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Global peace without end to Gaza bloodshed out of question: PM

Calls for collective global collaboration in realms of AI, education, health to overcome present-day challenges



RIYADH (APP): Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif on Tuesday highlighted the importance of deep-rooted brotherly relations between Pakistan and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, appreciated Kingdom's support for the economic revival and stability.

rooted in resilience and shared prosperity," the prime minister said during his address at the plenary session of the 8th edition of two-day Future Investment Initiative (FII) held here.

The prime minister said that he was elated to share that Pakistan, too, was on a transformative journey; a journey of resilience, sacrifice, and a relentless pursuit of stability and growth.

Attended by global leaders, this year's FII is themed "Infinite Horizons: Investing Today, Shaping Tomorrow" and focuses on global investments aimed at addressing major issues such as artificial intelligence, robotics, education, energy, space, finance, healthcare, and sustainability.

The participating countries engage in the dialogue for the promotion of investment and a sustainable future while highlighting the strength of their respective economies.

The FII conference featured discussions on artificial intelligence, robotics, education, energy, space, public health, and challenges, confronting sustainable development. The prime minister, citing future course, said **Continued on page 2**

He said that no nation could overcome today's challenges alone and no single country could harness the potential of tomorrow without the support of others.

"Pakistan stands ready to join those who dare to dream big. We invite you to invest, to bring your expertise and creativity to Pakistan, as we build a future,



QUETTA: A delegation of PML-N MPAs led by Provincial Minister Mir Saleem Khosa meeting with Balochistan Chief Minister Mir Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti.

Sarfraz Bugti condemns Paroom firing incident: Terrorists opponent of dev. & peace, followers of anti state elements: CM

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QUETTA: The Chief Minister Balochistan, Mir Sarfraz Bugti has condemned the incident of firing in Paroom area of Panjgur.

In a condemnation statement issued here on Tuesday, the Chief Minister said that the incident of terrorism is unforgivable and condemnable.

He said that the terrorists are opponents of the development and peace and are the followers of anti-state elements.

The Chief Minister also said that peace and development is just irritating the enemies.

However, the terrorists can never get success

in their nefarious designs. While slamming the terrorism act, Mir Sarfraz Bugti said that terrorists are cowards, who targeted the innocent persons in the darkness of night.

He said that the terrorists would not be spared and they have to be accountable for the bloodshed of the innocent people.

He asserted that the terrorists involved in the incident would be taken to task. The Chief Minister expressed sorrow with the bereaved families of the martyrs. He also prayed that may Allah Almighty give the bereaved families enough strength and patience to bear the loss of precious lives.



ISLAMABAD: Acting President BNP-Mengal Sajid Tareen Advocate, Former federal Minister Agha Hassan Baloch and former MNA Mir Muhammad Hashim Notezai addressing a Press Conference at NPC.

Sajid Tareen says: Senators Ranjho, Naseema expelled from BNP-Mengal for violating party policy

ISLAMABAD / QUETTA (Online) - Sajid Tareen Advocate, the acting central president of the Balochistan National Party (BNP), announced the expulsion of Senators Qasim Ranjho and Naseema Ehsan Shah from the party due to their violation of party policy and support for a controversial constitutional bill.

During a press conference at the Islamabad Press

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Cop martyred; 3 terrorists killed in polio team attack in Orakzai

PESHAWAR (APP): In an attack on police, escorting an anti-polio team in Upper Orakzai on Tuesday, a policeman was martyred while three of the terrorists were eliminated in retaliatory firing by the Frontier Corps.

SDPO, Upper Orakzai, Muhammad Rahim said the incident took place in Dabori Badan area of Upper Orakzai where terrorists attacked an anti-polio team, and martyred a policeman, Sayyed Hameed. Another cop, Muzammil sustained bullet injury in the attack. The injured cop was shifted to DHQ Hospital Orakzai by the police.

However, the jawans of Frontier Corps swiftly responded to the attack and eliminated three of the terrorists and arrested another in injured condition.

Pak-Iran border opened for 45-day thanks to Governor

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QUETTA: In a significant development, the Pak-Iran border has been opened after a long time at Taftan thanks to the untiring efforts made by the Governor Balochistan, Jaffar Khan Mandokhail.

According to an official handout issued here on Tuesday, the Governor Balochistan was making endeavours for opening the Taftan border. And now the border has been opened for 45 days, mentioned in the official release.

The very initiative has won the hearts of people especially the traders community and zayreen.

They have also thanked the Governor from core of their hearts.



RIYADH: Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif met the Crown Prince and Prime Minister of Saudi Arabia His Royal Highness Mohammed bin Salman on the sidelines of Future Investment Initiative Forum.

COAS reiterates Pakistan's commitment to strengthening traditional defense ties with Russia

RAWALPINDI (Online): Colonel General Alexander V. Fomin, Deputy Minister of Defence of the Russian Federation, met General Syed Asim Munir, NI (M), Chief of Army Staff (COAS) at the General Headquarters (GHQ) today.

The meeting addressed the regional security environment and matters of mutual interest, including the enhancement of bilateral defense and security cooperation.

COAS reiterated Pakistan's commitment to strengthening traditional defense ties with Russia, while both sides affirmed their dedication to bolstering collaboration in various

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QUETTA: Balochistan Governor Jaffar Khan Mandokhail in a group photo with members during 12th Senate session of BUTEMTS.

Governor Balochistan says: Govt ready to set new avenues of future, move on path of scientific development

Mandokhail insists we have to decide in all public sector universities keeping in view modern requirements and needs of 21st century

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QUETTA: The Governor Balochistan, Sheikh Jaffar Khan Mandokhail has stated that we have to make decision in all public sector universities keeping in view the modern requirements and needs of the 21st century that which departments and faculties are to be closed and which new ones are to be introduced

there. This wise initiative would not only increase our relevancy but it would also promote mutual understanding between the academy and market while adopting new changes.

This means that we are ready to set new avenues of future, move on the passage of scientific development and empower our future builders.

