelligence-based operations (IBOs) by security forces in Khyber district's Tirah Valley on August 28 and 29, according to a statement from the military on Friday. The Inter-Services Public Relations (ISPR) stated that extensive IBOs have been underway in the region since 20 August, targeting the reported presence of Khwarji elements.

"On 28 & 29 August, our troops effectively engaged Khwarji locations, where, after intense fire exchanges, twelve Khwarji of Fitna-Al-Khwarji [Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP)] were sent to hell," the statement said.

The ISPR noted that these operations have dealt a major setback to Fitna-Al-Khwarji and its affiliates. "So far, 37 terrorists have been sent to hell, while 14 terrorists have suffered serious injuries," it added.

The military emphasised that the IBOs will continue until peace is fully restored in the area and all Khwarji elements are eliminated.

13 of family die as landslide fall on house at Dir Upper

DIR UPPER (APP): At least 13 persons of a family died after a huge landslide fell on their house at Patrak village in Dir Upper district. According to police and Rescue 1122, the families of Naushad Khan along with his two brothers were fast asleep last night when a huge avalanche fell on them at Patrak village in the mountainous region. As a result, Naushad's wife, daughters Samina, and Yamin and sons Tayyab and Umar have died. Four family members of Khan Badashah, the brother of Naushad Khan including his wife, daughter Taqwa, sons Saeed and Rohan also expired.



KARACHI: A view of sea waves seen from a residential apartment, following reports from the Pakistan Meteorological Department of a potential cyclonic storm that could develop over the Arabian Sea, at Clifton Beach, in the city.

