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38 killed, several others injured in two separate road mishaps

12 zayreen dead, 33 injured in fatal road accident on Makran coastal highway; 26 dead as passenger bus plunges into ravine on Rawalpindi route

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QUETTA: As many as 12 persons died and some 32 got injured as the passenger coach met a fatal road accident at Buzi top on the Makran coastal highway falls in the jurisdiction of Lasbela district on Sunday morning.

According to the reports reaching here, the passenger coach carrying some 70 passengers way on its way from Gwadar bordering area to Punjab when it met accident after falling into a ditch due to the brake failure.

The accident resulted in multiple injuries and fatalities of the passengers travelling in the bus. The

administration and rescue teams rushed towards the spot of accident and shifted the bodies of deceased and injured persons to the nearby hospitals.

According to the spokesman of provincial government, Shahid Rind, we have reports of 11 casualties and 33 injuries caused in the bus accident.

He said that the district administration was engaged in making the rescue activities effective.

The spokesman said that seven seriously injured passengers were shifted to the district headquarter hospital Uthal while 26 injured shifted to Jam Ghulam Qadir hospital

Hub.

He said that condition of few injured is stated to be critical. However, all the injured are being provided necessary medical treatment. According to the DHO Lasbela, seven critically injured were transferred to specialized trauma centers in Karachi for further treatment.

APP adds: At least 26 passengers have died, several others received serious injuries when a coaster fell into a ditch in Rawalpindi's Kahuta Tehsil on Sunday.

The ill-fated coaster was travelling to Azad Kashmir. Rescue operation has been started.

According to the details, the tragic accident took place near Girari Bridge, Kahuta Road Kallar Syedan where a passenger coaster en route to Palandri, Azad Kashmir went out of control and fell into a deep ditch resulting in massive casualties. Rescue 1122 spokesman, Muhammad Usman confirmed APP that 25 people have died in the accident so far. He informed that 23 bodies were recovered from the accident spot.

The bodies and the injured were shifted to THQ Hospital, Kalar Syedan, where 2 more seriously injured could not survive and died.



HUB: View of passenger bus fell into ditch after traffic accident due to over speeding and break failed, at Makran Coastal Highway at Bazi Lak near Hub.

Nation backs armed forces to foil enemy's plans: Asif

Says PTI creating fake narrative for another May 9 episode

SIALKOT (INP): Defence Minister Khawaja Muhammad Asif says nation stands by the armed forces to foil agenda of enemy against the country.

Talking to newsmen in Sialkot today, he stressed for unity and collective efforts to address all challenges.

The Defence Minister said hundreds of thousands of people witnessed conspiracy and violent actions on May 9 last year.

He said division and differences within PTI is now stand exposed due to their negative politics.

He said that the PTI founder canceled a public gathering after foreseeing its

failure. The Defence Minister said that we have to change the country's fate ourselves. He said that parliamentarians are tested in elections.

Defence Minister Khawaja Asif says the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf has been planning for another incident similar to May 9 riots. He said the PTI had cancelled its Islamabad rally fearing the rejection by the masses due to the party's fake narrative against the state institutions.

Asif added that the audio leaks of Imran Khan, Bushra Bibi and Aleema Khan revealed the differences within the PTI.



QUETTA: Inspector General of Police Balochistan Abdul Khaliq Sheikh enquiring about the health of injured of Pishin bomb blast.

Sardar Khetran, Bakht Kakar, Dr. Rubaba grieved over bus accident on Makran highway

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QUETTA: The Provincial Ministers, Sardar Abdul Rehman Khetran and Bakht Muhammad Kakar and Advisor to Chief Minister for Women Development, Dr. Rubaba Buledi have expressed deep grief over the fatal bus accident occurred on Makran coastal highway.

In their separate condolence messages issued here on Sunday, the Provincial Minister and Advisor to Chief Minister expressed grief over the loss of lives of zayreen in the bus accident. They also expressed sorrow over the injuries caused to some 33 passengers travelling in the bus.