The Governor was chairing the 12th Senate meeting of Balochistan University of Information Technology, Engineering and Management Sciences (BUTEMTS) here on Tuesday. Those who were present in the meeting were

Gas companies seek up to 53% price hike from July 2024

ISLAMABAD (INP): Another inflationary blow seems imminent as gas companies have requested to increase Sui gas prices by up to 53%, effective from July 1, 2024.

Sui gas prices are expected to rise by 53.47% for Sindh and Balochistan, while for Punjab, Islamabad, and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, the proposed increase is 3.66%.

The Sui gas companies have submitted their applications to the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) to increase the gas prices from the back date.

Sui Northern has proposed an average price increase of Rs 64.16 per MMBTU, raising the average rate to Rs 1,810.38 per MMBTU.

PM Shehbaz lauds KSA's support for economic revival

Pakistan, Saudi Arabia to enhance bilateral trade, investment

RIYADH (APP): Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif on Tuesday highlighted the importance of deep-rooted brotherly relations between Pakistan and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, appreciated Kingdom's support for the economic revival and stability.

The prime minister met with Crown Prince and the Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia Prince Mohammed bin Salman Al-Saud on the sidelines of the eighth session of the Future Investment Initiative (FII) in Riyadh, PM Office Media Wing said in a press release.

The two leaders took stock of the ongoing bilateral engagements, especially in follow up to the decisions taken in previous high-level meetings held in Makkah and Riyadh in April.

Apprising the crown prince on the government of Pakistan's economic, institutional and policy reforms agenda, the prime minister said that the Kingdom had a central role in Pakistan's future economic plans. The prime minister appreciated Kingdom's efforts to promote regional peace and stability in the Middle East and reiterated Pakistan's unwavering commitment to stand by the Kingdom in these efforts.



RAWALPINDI: Chief of Army Staff (COAS), General Syed Asim Munir exchanging views with Colonel General Aleksandr V. Fomin, Deputy Defence Minister of the Russian Federation during meeting held at General Headquarters (GHQ) in Rawalpindi.

Five labourers killed, two others injured in terrorists attack at Paroom dam

President, PM condemn terrorist attack on workers at Panjgur dam site

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QUETTA: Five workers were ambushed to death and two others got injured in terrorists attack at the dam in Paroom area of Panjgur in wee hours of Tuesday.

The spokesman of provincial government, Shahid Rind confirmed that five workers engaged in the look after work of the dam in Paroom were killed while

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DPM Dar says: Pakistan committed to CPEC-II to deepen agri, industrial cooperation

ISLAMABAD (APP): Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister Senator Ishaq Dar on Tuesday calling the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) a "wonderful gift" of China to Pakistan, said that his country was committed to taking the project to the next level to deepen cooperation in the fields of agriculture, industrialization, renewable

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energy and others. The deputy prime minister in his remarks at the International Conference "China at 75: A Journey of Progress, Transformation and Global Leadership" said that being the symbol of China-Pakistan cooperation, CPEC helped uplift the country's energy

Independent group's Rauf Atta elected president of SCBA

SC bar elects best person as its President: Atta Tarar

QUETTA / ISLAMABAD (Online): In the annual elections of the Supreme Court Bar Association, Mian Rauf Atta Advocate of the Independent Group, backed by Asma Jahangir's faction, emerged victorious over Munir Ahmed Kakar Advocate of the Professional Group led by Hamid Khan. Polling took place across the country, including in Quetta on Tuesday.

According to unofficial results, Mian Rauf Atta Advocate secured 1,270 votes, clinching the position of SCBA President, while Munir Ahmed Kakar received 1,155 votes. Rauf Atta Advocate received backing from political entities including Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam, Pakistan Muslim League (N), and Pakistan People's Party.

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QUETTA: Provincial Minister for Health Bkhat Muhammad Kakar inaugurates ICU Cardiac Surgery at Civil Hospital.

Minister Health inaugurates Cardiac Surgery's ICU in Sandeman Hospital

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QUETTA: The Provincial Minister for Health, Bkhat Muhammad Kakar inaugurated the Cardiac Surgery Intensive Care Unit (ICU) established in the Sandeman Provincial Headquarter Hospital here on Tuesday.

The Medical Superintendent of Sandeman Hospital, Dr. Noorullah Musakhail, cardiologist from USA, Dr. Usman, Chief of Tarqeeq Foundation, Amjad Rasheed, provincial Head of Alfalah Bank, Sanaullah and other concerned high ups were

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present on the occasion. It may be mentioned here that the repair and renovation of the Cardiac Surgery ICU was done by the Tarqeeq Foundation and Alfalah Bank.

Addressing the ceremony, Provincial Minister said that it is our priority to facilitate the patients in hospitals by extending them all necessary healthcare facilities there. He appreciated the role of Tarqeeq Foundation and Bank Alfalah in improving the healthcare facilities in the hospitals.



QUETTA: Balochistan Chief Secretary Shakeel Qadir Khan addressing the Commissioners and Deputy Commissioners Conference.

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Regional trade

Finance Minister Muhammad Aurangzeb was correct in saying that not trading with your neighbours makes little sense. In Pakistan's context, trade with regional states is negligible, and South Asia remains one of the least integrated regions in the world.

Indeed, trade can be a key conduit to bring states closer and reduce tensions and conflict. But in Pakistan's case, the biggest obstacle standing in the way of greater regional commerce is its long-time strained relationship with India.

The ruling PML-N, with its 'pro-business' outlook, has historically always argued for better trade ties with India. Both the prime minister and the foreign minister have earlier expressed the desire to improve trade ties with our eastern neighbour.

For example, despite the elected leadership's enthusiasm for trade with India, the Foreign Office had clarified in August that normalisation of commercial ties with Delhi was not on the agenda.

For its own economic interests, Pakistan should trade with India, Afghanistan, Iran and all other regional states. With reference to India, though it is the larger economy, cross-border trade can offer Pakistani businesses new markets in India, while Delhi can tap Central Asian markets by transiting through Pakistan.

It remains to be seen whether hardliners in the Indian capital would be willing to resume trade with Pakistan, while powerful quarters in this country must also be on board for cross-border trade to succeed.

Sentinels of Peace: Forces' selfless contributions in Balochistan

By Syed Farooq Shah

Introduction: Balochistan, Pakistan's largest province, has faced numerous challenges, including terrorism, poverty, and infrastructure deficiencies. Amidst these difficulties, the Pakistan Armed Forces and Frontier Corps (FC) Balochistan have emerged as beacons of hope, rendering invaluable services to the people.

- Health Services
1. Medical Camps: Forces have established free medical camps, providing essential healthcare to remote and underserved populations.
2. Hospital Upgrades: Military hospitals have been renovated, enhancing healthcare infrastructure and services.

- 3. Vocational Training: Forces provide vocational training, empowering locals with skills for economic empowerment.
4. Women Empowerment: Forces support women's empowerment initiatives, promoting education and economic independence.

- Environmental Conservation and Waste Management
The Pakistan Armed Forces and FC Balochistan prioritize environmental conservation and waste management, ensuring a cleaner and healthier Balochistan.

- Sports and Culture
1. Sports Promotion: Forces promote sports, encouraging youth participation.
2. Cultural Events: Forces organize cultural events, preserving Balochistan's heritage.

- Conclusion
Here is the conclusion: The Pakistan Armed Forces and FC Balochistan have redefined their role, transcending traditional security responsibilities.

Creating effective awareness among people against polio diseases essential

By Farah Naz

Central and provincial governments are being taken practical measures to prevent increasing cases of polio which was reported to enhance in the country including Balochistan.

In this regard, it is necessary to create effective awareness among people against polio diseases so that parents would cooperate with formed polio teams

for administering anti polio drops to their childrens to save them from crippling during polio drive in respective areas of the country including Balochistan.

Although, government along with health teams are making efforts to eliminate polio virus but it was responsibility of all stakeholders, scholars and general public to convey refusal

Pakistan reported another polio case, increasing the overall tally to 41 in

2024, an official from the health ministry said. An official from the Regional Reference Laboratory for Polio Eradication at the National Institute of Health (NIH) confirmed the detection of type 1 wild polio virus in a child from Loralai district of the country's southwest Balochistan province.

from Balochistan, 12 from southern Sindh province, six from northwest Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and one each from eastern Punjab and federal Islamabad, mentioned official.

“Balochistan is facing an intense transmission of wild poliovirus type 1 this year. While this is the first case from Loralai of the year, four consecutive sewage samples have tested positive from the district since June, indicating that the virus is circulating there,” the NIH official said.

Imbalance of power

Dr Niaz Murtaza

Power is a double-edged sword. It corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely. But it produces order as well. Without power, there is chaos. Eschewing absolute power in the hands of a few, the sages suggest a balance of power with checks and balances, one that is diffused vertically and horizontally among state organs.

But we have long blithely ignored such wisdom. The 2008-18 era had witnessed progress. But the last two years under the PML-N/PPP have seen a huge reversal of this progress, with power illegitimately sucked upwards vertically and inwards horizontally.

We had earlier devalued power. Sadly, local bodies today are even more in a state of limbo than previously. Even the provinces have lost powers they had won via the 18th Amendment, due to fiscal cuts, court verdicts and the informal sway of an omnipotent centre.

It remains to be seen whether hardliners in the Indian capital would be willing to resume trade with Pakistan, while powerful quarters in this country must also be on board for cross-border trade to succeed.

We now see autonomous entities being defanged: the ECP and NAB earlier and the higher courts now in the name of parliamentary, but in reality executive, sway. In parliamentary systems, executives come from parliaments. So, it's easy to confuse the executive and parliamentary dominance. True parliamentary sway in hiring judges means legislators in cabinets, not sitting in appointing committees,

some judges misused the informal space. We are sadly back to that system. But the fruits of limited formal freedom will surely emerge once able judges hired in the high courts via the 19th Amendment adorn the judicial leadership. Six such judges have already shown unprecedented guts in their recent letter against the agencies, which many say spurred the apex court's judges to rule rightly against regime interests on reserved seats. So, the courts are being chained not for old wrongs but present resolve.

This sucking of power upwards and inwards should mean a muscular, omnipotent executive in Islamabad. Oddly, we see an emaciated one. Where did all the inflow of power go? Wise ones talk in hushed tones of the establishment.

This then is our power (im)balance: top-stuffed, illegitimate and opaque. Diverse and autarkic groups in large and complex states chafe at such power traits and pursue legal, peaceful avenues against them.

But they are all being shut with courts defanged, parliament disabled, media silenced and protests crushed. Unfortunately, in this case, legitimate gripes erupt in ugly forms: crime, mob rage attacks or terrorism. Nearby Sri Lanka and Bangladesh have shown the power of huge upheaval. Earlier years showed our struggles in conflict despite armed power, even against ragtag militants. The future will show if our muscles can curb upheaval. The right way lies in renewing power legitimacy and diffusion. But when power lies elsewhere, more sensible and complex ways evade rulers quite easily. -- Courtesy Dawn

Essential judgments

Parvez Rahim

While almost all employers in Pakistan engage third-party contractors to carry out some or most of their work, many are not aware as to what type of work they can safely contract out and how the job will be managed administratively.

Human resource professionals had believed that core jobs in the office or factory operations should not be assigned to contractors' employees. Such jobs required constant supervision by the company's staff, which provided an opportunity for the contractors' employees to claim the status of the principal employer's workers.

However, due to a spate of Supreme Court judgments, employers now feel it has become risky to outsource even support services. The provisions of the draft labour codes have triggered caution because they state that permanent jobs cannot be contracted out. Nevertheless, a perusal of three SC judgments, since the 2013 landmark judgment in the Fauji Fertiliser Company (FFC) case, reveals that none of them bars ancillary services' outsourcing. These judgments establish the principle that employees hired through contractors and working with the company's own staff under the same supervision are the latter's employees and not the contractor's.

In a landmark SC judgment on May 16, 2013, then chief justice Iftikhar Chaudhry confirmed the status of 112

workers of the bagging and loading section as FFC's employees and not of the contractor. The reasons were valid: 1) The authority to hire and fire, including settlement of wages and benefits of the contractor's workers rested with the company; 2) their work was supervised, controlled and looked after by the in-charge of the bagging department and his subordinate staff/supervisors; 3) these workers had been continuously in the employment of the company for a long time; 4) they were also responsible for cleaning the machines and floors.