Dr. Rubaba Buledi said that loss of lives of people is an irreparable loss. She expressed empathy with the bereaved families and

said that we share the grief with them in the hard time. He prayed that may Allah Almighty rest the departed soul into Its eternal peace and give enough strength and patience to the bereaved families to bear the tragic loss of lives of their dear ones.

Similarly, the Provincial Minister for PHE and Minister for Livestock also expressed heartfelt condolence over death of 11 persons in the road accident.

They also prayed for the departed souls and prayed for early recovery of the injured passengers.

Meanwhile, the Advisor to Chief Minister for Commerce and Industry, Mir Ali Hasan Zehri expressed grief over the road accident that claimed lives of 11 persons and left some 33 injured.

Chehlum of Hazrat Imam Hussain (RA) being observed today

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QUETTA: The chehlum of Hazrat Imam Hussain (RA) and his companions is being observed today (Monday) in Quetta as elsewhere in the country.

In Quetta, the processions would be taken out marking the Chehlum of Hazrat Imam Hussain (RA).

The main procession of chehlum would be taken out from Alamdar road and terminate at Bahisht-e-Zainab graveyard passing through Alamdar road, Toghri road, Taj Muhammad Road and Sara-e-Namak.

The other procession would be taken out in Hazara town area.

Extraordinary arrangements have been made for security of the processions to be taken out in the metropolitan.

The roads and passages leading to the route of processions would be sealed for routine movement of the traffic in the relevant areas.

Tarar launches operation clean up on PTV, axes 25 shows

ISLAMABAD (APP): Minister for Information, Broadcasting, Culture and National Heritage

Attaulah Tarar has launched a comprehensive overhaul of Pakistan Television (PTV), "shutting down 25 low-rating shows" and introducing a new policy aimed at promoting openness, professionalism and constructive criticism.

According to a news report published by a local daily on Sunday, the minister had vowed to root out "sifarishi culture, incompetence and fake news" on PTV.

Tarar said this is just the beginning of the "Operation Clean Up" initiative.

The report said the minister had faced resistance from "vested interests and mafias but remains resolute in his mission to transform PTV".

The minister has announced the recruitment of professional anchors and producers, while warning that fake and incompetent staff would be sent packing.



LAHORE: Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif chairs a meeting regarding the closing down of the Public Works Department.

We have capability to come out of every type of crises & determined for bright future with new spirit: Governor

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QUETTA: The Governor Balochistan, Sheikh Jaffar Khan Mandokhail has stated that we have the excellent history of undergoing dangers and have the capability of coming out of every type of crises.

We are determined for the bright and sovereign future with new spirit and valour.

The Governor said that there comes the ups and downs in the life of individuals, institutions and nations.

He stressed that we have to prove with participation of youth that we have strong nerves. We have the excellent history of experiencing dangers and as such also have the capability to come out of the crises.

He said that he fully realizes the prevailing economic mess, chaos, unemployment and lack of mutual unity and consensus. But we are united in search of the bright future even in the unfavourable circumstances and hardships, he added.

He said that we all know that life is not a straight line at all, but it is a tough journey at the individual or level of nation, which is affected from the ups and downs.

However, as a nation, we have faced the challenges and hardships of our own part.

Therefore, it is necessary that we should use our political and economic crises as the opportunities of moving forward and taking all along.

The Governor made it clear that we can get guarantee of the economic and political stability after increasing the public rights and authority.

Meanwhile, the spokesman of provincial government, Shahid Rind said that we have reports of 11 casualties and 33 injuries caused in the bus accident till Sunday noon.

He said that the district administration is engaged in making the rescue activities effective.

The spokesman said that seven seriously injured passengers were shifted to the district headquarter hospital Uthal while 26 injured shifted to Jam Ghulam Qadir hospital Hub.

He said that condition of few injured is stated to be critical. However, all the injured are being provided necessary medical treatment.

The district administration Gwadar said that the initiative has been taken to bring improvement in the traveling facilities of zayreen. So, zayreen may avoid from the unnecessary travel till further orders, it was asked in the notification issued by the district administration of Gwadar.

Needless to mention here is that a passenger coach carrying some 70 zayreen from Gwadar bordering area to Punjab met fatal accident that claimed lives of 11 and left some 33 injured, on Sunday morning.