Prior to the judgment, this case had been pending in the lower courts for over two decades. FFC had purchased a plant at Mirpur Mathelo in Sindh from the Pak-Saudi Fertiliser Company, a state enterprise. The intention was to manage the plant professionally. But erasing irregular practices required time.

The bagging and loading section was considered the most manpower-intensive area in a fertiliser plant. Another fertiliser plant of an American company at Daharki where I worked till 1982 was grappling with a similar situation. It was acquired by the Engro Fertiliser Company. When I visited it more than two decades later, I was amazed to see that the huge bagging and shipping area was now fully automated. Even the loading of urea bags on trucks was mechanised.

In the second SC judgment on Dec 8, 2017, a three-judge bench headed by chief justice Mian Saqib Nisar regularised the services of 210 employees at Pakistan State Oil. During the hearing, the top judge observed that unfortunately, companies, including large enterprises, do not regularise their employees. In fact, the hiring was carried out through the contractor. The court also noted that it was sad that companies do not bother to own their workers. Instead of granting workers their rights, the companies file cases to avoid doing so.

IDEAS 2024 to strengthen Pak strategic relationship with int'l partners: CM Murad

KARACHI (APP): Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah has said that the International Defense Exhibition and Seminar—IDEAS 2024 would not only strengthen Pakistan's strategic relationships with international partners but would also enhance commercial exchanges among delegates, trade visitors, defense officials, and OEMs from across Pakistan and around the globe.

He said this while addressing the 3rd Steering Committee meeting of the 12th Edition of the International Defense Exhibition and Seminar—IDEAS 2024.

Provincial ministers, Major General Asad

Nawaz Khan Hilal-i-Imtiaz (Military), DG DEPO, Chief Secretary Asif Hyder Shah, representatives from federal ministries, the Sindh government, the Armed Forces of Pakistan, law enforcement agencies, and others attended the meeting.

Shah convened the meeting to finalize the comprehensive plans for the upcoming 12th edition of the International Defense Exhibition and Seminar—IDEAS 2024. IDEAS 2024 is set to take place from November 19 to 22 at the Karachi Expo Centre. Shah said, "IDEAS has, since its inception in 2000, become a hallmark of the national and international defense industry."

He added that this biennial event has steadily evolved into a renowned gathering, showcasing state-of-the-art technology and fostering knowledge exchange within Pakistan and beyond.

The CM said that IDEAS is now recognized worldwide, a testament to the deep-rooted and mutually beneficial relationships we maintain with our international partners.

"It provides a shared platform dedicated to advancing global peace, stability, and prosperity, bringing together foreign delegates, defense manufacturers, and thought leaders to discuss today's defense and security challenges," he said.



KARACHI: Sindh Chief Minister, Syed Murad Ali Shah presides over the 3rd Steering Committee meeting for the 12th Edition of the International Defence Exhibition and Seminar (IDEAS-2024), held at CM House in Karachi.

Governor Punjab credits President Zardari for stable coalition govt in country

RAWALPINDI (APP): Governor Punjab Sardar Saleem Haider Khan has said that positive criticism was meant for improvement of the government's performance. He credited President Asif Ali Zardari for a stable current coalition government.

"Pakistan People's Party always plays its positive role when the country faces challenges of national integrity and dignity", he said and added that the credit goes to President Asif Ali Zardari for present stable coalition government. The governor remarked this during his address at the 8th annual session of Ghulam Rabbani

Qureshi Welfare Foundation (GRQWF) in Kahuta here Tuesday.

He said that education and health were the responsibility of the government, but unfortunately, the past governments did not pay attention to it. He further said that government owned schools should not be privatized.

"Where there is a shortage of staff, the government should fill this shortage", he maintained.

Appreciating the dialysis center and the health facility being provided to the poor by the GRQWF in Kahuta, the governor said that people should come ahead

to serve the needy segments of the society. He said that the poor are treated free of cost in Sindh province. He informed the audience that a dialysis center would soon be established at Tehsil Hospital Pindi Gheb, Attock. A large number of people including former federal minister Mehreen Anwar Raja and former MNA Ghulam Murtaza Sati participated in the ceremony.

The Governor Punjab visited Al-Fateh Women Vocational Free Technical Center, Computer Lab, Laboratory, Free Kidney and Dialysis Center and other departments established in GRQWF.

Kundi for promotion of merged districts

PESHAWAR (APP): Governor Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Faisal Karim Kundi on Tuesday urged the development of a comprehensive operational proposal to attract donor funding, highlighting that the Red Crescent should actively engage in fostering interest among potential donors regarding the merged districts.

He said this in a meeting of the Pakistan Red Crescent Society (PRCS) merged districts chapter was convened at the Governor's House.

The meeting included participation from the chairman, Imran Wazir, Vice President Farzand Wazir, members of the managing committee, and various officials.

During the session, comprehensive briefings were provided on the objectives, duties, financial

management, and administrative matters of the merged districts branch.

Key discussions focused on the availability of relief supplies for natural disaster response, annual income and expenditures, securing funds from donors, and the importance of volunteer services.

Governor Kundi emphasized the effective use of PRCS-managed properties and the necessity of utilizing funds responsibly.

He also stressed the need for accurate reporting on bank rates related to the funds for the merged districts.

He said that various donor countries are keen to work in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and the Red Crescent must promote the areas of work effectively.



PESHAWAR: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Governor Faisal Karim Kundi presides over the meeting of Pakistan Red Crescent Society Merged Districts Branch at Governor House.

Opposition decries worsening law, order situation in merged areas, demand to convene APC

PESHAWAR (APP): Opposition parties in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly on Tuesday demanded to convene All Parties Conference (APC) to ponder over the deteriorating law and order situation in merged areas and to address feelings of insecurity among people.

The proceedings of the day were presided over by Muhammad Idrees of Panel of Chairman. Opposition benches demanded convening of APC to deliberate over law and order situation while treasury benches stressed to form a full house committee to assess the situation. Parliamentary leader of Awami National

Party, Arbab Usman said that incidents of insurgency had been increased in merged districts during last two months and writ of government was being challenged time and time again. He suggested a meeting of APC and a visit of parliamentarians to meet members of affected families and express solidarity with them.

He also questioned delay in investigation of attack on Bara Check Post and said that compensation amount should be paid to heirs of martyred. Ahmad Kundi of PPP said that insurgency was not confined to district Khyber but whole province is affected by these incidents.

KP Assembly passes DDACs KP Amendment Bill 2024

PESHAWAR (APP): The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly with panel Chairman Muhammad Idrees Khan here on Tuesday passed the KP Districts Advisory Committee Amendment Bill 2024.

The Bill pertaining to giving DDAC Chairmanship to Members National Assembly, was approved by majority members of the House. The Bill was presented by Provincial Minister Arshad Ayub.

The KP Assembly also passed Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Govt Rest Houses Tourism Properties (Development, Management and Regulation) Amendment Bill 2024.

The Bill was aimed for better utilization of the government rest houses for facilitation of tourists.

Swedish envoy, CM agrees to strengthen cooperation

LAHORE (APP): Swedish Ambassador to Pakistan Alexandra Berg von Linde called on Punjab Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif here on Tuesday.

The meeting explored avenues for strengthening bilateral relations. The discussions focused on potential collaboration in various sectors, including education, health, IT, agriculture, trade, and environmental sustainability, with an emphasis on creating a

conducive investment climate in Punjab.

CM Maryam Nawaz emphasized a strong focus on agriculture and support for farmers, stating, "There is a favorable environment for investment in Punjab." She assured investors that they can invest in the province without fear of risk. The Swedish ambassador commended the Punjab government's initiatives to protect minority and women's rights.

Police foil attack on polio team

KOHAH (APP): The terrorists, riding on motorcycle, Tuesday attacked a polio team in Daraywal Banda area which was foiled by the police.

The attacker abandoned the motorcycle and mobile phone at the scene and escaped, the police spokesman said.

District Police Officer (DPO), Muhammad Umar Khan reached the spot immediately.

A heavy police force cordoned off the area and started search operation to trace the culprits.



LAHORE: Punjab Minister for Minority Affairs Ramesh Singh Arora distributing certificates amongst the students during annual convocation.

Minister attends 25th COTHM convocation

LAHORE (APP): COTHM (Global UK) organised its annual 25th convocation on Tuesday at Golden Pearl Hall, Faletti's Hotel, in which Provincial Minister for Minorities Affairs Ramesh Singh Arora participated as the chief guest.

A large number of students of various programmes, including hospitality, culinary arts, baking & patisserie and travel & tourism management were awarded appreciation certificates and medals. In his address, Ramesh Singh Arora congratulated all graduating students, emphasising that their achievements are a result of their hard work, prayers of their parents,

and the blessings of Allah.

He lauded the role of COTHM in leading the youth towards economic empowerment through meaningful education and training. He said that COTHM does not just prepare graduates equipped with market-driven skills but also produces graduates who are able to discover their own identity and serve the hospitality, travel and tourism industry in true sense of the word.

He remarked that COTHM graduates are equipped with market-driven skills and are prepared to make significant contributions to the hospitality, travel, and tourism industry.

Home minister orders intensified security of foreign nationals in Sindh

KARACHI (APP): Sindh Home Minister Zia-ul-Hasan Lanjar on Tuesday said that the security of Chinese citizens associated with China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) and non-CPEC projects should be made more exceptional with the support of the Sindh government.

Zia-ul-Hasan Lanjar ordered scheduled meetings with all chambers, representatives of industrial zones and others regarding the security of foreign experts and staff working on non-CPEC projects in the province.

He said that the overall security issues of foreign and Chinese nationals working on CPEC and non-CPEC projects should be made more exceptional with the support of the Sindh government.

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High-level delegation from US, Canada and AKU visits KIU

GILGIT (APP): A high-level delegation from the United States, Canada, and Aga Khan University (AKU) visited the Karakoram International University (KIU) here Tuesday. The delegation met with the Vice Chancellor of KIU, Professor Dr. Attaullah Shah and discussed potential collaboration in promoting higher education and research.

During the meeting, the importance of joint efforts in enhancing educational frameworks and research initiatives was discussed. The delegation expressed its commitment to exploring possible partnerships that would benefit both students and faculty, promoting academic excellence and creating a conducive learning environment.



LAHORE: Punjab Minister for Housing and Urban Planning Bilal Yaseen being briefed by DG LDA Tahir Farooq regarding re-modeling of Thokar Entry Point.

Fostering inter-religious harmony CS KP emphasizes collective responsibility of communities

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PESHAWAR: Chief Secretary (CS) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Nadeem Aslam Chaudhry here on Tuesday emphasized collective responsibility of all the communities in fostering inter-religious harmony and said that Islam teaches us to respect all religions and their followers.

He was chairing a meeting of Provincial Interfaith Harmony Committee at the Civil Secretariat. The meeting was also attended by prominent religious figures including Chief Khateeb Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, as well as representatives

from Christian, Hindu, Sikh, Bahá'í and Kalash communities. Senior officials from relevant government departments and law enforcement agencies were also in attendance.

Addressing the meeting, the Chief Secretary said that interfaith harmony and brotherhood were imperative in today's world and we must unite as one nation to play our part in the country's development through mutual respect and love. The meeting was also briefed about interfaith harmony initiatives and challenges at the district level.

KP Govt forms body to appoint VCs in universities

PESHAWAR (APP): The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government has formed Academic Search Committee to appoint Vice Chancellors in public sector universities of the province.

A notification issued said that Professor Abdullah Malik had been appointed as the convener of committee while the other members included Anwar-ul-Hasan Gilani, Muhammad Aslam Baig and Dr Sara Safdar while the secretary of higher education department had been appointed as secretary of the committee.

EU delegation meets Sindh PA Speaker

KARACHI (APP): Head of European Union Mission to Pakistan Jeroen Willems called on Speaker Sindh Assembly Syed Awais Qadir Shah here on Tuesday. Jeroen was accompanied by Huma Ikramullah, Provincial Coordinator for "Mustehkam Parlmaan", and Barbara from the European Union.