QUETTA: All Pakistan Anjuman Tajran Central President, Ajmal Baloch, Balochistan Provincial President Abdul Rahim Kakar and others addressing a Press conference at Quetta press club.

PM sets one-month deadline for govt offices to switch to paperless system

Reviews legal aspects, final stages of PakPWD closure

ISLAMABAD (APP): Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif on Sunday assigned the Ministry for Information Technology and other relevant departments, the task of implementing the e-office system in all government offices.

Directing to ensure paperless office work within a month, the prime minister warned that delay in the implementation of e-office in government offices would not be tolerated.

"There should be no file work without e-office in the government offices from next month," the prime minister said adding that implementation of e-office to speed up transparency in the system was the top priority of the government.

He further directed that all the officers in the government offices should ensure file work through e-offices.

On the direction of the prime minister, the staff of the PM Office has already completed the e-office training.

Last week the prime minister also received the files through e-office system.

PM Shehbaz said that the e-office was an important step towards improving governance and promoting digitization in the country.

He also directed to present a report on the progress of launching e-office in next two weeks.

Meanwhile Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif on Sunday chaired a meeting to review the legal aspects and final procedures regarding the closing down of the Pak Public Works Department

(PakPWD). The prime minister directed that the financial package for employees who will be laid off due to the dissolution will not be applicable to those who have been proven guilty of serious corruption charges.

PM Shehbaz Sharif also instructed that the final plan for transferring ongoing projects under the PakPWD to provinces and relevant departments should be presented soon.

He further directed that all final recommendations regarding the closure of the PakPWD should be presented to the cabinet.

The prime minister also ordered the implementation of the age relaxation proposal to re-employ hardworking and honest individuals with short period of employment in the PakPWD.



CAIRO: Federal Minister for Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony Chaudhry Salik Hussain attending an International Conference on role of women in building awareness.

Pakistan invites Indian PM to visit for SCO summit in October

ISLAMABAD (INP): Pakistan on Sunday officially extended an invitation to Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi to attend the upcoming Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) summit in October. According to diplomatic sources, the invitation was sent as part of the preparations for the SCO meeting, where the heads of state from member countries have been invited.

The sources further confirmed that formal invitation letters have been dispatched to the respective high commissions and embassies of the member states.

The SCO summit is expected to bring together leaders from member countries to discuss various regional and international issues, with the potential to pave the way for renewed dialogue and cooperation.

Salik Hussain highlights role of women in building awareness

CAIRO (Online): Federal Minister for Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony Chaudhry Salik Hussain has emphasized the transformative role of women in building awareness across religious, cultural, societal, and familial domains.

The federal minister was addressing the 35th International Conference on the role of women in building awareness in Cairo, Egypt on Saturday.

Chaudhry Salik Hussain highlighted women's significant role in addressing contemporary issues such as religious intolerance and promoting global peace.

"As we continue to advocate for gender equality and empower women, we must recognize their achievements, ensuring their voices and efforts are valued," he added. He asserted to empower women for leadership roles and added: we not only honour their contributions but also enhance the inclusivity and depth of religious discourse, the federal minister added.

He stated that as we gather at this forum, our exploration of conference theme will delve into four critical areas where women have been and continue to be pivotal including religious awareness, cultural awareness, societal services, and the nurturing of family and child development.

Two killed, nine injured in armed clashes in Karachi's Golimar

Monitoring Desk

KARACHI: At least two people were killed and nine others wounded in deadly clashes between two groups in Karachi's Golimar area on Sunday, a private tv channel reported citing police personnel.

The casualties resulted when two armed groups opened fire on each other, with some angry members setting various vehicles on fire

and blocking both lanes of the main artery leading to Nazimabad from Lasbela.

Confirming the number of fatalities, Chief Police Surgeon Dr Sumaiyya Syed stated that one body was taken to Abbasi Shaheed Hospital and the other to Dr Ruth Pfau Civil Hospital, while the injured were being treated at Jinnah Postgraduate Medical Centre (JPMC).