Speaker Awais Qadir Shah welcomed the European Union delegation to the Sindh Assembly.

Matters of mutual interest, including capacity building of the Provincial Assembly of Sindh, parliamentarians, Causes, committees and officers, were discussed during the meeting.

Strategic plans for

2024-2029 were also deliberated, focusing on how the European Union and the Provincial Assembly of Sindh can collaborate to ensure effective implementation.

Important issues such as the Internship Program, E-Parliament Program, and Inter-Parliamentary Exchange Programs were also part of the discussion.

The European Union delegation thanked Speaker Syed Awais Qadir Shah for his time and valuable input during the meeting.

Speaker Syed Awais Qadir Shah expressed his gratitude to the European Union for its efforts toward the welfare of the people of Pakistan and for being a steadfast partner to the country.



LAHORE: Participants are holding Breast Cancer Awareness Walk organized by Lahore Press Club Administration, held in Lahore.

PITB, Al-Khidmat signs MoU

LAHORE (APP): The Punjab Information Technology Board (PITB) and Al-Khidmat Foundation Pakistan have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to empower women with digital and entrepreneurial skills. In this regard, an Al-Khidmat Foundation delegation visited PITB Chairman Faisal Yousaf, marking a significant step towards fostering inclusive growth within Pakistan's digital ecosystem.

PITB Director General (DG) e-Governance Sajid Latif and Al-Khidmat Foundation Lahore President Engr Ahmad Hamid Rashid signed the MoU on behalf of their respective

organizations. Key participants included PITB Director Skills Development Chaudhary Ahmad Islam, Al-Khidmat's Director BanoQabil Program Lahore Dr. Usman Afzal, and Regional Head VMD Al-Khidmat Foundation Lahore Moawiz Bin Tahir.

As part of the MoU, PITB will provide Al-Khidmat Foundation with a database of high-achieving and deserving female students from its SheWins program. Al-Khidmat Foundation will support these students by offering interest-free financing for essential digital tools, including laptops and mobile phones.

Five die, 2 injured in Mansehra road mishap

PESHAWAR (APP): At least five people were killed and two others injured when a passenger coaster overturned in Mansehra on Tuesday.

Local police said the passenger coaster, on its way to Rawalpindi from Gilgit overturned at Kalgan Mor in the Gandhian area, killing four passengers at the scene and injuring three others. The Rescue 1122 team shifted the injured to King Abdullah Hospital in Mansehra where one of the injured succumbed to his injuries. Police said slippery road conditions caused the road mishap. The rescue workers later removed the coaster from the road, clearing it for vehicular traffic.



LAHORE: Lawyers gather for cast their votes on occasion of Annual Election of Supreme Court Bar Association 2024-25, held at Supreme Court Registry Building in Lahore.

Smog engulfs Multan, disrupts routine life

MULTAN (APP): Early morning smog blanketed Multan and surrounding areas, intensifying pollution and disrupting daily life. According to Deputy Director Meteorological Department, Muhammad Arshad, the smog index hit 226 on Tuesday, with a further rise expected over the next two weeks. He also dismissed the chance of rainfall, which could have helped clear the air. Public hospitals in Multan report a sharp increase in patients.



PESHAWAR: Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) Central Information Secretary and Member National Assembly (MNA), Sheikh Waqas Akram addresses to media persons during press conference held at Peshawar press club.

KP Govt finalizes 'Maizban' tourism promotion project

PESHAWAR (APP): Khyber Pakhtunkhwa government finalized "Maizban" a homestay project to promote tourism in the province. The project will be finally launched on December 15, 2025.

Initially, the project would be launched at a cost of Rs. 395 million, providing interest-free loans of up to Rs. 3 million to local house owners in tourists' attractive districts to offer quality accommodation facilities to tourists.

The decision was made in a meeting of the Tourism Department, held here at Chief Minister's Secretariat on Tuesday with Chief Minister Ali Amin Khan Gandapur in the chair.

Besides, Advisor to Chief Minister on Tourism Zahid Chan Zeb, Secretary Tourism Bakhtiar Khan and Director General (DG) KP Culture & Tourism Authority (KPCTA) Tashfeen Haider, the representatives of other relevant departments also attended the meeting.

Maritime Minister lauds China's economic model, strengthens bilateral ties

ISLAMABAD (APP): Federal Minister for Maritime Affairs, Qaiser Ahmad Sheikh, on Tuesday emphasized China's economic model as a global example during a recent conference, underscoring the strengthening partnership between Pakistan and China.

Addressing the conference "China at 75: A Journey of Progress, Transformation & Global Leadership," organized by the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) with China's continued support and thanked the Chinese government for prioritizing Pakistan within South Asia.

economic model as an ideal for other countries, adding that Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif is also inspired by this approach. The minister discussed the strengthening strategic partnership between Pakistan and China, noting that the two nations consistently support each other in international fora, a reflection of their close ties. He expressed optimism about the completion of Phase II of the CPEC with China's continued support and thanked the Chinese government for prioritizing Pakistan within South Asia.

Sheikh pledged to elevate Pakistan's maritime sector to meet the standards of China's port and shipping industry. He emphasized that terrorism and actions by hostile groups would not weaken the longstanding friendship between the two nations. He also assured that Pakistan's federal government is addressing the concerns of the Chinese government and investors. The minister reiterated the importance of CPEC for the development of Balochistan and other provinces, stressing Pakistan's commitment to seeing all CPEC projects through to completion.



ISLAMABAD: Mr. Shahid Usman Parliamentary Secretary, Industries and Production visits Engineering Development Board (EDB) for briefing.

Chinese-Pakistani companies participate in B2B Investment Meeting on Fisheries in Qingdao

BEIJING (APP): As many as 45 Chinese and 28 Pakistani companies participated in the first Pakistan-China B2B Investment Meeting on Fisheries held on Tuesday in Qingdao, Shandong province on China.

Partnership between Pakistan and China. He stated that China was willing to strengthen science and technological exchanges, industrial cooperation, trade and investment, and cooperate in Pakistan's development of the blue economy. Secretary of the Board of Investment Rahim Hayat Qureshi appreciated the strong collaboration between China and Pakistan across various sectors. He urged for increased partnership among businesses from both countries to foster mutually beneficial cooperation. Additionally, he delivered a comprehensive presentation detailing the fisheries sector in Pakistan and the incentives offered by the Pakistani government for Chinese investors.

The event is a follow-up to Prime Minister Shehbaz Sharif's visit to China in June 2024 to further promote trade and investment between the two countries. Sun Huanjiang, Committee Member of CPC, Qingdao Municipal Marine Development Bureau, in his remarks, reiterated the historic All Weather Cooperative

Chairman WAPDA reviews construction work on Tarbela 5th Extension Hydropower Project

TARBELA (APP): Chairman WAPDA Engr Lt Gen Sajjad Ghani (retd) on Tuesday visited under-construction 1530 MW-Tarbela 5th Extension and reviewed the progress on the project. The Chairman had a detailed visit of the key sites, which include the Raised Intake, the Tunnel and the Power house, and witnessed construction work going on there, said a press release.

resume construction work on the Raised Intake structure once the water in the reservoir recedes to the required level. Following the site visit, the Chairman presided over a meeting at the project office attended by the GM Tarbela Dam, PD TS, the Consultants and the Contractors. Overall progress on the project was discussed during the meeting.

During the on-site briefing, the Project Director and the Construction Manager briefed the Chairman about the milestone achieved on these sites. Temporary support work in the tunnel is complete paving the way for commencement of construction on the connecting tunnel. Installation of equipment such as draft tubes of all three units - Unit No. 18, 19 and 20 - is in progress at the Power house Site. While, the Contractor is all set to

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Tanveer lauds services of outgoing Japanese Envoy

ISLAMABAD (APP): Minister for Industries, Production and National Food Security Rana Tanveer Hussain on Tuesday lauded the services of outgoing Ambassador of Japan to Pakistan Wada Mitsuhiro in promoting industrial cooperation between both countries.

During the farewell meeting, the minister also acknowledged the key role Japan's auto industry had played in strengthening relations between Pakistan and Japan. Rana Tanveer expressed optimism about Pakistan's economic indicators, adding, "The country's economy is heading in the right direction." "The government is taking practical steps to promote the auto industry," the minister emphasized.

PCCC, CEMB to collaborate on cotton research

MULTAN (APP): The Pakistan Central Cotton Committee (PCCC) and Centre of Excellence in Molecular Biology (CEMB) have agreed on a joint proposal to advance cotton research and development in Pakistan.

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QINGDAO: The first 'Pakistan-China B2B Investment Meeting' on Fisheries was organized in Qingdao, Shandong province, on 29 October 2024. Ambassador of Pakistan to China Mr. Khalil Hashmi and Secretary of the Board of Investment Mr. Rahim Hayat Qureshi in a group photo with the representatives of participating companies of Pakistan and China.

Shahid Usman lauds EDB efforts in promoting innovation technologies

ISLAMABAD (APP): Parliamentary Secretary Ministry of Industries and Production Shahid Usman on Tuesday commended the Engineering Development Board (EDB) for its remarkable progress in promoting innovative technologies, aligning with the government's vision.

During his visit to the EDB for a detailed briefing on its activities, the secretary expressed his appreciation, said a news release.

The secretary praised the efforts of EDB's current management in formulation of Auto

Industry Development and Export Policy (AIDEP 2021-26), Mobile Device Manufacturing Policy, interventions for promotion of Solar and Allied Equipment.

He also applauded EDB new initiatives for development of engineering sector including New Energy Vehicles (NEV) Policy, Indigenization of Agriculture Implements, and mainstream Petrochemical Policy and Promoting.

Additionally, he commended the EDB for preparing a comprehensive policy to promote local manufacturing and the early

adoption of Electric Vehicles (EVs), including New Energy Vehicles (NEVs), in support of a sustainable transport system in Pakistan, energy efficiency, and the transition to clean technologies and environment in the country. The secretary also admired EDB's participation in international exhibitions organized in the past and urged that best practices be adopted consistently, without any policy shifts. He praised the EDB for the transition of mobile phones from import.



ISLAMABAD: Japanese Ambassador HE Wada Mitsuhiro called on the Federal Minister for Industries and Production Rana Tanveer Hussain in Islamabad.

New Service Center launched to enhance China-Pakistan cooperation in agriculture

BEIJING (INP): The Overseas Luban Workshop Agricultural Machinery Service Center, Pakistan was inaugurated at the International Conference Center in Changsha, Hunan.

It aims at enhancing agricultural capabilities in Pakistan and fostering greater cooperation between China and Pakistan in agricultural mechanization, China Economic Net (CEN) reported on Tuesday.

The unveiling ceremony marked a collaboration between the China Agricultural Machinery Distribution Association (CAMDA),

Tianjin Modern Vocational Technology College, Tianjin Tailai Import and Export Co., Ltd., Tianjin Agricultural Mechanization Technology Testing Service Center, and Wugu Media.

On the occasion, according to CEN Asif Shah, Honorary Consultant of the Pakistan Luban Workshop and Executive Board Member of the Punjab Agricultural Research Board, hailed Luban Workshop's success in training over a thousand skilled agricultural machinery operators and maintenance technicians in Punjab, Pakistan.



QUETTA: President Anjuman-e-Tajir Balochistan Syed Amar ud Din Agha meeting with Deputy Commissioner Quetta Lt. (retd) Saad Bin Asad.

Ch Shafay chairs SMEs Council meeting

LAHORE (APP): Provincial Minister for Industry and Commerce Chaudhry Shafay Hussain chaired the first meeting of the Provincial Council on SMEs (Small and Medium Enterprises) here Tuesday. The meeting took several key decisions aimed at promoting small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs). Managing Director of Punjab Small Industries Corporation (PSIC) Saira Umar gave a detailed briefing on actions and strategies being taken to support SMEs.

During the meeting, it was decided to start a new loan scheme with easy terms for SMEs. This scheme, to be advanced in partnership with banks, will provide easy loans to promote solar energy in small industrial estates. Additionally, a new

program aimed at enhancing business skills for women investors was approved. Under this program, with the support of the Asian Development Bank, Women Resource Centers will be established in Faisalabad, Multan, Rawalpindi, Gujranwala, and Sialkot, following the Lahore model. The meeting also decided on the full digitization of the Punjab Small Industries Corporation. It was agreed to accelerate work on the Provincial SMEs Plan 2024 in line with the National SME Policy 2021.

While addressing the meeting, Provincial Minister Chaudhry Shafay Hussain emphasized the significant role of SMEs in economic growth, stressing the need for collective efforts to advance small and medium-sized businesses.

Rupee sheds 06 paise against dollar

ISLAMABAD (APP): Pakistani rupee on Tuesday depreciated by 06 paise against the US dollar in the interbank trading and closed at Rs 277.74 against the previous day's closing of Rs 277.68. However, according to the Forex Association of Pakistan (FAP), the buying and selling rates of the dollar in the open market stood at Rs 277.25 and Rs 278.75 respectively. The price of Euro increased by 27 paise to close at Rs 300.23 against the last day.



SAWAT: Engineer Amir Muqam Minister for Kashmir Affairs & Gilgit Baltistan and SAFRON inaugurating feeders at Khawazkhela Grid Station.

UAF inks MoU with SBP

FAISALABAD (APP): University of Agriculture Faisalabad has inked a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) Banking Services Cooperation Faisalabad to establish long-term, sustainable and mutually beneficial cooperation in areas of financial inclusion.

UAF Vice Chancellor Prof Dr Muhammad Sarwar Khan and Director Agriculture Credit & Financial Inclusion Department SBP Abid Qamar signed the MoU during a formal ceremony.

Dr Sarwar Khan said that the MoU will bring tangible results in terms of creating awareness about finance by arranging the seminars, conferences and exchange of information.

He said that SBP in collaboration with UAF had launched Agriculture.

Shipping activity at Port Qasim

KARACHI (APP): Four ships, X-Press Salween, MSC Pamela, Sea Stellar and South Port are scheduled to load/offload Container, Rice and Furnace oil, berthed at Qasim International Container Terminal, Grain Terminal and FOTCO Oil Terminal respectively on Monday.

Meanwhile four more ships, GFS Ruby, PH Giang Minh, Sea Quest and Milaha Ras Laffan are scheduled to load/offload Container, Rice, Gas oil and LNG arrived at outer anchorage during last 24 hours.

Asian Development Bank issues first biodiversity and nature bond theme

ISLAMABAD (APP): The Asian Development Bank (ADB) has issued its first biodiversity and nature theme bond to finance a pool of eligible projects across Asia and the Pacific.

The AS150 million (equivalent to US\$100 million), 10-year issue was purchased by the Dai-ichi Life Insurance Company, Limited of Japan and arranged by Credit Agricole CIB, according to ADB press release received here.

The bond was issued under ADB's Theme Bonds for Sustainable Development program, in coordination with its Environment group, it added.

"Investing in nature is emerging as one of the most impactful ways to combat climate change, biodiversity loss, and pollution. Through ADB's first biodiversity and nature bond, we are pleased to mobilize additional private sector capital to protect, restore and enhance sustainable management of biodiversity and nature mainstreaming," said ADB Treasurer Tobias Hoschka.

ADB's theme bonds for sustainable development act as a key vehicle to mobilize private capital in support of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and

the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework while offering investors with a safe and attractive investment opportunity through ADB's AAA credit rating.

"Dai-ichi Life is pleased to have invested in the first Biodiversity and Nature Bond issued by ADB. We are committed to creating a positive impact on society by investing in assets that contribute to solving social issues," said Dai-ichi Life Managing Executive Officer and Chief General Manager, Investment Kazuyuki Shigemoto. "We strongly support ADB's Biodiversity and Nature Bond that will finance projects aimed at nature-based solutions, including biodiversity protection, nature mainstreaming, as well as supporting the livelihoods of the communities," Dai-ichi added.

ADB has long been committed to protecting biodiversity and nature. It is a founding partner of the Coral Triangle Initiative established in 2009, safeguarding one of the world's most critical marine ecosystems.

At the Glasgow Climate Community of Practice in 2021, ADB along with nine other multilateral development banks.

BYD debuts flagship electric vehicles at Pakistan Auto Show

LAHORE: BYD, the world's leading New Energy Vehicle (NEV) manufacturer and pioneer in sustainable transportation solutions, participated in the prestigious Pakistan Auto Show 2024 through local partner Mega Motor Company (MMC). The company unveiled its highly anticipated NEVs to the local market at the event as well as officially opened bookings for two flagship models, BYD ATTO 3 and BYD SEAL.

In addition to these all-electric vehicles, BYD also showcased the BYD SHARK, a robust plug-in hybrid pickup truck designed for versatility in both adventurous off-road driving and everyday family utility, further expanding the company's portfolio of sustainable



transportation solutions. Post Auto Show MMC is accepting bookings for the BYD SEAL and ATTO 3 exclusively through its official website in Pakistan (<http://byd-mega.com>).

Over the next few weeks, Mega Motor Company will establish temporary showcase facilities in Karachi and Lahore, where customers can experience the cars and make bookings. Meanwhile, the company targets to open at least 3 BYD flagship showrooms in Karachi, Lahore and Islamabad.

impressive range of 650 km on a single charge. The BYD SEAL accelerates from 0 to 100 km/h in just 5.9 seconds, showcasing the company's engineering excellence and commitment to performance.

reinforcing its commitment to advancing the adoption of electric vehicles in Pakistan. BYD ATTO 3, the company's electric crossover SUV comes equipped with BYD's innovative Blade Battery technology, offering a range of 410 km on a single charge. Its fast-charging capabilities, advanced infotainment system and safety features make it an ideal choice for eco-conscious consumers. BYD SEAL is a high-performance electric sedan that can deliver an



LAHORE: Punjab Transport Minister Bilal Akbar presides over the 17th meeting of Steering Committee for provision of bikes to students.

